

## Reporters Discuss

## Fish Price.

At a largely attended meeting of the Board of Trade, the matter of the claim of a number of the Bay fishermen was discussed. The fishermen demanded that the figure should have been allowed for Labrador fish this season. The opinion expressed at the meeting was that considering the state of the market, and the low price being paid for the catch, that the best possible price had been paid. In discussing the matter of the removal of the export tax on Labrador fish the fishermen expressed that the Government should remove the twenty per cent tax in view of the bad condition of the market and until the balance of the year's catch is exported. Recommendations with this end in view were forwarded to the Board of Trade, who are being asked to interview the Government on this matter.

## When the Worm Turned

At the Hapworth studios the other day, Miss Ivy Close, the famous movie actress, was discussing the ways of progress—the men who are responsible for the actual filming of the pictures you see on the screen. "Poor chaps!" she said. "They have a lot to put up with, but then so have actresses, and, as a rule, it is given and taken as regards mutual forbearance and courtesy."

"Now and again, however, the worm will turn. I remember, for instance, on one occasion, an actress who was notorious for her laziness turned up an hour late, and languidly drew a crumpled piece of paper from her vanity case."

"I am unwell," she said, "and here is a certificate from my doctor saying that I cannot act to-day."

"You need not have gone to all that trouble," replied the producer. "I could have given you a certificate saying that you never could act."

## Damage Runs Into Thousands.

That the destruction wrought by the storm of October last was exceptionally severe, is proven by an estimate of the value of the losses in the settlement of New Melbourne and vicinity, a list of which has been furnished by Eliza Button, Esq., J.P. At New Melbourne fifteen premises suffered damage to the amount of \$10,025, and in addition Public Wharves and "Marine" slips lost worth \$3000. At Whales Brook the loss is estimated at \$450 to private individuals and \$300 to Marine Works. Twelve premises at Brownsdale will cost at least \$7120 to replace, and Marine Works \$1300. At Torquay one man is out \$600. Sibley's Cove people stand a loss value of property of \$2750; Marine Works, \$800. Six Lead Cove owners estimated their damages at \$2500, while the destruction of the Public Wharf and Marine Slips will cost some \$4000 ere these are replaced.

## To Encourage His Hens.

Lady Davies, wife of Sir Joseph Davies, M.P. of Crewe, told a good story recently in connection with a "hen" she paid to Cheshire's first municipal children's welfare centre. It concerned a little boy, Johnny by name, who had two bantam hens—a present from a friend of the family. They were given a place in the hen-house, and having settled down they began to lay. Within a week they laid eight eggs, all miniatures. Johnny was grievously disappointed at their size.

One morning Johnny's father, going into the hen-house, was astonished to see, hanging from the roof, just in front of the bantam nest, an ostrich egg which he had observed in the drawing-room.

Above it was a card on which was written in a scrawly schoolboy hand: "Keep your eye on this and do your best."

## Attractive Bait.

Lady Leith of Fyvie, who has just celebrated her golden wedding, was in her younger days a famous angler, a fact which reminds me of a story I once heard her tell. It concerned a Yorkshire angler who was sitting on the bank of a river in his native country, watching his float.

Presently, a certain bishop, an intimate friend of Lord Leith's, came along in company with his very pretty daughter. They stopped to look on.

"My friend," said the bishop, "I perceive you are a fisher."

"Ay," grunted the angler.

"I also am a fisher," said his lordship.

"Is that so?" said the man with the rod. "Well, I'm pleased to meet a fellow sportsman."

"Ah, but there is a misconception in your mind. You are a fisher of fishes, and I am a fisher of men."

The angler turned around and surveyed the daughter from her head to her heels.

"Ay," he said at last, "an' w' a bait like you' you ought to get a good bag an' all."

Minard's Liniment for Burns, Etc.

Please take small parcels with you

## Where Christmas Gifts Abound

## ---the Royal Stores

You'll find appropriate things for Father, Mother, Sister, Brother—things that will bring them the utmost in happiness. Only 8 more days remain in which to accomplish Christmas purchases. Although attractive Gift Goods are here in inexhaustible abundance, the early selections—unhurried choices—invariably bring the more complete satisfaction.

## Leather Goods

of the  
very best  
Quality



Practical Gifts

We have a fine assortment of Real and Imitation Leather Goods, all reduced in price for the Christmas sales.

## Leather Hand Bags.

Dainty, serviceable Leather Bags in assorted finishes; colors of Grey, Brown, Navy and Black; fitted with strong, strong dome fasteners. Reg. \$3.20 each for \$2.65

## Grain Leather Purses.

Well sewn, strongly made. Reg. \$5.75 each for \$4.75

## Military Brushes.

In Natural Leather Cases. Reg. \$3.60 each for \$3.00

## Real Leather Wallets.

Regular \$1.00 each for 80c.

## Collar Boxes.

Round, real leather. Regular \$3.60 each for \$3.00

## Imitation Leather Suit Cases.

Brown Pebble finish; 24 in. Reg. \$5.75 each for \$4.85

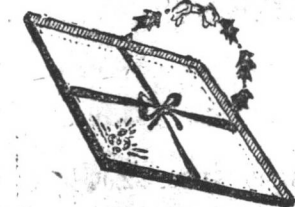
## Imitation Leather Gladstone Bags.

18 in. base, Brown and Black grain finish; strong handles and clasps. Reg. \$6.75 ea. for \$5.50

## New Umbrellas.

Covered with high grade Gloria Cloth; wood and steel rods, fancy handles. \$2.70, 3.50, 6.00 & 6.25

## Hundreds of Handkerchiefs Waving a Christmas Welcome



For just a remembrance at Christmas, the Handkerchief can always be relied upon to be acceptable.

WOMEN'S HANDKERCHIEFS—3 in fancy box, neatly embroidered corners. Reg. \$1.35 box for \$1.22

LITTLE HANDKERCHIEFS—Soft silky finish; pretty colored borders. Reg. 40c. each for 36c.

CHILDREN'S HANDKERCHIEFS—6 in a box; colored designs on corners, hemstitched borders. Reg. \$1.35 box for \$1.22

## Men's Dressing Gowns

## Gifts that Please



Most Men's Dressing Gowns are Christmas Gifts. Examine your husband's. Chances are it's getting shabby. It's time to give him a new one.

We have a fine assortment in Elder Cloth, Flannel and fancy designs in handsome colorings; heavy girdles. Reg. \$13.10

## Foulard Ties.

Wide flowing ends; Navy grounds with assorted white spot designs. Reg. 90c. each for 80c.

## Heavy Silk Ties.

Wide flowing ends; assorted fancy designs in the latest colorings. Reg. 55c. each for 49c.

## Silk Initial Handkerchiefs.

In White Jap Silk; letter embroidered on corner. Reg. \$1.60 each for \$1.45

## Initial Handkerchiefs.

White Mercerized Cotton, soft finish, hemstitched borders. Reg. 55c. each for 49c.

## All Wool Cashmere Socks.

Assorted Heather mixtures; sizes 10 to 11½. Reg. \$1.50 pair for \$1.10

## Boys' Tunic Suits

Stoutly built Tweed Suits with all round belt and breast pocket; collars piped with white cord.

4 yrs. Reg. \$ 9.10 for \$ 8.35  
5 yrs. Reg. \$ 9.90 for \$ 9.00  
6 yrs. Reg. \$12.95 for \$11.75

## Gift Hints from the Showroom

## Jap Silk Blouses.

Made of extra heavy Silk; will wash and launder well; in White and Ivory only; sizes 36 to 40; roll collar with pin tucks or quite plain; buttoned cuffs, elastic at waist. Reg. \$15.30 ea. for \$6.50

## Boudoir Caps.

Dainty models in plain and fancy Silks; colors of Saxe, Heli, Pink and Rose; pretty effects in Shadow Lace trimming. Reg. 50c. each for 42c.

## Fancy Tweed Skirts.

Well cut and finished; 3 dozen only; sizes 36 and 38 lengths, 24 to 28 waist; finished with fancy pockets; large buttons and high waist. Reg. \$7.50 ea. for \$6.00

## Bead Necklets.

Japanese designs; assorted colorings. \$1.50

## Silver Hat Pins.

In fancy boxes; 2 in set; pretty Pearl drop heads. Reg. 95c. set for 80c.

## Georgette Blouses.

Attractive designs in Georgette of highest quality; sizes 34 to 42; shades of Grey, Fawn and Taupe; smart roll collar finished with fancy beads and silk embroidery. Reg. \$17.85 ea. for \$5.50

## Silk Underskirts.

Charming styles in Taffeta Silk; colors of Saxe, Grey, Navy and Green; elastic at waist; finished with a deep flounce. Regular \$14.75 each for \$7.50

## Fleece Lined Underwear.

Women's Jersey Knit Vests and Pants; Vests have high neck and long sleeves; Pants are ankle length; in White only. Regular \$1.30 garment for \$1.15

## Handkerchief and Glove Sachets.

Dainty designs in Silk and Satin; some of them hand painted; values from \$1.00 to \$7.00. All offered at HALF PRICE.

Pin Cushions, Wall Pockets, Hair Receivers, etc., in Silk and Satin; models representing animals, fruit, etc.

AU AT HALF PRICE.

## Christmas Gloves

## Impressive Showing



## Dents' Gloves for Men.

Good Suede Gloves in Dark Brown; sizes 7½ to 9½; wool lined, double straps at wrist. Regular \$5.85 pair for \$5.25

## Men's Wool Gloves.

Aberdeen Knit; leather bound. Regular \$1.10 pair 95c.

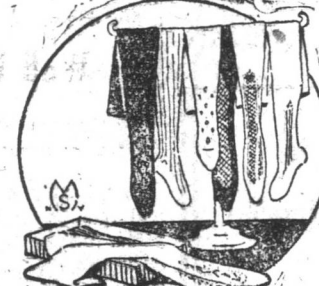
## Women's Suede Gloves.

6 dozen pairs in Grey only; wool lined; sizes 6 to 7½; one dome fastener. Reg. \$5.10 pair for \$3.40

## Women's Unlined Gloves.

5 dozen pairs genuine Black Suede, long wrist, 4 buttons; assorted sizes. Reg. \$4.00 pair for \$2.75

## Silk and Wool Hosiery



## Silk Stockings.

In colors of Navy, Nigger, Grey, Taupe, Black and White; all sizes. Reg. \$1.15

## Women's Wool Hose.

Heather mixtures of Grey, Green and Brown; seamless feet; medium sizes. Reg. \$2.00 pair for \$1.65

## Women's Cashmere Hose.

Fast Black, fine plain Hose, spliced feet, fashioned leg. Regular \$1.65 pair for \$1.45

Regular \$2.20 pair for \$1.95

## OUR TOY TOWN

## Is the Kiddies Rendevous--

The entire Store is a great Toy Town of fascinating playthings to delight the children—a wealth of Dolls, Games, Toys and Books—to entertain and to instruct. You have still time to bring your little folks and let them gaze around.

## RINGED CIRCUSES—Horses and

men. Regular \$2.00 each for \$1.40

## WHEEL HORSES—Regular

each for 88c.

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\$2.00 each for \$1.65

## ELEPHANTS and BEARS—On wheels

Regular \$2.00 each for \$1.40

## HEAVY WOOD ANIMALS—Camels,

Horses and Elephants. Reg. \$1.50 each for \$1.20

## SCOUT DRUMS—Reg. 55c.

each for 52c.

## Christmas and New Year Cards

Choice selection of High-class Designs. Prices .30c, .40c, .40c up to 90c. box.

## TOILET SOAPS—Nicely boxed for

Christmas gifts; 3 cakes in box. Reg. \$1.10 box for 90c.

## FRAGRANT PERFUMES—Fancy bot-

ties in box; assorted popular odors. Reg. \$1.50 box for \$1.25

## CHILD'S SILK HAND BAGS—Assorted

styles and colors. Reg. 50c. each for 45c.

## HOLLY BOXES—For packing gift goods

Gloves, Handkerchiefs, Stockings, etc. Prices .10c, .15c and .15c. each



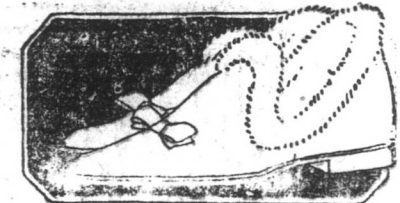
ROLLER CHIMES—Wood, with push handles. Regular 75c. each for 60c.

DOLLS' FURNITURE—Heavy wood tables and chairs. Reg. 25c. 30c. each for 25c.

DOLLS' BEDS—White enamel with mattress and pillow. Reg. \$2.30 \$2.75 each for \$2.30

LARGE DRAWING SLATES—Reg. 75c. each for 60c.

## Christmas Slippers



## Men's Felt Slippers.

In Brown, Black and Grey, with leather soles and heels. Values up to \$4.20 pair. Special Sale Price \$3.50

## Men's Leather Slippers.

Well made, comfortable Leather Slippers; sizes 6 to 10. Reg. \$3.30 pair for \$2.95

## Misses' Felt Slippers.

Sizes 11 to 2; shades of Crimson and Blue; moccasin style, soft leather soles. Regular \$2.35 pair for \$1.98

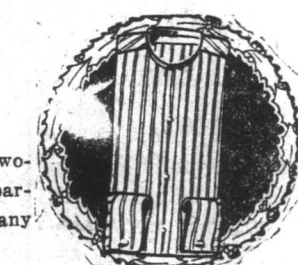
## Child's Slippers.

Sizes 4 to 11; in shades of Saxe Blue only; fancy trimmed tops. Reg. \$2.55 pair for \$2.10

## Ladies' Spats.

Sizes 3 to 8 only; shades of Fawn, Brown, Grey and Black; 10 button length. Regular \$2.30 pair for \$2.05

## Shirts and Pyjamas



The kind that a fastidious woman will like to select for a particular man. There are many kinds—all good.

## Silk Shirts.

Well cut and carefully finished; Light grounds with Heli, Blue, Brown or Green stripes; size 16 only; soft double cuffs. Reg. \$4.25 each for \$2.00

## Flannel Shirts.

Made of high grade Ceylon flannel, Cream ground with Blue Heli or Black pin stripes; English make; all sizes. Reg. \$7.00 each for \$4.75

## Flette Pyjamas.

In a wide range of colors and designs; military collar, neat pocket, pearl buttons; in all sizes. Reg. \$6.50 each for \$3.20

## Heavy Wool Underwear.

Ribbed Vests and Pants; natural color; sizes 34 to 44. Special per garment \$2.00

## Boys' Shirts.

Fitted with collar, made of strong White Cotton with colored pin stripes; sizes 12 to 14½. Reg. \$1.65 each for \$1.40

## Boston Garters.

New Pad models; in assorted colors. Regular 70c. pair for 60c.

## Boys' Winter Caps

3 doz. Wool Caps in Brown, Grey and Green mixtures; close fitting and warm. 95c.

## BOYS' NANSER CAPS—in

Light Grey only; assorted sizes. Special \$1.20 each