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Saturday Eargains

Men's Smart Walking Sticks,

Half-price and Less In the collection are offered many kinds

of wood, including maiacca, apple and partridge, and some are very tastefully mounted in sterling silver, more or less

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Second Day's Special Selling

of Writing Paper

In our big special selling of writing

paper for Saturday, is a splendid grade with a fine, smooth finished writing sur-

face. The size is 41/2 x 61/2, with square

shaped envelopes to match. Paper may be

had either ruled or plain. Five quires-

Ex ra! Linen Finish Sheets

Ready for Use-Pair, \$1.15

English-made, Full-bleached Sheets, 2 x 2½ yards, and hemmed all ready for use. Semi-annual Sale price, per pair, \$1.15.

-Stationery Dept., Main Floor.

Box of 100 envelopes to match, 12c.

120 sheets, special price, 12c.

-Main Floor, Yonge St.

All at half-price and less, each, \$1.00.

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English Crochet Bedspreads of excellent strength and weight, finished with bemmed ends, size 75 x 90 inches. Semi-snuual Sale price, each, \$1.29. -Second Floor, James St. 36-inch Longcloth at 71/2c Yard Every yard shows a saving that makes early shopping profitable, for this long-cloth is not only of strong English make, but is full bleached and ready to use for many domestic purposes. 36 inches wide. Semi-annual Sale price, yard, 7½c. nding with the h

-Second Floor; James St. Sports Coats at 79c

In Misses' sizes, of English worsted yarn, angora finish — sizes 12, 14, and 16 years—two-tone combinations, such as tan and white, grey and white, navy and white, also cardinal. Have roll collar and horder, down plain knit front. A 9 o'clock rush special. Semi-annual Sale, 79c.

In Small Girls' sizes, 6, 8 and 10 years, the coats, are of same style, while the foundation and outer surfaces of the material are in contrasting shades. Haif-price. Semi-annual Sale, 49c.

Girls' Dresses, Saturday, 98c-Many Hall-p ice

Children's Fine White Voile and White Lawn and Embroidery Dresses in several styles. Little French designs, have round and square neck, short, set-in siesves, and are daintly made with embroidery flouncing and embroidery front, finished with pretty lace insertion. Others have fine pin tucks, with embroidery panel, skirt edged with lace. Sizes 4, 5 and 6 years. A 8 o'clock special. Semi-annual Sale, 98c.

Semi-annual Sale, 98c.

Girls' Fine All-wool Serge Dresses in a variety of excellent styles. One-piece dresses have panel front, with bolero offect, and round collar, plain skirt, high waist with pieces set on and stitched, giving an over-skirt effect. Others are woplece sailor dresses with collar and cuffs braid-trimmed, silk anchor and silk tte. full kilted skirt. Colors are navy. Cadet and brown. Sizes 6, 8, 10 and 14 years. Semi-annual Sale, \$2.05.

—Third Floor Yours St.

-Third Floor, Youge St. Men's Suits at \$7.95

It's the Semi-annual Clear-up in our Manufacturing Department of the numerous short ends of suitings that collect from a season's work—lengths that were sufficient only for one to two suits of a pattern. Men have come to recognize in this, one of the great clothing buying opportunities of the year; the selection is so fine and the suits are offered at about the price of the materials. Come at 3 o'clock. Included are many handsome next was Included are many handsome patterns and colorings in many shades of greys and brown stripes, mixtures and neat checks, in warm tweeds and the smart dressy worsteds. Single-breasted models, well tailored. Sizes 36 to 44. Semi-annual Sale price, each, \$7.95.

-Main Floor, Queen St.

Mantel Clocks at \$4.85 These clocks have the lustrous finish of solid marble, due to the exquisite black enameling of their bardwood frames. They have imitation only pillars on the sides, mounted with dainty gilt trimmings, grooved and extended base and top, and bronzed end ornaments and feet.

The ivoroid dials are covered with convex or straight glass doors and bright brass frames. They have fine American eight-day movements; striking each half hour on bell and each hour on a cathedral gong. Our guarantee as to their reliability, durability, and good time-keeping qualities goes with each clock. 9 o'clock shopping is advisable. Semi-annual Sale price, each, \$4.85.

-Main Floor, Yonge St.

EATON'S SEMI-ANNUAL SALE NEWS You Might Search Far and Long to Find Paintings You Would Like Better Than These in the Great Half-price Sale

Included Are Landscapes, Interiors and Marines From Some of the Most Eminent Modern Painters in France, Holland and the British Isles

DIERRE LOUIS VAUTHIER. of Paris, Chevalier of the Legion of Honor, and Medalist of the Salon, is one of the artists who has contributed to this collection in our Galleries. His "Inundation of the Seine Valley" is an exquisite rendering of grey and green tones permeated with a subtle vaporous quality. It is available at \$87.50 -half-price.

H. A. Dievenbach, a painter of characteristic Dutch interiors; who exhibits in some of the most important exhibitions in Europe, is well represented by "Grandfather's Visit," a charming portrayal of typical home life. This has been reduced to \$200.00.

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Another lot, fitted

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Make early selection.

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silver cases at prices that represent a

Card Cases, plain bright finish, full size with vanity

Card Cases and Vanity Purses, dainty leather

case on outside, hand chain attached lengthwise on

lining, with pockets for calling card, car tickets and

change. Some fitted with memo and pencil, others

some, endwise on others. Semi-annual Sale, \$7.50.



George Murray, Gold Medalist Royal Academy, has a delightful little landscape, "Sunlight and Shadow," which is half-price

Alfred Powell, a very successful painter of English rural scenes, has several water color paintings in the Sale, one of them, "Bosham," being half-price, at \$30.00.

By Jessop Hardwick, A.R.W.S., of London, who is represented in many of the great picture galleries of Europe, are several beautiful little water colors, among them "River Greta, Yorkshire," half-price, at \$30.00.

In the sale are other pictures by Knip, Kuypers, Van Beek, and Jansen-distinguished Dutch painters; Georges Laugee, Desvarreux; Wilfrid Ball, James Clark, Lenfesty and Laidlay-English artists of note; and Docherty, Frazer, and Macnee, of Glasgow and Edinburgh.

Every painting in the Galleries has been reduced for quick disposal to half-price, With the exception of a few water colors, all are handsomely framed.

-Fourth Floor, Queen St.

Great Sale Clearance of Boys' Overcoats and Suits at Sensa-Sterling Silver Card Cases and Vanity Purses tional Prices THESE ARE HIGH-GRADE, hall-marked

OYS' "RED RIVER" and Fur-collared Coats at \$1.85 - Grouped together are a number of popular Red River coats lined throughout with red flannel and fitted with hood, also blue coats with fur collars, in sizes for boys of 2 to 6 years. The whole lot has been priced for early rush Saturday morning at less than half-price, each, \$1.85.

Less than half-price for Boys' Fur-collared Overcoats-Another item to provide lots of buying excitement at Store opening. These coats are made from a heavy dark grey tweed, and have imitation Persian lamb collars and quilted body linings. Sizes 24 to 28. To rush out at much less than half-price Saturday morning, \$2.45.

Remarkable Sale Pricing on Boys' Fine Suits, \$2,65-These are double-breasted bloomer suits, made from tweed in medium grey with Italian cloth body linings. Bloomers in full-fitting style. Sizes 24 to Semi-annual Sale price Saturday, \$2.65. -Main Floor, Queen St.

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F. R. M.—Don't you think white tulle is a happy accompaniment to white satin? I should suggest cutting the decolletage "V" shape, and outlining it with soft folds of the tulle—letting them come from underneath, of course, like a chemisette. As for getting out that satin from the artificial flowers, success depends a good deal on the nature of the satin. Some of those soft wool-back weaves will wash as well almost as a pocket handkerchief. If yours is one of them, sook the stain in a little sait and water, and then wash it in castile soap. But it would be wise to experiment with a scrap of the satin before attacking the gown itself.

Readers wishing advice on the subject of dress, house decoration, books, pictures, etc., will, upon writing to "The Scribe," receive a reply in this column. Mark envelope "The Scribe."

Associated with "The Scribe" is "The Shopper," who will personally select any merchandise desired by those who, for some reason, are not able to come to the Store to shop in person. "The Shopper," will answer by mall any requests for information relative to style, prices, etc. Mark envelope "The Shopper."

"Somebody's Mother."-Thank you very

much for your pice remarks - though to

be termed "a household word" does make

one feel a little like a breakfast food or

author you mention, G. Harvey Ralphson,

is an American Scoutmaster, the series he

has written dealing with the Movement in the United States. The books are 25

cents each, some of the titles being: Boy

Scouts in Mexico; or, On Guard With

Uncle Sam. Boy Scouts in the Canal Zone;

or, The Plot Against Uncle Sam. Boy

Scouts in the Philippines, or The Key to the Treaty Box. Boy Scouts in the North-

west; or, Fighting Forest Fires. Boy

Scouts in a Motor-Boat; or, Adventures on The Columbia River. Boy Scouts in an Airship; or, The Warning from the Sky. Boy Scouts in a Submarine; or, Searching an Ocean Floor. Boy Scouts on Motor-cycles; or, With the Flying Squadron.

"The Canadian Boy Scout" is 35 cents; "Scout Tests and How to Pass Them" is the same price; and "The Boy Scout Annual," is specially priced at \$1.25.

W. R. B.—You have proved a pretty able substitute for your "better half." but your concise, manly mind has forgotten to state whether the room is well or badly lighted, whether the celling is high or low, and whether the curtains and woodwork are to be changed to suit the new paper. If there is a Western or Southern outlook, I should suggest the use of a plain willow blue paper (provided that that will harmonize with the present curtains, if such monize with the present curtains, it such are to be retained. In this case it would be nice to have the woodwork painted white. If the windows face Enst or North, a golden brown, amber or warm buff color paper would be a wiser choice, though with any of these I should prefer that the woodwork were stained in fumed oak effect. In any of the shades mentioned, a plain oatmeal paper would be good. A splendid line is procurable at 20 cents a roll—30 inches wide.

Peter Pan.—No mask that bears any resemblance whatever to Uncle Sam is available. Sorry to disappoint you.

exceptionally low prices:-Donbtful.—You must add another dollar to your expectations, I'm afraid. A good pair of girls' skates can be supplied at \$1.00, and the skating boots at \$2.50 a pair. Carnations, assort-

ed colors, per dozen, Yellow Daffodils, per dozen, 50c.

Red, Oxblood, Yellow and White Tuips, per dozen, 40c. Paper White Narcissus, per doz., 30c. Roman White Hyacinths, per dozen,

Dutch White Hyacinths, per doz., 60c. Early ordering is advisable for best se-

-Fifth Floor, Centre.

"From a Woman's Standpoint"

A T the request of certain readwhich have appeared from time to time under the above caption have been published in booklet form. Anyone desiring a copy may obtain it by sending her ad-dress to "The Scribe."

Interior Decoration at Special Midseason Rates

THESE ARE THE DULL MONTHS on the decorator's calendar—the midseason that lies like a little valley of quiet between the rush of early Winter and whirl of early Spring. And, to keep our large staff of workmen busy during this interval, special rates for papering and painting have been inaugurated.

Furthermore, wall coverings of various kinds are greatly reduced for the Semi-annual, while every day new papers are arriving for the great February Sale of house furnishings, thus affording rare opportunity for the decorating of a room at exceptionally small outlay.

Upon your request a man will be sent to your house to take measurements and submit estimates. The direct telephone to the Decorating Department is Main 1491.

-Fourth Floor, Queen St.

T. EATON CLIMITED

ABOLISH BANQUETS OF STATE SO THAT POOR MEN MAY BE FED

Mass Meeting of Unemployed Make Demands Upon Government-Militant Metho ds Frowned Upon by Controller Simpson-Big Parade Will Leave Labor Temple at soon as they are laid off work. Two o'Clock This Aftern oon

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office of the acting mayor, Controller McCarthy, and demand of him that they immediately be supplied with all the work possible. Banners will be flying, on which may be read. "Shail the unempered by the many work here or covernment and the police were

Fant No Discrimination.

Many complaints were heard because of the fact that foregarers were getting work when Englishman and Canadians were refused. One of the men fault, for the majority of them did not have the ambition to get up early enough in the morning to go to look for work. The Italians get up early and have been working at the jobs for Canadian starts out to look for the bestion. A resolution was passed watt, H. B. Woodrow, Matthew Wayosition. A resolution was passed the officials not to discriminate the matter of giving out the work, to give it to those who are on the first, regardless of nationality.

Militant Unemployment. e situation har become so acute the men have been so tried by continued unemployment, that at meeting yesterday militant meth-were suggested as a means of seork. One of the men, Thomas

force. He expressed it as taking what rightfully belonged to them.

Controller Simpson, who was pre-

eal?"

government and the police were against them, and it would be pitiful

A deputation, composed of James Watt, H. B. Woodrow, Matthew Way-man, T. A. Stevenson and H. Ryder waited on the harbor commission at o'clock yesterday afternoon to ask that body to start some of its contracts as soon as possible, so that work would be provided for some of the unem-

ployed. May Cut Down Trees.

They were informed that work is divided into two contracts, but that neither was to be started until June.

work as possible and as soon as possible, to relieve the present situation. It was suggested that work of cutting trees might be started in the Ashbridge's Bay district immediately.

Complaints were registered against the city's system of paying men. If a man works for one day he has to wait for a week before drawing his pay. Controller Simpson informed them that at the meeting of the board of control yesterday morning, a peremptory order was issued to the city treasurer that the men should be paid as soon as they are laid off work.

held a short while ago, and that they have misrepresented the officers supposed to be at the head of the affair It was pointed out that the receipts from the concert amounted to \$114, and the expenses to \$72.01, deaving a balance of \$42 that should have been given to the committee in charge of the relief fund. Only \$17.95 was turned over. It is expected that arrests will follow. Another concert has been advertised for Feb. 9.

At noon yesterday 4816 unemployed men had registered at the Civic Employment Bureau, and it is known that

"Mr. Drayton, chairman of the Dominion Railway Board, is considering the request of yours that a peremptory order be issued by the railway board to the railways to commence immediately the work on the Union Station, stated Controller Simpson. "Mr. Dray ton is considering the matter and will receive your committee in Toronto when the board comes here next Monday, to hear your request at a session of the railway board."
Controller Simpson told of the visit

of the controllers to the Hon. Robert Rogers, minister of public works at Ottawa, to urge him to proceed with all the public work under his department at the present time. He promised that he would do his utmost to have the work proceeded with.

Claude Will Help.
Claude Macdonell, member of the federal house for South Toronto, was also waited on by Controller Simpson, who asked him to use as much of his time as possible in seeing that the minister carried out his promises. The controller also promised that the unemployed men of Toronto would be protected against those coming in from various parts of the province in quest of work. "The government will have to look after these men," stated

the controller. Swindling the Poor.

It was brought out at the meeting that two men, one of them named Reid have been swindling the labor men, in the suggested that the men out of the commission offered to co-operate with the commission of the commission offered to co-operate with the commission of th

ployment Bureau, and it is known that there are many more, probably another thousand men, who will not register because they are union men and rely upon the union to find them work. In order to offset the plans of any of those who come in from outside places. who come in from outside places to secure work, it is necessary for each man to sign when and where he was last employed. last employed.

More than 200 unemployed

took advantage of the Salvation Army building at the corner of James and Albert streets on Wednesday and Thursday nights.

According to officials of several of the unions, the demand for men in some of the trades cannot be met with.

"If men from outside places did not come in the conditions this year would be no worse than in former years," stated Secretary Thorne of the Brick-

BAGS COST TOO MUCH.

ing too much of a burden was the partment, and 74 per cent. of the con-contention made by speakers at the tracts under scrutiny exceeded the contention made by speakers at the tracts under screening exceeded the seventh annual banquet of the Flour and Feed Dealers. Association last night. Altho the retailer has to pay for the bags he is not able to charge the following recommendations are night. Altho the retailer has to pay for the bags he is not able to charge the consumer for them.

Women will find more news of interest to them in The World's magazine page every morning than in any other paper.

WORKS SYSTEM CUMBERSOME TOO MUCH LEGAL RED TAPE

Next to Impossible to Finish Work Within a Year-Pumping System is Unsatisfactory - Sewage Disposal Plant Inadequate and Inefficient—Trained Engineer Needed. Such as grading, curbing and flagging.

The practice of the commissioner to enter bids in competition with private

After an analysis of approximately | works committee make a more positive 200 contracts handled by the works de-partment, the Bureau of Municipal Re-ing. search, in a Civic Survey report issued yesterday, says that the system at the city hall is so cumbersome and that the legal steps which must be taken by the works committee, the board of a tabulation of the elapsed time in the the legal steps which must be taken by the works committee, the board of revision, the assessment department, the boar dof control, and the city solicitor are so involved that it is next to impossible to finish any work with-

in a year.
Thirteen months is the average time required for the completion of work by a private contractor, and 12 months by city labor. As a result of the red-tape and unwieldy practice existing, t has been found that 12 per cent, of he contracts analyzed were undertaken before the final execution and approval of the actual documents. That the charge the wholesaler puts upon the retailer of five cents for bags and eight cents for sacks was becoming too much of a burden was the

effort to clean the slate at each meet-4. That the commissioner of public

of enforcement of these provisions, and the levying of liquidated damages for delay, be authorized and carried out. 6. That the practice of undertaking contracts before their final execution, and beginning work before the issu-ance of a formal order, be discontinu-

7. That the simplification of contract procedure be kept constantly in view in any proposed revision of existing

The report further condemns the system of letting contracts and instances one case in which an improve-To remedy such conditions as these the following recommendations are made:

1. That more care be given to preparation of the engineer's estimate of quantities and total cost.

2. That the court of revision be authorized to review only the apportionment of the cost.

2. That the board of control and the contracts showed that average prelication as these the following recommendations are able charge against the owners of the abutting property, had been undertaken without public letting or competitive bids. Another effect of the unpossible red-tape which is forced upon the works department is a disregard for accuracy in estimates and statistic public service corporations for sub-structures.

2. That the board of control and the cost of which was an assess-able charge against the owners of the city sidewalks lack uniformity in construction, are dirty and in bad repair, that water rates should be equalized by charging the actual cost of installation to householders, that there is delay in issuing permits to public service corporations for sub-structures.

It is also declared that Toronto needs administrative bodies. Analysis of 25 contracts showed that average prelications are dirty and in bad repair, that water rates should be equalized by charging the actual cost of installation to householders, that there is delay in issuing permits to public service corporations for sub-structures.

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minary estimates generally exceeded actual cost by 13 per cent., estimates exceeded bids by 26 per cent., and costs exceeded bids by 16 per cent. In certain sidewalk contracts, the department's preliminary estimates exceeded the tenders by over 100 per cent., and in paving contracts a similar excess of 35 per cent. is noted.

The introduction of the "line item unit cost" bids is suggested instead of the present lump sum practice now in use, the former system being simply the unit cost of each separate item, such as grading, curbing and flagging.

enter bids in competition with private contractors is one of the few presentmethods that is commended.

Pumping Water.

Regarding the pumping of the water supply, the report finds the present conditions unsatisfactory because the provincial hydro-electric power now in use is not supplemented by several provincial and the several provincial supplemented by several supplemented supplemented by several supplemented supplemented by several supplemented sup in use is not supplemented by some other system, preferably the Toronto Electric Light, as a precaution in cases of emergency. Unless some such arrangements can be effected, the experts declare that the electrically driven purpose are impossible for Toronto. en pumps are impossible for Toronto. Under the present system, the heavy cost of operation during "peak load" time is prohibitive and necessitates the operation of the pumps by steam from two to six hours each day, for which purpose furnace fires have to en pumps are impossible for Toronto which purpose furnace fires have to be kept going 24 hours to fill in a two

to six-hour gap in the hydro.

The present main plant for sewage disposal is found to be wholly inadequate and ineffective in its work, altho it cost \$150,000, and will have to be supported by sludge digesters before it is efficient. Other sections of the report find that

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