

OAK TRAYS



An article of real utility and appreciable in every home is an Oak Tea Tray. We have them in all sizes—polished or dull finish.

Light or Dark Oak Trays
Dull
16-inch, \$2.00; 18-inch, \$2.25; 20-inch, \$2.50; 22-inch, \$3.00; 24-inch, \$3.50.

Dark Oak Trays
Fine Polish
NICKELED HANDLES.
16-inch, \$3.25; 18-inch, \$3.50; 20-inch, \$3.75; 22-inch, \$4.50; 24-inch, \$5.00 each.

Silver Mounted Oak Goods
Oak Butter Dishes, Plated Mounts, two styles, at \$3.00, \$3.50 each.
Oak Biscuit Barrels, from \$3.50.
Oak Salad Bowls, with servers, plated mounts, carved, \$10.00 each.

Writing Desks
Fine Polished Walnut Desks, inlaid brass, two styles, \$3.50, \$6.00 each.

Weiler Bros. COMPLETE HOUSE FURNISHERS VICTORIA, B.C.

Hearth Rugs
Reversible Smyrna Hearth Rugs, beautiful colorings, exclusive designs, \$3.50, \$5.50, \$7.00 each.

Mohair Rugs
In rich crimson, gold, olive pink or blue, \$9.50 each. Large size, \$12.00 each.

French Wilton Rugs
Choice designs in two sizes, \$4.25 and \$6.00 each.

Mecca Rugs
In beautiful color tones, \$4.00, \$9.00, \$12.00 each.

Imperial Rugs
Fine, heavy quality, \$8.00, \$10.00 each. Imitation Down Cotton covered.

Cushions
From 50c. to \$1.25 each. Covered with satin or silk, \$1.00 to \$2.50 each.

Sanitary Pillows
ODORLESS
\$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.25 each.

FACTS from WEILER'S

Include a "Rubdry" Towel in your offerings to

"HIM"
On Christmas morning, with a rub down with a Rubdry after his bath, he will only touch the high spots going down town.
40c., 55c., 75c., \$1.00 each.

Rubdry de Luxe
\$1.25 EACH.
Don't wind one round the water pipe makes the meter run too fast.

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If You Don't Quite Know What to Buy or Where to Go
Come Right to Our Store
You will be delighted with the elegant displays of useful presents arranged for your inspection.

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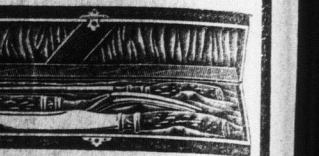
A Dining Room to be right up to date, should contain a

Witch Cauldron
The latest Coal Vase. We have just received a nice assortment of these direct from England, in
DULL BLACK, \$2.50.
With Brass or Copper Bands, \$3.50.
Macbeth Cauldrons, \$4.75.
Nelson Cauldron, \$6.00.
All Brass for the Drawing Room, \$12.00.

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EIDERDOWNS
OUR STOCK OF
Eiderdowns offers a very choice assortment, unsurpassed in coloring and design.
SPECIAL
Sateen and Chintz Covered Eiderdowns, 5x6, \$5.50 each.
Finer Grades, \$9.00 to \$35.00 each.

CASE GOODS



A very acceptable and exceedingly popular Christmas Gift is a

Case of Carvers
A pair of nice Buck Carvers, with Steel to match, mounted in silk-lined Case for \$4.00 is just all right.
We have them, though, up to \$20.00.

Fish Carvers
Durable Electroplate, of pleasing design, with celluloid or pearl handles, in cases from \$4.50 up.

Dessert Knives
Dessert Knives and Forks, best quality Silver Plate and celluloid or pearl handles, from \$10.00 half dozen upwards.

Fish Knives and Forks
Fish Knives and Forks, pretty designs, in reliable plate with celluloid or pearl handles, from \$10.00 half dozen.

ORIENTAL DEPARTMENT



INDIA
Brass Goods, Carved Screens and Mirapore Rugs from

JAPAN
Rugs and Squares, Reed Portieres and Silk Tildies from

PERSIA
Brass Goods, Rugs and Embroideries from

EGYPT
Hammered Brass Goods, Jardiniere and Trays from

ARMENIA
Rich Cushions and Table Covers, Drapes and Tildies from

TURKEY
Draperies, Rich Toilet Scarfs, Centres and Stripes from

JAPAN
Bronze and Antimony vases—a rich collection—from

CHINA
Large Gongs and Dinner Bells; an interesting assortment, from

SPECIAL IMPORTATION OF GONGS
Gongs on Stands, \$5.00, \$6.00, \$8.00, \$10.00 each.
Hand Gongs, \$5.00, \$8.00, \$12.00 each.
Chimes on Stands, \$3.00 to \$5.50 each.
Handsome Pedestal Gongs, \$20.00 each.

STOCKS BIGGER, BETTER, BRIGHTER, THAN EVER

On the Second Floor

Chenille Curtains, in all colorings, from \$4.00 pair.

Tapestry Curtains, in many styles, from \$2.75 pair.

Chenille Table Covers, from \$1.00 each.

Tapestry Covers, all sizes, from 75c. each.

Swiss Lace Curtains, from \$4.50 pair.

Fancy Sofa Cushions in artistic designs, from \$2.25 each.

Silk Embroidered Piano and Mantel Drapes, from \$3.00 each.

Florentine Striped Silk Tildies, from 50c. each.

Christmas Joys are doubled by giving and receiving gifts that are useful—gifts that will serve a useful purpose—seen and enjoyed by all. Here is a list of the customary suggestions that the season allows, each section claiming distinction for a full variety, and you may rest assured that you will be perfectly satisfied with the wide range of choice that our immense stock affords. Come in and look around. You will receive a hearty welcome.

See Our Goods Before Deciding What to Buy

The Big Furnishing Store WEILER BROS.

The Store for the People and for You

Needle Cases Free
Get a Needle Case before they are all gone. We are giving these away free to every lady leaving her name at the store.

A 230 Page Book Free
Our handsomely illustrated catalogue of 230 pages, devoted exclusively to Home Furnishing, will be found very useful in the selection of Xmas Gifts. Free for the asking.

Our Picture Gallery

Comprises a nice collection of Holiday Pictures, the most prominent and popular being the Photographic Reproductions of Famous Paintings in the National and Walker Art Galleries. These are neatly framed and price from \$2.75 to \$10.00 each.

A large selection of fine Engravings from \$6.50 to \$15.00 each.

Novelties for Men

Bretby Novelty Ash Trays, "If he loves a joke," 50c., 75c. each.

Bretby Tobacco Jars, 85c., \$1.00 each.

Oak and Silver Cigar Cabinets, two divisions, price \$9.00 each.

Beautifully Decorated Glass and China Cigar and Cigarette Jars, best quality, electroplated mounts, \$2.50, \$3.50, \$5.00 each.

Doulton Tobacco Jars, Tobby Decoration, from \$1.00.

Doulton Match Holders, \$1.00 each.

Devon Match Stands, 35c., 50c. each.

Aller Vale Tobacco Jars, 50c. each.

Elegantly fitted Razor and Manicure Cases, Joseph Rodgers make, real Morocco, price \$7.50.

Shaving Cups and Badger Brushes, Nickel, \$1.50.

Shaving Stands, with Reversible Mirror, fitted on Telescopic Stand, with cups for soaps and brushes, price complete, \$9.00.

Shaving Brushes, pure Badger Bristles, 50c. each.

Sterling Silver Mounted Shaving Brushes, from \$2.50 each.

Silver Plated Whist and Cribbage Board, \$4.50.

Sterling Silver Match Safes, \$1.75 up.

Silver-Plated Smokers' Sets, \$4.00 up.

Comb Sets, Sterling Mounts, \$1.00 each.

Hunting Pictures for his Den—The Meet, Breakfast, The Gill, Breaking Cover, \$3.00, \$4.50 each.

Reading Lamps, from \$2.50 each.

Cigar Cutters, brass, \$1.00 each.

Bonar's Beakers, from 20c. each.

A choice selection of Bronzed and Brass Inkstands, from \$1.00 up.

Military Brushes, Sterling Silver mounts, with and without cases, \$3.50 to \$7.50 pair.

A Brilliant Collection

Beautiful Cut Glass from the famous Libbey Factory, where the art attains perfection.

Richly cut Bowls, from \$6.00 up.

Sugars and Creams, from \$8.00 pair.

Decanters, new shapes, \$18.00 each.

Claret Jugs, \$12.00 to \$18.00 each.

Perfume Bottles, \$4.50 to \$6.00 each.

Flower Vases, \$3.50 to \$10.00 each.

Boubons and Olives, from \$4.50 each.

Candlesticks, \$8.00 pair.

Celery Dishes, from \$9.00 each.

Preserve Dishes, from \$5.00 each.

Rose Bowls, \$12.00 to \$14.00 each.

Water Bottles, \$10.00 to \$14.00 each.

Silver Mounted Fumed Oak Goods
Rare conceptions out of the common, designs from art workers who have left the impress of a skill that stands for real merit—a few prices.

Ash Receivers, \$7.50 each.

Loving Cups and Covered Mugs, \$9.00 each.

Fern Pots, \$12.00 each.

Stems and Vases, \$15.00 each.

Pitchers, Loving Cups and Stems, \$18.00 each.

Stems and Growlers, \$20.00 each.

IN OUR Art Ware Section
The matter resolves itself into a question of choosing.

Royal Worcester Vases, from \$4.50.

Stems, in two sizes, \$1.50, \$2.50 each.

Ridgway's Blue Plaques, 85c. each.

Sienna Art Ware, a large choice from 50c. to \$3.00 each.

Dessert Plates, English China samples, \$1.00 to \$2.00 each.

Doulton Vases, from \$2.25 each.

Goss China Loving Cups, \$4.00 each.

Bretby Vase: an immense selection, from 25c. to \$3.00 each.

Artistic Bretby Umbrella Holders, \$6.50, \$8.50 each.

For a Gift

A handsome piece of china would be more acceptable to many than any other selection. There's a niche in every home for a pretty Vase or Ornament.

Hadley Worcester
Vases, Sugars and Creams, Potpourri Jars, etc., in the most charming decorations. There is true art in these imitations of nature, \$2.50 to \$18.00 each.

Who Wants Them
About 50 pieces of beautiful Carlton Ware—Vases, Jugs, Teapots, Jardiniere, Salad Bowls, Sugars and Creams, in two very rich decorations, Yellum Ground laid and a rich Crown Derby, the exact duplicate of that chosen by King Edward for the Royal Salad Bowl.

Vases and Jardiniere, \$4.75 up.

Salad Bowls, from \$4.00 each.

Fruit Dishes, from \$2.00 each.

Jugs and Teapots, \$1.00 to \$1.50.

All Carlton Ware.

Cups and Saucers
5 O'clock Teacups and Saucers, After Dinner Coffees, Full Size Teas and larger cups for the men. A fine assortment, which includes a Maker's Samples—only one of a kind. Prices 25c. each to \$18.00 a dozen.

Bread and Butter Plates to match Cups and Saucers, from \$2.00 to \$12.00 dozen.

Dainty Sugars and Creams, in great variety of style and design, 50c. to \$6.50 pair.

Barnstaple Ware
Waimostically designed figures of animals, Vases, etc., of fanciful conception, By Baroc, 25c. to \$5.00.

Aller Vale Ware
This popular counter claims considerable attention from Christmas shoppers, all prices from 25c. to \$3.50 each.

OUR FURNITURE SECTION

Offers some very choice suggestions for practical gifts to serve a useful purpose.

Morris Chairs
Have you ever experienced the real, solid comfort of a Morris Chair? Simply constructed, easily adjusted. Upholstered in Denim, \$20.00. Tapestry Covering, \$10.00, \$12.00. Upholstered in Moquette, \$15.00. Leather Covered Cushions, \$18.00.

Parlor Tables
A splendid choice, from \$3.00 to \$25.00 each.

Reception Chairs
Odd Parlor Chairs, in a large selection of coverings, from \$5.00 each upwards.

Parlor Suites
Upholstered in Tapestry, from \$25.00 up.

Jardiniere Stands
In an immense variety of designs, from \$2.25 each.

Lounges and Couches
Upholstered in Tapestry, from \$7.00 to \$18.00 each.

Students' Easy Chairs
Hollow Seat, most comfortable, Tapestry coverings, from \$9.00 up.

Music and Book Cabinets
A large choice, from \$3.50 upwards.

Preserved Palms

These Perpetuated Palms are very popular for interior adornment: no water, no attention; good all the year.
60c., 75c., \$1.25, \$1.75, \$2.50 each.

Any Old Jug
Won't do for many people. Here is something that's a little different.
Dutch Jugs, in Sienna Art Ware, decorated with scenes from Coaching Days, 50c., 75c.
Old Greek Jugs, rich classical decorations, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00 each.
Wedgwood Jugs, four sizes, 80c., \$1.10, \$1.30, \$1.50 each.

Linoleum
Now is the time to have good Mats around. They save an immense amount of labor.
Cocoa Mats, from 75c. up.
Wire Mats, from \$1.25 each.
Rubber Mats, from \$2.00 each.

Chocolate Sets
Seen them? A large, handsome jug and six Cups and Saucers to match make a set. Placed on a nice Oak Tray, the right, snappy, rich decorations show up to full advantage. Price \$6.00, \$8.00, \$9.50 set.

A Chance for Everybody
Very opportunely we have a fine selection of

Tea Services
In English and Austrian China. These sets of Cups and Saucers, 12 Plates, 2 Cake Plates, Slop and Cream, and include all styles, from neat printed designs in various colors to the rich Crown Derby of Persian character. Priced from \$5.00 to \$45.00 set.

Bedsteads
Does not always mean the most expensive.
Furnival's Pottery stands in front of most competitors, but it is very reasonable in price, for example:
10 pieces White and Gold Toilet sets, \$10.00 set.
35 pieces White and Gold Dinner sets, \$18.00 set.

Miscellaneous

Although a very important question, that of choosing Christmas Presents, it has not an entire monopoly of our thoughts. There are other things around the home which perhaps need renewing previous to the festive gathering. For example, do you want new

Door Mats
Now is the time to have good Mats around. They save an immense amount of labor.
Cocoa Mats, from 75c. up.
Wire Mats, from \$1.25 each.
Rubber Mats, from \$2.00 each.

Table Glassware
See that your stock is complete.
Tumblers, from 75c. dozen.
Wines, from \$1.00 dozen.
Water Jugs, from 50c. each.
Cake Stands, 60c. each.
Celery Trays, from 40c. each.
Composts, from 50c. each.
Decanters, from \$1.50 each.
Fruit Bowls, 75c. each.
Jelly Stands, from 25c. each.

Bedsteads
Are worth a good deal. You will enjoy both if you purchase one of these clean and comfortable Enameled Iron

Brass Beds
In the latest design. Prices up to \$90.00 each.

Novelties for Women

We have such an immense variety of dainty articles that the woman with a pretty home loves to gather round her that it is hard to specialize any one thing in particular.
Sterling Silver, of course, is

Something She Would Appreciate
We have an elegant choice of Toilet Articles in rich Repousse Design.
Manicure pieces, from 50c. each.
Brushes and Whisks, from \$2.00 each.
Perfume Bottles, from \$5.00 up.
Nail Polishers, from 50c. each.
Hand Mirrors, from \$10.00 each.
Manicure Sets, from \$3.00 up.
Puff Boxes, \$3.50 to \$5.00 each.
Pomade Boxes, \$1.00 to \$4.00.
Perfume Sprays, from \$2.00 up.
Sterling Mounted Call Bells, 50c. up.
Seals, Shoe Horns, Button Hooks, 50c. up.

Silver Plate
Cake Baskets, from \$4.00.
Tea Sets, three and five pieces, from \$15.00.
Berry Spoons, from \$2.00.
Butter Dishes, from \$1.00.
Nut Crackers, from 85c.
Sugar Shells, from 50c.
Child's Knife, Fork and Spoon, 30c. up.
Toast Racks, from \$1.00 each.
Biscuit Jars, from \$3.50.
Sugars and Creams, from \$5.00.
Marmalade Jars, from \$3.50.
Butter Knives, from 60c.

Table Silver
In handsome patterns, is very dearly prized by the proud housekeeper, and if it's Rogers, 1847, she knows how good it really is and how staunch its wearing qualities.

Roger's 1847
Teaspoons, from \$4.00 dozen.
Dessert Spoons and Forks, from \$6.50 dozen.
Tablespoons and Forks, from \$7.00 dozen.

VOE XLVII, NO. 5

Meet Them Half Way

Powerful Japanese Squadron Go to Attack Admiral Rojestvensky.

Important Announcement respecting Mobilization of Russian Reserves.

All Tokio Rejoicing at News Success at the Kieckwan Forts.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—The Mail's correspondent at Hong says he has learned from a reliable source that a powerful Japanese squadron of 10 ships and armored cruisers is proceeding south, accompanied by 15 coal and transporters, to attack the Russian Pacific squadron.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 20.—Mobilization of the reserves has been announced in the army in the Far East. It is thought the whole force can be placed in the field by spring, the problem of food and fuel will be easier met and the transportation of the troops will create less strain on the trans-Siberian railway.

Tokyo, Dec. 20.—All Japan is rejoicing with praise for the success of the Japanese expedition to the Korean peninsula. It is noted that his heroic inspired men and turned a threatened disaster into a splendid victory.

General Samejima is an old soldier and the Satusima rebellion. He is grey haired and bent, but is very active. He is an engineer and formerly a garrison commander. He was called to Fort Arthur to aid in superintending the siege works. He was not assigned to active command and it is supposed General Samejima replaced General Tsuchiya as division commander.

Headquarters of the Third Japanese Army, via Pusan, in the future of the north Kieckwan mountain fort was a brilliant spectacle. The Japanese had been tunneling two shafts forty feet in length with four shafts and 100 mines, which were exploded on 18th.

The two attacking parties were composed of volunteers, and those participating in the fort were captured the fort or die. The rest of the first force were distinguished by red badges. They remained in the most during the explosion of mines, having changed positions, many were killed by the debris.

The second body of assailants, distinguished by their breasts and divided in case during the explosion, was sent from the mountain immediately. The result of the explosion was a large quantity of debris, which was piled up in front of the wall killing the remainder of the garrison the rear of the fort.

Moulton, Dec. 20.—Deserters from the Japanese army are arriving daily. They report that there is no suffering from hunger, but more from cold, among the Japanese troops.

Many Chinese, who were in the hands of the Japanese are going to Mongolia, which indicates that they are not being held.

The Japanese are changing the names of their brigades and divisions which makes it more difficult to get information from the press. The headquarters of the Japanese are in the hands of the Japanese and the strength of the Japanese remains about the same.

STRIKE IS OFF.

End of Lockout of Granite Cutters Montpelier, Vermont.

Montpelier, Vt., Dec. 21.—As a result of the ending of the lockout declared by the Barry Granite Manufacturers' Association against the granite cutters in this city and its vicinity, the cutters resumed work today at Barry's shops, and these in Montpelier will return to work tomorrow.

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A BAD ACCIDENT AT MINNEAPOLIS

Walls Standing After Fire Top Over With Fatal Results to Many.

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 20.—side wall of the O. H. Peck building Fifth street south, which was standing by the great fire of last Tuesday night, toppled over in a high early today onto the Crocker hotel, a structure of brick and masonry erected completely down through the story constructed building, carrying no end and all into a mass of debris the basement. There was no war of the disaster, and the 14 persons were sleeping in the various apartments were caught in the structure. Eight of them were killed.

The killed follow: Hans Mason, James Hamilton, employed at Roun Brewery; C. M. Kanoy, foreman, and his two sons, Mrs. J. C. Crocker, and her son, Wm. Emerson, laborer; William, contractor; Joseph, Henry, and Wm. Lillyblade, employed in the mill of O. H. Peck.

The injured are: Mrs. Carvye Bout about the face and body; Mrs. W. J. Crocker, badly injured and being from exposure; Mrs. E. W. Williams, face cut and badly bruised; Mrs. Anna McVining, face cut and badly bruised.

Some of those injured were in Belmont hotel, adjoining the Crocker and were hurt by the debris that forced through the walls separating two buildings.

Responsibility for the accident, he is the subject of thorough investigation. J. C. Houghton, city building inspector, had made an inspection of standing walls yesterday but had no orders concerning them. He earlier ordered the demolition of other parts of the walls that were likely to fall. The total loss is \$1,000,000.