

GRAND HOLIDAY OPENING

Santa Claus Has Arrived at the Big Store.

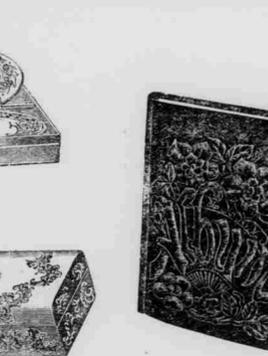
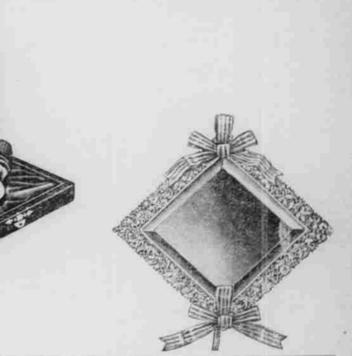
Never in its history did the Big Store make such preparations for the Holiday trade as it has this year. Never did we lay in such a magnificent stock as this year. Never did we get prices down to such a low point.

TOYS, TOYS, TOYS! DOLLS, DOLLS, DOLLS!

We present the most bewildering array of Toys and Dolls, Books, Games, Wagons, Sleds, Rocking Horses, Toy Dishes, Toy Furniture, Blackboards, Desks, Tool Chests, Pianos, Tables, Drums, and everything to please the children. Below we quote a few prices. The story isn't half told here. Come in and inspect our grand display.

 <p>RAILROAD TRAINS—10c, 25c, 50c to \$1.25.</p>	 <p>BOYS' AIR RIFLES—best on the Market—Single Shot 98c, Repeater \$1.25</p>	 <p>DOLL BUGGIES—We never had such excellent values in this line. We have them at 25c to \$3.50—a splendid assortment.</p>	 <p>TOY STOVES, tin and iron, 5c, 10c, 25c to \$1.01</p>	 <p>CHILD'S CHAIRS—15c, 25c, 35c.</p>	 <p>MAGIC LANTERNS, all sizes, prices and kinds.</p>
 <p>IRON TOYS—5c, 10c, 25c, 50c to \$1.25.</p>	 <p>MONEY BANKS—5c, 10c, 15c, 25c.</p>	 <p>FIRE ENGINES—large, showy Toys 50c up to \$1.25.</p>	 <p>HORSE, SULKY and DRIVER—10c and 25c.</p>	 <p>BOYS' & MEN'S POCKET KNIVES 10, 25, 50c</p>	 <p>DOLL HEADS TO FIT ANY SIZED BODY.</p>

We show the prettiest line of Fancy Goods, Cuff and Collar Boxes, Necktie Cases, Albums, Toilet Sets, Cups and Saucers, Vases, Mirrors and Shaving Sets.

 <p>DOLLS, from 1c up to \$5.00.</p>	 <p>GIRLS' TABLES—25c, 50c, 90c.</p>					
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THE LARGEST CIRCULATION
Of any Cass County Paper.

FRIDAY, DEC. 16, 1898.

EVERY town in Iowa of any size is figuring on a new railroad for next summer.

COLONEL BRYAN will now probably start on a lecture tour on the subject of the "horrors of the war" for half of the gate receipts.

JUDGE DAY speaks like the true Ohio man that he is when he says that a treaty of peace consists of anything that the victors want to put in it, says the Kansas City Star.

WITH each succeeding day the 1899 Omaha exposition looks more like a fizzle. A number of the original promoters have weakened and are no longer agitating the subject.

SOME of the democrats are discouraged because they think the president can get anything in congress that he wants. The last president found it difficult to get anything he wanted from his own party in or out of congress.

OF 750 food and drug samples analyzed by the state authorities in New Jersey 208 were found to be adulterated. The people of the United States are far behind the English in protecting themselves from this dangerous form of fraud.

THE longer fusionists ponder over the figures of the late election in Nebraska the less encouragement for future fusion they find in them, says the Omaha Bee. On national issues, as evidenced by the vote on congressmen, the fusion plurality in the state is less than 2,000. As the light dawns the evidence increases that the crew is making preparations to desert the fusion craft, each hurrying to be the first to make the lifeboats. With no prize money in the shape of office in sight the discordant elements cannot be much longer restrained and the struggle for the remaining spoils can not tend to allay the outbreak.

SUPERFLUOUS JUDGES.

It may be taken as a foregone conclusion that the new legislature which convenes January 3 will show a disposition to economize whenever it can be consistently done. The demand of the republicans party and the people, together with the suggestion of political shrewdness, guarantee that this will be done says, the Fremont Tribune. In seeking opportunities for a reduction of public expense the judiciary of the state should not be overlooked. Anyone at all familiar with the institution knows that a number of superfluous judges might be dispensed with without the least interference with the process of justice.

The situation is this, the Sixth district is a sample of what may be found in other districts. The court record will show that there has probably been an average of about sixty days of court a year in Dodge county, the largest of the district. Many of these have consisted of half hour sessions, when the mere formality of opening and closing the court have been gone through. There has not for five years been any more use for two judges in the Sixth district than for five wheels on a wagon. It is not likely that the work will exceed the easy capacity of a single judge for the next five years.

At least a half dozen judges might easily be dispensed with in the state. This would save \$15,000 a year in their salaries, and \$9,000 for reporters, and insure largely reduced court expenses. A saving to the people of at least \$35,000 a year can be made and the legislature will act wisely if it does so.

An effort along this line is certain to meet with opposition. The district judges are influential men, and in reducing their number some of both parties would be cut off. Thus pressure would come from both sides to have the law stand as at present. But the legislature, with an eye single to the interest of taxpayers could afford to resist the arguments for the continuance of a stuffed judicial payroll.

IN THE arts of peace and in the intricacies of commerce, the Dutch centuries ago stood unrivaled. But their success attracted the attention of the English. It was then that blood told. The British prepared themselves to secure the command that their rivals seemed to be impregnable possessed of. It was not by the methods of peace, or of commercial superiority, but by repressive, restrictive and warlike procedure that the English wrested the command of the sea from the Dutch. It was not until the middle of the nineteenth century that the British felt that they were able to throw off the barriers to free trade that the Dutch had been supreme in during the sixteenth century. Nor can it be said that with all of her glittering success during the last half century Great Britain is as

surely able to disdain the readdoption of the methods and policies that placed her where she is. Indeed, it is her adhesion to her present policies that gives us our present opportunities to wrest from her the command of the sea.

THE PRESIDENT IN THE SOUTH.

President McKinley's trip to the south is timely and will serve a good purpose. Having visited the west and participated in the initial peace jubilee at Omaha, going thence to Chicago and subsequently to Philadelphia to participate in similar celebrations, it is eminently proper that he should attend the jubilee at Atlanta and give to it the national character and dignity which it would not otherwise have, says the Omaha Bee. The people of the south will cordially appreciate the visit of the chief magistrate of the nation, as the reception accorded him amply attests, while what he will say to the people of that section will tend to strengthen the sentiment of fraternity and loyalty which Mr. McKinley has shown a most earnest desire to promote. The speech of the president to the Georgia legislature may be regarded as fully reflecting his feeling and it ought to make an excellent impression upon the southern people, particularly his declaration that the time has come "when in the spirit of fraternity we should share with you the care of the graves of confederate soldiers." Northern men would commend all that the president said on this occasion and the southern men cannot fail to appreciate it.

It is well that the nation's chief magistrate should occasionally go away from the seat of government and mingle with the people. It tends to stimulate the popular respect for the great office, while giving the incumbent of that office opportunity to obtain a fuller and more accurate knowledge of the public feeling and sentiment than he can get from representatives of the people at the national capital. The closer the relations of the president with the people the better executive he is likely to be.

WHY is it that there is not, throughout the country, an intense animated, widespread and sustained demand for the upbuilding of American shipping in the foreign trade? What is it we lack, that holds us back? It is materials out of which to build ships? No nation can compare with us in our abundance of materials. Is it in skill? When were American ship-builders ever vanquished by their foreign rivals? Is it in money? And our banks are bursting with hoarded wealth. Is it in commerce to carry? No, no; not when we consider that our foreign trade is annually valued at close to two billions of dollars. It is nothing but apathy and neglect that

holds our maritime development in check. The time for a change has arrived. The duty of congress is to act.

BUSINESS men from a number of towns have filed their objections to the 1899 exposition with the various representatives at Washington and it is pretty certain that none of them outside of Mercer will favor the project.

INFORMATION AND OPINION.

Michael O'Donnell of New York has served ten years of a thirty-year sentence in Sing Sing prison for a burglary which his brother, James, and two others committed. On his death bed in the Presbyterian hospital James confessed the crime for which his brother is suffering. Investigation by the detectives of the district attorney's office has confirmed this confession, and today District Attorney Gardner sent an official letter to Governor Black recommending O'Donnell's pardon.

A race with death is being made from Riverside, Cal., to Jefferson, Ohio, by Dr. A. D. Tilden, a prominent physician, to see his aged mother, who is dying. Every means is being used to keep her alive to bid her son farewell. It is feared he has been delayed by the storm blockade and may arrive too late.

At a meeting of the Akron, O., Evangelical alliance recently resolutions were passed protesting against the seating of Brigham H. Roberts, of Utah, as a United States senator. The resolutions were forwarded to Colonel Charles Dick, with an urgent appeal that he use all his efforts to have Roberts ousted.

Judge William M. K. Olcott of the republican machine failed to get past the butler in an attempt to see Colonel Roosevelt in his New York home the other evening, being refused admittance on the plea that the colonel was not at home. Bourke Cockran, however, who came up the steps just behind Judge Olcott, had no trouble in getting in to wait until the governor-elect returned.

A few days ago Robert Steed, one of the pioneers of Jay county, Indiana, passed away. In rummaging about the house \$3,500 in money was found hidden in different places, a portion of it—\$500 in gold—being carefully stowed away in an old sock. The find was totally unexpected.

Last week there was brought to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac L. Bloomer of Indianapolis, Ind., a portrait of their dead son, which had

been enlarged from a photograph. The likeness was so natural that the sorrowing mother swooned away. She continued to faint, and her death occurred today. Mrs. Bloomer was a daughter of the late Prof. S. K. Hoshour, a famous educator in his active days.

The News in Brief.

The drought in California has been broken.

A. M. Palmer, the theatrical manager, who has been seriously ill, is recovering.

The heaviest fall of snow in twenty years visited San Antonio, Tex., yesterday.

The directors of the Western Union Telegraph company have declared the regular dividend of 11 per cent.

A mob of women at Grenada, Spain, stoned the statue of Columbus. They hold him responsible for Spain's woes.

The person who disturbed the congregation last Sunday by coughing, is requested to call on F. G. Fricke & Co. and get a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar, which always gives relief.

Frank Morgan, one of the most widely known minstrels in this country, died yesterday at Philadelphia, aged seventy-three years.

For broken limbs, chilblains, burns, scalds, bruised shins, sore throat, and sores of every kind, apply Ballard's Snow Liniment. It will give immediate relief and heal any wound. Price 25 cts and 50 cts. F. G. Fricke & Co.

The Dubuque, Ia., Water company has given a trust deed for \$800,000 to secure bonds issued for raising funds to improve their plant.

Nothing funny in being sick all the while, troubled with constipation, dyspepsia or liver complaints, when you can so easily be cured by taking Dr. Sawyer's Little White Awake Pills. A. W. Atwood.

Dr. B. C. Hyde, demonstrator of anatomy in the university medical college, Kansas City, was arrested on a warrant charging him with grave robbery.

For Pneumonia, Dr. J. C. Bishop, of Agnew, Mich., says: "I have used Foley's Honey and Tar in three very severe cases of pneumonia the past month with good results."

Coal! Coal! Hard coal delivered to any part of the city for \$7.50 per ton, and the unrivaled Mendota coal delivered for \$4.25 per ton. JOHN WATERMAN.

St. Luke's Church. Special advent service at St. Luke's church with a lecture every Friday evening at half past seven. Cordial invitation extended to all.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet

Election of Officers. At the regular meeting of the M. W. A. last evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Venerable Consul—Joe Lake.
Worthy Advisor—George Hay.
Clerk—Will Collidgo.
Banker—D. B. Smith.
Escort—Frank McCarthy.
Watchman—E. M. Buttery.
Sentry—Edward Mason.
Manager—William Hassler.
Physicians—E. W. Cook, W. A. Humphry, E. D. Cummins.
Delegates—E. W. Cook, H. R. Gering, D. B. Smith, J. L. Root, S. P. Holloway.
Alternates—William Hassler, H. S. Barthold, C. A. Marshall, Logan Brown, James Rebal.

Stands at the Head.

Aug J. Bogel, the leading druggist of Shreveport, La., says: "Dr. King's New Discovery is the only thing that cures my cough, and it is the best seller I have. J. F. Cambell, merchant of Safford, Ariz., writes: "Dr. King's New Discovery is all that is claimed for it; it never fails, and is a sure cure for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I cannot say enough for its merits." Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is not an experiment. It has been tried for a quarter of a century, and today stands at the head. It never disappoints. Free trial bottles at F. J. Fricke's drug store.

An esteemed agricultural paper points out that there is a small fortune waiting for the man or woman who begins to raise turkeys in large numbers. We'll bet an old hat that the man who wrote the article never had any experience raising turkeys. We don't believe that anybody can make expenses raising this kind of poultry for the market. Hens are idiots, but turkeys are doubly so, and the man who undertakes to monkey with them must have a patience as long as the road to Jericho. Every person who raises turkeys looks old and sad and careworn, and generally fill an untimely grave.—Beatrice Express.

Relief in Six Hours. Distressing kidney and bladder disease relieved in six hours by "THE GREAT SOUTH AMERICAN KIDNEY CURE." It is a great surprise on account of its exceeding promptness in relieving pain in bladder, kidneys and back, in male or female. Relieves retention almost immediately. If you want quick relief and cure, this is the remedy. Sold by Gering & Co., Druggist, Plattsmouth, Neb.

Acme Chocolates at Holloway's.

Flood Overshoes and Rubbers. 25 cases saved from the July flood which are going to be sold at half price, at Wm. Harold & Son's.

For 30 cents you can get a pound of cigar clippings at H. Spies.

A CRITICAL TIME

During the Battle of Santiago.

SICK OR WELL, A RUSH NIGHT AND DAY.

The Packers at the Battle of Santiago de Cuba were all Heroes, Their Heroic Efforts in Getting Ammunition and Rations to the Front Saved the Day.

P. E. Butler, of pack-train No. 3, writing from Santiago de Cuba, on July 23, says: "We all had diarrhoea in more less violent form, and when we landed we had no time to see a doctor, for it was a case of rush and rush night and day to keep the troops supplied with ammunition and rations, but thanks to Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, we were able to keep at work and keep our health; in fact, I sincerely believe that at one critical time this medicine was the indirect savior of our army, for if the packers had been unable to work there would have been no way of getting supplies to the front. There were no roads that a wagon train could use. My comrade and myself had the good fortune to lay in a supply of this medicine for our pack-train before we left Tampa, and I know in four cases it absolutely saved life."

The above letter was written to the manufacturers of this medicine, the Chamberlain Medicine Co., Des Moines, Iowa. For sale by all druggists.

Backlen's Arnica Salve. The best salve in the world for cuts, burns, sores, ulcers, sprain rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures pimples, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by F. G. Fricke

There is a large amount of corn being delivered to Plattsmouth by the farmers of the Iowa bottoms since the river has frozen over. They make 4 cents on the bushel by hawling here, S. A. Davis paying 26 cents while the price at Pacific Junction and Glenwood is but 22 cents. This brings a great deal of business to Plattsmouth that would not come otherwise and illustrates what a wagon bridge across the Big Muddy would do for the merchants of the city.