

# CHRISTMAS DAY OPENING AT BENNETT'S

We Start the Ball Rolling Today -- Saturday, Dec. 2 -- All Day and Evening.  
Our Second Floor a Wonderland of Toys and Holiday Goods. SPECIAL INDUCEMENTS TO EARLY PURCHASERS.

- TOYS. TOYS.**
- Doll Go-Carts ..... 22c
  - Others Up to \$3.95
  - Doll Carts ..... 24c
  - Others Up to \$5.95
  - Boys' Fancy Sled ..... 19c
  - Others Up to \$1.98
  - Boys' Tool Boxes ..... 9c
  - Others Up to \$1.50
  - Toy Trunks for Girls ..... 28c
  - Others Up to \$2.25
  - 2-Wheel Cart, red ..... 9c
  - Wash Sets, complete ..... 24c
  - Others Up to \$1.50
  - Toy Carpet Sweepers ..... 15c
  - Iron Train with 3 cars ..... 28c
  - Others Up to \$1.25
  - Toy Pianos ..... 24c
  - Others Up to \$3.35
- We also have the largest assortment of Games in the city. The following are priced for 9 cents:
- Pitow De ..... 9c
  - Tiddledy Winks ..... 9c
  - Authors ..... 9c
  - Steele Chase ..... 9c
  - The House That Built Itself ..... 9c
  - Fish Pond Game ..... 9c
  - Others Up to \$1.18.
- A large assortment of Harmoniums, that were bought at a big reduction, worth up to \$50, each for \$1.00.
- We have the finest and most complete line of Dolls and Doll Furnishings in the city, and we are the first to display them. Tomorrow we will sell them cheap.
- A Fine Kid Body Doll, 12 in. tall, with long eye and elegant wig, 17 in. long ..... 58c
  - A Fancy Dressed Doll, with satin dress, trimmed with lace hat to match, complete with shoes and stockings ..... 49c
  - Others Up to \$0.50.
- GUNS, ETC.**
- A double-barrel breach-loading shot gun, fine imitation twist barrels, back action, rebounding locks, low circular hammers, extension rib, full machine made, all parts interchangeable, full nickel grip, well finished throughout, worth \$10.00 for..... **\$8.25**
- Fine single-barrel breach-loading shot gun, 12 or 16-gauge, rebounding lock, plain nickel grip, butt plate, weight, pounds, worth \$7.50..... **\$4.98**
- COLORED SHELLS**
- Rival Shells, loaded with Dupont's black powder, any size shot, any load:
- 12-gauge ..... \$1.00 per 100.
  - 10-gauge ..... \$1.00 per 100.
- FOR THE BOYS**—The Crescent Air Rifle, handsomely nickel plated barrel and polish stock, 20 shot, comes with a box of shells..... **68c**
- NEW CARBETTES LINE OF GUNS, RIFLES AND AMMUNITION.**

- Celluloid Goods.**
- Albums, celluloid backs, for cabinet pictures ..... 98c
  - Plush covered ..... \$1.88
  - Albums, with space for 24 cabinet pictures and 12 small ones..... **\$1.98**
  - Albums for unmounted pictures ..... 38c
  - Collar and Cuff Boxes, in plush and celluloid ..... 98c
  - Handkerchief and Glove Boxes, in assorted colors ..... 98c
  - Toilet and Manicuring Sets combined ..... 98c
  - Work Boxes ..... 58c
  - Toilet Sets ..... 88c
- Stationery Dept.**
- An elegant Teachers Bible, with combined concordance, with overlapping edges, leather cover, only ..... 98c
  - An elegant line of "1860" Calendars, prices at 10c, 12c and..... **14c**
  - Special Bargains of Cloth-Bound books, by some of the leading authors, reduced to per book..... **10c**
  - 120 Sheets Commercial Note Paper, reduced to ..... **8c**
  - 25 White Wove Envelopes—at..... **1c**
  - Thomas' 4-oz. bottle Ink, worth 16c, reduced to per bottle..... **5c**
  - Lepage's Liquid Glue, reduced to per bottle ..... **7c**
  - Fancy Scalloped Shelf Paper, 6 colors, per dozen sheets..... **1c**
  - Box Paper and Envelopes, with a paper pen holder and pen, complete, at per lot..... **4c**
  - Commencing at 7 o'clock sharp in evening for 3 hours only we will sell a 1,000 sheet package of extra fine "Fluore" Toilet Paper at 5c per package, worth 10c.
  - A 500-page Pencil Tablet—..... **3c**
  - A Wood Pencil Box—at each..... **2c**
  - 1-lb. box Chocolate Creams, regular price 25c from 7 to 10 Saturday night ..... **12c**
- ON SECOND FLOOR.**

**Santa Claus' Advance Agent Will Be Here.**  
3,000 Sacks of Candy Given Away on Second Floor to 3,000 of the Good Children of Omaha.

**Santa Claus Will Come Dec. 15**  
And Will Bring His Wife and Son This Year.

The following telegram has just been received:  
**ROYAL PALACE, North Pole, December 1, 1899.**  
W. R. BENNETT CO., OMAHA: Gentlemen—Replying to your telegram, will say: Yes, I will appear in Omaha on December 15th, as usual, and will again make your store my headquarters for the season and meet the good children of Omaha. As you suggest, I will bring my wife and son with me this year, as my son is now getting old enough to be learning how to help me in my old age. Prepare for my coming with a bigger lot of toys and other things than ever before.  
**SANTA CLAUS.**

**Parents, bring the children today to see the Toys and get a Sack of Candy.**



15th and Capitol Avenue, Omaha.

**Jewelry Dept—Main Floor....**

SATURDAY EVENING—6 to 10 P. M. Only.

**This Solid Silver Watch, \$2.98**  
Saturday Night, While They Last. Just the thing for an Xmas Gift for a Lady.

The case is coin silver throughout and beautifully engraved. The movement has seven jewels, and is fully warranted. It is exact size of illustration. We positively will not sell these watches at this price after Saturday, Dec. 2. On sale only while they last.  
Last Saturday our Opera Glass Sale was over in 20 minutes.

**Third Floor—All Day and Evening.**  
Hot Biscuit and Coffee Served Free to All.

- Some Eye-Openers in Carpets and Furniture...
- Best All Wool Ingrain Carpets ..... **49c**
  - Good Brussels Carpet, per yard..... **45c**
  - Children's Rockers and High chairs from ..... **85c**
  - Best Wilton Velvet Carpet, per yard..... **80c**
  - Smyrna Rugs, 30x60 inch, with fringe..... **\$1.25**
  - Fine Solid Oak cobbler seat Rocker with arms..... **\$1.98**

**Partial Payments**  
RECEIVED ON ALL HOLIDAY GOODS SELECTED WHILE STOCKS ARE COMPLETE.

**BROWN DEFEATS SCHILLER**

Throws Him Three Times in Succession in a Match at Hastings.

**GREAT STRENGTH DOES THE BUSINESS**

Good Sport for a Large Audience of Interested People—Brown Says He Will Now Challenge Farmer Burns.

HASTINGS, Neb., Dec. 1.—(Special Telegram.)—The second wrestling match between Bert Schiller and Carl Brown came off tonight in the Korr opera house, which place was crowded to standing room. Three weeks ago Schiller won from Brown on best two out of three falls, when Brown immediately challenged Schiller for this match, best three out of five. The match was for the entire receipts, which amounted to \$500. It was conducted under Pulver Gazette rules, catch-as-catch-can. There were nearly 200 enthusiasts present from abroad. Brown won the first fall in fifteen minutes with a half-Nelson, just as Schiller was about to try for a cross-lock. Contrary to expectation, Brown was the aggressor throughout the first bout. The second fall went to Brown in eight minutes. Schiller had been on the aggressive until the last minute, when Brown secured his favorite half-Nelson and with his wonderful strength soon conquered Schiller. Brown won the third and final fall in six minutes, catching Schiller with a double Nelson when he was off his guard. Schiller worked out of this, but was held with a half-Nelson and downed. Dr. I. C. George officiated as referee and Bert Ramsey acted as timekeeper. At the close of the contest Brown announced to the audience that he would proceed at once to challenge Farmer Burns for a mixed match, catch-as-catch-can and Graeco-Roman.

**ON THE RUNNING TRACKS**

Summaries of Events Filled Off on the Leading Race Courses of the Country.

**NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 1.**—The stewards of the Crescent City Jockey club today promulgated a rule imposing a fine of \$50 upon any owner or trainer who knowingly sends a horse who has never faced the starting barrier to the post. The rule is designed to avoid tedious delays at the post and to facilitate prompt, fair and quick starts. To add owners to school their charges an employee of the club will be stationed at the barriers for an hour each day. The weather continued fair, though much cooler today, and the track was rather slow from light rains over night. Prince of Verona and Daily Weather, who practically had their fields at their mercy, were the only winning favorites. Results: First race, selling, six furlongs: The Staggard won, Island Prince second, Pat Deborne third. Time, 1:18. Second race, six furlongs: Prince of Verona won, Sadie Burnham second, Crane Bird third. Time, 1:21. Third race, selling, one mile: Admetus won, W. B. Gates second, Chanery third. Time, 1:45. Fourth race, selling, six furlongs: Dolly

**Good Digestion**  
Horsford's Acid Phosphate  
Taken regularly after meals, removes the sense of distress, oppression and "all gone" feeling of the stomach. Genuine bears name Horsford's on wrapper.

**WALLACE OUT IN ONE ROUND**

English Fighter Quickly Beaten at the Broadway Athletic Club by Joe Bernstein.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—Dave Wallace, the last of the cargo of English fighters imported here within the last few months, went down in defeat like his predecessors tonight at the Broadway Athletic club. Joe Bernstein, the Englishman, landed several blows on Wallace's face and body and in exactly seventy-three seconds the Englishman lay prostrate, unable to come to his feet. Bernstein counted out and his seconds had to carry him to his corner. The boys fought for a twenty-five-round go at 121 pounds.

**LOWA AND INDIANA ADMITTED**

Representatives of the Universities of Wisconsin and Michigan to discuss athletics, representatives of Indiana and Iowa were admitted. The rules of 1888 were thrown aside as too cumbersome and those of 1897 adopted, and it is announced that the boycott against Chicago and the Wisconsin university had been abolished and that entire harmony prevailed between the different universities.

**Lightweights Fight a Draw**

CHICAGO, Dec. 1.—Harry Gardner of the "Omaha Kid" and Harry Forbes of Chicago fought six fast rounds before the Fort Dearborn Athletic club tonight, the bout being declared a draw. The men fought at 125 pounds. Gardner was a featherweight, weighed 122 pounds, while Forbes scaled 127. Gardner's hands were apparently in poor shape and heavily bandaged but he forced the fighting in every round, playing pretty for the first time. Forbes, however, more than held his own and put Gardner down squarely in the sixth round with a right flush on the chin. Gardner also went to the floor in the first round, but it was not a clean knockdown. Forbes was sent down in the fifth with a left on the chin. The fighting was furious in the last two rounds with Forbes having the better of the exchange, but Gardner's blows had the most steam behind them and Forbes was rather tired at the close.

**Iowa Horseman Honored**

CHICAGO, Dec. 1.—The German Hanoverian and Oldenburg Coach Horse Association of America held its seventh annual meeting today and decided to offer cash prizes for the best display of Hanoverian and Oldenburg coach horses made at the

**GENERAL WESTERN NEWS.**

**Abner Reported from Aberdeen.**  
ABERDEEN, S. D., Dec. 1.—(Special.)—Union Thanksgiving services were held at the Congregational church and were largely attended. At Ipswich a ball was given in dedication of the new opera house.

**David City Beats Lincoln Medics.**

DAVID CITY, Neb., Dec. 1.—(Special Telegram.)—David City defeated the Lincoln team at the fair grounds here yesterday. Neither side scored during the first half. The game opened with a kick-off by Lincoln and David City gradually forced the ball into the enemy's territory until the end of the first half. During the second half David City forced the ball three times to Lincoln's five-yard line, where the Medics fought with great valor under the shadow of their goal posts. Finally Lemmon carried the ball forward for a touchdown. The interference by Lemmon and Disney, with fine pluckers by various players. The home backs did fine work against great odds. David City played out of its class, the visiting team weighing twenty pounds on an average more than the home team. The final score: David City, 5; Lincoln, 0. Umpire: Slade. Referee: Hullstrom. The lineup:

**Escaping the Liquor Taxes.**

PIERRE, S. D., Dec. 1.—(Special.)—The total amount received on liquor licenses by the state up to November 30 is \$51,300, as against \$21,000 for the whole of last year. While there will be a little more received on this fund this year, it will not get up to the amount of last year. This can be accounted for by the fact that a number of firms created storage warehouses when the new law went into effect and paid a license on these as wholesale houses and are supplying from depots on state lines, which relieve them much of the state license.

**Syndicate Buys Three Mines.**

RAWLINS, Wyo., Dec. 1.—(Special.)—B. J. McCaffrey of the firm of Emerson & McCaffrey, Denver, was here yesterday enroute home from a trip to the company's mines between the forks of the Grand Encampment river. The company has disposed of the Eureka group, which includes the Black Eagle, Fox Eagle and Cliff claims, to a Boston and Chicago syndicate for \$20,000. The final details of the sale are now being arranged in Denver. The eastern company will at once develop the mines.

**Masonic Temple to Be Finished.**

DEADWOOD, S. D., Dec. 1.—(Special.)—It has been decided by the Masonic Benevolent association of Deadwood to finish the large Masonic temple begun in 1892. The foundation was laid at that time, but it was never completed. The building is to be three stories high and 50x150 feet. Next Saturday night the directors of the association will meet for the purpose of voting bonds to the amount of \$25,000. The cost of the building will be about \$40,000.

**Black Hills Teachers Meet.**

LEAD, S. D., Dec. 1.—(Special Telegram.)—The tenth annual meeting of the Black Hills Teachers' association is in session in this city tonight. E. E. Collins, superintendent of public instruction, and Dr. John W. Heister, president of the Brookings Agricultural college, arrived today. Superintendent Collins will spend several days visiting the schools of the Black Hills. A large number of teachers from the Black Hills are in attendance tonight.

**Reform Press Association.**

HURON, S. D., Dec. 1.—(Special Telegram.)—A special meeting of the Reform Press association is being held here tonight with members present from Pierre, Brookings, Sioux Falls, Watertown, Hetland and Aberdeen. Plans for presswork during the coming campaign will be outlined. T. H. Ayers, private secretary for Governor Lee, and Chairman Kidd of the state populist committee will have charge.

**Killed by a Cave-In.**

YANKTON, S. D., Dec. 1.—(Special Telegram.)—Robert Tralle, the 18-year-old son of William Tralle, was killed today by the sudden caving of a bank on Rhine creek near the Milwaukee depot. He in company

**Foot Ball at Yankton.**

YANKTON, S. D., Dec. 1.—(Special Telegram.)—The foot ball game this afternoon between the Yankton and Yankton High school teams resulted in a score of 21 to 0 in favor of Yankton.

**Man in Missouri Suggests Raising a Fund of \$25,000—Helen Gould Treasurer.**

SEDALIA, Mo., Dec. 1.—Milton Barde, manager of the upholstering department at the Missouri, Kansas & Texas shops here, today in a long paper suggests that he will be one of 100,000 persons to contribute 25 cents each to a \$25,000 fund to be presented to the widow of Captain Charles V. Gridley, who commanded Admiral Dewey's flagship at the battle of Manila. Mr. Barde suggests that Miss Helen Gould be made treasurer of the fund.

**Fire Record.**

YORK, Neb., Dec. 1.—(Special.)—Wheat stacks valued at \$500, belonging to E. L. Meiser, near Leighton, were burned up, catching fire from sparks from a steam threshing machine.

**Owens Agonized to the Front.**

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 1.—Ex-Congressman W. C. Owens, who defeated Colonel Brockbridge in 1894 and who bolted Douglas this year and made the bitterest personal attacks on the head of the ticket, was nominated by a fusion of leading democrats and republicans to succeed Congressman Pettie, deceased. The fight will be wholly on a state issue. The silver question not being considered.

**DENIAL OF CONSOLIDATION**

President Cowan of Baltimore and Ohio Talks of Some Recent Rumors.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 1.—John K. Cowan, president of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad company, said that he did not think the rumors about sales combinations, etc., were specifically worth denying. Continuing, he said: "The time has come when the competing railroads fully recognize the disasters that ensue by a ruinous scramble for business. Freight and passenger tariffs are smashed into smithereens and business is carried on in a wildcat manner. Mr. Pink described the disturbances created by rate-cutting when he said that the whole passenger tariff was disturbed in order to get a passenger and three-quarters of a passenger out of Louisville." "The presidents of the several competing railroads, recognizing the necessity of arriving at some plan by which there could be a fair return for investments in railroad properties and besides that there has been an increase in the price of all articles used by railroads without a comparative increase in rates, we decided on a new classification of rates—that is, to transfer so the classified list certain articles or commodities on which a special or lower rate has been placed than when those articles belonged to the classified list. For one reason or another the railroads have derided no other advantage has been taken out of the classified list. To restore these commodities to the classified list is our object, and hence all of these rumors and all this talk about railroad sales, consolidations, etc.

**Death Record.**

Frank Esmay Dies in California. FREMONT, Neb., Dec. 1.—(Special.)—A telegram was received by the Masonic lodge here last evening from Sonora, Cal., announcing the death of Frank L. Esmay. He had resided in Fremont fourteen years and was for some time in the wholesale butter and egg business in connection with some Omaha men. In 1885 he assisted in organizing and became secretary of the Security Mutual Life Insurance company of this city and remained in that position until January 1 last. He went to California last spring, intending to remain there if he found a suitable business opening. He possessed a well trained tenor voice and was very prominent in musical circles and well known among musical people in Omaha. He leaves a widow and one son, Harry Esmay, residing in Fremont. He was a member of the Masonic and Ben Hur fraternities. No arrangements for his funeral have been made.

**Mrs. Mary Ann Hollister.**

Mrs. Mary Ann Hollister died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. W. Griffin, 551 South Twenty-sixth avenue, Wednesday evening, November 29, at the age of 89 years and 3 months. She was born as Mary Ann Covell in Ithaca, N. Y., July 11, 1810, where she spent her girlhood. In 1832 Mr. and Mrs. Hollister moved with their family to Hastings, Mich. During their residence there three sons served in the civil war, one of whom laid down his life for his country. Soon after Mrs. Hollister was left a widow and has since made her home in Omaha with her daughter. She was a consistent and devoted member of the Methodist Episcopal church for fifty years, and for the last fifteen years a member of St. Mary's Avenue Congregational church. Her remains will be laid to rest beside her grandchildren in Prospect Hill today at 10 o'clock.

**Atter Howes.**

AUBURN, Neb., Dec. 1.—(Special.)—Albert Howes, a brother of Church Howes and of Clem Howes of this city, died last night at his home near Howe, aged 66 years. He leaves a widow and two grown sons.

**When in Doubt Use Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.**

Mr. Daniel R. Forbes, editor of the Sun, Quarryville, Pa., says: "It affords me much pleasure to testify to the merits of Chamberlain's medicine. We have used them in our family for several years with entire satisfaction. The Cough Remedy is particularly efficacious, having used it myself quite frequently when bothered with a cold, and with the best results. To those in doubt I would say, give Chamberlain's Remedies a trial. They are good."

**Atton Branches Out.**

CHICAGO, Dec. 1.—The Chicago & Alton road has assumed control of that part of the reports that the Pennsylvania road had secured control of the Baltimore & Ohio. He says: "During the past few months there have been many transfers of individual holdings of stock, for the most part involving no large blocks. The reports which have been current regarding a transfer of any considerable amount of stock have little to recommend them as true."

**Officer Before Court-Martial.**

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 1.—The court-martial in the case of Captain David H. Shields, U. S. A., who is accused of incompetence here, convened at the Presidio today. Colonel H. B. Freeman, Twenty-fourth infantry, president of the court, in order to give the accused a chance to secure counsel. The officers of the court are: Colonel H. B. Freeman, Twenty-fourth infantry, president; Major F. E. Harvey, post surgeon; Major Cowles, Revenue cutter; Captain H. C. Daves, Third artillery; Captain C. A. Bennett, Third artillery; Captain B. M. Caffie, Third artillery; Lieutenant Roger F. Gradner, Third artillery; Major Stephen Greenback, judge advocate.

**No Mercy for Gillespie.**

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 1.—Dr. Franklin T. Gillespie, Glenn Valley, was sentenced to three years at hard labor in the Columbus (O.) penitentiary today and fined \$500. The case was the termination of what the secret service officers of the government think was a most daring counterfeiting scheme, in which Dr. Gillespie and others had arranged to embark on a wholesale scale. A petition, signed by 200 or more of Dr. Gillespie's neighbors, was read. It said that his reputation previous to his arrest had been a good one. Gillespie made an pathetic plea for mercy, but the court would not relent.

**Laborers Buried in Sewers.**

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 1.—By a cave-in of the excavation for a sewer at Thirty-fourth and Downing avenues this evening several laborers were buried. The body of George Holz was taken out an hour later. It is not known how many were in the trench, but no hope is entertained for the lives of any of the victims.

**ABSOLUTE SECURITY.**  
Genuine  
**Carter's Little Liver Pills.**  
Must Bear Signature of *Asa Wood*

See Fac-Simile Wrapper Below.  
Very small and as easy to take as sugar.

**CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS.**  
FOR HEADACHE.  
FOR DIZZINESS.  
FOR BILIOUSNESS.  
FOR TORPID LIVER.  
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**CURE SICK HEADACHE.**