

GREAT CLEARANCE SALE

To enable us to obtain room to show CHRISTMAS WARES we have marked down a lot of Seasonable Goods to NEAR COST. SEE OUR WINDOWS FOR PRICES.

Coats, Sweaters, Furs, Tapestries, Boots, Blankets, Ladies' Hats, Overcoats—Men's & Boys,....
And many other items.

The Reductions will Surprise You. All must go as we have not space to keep them any longer.

Robert Templeton, Water St.

Market Notes.

Codfish.—Bad weather prevailing during the better part of last week, but little dry fish was handled. Added to this was the uncertain condition of the Italian market, and lack of definite information concerning how matters were going to turn out in that country. The "Fish Trust" there has very possibly combined itself together for the purpose of forcing down Newfoundland prices, and apparently the Italian Government backs the concern, with a view to providing the people with fish foods as cheaply as they can be purchased. There is evidently a dearth of dry cod in Italy and our fish is badly wanted. Should our

merchants hold firm they have good chances of winning out. The market in Spain is dull at present but every prospect for a brighter outlook prevails. Greek markets are not to be relied upon just now though there is no doubt that a scarcity of fish prevails, very few lots having been exported there for the past three years. Lifeless, is the report from the salt cod market in England. Labrador soft is being bought by exporters from dealers at \$14.50 with a number of vessels in port to discharge. Shore No. 1 holds on at \$15.75 to \$16, and Labrador hard at \$15.50 to \$15.50.

Cod Oil.—The price of Common has slumped down to \$300 per ton, and a further decline is anticipated during present month. It is said that on Fri-

day last some sales were made at \$270. Those who held over for an advance over \$400, offered five weeks ago, have been hit pretty badly. There is no brisk demand for Refined, the highest price paid being \$2.65 per gallon, by one or two firms to complete contracts. The general rate is still \$2.50. The Prospero from North last trip, brought up a considerable quantity, which will be stored to await a rising market.

Herring.—The prices being asked by Green Bay fishermen are absolutely unwarranted, and the New York market will not stand for any piracy of this nature. The Fishing Gazette warns fishermen and packers that they may expect obstacles in the way if they continue demanding prohibitive

prices. The Telegram has pointed out that the present opportunities of capturing the entire American market are too valuable to be lost, but loss it we will if an unreasonable attitude regarding prices is maintained. There can be no objection to fishermen obtaining the best prices going, but to kill our future chances by extorting huge money in not good business. With prices from the nets in Bay of Islands and Bonne Bay, ranging from \$5 to \$6 per barrel, it is surely an unsafe policy for Green Bay to be asking double these sums. The Department of Fisheries should do something to protect the fishermen from themselves, otherwise present tactics make for the ruin of our Herring prospects in the United States. By killing the goose that lays the golden eggs we will show ourselves to be very impractical and foolish.

Provisions.—Flour holds steady at last week's price, and by an arrangement with the Food Control Board no advance will be made over \$14.40 and \$14.50 for Standard, Wholesale, without notice. Any refusal to use the requisite quantity of substitutes may cause a short shipment of our supplies from Canada. With the equivalent of 30,000 barrels of coarse grains in stock to cover the flour shortage it is as well to understand that this quantity must be used as per regulations, until exhausted. Should there be any refusal to take substitutes the Food Control Board should at once institute proceedings, irrespective of the rank or standing of delinquent, whether wholesaler or retailer. It has been charged that some dealers have been permitted to sell flour without the required percentage of substitutes. Pork prices are continuing to advance steadily in the Chicago and New York markets. As a consequence local rates will likely go up \$2 per barrel this week, after which Ham Butt will stand at \$49 and Mess, \$50. Beef is quoted at \$46.50 for No. 1 brands; \$46.50 for Packet and \$45 for Boned. There are barely enough sugar holdings in the city to keep the trade moving. A consignment of 2,000 sacks of White is due about the 19th from New York and a similar quantity of Brown is expected before Christmas. These lots will help along considerably, the Northern trade being fairly well supplied out of last shipments. The wholesale price of American Granulated is \$12.70 and \$11.25 to \$11.50 for Brown, per hundred pounds. The molasses market stands as at last writing. Local potatoes are selling at \$5 per barrel and P. E. I. at \$5.50. The arrival of S. S. Ranger from Charlottetown last week with general produce, part of which was potatoes, will not likely have any effect on present prices. P. E. I. crops were good but owing to lack of transportation large lots are being cellared at the chief shipping points there until spring, when prospects are, that vessels are offering, there may be a decline in shipping prices. Until then we have to do the best we can by paying the price asked and looking as pleasant as possible.

W. P. A.

The Packing and Shipping Committee acknowledge with thanks the following:

Ochre Pit Cove—23 prs. socks.
Aquaforte—20 prs. socks.
Campbellton—12 prs. socks.
Brigue—64 prs. socks.
Stone's Cove, Fortune—9 prs. socks.
Salvation Army, Fortune—20 prs. socks.
Exploits—16 prs. socks.
V. A. G., Channel—12 shirts.
Harbor Grace, 32nd shipment—180 prs. socks, old white material, 24 shirts.

ANNIE HAYWARD, Convener.
Dec. 5th, 1918.

LABORER SHELTERED.—A city laborer spent Saturday night in the police station at his own request. Yesterday morning he paid \$1.00 for his lodging and walked out, rather than appear before court this morning on a charge of vagrancy.

Big Slaughter Sale

Owing to the arrival of big shipments of goods, and to make room for Stock Taking, we have decided to mark all our goods down to the very lowest prices. These are some of the items we wish to call to your attention.

WOOD and ZINC WASHBOARDS.

HAND and FOOT SEWING MACHINES.

WASHING MACHINES—8 different styles.

PERFECTION OIL HEATERS and COOKERS.

RISING SUN STOVE PASTE.

BEDSTEADS, 3 feet, 3½ feet, 4 feet.

WINDOW BLINDS in all the Leading Colors.

WEIGHING MACHINES of all descriptions; also

ENAMELWARE, CUTLERY, MIRRORS, BASKETS,

GLASS STAND LAMPS, POLISHES, BRUSHES for every

use, and everything in the Building, Farming & Household Line.

P. S.—Wholesale Customers should take advantage of this offer.

Martin-Royal Stores Hardware Co.

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Raspberry,
Strawberry
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Pure Gold
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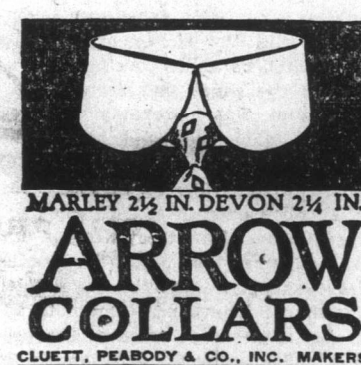
T.A.B.S. Annual.

The T.A.B.S. Society held its 52nd annual meeting yesterday, when the reports of the last year were received and adopted, and the election of officers held with the following result:
President—Hon. W. J. Ellis.
Vice-Pres.—J. F. Murphy.
1st V.P.—J. Doyle.
2nd V.P.—Ronald Kent.
1st Treasurer—P. J. Hanley.
2nd Treas.—C. Kelly.
Fin. Secy.—J. Ryan.
Cashier—T. J. Redmond.
Grand Marshal—N. J. Murphy.
Asst. Marshals—J. Fleming, J. Schapler, J. Savage.
Auditors—J. L. Slattery, M. P. Hynes, R. J. Power.
Club Management—C. W. Myler, J. Murphy, T. Ryan, J. Fleming, G. Willis, C. Kelly, J. Doyle.
The election and installation was conducted by Mr. C. Myler.

Some suit coats have pockets of fur.

Record Cattle Prices.

London, Dec. 3.—At a sale of pedigree Hereford cattle in London, 84 animals belonging to Mr. Hayter made \$213,000—an average of \$2,660. A four-year-old stock bull sold for \$47,500, which beats all records. A cow brought \$10,000 and others remarkable prices.



FURNITURE!

There is no need for us to go into detailed description with regard to the quality or quantity of Furniture we stock, it is already well known all over the Island.

Here we announce the opening of new shipments. We are ready to furnish your Bedrooms, Dressing-rooms, Bathrooms, Dining-room, Drawing-room, Den, Library, Living-room, Halls and Kitchen with everything necessary to make your home absolutely perfect in every detail.

When you want just what is newest and best in Furniture, remember the address below is that of the finest house-furnishers in Newfoundland.

U. S. Picture & Portrait Co.

St. Johns.

News Pars.

Mr. Robert J. Collier, editor of Collier's Weekly, dropped dead in New York some time ago from heart disease.

During the next twelve months 600 new farms will be available in New South Wales.

A body has been organized in the United States with a capital of \$5,000,000 "to render unselfish economic aid to Russia."

An inter-Allied commemorative medal of the great war is suggested by the Army Committee of the French Chamber.

For the first time a woman has been taken on the strength of the Constabulary. She has been given rank of sergeant.

Nine thousand dollars in bills and notes from the Canadian Express Company in a daylight robbery between Toronto and Hamilton, has been recovered in a Toronto backstreet.

School children in Buckinghamshire picked 100 tons of blackberries, an autumn, which is calculated to be a million berries.

New Zealand will be represented at the Peace Conference.

Eight million pounds of fish were taken in Canadian waters last year.

The Americans who passed the Luxembourg frontier got the idea of the high prices of foodstuffs as a result of the war. In each of the stores at 20 francs (4s) a pound. Sugar from Germany was selling at 2 francs (40 cents) a pound. A quarter of chocolate, the size that sells in the United States for 40 cents, sold for 10 francs (2s) a pound. Each at from 10 to 12 francs. Coffee at 30 francs a pound, eggs at 1 franc each. Americans had bought the eggs in the Esch stores while there was plenty of beer. Each at half a franc a glass. Bread and other necessities were in price.

Stafford's Essence of Glycerine Wine at Stafford's Drug Store for 20c. bottle. Postage 5c. extra.—nov25,tf

POOR PROSPECTS.—Fishery prospects about Channel, according to late report, are poor at present, cause of a continuance of bad weather. Sufficient bait is obtainable, but an improvement is looked for with change of weather. The catch so far is 2,970 quintals, last week's being but 30 quintals.

Mark-Urban Co.

above company were particularly pleasing in the reproduction of "The Bar" at the Casino Theatre, Monday night. Unfortunately, the performance was prevented many from attending, as with these we sympathize, as the best night's fun for the season. The different scenes were amusing, that "on the roof," taking the fancy of the audience, the most pleasing news to theatre patrons to learn that the Company will be in a position to add this time to the engagement. To-night the melodrama "The Convict's Story" will be staged, and no lover of sensational should miss this which bristles with unexpected scenes.

ump in Thrones

ITS RULERS OUT OF BUSINESS.

Dec. 1, via The Hague.—Germany's Almanach de Gotha now in operation, will look very different from any of its 153 predecessors, since no fewer than 278 royal houses have disappeared from the list of reigning princes, that be a number of German monarchs have lost their rights to their respective thrones within one week.

One, the Prince of Waldeck, had actually to be dispossessed because he insisted that he was by grace of God and would surrender to the council of solid

former royal and imperial house numbers thirty-three, including the imperial throne, twenty princes and eleven dukes.

Bavarian Wittelsbachs are alone the number including the couple, fifteen princes, sixteen dukes, five dukes and one duchess. Of the other princely and ducal houses which have contributed to the total of quasi refugees

burgh—Grand ducal couple, dukes, four duchesses.
Weimar—Grand ducal couple, two princesses.

Schwarzburg—Ducal couple, dowager, ten princes, nine princesses, including those married abroad, Portugal, Belgium, and so on.

Meiningen—Ducal couple, three princesses.
Altenburg—Ducal couple, two princesses.

both lines)—Two reigning dukes, one consort, fifteen princesses.

Saxe-Coburg-Gotha—Reigning prince, dowager, princesses, seven princesses.

Detmold—Reigning prince, ten princes, twelve princesses.

Signs of Vanishing Glory.

There is no intention of confiscating private property of the former monarchs, and princes. At these monarchs and prince-cesses, favorite firms and trades the title of "Purveyors to the Emperor" were warranted these to the respective emblems emblemized on their showy signs. There are not many houses in

St. Linden and Friedrichstrasse, on which workmen have not many taking down the large emblems that once were the places of all ambitious Germans.

Amusement and establishments named after monarchs or other royalties, meaning to remove these signs of royalty.

For instance, the famous "Kaffee," the preceding having been dropped off the menu. The "Kaffee" in Kempin, which was built of the Kaiser's private

Kalinen, William's costly restaurant was removed this morning.

public, however, is taking little interest in the disappearance of the signs of vanished monarchs, accounts for the fact that the municipal government has not yet re-named the streets bearing names which are so reminiscent of the old

Own Refuses \$5,000 Bail.

Sydney, Dec. 3.—It is learned that the Crown has refused an offer of \$5,000 bail for the release, pending the trial of Guy MacDonnell, who is charged with the murder of Guy MacDonnell, a Union cable operator, whose body was found some time ago lying beside a road near Sydney.

was up before Magistrate and was refused bail for another week.

NO LINDENT FOR SALE ANYWHERE.