

Thoughts of the Gift Time Coming

Christmas is just around the corner from Thanksgiving. Everybody is thinking of what to give, to whom, and how best to do it. And it is by answering just such questions aptly and satisfactorily that makes this such a popular store.

Black Dress Goods. In the black goods section is the choicest of today's interesting choosing. New Crepons—39 styles.

All in the neat, dignified figured effects, that a season cannot put out of style. \$1.00, \$1.10, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75 to \$3.50 a yard.

Handsome black poplin. It's the best news we've lately told to lovers of exquisite dress styles. You would call it cheap at the usual price, \$1; our price, 85c a yard.

COLORED DRESS GOODS. There are thirty-five distinct colors to choose from. Not an old color in the lot; 44-inch wide, handsome silk finish, purely all wool, \$5c a yard.

Cloakings. We have a beautiful line of all kinds of cloakings. Cloakings for infants, children and ladies—heavy, warm and stylish cloakings.

Art Needlework. Pretty new pin cushions, hand embroidered, lace trimmed. Small placushions trimmed with baby ribbons—very nice for work baskets—at 25c each.

Furnishings. New Silk Mufflers, beautiful patterns, in stripes, plaids and figures.

Balmoral Table Covers. These Table Covers are warranted to wash, being all fast colors.

Veiling Protection from the wind. Plain grenadine veiling, 14 inches wide, at 15c a yard.

Gloves and Mittens. A few cold weather snaps—lined kid gloves and mittens for men, ladies and children—at lowest prices.

Notions Sterling Silver Novelties. Many very handsome novelties, some with sterling handles, some with other handles.

Underwear and Hosiery. Now is the time to think about warm Underwear. We have it in all grades and weights for the ladies and children.

Dressing Sacques. Sale on Eiderdown Dressing Sacques. At 60c, \$1.25 and \$1.50 each, former prices, \$1.00, \$1.75 and \$2.00 each.

Saturday's Sale of Cloaks. Heavy warm Boucle Cloth Jackets, beautifully lined with fine satin, at \$8.00 each.

LABORS OF BLISS' OFFICE

Annual Report of Interior Department Made Public. INDIANS ARE PEACEFUL AND PROSPEROUS. New Pension Office for Late War Established—Attendance in Schools Increases Over 225,000.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—The annual report of Secretary of Interior Blair, made public tonight, reviews in detail the progress of pension Indian land, patent, educational and territorial affairs. Reviewing the gradual diminution of public land area Secretary Blair says:

Of the three hundred and odd million acres of desert land requiring irrigation to render them valuable farming lands, the available water supply is sufficient for only 71,500,000 acres.

Reviewing pension matters, Secretary Blair reports \$35,000,000 in claims pending and says a separate division has been organized for the adjudication of claims growing out of the war with Spain.

During the year the geological survey has surveyed 35,000 square miles, making a total completed of approximately one-fourth of the area of the entire country, exclusive of Alaska.

Advancement along educational lines during the year has been of over a quarter of a million school pupils in the United States for the fiscal year 1897-7 over the previous ones.

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DISCUSSES POSTAL AFFAIRS

Revival of Business Apparent in Receipts of Mail Service. INCREASE OF MONEY ORDER BUSINESS. Assistant Postmaster General Heath Recommends Putting Clerks on Same Footing as Carriers—Needs of the Service.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—First Assistant Postmaster General Perry S. Heath has completed his annual report except its portions relating to military postoffices at the army camps and in the Philippines and the Philippines.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—In his annual report George Roberts, director of the mint, says: The most important events of the fiscal year in the work of government finance have been the consummation of the long projected project of specie payment.

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COIN SWEATER CONVICTED

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PERIODS OF PAIN.

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TWO STEAMERS ON ROCKS

Large Freighters Succumb to Blizzard on Lake Superior. CREWS ESCAPE AFTER MANY HARDSHIPS.

DULUTH, Nov. 24.—The heaviest marine loss of the year is reported today by the Inman tug, Castle, which has returned from the wreck of the freight steamer Tampa at Beaver Bay.

The crew of the Orr had made their way to Beaver Bay where they had found the crew of the Tampa. It took them twenty-four hours without food to go the nine miles to that place. They had suffered intensely with the cold and were greatly surprised to find the men from the Tampa at Beaver Bay as until then they knew nothing of the wreck of the Tampa.

GOOD THINGS FOR ENGINEERS

Dinners and Warm Clothes Await Volunteers Returned from Porto Rico.

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—The United States transport Minnewaska, from Porto Rico, passed in Sandy Hook at 12:10 p. m. On board are the First regiment of engineers, for whom a reception and Thanksgiving dinner are waiting at the Eighth regiment armory.

Hood's Pills

Are gaining favor rapidly. Business men and travelers carry them in vest pockets, ladies carry them in purses, housekeepers keep them in medicine chests. Hood's recommends them to friends.

FULL BLOOD GETS THE LAND

Final Act in the Long Controversy Involving Valuable Tract Adjacent to Fort Pierre.

CHAMBERLAIN, S. D., Nov. 24.—(Special.)—Messrs. Gloggett and Ziebach, United States officials, are at Fort Pierre for the purpose of allotting to Black Tomahawk, a full blood Sioux Indian, a valuable tract of land adjoining that town. This is the closing chapter in the long controversy between Black Tomahawk and Mrs. Jane Waldron, the Indian department having decided adverse to Mrs. Waldron on the ground that she is not an Indian because of her father being a white man.

WIERS' VERSION OF THE KILLING.

Asserts that It Was Done in Self-Defense During a Fight. HURON, S. D., Nov. 24.—(Special.)—There is little new in the Mott murder case. Emil Wier, who on Monday confessed to the killing, is in jail here and has been visited by a number of his friends, but he has very little to say concerning the crime.

ANGRY INFANTILE AMAZONS

Fifteen-Year-Old Nora Bittner Fatally Beaten by Three Girls to Avenge an Insult. PITTSBURG, Pa., Nov. 24.—Miss Nora Bittner, a highly respected young woman of Allegheny, was beaten so badly this afternoon by three girls—none of whom is over 15 years of age—that she will probably die. Her assailants, Bessie Wright, Sophia Mickle and Maria Bennett, are in jail.

WILD BULLETS DO NO HARM

Seymour, Ind., Negro, After Escaping Lynching, Accuses Several Men of Whipping Him. SEYMOUR, Ind., Nov. 24.—On Sunday night, November 6, Joseph Baird, an African negro in this community, was taken from jail and hurried to the city. It was difficult that the mob was restrained from lynching him. When Baird was released he accused about twenty colored men of being in the mob, also Mayor A. W. Mills and other officials.

BODIES FOUND IN THE RUINS

Others Supposed to Lie Buried in the Debris of the Baldwin Hotel. SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 24.—The dead body of J. M. Lightbody was removed from the ruins of the Baldwin hotel today.

ADVANCE IN PUBLIC SCHOOL

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M'KINLEY IN FAMILY CIRCLE

Day is Spent at Church and in Observance of the Old Customs. WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—Thanksgiving day was observed in the usual manner.

NUMEROUS GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES WILL BE REMOVED FROM SYSTEM

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FATAL BREAK IN A BOILER

Fireman Killed and Freight Cars Consumed by a Weak Crown Sheet. DENVER, Nov. 24.—The crown sheet of the boiler of locomotive No. 24, the body of which is on its way today to Admiral Dewey's fleet in the Philippines by way of the Mediterranean and the Suez canal, has arrived at Pinalia, Madeira, and will continue its long cruise without unnecessary delay.

ENTERTAINMENT FOR YEGLESIA.

Distinguished Costa Rican Will Be Properly Showed Around. WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—Disagreeable weather with a light snowfall interfered considerably with the plans of Colonel Carter, the president's representative for the entertainment of President Yglesias of Costa Rica, who reached here yesterday afternoon and owing to day's storm, spent most of the day indoors.

SAFETY CHECKERS IN JAIL.

WICHITA, Nov. 24.—Jesse Anpling, Bill Bolock, Frank Cheney and John Viers are in jail here, charged with blowing open the safe of C. C. Alford of Andale, this county.