

# SPECIAL BARGAIN PROGRAMME FOR

Newly Opened.

A Fresh Supply of Hearth-rugs, Door Mats, &c.

**AXMINSTER HEARTH RUGS.**  
4 doz. Axminster Hearth Rugs, size 28 x 63, handsome new designs in Light and Dark colorings. Reg. \$2.70 ea. **\$2.30**  
Thursday & Saturday

**COCOANUT DOOR MATS.**  
12 doz. extra fine quality Cocoonut Door Mats, Green and Red Wool Borders; size 12 x 29. Reg. 80c. each. **65c**  
Thursday and Saturday

**ROPE MATS.**  
A brand new supply of these popular Rope Mats, Plain Centres, Red Wool Borders; size 18 x 28. Reg. 20c. each. **16c**  
Thursday & Saturday

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These Bargains amply substantiate our well earned reputation for Value Giving.

## The Royal Stores Ltd.



### Fancy NECKWEAR.

A fine display of Fancy Neckwear, including White and Cream Lace and Net Collars, with and without Jabots, Silk Jabots and Oriental Lace Collars. The styles are so varied that no matter what you need, whether it's a plain bow for your morning house dress, something more elaborate for a silk blouse, or a pretty jabot for your costume, you'll find it here. Reg. price 65c. **Thursday & Saturday 56c**

### Ladies' MOTOR HATS.

**\$1.50 MOTOR HATS for 75c.**  
Great Clearance Sale of Charming Motor Hats in various pretty styles and shades. Cost or profit bears no influence on the price. These Hats must go to make room for the host of incoming Spring Hats. Many of them can be worn right into the summer. **Thursday & Saturday 75c**

### A Great Sale of Easter Blouses.

**Silk Blouses.**  
14 doz. Cream Japanese Silk Blouses, various stylish models, daintily trimmed with solid and eyelet embroidery, fine lace and insertion. Reg. \$1.50 each. **Thursday and Saturday \$1.20**  
**Black Sateen and Lustre Blouses.**  
A large assortment of handsomely trimmed Black Sateen and Lustre Blouses; many different styles; all sizes. Reg. \$1.25 each. **Thursday and Saturday \$1.02**



### Table NAPKINS.

**MERCERIZED COTTON TABLE NAPKINS.**  
Size 20 x 20, nicely hemmed assorted patterns. Reg. 15c. each. **Thursday and Saturday 12c**  
**LINEN TABLE NAPKINS.**  
All pure Linen, assorted patterns; size 22 x 22. Reg. 25c. each. **Thursday and Saturday 20c**

### NEW SPRING FOOTWEAR. Now is the time to buy.

You ought to visit our Boot and Shoe Department now. Your highest expectations will be realized when you see the extensive stock of handsome Boots and Shoes that we have just opened. Even if you have no intention of buying, there's a lesson in values here that is worth walking this far to learn.

**LADIES' SHOES.**  
200 pairs 8-strap Shoes, Patent Leather Vamps, Dull Kid Tops, Cuban Heels, medium soles; a really smart dressy Shoe. Reg. \$2.25. **Thursday and Saturday \$2.10**

**LADIES' BOOTS.**  
125 pairs Dongola Boots, Blucher and Buttoned styles, high and low heels, patent tips, easy fitting; all sizes. Reg. \$2.20 pair. **Thursday and Saturday \$1.98**

**LADIES' BOOTS.**  
170 pairs Black Vic Kid Boots, Patent Tips, Dull Kid trimmed. Bluchers only; solid leather soles, sensible heels. Reg. \$2.70 pair. **Thursday and Saturday \$2.48**

**CHILDREN'S BOOTS.**  
A large assortment of Boots, to fit children from 6 months to 3 years. In White, Red, Black and White, and Tan Kid; Buttoned and Blucher shapes. Reg. 80c. pair. **Friday and Saturday 72c**

### Interesting Items at Little Prices.

**COAT BUTTONS.**  
A job line of high grade Coat Buttons, Silk covered and Metal, in all the leading shades. Values to 60c. doz. **Thursday and Saturday 24c**

**PERI LUSTA.**  
Stout Embroidery Thread for art needlework all new shades. **Special Thursday & Saturday 7c**

**DAISY WASH SILKS.**  
Belding's Pure Washing Silks for Embroidery and Fancy Work; all colors. **Special Thursday & Saturday 10c**

**KNITTING PINS.**  
5 doz. White Bone Knitting Pins, 8 and 9 ins. long. Reg. 8c. pr. **Thursday & Saturday 6c**

**MUSHROOM DARNERS.**  
Polished wood, hollow handles serve as needle cases; 10 dozen only in stock. Reg. 10c. ea. **Thursday & Saturday 8c**

### SAFETY PINS.

5 gross Needle Pointed Duplex Safety Pins, 12 on a card. **Special for Thursday and Saturday, 2 cards for 4c**

**CROCHETING HOOKS.**  
40 doz. Improved Solid Steel Crocheting Hooks; assorted sizes. **Special for Thursday and Saturday, 4 for 7c**

**DRESSING COMBS.**  
5 doz. only strong and useful Dressing Combs; British manufacture. Reg. 20c. each. **Thursday & Saturday 14c**

**BULLDOG BUTTONS.**  
The bachelor's friend. Requires no sewing; pushed on in an instant. **Special Thursday & Saturday, 4 cards for 7c**

**TOILET SOAP.**  
The famous "Lullaby" Toilet Soap in assorted odors. **Special for Thursday and Saturday, 2 cakes for 9c**

### Stylish and Dependable Goods at Low Prices.

**CUSHION COVERS.**  
17 dozen Fawn Crash Linen Cushion Covers handsomely embroidered with colored Silk, floral designs; size 20 x 20; frilled. Reg. 50c. each. **Thursday and Saturday 40c**

**DUCHESS SETS.**  
5 dozen only White Linen Duchess Sets, beautifully trimmed with Lace Insertion and Fringe, 4 pieces in the set; the longest piece is 40 inches. Reg. 30c. each. **Thursday and Saturday 62c**

**LAUNDRY BAGS.**  
4 dozen Fawn Crash Linen Laundry Bags, some Plain, others with pretty embroidered lettering; size 18 x 29. Reg. 40c. each. **Thursday and Saturday 32c**

**LADIES' HOSE.**  
240 pairs Black and Tan Cashmere Hose, Plain and Ribbed. This is a job line; extra special values. Reg. 45c. pair. **Thursday and Saturday 38c**

**LADIES' HOSE.**  
Another job line of Black and Tan Cashmere Hose, Plain and Assorted Rib; Seamless Feet; values to 35 cents pair. **Thursday and Saturday 22c**

**LADIES' APRONS.**  
We have a splendid line of White Lawn Aprons nicely made in the most approved styles, neat Swiss Embroidery effects on bibs and Breteles. Regular 35 cents. **Thursday and Saturday 29c**

**LADIES' OVERALLS.**  
In White Lawn, Yoke trimmed with Swiss Embroidery, neat waist bands, deep founcines nicely trimmed. Reg. 55c. each. **Thursday and Saturday 44c**

**INFANTS' BANDS.**  
Practical little bands for infants, made for comfort and durability out of strong White Cotton. Reg. 35c. each. **Thursday and Saturday 30c**

**RIBBONS.**  
80 pieces Heavy Silk Taffeta Ribbon. Every fashionable shade in represented here; 4 and 5 inches wide. Reg. 20c. yard. **Thursday and Saturday 17c**

**LADIES' KNICKERS.**  
A job line of White Lawn Knickers, American make, well cut and finished with large trills, tucks and lace edging. Reg. \$1.00 pair. **Thursday and Saturday 80c**

**LADIES' CORSETS.**  
To have every dress looking its best their must be a perfect Corset beneath it. This week we offer a line of the well known D. & A. Corsets. It has medium bust, 4 garters, long hips. Reg. \$1.70 pair. **Thursday and Saturday 1.53**

**DENT'S KID GLOVES.**  
Here's a chance to obtain a pair of these splendid Gloves for Easter. They come in all colors to match costumes; perfect fitting; 2 domes. Reg. \$1.10. **Thursday & Saturday 98c**

### List of Pure Groceries.

Libby's Treasures—Raspberries, Strawberry and Cherries. Reg. 35c. for 25c.  
Crosse & Blackwell's Bombay Chutney. Reg. 20c. bot. for 14c.  
Helm India Rillish. Reg. 25c. bottle for 20c.  
Armour's Tomato Bouillon. Special for 15c. per 1 lb. tin.  
Helm Tomato Chutney. Reg. 45c. bottle for 40c.  
Kola Tonic Wine. Reg. 75c. bottle for 69c.  
Sunlight Soap, 8 oz. cakes. Reg. 6c. cake for 5c.  
Armour's Vigor Meat Extract. Reg. 40c. pkt. for 35c.  
Libby's Soups—Oxtail, Mock Turtle, Chicken, etc. Reg. 12c. package for 10c.  
Compressed Ham, 1 lb. tin. Reg. 30c. for 25c.  
Rolled Oats, 7 lbs. for 15c.  
Choice Prunes. Reg. 12c. lb. for 10c.

### Great Crockery Sale.

Fancy China Fern Pots, large size, assorted patterns. Reg. 90c. each for 75c.  
Cut Glass Twin Oil or Vinegar Bottles. Reg. 65c. for 55c.  
White and Gold China Egg Cups. Special, 6 for 50c.  
White and Gold China Egg Frames, 4 cup size. Reg. 45c. for 35c.  
White and Gold Meat Dish, 14 inches. Reg. 55c. ea. for 45c.  
Pyramid Fairy Lights, assorted colors. Reg. 15c. for 10c.  
Krysol Glass Salt and Pepper Shakers, Glass Top. Regular 10c. each for 8c.  
Krysol Glass Oval Dishes, 8 inches. Reg. 30c. for 25c.  
Krysol Glass Lemon Dishes. Reg. 30c. for 25c.  
Krysol Sugar Dishes, Handled. Reg. 30c. for 25c.  
Stone China Willow Pattern Tea Plates, 5 inches. Special, 4 for 15c.  
Brown Earthen Flower Pots and Saucers, 6 inches. Special, each 8c.

### HARDWARE! Biggest Bargains Yet.

Enamel Soap Dishes, to hang. Reg. 14c. for 11c.  
Enamel Basins, size 12 in. Reg. 20c. for 17c.  
Enamel Foot Baths, size 14 x 20 in. Reg. \$1.75 for \$1.53.  
"Holdfast" Shaving Brushes, Ebony Handles. Reg. 25c. for 20c. each.  
Bannister Dust Brushes, Ebony Handles. Reg. 42c. each for 36c.  
Marbeline, in 5 lb. pkgs.; all colors. Reg. 25c. pkg. for 23c.  
Brushes for applying Marbeline, 3 inches wide. Reg. 15c. for 14c.  
Bannell's Ball Brushes, Carpet Sweepers. Reg. \$1.25 for \$1.05.  
Nickel Plated Crumb Tray and Brushes with Ebony Handles. Reg. 85c. for 71c.  
Nickel Kettles, to hold 1 gallon. Reg. \$1.75 for \$1.53.  
Turbin Stretches. Reg. \$1.50 for \$1.36.  
Wood Frame Wingers with 10 inch Rubber Rollers. Reg. \$2.65 for \$2.42.  
Stair Plates, Nickel Finished, complete with Tacks. Reg. 18c. doz. for 14c.  
Penny Lamp Chimneys, to fit large burner. Reg. 15c. ea. for 11c.  
Tack Pullers. Reg. 6c. each for 4c.  
Tack Hammers. Reg. 12c. each for 10c.  
Family Household Scale to weigh 25 lbs. with Regulator. Reg. \$1.55 each for \$1.31.  
Meat Mincers, with 4 cutters. Reg. 95c. for 82c.  
Shallow Pie Tins, 9 in., with Outer. Reg. 9c. for 7c.

### MEN!

Splendid Money Saving Opportunities will await you here on



### GENTS' HANDKERCHIEFS.

40 doz. White Irish Lawn Handkerchiefs, Hemstitched with 1 inch, 1 1/4 and 1 1/2 inch hem; medium size. Reg. 15c. each. **Thursday and Saturday 12c**

**CUFF LINKS.**  
A job line of handsome Cuff Links for Men, Rolled and Plated Gold, studded with various kinds of precious stones; strong, reliable makes; values to 90 cents pair. **Thursday and Saturday 34c**

**MEN'S SHIRTS.**  
An unusual offering of High Grade Shirts for Men, in Dark colors; all sizes; perfect fitting neckbands; values to \$1.00 each. **Thursday and Saturday 39c**

**MEN'S HALF HOSE.**  
Another large assortment to hand of Men's Worsted and Cashmere Hose, Black and Fancy Heather Mixtures; all sizes. Reg. 35c. pair. **Thursday and Saturday 29c**

**MEN'S BOOTS.**  
75 pairs Black Vic Kid Blucher Boots, best American make; swell toe caps. Goodyear Welts; sizes from 6 to 9. Reg. \$3.60 pair. **Thursday and Saturday 3.30**

**BOYS' BOOTS.**  
Here is a splendid line of Black Vic Kid Boots for Boys; sizes: 6, 7, 8 and 9; patent tip; all well cut and stoutly made. Reg. \$1.50. **Thursday and Saturday 1.25**

**MEN'S REGATTA SHIRTS.**  
A nice assortment of Printed Regatta Shirts with short stiff bosoms and medium cuffs; opening at back; all sizes; light and dark striped patterns. Regular \$1.10 each. **Thursday and Saturday 95c**

**MEN'S HARD FELT HATS.**  
You will soon be looking for a new hat. Here's your chance. The noted "Red Cross" make. In all sizes; smart, new shapes; light weight and durable. Regular \$1.85 each. **Thursday and Saturday 1.48**

**BOYS' CAPS.**  
34 dozen Boys' Tweed Golf Caps. Best American manufacture; light and dark shades; sizes: 6 1/4 to 7. Reg. 25c. each. **Thursday and Saturday 19c**

### Magisterial Enquiry.

The enquiry into the cause of the fire which destroyed the Reid Company's machine shops was continued yesterday when three witnesses were examined.

Michael Dunn, Supt. of the Fire Department, was sworn and in his evidence stated that the fire alarm was rung in at 7.33 a.m. on the 13th inst. from Box 41. I proceeded to the fire on the chemical engine, arriving three or four or five minutes afterwards. The firemen from the West End Station were then on the scene. They had a hose connected at the corner of Brazil's Lane. There was neither stream of water on the burning building when I got there. I went down to eastern end of building where fire was raging furiously. There being no water I came back to find out delay when I saw the water coming from the hose which was laid out by the Western Station men. Central men coupled up two streams at Job Street. Two streams were also put on from the steam engine. The fire had made such progress when I arrived that I considered that owing to the insufficient supply of water we had to confine our efforts to the eastern portion of the building. Know nothing of any explosion beyond what I heard. If there was one it must have happened before I arrived. I heard orders from Donnelly informed me there was no water in the East End of the city. I adjusted matters by taking off one hose at Job Street and another at Brennan's Lane. The all-out signal was sent in at 11.50 a.m.

Francis Lempie, sworn—I am leading man building locomotives at R. N. O's repair shops. I was about 50 feet from the office on the north side of the building when the fire broke out. At the time I was speaking to James Pike about a casting. He said there was a fire in Mr. Duder's office. I saw blaze through window in the office; fire appeared to be in centre of office. I shouted to men around to run to General Stores to procure all the buckets they could. I then passed through shop and while I was passing explosion occurred, scattering fire in all directions. In a short while the whole building was in a blaze. Don't think fire would cause air compressor pipes to break. I heard orders were given to have power shut off at Sub-Station as soon as the alarm was sent in. There would not be any inflammable material inside the building excepting the oil on the benches and around the floor near the locomotives. The whole building and contents were damaged or destroyed.

Ford Winsor, District Fire Chief, sworn—Alarm was sent in about 7.33 on date in question. I proceeded to the fire on the chemical engine via New Gower and Hutchings' Street. When I arrived on the scene the machine shop was ablaze from end to end. We confined our efforts to the eastern end of the building to prevent the fire from spreading. The building was burned down and I remained there until the all-out signal was rung in at ten minutes to twelve.

### The Doughnut.

BY H. L. RANN.

The doughnut is a large hole entirely surrounded by indigestion. It was originally made in one solid piece, but after several people had attacked it with fatal results the hole was introduced, thereby prolonging life and reducing the per capita death rate.

The doughnut is made of a heavy, thick material, similar to that used in laying a composition roof, and will hold its shape, color, and flavor for years. The lifetime of the average doughnut found at railroad eating houses is 2,000 years, but as traveling men usually inquire the age of each doughnut probably a fair average would be three score years and ten. So matter how old a doughnut is, it never becomes what you could call "crept", but will resist all efforts to tollify it without using a hatchet. Doughnuts are usually kept under a glass case so that the flavor will not get out and creep into the pie. The boarding house doughnut is a ready missile which is put on the table day after day from force of habit and also to add a touch of lightness to the table decorations. Once in a while some new boarder will approach one of these doughnuts in a spirit of reckless daring and hunt around for some vulnerable spot, but will finally back off with an apologetic cough and tackle the remains of the Sunday roast. The theft of a boarding house doughnut for the purpose of relieving hunger is strong presumptive evidence of hereditary inanity.

The hole in the doughnut is put here so that people can get a fresh acid when they wish to brain an enemy. Some women keep doughnuts in the house in lieu of a shot-gun, and by using them judiciously are able to get considerable work out of tired husbands who have been on their feet all day, playing pool. An indolent husband will sit around in his stocking feet by the hour and absorb all the reproaches his wife can think of, but a stirring rebuke in the form of a resilient doughnut will start him in the direction of the wood box on the dead run.