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Jan. 2nd.

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VENEZUELA BAITS EAGLE

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TROUBLE OVER ASPHALT MATTER.

Venezuelan Government Will Be Compelled to Respect Rights of U. S. Citizens.

Curacao, Island of Curacao, Jan. 1.—The situation is serious respecting the Venezuelan Government's purpose to loot the New York and Bermudez Company by cancelling its concessions to the Bermudez asphalt lake and to the asphalt deposits on the island of Trinidad.

It is evidently the purpose of the Government to test the desire and ability of the United States to protect its citizens from official raids in Latin-American countries.

Approaching Acute Stage.

Curacao, Island of Curacao, Jan. 1.—The diplomatic controversy over the rival asphalt interests in Venezuela is approaching an acute stage. Venezuelan Government ignores the protests of Washington against the semi-official conspiracy to deprive the New York and Bermudez Company illegally of the Bermudez asphalt lake.

Francis B. Loomis, United States Minister at Caracas, is striving for a peaceful solution of the difficulty. The financial situation of the country is excellent.

Gunboat Under Orders.

Washington, Jan. 1.—American interests will receive adequate protection in Venezuela. Instructions have been cabled to Lieut.-Commander N. A. Sargent, commanding the Scorpion, directing him to proceed with the vessel to La Guayra, "to protect American interests," endangered in consequence of the controversy which has arisen over the asphalt lake concession granted by the Venezuelan Government to two separate American corporations.

The Scorpion will take the place of the Hartford, altho if the situation is serious the latter vessel will remain in Venezuelan waters.

Rear Admiral Crowninshield, chief of the Bureau of Navigation, is anxious that the trained men on the Hartford shall be transferred to the Buffalo, which will convey them to Manila, and under the orders given the Hartford will fall in with the Buffalo at Trinidad. Should the situation in Venezuela require it, however, the Buffalo can go to La Guayra, or the Hartford, after transferring the men at Trinidad, can return to Venezuela.

Officials Are Determined.

Officials of the Government are determined to enforce respect for the rights of American citizens. Minister Loomis has reported that the concession of the New York and Bermudez Company should stand, and the disposition of the Department is to support the Minister.

In any event, it is not proposed to permit the Venezuelan or any other government to arbitrarily dispossess an American corporation of its concession solely because the concession is more valuable than originally supposed, and that appears to be the case in the present instance.

SLEIGH RIDING AT VANCOUVER.

The Beautiful Mantle of Our Lady of the Snows Has Enwrapped the Terminal City.

Vancouver, B.C., Jan. 1.—The new year on the Pacific coast has been ushered in by a most generous distribution of favors from Our Lady of the Snows. For the past 24 hours crystal flakes have been falling steadily, and the land is wrapped in snow of unusual depth for the balmy shores of the Pacific.

New Year's Day is being observed as a general holiday, many indulging in the here unaccustomed pleasure of sleigh parties. The car service and general traffic has been stopped by the snowstorm and several public functions have had to be postponed for the same reason, but the receptions at the United States, Japanese and other consulates were well attended.

H.M.S. Empress of India sailed for the Orient last evening.

MANN GONE TO HALIFAX.

Mr. William Mackenzie's Partner is Looking After an Outlet for the Firm's Coal.

Montreal, Jan. 1.—(Special.)—Mr. D. Mann of the railway firm of Mackenzie & Mann left to-day by the Maritime Express for Halifax, where he will meet Mr. Sinclair, who has had charge of the Inverness Railway. The object of Mr. Mann's visit to Halifax is to make arrangements for marketing the firm's coal. They expect to have a daily output of 500 tons, beginning with May, to be increased to 1000 tons in November.

PERSONALS.

Mr. Wm. Graham of Claremont is at the Iroquois.

E. McKeown of Dawson, Y.T., is at the Iroquois.

E. V. Clergue, Sault Ste. Marie, is at the Rossin House.

Mr. C. A. Cairns, assistant general passenger agent of the Chicago and Northwestern Railway, Chicago, Ill., was in the city yesterday. He visited their general office here, also the various ticket offices in the city.

Arrivals at the Elliott yesterday: John L Wood, Ottawa; E B Oliver, Miss Whitton, Rochester; W J Barton, St John, N B; Miss Barton Van Kleek Hill; John Pentrice, Vancouver, B C; M S McArthur, J B McArthur, jr, Rossland; R R Miller, Boston, Mass; Mr and Mrs Frank Richardson, Canton, O; George M Blun, City; H Gilmour and wife, Hamilton; F T Perry, Brandon, Man; H Dier, Philadelphia; C W and Mrs Taylor, Mr and Mrs F Myers, Montreal.

WILL NOT TAKE HIS FORTUNE

James Eads How Says it Was Not His Father's, But the Workman's.

PRACTICAL HELPER OF THE NEEDY.

Refuses a Legacy That He Calls the Unearned Increment—Who is the Next?

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 1.—James Eads How, who put aside riches inherited from his father and became a day laborer, is visiting his mother at 4170 Lindell Boulevard, this city. Some time ago Mr. How walked from St. Louis to Chicago to work in the slums, and later walked from Chicago to Copville, N.C., a distance of 1500 miles, because he did not have the money to pay his railway fare, tho thousands would be his on demand. Mr. How now makes his home in Copville, where he is learning the printing trade and at night lecturing to cotton mill hands on social and economic conditions, from the point of Christian Socialism. When seen to-day, he said:

"I want no money beyond what I earn by the sweat of my brow. I am out of the wild struggle for existence, for wealth, for power. None of those things interest me. I am living as nearly as my frail nature will permit an unselfish life. There is nothing of mine that I would not give to help a needy person. My time, my talents, if I have any, and my small earning capacity are held by me in trust for the benefit of mankind.

"I do not regret the course I have pursued in refusing to take what I inherited from my father. I regard that as unearned increment. That represented what my father did not need and what his laborers earned for him. They should have it. If I have a factory and employ 100 men, and they earn $200 a day, it is not a fair distribution of profits if I take $100 and give the other $100 to the men. I get $100 to $1 for the men. My legitimate share is what an equal division would bring me. The other is unearned increment, the rainy day fund of the laboring man, which I unjustly take. That was the way I regarded my inheritance. Hence, I refuse it."

His father was vice-president of the Wabash Railroad, and left a large estate, but How has not touched one dollar of it.

FIGHTING FOR MILLIONS.

Daughter Seeks to Have Her Aged Father Declared Incompetent—A Family Row.

Poughkeepsie, N.Y., Jan. 1.—Miss Frances Roberts, eldest daughter of Dr. Charles H. Roberts, a wealthy octogenarian, who lives in Oakes, Ulster County, has begun legal proceedings to have her father declared incompetent to manage his property. She has retained former Judge A. T. Westbrook of Kingston, as her attorney. Dr. Roberts has retained Frank B. Lown of this city, and a hearing will be had in Kingston within a week.

Dr. Roberts lives in a beautiful home in Oakes, opposite this city. He was a close neighbor of the late Ira Shafer. He is reputed to be worth $2,000,000, and has been known for years as a shrewd financier. He resides with his wife and three daughters, and rumors of family discord have been circulated for some time. The alleged trouble was due, it is understood, to the difficulty on the part of Mrs. Roberts and her daughters to persuade Dr. Roberts that more money was needed by them to maintain properly their social and other obligations.

Some weeks before the proceedings to declare Dr. Roberts incompetent were begun, a story was circulated, to the effect that the main cause of the trouble was his alleged favoritism towards his son Charles, who is married, and is engaged in business in Clintondale, having recently purchased extensive mill property there, upon which, it is said, he is spending large sums of money.

Little attention was paid to this story, however, and the announcement of the proceedings begun by Miss Frances Roberts has caused a sensation here.

Dr. Roberts began life in this city as a dentist. He is said to have made his fortune in railroad stocks, and at one time was a large holder of New York and New England shares. Altho he is 90 years old, he is very active, and declares he will fight to the end any attempt to deprive him of the use of his property. Miss Roberts refuses to discuss the matter, referring all questions to her attorney. The family is highly respected thruout the Hudson Valley.

GREAT OFFENCE TO CHINESE.

British Officers Have Turned the Temple of Heaven Into a Burlesque Playhouse.

Pekin, Jan. 1.—The British officers are producing a burlesque in the Temple of Heaven, which is China's Holy of Holies. The play is characterized by wholesale ridiculing of Chinese royalty. Capt. Hamilton impersonates the Empress-Dowager, who is made to sing topical songs and dance jigs. Here is a sample of Capt. Hamilton's lines:

"Think of me in this frosty weather posing as Venus among the heathen; think of me in the 'altogether' at my time of life."

At the end of the last act President Pine of the Prize Committee, who has been conducting the auction sales of British loot, sells the Empress-Dowager at auction, describing her as "a fine old bit of rare China." He bids 50 cents for her, saying that he can use her as a lady's maid. He then appeals for bids for the Dowager for the honor of China. Capt. Parks of the 7th Rajput Regiment, who impersonates Prince Tuan, bids $5 for the honor of China, whereupon the auctioneer calls:

"Going, going, gone—the honor of China—sold for $5. Prince Tuan, will you marry her?"

To this Prince Tuan replies: "Ugh, the Dowager of China is a royal personage. She is sacred."

It is easy to understand that a play such as this will scandalize the Chinese. Once a year the Emperor of China visits the Temple of Heaven and prostrates himself.

BEET SUGAR IN MICHIGAN

Output of 48,000,000 Pounds Netting to the Farmers Close on a Million Dollars.

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 1.—Michigan beet sugar factories have not yet completed their campaign for 1900, but from the best data obtainable it is expected that the output of refined granulated sugar from those who have reported will exceed 48,000,000 pounds, or 24,000 tons. This means that the farmers of Michigan have raised close on to 250,000 tons of beets, for which they have received not far from $1,000,000.

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WILL THEY BE SENT ABROAD?

Canadian Soldiers at Halifax May Have a Chance to Fight in Foreign Lands.

MEN TAKE KINDLY TO THE IDEA.

Would Welcome an Opportunity to Fight as a Regular Regiment of the Line.

Halifax Chronicle, Dec. 31: The Canadian soldiers at the Wellington Barracks are as yet unaware what is to become of the regiment after the re-enlistment in March. There is an impression among some of the men, however, that they will be sent on a round of foreign service as a regular British regiment, and this impression may lead many of the men, who had not all along intended to re-enlist, to do so for a year. Numbers of the men, tired of soldiering during the past year, and would go back home, but for the prospective foreign service.

An officer attached to the corps said that he thought most of the men would re-enlist in March, but he said he had not the faintest idea whether or not the regiment is to remain here another year. The young men of the regiment, he said, were not to be expected to spend their lives at soldiering, but he thought now that they had started, and had been drilled into good shape, they might give a year or two more to the service before retiring. As regards pay, they were not so badly off. They get 50 cents per day, besides being found, and a young man of saving habits could put away $12 per month, so that, after two years' service, he would have $200 or $300, with which to make a start in the world.

There are radical changes in the army now being considered, which, if adopted, will make soldiering a more desirable occupation, and might lead many young men to join, who would not do so under the present conditions. If the proposed changes are adopted by the authorities, they will likely go into effect in April next. They are designed to give the soldier nothing to do but soldiering, and he may get seven or eight hours per day of drill, so that he will be perfect in military operations and requirements, and will be kept in that condition while in the service.

It is believed the proposed changes are also favored as elevating the military profession by removing many of the objectionable features, and work disagreeable to many men.

One of the changes is that all fatigue work will be done by a separate corps in itself, to consist mainly of army reserve men, willing to undertake to do the work, therefore, and at present, fatigue work has been, and is being, done by parties detailed from the corps in connection with which the work is needed. The consequence is that many of the soldiers are absent from every drill, and hence do not share in its profits or education. If coal is to be carried, snow shoveled, changes to be made, work to be done about the quarters, etc., parties are told off to do it, and it occurs sometimes that when a company is called on parade, perhaps a fourth or larger proportion of the men are away on fatigue duty. But the changes proposed are intended to do away with this state of affairs, and when a regiment or company is called on parade, every man will be on hand, and will have the benefit of the drill and instruction given. Lots of drill is to be given the soldiers, but, when that drill is done, they will not have to bother with fatigue duty or slush work.

If the changes come, "Tommy" will not be required to even soil his hands, but his soldiering will be thoroly done. The changes will apply to artillery, as well as infantry.

A PEA SOUP FOG IN LONDON

Traffic of All Kinds Interfered With and Pedestrians Can Scarcely Find Their Way.

DISASTROUS FLOODS CONTINUE.

Part of the Town of Bath Under Fourteen Feet of Water—Four Deaths From Drowning.

London, Jan. 1.—Dense fog of what is called the "pea soup" variety and the worst in several years, covers the whole of London district, seriously interfering with traffic of all kinds. Even pedestrians have difficulty in finding their destinations.

The floods continue in the country. The water in the lower part of Bath is 14 feet deep and the tops of cottages are just appearing above the waste. Boats have been kept busy rescuing the inhabitants of the place from the water. Four deaths from drownings are reported.

Thousands have been rendered idle thru the closing of inundated works. In some districts trains were held up all night long, out of the reach of assistance.

ADDITIONAL NOMINATIONS.

Candidates for Municipal Honors in Various Towns of the Province.

OSHAWA.—Mayor—F L Fowke, Robert McLaughlin, William Burns, Dr W Coburn, O Hazelwood, Councilmen—C French, J W Provan, J F Gretson, J F Gillespie, John Tamblyn, H B Sammels, Dr Coburn, C W Scott, E S Edmonson, D Pollard, J A Thompson, O Hazelwood, Arthur Farewell, Robert Fadgen, E I Rowse, A R McLean, Robert McCaw, J W Babcock, W J Burns, Mark Smith. School Trustees: Ward 1—E I Rowse, W J Burns, A Rowden, R Dillon. Ward 2—William Glenny, C W Scott, R McCaw, O H Luke. Ward 3—H B Sammels, Mark Smith, T H Everson. Ward 4—William Bowden, A R McLean.

PRESTON.—Mayor—George A Roos and J E Klotz. Councillors—Otto Homuth, Thos Yates, M Dechert, C Dolph, H D Walker, Fred Clare, Emil Kleinstueber, M Wismer, James Gilles.

THOROLD (all elected by acclamation).—Mayor—James Wilson. Councillors—William Monro, George McArthur, James Bye, Robt Hoover, Alex. McClenchy, James McGill.

GANANOQUE.—Mayor—Dr G F Emery, W N Rogers, Hugh Wilson, C E Britton. Councillors—James H Rogers, J B Turner, Peter Reid, S Keating, Lyman S Knapp, Thomas Roach, W H Rogers, W R Acton, O J Shannemann, D E Sheppard.

WATERLOO.—Mayor—David Bean (accl.). Councillors—Peppler, Bechtel, Umbach, Duering, Alteman, E F Seagram, W Conrad. Water Commissioners—Bauer, Diebel, Ritzer, Reade.

ALLISTON (all returned by acclamation.).—Mayor—T M Brown. Councillors—Robert Scott, M E Murphy, W D Lattimer, Dr J J Hasper, George Fletcher, H Gilmour. School Trustees—J Stokes, Robert Heaney, J G Scott.

PARRY SOUND.—Mayor—J A Johnson, D W Ross. Councillors—John Galna, W B W Armstrong, David Argue, William McKinley, Dr T S Walton, James Calder, Jos Ryder, George Richardson, F Walton.

AMHERSTBURG.—Mayor—Dr Teeter, S Fraser. Councillors—Thomas Moffatt, J W Gibb, Thomas Lukes, Joseph Ferriss, Wm Wilson, D H Smith, W L Hunt, Clarence Smith, F C Curtis, J C Constas.

BLENHEIM.—Mayor—James Greenwood, William Henry, P Haggart. Councillors—A E Young, John Nichol, T K Morris, George Thompson, F McLean, R T Williamson, A D Finlay, S H Bacon, George Vester, jr. Trustees: Ward 1—Peter Labadie, J H Ferguson. No. 2—J J Cookson. No. 3—Robert Nichol, Andrew Denholm, C N Greenwood, Dr Quackenbush.

WHITBY.—Mayor—Andrew M Ross, merchant tailor, was elected by acclamation.

THORNBURY.—Mayor—H Pedwell (accl.). Councillors—Snetsinger, Dickenson, Whately, Smith, Carroll and Grierson (all by accl.).

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CHINESE ACCEPT ALL CONDITIONS.

Dr. Morrison Cables the Fact to The London Times—Complaints of Harshness of Germans.

London, Jan. 1.—Wiring to The Times from Pekin, Sunday, Dr. Morrison says: "The Chinese have accepted all the conditions of the joint note. They are sending formal acceptance by an envoy, and ask that negotiations should commence forthwith and military operations cease.

"Li Hung Chang is much better, altho greatly shaken.

"Five expeditions are now operating. Every report tells of increasing unrest. The policy of depriving the Chinese of all power to exercise authority is spreading disorder broadcast and forcing peaceful Chinese into opposition."

Against German Harshness.

In a despatch dated Dec. 28 Dr. Morrison sends a long protest against German harshness, which, he says, is creating instead of checking disorder. He accuses the Germans of harrying the country and punishing the innocent and the guilty indiscriminately, in order to levy fines for defraying their own military expenses and to form an excuse for continued hostile occupation.

He also charges Count von Waldersee with a breach of faith, on the ground that he gave Li Hung Chang a map defining the area of the occupation in the province of Chili, and indicated the district beyond which the allies would not operate, and yet allowed the German troops to inflict severe punishment upon the Chinese at Tsang Chau and Yung Ching, both of which are outside the area.

Repeating his statement that the Germans are preparing for an expedition to Sian Fu in the spring and also fomenting trouble in the Yangtse Valley, Dr. Morrison says:

"The question is arising whether the occasion should not be seized to separate the British troops from Count von Waldersee's command."

Von Waldersee's Report.

Berlin, Jan. 1.—Count Von Waldersee reports to the War Office under date of Pekin, Dec. 29:

"The Chinese who fled south were pursued by Priest's squadron to So-Kien, 160 kilometres southwest of Pekin, where the Chinese scattered. Bruneberg's column seized great quantities of munitions, quick-firing and Krupp guns, Maxim rifles, etc., at Si Nan Chen, 21 kilometres east of Pao Ti Hsien, which had been abandoned by the fleeing Chinese."

Europe Indebted to Missionaries.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 1.—M. Poslnieff, a Russian official, who has just returned to St. Petersburg from China, in the course of an interview to-day, paid the following tribute to the American missionaries: "Europe is greatly indebted to the missionaries from the United States in China, as their talent for organization was of the greatest service during the siege of the legations in Pekin, they having largely elaborated the whole plan of defence."

Missionaries Who Are Safe.

New York Jan. 1.—The American Bible Society has received a report from the Rev. John R. Sykes, its agent in China, dated Shanghai, Nov. 27, in which he says that the missionaries who are safe in Tai Yuen Fu are Graham, McKie, Miss Chapman, Miss Way, Mrs. Ogren and child. Mr. Ogren was massacred.

Duncan McKay, his wife and his child, escaped to the mountains from their station, Ku Wah Sian. A native Christian kept them supplied with food until he was discovered by the Boxers and killed. After his death his widow nobly tried to save the lives of the missionaries by smuggling food to them, but the Boxers found out what she was doing and murdered her. They then placed guards at the entrance of the gorge where the Kays were concealed, and so effectually did they prevent all communication with them that they were entirely cut off from their food supply, and all three of them starved to death.

An Armistice Proclaimed.

London, Jan. 1.—A despatch to The Pall Mall Gazette from Pekin, dated Sunday, Dec. 30, says an armistice has been proclaimed.

The Emperor has Accepted.

Washington, Dec. 31.—The State Department has received a despatch from Minister Conger at Pekin, dated December 30, announcing that the Chinese plenipotentiaries have notified the representatives of the powers that the Emperor decrees the acceptance of their demands as a whole, and Prince Ching requests further conference.

They also desire that military excursions to the interior should cease.

It is well known that this last request is in accordance with the views of the President.

An Ingenious Stroke.

In diplomatic quarters the acceptance given by the Chinese envoys is regarded as a most ingenious stroke of diplomacy. Among diplomatic officials it is said that this is not an unconditional acceptance, altho it is such a concurrence in the general principle of the note that the powers cannot well set it aside. It appears to be directed toward reopening the word "irrevocable," and securing more definite and if possible more moderate conditions on some of the points involved. It is not clear whether the envoys will sign the note first and then ask for negotiations, or endeavor to ameliorate the terms before the final signatures are affixed. In any event, it is felt that the graver features of the trouble are overcome by the submissive attitude of the Emperor, and but little remains now but to perfect the details of the peace treaty on the general lines heretofore laid down.

Minister Wu is back from his trip to Montclair, N.J., but is still without advices from Pekin as to what has been done.

PERHAPS FATAL KNOCKOUT.

Frank Welch of Philadelphia at the Point of Death.

Easton, Pa., Jan. 1.—Frank Welch of Philadelphia, who last night participated in a prize fight with Paddy Donovan at Cedar Park, across the Delaware from this city, is lying at the point of death from the effects of the beating he received. Donovan, one of his seconds, William Casey, and one of Welch's seconds, Kid Stein, all of Philadelphia, were arrested, and are held awaiting the outcome of Welch's injuries.

Duke of York a Rear Admiral.

London, Jan. 1.—The Duke of York has been gazetted a rear admiral.

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ALD. SPENCE'S MEETING.

Two Rousing Rallies Held Last Night in His Mayoralty Campaign—Speeches Made.

Ald. F. S. Spence held two rousing mayoralty campaign meetings last night in the West End. The attendance at both meetings was large, despite the fact that it was a holiday night.

At Wardell's Hall the chair was occupied by Mr. Ramsay, who delivered a stirring address touching on the records of the five aspirants for the Mayor's chair. Short and bright speeches were made by Messrs. Isaac H. Sanderson of the Knights of Labor, James Simpson, J. S. Robertson, William Munns and the candidate. Mr. Spence replied to Mr. Shaw's criticism of the former's speech at the nomination, pointing out the weaknesses and defects of his record as Mayor. He also briefly outlined his policy.

The meeting in the West End Y.M.C.A. was presided over by Mr. Frank Buchanan. Speeches urging for Mr. Spence's election were made by James Wilson, president of the Trades and Labor Council and J. O. Thorn.

Candidate Woodley of the Socialist Labor party set forth his claims in a bright address, which was frequently applauded. Mr. Spence was given a cordial reception. His speech was similar to the one delivered at Wardell's Hall.

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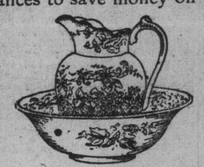

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15 only Sets of Fine English Semi-Porcelain Ware, handsome decoration of green scroll and floral design with pink tinted border, gold traced and gold handles, 97 pieces in each set, regular price 9.00, Thursday..... **5.95**

China Porridge Sets for 15c.

Nice china, too, thin and transparent, with pretty clusters of colored flowers and gold edges, each set consists of one china plate, porridge bowl and cream jug, worth double the price we ask, Thursday..... **.15**

White Ironstone China.

White Ironstone China at these prices is like selling dollar bills at a discount. We want to lower our stock on these lines, so on Thursday you can buy:

90 doz. White Ironstone Cups and Saucers at, each ..... **.5**

100 dozen White Ironstone Dinner Plates, 8 inches, each ..... **.5**

$2.00 Glass Vases for 50c.

78 Assorted Glass Vases, Epergnes and Flower Tubes, a variety of styles, shapes and tints, with rich decorations in gold and colors, specially suitable for large cut flowers, our regular prices 75c to 2.00 each, choice Thursday for .... **.50**

Hand-Painted Opal Selling now for 20c.

157 pieces of Hand-Painted Opal Toilet Table and Presentation Pieces, including Glove Boxes, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Toilet and Cologne Bottles, etc., richly decorated with hand-painted flowers, gold striping and tinted borders, reg. 35c and 40c, clearing Thursday at..... **.20**

Graniteware at Startling Prices.

Take these items as an indication of how cheaply you can buy

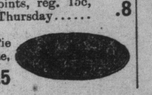
Genuine Graniteware

in our Basement. Every piece a perfect one, made of good heavy material and well coated:

144 Graniteware Chambers, No. 22, a large size, regular 25c, Thursday..... **.15**

72 Graniteware Berlin Kettles, seamless, with covers, the four-quart size, regular 45c, Thursday.... **.25**

288 Graniteware Mixing Bowls, seamless, 8-inch size, holds 3 imp. pints, reg. 15c, Thursday..... **.8**



564 Graniteware Pie Plates, 10-inch size, reg. 8c, Thursday..... **.5**

288 Graniteware Lipped Saucepans, No. 18, holds 3 imp. pints, reg. 19, Thursday..... **.10**

144 Graniteware Stove Pots, with pit bottom, bail handle and tilting ring, to fit Nos. 8 and 9 stoves, reg. 55c and 60c, Thursday.. **.33**

Don't Miss This Skate Bargain.

225 pairs of Hockey and Spring Skates, heavily nickel-plated, welded and hardened, steel blades, Boker, Winslow and Whelpley makes, every pair fully guaranteed, sizes 9 to 12 inch, all are regular 1.25 per pair, to clear Thursday per pair..... **.75**

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