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SILK AND EMBROIDERED HANDKERCHIEFS FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

Initial Handkerchiefs, in silk and linen, ladies' and gentlemen's, hemstitched edges. Price ..... **25¢**

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Special Sale of New Dinner Sets in Basement This Week.

CHILDREN'S BEARSKIN COATS, ALL AT REDUCED PRICES.

Children's Bearskin Coats, made of fine skin, all flannel lined, full box, double-breasted cape, collar. Every coat at reduced prices this week to clear out.

LADIES' DRESDEN BELTS, 75c EACH.

Ladies' Dresden Belts, in blue, green, brown and mauve shades; trimmed with gold braid and large gilt buckles; sizes 23 to 27. Special Christmas Week price **75¢**

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25c Specials—Hair Receivers, Pipe Racks, Pin Cushions, Shaving Pads, Whiskholders, Ink Wells, Matchholders and Fancy Baskets.

Fancy Swiss Embroidered Runners, Table Covers and Shams. Price, each ..... **35¢** to **$1**

Military Brushes and Cases, Ebony Mirrors, Smoking Sets, Collars and Cuff Boxes, Hat and Cloth Brushes, Glove and Handkerchief Boxes, Work Boxes, etc.

Also Brass Candlesticks, Brass Mirrors, Photo Frames, Ink Wells; largest assortment in London.

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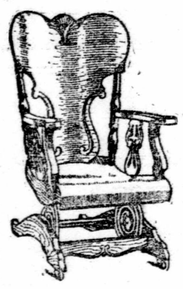

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Within the memory of man all the nuncios accredited to Catholic courts have been obliged to sacrifice their beards and mustaches. Those accredited to infidel countries, on the other hand, can allow their facial hair to develop at leisure. This is why M. Tucci, the new nuncio at Brussels, who was magnificently bearded at Constantinople, will be smooth-faced at Brussels.

HANDS HOT ONE TO MR. PULITZER

Roosevelt Makes Warm Attack on World Proprietor.

SAYS THE U. S. WILL SUE HIM

For "Lying" and "Infamous" Assertions in Connection With Panama Canal Sale.

Washington, Dec. 15.—President Roosevelt today sent to the Senate a statement concerning the purchase of the Panama Canal property by the United States, denouncing in strong language charges that there was anything wrong in the acquisition by the United States of the canal property.

"These stories," he continues, "were first brought to my attention as published in a paper in Indianapolis, called The News, edited by Mr. Delevan Smith. The stories were scurrilous and libelous in character, and false in every essential particular. Mr. Smith shelters himself behind the excuse that he merely accepted the statements which had appeared in a paper published in New York, The World, owned by Mr. Joseph Pulitzer. It is idle to say that the known character of Mr. Pulitzer and his newspaper are such that the statements in that paper will be believed by nobody; unfortunately, thousands of persons are ill-informed in this respect, and believe the statements they see in print, even though they appear in a newspaper published by Mr. Pulitzer."

A Wicked Slander.

Summarizing charges made in this connection, the President says: "These statements sometimes appeared in the editorials, sometimes in the news columns, sometimes in the shape of contributions from individuals, either unknown or known to be of bad character. They are false in every particular from beginning to end. The wickedness of the slanders is only surpassed by their fatuity. So utterly baseless are the stories, that apparently they represent in part merely material collected for foreign purposes, and in part stories originally concocted with a view of possible blackmail. The inventor of the story about Mr. Charles P. Taft, for instance, evidently supposed that at some period of the Panama purchase, Mr. W. H. Taft was secretary of war, whereas in reality, Mr. W. H. Taft never became secretary of war until long after the whole transaction in question had been closed.

"The inventor of the story about Mr. Douglas Robinson had not taken the trouble to find out the fact that Mr. Robinson had not had the slightest connection, directly or indirectly, of any kind or sort with any phase of the Panama transaction from beginning to end.

The men who had attacked Mr. Root in the matter had not taken the trouble to read the public documents which would have informed them that Mr. Root had nothing to do with the purchase, which was entirely arranged through the department of justice under the then Attorney-General, Mr. Knox.

"Infamous Libels."

"Now, these stories as a matter of fact, need no investigation whatever. No shadow of proof has, or can be, produced in behalf of any of them. They consist simply of a string of infamous libels. In form, they are in part libels upon individuals, upon Mr. Taft and Mr. Robinson, for instance.

"But they are, in fact, wholly, and in form, partly, a libel upon the United States Government. I do not believe we should concern ourselves with the particular individuals who wrote the lying and libelous editorials, articles from correspondents, or articles in the news columns. The real offender is Mr. Joseph Pulitzer, editor and proprietor of the World. While the criminal offence of which Mr. Pulitzer has been guilty is in form a libel upon individuals, the great injury done is in blackening the good name of the American people. It should not be left to a private citizen to sue Mr. Pulitzer for libel. He should be prosecuted for libel by the governmental authorities. In point of encouragement of iniquity, in point of infamy, of wrong doing, there is nothing to choose between a public servant who betrays his trust, a public servant who is guilty of blackmail, or theft, or financial dishonesty of any kind, and a man guilty as Mr. Joseph Pulitzer has been guilty in this instance. It is, therefore, a high national duty to bring to justice this villifier of the American people, this man who wantonly and wickedly and without one shadow of justification, seeks to blacken the character of his own country in the eyes of the civilized world of wrong doing of the basest and foulest kind, when he has not one shadow of justification of any sort or description for the charge he has made. The Attorney-General has under consideration the form in which the proceedings against Mr. Pulitzer shall be brought."

The World Replies.

The World in the course of its answer to President Roosevelt's reference to that paper in his special message to Congress today will say in its editorial tomorrow:

"Mr. Roosevelt is mistaken. He cannot muzzle the World.

"While no amount of 'billingsgate' on his part can alter our determination to treat him with judicial impartiality and scrupulous fairness, we repeat what we have already said, that the Congress of the United States should make a thorough investigation of the whole Panama transaction that the full truth may be known to the American people.

"The World appreciates the importance and significance of Mr. Roosevelt's statement when he declares to Congress that the proprietor of the World should be prosecuted for libel by the governmental authorities and that the attorney-general has under consideration the form under which the proceedings against Mr. Pulitzer shall be brought.

"This is the first time a President ever asserted the doctrine of lese majesty, or proposed, in the absence of specific legislation, the criminal prosecution by the Government of citizens who criticized the conduct of the Government or the conduct of individuals who may have had business dealings with the Government.

"Neither the King of Great Britain nor the German Emperor would venture to arrogate such power to himself. John Adams' attempt to force the Aedition law destroyed the feederalist party in America. Yet Mr. Roosevelt, in the absence of law, officially proposes to use all the power of the greatest Government on earth to cripple the freedom of the press on the pretext that the Government has been libeled—and he is the Government."

NEWS FROM WESTERN ONTARIO

The St. Andrew's Young Men's Club of Strathroy held a mock trial last night.

Wm. R. Hammond, of Guelph, died yesterday in a Battle Creek sanatorium.

Miss Tillotson, of Honolulu, gave a lecture in St. Thomas last night on Hawaii.

Mrs. Letitia Curry, of Attwood, one of the oldest residents of the district, is dead, aged 73 years.

Rev. E. C. Currie, of Burns' Church, Sarnia, has been called to the Dunnville Presbyterian Church.

Miss Miller, of St. Thomas, has been appointed superintendent of the Amasa Wood Hospital of that city.

George Hunt, convicted of vagrancy at St. Thomas, was deported yesterday to the United States. Elias Bolger, convicted on the same charge, will be sent back to England.

The annual banquet of the Granite Curling Club, St. Thomas, was held last evening. A number of representatives from other cities were present at the festivities.

Donald McKenzie, of the Lake Shore road, near Clinton, was instantly killed yesterday while felling a tree. It bounded back, striking him in the head.

Orville Warren, a young Dereham man, had his leg so badly crushed in a stone-crusher yesterday that it had to be amputated. He was working on top of the crusher and slipped in.

Gordon Budd, of Folden's Corners, was seriously injured while shooting rabbits yesterday afternoon. A gun in the hands of one of his companions was discharged, the charge entering Budd's leg and back. He may recover.

The coroner's jury at Sarnia empanelled to inquire into the death of Mr. and Mrs. Paul, the aged couple, suffocated by gas the other day, recommended that all gas mains be inspected regularly.

The coroner's jury at Essex last night, brought in a verdict that Sol Neville met his death on the W. E. and L. S. tracks in a manner unknown to them. The company were exonerated from all blame.

CHIEF MALONE NOT KNOWN TO DETECTIVES

His Record a Blank to Scotland Yard, Says a Dispatch.

London, Dec. 16.—Nothing is known at Scotland Yard regarding A. W. Malone, the chief of police at Simcoe, charged with shooting Constable Wilkins.

The Canadian Associated Press learns that a party of 200 Germans has been organized into a community for the purpose of purchasing land in Queensland and forming a permanent German agrarian settlement. The German Government brought pressure to induce the party to emigrate to the German colony in Africa, but they declined.

SEGREGATE THE DANGEROUS ONES

Homicidal Maniacs Should Be Kept by Themselevs.

Kingston, Dec. 16.—The coroner's inquest sitting to inquire into the death of Samuel Stevenson, the asylum keeper struck on the head with a hammer in the hands of Albert Benn, a patient, recommended that the Government should provide a suitable place for the care of patients with marked homicidal tendencies, and that in the meantime they should not be allowed to mingle with other classes of patients as is now permitted.

SUGAR CO. TO WIND UP

The Ontario Sugar Company of Berlin To Be Liquidated.

Toronto, Dec. 16.—As a result of five petitions to wind up the Ontario Sugar Company, of Berlin, Chief Justice Falconbridge yesterday granted an order appointing J. H. Cockburn interim liquidator.

Caspar Brown, a shareholder, stated on affidavit, that the company had lost $14,900 in the last six years.

The company was incorporated in September, 1901, with a capital stock of $1,000,000, of which $414,900 is paid up. There are one hundred shareholders, with five or more shares of stock.

Among the claims against the company are those of James Fowler for $1,250 for salary and money advanced to meet wages; Hohman, Mauer Manufacturing Company, $305 05; Merchants' Rubber Company, $117 41; J. E. Shantz & Co., $360 16; Casper Braun, $1,074 46.

James Kaufman, of Berlin, a director and shareholder, says the company is bonded to the extent of $200,000, and these he claims are worth 66 cents on the dollar. Many farmers who supplied beets in 1907 he says have not yet received their money.

He further claims there has been no meeting of the directors of the company since last April, and that the affairs of the concern have been managed exclusively by James Fowler, managing director, and C. K. Hayedon.

WEATHER PROBS: Fair

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Wednesday, DEC. 16.

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TEAROOM OPEN TODAY ON FOURTH FLOOR—TAKE ELEVATOR.

That these are more than "SPECIAL" you will see and know by the descriptions and the trimmings at the prices they are marked. Little need be said of them, apart from the describing of the materials and trimmings, and telling you the prices, but we will say, if you have a thought of a Fur-Lined Coat, SEE THESE. There are but 14 in the lot.

For $27.50---Extra

Six only, Ladies' Fur-Lined Broadcloth Coats, in fawn, myrtle and brown, with grey and white squirrel lining and marmot collar and reevers, and, only, each **$27.50**

For $50.00---Extra

Eight only, Ladies' Fur-Lined Broadcloth Coats; black, myrtle and fawn, with muskrat, hamster and grey and white squirrel linings and Persian lamb, sable and natural lynx collar and reevers, and the price only **$50**

Other Fur-Lined Coats at, each ..... **$18.50, $39.50, $45** up to **$98**

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A Useful Christmas Gift
A Bissell Carpet Sweeper

Would be welcomed into the home. These make practicable and useful gifts, and are almost a necessity in the home—useful the year round, and used almost every day. A child can use them, making sweeping a pleasure instead of a laborious task. **NO TROUBLE, NO DUST;** will sweep under the bed or anywhere. Let us show you these labor-savers.

We have them now with all the latest improvements, in assorted woods, at, each **$2.75**

Also higher grades at, each . **$3.25, $3.50** and **$3.75**

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SEE THESE ON SECOND FLOOR.

Embroidered Cotton Bed Spreads, $3.50 and $4.50

Large size, 90x100 inches, with handsome embroidered centres, bordered and drawn work, hemmed all around. At, each..... **$3.50**

Hemstitched for, each **$4.50**

Bolster Covers, to match, at, each ..... **$2.75** and **$3.50**

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Acceptable Gifts Are White Marseilles Quilts

New makes, new weaves and new designs. Splendid selection here, and every piece mentioned below extra values. They are light in weight, which means easily washed.

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New patent weave, all new designs, in light weight, for easy washing; heavier, regular weights, as well as many different designs, 74x94. At **$2**

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New panel designs, fine satin finish, medium weight, Each ..... **$3.50** and **$4**

At $4.50 and $5.50

Mercerized Quilts, silky in finish, no dressing, and will retain finish after being washed. Handsome designs and easy to wash. Prices, Each .. **$4.50** and **$5.50**

Other styles, in Marseilles Quilts, each **$2.25**

$3.75, $4.50 and **$5**

KINDERGARTEN QUILTS FOR CRIBS AND CRADLES, $1.50, $1.75

These are amusing to the children, illustrating MOTHER GOOSE RHYMES, in pink and blue, with alphabet at top and numerals at bottom.

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Are you going to place a Sewing Machine in your home—maybe you are thinking of one for a Christmas box? If so, **We Want You To Come in. We Want To Show You** why it should be a Standard. That there is none better, we are thoroughly convinced, and we doubt if for domestic use or home sewing it has an equal. Since we have become **DIRECT FACTORY AGENTS** for the Standard Company we have heard from many ladies in this city **Who Are Using the Standard,** and **They Cannot Praise It Too Highly.** They are sold by us on a 10-year **Guarantee.** We only ask for a trial.

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How can you sell a machine like that for $16.50? we are asked. Because we are direct factory agents and buy and sell for cash, saving all discounts and intermediate profits.

The "Favorite" has a complete set of modern attachments; it makes a lock stitch; needle self-setting; shuttle self-threading; a large bobbin; automatic bobbin winder; flat tension; needle bar take-up; the simplest possible construction consistent with good work; a wonderfully attractive machine of the modern type; swell front; furnished with three drawers **$16.50**

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NOTED AUTHOR DEAD

"Ike Marvel," Who Wrote Reveries of a Bachelor," Is Dead.

New Haven, Dec. 16.—Donald Grant Mitchell, 84 years old, the well-known author who wrote under the nom-de-plume "Ike Marvel," died at his home, "Marvelwood," in Edgewood, a suburb of this city, last night. His illness dates to August last, when he suffered an attack of acute indigestion. At the bedside were seven of his children, including his daughter, Mrs. Walter Hart, of Rye, N. Y.

The dead author was born at Norwich, Conn., in April, 1822. He graduted at Yale in 1841, studied law in New York, was consul at Venice from 1853 to 1855, and had since lived on his estate, Edgewood, near New Haven, Conn. His best-known works are: "Reveries of a Bachelor" (1850), "My Farm at Edgewood" (1864), "Rural Studies" (1867), "Wet Days at Edgewood," "Dr. Johns," "Bound Together," "Out of Town Places," and "English Lands" (1889-90).

MISSED THE MONEY.

Toronto, Dec. 15.—With both eyes badly swollen, a cut on the back of his head, and severe bruises about the lower ribs, William Brown, a farmer from Fairbanks, is at St. Michael's Hospital today, the victim, he says, of two men and a sandbag during the night. The men, according to his story, got no money, although he had about $17 in loose bills and change in an outside pocket, which was not disturbed, and $65 in bills in a waistcoat pocket.

ROBBERS' BIG HAUL.

McAlester, Okla., Dec. 15.—Robbers dynamited the safe of the First National Bank of Eufaula, Okla., twenty miles north of here, early today and escaped with a sum said to be $15,000.

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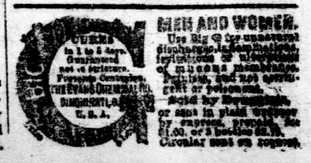

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