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AND WHAT A VISITOR FOUND THERE

Acres of Floor Space Filled to Overflowin With Useful and Beautiful Articles—The Mare Naticeable Goods in the Different Denents—Everything First-Class and as

St. John has many business firms that it must certainly feel proud of, and chief ng the works of these surely ranks the grand dry goods establishment of Messrs. Manchester, Robertson & Allison.

vited her to thoroughly examine the dry goods establishments, and especially Messrs. M. R. & A.'s, so that she when her American cousins came to pay the annual visit. Then we were to ferre out the editor of the most extensively read newspaper and confide to him the result of estigation for the benefit of others situated as we are. Of course, we had read much of the extensive improvements being made, but were scarcely prepared for the magnificence of it all. pleased at the pleasure evinced by my friend (whom we will call Mrs. Particular) when she saw the cash balls racing, elevator flying, people hurrying in and out of doors and alcoves in every direction and trying to gain standing room at the immense counters, where the gentlemanly and obliging clerks attended to their requirements in the most good-natured way

We began our quest for information just as we entered the door, where a full assortment of collars and cuffs was to be seen. Mrs. P. admired the colored and bordered sets that are now so fashionable for morn ing and picnic wear, but I fancied the plain fine linen that are so beautifully laundried These are to be had in all the latest styles and are more becoming to some than the white or colored frillings that looked so soft and fluffy, lying in their different

imaginable sort of gloves, delicate evening tints in kid and silk, ranging from fourbutton lengths to the long ones for fastening at the shoulder with pretty stud. I was pleased to note some of the cool silk gloves for street wear had kid finger tips. They'll wear much longer than without them.

The fancy work might have occupied our attention the entire day, so great was the variety. No wonder our homes present such an attractive appearance, when such lovely, ornamental, as well as useful, articles are to be had so reasonably. I groaned inwardly when I thought of the stains and scratches on the sideboard and tables at home that might have been prevented if adorned with the pretty scarfs that would also have given them a much more dressy appearance. Oh, there were such quantities here that would go far to give the home a home look! Mantle draperies, ottomans, chair and sofa cushions, tidies, chair strips—in fact, every-thing one could possibly think of or require, with all the corresponding silks, yarns, ribbons, ornaments, etc.

The hosiery has surely reached fashion's climax. Of this we were first shown the most gorgeous in black and colored silks. Some Lisle had the entire leg and instep worked in bright silks. I liked the black and dark colors having white feet, but didn't invest in any, as Mrs. P. thought the cheaper and more substantial were better suited for the country. I've an idea that she selected white and grey cotton.

nets, veiling, and Hamburgs and fine embroideries, in all patterns, widths and prices, so there can be no excuse for our not having prettily trimmed skirts and unlaces at our demand. The Torchon and Valenciennes were really lovely, while the those who could afford quantities of itlike our brides whose trousseaux present such an elegant and dainty appearance when this trimming is used. Then for those who have to consider their meagre in-come is the tucked and frilled linen and edgings that give a durable and nice finish.

The lace flouncing and box costumes, in black, white and numerous evening shades, if I were a young girl I'd always keep two or three of these ready for an emergency. The all-over lace in black is rich and beautiful, and has the advantage of always being tumes, and our old silk dresses come in this long counter, and directly opposite was the household linen, including napkins, da-white silk, with the white flowered velvet masks, towels, white cottons, sheetings, for the petticoat. One of the elegancies gold, pink and other colors, were especially china silk, moire silks and satins for street moticeable. We learned that we might have the sheets, pillow cases, table covers, etc., hemmed and ready for using, which I'm sure is a great accommodation. I had to smile when mentally comparing the pretty, warm yet light, comfortables and bed-spreads, with home-made quilts, winter left nothing to be desired. Some corstumes were as varied as the materials corsets of every size, color, price. Of course, the be consequently more expensive mostly in white, but there were nothing to be desired. Some

that had cost such an amount of patience

Among the flannels-besides the warm, grey, white, red, blue, etc., for winter clothing, were some strikingly pretty tennis stripes, that would also make up nicely for louse dresses or morning gowns.

feel like intruders, but meeting Mr. Man-chester he soon dispersed all such feeling, and, in his kind and genial way, suggested that a bright-looking boy should pilot us through the other departments; so, after taking a hurried memoranda of the innumerable nick-nacks displayed on the circular counter-such as buttons in every variety, clasps, ornaments, hair-pins and every other kind of pin, thimbles, etc. we passed to another large room on the left which is devoted to the dress goods.

First came the pure, summery-looking lawns and muslins. Some of these, a perfect mass of rich embroidery, are in boxes of sufficient material and trimming for one costume. A figure accompanying each box gives one a good idea of making the dress, and is a great assistance to us country women. I noticed a number of these dresses, with their wide silk sashes, worn at Inch-Arran, last week, and thought them prettier than any others. Then there were the plain lawns, that make such serviceable dresses, and the more durable textures that are used for our fine under-

The ginghams and prints would quite satisfy every variety of taste, from the most sedate and quiet to the very gayest, and the Galateas are being manufactured in stripes and checks pretty enough for many

On the opposite side, we found the fancy wool dress goods, sufficient in quantity, qualities, colors and all else to supply and gratify the whole town. Surely, anything in this line not found at this counter must now be vetoed. I had not a very good chance of seeing the different goods here, so great was the crowd of purchasers. All classes of women found their way to this room, from the laborer's to the banker's wife, and it was pleasant to see all receiving the same courteous treatment from the clerks. Some ladies were in raptures over the imported costumes in black and colors. One grey I noticed was beautifully braided with fine silk. Others less expensive, for walking, and travelling toilettes, were also very handsome. Rich-looking clothes for tailor-make dresses seemed to be attracting much attention, while the more brilliant hues and combinations also received a goodly share, and many approved of the designs and shades. Trimmings of every description, and all the other accessories were to be had for any of the dresses. a nudge to follow, I drew near enough to

at the crapes, black dress and mourning goods. Of these there was an immense variety, both for summer and winter wear. mourning were very elegant.

THE SECOND FLOOR.

Then we took seats in the elevator and soared up to the second floor. The sensation was so pleasant that I wanted to go down and up again, but Mrs. P. gave me a vigorous poke and looked indignantso we stepped out into a very elegant apartment, where the silks, plushes, etc., were to be found.

partment, belong to the new wing lately added. They are both grand rooms, and have the great advantage of being splendidly lighted. Indeed, this feature was noticed through the whole establishment. (I can to suit our variable weather, merino and fancy nothing more annoying than trying with their ornaments and trimmings, were to match undecided shades in a gloomy or beyond anything we had ever fancied, and darkened room.) It would occupy a column, at least, to describe the silks alone. The rich corded, plain and satin-finish blacks were especially gorgeous, and the magnificent embossed velvets quite took in fashion, either for street or evening cos- our breath away, but we concluded it was waste of time to devote it to such grandeurs. handy for lining these laces, which range in However, we couldn't resist an inspection prices to suit all purses. All kinds of of the novelties in evening silks and satins. gimps and fringes were seen at the end of I noticed two pretty girls selecting bridal etc. Some lunch cloths and napkins of for evening was a rich surah of almost that white satin finish, with delicate borders of blue-green hue of the water. The foulards,

braid. Others were gorgeously decorated with military trimmings. Judging from the variety of jerseys they must still hold an important place in *la mode*. I should think very slight ladies would greatly favor the tucked and shirred ones. I hope jerseys may never become extinct. Is there any thing more delightfully comfortable than one of these easy clinging waists, after one has been agonizing in one's fashionable new

the soft warm shawls, and no wonder, for they were beautiful, from the delicately tinted and white Shetland to the heavier wool and elegant cashmere, silk and camelshair. But I thought the weather more suggestive of the suushades and umbrellas. The parasols could be had to correspond with most any costume, though the shaded rings newer and prettier designs.

and all other accessories for upholstery. Of course the white curtains were shown us first, as being in season. The appliquee and fine lace were the nicest among these.
Then there were the striped and fancy lace, tused in selecting from so great an assort and pretty scrim for bedrooms, and the curtains that are now being used quite as much as the white. The wide plush and heavy curtains for portieres were beautiful.

I wish I could give the correct terms for wool rugs in black, white, crimson and these different materials, but the few I do remember I wouldn't care to spell. However equally pretty. Some of them were quite as large as any of the rugs to ever, every kind, and a few more, one ever heard of was there; some very elegant and gorgeous, some rich but quiet in tone, others neat and inexpensive, leaving no oxcuse for shabby or unfinished looking win-

I was afraid she would select hair cloth, cause for attributing her attack of indiges but she decided on a really elegant piece of rep, though it didn't strike us as particularly beautiful after looking at the magnificent silk rep with embossed satin designs, Roman satins and rich brocades. The cretonnes ing their admirable clerks: they treat were lovely; some could scarcely be distinguished from velvet.

I can't imagine how we got turned round, duty. but in some way we found ourselves in the mysterious ladies' room. We were given comfortable chairs in a small ante-room that we might rest before looking around. While seated here—where I had a good more sober-looking materials in limitless view of the outer room-I could not but man to Progress. "I met him a few think of an article I'd been reading in The Epoch on "The Rudeness of Women," especially where it referred to the rudeness of life of it. Several of us were prostrated by While looking over the cashmeres and merinoes, I learned a new wrinkle. Obthe lady customer to the lady clerk. Now heat during the day, but Sir merinoes, I learned a new wrinkie. Observing a young woman folding different of having any desire, to act rudely to any pieces over the back of her hand, and regarding them critically, my curiosity was least. Their bright genial manner and will linguist to oblige and please would alone fatigue, and in the evening he was as meaning and vigorous as in the earlier part of the day. Indeed, after such a day as Monday was in the capital, I felt like spending a a nudge to follow, I drew near enough to hear her explain to her companion that rudeness, while a recipe for their ladylike that was "the surest way of ascertaining and womanly ways would be about as proit the colors were becoming or not. If they cast a becoming shade over the hand, then might make.

you need have no fear of the effect on the linen, underwear, corsets and millinery. After noting the novelties and the in- Of course, we began at the baby linen, numerable wrap materials, we took a look where we selected an extensive wardrobe for the youngest member of Mrs. P's family. The christening robe was just the daintiest and prettiest thing imaginable. the narrow little ribbons run through the edgings, tiny linen shirts, warm footblankets, morning and night robes, were all beautifully finished. Carriage cloaks, something of the circumstances, does not An Hour Among the Silks, Plushes, Laces, claborately worked, warm knit shoes, stockings and little berlin jackets, in white, blue and pink, would make the ugliest babe look loveable. Then came the shorter skirts and wee dresses, and fluffy little hoods in lace and wool, bibs, aprons and the most diminutive mits. Nursery baskets, swinging cribs, little quilts and pillows; in fact, everything calculated to lighten the work and suggest ideas to mother and nurse were there.

Underwear for ladies and misses-Oh! what a comfort to be able to procure all these without the tiresome work of "making thicker ones for the colder-blooded, perfectly fitting and neatly-trimmed corse covers, also combination corset covers and underskirts, fine white skirts and night robes, that would cost days of hard toil and perhaps a headache, if made at home. Some were extensively trimmed, others plainer, but what took my fancy was the eatness of the work. We so often see undergarments that have a very pretty spection, would appear rather untidy, if not slovenly. The infinite variety and assortment of bustles and skirt-improvers, would suggest that they were not likely to ecome unfashionable for some time yet. They occupied almost as much space as the corsets, which lined one end of the room corsets of every size, color, description and price. Of course, the better class, and

of these were already made up in the most approved styles, as also were ulsters and jaunty looking jackets and coats. A very nobby little coat was of light grey with fine brown check and trimmed with narrow silk ats in all the latest and most unique styles, as also were ulsters and the bonnets were entirely floral; some so very realistic-looking that one could almost imagine the blossoms were growing. Straw when they are completed, PROGRESS will tell its readers all about them.

The "Sardine" Trust May Fail.

There is a deadlock between the sarding made to this excellent hostelry, and when they are completed, PROGRESS will tell its readers all about them. imagine the blossoms were growing. Straw hats in all the latest and most unique styles, shapes and colors were piled on the large shelves and strewn over tables and counters; also buckram and net-shapes, with a very repletion of flowers, grasses, fruits, feath ers, tips, pon-pons, ornaments, crapes, rib-bons, etc. We wanted to have a look at the magnificent imported hats and trimmed bonnets hanging in the showcase, but hunger bade us hurry on, and this was our last day, discovered the carpet department.

This consisted of two rooms, the first de-

others that looked like velvet and plushbut the names of which I've forgotten. My! how I'd love to possess one of the pajust to glory in furnishing the floors with these exquisite carpets and rugs; for you know the carpeting really is the main feasilk hues and fancy lace continue in favor.

The handles were beautiful. Each year carpet in spring takes away much of the Soon we meandered into another room, containing an unlimited assortment of curtains, window poles, furniture coverings tapestry, oilcloths, Kensington and linen were prettier than I ever imagined the tused in selecting from so great an assortand pretty scrim for bedrooms, and the numerous colored lace and other elegant more suitable than the previous one. The match or correspond with the carpets.

But it was now 6 o'clock, so we were

hope to find a restaurant in full working Mrs. P. wanted some easy chairs covered. order, so that Mrs. Particular may have no tion to a very hastily eaten lunch.

of Messrs. Manchester, Robertson & Allison's great success in obtaining and retainthem with a kindly consideration that goes far to make their work seem a very pleasant

Sir Leonard Tilley's Health.

looking or apparently feeling better that not appear to mind the excitement, heat or fatigue, and in the evening he was as fresh good portion of the morning in bed, but John between 9 and 10 o'clock."

Two young men from St. John hired a valuable horse from Mr. Edwards, of the Queen, Monday afternoon, and drove it till it dropped helpless on Brunswick street, opposite Mr. Lugrin's. The poor animal lived in great agony till midnight, when it died. Overheating was the cause of death. Fair play for the boys. They had the blame the St. John boys to the extent im plied in the above paragraph.

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"Accepted !"

This word of eight letters, contained in telegram from Halifax, a day or two ago, caused considerable amuser who were in the secret. To get an authowould necessitate a journey to Halifax and an interview with the charming daughter of a gentleman prominent in civic affairs.

In the Hotel Corridors.

Proprietor Jones of the Dufferin is getting his share of summer travel at present. From July to the end of the summer sea son, he can count his guests by scores, and price. Of course, the better class, and consequently more expensive corsets, were mostly in white, but there were also some very nicely-finished and neatly-shaped pairs at remarkably low prices.

The Duffern has an advantage this year. It looks upon the square, and the guests The millinery, oh! the millinery, would can remain in their rooms and night after

the travelling public. Situated but a few yards from the New Brunswick and Interolonial railway depot, a traveller need not

his King street saloon in PROGRESS. apartments he has secured are inviting and airy, as well as convenient. Mr. Lang is well known as an excellent caterer, and people who patronize him will find that he sustains his reputation.

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There is a deadlock between the sardine fishermen of the islands and the factory a ring to pay no more than \$5 a hogshead The Belmont ought to and does get a large proportion of the transient trade of the transient trade of fuse to accept these terms and will not seine the weirs, greatly to the embarrassment of the factories. be afraid of missing his train because he is distant from the station, and, what is of importance to many people, coach hire is saved, for the Belmont transports baggage free.

and it is believed they will do so as they have been very prosperous for a few years and are "well fixed."

McAlpine's Directory for 1888-89 has one St. John has, and will, of course, 1 purchased by every one who needs such a errors render the book less valuable than it might be. Mr. McAlpine, no doubt, aimed at correctness, but in some of the numerous possible ways the errors have made themselves conspicuous.

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VOL. 1., EVENINGS

AND A MATIN

Miss G. Bowere, "Masaniello Listen rarely been presen ence as that given

content with grati The only number piano, played by of Herr Listemann good musician he plendid playing, b

The most notices No. 2," by Liszt, ish March," Beeth specially fine in por latter being playe pression of crescend Herren Listemann s necessary to say that it were possible, players will always astic reception when though St. John au not be large, yet the

applause, as on Tue Miss Bowden sho by her playing of t this being clearly the talented young lady Miss G. Bowen (S made her debut, sing Song," and also a d This young lady gi

Signor Ronconi's f advantage in Schuma adiers," and he seem

Steady and patient this was amply prove on Tuesday as vet given. control and they, t more light and shade

anced in tone, though heavily handicapped answered bravely, ho evening, but it must h on them to sing again of basses. Mr.Gubbh of the work done by t also teel proud of the society has made unde guidance. The best part, being given thro fault. The others mo were, "We Never wi the Conquering Hero
"Sing unto God."

As to the soloists, t presented a stronger a Mrs. Houston-West bers beautifully, but w ful in "From Mighty Men Flatt'ring May I lady's charming voice beauty and freshness of is full and not impaired is very perfect in every Mrs. Perley sang be some time and the two

were a rich treat, the blending most sympath. It is a long time since tenor in oratorio like He fairly captured the first note he sang, by toned voice, finely train

tinct enunciation and g being all taken with as notes of the lowest regi