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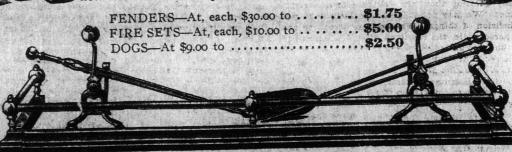
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Get Solid Comfort

OUT OF THE OPFN FIREPLACE BY USING SOME OF THESE Y OU don't know what delightful comfort there is in the warmth and glow of the open fire place if you haven't

some of these fire furniture items. As a radiator of cheerfulness there isn't anything in the line of heating apparatus that can compare with the grate fire. But add to this the attractiveness of handsome hearth furnishings and you have a worthy com-

Our display of fire furniture is an interesting one-interesting in variety of designs and interesting, too, in matter of price range. We have a comprehensive collection of Hearth Suites, Kerbs, Tongs, Dogs, Pokers, etc. The very newest designs and finishes are shown. Special attention is called to the new Flemish finished pieces.



DAINTY NEW THINGS IN THE CHINA STORE TODAY

The daintiest of dainty table china is shown in our china store today. The premier attraction is the showing of Carlsbad China Dinner Services and the new Wedgwood China Tea Sets. Some delightful creations are shown in these two lines, and both merit the high appreciation shown in the quick manner in which they

In the semi-porcelain "open-stocks" you'll find an unexcelled assortment and some surprisingly low pricings. Come in and let us show you some of these new things—you'll be pleased with



Dainty Down Quilts

Let us show you the handomest Down Comforts ever shown in the city. There isn't any obligation to purchase-we simply wish you to see something unusual in the bedding line.

These come from the Mc-Lintock factories—sufficient guarantee of quality. Prices range at, from, each-

\$5.50 to \$35.00



Reed Furniture is an "all round" furniture style, and these reed rockers are 'all

round" comfort giving chairs. We show some handsome styles in these chairs, and offer you excellent values. Great care has been exercised in the making of these, and we offer you a strongly built yet most artistic chair. Let us show you the range at from, each-

\$5.50 to \$12.00

FIVE HUNDRED AND WHIST PRIZES IN PLENTY HERE



Even the "booby" prizes, costing twenty-five cents or less, can be found in our shop in great variety. The most costly things for the principa prizes-and suitable for both sexes.

A fashion note says practical things have the call. We are supplied with practical or novel, many items combining both features most cleverly. The fairest prices prevail, even to the smallest bits of bric-a-brac: Folding Card Tables and Chairs. Many styles. Fairest prices.

Finest of Blankets

Nothing but the very best in the blanket line ever finds a place in this department of our shop. Buying in such large quantities and buying at the right time enables us to offer you excellent values in these.

Great, large, full-weight all-wool blankets, at from, per pair-

\$3.00 to \$12.00





The stock of Ladies' Rockers offers a wonderfully wide choice of styles and a multitude of pricings. Every chair is well and carefully made, and the

values are the very best.

The third and fourth floors contain a host of these comfortable chair styles, and we would greatly appreciate an opportunity to show you what we can offer at-

\$1.50 to \$10.00

LABOR SAVERS-THESE DOOR MATS. LITTLE PRICES

Just now, the rains of Winter, with the attendant mud, make great trouble for the homekeeper. It is a difficult problem at the best of times to keep the floors neat and clean, but in the

We have a host of helps in the way of door mats-and door mats at this season of the year are grand investment. They cost but a trifle, and they'll save you many minutes' work. Just try a wire mat and a cocoa mat and see what excellent results you get. Shown on second floor.

PLAIN COCOA MATS Size 13 x 25 in., each 90¢

Size 18 x 20 in each \$1.50

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| Size 20 x 33 in., each | \$1.75 |
| Size 22 x 36 in., each | 32.00 |
| lize 24 x 39 in., each | \$2.50 |
| WIRE MATS | |
| Size 16 x 24 in., each | \$1.25 |
| Size 18 x 30 in., each | \$1.75 |
| Size 22 x 36 in., each | \$2.50 |
| Size 26 x 48 in., each | \$4.00 |
| Size 30 x 48 in., each | . \$5.00 |
| Size 36 x 48 in., each | \$6.00 |

DIAMOND COCOA MATS

| Size 14 x 24 in, each \$1.25 |
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| Size 16 x 27 in., each \$1.50 |
| Size 18 x 30 in., each \$1.80 |
| Size 20 x 33 in., each \$2.25. |
| Size 22 x 36 in., each \$2.75 |
| Size 26 x 42 in., each \$3.75 |
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WOOL BORDERED COCOA DOOD MATS

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HOME, HOTEL AND CLUB FURNISHERS - VICTORIA, B. C.



Doubtless many thousa the question which a corr Colonist, that is how the outhern Italy can be rec merciful God. We do not satisfactory answer, but i suggest a few thoughts w What was it that came surrounding villages? death. But the world is i and death. The very day was recorded, there was mine accident occasioning the case of those individu death of a quarter of a times more terrible than t stone had fallen from a S life out of a child playing one except perhaps the raised any question abou Providence. We may not comprehension of things. million persons die, the r remain the same and our o be altered. The Founde ed love to all mankind die that even from His uncon cry: "My God, why hast cry rings down through vented the spread of t will, nor the progress of h things based upon a relig tal principle is that God fulfilling of law. With ur reason may be stunn s that which has claimed rightful sufferings, but Universe, that he has mad he standpoint of our inte yond these things. If we mit that His ways are no not our thoughts. If we l our own experience that rest confident that, in son comprehension that love v the most terrible calamit of necessity inadequate of the Infinite. We are sparrow falleth but God t f we are Christians, beli cannot fall to ruins wit eing served in some way we shall not pretend to there are millions of de victims of the grim twinkling of an eye dou is then a similar numb longer period of time, bu vine Providence. There is an aspect to tention might advisedly

taly, and especially that were the scene of the la years been known to be of The people knew that the True long years passed a calamity, but to have lie fit to locate in the ci be destroyed by an eru ttributing their death to If a city, which has bee earthquake is again over that those who suffer b ot themselves to blame people who saw fit to live as just been afflicted ch at their own risk. If th a foundation, which exp ure, they cannot esc suppose that there are fears to live in a regi other, for some reason wits head, chooses to dis quake comes, and the la would the first mentioned Would they not ascribe had taken a foolish ris blooded way to speak of the number of its victin anything related in author a large measure of trut who died, that is those o discretion, knew perfectly. They chose to take the consequences. They bed of natural forces, of an have been prevented by sen the terrible sadness any way from the obliga in our power to relieve but it does serve to thre which we venture to say

should not be obliged to lamities, which have be which we can speak with have been calamities whit victims if mankind had true in a sense in which humanity is wounded be God, which if they found save millions from unto Just a further thoug direct bearing upon wi but it may help us to a we are likely to have. that which has just take the operations going on insignificant thing. On quakes, says that the qu can give to his skin, wh is immeasurably more greatest earthquake of earth is about 41,000,0 to one forty-millionth ingenuity could not con movement occurring surface would be not earthquake bears abo the earth. It was a t are physically relati greatest structures me mass of the earth. In movements of matter which the most violent which might rend the as nothing. There are world would be blown

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It doubtless is the ca those, who met their des country, but this is purel

which is so organized to to live under conditions