

SIMPSON'S Telephone Main 7841 SIMPSON'S 1898 Twenty-First Anniversary 1919 Coming-of Age Year SIMPSON'S Market Adel. 6100 SIMPSON'S

EXHIBITION OF ROYAL CHINESE ROBES

Opens Today on the Fifth Floor

One hundred and fifty gorgeous robes, comprising the wardrobe of the late Emperor Kwang Hsu and the Empress Dowager Tzu Hsi and their court. This extraordinary collection of Imperial gowns, typifying Oriental magnificence, came into the possession of the Robert Simpson Co. from republican authorities after the overthrow of the Empire. They are to be presented by this store as a gift to the Royal Ontario Museum, Toronto.

The splendor of the materials alone—gay colored silks and satin, fur and fabrics woven from pure gold thread—are in themselves a revelation. The embroideries and exquisite hand painting are quite beyond anything in the decoration of modern gowns—they represent infinite patience along with a skill that is difficult to realize. In many cases the patterns are so perfectly worked on both sides of the cloth that it is impossible to tell one side from the other.

Milady of to-day, skilled as she is in obeying Fashion's slightest dictate, will be amazed to find that no such obedience was required of the great Manchu ladies. For at the former centre of Chinese royalty Fashion did not dictate, or rather, she had dictated once for all, sometime between the years 1740 and 1750, and from that time the cut of Chinese Court robes never varied.

More ground for common understanding would be found in the change of summer and winter costumes. But here, too, the modern woman, be she ever so much a slave to fashion, has more freedom than her Manchu sister. For as summer approached, the lords and ladies of the Chinese Court, on the day fixed by the imperial edict, changed their fur-lined coats for light silk or gauze gowns, no matter what weather the thermometer might indicate.

The Simpson Store invites you and your friends to come today and following days to view this wonderful exhibit.



Specials in the Linens and Staples

Grey Blankets, \$4.75 Pair
85 pairs grey blankets with red striped borders. 5 lbs. weight. Size 50 x 70 inches. No phone or mail orders for this item. Special, today, pair, \$4.75.

Turkish Towels, \$1.19 Pair
Extra heavy fringed Turkish bath towels, fawn and red stripes. Large size—20 x 46 inches. 200 pairs. Today, pair, \$1.19.

Grey Flannelette, 28c Yard
1200 yards, in a medium shade of grey. Good, strong, closely-woven flannelette for general household use. Wide width, 32 inches. Special, today, yard, 28c.

Table Cloths, \$3.39 Each
Satin damask table cloths of superior quality and finish, made from smooth mercerized yarns. Assorted designs. Size 68 x 68 inches. Special today, each, \$3.39.

Simpson's—Fourth Floor.

7 Special Values in Hardware

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Garbage or Ash Cans—heavy steel can—painted grey—ball handle—slip-over cover. Medium and large sizes. \$1.25 and \$1.50 value. Today, 98c.

Galvanized Water Pails, 12-quart size. 50c value. Today, 39c.

Corn Brooms—four-string, well made, medium weight. 65c value. Today, 49c.

Daisy Dustless Ash Sifters—galvanized iron. 300 to sell today at \$1.69.

Perfection Oil Heaters—smokeless, odorless, safe, convenient. Will heat a good-sized room or hall. Today, \$6.95.

Aluminum Double Boilers, 2-quart size. \$2.50 value. Today, \$1.89.

Wear-Ever Aluminum Covered Sausages, 4-quart size. \$2.50 value. Today, \$1.69.

Simpson's—Basement.

In the October China Sale 3 Dinner Services

Greatly Underpriced

At \$13.95
Complete dinner set of 97 pieces, in English semi-porcelain—green border decoration. October Sale Price, only \$13.95.

At \$37.50
Finest quality thin china, with dainty pink floral decoration. Full gold handles and gold line edges. 97-piece composition. October China Sale Price, \$37.50.

Booth's Silicoin China At \$37.50
Open stock pattern. Finest quality English ware—Crown Derby coloring—gold traced handles and edges. 97-piece set. October China Sale, only \$37.50.

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Framed Pictures Reduced

At \$1.25
Color prints, matted and framed in antique gilt pressed wood frame—variety of subjects—old and modern masters. Size about 12 x 14 and 8 x 18 inches. Special, \$1.25.

At \$1.75
A special gallery full of attractive pictures in oak, gum and gilt frames. Sizes 14 x 18, 10 x 20 inches, etc. Color prints and sepia of landscapes and figure subjects. Specially priced, \$1.75.

Simpson's—Sixth Floor.

Rich New Velours, \$2.95 and \$3.50 Yard



The new season's colorings are old blue, vieux rose, warm tan and moss green. All 50 inches wide. Today, yard, \$2.95 and \$3.50.

Mercerized Poplins From England at \$2.75 Yard
A score of beautiful self-tones—bright silky finish. Shown in blue, grey, champagne, mulberry, tan, rose, cerise and taupe. 50 inches wide. Today, yard, \$2.75.

A Special Display of New Drapery and Upholstery Fabrics
We cordially invite every housekeeper to visit the showing that will be presented today. Come—even if there is nothing you are needing just at present—you will get many valuable ideas.

Fine New Tapestries at \$4.50 to \$15.00 Yard
All the newest color combinations portrayed in rich designs. 50 inches wide. Today, yard, \$4.50 to \$15.00.

Extra Special, Floor Lamp and Shade, Complete, \$25.00

The number offered is somewhat limited, so early selection is advisable. The lamps are in birch and mahogany—hand polished, with fancy twined pedestal, new style base and two light fittings.

The silk shades are in several attractive shapes and are silk of chintz lined. All are in the 24-inch size. Very special today, complete, \$25.00.

Large Chintz Covered Bed-room Boxes, \$6.50 Each

Strongly constructed of white wood in a large size measuring 36 inches long, 20 inches wide, and 15 inches high—with plain colored lining and outer covers in a good assortment of attractive art chintzes.

Well padded, top and completely with easy running casters. Today special, each, \$6.50.

Simpson's—Fourth Floor.

New Designs in Tapestry and Chintz WALL PAPERS

29 Single Roll
Verdure and scenic designs in rich colorings of tan, blue, green, buff and grey, with fabric overprint treatment. Desirable styles for living-rooms and halls. Special value, single roll, 29c.

25c Single Roll
Dainty all-over floral and bird patterns, prettily colored in attractive shades of pink, blue, yellow and mauve, on light grounds. Special value, single roll, 25c.

Simpson's—Sixth Floor.

Quart R. S. Co. Ready Mixed Paint and Rubberet Brush for 95c

Your choice from complete range of colors in Simpson's high-grade paint for inside or outside use. Dries hard and glossy, giving a real durable surface.

White, buff, Devon grey, drab, pearl grey, medium grey, slate grey, sky blue, medium blue, golden brown, medium brown, dark brown, medium red, maroon, pale green, pea green, green, stone, Nile green, and dark green.

1-quart and 1/2-inch rubberet brush, complete, 95c.

Simpson's—Sixth Floor.

Parlor Cabinet Sewing Machines \$39.75

Homekeepers who contemplate the purchase of a sewing machine, cannot afford to overlook this offering.

This is very compact and durable machine, built to give years of service. The case is of beautifully finished quarter-cut oak with automatic lift. One set of steel attachments is provided. Guaranteed 10 years. Today, \$39.75.

May be purchased through the Home-Lovers' Club.

The "Florence" Rotary Machine can be operated faster than any "vibrating shuttle" type of machine—come and see it in operation on the Sixth Floor.

We repair all makes at reasonable charges. Electric motors, needles, oil and accessories for all makes.

Simpson's—Sixth Floor.

Men, You Can Purchase a High-Grade Suit Today at \$29.95

Regularly \$35.00, \$38.50 and \$40.00

Fine finished worsted is the material. Browns and grey shades in neat stripe and check patterns. Also pick-and-pick effects. Smart tweeds, in grey, brown and heather mixture effects.

Single-breasted, 3-button, soft roll, semi-fitted and conservative sacques for men; single-breasted, form-fitting and double-breasted waist seam sacques for young men. Peak lapels, vertical pockets; high-chested and form-fitting waist effects. Sizes 34 to 44. Today, \$29.95.



54 Fall Overcoats, \$25.00

For Men and Young Men

Waist-seam and slip-on models, in smart tweeds and chevots. Brown, grey and novelty mixture effects; also a few plain grey chevots in the standard fly front Chesterfield model. Sizes 35 to 42. Today, \$25.00.

Simpson's—Main Floor.

Boys' Sturdy Suits Are Going at \$8.35 Today

A very low figure for these exceptional suits. They are made up from a dependable cotton tweed and worsted in a serviceable dark shade.

The styles are the popular all-around belted model, semi-form fitting, with the smart slash pockets.

Bloomers are full-fashioned. Sizes 7 to 13 years. For quick clearance today, \$8.35.

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Men's Soft Hats \$2.45

Regularly \$3.00, \$4.00, and \$5.00

Men, you can buy your new Fall hat at an exceptionally low figure today. Many shapes, many colors to choose from. English, American, Italian and Canadian makes.

Small curl brim shapes. Medium shapes with slightly curled brim and wide flat set brim shapes in shades of grey, green, brown, fawn, navy and black. Not a full range in any one line or color, but a good choice in the assortment. Today, \$2.45.

(No phone or C.O.D. orders accepted.)

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Men's Merino Underwear, Garment, 98c

Shirts and drawers. The right weight for present and fall wear. Natural shade—pure elastic ribbed cuffs and ankles. Sizes 34 to 44. Today, garment, 98c.

Men's Combination Underwear, \$3.50

Canadian made—natural shade. French neck. Made from union cashmere yarn. Elastic ribbed. Form-fitting. Sizes 34 to 44. Today, suit, \$3.50.

Men's Suspenders, 29c

Made from strong elastic web—assorted pattern. Cross back style. Solid leather ends, patent cast off. Solid metal trimmed. Regularly 39c. Today, 29c.

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