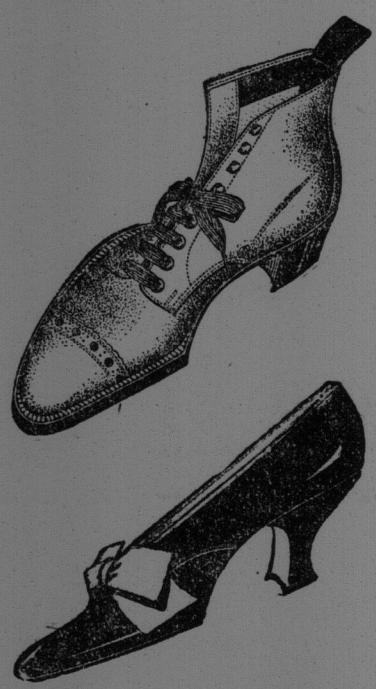


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What would make a more appropriate or useful Christmas present than some article of footwear? It is something that can always be used to advantage. Men always need slippers, dress boots or street boots, and where is the woman who would not appreciate a pair of pretty slippers or dressy boots. From our immense stock you can select something that will make happy every member of the family from the infant in the arms to the old grandparents.



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Emery Bros., 82 Germain St.

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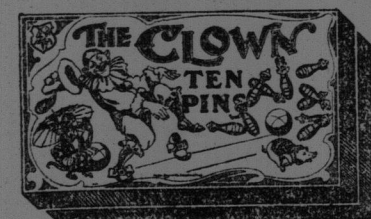
Our Toy Department is proving attractive to hundreds daily. Do not fail to visit it at once.



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Dressed and Undressed, Bisque and Kid
Dolls that flirt, Character Dolls. . . .
Prices 30c. to \$8.00

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Perambulator and ordinary style. . . .
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In attractive boxes, including Post Office, Town, Conductors, Fish Pond, Sharp Shooters, Magic Dots, Turn-Over, At the Front, Siege.
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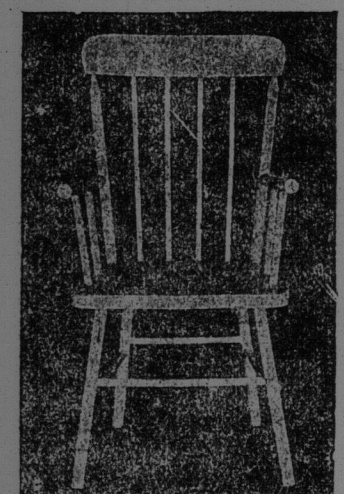
CHILDREN'S FURNITURE

Chairs as shown, 45 and 70c.
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Every Boy Should Have One of These.
Prices:—
25c., 40c., 50c.
75c., \$2.50.

W.H. Thorne & Co. Ltd
Market Square and King St.

TIME TO END THE WAR HAS COME

Loss of Life in Tripoli Struggle Has Been Great

MILLIONS OF DOLLARS

Estimate Shows That 75,000 People Have Been Killed or Incapacitated and That War Has Already Cost \$375,000,000

Malta, Dec. 12.—A curious calculation has been made here. It is thought to be roughly correct and may be found instructive and interesting. Italy, it is believed, have sent considerably more than 80,000 soldiers to Tripoli. There are 4,000 in Tripoli town and 2,000 in the trenches around, about 20,000 at Benghazi, about 21,000 at Derna, Homs and Tobruk, or about 65,000 altogether in various places. The difference between 80,000 and 65,000 represents the wastage of war in the Italian desert, wounded and sick, but according to the Italian official, semi-official, and unofficial statements, three times as many Moslems have been killed and incapacitated as Italians say, therefore, 45,000.

The conflict in Tripoli has consequently already brought death or ruin to 60,000 combatants, and perhaps a quarter as many non-combatants have died or are crippled by sickness, exile and loss of means of living. The grand total of sufferers up to date may be thought to amount to 25,000.

The cost of the expedition for the Italian fleet and army at 200 miles from its base is reckoned to be nearly \$100,000,000. The expenses of the war for the Moslems must approximate the expenses of the Italians. Damage to buildings and land must represent to Tripoli the loss of a good many millions, and the cost of the war, added together, for the two contending parties are reckoned at \$375,000,000, and the situation of the opposing armies is a stalemate. The Italians are brave; they can be generous. Turkey fights leniently for what has long been unquestionably hers, and it is considered here that the time for an honorable compromise has surely arrived.

ARE GIRLS SOLD IN BONDAGE IN MONTREAL CITY?

Court to Deal With Case of Guadeloupe Servant and Others May Follow

Montreal, Dec. 11.—Does slavery exist in Montreal?

The arrest of one of the colored girls from Guadeloupe on a charge of desertion from her employment, where she was under contract, will bring up the question, and the trial next Thursday will give the answer.

Some of the girls say that they are practically slaves, and if the case on Thursday goes in favor of the girl, a number of other actions looking to the freeing of other girls from their contracts will be entered.

In April last there arrived in Montreal the first consignment of Guadeloupe girls; a second one followed a few weeks later, and a third one was advertised, but it never came, owing to the intervention of H. Reynaud, the French consul in Montreal. That they are illegally dealt with is the contention of the girls, and out of the many things they declare are the following:

When they landed from Guadeloupe in New York, before being taken to the train to Montreal, they were given a contract to sign, by which they were bound to work as domestic servants for 24 months, for a salary of \$80 a month, which was reduced monthly. But it was found in the case which has now come to court that this was not correct—that the \$80 must be paid out of the five dollars a month wages.

A girl who wanted to leave her employment a couple of weeks ago, said her belongings were confiscated by the employer until she paid a sum of \$74 which was still unpaid after six months of work at five dollars a month.

The girl sought legal advice. She was immediately given possession of her belongings, but was arrested for desertion, and appeared before the recorder last week. Gustave Dutaud, of Bosset & Dutaud, appeared for her, and she pleaded not guilty. Leonore Lessenault, K. C., president of L'Alliance Francaise, furnished bond, and the case was postponed to the following Thursday.

Some of these girls also say that they have been transferred from one employer to another without their being consulted. The process was simply that the new employer paid the old employer the girl's indenture and the contract and girl were transferred.

The case is a lot one, and if the decision is against the employer, others of the girls who are not satisfied with the contracts will appeal to the courts to have them cancelled.

QUAINTLY PUT.

A letter from a sailor to his sweetheart closes:—"May Heaven cheer and keep you from your truly think of me, I hope." Jenkins wrote to thank his aunt for a large goose sent him for his Christmas dinner. "You could give me a more acceptable present, or one that could have reminded me of you more pleasantly." A young lady's letter to her lover reads as follows:—"Last night I lay in a gondola on the Grand Canal drinking it all in, and life never seemed so full before." A bride's letter of thanks stated:—"Your beautiful letter was received and is now in the drawing-room on the mantelpiece, where we hope to see you often."

What Looks Better Than a Piece of Snow White Linen for a Xmas Gift

Here are assembled a selection of the most useful, and well selected line of Linens, being shown in Saint John. How easy to send a piece of Linen to a friend, just mail it, no handling with care tags needed. Our spring stock of New Cloths and Napkins has just been opened, comprising all the newest and most popular patterns. These are in time for making the Christmas table appear in harmony with every thing on it. And what acceptable Gifts they make?

Things that Please a Man

Ties, Mufflers, Handkerchiefs, Gloves, Cigar Cases, Tobacco Pouches, Cuff and Collar Boxes, Suit Cases, Pitted Cases, Sweaters, Umbrellas, Shaving Sets, Shaving Pads, Razor Straps, Hosiery, Cane, Shirts, Jewelry, Smoking Jackets, Bath Robes, Handkerchiefs, Overcoats, Recliner or Fur Lined Coat.

These are only a few of the many suggestions to be found at M. R. A. stores, a walk through the Men's Furnishing and Clothing Departments will present other attractive Gifts.

Are You Giving Furniture

See our Suite of Furnished Rooms, they will convince how a piece of New Furniture will brighten a home.

The M. R. A. Christmas showing of New Furniture is the best ever shown in Saint John.

Furniture Gifts for the little ones, the kind where strength and quality blend together making a lasting and useful remembrance of Santa's annual visit.

FURNITURE DEPT.—MARKET SQ.

Fancy Towellings, in Guest and wide widths, many patterns to choose from. Most patterns suitable for monograms.

Fancy Towels, in Guest and larger sizes. Here are the best selection of these goods we have ever offered and the stock is more complete at present than ever before, at this season. Beautiful designs with places for monogram in many cases.

The array of **Japanese Hand Drawn Linens** is so complete that YOU can secure many lines of all sizes in the same pattern.

Irish Hand Embroidered Linens, in D'Oyleys, Tray Cloths, Runners in all the correct lengths. Five o'clock Covers, etc., etc.

Hand Embroidered Pillow Cases, a new lot just arrived in time for Christmas.

Embroidered Bedspreads, single and double bed size, **Satin or Marseilles Spreads**, in all sizes, from cot size to extra large sizes.

Fringe Spreads with cut corners.

Many other practical Gifts are shown in **OUR LINEN DEPARTMENT—FIRST FLOOR**

Articles For Women

Furs, Umbrellas, Waists, Toilet Sets, Manicure Sets, Cut Glass, Brass and Bronze Ornaments, Table Ware, Pieces of Furniture, Gloves, Handkerchiefs, Belts, Hand Bags, Fancy Linens and Table Linen Bath Robes, Kimonos, Hosiery, and a host of other articles that YOU will find in going through the different departments, now displayed with such artistic taste, that seeing means to purchase.

Something Bought From Our Carpet Dept. Will Please

A New Carpet, a Square, a Rug, a Mat, a Real Oriental Rug, and some of these we are showing at very special prices, a genuine quality, a genuine bargain. A Carpet Sweeper will make a useful Christmas Gift, we are showing a complete range of these goods, at prices that mean quick sales.

CARPET DEPT.—GERMAIN STREET

Make YOUR shopping easy, have your want list complete and buy during the early hours of the day. This will insure YOU good store service, which you will appreciate, and you will greatly help us in our earnest endeavors to aid all customers in their Christmas Gift tour throughout our stores.

Perfumes

The Christmas stock of Perfumes and Toilet Soaps represent the best lines manufactured.

Perfumes in the most delicate odors. Crab Apple Blossom, Lily of the Valley, Valley Violet, White Rose, Sweet Pea, Vaseline's Turkish Rose, Vaseline's Sandal Wood, Vaseline's Orange Blossom, Also A. Bourjois & Co. makes. Cashmere Bouquet Toilet Soaps in different odors.

See Our Window Displays See the Interior Displays Read the Advertisements

The Children's Wonderland

Or Doll Section is causing much favorable comment from Grownups and outbursts of joy from the young folk—Visit this Room

Our DOLL display this year far outclasses our efforts of other years to please the children. Among those shown are: The Walking Doll, Sleeping Dolls, Laughing Dolls, Character Dolls, Kid Dolls, Celluloid Dolls, Red Riding Hood Dolls, Sailor Dolls, Dolls true to life representing the peoples of different nations. Our stock is so varied that space will not allow for further descriptions. And the PRICES of these Dolls are within the reach of every one.

Note Paper

PAPERIES—DE LUXE as the name implies the best there is. We have note paper in boxes, cabinets, and done up in every conceivable way, that is most attractive. Here is opportunity to give a Gift that will be appreciated by the receiver as long as the goods last, and when done the beautiful boxes will be found useful for many purposes.

U can buy now, have goods stored free of extra charges Delivered when ordered

MANCHESTER ROBERTSON ALLISON, LTD.

DR. SHEARER'S OBSERVATIONS ON A VISIT TO NEW YORK

(Toronto News.)

Rev. Dr. Shearer, of the Social and Moral Reform League of Canada, has just returned from an interesting visit to New York, where he spent some ten days at Spring Street Neighborhood House, the centre of the great work now being carried on by the eminent Presbyterian divine, Rev. Dr. Rowell Bates.

"There, at Spring Street House," said Dr. Shearer, "they are carrying out a great work of fallen humanity. That house was once a tenement building, with twenty-five rooms, then occupied by 39 families—today it is a great institution with a nursery, a domestic science kitchen, sewing circle, a gymnasium, recreation club and dispensary work—a rendezvous of criminals transformed into a healthy church institution, where entire laborers are permitted with New Testament evangelism, and where large numbers of formerly the most hopeless slaves of vice are now formed into a self-supporting congregation as respectable as any to be found anywhere."

"There," he said, "until recently it was impossible to get from the lower end of Manhattan to the upper, and all the lower end was dotted with skyscrapers and huge tenement buildings. Nowhere in the world is population so dense. One single block is reported to hold 780 human beings—dwellers. Manifestly, it is thus impossible to get fresh air and sunshine."

"Now, one of the factors necessary to prevent such a state of affairs in our own city is cheap and rapid transit from the centre to the suburbs, where inexpensive co-operative homes will be accessible to practically all. I come back from my trip to New York an even more enthusiastic advocate of the tube systems proposed. Even if they could not be made to pay for some time to come, the city should construct them in the wide interests of humanity. In view of our perspective of the conditions prevailing in New York, our delay in this matter will be criminal."

"Before I left I appreciated the progressive leadership of Dr. Hastings. I return doubly enthusiastic in my admiration of the work accomplished by our health department, and it is my intention to aggressively support him in the various measures he is taking to protect the health and therefore the moral morality of the present and future generation of Toronto."

RETRIBUTION

He was a suburban amateur gardener, whose mission in life was to bore all his friends by asking them down for weekends and showing them round his three-acre-by-two-acre estate. Just now he was boring Jackson from the office.

He showed him his four rose trees; he showed him his pocket shrubbery; he showed him his half-inch fountain-jet with its little basin and pair of goldfish; he showed him his summerhouse, which would almost hold two persons at one and the same time.

"Never know what you can do with a bit of ground until you try?" raved the host, rubbing his hands gleefully.

"Quite so—quite so," returned Jackson absently. "But I think you might improve it." "How?" questioned the owner, between gratification and wounded pride.

"Well," replied Jackson, "why don't you take a strip off the flower bed—say, four inches wide—turf it over, and convert it into a blooming gully?"

Labor men of Montreal last night walked upon the common council and asked for a free country market, that is that no tolls be exacted on produce brought to the city and that farmers be allowed to sell their produce without regulations or restrictions.



PRETTY AND PRACTICAL PRESENTS

All sorts of new things to add to your lists

Some of the Prettiest CHIFFON WAISTS FOR CHRISTMAS

French Tinted

Really you would think the tinting was done by hand, so delicate are the colorings. They are the newest designs with Peasant sleeves. Just one of the daintiest presents. All sizes and each one in pretty box. \$3.75 each

USEFUL GIFT THINGS IN BRASS

Fern Dishes, 58c. each
Hot Water Kettles, \$1.4
Ash Trays, 38c. each
Brass Smoking Sets, \$1.63 set
Ring Boxes, 25c.
Jewel Boxes, 25c.
Japanese Jewel Boxes, \$2.95
Nickel Shaving Sets, \$1.42
Glass Jewel Boxes, 25c. to 30c.
Japanese Parlor Clocks, \$2.25

TAGS AND RIBBONS FOR XMAS PARCELS

Christmas Tags and Stickers, per package 4c. and 6c.
Christmas Stickers, large, per package 10c.
Christmas Cards, large, per package 15c.
Narrow Ribbons, 6 yards for 8c.
Holly Ribbons, 5 yards for 15c.

How Does the Gift Give?

DAINTY WHITE WAISTS presents Shine You?

Some of the prettiest white garments have been selected for Xmas each one in pretty box and certainly they look most attractive.

Dainty Slip-Over Gowns, (in box), \$1.00 to \$3.95
Corset Covers, lace or embroidery, 50c. to \$1.92
Fine Undergarments, \$1.50 to \$8.00
Princess Slips or Combinations, \$1.50 to \$5.00

A GIFT OF FANCY LINEN OR TABLE LINEN

Will Please the Housewife

White Centres, embroidered, in box 35c.
H. S. Mexican Centres, in box 55c.
Embroidered Tray Cloths, in box, 28c. to 50c.
Fancy Imitation Bebe Irish Edge D'Oyleys, 25c. to 50c.
Hand Embroidered D'Oyleys and Centres, 28c. to \$1.3
Hand Embroidered Table Covers and Runners, natural linen, embroidered in Oriental colors, 65c. to \$1.2
Embroidered Table Cloths, full bleach D'Oyleys, \$1.45 up
Velvet Belts 60c.
H. S. Table Cloths, \$3.00 to \$3.45 each
Scalloped Edge Cloths, round or square, \$1.35
Napkins, \$1.20 to \$1.20 dozen
Fancy Embroidered Towels, 75c. to \$1.15 each
Guest Towels, Damask borders, 50c. to 60c. pair

LADIES' GLOVES

These are Gloves and Gloves. Every store is advertising Gloves just now, but these we wish to tell you about, are superior to anything in our experience. Every pair is guaranteed.

Our English Cape Gloves are so soft as French Kid and stylish in make and cut, outside seams, in boxes. \$1.00, \$1.25 pair

OUR FRENCH KID GLOVES

The loveliest lot of Fine French Kid Gloves we have ever had. All from the softest fine selected skins, and come in latest fall shades. \$1.25, \$1.50 pair

MORE CHRISTMAS NECKWEAR

Arrived Today

Attractive and decidedly new Jabots, Frills, Dainty Rows, Bebe Irish Crochet Collars. All sorts of smart designs are here now.

A PRETTY WHITE APRON ALWAYS ACCEPTABLE

Dainty Little Tea Aprons, in great variety. Useful Skirt Aprons, plain or trimmed. Tea Aprons, in newest round or pointed shapes, trimmed lace ruffles, 45c. to 75c. each
Hand Embroidered Tea Aprons, in Christmas box, 60c. to 95c. each
Skirt Aprons, trimmed tucking, 30c. to 45c. each
Skirt Aprons, trimmed embroidery ruffles, 60c. each

F. W. DANIEL & CO. LTD.
LONDON HOUSE. Cor. King and Charlotte Sts.

WOULD MAKE HIM CARE

Juggins—"Who was it that said that it would make the song of the people be his?" "Don't know. But if he's the chap who's making the song of the people nowadays I'd just like to have the making of the laws a little while! That's all!"

WAIT A MINUTE

The man in bed had never been sick before. The doctor, wishing to ascertain his temperature, pointed the thermometer at him, and commanded "Open your mouth, James." "Wait a minute, doctor," objected the patient, "I don't believe I can swallow that."

CLEVER AMATEUR

Brown tried to quarrel with his mother-in-law the other night. He had married the eldest of seven girls. She said—"Brown my lad, I'm no game to ruin my reputation by quarrelling with my mother-in-law. I'm no game to ruin my reputation by quarrelling with my mother-in-law. I'm no game to ruin my reputation by quarrelling with my mother-in-law."