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## Gray, Carrie

### Basement Specials.

Thanking the inhabitants of the city for the hearty support they have given us in the past and asking for a continuance of the same, we wish you all the joys and pleasures of the season and a Happy New Year.

Our aim and ambition is to offer you but first-class goods at rock bottom prices

### For Tuesday:

1 lb. of our Cook's Delight Baking Powder, reg. 20c, for 15c  
3 lbs. of Rice and 3 lbs. of Tapioca, for 25c  
2 lbs. of Mixed Nuts, for 25c  
2 lbs. of selected Raisins and 2 lbs. of choice, clean Currants, for 30c  
6 lbs. of choice Cooking Figs, for 25c  
1 lb. of Crosse & Blackwell's Lemon or Orange Peel, for 10c  
1 Jar of Upton's Marmalade, for 10c  
Crosse & Blackwell's Pickles, Chow Chow, Piccalilli, Gerkins or Onions, per bottle, 25c  
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Oranges, Lemons, Nuts, etc. Extracts and Spices, all Pure Gold goods. Sweets and Candy this week at cost.

We especially invite your attention for the week to our display of Dinner, Tea and Toilet Sets, which after our Christmas rush, has been fully replenished.

### Arrived To-day:

One crate of Dinnerware, exceptional value, in 97 pieces, from \$5.25 to \$10.00  
One crate Bedroomware, as good value at \$2.90 as there is in the city 3.50  
One cask of Glass Table Sets and Cake Stands and one cask of goods for novelties and glassware  
Tables, 10c, 15c and 25c  
Don't forget our Imperial Blend Black, Miced and Japan Teas. 1 lb. of either and 6 lbs. of Redpath's standard Granulated Sugar, for 50c

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make automatic couplings compulsory in Great Britain. Considerable opposition is being made to the bill, as the change will cost £7,000,000.

**CAUSE OF THE UPRISING.**  
The news of uprisings in the Congo Free State and of massacres of Congo natives has again brought into prominence the question of the rubber trade, to which three-fourths of the native uprisings can be traced. All the best rubber-producing districts belong to the State, which farms them, nominally, to the Societe Anversoise, of which the State holds the majority of shares. The officials are compelled to gather all the rubber available, or they are quickly dismissed, and their salaries are made proportionate to the amount of rubber collected. Thus a premium is placed on brutality towards the natives. The State holds an excellent authority that King Leopold of Belgium has made £1,000,000 annually during the past few years out of the rubber and ivory sales.

**CHANGE FOR THE BETTER.**  
The bright cold weather of Christmas has given the Pope's health a decided change for the better. He now walks unaided during his daily constitutional in the Vatican grounds. The newspapers of Rome announce that a rich American lady has had a gold snuff-box, encrusted with superb diamonds, made by one of the best jewelers of Rome, as a New Year's offering to the Pope, which he has accepted with a check of \$50,000 inside the snuff-box. The Pope recently refused to allow the carrying of his snuff-box in his carriage, remarking: "There is something superfluous about that light."

**A PRICILIA FAD.**  
The Czar has returned to St. Petersburg after a long holiday in the Crimea. Incidentally, His Majesty has taken up the fad of papering and decorating his rooms with black and white sketches. He has had his study papered entirely with caricatures of himself, which he has collected from foreign papers.

**A NOTORIOUS DISAPPEARER.**  
From French public life with the resignation of M. Diebler, who has been public executioner for the past forty years. His son, who has assisted him for some time past, is expected to succeed him. M. Diebler's wife is the daughter of the public executioner of Brittany. During his career M. Diebler has guillotined 35 criminals. His salary has been \$1200 a year, and he had an allowance of \$2000 a year for storing and keeping the guillotine in order. All his traveling expenses were paid, amounting alone to \$12,500 yearly, each execution costing the State nearly \$5000.

**TESTING SUBMARINE BOATS.**  
Interesting details have been published regarding the French submarine boat Gustave Zede, which, it is claimed, has just emerged from some successful tests at Toulon. She is said to have torpedoed the French ironclad Magenta twice, once when the latter was anchored, and the second time when she was moving. The only drawback, it is pointed out, is that the boat is no longer blind, and that the French submarine boat, the Gyronet, built by the same firm, is now armed with torpedoes, and a third boat, named the Morse, will be ready in March.

**CHIEF EUNUCH DEAD.**  
The chief eunuch of the Sultan of Turkey has died with a suddenness characteristic of the Golden Horn. He left behind him a fortune of \$100,000, besides a large number of slaves, and a number of old laws, into the Sultan's treasury box. The eunuch was a Turkish Jew.

British Columbia salmon cannery men are alarmed at the Dominion Government regulations. They say if the Fisheries Department remains obdurate and refuses to agree to the cannerymen's suggested amendments, all the cannerymen on the Fraser River will close or go over to the United States side.

### WEEKLY CABLE LETTER.

The Bubonic Plague Causes a Discordant Note

### IN THE FESTIVE SEASON.

The Czar's Disarmament Scheme and French Preparations.

### THE PENNY POSTAGE STAMP

High Rate of Mortality Among Railroad Men—May Adopt U. S. Automatic Couplers—The Congo Uprisings—The Pope's Health Improving—A New Pad by the Czar—The French Colonies' Resigning—Testing a Submarine Boat—Death of the Sultan's Chief Eunuch.

London, Dec. 31.—Londoners are barely recovering from the Christmas festivities, which have been made to last as long as possible, many business houses closing from Friday, December 23, until Wednesday last.

**THE BUBONIC PLAGUE.**  
The discordant note of the festive season was struck in the announcement that the bubonic plague had arrived in England through a passenger landed at Plymouth from the mail steamer Gooland, the case having developed on her homeward voyage from India, and by the arrival in the Thames of another suspicious case, landed at Gravesend. This startling news caused a stir, but the latest news announced that the man landed at Plymouth was only suffering from a mild type of the disease, and that the suspicious case at Gravesend proves to have been sickness due to some other cause than the plague, which is now spreading. The plague in India, have been utterly exterminated by burning.

### THE PENNY POSTAGE STAMP.

Christmas day saw the inauguration of the Imperial penny postage. About 26,000 letters benefited by it during the first three days. The majority was composed of letters destined for Canada. Over 5,000 letters paid the old rates, through the sender's ignorance. Mr. John Henniker Heaton, M. P., the author of the Imperial penny postage scheme, which was passed July 12 of the present year, and who introduced telegraphic money orders in England, and the parcel post in France, had silver pennies struck and distributed among those who were in the habit of bringing about this postal reform. He sent one of these pennies to Queen Victoria, who accepted the memento with a grateful saying: "The completion of this important change in the relations of the various parts of my empire is a matter of sincere satisfaction to me."

### HIT BELOW THE BELT.

The Czar's disarmament scheme receives almost daily a "hit below the belt" in the shape of announcements of the extension of the military and naval forces of the various powers in one form or other. After the news that the German field artillery will be definitely armed with the new quick-fires by the beginning of the new year, comes the announcement that the French field artillery, before the spring, will be fully armed with the new 7.5 centimetre quick-fires, rivaling the German arm. Serious attention is being given in Great Britain to these important changes, which one authority deems as being the most portentous since the military advance in strategy since the introduction of magazine rifles, or perhaps since the German use of breech-loading shotguns in the Austro-Prussian war of 1866. Experts estimate that batteries of the new guns will be at least three times as powerful as the present batteries. Each new French battery costs £22,000. The regular cost of the French army, which is now £10,000,000, will be increased to £12,000,000. The British army, which is now £10,000,000, will be increased to £12,000,000. The British army, which is now £10,000,000, will be increased to £12,000,000.

### HIGH RATE OF MORTALITY.

The Government inquiry into the causes of the terrible mortality among railroad men which, during the past ten years, reached 4,749 persons killed, while 39,271 were injured, shows the accidents to have occurred chiefly among the switchmen. In consequence of this showing the Board of Trade sent an expert to study the causes of the accidents. The expert has just returned here, and brought with him specimens of the American automatic couplers, which he has had reduced to the number of accidents in America by 50 per cent. It is understood that the President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Charles Thompson Ritchie, will introduce a bill.

### AWFUL SKIN DISEASE

Suffered Untold Agony Two Years. Itching and Burning Terrible. Had to Give up Work Entirely.

Instant Relief in First Application of CUTICURA REMEDIES. At Work, Fully Cured in 2 Months.

I was afflicted with a terrible malignant breaking out all over the surface of my body. It was treated by some of the very best physicians, who pronounced it contagious blood poison, through which I spent hundreds of dollars trying to get relief, but seemed to get worse. All the time I was suffering untold agony, and finally had to give up work entirely. I grasped at everything I saw advertised, and listened to every suggestion from friends, but nothing seemed to reach my case. The burning, itching fit was in need to be aggravated by every effort to relieve myself. I thought God, relief came to me at last. CUTICURA REMEDIES were suggested to me, and I immediately procured the CUTICURA (ointment), CUTICURA SOAP, and CUTICURA RESOLVENT. From the first, I experienced a soothing relief, and my itching skin soon became cool and comfortable. I continued to use CUTICURA SOAP, the ointment with CUTICURA, and the dose of CUTICURA RESOLVENT, until I was able to get up and at work, and continued to improve daily till at last I was entirely cured, sound and well, not a sign on my body remaining. I am now able to do my work as before, and I am very grateful to the CUTICURA REMEDIES for what they have done for me. It is now over two years since I have been entirely cured, and not a sign of a symptom has ever returned. I will gladly answer any and all letters with reference to my case.

M. B. BASTIEN, 150 W. Hunter St., Atlanta, Ga.

Witnesses: J. G. ABERNETHY, GEORGIA, FULTON COUNTY.

In person appeared before me, Edgar H. Orr, a Justice of the Peace in and for the District of G. M. State and County aforesaid, J. G. ABERNETHY, who being duly sworn, deposed and said that the statements made in the above testimony are true. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of Dec. 1897. EDGAR H. ORR, J. P.

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### HE WAS GUILLOTINED.

Joseph Vacher, the French "Jack the Ripper,"

### EXPIATES HIS CRIMES.

Terrible Story of Wanton and Unprovoked Murders.

### PROTESTED HIS INNOCENCE.

The Fiend in Human Form Simulated Insanity to the Last.

### A WHOLESOME MURDERER.

Four Boys and Seven Women and Girls His Victims—An Unparalleled Record of Bloody Butchery.

Paris, Dec. 31.—Joseph Vacher, the French "Jack the Ripper," was guillotined at Bourg-on-Bresse, capital of the Department of Ain, this morning. He protested his innocence, and simulated insanity to the last. Vacher, who was 29 years of age, was condemned at the October assizes at Ain. He began life as a tramp, and is known to have brutally murdered four boys and seven women and girls. Most of the victims were tending herds, when Vacher came behind them and cut their throats.

The crimes of Joseph Vacher have surpassed in number and atrocity those of the Whitechapel murderer known as "Jack the Ripper." His homicidal mania first broke out seriously in 1894. He claimed after his arrest that as every action has an object, and as his motive was neither theft nor vengeance, his irresponsibility was established. Psychological physicians have regarded the case as interesting. It was shown that Vacher had been confined in an asylum for the insane, and that while doing military duty a love affair caused him to attempt his self-destruction by shooting the victims. Vacher, who was a shepherd and shepherdess, and his rage was particularly directed against young girls. He first cut the throats of his victims with a knife, and afterwards mutilated them with a razor. He was arrested last year after the police had searched for him for a long time in vain. In defence of Vacher, it was pointed out that when a youth he was bitten by a mad dog, and that the village herbalist gave him some medicine, after drinking which he became strange, irritable and brutal, whereas he had previously been quiet and inoffensive. It also appeared from these statements that from that time he developed a passion for human blood. Referring to his crimes, Vacher is quoted as saying: "My victims never suffered for anything. I was kind to them with one hand, I simply took their lives with a sharp instrument in the other. I am an Anarchist, and I am opposed to society, no matter what the form of government may be. He was a notorious vagabond, and fancied himself a hero. In every case he seems to have been seized with a frenzy after attacking his victims, as he cut and slashed them, and then continued to make them suffer. One day Vacher told the magistrate that he considered himself a scourge sent by Providence to afflict humanity. Vacher killed one of his victims, a girl, because she was wearing a clean-looking shirt which the murderer coveted.

One of the remarkable features of this extraordinary case was the clever manner in which Vacher succeeded in shifting suspicion from himself. About two years ago he murdered a shepherd boy on a country road, a few miles from Lyons, hacked the body almost into pieces, and then continued on his way. The murder was discovered a few minutes afterwards, and search for the murderer was promptly instituted in all directions, with the result that a gendarme, mounted on a bicycle, overtook Vacher and called on him to produce his identification papers, whereupon Vacher quietly handed over to the police officer his discharge as a non-commissioned soldier from a regiment of Zouaves. "Why that is my old regiment," exclaimed the gendarme. "I am hunting for a man who has just cut a boy's throat. Have you seen any suspicious characters?" "Oh, yes," answered the murderer, serenely. "I saw a man running across the field to the north, about a mile back from here. 'Thank you,' cried the gendarme. 'I'll be after him.' The gendarme then hurried off after the imaginary runner, and the real culprit quietly stole away from the scene of his crime. By lucky chances some of Vacher's would-be victims escaped him. For instance, he was herding cows near Clermont Ferrand, one day in October a year ago, when he saw an ugly-looking, grinning tramp approach him, carrying a big bar on his back and a heavy stick in his hand. The boy was alarmed, and as the stranger came nearer Rodier ran away. The tramp followed him, and the boy kept backing away, until he reached the brow of a hill, where a man and a woman were digging. When Vacher saw them he stopped short, and they watched him suspiciously, thinking there was something wrong about the tramp. The man was so sure of this that he took up a pitchfork in order to be ready for the worst. Thereupon Vacher remarked: "This is a horrid country. The people are worse than dogs. I have been fasting for two days, and nobody has offered me a crust." Only about twenty minutes before Vacher had murdered Rosine Rodier, the sister of the boy he had been chasing, a girl 14 years of age, whose body was not found until a week later. Upon another occasion three or four women in turn escaped him. A Mme. Marchand identified Vacher as the man who attacked her on the road near Lyons, at Easter, 1895, while she was returning from market, after having sold some oranges. Vacher crept up behind her, and seized her by the throat, but she struggled violently, scratched her assailant's face, and succeeded in several persons, but before they reached her Vacher had escaped. The same afternoon he attacked three other women in the same manner, but they all fled. The most prominent victim of Vacher was the Marquis de Villeplaine, who was killed while walking in his park in the south-western part of France, not far from the Spanish frontier. Vacher crept up behind him, felled him with a heavy stick, and then cut his throat. The murderer carried off the coat of the Marquis, and the pocketbook containing some bank notes, and sought refuge for a time in Spain.

**BRUTALLY BUTCHERED.**  
Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 31.—John Ott, or Hansy, as he has been known to the habitués of Canal and Commercial streets for the past twenty years, was brutally butchered last night in "The Only" Theatre, at Canal and Commercial streets, and as he lay gasping on the floor of the barroom with blood gushing in torrents from a frightful cut across the throat, his murderer, James H. Palmer, a large, dark, muscular man, stood over him, stretched a few feet from him with his blood also dyeing the floor, and Charles Sharrow, a waiter, stained from head to foot with the blood of the victim, was vainly trying to staunch the flow from the fatal wound across his own face and neck. Many gory sighs have cursed Canal street in the old days, but never in the history of the street has there been a more revolting and more sickening than that of last night. Ott was a waiter in the resort, and he had reproved Buckley's partner for insulting one of the women dancers. The first ballot stood on for hanging and two for life imprisonment. But the one stood firm, and after much discussion, the other eleven went over to him to prevent a disagreement.

### AN ALIEN LABOR LAW PROSECUTION.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 31.—Aaron Myers, who conducted a jewelry store in Main and Exchange streets, was arrested yesterday on a charge of violating the alien labor law. He was arraigned before United States Commissioner Silver and pleaded not guilty. His examination was set down for the first of Friday. Myers had a contract with Jos. Tate, of St. Catharines, Ont., by which the latter came to this country to work for him in October, 1897. Tate was employed in the jewelry store until about three weeks ago. At that time he was arrested on the charge of having stolen goods from the store. The complaint against him, which was made by Myers, was later withdrawn. Myers claims that the present arrest, which was made on the complaint of Tate, grew out of trouble between Tate and himself.

### THE MURDER OF MISS ADAMS.

The Mysterious Christmas Present Sent to Miss Adams—Not Yet Cleared Up—Attempted Murder and Suicide—Roosevelt Sworn in as Governor of New York—Failed to Pay for His Shoes—Entombed in a Mine.

### ENTOMBED IN A MINE.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Dec. 30.—Eight men were entombed by Dec. 30.—Eight men were entombed by the Lehigh and Wilkesbarre Coal Company, at Wanamie, this afternoon. After a heroic rescue five of the men were taken out alive. The other three, who were the suspects, it is expected they will be reached in a few hours. There is more than a possibility that they may be alive.

### ATTEMPTED MURDER.

New York, Dec. 31.—The police are still vigorously working to find out who sent the bottle of powder marked "Bromo seltzer" to Harry Cornish, and so caused the death of Mrs. Kate J. Adams on Wednesday last. Captain Cornish, of the detectives, has men at work in Newark, N. J., and in Connecticut, besides the large force in this city. "There are suspects in the case," he said, "and there will be arrests, but I am not at all sure of making them this morning. In fact, I do not think any arrest will be made to-day. As to the statement that Cornish has divulged the names of persons I cannot speak. I can only say that I am working hard on the case, and that my investigations have led to suspicions that will result in action."

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In the future, as in the past, this store will be a money-saver to its patrons.

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### FOR THE FILIPINOS.

Some Rule to Be Given Them by the United States.

YORK, Dec. 31.—President McKinley's proclamation setting forth the rules under which the United States will take possession of the Philippines, cabled to General Otis, says the Herald's correspondent. This was days ago, and it is as general as the proclamation, and taken steps to give the most possible circulation to the islands. The proclamation about two thousands words and was cabled to Manila in the form of a circular, and issued by General Shafter, when this Government session there, but has been unheeded. Home rule, under the direction of the United States government, is by the terms of the proclamation to be given to the Filipinos in the fullest sense. It is that they will be accorded a local government, and that the Filipinos shall be eligible to official positions. They will be given a fair judiciary, freedom of speech and of the press.

### THE EVACUATION OF HAVANA.

An Interesting Scene to Be Enacted To-morrow.

Havana, Dec. 30.—At 10 o'clock on Sunday morning, Jan. 1, the United States troops will occupy the plaza in front of the Captain-General's palace and the adjacent streets, the Spanish soldiers withdrawing and proceeding to the transports awaiting them. Early in the morning details of United States troops will enter Mor-

ro Castle and Cabanas fortress, the Spanish troops thereupon withdrawing to the transports, with the exception of a detachment of artillerymen, who will remain behind to fire a salute to the American flag. Immediately following the boom of the American salute to the red and golden flag of Spain, the Spanish officer will lower the flag, and Major Butler will raise the Stars and Stripes, the Spanish guns saluting. The latter salute will carry its special significance to the company inside the palace, where Captain-General Castellanos, in a few words, will transfer the government to Major-General Wade, of the United States military commission, who, after replying to the Captain-General, will transfer it to Major-General Brooke, military governor of Cuba. As soon as these ceremonies are over, Captain-General Castellanos will leave the palace, escorted by United States troops, proceeding across the plaza to the steamer Raba, upon which he will embark for Matanzas. As the Captain-General crosses the plaza the United States troops drawn up there will salute.

### BURNED TO DEATH.

A Four-year Old Alvinston Girl's Terrible End.

Alvinston, Dec. 31.—The four-year-old daughter of Lachlan McNeil, of this place, was burned so severely yesterday afternoon that she died last night, after suffering intense agony. The girl's mother had gone out for a few minutes, leaving the children in the house, and it is supposed that the fire, which was caused by the clothing caught fire from the stove, when first seen she was running through the yard towards her mother, completely enveloped in flames.

### FELL 500 FEET.

Six Men Meet Instant Death in a Superior Iron Mine.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 31.—A special to the Journal from Ishpeming, Mich., says: "This morning at six o'clock while nine Finnish trappers, whose names are unknown at this time, were coming to the surface in one of the shafts of the Lake Superior Iron Company, the cage met some obstruction in the shaft that inclined the floor, so as to let six men slide off, and they fell five hundred feet to the bottom, being instantly killed. The three who clung to the cage were slightly injured."

### SPANIARDS LEAVING HAVANA.

Havana, Dec. 31.—The city is quiet. The Spanish auxiliary cruiser Rapide and the Spanish torpedo boats Marques Ensenada, Galicia, Marquis Molins and Diego Velazquez, sailed to-day for Spain. The Rapide had on board Admiral Manterola, the Spanish naval commander, and the Patriota, another Spanish auxiliary cruiser, takes the Spanish naval officials. The arsenal here was occupied by Americans to-day. Morro Castle and Cabanas were occupied last night.

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