

## EARLY CABLES.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.

The European reparations tangle, which is threatening to break down Great Britain and France, is being discussed by the British and French governments in a meeting which lasted more than two hours. One of the questions at issue is said to have been a proposal for an international loan to Germany to stabilize her finances.

DUBLIN, Dec. 15.

For the first time in many a day, the streets of Dublin have been thronged with people and on the streets, they are being welcomed by the men of the British army who are being sent home. In the course of the day, the last of the British troops will be sent home. The British troops are being sent home in a series of convoys. The first convoy, which left Dublin on Monday, consisted of three hundred men. The second convoy, which left on Tuesday, consisted of three hundred men. The third convoy, which left on Wednesday, consisted of three hundred men. The fourth convoy, which left on Thursday, consisted of three hundred men. The fifth convoy, which left on Friday, consisted of three hundred men. The sixth convoy, which left on Saturday, consisted of three hundred men. The seventh convoy, which left on Sunday, consisted of three hundred men. The eighth convoy, which left on Monday, consisted of three hundred men. The ninth convoy, which left on Tuesday, consisted of three hundred men. 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LONDON, Dec. 15.

From a mass of evidence I have gathered, I am quite certain that the trade is definitely improving," declared Philip Lloyd Graeme, President of the Board of Trade in a speech in the Commons. "I say with all sense of responsibility, and I am absolutely certain it is not confined to one branch of trade or industry, but general revival is being brought about by many branches of industry."

MELBOURNE, Dec. 15.

Members of Australia will decide at a poll tomorrow whether Premier Hughes will be returned to office or whether his Coalition Government will go down.

LONDON, Dec. 16.

General Officer commanding the Southern Command, since 1919, killed, and Lady Harper seriously injured to-day, through motor car crash into a bank and overturning at Sherbourne.

PARIS, Dec. 16.

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# Christmas Day is Almost Here

## --May We Help You With Your Problems?

IT PAYS TO SHOP EARLY. It is necessary to emphasize this suggestion. Thoughtful planning and early buying will bring much more agreeable results all round. So let's all make a determined effort to avoid the rush and tussle of late Christmas shopping.

No matter what the weather is like, this store's foresight in buying makes its selling in tune with every need; warm or cold, rain or dry, every department offers just what you need—and at such low prices as to cause you surprise.

# The Royal Stores, Ltd.

The Store with the Christmas Spirit

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## A Selection of Things to give "Her"

### Charming Blouses.

Multitudes of them offering ample scope for selection, at prices that you will agree are most reasonable. Newest models in Georgette, Tricotette, Crepe de Chine and Jap Silk. Prices . . . \$6.50, \$5.50, 7.00, \$2.50 each. Voile and Piquelette Blouses. Prices . . . \$5c, \$1.35, 1.75 up to 4.00.

### Gloves.

Lined Kid Gloves, assorted colors and sizes. Prices . . . \$4.50, 6.00, 7.50 and 8.00 pair. WOOL GLOVES—Prices 60c, and 90 pair. WOOL GAUNTLETS—Prices . . . \$1.00, 1.10, 1.30, 1.55 pair.

### Smart Handbags.

In patent and embossed leather. Prices \$2.50, 5.25, 5.40, 6.50, 7.50 9.00 each.

### Beaded Handbags.

Latest Models in assorted colors. Prices . . . \$7.50, 10.00 and 14.00 each. Sweater Coats and Jumpers. In all popular colors and models. Prices . . . \$4.00, 5.50, 6.50, 7.50 up to 13.50.

### Neckwear Novelties.

In Lace, Nylon, Silk and net. Prices . . . 25c, 35c, 65 up to \$3.00 each.

### Scarves.

Silk, latest colorings. Prices \$1.20, 1.35, 2.25, 2.50, 4.25, 5.00, 6.50 each.

### Wool Motor Scarves.

Scotch knit, assorted colors. Prices . . . \$1.65, 2.00, 2.35, 3.25 each.

### Hosiery.

Silk Hosiery, in Black and White. Prices . . . \$5c, \$1.00, 1.55, 3.65 pair. In shades of Grey, Fawn, Brown and Navy. Prices . . . \$5c, \$1.50 pair.

Cashmere Hosiery, Black, colored and in Heather mixtures. Prices . . . 70c, 80, 95, to \$2.50 pair.

### Handkerchiefs.

Beautifully boxed, assorted novelties. 3 in a box—Price 60c, 70, 80, \$1.00, 1.30 box. 6 in a box—Prices 70c, \$1.00, 1.00, 1.50, 2.20, 3.20, 4.10 box.

White Lawn Handkerchiefs with embroidery, lace and hemstitched trimmings. Prices . . . \$c, 10, 12, 13 up to 45c.

### Perfumes.

All popular odors, in fancy bottles. Prices 40c, 55, 70, 85 up to \$4.20 bot. Floral extracts, in fancy bottles and vials. Prices 55c, 65, \$1.10, 1.50 and 2.00 ea.

### Ladies' Dressing Cases.

Prices \$2.25, 3.00, 5.00, 6.00 up to 8.00 each.

### Gift Stationery.

In fancy boxes. Prices 55c, 55, 90, 90 up to \$4.50 box.

### Work Baskets.

Prices . . . \$2.50, 2.70 up to \$2.50 each.

### Handkerchief Sachets.

Prices . . . 50c, 60, 70 and 85 ea.

### Glove Sachets—perfumed.

Prices . . . \$2.25 and \$2.75 each.

### Felt Slippers.

In assorted colors. Prices . . . \$1.25, 1.50 up to 2.70 pair.

### Felt Spats.

In Black, Brown and Grey. Prices . . . \$2.00 and 2.25 pair.

### Dressing Gowns.

Made of Ripple Cloth, in Pink, Rose and Grey. Prices . . . \$5.75 and 4.25 each.

### Dressing Sacques.

Made of high grade Elderdown, in assorted colors. Prices . . . 75c, \$1.00, 1.55, 2.00 up to 3.00 each.

### Boudoir Caps.

Prices . . . 45c, 55, \$1.25, 1.55 each.

### Decorating Flowers.

We have an immense stock of Decorating Flowers: real natural like, for table and other decorations; sold in bunches—12 sprigs to a bunch. The assortment includes Carnations, Roses, Buds, Poppies, Sweet Peas, Geraniums, Poinsettias, Fuchsias, Jasmin's Red, etc. Special offer bunch . . . \$1.13



## Bed Covers

Gifts of Blankets and Down Quilts are always welcome. Most housewives continually need new ones, hence, these articles are always acceptable and useful as presents.

### Part Wool Blankets.

All these Blankets contain 70 per cent. Wool. Size 50 x 70. Per pair . . . \$ 5.00. Size 54 x 70. Per pair . . . \$ 6.25. Size 60 x 78. Per pair . . . \$ 7.50. Size 66 x 88. Per pair . . . \$ 8.75. Size 70 x 88. Per pair . . . \$10.00.

### All Wool Blankets.

Size 54 x 70. Per pair . . . \$ 7.50. Size 60 x 78. Per pair . . . \$ 9.00. Size 66 x 88. Per pair . . . \$10.50. Size 70 x 88. Per pair . . . \$12.00. Size 75 x 90. Per pair . . . \$15.00.

### Infants' Cot Quilts.

Size 24 x 36. Regular \$4.50 each for . . . \$ 3.50.

### Wadded Quilts.

Filled with high grade Cotton Batting and covered with good Paisley Cotton; size 60 x 72. Regular \$4.20 each for . . . \$ 3.95. Regular \$4.80 each for . . . \$ 4.45. Regular \$7.70 each for . . . \$ 6.00.

### Eiderdown Quilts.

Filled with pure picked Down, covered with high grade Art Satens; in handsome floral designs; assorted colors; size 65 x 85. Regular \$12.50 each for . . . \$10.50. Additional prices in Down Quilts from . . . \$13.50 to \$26.00 each.

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We have a wide selection of Novels, by famous authors, including Ruby M. Ayers, Rex Beach, Buck Rose, Conan Doyle, Maurice Gerard, O. Henry, Philip Oppenheim, Mary Roberts Rinehart, Stewart Ed. White, etc., in popular pocket edition. Sell—50c.

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The real playful kind for little tots, and there are educational sorts for the older boys and girls. We have so many Toys and they are all so varied that we can do no better than to ask you to come down and look them over in person.

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### Women's Cashmere Hose.

A splendid line of Plain Cashmere Hose in shades of Tan, Grey, Green, Blue Grey and Black; fashioned for elastic tops, reinforced heels and toes. Reg. \$1.20 pair for . . . 80c.

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A newly arrived parcel of high grade Silk Stockings in shades of Navy, Nude, Cordovan, Grey, Black and White; shaped ankles, Lisle tops and feet; perfectly seamless. Reg. \$1.60 pair for . . . \$1.35

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Make this Christmas a real occasion for Happiness by bringing a Victrola into your home, or into that of some friend. Your order can be filled at once. We have a nice stock of Gramophones to show you.

Prices . . . \$40.00, \$55.00, \$75.00 and \$110.00

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Adele Fideles (Come All Ye Faithful), McCormack and Male Chorus . . . \$2.25. Comfort Ye My People—Evan Williams (Messiah) . . . \$2.25. Trumpet Shall Sound—Herbert Witherspoon (Messiah) . . . \$2.25. Oh, Little Town of Bethlehem—Trinity Choir . . . \$1.50. Angels From the Realms of Glory—Trinity Choir . . . \$1.50. Yule Tide Melody—Pryor's Band . . . \$1.50. Nazareth (Christmas Song)—Pryor's Band . . . \$1.50. New Born King—Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler . . . 75c. Beautiful Valley of Eden—Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler . . . 75c. Ring Out Wild Bells—Peerless Quartet . . . \$1.50. Christmas Light, Behold—Peerless Quartet . . . \$1.50. Three O'Clock in the Morning (Vocal) . . . 75c. Lost You Forget (Vocal)—Harold Harvey . . . 75c. Georgette—Club Royal Orchestra . . . 75c. Who'll Take My Place When I'm Gone?—Club Royal Orchestra . . . 75c.

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MISSIE'S FUR SETS. NATURAL LYNN—Price . . . \$100.00. COLLARS AND STOLE. ROSE FOXELINE—Full animal Shaped. Prices . . . \$ 4.50 to \$ 6.25. BLACK DAKOTA WOLF—Price . . . \$ 5.75 to \$28.50. BLACK LYNN—Price . . . \$29.00. TAUPÉ WOLF—Price . . . \$2.00. BROWN OPPOSSUM—Price . . . \$39.50. NATURAL COON—Price . . . \$7.50.

MUFFS. Barred and Pillow shaped. BLACK MANCHURIAN—Price . . . \$12.00 to \$20.00. BLACK FOX—Price . . . \$30.00. GREY SQUIRREL—Price . . . \$35.00.

## Beautiful Rugs

The entire family can join in the purchasing of these Rugs; giving and accepting it as a Christmas present all round; here is an idea of qualities and prices.

TAPESTRY—Size 25 x 48. Reg. \$3.00 ea. for \$ 2.45. Size 27 x 54. Reg. \$4.00 ea. for \$ 3.30.

VELVET FILE—Size 27 x 54. Reg. \$5.25 ea. for \$ 4.75.

WILTTON—Size 27 x 54. Reg. \$7.45 ea. for \$ 6.50.

Plush Hearth Rugs. In colors of Crimson, Green, Gold and Black. Size 27 x 48. Price . . . \$11.50. Size 30 x 60. Price . . . \$12.75.

Plush Door Mats. In Crimson, Green and Gold. Size 11 x 25 1/2. Price . . . \$ 2.10. Size 12 x 30. Price . . . \$ 2.75.

Real Cowhide. Leather Suit Cases. 20 in. Reg. \$27.00 ea. for . . . \$24.00. 22 in. Reg. \$29.75 ea. for . . . \$26.75. 24 in. Reg. \$32.50 ea. for . . . \$29.15.

Gladstone Bags. 16 in. Reg. \$17.50 ea. for . . . \$16.65. 18 in. Reg. \$19.50 ea. for . . . \$17.55. 20 in. Reg. \$21.75 ea. for . . . \$19.45.

Leatherette Goods. GLOVE BOXES—Prices . . . 60c, 70c and \$1.10 each. TIE BOXES—Prices . . . 50c, 70c and \$1.10 each. HANDKERCHIEF BOXES—Prices . . . 50c, 70c and \$1.10 each. COLLAR BOXES—Prices . . . 50c, 70c and \$1.10 each. MUSIC CASES—Price . . . \$1.60 each. LEATHER POUCHES—Price . . . \$1.00 each.

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