

# YEAR-END SALE—ALWAYS A GOOD SALE HERE!

## Contributes Notable Values from Worthy Sources

### Final Opportunities for 1923—Avail of Them!

To finalize sales for 1923 without thanking the generous shopping public for its liberal patronage would be indeed leaving a debt unpaid. We therefore take this opportunity to express our sincere gratitude for the kindly co-operation and the good will manifested towards this Store during the year just ending.

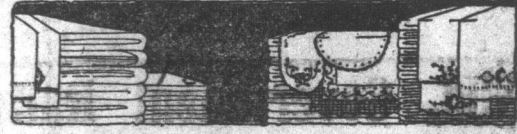
We appreciate to the fullest, the ready response to our numerous advertisements along the trail of 1923, and we promise to achieve even greater efforts on our part for the coming year, to retain the many friendships and recollections of this our busiest year.

WE THANK YOU.

### DRESSES For New Year's Day

A very special line for New Year's Day. In Canton Crepe and Silk Jersey, straight line effects, winsome styles, short and 3/4 sleeves, side panels, wide belt and buckle. Shade of Navy, Grey, Sand, Tan and Black. sizes 16 to 48. Regular \$16.00. Special \$13.50

### HOUSE SECTION



- CASEMENT POPLIN.**  
V. Rose shade, double width, close and strong and decidedly easy looking for living rooms winter time. Reg. 90c. Special 78c.
- WHITE SCRIMS.**  
All white, with fancy self patterns, very uncommon looking hangings, away under their regular prices. Reg. 60c. yard. Special 49c.
- LACE CURTAINS.**  
Extra full width and large all over lace patterns, full 3 yards long, handsome Curtains. A real snapper. Reg. \$5.00 pair for \$4.58
- FAMILY TOWELS.**  
Large half bleach Turkish Towels, they're strong and serviceable. Regular 65c. value. Special 54c.
- CASEMENTS.**  
Double bordered Cream Caseiments, fancy floral effects, 27 inch width. Special 26c.
- FLUSH MATS.**  
Rich looking and enduring, nice to tone up your parlor, dining room or bedroom, plain ends, shades of Crimson, Green and Black. Reg. \$1.70. Special \$1.48

### STAIR CARPETS

Special reductions of all our Stair Carpets, assortment of widths and the colourings afford ample scope for selection.  
Regular \$1.70 for \$1.55  
Regular \$2.25 for \$1.95  
Regular \$2.40 for \$2.18  
Regular \$3.30 for \$2.95

### Footwear



- MEN'S GAITERS.**  
10 inch height, 4 buckle gaiters, warmly lined, your friend during a Newfoundland winter. sizes 6 to 10. Special \$4.38
- STORM RUBBERS.**  
Men's high-cut Storm Rubbers, with rolled edge, red rubber sole and heel, great wear. \$1.68
- WOMEN'S GAITERS.**  
5 buckle, tidy, trim-fitting fast black waterproof Gaiters, in 12 inch height, medium \$3.88
- GIRL'S GAITERS.**  
Real comfort footwear in those, warmly lined buttoned Gaiters, very neat finish and very much needed. \$2.88  
Special \$2.58  
Misses' sizes 11 to 2. Special \$2.58

### Hosiery

- LADIES' HOSE.**  
In plain and fancy ribbed, fast black English Cashmeres. Reg. \$1.30. Special \$1.10
- OVER STOCKINGS.**  
Stout ribbed wool Over Stockings, in Navy, Crimson and White, they're wanted. 89c. Dollar value. Special

### THE SHOWROOM

- WOOL SETTS.**  
Children's White Wool Setts—Bonnets and Scarf, Pale Blue trimmings and tassels, excellent \$1.19
- DRESSING JACKETS.**  
Ladies' ripple cloth Dressing Jackets, long sleeves, collar and cuffs and pipings, full sizes. Reg. \$3.30. Special \$2.87
- INFANTS' DRESSES.**  
Embroidered White Voile Dresses, long sleeves, lace edging, very prettily patterned, remarkably good \$1.25
- WOOL JACKETS.**  
Infants' Wool Jackets, long sleeves, buttoned front, some in all white, others in Pink and White and Blue and White. Special 79c.
- MAID'S APRONS.**  
A clearing line, and they embody some very fine Aprons, with body trimmed with Swiss embroidery and insertion. Reg. value \$2.50. Special \$1.25
- JAMISOLES.**  
Beautiful in Pink Silk and Crepe de Chine, fine lace and insertion trimmings, embroidered ribbon straps, sizes 40 to 44. Reg. \$1.80. Special \$1.59
- SPANISH COMBS.**  
Dressy Fan shapes and side effects, with coloured stone settings, Amber, Red, Blue and Brillants. Reg. \$3.00. Special \$1.89
- CHILDREN'S HANDKERCHIEFS.**  
Dainty things, 9 in a box, white with coloured border and fancy figures. The box of 8. Special 35c.
- MAID'S CAPS.**  
Smart dressy styles, in fine White Lawn, rolled brim and draw string, chic! Special 45c.
- HUG-ME-TIGHTS.**  
Knitted ones, for house wear or wearing under raglan, in Black and Grey, sizes 36 to 44. Reg. \$1.50. Special 98c.



### TRICOLETTE JUMPERS

These come in pretty shades, Mauve, Sage, Navy, Sand, Crimson and Black, with and without collar, sizes 38 to 50 bust. Reg. \$350. Special \$2.59

### Men's & Boys' Section



- Gloves**
- SUEDE GLOVES.**  
Ladies' double weight Brown Suede Gloves, 2 Dome wrist, very reasonable and very reasonable in price. Reg. \$2.18. Special \$2.18
- SUEDE GLOVES.**  
Natural Suede Gloves, 2 button wrist, finest French manufacture. Special \$1.40
- GAUNTLET GLOVES.**  
Cape Kid quality, in pretty Brown shade, the Glove of Gloves for this season, strap over wrist. Special \$4.75
- WOOL GLOVES.**  
Softest Wool Gloves you could wish for, in Natural and Camel shades, closed or dome fastened wrist, men's size. \$1.30. Special \$1.30
- Yard Goods**
- STRIPED WINCEYS.**  
38 inches wide, showing Cluster stripes in Pink or White ground. Regular 55c. 49c. Special
- NAVY NAP CLOTH.**  
A beauty in that fine finish Nap, fast Navy shade, 54 inches wide, \$2.40 value for \$2.15
- SCOTCH WINCEYS.**  
Beautiful material for night-dresses and underwear, etc., 38 inches wide. \$1.69. White. Special \$1.69. Cream. Special \$1.69.
- NECKWEAR.**  
Every man's fancy—A New Tie for New Year's Day, and these are the newest in shaded patterns: great beauties they are. Best value you have ever seen at \$1.35
- WOOL MUFFLERS.**  
For these you have a long season of usefulness ahead; light in weight, yet full of warmth. \$1.80
- SUEDE GLOVES.**  
To complete his outfit—a pair of our Wool-lined Suedes, in pretty Brown shade; \$5.00 value. Special \$4.35
- STIFF FELTS.**  
The newest and noblest shapes for New Year's Day callers, right from London. Special \$5.35
- SOFT FELTS.**  
Quite a range of jaunty styles in shades that are popular to-day: Beige, Alligator and assorted Greys. Special \$5.75
- VELOUR HATS.**  
Preferred Hats by style leaders; these are the latest—gentlemen—in shades Cuba, Steel and Frency Greys; silk lined. Our Special \$6.35
- MEN'S SHIRTS.**  
Beautiful Shirts just to hand, in Crepe-like finish, fifty pin stripe patterns, turn-over cuffs. Our Special \$2.40

### Ministers Debate Big Canal Project

STEWART CLAIMS CANADA PROTESTED CHICAGO WATER DIVISION.

TORONTO, Dec. 26.—(Canadian Press.)—At the invitation of Sir Adam Beck, Hon. George Graham and Hon. C. A. Stewart visited the offices of the Hydro-Electric Commission here yesterday afternoon and exchanged views on the Chicago water diversion scheme and the power shortage in Ontario.

Mr. Graham said the United States Government had made inquiries as to Canada's attitude on the St. Lawrence development and so he had conferred with Sir Adam. Mr. Stewart discussed the Chicago drainage and the flow of water at the falls.

Contrary to published statements, Mr. Stewart said that the Canadian Government had protested several times about the drainage of water at Chicago.

"It is on record that we have protested six or seven times. The matter has become acute lately owing to the opposition of the border States and the matter is now before the United States court. We are interested in it from both a navigation and a power standpoint. Under the arrangement with the United States War Department, Chicago was allowed the flow by tapping the waters above not been able to find any Canadian sanction for the diversion.

"It is a serious matter, so far as Canada is concerned, because of the effect it has on navigation. Our engineers report that there was a reduction this year of 10,000 feet at the St. Lawrence.

"The Canadian Government is interested in the question of increasing only in navigation. The development of the height of land?" Mr. Stewart was asked.

"No, that is a matter for the Province," he replied. "We are interested only in navigation. The development

of power is a concern of the Province. Sir Adam Beck simply placed before us his difficulties in regard to the situation."

### Animal Showers From the Sky

Much interest has been aroused in England by the discovery of vast swarms of flies, which had infested the English Channel in the neighborhood of Deal and the Goodwin Sands.

"Millions of these insects were found crawling over the hard sand and great black patches of dead flies could be seen floating on the water. Similar 'plagues' have happened previously. One case in particular was a heavy snowstorm in Russia in 1827, when the snow was accompanied by a large number of black insects about an inch and a quarter in length, and with feet which enabled them to crawl into the snow.

Some years ago in France a shower of frogs descended near Toulon, and so great was the 'downfall' that a carriage containing an eye-witness of the affair killed thousands in its passage along one of the roads.

Instances of fish descending inland in showers are numerous. In 1828, at Foderty, in Scotland, a farmer, walking on his land, saw a great portion of the ground covered with herrings, each three to four inches in length. About two years later, in the island of Islay, in Argyllshire, after a day or so of heavy rain, the inhabitants were surprised to find swarms of herrings strewn over the fields, some perfectly fresh.

On another occasion fish were carried from the Firth of Forth to Loch Leven, a distance of eight to ten miles, and at Wick, in Caithness, a large quantity of fish were found lying scattered in a garden about half a mile from the seashore.

How can one account for these strange happenings? There is a suspicion that winds, whirlwinds, and waterspouts are the chief source of their production. Waterspouts are not unknown at Foderty, and the shower of fish at Islay occurred after a day of heavy rain. The herring fall at Loch Leven happened at the same time when a strong gale was blowing from the Firth of Forth.

Just before the shower of frogs at Toulon it was noticed that a heavy cloud appeared on the horizon. Each one of these 'plagues' is probably due, wholly or in part, to the fact that wind, having a tendency to become circular or rotary, sucks up any small, light objects, carrying

them for a time and then depositing them when the force of the wind is allayed. An example of this occurred in Norway some years ago, when a colony of rats, migrating from the high to the low regions, were overtaken by a strong wind and, being caught up, were carried to a valley where they fell as a rat shower!

### Every Man His Own Banker

A NOVEL SCHEME THAT Baffles BURGLARS.

The ideal of a certain impetuous subaltern, who, on being thought every man ought to be his own banker, has been nearly attained at Birmingham. That city has a Municipal Bank, the customers of which are more than one in ten of the entire population.

This undertaking has proved both profitable and useful. Its financial success is shown by the report for the year ended March 31st last. Though the bank has been in existence only about three years, and though it pays 3 1/2 per cent on deposits, the profit on the year's working was £9,022.

The utility of the bank is equally remarkable. Besides affording absolute security to all customers, it gives special facilities to some of them, particularly shopkeepers.

Safety for Traders' Takings. An important provision for such citizens is opening on Saturday evenings. Though takings are then specially heavy, they cannot in the ordinary way, be banked, but have to be kept over the week-end. Burglars are well aware of this circumstance, and, as a result, there are more robberies than at any other time.

Shopkeepers are thus caused a good deal of anxiety. For this reason the Finance Committee of the Deptford Borough Council recently considered whether local traders should not be offered facilities to deposit their takings in the Town Hall.

But at Birmingham shopkeepers can sleep on Saturday and Sunday nights just as on other nights of the week. For the Municipal Bank is open on Saturday evenings, and takings can be deposited.

### The Ex-Crown Prince

WILL HE LEAD THE GERMAN MONARCHISTS?

A new Monarchist attempt, headed by von Kahr, has been revealed in Berlin. The Bavarian dictator has been busy re-organizing the fighting troops under his own leadership since the Hitler and Ludendorff failure put them out of the running, and has gone so far that a tentative date in early December has been chosen for the action.

Von Kahr is still without a leader, but he is now working to persuade the ex-Crown Prince to accept the figurative leadership, in the hope that he will swing the whole country with him. The ex-Crown Prince has already been approached by von Kahr's emissaries, but thus far he has turned a deaf ear to them.

However, with ongoing Monarchist assistance in the North, Von Kahr has been able to gain considerable strength, and pressure on Wilhelm is being redoubled in order to convince him of his duty to the nation in permitting his name to be used in a rally-cry for the Monarchists. Von Kahr is basing his hopes for national success on the Reichswehr in the North. He believes that they will desert the Government to follow the ex-Crown Prince if he is able to convince Wilhelm of his duty in undertaking the leadership in the attempt.

Participants in the game are locked in a motor truck and taken for a long ride. Then they are released and the first to reach a designated place is declared the winner.

### Member of German Gymnast Club

DIES PLAYING NEW GAME.

Aachen, Dec. 18. (A.P.)—A new game, which has become popular in Belgium, recently resulted disastrously for the Dienst Gymnast club. One member died and 17 others narrowly escaped the same fate.

Participants in the game are locked in a motor truck and taken for a long ride. Then they are released and the first to reach a designated place is declared the winner. When the chauffeur was about to release the Dienst club members he found one of them dead, 15 unconscious and two bordering on that condition. Escaping gas had entered the closed car.

### Catching Things

A medical witness in the courts this week told us that the worst thing a sick person can do is to "read medical books."

This doctrine has become fairly familiar, by implication, since the excellent M. Cote popularized the maxim that, if you want not to be ill, you must continually assure yourself that there is nothing whatever the matter with you.

But it still isn't sufficiently realized, perhaps, that to brood about symptoms is often to develop them.

Probably there's a curious imitative instinct deep-buried within us. We "catch" things mentally, as the poor fellow did who fell upon a bulky doctor's book and imagined that he had every disease there described "except housemaid's knee"; and that he knew he couldn't have, because he had never cleaned the front doorstep in the cold.

Can it be that it is with many maladies as La Rochefoucauld tells it is with love—that many people

would never have fallen into it had they not heard it so much talked about?

Let us hope that the evident danger may restrain those alarmists who are always discovering new causes for old complaints and writing to the papers about them.

"Have I got it?" is the horrid whisper a man hears, when he reads about "symptoms" in medical books. They form a technical literature infinitely depressing to laymen.—Daily Mirror.

### PRIZE-FIGHTING.

Manchester Guardsman: Something which was dignified by the title of the heavy-weight championship of England was decided recently, and the winner battled his fierce way to the championship by getting knocked down twice and then having the good fortune to be hit by his over-sealous opponent as he was in the act of rising. As this blow was a foul, the fight was awarded in the second round to the victim of this ill-timed assault. "Another Plaseol!"

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We extend to all Readers our Best Wishes for a

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and a

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