

Omaha, December 4, 1898.

There is No Division

Of interests in this business. We are dealers in choice dry goods only. We are not here to be unfair to our competitors. We ask for business only on the basis of intrinsic value for the goods we sell. The prices are always fair to our customers and ourselves. On this basis we would like your trade.

Jackets and Capes— Ladies can get choice styles in new jackets and capes, in new blues, castors and other colors.



French Flannels—For shirt-waists, Pretty polka dots, stripes and plaids— for wrappers and dressing scarves— new plaids, handsome Persian effects, stripes and beautiful new floral designs.

Underwear and Children's Stuffs— garter normal sanitary wool union suits,

Ladies' extra large sizes in Combination Suits, with an extra large collar, "Onedia" style—\$1.50 each.

Ladies' Jersey ribbed Seamless glove-fitting black wool Combination Suits, "Onedia" style, fast black, \$2.25 each.

Ladies' black Cashmere Hose, with double toe, sole and heel—very good quality—50c pair.

Ladies' black Cotton Hose, with mace split toes, high spliced heels and double soles—3c-3 1/2 pair, \$1.00.

Ladies' black Cotton Hose—very good quality—50c pair.

Children's plain black Cashmere Hose, in sizes 8 and 10, only, were 50c pair, now 35c-3 for \$1.00.

Children's black Cotton Hose—seamless—in odd sizes only—10c pair.

Pillows for Sofa or Cozy Corner These are of rare and elegant sorts, covers of best denims, beautiful oriental tapestries,

canvas cloth, to be worked with cross stitch—pickings from our stock to make holiday elegance—made up in our own store—filled to the generous luxurious size.

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Eiderdown and Flannelette Sacques—to these cold mornings.

Eiderdown Sacques at 60c each. Neat, fresh and comfortable looking are these Sacques—well put together—fastened with ribbons at the neck—edges crocheted with Saxony—light-fitting black—regular price, \$1.00—each—reduced to 60c each.

Infant's Goods. The merry Christmas time will very soon be here—prepare for it in time.

A new lot of Crochet Sacques, Vels and Booties have just been received. There are pretty silk bonnets, Angola wool and crocheted silk caps—either simple or fancy—elegant bits—embroidered flannel and crocheted shawls—embroidered skirts, long or short, and many other pretty trifles suitable for little folks.

Holiday Gloves—Never before such a varied and complete gathering of all that's new and right in gloves.

The latest styles and newest colorings are here for your inspection. The genuine Foster lacing. The Trifles Case. The Cluze Patent Thumb-2-clasp Glove—with Convulsor cut-out specialties.

Notions—Fancy garters. Every sort people want—some with handsome bows—some with buckles. Round Garters at 25c, 50c and 75c. Fancy Side Elastics, in silk, at 25c, 50c and 75c. Hose Supporters, with satin belt and silk elastic, at 25c.

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Dress Trimmings— Garnitures, braids, guimps, and fancies, narrow braids in black, cream and colors to trim children's dresses.

Wider braids, in neat, pretty designs. An elegant line of very fine Mohair Braids, in black, as high as \$2.50 per yard. Black Silk Braids, black and colored. Silk and Wool Trimmings. Spaces will not permit mention of all, but come and see for yourself.

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Still Wants to Purchase Some of the Caroline Islands.

CONFIRMATION OF THE FORMER REPORT

Negotiations Are Said to Be in Progress on the Quiet—No Meeting of the Peace Commissioners.

PARIS, Dec. 3.—There was no session of the peace commissions today. The Americans, however, held a three hours' meeting.

The report from Berlin that Germany is negotiating for the purchase of the Caroline Islands is confirmed from several quarters.

Although Count von Munster-Ledeburg, the German ambassador here, informed a correspondent of the Associated Press that he knew nothing at all about the matter, the American commissioners are inclined to believe the report and it is looked upon as explaining the reluctance of the Spaniards to give the Americans an answer in regard to the Caroline Islands as well as on the question of religious liberty there and the latest developments confirm the report that the Spaniards have been instructed not to yield on those points until they have made a good bargain.

The position of the peace commission, says an American gentleman, is the same as two card players, each studying his own hand and waiting for the opponent's lead. In spite of this temporary halt in the negotiations and contrary to general opinion, Judge Day, president of the American commission, believes the treaty will be signed tomorrow, but it is believed that work must be done before the treaty is ready for signatures, as after ten weeks of negotiations the only articles accomplished by the commissioners are the three leading paris provisions for the cessation of the Spanish conflict and those only in principle and not in language.

Difference of Opinion. The adjournment today was at Judge Day's request, as the long session developed a divergence of opinion. Had the joint session been held the Americans would not have entered it as a united body. The exact nature of the difficulty cannot be ascertained, but it is said that the commissioners are in a more yielding mood toward the Spaniards than their colleagues.

It is not doubted that the Spanish commissioners will on Monday report the arrival of their government's instructions, the absence of which caused Friday's adjournment. It is believed that these instructions constitute a diplomatic expedient put forward by the Spaniards to cover the delay necessary to them.

The question of a coaling station of the United States in the Caroline Islands is not likely to prove a serious stumbling block. The Americans have already made it one of the demands whose granting is essential to the conclusion of the treaty of peace. Some of them are enthusiastic in its favor and none of them think Germany's negotiations for the Caroline Islands are likely to lead to complications with the United States and the United States. In French official circles it is asserted that under the pope's award of 1885 Germany already possesses certain rights in the Caroline Islands which would prevent Spain from selling us one of those islands. But this is a matter which has already been investigated by the German government, who find that Germany's rights refer to certain fishing privileges of German citizens and their right to a coaling station, to be agreed upon mutually between Spain and Germany.

MADRID, Dec. 3.—The impartial tone of the German government's statement that the United States intends to fully re-establish relations with Spain, asks if the United States proposes to send a new ultimatum, imposing friendship.

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Bay with Minor Matters. WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—While it is beginning to be recognized that the chances are against the conclusion of the work of the peace commissioners in Paris in time for the Americans to take the steamer De la Plata to London, the officials are not discouraged at the outlook, knowing that the delay in the proceedings of the commission admits of a reasonable explanation. For instance, there has been some difficulty in reaching an agreement as to the disposition of the public property of the Philippines, which the secretary said: "I have to say at present that the date of the formation of a European squadron is undecided. When this action is taken it will be made public. Thanking you for your assurance of a hearty welcome to the United States fleet, the American squadron will be sent to Europe and that Portsmouth will be visited.

An insight into the seamy side of the Klondike boom was given by the chairman of the meeting of the Klondike hydraulic commission, called to receive the report of their engineers' visit to Klondike to investigate the statements of the vendor. The chairman said: "The vendor first tried to secure \$250,000, and then \$1,000,000 for the purchase of piping, etc., but the chairman went to San Francisco to investigate the matter and found the vendor's statement was false, whereupon he withheld the money." The engineer also reported that the vendor's mine on the Black River was a myth, that the location notified by the vendor had never been Alaska. Therefore, the chairman pointed out the only course was to wind up the company, the shareholders escaping with the loss of only two shillings a share.

RESULT OF THE EXPANSION POLICY. Claims for Redress and Losses from the Sugar Department. WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The United States government is being called upon to face some questions of interest, resulting from the expansion policy. The British government has some time before the annexation of Hawaii to the United States filed a claim for a number of claims for redress for the ill-treatment and illegal confinement of British subjects involved in the revolutionary movement which overthrew the queen. These amount to several hundred thousand dollars in the aggregate and the question is whether the Hawaiian government having failed to settle them, whether the United States government does not inherit liability. The claims are not such as were filed by the late Secretary of the Hawaiian government, but are claims in behalf of a number of American citizens, most of which later turned out to be aliens. None of our claims were pressed, but they formed the foundation for the British claims.

Another question of more importance is the determination of the status of some of our newly acquired citizens or subjects. Already a Chinaman by birth, but a Philippine by citizenship, has applied for recognition as an American citizen. Another Chinaman in Hawaii wants a passport showing he is a citizen of the United States. The annexation law prohibits the coming into the limits of the United States of Chinese persons from Hawaii, but the constitutionality of any act that proposes to discriminate among American citizens has been raised and this Chinaman is a citizen by adoption. These are a few of the questions that have already arisen and others are expected to follow in the near future.

Like American Liquors. WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—American whiskey is always commended in Honduras, and American beer is sold to the exclusion of all others in that country. This appears from the annual report of Consul Johnston at Utiatlan, just received at the State department.

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