

GRASP THE OPPORTUNITIES

Large Size Coloured QUILTS.

Here are quilts you would like, large generous spreading quilts in Pink and White, Green and White, and Gold and White, high-grade finish, others in all white; values are here up to \$3.50. Don't miss the opportunity, the supply is small, early shoppers get the plums. Special, Friday, Saturday and Monday. **\$3.28**

THIS SALE AFFORDS

The difference between buying now and later means dollars saved for other uses. And the saving of dollars these times is of chief importance. **COME! COMPARE!** and **EXAMINE** these values for

FRIDAY, SAT. & MONDAY.

HAVE A LOOK AT THESE

Excellent WADDLED QUILTS

12 only, extra heavy; both sides alike. They show some very handsome patterns; well quilted. These are all we have left from a case lot. Come along and see the Friday, Saturday and Monday Special.

\$4.45

DAMASK TABLE CLOTHS.—Half-bleach Crimson bordered Table Cloth very handy for the breakfast Table, medium size, long fringed edging, serviceable cloths that will prove helpful in saving the wear of your good ones. Reg. \$1.00. Friday, Saturday and Monday. **90c.**

Values Picked at Random.

MEN'S CAPS.—An assortment of Men's English Tweed Caps, some with one piece crown, others the ordinary stitched piece crown with button top, made in good looking patterns, light, medium and dark. Reg. 80c. Friday, Saturday and Monday. **69c.**

MEN'S WORKING PANTS.—Well made pants, extra strong materials, they come in mottled greys and plain navy, made in roomy sizes, and will stand up against hard usage, far better value than you would expect for the price. Regular \$2.00. Friday, Saturday and Monday. **\$1.75**

MISSES' BOOTS.—A comfortable fitting boot, in fine Dongola Kid, self tipped toe, low heel, 8 button height, a boot we can well recommend. Sizes 11 to 2. Reg. \$3.00. Friday, Saturday and Monday. **\$2.85**

MEN'S LACED BOOTS.—An extra good boot in heavy box calf, an excellent boot for present wear, heavy sole and heel, strapped backs, Blucher Cut, Box Toe; all sizes. Reg. \$6.00. Friday, Saturday and Monday. **\$5.75**

SIDEBOARD CLOTHS.—Handsome cloths for your sideboard, they match that pretty centre we advertise for this week also, white linen, make, well embroidered, scalloped edge; size 18 x 54. Reg. 90c. Friday, Saturday and Monday. **79c.**

ART SATENS.—Some very pretty floral patterns. Six or seven pieces to decide from; light and dark patterns; 21 inches wide. These are really good quality, excellent for coverings, hangings or drapes. Reg. 35c. value. Friday, Saturday and Monday. **30c.**

HUCK TOWELING.—Quality Toweling bought last Spring, offering extra good value at today's price; 25 inches wide, the strongest toweling you can buy for hard wear. Reg. 40c. the yard. Friday, Saturday and Monday. **36c.**

GLASS TOWELING.—A real good Glass Toweling, 24 inches wide, blue line check, extra strong quality. This is value to-day for 24c. per yard. Friday, Saturday and Monday. **20c.**

TRAY CLOTHS.—An assortment of these in fancy embroidered White Linens, wide and narrow hemstitched borders and drawn thread work; extra good quality; good value at 80c. Friday, Saturday and Monday. **53c.**

CIRCULAR TABLE CENTRES.—A box of beauties that stock taking brought to light, extra large Circular White Linen Centres, 30 inches in diameter, generously embroidered and relieved with drawn work, scalloped edge, very handsome. Reg. 90c. Friday, Saturday and Monday. **79c.**

Stock-taking has brought to light some particularly good Values in the Showroom.

80c. SILK SCARVES for 29c.

A clearing of Ladies' Silk and Silk Eolene Hemstitched Scarves, 2 1/2 yards long and a half yard wide; becoming shades of Navy, Sky, Green, Purple, Grey and White, etc. Reg. values to 80c. each. Special Friday, Sat. & Monday. **29c.**

LADIES' NIGHT GOWNS.—'Tis a pleasure to offer such value. Dainty Cream Flannelette Nightgowns with rolled collar, feather stitching, others with V neck, long sleeves, made up in generous sizes. Reg. \$1.60. Friday, Saturday and Monday. **\$1.39**

CHILDREN'S UNDERSKIRTS.—They come with or without body and in plain shades of Pink, Sky and White Flannelette, well shaped and stitched sizes to fit girls from 6 to 10 years. Reg. 40c. Friday, Saturday and Monday. **34c.**

LACE AND NET SLEEVES.—A variety line of these in Paris shade, Cream shade, others in Black and White, Spotted, Plain and Tucked. Reg. values to 40c. Friday, Saturday & Monday, per pr. **16c.**

CHILDREN'S & MISSES' PLAID SETTS.

Pretty little Fawn Plaid Elder Sets; Cap and Scarf fur trimmed, fur falls at scarf end and buttoned cap, with fur fall at side; very warm and comfortable looking. \$1.20. Friday, Saturday and Monday. **87c.**

CHILDREN'S WOOL CAPS.—Here is a splendid little winter cap, in soft White Elder, others in pretty plaid patterns, buttons at side and silk tassel, a nice cap for the rink. Extraordinary low Friday, Saturday and Monday. **8c.**

LADIES' UNDERSKIRTS.—Heavy weight flannelette Underskirts in White, Striped and Fancy, finished with wide flounce, button hole edge, shaped hand. Just the undershirt you will surely need. Regular \$1.10. Friday, Saturday and Monday. **89c.**

A CLEARING LINE OF BLACK WINGS.—Some splendid values to be found here; you are sure to get something to brighten up that hat you have probably stowed away for another time; values to 50c. Friday, Saturday and Monday, your choice. **29c.**

A BIG SPECIAL IN

BLOUSES

for FRIDAY, SAT. and MONDAY.
\$3.00 VALUES for \$1.29.

Here is an unusual opportunity to secure a really high grade Blouse at less than half the price. Exquisite styles in Georgette Crepe, plain White Silk, Shantung, Fancy Net and Nylon Blouses; low neck, long sleeves, trimmed with silk braid and fancy buttons, etc.; sizes from 36 to 44 inch bust. Our regular values to \$3.00. Friday, Saturday and Monday. **\$1.29**

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MIXING PANS.—In stout Grey Enamel; 2 handles; large size. A beauty for the price. Friday, Saturday and Monday. **\$1.19**

COAL SHOVELS.—Japanned Coal Shovels, strong and durable. Friday, Saturday and Monday, Special. **8c.**

COAL SCUTTLES.—A handy size for the bedroom; strong, all black. Special Friday, Saturday & Monday. **46c.**

WRINGING PANS.—Heavy Blue Enamel; extra large size, double weight. Friday, Saturday & Monday. **74c.**

HOSIERY VALUES that bring savings on every purchase.

GIRLS' AND BOYS' HOSE.—Here is just the very line you need for cold weather wear, stout Wool Hosiery in a heavy rib finish, equally serviceable for boys or girls; the warmest you can buy. Special Friday, Saturday and Monday.

The Smaller sizes, 54c Larger sizes, - - - 64c

MEN'S HALF HOSE.—We offer a very good line of these in plain and heavy ribbed, fast black, good-wearing socks in a nice medium weight; assorted sizes. Reg. 40c. value. Friday and Saturday. **34c.**

LADIES' FLEECE HOSIERY.—We are well stocked with Hosiery values. Here we offer a good Black fleece-lined hose with heavy rib tops; plain leg and vamp; warm enough for the coldest weather. Special the pair Friday, Saturday and Monday. **33c.**

HIGH ARCH HOSE.—Another line of fast Black, plain finish winter Hosiery; double fleece; extra good wearing and closely woven; assorted sizes. See this line, Friday, Saturday and Monday, Special. **45c.**

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James Baird LIMITED

From the Dress Section COME SAVINGS that YOU Should AVAL of.

CALEDONIA WINERY.—A most serviceable double width goods in faint Cream shade; washes perfectly; makes up well for Ladies' Nightdresses, Children's Dresses; nice for winter Blouses also. Regular 60c. Friday, Saturday and Monday. **54c.**

BLOUSE PLAIDS.—A very generous assortment of pretty Tartan Plaids in large and small patterns. These have a silk-like appearance, 26 inches wide and offer you choice of light and dark mixtures. Try Blouse length from this Plaid. Friday, Saturday and Monday. **32c.**

WHITE CHINCHILLA.—54 inch goods, excellent material for making up children's coats and caps for winter wear, we have a piece left over which we intend clearing out at a special cut price. Reg. \$2.30. Friday, Saturday and Monday. **\$1.98**

DRESS PLAIDS.—We offer several pieces of American Dress Plaids, 48 inches wide. Plaids that should look well made up, nice quiet shades, colours well blended, mostly dark patterns; it is worth your while to see these. Reg. \$1.30 the yard. Friday, Saturday and Monday. **\$1.18**

Economy Prices on Men's Wear

MEN'S PYJAMA SUITS.—A package or two left over from last season, warm and comfortable Sleeping Suits in a strong Flannelette make; full sizes, striped patterns, turned down collar. Value for \$2.20. Friday, Saturday and Monday. **\$1.85**

NEIGHBOUR SHIRTS.—Your choice of Striped or Fancy White, in soft bosom style; shirts good enough for Sunday wear; true-to-fit sizes, soft cuffs. Our regular line of Dollar Shirts. Friday, Saturday and Monday. **90c.**

MEN'S FLANNELETTE SHIRTS.—These come in a nice Flannelette make, good roomy sizes, in neat striped patterns; a very serviceable working shirt with collar attached. They stand the wash test. Reg. 95c. Friday, Saturday and Monday. **85c.**

SOFT COLLARS.—We have an immense stock of these in assorted makes, all white, high and low cut, snug fitting collars that you would like; buy for future needs. They save the laundry bill. Special each Friday, Saturday and Monday. **14c.**

MEN'S COAT JERSEYS.—A special lot in all grey, with convertible collar; a real heavy make that would be appreciated by the workman or anyone out of doors during the frosty weather. Reg. \$1.50. Friday, Saturday and Monday. **\$1.28**

MEN'S COAT JERSEYS.—Here is a very serviceable Navy Coat Jersey in heavy ribbed finish, plain facings, V-neck. All Navy shade; a specially good looking and comfortable make for the out-of-door man. Assorted sizes. Reg. \$4.00. Friday, Saturday and Monday. **\$3.78**

Travellers Elect Officers.

The annual meeting of the Commercial Travellers' Association was held last night in the Board of Trade Rooms the attendance being large. The reports for the past year were read and adopted after which the election of officers took place. The following officers were elected:—

President—S. S. Elliott.
Vice-President—J. J. Kavanagh.
Secretary—A. B. Chown.
Board of Management—Messrs. C. McNulty, C. C. Stranger and R. S. Ross.
Hon. Pres. A. W. Miller.
Finance Committee—Messrs. Sparkes, Parsons and Carmichael.
Conditions generally had improved during the year but the members hope for a still greater advance in travelling conditions in the future. The Association will endeavour to become affiliated with some similar body in Canada.

War Comment.

(Toronto Globe.)

In Flanders and in France, since the collapse of the attacks upon Verdun, which extended from February till June, 1916—Germany has been fighting on the defensive. There have been a few local enemy attacks here and there, but for the most part Hindenburg has carried out his declared policy of holding the British and French armies of the west in check while the weight of his offensive strength was directed against Russia. He has lost a good deal of ground in France and Flanders during the past eighteen months, but German troops still hold the coast of Flanders and the industrial regions of northern France. If the war plans of Berlin contemplate the use of the troops released from the eastern front on a renewal of the German offensive along the western front the ground lost by Hindenburg may be found to be of the highest importance. The driving of German troops from the heights of the Alsace and from the ridges of Vimy, Messines, and Passchendaele has deprived the enemy of most of the positions from which attacks upon the British and French armies could be launched with reasonable hope of success. Over the greater part of the western front the Allies now hold the high ground, and the Germans must first fight their way uphill to the commanding positions from which they have been driven before they can begin another great western offensive. Even at Verdun the ground gained at a fearful sacrifice of life in the spring of 1916 is again firmly occupied by the French.

That Hindenburg will attempt a great offensive in France, now that Russia is disposed of, is expected, and preparations have been made to meet it. Britain and France propose to hold the enemy until the United States can transport a sufficient number of men to France to permit of a renewal of the Allied advance. It will be late spring or early summer before our American friends can put half a million trained men into the trenches, but thereafter their available first line troops should increase rapidly. The confidence of the enemies of German militarism is based on the active participation of the United States in land operations on a large scale. The disappearance of Russia would have been a great, though not necessarily a fatal, blow to the Allied cause had the United States, with its vast population and tremendous mechanical resources, not taken up the gage of battle against Prussian autocracy. There may be a few months of anxious waiting on the western front and a suspension of the Allied offensive there until the United States is ready to exert its strength, but the period of waiting can be faced without flinching. The men who held Verdun, and saved Paris, and barred the way to Calais, can be trusted to keep their lines intact during the winter against the strongest pressure that can be exercised by the augment of German armies. Hindenburg's great offensive in the west, if it comes, should enable the Allies to continue the work of destroying the military power of Germany under conditions far more favorable to them than they have had heretofore. In the present situation there is nothing to cause a feeling of despair or serious discouragement. The collapse of Russia defers but does not endanger the winning of the war. The great democracies of France, Britain, and America will finish the work to which they have set their hand. Freedom shall not perish from the earth.

Minard's Liniment Co., Limited
Gentlemen,—Theodore Dorais, a customer of mine, was completely cured of rheumatism after five years of suffering, by the judicious use of MINARD'S LINIMENT.
The above facts can be verified by writing to him, to the Parish Priest or any of his neighbors.
A. COTE, Merchant.
St. Isidore, Que., 12 May, '98.

A delicious "sweet jar" may be made of hellebore, syringa petals, lilacs and violets, leaves of lemon, verbena and clove pink, put together just as roses are treated for pot-pourri.

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Palace Burned.

Spanish Royal Residence at La Granja Destroyed.

Madrid, Jan. 3.—Fire broke out in the Royal Palace at La Granja at seven o'clock yesterday morning and before it could be checked it had spread to a nearby church which, with the palace, was destroyed. The flames were aided by a very strong wind and several houses near the palace also caught fire. Water pipes had frozen and it was impossible to use the fire hydrants.

Government troops were summoned from Segovia to fight the fire. Very few of the valuable pictures and objects in the palace were saved. The loss will aggregate several millions of dollars.

The Royal Palace at La Granja was built in 1721-23, and the church was destroyed in 1724. The latter was burned by French troops in 1808 and in the chapel were the tombs of Philip V. and his wife, Isabella Farnese.

Queen Isabella had the garden around the palace laid out as a surprise for King Philip. The garden contains very handsome fountains by celebrated Spanish architects. The top of one fountain reaches a height of 115 feet. La Granja was created by imitation of the famous palace and garden of Versailles, France.

Of the gardens King Philip V. is said to have remarked: "It has cost me three millions and amused me three minutes." La Granja is about sixty-five miles from Madrid, at an altitude of about 4,000 feet.

Week of Prayer

The present week is to be observed by the Methodist Presbyterian and Congregational Churches of the city as a week of prayer. The services begin at 8 o'clock. The programme is as follows:—
Friday: Wesley. Subject: Nations and their Rulers. Speaker, Rev. Dr. Curtis.
Congregational. Same subject. Speaker, Rev. T. B. Darby, M.A.

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