ANOTHER YEAR HAS ROLLED ALONG

Santa Claus Is Coming Again

And, as in years past, he will have his workshop at

M. THOMSON'S

GRAND OPENING OF TOYLAND SATURDAY, NOV. 27

Our immense Toy Department, Upstairs, is now a perfect Fairyland. Be sure and come. Santa Claus is anxious that you should.

See Our Beautiful Christmas Display

Full of coming surprises, new ideas, novel features and a multitude of attractions that must be

Notions, Handkerchiefs, Perfumes, Candy, Ribbons, Fancy Boxes, Umbrellas, Dainty Stationery, Ladies' Ready-to-Wear, Fancy Mirrors, Dolls and Novelties of all kinds in

Toys, Books, Fancy Goods, China, The Nicest and Most Appropriate Gifts for Little or Big. Old or Young

> Our very reasonable prices will delight you. Come and take advantage of the inducements offered Saturday.

Will Arrive Saturday Morning, on the 10:56 Train, Grand Trunk Station,

and will make a tour of the principal streets in an automobile, headed by the Pipers' Band

Bring the children out to see him. He will be arrayed in all his finery, and after his parade will be in "Toyland" for the balance of

Basement Sale

China Bargains For Saturday

25 dozen Japanese Cups and Saucers. Regular 25c. Saturday price 15c

5 dozen of Dainty Cups, Saucers and Plates, Kermis shape. Regular

Toy Bargains For Saturday

Exceptionally Big

A big 25c Set of Child's Dishes. Opening Day price 15c Another item is a Beautifully Dressed Doll at 25c This is the biggest Doll value we

have shown in years.

NOTICE—All the latest Copyright BOOKS, including "The Foreigner," etc., \$1 00 each.—NOTICE.

Christmas Papeteries 25c Don't fail to see our large new

assortment of fancy Papeteries. Special 25c

Children's Black Tights

Children's Ribbed Cotton and Wool Black Tights, with band or clastic tor. Price according to size 35c, 40c, 45c, 50c

Ladies' Wool Mitts 25c

Ladies' and Children's Wool Mitts in black, cardinal, navy, scarlet and Chocolate Creams 10c b.

On Saturday next we offer 200 pounds of Fresh Chocolates, assorted flavors, at, a pound 10c

Fine White Cup and Saucer 5c 100 dozen Fine White Tea Cups and Saucers. Special Saturday price...5c

10 Only Beautiful Toilet Sets Regular \$4. Special Saturday price ... \$2 98

Special 25c CHINA SALE on

Some Ladies' Wear Specials for Saturday

Ladies' Wrappers 890

Ladies' Wrappers, made of good serviceable wrapperette, in navy, flounce, fitted lining, sizes 35 to Special Saturday Ladies' Flannelette Night

Gowns 50c Ladies' Flannelette Night Dresses, in white and pink, yoke made of fine tucks, full-size skirt, neck and

voke trimmed with embroidery frill Very special value Phoenix Musslers 25c

These Mufflers are made of pure wool, colors, cardinal, black, blue and white, made with dome fasteners, suitable for ladies or gentlemen. Special 25c

REMEMBER Our Big Clearing-Out-Basement Sale Every Article in That Department Is Reduced, as We Are Moving to the Second Floor After This Sale

Why Not Make Something in Christmas Fancy Work?

In our Fancy Goods Department we are showing attractive designs in Tie Racks, Towel Racks, Photo Linens, Centrepieces and Cushion Tops. We have all the essentials in Stamped Patterns and Embroid-

12 Cakes Sailor Boy Laundry Soap, Saturday Price, 25c

LADIES' DRESSING SACKS, 39c. Ladies' Dressing Sacks, made of cotton flannel, in cardinal, navy and grey, roll collar and cuffs, embroidered edge, pleated front. Sizes 34 to 40.

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PUBLIC SCHOOL **SPELLERS**

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FRENCH CAPITAL HAS A RAGAMUFFEN TRUST

Steinheil Trial Disclosed Odd Custom of World of

Paris, Nov. 24.-Max Nordau says: You have read enough of the Steinheil trial and it has no interest for me from a sociological view, but there was an attending incident or rather series zer, the law-giver. He taught the of incidents, which appealed to me rioting ragamuffins order and discipmost strongly and which I have not

Paris.

It offered one of the most convincing proofs of the organizing forces of worked out man's civilization — that gave one to every place-keeper pres

has come under my notice. Gathering of the Vagabonds. According to the French law, court one. The numbers stood under the colproceedings at a criminal trial are lective guarantee. It was no longer public. Therefore the first comer, the recessary to continually be ready to man in the street, must be admitted defend their rights with their fists. so long as there is room in the hall. They could sit down on the pave-down on the pave-down of fact, admittance is only ment, seek a resting place on the One Day. 25c.

allowed by written orders issued by street benches nearby. the presiding judge. However, to sat- had taken the place isfy the law, there is at the back of competition. the hall, behind barriers, a reserved an organizer in soleless shoes and place, where from 100 to 120 persons brimless hat. can stand. To this place people are admitted without entrance tickets.

offered their wares peacefully, and so Poor devils, unemployed workmen, comeless vagabonds, make use of this on until the last customer was satisfact to stand before the law courts fied. and wait till the door is opened-not because they wish to be present at the proceedings, but to sell their places, of the law courts became exclusive This is in Paris a regular business. It is carried on before all the theatres on the second night. They felt them-when popular pieces are played; before all the banks at public subscrip- They had a privilege to defend. They tions, to which the people come in let no outsider in. They constituted

crowds. Even on the evening before the first day's proceedings they came pouring in before the law courts and held out teadfastly till the following noon, turned in a body against him eighteen hours on the wet pavement, under the rain and in a cutting Norember wind.

The first hours were horrible-the poor devils pushed and kicked; they fought for the places nearest to the entrance; they shouted and abused one another; anyone who for one moment allowed his energy or attention to slacken was ruthlessly pushed aside-

it was a continual uproar.

Then there arose in the scum of the population of the great city the su-perior man who resolutely took the common interest in hand—the civililine. He gave directions and all obey ed because they understood immediately that it was for their good. He tore a piece of paper into little scraps, wrote on each a number and ent. All agreed to respect the numous. His place was assured to every

thrust him back. The law of the reformer in rags received official sanction. The police sided with the syndicate. In their eves the syndicate represented acquired right and the police regarded it as their right to defend this, always and everywhere against attack. Thus within a few hours there grew out of a free calling an inaccessible trade and the open space in the judgment hall a ground of exploitation for the few. There you have the whole universal history on a small scale.

When, the following noon, the pur-

chasers appeared, the first numbers

Authorities Recognize Trust.

The disciplined vagabonds in front

themselves in a trust. And when a night bird who had not been present

at the founding wished to shuffle into

the row of the numbered they all

human fundamental qualities that made out of the shirtless riffraff of starvelings an orderly but also an intolerant guild have out of hordes made nations, have built states, created all the institutions of civilization. 7,500,000 pairs of CATSPAW RUB-

BER HEELS will be sold and worn bers, Now the pushing was superflu- this year. That's some heels. All deal-

SMALLMAN & INGRAM, LIMITED.

WEATHER PROBS: MOSTLY FAIR.

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Morning --- Best Time to Do Your Shopping

Why? Because the aisles are less crowded, the morning light is the best, salespeople are brighter and better able to render quick service, the morning air is also more exhilarating, and your selections will be better, if made when you can choose leisurely. We can serve you well Christmas week, but we can serve you better now. At any time we can serve you best in the morning. Christmas gifts from now on will be reserved, if desired, by making Blankets. Price, per pair\$4.35 a deposit on same.

SHOP IN THE MORNING.

Undressed Dolls, 25c

We have a special display for tomorrow at the above price. Sleeping Dolls, which blue. Special value. Price \$1.35 Special price by the dozen for bazaars, etc.

Simplex Typewriter

A little special lot of 1908 models at lowered prices. These are perfect models. Sateen Comforters. Size 60x72, in a variety No inky fingers using them, and they print of exquisite colorings. Price, each, \$5.00 of pretty Wings and Feather like the large machines. One of the best Maish Comforters at \$3.50 and Mounts in most every color. A gifts for a school boy or girl; interesting and instructive. Only 15 of these to sell. They are the \$1.00 Simplex Machines, to as light as a down comforter. Size 72x81.

Some

Specials in

Warm



Blankets and Comforters

Our special Blanket at price \$4.35. This is a splendid Blanket at this price, large size, 66x82, thoroughly shrunk and scoured. We have had good success with these

Our Extra Quality Blanket at \$5 Pair Two sizes, 68x82 and 64x80. Large sizes at, per pair \$5.50, \$5.75, \$6.25, \$6.50

and \$7.00. Wool Blankets, Large Size At \$2.95 Pair

With just a sufficiency of cotton to keep them from shrinking. Pink or blue borders Cotton Comforters, \$1.35 Each

Filled with pure white cotton, covered with silkoline. Colors, nile, green, pink and

Filled with pure white Cotton, covered with silkoline, 72x72; excellent value Down Comforters at \$5

able to offer three frame borders in English

\$3.75 Each Filled with Maish Laminated Filling; Regular prices from 50c to \$2.00 large in size, and fine serviceable quality; each, some even more, to clear

Needs a New Suit or Overcoat

This store is your personal agent in the markets of the world, bringing the

IN THE RESTAURANT

Menu For Saturday

Italian Sauce, White Fish, MEATS.

Roast Chicken and Dressing,

Roast Beef and Brown Gravy, Roast Pork and Apple Sauce. Venison Stew. VEGETABLES.

Mashed and Boiled Potatoes. Cream Corn, Mashed Cabbage.

DESSERT. Berry Pie, Fruit Pudding and Sauce. Tea, Coffee, Cocoa, Milk. FROM 11:30 TO 2. FULL COURSE, 35 CENTS.

Dress Goods Sale

Today and Saturday - Black and Colors, for dresses, suits and skirts. 75c, 85c and \$1.00 goods to be cleared at, yard, 49¢, 59¢

In the Millinery Sale of Colored Wings 25c and 50c

Do you trim your own hat? This is the first season we have been Here is an opportunity—a table great variety of shapes and styles.



An Up-to-Date Style

This model illustrates one of the new and up-to-date Overcoats, single-breasted, buttoned through, velvet collar to match or collar of self. Genuine Irish Tweeds, in mixed colors. 47-inch lengths. Sizes 34 to 44. See these Saturday at **\$12.00, \$15.00** and **\$20.00**

Beaver Overcoats \$18 Fine Beaver Coats, in very rich dark grey,

47 inches long; single-breasted; fly front; velvet collar. This coat has style and shape to suit the most particular dresser. A garment of distinguished appearance. Price\$13.00

Men's Military Style Overcoats

These button closely to the neck. Extra fine fitting collars, in single or double-breasted styles, mostly Scotch and Irish Tweed. All sizes at \$12.00, \$15.00 and \$20.00

Black Beaver Overcoats

Extra Fine Double-Breasted Coats, with frogs and bands; heavy quilted lining: German otter collar. All the appearance and style of a fur-lined coat. Sizes 36 to 44. See these coats

Boys' Military Overcoats

Same style as the men's, in good, heavy Canadian Tweeds. Well-lined and trimmed throughout, in sizes for ages 10 to 15 years. Prices, each \$5.00, \$6.50 to \$10.00

Have You Seen the S. & I. \$16 Bellwarp Serge Suits?

Heavy, 22-ounce Bellwarp Serge, in black or navy; three-buttoned, singlebreasted style; well-made and trimmed; perfect-fitting Suits. Sizes 34 to 44. "Tailor-made" **\$16.00**

60 Pairs Men's Trousers \$3 Pair

Winter weight, 24-ounce English Hair-Line Trousering. This cloth we imported and had the trousers tailored here. Men looking for a good, warm, stylish pair of trousers, will be pleased with these, and the price, too. See them, 34 to 44 inch waist, pair, \$3.00

Special Men's Tweed Trousers 95c

Just a little line for Saturday only. 30 pairs. Sizes 32 to 42. Have a pair

Still a Few Dozen 75c and \$1 Caps for 39c Each

This is the balance of our stock of manufacturers' samples, cloth and fur-lined CLOTHING SECTION-RICHMOND STREET ENTRANCE.

Join our Sewing Machine Club-An easy plan. \$2 down, \$1 a week.



Toy-Town is open in the Basement. Bring the children.

KILLED AT LEVEL CROSSING.

Toronto, Nov. 25.-Wm. Spurgeon, of Scarboro, who was struck by an WANT REFERENDUMS.

Ottawa, Nov. 25 .- With a big batch of petitions presented to the House, AN AUTO FATALITY.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Nov. 25.—Orrin W. Watson. 31 years old, of Hawkinslast night near midnight, died at St. Michael's Hospital at 2 o'clock this morning. Spurgeon, who was a farmhand, an also acted as mail carrier, was an Englishman, and so far as known had no relatives in this country.

| Michael's Hospital at 2 o'clock this inal code in respect to racetrack gambling, were three asking for a referbling his car about 50 miles an hour, he lost control of it, and the machine crashed against a telegraph pole. Watson's skull was smashed. His companion, Louis Boore, of this city, was severely injured.

London; Nov. 25.-The invitation