

Fourteenth Semi-Annual Tub Sale

This morning we commence our regular Tub Sale. Not alone will you find a large cut in regular lines of Furnishings, Hats and Clothing, but an extra deep cut on short lines of some of our best things—lines that have sold down to only a few of a kind.

SPECIAL SALE ON OUR STOCK OF OVERCOATS AND ULSTERS—SEE OUR PRICES

Cut Prices ^{IN} Ladies' Shoes

- LOT 1—Odd lines of Ladies' Colt Skin and India Kid Button Shoes, all solid throughout, broken of regular \$1.50 lines, at... 98c
- LOT 2—Ladies' Vici Kid, Patent and Kid Tip shoes, button and lace, odd and end of lines worth up to \$2.00, at... \$1.19
- LOT 3—Ladies' Persian Kid Button and lace shoes of regular lines of shoes worth up to \$2.50, lines that are new and nobby, broken in sizes only, but enough left of each to fit all feet, at... \$1.69
- LOT 4—Ladies' Vici Kid, hand welt and McKay sewed Shoes, button and lace, kid and patent tip, new up-to-date goods of small lots to close, sizes 3 to 7, widths B to 11, shoes that are good \$3.00 values, at... \$1.99

Men's Shoes

- LOT 1—Men's Satin Calf Laced and Congress shoes, warranted all solid, new Globe and coin toe, sizes 6 to 11 at... \$1.29
- LOT 2—Men's German Calf Laced Shoes, new cadet, coin and Globe toes, full guaranteed stock, sizes 6 to 11, widths C to EE, regular \$2.00 values, at... \$1.67
- LOT 3—Men's Box Calf, Kangaroo Calf, Vici Kid and French Horse Hide Laced Shoes, black and colors, calf and linen lined, all the newest styles of toes, all sizes and widths, at... \$1.98
- LOT 4—Men's Box Calf, Vici Kid and Kangaroo Shoes, laced and Congress, hand welts and McKay sewed, single and double sole, broken lines of our \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4.00 shoes at... \$2.49

Boys' Shoes

- LOT 1—Little Gentlemen's Laced Shoes of satin calf and box calf, warranted all solid.
- Sizes 9 to 11... 99c
- Sizes 12 to 2... \$1.19
- Sizes 2 to 5... \$1.19
- LOT 2—Little Gentlemen's Laced Shoes, calf and Vici kid, black and colors, shoes worth 25 per cent more than these prices.
- Sizes 9 to 12... \$1.19
- Sizes 12 to 2... \$1.29
- Sizes 2 to 5... \$1.39
- LOT 4—Boys' "Armored Cruiser" Shoes are a new thing which we are endeavoring to introduce. In order to give it a start and show you the great value there is in them we will sell them during this sale only—NEVER AGAIN—
- Sizes 13 to 2 at... \$1.59
- Sizes 2 to 6 at... \$1.79
- Buy them once you will always want them, but you will never get them at these prices again.

- Tubs of Men's Merino Underwear... 15c
- Tubs of Men's camel hair underwear... 15c
- Tubs of Men's fleece underwear... 29c
- Tubs of Men's neckwear... 21c
- Tubs of Men's four-in-hand... 10c
- Tubs of men's all wool cashmere hose... 21c
- Tubs of men's jersey overshirts... 19c
- Tubs of men's leather gloves and mitts... 21c
- Tubs of men's pontiac wool mitts... 9c
- Tubs of men's double knitted mitts... 23c
- Tubs of men's celluloid collars... 5c
- Tubs of men's celluloid cuffs... 10c
- Tubs of men's Chambray shirts... 25c
- Tubs of men's unlaundered shirts... 29c
- Tubs of men's black and tan socks... 4c
- Tubs of men's 15c suspenders... 9c
- Tubs of men's 25c suspenders... 12c
- Tubs of Men's 50c suspenders... 25c
- Tubs of men's canvass mitts... 4c
- Tubs of men's 50c underwear... 29c
- Tubs of boys' knee pants... 23c
- Tubs of boys' 75c Mother's Friend waists... 1.50
- Tubs of boys' long pant suits... \$1.50
- Tubs of boys' knee pant suits... 95c
- Tubs of men's wool odd vests... 50c
- Tubs of men's duck coats... 79c
- Tubs of men's white 24 inch handkerchiefs... 4c
- Tubs of boys' suspenders... 7c
- Tubs of men's \$1.00 flannel shirts... 59c

ATTEND THIS SALE EARLY—NONE OF THESE Can be Duplicated

MAYER BROTHERS, Lincoln, Neb.

Clippings.

A LITTLE TOO FINE.

Socialists demand public or common ownership of all the homes, means of production and means of transportation. Populists demand public ownership of such lands, means of production and transportation as may become subjects of oppressive monopoly.

The little village home, worth \$2,000 or \$2,500; the little garden and the little farm that the farmer occupies and till, populists would protect and conserve for private ownership as an inspiration, a goal, a hope, a promised reward for the exercise of what we believe to be human virtues. The socialist would make of these little individual properties, tenements, hotels, boarding houses, public commons.

The wheelbarrow, the bicycle, the handcart, the road cart or carriage are all means of transportation, and we do not believe the fertile brain of a Rockefeller would ever devise a scheme for their monopoly.

For this reason populists would say let these things be subject to private ownership. Socialists demand that they be nationalized. We confess this is getting down a little too fine for us when public danger is scented in the private ownership of a wheelbarrow.—E. A. Twitchell.

THEY ADMIT IT NOW.

It is a suggestive fact that the large increase in the volume of money in circulation in this country, owing to the increase in the world's stock of coin, is being hailed by the republican press with no little gloom. Of course this increase is a good thing. But so far from being an argument against the contentions of the democrats it goes to prove the truth of the arguments made in 1896 as to the insufficiency of the volume of money. The very ones who ridiculed such arguments then are admitting their truth unconsciously now.—Buffalo Times.

THEY ARE ALL DUMB.

In every national republican platform

since the organization of the party, where the subject has been touched on at all, there is emphatic endorsement of bimetallism, that is of silver and gold as equal money. In defiance of this the republicans have the other day under the lash of a republican president, repudiated the historic position of the party and declared that gold alone is legal tender, and yet the rank and file of the party are as dumb as basswoodmen.—Pittsburg Kansas.

A LINCOLN MULLET HEAD.

I am the greatest man on earth. My greatness is in three parts, Gall, gall and gall. I never read, I never think, I never listen to advice. I just say a thing is so, And then it is. My greatness is mysterious. It seems to be a supernatural gift. You cannot analyze it. It's like the wind of which it is created.

It comes when it darn pleases, You hear the sound of it, But you cannot tell. Where it comes from, Nor where it goes to, Nor where it's at, Washington? He was all right For those early times, But he couldn't make a speech.

Grant made some good moves in war, But Grant was a silent man, And what's a silent man? Webster? Yes, Webster was an orator. But he made only five or six great speeches in his whole lifetime. I've made four thousand in five years. What do you think of that? Lincoln? Yes, Lincoln did very well as a starter. He was a sort of John the Baptist Of me. He made one little talk at Gettysburg that was very good. Lincoln was like me in one respect, The common people loved him. Col. Jos. W. Johnson.

A GOOD PASTURE GRASS.

The Nebraska Experiment Station has just issued Bulletin No. 61, treating of Hungarian brome grass. It is a dry-weather grass, imported from Russia, and has been found admirably adapted to the semi-arid region of this country. The subject matter of the bulletin comprises (1) tests of the grass on the station farm, (2) tests by various persons throughout the state, and (3) directions for sowing and caring for the crop. The bulletin may be obtained free of cost by writing to the Agricultural Experiment Station, Lincoln, Neb.

BROTHER ABNER.

A republican morning paper yesterday had this pleasant news item: "Mr. Abner McKinley, brother of the president, sailed for Cuba on Saturday to look after some valuable franchise on the island." Is there anybody in congress or out of it who supposes that if Mr. McKinley shall be permitted to retain his "free hand" military government in Cuba as long as he deems it necessary, the Cubans will get the self-government promised to them until after all the valuable franchises there have been gobbled up by the members of the Second-Term Syndicate.—N. Y. World.

Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup cures the worst cold in a day; stops the running of the nose; breaks the fever and banishes all tendencies toward pneumonia. It is the quickest reliver and curer of throat and lung disease.

Auditor Cornell last week allowed the claims of Wilbur F. Bryant, J. G. P. Hildebrand, and Leon Crandall, for services rendered the state under the Weaver insurance law. This action will meet with the approval of all fair-minded persons. Notwithstanding the supposed unconstitutionality of the law, the gentlemen named performed their duties in good faith and are entitled to their pay. It is probable that some hair-splitting objections might be interposed to the auditor's course, for instance that, acting under a law void from the beginning, Messrs. Bryant, Hildebrand and Crandall legally performed no service at all. But the fact remains that the gentlemen put in six months of earnest, conscientious labor, and in all fairness are entitled to payment for the same.

December was the banner month of 1899 for investment of the permanent school fund in general fund warrants—over \$80,000 being purchased during the month.

State Treasurer Meserve last week took up and cancelled \$20,000 of state bonds held by the permanent school fund as an investment. This amount, together with \$400 accrued interest on the bonds cancelled, was paid out of the sinking fund balance. The \$400 is placed in the temporary school fund, and will be available for the coming year's appropriation; and the \$20,000 is placed in the permanent school fund to be re-invested as soon as possible.

When answering advertisements mention Independent.



THE REGIMENT.

Did you see the regiment march away? Oh, but the day was fair and fine! The flags were many, the music gay, And the companies measured a goodly line. And their pulses bounded with life's red wine.

There were many to cheer, and some to pray That day the regiment marched away. Did you see the regiment march away? Oh, but the sight was grand and fine! As the muskets gleamed in the clear sunshine.

Scarce a man in the ranks whose head was gray. But the knights of youth in trim array Stepped side by side down the city street. To the bugles' call and the drums' glad beat, And so the regiment marched away.

Did you see that regiment marching back? Oh, but the sight was glad to see! Each man looked fit to drop in his track, Haggard and weary with misery; For toil and hunger and fever pain Had troubled them sore, and travel stain Had darkened the faces and dulled the shine.

Of the trappings; and, oh, 'twas a shrunken line, For many were missing—aye, some were slain— Who had meant to march in that street again. When the gallant regiment came back. Did you see the boys come marching back? Scarce could they travel a mile or two— Weakened and wearied through and through.

But thousands crowded along their track. For the city was proud to welcome them back. And eager to honor the heroes true, Who had never wavered; and many a name Was written high on the scroll of fame, For the eyes of the whole round world to see— So, freed from war and its misery, The gallant regiment came back!—Emma A. Lente, in Ledger Monthly.

Little Oval Photos, 25c pe. dozen. Cabinets—\$2.00 Per dozen.

PREWITT 1214 O Street

The Rock Island Playing Cards are the slickest you ever handled. One pack will be sent by mail on receipt of 15 cents in stamps. A money order or draft for 50 cents or same in stamps will secure 4 packs, and they will be sent by express, charges prepaid. Address, John Sebastian, G. F. A., O. R. I. & P. Co., Chicago.

The bimonthly examination of reports of bar iron sales for November and December was completed by the officials of the amalgamated association at Youngstown, Ohio, and resulted in an advance of 25 cents per ton for puddling, making the rate \$5.75.

Kills Colored Paramour.

Mrs. Maude Johnson, colored, was shot dead at Chicago by John M. Toner, who turned the weapon upon himself, inflicting a probably fatal wound. Toner is a white man, fifty-four years old, and wealthy. The woman had been living with Toner at 2550 State street, where the double crime was committed. They came from Terre Haute, Ind., three weeks ago.

Soldiers' Handkerchiefs.

Russian soldiers are supplied with handkerchiefs at the expense of the government.

Appeals to Supreme Court.

Gordon Leroy Davis, a sixteen-year-old boy of Omaha, recently secured a judgment for \$2,000 against a firm of candy manufacturers, Kopp, Kreibitz & Co., for whom he had been working. His arm was injured by a pulley and belt which he had been ordered to adjust. He claimed the firm was liable and the jury gave a verdict in his favor. The firm has appealed the case to the supreme court.

New Investment Company.

The German Investment company of Hastings has filed articles of incorporation. The incorporators are Fred Dilljberg, James C. Kay and John M. Doyle; and they represent a capital stock of \$60,000.

Marshall D. Haddock of Columbus has filed a petition for discharge in bankruptcy, and the case has been referred to Referee L. D. Latham of Columbus. Mr. Haddock is a real estate and insurance agent. His liabilities amount to \$6,000, while his assets are nothing.

A Hastings, Neb., January 10 special says, General Otis' casualty list this morning contains the name of Arthur J. Edgerton, company L, Thirty-second volunteer infantry, who died January 1. The deceased was the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Edgerton of this city.

Doctor Commits Suicide.

Dr. L. J. Forney, a prominent physician, was found dead in his office at Cherokee, Kan. On a table were bottles of various poisons and a note saying: "I had rather leap into the unknown than longer endure what I know." Forney came to Cherokee with his family from Des Moines, Ia., twelve years ago. He suffered from inflammatory rheumatism.

It is predicted that the coming battle at Colenso, between General Buller and the Boers, is bound to be momentous.

NOT RISKING FIGHT

Number of Reconnoissances, But Only One Real Engagement.

Reports from the movements of the American commanders south of Manila show that Generals Bates and Wheaton are at Perez das Marinas and Gen. Schwan at Silang, all awaiting the arrival of provision wagons, says a Manila dispatch of January 10. Reconnoissances have shown that 2,000 armed insurgents have retired to the mountains from the district between Indang and Maig, and that others have retreated along the coast from Novela toward Batangas.

Nolan's squadron of the Eleventh cavalry drove a body of insurgents from Maig. One American was killed and about a hundred insurgents have been killed. The movement largely resembles General Schwan's experience in the same country, except that the towns are now being garrisoned and that the insurgents refuse to fight, retreating southward and dividing into small bands, with the apparent intention of reassembling later.

The plan of catching a large number between two brigades has failed. About a hundred insurgents have been killed, but comparatively few arms have been taken.

The region is full of amigos, who doubtless have been bearing arms which they have hidden. The women and children remain in their homes, and the insurgents, as they fall back, release all prisoners they have captured.

Bent on Having Trouble.

At Ripley, Tenn., Officer Marvin Turner and W. D. Turner arrested a negro named Gingerly and were escorting him to the jail, when two brothers of the prisoner appeared and shot and killed both officers. A large posse went in pursuit of the murderers. At midnight it is reported that the posse had captured and lynched the two negroes at 9:30 o'clock. One of the dead men was the prisoner who was being escorted to the jail. Searching parties are still out hunting for other participants in the crime. It is reported that many negroes in the neighborhood are arming themselves and excitement runs high. Negroes are being run off the streets and are warned to remain quiet.

Meeting of Whist Players.

The second annual meeting of the Nebraska Whist Association will be held at Grand Island, Nebraska, Friday and Saturday, January 26 and 27, 1900. It is earnestly desired that all those intending to come will either personally or through the secretary of their club, notify the secretary of the association, W. A. Prince, at Grand Island, in advance, in order that proper arrangements can be made for their comfort.

German Ship Released.

The Imperial German mail steamer General, detailed at Aden by the British authorities since January 4, on suspicion of having contraband of war on board, has been released. After her cargo had been examined it was found that she only had a few chemicals and axle trees on board. Nothing else was disclosed.

The Transvaal government has informed the United States that W. Stanley Hollis, American consul at Pretoria, will not be permitted to represent British interests in the republic during the war, it being against the Transvaal's policy to permit any British representative in its territory.

JONES NOT YET SATISFIED

Golden Rule Mayor Has Senatorial Bee in His Bonnet.

The supporters of Mayor Samuel H. Jones of Toledo, O., in his non-partisan campaign are organizing his strength into a party or movement which has for its object the control of several congressional districts of the state next fall, and, if possible, the election of Jones to the United States senate in 1902. There will be a conference in furtherance of the plan between the mayor and leaders of the non-partisan movement in Cincinnati as soon as Jones returns from New York, where he now is.

Governor Nash Inaugurated.

At noon Monday in the rotunda of the state capital Hon. George K. Nash was inaugurated governor of Ohio, succeeding Asa S. Bushnell. The oath of office was administered by Chief Justice Shaukel of the supreme court, following which Governor Bushnell presented the new governor with his commission. Governor Nash then delivered his inauguration address.

To Protect American Interests.

The gunboat Machias has been ordered from San Juan to San Domingo to protect American interests in case trouble follows the attempt of the French naval commander at San Domingo to enforce the settlement of the pending French claim of \$60,000. It is not believed that there is any chance of a conflict between the French and American naval forces in the execution of their instructions.

May Not be Received.

A special from Washington says: When young Adelbert Hay, son of the secretary of state, reaches Pretoria, to assume charge of the United States consulate at the capital of the South African republic, he will be informed by President Kruger that he is persona non grata, and that he is at liberty to return to Washington at his own convenience.

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