

Spirit of the Holidays

The spirit of the holidays is upon us. It is the glad time of the year when memories of many happy Christmas times and pleasant anticipations for the coming Christmas fill our minds. It is a time to be happy. We ARE happy. "There's a reason." In spite of the little "financial flurry" that is just passing, our November business was the largest in our history. If this were not true we would not say it. It makes us feel so good that we offer this week some Very Special Specials for holiday shoppers. Buy useful presents for your friends. A useful present is thrice blessed. The old habit of buying trash, or something only meant to look pretty, for Christmas, has passed away. Read what we have to offer you.

In the Cloakroom

Furs make handsome Xmas presents. You will get best choice by making your selection early.

A good stock of Furs cannot be collected in a short time; we have devoted some time to securing the finest Furs obtainable and accordingly are confident that our showing is the very best at reasonable prices.

SETS—Muff and Throwover.	
\$17.50 Black Parisian Lamb, special.	\$14.50
\$17.50 River Mink, special.	\$14.50
\$17.50 Japan Mink, special.	\$14.50
\$20.00 Blue Wolf, special.	\$16.75
\$50.00 Black Russian Lynx, special.	\$39.50

SCARFS.	
75c Black Coney Cluster, special.	59c
\$1.35 Brown Coney Cluster, special.	98c
\$3.75 Brown Opposum Cluster, special.	\$2.95
\$4.50 Brown Martin Cluster, special.	\$3.95
\$12.50 Dark Martin Scarfs, special.	\$9.95
\$6.75 Fox Scarfs, special.	\$5.95

SPECIAL DISCOUNT ON EVERYTHING IN THE FUR LINE.
Scarfs, Ties, Boss, Muffs and Children's Sets.
A VARIETY OF STUNNING MODELS IN VELOUR AND SILK PLUSH COATS.

Black Velour, 50-inch Coats, garments used on many occasions and very becoming in color and softness; they are like sealskin.

\$29.50, \$24.50 values, cut price.	\$19.50
\$17.50 Jackets, 26 inch cut price.	\$13.50

Black Crushed Plush Coats, in correct lengths, tastily trimmed with silk braid—these garments cannot be excelled for appearance, warmth and durability.

\$22.50, \$19.50 values.	Cut Price, \$17.50
\$27.50 Values	Cut Price, \$22.50
\$13.50 line Pony Jackets.	Cut Price, 7.95
\$17.50 line Pony Jackets.	Cut Price, 12.50

BROADCLOTH COATS—Satin Full Lined.	
\$25.00 Values	Cut Price, \$19.50
\$17.50 Values	Cut Price, 14.50
Any Coat of our line, low priced, \$13.50, \$11.50.	Cut Price, 9.95
Medium light Wollen Plaid Coats, 45-in., 48-in., for Misses, our \$9.50 values	Your Choice, 5.95

WAISTS! WAISTS!!

Fine Black and White Taffeta, with elaborate lace insertions front, \$6.50 values.	Cut price, \$4.95
\$4.95 Black Peau de Soie.	Special, 3.95
\$2.75 Line Wool Batiste.	Special, 1.95
\$3.50 Wool Serge, black, navy, brown, and wine.	Special, 2.95

A SWEATER MAKES A SUITABLE XMAS PRESENT AT A SMALL COST.

\$2.25 line	Cut Price, \$ 1.50
\$2.95, \$7.75 lines	Cut Price, 1.95
\$5.50 line, Norfolk.	Cut Price, 2.95

SPECIAL DISCOUNT ON ENTIRE LINE OF SHAWLS.
AT HALF PRICE—Broken line of silk Waist Suits and Children's Woolen and Fleece Dresses.

SILK SPECIALS

A lot of Fancy Silk Suitings, in new plaids, checks and stripes, worth to \$1.00, to close.	47c
32-in. Black Taffeta, \$1.00 value.	79c
36-in. Dependon Black Taffeta, \$1.50 value.	\$1.18

20 per cent discount on all other Silks and Satins.

SALE OF TABLE LINENS

A lot of 58-in. Bleached Damask, worth to 30c, to close.	19c
15 pieces of Colored Table Damask, in Turkey red and blue, is assorted designs, 50c value, to close.	35c
70-inch, Bleached Damask, pure linen, assorted patterns, \$1.00 value, to close.	75c

Special discount on all other Table Linen Napkins,
GREAT SALE OF RIBBONS, 25c.

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This week we place on sale a lot of Fancy Ribbons, in widths from 4 to 6 inches, assorted floral designs, stripes, checks and plaids, all new goods, worth to \$1.00 a yard, your choice, 25c.

AT ONE-HALF PRICE

Just received one of the largest sample lines of Combs and Ladies Neckwear from one of the leading manufacturers of this country; these will be placed on sale this week at **ONE-HALF PRICE.**

There are no two alike.

BED SPREADS and TOWELS

50 Dependon Bed Spreads; full size; special to close.	95c
50 Household Fringed Bed Spreads; full size; \$1.50 value; for.	\$1.18
50 doz. Huck Towels; the 10c kind; 2 for	15c
A lot of Turkish Bath Towels; worth to 15c; to close.	10c
25c doz., extra large Bath Towels; 25c values; special.	19c

Special discount on all bed spreads.

DOMESTICS UNDERPRICED

Good Dress Prints; worth 7 1-2c; now.	5 1-2c
8 1-2c quality Unbleached Muslin; full yd. wide; special.	6 3-4c
14c Lonsdale Bleached Muslin; best quality; now for.	11c
50 pieces Cotton Crash Toweling; 6c quality; now.	4c
25 pieces of pure Linen Crash Toweling; 11c quality.	8c
25 pieces of 36-inch, Comforter Covering; worth to 15c yd; now at.	10c
15c quality Unbleached Canton Flannel.	10 1-2c

UNDERWEAR TO CLOSE

A lot of Children's Cream White Fleece Ribbed Vests and Pants worth to 25 cents; to close now.	15c
30 doz. Boys' Heavy Fleece Lined Union Suits; worth 60c now for.	43c
Ladies' Fleece Ribbed Vests or Pants in regular or extra sizes; now.	21c
40 doz. Ladies' Fleece Ribbed Union Suits in gray or ecru; the 50c kind; now at.	39c
A lot of ladies glove fitting Union Suits in cream white, regular or extra sizes; \$1 garment; now for.	75c

Special discount on all Women's Underwear.

Knit Goods at Bargain Prices

A lot of Facinators in colors, also mixtures; worth to 60c; for.	39c
10 doz. Facinators in assorted colors; worth \$1.00; now for.	79c
5 doz. Long Wool Scarfs, assorted fancy colored mixtures; 75c values.	59c
3 doz. Silk Squares in black or cream; worth \$2.25; now for.	\$1.50

20 per cent discount on all Knit Scarfs, Shawls and Squares made of Wool Yarn, Ice Wool or Silk.

FRED SCHMIDT AND BRO.
917-921 O St. OPPOSITE CITY HALL

WOOL DRESS GOODS

A lot of Plaids and Fancy Gray Suitings, worth to 35c, now, to close.	19c
25 pieces of Novelty Suitings, 38-in. wide, in assorted colors, worth 50c, to close, now.	35c
50-in. all wool Panama, in colors, navy, brown and black, 85c value, to close.	69c
56-in. Black Broadcloth, extra heavy, regular 75c value, to close.	55c
10 pieces of 52-in. Twill Back Broadcloth, all the new shades, worth to \$1.25, to close, now.	75c
5 pieces of 52-in. Cravanette Suiting, in plain or fancy mixtures, worth \$1.50, to close.	98c

Special discount on all other Dress Goods.
22-INCH CORDUROY VELVET, 49c.

A lot of Corduroy Suitings, Velvets, in colors, navy, red and green, 75c value, to close.	49c
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20 per cent discount on all other Velvets and Velvetens.

SALE OF WOOL BLANKETS

For one week we will sell all Wool and Cotton Blankets at a discount.	
Full size, 10-4 Cotton Blankets, in assorted colors, 75c values.	55c
Full size, 11-4 Blankets, in assorted colors, regular \$1.25 value, for.	98c
10-4 all wool Blankets, assorted colors, \$3.75 values, for.	\$2.98
11-4 all wool Blankets, in assorted plain colors and plaids, \$5.50 values now on sale.	\$4.50
11-4 all wool Blankets in grey, or tan, \$9.00 values, now for.	\$7.50

Special Discount on all Other Blankets and Comforts.

Sale of Outing and Fleece Goods

6 1-2c quality Shaker Flannel, for.	4 1-2c
6 1-2c Light Colored Outings, for.	4 1-2c
Our 12 1-2c quality Outing, in light or dark colors, for.	9 1-2c
15c Bleached or Unbleached Shakers, for.	11c
A lot of Dress Flannelettes, worth to 12 1-2c, to close.	7 1-2c
40 pieces of Arnold's Superfine Flannelettes, 26-in., wide, worth 18c to close.	12 1-2c

SHOE DISCOUNT SALE

COMMENCING MONDAY MORNING and for the entire week we will give you a Shoe treat. You can save from 10 to 25 per cent on every pair of shoes you buy, nothing excepted.

TEN PER CENT DISCOUNT on all regular lines of Shoes and a much bigger discount on all broken lines of Shoes and Slippers.

MEN'S SHOES, all sizes, all widths—\$4.49, \$3.59, \$3.15, \$2.69, \$2.19, and \$1.80.

WOMEN'S SHOES, all sizes, all widths, \$3.60, \$3.38, \$3.15, \$2.70, \$2.20, \$1.80 and \$1.58.

MISSIS' AND CHILDREN'S SHOES, sizes 11 1-2 to 2—\$1.80, \$1.58, \$1.35, \$1.22 and 99c. Sizes 8 1-2 to 11—\$1.35, \$1.22, \$1.12, 90c and 65c.

ALL OVERSHOES AT SPECIAL DISCOUNT.

Buckle Artics, \$1.80, \$1.58, \$1.35 and \$1.13.
Alaska Overshoes, \$1.13, 99c, 79c, and 59c.

MENS' FURNISHINGS

THIS WEEK AT THE LOWEST POPULAR PRICES.
A full line of Men's Winter Caps, gilk Scarfs and Mufflers; lined and unlined Dress Gloves and Mittens; Fancy and Work Suspenders; Latest Novelty Neckwear; Fur Mittens and Gloves; Fancy Vests, Fancy Hosiery, Jewelry, etc.

A SPECIAL DISCOUNT

All Men's Cotton and Wool Underwear, Sweaters, Knit Coats and Jackets. Wool Flannel Shirts; Dress Shirts; unlined, Work Gloves; Corduroy Pants and Duck, Corduroy and Sheeplined Coats.

AT 20 PER CENT DISCOUNT.

Men's and Boys' Winter Dress and Work Pants—worth from \$1.00 up to \$5.00—and all Men's and Boys' Hats at \$1.00 to \$3.00.

AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR.

A Few of its Declarations Upon Which It Appeals to All Working People To Organize, Unite, Federate, and Cement the Bonds of Fraternity.

- The Abolition of all Forms of Involuntary Servitude, except as a punishment for crime.
- Free Schools, Free Text-Books, and Compulsory education.
- Unrelenting Protest Against the Issuance and Abuse of Injunction Process in Labor Disputes.
- A workday of not more than Eight Hours in the twenty-four hour day.
- A strict recognition of not over Eight Hours per day on all Federal State or Municipal Work and at not less than the prevailing Per Diem Wage Rate of the class of employment in the vicinity where the work is performed.
- Release from employment One Day in Seven.
- The Abolition of the Contract System on Public Work.
- The Municipal Ownership of Public Utilities.
- The Abolition of the Sweat Shop System.
- Sanitary Inspection of Factory, Workshop, Mine, and Home.
- Liability of Employers, for injury to body or loss of life.
- The Nationalization of Tele-

graph and Telephone.

13. The passage of Anti-Child Labor Laws in States where they do not exist and rigid defense of them where they have been enacted into law.

14. Woman Suffrage coequal with Man Suffrage.

15. The Initiative and Referendum and the Imperative Mandate and Right of Recall.

16. Suitable and Plentiful Playgrounds for Children in all cities.

17. Continued agitation for the Public Bath System in all cities.

18. Qualifications in permits to build of all cities and towns that there shall be Bathrooms and Bathroom Attachments in all houses or compartments used for habitation.

19. We favor a system of finance whereby money shall be issued exclusively by the Government, with such regulations and restrictions as will protect it from manipulation by the banking interests for their own private gains.

The above is a partial statement of the demands which organized labor, in the interest of the workers—aye, of all the people of our country—makes upon modern society.

Higher wages, shorter workday, better labor conditions, better homes, better and safer workshops, factories, mills, and mines. In a word, a better, higher, and nobler life.

Conscious of the justice, wisdom and nobility of our cause, the American

Federation of Labor appeals to all men and women of labor to join with us in the great movement for its achievement.

More than two million wage-earners who have reaped the advantages of organization and federation appeal to their brothers and sisters of toil to participate in the glorious movement with its attendant benefits.

There are affiliated to the American Federation of Labor 118 International Trades Unions with their 27,000 Local Unions; 36 State Federations; 537 City Central Bodies and 1,650 Local Trade and Federal Labor Unions having no International.

We have nearly 1,000 volunteer and special organizers as well as the officers of the unions and of the American Federation of Labor itself always willing and anxious to aid their fellow workmen to organize and in every other way better their conditions.

For information all are invited to write to the American Federation of Labor headquarters at Washington, D. C.

Wage workers of America, unite!

BIG STRIKE THREATENED.

Eastern Railroad Men Voting on Making Some Radical Demands.

Altoona, Dec. 8.—That 75,000 union railroad men and 65 different railroad lines east of the Mississippi river and including eastern Canada are prepar-

ing for a monster strike in January, unless wages are advanced and uniform working rules adopted, came out here today. Members of the unions began voting on demands intended to be made January 2, and the result of the ballot will be known December 29.

The Order of Railway Conductors and the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen are working in unison in formulating demands, which will be presented to the different railroads simultaneously. One of the changes sought is the abolition of the "double header," the running of two engines to a train with only one crew and one conductor. Two engines are to be permitted in extraordinary cases only. The "double header" question was the cause of the quarrel of the Pennsylvania Railroad men in 1877, and a strike costing millions of dollars and many lives resulted.

The vote now being taken is not a strike vote directly, but one to determine the sentiment of the men on the questions proposed. If demands are refused, action on a general tie-up will be considered at once. Railroad men, however, declare that unless the demands are granted no trains will be moved.

The affairs of the men are being looked after by Patrick H. Morrissey, grand master of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, at Cleveland; A. B. Garretson, president of the Order of Railroad Conductors, of Cedar

Rapids, Iowa, and an Executive Committee.

The principal demands are as follows:

A—On runs of 4500 miles per month or over the pay of passenger conductors to be 2 75-100 cents per mile, baggage men 1 65-100 cents per mile; flagmen, 1 56-100 cents per mile; brakemen, 1 46-100 cents per mile.

B—On runs of 4500 miles per month or less the pay of passenger conductors to be not less than \$4.25 per day. Baggage men \$2.55 per day; flagmen, \$2.35 per day; brakemen \$2.25 per day.

C—Overtime in through passenger service to be based on a speed of 25 miles per hour, and to be paid for at the following rates: Conductors, 42 5-10 cents per hour; baggage men 25 5-10 cents; flagmen 23 5-10 cents; brakemen 22 5-10 cents; less than thirty minutes not to be counted. Thirty minutes or over to be paid for as an hour.

In all freight service 100 miles or less, 10 hours or less to constitute a day's work, overtime to be considered after 10 hours. On runs of 100 miles, overtime to be paid for on a basis of speed of ten miles per hour. Through and irregular freight service to be paid for as follows: Conductors, 3 8-10 cents per mile; flagmen, 2 63-100 cents; brakemen 2 7-10 cents; 100 miles or less to be paid for as 100 miles. Local and pick-up conductors are to be paid 4 5-10 cents per mile;

flagmen, 2 8-10 cents; brakemen, 2 7-10 cents. In any instance where better wages than those demanded are paid, or better working rules are enforced, the new demands are not to be allowed to operate to the disadvantage of the workmen.

The general committees of all the railroads will convene on January 20, in the cities where the various railroads have their headquarters, and demand replies to the propositions.

DEAD IN THE CAB.

Calvin Frederick, an engineer on the Lehigh Valley road, died in his cab last Monday. Seated on his cushion, his left hand on the throttle, Frederick passed into the beyond. His fireman, busy with the shovel, did not notice anything wrong. The engine ran past a red lamp and dashed into another freight train. His fireman and a brakeman were seriously injured, and a considerable property damage was done.

BRYAN'S FIRST EMPLOYER.

J. W. Patrick died at his home in Cincinnati, O., on December 10. He was William J. Bryan's first employer. When Mr. Bryan was a young boy Mr. Patrick rented a part of Judge Silas Bryan's farm. When the harvest came on he employed young Bryan to carry water to the harvest hands, paying him the first money the Fairview statesman ever earned.