

Friday Bargains.



Every day is a special day at "The Fair," but Friday will be an extra special day. Early shoppers, especially, will receive some of the most genuine bargains of the season.

1600 regular 25c Gift Books, very neatly bound at sacrifice prices. Henty's regular 35c and 50c Books, Friday, each 20c (Rest of day 25c each)

Special Sale at Candy Dept at 8 O'Clock.

Peanut Crisp, pound 7c
This only holds good between 8 and 9 a.m. Friday.

Regular 75c Glove and Handkerchief Cases, Friday, set 50c

Everything in the Gift Line at the Lowest Prices.

FLOOD IN NEW YORK!

Caused by Bursting of a Water-Pipe—Basements of Costly Buildings Deluged.

New York, Dec. 12.—By the bursting of an immense water supply pipe late Tuesday night an immense amount of damage was done in the residence section of the city between Fifty-fifth and Fifty-ninth streets, and Madison and Park avenues. Some estimates place it at thousands of dollars, but in reality all estimates are at present guesses.

Cellars and basements were flooded, cars were blocked, several buildings, including the First Reformed Episcopal Church, were undermined, and there is danger of their collapse, and the walls of the New York Central Railway tunnel weakened. Thousands of gallons of water that poured into the avenue rushed northward, finding outlets in the side streets, and there inundating the basements of handsome residences. For two hours the water swirled through the streets before it began to subside.

SENTENCED TO BE HANGED.
Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Dec. 11.—Shults, the man who was found guilty of the murder of his companion, Mrs. Craig, has been sentenced to be hanged on Feb. 7, 1902.

THERE IS DANGER in neglecting a cold. Many who have died of consumption dated their troubles from exposure, followed by a cold, which settled on their lungs, and in a short time they were beyond the skill of the best physician. Had they used Hicks' Anti-Consumptive Syrup before it was too late, their lives would have been spared. This medicine has no equal for curing coughs, colds and all affections of the throat and lungs.

The Big Book Sale Commences Friday.

Thousands and thousands of Gift Books of all kinds at sacrifice prices. Henty's regular 35c and 50c Books, Friday, each 20c
GIRLS' BOOKS—500 Books for girls, cloth-bound, everything attached to them that will make it a very popular gift. Friday, each 25c
POETS—400 volumes in padded leather bindings, regular \$1.25, sale price 90c

Special Agents for Bagster Bibles. Very Special Prices on Friday.

OLDEST MAN IN OHIO

Aged 102, Living at Mount Oilead, Tells of Service in Mexican and Civil Wars.

Gilead, O., Dec. 12.—Jeremiah Gleason, aged 102, who lies in a small log hut near here, is the oldest survivor of the civil and Mexican wars, and probably the oldest man in Ohio.

Gleason was born near Londonderry, Ireland, in 1782. At the age of 20 he left his native country for America, on account of political opinions. His desire for a wild life brought him to Ohio, which he has called his home state for more than 30 years. He was captured by the Indians and held prisoner by them for more than three years, and says he grew as wild as any of his captors.

During the Indian wars Gleason fought under Gen. Andrew Jackson. When the war with Mexico broke out Gleason served under John C. Fremont. After the war he joined an expedition to seek gold in California. His eldest son accompanied him. The son was lost in the famous Pecos gold mine.

With a small fortune Gleason returned to his home. When the civil war broke out he took up arms again for his adopted country, serving three years as a Union soldier. He wanted to engage in the recent war with Spain, but was not permitted to, owing to his advanced age. Mr. Gleason is now doing light work on his small farm with a team of horses. He says he expects to live to be 115 years old.

CANCER.

Our remedy is pleasant to use, and the cure is permanent. Particulars free. Stott & Jury, Bowmanville, Ont.

Smallpox appears to be more prevalent just now in Philadelphia than in any other of the large cities of the United States.

SWEET CAPORAL CIGARETTES.

TO SPRINKLE CITY STREETS

The Street Railway Company Makes a Proposition.

Would Do Twelve Miles for \$2,700—The Plumbing Bylaw Meets With Opposition.

Last night Ald. Stevely presided over the last regular meeting of No. 3 committee. The important matters that were dealt with were the question of passing the plumbing bylaw this year and the proposal to water some of the city streets by the street car system. A deputation from the Real Estate Owners' Protective Association appeared in connection with the former, and during the course of their argument two noteworthy facts were elicited—the first that they protested against the bylaw without having even taken the trouble to read it, a stand that the mayor considered unreasonable, yet in keeping with other actions of the association; and the second was that the real estate owners did not advocate Dr. Balfour's dismissal from the superintendency of Victoria Hospital.

The deputation, consisting of Messrs. John Christie, H. Douglass and Wm. Scarrow, asked that the plumbing bylaw be laid over so that it might be discussed during the municipal campaign. They said that it was too serious a matter to pass upon before the people fully understood it, and said that while the city's sanitary conditions are now sufficiently safeguarded, the bylaw would impede building operations. Mr. Scarrow characterized the bylaw as "an embargo on building" and claimed that the present state of affairs was satisfactory. He said that the health officers had power now to stop that plumbing was of the right kind, to which City Engineer Graydon replied that 240 cases of defective plumbing had been reported during the year.

After the three real estate owners had spoken, along this line, Mayor Rumball opened up on them. Each had acknowledged that he had not read the bylaw through. So the mayor asked them if they had carefully considered the whole bylaw. He asked this, because a resolution passed by the Real Estate Owners' Protective Association had come before the hospital board, which asked that Dr. Balfour be dismissed, without giving any reason for so doing. When an important resolution like that, passed by the influential body that the real estate owners should be, gave no reason for the action recommended, what weight had it?

Messrs. Douglass and Scarrow protested that it had not been the desire of the real estate owners to dismiss Dr. Balfour. They stated positively that if the resolution said that, it expressed what was not the intention of the association.

After some discussion as to the merits of the bylaw, it was decided to recommend to the council that it be laid over until next year. Manager Carr, of the street railway company wrote, saying that to water twelve miles of the city streets four times per day, taking water free of charge from city hydrants, and the city supplying water free of charge to the city, would cost the city \$2,700 per annum, and for additional mileage, 50 cents per mile. The company submitted two other propositions that differed from the first, according

A Prevailing Scourge.

The "Blighting White Plague." How Catarrh Does Its Deadly Work.



Cooling Off—Taking Cold.

Doctor Says It Is Catarrh.

Has Developed Bronchitis.

In the Grasp of Consumption.

It is just the same old story of exposure to cold. The neglected cold becoming chronic catarrh. Catarrh extending along the delicate mucous membrane to the bronchial tubes and developing chronic bronchitis, causing further extension. The lungs are reached, catarrhal consumption is established. The lungs are gradually destroyed, and the grave consequences of the record of neglected catarrh. A well-worn road to a withering end and untimely death. Thousands upon thousands have traveled it, and thousands more are traveling it now. Every year develops a multitude of new victims.

Consumption the fell destroyer is most abundant in its freemartens. It is the result of it annually summons to their long rest over 300,000 victims in the United States alone. It is a disease which spares neither age, nor sex, rank or fortune. It is like the vampire that drinks up the vital stream and leaves the body a withered husk.

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The presence of catarrh is evidence of a predisposition to the "Blighting White Plague." Do not let it progress, stop it, cure it. Before it has reached the lungs you can do this with very little effort and expense. Stuart's Catarrh Tablets are a sovereign remedy for the peculiar constitutional condition of systemic dyscrasia that is the cause of catarrh. They drive the destructive processes of the disease to a point beyond possibility of repair. They will cure catarrh of the head, nose, throat, ears, bronchial tubes, and the lungs, or any tract, but if once lung substance is destroyed and in the cheeks the hectic spots burn brightly like signal lamps of death, then they are powerless to save. There is a point in the destructive processes of catarrh beyond which no medicine can cure, where no agency yet discovered will arrest or reverse the process.

Be timely wise, cure your catarrh while yet it may be cured. Take no chances of some exposure, and the smoldering fire of chronic catarrh into a devastating conflagration of consumption. You can buy Stuart's Catarrh Tablets at any drug store for 50 cents.

Mr. Geo. Cusumano, of hotel Griffin, West 9th street, New York City, writes: "I have commenced using Stuart's Catarrh Tablets and already they have given me better results than any catarrh cure I have ever tried."

Mr. A. R. Fernbank of Columbus, Ohio, says: "I suffered so many winters from Catarrh that I took it as a matter of course, and that nothing would cure it except a change of climate, which my business affairs would not permit me to take."

Mr. Nostril were almost always clogged up, and I had to breathe through the mouth causing an inflamed, irritated throat. The thought of eating breakfast often nauseated me and the catarrh gradually getting into my stomach took away my appetite and digestion.

A physician advised me to try a fifty cent box of Stuart's Catarrh Tablets, because he said he had so many customers who had been cured of catarrh by the use of these tablets, that he felt he could honestly recommend them. I took his advice and used several boxes with results that surprised and delighted me.

I always keep a box of Stuart's Catarrh Tablets in the house and the whole family use them freely on the first appearance of a cough or cold in the head.

"With our children we think there is nothing so safe and reliable as Stuart's Catarrh Tablets to ward off colds and catarrh of the older people I have known of cases where the hearing had been seriously impaired by chronic catarrh cured entirely by this new remedy."

Send a postal card to F. A. Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich., requesting their free book on catarrh. Write for it to-day.

CAPITAL ECHOES

Revised Census Figures Give Montreal's Population 267,730.

Australia Agrees to the Proposition of a Colonial Conference—Name "Mounted Rifles" for New Contingent.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ottawa, Dec. 11.—The revised census figures make municipal Montreal 267,730, and greater Montreal 504,669.

THE COLONIAL CONFERENCE.
Sir Wilfrid Laurier has received a cable from Premier Barton, of the Australian Commonwealth, and another from Premier Seddon, of New Zealand, agreeing to the proposition of Canada's premier to attend a conference in London, England, next June to consider trade, postal, cable, transportation, and any other international matters.

"MOUNTED RIFLES."
Dr. Borden has been notified by the war office that the name of "Mounted Rifles" has been accepted for the regiment now being organized for South Africa. The minister of militia has also been advised that six transport wagons and twelve horses are to be secured for the equipment of the corps. It is understood that another medical officer will be required as there are two boats.

THE CANAL TREATY

Discussed in Executive Session of the United States Senate.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Two speeches on the Hay-Pauncefote treaty were made in the executive session of the senate today—one by Senator Bacon, in opposition to the treaty, and the other by Senator Cullom, the prospective chairman of the committee on foreign relations, in support of it.

Mr. Bacon summed up his objections in the statement that he could not freely accept any treaty which does not place the isthmian canal entirely under American auspices and American control. This, he said, the pending treaty does not do, nor does it do anything like it. He contended that the only power given to the United States which was not given to Great Britain was found in the last sentence of regulation two, providing that "the United States shall be at liberty to maintain such military police along the canal as may be necessary to protect it against lawlessness and disorder." This, he said, was not sufficient to make the canal an American institution. In conclusion, Mr. Bacon announced that while he had no intention of voting for the treaty, he would do nothing to obstruct its ratification.

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JOTTINGS FROM NEAR-BY PLACES

DENFIELD.
Denfield, Dec. 12.—The Sutherland & Innis mill closed here today for want of logs. Denfield grain market is excited; highest price paid for wheat, 75c per bushel; oats, 45c; corn, 65c; peas, 70c. Two carloads of bran have arrived here, and the farmers have a scramble to see who will load their wagons first. It is expected that sleighing first teams will commence drawing sawlogs for the big mill.

THAMESFORD.
Thamesford, Dec. 12.—A most enjoyable evening was spent at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. George McKay, Friday evening, when about 50 of the young people of this neighborhood were entertained with a dancing and card party. Dancing was continued well into the small hours of the morning, and all seemed to enjoy themselves immensely. The party broke up about 4 o'clock, the guests all sincerely wishing Mr. and Mrs. McKay success and happiness in their new home. Lively and up-to-date music was furnished by Currie brothers, violinists, Derwent.

ARKONA.
Arkona, Dec. 12.—Mrs. Geo. Smith broke a small bone in her foot on Tuesday, and will be laid up for a couple of weeks.
Mr. A. Augustine is to be one of the candidates for reeveship this year.
Rev. Hannason wears a smile. A daughter.
Mr. Art. Lampman left on Friday for a lumber camp up in Michigan.
Mrs. Jonas Stoner died suddenly on Monday after a long illness of two months.
The new livery is turning out some nobly outfits.
Mr. Alex. Fartram has rented his blacksmith shop.
Mr. C. H. Jackson returned home Friday after spending a couple of weeks with friends in Columbus, Ohio.
Good sleighing in the Ark.
Mr. McGregor, of London, was in town on Tuesday.

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GENUINE Fire Sale

The unfortunate fire occurring on our premises just at this time when we were ready for Christmas trade makes it compulsory for us to clear out all stock damaged by smoke at whatever it will bring. We have adjusted our loss with the insurance companies and our customers will get the benefit.

BOOTS, SHOES AND SLIPPERS.

Men's \$1.50 boots for \$1.00	Ladies' \$1.25 boots for 75c	Children's 50c boots for 40c
Men's \$2.00 boots for 1.50	Ladies' \$1.50 boots for \$1.00	Children's 75c boots for 60c
Men's \$2.50 boots for 1.75	Ladies' \$2.00 boots for 1.35	Girls' \$1.00 boots for 75c
Men's \$3.00 boots for 2.25	Ladies' \$2.50 boots for 1.75	Girls' \$1.25 boots for 90c
Men's \$3.50 boots for 2.75	Ladies' \$3.00 boots for 2.15	Misses' Skating boots for \$1.25
Men's \$4.00 boots for 3.00	Ladies' \$3.50 boots for 2.80	Misses' Dongola Kid boots for 1.00
Men's \$5.00 boots for 4.00	Ladies' \$4.00 boots for 3.20	Misses' \$1.25 Slippers for 1.00
Men's Skating boots 1.50	Ladies' Skating Boots 90c	Misses' \$1.50 Patent Leather Slip- pers for 1.25
Men's \$1.00 Slippers 75c	Ladies' Slippers 15c	Boys' Skating boots 1.25
Men's \$1.25 Slippers 90c	Ladies' Slippers 25c	Boys' Strong School boots \$1.00
		Boys' Fine Calf boots 1.25

LEATHER CHRISTMAS GOODS. TRUNKS AND VALISES.

Purses 5c	Gentlemen's Wallets 50c	Trunks, square top \$3.20
Purses 10c	Gentlemen's Pocket Books 35c	Trunks, canvas top 5.00
Purses 15c	Gentlemen's Coin Pockets 40c	Trunks, two trays 5.00
Purses 25c	Gentlemen's Bill Pockets 75c	Valises 75c
Purses 50c	Gentlemen's Dressing Cases 4.00	Valises 90c
Boat Skin Purses 75c	Gentlemen's Cigarette Cases 75c	Valises \$1.00
Walrus Skin Purses \$1.75	Gentlemen's Tea Flasks \$1.25	Grips 1.20
Monkey Skin Purses 2.00	Ink Wells (Hats) 40c	Grips Cases, solid 1.50
Genuine Calf Purses 2.50	Ink Wells (Bottles) 45c	Suit Cases 4.50
Money Bags 25c	Gentlemen's Flat Collar Cases \$1.25	Suit Cases 6.00
Shawl Straps 15c	Ladies' Dressing Cases 4.50	Telephones 45c
Collar and Cuff Cases 75c	Ladies' Jewelry Cases 1.00	Telephones 80c
Music Rolls 50c	Ladies' Chatelaines 50c	Skate Straps, pair 50c
Music Cases \$1.25	Ladies' Seal Chatelaines 75c	Gentlemen's Hat Boxes \$4.50
Commercial Travelers' Cases 75c	Ladies' Belts (patent) 25c	

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It's the constant strain and worry under which the professional man labors, the irregularity of his habits, the irregularity of his hours, the irregularity of his diet, the irregularity of his sleep, the irregularity of his exercise, the irregularity of his rest, the irregularity of his work, the irregularity of his play, the irregularity of his life, the irregularity of his death.

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Strengthen and invigorate the kidneys—never fail to give quick relief and cure the most obstinate cases.
Rev. Dr. Campbell, pastor of the Baptist Church, Essex, Ont., says: "From my personal use of Doan's Kidney Pills, which I got at Sharon's drug store, I can say they are a most excellent remedy for kidney troubles, and I recommend them to sufferers from such complaints."

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Eaten by Fire.

"The more the fire eats the starch, the less we have to eat it." An Indian proverb, which contains much wisdom. In making PAN-DRIED Rolled Oats the kernels are subjected to intense heat, this eats the starch and thus makes their digestion easy for you. That alone is a good reason for your insisting on having

TILLSON'S PAN-DRIED OATS.

There are many other reasons. They are free from hulls and all foreign substances; so common in many Oatmeals. Talk to your grocer about always sending you the "PAN-DRIED" kind.

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