

POINTED PARARAGRAPS.

Yet well-groomed men may lack horse

More than a brave cook is useded to make a rabbit quail.

Poverty keeps lots of us from making a fool of ourselves.

Yes, Cordella, a lawn dress is appropriate for a grass widow.

It's easier to invent a windmill than it is to raise the wind.

The woman who marries a men to reform him has no time to waste improving her complexion.—Chicago News.

BETTER PIANOS FOR LESS MONEY AT HOSPE'S

We have taken in exchange an neusually large number of the higher grade makes—products of the world's largest and best factories. We haven't the room for these on our floors, so we are making prices on all of them that will cause them to find homes



Kimball Shonised ase, fine 8125

\$1 per week

Cramer

Cak once, vary little

\$130



\$1 par week HOSPE Fine mahog-any case, good as new



\$175 \$1.95 per week. Hallet &



Davis Mahogany ise, ognosi s told from \$225 11.50 per

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EVEN GO A-BUTTON FISHING?

shotographer wandered for a ten-day trip been in operation for sixty-seven years, their fathers and mothers knew,

milt but it is really a bit of the scenery the mill of Edward Ehlers at Bensonville

in the Mississippi valley. The Boe's staff Postoffice, Page county, Ill., and has

Mississippi River Yields a Vast Crop Every Year.

INDUSTRY WELL UP IN MILLIONS

Muscels Called Upon by Manufacturers to Give Up Their Shell Conts for Necessary

Unes.

sissippi river, principally along the section of the great river between Fort Madison, Ia., and Sabula, Ia., a distance of Many of the persons engaged in mustons are not ready to go upon the gown for their livelihood and follow it the year of the American woman nor upon the round. Others, however, seek mussels dress vest of the American man when only when their regular work is susthey are taken from the waters of the Mississippi, but the necessary material is found there. This material is the fresh cheapness of the apparatus required to

pearl button industry of the Mississippi mussel fishing very attractive to many river are contained in a publication by men, as they are readily able to get the bureau of fisheries, one of the divi- their catch to-market and dispose of it, sions forming the department presided receiving cash in payment. Sometimes over by Secretary William C. Redfield of these mussel fishermen make as high Brooklyn. The bulletin of the bureau as \$30 per week. The average earning gives a history of the pearl button in- is about \$10 per week. dustry of this country, and brings to light a good many interesting details concernng the dredging, manufacturing and completion of buttons.

The output of pearl button factories of this country annually amounts to more than 15,000,000 gross, and has a value of over \$6,000,000. These figures are annually becoming larger. Dr. Hugh M. Smith, formerly assistant chief of the bureau of fisheries, who was promoted to head that bureau when Mr. Redfield took charge of the Department of Commerce, has thoroughly investigated this subject and he is the author of the bureau's publication dealing with the pearl button in-

The business of making buttons from the shells of our native fresh water mussels of la of quite recent origin, having began in the year 1891. It was made possible by the high duty on imported buttons imposed by the tariff bill of 1890.

After Mr. Boepple had conclusively shown that the manufacture of buttons river they are shelled by the fishermen from fresh water mussels was a good just as you would shuck oysters or business, others proceeded to establish clams. A good many of them are shipped works along the Mississippi and its trib- to button factories located in New York. utaries, until in 1858 there were twenty. New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Those me communities in lows and Illinois in that are not shipped east are sent to the which buttons were made, and thirty-six factories located in the vicinity of Musfactories. Butten making has now be- catine and the other towns bordering come one of the principal businesses along on the Mississippi. According to the last the Mississippi and gives employment to reports of the census bureau upon the a large number of people. It also sup- pearl butten industry, most of these butports a very important fishery, at which tons were manufactured in New York, mindreds of persons make a living An-lowa, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. other important feature of the Mossissippi river button industry is the transformation of a hitherto useless product tories is done by machinery. Preparatory of dust and to keep the shell cool. These and which gives to these buttons their into a valuable commodity, which is into a valuable commodity, which is placed on the market at recognible prices. chased from the fishermen, are sorted cording to the size button which are defound in the Mississippi, only a few are adapted to buttonmaking. The requirements of a shell, from the button-maker's days to render them less brittle. The next of the back of the blank, to remove the button-maker's days to render them less brittle. The next of the back of the blank, to remove the button-maker's days to render them less brittle. The next of the back of the blank, to remove the button-maker's days to render them less brittle. The next of the blank, to remove the blank th standpoint, are sufficient thickness, a step is the cutting or sawing of the rough the skin and make an even surface. To fisheries figures, the quantity was 7,000

toughness that will withstand the necessary treatment without cracking or splitting. The preferred color is white, but cream-colored shells are also em-

neighborhood. No fancy patent flour for

them, cut between the whiming reliers of

a modern mill; just the good old kind

The most important mussel used in button-making is known to the fishermen as the "niggorhead." It has the general shape of the round clam and is characterized by a very thick and heavy shell, with a black or dark brown outside skin and a glistening white integior. the latter color being uniform through the thickness of the shell. Other species however, are utilized. The principal Sixty per cent of the buttons used in ones, in the vernacular of the region, the United States are taken from the Mis- are the "sand shell," the "mucket," the "deer-horn," and "butterfly," the "bluepoint" and the "pocketbook."

pended, so in the winter months the ranks of the regular mussel fishermen for the making of those buttons which are considerably augmented by sawmill are greatest in demand in this country | hands, farm hands and others. The water mussel, from which are made pearl take the mussels from their beds, the comparative case with which this is done Some interesting facts concerning the and the little experience required, makes

Methods of Fishing.

Mussels are obtained with various kind of apparatus. Those which have been or are now in use are the hand-rake, the tongs, the rake hauled by means of a windlass, the dredge operated by steam and the bar with hooks. The last named, a very ingenious contrivance, came into use in 1897 and has largely superseded the other appliances. It consists of a circular bar, six to eight feet iong, with from thirty to fifty-four pronged wire hooks attached at regular intervals, in strings of two or three hooks. This apparatus, which is used from a small boat and is hauled over the bottom by means of a rope, depends for its action on the habits of the mussels.

The mussels rest on the bottom of the river or partly buried in the mud or sand with the free margin of their shells turned up at stream and with their shells J. F. Boepple, who had for many years oxygen and food. When souched they been engaged at Hamburg. Germany. quickly close their shells, and if a forin the manufacture of searl buttons from eign body is interposed between the fresh water mussels, was the first person valves, it is tightly grasped and retained. to start the manufacture of them in this Any one who has not witnessed the use country. He selected a site for his busi- of this apparatus can acarcely realize ness in the vicinity of Muscatine, Ia., on how remarkably effective it is. When sels there. Muscatine has since grown to man can take 800 to 1,000 pounds of "nigbe the principal center of the button in- gerheads" in a day. Even when the ice forms upon the river this does not hinder the fishermen.

After the mussel are taken from the

Work in Factories. The principal work at the button fac-Of the 600 or more varieties of mussels into sizes. Another preliminary step is sired. As they are cut by the saws they mussels utilized in button making is uniform color of the surface and various blanks. The shells are usually held with accompilab this each blank has to be held tons, baving a cost value of \$12,000, showstrata of the shell, and a degree of special pliers while being cut; these grasp with the finger against a revolving wheel. ing that the business of pearl button

It's Quality Goods at Saving Prices That's Bringing the Crowds Here in Our August Clearing Sales.

In Wash Goods Section. Closing Out Summer Goods Opening up Fall Goods

toe genuine Lorraine Tissues, 15c and 18c Batistes and Bulgarian Prints at ... 1214 c All our 39c silk and mercerized All our 25c Costume Crepes, 18c All our 25c Plisse, plain or

IN DOMESTIC ROOM

Striped Voiles, good colors; 18c Silk finished Taffeta; neat stripes; 25c value.....18c Fancy Kimono Crepe; good colors; 18c value 10c Lawns, good patterns and colors; values to 12 1/2c, at 5c Poplins, plain and striped; 25c Percales, light and dark colors; 36 in. wide, 12 ½c value, 7 ½c Silkolines; 36 in. wide, good patterns; 12 %c value...10c Fancy Jacquards, good colors; Ginghams, browns and blues. 7c values 32-in. imported Dress Ging-hams; 18c values121/2 26-in. Curtain Scrim; fancy borders; 18c values. . . . 12% c Prints, black and white checks; Cheviots, for shirting; neat stripes; 12 1/2 c values ... 10c



Summer Furniture at Cost

A big two-day sale—Saturday and Monday—Fiber Porch Furniture — Rockers, Chairs, Settlees, Tables, Flower Baskets, Fern Stands, Etc., Etc. very best qualities, One-Third Less Than Regular.

Wooden Porch Swings with furned oak or green, on sale-size, \$6.50; 4-ft. size, \$3.00. Others even cheaper; many other rousing specials in this big one-day sale.

Four Specials In the DEPARTMENT

Staple Silks of finest quality at bargain prices seldom equaled, even in an August clearance.

FINAL CLEARING SALE

Every summer garment in stock, including all reg-

ular lines and several wonderfully opportune purchases

from overstocked manufacturers, marked at prices which

Extraordinary Special Bargains for Monday

for choice of Women's and

to sell from \$3.00 to \$7.50.....

for Summer Dresses made to

sell at from \$7.50 to \$10.00, all

sizes-women's and misses' ...

for choice of a splendid assort-

Dresses, worth \$10.00 to \$15.00.

for choice of a big lot of fresh

ularly at \$12.50 to \$20.00....

for stylish Linen Coats that

\$10.00

\$1.50 House Dresses 79c 75c Children's Rompers 35c

Crown Jewel Tailored Suits

Handsome One-Piece Dresses - A big advance showing

of the new beauties-more popular than ever this sea-

Such quality and

beauty as you'll

usually find priced

at at least \$35.00.

ment of beautiful Summer \$3.95

Linen Suits that would sell reg- \$5.95

sold regularly at from \$7.50 to \$3.95

Misses' Summer Dresses, made

are really less than value of materials.

\$2.00 Crepe Meteors-44 in. wide, in a full line of colors, an excellent bargain at, a yard\$1.48 \$1.25 Crepe de Chine—40 ins.

wide, both black and colors, on sale Monday, at 98c \$1.25 Charmeuse Messaline -Guaranteed, all the new fall shades, electric and

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Russian blues, American beauty, Copenhagen, burnt orange, emerald, green, etc.; also black and white, full 36 ins. wide, at, yd., 88c 75c and \$1.00 Tub Silks-Broad assortment of choice patterns in both stripes and figures, all in two big lots

at48c and 68c

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Clearance of White Goods

Moire brocaded White Goods, imported, 40 inches wide; \$1.25 values, yard ... 85¢ Imitation Ramie, all cotton. splendid assortment of colors; worth 50c a yard, at ... 25c Auto Cloth, 36 inches wide, linen finish, snow white; worth 25c a yard, at ... 15¢ Manchester Repps and English Piques for skirting; worth up to 50c a yard, at 38c Sheer white goods in new cloth, voiles, etc., worth up to 50c, Pure linen, natural color, Automobile Suiting, yard wide;

IN DOMESTIC ROOM

75c a yard, at 50c

Toilers 9-4 unbleached sheeting; 24c values..... 19360 Lockwood 9-4 bleached Sheet-ing; 28c values24c Roachdale 9-4 bleached Sheeting; 25c values21c West Wind 36-in, bleached Muslin; 7½c value5½c Farmers' Choice half-bleached Muslin 36 inches wide; 90 Unbleached Muslin, 36 inches wide; 7c value5c Made Sheets, 72x90, good mus-Tioga 72x99 Made Sheets, 59c Pillow Cases, 42x36, good muslin; 12 % c values 10c 58-inch Bleached Table Damask; 39c value25c Rubdry Towels; regular 39c size, Good size Turkish or Huck Towels:

High Grade Linen Specials Monday

Heavy weight 72-in. Satin Damask, pure linen; worth \$2.00 yard. \$1.00

Heavy weight 72-inch Double Damask, dew bleached; worth \$2.25 a yard, at\$1.50

Pure linen hemmed Huck Towels, full size; worth 50c each, at25c Hemmed Huck Towels, plain or colored borders; 15c values, each 10c Celebrated "Rub Dry" Bath

Towel; extra large size; worth Good size Oriental Turkish Towels hemmed or fringed; worth 39c each, at 25¢

REPRIGERATOR PANS

25c size heavy galvanized refrigerator pans, 15c

25c size heavy galvanized refrigerator pans, 19c

46c size heavy galvanized refrigerator pans, 25c

40c size heavy galvanized aprinklers 25c

75c 80c, and 90c heavy

son; prices from...\$14.95, \$19.50, \$25.00 UP Closing Out All Summer Hardware at

Prices Below Factory Cost

PUT UP YOUR PEACHES NOW!

The Outlook is a Short Crop and Righer Prices. Our second car will be opened Monday morning. These are Extra Fancy California Elberta 200 Freestones; nothing firer, Monday, per crate 800

No strings; all you want; mail and tele-phone orders filled.

10 lbs. best white or yellow Cornmeal 17% a Advo Jell, Jello or Jelly-con, pkg. 7150 8 cans oll or mustard Tall cans Alaska Sal-mon for 10c Large bottles Worcester Corn Flakes, per Yeast Foam, pkg. ...3e Carnation, Pat. Columbia or Every Day Milk. 16-oz. cans8140 McLaren's Peanut Sut-ter, per 1b..... 12540

Read Maydens' Big But-ter Special for Monday 10,000 Lbs. Best Wo. 1 Ore a mery Eutter nothing finer made— Monday 280 per 1b. 280

VEGETABLES. This is the place to get what you want, and at the price. Sweet Corn, per don 100 New Potatoes, peck 250 Tomatoes, ripe and fancy, 2 lbs. 100 Beets or Carrots, 4 bunches for Sc Green Peppers, 6 for So Summer Squash, 2 for 50 Celery, I stalks for 10c Apples, good cooking, per peck 30c-15c

Clearance Bargains **EMBROIDERIES** and LACES

High grade Nainsook and Cambric Embroideries and Edges; 12 and 18 inches wide; also Wide Bands, Galloons and Insertings. 50c Flouncings and Corset Cover Embroid-

50c Floundings and Corset Covers. . . . 25c \$1.00, 45-in, Flouncings and 27-inch Baby \$2.50 St. Gaul Flouncings, full 45 inches

in 3 special lots, at 3 1/4 c, 5c and 7 1/4 c \$1 Shadow Laces, 49c—Beautiful flouncings, 18 inches wide, in soft, dainty designs worth regularly up to \$1.00 a yard. Insertions; regular values to 25c yard 10c

RUBBER HOSE All of our cheap rubber hose has been sold.

The most beautiful

designs & choicest

colorings and fab-

ries shown any-

where at price.

The following high grade numbers should interest 15c "Buck" 6-ply, 14-in., 1

15c "Buck" 6-ply, %-in., 16c "Wixom" 7-ply red hose, 1/2-in., at...llc 17c "Wixom" 7-ply red hose, %-in., at. .18%c 18c %-in., molded hose, the best hose made, 14c 20c %-in, molded hose, the best hose made, 15c 75c wooden hose reels \$2.25 iron hose reels

45c genuine Boston Gem hose nozzles ... 65c solid brass fountain

Any size and style Screen Door in the house, worth up to \$1.75, at

Try HAYDEN'S First

galvanized aprinklers Water Coolers, all sixes 36 Off. Any size and style plain bearing lawn mower, worth up to \$3.75, \$1.98

Any size or style 4-blade lawn mower or 5-blade Champion lawn mower, worth up to \$8.50, **84.98** Ovens for Gas or Gasoline Stoves

\$1.75 ovens, special Mon-day at\$1,29

Many other bargains Aoo numerous to mention.

Compressed Everything. concerned one's concert deportment, of which Mr. Duke said:

"If you can't manage to look rapt during an aris or a violin sole at a concert the next best thing is to look daggers at anyone else who doesn't look rapt."

Washington Star.

His Pathetic Tale.

The tramp looked shrewdly at Miss I know that."—Boston Transcript.

James N Duke, in his Fifth avenue mansion of white marble—the most beautiful town house in America—gives, during the season, concerts of incredible magnificance.

Mr. Duke, at a concert where Amato had sung and Yeave had played, parried a compliment with a loke. This loke concerned one's concert deportment, of which Mr. Duke said:

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