

The Leaders and Introducers of Popular Prices. Patronize Home Industry.

Linen Department.

We will place on sale Monday, 1 bale of 16 inch glass toweling, plain or fancy checks, at 6c yard.

Wash Dress Goods.

This department is loaded and crowded for room. Never in the history of Omaha has there been such a display of wash dress goods.

Muslins and Sheetings.

This department saves you money, no matter what you may hear. We carry the leading brands and guarantee the lowest prices or money cheerfully refunded.

Closing Out Sale.

Commencing Monday we will dispose of everything in ladies' and gents' furnishing goods that we do not wish to carry over, at less than cost.

Ladies' Night Gowns.

Immense sale on ladies' night gowns on Monday.

Have You a Baby?

If you have you must be happy, and to keep the baby happy you must get him or her a carriage.

Furniture Dept.

From the very smallest beginning, this department has spread and grown until it has reached its present splendid proportions.

Silks.

Will place on sale Monday gros grain, faille, armure and royals dress silks in blacks, warranted, at the uniform price of \$1.

Colored Dress Goods.

SPECIAL SALE FOR MONDAY. 36-inch Bedford corals, 20c.

Black Dress Goods.

At THROWN AWAY PRICES. 5,000 yards narrow but neat embroideries at 1c.

Trunks and Valises.

The sale still goes on. We can suit you in any style. We have the stock, and the prices are all O. K.

Just Arrived.

One more carload of new carpets; the latest designs fresh from the mills, and the prices are still lower.

A Big Bargain.

We have the finest chenille curtain for the price ever shown in the city, only 75c pair; to be sold this week at the price.

Embroideries.

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Something in Laces.

Something that puts us at the head, and our thrown away prices tell the tale.

Notions, Notions.

For Monday, prices that talk. All silk seam binding, 10c per bolt.

Veilings.

In novelties we lead; in variety we excel; and our prices talk.

Book Dept.

The new uniform edition of Dore's books, from the original plates, full size, with all the illustrations from the original designs by Gustave Doré.

Drug Dept.

Wright's Sarsaparilla, 50c. Primley's Sarsaparilla, 50c. Hood's Sarsaparilla, 75c.

Jewelry Department.

Gents' watch chains, plated on German silver, 40c, worth \$1.25.

Butter.

We sell country butter for 15c, 17c and 19c per pound, made by Nebraska farmers.

House Furnishing Goods.

GLASS, CHINAWARE, CROCKERY, LIGHT AND HEAVY HARDWARE DEPARTMENT.

Great Trunk and Bag Sale.

Just received—unloaded of trunks and bags. 34-inch trunks \$1.85, worth \$2.50.

Great Meat Sale.

Dried salt pork 6c pound. Sugar cured breakfast bacon, 7c per pound.

Dried Fruit.

Great sale of California, domestic and imported dried fruit.

CIGAR MAKING IN OMAHA.

The Manufacturers Have Increased the Number of Their Employes.

STILL TOO SMALL TO BE ANY CREDIT.

Business Men Allow Cigar Manufacturing to Languish While the Ladies Have Doubled the Output of Factories Making Household Goods.

Early last fall The Bee called attention to the fact that thirty cigarmakers were employed in Omaha and that the people of this city were sending thousands of dollars to eastern cities for cigars that could be made just as well at home.

As a result of the efforts put forth by The Bee the number of cigarmakers has increased from thirty until now there are sixty men working in Omaha cigar factories.

At the same time it is a disgrace to Omaha and to western enterprise that only sixty cigarmakers should be employed in a city of 140,000 inhabitants.

In order to show what other cities are doing in this direction official figures have been obtained from the secretaries of the various cities giving the exact number of men employed.

Omaha has a population of 140,000. St. Paul has a population of 120,000. Minneapolis has a population of 100,000. Denver has a population of 80,000.

It is presumed that they will fall back on the assertion that Omaha cigars are not as good as those made in other cities. Even this excuse will not hold on close examination.

city, and there is no reason why they should not be. Omaha manufacturers employ none but the best tobacco and it is reasonable to assume that they cannot get on to the market and buy as good tobacco as the manufacturers of Denver, St. Paul, or any other western city.

The objection which dealers usually raise against Omaha cigars is one that they have created and which they have made. It is that the Omaha factories being small are unable to buy enough tobacco at once to keep them rolling any length of time, and for that reason they are not so well known as cigars.

There is only one reason why Omaha cigars are not better known than they are, and that is because they do not take enough interest in the prosperity of the city to keep their money at home.

The home patronage movement has been a grand success and it has been going on for some time. When the home patronage movement was first started by The Bee a prominent business man said that there would be no more of this kind of thing.

A careful investigation shows that one-half of the cigars sold in this city come from the tenement house factories. The balance, excepting Omaha alone excepted, Denver is mostly from small towns located in Illinois, Iowa and other western states.

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the same money as those made by union labor. The consumer, however, gets no benefit, as the stock value is no better, but in purchasing them he is encouraging a business that is blighting the lives of thousands of children.

There is another object in increasing the manufacture of cigars in Nebraska. Wide-awake men are experimenting on the raising of tobacco in Nebraska. It has been proven that the plant will do well and that all that is required is to properly understand the curing of it.

The question is, will the business men of Omaha devote the money which they are now spending on the purchase of cigars to the raising of tobacco in Nebraska?

Denver will hold a typesetting contest. Lowell printers average \$9 and \$10 a week. Anderson, Ind., is to have an aluminum plant which will employ 1,000 persons.

The average daily wages of railroad employes on sixty of the leading railroads in the United States are: Baggage masters, \$1.78; baggage men, \$1.67; blacksmiths, \$2.40; brakemen, \$1.95; carpenters, \$2.14; conductors, \$2.82; engineers, \$3.24; firemen, \$1.78; harmon, \$1.54; hostlers, \$2.25; laborers, \$1.51; machinists, \$2.25; mailmen, \$2.19; painters, \$2.01; switchmen, \$1.78; and telegraphers, \$1.42.

The Cigar Makers union of St. Paul has been to the trouble of compiling figures on the subject, and according to that authority the cigars smoked in that city would keep 1,642 men employed the year through.

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