

Store Open till 10 P.M.

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MERRY  
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TO ALL.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

WITH the great stocks assembled and the generous whole-souled spirit of Christmas pervading every section of the store, the wonderful display of Christmas goods and the excellent values everywhere—"The Royal" becomes the Christmas Gift Headquarters, that offers both pleasure and profit to everyone.

Midst the whole vast wealth of merchandise, however, it is satisfactory to purchasers to note that surprisingly moderate prices are asked for the very latest and newest novelties. We strongly urge our thousands of customers to do their shopping as early as possible Friday and Saturday.

In keeping with the custom of this store in giving Special Reductions every Friday and Saturday, this week will prove no exception. The following list has been specially chosen for Christmas shoppers, and will be offered both days—Friday and Saturday. In cases where lines get completely sold out, a substitute will be given.

A Specially Selected Bargain Programme For

## Friday and Saturday

Bottles of  
Perfumes

Good quality, with  
and without boxes.  
Reg. 40c.

Friday &amp; Saturday,

34c bot.

Tie and  
Collar Boxes

Leatherette covered  
with Aluminum  
picture in cover.  
Reg. 45c.

Friday &amp; Saturday,

35c each

Children's  
Toy Pianos

With eight keys,  
nicely decorated  
and painted.  
Reg. 40c.

Friday &amp; Saturday,

32c each.

Boys'  
Skittle Games

Nine Pin Game,  
plain and decorated.  
Reg. 25c.

Friday &amp; Saturday,

18c game

Boys'  
Sail Boats

Nicely painted and  
striped, yacht,  
schooner and yawl  
rigged.  
Reg. 50c.

Friday &amp; Saturday,

18c each

Door  
Mats

Velvet Pile,  
fringed on ends;  
Size 12 x 32 ins.  
Reg. 50c.

Friday &amp; Saturday,

42c each

## Gifts That Men Like and Appreciate.

MEN'S TIES—40 doz. of Men's Paris String Ties, in an immense range of colors and patterns, Dark and Light. Reg. 20c. each. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 16c

MEN'S MUFFLERS—7 doz. of Men's Silk Mufflers, Cream, White and Colored, Fancy Check, Floral and Stripe patterns, also Blue with White Spot, and White with Blue spot. Reg. 55c. each. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 70c

MEN'S BRACES—8 doz. pairs of Men's good quality English Elastic Braces, with Brass Buckles and heavy Leather Straps; double back straps. Reg. 55c. pr. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 48c

MEN'S SOCKS—30 doz. pairs of Men's Heavy Worsted Socks, assorted Heather mixtures, in Reds, Browns, Greens, etc.; card of mending wool with each pair. Reg. 30c. pair. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 24c

SHAVING SETS—4 doz. of Nickel Shaving Sets, on stand, with China Soap Dish and Brush and Mirror. Mirror can be set any angle. Reg. 50c. set. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 65c

MEN'S CAPS—15 doz. of Men's Tweed Caps, American and English manufacture, Wool and Fur-lined inner bands to turn down; full range of sizes. Reg. \$1.20 each. Friday & Saturday . . . . . \$1.05

BOYS' CAPS—5 doz. only of Boys' Tweed Caps, with Wool and Fur-lined inner band to turn down over ears; neat check patterns. Reg. 80c. each. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 70c

## Very Acceptable.

PILLOW CASES.  
6 doz. only of Hemstitched Frilled White Cotton Pillow Cases, 3 inch frill; size 20 x 30 ins. Reg. 50c. each. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 42c

HEARTH RUGS.  
15 only Imitation Turkish Hearth Rugs, size 29 x 54 inches; neat and rich colorings, good wearing Rug; reversible. Reg. \$2.00 each. Friday & Saturday . . . . . \$1.65

PHOENIX MUFFLERS.  
110 only Ladies' or Gent's White and Cream Phoenix Mufflers, Silk finish; a special job line. Values to 90c. each. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 30c

MEN'S BOOTS.  
70 pairs of Men's good quality American Boots, in Vici Kid, Box Calf, Gun Metal and Velour Calf, Blucher and Balmoral shapes; all sizes. Reg. \$4.50 pair. Friday & Saturday . . . . . \$4.10

LADIES' COLLARS.  
320 Ladies' Lace Stock Collars, with and without Tabs, in Cream, Paris, White and Blk.; dainty patterns. Reg. 25c. each. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 20c

MOTOR SCARVES.  
7 doz. of Ladies' Motor Scarves, Ice Wool and Orenburg Lace, Cream, White and Fancy striped, also heavy Wool Knit. Reg. 65c. each. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 55c

CHILD'S BONNETS.  
2 doz. of Children's Velvet Bonnets, neatly trimmed with Silk Ribbon; colors of Crimson, Saxe, Reseda, Brown, Royal and V. Rose. Reg. 85c. each. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 70c

LADIES' BLOUSES.  
30 only Ladies' Jap Silk Blouses; colors of White, Pink and Pale Blue; some have beautiful silk worked fronts, others trimmed with fine Lace and Insertion. Reg. \$2.50 each. Friday & Saturday . . . . . \$1.90

## Last Minute Suggestions From the Grockery Dept.

Cut Glass Tumblers. Reg. 15c. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 12c. each  
Krytol Finger Bowls. Reg. 20c. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 17c. each  
Krytol Vases. Reg. 30c. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 26c. each  
Cut Glass Decanters, Olives. Reg. 55c. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 48c. ea.  
Krytol Handled Olive Dishes. Reg. 15c. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 12c. ea.  
Royal Bayreuth Bon-Bon Dishes. Reg. 45c. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 39c. ea.  
3-piece Red Glass Table Sets. Reg. 60c. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 52c. set  
3-piece Blue & Green Glass Table Sets. Reg. 45c. Friday & Sat. . . . . 39c. set  
Opalescent Vases. Reg. 50c. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 44c. each  
Opalescent Vases. Reg. 40c. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 35c. each  
Glass Butter Sets, 7 pieces. Reg. 25c. set. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 22c.

## Handkerchief Opportunities

We have hundreds upon hundreds of Handkerchiefs—Handkerchiefs of every variety—from the plain hemmed and hemstitched to the elaborate Embroidered and Lace Trimmed ones. For Friday and Saturday these specials:—

200 doz. of Ladies' Handkerchiefs, Cream Silk with neat and dainty Lace edges, some embroidered, and White Irish Lawn, plain hemstitched, Embroidered and Lace and Insertion trimmed. Reg. 20c. each. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 16c

170 doz. of Ladies' Lawn Handkerchiefs, some with plain hemstitched hem, others nicely trimmed with Lace and Embroidery. Reg. 12c. each. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 9c

10 doz. of Men's Silk Handkerchiefs, colors of Crimson and White, with wide hemstitched hem; special value. Reg. 55c. each. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 45c

6 doz. only of Men's Crimson and White Silk Handkerchiefs, extra fine and thick quality, with wide hemstitched hem; splendid value. Reg. 90c. ea. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 75c

## Bargains in Slippers.

LADIES' SLIPPERS—90 pairs of Ladies' Brown Felt Slippers, with Fur-trimmed uppers and Red Flannel lining, low heels. Reg. 80c. pair. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 65c

LADIES' SLIPPERS—110 pairs of Ladies' Felt Slippers; colors of Cherry, Navy and Brown. Ribbon and self-trimmed; Leather soles and heels. Reg. \$1.25 pair. Friday & Saturday . . . . . \$1.05

LADIES' SLIPPERS—40 only pairs of Ladies' finest quality Felt Slippers, high uppers, Fur trimmed; colors of Wine, Black and Cardinal; some with rubber heels. Reg. \$1.60 pair. Friday & Saturday . . . . . \$1.40

MEN'S SLIPPERS—70 pairs of Men's Imitation Jaeger Slippers, very warm, heavy flannel padded inner sole, check patterns; all sizes. Reg. 85c. pair. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 70c

MEN'S SLIPPERS—40 pairs of Men's Vici Kid Romeo Slippers, Tan and Black, high cut, elastic let in sides; a general favorite. Reg. \$2.00 pair. Friday & Saturday . . . . . \$1.75

## Lucky Man or Woman.

Possibly the last thought occurs to him or her at the last moment that they haven't bought the most important present of all. With their usual luck, however, they get out of the difficulty without the slightest trouble.

They catch the suggestion—GLOVES—without question the ideal gift for anybody to give, because they are always acceptable. There is an air of romance, too, to the gift of a glove that has been handed down to us through the works of our greatest poets and authors.

LADIES' GLOVES—110 pairs of Ladies' English Kid Gloves, finest quality, Fur-lined; colors of Tan and Brown. 2. Reg. \$2.00 pr. Friday & Saturday . . . . . \$1.70

LADIES' GLOVES—1,200 pairs of Ladies' fine Glacé Kid Gloves, including the celebrated Dent's and La. Brilliant makes; colors of Black, Browns, Tans, Beavers, Grey, V. Rose, Lavender, Pale Blue, Canary, etc., etc. Reg. \$1.25 pair. Friday & Saturday . . . . . \$1.10

CHILD'S GLOVES—220 pairs of Children's Astrachan Gloves; colors of Tans and Brown, with Kid palms; sizes 2 to 6. Reg. 60c. pair. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 50c

MEN'S GLOVES—370 pairs of Men's good quality Lined Kid Gloves; colors of Tans and Browns, heavy wool lined, one dome fasteners. Reg. \$1.20 pair. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 95c

MEN'S GLOVES—220 pairs of Men's heavy Scotch Wool Gloves, neat check patterns, Kid palms; a very warm Glove. Reg. 90c. pair. Friday & Saturday . . . . . 75c

## What Can One Give That Is Useful, Yet Appropriate.

The Hardware Section answers the query—and answers it well. Many useful things for the house at saving prices.

Japanned Trays—14 x 18 in. 16 x 20 in. 18 x 22 in. 20 x 24 in. Reg. 30c. for 25c. 35c. for 29c. 40c. for 33c. 45c. for 39c.

Nickel Plated Waiters—Reg. 30c. for 25c.; 32c. for 26c.; 35c. for 30c.

Japanned Coal Scoops. Reg. 45c. for . . . . . 39c.

Child's Sleigh Boxes. Reg. \$1.40 for . . . . . \$1.30

Asbestos Sad Irons. Reg. \$2.10 for . . . . . \$2.00

Clothes Baskets. Reg. 85c. for . . . . . 77c.

Ladies' Snow Shoes. Reg. \$4.25 for . . . . . \$3.95

Gent's Snow Shoes. Reg. \$4.10 for . . . . . \$3.75

3-piece Carving Sets. Reg. \$1.75 for . . . . . \$1.55

Market Baskets. Reg. 80c. for . . . . . 75c.

Market Baskets. Reg. 55c. for . . . . . 49c.

Japanned Coal Scoops. Reg. 45c. for . . . . . 39c.

Brass Fire Irons. Reg. \$4.25 for . . . . . \$3.90

Dish Covers, 12 inch. Reg. \$1.75 for \$1.50; 17 inch. Reg. \$2.50 for \$2.10

Table Mats. Reg. 90c. for . . . . . 75c.

Clocks, Ebony and Gold. Reg. \$3.50 for . . . . . \$3.15

## Grocery Bargains.

Finest  
Valencia  
ORANGES,  
Reg. 18c.  
Friday and Sat.  
15c. dozen.

Choice  
Tins  
FRUIT,  
Reg. 35c.  
Friday and Sat.  
30c. tin.

THE ROYAL STORES LIMITED

## Grocery Bargains.

Fresh  
Mixed  
BISCUITS,  
Reg. 20c.  
Friday and Sat.  
17c. lb.

Birds  
Jelly  
POWDERS,  
Reg. 10c.  
Friday and Sat.  
8c. pckt.

## Cable News.

Special to Evening Telegram.

LONDON, Dec. 21.  
Advices from Tokio state that the entire press is indulging in controversy over the joint Anglo-Japanese intervention.

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 21.  
King George, who had such good practice here, made a record in the big game hunt at Nephel. At his first shoot he bagged three tigers and three rhinoceros.

PARIS, Dec. 21.  
The Eastern districts of France were swept to-day by a violent tempest, causing much damage to property. Telegraph poles, trees and forests were uprooted, while scores of fishing craft are ashore, and a number of fishermen drowned.

TORONTO, Dec. 21.  
Captain Campbell, who yesterday defeated the Solicitor-General for Scotland, in Ayrshire, is a son of the late Archibald Campbell, who was born in Toronto in 1876. He went to England before the Boer War, and later joined the Army for the front.

LONDON, Dec. 21.  
A Peking despatch to the Telegraph says the issue of the so-called patriotic bonds, amounting to thirty millions of dollars, which began yesterday, is really a forced contribution by the Princes of the Imperial clan from the provincial officials.

LONDON, Dec. 21.  
A divorce suit was entered yesterday among the list of cases to be heard next session, the names of the principals being Lieut.-Col. Lawson, D.S.O., second son of Lord Burnham, proprietor of the Telegraph, his wife, daughter of the late General Marshall, and Lord Hamilton, of Dalsell, as co-respondent.

PEKING, Dec. 21.  
Premier Yuan, in an official statement to-day, said without qualification that he refused to accept a republic. The refusal of the Premier to accept a republic is categorical to his reply to the communication submitted to him at Shanghai by his representative after the meeting of the peace conference yesterday afternoon.

## City Council Hold Meeting.

The regular meeting of the City Council was held last evening, Mayor and full Board in attendance.

The Regal Publishing Co., of London, asked the Council to buy from them some portraits of the King and Queen. Ordered accordingly.

J. J. Duff will be allowed to go on with the work at his roof, George St. That which the Council's Engineer condemned was only temporary work. The Board will consider the offer made by Mr. Jas. Brennan to sell land at Merrymeeting Road and Scott St. for street extension.

Engineer reported that the overflow of water complained of by Shea & Co. had been diverted into the sewer at Rendell's wharf.

A letter was read from J. J. Neville, acting for the cabmen, reminding the Council of the objection to the schedule of cab fares that he had written of on Oct. 13th. Having been told that the Council intends to put the scale adopted by the Board on Oct. 9th into operation, he now reminded them of his objections made in a former letter. Mr. Neville will be informed that the Council will hold a special meeting and discuss the rates before putting them into force.

The question of exempting the S. A. Food Depot from taxation was deferred to a special meeting. After reading the Engineer's report and passing the pay rolls the meeting adjourned.

## Express People Very Busy.

Yesterday beat all records with the Express Department of the Reid Nfld. Co. Mr. Curtis and his staff handled more goods yesterday than ever before. The place was packed inside with Christmas goods and there were 6 dray loads remaining outside waiting to be handled. There was never such a rush there before.

## Still Laying Rails

There are about 70 men still at work on the Heart's Content Branch Railway and they are laying the rails over the portion of the road that is graded which extends to Green's Harbor, T. B. They will finish the work by to-morrow and then will conclude for the winter, to open it up again in the Spring. All the marshes, ponds and rivers in this section of the country are solidly frozen over.

## Dr. de Van's Female Pills

A reliable French regulator; never fails. These pills are exceedingly powerful in regulating the excessive portions of the female system. Reduce all cheap imitations. Dr. de Van's are sold at 25c. per box for 10c. Mail to your address. The Sobell Drug Co., St. Catharines, Ont.