

Just Six Shopping Days Before Christmas



WHAT a world of work there is to be done—we've seen to it that all parts of our store service is equal to the occasion—The stock was large—over \$100,000.00 invested in Christmas Jewelry, etc.—The very newness of it makes it the one place for you to come—we will help you in your selections—so will our prices.

Watches

Boys' or girl's Watch, reliable and warranted. \$5.00
Elegant extra small sterling silver Chatelaine Watch. 8.00
Boys' or youths' Watch, genuine Elgin, in extra thin case. 10.00
Youth's Watch, small and new, full jeweled, sterling silver case. 12.00
Gold filled case ladies' genuine Elgin works, small or large size. 15.00
Gold filled case, for ladies, large or small, Elgin movement, warranted 15 years. 15.00
Gold filled case, for gentlemen, Elgin movement, extra flat and thin, small or large. 12.00
Our watch stock never was as complete and every piece in it is reliable goods.
We have an elegant line of higher priced goods, from these prices up to our \$800.00 repeater.
We sell a good rolled gold Chain for gentlemen for \$2.00, warranted 5 years.

Jewelry

Our solid gold jewelry department contains everything that is new and novel—from these prices up.
Solid Gold Children's Rings. 75c
Solid Gold Misses' Rings. \$1.50
Solid Gold Ladies' Rings. 2.00
Solid Gold Gentlemen's Rings. 2.00
Solid Gold Ladies' Chains. 9.00
Solid Gold Gentlemen's Chain, Dickinson's style. 11.50
Stick Pins and Scarf Pins, solid gold, 6 trays of them, at each. 1.50
Link Cuff Buttons, solid gold, per pair. 2.75
Dumbell Cuff Buttons, solid gold, per pair. 2.75
Children's Pins, solid gold, each. 75c
Gentlemen's Studs, solid gold, per set of 3. 2.75
Five 10-foot show cases full of solid gold jewelry at a variation of prices that enables us to suit any one.

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Gorham Sterling Silver

Gorham sterling silver flat ware, spoons and forks, all patterns, copy-righted and cannot be found in plated ware.
Set of Tea Spoons (6) sterling fine. \$3.50
Set of Forks (6) sterling fine. 7.50
Set of Dessert Spoons (5) sterling fine. 7.50
Set of Table Spoons (6) sterling fine. 11.00
Gorham silver handled Carving Sets, Wade & Butler steel. 9.00
Sterling silver Sugar Spoon. 1.50
Sterling silver Sugar Sifter. 1.50
Sterling silver Butter Knife. 1.50
Sterling silver Bon Bon Spoon. 1.50
A complete line of Gorham's sterling silver pieces in cases suitable for presents—salad sets—carving sets—salad forks—berry spoons—ice cream spoons—bouillon spoons—Toilet Goods in Brushes, Combs, Mirrors, Puff Boxes. These goods we have had to re-order twice; we have a new lot being unpacked to-day. We have all you want now.

Cigar Boxes in Old Gold

and Silver trimmed. These goods have just arrived, \$3.50 to \$6.00, also Glove Boxes and Jewel cases in Oak Gold and Silver trimmed.

Diamonds

Real Diamonds—not chips—but the regular cut stones, in Rings—at \$7.00—from that up.
We've the largest line of mounted stones we have shown in five years—all new—in Rings, Brooches, Studs, Pendants, etc.
Solitaire Diamonds and Diamonds in combination with Emeralds, Rubies, Sapphires, etc.
An elegant line of Diamond Scarf Pins from \$3.50 up.

Plated Ware

Tea Sets at \$5.00 and up.
Fine Nickel Chafing Dishes, \$5.00 and up.

Umbrellas

Ladies' Umbrellas, Dresden top \$1.95
Gentlemen's Umbrellas, Sterling top. 2.25
Gentlemen's Umbrella and Cane Sterling top. 3.50
The largest line of fine Dresden hand'd Ladies' Umbrellas ever shown in Omaha.

Umbrellas and Canes.

Beautiful Dresden handles for ladies, elegant natural wood handles for gentlemen. We have twice as many as last year to select from—all new, too.

Pocket Books

The largest line of Pocket Books for ladies and gentlemen ever shown in Omaha—suitable for presents at very reasonable prices.

Opera Glasses.

Genuine Lemaire. If you want a good Opera Glass come here. We don't deal in the \$1.90 kind. If you want a good one every pair is warranted. They are all new, not a scratch on any of them; from \$4.50 up.

Sterling Silver Novelties.

We haven't time to quote prices on Sterling Silver Novelties but have received a lot of new goods so we can supply anything you want from 25c up.

Cut Glass

Ours is the finest made—the famous James Hoare & Co. Blue White Glass—every piece is a gem in itself—Hardly a thing in Cut Glass but what we are showing—and we've made the prices right—The display alone is worth coming to the store to see.

C. S. RAYMOND CO

SEVENTH CORNER DOUGLAS AND FIFTEENTH STREETS.

PERMITS NO OPEN GAMBLING

Nebraska Authority Sufficient to Check Any Gamester's Ambition.
Local Attorneys and Jurists.

LAW ENOUGH TO CHECK THE BUSINESS

Decision of the District Court at Lincoln Look On as Unsound by Local Attorneys and Jurists.

Judge Hall of the district court of Lancaster county has held that the law passed in 1887 and relating to gambling is unconstitutional and that the state cannot successfully prosecute under its provisions. He handed down this opinion Wednesday in a case on trial at Lincoln wherein Harry Crawford and William Gleason were charged with operating gambling devices. The case proceeded in the usual way, the defendants being held to answer in the district court. When the county called the case for trial the attorney for the defendants demurred to the information, contending that in 1887, when the legislature passed the bill making gambling a felony, changes were made by which the law as passed did not show the facts. He insisted that in the law providing against the keeping of gambling devices the house amended the statute file by inserting the word "felonious" and that when it was returned to the house from which it originated, that body failed to concur, but instead passed the law as though a concurrence had been had. In passing on the point raised by the attorneys for the defendants, Judge Hall held with the defense and declared that the law was and is unconstitutional. The decision of the Lincoln Judge caused considerable comment in court circles yesterday and was the one subject of discussion, many of the attorneys contending that the decision settles the question of open gambling houses. These attorneys say that if a man cannot be punished for keeping and operating gambling devices, he cannot well be punished for gambling. Other attorneys raised, however, the question of the constitutionality of the law, alleging that the two houses of the legislature had not concurred in the passage of certain sections of the criminal code. The question was argued before the supreme court and the findings of the lower court were sustained. Judge Dickinson says that the supreme court did not decide the jurisdictional question, but based its decision upon other points raised. However, he is of the opinion that had the supreme court found the law unconstitutional it would have so held. County Attorney Bridgman says he regards the Lincoln decision in the nature of a bluff. He says that the gamblers have continued for several years that the law is 1887

GORDON READY FOR M RCER

Chairman of Council's Judiciary Committee May Come On.
POLICE JUDGE INVITES INVESTIGATION

Contents that the Affairs of His Court Are Conducted According to Law and Defies Possible Criticism.

BAKER HYDE IN VERY HARD LUCK.

Sad Case of Destitution Exposed in Police Court. A pathetic case of destitution was brought to light in police court yesterday in the case of Milo Hyde, charged with being a suspicious character. Hyde was arrested while attempting to dispose of a family bible at one of the pawn shops. It was supposed that the book had been stolen. It appears that Hyde is an honest baker with a wife and two small children living in the Cunningham block. Some time ago Hyde lost his position, through no fault of his own, and has since been unable to secure work. To make matters worse his wife took sick, and in addition to poverty the head of the little household was obliged to contend with disease. Gradually the few needed domestic articles were sold to provide food until the scanty stock dwindled to the bible. The wedding present given to the invalid wife by her parents, not many years ago, it was only after a hard struggle with her feelings that Mrs. Hyde agreed to part with the bible. The children were crying for food. She consented. The husband wrapped it up in an old newspaper and had just made a bargain with the money lender when he was arrested. Hyde was discharged by Judge Gordon.

PLANS ARE TOO EXPENSIVE

Architects' Designs Call for More Money Than There is in Sight.
PARK BOARD WILL RETURN THE BDS

Arch of States and Permanent Bridges on Exposition Grounds Will Not Be Built by the Commissioners.

Hon. Carroll S. Montgomery Elected to the Board of Park Commissioners.

The recently elected board of managers of the Omaha Fair and Speed association held its initial meeting at the Commercial club at noon yesterday. A majority of the members were present and President Bennett, secretary Mount and several other members of the old board were also in attendance to give the "new ones" pointers. The following officers were elected: C. S. Montgomery, president; Dudley Smith, vice president; Oscar Pickard, temporary secretary; Edgar Allen, treasurer. Charles Metz, who was elected director, refused to occupy his position and his place was filled by the election of J. H. McClellan. President Bennett read a communication from Chairman J. B. Dinsmore of the state fair board, informing him that that body has been decided by a majority in favor of holding a state fair next year until the new board of directors was ready to consider the matter. Mr. Bennett also announced that on last Tuesday he and ex-Secretary Mount had asked the county commissioners to pave Lutten avenue, from the Center street grounds north to the east, and made arrangements to secure the fair grounds next year to give race meets during the exposition. These matters and all others were put over until a future meeting. Some of them will be considered next Thursday noon, when the directory will hold its next meeting.

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Federal Court Notes.

The case of Edward R. Fogg, receiver of the Nebraska National bank of Beatrice, against Sadie C. Knowles, an alleged stockholder, to recover an assessment of some \$1,500 has been decided by a jury in favor of the defendant. The case was on trial a couple of days. This was the time of the federal court yesterday. The case is being carried by a jury to try the case of Herman R. Vandercar against the Omaha & Republican Valley railroad, for recovery of an assessment of \$200,000 for the loss of a hand. Vandercar alleges that while he was alighting from a train at Loop City, on November 11, 1895, he was thrown to the platform by the sudden strutting of the train. He fell in such a manner that the car wheel passed over his left hand and cut it off.

BOARD OF EDUCATION FINANCES.

Secretary Gillan Points Out Some Things that Must Be Looked After.

In discussing the financial prospects of the Board of Education Secretary Gillan calls attention to the fact that one or two items of additional expense must be considered. In the first place the board has issued \$200,000 in bonds which become due in 1908. Under the law the board will be compelled to begin the development of a sinking fund next year. Beginning in 1888 one-tenth of the amount of the bonds must be set aside each year, so the item of \$20,000 will be added to the liabilities of the board for next year. It is also certain that the cost of raising the schools will be somewhat greater next year. The increase in the attendance this year has approximated 1,000 pupils. Most of these have been assimilated into the various schools without extra expense, but in some cases it has been necessary to increase the accommodations, and this has involved the addition of from five to ten new rooms. The Lake, Long and Kellogg schools are crowded to their utmost capacity and the further increase of the school population that is anticipated next year will be likely to make some provisions imperative. Superintendent Pearce thinks that the crowding in the north part of the city can be remedied without the erection of a new building. There are now 385 pupils in sixteen rooms at the Lake school, 865 in sixteen rooms at Long and 909 in seventeen rooms at Kellom. This is the full capacity of the buildings, and all three are now unaccountably crowded. But it happens that every district where there is still available room. For instance, an increase in the attendance at Lake can be remedied by transferring a slice of the district to Omaha View or Franklin. A part of the Central district can be transferred to Farnam and a portion of Lincoln to Cornhill. The only case in which the trouble cannot be eliminated by a readjustment of the boundaries is at Kellom, and there there is still so tumbled room in the annex which will be sufficient to tide over next year.

Assessment Turned Over.

The Board of Review has finished a thankless task and the completed assessment for 1898 has been turned over to the tax commissioner. The remainder of the work is of a clerical nature, but there is a lot of it and it will be several weeks before it is all accomplished. It is not expected, however, that the council will sit as a board of equalization much before the middle of January and by that time the board has completed its task. The following births and deaths were reported at the health office during the twenty-four hours ending at noon yesterday: Births—Andrew Brackett, 1024 S. Twenty-second street, boy; Anton Cholinsky, Twenty-fifth and Pierce, boy. Deaths—Beale Ruth, 15, 1107 North Nineteenth, burned by gasoline, Holy Natron and Ira S. Reed, 23, 1915 Leavenworth, Nebraska, Neb.; Elvira Birnbock, 3 months, 1112 South Eleventh, Laurel Hill.

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GUARANTY BONDS COME HIGH

Commissions Asked by the Fidelity Companies Out of Reach.
COUNTY OFFICIALS CANNOT AFFORD THEM

Douglas County Will Get Personal Sureties to Protect Interests in Acts of Its Officers.

It begins to look as though all of the incoming county officials would submit indemnity, instead of guaranty company bonds, though it is possible that some of the justices and constables may put in the latter class of bonds to avoid their liabilities in the event that any should occur during their respective terms. Some time ago there was a sentiment among the officials and also among the commissioners that the guaranty bonds were just the thing. The commissioners still cling to this opinion, but with the officials the opinion is not popular. They say that they would prefer to give guaranty bonds were the fees, proportionate to so high. They say that if they side with their bosses, a premium would be up all of the salary of the first year of the term and that consequently it would be folly to consider such a proposition.

WILL INVITE THE PEOPLE'S PARTY.

Secretary Ut thinks he can secure the National Convention. Secretary Ut is laying plans to capture for this city next year the national convention which has just been called to his attention. This is the national convention of the people's party. It will not meet in expectation time, but an attempt will nevertheless be made to secure it. The matter has come up in a letter received from John C. Buckley of St. Paul, chairman of the committee on location. He writes that the committee will shortly consider the selection of a place for holding the national meeting of the party next April, at which time candidates for the presidency and vice presidency of the United States will be nominated. He is anxious to have the convention held in the west, and therefore asks (that this city send proposals and an invitation.

Sinford Home is Looted.

Burglars entered the residence of Mr. Sinford, 267 North Twenty-eighth street, Wednesday night and made away with considerable valuable booty. Among the things taken was a gold watch valued at about \$50, a pocketbook, containing some other minor articles, in all of the value of about \$20. There is also a new watch reported stolen. An entrance was gained through the front door by means of a skeleton key.