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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¢ Also a line of Silkene Initial Handkerchiefs, for gentlemen. Special at, each ...... 15¢ Plain Linen Handkerchiefs, for men. Extra value 

Ladies' Handkerchiefs in handsome boxes, with pretty litho covers. Just the thing for Christmas presents. Prices, a box ..... 40¢, 50¢, 75¢, and \$1 LADIES' FANCY GIBSON COLLARS. PRICE 25c EACH.

Ladies' Fancy Silk and Net Collars; some with fine deep frilling; others lace trimmed. All new and up-to-date, Especially suited for gifts. Special price this week. 

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 ccat 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¢ FANCY GOODS DEPARTMENT NOVELTIES FOR CHRISTMAS.

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

Fancy Swiss Embroidered Runners, Table Covers 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. Don't fail to see the display at our fancy goods de-

Dinner Set Sale This Week in Basement. Best Selection in the City.

THE STORE THAT

SAVES YOU MONEY

Strong, serviceable, well-made goods-not trash.

and Brackets, English Velours, in 5 colors; Moss-Filled

Cushions. Price ...... \$2.75 and \$3

**JOHN FERGUSON & SONS** 

174 TO 180 KING STREET

Come in and look around. We want to see you at

Solid Oak and Birch, Mahogany finish; Brass Rod

You had better see these when making up your lists.

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J. M. THORISON

See Our Line of

Morris Chairs

and Rockers

For the Children

Smokers'

Outfit

\$1.00

Best Rubber Tobacco Pouch...... 0 50

1-lb. Clubb's \$ Mixture ...... 0 25

OUR REPUTATION YOUR

Toronto

on World Proprietor.

SAYS THE U.S. WILL SUE HIM

For "Lying" and "Infamous" Asser tions in Connection With Panama

Washington, Dec. 15.—President NEWS FROM 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 night. 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 news- Sarnia, has been called to the Dunnpaper are such that the statements in ville Presbyterian Church. that raper will be believed by nobody; unfortunately, thousands of persons are ill-informed in this respect, and Amasa Wood Hospital of that city. believe the statements they see in print, even though they appear in 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 last evening. A number of representof contributions from individuals, at the festivities. either unknown or known to be of bad character. They are false in every particular from beginning to end. The surpassed by their fatuity. So utter- head. ly 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 ome 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 ong after the whole transaction in juestion had been closed.

rouble 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 begin-

ning to end. The men who had attacked Mr. Roof in the matter had not taken the to them. The company were exonerattrouble to read the public documents which would have informed them that Mr. Root had nothing to do with the purchase, which was entirely ar ranged 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 charged with shooting Constable Wilinfamous libels. In form, they are in kins. part libels upon individuals, upon Mr. Taft and Mr. Robinson, for instance.

wrote the lying and libelous editorials, ticles 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 ibel upon individuals, the great injury done is in blackening the good name of the American people. It Homicidal Maniacs Should Be Kept 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 Pulitzer has been guilty in this inman who wantonly and wickedly and of patients as is now permitted. without one shadow of justification, seeks to blacken the character of his wn 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

the proceedings against Mr. Pulitzer shall be brought." The World Replies.

under consideration the form in which

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 determina- of \$1,000,000; of which \$414,900 is paid tion to treat him with judicial impar- up. There are one hundred sharetiality and scrupulous fairness, we repeat what we have already said, that stock. the Congress of the United States | Among the claims against the com-

"The World appreciates the importance and significance of Mr. Roosecelt's statement when he declares to Braun, \$1,074 46. Congress that the proprietor of the

sence 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 Roosevelt Makes Warm Attack nor the German Emperor would venture to arrogate such power to himself. John Adams' attempt to force the Aedition law destroyed the feueralist 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 Govern-

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

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

Miss Tillotson, of Honolulu, gave a 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,

Miss Miller, of St. Thomas, has been appointed superintendent of the George Hunt, convicted of vagrancy at St. Thomas, was deported yesterday to the United States. Elias Bolger,

sent back to England. The annual banquet of the Granite Curling Club, St. Thomas, was held news columns, sometimes in the shape atives from other cities were present

convicted on the same charge, will be

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

> 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 re-

The coroner's jury at Sarnia empanelled to inquire into the death of Mr. 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 ed 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,

Canadian Associated Press learns that a party of 200 Germans "But they are, in fact, wholly, and has been organized into a community in form, partly, a libel upon the for the purpose of purchasing land in United States Government. I do not Queensland and forming a permanent believe we should concern ourselves German agrarian settlement. The Gerwith the particular individuals who man Government brought pressure to induce the party to emigrate to the articles from correspondents, or ar- German colony in Africa, but they de-

### SEGREGATE THE DANGEROUS ONES

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 hamservant who is guilty of blackmail, or mer in the hands of Albert Benn, a theft, or financial dishonesty of any patient, recommended that the Govkind, and a man guilty as Mr. Joseph ernment should provide a suitable place for the care of patients with stance. It is, therefore, a high marked homicidal tendencies, and that national duty to bring to justice this in the meantime they should not be villifier of the American people, this allowed to mingle with other classes

### 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

should make a thorough investigation pany are those of James Fowler for of the whole Panama transaction that \$1,250 for salary and money advanced the full truth may be known to the to meet wages; Hohman, Mauer Manufacturing Company, \$305 05; Merchants' Rubber Company, \$117 41; J. to August last, when he suffered an Shantz & Co., \$360 16; Casper

sid were seven of his children, includ-James Kaufman, of Berlin, a direc-World should be proscented for libel for and shareholder, says the company of Rye, N. Y. consideration the form under which the dollar. Many farmers who sup- ted at Yale in 1841, studied law in dynamited the safe of the First Na-

"This is the first time a President He further claims there has been no his estate, Edgewood, near New Haven, escaped with a sum said to be \$15,000.

WEATHER PROBS:

Wednesday. DEC. 16. Limited

# Ladies' Fur-Lined Coats

**TEAROOM** 

OPEN TODAY ON FOURTH FLOOR-TAKE ELEVATOR.

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

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

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

# A Useful Christmas Gift A Bissell Carpet Sweeper

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 describ-

ing of the materials and trimmings, and telling you the prices,

but we will say, if ou have a thought of a Fur-Lined Coat,

SEE THESE. There are but 14 in the lot.

Would be welcomed into the home. These make practicable and useful gifts, and are almost a necessity in the homeuseful 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-

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 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 Bolster Covers, to match, at, each ...... \$2.75 and \$3.50 SECOND FLOOR.

## Acceptable Gifts Are White Marseilles Quilts

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

At \$2.00

\$2.75 to \$3.75 each.

New patent weave, all new designs, in light weight, for easy washing; heavier, regular weights, as well as good size, 74x94. Special ... many different designs, ..... \$1.39

74x94. At ..... \$2

Special, \$1.39

12 only, Marseilles Quilts, splendid designs, light weight, fine white finish,

New panel designs, fine

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 

### 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.

SECOND FLOOR.

#### STANDARD |-The Favorite, \$16.50 SEWING Drop Head, Hand Lift, Style 3, Oak MACHINES

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.

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

Furnished with five drawers ... \$18.50 All are sold on a 10-Year Guarantee.

Store closes 6 p.m. daily, Seturday.

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Dundas and Richmond

included. neeting of the directors of the com- Conn. His best-known works are

managing director, and C. K. Haye-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-deplume "Ike Marvel," died at his home, "Marvelwood," in Edgewood, a suburb attack of acute indigestion. At the bed-

ing his daughter, Mrs. Walter Hart, The dead author was born at Nor-

pany since last April, and that the "Reveries of a Bachelor" (1850), "My affairs of the concern have been man- | Farm at Edgewood" (1864), "Rural aged exclusively by James Fowler, 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

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 "Marvelwood," in Edgewood, a suburd of this city, last night. His illness dates about \$17 in loose bills and change in an outside pocket, which was not disturbed, and \$65 in bills in a waist-

> coat pocket. ROBBERS' BIG HAUL.

McAlester, Okla., Dec. 15.-Robbers





credited to infidel countries, on the Brussels.

Within the memory of man all the other hand, can allow their facial hair by the governmental authorities and is bonded to the extent of \$200,000, and nuncios accredited to Catholic courts to develop at leisure. This is why M. that the attorney-general has under these he claims are worth 66 cents on wich, Coan, in April, 1822. He graduwho was magnificently bearded at the proceedings against Mr. Pulitzer plied beets in 1907 he says have not New York, was consul at Venice from the Bank of Eufaula, Okla., twenty plied beets in 1907 he says have not New York, was consul at Venice from the Bank of Eufaula, Okla., twenty plied beets in 1907 he says have not New York, was consul at Venice from the Bank of Eufaula, Okla., twenty plied beets in 1907 he says have not New York, was consul at Venice from the Bank of Eufaula, Okla., twenty plied beets in 1907 he says have not New York, was consul at Venice from the Bank of Eufaula, Okla., twenty plied beets in 1907 he says have not New York, was consul at Venice from the Bank of Eufaula, Okla., twenty plied beets in 1907 he says have not New York, was consul at Venice from the Bank of Eufaula, Okla., twenty plied beets in 1907 he says have not New York, was consul at Venice from the Bank of Eufaula, Okla., twenty plied beets in 1907 he says have not New York, was consul at Venice from the Bank of Eufaula, Okla., twenty plied beets in 1907 he says have not New York, was consul at Venice from the Bank of Eufaula, Okla., twenty plied beets in 1907 he says have not New York, was consul at Venice from the Bank of Eufaula, Okla., twenty plied beets in 1907 he says have not New York, was consultant to the Bank of Eufaula, Okla., twenty plied beets in 1907 he says have not New York, was consultant to the Bank of Eufaula, Okla., twenty plied beets in 1907 he says have not New York, was consultant to the Bank of Eufaula, Okla., twenty plied beets in 1907 he says have not New York, was consultant to the Bank of Eufaula, Okla., twenty plied beets in 1907 he says have not New York, was consultant to the Bank of Eufaula, Okla., twenty plied beets in 1907 he says have not New York, was consultant to the Bank of Eufaula, Okla., twenty plied beets in 1907 he says have not New York, was consultant to the Bank of Eufaula, Okla., twenty plied beets in 1907 he says have not New York, was consultant to the Bank of Eufaula, Ok beards and mustaches. Those ac- Constantinople, will be smooth-faced at shall be brought.

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