

A Christmas Store is Here

This Christmas store is now at its very best, brimful of happy suggestions of Yuletide gifts. We again press upon you that everything is to be gained by shopping NOW; to-morrow, if possible, before stocks become depleted for just eighteen more shopping days remain for the selection of Christmas gifts. Why not start to-morrow and at this store and in the morning hours, if possible.

Fifty Doz. Women's Linen Handkerchiefs

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We don't expect a good value like this to last long. Women's and Boys' Pure Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, assorted hemstitched borders; fine sheer qualities; some slightly imperfect. Real value 25c. Saturday sale 12½c.

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A limited quantity for Saturday. Women's Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, colored, hemstitched borders, with crossbar centres; a new style. Formerly 25c; Saturday 15c.

Initial Handkerchiefs 12½c, Easily Worth 18c

Women's Initial Handkerchiefs, all pure linen, hemstitched borders, all letters, hand embroidered. Value 18c; special 12½c.

Embroidered Handkerchiefs Half Price 10c & 12½c

Swiss Muslin and Irish Embroidery Handkerchiefs, hemstitched or scalloped; a score of designs. At 10c, worth 18 and 20c. At 12½c, worth 20 and 25c.

25c Men's Linen Handkerchiefs 12c½

50 dozen, direct from the manufacturers in Belfast. Pure linen, with assorted hemstitched borders; fine, sheer qualities. These won't last long at half price.

Hundreds of Fancy Baskets Half For About

A large purchase of Fancy Gift Baskets are clearing at about half price. Dainty gifts for everybody, which include Scrap Baskets, Flower Baskets, Paper Baskets, Sewing Baskets, Hair Receivers, etc. A large variety of styles clearing on first floor at about HALF PRICE.

New Xmas Card and Calendar Section

Last week we announced the opening of this new section and we have been rushed since. If you are sending cards or calendars abroad, it's time you were choosing them; a large assortment at all prices. It is up to \$1.00.

A Few Christmas Gift Novelties

A new department on the ground floor, stocked with many new things for Christmas gifts. Toilet articles of all kinds. Silver Tops at 35c to 60c. Manicure Sets and Cases at \$2 and \$2.25. Men's new Shaving Sets at \$2.50 to \$3.50. Atomizers in a score of styles at 75c to \$1.75. About 5 dozen Children's Writing Desks, new style, were 50c to \$3.50; now 35c to \$1.75. Postal Writing Books at 50c, 60c, 75c.

Manufacturers' samples of Women's Coats, \$12.50 to \$20.00, on sale \$9.85.

FINCH BROS.

Why not make your Christmas gift Gloves? Special values.



HELD SOCIAL.

St. Andrew's Bible Class Has Another Enjoyable Event.

The second social and concert in connection with St. Andrew's Union Bible Class, took place last evening in the school room, and was well attended. A lengthy programme was presented, after which games were indulged in. A conspicuous number on the programme was a reading by Mr. Lyman Lee, who also acted as chairman, in which he gave a sketch of Hamilton's history, going back to the times when the sites of the City Hall, Court House, and other notable buildings were farm lands. During the discourse, he read interesting lines about Hamilton's past and brought out many new features, which greatly pleased the audience. Mr. W. H. Leckie spoke briefly, and also Rev. Mr. Wilson. The following was the programme:

Orchestra; song, George J. Clark; recitation, Mildred Robinson; song, Mrs. Bissell; address, W. R. Leckie; reading, Lyman Lee; orchestra; song, R. E. Devine and George J. Clark; recitation, Miss Irene Bastedo; address, Rev. J. A. Wilson; duet, Mr. Hampson and Mrs. Bissell; recitation, Miss Irene Bastedo; duet, R. Devine and George Clark.

The orchestra provided music during the intermission.

The meetings are held for the purpose of giving the young people a chance to get acquainted with each other. The next one will be held after Christmas, and promises to be something out of the ordinary.

POOR TRADE.

Lancashire Trade is Having Serious Struggle For Existence.

London, Dec. 2.—An analysis of the Lancashire spinning trade for the year ending on Nov. 30 shows the largest loss in 25 years. Sixty-eight of the 82 firms whose trading results were analyzed made an aggregate loss of £239,903. The remaining fourteen announce a profit.

Reserve funds have been seriously depleted. Many companies paid dividends out of past profits, but some have adverse balances. Spinners of American cotton houses have run on short time by stopping on Saturdays and Mondays since the beginning of July. It is expected that this arrangement will continue until the end of February.

The margin between raw and finished yarn is now seriously on the wrong side.

DR. M'CONNELL

Discoverer of Science of Human Electricity Coming to Hamilton.

Dr. Andrew McConnell is coming to Hamilton. Who is Dr. Andrew McConnell? A man who has started New York and Boston with his theories in regard to the healing of diseases and the maintenance of health, and who has demonstrated the correctness of these theories to the satisfaction of some of the most eminent men of the American continent.

Dr. McConnell is the discoverer of the science of human electricity, and he teaches that science by means of oral lectures or by correspondence. After being compelled to give up his church Rev. Dr. S. MacArthur, the great Baptist divine of New York, took Dr. McConnell's course and was restored to health. This is what he says in the New York Evening Mail: "Mr. McConnell has made a tremendous discovery, which I think is bound to revolutionize science. He has founded a movement which has proved to be world wide in its influence. I am having endorsements from pastors and bishops in different churches of the stand I am taking in regard to it."

Dr. McConnell will give his course of lectures in Hamilton next week in Centenary Church lecture hall.

MOVING PICTURES Y. M. C. A.

The wonderful thing about the moving picture entertainment in Association Hall is that the management by paying the highest price secures the latest and best pictures, and sufficient quantity to run continuously for over two hours, which with the illustrated songs, makes nearly a three hour programme, and yet the price is equal to the least in the city. Patrons are not rushed out, but can stay the entire time without seeing or hearing any repetitions. Another fine programme is on for to-morrow, afternoon, from 2 to 5 o'clock, 5 cents to all. Evening, 7 to 10 o'clock, 5 and 10 cents.

Don't Delay.

Treble's remarkable purchase of men's gloves and boots is worth studying, for it offers great savings.

One fact we feel certain, you'll never find better values for your money in Canada; you are lucky, indeed, if you find their equal.

Special values they are offering will induce both men and women to buy their Christmas presents early, it will pay you to secure at once for at these low prices they cannot last long.

Take our advice: Don't delay; make hay while the sun shines, and buy now. See Treble's advertisement on back page of this issue.

RAN AGROUND.

Philadelphia, Dec. 3.—The transport which left here yesterday for the canal zone, and possibly Nicaragua, with 700 marines, and went aground last night in the Delaware River, near Fort Delaware, is still fast in the mud, and probably will remain so at least until the next high tide to-day.

COULDN'T STAND IT.

Eransville, Ind., Dec. 3.—Mrs. William Putter, wife of a merchant at Elberfield, Ind., attempted to witness an operation on her son yesterday, when she swooned away, and died before physicians could revive her.

KING ARBITRATOR.

London, Dec. 3.—King Edward through the Foreign Office to-day formally accepted the invitation to act as arbitrator of the Alsop claim dispute between the United States and Chile.

Disappointment is the black sheep of the Hope family.

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3rd, 1909

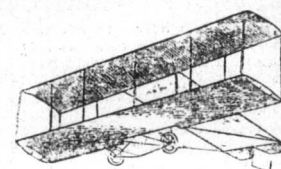
First Flying Machine in Hamilton

The Sensation of the 20th Century—The Crowning Accomplishment of Man—This Store Has Secured for Exhibition the First Full Size Flying Machine in Hamilton.

Every citizen of Hamilton, in fact, every inhabitant of the civilized world is interested to-day in the great twentieth century invention—the Flying Machine. The wonderful strides that have been made during the past twelve months towards the perfecting of this new method of transportation and the daring and successful flights that have been accomplished by such men as Blériot, Wright Bros., Curtiss and others, have aroused an interest in the flying machine that has never been equalled by any invention that man has made since the world began.

Believing that it is part of this store's mission to keep step with the history of the times, we have secured and put on exhibition at this store the first full size practical Flying Machine that has ever appeared in Hamilton. Come and see it and gain a knowledge from actual study that you could not obtain by any other means.

Toy Department, Third Floor.



Children's Coats Worth \$4.50 to \$9.50 for \$3.98 and \$6.98

At 8.30 sharp on Saturday morning we will put on sale Children's Coats for children between the ages of 6 and 12. This comprises the nobbiest creations for children in a practical yet splendid wearing coat for winter. Coats worth from \$4.50 to \$6.25 are of Beaver and Frieze, in navy, wine, brown and green, neatly finished, are sold for \$3.98. Other coats are of Broadcloth and fine Cheviot, in red, taupe, navy and green, with all the latest trimmings. They are worth \$8.50 to \$9.50, but for Saturday at 8.30 the price will be ...

\$3.98 and \$6.98

\$18.00 Women's Winter Coats for \$15.95

At 8.30 sharp, Women's Winter Coats in correct styles of Broadcloth, Kersey, Covert reversible and new Diagonal Cloth, in shades of navy, black, green, fawn, grey, Burgundy and blue, made 50 to 52 inches long, semi-fitting, with military, coat, shawl collar, some plain tailored, others with self strappings, button trimmed, body and sleeve lined; in a good range of sizes, for Saturday only, our \$18.00 line for ...

\$15.95

Table Figs at 9c Box

For Saturday morning only, we have 200 boxes of choice Table Figs, each containing 1 pound. The regular value is 15c a box; while they last each ...

9c

No telephone orders accepted.

New selected Raisins; 4 lbs. of this excellent line for ...

25c

Mixed Peel; 2 lbs. of Mixed Peel for ...

25c

Granulated Sugar; 10 lbs. Redpath's No. 1, 50c

50c

Shelled Almonds, 5 boxes newly shelled, lb. 40c

40c

Mexican Oranges, 25 boxes, regular 30c dozen

19c

Gold Medal Flour, 25 lbs. of this excellent flour for ...

69c

Fruit Bread; order it early, per loaf ...

10c

Mince Meat; Wagstaff's brand, 2 lbs. for 25c

25c

Rolled Oats, 7 lbs. for ...

25c

60c Stransky Saucepans 29c

At 8.30 sharp, 6 dozen Stransky lipped Blue and White Saucepans, "the ware that wears"; 3 quart size; regular 60c, on sale Saturday at 8.30, price ...

29c

Nickel-plated Tea Kettles, pit bottoms, No. 8 or 9; regular \$1.50, on sale ...

\$1.19

Nickel Crumb Tray and Brushes, fancy engraved, large brush; regular 75c; on sale Saturday special for ...

59c

Story Cake Tins, tight or loose bottoms, extra deep, round or square; per set ...

25c

Bake Boards, with sides, large size; regular 50c; on sale Saturday ...

39c

12 dozen Cotton Knitted Dish Cloths, for Saturday special ...

2 for 6c

Glass Cream Beaters, with dashers and screw top, regular 35c, for ...

25c

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SCIENCE NOTES.

Factories in England use more than one-fifth of the coal produced.

Warships require 1,000 to 1,450 feet clear space to swing around in tidal harbors.

Salmon, pike and goldfish are supposed never to sleep.

Germany can now put 4,750,000 troops in the field.

Glass windows are still scarce in the city of Mexico.

It is believed that only 2,000 buffaloes are now in existence.

Holland has over 10,000 acres devoted to the cultivation of bulbs.

A railway engine is equal in strength to 900 horses.

A flower cut in the morning will outlive flowers cut later in the day.

Wild goats have so multiplied in Hawaii that they are now being destroyed as pests.

The dum-dum bullet is named after the place near Calcutta, where it was first made.

Cavalry officers in Italy undergo a course of instruction in pigeon training for military purposes.

Meerschaum comes principally from Asia Minor. In Morocco it is used as a substitute for soap.

The smallest screws are those made in watch factories. An ordinary thimble would hold 100,000 of them.

Soldiers in the Russian army are in future to carry compasses with luminous needles.

Two thousand million microbes are sometimes injected into a person's blood to cure disease.

The lighthouse of Heligoland has a light of 30,000,000 candlepower. At Nuremberg a lamp ten times as powerful has been made.

The terms "benzene," "naphtha" and "gasoline." Great confusion is caused by well-known names being given to bodies of a totally different nature from those to which they were at first assigned.

Thus benzene or benzol is a well-known product of coal distillation, while naphtha is the ancient name for ancient petroleum. The coal-tar distillers, however, appropriated the term "naphtha," which did not belong to them, and the petroleum distillers have taken possession of "benzene," altering the middle e into i.

Petroleum distillers give the names "benzene," "naphtha" and "gasoline" to products of the distillation of crude petroleum coming over at different degrees of temperature, and consequently they vary in their specific gravity thus—gasoline is the lightest, and has a density of 95 degrees Baume, naphtha 80 to 85 degrees Baume, and benzene 65 to 60 degrees Baume. The density given on the ridiculous Baume scale can be translated into specific gravity on the natural scale by means of the usual

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Christmas Times

Don't Delay—Do It Now

Music and the Drama

The Shubert three-act comedy, "Billy," played to a rather small audience at the Grand Opera House last evening. The show is one of those farces well calculated to please the amusement-loving public, and those who did see it last night left the theatre well satisfied. The principal actors are a football hero and his sister, a pretty young maiden, and her mother, and a set of false teeth. The scenes are laid on board the good ship Florida, bound for Havana, and a realistic ocean atmosphere is produced by the scenic artist, Edgar A. Ely, in the role of Billy Hargreave, the football hero, has a good stage presence and gave a clever impersonation of the toothless lover and brother. He handled the situation with all possibilities, and became very popular with the audience. Jane Maibury, as Billy's sister, played her part remarkably well, and is one of the most capable members of the company. She never overdid the part and was all that a lovable, innocent and attentive sister should be. The remaining members of the cast were also good, and everything considered, the play is well worth while. A second production will be given to-night.

GRACE VAN STUDDIFORD.

Grace Van Studdiford, Hamilton's favorite prima donna, is to be seen at the Grand to-morrow afternoon and evening in the Debutante and South American operas, "The Golden Butterfly." This is one of the most magnificent scenic productions ever brought to Hamilton for comic opera. A garden fete, the green room of the Royal Opera House at Buda Pesth, and a grape harvest scene provide rather unusual opportunities for the scene painter's art. The garden scene is a glow with soft color and sunshine, blue sky, green lawns and flowering hedges, a country house with marble terraces leading down to the blue Danube on which the guests embark in gayly decorated boats, all furnish a charming background for the pretty costumes of the women on the stage.

The second act is very piquant and pretty. In the big green room, with its flaring lights and swinging doors, are gathered the ballet girls and some of the principal singers of the opera in various stages of undress. One girl, in fluff skirts, that look like a Pietto ruff, is balancing herself on the big toe of one foot, while she ties a satin slipper on her other foot. A girl dressed like a rose is poring over her face, a third is sprinkling gold dust on her hair, and a fourth is practicing ballet steps on top of a trunk, while below a sign reading "Silence!" one of the principals is trying her highest notes. There is an irresistible atmosphere of life and youth and gaiety about the unusual scene.

The Hungarian grape harvest is the final act. The masses of foliage, silvery green and brown, the best clusters of purple, red and golden grapes, the gay-hued gowns of the girls and the picturesque costumes of the men, the tinkling of the horses' bells as they are driven past laden with great baskets piled high with grapes, and the singing of the harvesters as they work comprise one of the most beautiful and unusual scenes ever afforded the public.

LACKAYE IN "THE BATTLE."

Cleveland Moffett's successful play, "The Battle," which has been doing good service for Wilton Lackaye ever since he became a Liebler & Co. star, is the attraction scheduled for the Grand next Monday. Thanks to the notoriety attending the participation of John D. Rockefeller in the authorship of his dialogue, and the attack upon the play

by the New York Socialists, "The Battle" is well known everywhere it has not yet been seen. It is roughly described as a play on brains, business and the tenement question. That "The Battle" is not dull or prosy, and that its dramatic integrity has not been impaired by the author's interest in social matters is proven by the play's popular success. Moreover, that the play's attitude on the questions it deals with is worthy of consideration is made obvious by the interest aroused among persons and classes seldom attracted by matters of the theatre.

Mr. Lackaye's role in "The Battle" is that of John J. Haggleton, supposedly the richest man in all New York. In the quest of his long-lost son Haggleton is enticed into a tenement house in "Lung block," all of which he owns, and is persuaded to remain for a while, in- cognite, in these squalid surroundings, in order that he may be brought to a realization of the full horrors of existing conditions. How he succeeds in winning back his son, and how this son succeeds in capturing the heart and obstinate hand of a fair young hater of millionaires will be told in the four acts of the play.

Y. M. C. A. STAR COURSE.

The third of the entertainments of the Y. M. C. A. star course was held in the Association Hall last evening, the contributing artists being Pitt Parker, "the crayon wizard," and Master Douglas Stanbury, the boy singer. The programme was a remarkably pleasing one, as the tastes of all were gratified by the different numbers. Mr. Parker, by his rapid character sketches, clearly demonstrated his right to the title of wizard. With numerous colored crayons he portrayed different scenes, which were very beautiful, especially the different colored lights that were used. While drawing his sketches Mr. Parker kept up a steady lecture, which he termed "Seeing Things." He described the many steps in his career as an artist, which led him to the work of cartooning. The cartoons were very rapidly made, some of them being completed within forty-five seconds. One of the remarkable features of the drawings was Mr. Parker's ability to draw upside down some of the prettiest of the scenes, including one of Niagara Falls. While the work of Mr. Parker was of such a pleasing nature, it did not detract in any way from Master Stanbury, the popular young singer. Master Stanbury possesses a remarkable voice, which he controls with ease, and combined with the clear tone, his enunciation is quite distinct and his singing artistic.

COMING TO BENNETT'S.

The Bennett headliner next week, Charlotte Parry, in her interesting sketch, "The Comstock Mystery," is one of the cleverest protean artists appearing in vaudeville to-day. She impersonates a wide range of different characters, and the portrayals are said to be remarkably true to life. Not only does the sketch afford Miss Parry an excellent opportunity to display her skill in character acting and making lightning rapid changes of costume and make-up, but it unfolds a story of interest and holds attention throughout. Raymond and Caverly, "The German Sensation," conceded by the vaudeville critics to be the funniest comedies of that type before the public at present, will be another strong feature. Geiger and Walters will be seen in a charming little novelty that will particularly appeal to people with musical taste.

The matinee to-morrow afternoon should play to capacity business with such a strong drawing card as the cla-

borately staged and cleverly acted sketch presented by Jane Courthope and company.

TWILIGHT RECITAL.

Miss Estelle Carey will sing at W. H. Hewlett's forty-fifth recital in Centenary Church to-morrow (Saturday) afternoon. Miss Carey's selections will be "Daddy Buck's" aria, "In the Night Shall My Song be of Him," and Torrence's "Show Me Thy Ways."

"REJUVENATION OF AUNT MARY."

May Robeson is said to be fortunate in having a comedy so interesting and unique as "The Rejuvenation of Aunt Mary," which will be seen at the Grand next Tuesday evening. The entire cast and production will be seen here as played for one whole year from coast to coast. Those who see her will enjoy one of the theatrical treats of the season, and those who do not see her will miss a great deal. The play is said to be as pure and refreshing as the come-laden breeze that might blow across the meadows one sees through the window of Aunt Mary's "settin' room. It is one big surprise for the theatregoer, not the tame mediocre comedy that one might be led to expect, but a breezy, new and different sort of comedy that makes one laugh with a whole souled spirit. The lines just scintillate with wit and humor, and Aunt Mary "probably most likely," is the author of it all, a big hearted woman of general impulses, all bound up in her scapegoat nephew. Seats go on sale to-morrow morning.

MACNAB STREET CHOIR CONCERT.

Lovers of music in Hamilton are to be favored on Tuesday evening next, Dec. 7th, with a rare musical treat, when the choir of the MacNab Street Presbyterian Church, under the direction of Mrs. Margaret McCoy Hamilton, will give their annual concert. The artists assisting will be all well known favorites both in the city and abroad. They are Mr. Harold V. Hamilton, bass soloist, of Central Presbyterian Church; Mr. Frank Blackford, Toronto's favorite violinist; Dr. Frederick Nicolai, the celebrated "cello" of Toronto, and C. Percival Garratt, the well-known organist of the Central Presbyterian Church. The choir will give the sacred cantata, "Gallia," and the presentation of this beautiful composition will be looked forward to with interest.

Those taking charge of the concert have placed the tickets at the very low price of 25c, and they are being sold very rapidly.



MRS. HERBERT GLADSTONE, Who will go to South Africa with her husband.

Y. M. C. A. SOCIAL CLUB.

The Social Club of the Y. M. C. A. held its regular meeting in the Y. M. C. A. parlour last night. The programme consisted of readings, stump speeches and musical numbers. The Fenton Bros.' musical quartette furnished special music, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. This is a good place for any young man to spend Thursday evenings.

Old sea dog—It was blowing hard when we run out of port. Tommy—And didn't you have any chart on board?—Chips.