

Corticelli Spool Silk

6c a spool.

Twist, 3 spools for 5c.

Coats' Spool Cotton

4c a spool.

45c a dozen.

CARPETS AND CURTAINS.

STILL GREATER THAN EVER are the bargains. Never before were fine Carpets and Curtains sold so cheap. We are crowded all the time in this department. If you expect to need carpets this spring why don't you leave your order with us? You can save fully 35 to 50 percent on the bill. We still have a good assortment and from now on prices will be cut still lower than ever. We must clean out every yard of carpet and every pair of curtains. Cost not considered from now on until all are sold. We are positively going out of business.

Curtain Stretchers

\$2.00

Gilroy's patent lace curtain stretchers were \$3.00, now \$2.00 a set.

Towels

15c

The greatest towel bargain ever offered. 60 dozen all linen hemstitch towels, all our 25c and 35c towels now as long as they last 15c each.

Towels

25c

Here's a bargain. 65 dozen, all our fine satin damask and huck linen towels that were 35c, 40c and 50c, now all at one price, 25c.

All Linen Crash.....4 1/2c yard.

Glass Toweling

9c Yard.

36 pieces all linen check glass toweling 18 inches wide, all our 15c quality now 9c. You will never buy such toweling again at 9c.

Bennison Brothers.

Ladies' Vests

25c

20 dozen ladies' spring weight long sleeve, Egyptian vests, just what you need this time of year, now only 1 price 25c each.

Kid Gloves

75c Pair.

Another big reduction. All our ladies' genuine Derby and Alexandro kid gloves, in black and colors, with nanon stitching on back, were \$1.50 and \$1.75, now the entire lot, only 75c pair.

Gents' Ties

25c

Our entire stock of gents' 50c ties, all new spring goods. These goods were bought before we had decided to go out of business. They are now all in but we must clean them out, so offer entire lot at half price, 25c each.

Corsets

30c Pair.

Still the excitement continues. Did you ever imagine or dream of buying Dr. Warner's corsetine \$1.00 corsets at 30c pair? It's a fact. The genuine Dr. Warner's corsetine retains the world over at \$1.00, now at half price, 50c pair.

Windsor Ties

20c

Beautiful goods. Boys' and girl's all silk Windsors, in plaids, stripes, changeables etc. Only 20c each.

Bennison Brothers.

Dress Goods and Silks

This is the time of year now when you want a new wool or silk dress, and just now is the time to buy it. You can now buy a fine silk or wool dress at 1/2 and 1/2 actual cost. We are going to clean out every yard of dress goods and silk in our store. Down goes the prices again. You will never again have a chance to buy a fine dress pattern at such a low price. Come in Monday with the crowd. Everything you see will be bargains.

Bedford Cords

6c Yard.

15 pieces solid colors cotton bedford cords, was 15c, now they must go, 6c yard.

Black Lace Flouncing

Another big reduction. We are forced to sell them now. You can buy any yard of black lace flouncing at just about 1/2 actual cost. You will never again have an opportunity to buy a fine black lace dress at such prices. Come in and see them. They are beauties, and it takes very little money to take them away.

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Lonsdale Muslin

6 3/4c Yard

Again Monday you can buy the genuine Lonsdale muslin, all you want, 6 3/4c yard. Don't pay others 10c.

Cotton Batts

7 1/2c

5000 rolls snow white cotton batts; our regular 15c batts; it's a beauty; now at half price, 7 1/2c roll.

Shaker Flannel

6c Yard

All our 12 1/2c white shaker flannel, beautiful quality, now 6c yard.

French Percale

12 1/2c Yard.

60 pieces 36 inches wide the very finest imported French percales, beautiful designs, was 18c and 20c; now they must go 12 1/2c yard.

Pillow Case Muslin

7 1/2c

42-inch bleached pillow case muslin, all you want, 7 1/2c yard.

German Print

10c

All our finest quality extra heavy 30-inch German calico, was 15c, now 10c yard.

White Flannel

21c Yard

Strictly all wool white flannel, was 35c, now 21c yard. Better grade at 25c, 30c and 35c, only half price.

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ENORMOUS HOSIERY SALE.

Monday morning we offer our entire stock of ladies', misses', children's, boys' and men's hose at another big reduction. Now they must go. You can now buy any pair of hose from our stock at one-half actual cost. This will without doubt be the greatest hosiery sale ever taken place in this city.

Ladies' Hose

10c Pair.

60 dozen all our ladies' fast black cotton hose, our regular 20c quality, now at half price, 10c pair. You will never again buy them at such prices.

Ladies' Hose

25c Pair.

48 dozen ladies' fast black hose, full regular made, in a very fine gauge, all ways sold at 35c and 40c, now at one price, 25c pair.

Men's Hose

10c Pair.

85 dozen gents' clouded mixed hose, full regular made, in tans and grays, in fast black and fancy stripes, were 25c, 35c and 40c, now all at one price, only 10c pair. If you need any this is a big bargain.

Gents' Hose

15c Pair.

This is a stunner. All our men's finest quality half hose, full regular made, in fast black and fancy stripes, were 25c, 35c and 40c, now all at one price, only 15c pair. They come in all sizes, 9 to 11.

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Children's Hose

6c Pair.

70 dozen children's fast black heavy cotton ribbed hose, all sizes, 5 to 8, were 10c, now at half cost, 6c pair. They will open your eyes when you see them.

Boys' Bicycle Hose

15c Pair.

58 dozen boys' heavy fast black bicycle hose, all sizes, 5 to 10. This is our regular 25c leader; now they must go only 15c pair.

Children's Hose

25c Pair.

This lot comprises all our finest imported fast black misses', children's and boys' jersey ribbed fast black hose, all sizes, 4 to 9, were 50c, 50c and 65c, now your choice of lot only 25c pair.

Infants' Hose

35c Pair.

Our entire stock of infants' finest quality imported cashmere all wool hose, in pure white, pink and light blue, with silk heel and toe, were 75c and \$1, now all at only 35c pair, sizes 4 to 5 1/2.

Bennison Brothers.

SPRING COMES GENTLE ANNIE

Sports Now Have a Chance to Swear Off on Snow Balls.

THE FISTIC CARNIVAL AT NEW ORLEANS

Opinions of Sporting Experts on the Big Mills of the Week—Among the Horsemen—Whispering of the Wheel—General Athletic News.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 24.—(Special to THE BEE.)—Next Wednesday the first of the series of athletic contests to be given by the Olympic and Crescent City athletic clubs of New Orleans will be held. The inaugural event will be between Tom Ryan of Chicago, the American welterweight champion, and George Dawson, the Australian top-notch. The contest is to be fought at 140 pounds, weighing in at noon, and the winner will get \$5,000 of the \$10,000 purse hung up by the Olympic club.

On Thursday, the 2nd day of March, Ernest Roeder and Evan Lewis, the stranger, meet in a wrestling contest for a purse of \$1,000 and the heavyweight championship of America, mixed styles, best three falls in five. Preceding the wrestling bout, Billy McMillan and Billy Hinds, two 145-pounders, fight to a finish for a purse of \$500.

Friday, Joe Goddard, the barrier giant, and Deaver Ed Smith, heavyweight, come together for a purse of \$10,000, the long end of which, \$5,000, will reward the victor for his work.

The star event of the tournament will occur March 5, when Robert Fitzsimmons, the Cornishman, and Jim Hall, the Australian vanquisher of Tod Pritchard, will face each other in the arena of the Crescent City club for the largest purse ever offered for a pugilistic encounter in this or any other country—\$40,000.

Six weeks ago a canvass by mail was instituted on the probable result of these contests, and the result makes interesting reading. A Summary.

The canvass shows that the average American sport thinks Goddard has Smith whipped already, since but eight of the 100 prognosticators pick Smith as a winner. A summary of the opinions reveals the following items of interest touching the events as named: In the Ryan-Dawson battle, eleven think that the American champion should retain the title, but fall to estimate the number of rounds in which the Chicago boy should do the trick, while the same is the case as regards Australian Dawson. The guessing on Ryan varies from eight to twenty-five rounds, and on Dawson from nine to forty-five rounds.

Goddard-Smith—Ten think that Goddard should win in an untested number of rounds, while in like manner two assert Smith should capture the honors. The estimates on rounds in Goddard's case vary from two to twenty-five rounds, and on Smith from eight to thirty-seven.

Half-Fitzsimmons—Four say that Fitz should win, without hazarding their reputation on predicting the number of rounds, while the same is the case with eleven who pick out Hall as the prospective owner of the \$40,000 prize. The seven have Fitzsimmons the winner in from twelve to thirty-five rounds, and Hall in from nine to sixty.

Here is a tabulated summary:

Contestants	To Win	No.	No. Cont.
Ryan	57	20	17
Dawson	26	22	17
Goddard	79	7	13
Smith	8	12	14
Hall	26	18	14
Fitzsimmons	33	18	24
Lewis	26	18	24
Roeder	26	18	24

—Professional Expert Opinion.

8 in favor of Goddard. Hall, 10 to 12 rounds; 10 in favor of Fitzsimmons. Lewis in the wrestling match; 10 to 8 in favor of Lewis.

Jim Hall, the middleweight—Toss-up between Goddard and Dawson, just soon chance one as the other; betting should be even. Goddard in 8 rounds; 10 to 6 in favor of Goddard. The aspirant for the world's middleweight prominence then tips himself to win in about 15 rounds, but insists that the betting should be 10 to 5 in favor of Bob Fitzsimmons. Lewis on an even money proposition.

Alex Greengrass, the middleweight who fought Buffalo Costello the long drawn battle, and who himself is a candidate for the middle honors, thinks that the Ryan-Dawson fight will be a long one, in which he is unable to pick the winner, but on form thinks the Australian should be favorite 10 to 2. Goddard in 4 to 6 rounds; at 10 to 4 in favor of Goddard. Hall, at even money. Doesn't know anything about wrestlers.

John Davidson, sparring partner of Corbett-Ryan, in 40 to 45 rounds; even money. Goddard, in 15 rounds; 2 to 1 in favor of Goddard. Hall, in 30 rounds; even. Lewis, at 10 to 2.

Billy McCarthy of Australia, who fought both Hall and Fitzsimmons—Dawson, in 9 rounds; Goddard, in 10 to 12 rounds; at 10 to 6 in favor of Goddard. Hall, in 8 rounds; 10 to 1 in favor of Goddard. Hall, in 8 rounds; 10 to 9 in favor of Hall. Lewis, at 10 to 8.

Johnnie Kline of Beloit, trainer of Jim Hall—Can't name the winner in the Ryan-Dawson fight, but it will be a long one, and should be even money. Goddard, in 6 rounds; at 10 to 1 in favor of Goddard. Hall, in 8 rounds; 10 to 1 in favor of Goddard. Hall, in 8 rounds; 10 to 9 in favor of Hall. Lewis, at 10 to 8.

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Jack Dempsey, the Nonpareil, ex-middleweight champion—Ryan or Dawson inside of 35 rounds; no odds either way. Goddard, 7 rounds; at 10 to 5; Fitzsimmons, in 20 rounds, even betting; Lewis at 10 to 6.

Paddy Ryan, ex-heavyweight champion of America—Ryan in 30 rounds; 10 to 5 in favor of Dawson. Goddard, in 15 rounds at odds of 10 to 7 in favor of Goddard. Hall and Fitzsimmons are so evenly matched that it is impossible for me to decide in favor of either. The betting should be even. Lewis at 2 to 1.

Jack Wilks, who fought Ryan at South Omaha—Ryan easy, 3 to 1 in favor of Dawson; Smith at 2 to 1 on Goddard; Fitz at even; Roeder at even.

Reddy Gallagher, the middleweight—"I think Dawson" at even in 30 rounds; Goddard in 6 at 2 to 1; Fitzsimmons, 20, at even; Lewis, at 10 to 7.

Andy Bowen, lightweight champion of the south—Ryan, 4 to 6 to 5 in favor of Ryan; "Like" Smith, in 15, at 4 to 1 in favor of Goddard; Hall, in 20, in odds of 5 to 3 in favor of Fitz; Lewis at even.

Charlie Daley of St. Louis—Ryan, 28, even; Goddard, 7, at 10 to 6; Fitz, 15, at 10 to 8 in favor of Goddard; Dawson, 10 to 5 in favor of Goddard; 5 to 2 to 1; Hall, 10, 10 to 9 on; Goddard, 5, 2 to 1 on; Hall, 10, 10 to 8 on; Lewis at the same price.

Henry Bryant, trainer of Tom Ryan—Ryan, 30 rounds, 10 to 8 in favor of Dawson; Goddard, 10, 10 to 4 in favor of Goddard; Hall, 10, at 10 to 9 on; Lewis, at 10 to 8 on.

Pater Sheppard of Boston—Dawson, Goddard, Hall and Lewis.

Bobby Burns, the eastern featherweight—Dawson, 15, at odds of 8 to 5 in favor of Ryan; Goddard, 8 rounds, 2 to 1; Hall, 25 rounds, at even money.

Prof. James Robertson of Bay St. Louis—Ryan in 30 rounds, 10 to 5 in favor of Dawson; Goddard, 10 to 7 in favor of Goddard; Hall in 20 rounds, even money; Lewis at 10 to 6.

Billy Meyer of Streator—Ryan in 18, at even money; won't express an opinion on either the Goddard-Smith or the Hall-Fitzsimmons contests; Lewis at 5 to 4.

Howie Hodgkins of Boston—Dawson, in 45 rounds; Goddard, 10 rounds, at

2 to 1; Hall, 21 rounds, at 10 to 9 in favor of Hall; Lewis, at even.

Mike Haley of Norfolk, Va.—Dawson, in 30 rounds, 5 to 4 in favor of Dawson; Goddard, 10 rounds, 10 to 7; Fitz, 15 rounds, 10 to 7; Roeder, at 10 to 8 on Roeder.

Steve Brodie, the bridge-jumper—Dawson, 24, even; Goddard, 13, at 10 to 7; Hall, 16, even; Lewis at 10 to 8.

John A. Collins of Detroit—Ryan, 26, even money; Goddard, 10 to 7; Hall, 15, even; Lewis, at 10 to 8.

Joe Corbett, brother of the champion—Dawson, 20, 10 to 9 in favor of Ryan; Goddard, 3, 2 to 1 on; Fitzsimmons, 10 to 7 1/2 on; Roeder, at 9 to 10.

George Lavigne of Saginaw, featherweight—Ryan, 30, even; Goddard, 7, at 2 to 1; Hall, 28, even; Lewis, at 10 to 2.

Mike Norton of Cincinnati, bantamweight—Ryan, 47, at 8 to 4; Goddard, 7, at 2 to 1; Hall, 13, at 9 to 10; Lewis, even.

Jerry Daly, the bookmaker—Ryan, 16, at 5 to 4; Goddard, 6, at 3 to 1; Fitz, 27, even, and Lewis at 3 to 2.

Frank E. Burke of Kansas City—Dawson, 25 rounds, even; Goddard, 7 rounds, at 2 to 1; Hall, 30 rounds, even; Lewis, even.

Sam G. Morton, sportsman—Ryan, 35, at 5 to 4; Goddard, 2, at 2 to 1; Hall, 16, at 5 to 6; Lewis, at 10 to 7.

"Doc" Phelps—Ryan, 10, 10 to 8; Goddard, 5, 10 to 1; Fitz, 25, even; Lewis, at 10 to 7 1/2.

Malachi House, right follower—Ryan, 40, 10 to 8 on; Goddard, 10 to 1; Hall, 25, 9 to 10; Lewis, at 10 to 7 1/2.

Harry D. Sommer, treasurer McVicker's theater—Ryan, 11, at even money; Goddard, 9, at 2 to 1; Fitzsimmons, 14, even money; Lewis, even.

John Decey, sport—Dawson, 30, even money; Goddard, 8, 2 to 1; Fitzsimmons, 25, even money; Lewis, at 2 to 1.

Hayman C. McCreery, amateur champion billiardist—Ryan, 39, at 10 to 9; Goddard, 6, at 10 to 6; Fitzsimmons, 18, at 10 to 9 against; Lewis, at 10 to 8 on.

Eugene Gellins, East Saginaw—Dawson, 40, at 10 to 8; Goddard, in 20, 10 to 8; Hall, 30, 10 to 8; Lewis, 10 to 7 1/2.

William Beverly, bookmaker—Dawson, 30, 10 to 8; Goddard, 4 to 1; Fitzsimmons, 25, even; Lewis, 2 to 1.

Harry Holland, bookmaker—Ryan, 8, 2 to 1; Goddard, 6, 3 to 1; Fitzsimmons, 25, even; Lewis, 2 to 1.

J. S. Roach—Ryan, 15, 2 to 1; Smith, 37, 1 to 2; Hall, 14, even; Lewis, 2 to 1.

John Decey, sport—Dawson, 30, even money; Goddard, 8, 2 to 1; Fitz, 25, 4 to 5.

Harry Hoffman, turfman—Dawson, 10, 7 to 5; Goddard, 12, 5 to 4; Fitz, 15, 8 to 5; Lewis, 3 to 1.

Joe Ullman, bookmaker—Dawson, 30, even money; Goddard, 8, 4 to 1; Hall, 30, even money; Lewis, 2 to 1.

Leo Mayor, bookmaker—Ryan, 25, 10 to 8; Goddard, 8 rounds, 4 to 1; Hall, 15, 10 to 9; Lewis, even, 10 to 6.

"Handsome" Dan Murphy, Boston—Ryan, after a long fight, 10 to 9 in favor of Ryan; Goddard, 5, 2 to 1; Hall, 25, even; Lewis, even; Roeder, 10 to 8 on; Goddard, a battle royal. It will be desperate and worth going miles to see. The public is misled as to the feeling existing between these men; they cordially hate each other and either would lose his life rather than lose this battle.

C. W. Deberry, Richburg, Miss.—Ryan, 17, 5 to 4; Goddard, 10, 8 to 1; Fitz, 12, even; Roeder, 10 to 7.

Ryan, 35, 10 to 9; Goddard, 3, 5 to 1; Fitzsimmons, 15, even. No opinion on the wrestling.

James C. Peyton, Olympic club—Ryan, 37, even; Smith, 18, 15 to 10; Goddard, 10, 10 to 9; Goddard, Hall and Lewis.

Ed Williamson, ball player—Ryan, 25, 10 to 8; Goddard, 4, 10 to 3; Fitzsimmons, 15; even money; Lewis.

Ed Guinard, Olympic club—Dawson, 29, 10 to 8 against; Smith, 15, 5 to 3 against; Fitz, 13, even; Roeder, even.

J. M. Foster, New Orleans—Ryan, 15; Goddard, 3; Hall, 10; Lewis easily.

Barney Fagan, minstrel—Dawson, long contest; Smith, 8; Fitz, 15; Roeder.

Detective A. J. Cowles, Saginaw—Ryan, 40, even; Goddard, 7, 3 to 1; Hall, 40, even; Lewis, 2 to 1.

John D. Gilbert, comedian—Ryan, 10, even; Goddard, 9, 10 to 7 1/2; Hall, 25, even; Lewis, 2 to 1.

James C. Ryan, sprinter—Ryan, 30, even; Goddard, 10, 2 to 1; Hall, 16, 10 to 9; Lewis, 10 to 8.

J. K. Dalley, turfman—Ryan, 22, 5 to 4; Goddard, 9, 3 to 1; Hall, 30, 5 to 4 against; Lewis, 10 to 8.

Dan O'Brien, Chicago—Ryan, 16, even; Goddard, 6, 3 to 1; Fitz, 25, even; Lewis, 10 to 7 1/2.

John D. Gilbert, comedian—Dawson, 29, even; Smith, 12, 10 to 4 against; Hall, 12, 10 to 8 against; Lewis.

Harry Farrell, sportsman—Ryan, 75 rounds, even; Goddard, 10 rounds, 3 to 1; Hall 35 rounds, even; Lewis, 3 to 2.

John Condon—Ryan, Goddard, Hall and Lewis.

Louis Cohen, bookmaker—Ryan, Goddard, Fitzsimmons and Lewis.

"Young Griffo," bantam, Australian champion—Dawson, Goddard and Hall.

S. M. Herman,