

**Burning of the Tower of London.**

On the night of Saturday, October 30, 1841, the great armoury, or storehouse, a large and imposing range of buildings, forming part of the Tower of London, and situated on the north side, to the east of St. Peter's Chapel, was entirely consumed by fire, which had broken out in the Round, or Bowyer Tower, immediately adjoining. The edifice destroyed had been founded by James II., and completed in the reign of William and Mary, their Majesties celebrating the conclusion of the work by visiting the Tower and partaking of a splendid banquet in the great hall of the new building.

This magnificent department, occupying the whole of the first floor, was afterwards employed as a storehouse for small arms, 15,000 stands of which were destroyed by the fire. Though a loss estimated at upwards of £200,000 was sustained, it was matter for congratulation that the older portions of the Tower, so interesting by their historical associations, escaped almost uninjured.

The Great or White Tower was for a time in imminent danger, and the Jewel Tower was so exposed to the flames that it was believed impossible to avert its destruction. But, fortunately, both buildings were preserved.

In connection with the Jewel Tower an interesting incident is recorded. On news of the outbreak, Mr. W. F. Pierse, superintendent of one of the divisions of Metropolitan Police, proceeded to the Tower. The flames had then made such headway that an attempt was made to remove the Regalia and crown jewels to a place of safety.

To get hold of the jewels was now the difficulty, these treasures being secured by a strong iron grating, the key of which was not available. Crow bars were procured, and a narrow aperture made in the grating, so as barely to admit one person.

Through this opening Mr. Pierse contrived with difficulty to thrust his self, and hand through from the inside the various articles of the Regalia. One of these, a silver font, was too large to be passed, and additional bars of the grating having therefore to be broken away.

Repeated cries now arose that the fire was advancing; but in spite of the danger Mr. Pierse stuck to his task, and at last rescued the font. The spectacle was extraordinary; wards carrying the crowns and other appointments of Royalty to the Governor's House, between groups of soldier's policemen, and firemen.

The fire was supposed to be caused by the overheating of a stove in the Round Table Tower.

**A Humble Hero.**

At this time of the year one can hardly peruse a daily paper without coming across accounts of seaside tragedies, accompanied by acts of heroism. But for gallantry and bravery an incident witnessed at a West Coast holiday resort on August 29, 1905, could scarcely be equalled.

A girl about five years old had wandered away across the sands, the tide being very low at the time. Suddenly a fisherman was seen running towards her, and then, to the horror of the onlookers, it was found that the child was

**Caught in the Quicksands.**

The fisherman reached her and held her above his head until a rope was secured and thrown to him. He then fastened it to the child—he himself being up to the waist at the time—and the little one was pulled to safety. Again the rope was thrown, and the man tied it under his arms, but it was found impossible to move him.

Just then a skimmer came galloping up on his horse, and the rope was quickly fastened to the saddle. Then commenced a struggle which was terrible to witness. The poor fellow appeared to be coming out when the rope broke, and he seemed to be sucked down twelve inches deeper. He was now involved up to the neck, and his would-be rescuers could not get within twenty feet of him.

The last scene of all is almost too painful to describe in detail, and this hero of this gallant deed disappeared from sight without a cry.

**Object to Nobel Prize Winner.**

New York, December 7.—Representatives of European anti-vivisection societies have lodged a formal protest in Stockholm against the awarding of the Nobel prize to Dr. Carroll of New York, head of the Rockefeller Institute for medical research.

This is the first time since the Nobel prize distribution began that a protest has been made against the choice of a winner.

Dr. Carroll has already left for Stockholm, where he will lecture during the winter.

Fifty-two years will have passed on August 30 since the first tramway in Europe was publicly opened at Birkenhead.

**Tempting Price Inducements For Christmas Shoppers!**

**Our Showroom Department.**

**A Few Suggestions.**

A few suggestions to help you in deciding what to buy. No need to say and where to buy, because you'll buy at BAIRD'S BAZAAR this Christmas, teeming with useful gifts for young and old.

**TEA CLOTHS.**

3 1/2 doz. of White Muslin Tea Cloths, size 28 x 28, braided designs and openwork effect. Reg. 50c. **42c** Friday and Saturday

**A CLEARING LINE OF SIDE-BOARD CLOTHS and CENTRE PIECES.**

This lot contains many patterns to choose from; some plain White, others worked in colored stitching, White, Cream and Khaki. **12c** Friday and Saturday

**PILLOW SHAMS.**

3 doz. of Lace Pillow Shams, size 23 x 34; very pretty designs in overlays, with braided edge. Reg. 55c. **46c** Friday and Saturday

**CUSHION COVERS.**

4 1/2 doz. of assorted patterns in White Muslin Cushion Covers. These are very pretty worked with ribbon in neat floral designs. Reg. \$1.00 to \$1.30. **38c** Friday & Saturday, all one price

**PILLOW CASES.**

10 doz. of a better grade, size 21 x 31 inches; scalloped edge, others hemstitched and embroidered design. This is a favourite line. Reg. 40c. **34c** Special for Friday & Saturday

**MUFFLERS.**

10 doz. of the new "Orto" Muffler, similar to the Phoenix, but large and fuller in front, also with turn-over collar; each Muffler boxed. Reg. 75c. **65c** Friday and Saturday

**CORSETS.**

76 pairs of American Corsets, medium bust and long hips, bias cut; each Corset with four suspenders attached; the kind of Corset that gives perfect shape and perfect comfort to the wearer. Reg. 70c. **63c** Friday and Saturday

**CHILDREN'S WHITE MUSLIN AMERICAN DRESSES.**

These little Dresses, fitting from 3 years to 8, should attract your attention, being neat, natty and well finished in every way; embroidered yoke and trimmed neatly with embroidery and insertion, some with French bodice, others with pleated yoke finely tucked at waist and skirt; also long or short sleeves. Reg. 75c. **66c** Friday and Saturday

**SOME TEMPTING VALUES AT OUR APRON COUNTER.**

5 1/2 doz. of White Lawn Aprons, with and without bodies, trimmed with fine embroidery and insertion, some with frill extending over shoulders, others with neat frill at bottom of apron. A neat selection and an appropriate gift for Christmas. Reg. 60c. **52c** Friday and Saturday

**CHILDREN'S BEAR SETS.**

Only 14 sets in this lot. Be one of the lucky ones to secure a nice White Bear Set for the little girl for Christmas. An appropriate gift. **52c** Friday and Saturday

**LADIES' HAND BAGS.**

A grand assembly of these picked from our Showroom Department, containing Black and Colored Leathers, Suede, Silk & Satin Bags, with cord and shoulder strap. Values to \$1.50. **1.12** Special for Friday and Saturday

**FANCY HAT PINS.**

Always an appropriate gift—a pair of nice Hat Pins. Grand showing this week and marked exceptionally cheap, considering the quality. A rare line of these in Mother of Pearl set with lustrous and twinkling Brilliants; leaf shape and round. Reg. 45c. **36c** each. Friday and Saturday

**SILK BOWS.**

4 doz. of Paisley and Colored Silk Bows; the newest creations in this lot just opened; direct from London. Reg. 22 to 25c. **18c** Friday and Saturday

**LADIES' BODICES.**

Only 4 doz. in this lot, all fine Jersey ribbed with long sleeves, finished with crochet edge at neck and front, buttoned at front and with draw string at waist. Now this is a perfect fitting garment and much comfort derived from it this cold weather. Buy now. Reg. 35c. **28c** Friday and Saturday

**NEW CHRISTMAS BLOUSES.**

A stylish line is this one, specially ordered for Christmas trade. You'll find the value amazing considering the exclusive styles contained in this selection. Beautifully trimmed, high neck and long sleeves; full sizes; American make. Reg. \$2.00. **1.69** Friday and Saturday

**LADIES' MUFFLERS.**

5 doz. of Ladies' White Silk Mufflers, knitted, with turn-over collar and dome fastener. Reg. 40c. **32c** Friday and Saturday

**House Slippers.**

Let your gift be a lasting one by giving a pair of House Slippers bought at BAIRD'S.

OPPORTUNE ARRIVALS IN FOOT COMFORTS FOR THE HOUSE.

**LADIES'.**

36 pairs of Comfort Slippers of the cozy kind, in good warm Felt in colors of Navy, Cherry, Beaver and Brown; finished with soft sole; all sizes. Reg. \$1.10. **99c** Friday and Saturday

45 pairs of Ladies' Striped Velvet Slippers, with leather sole and a warm lining. This is a very comfortable fitting house slipper; all sizes—3 to 7. Reg. 90c. **82c** Friday and Saturday

60 pairs of Women's Leather House Shoes, with elastic front and bow; agood wearing and solidly constructed shoe. Reg. 85c. **78c** Friday and Saturday

48 pairs of Women's Striped Felt Juliet style. This is a very popular line to-day, being warm and comfortable. Reg. \$1.20. **1.05** Friday and Saturday

**MEN'S SLIPPERS.**

48 pairs of these in Camel Hair, well finished, strong and durable, with leather sole; all sizes. Reg. \$1.00. **88c** Friday and Saturday, per pair

**A Christmas Requirement Always: A New Table Cloth.**

**NOTABLE REDUCTION IN TABLE DAMASKS.**

3 pieces of Unbleached Table Damasks, very neat patterns; 58 inches wide. Reg. 35c. yard. **29c** Friday and Saturday

**WHITE DAMASK.**

226 yards of Pure White Table Damask, in assorted patterns, with heavy pattern borders, 70 inches wide. A perfect beauty for the price. Reg. 30c. yard. **72c** Friday and Saturday

**Santa Claus Headquarters.**

During Friday and Saturday Sales Days we will give Special Reductions on all classes of Toys and Gift Goods of all kinds; and remember, we are well stocked with the newest and up-to-date kind of goods that appeals both for their excellence and tempting prices. See our big display of TOYS.

**CHILDREN'S & MISSES' HOUSE SHOES**

Just opened a new lot of these, each pair put up in decorated Holly box, suggesting an ideal gift. These little Shoes are made of Purple Velvet, strap-over instep and printed Teddy bear on front. No better present for Christmas, and one to be appreciated.

Child's sizes, 7 to 10. **44c**, pair  
Misses' sizes, 11 to 2. **54c**, pair

**LADIES' HANDKERCHIEFS IN HANDSOME GIFT BOXES.**

When you're in doubt what to give, give Handkerchiefs. Handkerchiefs such as these will be appreciated. Our selection is large and varied, prices ranging from 20c. to \$1.50 per box. **Special prices Friday and Saturday**

**We Offer a BIG SPECIAL in Handkerchiefs for Christmas Sales.**

**MEN'S.**

40 doz. of the popular "Excelsior" the Handkerchief renowned for its soft finish and wearing qualities; Hemstitched; initial and plain. Regular 20c. **17c** Friday and Saturday

**MEN'S SILK HANDKERCHIEFS.**

10 doz. of these, hemstitched and plain, full size; superior quality Silk, White and Colored. Reg. 80c. **72c** Friday and Saturday

**PHOTO FRAMES.**

We offer great values in Photo Frames during this week's sales in the following makes: Aluminum in great variety; Polished Wood and Brasses; Brass in the newest designs; Silk covered Frames with handsome Silk stitching; and an endless variety of other styles at prices from 11c. to \$1.20. All specials for Christmas sale.

**TOWELS.**

12 doz. of Unbleached Turkish Towels, size 16 x 36; fringed edge, colored and stripe. Regular 15c. **12c** Friday and Saturday

10 doz. of Unbleached Turkish Towels, size 18 x 36, fringed edge. This is a very firm Towel and guaranteed good wearing. Reg. 18c. **15c** Friday and Saturday

**SHAVING SETS.**

You can unburden your mind of the worry of what to give him by buying one of these Shaving Sets. Specially priced for Friday and Saturday. Prices from **70c to \$4.20 per Set**

**PIPE LIGHTERS.**

Little in Size, but Mighty Handy—A Welcome Gift. 5 doz. of these useful little Pipe Lighters, in nickel case with receptacle for containing benzine, which burns on round wick. All you have to do is to press the catch and presto! you have a steady light. **20c.** Friday and Saturday

**A GRAND ASSEMBLY of Useful and Unique Articles Very Acceptable to him.**

This assembly includes sets of Fancy Vest Buttons, with Cuff Links to match; also a bright snappy line of Cuff Studs, Links, Fancy sets of Collar and Dress Shirt Studs, Scarf Pins in exquisite designs, studded with Brilliants, Emeralds, Pearls, etc. This line should suggest itself to you. Be on hand to get your pick. **48c.** Friday and Saturday



Every housekeeper should have at least one of these Hearth Rugs, all specially priced for Christmas Sale.

**HEARTH RUGS.**

16 only assorted patterns. Reg. \$2.60. **Friday and Saturday \$2.33**  
14 only Warwick. Reg. **\$3.50** Friday & Saturday **\$3.05**  
19 only Axminster. Reg. **\$3.80** Friday & Saturday **\$3.52**  
11 only Plano Rugs, size 4 1/2 feet by 6 feet. Reg. \$5.00. **Friday and Saturday \$4.55**  
26 only Sheepskin Door Mats, in Cardinal, Electric and Black; extra heavy. Reg. \$1.30. **Friday and Saturday \$1.10**  
**SEE THIS LINE.**

**HOSIERY SPECIALS.**

**WOMEN'S.**

10 doz. of Women's Black Worsted Ribbed Hose; full weight. Regular 35c. **Friday and Saturday 29c**

**BOYS' HOSE.**

14 doz. of assorted size in Boys' Black Worsted Ribbed Hose; a splendid weight for this season; to fit from 5 to 15 years. **Friday and Saturday, all sizes 24c**

**MEN'S HALF HOSE.**

9 doz. of Men's assorted sizes Ribbed Black Worsted Hose. This is a new line just to hand; see them for yourself. Reg. 30c. **Friday and Saturday 26c**

**WOMEN'S BLACK AND COLORED HOSE.**

Only 6 doz. in this lot, an odd lot picked from our broken lines of Women's Hose. Some of these marked 65c. pair. **Friday and Saturday 33c**

**WOOL BLANKETS.**

48 pairs of Wool Blankets, size 64 x 76; a superior Blanket in every way. These Blankets are all plain, no colored borders; very closely woven and well covered with the softest wool. Reg. \$4.00 pair. **Friday and Saturday \$3.65**

60 pairs of the same make, plain finish. This Blanket is a much better grade than the cheaper one; larger in size, heavier in weight; size 64 x 88. Reg. \$5.00. **Friday and Saturday \$4.55**

**COTTON BLANKETS.**

35 pairs of the much asked for "Woolmap" Blanket, made from Australian Wool and finest American selected Cotton; size 66 x 86 inches; Pink and Blue fast color borders. Reg. \$3.00. **Friday and Saturday \$2.79**



**CHRISTMAS CARDS.**

Just opened a new and choice selection of Christmas and New Year Cards, boxed, and also in packets of assorted Cards; marvellous value revealed in Friday & Saturday's prices.

Single Boxed Cards from 8, 12, 17, 27, 36c. each.  
Assorted Packets and Boxes with Envelopes, 12, 17, 26c. each.

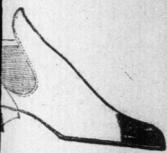


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