NEYLE'S

HARDWARE

Sleigh Chimes,

for carriage and sleigh pad, $2.50, $3.00, $3.75 and $6.00 set.

NICKEL PLATED SHAFT CHIMES, $2.75, $3.25 and $4.50 a pair.

Knives and Forks.

English White Handle Knives with Steel Forks, $4.50 doz.

Yale Locks.

Night Latches, 70c., $1.20, $2.75, $4.50 each.
Inside Door Sets, $19.80 doz.; $1.80 each.
Front Door Sets, $67.20 doz.; $6.00 each.

Flash Lights,

2-Cell Round Flash Lights, good quality nickel, $2.00 each.

Wood Pipes,

A good assortment, $3.20 doz.
Briar Wood Pipes, $4.40 & $5.50 a doz.

Woodstock Skates,

for Lumbermen, $4.50 a doz.

Larrigans,

for Lumbermen. Laced, 7 and 10 ins. high; long leg, 15 inches high.

Rubber Cement.

Goodrich Rubber Cement. Bottles, $1.90 doz.; cans, $2.90 doz.

Curry Combs.

$1.80, $2.10, $2.75, $2.80, $3.40, $3.80 doz.

Dessert Knives.

50 doz. English White Handle Tea Knives, $6.00 a doz.

Pocket Knives.

Ivoral Handle .. ..$2.40 a doz.
2 Blade Pocket Knives,
$4.80, $5.40, $6.00 and $6.60 doz.
We have 100 doz. in stock.

Gimlets.

20 doz. assorted Gimlets..$1.00 doz.

Horse Hames.

Heavy Iron Hames for woods work, $3.50 a pair
Red Wood Hames, with brass tops, $4.50, $5.00, $6.70 a pair.

Lanterns.

Cold Blast.. .. ..$18.00 doz.
Railway Lanterns .. .. ..$19.00 doz.
Dashboard Lanterns.. .. ..$2.10 each

Oil Taps.

For steel kero and gasoline casks.

Razors.

Just opened, 20 doz. English Razors and 20 doz. English

Bengall Razors.

We have a nice selection Razor Strops.

Lather Brushes.

$2.50, $3.50, $4.50 and $4.80 doz.

Snare Wire.

New stock, best quality.

Rabbit and Fox Snare Wire

90c. per lb.

Saws

Hand Saws, good quality, $1.50 to $2.00 each;

Sweat Pads.

We have an extra good Sweat Pad for woods work, $1.00, $1.50 and $2.00 each.

Wringers.

$4.50 and $6.00 each.

Wood Pegs.

½, ⅝, ¾ inch.
Iron Shoe Rivets, ⅝ inch.

Whips.

Just received a shipment English Cart and Carriage Whips.

NEYLE'S HARDWARE,
WILLIAM SOPER, Manager.

Nfld. Scotch Cured Herring.

The establishment of a price on Newfoundland Scotch pack herring a week ago at $22 f.o.b., point of packing would seem to set at rest all discussion of "exorbitant prices," but for the fact that in Green Bay fishermen are selling their herring as high as $12.50 from the nets to American vessels there to load bulk herring for Gloucester. This exceptional price for green fish out of the nets tends to indicate that at least one point costs will be far in excess of normal, if this price for fresh fish holds. As an argument against the normal condition at Green Bay, however, it is to be considered that at Bay of Islands herring is selling at $5 per barrel, while in Trinity and Placentia Bays the prices vary between $3 and $4 per barrel. The explanation of the high prices at Green Bay doubtless is the presence of the American vessels, and probably competitive bidding among them for the first cargoes. It is not likely that this condition will last after these vessels have been loaded and cleared for their American stations. In the meantime representatives of New York houses are reported to be in St. John's still, and so far as is known, none has bought a single barrel at the prices at which they have been offered. The sale at $22 was made a week ago, but the seller is not known, but the trade is apparently keen to the situation, and it is doubtful if any will bid higher than this price if, indeed, they are willing to pay that much. It is known that those who represent New York importers have been instructed not to buy without submitting offers here first, and in many cases buyers have been instructed not to buy at all if the price is over $20 per barrel. As there is Scotch and Alaska herring in the market now, it is doubtful if the trade will attempt to bid high on any Newfoundland herring this winter. Sales of spring and winter herring in the New York market have been few and the demand in the past fortnight has fallen off to such an extent that merchants are not permitting themselves to become excited about the fall pack. Many would like to sell out their present stocks of spring and winter herring before taking on any great quantity of fall herring, although it is conceded that the fall Scotch pack is a better seller than the goods which is now offering. The attitude of the Newfoundland packer has been such that the New York trade reached a point of exasperation a year ago, and for that reason the representatives in St. John's have not the free rein they had a year ago, and it is certain they will not be permitted to bid against one another in the purchase of stocks. —N.Y. Fishing Gazette, Dec. 7.

Entry Book-keeping.

Ten miles north of Gloversville, New York, in the Adirondacks, is a crossroads store where "Old Man" Madigan, a native of the backwoods, has done well these twenty years selling supplies to summer resorters at a lake nearby.

Madigan likes children, is an expert whittler, owns fifteen dogs, has always been a Democrat, is fond of raw eggs, and thinks the railroads and the Unitarians are to blame for all the hard times we've had since 1876. He has a natural astuteness, but never learned to read or write. When it is necessary for him to sign legal papers, he has to have somebody else mark a cross for him.

But Madigan has a unique system of book-keeping that enables him to trust many of his customers and not lose by it. He keeps his accounts in strange hieroglyphics on the back door. Each season he paints the door white and thus has a new ledger for the year.

Richard LeGallienne, poet and pirate-treasure hunter, spends an occasional summer in the vicinity. One day last autumn LeGallienne dropped in at Madigan's store to learn how much he owed. Madigan consulted the magic door.

"Y' owe me two dollars," he said, "for a grindstone!"

"But I didn't buy any grindstone," protested the poet. "There must be some mistake."

"Lemme look ag'in," said Madigan, and he re-examined the record.

"Yep, you're right," he corrected. "It wa'n't a grindstone. It was a cheese!"—Cartoons Magazine.

Deer Caught in Fish Net.

When a Penobscot bay fisherman visited his weir at Searsport, Me., some time ago he was surprised to find a large buck deer fast in the netting. This was the most unexpected catch he had ever made, in spite of the haul on two former occasions of a seal and a shark.

It is supposed the animal became fouled while attempting to land at the weir after swimming across the harbor from Sears Island. When he was finally released he made a lively dash for the woods, none the worse for his experience.

MINARD'S LINIMENT CURES DIPHTHERIA.

It Was Worth It.

I'm glad I joined the army!
I'm glad I came to France!
I found in all these changes
Excitment and romance!

I'm glad I faced the Germans!
I'm glad that I was hot,
Because that's why they laid me
Here in this little cot!

I'm glad two bones were broken!
I'm glad things are no worse!
Just to see who tends me daily—
This little Red Cross nurse!

I'm glad for all the struggle!
I'm glad for all the strife!
I've told her that I love her—
She says she'll be my wife!
—Cartoons Magazine.

Items of Interest

A woman in Hartford, Conn., has had four susbands, all mmbers of the same class at Yale.

Suggested title: 'History of the House of Hohenzollern, from Frederick the Great to Willaim the Little."

A happy family reunion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will H. Owen, at Saco, Me., on Friday was interrupted by a message from the War Department at Washington that one of the sons of the household, Dr. Richard C. Owen, dentist, a private in the medical section of the 315the Infantry, was killed in France on Sept. 25th. Another son, Private Henry Owen, from a camp at Allentown, Penn., is at home on a furlough and a number of relatives were guests at the reunion.

It is believed that the last man killed in the war was a trooper of King Edward's Horse. The last prisoners taken were three miserable specimens of Germans found in Ath. One of them who was in civilian clothes, had been firing a machine-gun from the river bank until he was attacked and overpowered by infuriated civilians, and the Lancashire men had to rescue him from the mob when they entered the town. At one point of the American front there was a dispute among the gunner officers as to who should fire the last shell. The argument dragged out until 10.59, and then it was agreed that five officers should pull the lanyard.

In New York, where the police are conducting a series of night raids on gambling and other undesirable places, they discovered an establishment in a brown-stone house on West 46th street, which had neither knobs nor bells on its doors. As knocks brought no response and the doors were too strong to force, the raiders had to secure entrance from the roof, which they reached by neighboring fire escapes. Inside, crowbars had to be employed, as each room was a stronghold. The facts are interesting as showing the determination of the agents of evil. They are hard to keep in subjection, let alone supplies.

At Toronto, recently, Walter T. Miller, in the Jury Assize Courts, before Justice Lennox, was awarded $12,500 in his suit against the Toronto Railway Company for damages resulting from an accident one year ago. Miller, while driving a motor truck under the King Street subway, was struck by a street car, and so seriously injured that he is totally disabled. In granting the $12,500 damages it was made known that $1,050 paid by the Railway Company for the injured man's hospital and medical bills, is to be deducted from the granted sum. Originally the claim was for $10,000, but it was amended and increased to $20,000.

Smashed by Sound.

Sceptics have refused to believe the Biblical suggestion that the walls of Jericho fell down before the Israelites, as a resutl of the sound caused by their shouts and the horns blown by the seven priests.

Modern researches and discoveries in regard to sound phenomena, however, show that such Biblical miracles could be reconciled with natural law.

Vibration of sound is a thing the possibilities of which we do not yet understand. It is said that Caruso can break a wine-glass by singing into it its keynote. The sub-bass of the pipe-organ is known to rack pews to pieces with its sympathetic note.

The authentic story is told of an old fiddler who, angered by the workmen constructing the first suspension bridge at Niagara, threatened to fiddle it down. Of course, he was laughed at, but seating himself near the bridge he began to experiment with his bass string.

When he found the note that suited him, he sawed away on that note. The cables responded and soon the bridge was swaying in an alarming fashion. If he had not been stopped he might have fulfilled his threat. In any case, care was afterwards exercised to prevent a particle of vibration in the bridge.

ENQUIRY BEGINS.—The preliminary enquiry in connection with the Herald fire, began yesterday afternoon before Judge Morris, when Messrs. M. Manning, M. Kean, M. Whelan, Raymond Earles and F. Kenny were examined. The enquiry will be continued this afternoon.

MINARD'S LINIMENT LUMBERMAN'S FRIEND.

THE HOUSE of SMYTH,

Established 1875.

"OLD AND RELIABLE," Sends Forth Its Forty-Third Xmas Announcement to the People of Newfoundland!

Although some changes have been made in our business during this long period, we still lay claim to the fact that, LIKE OUR BRAVE AND HONOURED REGIMENT, our Lines are "BETTER THAN THE BEST." Xmas Shopping, at any time, is both FATIGUING AND UNSATISFACTORY. Let us demonstrate to you this Season with what ease and promptitude you can Shop for Men at Our Store.

BEING SPECIALISTS, it is our business to know what Men require in Dress Accessories, our whole time being devoted to studying their every whim, and, invariably, the verdict of our Patrons is: "I LEAVE IT TO YOU, AS YOU ALWAYS KNOW WHAT I WANT."

Our Buyer visited the Markets earlier than usual this year, consequently our large and exclusive selection of Xmas Novelties for Men EXCELS IN VARIETY, BEAUTY, QUALITY AND VALUE any previous effort of ours. To the few who will be unable to reach this BRIGHT AND BUSY STORE during the next three weeks, we give the following helpful hints:—

NECKWEAR.

Neckwear is always most acceptable as a Xmas Gift. Everybody knows our Neckwear is unbeatable for its originality of design and superior quality. 6,000 patterns to select from. Prices 75c. to $4.00 each.

SMOKING JACKET. JAEGER

A Smoking Jacket or House Coat is just what he needs to save his business coat from being mussed up when he comes in at night. We have all sizes just now, but secure His at once. You know we stock the celebrated Jaeger brand. None better.

SHIRTS.

Our Shirts are so well known for their style and durability that men always appreciate them as a gift. We have some beautiful Jaeger fine Wool Taffeta Shirts and the patterns are just the thing he will like.

We have a few Silk Shirts in stock that arrived a day or two since. Each one nicely packed in holiday boxes. Leave the size to us.

DRESSING GOWNS.

A Jaeger Dressing Gown or Lounge Robe is just what he has been looking for. We haven't been able to secure many, so get his early.

SOX.

Sox are most useful as a gift for men. Our stock was never more complete than at present.

The celebrated Jaeger and Holeproof Sox are our specials. The former are all wool, and the latter we stock in silk lisle and all thread silk. Prices: Jaeger, $1.20 to $1.50 pair. Holeproof, 50c. 75c., $1.10, $1.20.

SILK PYJAMAS. JAEGER

Now is the time to gratify that wish he expressed some time ago. We have them in China Silk, very durable quality, and the patterns are most exclusive. Or perhaps he would prefer Jaeger Fine Wool Taffeta. We stock only the best, $12.50 to $15.00 suit.

COLLARS.

Perhaps he is short of Collars. We have all the new shapes in every size. What more acceptable than a dozen Collars; or if you wish to add an all-leather Collar Box, we have them as well. Price 25c.

FANCY WOOL VESTS. JAEGER

A Jaeger Fancy Wool Vest is a very acceptable gift in this climate of ours, as unlike the sweater coat, it can be worn at all times, and one does not have to change it, thereby running the risk of catching cold. All sizes in stock from 36 to 44. Price $10.00.

CAPS.

Talking about Fur Caps, we have a dozen or so extra specials in Hudson Seal. Why not give him one of these? He would surely appreciate it, as he would keep it for years.

SMYTH'S MUFFLERS are famous as Xmas gifts for ladies or gentlemen. The patterns are always just the last word. And the quality—well, you've heard about it. There is but one best, and we have it.
Jaeger .. ..$2.50 to $4.00
Silk $4.00, $7.50, $9 00, $12.50

NO HANDKERCHIEFS! — Well, why not give him some? We were never better supplied. Our Silk Handkerchiefs come direct from one of England's staunchest Allies—Japan. Prices to suit every purse.

He may be a curler of the White Division. If so, we have some splendid Jaeger Sweaters, all white. He will appreciate nothing better.

HATS.

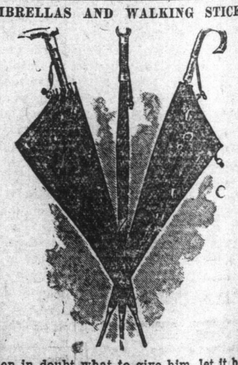
Why not give him a Hat? Don't know his size, eh? Well, turn down the sweat band of his old one and you will see the size on the inside, then leave the rest to us.

We are hatters from A to Z, and know exactly what he wants. We stock the two best makes known to hatters the world over — Christy's English Hats, Stetson's American Hats. Remember, these makes are not to be had elsewhere. A limited supply of Velours in stock.

GLOVES.

A pair of Gloves—well, rather! He is waiting until after Xmas to see if he gets them as a gift before he makes up his mind. Our stock is the largest and most select in the city. All sizes and all prices.
Wool .. ..$1.25 to $2.50
Kid, lined or unlined .. ..$3.50 to $7.50

UMBRELLAS AND WALKING STICKS.



When in doubt what to give him, let it be an Umbrella or Walking Stick.

We have some specials in both from a celebrated English firm. Look them over before deciding elsewhere. Ask to see our Silk Umbrellas; they are wonderful.

"SPECIAL OCCASION" WEAR.

Now, about the Xmas festivities this year. We are going to take the lid off and enjoy ourselves, seeing we have Peace. Consequently you will want some Evening Dress Wear. We were never better supplied with Dress Shirts, Bows, Vests, Gloves, Black Silk Hosiery, &c. We can supply your every want in this line.

SOLID COMFORT FOR HIM if you give him Jaeger Slippers. Last year you waited too long and couldn't get his size. Why not get them now when the size range is complete.

SPECIAL:—All Neckwear, Scarves, Gloves, Hosiery, Shirts and Handkerchiefs boxed specially in holiday packages free of charge. Remember, you get prompt and efficient service and speedy deliveries at : : : : : : :

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About Peace Conf

(By ERNEST SMITH)

From the story of the peace conferences which have terminated recent wars, no general line of procedure for the settlement of the differences arising out of the World War can be foreshadowed. Even a military armistice does not always follow peace parleys. When Mr. Roosevelt intervened to put an end to the Russo-Japanese War, hostilities dragged on for a long time while delegates were journeying to Portsmouth, U.S.A., and it was there arranged that fighting should only cease when the actual peace treaty was signed. In the case of the present war, Bulgaria, Turkey and Austria have each laid down their arms to enter the council chamber without the incentive to speed negotiations that comes from the knowledge that their armies are still waging a hopeless fight.

Behind Closed Doors.

The most important peace conference was that which settled the Balkan War. The delegates of Turkey, Bulgaria, Serbia, and Greece met at St. James' Palace London, and, after discussing terms for some weeks, failed to agree upon them. The conference was opened by Sir Edward Grey, who welcomed the delegates in a speech that was given to the public, and afterwards negotiations were conducted in private. This is the nearest approach to publicity that has yet been reached, and it is doubtful whether even President Wilson's determination to secure open diplomacy in the future will be strong enough to break through the veil of secrecy with which peace pourparlers have ever been enveloped. There are many reasons why day to day stories from the council-room are dangerous. Give and take plays a large part in any settlement, and it is quite conceivable that the doings of one day published without the full decisions might raise such a storm of disapproval in the country affected that the position of the delegates might be fatally compromised in their efforts to secure general peace.

Enemies in Council.

Although there is the classic instance of Bismarck's brutality in conducting negotiations with prostrate France in 1871, the meeting of delegates, as a rule, tends to relax personal hostility. While war is on it is a time to hold communication with enemy subjects. During the Balkan peace negotiations in London we saw the Turkish delegate sitting with the Bulgarian, Serbian and Greek plenipotentiaries at the Mansion House table, making guardedly friendly references to each other, and quite throwing aside their standoffishness under the exhilarating influence of the Lord Mayor's champagne. A little later the peace negotiations having failed, the delegates were back in their different camps again. The day of the friendly nod had gone, and they studiously avoided taking the same trains back to their respective capitals to remind their lack of success. The Balkan peace was eventually signed at Bucharest, Turkey getting more than she could obtain in London through Bulgaria's treachery to her allies.

The End of the Boer War.

The peace that closed the Boer War was arrived at without the British and

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Was shipped from Summerside on December 10th.
TURKEYS,
DUCKS,
GEESE,
CHICKEN.
You may bank on the quality. We always get the best. No mind or feet to pay for. Book your requirements now.

Just opened:
50 Boxes Xmas Crackers and Xmas Stockings — a limited stock.

By Express to-day:
Boxes Table Butter, 2 lb. prints.
Boxes Selected Eggs. (Canadian Govt. inspected.)

Mixed Nuts—whole and shelled.
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Pure Gold Icings:—
Vanilla, Pink, Chocolate.

Due by Str. from New York, Monday, 16th.:—
Oranges—Calif. and Florida.
Pears—California.
Nectarines.
Plums—California—Boxes.
Grapes—Green and Purple.
Lemons—California.
Grape Fruit.
Cranberries.
Turnips and Cabbage.

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