SEMI-ANNIVERSARY

we will celebrate our Semi-Anniversary of Price Cutting.

The store will be beautifully decorated and excellent music will be furnished

Physicians of Omaha:

OMAHA, May 2, 1896 -Gentlement While I have always respected your profession, I regret to state there are some in your profession whom I am compelled to treat with the utmost contempt. Why cannot a man's personal friend have his prescription put up in my store without you telling him it is filled wrong and the drugs are NOT fresh? Simply because you have asked and been refused a commission on your prescriptions. I have never catered to your trade, in fact I don't ask you for it. No doubt I could get it by raising your commission. In fact anybody could.

From this on if any of you physicians make such remarks I will give you a chance to prove it in court. I want it distinctly understood that all prescriptions put up in my store are filled by registered pharmacists-and not by boys and girls. Yours Rerspectfully.

CHARLES H. SCHAEFER, Registered Pharmacists. The Original cut price druggist, 16th and Chicago Sts.

State Nebraska, Douglas County, ss .-Charles H. Schaefer being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he does not pay office rent for any practicing physician, neither does he pay a percentage on prescriptions sent to his store.

Sworn to before me this 16th day of May, 1896, and subscribed in my pres-N. P. FEIL, Notary Public. This is why we save you 40 to 60 per cent on prescriptions.

Perfumes.

Nothing but the best and most popular brands carried by usand sold at these low prices:

Lazell's-ounce..... 30c Lundborg's—ounce 30c Palmer's—ounce 40c

Our stock of Tooth Brushes and articles for the toilet is the most complete in the city-and our prices cannot be duplicated.

To the

TAKE pleasure today in announcing that on Wednesday next I will celebrate my semianniversary of my first six months of Price Cutting. While many obstacles have been placed in my way by the would-be leading druggists and doctors, I will, on Wednesday next celebrate my semi-anniversary with flying colors.

Since I began price cutting I have never been guilty of making ungentlemanly remarks about my competitors, but the height of their ambition has been, since January 1st to speak of me in the most unprofessional manner. While I have repeatedly asked them to publish Public: of me in the most unprofessional manner. While I have repeatedly asked them to publish an affidavit denying they do not pay office rentor commissions to certain physicians—who are a disgrace to the profession of Omaha—it seems they dare not do it for they know our statement is true. I now Challenge them again to deny this and reproduce my personal letters again in CHAS. H. SCHAEFER. this advertisement.

Challenge Prices ←

6 5 c
640
09c
12c
32c
35°
80c
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32 0
30 0
620
80c
75c

Challenge Prices ← CONT

Powdered Borax, per lb	10 c
Moth Balls	06c
Ayer's Hair Vigor	60c
Cuticura Soap	15c
Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery.	62 c
Hall's Catarrh Cure	
Garfield Tea	
Quinine Capsules, 2 gr., per doz	
Quinine Capsules, 3 gr., per doz	
Quinine Capsules, 5 gr., per doz	
No-To-Bac	
Mennen's Talcum Powder	15c
Gem Catarrh Powder	35c
All others in proportion	

Quantity of sales unlimited.

Challenge Prices ← CONT

Pinand's Eau de Quinine, small	28c
Pinand's Eau de Quinine, large	
Dr. Kay's Renovator	75c
Pond Lily Cream	15c
South American Kidney Cure	75c
Malt Nutrine	20c
Schlitz Malt Extract	10c
Hostetter's Bitters	68c
Electric Bitters	40c
Dr. King's New Discovery	40c
Pozzoni Powder	30c
Ozomulsion	75c

Wines and Liquors

We make a specialty of the very choicest Wines and Liquors for medicinal purposes. No finer stock is carried in the west-and sold at as low prices.

16th and

Our Brother Druggists:

OMAHA, Neb., April 4, 1898, Gentlement January 1st, when I started to cut prices I also tried to show to the people of Omaha the methods used by some of the leading drug stores in town-by paying office rents and percentages to certain physicians. Several reputable physicians called on me and have heartly approved of the stand I have taken. Now, as you have entered this fight with me, let's have a fair and square open fight. Stop paying those have entered this fight with me, let's have a fair and square open fight. Stop paying those physicians, who are a disgrace to the profession, a commission. Let the people take their pre-scriptions to the drug store they profer. Never have I seem a town so disgraced with such con-temptible business. If you knock me out in this fight I am not the man to squeal—but remember you are not fighting a drug store that is covered with plasters. Yours truly.

CHAS. H. SCHAEFER,

\$2,765.42

The handsomest and prettiest fountain in this city. Space is too valuable to give a detailed description of it, but the soda water drawn from this magnificent fountain is the most delicious sold—and at only

5 Cents a Glass.

Monkeys, Full Weights, Gold Cross, Hand Made, World Beaters-brands you all know-

Seven for 25 Cents.

Irish Girls, Gen. Arthur, Flor de Teller, Alberts-and all other popular 10c brands-

Express Their Gratitude for His Labors in Their Behalf.

NOTHING HALF-HEARTED ABOUT

Opinion Expressed He Had Done More for the Old Soldiers Than Any Congressman Nebraska Ever Sent to Washington.

Co. rressman Dave Mercer was royally received by the old soldiers last night and his earnest efforts in their behalf while he has been in Washington were commended in it was two minutes before he could make no uncertain language. The reception was himself heard. In speaking of old soldiers has been in Washington were commended in given under the auspices of the Union Veterans' Republican club of Douglas county in its club rooms in Garfield hall. While the occasion lacked the formality sometimes b seen in honors to an officer of the national government, there was a ring about the he had been when he entered it. words of praise for the guest of the evening the hearts of the veterans.

J. S. Miller, president of the club, appointed the following committee to escort Mr. Mercer to the hall: H. E. Palmer, Andrew Wiggins, G. C. Cockerill, Judge return to Omaha as the number of old Eller and John G. Kuhns. During the absoldiers and the widows of other old soldiers and the widows of other old soldiers that had called upon him to thank of the club was transacted. Shortly after

o'clock the committee returned and brought with them the exposition's right war should have a pension." In because of the committee returned and lieve that every soldier of the late civil war should have a pension." he continued before he was fairly in the room the old soidiers were on their feet cheering him to the echo. Then before the applause had subsided one veteran jumped up on his chair and moved that a recess of five minutes be declared to allow the members an opportunity to shake the congressman's hand. This was carried with a whoop, and for the next fifteen minutes Mr. Mercer's right arm was worked like a pump handle HAS DONE MUCH FOR THEM.

After these greetings had been exchanged President Miller called the meeting to order tinued, "until we have taken proper care again. He spoke of the value of such a of the soldiers of our last war. The club of veterans and said that they and country that provides for its old soldiers their sons held the balance of political power in the state of Nebraska. He said that the purpose of the club was only to see that good, active, hopest and earnest men were elected to office. He declared that Dave Mercer had done more for the old soldiers in securing pensions for them, in having old pensions renewed and in getting hearings for their cases, than any other gressman who had ever represented Ne-

W. Eller then spoke of the charges that had been made against Congressman Mercer and of the replies that had been made to them. He said that Mr. Kennedy, who had been especially violent in his attack upon Mr. Mercer, had told him yesterday that the argument that Mr. Mercer had deserted the party last fall would be used no more. Captain Palmer was next introduced and said that every man in Omaha who was compelled to work here for his bread and butter rejoiced in the passage of the Transmississippi exposition bill by congress and ence to his own political aspirations. He was glad to do honor to the man who had said that he proposed to conduct a fair fight

done so much to secure that act.

Halph Breckeuridge was introduced as a son of a voteran. He said the greatest men ests by in the world were those who had risked the su their lives in defense of their country and those the smallest men in the world were those E J

UNSELFISH LABORS.

Dr. Spalding was called for, that for four years, during the administraa member of the examining board of pension applicants. The names of many men that passed that board all right were dropped by the Cleveland administration. He spoke of the large number of these names that had been restored through the unselfish efforts of Congressman Mercer. He said that he knew that more names him than any other senator or congres man of Nebraska. He also spoke of Mr. Mercer's solicitude for the widows of oid

he mentioned his father, and told of his experiences in the war. He said that his father had returned from the war with a shattered constitution. He knew that however strong an old soldler might appear

Nothing had so gratified him since his bower. The reception started the minute "The government means well, but it is a Mr. Mercer was seen entering the door, and awfully slow in expressing its meaning This is especially true regarding pensions there is so much red tape that one has to contend against." He said it made no difference to him whether an old soldier was fighting him or whether he was his friend, if he could be of service to him that was what he was there for.

> on short notice than the United "But we must not think of war." curing troops for another war. sidered political in its nature.

Repeats His Oft Told Tale to the

E. J. Cornish followed. He administered who endeavored to build up their own reputations by tearing other people's down. He amount of good accomplished by the South replied to the stock charges that have been made against Congressman Mercer, and those and conciliated the crowd by saying closed with an eloquent tribute to that gen-tleman.

John G. Kuhns, another son of a veteran added his compliments to the guest of the evening. He made an earnest appeal to nearest his heart. He proceeded to rehears

of the debt of gratitude the country owed the old soldiers, whose deeds should be kept prominent by their own sons.

which has repeated to every audience STATISTICS FROM THE LIBRARY. The prominent by their own sons.

soldiers, and cited cases where he had labored in their behalf. The president then introduced Mr. Mercer. When he had advanced to the front of the platform a great shout was raised and

was not so strong after the war as those fatiguing campaigns and gonthat stamped them as coming directly from through the marches under the broiling sun and through drenching rains without hav ing injured his health. This he had al-ways borne in mind when making a fight for a pension

He spoke of the apparently small standing army the United States maintained, but asserted that there was no country on earth that could put in the field a better army lusion he thanked the soldiers heartily for their kind reception and emphasized the fact that the meeting was not to be con

CORNISH DISPLAYS HIS SORE SPOT

People of the Second Ward. A fairly good sized audience took posses sion of Kessler's hall last night at the meet ing of the Second Ward club. The first speaker who secured the floor after Chairman Bingham called the assemblage to order was B. G. Burbank. Mr. Burbank spoke at tional politics. He aroused considerable enthuslasm at times when referring to McKin ley and concluded by making a short refer in the campaign from this time forward and would not try to further his own fater ests by belittling other candidates. He asked the support of the club in the coming elec-

members of the Sons of Veterans, and spoke his grievances against the editor of The Bec.

I. S. Hascall made a short speech, in which friend of Mr. Mercer's, and that he also knew many of the other candidates in the congressional race. He thought they were capable men and that he personally had

A party named Berger edged into the hall at the conclusion of Mr. Hascall's speech and repeated a portion of Mr. Cornish's at-

South Siders Auticipate a Big Time on

the Fourth. The committee of the South Side Improvement club which has had in charge the details of the Fourth of July celebration and basket picnic that are to be given under the club's auspices at Riverview park has completed the program for the day. According to it the entire day will be occuded with speechmaking sports and other onic delights. Everybody is invited to attend and to bring lunch baskets with them, as the pooks and valleys and hillsides of his most beautiful park are ideal for out-of-loor enjoyment. The program is as follows:

FOR ENGON. 10:00, music by Twenty-second Infantry Prayer by Rev. S. Wright Butler. band of Declaration of Independence

tion by Hon. J. P. Dolliver of Fort

Intermission for dinner.

AFTERNOON.
The regular basket picnic.
All organizations wishing to participate in the sports for prines will kindly send yord to Lee Estelle. Omaha, Neb., by July THE ATHLETIC CARD.

Omaha Turnverein and Bohemian society, rel. Jed. Sokol, South Side Turnverein, r. M. C. A. Athletic club, Denish Turners, till events open to any athletic club in the State.

Funning broad jump: First prize, gold medal; second prize silver medal.

Horizontal ber: First prize, gold medal; second prize, silver medal.

Running high jump: First prize, gold medal; second prize, silver medal.

Vaulting horse: First prize, gold medal; second prize, silver medal.

ill by teams from Ancient Order of ed Workmen, Ak-Sar-Hen team of An-t Order of United Workmen and Wash-en Ladies' Drill corps: First prize, 10: d prize, 50.

e ball, Needmores against Boojiers:
prize, \$10; second prize, \$5

role race, around the drive, east of the lake, amateurs only: First second prize, \$3; third prize, \$2.

TOOK TWO SHOTS AT A COMPANION. Juvenile Difficulty Ends in a Shooting Scrape.

Wesley Green, a 12-year-old boy, who lately came into possession of an aniquated revolver, with which he intended o celebrate the Fourth of July, became involved in a shooting scrape last evening which might have terminated seriously Vesley met two other boys, John Callahan considerable length upon the subject of na and Frank May, near the corner of Pifteenth and Webster streets, and they agreed to take turns in riding a horse, which one of them possessed. Two of the boys kept he horse longer than Wesley thought they should and trouble cusued. Wesley was losing ground in the fight, when he be-thought himself of his revolver, and drawfired two abots at his adversaries ortunately he was a poor marksman, and the boys escaped uninjured. Green was arrested and taken to the station on a charge of shooting with intent to kill, and Caliahan and May were retained as complaining witnesses.

FUNERAL NOTICE.

with the Board. commended many of Congressman Mer-iast evening, at which there were present s acts. He said he was a warm personal President Reed and Members Wallace, Hallast evening, at which there were present the city yesterday. ler, Sudborough, Knox, Rosewater and the yesterday arrivals.

The nineteenth annual report of the librarian was submitted. He reported the library building had been maintained in good of Agriculture is in the city. condition during the current year. The sta-tistical portion of the report shows there are now in the library a total of 51,793 vol-PROGRAM OF HOLIDAY SPORTS, past year. During that time 3.639 volumes have been gent to the bindery and of that number 3.612 have been returned rebound. There has been m total of 1.827 books lost

days and there were taken out for home circulation 215,752 volumes, as against 226,-119 during the previous year and 220,928 the ear before that. There has been taken out f the juvenile department an average of 200 clumes daily since it has been opened. There have been 22.645 visitors to the ref-rence room during the year, an increase f 6.129 over the previous year. The r ng room was open 356 days during ear and 49 080 people visited it during that There were 9.684 visitors to the Byron Reed collection, an average of thirty-six daily during the time it has been open. There have been 43,621 library cards ised, of which 2,566 were issued during the

The total expenses of the library for all arposes during the year has been \$17,255.25 The board approved the recommendation f the secretary that an alcove be set apart for the department genealogy. A number of valuable books have recently been do nated to this department. The board ordered canceled old fines dat-ing back of September, 1895, to the amount of about \$400, and ordered that hereafter the rule be strictly enforced debarring per-sons from the privileges of the library while there were unpaid fines standing against them.
Hills to the amount of \$815.57 were or

dered paid, and the insurance on the library Only two days more of the 20 per cent discount sale of furniture, curtains and draperies at Orchard & Withelm Carpet Co.

SUGGEST SEVERAL AMENDMENTS Exposition Stockholders Will Pass on

Them July 10. The finance committee of the Transmis-

sissippi exposition beld a meeting yesterday afternoon, and the committee which had been appointed at a previous meeting to report what, if any, amendments they considered necessary to the articles of incor poration of the Exposition company sub-mitted its conclusions. The committee reported a large number, many of them inor importance, and these were discusse at length. The principal one was an amend ment increasing the directory of the com-pany to fifty members. The directors have given ten days notice of a meeting of the stockholders, at which the proposed amendments will be brought up for action.

Samuel Burns, jr., returns this week from his first year at Dartmouth college. He was placed in the Glee club on entering and has just been elected vice president of his

Albert DeWitt was caught in the act of obbing one of the Woman's Christian emperance union drinking fountains new The funeral of Miss Ella Johnson will take place at 1 o'clock this (Sunday) afternoon from the residence of her parents, 228 Castellar sireet. Interment, Laurel
Hill cemetery. Friends invited.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

James Dailey, North Platte, is registered at the Barker. James Alexander of Terry, S. D., was in

Arthur S. Cavanaugh, U. S. N., was among Thomas W. Swift has gone to Chicago on a vacation of a few days

Treasurer Ed McIntyre of the State Board George Lundgreen and wife, Terre Haute, Ind., are stopping at the Barker.

State Auditor Eugene Moore was greet-ing his Omaha friends yesterday. V. B. Caldwell left for Des Molnes, Ia. last evening to be gone over Sunday. M. G. Cirkle, stenographer for Chief of Police Badenoch of Chicago, is in the city. G. Schram and William Gardner of Rapid ity, S. D., were among yesterday's arrivals.

Thomas Doane of Boston, a visitor in Omaha for a short time, left for Crete last C. M. Rigg of Beatrice, a member of the the city.

Rev. Asa Leard, paster of the Knox Presyterian church, is confined to his room by Miss May Copeland left for Chicago yesrday, where she will visit friends for a

Dr. Franklin R. Carpenter of Deadwood. companied by his wife, was an Omaha isitor yesterday. Twenty-four performers, acrobats and artists with "Pain's Pompeil" are registered at the Barker from Chicago.

George E. Barker returned last evening from an extended Pacific coast tour which included San Francisco, Los Angeles and Portland. General Superintendent A. J. Hitt of the

Rock Island, with headquarters at Chicago leaves for home today after a short business trip to this city. E. Yates, superintendent of the tele graph system of the Burlington, with head-quarters at Lincoln, was in the city yesterday while enroute to New York. Nebraskans at the hotels: H. T. King, Fremont: H. J. Cole and wife. Norfolk: Charles D. White. Waboo; F. E. Valentine, Aurora; W. P. Williams, Hastings; M. L.

Jolan, Grand Island. Senator Charles F. Manderson and wife accompanied by John and Bobert Patrick. left for a tour of the Black Hills region last evening. They will visit Sheridan and Dome Lake for a short outing. G. W. Wattles, Thomas Kilostrick, J. B. Sheean and Judge Macomber left yesterday afternoon for Baton Rouge, where they will urge upon the Louislana legislature, now

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Transmississippi exposition.

n session, the advisability of making an propriation for a state exhibit at the

B. Chatfield, living at 706 South Thirteenth treet, was arrested last night on the charge The Western Newspaper Union has com-menced suit in the county court against Franklin F. Roose for \$369.97, alleged to be

tue for goods sold and delivered. The Board of Fire and Police Commissioners Friday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock held a special meeting at which Peter Boyesen was granted a license to run a saloon at 1513 Douglas street. The Cornell men of Omaha and vicinity are making arrangements to give a hanquet on Monday evening next and celebrate

Cornell's victories in the freshman and

varsity intercollegiate bont races. Charles Wilson, Frank Gorman and James Ward, the men arrested on suspicion of having burglarized the house of A. B Smith, 1203 South Twenty-ninth street were each bound over to the district cours yesterday, the bonds being placed at \$2,000 John Simmons and Bessie Hatfield, alias Nacte, were taken into custody last night teenth and Vinton without the formallty of first being married. The woman was formerly the wife a soldier at Fort Omaha who set her adrift on account of her dis-

ing at Mayor Ensor's office. The program to the rendering works. Connell says that has been prepared and will be given to the after this he will do his riding in a printers in a day or two. Here is the buggy, schedule for the day: Sunrise, national salute; reception of visitors from 7 until 9 m; 9 a.m., greased pig turned loose; 0:15, women's bloycle parade; 9:20, bloycle races; 10 a. m., grand parade; 11:30, exercises at Spring Lake park; 12:30, dinner at the park: 2:30, riding wild horses, climbing greased pole beef and sheep slaughtering Washington if they are all right. It is contest; 3 p. m., bicycle races, base ball thought that Mr. Sawyer will get around game; 4 o'clock, foot and mule races, riding to this in a few days. After the deeds wild steer; 6 p. m., supper, sunset salute

Duzen will read the Declaration of Independ- | the case be opened again, The fireworks which were some days ago arrived yesterday. It is the intention of the committee to turn six greased pigs loose during the day.

COMPANIES WILL FIGHT THE TAX. Propose to Charge \$5 for Privilege

of Planting Poles in the Street. City Attorney Montgomery has about completed the ordinance which was ordered drawn some time ago placing a tax on all elegraph, telephone, electric light and motor poles in the city. The ordinance will be in shape to present to the council Mon-

Friends of the telegraph and telephone companies have taughed at the attempt to tax the poles and have stated that such a tax could not be collected even if the ordi nance passed. There are in the city nearly 1,800 poles, and should the council insist ipon a tax of \$5 a pole, as has been proposed, the revenue thus derived would be quite large. Mr. Montgomery said yester-day that he had looked into the matter thoroughly and was satisfied that the telehone and telegraph poles could be sub-octed to a tax. He cited a case decided by the United States supreme court some time ago in which the court held that a charge of \$5 a pole for the privilege of using the streets or alleys was valid. The attorney has worked on the strength of this decision and expects his ordinance to stick, but not without a fight, as he said he had learned that the companies interested would contest the ordinance.

STATE APPOINTS NO INSPECTORS. No Money Provided to Pay Their Sal-

When the question of dispensing with the ervices of the city live stock inspector was being discussed at a recent meeting of the city council, one of the members remarked that the statutes provided for state live stock inspectors. He thought that if the state was paying a number of inspectors one or more ought to be stationed at this point and thus relieve the city of the expense of paying the salary of an inspector. After some discussion the city attorney was di sected to write to Governor Holcomb and in uire where the inspectors provided for were tationed and what their duties were. erday a reply was received stating that the egislature adjourned after creating the ofto pay the expenses of such offices and of

The old fight on abolishing the office of ity live stock inspector will come up in the council Monday night, and the street talk a that Mose Howard will still hold onto his job in spite of the protests of two or three members of the council, who would like to save the taxpayers the amount of his

Friday evening Officer Phil Conneil hired a horse of George Mosher with the intention | 1416 Dooglas street.

of riding with the South Omaha delegation in the parade. The animal was a good, gentle driver, but had never been ridden SOUTH OMAHA NEWS before. After quite a fight the saddle was put on and Connell mounted. The horse gave one buck, threw Connell about ten feet and fell, breaking one of its legs.

The committees in charge of the Fourth It was found that nothing could be done in the committee of the connection of the legs. of July celebration will meet Monday even- with the animal, so it was shot and sent

Deeds Ready for Delivery.

The deeds to the postoffice site purchased by the government from Anna M. Geary some time ago, are now in the hands of United States Attorney Sawyer, who, after looking them over, will send them on to are once in Washington it is expected the 8:30, illuminated bicycle parade; 9 o'clock, government will pay the purchase money at once, and thus settle the mater. At the park Mayor Ensor will preside and is, some people would like to have the Rev. H. P. Espey, pastor of the United Presbyterian church, will deliver the invocation ernment would choose another site, and it Addresses will be delivered by Hon. Warren is thought that as long as the purchase Switzler and Jacob Hauck and J. H. Van money is not paid there is a chance of money is not paid there is a chance of

> Y. M. C. A. Athletic Exhibition. Tuesday evening members of the Young

Men's Christian association will give an athletic entertainment at Young Men's Institute hall, and the following program will be gone through with: Selection, chorus; dumbbell drill, by classes; vocal solo, Ned Mitchell of Council Bluffs; horse drill, by classes; quartet, Sutherland, Blanchard, Willams, Condren; parallel bar drill, by classes; nstrumental duet, Misses Brayton and Whitlesey; Indian club exhibition, Tony Laus-Bluffs; fancy mat work, horizontal bar exhi-

W. S. Witten, feedmaster for the Union Stock Yards company, has perfected a corn feeding device and is rapidly putting his boxes into the pens. The object is to have a complete check on the corn used, something never before attainable under any system. An examination of the device leads one to believe that it will work successfully, besides it will do away with baving horses and wagons in the alleys during the busy time of day. Under the new system one man can do the work of two.

Magie City Gossip. W. J. Brobman of Clarks was a visitor at the stock yards yesterday.

Nels Purrington, one of the commission

the exchange, left for Denver yeserday afternoon. George Rowher, one of Washington coun-'s prominent farmers, was in the city yesorday attending to some business.

The Board of Education will mest Wednessiar evening to open bids for the addition o be built on the Third ward school house. The Acme ball club of Omaha will play a club on the grounds at Twenty-Fifth and

The friends of Miss Bessie Kane have preented her with a handsome diamond ring a bonor of her graduating from St. Agnes. Snippers of stock should bear in mind that

July 4 will be observed as a holiday at the yards here. All stock arriving will be cared for, but no business will be trans-Mayor Ensor stated yesterday that he would close all of the gambling houses in the city on July 8 and keep them closed. At present there are eight houses running, he-

sides a policy shop.

Thomas Kingston of Stanton county had Thomas kingston of Stanton county had three car loads of white face steers on sale restorday. There were sixty in the bunch and they averaged 1.338 pounds. The price paid was \$4.50, which is a high figure for the month and since January 11, when the same price topped the market.

Only two days more of the 20 per cent issociat sale of furniture, curtains and traperies at Orchard & Wilhelm Carpet Co.,