Immense Sale and Display of Useful Holiday Goods



Our stock of Holiday goods is this year the most complete and varied, as well as the greatest ever brought to Omaha. It has been selected with the greatest care and clearest judgment, in the best taste, catering to the wishes of everybody. It is good, sound common sense, to give a present that not only looks pretty, but lasts a long time, and that is exactly the kind of goods that make the most acceptable Holiday Gifts, and the kind we have.

OUR TOY DEPARTMENT ON THIRD FLOOR IS THE GREATEST AND LARGEST EVER SHOWN IN OMAHA----

Big Sale Xmas Slippers Tomorrow.

Santa Claus is Here

to Creet the Children

On the third floor in his own alcove surrounded by the he is making merry.

Please the children by bringing them down to see him, at a ridiculously low price tomorrow. let them experience the pleasure of telling their wants, of The last of Madame Dick's dress goods sale. Every hearing his promises to satisfy them, and of writing their names down in his blue book. Our third floor is a veritable -no matter whether it is worth \$2 or \$5 yard-in fairy land.

IN THE BIG BOOK SECTION

10,900 volumes of choice handsome cloth gilt and worth 50c each, at	reading, decorate	bound in
worth 50c each, at		101
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1.000 boys' and girls' bo	oks. Elli	s. Mends
Oliver Optic, etc.,		390
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Books, worth 50c each-	******************	40.
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BOOKS IN SETS

DOOKO IN OLIO	
Over 1,060 sets of all the standard and popular writers, from 5 to 8	
books in a set, for a complete set go at	75c
Our stock of Juvenile Books at and 25c are what generally sells	in book
stores from 25c to \$1.00. They are Heations of all the most popular pu houses in America.	

GAMES

We are showing the largest line of a the west, everything from the big	games
2.98 Crokinole down to the	5c
block game, at	980
fron Toys, Trains, Steam Engines at 98c, 50c, 25c, 19c and	5c

DOLLS

Our collection of dolls this year is unurpassable. Kid Body Dolls of the cele

TOILET CASES

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Two large sections devoted entirely to
Tollet Cases, Manicure Sets, Cuff and Collar
Boxes, Work Boxes, Work Baskets, Shav-
ing Sets, Smoking Sets, Albums, Poker
Sets, Card Sets, Mirrors, In fact every-
thing in this line in the most varied as-
sortment ever shown. In prices ranging down from \$25.00 to
Drums, Tin Horns, etc., at \$1.25, 98c, 50c, 25c, 15c and

WOODEN TOYS

display.	upward	s, an end	naa maanaad	50
Chairs.	Stools,	Rocking	Horses,	Swinging
			Carriage	
stand care	rething	in large	wooden	250

BLACK BOARDS

ı.	Boards at \$1.98, 98c and	10
	Tool Chests-from	25
	Tool Chests—from \$1.50 down to	.10

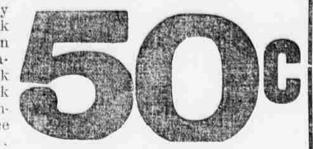
BLOCKS

	A B C Blocks, Building and Architectural Blocks at 25c, 15c, 10c and
- 1	Children's Carpet Sweepers, made just like the big ones, at-each
essis	Globe Air Guns for the opening sale, worth up to \$1.25 each, at
	An almost inexhaustible line of misc laneous toys too numerous to mention
C	must be seen to be appreciated.

The Last of Madam Dick's Dress Goods \$5, \$4, \$3, \$2 Dress Goods for 50c Yard.

It is our inflexible rule to sell out each stock completely before we put another on fur that he brought from the north, and with the children sale. Our purchase of the Sosnowski stock going on sale Monday. We must finish the sale of Madame Dick's goods at once. We therefore close out every piece of Madam Dick's goods

> vard of goods from this magnificent dress goods stock order to sell out every yard of these magnificent materials, consisting of the finest broad cloths, black and colored crepons, embroidered grenadines, silk gloria, including evening shades, silk and wool imported novelties, all go at the ridiculously low price on front bargain square, at



Black Dress Goods worth up to at \$1.49 and \$1.98

New black crepons in silk mohair and wool-looms never created richer weaves than these new crepons. They are the most stylish high grade black fabrics shown this season-

CRAND SPECIAL BASEMENT BARCAINS

10,000 yds 36-in. 31 10,000 yards short rem- wide muslin, yd. 32 10,000 yards short rem- nants 36-inch wide percale, at yard	20	One big counter new drap- ory denim, ticking, sateen and cretome at 815c yd. 826	Best grade Scotch Chambray gingham— 626
Staple arron checked gingham— 50 40-inch wide dotted swiss—worth 15c— at	7½C	Best grade light and dark colored outing flannel, worth 15c yd 726	Regular 10c grade light 31 and dark outing flaunci remnants, yd. 32 C

Special Bargains in Cotton Elankets.

kinds cotton blankets; they divided into two lots at are mill seconds and subject to slight imperfections, at 49c, 75c, 98c and \$1,25 a pair-worth from \$1.00

Grand Special Bargains in Wool Blankets. One immense lot of white, gray and gain in plush lap A grand special sale of all scarlet all wool California blankets robes at

Grand special bar-

\$1.50, \$2.25 and \$3.98

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	60-inch Scotch and German Table Damask, all linen, either in cream or half-bleached with red borders, worth 30c. 25c	O A F
	Extra heavy all linen Scotch Table Damask. This linen has great wearing quality and is half bleached, the Ste	CAF
	Kind—for yard	beautiful assorta from, at
STATE	that will be smooth and glossy when laundered, 65c quality— for—yard	60, a very neat a present for your friends, at
-	Damask and 72-inch full bleached all linea Irish Damask—worth S5c, for—yard	Moquette Rugs, designs and all t newest colorings
	72-inch full bleached all linen Satin Table Damask, new and astractive de-	All the very bes
-	algns—good value at 1.00— 75c for—yard	terns to select from \$1.98 to
	72-inch high grade Scotch and Irish double	Ultra Rugs that i our good fortune 36x72, at \$5.98 ca
STATE	from the finest flax yarn, regular \$2.00 goods, for—yard	Fine Wilton Rus designs and color of very expensive
Secretary and	Napkins—dozen	at \$5.98 and \$7.5 Our line of large Axminster and W
-	20-inch German silver bleached, all linen Napkins—dezen	is complete with Prices range from
	bleached Satin Damask Napkins, both edges sleevage, Liddell's manufacture, worth \$2.00, for—dozen	All the new Kirs
Commence of the last of the la	25-inch all linen fine full bleached Napkiun, most of these will match table damask advertised for 72c and 85c yard, at—dozen	centers or all-ove splendid wearing rich colors, for \$
O'COLORGISTON OF	100 Hemstitched Table Sets, Cloths and Nap- kins, worth \$8.00 per set—at	All our elegant li Axminster and M pet at 85c yard
Manager Printer	Pringed Table Se's Claths and Napkins—just half price—at per set\$5.00, \$4.00 and	All our magnifice Smith's Velvet C designs, at 85c ya
STATE STATE	Colored Fringed Table Cloths, red and green, 2 yards long, reliable colors, worth \$1.25—each	All our best quali Axminster Carpet yard
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Sidney No Longer the Wild and Woolly Town of Thirty Years Ago.

CHURCH TAKES PLACE OF THE DANCE HALL

Legitimate Business Houses Now Occupy the Sites Formerly Given Over to Gambling Dens and Palaces of Sin.

Thirty years ago Sidney, out in Cheyenne county, this state, was one of the wildest towns in this neck of the woods, and it continued to be such until some fifteen years ago, when it commenced to sober down until goday it is one of the most orderly as well as one of the prettiest little cities of the plains. It has electric lights, good sidewalks, water works and in many respects is fashioned after the typical castern town. The streets are broad, well kept, while upon either side many of them are lined with stately maples and cottonwoods.

Eastern space writers of two and three decades ago designated Cheyenne as the roughest town in the world, but it is evident that they never visited Sidney, else they would have located their blood-curdling tales at the latter place, for there it was that crime ran rampant until the vigilants took the law in their owr hands and dld some regulating which in time brought order out of chaos and induced the tough element to seek other climes. Sidney has been upon the map of the

United States since 1867, at which time it was designated as one of the frontier forts. Shortly after this it was garrisoned and from this point the soldiers worked both east and west, protecting the few settlers and the builders of the Union Pacific railnumber of years thereafter were on the warpath. The first boom that the town experienced was when the Union Pacific commenced operating its trains that far west. It became a division station and has remained one ever since. In fact the residents feel that the railroad has done much for the town. Engines and train crews are changed there, and at the shops considerable repairing is done

The town has a large creamery, operated during the summer season, a dozen or more as fine stores as are usually found in a city of double the size, the largest of which is that of the Oberfelder brothers, Joseph and Robert, who are among the pioneers of hot only the city, but the western portion of the state. In addition to their vast mercantile business, these two men own a large stone quarry adjoining the town, from which they are annually taking out an immense quantity of building stone. They also own a number of ranches in the county, all well stocked and in first class condition, After the passing of the Union Pacific

railroad and the onward march of settlement, which followed the completion of the line, the town of Sidney settled down to legitimate business, but it did not continue settled for any long period. In the fall of 1875 gold was discovered in the Black Hills. Being the nearest point reached by trains

hat the town contained 3,500, with a floating population of almost as much more. saloons and sambling houses sprang up as continued for a number of days and until if by magic. Desperadoes from all over the the authorities were induced to adopt country gathered at the place and the sound police regulations for the protection of of the revolver and the clicking of the poker | possengers and trainmen. chips together with the strains of wheezy pianos furnished music for the inhabitants. to take matters in their own hands. Days of the Vigilantes.

About this time the regulators organized and the first move was to hang a man to a telegraph pole directly in front of the depot This had its effect, but only for a short time. A few weeks later there was an unprovoked murder of an inoffensive citizen and then came another lynching bee, followed by a couple more within a month. At the time of the last lynching, notice was served upon a number of the disreputable men and women that unless they moved they would be guspended between heaven and earth. This apparently had the desired effect, for within twenty-four hours the exodus commenced. This immigration was e the Black Hills, to Julesburg, to Denver and still farther west. Business then worked down into the channels where it belonged and continued there for a long time. While the Black Hills boom was on, the law-abiding citizens had another tough elenent to contend with. The soldiers stationed at the post numbered close to 1,000 and when pay day rolled around they periodically carmined the town. They frequently took issue with the freighters and battles resulting in bloodshed were not unusual sights upon the streets. During all these years it went without

aying that business was good. From 3,000 road from the Indians, who then and for a to 5,000 men were constantly employed by the various freight and stage lines operating Indian agencies, and the upper forts. These men were paid from \$40 to \$100 per month each, and all the money was spent in Sidney. The rivalry to secure this trade was here, the Oberfolder Bros. made a strenous effort to capture their share. They were young men and energetic and instead of waiting for business, they went after it They kept posted as to the time of the arrival of the various wagon trains and invariably one or both of these young men met the freighters out on the road and piloted them in, showing them samples of their goods and at the same time making friends. As a result, when the men reached the town and were paid off, the first place they visited was the store of the Oterfelder Bros., where they fitted themselves out from feet to crown. They always paid cash and after being rigged out like so many swells, these freighters would sally ut on Front street, where they would spend the balance of their wages at the gaming tables, or buying beer for the dizzy and painted dames, who at one time numbered

Freighters' Favorite Amusement. As a rule the freighters were not bad Sidney at once became the great outfitting men, but sometimes when filled with the irrigation ditches. In and around these the point for the new Eldorado. In the spring worst brand of Sidney liquor, they turned wild ducks nest and raise their young. A of 1876 the real boom set in and continued the town inside out. One of their favorite trifle earlier than this in the fall the prairie

At one time Sidney became so tough and there was so much shooting upon the Great freight houses, mammoth hotels, dance streets that the Union Pacific ran its trains halls covering half blocks were erected and through the town without stopping. This

After the departure of the freighters, most of whom left when the Pierre route on the There were no bolts or bars to the doors: Hills was established, came another elethe keys to the doors were thrown away ment even tougher than either of the and everything was run wide onen from one former. These were the cowboys from week's end to another. Brawls were of Texas. During the latter '70's and the frequent occurrence and murders were upon early '80's the owners of large herds of the progress so frequently that the members cattle grazing in Texas discovered that of the better element of society concluded the grasses of the Nebraska plains were of the Lodge Pole creek and numerous most critical musicians of the city. treams flowing through the county. Each herd had from six to a dozen cowboys, all wild, dare-devil fellows who delighted in fellows were paid off monthly and always came to Sidney to spend their money, most which went for drink. After filling up they would immediately start in to do the town, and the way they did it was a caution. Everything in sight was a target for their revolvers and nothing pleased them more than to catch a stranger upon the street and pepper away at his feet, seeing how close they could make the bullets full swing, but finally law and order stepped in and they were forced to sucrespectable citizens.

Today many of the old-time Texas cowboys | flourishing Sunday schools in the city. are the wealthiest citizens of the county, owning large ranches, well-stocked with cattle and horses. The days of loose herding bave passed, and now the stock is all kept in pastures or is close herded.

Old Fort Sidney, which until close up to

no more. For a long time after it was abandoned as an army post it was kept in excellent condition. The streets and drives were cared for and the parade ground was pirited, and representing the biggest store kept as clean as a parlor, but later it became a cow pasture and the buildings were permitted to go to decay. A few weeks ago all the buildings that had withstood the ravages of time and the destroying hand of the vandal were sold at auction and went for a song, notwithstanding the fact that when creeted they cost close to \$100,000. While of the People's church in Omaha, will occupy not modern, yet all are substantial and most of them will be converted into barns, sheds or dwellings. The beautiful parade ground i has been cut up into village streets, with a portion to be used for a new railroad that is expected within the next few months. The country around Sidney is an ideal paradise for the sportsman. In the hills a few miles south there are still large herds antelope. Thousands of jackrabbits roam over the plains a short distance from the town, and during the open season hunters find plenty of prairie chickens. All through Cheyenne county there are

brigation ditches, and in many places on the prairies and in the ravines are small lakes, formed by the water stored from the ness was transferred to that point, it being fifty or sixty miles nearer the Hills. However, Sidney was a boomer during these days as boomer during these days as boomer during these days of feighting. In the spring of 1878 is had less than 300 inhabitants, but apparently in fifty or sixty miles nearer the population increased to 1,000, and saled in the hard continue, not he population increased to 1,000, and less than 188 and commence shooting the before the end of the following winter it lights out. This was always started in before the end of the following winter it lights out. This was always started in being of the following winter it lights out. This was always started in being of the following winter it lights out. This was always started in being a few hours with a fine bag of game.

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A notable feature of the week in Methodist circles was the bazar given by the women of the First Methodist church in the church parlors. Twentieth and Davenport streets. The hazar was a success both financially and otherwise and the women who arranged it are receiving congratulations from Special meetings will be held this the congregation at large. The hooths were

better for stock than those of the south and consequently they move their herds and consequently they move their herds north. For some reason Cheyenne country and Sidney in particular became the center of this great eattle range of the north. Immense herds grazed along the bottoms is predicted that she will delight even the

The Episcopal churches of Omaha are taking active interest in promoting the Sendal their ability as marksmen. These young branch of the Woman's auxiliary. This is an organization for the extension of church work in Japan. The Sendal church consists of but one room in the dwelling house of a are to the effect that the work is being entered into with great enthusiasm.

The Walnut Hill Methodist Sunday school has elected officers for the ensuing year a strike without injuring the pedal extremi- follows: Superintendent, J. M. Gillan; as-For some years these fellows had sistant superintendent, C. W. Miller; secretary, Miss Anna Hunter; assistant secretary Miss Hattle Pickard; treasurer, George T. cumb to the inevitable and become Lindley; librarian, Robert Bosworth; organist, Miss Ethel Reynolds; chorister, Miss Cowboys Recome Prosperous Citizens | Carrie Robertson. This is one of the most

Rev. Edward Trefz is making his special sermons at Kountze Memorial church : strong feature. This morning his topi will be: "Two Revelations: Nature and the between Sidney and the Black Hills, the 1880 was one of the features of the town, is on "The Conflict Between Wealth and Pov-Scriptures." In the evening he will preach erty: Forces That Are Marshalled on Behalf of the Industrialist." This is the third n the series on "The Social Discontent: The Present Era of Unrest in the Light of the Evangel." A feature of the services will be a full chorus of forty voices. Mrs. Howard Bruner will assist at the evening service.

> Rev. McInturff, pastor and founder of the People's church at Spokane, Wash., who is n the city, the guest of Rev. Savidge, pastor the pulpit morning and evening and will hold a revival service at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. The morning topic will be, "Ye Shall Love One Another as Christ Loved You." In the evening Dr. McInturff will speak on "The Awful Separation, or Departing Into Hell." He will preach at the Pcople's church five nights this week, beginning Monday.

> There will be a sacred recital at St. Patrick's church, Fourteenth and Castellar streets, this evening at 8:15 o'clock. Charles Higgins, Oscar Garelssen, Carl Smith, C. Miller, J. Barton, J. Breanan and others, will take part. Miss M. O'Rourke will be the organist.

> Rev. William Justin Harsha, who was for

FRONTIER DAYS ARE ENDED had jumped another 1,000. This increase sport, but more than once it ended in mur- TOPICS FOR A DAY OF REST Dr. W. W. Harsha of the Omaha Theological have husbands to support them ought continued until 1879, when it was estimated der.

"Look Out for a Rainy Day:" January 7, on the building "Make the Most of Yourself." The aim is were as "Make the Most of Yourself." The aim is were accordingly stopped, and there for the present the matter rosts.

The matter of a new paster for the Central United Presbyterian church has not yet been settled. Rev. Robert Yost of St. Louis necessity to a girl under age working out as has declined to be a candidate, so that at a domestic. present there are but two names before the congregation—Rey. Presley Thompson of Colorado Springs and Rev. Knox Montgomery, and the latter has a call to South missionary, but reports received in Omaha | present there are but two names before the Carolina, which he will probably accept.

> next Thursday evening for the benefit of St. Cecelia's church. The soloists will be Miss Flora Kosters, Miss Helen Burnham.
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> A. Delmore Cheney and W. S. McCune. A quartet consisting of Misses Helen Burnham lons for the whole territory. quartet consisting of Mirees Helen Burnham

in-British.

Fall River cotton mills paid dividends amounting to 5.71 per cent lins! year, the largest since 1892. The item is completed by the advance of 10 per cent in the wages of 15,000 workmen.

It is announced that the steel rall workfers in the South Chicago mills of the What makes some of the Switzer workfore in the South Chicago mills of the What makes some of the Switzer workfore are already getting 373 to \$150 a month.

Des Moines, Council Blaffs, Dubuque, Davengort and Ottomwa are to laive 40 country, leaving ther to the promises of the lowa By-Product Coke company, capitalized at \$1.00,000.

The production of eledmargarine during the Beat year 1890 was \$1.00.000.

ranged it are receiving congratulations from the congregation at large. The booths were stocked with many articles designed especially for Christmas presents and the showing made was something like a well-kept day school will be held at 9:30 a.m., morning after being forwarded from Maine department plots. The serving of dinners will be held at 9:30 a.m., morning after being forwarded from Maine and after being forw on the granite work being get out for the

OUT OF THE ORDINARY.

Carolina, which he will probably accept.

I under government control of the sale of intoxicating liquors in Russia there has been a noticeable diminution in drunken-not the Young Men's Christian association which are caused by intoxication.

A. Delmore Chency and W. S. McCune. A quartet consisting of Mirses Helen Burnham and Daisy Higgins and Messrs. W. S. McCune and Will Manchester will also contribute two numbers. Mrs. Elta Mathesen is on the program for two recitations.

LABOR AND INDUSTRY.

Bakers used 6,000,000 bread labels in October.

New York housesmiths and bridgement get \$1.20 for eight hours.

Button workers in Rochester, N. Y. have secured a substantial interast in International Typographical union. Out of 1,100,600 in Massachusetts engaged in gainful occupations only \$1,000 are employed on Sundays.

Reporters and newspaper writers on Troy, N. Y. have founded in Sunday.

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Reporters and newspaper writers on Troy, N. Y. have formed a union subordinate to the International Typographical union. Eight months ago there were but three unions in Ningarn Falls, N. Y. today that troy houses for the reverse but three unions in Ningarn Falls, N. Y. today that troy houses management of the company regulatory in fatal accidents.

Twenty-eight railroad employes resigned at Auburn, ind., on account of the cardiess management of the company resoluting in fatal accidents.

The carloads of mule shoes and one carload of nails were loaded on the Manchester City at New Orleans last week for sainment to South Africa for use by the British.

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fore the raise in furniture and will give Dewey & Stone Furniture Co.

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