

### CHOOSING IS EASY

From a Line Like Ours

This good shoe store has this Christmas season secured some of the most beautiful lines of

### Gift Slippers

for men, women and children that it has been possible to procure. You should lose no time in making a selection. Although the stock is large, previous experience has proven that the best go first. Be early then if you would have a pair or two of these beauties.

## COLES SHOE CO'Y.

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FOR CHILDREN.

The wee tots as well as the larger boys and girls have been well provided for, and why shouldn't they be—Christmas time is children's time, so our range of slippers, shoes, rubbers, leggings, spats, booties, etc., was never more complete. Coles Shoe Co., 122 Colborne street.

## MOGULS CAN'T KEEP THEIR PARKS DARK

Too Much Money Sunk in Playing Fields to Permit the Owners to Suspend Baseball Altogether—Millions Tied up in Diamonds—Green Ones, That is.

Baseball outlook for 1918 is filled with uncertainties for club owners and players. According to present plans, the major leagues will continue to operate in an effort to keep the game going; but if the world war is raging next March, with no evidence of peace in sight, it is practically certain that the minor leagues, with the exception of one or two, will keep their parks closed.

The plan to continue baseball in the major leagues, includes a provision for keeping several of the minor leagues in operation for the purpose of taking care of a limited number of players. The major leagues cannot live without a source of supply from which to draw playing talent, and they must have the minor leagues to assist in the development of players who need more seasoning.

So, if the war continues, it is probable that the two big minor leagues—the American Association and the International League—may be encouraged to operate. The salaries will probably be greatly reduced in the majors, and further cuts will be made in the minor leagues in question if they continue to operate next year.

**Few Players Drafted**  
The powers that be in baseball are playing a waiting game just now, for there is nothing else for them to do at present. At the meetings of the National Baseball Commission steps will be taken toward meeting gigantic obstacles which will arise next spring unless peace comes.

The club owner in any league who

has ball players of the draft age on his ball team roster cannot be sure that his club will not be entirely wrecked by the time April 1, 1918, rolls around. For this season the major leagues were wary about drafting players from the minors last month, and in most cases the eligibility of the player for the national draft was investigated before the club owners put in a baseball draft for him.

Many players who were purchased prior to the opening of the drafting season were bought with the proviso that in case they were drafted for the national army the purchaser should be released from the obligation of paying for the titles to them.

Interest in the National League club owners, who have thousands of dollars tied up in players alone, stand to lose heavily at any time, but the minor league owner, who depends on the sale of players to tide him over, especially in lean years, such as 1917 has been, was mighty hard hit.

Baseball men who stand out as the protectors of the game are agreed that major league ball must be continued, practically at any cost. They would gladly consent to its continuance under Government supervision if necessary.

A whole year without organized ball of any kind would be a terrific blow to the game, for organized baseball is a big business, in which millions of dollars are tied up, and should it be killed for the period of even one year it would be set back at least ten years, according to those who are in a position to know.

### BACKWARD, WEAKLY CHILDREN

Dr. Cassell's Tablets strengthen Feeble Little Folk and fortify the constitution.

Every mother should know that Dr. Cassell's Tablets are just as suitable for children, even for babies, as they are for grown-up people. Dr. Cassell's Tablets strengthen the constitution of children and generate that vital energy which enables the little body to develop naturally, and therefore healthily. This they do because they promote digestion and ensure the perfect assimilation of the nutriment which digestion provides. The result is that pure rich nourishment is carried to every part of the little body for sustenance and growth.

A free sample of Dr. Cassell's Tablets will be sent to you on request of 5 cents for mailing and packing. Address: Harold P. Ritchie and Co., Ltd., 10, McCaul street, Toronto.

Dr. Cassell's Tablets are the supreme remedy for Dyspepsia, Kidney Troubles, Sleeplessness, Anaemia, Nervous ailments, and Nerve paralysis, and for weakness in children. Specially valuable for nursing mothers and during the critical periods of life. Price 50 cents per tube, six tubes for the price of five, from

### DRUGGISTS AND STOREKEEPERS THROUGHOUT CANADA. DON'T WASTE YOUR MONEY ON IMITATIONS; GET THE GENUINE DR. CASSELL'S TABLETS.

## GENERAL ALLENBY, ALLAH AND 'NEHBY

Remarkable Prophecy is Fulfilled Concerning Jerusalem

London, Dec. 21.—The capture of Jerusalem has led to the discussion of a remarkable prophecy uttered when the Kaiser made his theatrical entry into the city on a white charger dressed to look as much like a crusader as possible. It was said then, according to an ancient prophecy, that the liberator of Jerusalem would enter it, not on horseback, but afoot, and would represent Allah and God.

Now that General Allenby has entered Jerusalem afoot, his name with very little straining, combines those of Allah and 'Nehby, which means God in the Islamic tongue. The discovery has given the necessary touch

## BIGGEST SURPRISE OF HIS LIFE HE SAYS

Williamson Overcomes His Troubles of Five Years Standing by Taking Tanlac

"I have never been so surprised over anything as I have over the results of Tanlac in my case," said William Williamson, a well known brick mason, living at 1115 St. Charles Avenue, Toronto, recently. "My kidneys have been bothering me for four or five years," he continued, "but during the past year other ailments set in and kept me feeling miserable nearly all the time. I had terrible pains across my back, especially when I stooped over or tried to lift anything; then rheumatism settled in my right leg, and at times I simply suffered torture from it. The pain was so sharp and cutting at times I would almost drop in my tracks. My appetite went square back on me and nothing I would eat tasted right. I was very nervous—could hardly sleep—and I would just roll from one side of the bed to the other, and many a night I have not closed my eyes for sleep at all. I just had that dejected, worn-out feeling, had no energy and didn't care for anything.

"One day a friend of mine said: 'Why don't you try Tanlac, I have taken it, and it surely did me good.' So with that I began taking Tanlac and improving every day. I have now taken four bottles, the rheumatism, never troubles me at all, and my appetite is fine and everything I eat tastes good and agrees with me. My nerves are strong and steady now. I sleep like a log, and all my tired, depressed feelings are gone. I now have my old-time strength and energy and feel like myself again. Tanlac has certainly been a great thing for me and I don't praise it too highly."

Tanlac is sold in Brantford by Milton H. Robertson & Co. Ltd., in Paris by Apps Ltd., in Mt. Vernon by A. Yoemans, and in Middleport by William Peddie.

of fatalism to his victory to make it more impressive than ever to Eastern minds.

### A WAR-TIME ROMANCE.

By Courier Leased Wire  
London, Dec. 20.—The engagement is announced of Esther, daughter of Grover Cleveland, former President of the United States, to Captain Bosanquet of the Oldstream Guards. Captain Bosanquet, a son of Sir Albert Bosanquet, has been decorated with the Distinguished Service Order.

Miss Cleveland came to London in June of last year, after having qualified as a nurse and instructor of the blind and took up work as a volunteer at St. Dunstan's Home for Blind Soldiers.

## BUY "HIM" A Set of TOOLS

THAT BOY OF YOURS WILL APPRECIATE NOTHING MORE THAN A SET OF TOOLS FOR CHRISTMAS

Then he will get much useful pleasure throughout the year. Making useful articles and minor repairs around the house. Then don't neglect the instructive features of learning to do something.

We Have a Big Selection at All Prices

### The Big Hardware Store

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<b>BANK OF ENGLAND.</b> By Courier Leased Wire London, Dec. 20.—The weekly statement of the Bank of England shows the following changes: Total reserve, decrease, £1,042,000; circulation, increase, £2,000,000; bullion, increase, £60,675; other securities, increase, £3,578,600; public deposits, decrease, £3,490,000; other deposits, increase, £5,975,000; notes, reserve, decrease, £893,000; Government securities, decrease, £76,000. The proportion of the bank's reserve to liability this week is 18.66 per cent.; last week it was 19.58 per cent.	Get a \$21.00 Trench Overcoat for \$15.75 at Lazarus' Clearance Sale. Now on.
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# Practical Gift Suggestions

THIS YEAR IT TAKES ON AN EVEN GREATER IMPORTANCE FOR EVERY WOMAN PREFERS THAT HER PRESENTS SHALL BE REALLY PRACTICAL. WE ARE SKETCHING BELOW A LIST OF ARTICLES, THEIR USEFULNESS UNDENIABLE, BUT ALL OF THEM WITH ORNAMENTAL VALUES BESIDES.

### FURS!

The best gift of all. Fox, Lynx, Wolf, Coon, Fitch, Seal, Beaver, Ermine, and Sable. Hudson Seal Coats, plain or trimmed.

### Children's Furs

in White Thibet, grey, lamb, Badger and Oppossum, such a suitable gift.

**A Silk Petticoat Gift**  
Pretty Filly Silk Petticoats, in all the new shades to go with or to contrast with suit or dress. Dark shades for street wear or in dark colorings; at \$3.75 to \$9.50

**Crepe Kimonos**  
the ever pleasing gift that may be worn at all seasons of the year. There are plain and floral crepes, also new novelty and checked designs from \$1.75 to \$3.50

**Dainty Boudoir Caps**  
A lovely and most acceptable gift for a young girl would be one of our newly imported caps. They are made of muslin, net, crepe de chine, net or satin, and prettily trimmed. Prices 75c to \$3.50

### Christmas Blouses

Select your gifts early from our very large showing of delightful Blouses in Georgette, Crepe de Chine, Ninon and Habutua; including all the popular shades of the season. \$15.00  
Priced from \$3.75 to \$15.00

**Gloves For All Occasions**  
Of Suede, Kid, Wool and Chamissette, and all of them beautifully made. The Suede Gloves are washable, in white only. The kid gloves are made in frames and fit as only French Gloves do. Priced \$1.00 to \$2.50

**A Bag is Ever a Welcome Gift**  
See our splendid stock of Bags, either of leather or velvet; in various shapes and sizes. The modish velvet bag is fashionable, while the leather purse provided with strap handle is very popular. Prices range \$1.50 to \$15

### Dainty Christmas Neckwear

Exemplifying the vogue of satin; Filet Lace and Georgette long narrow collars and the filmy Jabot. Make an early choice from our exclusive designs. Prices ranging from 75c to \$3.75

### Silk Lingerie

An ever acceptable gift is a dainty piece of Habutua Crepe or Jersey Silk Underwear. They consist of Camisoles, Gowns, Combinations, Knickers, Vests and Underskirts. Some are plain and others daintily trimmed with ribbons and lace.

### Warm Wool Spencers and Woolen Sets

Cosey Jaeger Wool Spencers and Sets for the cold weather. The colors are rose, blue, red, grey, pink, green, white and black.

### Handkerchiefs

It is almost impossible to have too many handkerchiefs. We are showing a splendid assortment of both plain and fancy. Some are finished with Madeira hand embro. corners and scalloped edges. Others with dainty hand crocheted edges. Prices 20c to \$1.50

**Kimonos**  
Are among the delightful solutions of the gift problem. Gowns of rich silk in a variety of shades. Practical blanket gowns—so "comfy" practical and prettily made. There are many varieties in a wide range of prices. \$6.50 to \$18.50

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