

MATERIAL Reductions!

On each of the following five special lines:—

AMERICAN WHITE TWILL SHEETING

reduced to
45, 50, 55, 60 and 65c. yard.

WHITE TABLE DAMASKS,

all at reduced prices,
35c. to \$1.60 per yard.

TURKISH TOWELS,

White and Brown Striped,
50c. per lb.

TABLE NAPKINS,

a splendid assortment, at
\$1.10, \$1.15, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.20 per doz.

DAMASK TABLE CLOTHS.

large sizes, greatly reduced,
55c., 65c., 70c., 85c., \$1.00, \$1.20
up to \$4.50 each.

Here is a Store Full of Splendid Christmas Opportunities!

Which you are cordially invited to come and see. Owing to the disorganized state of Toy markets great difficulty has been experienced in getting together the usual Xmas Display for the little ones. We have been able to secure many lines of Toys that at first seemed almost impossible to obtain.

GLANCE OVER THIS LIST

then come and see the goods:—

Dolls, Soldiers, Tommy Atkins, Drums,

Rubber Balls, Battle Ships, Tin Tea Sets,

Wardrobes, Teddy Bears, several sizes, Rattles,

Motor Cars.

Work Baskets, Animals, Pianos, Trains,

Chest of Drawers, Side Boards, Money Boxes,

Toy Cannon, Games, Cubes, Pyramids, Trumpets,

Marshall Bros

FURS Make An Ideal Gift

And you'll find that really fine ones of the most advanced styles cost considerably less here than you might expect.

We have many different kinds of Furs and styles to show you.

FURS IN SETTS,

Squirrel, Fox,
Seal, Otter,
Marmot.

Ladies' Handkerchiefs

In boxes of 3's and 6's from
50c. to \$1.50 per box.

A Real Christmas Eve.

By RUTH CAMERON.



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What is Christmas Eve in your home? Is it a time of tying up bundles, of hurriedly attending to last minute details, of frazzled nerves and ill-leached temper?

Or is it a time when the peace and sweetness of the Christmas season steal over your soul and you sense the meaning of the Christmas message: "Peace on Earth, goodwill towards men?"

Let me pass on to you what a little friend of mine told me about her Christmas Eve, last year.

A Scramble To Finish Embroidery And Do Up Bundles.

"Yes, that's what Christmas Eve used to be at our home—a wild scramble to finish some piece of embroidery and get the last bundles done up. And we were usually tired out by spending the afternoon in the crowd feeling those last gifts that always do get left over. And we were just as likely as not to lose our tempers with each other and have crying spells. We didn't like it, but we thought it had to be that way because there are always these last things to do."

"Then one year we had a bright idea. We put Christmas a day ahead in our minds. That is, we promised ourselves to have the old kind of Christmas Eve, the finishing up kind, on the twenty-third, just as if Christmas were the twenty-fourth, and then have a beautiful new Christmas Eve on the twenty-fifth."

"We did it, and we've done it ever since."

Candlelight And Firelight, Nuts And Apples.

"What do we do on our real Christmas Eve? Well, we all gather together round the fire, the whole family circle, I mean, and two or three friends that we love as much as each other, and we have a kind of Christmas Eve love feast. We have just candlelight and firelight in the room, and we have nuts and apples and things, and we have a good time, part jolly and part sweet. We usually read some of Dickens's 'Christmas Carol' or Van Dyke's 'Three Wise Men,' or something like that. Then we sing a little in the firelight, not specially Christmas Eve songs, but old-fashioned songs like 'Silver Threads Among the Gold' and 'Auld Lang Syne' and maybe a hymn or two."

A Beautiful Kind of Sadness.

"Then, sometimes we fall to talking about the ones that have gone on, we recall the sweet things about them and how they used to love Christmas, and it just seems as if they came so close that we could feel them hovering around us. Of course it's sad, but it's a beautiful kind of sadness, like the sadness in wonderful music, it makes your heart ache with tenderness, and the pain is sweeter than all the pleasure in the world."

"After that mother, is a beautiful reader, you know, reads us the Christmas story in Matthew or Luke, and then last year we put out even the candles, and with just Madame Schumann-Heink sing us the Christmas song, 'Holy Night.'"

"That was just like the benediction, and then we put on the lights again and sang 'God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen,' and that was the coming out of church into sunshine with the music ringing in your ears and your heart full of peace, and loving everybody."

LIGHT, HEAT, COMFORT!

The proprietor of one of the best known multiple shopping systems is credited with saying, "Give me any old shop, in any old street, and I'll guarantee to make it in twelve months the most widely known and best frequented shop in the district." He was asked to explain. Holding up three fingers he said, "I believe in the trinity of LIGHT, WARMTH, COMFORT. I should dazzle the moths into the candle drew them, I should bring them into a warm, comfortable shop, filled with a soft, pleasing radiance, and the rest is—well, mere child's play."

Mixed metaphors, perhaps, but expressive. Now we can more than imagine the kind of shop this well-known individual would open, for we pass it in almost every town—always a landmark to the street. No one fails to notice it. There is an indefinable air of welcome and invitation as one stands for a moment on the pathway and lets one's gaze travel inside it. The subdued, restful lighting effect, that so charms because of its very unobtrusiveness, the absence of dark corners, the intangible feeling that if one would step inside one would be sure of experiencing a delicious sense of warmth and comfort and cheerfulness—all these are part of its appeal. Truly a shop with an individuality.

We cordially invite all progressive business men to visit our showroom and see our latest Lighting and Heating Appliances, by the adroit, of which the ideal outline in the above extract, from a London paper may be easily secured. Our new RADIO X-Lamp and GASTHEAT Radiators fill all light and heat requirements.

ST. JOHN'S GAS LIGHT COMPANY.

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"I can tell you, some of us have come half across the country because we couldn't bear to miss that 'Christmas Eve.'"

Women With Weakness Find New Strength.

For all special weakness from which girls and women suffer, no surer remedy exists than Dr. Hamilton's Pills; they maintain that bracing health every woman so earnestly desires, they uproot disease and bring strength that lasts till old age.

The blood is richly nourished by Dr. Hamilton's Pills. Appetite increases, weakness and secret ills give way to surplus energy and reserve vigor.

No pale girl, no ailing woman can afford to miss the enormous good that comes from Dr. Hamilton's Pills; get a 25c. box to-day.

St. John Ambulance Brigade Hospital Fund.

THE NEWFOUNDLAND BEDS.

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Red Bay (4th instalment) per 4 20

W. Y. Pike 500 00

Burin per W. H. Sainthill

Piacenta, Jersey Side, 3rd instalment, per Mrs. A. J. Ryan, per Mrs. Brownings, as follows:—

Socials \$15 05

Concert and Teas 41 71

Dr. C. McDonald 3 00

R. J. Keefe, Operator 1 50

J. P. Bradshaw, J.P. 1 00

Mrs. J. P. Power, Danville 1 00

Small amounts 1 70

Per Miss Alicia Fitzpatrick, Piacenta:—

Proceeds of Concert by Misses Alicia Fitzpatrick, Dorothy Hanrahan, and Elsie Croucher 39 50

Teas served by Ladies' Committee 20 00

Catalina, \$226.27; Little Catalina, \$25.35; Melrose, \$41.00, per J. G. Stone, M. H. A. 292 62

St. Lawrence, per Rev. A. J. Mahar, P. P., as follows:—

M. Vavasour \$2 00

V. P. Turpin 2 00

Rev. A. J. Mahar 5 00

Rev. William Swann, Bell Island 5 00

Proceeds of Concert at Spaulding's Bay, per Misses May Finn and May Gosse 42 00

Jethro Royal Black Preceptory, Perry's Cove, Bay de Verde, per Robert Kellogg 5 00

S. U. F., Heart's Content, per S. A. Earle, Secretary, Per Daily News:—

Proceeds of dance held by Misses W. Haynes, M. Lambert, M. Long and K. Malone 17 00

Proceeds of Entertainment held by Misses Jean Mogridge and Laura Cox, at a residence of Bay Bulls Road 7 60

Per Evening Telegram:—

Proceeds of Masquerade House Party organised by Messrs. D. Delmar and F. Whitten at M. R. E. Cleary's, Gower Street 26 00

Proceeds of a Rug Sale by Misses Ida Fanning, Stella Ryan and Mollie Flynn 11 20

Proceeds of Afternoon Tea held by Miss Ida Noseworthy, at her residence, Wickford Street, on December 10th 6 00

Royal Scarlet Chapter, Salvage, per W. J. Dewey 10 00

New Chelsea:—

Clark Wallace, L.O.L. \$10 00

Miss Annie Butt 1 00

Isreal Palmer 1 00

Small amounts 21 41

Red Bay:—

Thomas Macey \$1 00

W. and Mrs. Belbin 1 00

East St. Modiste 90

Small amounts 1 30

Freshwater:—

Public Lecture by Rev. E. Broughton, under the auspices of Anglo-Saxon Lodge, Freshwater \$17 21

Anglo-Saxon Lodge, No. 62 10 00

Joseph F. Moores 5 00

Mrs. John Moores (Silas) 2 00

Francis Jeffers 1 00

Rev. E. Broughton 1 00

Catalina:—

McCormack and Walsh \$40 00

J. G. Stone, Edward Howell, Stuart Courage, Peter Cole-ridge, Mrs. Mary Joy, Benjamin Perry, F. C. Snelgrove, W. N. Snelgrove, J. P. Dr. A. P. McKay, each \$5.00, Albert Lodge, G. J. Raymond, Sergt. S. White, Samuel Mifflin, Jr., Solomon Samson, Douglas White, W. B. B. Joseph Perry, Charles Snelgrove, each, \$2.00.

Robert Randall, Boyde Hicks, each, \$1.50.

John Hicks, Hubert Edwards, Mrs. Geo. Howell, Frederick Hartley, J. W. Clouter, Mrs. Wm. Haynes, Vincent Guy, Mark Guy, Charles Grainger, David Grainger, W. E. Woolgar, Victor Martin, Edward House, Stephen James, Mrs. Caleb Diamond, F. F. Ryan, Edward Humphries, Theo. Sheppard, Wm. Hunt, James White, Sr., A. Bugden, C. J. Norman, R. A. Hubby, Robt. Courage, Peter Mason, Thos. Lodge, Jos. A. Lodge, Thos. E. Russell, John Diamond, Miss Susie Snelgrove, Edward Murphy, Abel Courage, Geo. Lodge, each, \$1.00.

L. O. A., per J. W. Clouter 25 00

St. Peter's Church Offertory 3 45

Sunday School Collection 2 72

Rev. G. S. Chamberlain 2 00

Small amounts 52 94

Little Catalina:—

Jas. Johnson, Jas. Johnson, Sr., Silas Johnson, Mark Dalton, Geo. Dalton, Jos. Johnson, Az. Butler, each, \$1.00

Wm. T. Johnson 1 50

Small amounts 16 85

Melrose:—

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SALVIA is a hair dressing that has become the favorite with women of taste and culture, who know the social value of beautiful hair. Only 50c. at all dealers.

TIRED.

I am so tired of explaining to agents, each day in the year, that they're wasting time by remaining, and boosting their articles queer. They come, all the sample-case bringers, they come to my shanty in droves, they come with their back-ache stories. They bring me cure-alls for chickens, a powder for Dolly, the mare; they bring me complete sets of Dickens, and dye for my whiskers and hair. Along up the sidewalk they teeter and corner me here at my door, and sell me a patent egg-beater, and wax to be used on the floor. They sell me punk books for my reading, they sell me some saucers and cups, they sell me a wig I'm not needing, they sell me a litter of pups. They wake me at night from my slumbers, they call me away from my snooze, and talk till they've sold me a number of traps that no mortal could use. They come in the glow of the morning, when nature seems wondrous and strange, and into my cottage come homing, to sell me a cure for the mange. They come with their smiling and jesting, they come with a crust all their own; ah me, I am tired of requesting the agents to leave me alone!

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