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First Christmas Announcement

CUPID has accomplished good work! The merry little fellow gave such a graphic and spirited account of last year's doings in Spencer's to Old Father Christmas that the good old fellow decided then and there to make the great emporium the greatest distribution point in Western Canada for merriment and goodwill by all and through all who cross its threshold. From across continents and seas he has ushered the world's best productions, whilst a right royal welcome has been planned for his admirers and the festive garments and artistic effects have been developed by one of his chief emissaries. Something for everybody in town and out of town! No one has been overlooked. Before going to press with this announcement the following message was received from Father Christmas:—

"Only 20 shopping days left! Commence festivities next week in order to cope with the thousands who will enter your store to inspect and buy the goods I have provided for everyone's pleasure. Remember well the little ones so dear to me! Increased space has been acquired upon the 3rd floor of your establishment to accommodate the thousands of good things I have reserved for their especial delight. Here, too, older folk will find just what they are seeking. I have arranged it so. Also an Oriental Tea Room is installed to refresh those who will get overburdened with joys that abound everywhere. Earliest and Heartiest Greetings To All!"

FATHER CHRISTMAS

We have, as announced yesterday, a Great Sale of Robes Tomorrow. There are but 90 Dresses. Our lady patrons will delight in securing such choice creations at sale prices. They are just the very thing for the festive season. We cordially invite you to inspect these dresses that will quickly clear tomorrow. Also, we have the balance of our Fall Costumes on sale tomorrow. 80 only, values up to \$65. Every Costume Clears for \$17.50.

Something Within the Means of Everyone

Dainty Slippers

For dress wear and Cosy Slippers for home use are never deprecated as a Christmas gift. We have some good values to offer you.

- Women's Patent Coll, 4 strap Slippers, Louis XV heel, turn sole, per pair \$4.00
- Women's Patent Coll, 1 strap Slippers, Louis XV heel, turn sole, per pair \$3.00
- Women's Vici Kid Slippers, turn sole, Louis XV heel, 1 strap, per pair \$2.50
- Women's Kid Slippers, 1 strap with bow, flexible sole, per pair \$1.75
- Women's Hand Knitted Dressing Slippers, Lamb's soles; in color, blue, pink, red, and mixed colors, per pair, \$1.50 and \$1.25
- Men's Kid Romeo Slippers, turn leather sole \$2.25
- Men's Kid Romeo Slippers, per pair \$2.00 and \$1.50
- Men's Felt Slippers, per pair \$1.00
- Men's Patent Pumps, per pair \$3.50 and \$2.00
- Misses' Patent Vamp, 1 strap Slipper, kid back, spring heel, per pair \$1.50
- Misses' Patent 1 strap Slipper, bow, spring heel, per pair \$2.00
- Misses' Patent Leather Court Tie, per pair \$2.00
- Child's 1 strap Kid Slippers, per pair \$1.25, \$1.00 and 75c
- Boys' Dongola Kid Slippers, per pair \$1.00 to \$1.25
- Infants' soft sole Slippers, per pair 50c and 25c.

Travelling Bags

And Suit Cases form useful and handsome presents. Do not hesitate to buy. We are assured no greater pleasure could be given.

Handsome English and Canadian leather Travelling Bags and Suit Cases, fitted and plain at prices from \$5.00 to \$55.00

Candies for the Sweet!

A pleasure always lays around a choice box of candies as an Xmas gift. We have a delicious collection that cannot fail to be sold early. Cadbury's assorted Creams in Choice Fancy Boxes, daintily decorated with colored ribbons, are 1-4 lb. 10c.; 1-2 lb. 15c.; 1 lb. 30c.; 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00 to \$2.75. Rowntree's assorted Creams in 1-lb. boxes for 45c.

Suitable and Serviceable Presents

Are to be found in the Ladies' and Children's Hosiery Department.

We Have a Few Special Lines

- Ladies Black Cashmere Hose, embroidered fronts, in all colors, per pair, \$1.00, 75c, and 65c.
- A similar line in lace and embroidered fronts, per pair, \$1.00, 75c, and 65c.
- THE BEST VALUE ANYWHERE.
- Ladies' plain black Cashmere Hose for winter wear, (all wool) per pair 50c
- Ladies' black Lisle Thread Hose, lace fronts, per pair, 50c
- Ladies' black Lisle Hose (all over lace) per pair, \$1.00
- Ladies' black Cotton Hose, very special value, per pair 25c
- We have a large variety of Stock Silk and Lace Hose, per pair \$2.50 to \$5.00
- Silk and Cotton Mixture Hose, lace and plain, per pair \$2.00, \$1.75, \$1.50 and \$1.25
- We hold our usual large stock of Boy's and Girls warm Winter Hose at prices that cannot be beaten, these make very useful Christmas presents.

It matters not which department you visit! Attractive Goods at Styre Prices will suggest what you have been puzzling about.

Gents' Furnishing Department

Money invested for presents in the Gentlemen's Furnishing Department will give pleasure to receiver and giver.

TIES.
The latest creations in English Square Ascots, \$1.00 to \$2.50 each. Handkerchief Derbys in broadened silks, 75c; Flowing Ends, light and dark shades, 50c; Four-in-Hands in shot, plain and fancy silks, 50c; and 75c; New Bar Wing Ties, 50c; and a large assortment of strings for bows, 25c.
The largest stock of 25c Ties ever held in Victoria. All the newest shades and colors.

GLOVES.
Leading lines in Dent's English Gloves, unlined in new shades of tan, West End, Lincoln and Cromer, pair, \$1.50
Perrin's and Dent's French Gloves in wool lined Mocha, per pair \$1.50
Special line of wool lined Dogskin for driving 65c.
Fancy Wool Gloves, per pair 35c. and 50c.

HANDKERCHIEFS.
Twilled Silk Handkerchiefs expressly appeal to every gentleman; both useful and ornamental. We have a larger stock than ever to select from Plain and white silk at 50c, and 75c. Also in every initial same price. Fancy Centered Handkerchiefs in silk 50c, 75c, and \$1.00, in all manner of colorings. The latest hit in plain colors, navy blue, dark green, reseda grey, red, at 50c.
Silk Squares for neck scarfs in black and white brocaded silk \$1.00 to \$3.00
Black silk and satin Mufflers for evening wear, lined with white satin, \$1.25 to \$3.50

BRACES.
Colored Braces in gift boxes, silk web, silk ends, silver mountings, \$1.50, \$1.25 and \$1.00
Special silk web in braces 60c.
All these can be embroidered with monogram. Leading lines, President, Gordon, French Braces, "Guisot" 50c.
And other good makes.

From the Poorest to the Richest!

Our Stationery Department

- Books for Children
- Chatterbox for 1906, 75c; Chatterbox, Natural History, Chatterbox, Wild West, Chatterbox Picture Book, 60c.; Boys' Own and Girl's Own, Sunday at Home, at, each \$1.75
- Treasure Island, Arabian Nights, Story of the Bible, Water Babies, Little Lones, Nursery Tales, The Age of Fable, Christmas Stories, Gulliver's Travels, Pilgrims Progress, Anderson's Fairy Tales, Rip Van Winkle, Robinson Crusoe, Tales from Shakespeare, Robin Hood, Wood's Natural History, Alice's Adventures in Wonderland, and others, 35c
- Gift books in fancy binding, each 25c; gift books in fancy white and gold, each 50c.; Gift books in oose leather binding, each 50c.; gift books in limp calf, each \$1.00; Gift books in oose calf, very handsome, \$2.00; Books, at, each \$1.25. Books, per set \$1.00
- Books from 10c upwards, in plain and fancy bindings up to \$5.00
- A large assortment of Bibles, Prayer Books and Hymns, in prices from 25c. to \$4.50
- Fountain Pens, from \$1.00 to \$7.50
- Bottles of Perfume in artistically furnished boxes from 25c to \$10.00

A full list of Toilet Requisites and Fancy Perfumes will be announced shortly.

Xmas Cards and Calendars In Endless Variety!

Ladies' Belts
A choice line in Fancy Belts in Silk, Duchesse, and Kid (steal studied) in all the richest shades of the season. Sizes from 22 to 30. Prices \$1.25 to \$5.00

What is nicer than a SCARF-PIN or set of CUFF-LINKS?
We have just received some very neat haberdashery for gentlemen. We stock all the best lines in Dent's English and Perrin's Gloves, some of the best and newest kinds, such as the West End, Lincoln and Cromer, besides many others, lined and unlined, at prices from \$1.00 to \$2.50

SPECIAL
A Heavy Wool-Lined Glove for Driving 65c
Fancy Wool Gloves at 35c and 50c

Furniture
Always gives pleasure. We have the very thing you want.
What can a lady better appreciate than a handsome writing desk in old oak, golden oak or mahogany. Prices range from \$11.25
And for a gentleman, a handsome old oak chair, covered with Spanish leather, in prices up from \$12.50

Handkerchiefs and Fans
Are always acceptable as gifts. We have some dainty lines at all prices.
Scalloped Embroidered Handkerchiefs, 25c. to \$2.50 each; Pure Linen Hemstitched Embroidered, 35c. to \$2.50 each; Pure Linen Hand Embroidered Initialed Handkerchiefs, 15c. to 25c each; Plain Hemstitched Linen Handkerchiefs, price \$1.50 to \$6.00 dozen; Handkerchiefs for fancy cushion tops, 12 1/2-2c each; Ladies' Silk Hemstitched Initialed Handkerchiefs, 25c. and 35c. each. Real Lace Handkerchiefs, Maltese, \$3.50 to \$20.00
Fancy Chiffon and Lace Fans in black and white price, each \$2.50 to \$20.00
Feather Fans, price, each \$4.50 to \$6.00

Fancy Neckwear
Fancy Lace and Chiffon Collars, each 75c to \$2.50
Silk Collars in different shades, trimmed with pearl beads from 15c. to \$1.50
Oval Ancene Lace Collars, trimmed with beads and buttons, from 50c. to \$1.00
Chiffon Applique Collars in different shades from \$1.00 to \$3.00
Embroidered Linen Cuffs and Collars from, a set 35c. to \$1.50
Fancy Turnover Collars, from, each 10c. to 75c.

Gloves for Ladies
Ladies' Evening Gloves, Glace and Suede, white and pastel, \$1.75 to \$2.75
Ladies' evening Gloves (silk) cream and white, per pair \$1.50, \$1.25 and \$1.00
Ladies' evening Mitts (silk lace), black, cream and white, per pair, \$1.50 and \$1.25
Special line in Washable Mode Glace Kid Evening Gloves, per pair \$2.75

Trefouse Gloves
Ladies' Glace and Suede, 3 clasp, black, white, beaver, tan, mode, brown and grey (guaranteed) \$1.50
Ladies' Glace, 2 clasp, plique sewn, black, white, tan, beaver, mode brown, grey, navy red and green (guaranteed), per pair \$1.50
Ladies' Suede and Glace Kid Gloves, all shades \$1.00
Our Winter stock of Fleece and Fur Lined Kid Gloves is now complete \$1.00 to \$1.75
Girls' and Boys' Fleece Lined Gloves, 75c
Girls' and Boys' Woolen Gloves, 35c and 25c
Ladies' and Children's Fleece Lined Mitts \$1.00 and 75c
Ladies' and Children's Woolen Mitts 50c and 25c

The Bazaar and Fancy Goods Fair

(Third Floor) is simply a Mecca of Toys, Dolls, Games and Fancy Goods, suitable for presentation to young and old. All the latest mechanical toys that human ingenuity can contrive, every conceivable article of amusement for the little ones, and every imaginable article for older folk. An attempt to adequately describe this galaxy of desirable Christmas gifts would be almost impossible. We have made a few selections for our first announcement.

- Wooden horses, 25c to 75c; bleating sheep, 50c to \$1.50; cows' mooring, 75c to \$2.00; elephants with heads in motion, 75c; donkeys braying, \$1.00; horse and waggon 50c to 75c; poultry sets, 50c; musical rollers, 25c to 75c; musical tops, 50c; draught boards and men, 25c; pyramid blocks, 25c; ordinary boards, 25c to \$1.00; drawing slates, 10c to 75c; paint boxes, 15c to 50c; paint boxes with lock and key, 75c to \$1.75; magic lanterns, \$1.25 to \$3.00; conjuring tricks, 35c to \$1.00; the great naval game "Togo", \$2.00; drums from 25c to \$1.50; soldiers, firemen and police outfits, from 35c to 75c.
- Dolls from 5c to \$12.50
- See what a great emporium has accomplished in one of the most magnificent collections of dolls ever seen—dressed and undressed, attired simply, attired gorgeously—dressed in various costumes, in different nationalities, at really superb collection—Hundreds and hundreds to select from.
- Dolls' furniture and houses from 35c to \$2.50
- Dolls very handsome tea sets from \$3.00 to \$10.00
- A ladies' or gentlemen's Umbrella is well appreciated as a Xmas gift, we have a large assortment of ladies' Umbrellas, each with gold, silver, pearl, oxidized and ivory mounts, with a choice selection of handles at \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.50, \$3.50, \$4.50, \$5.00, up to \$25.00
- Also—A fresh arrival of Gents' Umbrellas, each with gold, silver and horn mounts at \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.50, \$3.50, \$4.50, \$5.50 up to \$17.50
- Gramophones at \$2.75 and \$2.00
- Records—Some hundreds to select from 35c

House Painting

The House Painting and Decorating Department are not to be left out in this first Christmas announcement. They are alive to the fact that home at this season should be beautiful; and in order to demonstrate to you what our new department can accomplish, an extraordinary offer is made to you, viz., for every \$50 order given to embellish the interior of your house in decorative work, painting, etc., you will be entitled to a Hand-Painted Frieze or Border by our artist. This offer remains open to and including Christmas Eve only.

Hair Ornaments

Hair Ornaments can never fail to give pleasure. We have Tortoise shell combs richly jeweled with brilliants and pearls, set \$2.50
Back combs in amber, tortoise shell, steel and gold mounted, from 50c. to \$3.00

25c and 50c Tables

Do not miss these when in the Fancy Fair on the Third Floor. Observe the extensive area of space set apart for choice goods from \$1.00 to \$10.00. Hundreds of exquisite presents in every possible variety.

Keep This Announcement for Reference!

To Suit the Taste of the Simplest or Most Fastidious

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London, Dec. 5, 1906.
Hon. R. G. Tatlow, Victoria:
Medals awarded at Royal Horticultural Association show today: 1st gold medal; individual exhibition medals. Names:
R. M. PA

The above cablegram received by Hon. R. G. Tatlow, Minister of Finance and Agriculture, tells us that the British Columbia exhibit at the Royal Horticultural Association show today, London, England, has won the gold medal over all competitors held at Edinburgh that the exhibit from this province this year won the gold medal over all competitors. Then an exhibit was made at Edinburgh that there was no competition show being for cattle; but the Columbia fruit attracted much attention there. Two more shows are held, and the fruit will be at each.

Previous Exhibits in England, the successes have been in 1903 Messrs. Stirling and Co. of Kelowna, on Okanagan lake, a trial carload of apples to Glasgow. The shipment consisted of Baldwin, Ontario and Canada. They arrived in Glasgow Scotland November 9th, in splendid condition at six shillings per box, or \$1 more per barrel than the eastern Canadian apples. The British Columbia apples much interest among fruit dealers as consumers and many persons eager to secure shipment splendid fruit. In the year 1904, the British Columbia department of agriculture forwarded a collection of British Columbia fruit to London for exhibition purposes.

Consisting of the following varieties: Fall Pippins, Kings, Vanderveer, 12-ounce Pippins, Blue Pearmain, Gravenstein, from Lytton, Ontario, Jonatan, from Victoria, Red Pippin, from Kelowna, Washington, Golden Russet, from Blenheim, Orange, Washington, from Kelowna, Washington, and Gravenstein, from Pears. Beurre Clairgeau, Beurre d'Anjou and from Kelowna and Pears from the exhibit was greatly appreciated and evoked the highest encomiums while hesitating to declare the superior to the best English specimen. The exhibit was very nearly perfect in color, shape, and size, after having traveled 6,000 miles by way and steamship. The Royal Horticultural Society's appreciation of fruit was shown by the award of a gold medal and diploma.

Proves Great Advertisement
One result of this exhibit was the luring of the agent general of Columbia, (Hon. J. H. Turner, of Victoria, British Columbia) to the fruit dealers anxious to do with British Columbia fruit grow momentary satisfy the clamor of Columbia fruit to the fact of its fact of its good qualities, the dep

SON OF LORD MAYOR JAILED IN WINNIPEG

Frederick Hoy is Charged Stealing From the Willia Piano Company

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 5.—Frederick Hoy, a son of the Lord Mayor of London, is now occupying a cell in the station pending inquiry into a charge against him of stealing from the Willia Piano company. Hoy has been in this country for some time. His friends have done for him and have located him in a room at the station, but he seems unwilling to conduct himself in a proper manner and every position for him has been lost. Yesterday was received from his father to up his indebtedness and it is likely it will be devoted towards send home to England.

CAR FOUNDRY BURNE

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 5.—Fire destroyed part of the plant of the Eriean Car Foundry company at Buffalo and at one time threatened the suburb. One building 500 by 100 feet, the main building of the car shops, was burned to the ground. The loss is estimated at \$75,000.

BANK TELLER MISSING

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 5.—C. Anderson, collection teller of the First National bank of this city, is missing. President E. F. Swinney told today that Anderson was \$900 in his accounts. The bank has sworn out a warrant for his arrest.

REORGANIZE TIMES.

London, Dec. 5.—The Chances today granted an order allowing reorganization of the London Times stock company. The company's notable departure in the methods of the representative journal. The court, in granting the order, also directed that a general accounting be made of the assets. The order was granted by mutual consent of the proprietors agreeing to the reorganization.