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PROSPERITY IN CHRISTMAS

PURCHASES.

The festive season in more ways than
one indicates the extraordinary prosperity
that flourishes in this section of
Canada. For several days every retail
merchant in Toronto has employed a
double force of clerks to handle the
Christmas traffic. In many of the em-
poriums of the city the crowds have been
so dense during the ante-Christmas
days that ingress and egress were diffi-
cult. This was especially true the
first three days of the present week.
Many outsiders were among the shop-
pers. They came to the city from
distances of fifty and one hundred miles
to participate in the traffic. The re-
duced rates of transportation permit-
ted this. Merchants generally as-
serted that the character of the purchases
were much more substantial than in
previous years. Families who selected
cheap presents for the children at other
times were investing heavily in a superior
line of articles. Where a pair of
gloves was presented last year this
time full suits were ordered. Jewelry
stores especially did an enormous
trade. Luxuries are the last to feel
the wave of prosperity. Railroad
traffic is estimated to have been double
what it was last year. Every train was
crowded, and many extras were oper-
ated to accommodate the vast number
of Christmas travelers. The Union
Depot presented an animated appear-
ance for several days. All parts of
Canada share in this remarkable exhi-
bition of good times. Railroad com-
panies are the first to feel the trade
prosperity and the last to secure the
benefits of improving conditions. Under
the circumstances this is a barometer
which may be accepted as measuring
the pulse of the people. Toronto job-
bers report an enormous trade with
the interior towns. Certainly the new
year is to be ushered in under most
flattering conditions. Not in many
years has the Dominion presented a
more inviting aspect commercially and
industrially. With the new blood as-
similated during the year, and the in-
creased investment in all parts of the
country, 1903 will be an auspicious
year, mark a distinct epoch in the af-
fairs of Canada. Within the next few
days the hundreds of corporations in
this vicinity will put in circulation large
sums of money from dividends earned
during the past six months. All these
things will contribute to start all
classes into the new year on a very sat-
isfactory footing.

NO LESSONS IN CHARITY

NECESSARY.

At one of the leading theatres of the
city last week the public was treated
to an exaggerated story calculated to
show the prevalence of selfishness in
every day life. A very unnatural sort
of a fellow was taken under a dream
out into the world and forced to con-
tribute in his vision to beggars whom
he would not have treated so generously
except with stage money. As a matter
of fact, the milk of human kindness
flows freely in this fine land, and
especially during the Yuletide festi-
vals. Here in Toronto one religious or-
ganization alone sent to the homes
of two thousand people substantial
Christmas dinners accompanied by
substantial presents in the way of
clothing. While this undertaking
was on a scale of magni-
ficence not attempted at any
other direction, yet every church in
the city supplied presents to the poor
of their community. Even the crim-
inals in the prisons were made to feel
the alluring influence of the Christmas
spirit which pervades the very atmo-
sphere on such an occasion. An au-
thority on the subject asserts that no
person went hungry in Toronto Thurs-
day. The people are seen at their
best on such an occasion, but as an
original proposition it may be accepted
that charity is a predominant influ-
ence in the civilized world. It mani-
fests itself in a thousand different
ways. Some prefer the so-called indi-
vidual charity, while others dis-
pense their gifts to their less for-
tunate acquaintances thru channels that
are supposed to reach the most deserv-
ing cases. But, on the whole, it may
be said that as a people the history
of the world has been a record of
a finer display of sympathy for the un-
fortunate and a desire to contribute
to their substantial upbuilding than
to-day. As the world is growing in
wisdom, so the inhabitants are grow-
ing in the knowledge that it is better
to give than to receive. Unselfishness
has become in a large measure a dis-
tinguishing trait of humanity, and the
testimonials of this advance are innum-
erable. It is a false sentiment that
can be successfully appealed to by a
dramatization similar to that which
last week appeared in Toronto. The
average man's heart is attuned
to respond to that which is best in
mankind, and the exceptions merely
make the rule more emphatic.

VIRTUES THAT MAY BECOME VICES

New York American: Thrift is a
virtue, but, like some other virtues, it
can be carried too far.
Eli Hyman's life is a death exempli-
fy the point. For thirty years this
man was a street beggar, and the
other day he found his way to a
hospital, a ragged, foul and shivering
wretch. His last words were, "My
vest! my vest!" and he raised him-
self in bed for the garment. Then he
fell back dead.

In Hyman's vest and other clothing
bonds and money to the amount of
over \$50,000 were discovered.
There was nothing this prize econ-
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Overcoats that won't fail to give
satisfaction. They confirm the latest
dress styles; they're honestly made in
every respect; they will fit perfectly.
As for values, you can match them
against all comers at these prices and
always find them the best:

MEN'S OVERCOATS, made of heavy imported Oxford grey cheviot
cloth, made in medium length box back style, ordinary
flap pockets, Italian lining, velvet collars, special 7.50

MEN'S RAGLANETTE OVERCOATS, dark Oxford grey, heavy cheviot
cloth, Talma pockets, velvet collars, good linings 10.00

MEN'S OVERCOATS, long loose box back, Raglanette style, with
Talma pockets, heavy imported Oxford grey cheviot cloth, 12.50

MEN'S OVERCOATS, Raglanette style, long, loose box back style,
heavy Oxford grey cheviot cloth, velvet collars, vertical
pockets, Italian lined 13.50

Men's Furnishings

Stylish, seasonable and up-to-date furnishings at
substantial reductions. Qualities that have given this
department county-wide prominence. Can you afford
to miss these snaps on Saturday morning?

MEN'S Heavy Fleece-lined Underwear, shirts and drawers,
overlooked seams and pearl buttons, double ribbed cuffs
and ankles, fine soft fleece, sizes in shirts 34 to 46 in,
chest measure, sizes in drawers 40 to 44 in waist, regular
prices 50c, Saturday 39c

MEN'S Fine Silk and Satin Neckwear, four-in-hand and made-
up shapes, dark and medium shades, neat patterns and
satin lined, our regular 25c tie, Saturday, 2 for 25c

MEN'S Fine Imported Dress Shirts, open back and front, pure
linen bosom and cuffs, full size dress bosom, very fine
cambric body, cushion neckband, sizes 14-12 to 17-12,
regular price \$1.50 and \$2 each, Saturday 1.39

Two Dollar Bargain Boot

Don't let the headline mislead you. It isn't a two
dollar "bargain" boot, but a **two dollar bargain** in
boots. These are \$3.00 and \$4.00 values you can have
on Saturday:

300 pairs Men's Seasonable, Up-to-date Footwear, in dogskin
kid leather, with wear-proof lining, also Box Calf Skin
Boots, Goodyear welted, sizes 6 to 10, regular prices \$3.00
to \$4.00, for sale Saturday at 2.00

Four Clothing Specials

Note carefully these Clothing prices. They're of
special interest to those who come to the store on Satur-
day:

Smoking Jackets and Dressing Gowns.
Men's House Jackets and Dressing Gowns, the broken lines, odd sizes,
left-overs of Christmas trade, large and small sizes only, owing to
broken range of sizes in these we cannot exchange or refund
money after purchase, nor can we fill phone or mail or-
ders, regular \$3.50 to \$5.50, to clear on Saturday at 2.50

Boys' \$5.00 Overcoats for \$3.95.
Boys' Fancy Russian House Overcoats, with belt, made of royal blue
imported kersey cloth, velvet collars, pearl buttons, white silk
brim trimmings, Italian lined, sizes 21 to 26, regular
price all season \$5, Saturday 3.95

MEN'S \$4.00 Trousers for \$2.69.
Men's Trousers, made of imported English colored worsteds, neat,
narrow pin striped patterns, grey with black stripe, two side and
tona, exceeding that of last year, also in dark blue, and
a banner season, by 7,588,081 tons. Of this freight, the east-bound amounted
to 30,275,989 tons; west-bound 5,930-
157.

Boys' Tweed Suits for \$3.50.
Boys' 3-piece Suits, short pants, made of heavy domestic tweeds, in
neat patterns, dark colors, double-breasted sacque shape,
Italian lined, sizes 22 to 33, special at 3.50

Here's for Your New Carpet

For wear this quality is not easily surpassed. The
colorings are up-to-date and the patterns quite new.
From 25c to 35c a yard saving for those who buy on
Saturday, and no extra charge for sewing and making
the Carpets for your room:

1055 yards English Body Brussels Carpet, 27 inches wide,
a well-assorted range of up-to-date designs in Ori-
ental, conventional and geometrical effects, with hand-
some colorings in green, rose, fawn, brown, blue
and wood shades, suitable for any room or hall, with
2-4 and 5-8 borders to match, regular price \$1.15
and \$1.25 per yard, on sale Saturday, with sewing
free, for90

Men's Fur Coats

First of all a fur-lined overcoat at \$50, just ten dol-
lars less than we generally ask for it, and the
original price was always considered very reasonable:

MEN'S Fur Lined Overcoats, extra quality English beaver cloth shell,
body lined with natural dark mink, sleeves lined with chamol,
overlined with striped satin, extra quality outer collar,
\$150.00, \$125.00 or 150.00

MEN'S Fine English Beaver Cloth, shell Indigo dye, body and sleeves
lined with natural dark muskrat, outer or Persian lamb
collar, chamol pockets, our regular \$60.00 overcoat 50.00

MEN'S Natural Dark Raccoon Fur Overcoats; \$70.00 to 75.00

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