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Shop Early.

Don't delay your holiday shopping any longer. No better time than to-day to do it. And come as early as you can. In the morning at eight o'clock is the best time. And this week at six o'clock.

remember, we close every day at six o'clock. Grocery Not much time left to Specials. Get ready for the Christmas dinner. Can't afford to wait any longer. To-day or to-morrow is the best time to buy for it. These for Thursday:

Finest German Granulated Sugar, special at 23 lbs. for \$1.
Extra Fine Sweet Jamaica Oranges, thin skins, at 20c, 25c and 30c a dozen.
California Seedling Raisins, in one pound packages, at 12c each.
New Dates, at 2 lbs. for 15c.
Fine Table Raisins, at 2 lbs. for 25c.
Delhi Tomato Catsup, at 15c a pint bottle.
Shredded Wheat Biscuits, at 15c a box.
Crosse & Blackwell's Orange Marmalade, 2 jars for 25c.

Glove Every one—man, woman, child—has been thought of in our holiday preparations for Glove selling. Every want has been provided. Come and see for yourself. These specials for Thursday:

Ladies' 2 Large Clasp Kid Gloves, plume sewn, guinea fingers and silk embroidered backs, this is a perfect fitting glove and every pair guaranteed, colors in tan, fawn, mode and oxblood, regular value \$1.50, on sale Thursday, 1.00

Ladies' 2 Clasp Kid Gloves, plume sewn, guinea fingers, in tan, fawn, mode and oxblood, very special at .75

Misses' Fine French Kid Gloves, with silk embroidered backs, in tan and brown and oxblood, special .75

Misses' 2 Clasp Kid Gloves, plume sewn, guinea fingers, in tan and brown, regular value \$1.50, 1.00

Children's Kid Mitts, wool lined and fur top, in tan and brown, regular price 50c, Thursday .35

Ladies' Christmas goods? Cer-Jackets, taily they are! Many a person would be delighted to receive a stylish Jacket for a gift on Christmas morn. Come and see these on Thursday:

Misses' Fine Beaver Clasp Jackets, colors black, navy, fawn and red, high storm collar and French darted sleeve, black braided trim, sizes 14, 16 and 18 years, Thursday 5.00

Ladies' Jackets in heavy boucle cloth, black only, trimmed with straps of black kersey, a stylish and white striped metallic printed Italian, Thursday special at .85

Furniture So many excellent For Gifts. gift things in our Furniture Department. Couldn't begin to tell of everything. Only satisfactory way is to come and see what we have. No need to buy unless you want to. A few suggestions:

Children's Chairs, in assorted colors, at 25c, 30c, 40c and 45c each.
Children's Rockers, at 40c, 50c, 60c, 70c, 80c, 90c and \$1 each.
Children's High Chairs, with table, at 70c, 85c, \$1, \$1.10, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.90 to \$5 each.

Ladies' Secretaries, in oak and mahogany finish, polished and hand carved, new designs, at \$3.95, \$4.90, \$5.50, \$10.50, \$12.25, up to \$20 each.
Parlor Cabinets, at \$4.90, \$6, \$11, \$14, up to \$35.

Parlor Tables, in solid oak and mahogany finish, at \$5, \$12.50, \$17.50, \$25.50, up to \$10 each.

China Cabinets in oak, walnut and mahogany finish, at \$9.50, \$12, \$15, \$18.50 and \$22.

For the convenience of buyers we have picked out a collection of Rockers, Chairs and odd pieces of Furniture and marked them all at one price. Two such lots are provided, viz:

Lot No. 1, your choice for \$4.90, includes: Rattan Rockers, Parlor Tables, Pedestals, Upholstered Roman Chairs, Odd Parlor Pieces, Parlor Cabinets, Mantel Cabinets, Ladies' Secretaries and Combination Book Cases.

Lot No. 2, your choice for \$7.00, includes: Morris Chairs, Divans, Lounges, Arm Chairs, Easy Chairs, Tables, Fancy Parlor Pieces, Parlor Cabinets.

Toy The large display Toys Extras. we purchased have served their purpose and now go for sale at reduced prices. We divide them into three lots at 10.00, 5.00 and 3.00 each:

AT \$10.00 EACH
Mechanical Rabbit, regular price \$25.
Negro and Banjo, regular price \$25.
The Magician, regular price \$25.
Boy Feeding Chickens, regular price \$30.

AT \$5.00 EACH
The Crying Doll, regular \$15.
The Clown and Mandolin, regular \$20.
Blonney Bicycle Girl, regular \$15.
The Flower Girl, regular \$15.
The Pug Dog, regular \$7.50.
Camel and Monkey, regular \$15.
Horse and Jockey, regular \$15.
Dashboard, regular \$5.00.

AT \$3.00 EACH
Angel Music Box, regular \$6.
Pig and Dog, regular \$6.
Large Pig, regular \$5.
Woolly Lamb, regular \$5.
Elephant Drawing Menagerie, regular \$5.
Musical Work Box, regular \$10.

Hosiery Two lines we have re-Specials. served for those who come on Thursday morning:

Boys' Heavy All-Wool Hose, winter weight, double heel and toe, 4-1 rib, an excellent stocking to wear, sizes 8 1/2 to 10, regular 25c a pair, for .10

Ladies' Fine Plain Black Chalmers Hose, full fashioned, high spliced heel, double sole and toe, extra good quality, made from pure English yarn, all sizes, regular 50c a pair, at 3 pairs for 1.00

Thursday's Offer One of our in Dress Skirts regular eight dollar Dress Skirts on Thursday for \$4.98. Enough to give one hundred and eight buyers a chance to participate in this holiday saving.

These Skirts were made in our workrooms, and possess those desirable features so characteristic of our productions:

Ladies' Choice Black Woolen Mohair Broche Dress Skirt, lined throughout and faced with good velvet, best style and finish, regular price 4.98, on sale Thursday at 3.98

Holiday Handkerchiefs. By the way Handkerchiefs these days, you'd almost think the whole city was coming here for them. As a matter of fact, those who do come buy to the best advantage. These items show how we are selling them:

50 dozen only Japanese Pure Silk Hemstitched and Initialed Handkerchiefs, large size, with Japanese embroidered initial, regular 85c each, Thursday .25

Ladies' Fancy Lace-Trimmed Swiss Lawn Handkerchiefs, in a variety of patterns, special, each .10

Ladies' Fine Pure Irish Linen Hemstitched and Initialed Handkerchiefs, special 15c each, or 3 .50

Ladies' Fine Pure Irish Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, 12 and 24-inch hem, regular 12 1/2c, special 4 for .25

Children's Fancy Colored Border Hemstitched Irish Lawn Handkerchiefs, also white in hemstitched and tape borders, special 10 for .25

Ladies' Ivory Japanese Silk Ties, lace ends, special, each .50

Infants' Japanese Silk Bibs, silk embroidery trimmed, special each from .25

Fancy These pretty gift-art-Celluloid ticles take a price Goods tumble on Thursday morning. This will be a rare opportunity for gift buyers. But this word of advice. Don't delay coming or you may find the goods sold to earlier comers:

Toilet Cases, transparent, celluloid and Varnis Martin finish, medallion center, satin lined, complete with comb, brush and mirror, regular price \$3, Thursday 1.75

Toilet Cases, shaded celluloid, ruby finish, colored medallion center, satin lined, with comb, brush and mirror, regular price \$3.50, Thursday 2.25

Toilet Cases, Varnis Martin finish, panel picture on top, trunk shape, fitted with comb, brush and mirror, regular price \$2.75, Thursday 1.50

Collar and Cuff Box, in Varnis Martin finish, fine colored top, satin-lined, regular price \$2.75, Thursday reduced to 2.00

Celluloid Work Box, Dresden china finish, bevelled plate mirror in cover, painted satin lining, regular price \$2, Thursday 1.25

Toilet Cases, embossed, trunk shape, regular price \$1.25 each; also Work Boxes, trunk shape, satin-lined, regular price \$1, Thursday .75

Celluloid Glove Boxes, embossed, a rich, green tint, with hand-painted decorations on top, regular price \$2, Thursday 1.00

Handkerchief Boxes, full embossed celluloid, green tint, with hand-painted decorations on top, regular price \$2, Thursday 1.35

Men's Real Morocco Card Case, leather and silk lined, stamp and ticket pocket, regular price 75c each, Thursday .25

Ladies' Genuine Black Seal Card Cases, best calf lining, regular price \$1, Thursday .35

Men's Real Seal Letter Boxes, calf-lined, seven pockets, including stamp and ticket pockets, regular price \$1.35 each, for .75

Carpet Have you seen it Sweepers yet? The Brunswick Carpet Sweeper? It's our special Christmas Sweeper. We are selling it at \$2, although this grade usually sells at \$2.75. "The Brunswick" has all the latest improvements, and you can choose it in mahogany, sycamore, antique or old English oak. Of course we can give you a Sweeper at \$1.35, and from that up to \$3.25, if you prefer, but for right-down good value the Brunswick Sweeper at \$2 takes the lead.

Millinery Odd lots that will be Clearing conspicuous by their Prices. absence long before six o'clock on Thursday evening.

These prices will do it:
Table of Misses' and Children's Novelty Hats, in plain and fancy cloth, velvet and V.O., trimmed with quills, ribbons and V.O., regular 75c to \$1.25, Thursday .75

Black Velvet Napoleon Tams, trimmed with quills, pearl buckle and cording of black silk, regular \$1.35, 75c Thursday

Child's Crimped Cream Japanese Silk Cap, full assortment of sizes, 25c each, regular \$1.10, Thursday .75

Neglected Children. We have already called attention to a case where a mother had been prevented from seeing several of her children for a long interval, and the policy of the department was to prevent her from ever seeing them.

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PROPERTY IN CHILDREN.

A Cleveland judge the other day decided that a mother could not be guilty of stealing her own child. The decision arose out of the notorious Magowan divorce case. By an order of the court the guardianship of a child, 8 years of age, was transferred from its mother to its paternal grandfather. The mother disregarded the order of the court and secretly got possession of her girl. For this act she was summoned before a court in Cleveland, Ohio, on a charge of child-stealing. Judge Justice decided that the mother was justified in taking her child in spite of the order of the court. This question of the property of children has become important in Ontario, in view of certain high-handed acts on the part of the Department of Neglected Children.

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Liberal opinion in England did not know where they were at. Early this month The Daily Mail startled the people of Great Britain by boldly asking members of the Liberal party and Liberal organizations all over the kingdom for their opinion, first, as to who should be the leader of the party; second, what in their opinion should be the five main planks in the platform of the party; and, third, whether the Home Rule agitation should be continued or not.

No sooner were these questions sent out than the Liberal organs of London, and especially the men in London who had charge of the organization of the Liberal party, tried to ignore and then to stifle the discussion of The Mail's questions. But they were not equal to the task. Members of the Liberal clubs and the Liberal clubs themselves, located all over the kingdom, sent in their answers to The Daily Mail's questions, and in a few days the office of that paper was flooded with replies. The Liberal organs in London, from The Daily News down, found they could not gag public opinion, and as a result they were forced to discuss the situation. Five days after The Mail's first article appeared Sir William Harcourt resigned, and now the public is more than convinced that the Liberal party is hopelessly at sea, that there is a complete lack of co-operation between its reputed leaders, and that two, if not three, parties of minor importance must be the outcome until such time as one powerful man is in a position to unite all.

The lesson of all this discussion is that political chiefs, who quarrel among themselves, are political organizers, who try to gag the expression of opinion from the rank and file scattered all over the country and recognized newspaper organs that pretend to ignore dissensions, are all the time living in glass houses, and that once public opinion takes them in hand they have to very suddenly come down from their perch. There is a lesson in all this for people not so far away as England.

NIAGARA FALLS POWER. An important judgment was delivered yesterday at Osgoode Hall, it being decided that the Canadian Niagara Power Co. has not forfeited its ownership in the franchise for developing power at Niagara Falls. The intention of the act under which the company derived its franchise undoubtedly contemplated that a substantial amount of the work should have been completed by Nov. 1 of this year. No evidence of any work whatever is visible. The company has won the case on a technicality, because the intention of the agreement is as clear as daylight. In the face of the judgment of the court, the province has no alternative now but to allow the company to go on and develop the power. We understand the company has been ready for some time to undertake the work, and was only waiting the decision of the court before beginning operations. If such is the fact, we may expect to see them start at once. If they take up the work in earnest there is no reason why Niagara Falls power should not be available in this city within 12 months from date.

WHERE IS SIR RICHARD? The Weekly Sun came out yesterday with a strong article on Mr. Bertram's recent speech in Toronto. The concluding paragraph runs as follows:

Either Mr. Bertram is acting with the authority of the Ministers, or he is heading a movement to overthrow the Liberal party over to protection. In any case, the color of authority with which he acts makes it imperative that the leaders of the party clear themselves of breach of faith towards those whose votes they seek and resolved free traders. We cannot see how Sir Richard will not join us if they believe they have reason for doing this country. An able and mutually profitable relations seem to be the best method for bringing about a continental union of the Anglo-American people of America. This and other respects fair dealing will be the best policy.

It is difficult to understand why any disinterested advocate of tariff protection should object to reciprocity with Canada. That industry has no objection to the advantages which our own industries need protection. But there is, among other things, great and urgent need of the protection of American farmers from ruinous devastation, and for this reason the importation of Canadian lumber must be encouraged. The commercial policy which obstructs trade between the two countries has done much to build up and strengthen the Canadian Confederation and increase Canadian loyalty to the Mother Country. The belief is it is in the interest of the good results of the late war, will not be perfect until a satisfactory arrangement between this country