





**Christmas Dishes We Miss.**

Of the dishes with which our ancestors were wont to make merry over at Yuletide, the place of honour must be assigned to the boar's head. Once an indispensable dish, however, it probably figures nowhere in the bill of fare in these days except at Queen's College, Oxford, where it hasers because of a valorous act performed centuries ago by a student there. He was walking in the fields studying his Aristotle, when a wild boar rushed at him open mouthed. But with great presence of mind the student crammed the book down the animal's throat; it was thus choked to death with philosophy.

Next to boar's head, peacock pie was the favourite Christmas dish. The method of serving was to have the plumed crest of the peacock appearing at one end of the pie above the crust, and at the other end the tail unfurled in all its glory. The manner of dressing this bird for the table was very curious. The skin was first carefully stripped off with the plumage adhering. The bird was then roasted, sewed up again in its feathers, and sent to the table.

Geese, capon, pheasants drenched with ambergris, and pies of carps' tongues were also included in the olden Christmas cheer. Mince-pies were introduced at the close of the sixteenth century, and were originally known as "mutton-pies." The original plum-pudding was known as "plum-porridge" and was always the first course at the Christmas dinner.

**THE EXPENSIVE LUXURY.**

My auto keeps me busted, my stand-off goes no more, in shops where I was trusted in happy days of yore. "Nay, nay," exclaims the grocer, when for some prunes, I go; "you've grown to a blooming town, an' playing what you owe. You blow for gas and rubber the coin you owe for rice, so chase yourself, you lubber, or else bring in the price." My auto is a daisy, it fairly burns the soil; but it has made me lazy. I balk at honest toil. The old blue sheep needs shearing, I ought to bale some hay; but here I am careering some forty versts away. The kitchen should be painted, the roof is gaping wide; but who would get acquainted with work, when he can ride? My wife is sorely needing some decent rags to wear, but I've been pinched for speeding and have no coin to spare. My auto keeps me busted mechanics get my wad; some bolts must be adjusted, some carbon must be thawed; she needs an over-hauling, which costs two hundred beans, the while the kids are bawling for bread and wholesome greens. "Aw gee," the merchant's mutter, when I would buy some wood, some codfish or some butter, "your credit is no good; and 'once," they say, embittered, "like some bright twinkling star your credit glowed and glittered—before you owned a car."

Extension Wristlet Watches, in Waltham and Jewelled Swiss, lever movements in gold, gold filled cases. Prices from \$20.00 to \$85.00. A splendid selection. See them at LANGMEAD'S.—dec13.eod.17

**That "Pinched" Look.**

Why do our faces have that pinched look in winter? The answer holds interest because this look is a sign that we are not counteracting the hard rule of King Winter as we should. Ill-health, if not serious illness, is being asked for.

The "pinched" look is due, not so much to non-nutrition as mal-nutrition. You—if you are one of the pinched—are eating the wrong food. Food is, literally, the body's fuel. In winter we should make a special point of eating as much as possible of the heat-producing foods. Then the exposed and vulnerable parts of the body suffer—face, hands, and feet! There is no heat behind your face, as it were, to resist the touch of King Winter—his cold, and frosts, and biting winds. So your face is cold and "pinched." It draws itself together in exactly the same way as you hunch your body when the latter is cold.

The remedy is fuel. It is fat that your body wants—fatty foods like bacon, pork, goose, blisters, dripping, fatty drinks like cocoa, nuts, like almonds, which are practically all fat.

Fat makes the body-dress and turns. You are warm, and body-heat is the heat radiator of illness. You could do with much less clothing—which merely conserves heat and does not produce it—if you stoked your body-dress with fat. And then you would never get the "shivers," or have that pinched blue look. Each is a sign of lowered vitality, due to inside cold. Warm yourself up, therefore, and keep warm—per fat. There is no other way.

**TEDDY BEARS**, 25 inches long—\$2.50 each at KNOWLING'S.—dec13.eod.17

**OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO XMAS SHOPPERS.**



**STEER BROTHERS' BIG SALE!**

The things you want, just when you want them, at 20 per cent. Discount. Genuine Sale right in the height of the Christmas Trade. Join the crowds that are buying fresh, seasonable merchandise at prices that cannot be beaten. Useful and Practical Christmas Gifts, all at ONE-FIFTH OFF.

The only exceptions being Rubber Footwear, Wools and Trunks. Off these we are still giving Ten per cent. Discount.

**SHOWROOM BARGAINS.**

**Winter Coats, Hats and Furs at HALF PRICE.**

**BLOUSES.**  
White Voile and Organdie, neatly embroidered and lace trimmed.  
Usual Price . . . . . \$2.60 to \$6.00  
Sale Price . . . . . \$1.90 to \$4.30

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Usual Price . . . . . \$9.00  
Sale Price . . . . . \$6.50

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As a Christmas Gift, nothing would be more acceptable.

**BLACK DAKOTA WOLF COLLARS**  
Usual Price \$15.00. Half Price \$ 7.50  
Usual Price \$25.00. Half Price \$12.50  
Usual Price \$32.50. Half Price \$16.25  
Usual Price \$75.00. Half Price \$37.50

**MUFFS to Match.**  
Usual Price \$20.00. Half Price \$10.00  
Usual Price \$30.00. Half Price \$15.00  
Usual Price \$75.00. Half Price \$37.50

**MINK MARMOT COLLARS.**  
Usual Price \$25.00. Half Price \$12.50  
Usual Price \$30.00. Half Price \$15.00  
Usual Price \$65.00. Half Price \$32.50

**MUFFS to Match.**  
Usual Price \$30.00. Half Price \$15.00

**NATURAL COON COLLARS.**  
Usual Price \$35.00. Half Price \$17.50  
Usual Price \$45.00. Half Price \$22.50

**MUFFS to Match.**  
Usual Price \$10.00. Half Price \$5.00  
**GOLDEN FOX COLLARS.**  
Usual Price \$3.00. Half Price \$1.75  
Usual Price \$55.00. Half Price \$27.50

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**LADIES WOOL SWEATERS**  
Coats and Pull-Overs, all smart styles and leading shades.  
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Less 20 p.c. . . . . \$4.80 to \$13.60

**LGE. SCARVES & WRAPS**  
Monarch knit in beautiful new shades and combinations.  
Usual Price . . . . . \$7.50 to \$25.00  
Less 20 p.c. . . . . \$6.00 to \$20.00

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A Lot of SILK SCARVES at Half Price.



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Handkerchiefs in great variety: Ladies', Gent's and Children's in Plain White, White Embroidered and Colored Border.

Cream Japanette with Initial. Usual Price 37c. Less 20 p.c. 30c.

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**PRESENTS FOR EVERYONE**



**HAND BAGS.**

In Leather and Silk.

**Purses, Companions, Beads, Pendants, Brooches, Silk Scarves, NECKTIES.**  
In Fancy Boxes.

**MEN'S WINTER CAPS, SWEATER COATS.**

**GLOVES.**

**Ladies' Heather Wool.**  
Usual Price \$1.50. Less 20 p.c. \$1.14  
Usual Price \$2.20. Less 20 p.c. \$1.75  
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**Unlined Nappa Kid.**  
Usual Price \$4.50. Less 20 p.c. \$3.60  
Silk Lined.  
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**Tan Kid, Wool Lined.**  
Usual Price \$4.75. Less 20 p.c. \$3.80

**Tan Undressed Kid, Wool Lined.**  
Usual Price \$4.10. Less 20 p.c. \$3.28

**Grey Undressed, Wool Lined.**  
Usual Price \$4.75. Less 20 p.c. \$3.80

**Men's Heather Wool.**  
Usual Price \$1.00. Less 20 p.c. .80c  
Usual Price \$1.60. Less 20 p.c. \$1.28  
Usual Price \$2.00. Less 20 p.c. \$1.60  
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**Tan Kid, Wool Lined.**  
Usual Price \$4.50. Less 20 p.c. \$3.60

**Tan Undressed, Wool Lined.**  
Usual Price \$3.50. Less 20 p.c. \$2.80

**Grey Undressed, Wool Lined.**  
Usual Price \$4.00. Less 20 p.c. \$3.20

**Tan Undressed, Fur Lined.**  
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**Tan Undressed Mitts, Fur Lined**  
Usual Price \$6.00. Now \$3.00

**Black Astrachan Mitts, Kid Palms.**  
Usual Price \$2.50. Now \$1.25  
Usual Price \$3.00. Now \$1.50

**HOME FURNISHINGS.**

**CHINTZES.**  
In Fancy Art Shades.  
Usual Price 50c. Less 20 p.c. . . . . 40c.  
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**BORDERED CRETONNE.**  
Usual Price \$1.20. Less 20 p.c. . . . . 96c.  
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In pretty White, Cream and Buff grounds.  
Usual Price 55c. Less 20 p.c. . . . . 44c.

**HEARTH RUGS.**  
In Velvet and Tapestry.  
Usual Price \$ 4.00. Less 20 p.c. . . . . \$ 3.20  
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Usual Price \$ 8.00. Less 20 p.c. . . . . \$ 6.40  
Usual Price \$ 9.50. Less 20 p.c. . . . . \$ 7.60  
Usual Price \$11.00. Less 20 p.c. . . . . \$ 8.80  
Usual Price \$13.50. Less 20 p.c. . . . . \$10.80

**CARPETS AND RUGS**



**STAIR CARPETS.**  
Jute Tapestry in Crimson and Green.  
1/2 yard wide—  
Usual Price . . . . . \$1.40  
Less 20 p.c. . . . . \$1.12

5/8 yard wide—  
Usual Price . . . . . \$1.60  
Less 20 p.c. . . . . \$1.28

**Wool Tapestry.**  
1/2 yd. wide—Usual Price 1.90. Less 20 p.c., \$1.52  
5/8 yd. wide—Usual Price 2.20. Less 20 p.c., \$1.76

**CURTAIN SETS, LACE SETS.**  
Usual Price \$6.00. Less 20 p.c. . . . . \$4.80  
Usual Price \$7.50. Less 20 p.c. . . . . \$6.00  
Usual Price \$8.00. Less 20 p.c. . . . . \$6.40

**MUSLIN and SCRIM SETS.**  
Usual Price \$ 3.35. Less 20 p.c. . . . . \$ 2.68  
Usual Price \$ 4.00. Less 20 p.c. . . . . \$ 3.20  
Usual Price \$ 5.20. Less 20 p.c. . . . . \$ 4.16  
Usual Price \$ 6.00. Less 20 p.c. . . . . \$ 4.80  
Usual Price \$ 7.50. Less 20 p.c. . . . . \$ 6.00  
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**TAPESTRY TABLE COVERS**

in Crimson and Green.  
Usual Price \$ 5.50. Less 20 p.c. . . . . \$ 4.40  
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Usual Price \$11.50. Less 20 p.c. . . . . \$ 9.20  
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**WHITE LINEN TABLE COVERS.**

Usual Price \$3.50. Less 20 p.c. . . . . \$2.80  
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Usual Price \$4.50. Less 20 p.c. . . . . \$3.60  
Usual Price \$5.50. Less 20 p.c. . . . . \$4.40  
Usual Price \$5.75. Less 20 p.c. . . . . \$4.60

**TABLE NAPKINS.**

Usual Price 27c. each. Less 20 p.c. . . . . 22c.  
Usual Price 35c. each. Less 20 p.c. . . . . 28c.  
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Usual Price 60c. each. Less 20 p.c. . . . . 48c.

**MEN'S OVERCOAT SPECIAL.**

We would like to mention our special city wear Overcoat. Formfit, single breasted; Chesterfield, with or without velvet collar, in dark and light mixed tweeds.

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All BOOTS and SHOES, Ladies', Men's, Boys' and Girls', at 20 per cent. off.

**LADIES' FELT FUR TRIMMED JULIETS.**  
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**MEN'S FELT SLIPPERS—Tan and Black Romeos.**  
All RUBBERS and GAITERS at 10 p.c. off.

TRAY and SIDEBBOARD CLOTHS, PILLOW SHAMS, BUREAU SCARVES and CUSHION COVERS, all at 20 Per Cent. Off.

**STEER BROTHERS.**

# Anxiety Over Unemployment.

## England Facing Serious Crisis--Appalling Railway Disaster Near Petrograd--French Government Barely Escapes Defeat--Fiume Insurgents Given Notice to Quit--Canada's Wanderers to Make New Pilgrimage.

**RAILWAY HORROR.**  
LONDON, Dec. 22. A Central News despatch from Finland, says several hundred persons have been killed or injured in a railway accident due to the overcrowding of trains, near Petrograd.

**EXPLOSION IN POWDER MILL.**  
SCRANTON, Pa., Dec. 22. Four men were killed and two injured in an explosion to-day in the Pressing and Packing Mill of the Dupont Powder Company, near Messie, property damage amounting to ten thousand dollars.

**BELIEVES IN LEAGUE.**  
LONDON, Dec. 22. David Lloyd George, presiding at a luncheon, given in the House of Commons to British and Dominion delegates to the Assembly of the League of Nations, declared the League would never make real progress till all nations were represented. He was hopeful of the United States coming into the League, and sanguine about the admission of

Germany. There could be no real peace until competition in armaments ceased, and that was only possible when all nations were in the League, he said.

**SHORT SHIFT FOR AGITATORS.**  
LONDON, Dec. 22. There was a serious riot in Petrograd recently, according to Helming, in which many persons were killed and injured. The riot was crushed and one hundred and fifty laborers, who were asking for more food and shortening of the 16-hour working day, were executed.

**FIUME BESIEGED.**  
UDINE, Italy, Dec. 22. Fiume, the stronghold of Capt. D'Annunzio, insurgent Italian leader, is being besieged by regular Italian forces.

**UNEMPLOYMENT CRISIS IN ENGLAND.**  
LONDON, Dec. 22. Extreme anxiety is felt by the British people over conditions of unemployment and in some quarters opinion is held that the crisis is more

serious than any of its predecessors. Premier Lloyd George outlined his plan for relieving unemployment, in the House of Commons yesterday, and the papers give him credit for doing whatever is possible by resorting to makeshifts.

**FRENCH POLITICS.**  
PARIS, Dec. 22. The Chamber of Deputies, this afternoon, after an agitated debate, during which the Cabinet was sharply assailed, approved the first part of a resolution accepted by the Cabinet but failed to approve the second clause by an unprecedented tie vote of 279 voting each way. This ordinarily means the fall of the Cabinet. Some of the deputies held that the Cabinet had been beaten, while others said they were ready to accept the clause in amended form. Premier Leygues finally accepted the modified form, whereupon the chamber voted confidence in the ministry by 472 to 66.

**NO RUSSIAN TRADE AGREEMENT YET.**  
LONDON, Dec. 22. It has been found impossible to conclude a trade agreement with Russia before the rising of Parliament. Sir Robert S. Horne, President of the Board of Trade made this announcement in the House of Commons and expressed regret at the delay.

**REPARATIONS CONGRESS MAKES PROGRESS.**  
BRUSSELS, Dec. 22. The second financial conference here between representatives of the Allies and Germany to discuss German reparations, adjourned at noon to-day until January 10th. Before adjournment Allied experts told the German delegates there was good prospect of reaching an agreement on concessions asked by Germany, and indicated that with continued good will on both sides during the January sessions a solution of the reparations problem would be in sight. The German delegates said they could not make public statements, but it was learned from other quarters that Carl Bergmann, head of the German delegation, at the concluding of the session, expressed to the conference the appreciation of the Germans for the business-like methods followed, which had resulted in excellent progress.

**BRITAIN REPORTS ON LEAGUE WORK.**  
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**WORK TIED UP IN GENOA.**  
GENOA, Italy, Dec. 22. Owing to a strike 32 steamers have been unable to load their cargoes or depart from Genoa. Work in the harbor is at a standstill.

**MAKING PLANS FOR MIGRATION.**  
WINNIPEG, Dec. 22. A local paper publishes the following to-day: The Mennonites of Canada, numbering over 40,000, are making plans for migration from Canada to South Eastern Mississippi. The coming spring will see the vanguard of the movement leave this country.

**UNIMPORTANT.**  
DUBLIN, Dec. 22. The passage of the Irish Home Rule Bill by the British Parliament is not viewed as specially important, by the newspapers here. It is recognized the Bill will probably not be accepted by either Ulster or the rest of Ireland, and the Government may never decide to put the provisions into operation.

**SOLVING MURDER MYSTERIES.**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 22. More than two hundred men and five women arrested in raids on all night entertainment resorts, to-day were lined up at various police stations to be questioned by detectives who are endeavoring to solve the mysteries of many hold-ups and murders within the last few days.

**SHOULD HAVE WENT UP INSTEAD OF DOWN.**  
WINNIPEG, Dec. 22. Following his arrival here yesterday by airplane from Minneapolis, Joseph Gadbury, wanted at Britt, Iowa, on charges of having passed worthless checks amounting to \$1,300, was to-day arrested by the city police. The man had been sought for by American police officers for some time. The airplane has been parked under police suspicion.

## OTHER TABLETS NOT ASPIRIN AT ALL

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pending disposition of the case, it being understood that the prisoner is going to fight extradition.

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**Cuticura Soap**  
Is Ideal for—  
The Complexion

**Xmas Day Performance at the Casino.**

Frank Urban, the versatile comedian of the Frank Urban Stock Company, will be seen in the role of "Cappy Ricks" in the play of that name, when it comes to the Casino Theatre Christmas Day and needless to say it's one of the biggest opportunities this popular player has had come his way since he started his own organization. When Oliver Morosco secured the producing rights for "Cappy Ricks" he was determined to get the inimitable jovial and always artist, Tom Wise, to play the role and it was an ideal selection. Frank Urban is infatuated with the role and he will give a one hundred per cent. portrayal of the part, you can depend upon that. He will be called upon to portray a real old weather beaten dog, blustering, cussing sort of a chap, and yet revealing, eventually that under rough exterior old Cappy carries a heart of the purest gold. It's a character drawing of a blistering old chap so good natured withal that even a lean lank pessimist will feel the warmth of his wholesome humor. Due to the immense vogue of the "Cappy Ricks" stories during the time they appeared in the Saturday Evening Post, there is exceptional interest locally in the play and seats for Christmas, night performance were sold out early yesterday.

Your friends abroad are clamoring for something from the "Homeland." Why not send them a package of POWER'S delicious HOME-MADE CANDY? To be had at POWER'S Candy Store, 218 New Gower Street.—dec22/21

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A Clearing Out of Broken Sizes at  
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Two Dollars and Fifty Cents will purchase at our Shoe Stores a pair of  
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**FOR \$2.50**

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Two Dollars and Fifty Cents will purchase at our Shoe Stores a pair of  
**WOMEN'S PATENT VAMP, 4-STRAP SHOES,** in sizes 3, 6 & 8.  
**WOMEN'S GUN METAL, 2-STRAP SHOES,** in sizes 6 1/2, 7 & 8.  
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**WOMEN'S CHAMPAGNE PUMPS,** all sizes, 3 to 7. Regular value \$4.50 to \$6.00  
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Three Dollars and Ninety-five Cents will purchase a pair of  
**WOMEN'S GUN METAL LACED BOOTS,** in sizes 2 1/2, 3, 3 1/2, 4, 4 1/2, 5, 5 1/2 and 6.  
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**WOMEN'S VICI KID BOOTS.** Blucher and Bal. shape, military heels. A good serviceable boot. Regular values \$6.00 to \$12.00  
**FOR \$3.95**

**\$4.90 WOMEN'S BOOT BARGAIN**  
Four Dollars and Ninety Cents will purchase a pair of  
**WOMEN'S PATENT BLACK CLOTH TOP BUTTON BOOTS.**  
Louis, Cuban heels, plain toes and some with toe caps. Sizes 4 1/2, 5, 5 1/2 and 6. Regular value \$10.00  
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Five Dollars and Fifty Cents will purchase a pair of  
**WOMEN'S 9-INCH KID BOOTS.**  
Low walking heels, perforated toe cap and vamp; a very comfortable walking Boot. Sizes 2 1/2, 3 1/2, 4, 4 1/2, 5 1/2, 6, 6 1/2 and 7. Regular \$10.00 value  
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Our Display Counters are teeming with marvellous **BOOT BARGAINS.** The best value in the city.  
**G. Knowling, Ltd., Shoe Stores**  
SPOT CASH ONLY

## Selected Turkeys, Ducks, Plymouth Rock Chicken & Geese NOW IN STOCK.



Assorted Glace Fruits 1 lb. boxes.  
Crystallized Cherries, 1 lb. boxes.  
Pure French Olive Oil Wesson Oil, 1 lb. tins.  
IXL Prime Cookin' Oil, 1 & 5 gall. tins.  
Remett Tablets.  
Pure Gold Extract of Lemon and Vanilla, all sizes.  
Maconochie's Lemon Cheese—Glass.  
Finest Quality Guaranteed Fresh Eggs.  
Bird's Egg Powder & Custard Powder.

A Box of "O.K." TABLE APPLES will make a most acceptable gift for your friends. We have 150 boxes comprising ten of the most popular varieties.

**MOIR'S FANCY BOXES from \$1.50 up.**

American Parsnips—Selected.  
Carrots and Beets.  
Calif. Navel Oranges.  
Fresh Fruit—A large and various assortment.  
Citron Peel .57c. lb.  
Lemon Peel .45c. lb.  
Orange Peel .45c. lb.  
Pears, 60c. doz. up.  
Cranberries.  
Pan Yan Sauce.  
Pan Yan Pickles.  
Caconochie's Pickles and Chow Chow.  
Lazenby's Pickled Onions.  
Beef Suet, 1 lb. tins.  
Local Green Cabbage —Free from frost.

**CONCHAS & GOVERNOR CIGARS, 1/4 and 1/2 boxes.**

**FINE JAMAICA CIGARS—** Boxes of 50, from \$9.00 per hundred up

"Beech Nut" Bacon,  
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Nicely sliced as you want it.  
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Saur Kraut.  
Dill Pickles.

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## Kyle's Passengers.

The following passengers arrived at Port aux Basques at 8:30 a.m. yesterday by the S.S. Kyle:—Miss K. McDonald, Mrs. M. E. Biddell, daughter and son, A. Flight, A. Grennie, J. Hiscock, T. Power, J. Walsh, P. Aspell, S. Matthews, R. Kneec, Mrs. A. Penney, Miss G. Bellow, D. and Mrs. Bremner, J. W. Eadey, A. Noel, A. James, Miss J. Ellsworth, Mrs. W. Mearie, Miss Ewing, Miss M. Trannell, Miss M. Sheppard, Miss G. Cutler, E. J. Gillis, A. Patey, E. E. Henery, F. and Mrs. Urban, A. and Mrs. Paterson, H. and Mrs. Merton, Miss E. Denville, F. Hargroaves, H. Caines, D. Greene, L. Lynch.

## ASK FOR ALVINA

The Improved Tasteless Preparation of an Extract of Cod Liver Oil  
Especially Recommended for  
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A Splendid Tonic for Delicate Women and Children  
Prepared by  
DAVIS & LAWRENCE CO.,  
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## PRINCE OF WALES' RINK!

Books of Tickets now on sale at Gray & Goodland's and Garrett Byrne's Bookstores.  
Gent's Book of 20 ..... \$3.00  
Lady's Book of 20 ..... \$3.00  
Children's Book of 25 ..... \$2.00  
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## Rosalind Sails.

S.S. Rosalind sailed at noon to-day for Halifax and New York, taking part cargo of freight and the following passengers in saloon:—H. M. Bennett, G. H. Stewart, H. Abraham, J. Head, S. J. Kehoe, Capt. and Mrs. Davis, Miss E. Dave, Mrs. N. Bradley, T. R. Hall, Miss Ellen St. John, Alex. Ledingham, E. J. Ring and 12 in steerage. Minard's Liniment, Cargo, Book, etc. EVERYWHERE.

# Christmas Gift Suggestions!

As the selecting of suitable Christmas Gifts is always a perplexing problem, we take this opportunity of making a few helpful suggestions, which will no doubt relieve you of some of the worry of the Gift Season.

## Ladies :

CREPE-DE-CHENE HANDKERCHIEFS, FANCY SILK HANDKERCHIEFS, ASSTD. BOXES FANCY HANDKERCHIEFS, CASHMERE, WOOL & KID GLOVES, SILK HOSIERY, FELT BEDROOM SLIPPERS, BLOUSES, SPATS, GAITERS, Etc., all at Special Cash Prices.

## Gentlemen :

LAWN and SILK INITIAL HANDKERCHIEFS, LINED and UNLINED KID GLOVES, FANCY SHIRTS, NECKTIES, MUFFLERS, LINEN COLLARS, WINTER CAPS, BOSTON GARTERS, SLEEVE LINKS, INVICTUS HOCKEY BOOTS, all at Special Cash Prices. SHIRLEY PRESIDENT BRACES only 75c. pair.

**TOYS!** Dolls, Drums, Games, Books, Tea Sets, Trains, Rattles, Humming Tops, Toy Trunks, Coon Jiggers, Flags, etc., Twenty per cent. off for cash.

# Marshall Bros

## Side Talks by Ruth Cameron

ON DINNER NAPKINS AND WRITING PAPER.



A letter came to me the other day, written on letter paper, which was very thick, several sizes larger than the ordinary paper, and of a beautiful shade of gray.

The letter itself was a short one and took up but two pages out of the four. And at that, the writer left margins of

over an inch. A friend saw the letter lying on my desk. "Don't you simply adore paper like that?" she asked, fingering its thickness and admiring its size and color. "I wish I had some just like it. Don't you?"

"I do and I don't," I said. "Which, though it sounds hectic and cryptic, would be epigrammatic, is nothing but the truth. Good Taste in One Way But Not in Another."

Parts of me would like paper like that. It is so rich looking and so distinguished. I can fancy people saying when they get my letters, "She always has such good taste." But another part of me says, "You know perfectly well that it really isn't the best taste. You know that using paper so much thicker and heavier and larger than you need, even if it is approved by fashion, is not a style that has its foundation on what should be the really important criterion of any fashion—beauty and common sense."

The color is beautiful, but you do not need such large paper for short notes at least, and you do not need such thick paper for any purpose. You know that half your joy in having such paper is the affect of costliness it gives. And you know that you disapprove of any fashion which, without achieving a commensurate increase in beauty or utility, wastes the labor of someone in producing it and prevents that labor from being put into channels where it would produce something for more general distribution.

Not Fair to Someone. The part of me that feels this way

has the same objection to the enormous dinner napkins hotels and private hostesses occasionally present one with, although the other part of me does enjoy a sense of luxury as I spread these miniature table cloths out on my lap. There is no need for any such use of linen. It means that someone, somewhere, put a far larger amount of labor into producing the article than was needed to give it utility or beauty.

Our motive in wanting to possess and use such articles really goes back to a love of ostentation—of being able to feel that we are offering something that shows we can afford more than a merely useful thing.

We are saying, in effect, when we use such napkins and such writing paper, "I can afford to have a big margin of paper that I don't need for use." Of course, we don't consciously have any such feeling, but I think it is at the bottom of the success of such styles.

Don't You Hate Skippy Sheets?

Now please do not think I like things skippy. I don't. If there is anything in the world I detest it is a skippy blanket that can't be pulled up about one's neck without getting pulled out at the bottom. But that's a matter of utility, not display.

Of course, it is very hard to say where utility ends and display begins. But if you try to have a general idea that you want to buy beauty and utility and avoid display and ostentation you will at least have an ideal to work towards.

How is this for a motto? "Anything I can afford for beauty and utility, but not one cent for ostentation."

## When the Cattle Talk.

QUEER XMAS CUSTOMS FROM ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD.

Now that the shadow of the Great War has passed from the sky of Europe, Christmas, the festival of peace and good will, can emerge from its retirement, with all its varied customs and superstitions.

In many parts of Austria, a very curious Christmas custom is still observed. On St. Nicholas Day each house is visited by two men in the guise respectively of a bishop and a deacon. The parents point out to

## EGGS!

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through village or town, may not stumble.

In the days of peace, for a full week before Christmas Day dawned, the Russian peasant was busy killing his fatted oxen and sheep, cooking them at large bonfires, and preparing everything to the minutest detail for his banquet and revels.

The day before Christmas he devoted to the strictest fasting, so that his appetite might be in good order for the morrow; and that he realized his ambitions was evidenced by the fact that when once he began eating and drinking, he never stopped until far into the following day.

When Paris Celebrates.

The Russian peasant was, and is, a man of many superstitions. He believes that the first star to appear in the heavens on Christmas Eve is the very star that led the wise men to Bethlehem, and that whoever sees it first is assured a highly prosperous year. In the centre of his Christmas table he places a bundle of straw and hay, symbolical of the manger, and, before the meal, each guest draws from the bundle a blade of straw, the one who draws the longest being destined to live the longest.

During the feasting, the destitute children of the village go from house to house singing carols, receiving gifts at each door, and in return, pelting the donor with oats, thus ensuring him riches.

Berlin the shops are opened on each of the three Sundays before Christmas, known as the copper, sil-

ver, and Gold Sundays, and customers flock to them in thousands to buy their Christmas presents.

Christmas Eve in Paris is given over to a scene of revelry and rioting such as Paris herself never witnesses on any other night of the year, while to the Parisian Christmas Day itself is a day of dull decorum, of family reunions, dyspepsia, and the dispensing of countless presents to everybody, from the concierge to the oysterman and telegraph-boy.

"Straight From the Horse's Mouth." England, too, has her share of Christmas superstitions, for there are thousands who believe in the magic of cock-crowling to scare away evil spirits, as in the days of Shakespeare. And are there not hundreds of farmhouses in remote parts of England where it is an article of faith that cattle have the gift of language on Christmas Eve? Woe be to man or maid who yields to curiosity and plays eavesdropper, for they are sure to hear something they would go miles to avoid hearing.

There is a story told of a farm-servant, who, scoffing at this superstition, concealed himself in his master's stable and listened.

Just as the clock struck twelve he heard, so the story runs, one horse say to another: "We shall have hard work to do this day week."

"Yes," answered his companion, "and the way to the churchyard is long and steep."

The sequel is stranger. The story goes that the servant died, and was buried just a week later!

## Household Notes.

An excellent storm door is made by covering the summer screen door with heavy muslin, canvas or carpet.

The linen should be wrung out by hand, as the wringer leaves wrinkles that are difficult to press out.

Fasten to your closet door a padded cushion. To this can be placed dress skirts and other wearing apparel.

When making hard white icing all utensils should be spotlessly clean as any spot of grease may make the icing heavy.

If roasting a turkey, pin large thin slices of pork on legs to prevent them from burning and drying in cooking.

If apple pies are made with rather flavorless apples, sweeten them with brown sugar and it will improve the taste.

Beat 1/2-pint of whipped cream and a little salt into a small cream cheese. Pile on top of a deep-dish apple pie.

If a roast is dredged with flour after basting with fat, it will have a crusty, frothy appearance, which is appetizing.

We have just received a shipment California Pure Products-- LIBBY'S, Extra Blackberries, Put up in 2 lb. Tins. SOLD BY ALL GROCERS. Libby, McNeill & Libby.

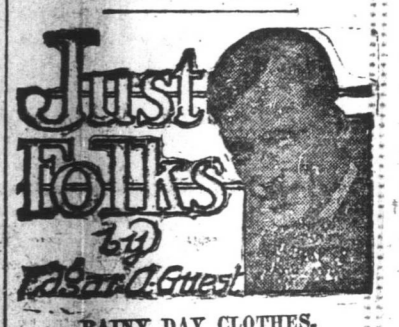
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## "Bishop" Bunyan's Deed of Gift.

John Bunyan, the Bedford tinker, whose education had, during the early part of his life been neglected, applied himself, after his marriage, to the study of the Scriptures, and eventually became a Baptist preacher at Bedford. At the Restoration he was committed to prison for preaching, and it was during his confinement that he wrote his "Pilgrim's Progress" and "The Holy War," the two finest allegorical works in this or any other language. After his release from jail, where he had been for twelve weary years, his popularity was so much increased that he preached to large congregations, and was called, in allusion to his widespread influence, "Bishop Bunyan." All was not sunshine, however, for there was always the fear of being arrested again. So, dreading lest his faithful wife might be left penniless at any time, should his small worldly means be taken under a pretence of fines and penalties, John, on December 24, 1685, executed a deed of gift, vesting in her everything he possessed. This document is a singular one in many respects. The original is in the church-book at Bedford, and is remarkable for having been sealed with a silver two-penny piece. The deed secured to Elizabeth his property, such as it was, without the trouble and expense of applying to the Ecclesiastical Courts for probate of a will. It appears from this deed that he had resumed his trade as a brazer, which is a superior kind of tinker. Pursuing this, and visiting various districts to quicken the lagging energies of his more supine brethren, also writing and preaching, were heavy labours; and at last the iron frame of John Bunyan gave way under that mysterious disease, the sweating distemper. But he struggled through it, tenderly nursed by his loving helpmate. Later on, however, he had a relapse, and finding his strength decaying, he settled his worldly affairs, as well as the shortness of the time and the violence of the disorder would permit, and after an illness of ten days, he expired. Elizabeth, his faithful helpmate, survived him only four years.



## Just Folks

RAINY DAY CLOTHES. Behind the rainy day there lies blossoms and birds and sunny skies. The clouds are but a mantle gray. Designed for just a rainy day. And as with men who sometimes wear flash raiment for their hours of ease. And yet beneath each uniform. The kindly hearts continue warm. So life is fair, despite the gray. And sombre garment of the day.

We do not ask our friends to be Always attired in finery. We find them garbed to fill the soft in raiment thick with dirt and oil. And sorry sights to look upon. And yet our love continues on. We do not look on them in hate. Because their robes are out of date. And torn and shabby, for we know. The hearts beneath with friendship glow.

So when there comes a rainy day. And all above is robed in gray. Why should we turn away and sigh. And fear to look upon the rain? Life still is fair! The birds and bees. The blossoms and the leafy trees. Are ours to know, and we shall smile. Through them through many an after-while. Friendly the day shall still remain. Though dressed in gray to suit the rain.

## Christmas Cures.

All sorts of ailments are believed to be cured at the season of Christmas.

The children of Yorkshire carry round a box, covered with evergreen leaves, containing a doll dressed up to represent Christ. They call at each house and ask for money for the Christmas festivities, and those who contribute are allowed to take a leaf from the box, and this leaf is believed to be an absolute cure for toothache.

The country people in Cheshire believe that on Christmas Eve the Holy Child comes to re-visit the earth at midnight, and in some homes where there is a sick child the mother takes the little one from its sick bed and carries it to the door a few minutes before midnight, and waits there until midnight has struck.

If the child recovers its health, she believes it is because the Christ Child, in passing the door, touched the sick child, with His healing fingers. If the child dies, the mother comforts herself with the belief that the Christ Child called the sick child to Heaven to be His "playmate."

Soms Somerset folk never let the Yule log quite burn out, but always save a piece of it for the next Christmas. The ashes are believed to cure hiccup.

Splendid Value Packets of Xmas Cards at 20, 25, 30, 35, 45, 50, 65, 80 and 90c. at GARDNER'S—Dec 7, 9, 14, 19, 21, 23

## MUTT AND JEFF

## MUTT WAS SERIOUS, AND JEFF—WELL, YOU KNOW HIM.

—By Bud Fisher.





**Speech Day at  
Bp. Spencer College.**

**CHARMING OPERETTA BY PUPILS.**

The annual Speech Day of Bishop Spencer College was held last night in the Casino Theatre. After the arrival of His Excellency the Governor, who was accompanied by Lady Harris and Miss Armored Harris, and attended by Captain Saltmarsh, A.D.C., the curtain rose on the first part of the evening's programme, the operetta, "The Wishing Cap." It is not too much to say that this operetta was the best performance of its kind ever seen here. The manner in which the various parts were portrayed by the young artists was truly marvellous, their acting leaving nothing to be desired. Not even the most severe critic could have found fault with the performance. Whilst not wishing to be invidious, we cannot refrain from singling out a few of the performers for special mention. Miss Audrey Chafe, who is only 13 years of age, took the difficult part of Eliza and sustained it in such a vivid and natural manner as to call forth volumes of applause from the large and appreciative audience. For a child of her years, she has a very fine voice and an undoubted natural ability for acting. The part of Katisha, the Gipsy Queen, was ably taken by Miss Maude Hutchings, whose acting also left little to be desired. Miss Dorothy Snow as Dame Durden, was also very good, and Miss Sybil Chalker as Jane, the Scullery Maid, was really excellent and greatly amused the audience by her droll antics and sayings. All minor parts were also splendidly acted. We are sure that a repetition of "The Wishing Cap" would be welcomed by the public, especially by those who have not had the opportunity of seeing it as yet. Great credit is due Mr. H. W. Stirling, who was responsible for the production, the excellence of which is a striking tribute to the time and care which he has given to it.

The list of characters was as follows:—  
Dame Durden, Dorothy Snow.  
Farmer Durden, Dorothy Lillie.  
Elsa (their little daughter), Audrey Chafe.  
Katisha (Gipsy Queen), Maude Hutchings.  
The (husband to Katisha), Renetta News.  
Ben (his brother), Anna Wilson.  
Polly (a Dairymaid), Grace Watson.  
Dolly (Housemaid), Gertrude Snow.  
Sue (Milkmaid), Audrey Stirling.  
Kit (Marshall), Kit Marshall.  
Meg (Milkmaid), T. Noseworthy.  
Lou (F. Pitcher).  
Mattie, M. Rogerson.  
Theobald, May Blandford.  
Jane (Scullery Maid), Sybil Chalker.  
Fairy Acolia, Gertrude Oka.  
Fairy Volanta, Shirley Green.  
Fairy Epiona, Dorothy Snow.  
At the conclusion of the operetta, His Excellency the Governor and Lady Harris took their places on the stage, with the directors and teachers. The report of the college for the past year was read by Mr. Brian Dunfield. He regretted the departure of Miss Stirling, the former headmistress and welcomed Miss A. M. Richards, who has taken her place. He then read the results obtained by Spencer in the last C.H.E. Examinations, which were as follows:

Passes, Honors	
St. A.A.	0 2
Jr. A.A.	1 2
Intermediate	13 5
Preliminary	11 11

He also spoke of the facilities to be added to the college during the present school year.  
Dr. Blackall followed and gave a short but interesting address. His Lordship Bishop White then called upon Lady Harris to present the prizes. After these had all been presented, Rev. Dr. Bolt rose to explain that the directors had decided to present Mrs. Frazer, nee Miss Stirling, the former principal, with a token of their esteem in the shape of a handsome clock. The presentation was made by His Lordship the Bishop, in a few well chosen words. In a short speech Mrs. Frazer thanked the directors and also took the opportunity of saying good bye to the girls of Spencer College. Addresses were also given by Canon Jeeves, Hon. W. R. Warren, and H. E. the Governor, after which the proceedings were brought to a close by the singing of the National Anthem.

**Shipping Notes.**

Schooner Max Horton, 11 days from Newark, N.J., arrived in port yesterday with a cargo of anthracite coal to M. Morey & Co., Ltd.  
Schooner Richard B. Silver has entered to load codfish for Brazil from Messrs. A. Goodridge & Sons.  
Schooner Douglas B. Parks has cleared for Pernambuco with 3046 qts. of codfish loaded by G. M. Barr.  
S.S. Meigle was obliged to harbor at Trepassy yesterday owing to the very heavy sea raging. She will continue her voyage to North Sydney this morning.

Folding Xmas Cards in all the latest designs, including Greeting Cards from Nfld., from 5 to 50c., at GARLAND'S—dec4,7,9,14,16,21,23



**Christmas -- The Magic Day -- Approaches  
and the Royal Stores is Radiant with Gifts  
-Like a Thousand Candles Twinkling in a Christmas Sky**

The Store is twinkling with splendid assortments of Christmas Goods all marked at Rock Bottom prices. Read this page of Practical Gift Suggestions in which every cent of Christmas money counts.

**Only 1 more Day in which to do Your Shopping**

**Dainty Neckwear**  
We are showing pretty Collars, Collar and Cuff Sets and Vestees in Silk, Net, Lace and Organdie Muslin. Delightful touches that add much to the appearance of the dress or costume. New designs in great variety. Prices range from 16c. each to \$5.00.

**A Silk Petticoat, Why Not?**  
Many people are selecting gifts that are practical and useful. Silk Petticoats make acceptable gifts. We are showing a nice line in Silk Taffeta. Garments of exceptional beauty in a variety of colors; shot effects, &c., also in black; large and medium sizes, finished with accordion pleated flounces of varying widths. Prices from \$12.28 each to \$15.48.

**Victor Records**  
We have just received a big shipment of New Records. Christmas Music, New Dance and Vocal Selections.

**Child's Winter Coats**  
at almost Half Price  
Extraordinary values are offered in Tweed, Velour and Velvet Coats for children. This stock includes the newest styles imported for present season's wear; in sizes to fit all ages from 2 to 12 years. Prices range from \$3.50 each to \$12.75.

**A New Hearth Rug**  
Will brighten up the home considerably. We are offering exceptionally fine values in Tapestry and Axminster Hearth Rugs of all sizes. Prices from \$6.00 each to \$10.00.

**Gifts that are Different  
But will be Favorably  
Received**

- ALL WOOL BLANKETS—Popular Riverside make size 60 x 84. Regular \$15.75 pair for \$12.00
- DAMASK TABLE CLOTHS—Of beautiful texture and finish, in a variety of handsome floral designs; size 66 x 84. Reg. \$6.50 each for \$5.20
- MOHAIR TABLE COVERS—Rich, handsome floral designs; size 96 x 144. Reg. \$40.00 each for \$32.00
- BATTENBURG TEA CLOTHS—White Linen centres with beautiful Battenburg Lace inserts and borders; size 36 x 36. Reg. \$2.75 for \$2.40
- TEA APRONS—In White Muslin, daintily trimmed with embroidery and lace. Reg. 96c. \$1.20 each for \$1.00
- SILK CAMISOLES—White Jap Silk with lace and ribbon trimming Regular \$1.80 each for \$1.45

**Special Values in Sports Coats & Blouses**

- Sports Coats.**  
All Wool knit in Saxe and Coral; sizes 34 to 40; V shaped neck; two pockets; no collar. Regular \$5.50 each for \$4.40
- White Linen Blouses.**  
Laundried models in White Linen and Pique assorted pretty styles; in all sizes. values \$5.00 to \$8.75. Sale Price \$3.95
- Jap Silk Blouses.**  
In White or colored; Shirtwaist styles as well as other novelty designs; sizes from 34 to 44. Reg. \$11.50 each for \$7.60
- Georgette Blouses.**  
In a variety of popular shades; new, attractive styles, in all sizes. Reg. \$14.40 each for \$10.00
- Crep de Chine Blouses.**  
In a host of pretty styles including the popular tailored shirt style, trimmed with buttons and embroidery; sizes 34 to 44. Reg. \$9.50 each for \$6.25
- Dressing Gowns.**  
Of warm Swanette, in Pink, Pale Blue and dark colors; long roll collars and silk gir- die. Reg. \$12.75 each for \$10.20
- Women's Spats**  
In high grade Felt; well cut and finished. Colors of Slate, Fawn and Black.  
10 button length. Regular \$2.50 pair for \$2.25  
12 button length. Regular \$2.65 pair for \$2.40  
14 button length. Regular \$3.25 pair for \$2.95

**Week End Toilet Packages**  
Dainty packages set up in sufficient sizes for week-end usage. Women's packages, consisting of Toilet Soap, Tooth Paste, Perfumes, etc. Men's packages, containing Tooth Paste, Shaving and Toilet Soap and Powder.  
Reg. 55c. package for \$4c.  
Reg. 85c. package for \$6c.  
Reg. \$1.16 package for \$7c.



**In the Excitement of Gift Choosing  
And Other Yuletide Preparations**

There is the danger of overlooking those relatives or friends to whom you wish to show your esteem in a tangible way this Christmas. Your safest plan is to visit this Store and bring your shopping list with you. Few other stores can serve you so well.

**Christmas Furs**  
Scores of beautiful Fur Pieces; separate or in Sets; for Women and Children.  
MUFFS—In Black Wolf, Fox, Oppossum and Natural Hat. Prices from \$9.40 to \$32.00.  
SCARFS—Black or Grey Wolf, Lynx, Mink, Marmot, etc. Prices \$6.00 to \$40.00.  
FUR SETS—In various popular skins. Prices from \$14.00 set to \$182.00.

**Christmas Slippers**  
Practical Gifts that should appeal to everyone.  
WOMEN'S FELT SLIPPERS—In a fine range of colors; all sizes. Prices range from \$2.12 pair to \$3.50.  
CHILDREN'S FELT SLIPPERS—In Red and Navy; all sizes. Prices from \$1.50 pair to \$2.30.  
MEN'S SLIPPERS—Felt, with soft or hard leather soles. Prices from \$2.85 pair to \$3.60.

**Xmas Handkerchiefs**  
An unexcelled assortment of dainty Gift Handkerchiefs in Holly Boxes, etc., at the following prices:—  
80c., \$1.07, \$1.20, \$2.40.  
for a Box of 3 or 6.  
Also a complete line of Single Handkerchiefs at prices from 10c. to \$2.00.

**She would like a Pretty Purse  
or Shopping Bag**

- Hand Purses.**  
Of real Leather, Seal or Colored Suede. Reg. 55c. each for 44c. Reg. 80c. each for 64c. Reg. 95c. each for 75c. Reg. \$1.65 each for \$1.32
- Leather Handbags.**  
In high grade Leather, useful styles. Reg. \$1.90 each for \$1.52 Reg. \$4.00 each for \$3.20 Reg. \$5.25 each for \$4.20 Reg. \$8.50 each for \$6.80
- Vanity Bags.**  
In a variety of pretty styles, beaded & fringed. Reg. \$ 3.00 each for \$2.40 Reg. \$ 3.00 each for \$2.40 Reg. \$10.75 each for \$8.60
- Odds and Ends in Gift Goods**  
WINE SERVING TRAYS—5-piece set, Nickel and Glass. Reg. \$1.65 set for \$1.32  
WINE SERVING TRAYS—3-piece set, Nickel and Glass. Reg. 80c. set for \$64c.  
CREAM or BOUQE POTS—White Celluloid and Glass. Reg. 20c. each for \$16c.  
TRINKET BOXES—Paper Mache "Tortoise". Reg. \$3.00 each for \$1.50  
OAK ASH TRAYS—Japanese design. Reg. 50c. each for \$35c.  
OAK ASH TRAYS—Japanese design. Reg. 40c. each for \$26c.  
BRASS ASH TRAYS—With glass well. Reg. 65c. each for \$52c.  
BOUQUET HOLDERS—Bronze Stands. Reg. 45c. each for \$36c.  
NAPKIN RINGS—Celluloid. Reg. 45c. each for \$36c.

**TOYS! TOYS! TOYS!**  
Here are just a few of the things that seem to appeal more to children.  
TO THE GIRLS—Dolls' Dishes, Dolls' Baskets, Dolls' Beds, Dolls' Trunks, Dolls' Tea Sets, Picture and Paint Books, Toy Sad Irons.  
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**Christmas Gloves**  
For Men, Women and Children. Here are some of the values we offer:  
WOMEN'S GLOVES—In Brown or Grey, soft from \$2.20 pair to \$3.85.  
WOMEN'S HEAVY KID DRIVING GLOVES—In Browns and Tans; wool lined. Prices \$4.50 pair to \$6.10.  
MEN'S GLOVES—Heavy Kid and Suede; wool lined. Prices \$3.10 to \$5.65.  
CHILDREN'S GLOVES—Knitted Wool; warm and comfortable. Prices from 40c. pair to \$1.00.

**Christmas Hosiery**  
We offer you the widest selection of reasonable Hosiery in the country.  
WOMEN'S CASHMERE HOSE—Plain or ribbed; Prices from 60c. pair to \$3.15.  
WOMEN'S WORSTED HOSE—Wide ribbed. Black. Prices from \$1.20 pair to \$1.35.  
WOMEN'S HEATHER HOSE—Assorted. ribs. Prices from \$1.00 pair to \$1.50.  
CHILDREN'S HOSE—Black Worsted; Two Steeles brand; all sizes. Prices from 85c. pair to \$1.34.

**Christmas Jewelry**  
Many people give Jewellery when they wish to give a small remembrance. We have a splendid selection to choose from.  
CAMEO BROOCHES, in beautiful new designs.  
GOLD BROOCHES, in Amber, Coral  
BEAD NECKLETS, in Jade and Pearl.

**Gifts--  
He can Use and Will  
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# Conflagration and Tragedy.

## Fireman Crushed to Death by Falling Wall—Four Others Injured—Big Blaze This Morning, when Star Hall Destroyed.

This morning at 4.40 an alarm of fire from box 17 brought the Central, West and East End Fire Companies to the Star of the Sea Association Hall. On arrival at the scene the building at its western end was a mass of flame. Some five or six streams of water were immediately applied but it was soon realized that the structure was doomed. The Hall which was built of wood with shingle roof proved an easy prey to the devouring element. Luckily for the surrounding houses the hall was detached, the nearest places being Kelly's house and Boggan's co-op. These were situated on the west and separated only by some 7 or 8 feet from the burning building. The co-op belonging to Boggan, was somewhat burned on the back but the dwelling houses next escaped owing to a thick coating of snow on the roof. The fire was seen by a man named Clarke, who coming in by special train was going to his boarding house and a watchman on the Avalon Telephone new building. Mr. Moses Kelly who lives near was one of the first on the scene and he says that at about 10 minutes after four he looked out his window and saw neither light nor smoke, but five minutes afterwards some person came to his door and when he looked out everything seemed to be in a blaze. The firemen had a good supply of water with a good pressure, but owing to the height of the building it was not much difficulty was experienced in getting water to the roof. Whilst working on that portion of the building a part of the front wall fell outwards and five firemen, taken unawares, were buried in the debris and many bystanders had narrow escapes. With the collapse of the wall the blaze was somewhat subdued, but the darkness it could not be determined who were injured. Assistance was quickly rendered and four men—O'Neill, Walsh and Winsor were removed. Constable Pitcher and Sergeant Nugent, who were among the rescuers, searching with a flashlight discovered William Harvey, bleeding and suffocating under a heavy section of

improvements to the entrance which alone cost about \$2000. The Society has about \$20,000 insurance on the building. The Globe Chemical Factory, occupied the ground flat next the boiler room, and it was at this part of the building the fire was supposed to originate. Mr. James Kavanagh, owner of the factory, had some \$3,000 worth of stock on which he had no insurance.

Wm. Harvey, who lost his life in the course of his duty, was married with a family. He was about 50 years old, and for a number of years was a regular fireman. Latterly, however, he was on the reserve list. The Telegram, with the whole community, joins in an expression of sympathy to the sorrowing wife and family.

The Star of the Sea Association were making arrangements for the celebration of their Golden Jubilee Anniversary which occurs on January 6th next, but this morning's blaze will practically cripple all the preparations made.

The firemen of all three companies worked like the heroes they are in their endeavours to save the contiguous buildings from meeting a fate similar to that of the Star Hall. When it is taken into consideration that the elements were arrayed against them and that they had to combat darkness, wind, cold and fire all at one time, the truly gallant spirit displayed by them is worthy of more than passing notice. Only by their exceptionally gallant efforts was the progress of the fire held, and it speaks volumes for their courage and tenacity of purpose that rather than be beaten by the devouring element, they were prepared to sacrifice life itself rather than permit the flames to gain the upper hand. One indeed did give his life, and in the manner of his dying left a memorial that will live throughout the ages. To William Harvey, hero, a debt of gratitude is owed by all those whose premises were saved from destruction. He gave his life for others in the real, true sense of the word, and greater love hath no man than this; because his efforts were not alone directed toward the saving of property, but of the lives of those who were unconscious of the danger menacing them as well. His gallant comrades were no less animated by a sense of duty than he, but the supreme sacrifice had to be made and the lot fell on him, and he is indeed honored in the manner of his death. No pen can write, no language however sympathetic can convey the feelings that arise predominant over all others in glorification of the deeds of the men comprising the fire fighting force of St. John's, those men who daily exemplify in their calling the creed that believes in doing. No tribute of greater worth can be paid to the memory of the gallant Harvey, who died nobly at the post of duty than that he had a work



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to perform and in that performance he surrendered his life and in dying left a record that will be a stimulation to his colleagues. No reward can be too great for such men, and we trust that a fitting appreciation of the work of the firemen will be made by all who recognise their gallantry and devotion to duty.

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Plenty of Water.  
Municipal Offices, City Hall, December 23, 1920.  
Dear Sir,—In the account of the fire this morning, given by the "Daily News," it is said that the Fire Company "had connections with the near hydrants, but the supply of water was so short that very little could be done to save the building." This is somewhat misleading, and would leave one to suppose that there was an insufficient supply of water in the vicinity. Such was not the case. The nearest hydrants on Dicks Square and the junction of Dicks Square and Henry Street are off a 4" main, which is insufficient for more than one hose, but there were 4 hydrants off the Duckworth Street 20" main, within 150 feet to 250 feet; another off the 10" on Theatre Hill within 150 feet of the building, from which a super-abundant supply was obtained.

Yours very truly,  
W. G. GOSLING, Mayor.

**TO-DAY'S MESSAGES.**  
**UNEMPLOYED TO PARADE.**  
VANCOUVER, B.C., Dec. 23.  
In spite of some shouts of "remember what happened in Winnipeg," a parade through the principal streets of the city by unemployed was decided on at a mass meeting here yesterday.

**FIREMEN INJURED.**  
MONTREAL, Dec. 23.  
Two firemen were injured in a sixty five thousand dollar fire, which destroyed the plant of the Dominion Wine Distributing Agency, here early this morning.

**Song Values.**  
The value of song, in most instances, lies with the artist, the interpreter, because it is the artist who gives a song life and reality. It is very interesting to observe the various songs spoken of by artists as beautiful, dramatic, thrilling and so on. Each one has an entirely different idea as to value. One will select a song because it happens to suit whichever voice his happens to be. Another will choose a song for the beauty of the lyric, while someone else makes a selection because of the strikingly melodic theme. Others like a song of weird exotic harmonizations or because of original character of form. When it comes to the subject some prefer sea songs, others dramatic or timely war songs of the declamatory style, while people with different natures lean toward mood or atmospheric songs.

**HONORABLE MENTION.**—Up to press hour the fire at the Star Hall had not been extinguished. Sergeant Fitzgerald, who was early at the scene, deserved special mention for the manner in which he rendered aid to the injured men. He was using artificial respiration on Harvey up to the time of the arrival of the doctors.

**DIGBY DUE.**—The S.S. Digby, eight days from Liverpool to this port is, due at 6 p.m.  
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**Music in Aboriginal Africa.**  
Sir Samuel Baker, the noted African explorer, once took a body of soldiers into the Shooi land. He sought to impress the natives by an exhibition of manoeuvres of his troops. There was a slight battle, with volleys and cannonades and rockets, etc. The natives looked on with great interest, but with slight apparent excitement. Then Sir Samuel paraded his band up and down the hill, and the enthusiasm was tremendous. The natives, with all-too-scant clothing, commenced to dance and howl with delight. Sir Samuel is quoted as saying: "The natives are passionately fond of music. I believe the safest way to travel in these wild countries would be to play the cornet, if possible, without ceasing, which would ensure a safe passage. A London organ grinder could march through Central Africa, followed by an admiring and enthusiastic crowd, who, if his tunes were lively, would form a dancing escort of most untiring material."

**Sea Chameleons.**  
There are no more talented camouflage artists than some kinds of tropical sea-fish. A scientist who has been making a study of their color phases says some of them can take on in turn the hues of coral, rocks, seaweed, sand, almost instantly making themselves invisible to the hunting enemy. They are enabled to do this by the remarkable nervous control of the chromatophores under the skin with which nature has favored them. The cowfish has four color phases, the glass-eye, four; that fascinating dandy of the deep, the sergeant-major; three; while the red grasper displays six and the Nassau grasper can actually provide the astonished spectator with a prismatic progress through eight colors.

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Ladies and Gentlemen,—I don't have to take my hat off to anybody in this town when it comes to French Dry Cleaning, Washing, Spotting, Altering, Repairing, Glove Cleaning or Hat Cleaning and Re-blocking. If you want satisfaction in my line of work give me your clothes. Please don't forget that I was the first one to introduce French Dry Cleaning in this town. The one and only—  
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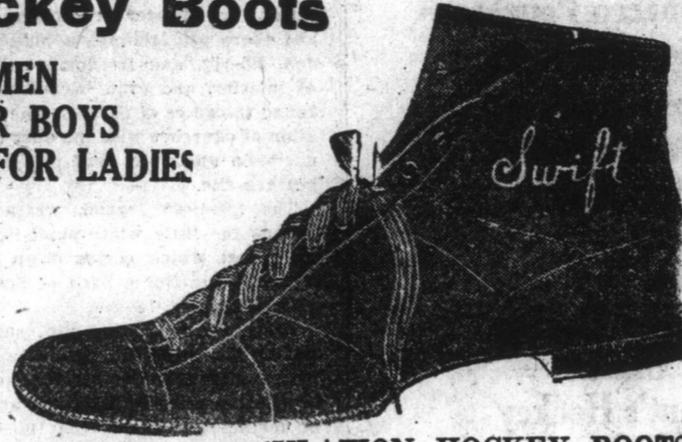
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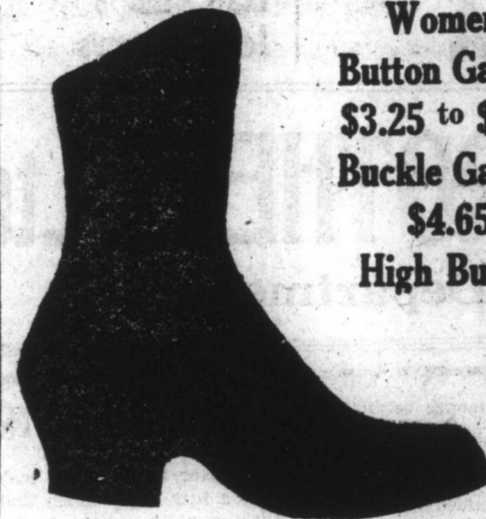
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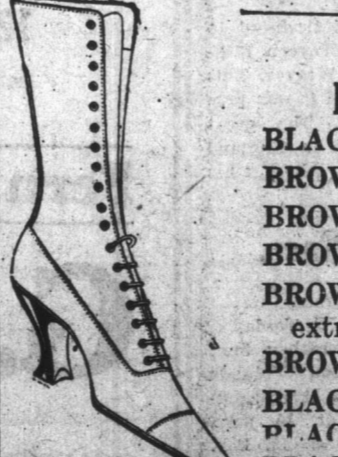
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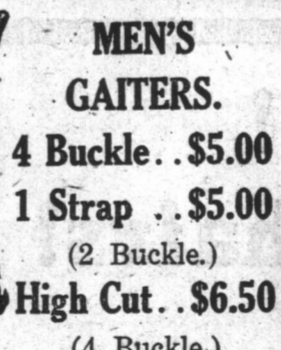
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In the years gone by, it was a fairly common thing to see reports in American newspapers of "eating matches," at which lots of mutton, sides of beef, etc., were to be eaten in record time. Some years ago, a juvenile "champion eater" in the States challenged anybody under twenty-one years of age to devour a leg of mutton in a quicker time than he could do so himself, for a stake of £50.  
At a camp in Colorado, a few years back, an Indian was challenged to eat a buffalo-carf, aged five months, in a single night. He commenced at sunset, and at break of the next day had just finished, only a small portion of one hind-leg of the carcass remaining. One of the onlookers then gave the glutton a cup of coffee, and was surprised to see it swallowed at one gulp. Thirty years ago, three Englishmen, for a large sum, decided to test their water-drinking powers. The winner swallowed twelve quarts, the second drank nine quarts, and the third consumed seven quarts. Very soon after their remarkable feat, however, they each died. Can one wonder?  
Going back to ancient history, the Anglo-Saxons had, at one of their feasts, a dish composed of singing-birds, costing £8,000.  
Thomas a Becket, so well known in our history, was said to have feasted once on seventy-five pounds' worth of eels.  
A certain sixteenth-century earl and his countess are reported to have had each day for their breakfast, "two loaves, one quart of beer, a quart of wine, two pieces of salt fish, six baccod herrings, four white herrings, and a dish of sprats." They took that "little lot" each morning at seven a.m.

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**Will Forecast Weather 12 Months.**  
Weather forecasts for months ahead will be possible within a few years, as a direct result of solar observation, according to R. M. Stewart, assistant director of the Dominion Observatory, and the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada. He explained that the sun has a very great influence on the varying weather conditions of the earth and stated that recent observations have led to the belief that observations will in future be able to predict with accuracy the general trend of weather for six months or even a year ahead. To be able to forecast the amount of precipitation and the general temperature for several months ahead may take 50 or even 100 years of observation, he said, but he expressed the confidence of the observatory that this end would finally be reached.

**Forecasted.**  
It was Christmas Eve. Staring at the dying embers of the fire was a beautiful woman. Her face was worried, and she clasped and unclasped her hands in nervous excitement.  
"Christmas Eve," she murmured, "and no money to buy baby a Christmas gift!"  
Mechanically her gaze wandered round the room until, with a guilty start, it rested on something standing on the mantel piece. It was baby's money box. "What only dared!" she thought. "But what would John say?"  
For a few moments she stood debating the awful question in her mind and then reached for the box.  
"John need never know," she said. With trembling hands she broke open the box and gazed on the table a collection of buttons, nails, and so on. John had been there first!



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Hardware Department.

### Facts About Fireworks.

Fireworks, as we know them to-day, were not known to antiquity, but the ancients employed works of fire in connection with their religious festivals. The early monarchs of Asia, according to Herodotus, considered that engines of fire, considered holy and eternal, should be carried at the head of their armies on little ladders of silver. Fire was used by the Romans in their religious rejoicings; but the Greeks introduced illuminations. Lighted lamps; and were held at a certain feast in honour of Minerva, who gave them oil; of Vulcan, their inventor of lamps; and of Prometheus, who was said to have rendered them service by the fire which he had stolen from heaven. Great illuminations and bonfires figured in the Secular Games of the ancients. For three or four nights there were continuous illuminations and these celebrations taking the name of our "Guy Fawkes night" in the 17th century. Fireworks, in the modern sense of the word, can be traced back to the close of the thirteenth century. They were called "feux de joie," and were invented soon after the introduction of gunpowder. It may be assumed that we really owe fireworks to the Florentines and Senese. They began their feasts of St. John the Baptist and the Assumption with wooden edifices, adorned with painted statues, and from the mouth and eyes of which issued a beautiful fire. Dragons, swans, eagles, etc., built on such a large scale as to carry many persons, were also made to emit amusing fireworks. In Rome, at the creation of the Pope, illuminated "hand-grenades" were thrown from the tops of castles, and about the commencement of the fourteenth century fire works had become an art in which inventors displayed great ability in combining the powers of architecture, sculpture, and painting. Dissolve 1 1/2 lbs. sugar in 3 quarts of water and add contents of one bottle Stafford's Ess. Ginger Wine.—dec10,11

### Household Notes.

Batter for a baked pudding should be a little more moist than for one to be steamed, as the heat of the oven dries it more. To extract onion juice, put chopped onions in piece of cheesecloth, knot ends, put a skewer through knot and twist hard. When making sauce for baked ham, stir a teaspoon of flour in pan gravy and mix with sweet cider instead of water. In freezing weather, windows may be cleaned by wiping them with kerosene or gasoline and polishing with tissue paper. Canning clover-leaf biscuits for tea are made with dough for light rolls. Make three tiny balls and put in each muffin pan. Small white beans are excellent boiled in salted water until tender and baked in an earthen pot with the same quantity of milk, a little butter, honey and a pinch of cayenne.

### A Mistletoe Legend.

Many who have personal knowledge of the important role played by mistletoe in our Christmas festivities do not know the reason thereof, nor that it is a survival of Pagan belief. While the particular variety which we use for decorations in our country hails from the apple orchards of Normandy, and some from those in Hertfordshire, it is to be found growing round the poplar, willow, lime, and mountain ash. In particular was it held in reverence by the Druids, who, when the festive season approached, would march forth in great solemnity to gather it from the oak. They believed that, prepared as a draught, it could cure epilepsy and other disorders, and was a remedy against poisons. Interwoven with that belief was the fairly recent practice in England of carrying the mistletoe to the high altar of York Minster on Christmas Eve, and there proclaiming "a public pardon, liberty, and freedom" to all sorts of interior, and even wicked persons round the gates of the city. The decoration of churches with the once sacred mistletoe and holly was in reality a heathen rite. The loveliest legend which surrounds the little white plant is, however, that which comes down to us from the Old Norse Saga of Scandinavian mythology. Frigg, the mother of the sun-god, Balder the Beautiful, made a tour round all the land to receive the oath of allegiance from all Nature, animate or inanimate—except the mistletoe, which was too young to take the oath. Hearing this, Loki, an evil spirit, made an arrow of the plant and gave it to Hoder, the blind god, that he might take part in the amusement of the other gods, which consisted in flinging missiles of every kind at Balder to show that nothing would harm him. The fatal arrow pierced his heart and the Mistletoe became the emblem of death. Later Balder being restored to life, it was given into the keeping of the Goddess of Love, and everyone passing under it received the token that it was an emblem, not of death, but of love.

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### Frosty Facts.

Peacocks formerly took the place of turkeys on the Christmas table. Plum pudding was originally plum porridge, and was served for breakfast and not for dinner. Mince pie was originally known as "shred" pie, and was a savoury rather than a sweet. While the turkey's natural life is only ten years, the goose, if left un-killed, will live for fifty years. The Yule candle was once an indispensable adjunct of Christmas. It was of enormous size and lighted the whole table. Mistletoe is a comparatively recent favourite for Christmas decoration. In the eighteenth century rosemary, bay and holly were used.

All Christmas decorations should be left in position till Twelfth Day, and a sprig of holly should remain somewhere in each room till Ash Wednesday.

The word "Yule" has in reality nothing to do with Christmas. It is an old Scandinavian word signifying the winter solstice, which was always kept as a feast by the old heathen Goths.

In the olden time the Yule log was always laid aside before it was burnt out, so that the next Christmas Day the new Yule log might be lighted with the charred remains of its predecessor.

You should never buy a yellow-fleshed turkey. It is a sign of poor feeding. A fine turkey should have firm, white flesh. Purchasers should also notice that redness and coarseness about the legs are a sign of an old bird.

The first pantomime introduced to the English stage was "Tavern Bilkers," and was by John Weaver. This was in the year 1702, and it was produced at Drury Lane. The great originator of pantomime in England was, however, John Rich, who put his first play on in 1717.

### From Cape Race.

Special to Evening Telegram. CAPE RACE, To-day. Wind N.E., light, weather fine; the steamers Melgie and Volunda passed west yesterday; a three-masted schooner is in sight at 10 a.m., about 10 miles off, bound in. Bar. 29.80; ther. 32.

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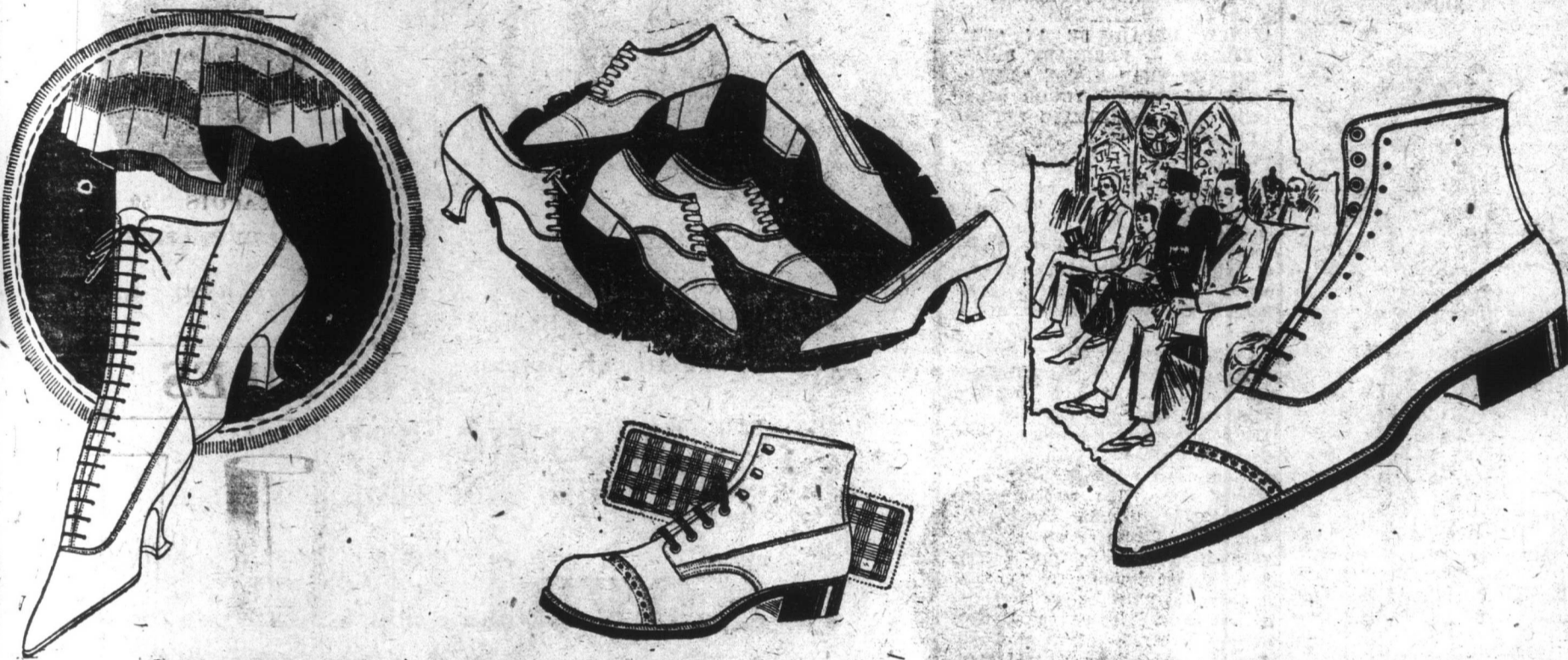
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