

WHISKARD'S.

London's Cheapest Store.

THE BRIGHTEST AND BEST STORE IN THE CITY.

DON'T WAIT until the last days or you will be caught in the terrible whirl of the busiest days of the year. You know what that means at WHISKARD'S. Christmas shopping is a burden where it is postponed until the last day or week. Early in December it is easy and pleasurable. THE STORE IS UNSURPASSED, some ways we believe unsurpassable, roomier and more convenient. Regular patrons need not be informed that we have long since learned the wisdom of truthful announcements, and will appreciate the perfect shopping facilities. Betterments everywhere. The store was never so necessary, so helpful, so beautiful. Busy days these—they will grow busier and busier.

OUR SILK DEPARTMENT Is doing well these holiday times. Special lines are to the front in plain colors in all silk, China, such as Pink, Blue, Yellow, Nile, Moss, Canary, Cardinal at 25c yard. **IN FANCY SILKS** we show a large variety at 25c, 29c, 39c, 47c yard. **IN BLACK AND COLORED SATINS** we show full lines at right prices.

SERVICEABLE GIFTS are evidently to play a prominent part this season. We are therefore prepared with special lines in **DRESS GOODS**

Double Fold Cloth Mixtures, worth 25c, for 15c.
Plaid Dress Goods, in large variety, from 15c to 49c.
Black and Garnet Columbian Cloth, worth 35c, for 15c.
Mixed Colored Dress Goods, 40 inches wide, in green and fawn, blue and fawn, blue and brown, and brown and black, at 15c yard.
Garnet, cardinal, navy blue, brown, myrtle Serges and Cashmeres at 25c, 35c to 70c yard.
Plain Black Lustre, Figured Lustre, Black Satin Figured Dress Goods, Plain Black Henriettas, at HOLIDAY PRICES

HOLIDAY RIBBONS One of the handsomest assortments ever gathered together. The attractive prices and quantities can be seen from these items.

5,000 yards of All-Silk Ribbons, in all colors and widths, at one-third off regular price.
Satin Baby Ribbon, all colors, 1c and 2c yard.
Corded Silk Baby Ribbon, all colors, 2c yard.
Special line of Embroidered Ribbon, fine colors, wide width, worth 25c, for 5c and 7c yard.
Special line of Dresden Satin Ribbon, 5 and 6 inches wide, worth 25c, for 10c yard.

HANDKERCHIEFS These are the days when Handkerchiefs hold the upper hand, and draw crowds of customers. Have you seen our window.

All round Swiss Embroidered Handkerchiefs, 5c each.
Ladies' Hemstitched Draw Thread, 5c each.
Ladies' Very Fine Embroidered Handkerchiefs, worth 20c, for 12 1/2c.
Ladies' Beautiful Silk Handkerchiefs, hemstitched, 25c each.
Children's Fancy Handkerchiefs, 25c dozen, worth 39c.
Gents' Large Size White, 5c and 10c each.

In the Dining-Room.

SUNDAY, DEC. 12.

BREAKFAST—Grapes. Wheat. Germ meal mush—cream and sugar. Eggs poached in milk. Fried apples. Waffles. Coffee.

LUNCHEON—Scalloped salmon. Potato puffs. Whole-wheat bread and butter. Baked apples. Tea.

DINNER—Tomato bisque. Roast turkey. Apple sauce. Sweet potatoes. Cabbage salad. Sautéed wafers. Cheese. Apple meringue. Pie. Nuts. Coffee.

Cut out these recipes and paste them in a scrap-book.

Whole-Wheat Bread—Five cups of whole-wheat flour, two cups warm water, one cake compressed yeast, two tablespoonsful shortening, if desired. As the flour is added it should be beaten well; stir with a spoon until stiff enough to knead; work it well; let rise, work down; make into loaves. When very light bake 40 to 45 minutes.

Roast Duck (tame)—Steam two hours in an air-tight cooker. Then rub over with salt and onion juice and brown in the oven, basting often with the gravy. Serve with fresh apple sauce.

Sweet Potatoes—Boil and mash as you do white potatoes. Season to taste. Fill your scallop pan, sprinkle with cracker meal and sugar, pour over half-pint of cream and bake 20 minutes.

Apple Meringue Pie—For the paste, one cup flour, three tablespoonsful butter, a small pinch salt; chop butter and salt into flour with pastry cutter. Use one-quarter cup ice water to moisten; do not touch with the hands. Roll out and bake over an inverted pie tin. For the filling, one cup sour apple sauce, one-half cup sugar, one-half cup water. Let come to a boil. Add one tablespoonful cornstarch and cook until it thickens. Fill shell when cold and cover with one cup of thick cream, whipped stiff.

A Rich, Full Color.

Diamond Dye Cardinal One of the Most Fashionable and Most Useful Colors.

Millions of packages of this wonderfully rich and popular color are sold every year. Fast Diamond Dye Cardinal is noted for its strength, fastness and beauty of color. One package dyes two pounds of silk or all-wool goods a standard shade that will never wash out. It colors over, with grand results, all shades except greens. The Fast Diamond Dye Cardinal for dyeing cotton and mixed goods is the only Cardinal for cotton dyeing in the world that is fast to light and soap. One package makes a fast and everlasting Cardinal on one pound of cotton or mixed goods. Be not deceived by crude imitations or soap grease dyes. Ask for the "Diamond," and you will always be successful.

ADVISED FOR BURGLARS.

He Wanted Them to Call and Steal His Valuable Heirlooms.

A man rushed into the business office of one of the daily papers and stopped at the advertising window. There he secured a pad of paper and a pencil with a string to it. He wrote and erased, and then tore up what he had written, chewing the fragments savagely while he made another copy. "There," he said, at last, as he thrust the paper into the head of the advertising clerk, "count the words and tell me what they will cost for one insertion—I reckon that will fetch them."

"This was the advertisement: 'Burglars are requested to call some night this week on Mr. and Mrs. Erasmus Brown, 200 Ash Court. A door and window will be left open, and every facility offered for removing the spoils.'"

"But this is a very unusual form of advertisement," said the clerk, with a troubled look. "I don't know whether to put it under the head of personal or educational. What is your motive, may I ask?"

"My motive," said the advertiser, "is to get rid of an awful incubus of inherited truck without any responsibility fastened upon me. I might burn the house down, but in this case I would be expected to save the heirlooms or perish with them. Say, young man, were you ever the victim of a legacy?"

"No," said the clerk, with a friendly grin. "What a funny question. 'No old maid ever died and left you a dozen battered silver teaspoons that had come down from Oliver Cromwell'?"

"Never."

"'Lucky chap! Never had a solid silver punch bowl bequeathed to you by a bibulous old uncle who was a descendant of the family while he lived, but promised to return and haunt you if you didn't entertain his comrades once a year out of that bowl!'"

"No," said the clerk. "I belong to plain, everyday people, and we haven't a coat of arms to our backs."

"Be thankful, young man, you little realize what a blessed lot is yours. To crown our misfortunes another relative died in Paris last week and left us his diamonds. But I draw the line at diamonds, and so does my wife. We take turns now sitting up with the silver. After the burglars come and clean us out we shall begin to live. Put that advertisement in a good place, and I'll let you know if we hear from it. S'long."—Chicago Times Herald.

Piles! Piles! Itching Piles! Symptoms—Moisture, intense itching and stinging, mostly at night, worse by scratching. If allowed to continue tumors form, which often bleed and ulcerate, becoming very sore. Swayne's Ointment stops the itching and bleeding, heals ulceration, and in drugists or by mail, 50 cents. Dr. Swayne & Son, Philadelphia. Lyman Sons & Co., Montreal, wholesale agents. Avoid substitutes.

If you have ever seen a little child in a paroxysm of Croup, or if you have been annoyed by a constant tickling in the throat, you can appreciate the value of Ransom's Hives Syrup and Tolu, which gives quick relief. 25 cents. M.

Severe Gales Raging Along the British Coasts.

Serious Results of the Engineers' Dispute.

London's Late Fire Has Taught the Authorities a Lesson.

Death of Pearson, the Distinguished Architect.

British Troops for the Campaign in Egypt—A Mail Coach Robbed of \$12,000.

SEEKING SHELTER.

London, Dec. 11.—A severe gale is again raging along the British coast, and especially over those parts bordering on the Irish sea. Ships are running for shelter in the ports.

SLEPT AT THE CASTLE.

London, Dec. 11.—United States Ambassador Hay and Mrs. Hay dined with Queen Victoria at Windsor last evening, and slept at the castle.

THE CAMPAIGN IN EGYPT.

London, Dec. 11.—According to a dispatch to the Daily Mail from Cairo, 600 British troops will take part in the advance of the Anglo-Egyptian expedition in the Soudan, which was postponed after the capture of Berber last September, in order to avoid the hot season.

MAIL COACH ROBBED OF \$12,000.

London, Dec. 11.—According to a special dispatch from Lydenburg, in the Transvaal, a body of armed highwaymen have robbed a mail coach from Pilgrims' Rest, about 25 miles north-east of Lydenburg, of \$12,000 in gold coin and banknotes. Arrests had been made when the dispatch was sent.

"NO AUSCHLIECH."

Vienna, Dec. 11.—A great sensation was caused here last night by the posting of a placard, even in the inner town, and on which was inscribed "No Auschliech." The Austro-Hungarian Compact, "Abolish the Language Ordinance," and "German is the National Language." The police tore the placards down.

LEARNED A LESSON.

London, Dec. 11.—At the inquiry into the causes and circumstances of the recent great fire in London, Commander L. De L. Wells, R.N., chief of the metropolitan fire brigade, said that chemical engines were not used at the fire. He declared that there was a sufficient number of engines at the fire, and that the supply of water was also sufficient. There was, however, an insufficient supply of coal for the engines. He had no experience with the fire, but he had a great deal, and he was now considering the introduction of reforms, such as telephone fire alarms, etc.

DEATH OF A NOTED ARCHITECT.

London, Dec. 11.—John Loughborough Pearson, the distinguished architect and member of the Royal Academy, died at his home, 129, Grosvenor Road, at 10. He was 68 years of age. Mr. Pearson was the architect for Lincoln Cathedral, Trinity Cathedral and Peterborough Cathedral. Since the death of Sir Gilbert Scott, he had been architect for Westminster Abbey. He resided at the west side of the Westminster Hall and made additions to the university library at Cambridge. Mr. Pearson had been a fellow of the Royal Institute of Architects and one of the consulting architects of the Incorporated Church Builders' Society. He had been a fellow of the Royal Antiquarian Society. In 1874 he was elected an associate of the Royal Academy and was elected in 1880 a full member. The French Government awarded him a gold medal at the Paris exhibition, and he was knighted by the Emperor of Germany. From the Royal Institute of British Architects he received the Queen's gold medal.

THE ENGINEERS' DISPUTE.

Glasgow, Dec. 11.—A meeting of the non-union engineers upon the proposals made by the employers at the conference of the Federated Employers' Association and the Glasgow Society of Engineers was taken yesterday. The figures are as yet unknown, but it is said that the men have rejected the employers' proposals. The output of the unionist engineers will end on Saturday. Sir Wm. Grey, the principal shipbuilder of Hartlepool, has issued a statement of the condition of the shipbuilding industry, in which he says that the engineers' strike has caused a reduction in the output of eight large steamers, which means a loss of £75,000 in wages. The London Trades Council has issued a circular to all labor organizations in the kingdom, inviting their opinion upon the question of calling a national conference of labor unionists to give effective support to the striking engineers, and also to arrange a plan of action to be observed in future industrial disputes.

CABLE NOTES.

A Rome dispatch says: The Marquis di Rudini has completed the task of reconstructing the Cabinet. A dispatch from Berlin to the Daily Mail says that there have been riots in Port au Prince, resulting from the popular indignation against the government for surrendering to the demands of Germany.

STOLE \$100,000

From Registered Letters on a Mail Train—A Robber Shot Dead.

New York, Dec. 11.—It was learned yesterday that one of the biggest robberies in the history of the New York postoffice occurred on Nov. 9. The amount involved is stated to be in the neighborhood of \$100,000, and was taken from registered letters in the railway mail service on that section of the Central Railroad of New Jersey, known as the New York, Somerville and Easton branch. On Nov. 9, it is stated, two bags containing \$30,000 were taken. How long the real defalcations had gone on before that date has not been ascertained.

Deming, N. M., Dec. 11.—In an attempt to break up the west-bound Southern Pacific passenger train at Stein's Pass, 90 miles west of this place last night, "Sandy" Collins was shot and killed by Express Guard Jennings. Previous to the arrival of the train, four bandits rode into the station and held up and robbed Agent St. John and Section Foreman McCullen, and at the same time cut all wires, so that no warning could be given

Running for Shelter.

when the train pulled into the station. The robbers attacked the express car, and ordered Messenger Jennings to surrender. With him in the car was Express Guard Thatcher, and they opened fire, killing the leader of the robbers. The other bandits mounted their horses and fled. The body of the bandit was taken to Thatcher. It was identified as that of "Sandy" Collins, until recently a cowboy in the San Simon valley range, and in Eastern Arizona.

Steamer Stranded.

The Loanco. From Montreal. Aground in Bristol Channel.

Only Two Officers of a French Nile Expedition Escape Death.

The German-Chinese Difficulty Said To Be Practically Settled—The Death of Fuglist Croot.

STEAMER ASHORE.

Bristol, England, Dec. 11.—The British steamer Loanco (Capt. Evans), which sailed from Montreal Nov. 23 for this port, is ashore in the Bristol Channel.

ONLY TWO OFFICERS ESCAPED. Brussels, Dec. 11.—The Mouvement Geographique, which on Tuesday last announced that a French expedition, under Major Marchand, while on its way up the Nile, had been massacred near Bahr-el-Ghazel, and that the survivors had retreated to Bonou, today says that only two officers of the expedition escaped, one of whom is Major Marchand.

SAID TO BE SETTLED.

Pekin, Dec. 11.—The German-Chinese difficulty is practically settled. The German refusal to grant the occupation of Kiao Chau Bay. The governor of Shang Tung Province has been removed from office, but will not be any further degraded. No monopoly of mines and railroads is conceded to Germany, but that country is given preference. Finally the area immediately surrounding Kiao Chau Bay is set apart exclusively for Germany. China yields on all the other points.

WALTER CROOT'S DEATH.

London, Dec. 11.—The coroner's jury today returned a verdict of accidental death in the case of Walter Croot, the English bantam-weight who died on Tuesday morning last from injuries received during the contest for the bantam-weight championship with Jimmy Barry, of Chicago, at the National Sporting Club, on the previous night. According to the medical testimony, Croot's skull was fractured at the base, due to a fall after a blow in the 20th round.

THE GERMAN BUDGET.

Berlin, Dec. 11.—The secretary of the treasury, Baron von Thielmann, in presenting the budget, said the surplus for 1897 must be 20,000,000 marks, while the customs and tobacco tax would probably be 70,000,000 marks over the estimate of which 32,000,000 marks were assigned for 1897. Continuing, Baron von Thielmann said the negotiations for the abolition of the sugar bounty were at a standstill, but the United States tariff would perhaps have a reviving influence. The home consumption of sugar, the secretary said, had increased, but Germany would always have to depend upon her export trade.

COST OF ALLISON'S TRIAL.

Berlin, Dec. 11.—The Allison murder trial cost Waterloo county \$2,500.

MURDERER HANGED.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 11.—Harry Anderson, of San Francisco, was hanged at San Quentin prison yesterday for the murder of Miss Walthergen Fleiner and Vinanzi Crozzetti on Aug. 9, 1896.

FIVE DIED FOR HIM.

New York, Dec. 11.—Charles Saneil, a barber of this city, who is under arrest on a technical charge of forgery, is said to have admitted that he has collected \$3,500, the aggregate of insurance policies on four wives and a mother-in-law. The first death was that of a wife, and occurred in October, 1894.

POURING INTO THE NORTHWEST.

Toronto, Dec. 11.—Rev. A. J. Vining, superintendent of Baptist missions in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories, is in the city on his way east. In an interview Mr. Vining said: "People are pouring into the country, and there are no homes for them. I have letters now from would-be settlers who I hope to send out there. Foreigners are getting on well and making money. Swedes are preferred to their own. The increase in grain this year has given a stimulus to work, and the effects will be felt next year. The year men who went out two years ago with a horse and plow are worth \$8,000, cleared in grain, and may retire there, too. I don't see why people want to go to the Klondike when they have British Columbia full of minerals."

CANCER CAN BE CURED.

The following regarding the "Vitalia Remedies" for the home cure of cancers, tumors, scrofula, blood poisons, etc., speaks for itself.

Cameron, Oct. 25, 1897.

Gentlemen,—I wish to give you a history of my case. Last March I had a sarcoma of face removed with knife, but it soon returned, and the 6th of May I had a larger one removed with knife, hoping this would be a permanent cure. I was disappointed, as it returned again the last of June. Hearing of your "Vitalia," I sent for it and began taking the first of July. My general health soon began to improve, and now I am quite well. I have regained my usual weight and feel well enough to do my work again, and there is no sign whatever of the cancer. I am very thankful and would gladly recommend "Vitalia" to anyone likewise troubled.

Sincerely yours,

MRS. JOHN SIMPSON.

Examination and consultations are without charge at the office week days between 10 and 4 o'clock. Full written advice and 120-page book free. Write the A. Myron Mason Medicine Company, 577 Sherbourne street, Toronto, Ont. Department L. A.

OAK HALL

We Clothe Men and Boys, and Clothe Them Best . . .

A DOUBLE ECONOMY.

is noticeable in our Overcoat selling—the right quality, giving durability, and the matchless prices for high-grade work. Every conceivable fabric is here—beavers, meltons, frieze, nap and worsted. Splendid value is offered at \$4 50 to \$15.

Boys' Overcoats AND Reefers . . .

Camelshair Cloth Reefers, with deep collar, sizes 22 to 27	\$4 00
Blue Nap Reefers, in sizes 24 to 27; good, warm winter coats	\$2 85
Dark Brown Frieze Ulster, tweed lined, deep storm collar and throat strap; sizes 27 to 36	\$4 00
Brown Frieze Reefers, tweed lined, deep storm collar; sizes 23 to 27	\$3 00

The Great One Price CLOTHIERS. **OAK HALL** 154 Dundas St. London.

ALF. TAYLOR, MANAGER.

A LIST OF DOLLAR GIFTS

Worth Clipping Out for Ready Holiday Reference.

However limited one's Christmas allowance, the fair shopper whose heart is more generous than her purse need not despair, as the shops are literally crowded with pretty as well as useful knick-knacks which one may buy for less than one dollar.

Here is a list of articles, any one of which costs a dollar or less:

- A cut glass salve box, with silver top.
- A sterling silver button-book.
- A Dresden china tea-strainer.
- A Dresden china glove-mender.
- A silver-topped emery bag.
- A small snakeskin coin purse.
- A hanging bamboo bookshelf.
- A low bamboo stool.
- A bottle of eau de violette of best quality.
- A notebook with Russian leather back for the literary girl or her big brother.
- A silver book-mark in the shape of a heart or a dagger.
- A pair of enameled silver sleeve links.
- An address book, with Russian leather back.
- A silver-topped acorn of wax for the sewing basket.
- A dainty Dresden cup and saucer for the afternoon tea table.
- A small, oval-shaped picture frame in gilded metal.
- A Dresden China tea caddy for the tea table.
- A plaster cast of the Venus de Milo.
- A dainty china inkstand in violet pattern.
- A silver or Dresden china penholder.
- A chamois penwiper, tipped with silver.
- A yearly subscription for one of the popular ten-cent magazines.
- A half dozen set of finger-bowl doilies.
- A long, slender crystal vase for milady's desk.
- A pretty china candlestick for milady's toilet table.
- A small bottle of best quality extract.
- A length of Roman striped ribbon, for the four-in-hand necktie affected by the up-to-date girl.
- A really fine handkerchief edged with wide lace.
- A and a thousand other things, both suitable and attractive.

But the moral is, buy now. Don't wait till the stores are crowded, the salespeople worn out and the best of everything picked out. Articles bought in pretty boxes, and neatly tied, thus giving a dainty appearance, which adds much to the simplest as well as the most expensive gifts.

And the glad shopper, with her burdens off her mind, will find that the Christmas season is a veritable season of peace and good-will, instead of the anxious scramble it is apt to be to the belated and hurried eleventh-hour seeker after novelties.

"Only the Best."

Should be your motto when you need a medicine. Do not be induced to take any substitute when you call for Hood's Sarsaparilla. Experience has proved it to be the best. It is an honest medicine, possessing actual and unequalled merit. Be wise and profit by the experience of other people.

HOOD'S PILLS are the favorite family cathartic, easy to take, easy to operate.

We shall not always be content with a philanthropy that picks up the victims as they fly broken from the wheel of oppression; we shall stop the wheel itself.

Minard's Liniment is used by physicians. The world is full of men with no other possession than experience, who would be glad to sell it for less than they paid for it.

Give Holloway's Corn Cure a trial. It removed ten corns from one pair of feet, and was glad to sell it for less than it cost once it will do again.

Those Who Endure

The pains of rheumatism should be reminded that a cure for this disease may be found in Hood's Sarsaparilla. The experience of those who have taken Hood's Sarsaparilla for rheumatism, and have been completely and permanently cured, prove the power of this medicine to rout and conquer this disease. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the One True Blood Purifier, and it neutralizes the acid which causes the aches and pains of rheumatism. This is why it absolutely cures when liniments and other outward applications fail to give permanent relief. Be sure to get Hood's.

The Triumph Medical Battery, one of the novelties of the day. It is equal to an expensive battery at a fraction of the cost. No better Christmas present can be selected for a boy. It will furnish unlimited amusement at young people's parties. The price is only One Dollar. For sale at F. B. Clarke's, 416 Richmond street.

Running sores, indolent ulcers and similar troubles, even though of many years' standing, may be cured by using Frask's Magnetic Ointment. It soothes, strengthens and heals. It is the great pile cure. 25 cents.

At 402 Talbot street, T. C. THORN. HILL'S STORE, all sorts of watches, clocks, etc., can be thoroughly repaired at the shortest notice, and at moderate prices. The Umbrella and Parasol Hospital.