

H. Herpolsheimer & Co. Grand Display of Holiday Goods. H. Herpolsheimer & Co.

Our Stocks for the Holiday Trade are unusually large and attractive, being entirely new and of the latest productions. No old stock carried over from last season. We cordially invite your inspection.

Men's Holiday Furnishings.

Monday morning we will place on sale our line of Christmas Goods, suitable for Men's Christmas presents, such as smoking Jackets, Silk and Wool Mufflers, Silk and Linen Handkerchiefs, Neck Ties, Suspenders, Gloves, Sweaters, Fancy Shirts, Traveling Bags, Suit Cases, Fancy Socks, Night Robes, etc. We suggest, that in order for you to have the benefit of the full lines to select from, that you make your selections as early as possible. Gentlemen's Smoking Jackets, the handsomest line we have ever shown, made especially for us, by an eastern factory, making a specialty of Smoking Jackets, and who confine their line to us exclusively, at \$10.00, \$8.95, \$8.00, \$7.50, \$7.00, \$6.00, \$5.00 and..... **\$3 95**

Gentlemen's Silk Mufflers in all styles and colors, either in the Harvard-Beaumont, Full Dress or the Square, beautiful assortment to select from at \$2.00, \$1.50, \$1.25, \$1.00, 75c, 50c, and..... **25c**

Gentlemen's Linen Handkerchiefs at 50c, 45c, 35c, 25c, and..... **15c**

Men's Fine Dress Gloves, lined or unlined, at \$1.50, \$1.25, \$1.00, 75c and **50c**

Men's High Grade Silk Neckwear, a beautiful line and handsomest in the city for the money, at 50c and..... **25c**

Gentlemen's Fancy Shirts, in soft or stiff bosoms, the new fall and winter styles, at \$1.50, \$1.25, \$1.00, 75c, and..... **50c**

We undoubtedly show the best values, in Suit Cases, Traveling Bags, etc., in the city. Our prices will range fully 20 per cent lower than elsewhere.

Our Portrait Offer

Don't forget that our Portrait Offer is still open. By securing one of the Portrait Trading Cards, and purchasing goods to the amount of \$5.00 in any department excepting Picture Department, you can get a life size portrait of yourself or friends. These portraits are 16x20. Made by an entirely new process of photography. They are worth \$3.00 and can be obtained after purchasing above amount and upon payment of 98c to the photographer.

Cloak and Suit Department.

GRAND FUR OPENING—Friday and Saturday, December 5 and 6.

We take pleasure in announcing that Mr. R. W. Sumner, representing William H. Miller & Co., of Detroit, manufacturers of Fur Garments, will be at our store December 5 and 6 with a large assortment of Furs. The reputation of this firm's goods is that they use only the best quality of materials, the best workmanship, and made up in the latest approved styles. Mr. Sumner, who has conducted former fur openings here, is an expert in this line and can give you any information in regard to furs or fur garments. The goods can be delivered at this sale or orders will be taken and careful estimates given of any style garment in any kind of fur one may want. Every garment will be guaranteed, both as to fit, durability or genuineness. Twenty per cent can be saved on prices, by purchasing at this sale. William H. Miller & Co. make the Automobile style, Reefer front combination Jacket, or the Box Front and Tight Fitting Back Jackets. They make from Seal Skin, Perisian Lamb, Otter, Beaver, Mink, Krimmer, Wool Seal, Electric Seal, Astrakhan and Nutria Beaver, Jackets and capes. For Scarfs and sets, they show natural Squirrel, Sable Fox, Isabella Fox, Red Fox, Beaver, Mink, Krimmer, Black or Brown Marten, Ermine, White Thibet, Natural Opossum, or Sable Opossum.

During the two day Fur Sale we will offer 150 Short Cloth Jackets at..... **ONE-HALF OFF**

We will offer 50 odd styles in Suits and skirts, that were \$10.00 and \$12.00, during this opening for..... **\$6 00**

Select your Christmas presents now. We have a large assortment of Robes, Dressing Sacques, Wrappers, Silk or Wool Waists, Mackintoshes and Umbrellas, Children's Cloaks, Ladies' Petticoats, Silk or mercerized. We carry an immense line to select from.

Sole Agents for Butterick's Patterns.

H. Herpolsheimer & Co.

Send For Samples.

Lincoln, Nebraska.

Mention This Paper.

CAN'T FURNISH BOTH

Paraphrasing Captain Starr's expression, The Independent is always willing to furnish any information it can, but it cannot undertake to equip the seeker with brains enough to understand. This fact is mentioned in connection with the following editorial paragraph from the Lincoln Daily Star of December 2:

The editor-in-chief of the secret service is hereby called down for continuing to allow the circulation of silver dollars coined since 1873, each one of which must be a counterfeit, according to the following statement clipped from the Nebraska Independent: "It (the act of '73) dropped out the silver dollar from the list of coins which might be minted." A few years ago this statement passed current in the west because the subscribers had no silver dollars ancient or modern, by inspecting which they could disprove it. Let every reader examine all of the silver dollars which pass through his hands during the next week and see if they have been minted since '73. If they have, and The Independent is at all reliable—please excuse the "if"—the dollars are counterfeit, but in order that you should not suffer a complete loss we have made a special arrangement to receive them at half price on subscription to the Star.

It is rather difficult to decide off-hand whether the imbecile who penned that paragraph supposed he was writing a funny item, or whether he knows so little of the financial history of this country as to suppose there has been no silver legislation since 1873. The Independent will do a little better toward its subscribers than the Star offers: It will give two dollars for every standard silver dollar, bearing date of 1874, 1875, 1876, or 1877, presented at Liberty Building any time within the next year.

Father Hardy in his column this week says that his "faith in government ownership of railroads and other monopolies is badly shaken" when he

looks over the unreasonable tolls paid the railroads for hauling the mails. It is a fact that the government pays the railroads an unreasonable sum for the services they render, but that is because the railroads have so many congressmen and other officers elected to represent them. In Nebraska at our last election five railroad servants were elected to congress, wearing a republican label simply to catch votes. The Burlington has two of them, the Rock Island, Elkhorn, and Union Pacific-Elkhorn combination, one each. With public ownership of the railroads this unreasonable toll for hauling the mails would cease, and the railroads could not possibly be more in politics than they are today. After all, suppose the United States does pay too much for hauling the mails—how does the service compare with what we might expect if the express companies performed the work? Could Father Hardy send a letter to San Francisco for two cents? Hardly likely. Would his letter be delivered with the same promptness? Not at all probable. Granted that the government pays a much higher price for everything connected with the postoffice department than would be paid if a private concern had the running of it, the fact remains that the patrons of the postoffice are much better served by a government postoffice than they would be by a private one.

The Springfield Republican has discovered that "every college community is encompassed by superstition, myths and legends of various sorts." The Independent has often called attention to the vast amount of superstition among educated people. Sometimes it has been moved to declare that if one wanted to live in a community where all the people were sane, he must go into a farming region. Around Lincoln about every third person or more believes in ghosts, mind-reading, faith-healing, astral bodies, not to mention signs and omens without number. Sometimes the editor of The Independent has been so pestered with them that he was constrained to cry out: "Oh! for a place where the people are sane."

DANGEROUS CITIZENS

Those Nebraska populists and democrats who stayed away from the election this year and pouted because they could not have everything exactly in accordance with their ideas of things, would do well to paste in their hats this little excerpt from Professor Ely's "Taxation in American States and Cities":

"Thucydides said he was a dangerous citizen who gave no attention to politics. When one considers the tremendous importance of taxation, one feels inclined to call him a dangerous citizen who gives no attention to the principles of taxation."

Withing the next two years a few old cows should have the valuation of the Nebraska railroads placed on them for taxation purposes, now that "Our Man Mickey" is on deck.—Thomas A. Donahoe's "True Populist" in Kearney New Era-Standard.

Never fear, Mr. Donahoe, if the legislature does anything at all with the revenue law (which The Independent doubts) it will be along the line of imposing heavy penalties on the assessors for undervaluing property—but the state board of equalization will still be a court from which no appeal can be taken. The farmers may reasonably expect to pay much heavier taxes the next two years, while the railroads escape with about present valuations—in fact, they ought to expect it—they voted for it.

Wilson, in his National Budget, tells us that poll taxes caused the insurrection of Wat Tyler in the reign of Richard II.

Imperialism comes to the surface very frequently to vex and injure the people of this country. The Iron Age says: "It so happens that at present the price of our goods is about 25 per cent higher for domestic consumption than the export prices. We had an inquiry for export prices, which we quoted. The order now comes to be shipped to Honolulu. Is it fair to consider the Hawaiian Islands entitled

to export prices? Our own opinion is that they have become a part of the United States, and should be considered domestic territory as much as Alaska. Also, we understand our tariff applies to this territory, so that they are prohibited from buying outside, and we are thus enabled to get domestic prices." The Iron Age waited until after the election to make the formal statement that goods were sold to foreigners cheaper than they were to American citizens, but when its patron lost a sale on account of the "appurtenance" decision of Justice Brown, it got up vim enough to tell the truth.

"A man is taxed, not to pay the state for its expense in protecting him, and not in any respect as a recompense to the state for any service in his behalf, but because his original relations to society require it."—Report of the Massachusetts commissioners.

The Boston Home Market club is for a tariff commission. As that organization is the most rantankerous high tariff association in the whole United States the prospect of tariff revision through that kind of a performance is about as promising as that Matt Quay will resign his position as republican boss in the state of Pennsylvania, and become an advocate of good government. This plan of a tariff commission is a disguise too thin to prevent any one from seeing through it. The tariff beneficiaries do not intend to allow any revision unless it is one to revise the rates to a still higher plane.

Some enterprising citizen will one day test the constitutionality of the absurd "labor tax" which is now levied, without rhyme or reason, upon a portion of the population of Nebraska, in spite of the fact that the constitution provides that "needful revenue" shall be raised by "levying a tax by valuation." Professor Ely calls attention to the fact that in Illinois such an assessment is NOT a tax, and therefore constitutional; while in Nevada it IS a tax—and unconstitutional.