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A NEW DRY DOCK.

It is understood that the Liberal association of Esquimaux has asked the Dominion Government to enlarge the existing dry dock. We are quite in sympathy with the reasons which led the association to take this course...

There are several reasons why the enlargement of the dock would be a mistake. The first is that the dock is insufficient for the demand of the class of vessels now entering the harbor...

The Board of Trade is on record as favoring the construction of a new government-owned dock but there are reasons for thinking that one owned by private enterprise would be of more advantage to the community from a business point of view.

Some persons think that as the government dock does not pay it is useless to talk about private individuals constructing one. This would be true, if such a dock were intended to be an investment by itself.

THE HALIBUT FISHERY A strong protest has gone forward from Vancouver to Ottawa against the inaction of the Dominion government in the matter of the halibut fishery.

Butter Milk Toilet Lotion Prevents and heals chaps, roughness, etc. Keeps the hands delicately white. Does not promote hair growth. Is neither greasy nor sticky.

TIMELY DISCUSSIONS.

One of the most interesting and useful meetings of the Victoria Board of Trade which has taken place in a long time was held yesterday afternoon.

RAIL TO THE MAINLAND

Mr. R. P. Rithet, speaking at the Board of Trade yesterday, strongly advised that the citizens of Victoria should concentrate their efforts to secure connection between Victoria and the Mainland by a railway that will make this city its terminal point.

FICTION OF THE DAY

The death of fiction that is both new and good is a matter of frequent comment. Most of the new novels are forgotten as soon as they are read. It is as dangerous to prophesy in regard to the future of a book as in regard to anything else, but if there has been a novel produced during the last ten years that will be remembered ten years from now is open to question.

SOME TRADE STATISTICS.

The trade relations of Canada with the United Kingdom and the United States afford the material for an interesting study in political economy. We start the following statement in an issue of Canada:

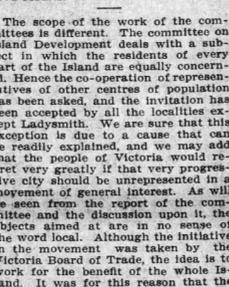
The last Canadian blue book on Trade and Navigation gives one fair reason to think that the French would say. A few minutes' study of this bulky mass of statistics will show that in buying goods from the United States, the past ten years Canada has borrowed from the Old Country \$1,000,000,000, and has bought goods from the Old Country to the value of \$1,528,000,000, or about two and a half times as much as we bought from the United Kingdom.

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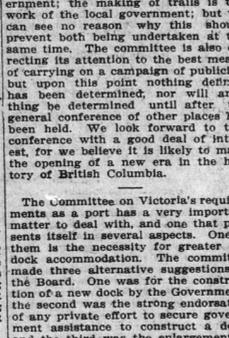
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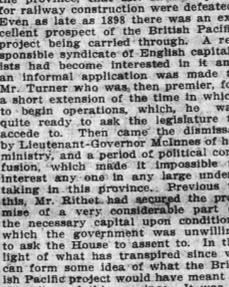
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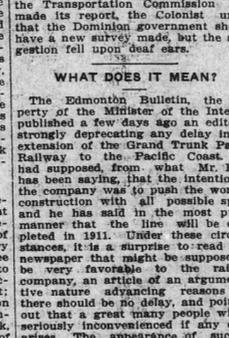
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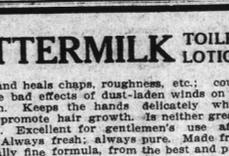
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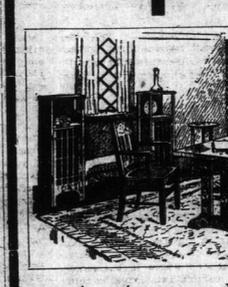
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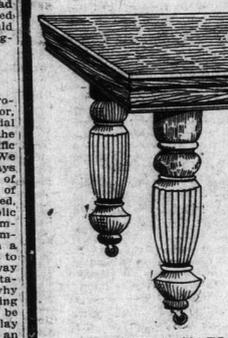
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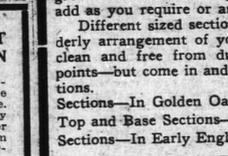
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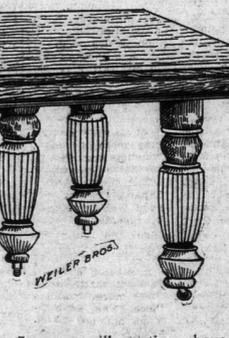
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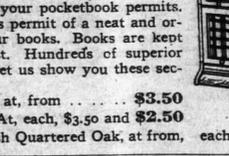
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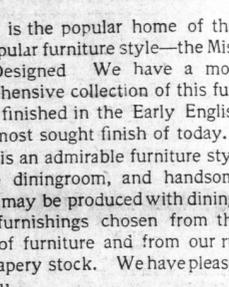
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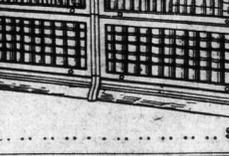
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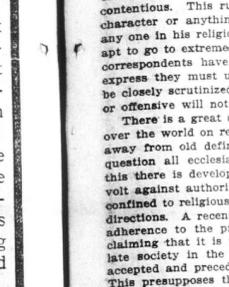
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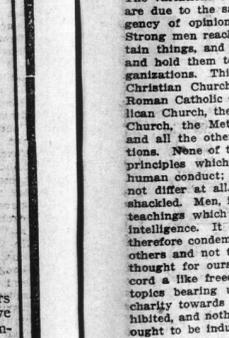
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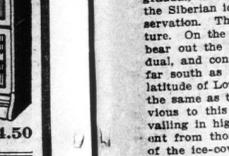
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RELIGIOUS THOUGHT

A correspondent says that a good thinking on religious matters should be followed in articles printed or asked if they would be permitted to appear in the Colonist.

There is a great deal of thinking over the world on religious matters. It is not a new thing. It has been going on since the world began. It is a natural result of the human mind.

The tendency of religious thought is to simplify statements. It is to make them more understandable. It is to make them more practical. It is to make them more useful.

When it first came into the world, it was a simple thing. It was a thing that everyone could understand. It was a thing that everyone could do.

It has become more and more complicated. It has become more and more difficult. It has become more and more mysterious. It has become more and more unattainable.

It is time to simplify it again. It is time to make it more understandable. It is time to make it more practical. It is time to make it more useful.

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HEADACHES ARE DANGER SIGNALS

They Tell Us Plainly That Something Is Wrong Inside.

There are tablets and powders that will stop a headache promptly—but removing the danger signal does not take away the danger.

In nearly every case a headache—of whatever kind—is a symptom of poisoned blood, due to bowels, kidneys and skin failing to thoroughly remove indigestible food and waste.

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Practically the entire sub-division has been disposed of. Of the one hundred and seventy lots, there remain about eighteen and a number of these have been spoken for, in fact it is expected that the whole lot will be taken up by the end of the week.

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FAIRFIELD ESTATE ALMOST ALL SOLD

Entire Subdivision With Exception of Few Lots Disposed Of in Fortnight

The sale of one hundred and sixty lots in about a fortnight is an accomplishment rarely recorded. That is what has been done by the agency of the local real estate dealers, Messrs. Grant & Lineham. They have found purchasers for upwards of thirty-two acres of property and have completed the details in connection with transference in something like fourteen days.

The sub-division was demanded for which was so marked is that generally known as the Fairfield estate, which is situated on the Dallas road and is bounded on the east by Moss street, on the west by Cook street, and on the north by Mantoloking street.

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VICTORIA BOWLERS ROLLED BIG SCORE

Locals Did Well in Telegraph League Match—House Competition

The Victoria team rolled a good score in the last British Columbia Telegraphic league match as the following scores show. No returns were yet to hand from the other teams:

Table with 3 columns: Name, Score 1, Score 2. Includes names like Matthews, Williams, Jameson, Hill, Moran, House League Games, etc.

The league standing follows: Chipewas 12, Apaches 11, Tecumseh 11, Iroquois 11, Mohawks 8, Chicoutim 3.

U. S. Pacific Fleet Washington, Jan. 7.—Eight vessels of the Pacific fleet are to make a visit to the Chilean port of Valparaiso the latter part of next week.

Keith Cup Deed of Gift Was Revised Trustees Made Changes Necessary Owing to Stanford's Victory

Vancouver, Jan. 7.—A revised deed of gift of the International Rugby cup presented by James Cooper Keith is being prepared. The original deed will be taken up in the near future.

The cup shall be known as "The Keith Rugby Football Challenge Cup." The object of the cup is to encourage the development of the game of Rugby football in the Pacific coast of the Dominion of Canada and the Pacific coast of the United States.

All competitions for the cup shall be held under the auspices of the International Rugby Football union and under the control of the Pacific coast of the Dominion of Canada and the Pacific coast of the United States.

Smallpox Case in Seattle Seattle, Jan. 7.—Following the removal of a patient suffering from smallpox from the Hotel de France, 51 Main street, 50 persons who lodged at the place were vaccinated by doctors from the city health department yesterday.

Jeffries May Be Induced Los Angeles, Jan. 7.—That Jim Jeffries, in response to the request of the sporting public that he attempt to meet the champion, may be induced to do so, is the belief of the promoters of the fight.

Winnipeg, Jan. 7.—A serious fire visited the business section of Wetsaskwin, Alberta, this morning, burning the P. Burns and Compton-Montgomery blocks, occupied by several merchants, who lost their all. The total loss was one hundred thousand dollars.

INCREASED SHIPMENTS IN THE NEAR FUTURE

Managing Director Reports Cornell Mine Makes Favorable Showing

Dr. G. L. Tanzer, managing director of the Northern Texas Mines, Ltd., was in town today, having just returned from supervising the stamping, at the Tye Copper Company's smelter at Ladysmith, B. C., of another shipment of rich ore from the "ad-nell" mine.

There was a full meeting of the executive committee of the Y.M.C.A. last evening, when they discussed the proposed break up till late in the afternoon. Apart from routine departmental matters, it was decided that the committee should be engaged in the consideration of the legislation to be introduced during the forthcoming session.

Y.M.C.A. DIRECTORS HOLD THEIR FIRST MEETING Business Transacted By New Board and Reports Are Received

The first meeting of the directors of the Y.M.C.A. took place Wednesday evening, when they discussed the proposed break up till late in the afternoon. Apart from routine departmental matters, it was decided that the committee should be engaged in the consideration of the legislation to be introduced during the forthcoming session.

Mr. Bruce reported that during the month employment had been found for nine, and rooms with board for thirty. He also referred to his visit to and attendance upon the state Y.M.C.A. convention in North Dakota and the subsequent visit to this city of Wm. E. Sweet, the successful president of the Denver Y.M.C.A.

The New Year reception was a great success, the visitors numbering some 500 persons and many of the 56 men who were entertained at dinner on Thursday. Dr. Hadden had since joined the Association.

The religious committee reported that the six Bible classes which are under the charge of Mr. Suttie, are very successful and that the class in book-keeping, with new members, will be opened during the coming week.

Dr. Wesson, on the part of the physical committee, stated that the attendance upon the classes, with the single exception of the business men's class which had lessened in numbers during the Christmas season, was most satisfactory. The attendance at the 26th day of December, 856 had been personally counted by the barrier club and enjoyed three lively runs and three first-aid-to-the-injured classes had been held.

The junior basketball team had defeated both the Seattle and the City team, having won every contest and standing at the head of both the International and the City leagues.

The social committee reported that Mr. Fisher and his committee had accomplished most effective work during the Christmas and New Year entertainments, as well as at the Sunday evening fellowship teas.

The boys' committee reported a large increase in membership, the net addition at the result of the membership contest having been 65, while the junior basketball club had won all the games in the city series, four in number.

Big Clothing Sale

In addition to our Immense Bargains in Overcoats and Suits, note the following items:

- WORSTED AND TWEED VESTS, worth up to \$4.00, now \$2.45
WORSTED AND TWEED PANTS, worth \$4.50, now \$2.85
KNICKERS, sizes 31 to 42, worth up to \$6.00, now \$2.85
MEN'S RAINPROOF RUBBER COATS, worth \$16.00, now \$9.95
BOY'S SCHOOL SUITS, worth \$8.00, now \$4.45
YOUTH'S RAINCOATS, worth \$8.00, now \$4.95

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HADDIES, new shipment, two pounds for...25c
SMOKED SALMON, per pound...20c
SMOKED HALIBUT, per pound...15c
FISH CAKES, just fresh made and very nice, per doz...30c
NORWEGIAN FISH BALLS, per tin...20c
NORWEGIAN ANCHOVIES, per keg...50c
ANCHOVIES IN OIL, per bottle, 65c and...25c
CLAMS (Sanich) two tins...35c
ESQUIMALT OYSTERS, per tin, 35c and...20c
ESQUIMALT OYSTERS, per dozen...40c
MORGAN EASTERN OYSTERS, per tin...85c
OLYMPIA OYSTERS, per jar, 50c and...25c

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Anglo-American Station Messina, Jan. 8.—The gundown of a vessel which was wrecked at this station this afternoon in large tents adjoining the ruined States. The committee of the Scotch assumed charge. It will be devolved upon the military authorities of the city to be allowed to enter out a pass.

The body of a man who lived in the third floor above Mr. and Mrs. Cheney, in the building, was taken out of yesterday. The work to remove the bodies of the victims of the earthquake was a religious duty along the devastated water.

Royal Sympathy expressed by Queen Helena, in view of her birth was here today, but was not attended by the usual festivity. Majesty is reported to have been very kind in her sympathy for the sufferers, and she has left for Toronto, where she will devote her energies to the relief fund.

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Union City, Tenn., Jan. 8.—Victim of the eight men on night riding and murder in the reassuring effect on the public of the late district who were when the verdict came in quickly. The trial of the other will not take place until May.

The formal motion for a new trial was granted by the court, and the case will be retried. The jury found the defendant guilty of murder in the first degree, with mitigating circumstances, and "Bob" Hutton, the other, was found guilty of murder in the second degree. Their punishment was fixed at twenty-five years.

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All the wounded have been removed from Reggio and 8,000 refugees have departed from the town. One thousand bodies have been dug from the ruins of the fallen buildings and buried in improvised cemeteries.

Among others who escaped uninjured when the shock came, were three children, who after having been buried in the debris of their home for several days got out unaided, burrowing like mice. A man and a woman, who were found unharmed beneath ruins where they had lain for eight days subsisting on a pint of olive oil and some bread, were rescued by the fire department. The houses were destroyed except three built with wire passing through them, preventing them in a vertical line, while at the top is another wire uniting the different lines horizontally, thus making the whole building compact.

Fresh earthquake shocks are being felt here, at Brancalona and Messina, each night. They are preceded by explosions and buildings that were not totally destroyed in the big shock are being demolished.

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TELLS OF PROGRESS IN THE UPPER INTERIOR

A. R. Macdonald, From Francis and Ootsa Lake Districts, Visits Victoria

Mr. A. R. Macdonald, who has just arrived in town from the Francis and Ootsa Lake country and is staying at the Dominion hotel, states that this important and most promising section of the province is settling up steadily and at the present time has a population of some 1000 settlers, some 400 of whom are in the neighborhood of Bulkley Valley the remainder in the Francis Ootsa Lake district. While there is ample room for hundreds more, although large tracts of good land are held by speculators. Francis Lake exceeds 70 miles in length, while Ootsa Lake is about 45 miles long, paralleling each other and extending from east to west.

Both of these bodies of water ultimately find their outlet in the Fraser river and form its northwestern headwaters. This whole country is fairly well covered with growth of black pine and red and black spruce and is interspersed with hills and some level land of excellent quality for agricultural purposes, while the best of it having a light growth of poplar of both the smooth and the knotted variety, which is only, however, useful in general market for the manufacture of pulp.

A large extent of coal land is now held by several big companies in this region and the coal appears to be of good quality. Some of the coal has been used locally for blacksmithing but the veins have not so far been uncovered to any great extent. The veins of mineral districts are situated near the headwaters of the Teliqua river, and Teliqua is a tributary of the Bulkley. Most of the minerals which have so far been discovered are located in the Bulkley valley and in the neighborhood of Copper river and the Babine and Bear River mountains. But as yet no very considerable quantities of minerals have been identified against the claims owing to the lack of transportation facilities and the practical impossibility of getting the minerals to market. A small trial shipment has already been made from Hudson Bay and the returns for copper, gold and silver proved to be very satisfactory indeed. This ore was taken out on pulp price per cubic yard, and some thirty miles from Copper river, the big copper pyrites are found in these localities and practically all the big copper mines yield this ore.

These mining locations lie between 20 and 30 miles from the G. T. P. right of way, upon which—as concerns Foley, Welch and Stewart's grading contract for the first one hundred miles from the coast—fair progress is being made. A lot of rock work is necessary and the men are now engaged upon this heavy task. Some 1,800 men should be employed, but this number should at the very least have been doubled. As the cutting has been blasted out it is utilized for fills, but no other grading has been so far effected. The completed little line will remain to be done. By far the greater part of these one hundred miles has been situated at one hundred feet above the water level and it is said that the next contract to be let will include 140 miles, all of which will be let in the spring. The men are paid from 25 to 30 cents per hour and have been laboring from 10 to 12 hours per day and would do very well were it not for lost time through unfavorable weather while they are on the board. The contractors state that they would employ a

ANNUAL CONVENTION OF B.C. CONSERVATIVES

Will Be Held in This City on the Twenty-Second Day of January

The second annual convention of the British Columbia Conservative Association as at present organized will be held in Victoria on the day after the House meets, or January 22. The president of the association is G. H. Barnard, K.C., but as he will be in Ottawa by that time, the first vice-president, C. M. Woodworth, of Vancouver, will probably preside.

The convention will be attended by ten delegates from each constituency in the province, making 420 in all. They are chosen by the Conservative clubs and organizations in the various sections, and where none exist, by mass meetings. The delegates will probably discuss the live political questions of the day and pass resolutions concerning them.

The question of entertaining the delegates and providing a place of meeting has been left to a committee, recently appointed, and their plans will be announced as soon as they have been definitely formulated. The committee consists of J. W. Holden, chairman, W. H. Price and George Fenketh.

KILLING OF ENGINEER OBJECT OF WRECKERS

Theory of Authorities Regarding Dastardly Work at Bellingham

Vancouver, Jan. 8.—Getting even with Engineer John Daley, of the Great Northern train service between Vancouver and Seattle, because he had murdered a negro, the wreckers at Westminster a few months ago, is given as the purpose of the human fiends who last night succeeded in causing a wreck on the line near Bellingham.

The theory upon which the police are working today is that the wrecking of the train was carried out by way of revenge against Daley. The latter was the Great Northern locomotive driver who last August saw Jenkins, the negro, near the Great Northern tracks at Hazelton, just after the colored man had killed Mrs. Mary Morrison and fed. The afternoon train bound for Vancouver was coming from the south and the observant engineer took special notice of the negro.

Daley freely gave evidence at the trial which resulted in the conviction of the negro. Jenkins has since been hanged. There is good ground for believing, according to information in the hands of the authorities, that the wreck last night was planned to bring about the death of the engineer. The murderer carried not a particle of life in him, and he was killed by the killing him.

Our evening contemporary says that the Colonist during the late election ridiculed all efforts in favor of railway communication between Vancouver and the Mainland by way of Seymour Narrows. It is unfortunate that our contemporary cannot approach the discussion of a matter of such vast importance without misrepresentation. We only mention the matter to deny that the Colonist ever did what it is charged with having done, or anything that could be so construed. We did say that a subsidy for 100 miles of railway to the coast was not yet organized was an error, although a general subsidy for such a line would not be.

SEAS HEAVY TOLL

The hungry sea laid a heavy toll upon human life during the year 1908. Some of the worst disasters of the past twelve months were recorded in Pacific waters. Loss of life in all last year upon the ocean was 2,273, and upon inland waters 199, as compared with 1,785 upon the ocean and 314 upon inland waters in 1907.

One feature of the last year was the large number of missing vessels, whose fate will never be known. Both in Atlantic and Pacific waters, and exceptionally large, and it includes the names of many well known ships of all flags, for which hope was not recorded for more than only to be reluctantly abandoned when there was no possibility that disaster had not overtaken them. The British cruiser "Gladstone" was wrecked on the coast of Cape Horn, and the general opinion is that not a few staunch ships met their doom in the great bergs. This theory is substantiated by the fact that not a few ships were damaged by ice in rounding the cape of storms.

The ships Arthur Sewall, Alacrita, Bangalore, Falkland, Bank, Carnedd, Llewellyn and Castle Rock are among those who mysteriously disappeared with all hands. No word of any kind, not a bit of wreckage, no clue whatever has ever reached civilization to tell what fate overtook these ships. The Castle Rock was bound from Australia to Seattle with coal, and never arrived. The others were bound on voyages round Cape Horn.

The Asiatic coast witnessed disasters in which the greatest loss of male life recorded for the Japanese steamer Matsushima was lost in the China Sea, March 22, with a loss of 243. On June 8, the steamer "Ginsei Maru" was wrecked and lost. The British steamer "Dunsmuir" was caught in a typhoon August 20, and went down in the China Sea. Fifty-two lives were lost, only two being saved.

On December 3, two Japanese vessels were lost, the casualties being given as 250. The steamer "Ginsei Maru" went down off the coast of Japan, December 2, seventy being lost. In the wrecks of the steamers "Banzok" and "Tsu Maru," in the China Sea, 149 were drowned.

YOSERIC DAMAGED ON HER MAIDEN VOYAGE

New Weir Liner for Australian Run Severely Strained on Voyage to Philadelphia

The new Weir liner Yoseric which is on her way to this coast via Philadelphia, to which port she sailed on Monday, has been severely damaged on her maiden voyage. She was built at Glasgow, and is valued at \$130,000, fully insured.

The Dally Mail, of London, has worked itself into quite a panic over the fact that the Yoseric may enter into a reciprocity treaty with the United States and be lost to the Empire. The Mail thinks this is highly probable, and is a bad attack of political partisanship.

Undoubtedly the worst disaster of 1908 on this coast was the wreck of the American steamer "Eclipse," which foundered north of the Hawaiian Islands, while bound from Newcastle, Australia, to San Francisco. This occurred on January 13, three of the crew being lost, the others eventually making the island coast. In February, the unlucky thirteenth, the American ship "Eclipse" went ashore close to the mouth of the Columbia river, and ten unfortunate sailors were

THE SECOND WEEK OF SALE

New goods just arrived will make our January Sale even more interesting this week. Our buyer when in Europe was able to pick up some real good bargains from the London people who were preparing for stock-taking. Monday will commence another week of marvellous value-giving with a sale of silks, silk and net waists, and many other lines.

Monday—A Sale of Fine Silk and Net Waists

White, Cream and Black Waists, in Silk and Net, Worth to \$15.00, for \$4.90

This is the largest and most varied lot of fancy waists that we have ever placed on sale at one time. Our buyer got most of these from one of the best waist houses in London and they represent the prevailing style. We have added from our own stock, some waists of which we have only broken sizes. A more beautiful collection of strictly high-grade goods would be hard to find. Beautiful Net and Lace Waists, Handsome Japanese and Taffeta Silk Waists a few colors are included but nearly all are white, cream or black. We give descriptions of a few styles, but you must see them to appreciate their values.

\$13.50 Taffeta Waists \$4.90
CREAM TAFFETA WAIST, front made of three rows of wide guipure lace insertion, with four rows of pleats between, finished with white silk braid, back to match front, broad shoulders. Sleeves made with deep cuffs of guipure and Oriental insertions edged with lace, regular value \$13.50. Monday
\$4.90

\$12.50 Net Waists \$4.90
WHITE NET WAISTS, made of fine brussels net, front made with three rows of rich embroidery with rows of fine tucks between, back made of rows of tucks. Sleeves have rows of fine tucks going round. Collar and cuffs of tucked net, edged with lace. Reg. value \$12.50. Monday
\$4.90

\$13.50 Silk Waists \$4.90
BLACK TAFFETA WAIST, made of chifon taffeta, lace yoke back and front made of black silk lace, three rows of wide tucks down back over shoulder and down front, row of rich silk embroidery down front edged with silk lace, shirred sleeves trimmed with silk lace, regular value \$13.50. Monday
\$4.90



\$12.50 Net Waists \$4.90
CREAM NET WAISTS, made of handsome embroidered cream net, box pleats down front with row of pearl beads, rows of fine tucks down front and back, long sleeves with fine tucks going round and frill of lace at wrist, collar and bow of blue silk with lace frill. Regular value \$12.50. Monday
\$4.90

\$9.75 Silk Waists \$4.90
WHITE SILK WAISTS, made of embroidered Japanese silk, deep yoke back and front made of fine tucked net edged with rich insertion and fine lace. High collar of the same materials with ruching of fine valenciennes lace, deep cuffs finished to match collar. Regular value \$9.75. Monday
\$4.90

\$15.00 Taffeta Waists \$4.90
BLACK TAFFETA WAISTS, made of fine Italian taffeta, yoke back and front, made of guipure and silk lace, entire front and back made of box pleats and fine tucks and finished with buttons, sleeves made with box pleats with cuffs of guipure and silk lace, collar to match, regular value \$15.00. Monday
\$4.90

Monday a Sale of Wrappers

Wrappers and House Dresses in Flannelettes, the warm comfortable dresses that every woman likes to have. These go on sale on Monday and at good savings.

FLANNELETTE WRAPPERS, in red and other dark shades, good weight flannelette and good styles, regular price \$1.25. Monday **75¢**

FLANNELETTE WRAPPERS, in a good variety of patterns in dark serviceable colors, regular values \$1.75 and \$2.00. Monday **\$1.40**

FLANNELETTE WRAPPERS, good heavy weight flannelette in very attractive designs and colorings, regular price \$2.50. Monday **\$1.65**

January Sale Footwear Bargains

Sale Prices on "Quite Right" Footwear

It would be well to remember that during this sale we will offer special prices on our range of "Quite Right" Boots. As we have only carried this line one season you can be sure that they are all fresh stock, and represent the very latest and smartest styles.

MEN'S SUPERIOR QUALITY GUN METAL CALF BLUCHER BOOTS, Goodyear welt soles, narrow and medium toes, Quite Right brand, regular \$5.00 and \$5.50. January Sale Price **\$4.00**

MEN'S STOUT GUN METAL CALF BLUCHERS, leather lined, double soles, Goodyear welt soles, Quite Right brand, regular \$6.50. January Sale Price **\$5.00**

MEN'S WINTER CALF BLUCHER BOOTS, high cut, waterproof soles and ordinary height, with viscolised soles, Quite Right brand, regular \$6.50 and \$7.00. January Sale Price **\$5.00**

THE "QUITE RIGHT" BRAND PATENT COLT BLUCHERS, narrow, medium and broad toes, regular \$6.50. January Sale Price **\$5.00**

MEN'S DONGOLA KID CONGRESS, medium weight sewn soles, regular \$3.00. January Sale Price **\$1.50**

Women's Slippers Reduced

WOMEN'S KID BUSKIN SLIPPERS, values up to \$1.75. January Sale Price . . . **\$1.00**

SLIPPERS, all colors in felt and velvet, Juliet, furbound, hand-turned soles, regular \$1.50 to \$1.75. January Sale Price **\$1.00**

Winter Waists Reduced

WOMEN'S WAISTS, made of heavy print, regular 50c. January Sale Price **25¢**

WOMEN'S WAISTS, made of flannelette and cambic, regular 75c. January Sale Price **50¢**

WOMEN'S WAISTS, made of delaine and lustre, regular \$1.75. Jan. Sale Price **\$1.00**

WOMEN'S WAISTS, made of delaine and flannel, regular \$2.25. Jan. Sale Price **\$1.25**

WOMEN'S WAISTS, made of challis, delaines and lustres, regular \$3.50. January Sale Price **\$1.90**

A Special Purchase of Silks is Going on Sale Monday

Regular 75c and 90c Silks for 50c

Our buyer happened to be in London at the right time, that is how we came to get these silks so much under the regular price. They just arrived by parcel post, and we are placing them on sale Monday. Both lines are exceptional value, and are absolutely new.

90c Checked Louise Silks, Monday 50c

75c and \$1.00 Striped Velvet-teens 50c

75c Fancy Broche and Dresden Silks Monday 50c

CHECKED LOUISINE SILKS, small, medium and large checks in brown, navy and black. These are very handsome. Also a large variety of fancy colored silks in checks, all new goods. Regular value 90c. Monday **50c**

Our whole stock of Fancy Striped Chiffon Velvet-teens, a variety of colors, regular 75c and \$1.00. Monday 50c

FANCY BROCHE AND DRESDEN SILKS, a good assortment of very handsome effects in fancy stripes, broches and rich Dresden effects, all new goods and designs. Reg. value 75c. Monday **50c**



\$25.00 and \$35.00 Costumes Will Be Cleared on Monday at \$12.50

As our costumes get less in number the values get greater, as we are constantly reducing our higher priced lines to take the places of goods that are sold out. We always start the season with fresh new goods, and in order to do so we make the reductions on costumes great enough to accomplish our object, that is, to clear them out completely.

These suits are the productions of the best tailors, absolutely high-grade, the styles are right and the cloths natty and attractive. They are splendidly made, being as near perfect as tailoring skill can make them, and at this price, which we can safely say is less than any tailor would charge for making a suit (and few could make them as well) they are certainly wonderful value.

Handsome suits, stylish and pretty cloths, perfectly made. These illustrations give a good idea of the styles. Reg. \$25.00 and \$35.00 costumes, Monday



\$12.50

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Children's Dresses at January Prices

CHILDREN'S DRESSES, made of cashmere and flannelette, regular 75c and 90c. January Sale Price **50¢**

CHILDREN'S DRESSES, made of fancy materials, regular \$1.25. January Sale Price **75¢**

CHILDREN'S DRESSES, made of fancy plaids and checks, regular \$1.50 and \$1.75. January Sale Price **\$1.00**

CHILDREN'S DRESSES, made of plain and fancy materials, regular \$1.90. January Sale Price **\$1.15**

CHILDREN'S DRESSES, made of plain and fancy materials, regular \$2.00 and \$2.50. January Sale Price **\$1.35**

CHILDREN'S DRESSES, plain and fancy materials, regular \$2.75. Jan. Sale Price **\$1.65**

CHILDREN'S DRESSES, plain and fancy materials, regular \$3.00 and \$3.50. January Sale Price **\$1.85**

CHILDREN'S DRESSES, plain and fancy materials, regular \$3.75 and \$4.00. January Sale Price **\$2.25**

CHILDREN'S DRESSES, plain and fancy materials, regular \$4.50 and \$5.00. January Sale Price **\$2.85**

CHILDREN'S DRESSES, made of the best materials, regular \$5.75. January Sale Price **\$3.65**

White Muslin Waists Reduced

MUSLIN WAISTS, worth 75c. January Sale Price **50¢**

MUSLIN WAISTS, worth \$1.25. January Sale Price **75¢**

MUSLIN WAISTS, worth \$1.50. January Sale Price **\$1.00**

MUSLIN WAISTS, worth \$2.00. January Sale Price **\$1.25**

MUSLIN WAISTS, worth \$2.75. January Sale Price **\$1.50**

Stationery at Attractive Savings

CREPE PAPER, a big variety of shades and coloring, regular value 10c. January Sale Price, per roll **5¢**

PAPETRIES, 24 sheets of paper and 24 envelopes, in box, linen finish, regular 25c. January Sale Price **15¢**

PAPETRIES, smooth paper, regular 20c and 25c. January Sale Price **15¢**

LINEN WOVE PAPETRIES, ruled, 24 sheets of paper and 24 envelopes, regular 20c. January Sale Price **10¢**

PAPETRIES, linen finish paper, regular 35c and 40c. January Sale Price **25¢**

TABLETS, plain or ruled, nice smooth paper, regular 20c and 25c. January Sale Price **10¢**

SILVER LINEN TABLETS, ruled or plain, regular 25c. January Sale Price **15¢**

LINEN TABLET, regular 10c and 15c. January Sale Price **5¢**

INITIAL STATIONERY, in boxes, regular 35c. January Sale Price **25¢**

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LIFE A FAILURE, HE RESIGNED
 Mystery Surrounds the Suicide of an Unknown German Yesterday

"Do not blame me for the course I have taken, as life is a total failure as far as I am concerned. It will be useless to find out who I am."
 This message, a six-ounce envelope containing carbolic acid, and a letter in which a quantity of the deadly fluid still remained, resting on a washstand in room 41, Queen's Hotel, and his dead body lying on the nearby, testified in all too plain a manner that the suicide's determination to take his own life had been fulfilled.

The police authorities are now confronted with the task of finding the identity of the man who resorted to the Queen's hotel on Sunday night, occupied a room on Monday Tuesday night at the same hotel, and whose dead body was discovered yesterday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock. A Japanese attendant when he went to do up the room at that hour.

On the hotel register is inscribed the name "Albert Ehmman, Westster" written there by the man who arrived at the hotel about 10 o'clock on Sunday evening. This is not the deceased's real name, as is plain from the tenor of the note by the suicide and the fact that effort had been made by him to fully erase the name inscribed on the front of his pocketbook and that ten in the inside of his hat band sides which were on destroyed a number of letters and papers yesterday morning. It is apparent that the name inscribed on the register had done with black ink, which had been rubbed in with his hand while the name on the inside of the hat band was wholly indistinctible, that on the cover of the pocketbook was not so thoroughly obliterated and by means of a magnifying glass a name was faintly discernible as either "H. Gotterlich" or "E. Gotterlich." On the back of one of the photographs in the pocketbook inscribed at a recent date, the left hand is the only woman in the world for me—H. G.

No Clue to Suicide

Every effort was made by Det. Thomas Palmer yesterday afternoon to secure some clue to the real identity of the suicide. The clothes were examined for marks, the inside of a memorandum tablet as well as without result, so well he unknown erased all signs. Whence he came and what led to take his life are mysteries which may never be solved.

Albert Ehmman, to give his name by which he registered, at the Queen's hotel on Sunday night. From the hour of his arrival the fact that he resided at the hotel, William Baylis, proprietor of the hotel, believes that the man was a German, and that he had paid fifty cents for his room and sat around the smoking room the evening, retiring to bed about 1 o'clock. On Monday he spent the about the city frequently dropping in the hotel and in the evening about until nearly midnight when again went to bed, again paying cents for his room. Tuesday morning he was followed and in the afternoon after chatting for two or three hours with some of the hotel staff, he returned to his room at 11 o'clock he paid for the bar, paid five cents for a glass of beer and proceeded to his room. The money spent for the night was the last cent the man had in the world. When the room was searched yesterday afternoon and the man searched, not a cent was found.

Of German Birth.

During his stay about the hotel appeared in good spirits. He was a German, but he was English educated, appeared courteous and had a fund of which he told to the hotel people well as to some of the staff. He appeared to be in excellent health, and he had a very good spirit though at the time he must have had in his pocket the carbolic acid with which he took his own life and had come to a determination to end all. After retiring he was not seen again yesterday afternoon when his body was found by F. Baylis, clerk on duty, and taken away morgue.

The fact that Ehmman did not get up in the morning was not noted and in fact it was not until 3.30 o'clock that the Japanese attendant called at the room to do it up. The door was locked. When no answer was received to the repeated calls the Japanese informed the officer Baylis opened the door by means of a pass key and discovered the dead body resting under the covers in such a natural manner that at first the clerk believed that the man had fallen asleep but shaking the bed closed the fact that life had been taken. The man and shoes were fully disposed of them in a sack, but was wearing his undecorated socks, both of fine texture. They were crossed on his breast in a natural manner, his head resting on the left side. The Japanese attendant found the bottle of acid and a glass which the unknown had used from the hotel. The bottle was empty, and there was some fluid in the tumbler. The man must have undressed, hung his clothes and drinking nearly contents of the tumbler and had pulled up the bedclothes beyond a slight drawing up of there was nothing to indicate he had endured great pain. His lips were burned and blackened by the strong acid.

Photographs Found

The police were summoned by Constable Blackstock, and Constable Macdonald arrived in a wagon and the body was taken