

Bee, Nov. 27.

# Monday Christmas Selling Begins

What can be better for a present than a selection from among these items, which only partially represent our great store

## Wool Quilts—

Or Merritt's health comforts, are filled with pure sterilized Indiana wool—last a lifetime, can be washed like a blanket.

3 pounds, \$2.75.  
4 pounds, \$3.75.  
Handsome down quilts are here for your inspection. Prices—\$4, \$5, \$6, \$7, \$8, \$9, \$10, \$11, \$12, \$13, \$14, \$15, \$16, \$17, \$18, \$19, \$20.

BLANKETS. The best blankets in various grades that we could have made for us in America—and no other country makes the blankets so well.

Large size 11-4 wool blankets, wood and cotton mixed, but soft and warm, at \$3.99 pair.  
Full size 11-4 all wool blankets, 5-pound at \$3.65 pair.  
11-4 gray or white blankets, all wool, soft and durable, at \$4.35 each.

Corsets—Sensible women insist upon having that corset which is best adapted to their figure.

The name amounts to nothing unless it is suitable to your figure and attached to a good article.  
At our Corset Department we have good names—good corsets, too.  
At \$5 a good fitting corset—made of Jean body—long waist—corded bust—at \$6 each.

## Ladies Gloves—

Very fine, soft and reliable kid gloves. \$1.50 per pair.

In addition to the genuine Foster lace and Trefousse clasps, we added to our line the celebrated Cluse patent thumb clasp, plique-colois, laces, brown and green—a regular \$1.75 glove. This is without doubt the best glove ever offered at \$1.50 per pair.

Men's Furnishings—Fancy colored shirts and drawers.

Reduced to \$1.00 a garment—former price, \$1.50.  
Men's heavy ribbed Cotton "Onetta" Combination Suits, \$1.00 each.  
Men's heavy ribbed Cotton Combination suits in medium sizes, reduced to \$1.00 each.

## Hosiery and Underwear—Ladies' black

cashmere hose.

Ladies' black cashmere hose, in opera length, very good quality, with fine ribbing, very nice line of ladies' fancy cashmere hose in pretty patterns at \$1.50 pair.

Children's fine ribbed black cashmere hose, with high spliced heels and double soles, 3c, 3 pairs \$1.00.  
Children's fine ribbed black cotton hose, lined with double knees, 2c pair.

Just received, a fine line of ladies' jersey ribbed pure silk vests, high neck and long sleeves, elegant quality of goods, \$3.50 each.

Ladies' jersey ribbed light weight wool vests, good fitting, in blue and natural, \$1.00 each.

Ladies' Scotch Normal Sanitary Combination Suits, light weight, dark colors, imported and guaranteed to be strictly pure wool; size 28, \$2.75; rise, 25c on a size.

Children's black jersey ribbed wool tights, all sizes, \$1.00 each.

Roberts' Razor Steel Scissors are famed for their goodness—they are made of the very best steel—are ground to a good sharp edge—every pair warranted. We have them at 50c, 65c, 75c, 85c, 95c and \$1.00.

We also carry an excellent line of Steel Shears, 7, 8 and 9-inch—at 25c per pair.  
Beautiful Scissors, with sterling handles, at 45c, \$1.00 and \$1.75.

## Christmas Work—

Lace footing, edgings, and insertings for handkerchief making.

All these in great variety of widths and quantities.  
A large assortment of narrow fine Swiss insertings for this work, which every lady will appreciate. Select early before the assortment is broken. See the footing and edge combined.

Fine curtains—The last lot of our importations of high grade Brussels net curtains.

We have placed on sale and are reduced from \$8.00, \$9.00 and \$10.00, to one common price, \$5.25 per pair. Come early, as they will soon be closed out.

Ruffled Swiss Curtains at \$1.15 and \$1.25 per pair.

## Ladies' Gowns—Ladies' domet gowns.

Circular yoke, trimmed with fancy braid, at \$1.00 each.  
Ladies' Gowns, Mother Hubbard style, yoke trimmed with pretty lace, collar and cuffs to match, at \$1.25 each.

## New Black Dress Goods—

A demand for better silks—the demand is met and with a beautifulness that makes unequalled choosing.

It is unnecessary to say that our black silks are in Omaha, whether in the favored plain weaves or the more elaborate fancies. We could sell over 500 dress lengths today without duplicate. They are now ready for your inspection.

NEW BLACK SATIN LUDWIG. Rich lustrous black silk—strikingly beautiful—a delight to lovers of rich black silks.  
22-inch, \$2.25 a yard.  
24-inch, \$2.50 a yard.  
26-inch, \$3.00 a yard.

BLACK SATIN DUCHESSE. The title of silk buyers ever sets straight in the direction of this popular silk. Why not? A quality of silk beyond question as to its beauty and wearing qualities.  
22-inch—\$2.40 a yard.  
24-inch—\$2.75 a yard.  
26-inch—\$3.00 a yard.

Odds and Ends of the Exposition Lincens.

At the close of our sale of John S. Brown & Sons, fine table cloths and napkins we find many odd pairs on hand.

To close them quickly we place them on sale at prices which make a substantial saving to housekeepers.

6 odd cloths, each \$3.50 and \$3.00, Monday, price \$2.00 each.  
4 odd cloths, 8-12, were \$5.00, Monday, price \$3.00 each.  
4 odd cloths, 12-16, were \$10.00 and \$9.00, Monday, price \$5.00 each.

1 odd cloth, 10-10, was \$20.00, Monday, price \$10.00.  
4 dozen odd 3-4 napkins, were \$7.50, Monday, price \$5.00 a dozen.  
3 dozen 5-8 napkins, were \$15.00, \$9.00 and \$10.00, Monday, price \$5.00 a dozen.  
Odd remnants of table damask cheap.  
Odd remnants of 1/2 dozen napkins cheap.  
Odd remnants of crash and toweling cheap.

## Ladies' Capes Our garments are and Jackets—made right and sold at the right prices.

Our assortment is large—we handle nothing but reliable goods.  
Beautiful new style Coats at \$10.00, \$12.00 and \$15.00.

## NEW BATTLESHIP'S AFLOAT

Wisconsin Launched and Christened in San Francisco Bay.

SPECTACLE IS VIEWED BY THOUSANDS

Released by a Child Another Great Government Fighting Machine Glides Into the Pacific Ocean.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 26.—Today at the Union Iron works another great marine fighting machine was added to the already large fleet of Pacific war vessels. The vessel which slid from the ways today was the battleship Wisconsin, the largest of the vessels built for the United States government by the Union Iron works.

The launching of the big vessel was effected at 9:22 without a hitch, and it now rests calmly on the waters of the bay.

For hours the street cars let down their loads at the ship yard and all the available boats on the bay were pressed into service by people anxious to see the baptism of the great vessel. Thousands saw the plunge from different points of vantage, and the platform especially set aside for the guests of the Union Iron works was crowded.

An army of men, sent in a delegation of christeners, who journeyed all the way from the Badger state to witness the event, and they were given the places of honor upon the platform with the representatives of the press and the general public.

Three men, possibly the only ones in the highlands, a train was blown off the rails near Tralee, Ireland, numbers of fishing boats have been lost, many fishermen have perished and the Irish mail boats and cross-channel mail services were interrupted or seriously delayed. Trains have been snowed up at several places and generally the snow storm is considered to have been the worst for many years. The severe weather reached as far south as the Mediterranean, where a French transport bound for Tunis was obliged to return to Genoa.

It is reported that some of the recruits on board were killed or injured during the storm.

OCEAN STEAMERS IN THE STORM. Atlantic Liners Experience Severe Weather for Several Days.

QUEENSTOWN, Nov. 26.—Incoming ocean steamers today report having experienced severe weather for several days past. The German steamer Adria, one of the chartered steamers of the International Navigation company, from Philadelphia, November 13, for Liverpool, reports passing through a winter storm on Wednesday last, during which it was holed for twenty hours. All the passengers were kept below and were greatly alarmed by the violent motion of the ship, which rolled terribly. Some injuries were sustained about the deck from the heavy seas which swept over the vessel.

The British freight steamer Silverton, from Port Royal, S. C., November 6, for Liverpool, which also arrived here today, reports that the vessel was holed by the storm. It lost its cabin, the cabin was flooded and several of the crew were injured.

SPOKE OFFENSIVELY OF EMPEROR. New Yorker is Thrown in Jail in Berlin on Charge of Leasing Maje.

BERLIN, Nov. 26.—Frank Knack of New York has been arrested on the charge of leasing maje, said to have been committed to a prison cell. Mr. Knack was arrested while sitting with his wife in a fashionable restaurant. It is alleged that he referred in an offensive manner to the emperor and a person who heard him immediately summoned a policeman. Although Mr. Knack has several witnesses who deny that he had made the alleged remark he was thrown into jail. The officials of the United States embassy have done everything possible to bring about his release and a large amount of bail has been offered.

Mr. Knack is a civil engineer and is interested in the Niagara water power. He originally came from Stettin.

CHARGE OF PERJURY AND FRAUD. Mrs. Cohn Trying to Obtain Official Declaration of Her Innocence.

BERLIN, Nov. 26.—Mrs. Cohn of New York, who was arrested on September 24, on leaving a court here, charged with perjury and fraud, has been released and the United States embassy is trying to obtain a formal declaration from the German foreign office that her innocence has been established. Mrs. Cohn came to Berlin to sue for 6,000 marks, which she alleges was due to her father-in-law, R. Cohn of New York. Her arrest was brought about on the ground that she was prosecuting her own claim. Mrs. Cohn's defense at the time was that the oath was not administered to her according to the Jewish religion rites and therefore it is not binding upon her.

EDHEM WANTS CHRISTIAN BLOOD. At Time of Massacres Musselman's Men Active in Violent Manner.

CANEA, Island of Crete, Nov. 26.—During the trial today of the murderers of the Trankika family, the deposition of a Musselman was read. It said that at the time of the massacre of the Trankika family, the Turkish commander, assembled the influential Mussulmans and invited them to massacre all the Christians found in Candia twenty-four hours after the meeting. The pasha's remarks were interpreted by the Turkish Major Churchill, the commander of the Gendarmerie, who protested strongly, and was ordered by Edhem Pasha to leave the room.

Findings in Mohekan Case. LONDON, Nov. 26.—The Board of Trade inquiry into the loss of the Atlantic Transport company's steamer Mohekan, which was wrecked off the coast of Labrador, was concluded today. The judgment of the board's commission was that the ship was in a good seaworthy condition and that Captain Griffith was in good health at the time the disaster occurred, the stranding of the vessel being caused by a wrong course being steered after the Mohekan had passed Eddystone light. The commission in addition expressed admiration of efforts that had been made to save those on board the steamer. The commission also found that the great loss of life was due to the extinction of the electric lights on the steamer after it went ashore.

Want Plaintiff Trial Postponed. PARIS, Nov. 26.—A committee of plaintiff attorneys had an interview today with Premier M. Dupuy, Minister of War DeFréycinet and Minister of Justice Lebret. The senators demanded that the trial of Lieutenant Colonel Plaquart on the charge of revealing military documents to the press be postponed until the decision of the court of cassation in the Dreyfus revision is announced.

FREIGHT STEAMER AGROUND. Boat Loaded with Corn Beached on Michigan Coast and Engineer Drowned.

FRANKFORT, Mich., Nov. 26.—In a heavy snow storm the steamer St. Lawrence, loaded with corn from Chicago, was gone ashore one mile south of Point Betsy. A heavy sea was running when the steamer struck the beach, and in taking off the crew were killed. The second engineer was drowned. The steamer is hard aground and in bad condition. It is insured for \$75,000; the cargo is insured for \$26,000.

## VIRTUALLY FREE

TREATMENT OF INVALIDS AT THE SHEPARD INSTITUTE

The Many Excellent Advantages Now Afforded the Sick—Catarrh, Bronchitis, Deafness and All Common Chronic Diseases Without the Usual Hardship in the Matter of Fees.

The Shepard Medical Institute affords invalids several advantages which are not obtainable elsewhere in the world. First, equal attention is paid to every separate and distinct class of malady, and the treatment is adapted to the individual case. Second, under the Shepard system the patient incurs the least expense. All medicines, heating sprays, inhalations, balms and remedies are provided free, the total cost of treatment and cure being less than the average outlay of the sick in drug bills.

Third, any sufferer who so desires can have the privilege of a thorough examination and first or trial treatment without any charge whatever, it being then left to the invalid a option and judgment whether or not to enter upon a full and regular course.

Fourth, under the Shepard system the sufferer from disease is sure of the best treatment. He is not only guarded against the wrong and cruelty of exorbitant fees, but is also protected from the deplorable results of ignorance, error of blunder or frequent in medical practice. The Shepard system is known to the people as a relief for the people and is cherished by the people, not because the treatment is practically free, but because it is the very best that can be found. It is cured four years ago.

Nervous Weakness So Common in Women.

Severe Chronic Catarrh Takes on a Constitutional Form.

Mrs. Emma Grebe, 25th and K streets, South Omaha, Neb., writes of that city, goes on record in this way:

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Y. M. C. A. BUILDING, S. W. CORNER 16TH AND DOUGLAS.

## BLANCO'S REIGN IS ENDED

Captain General of Cuba Makes Way for His Successor.

CEREMONY TAKES PLACE IN THE PALACE

General Jimenez Castellanos Will Administer Affairs Until the American Forces Take Possession—Work of Evacuation Proceeds.

HAVANA, Nov. 26.—Marshal Blanco at 10:30 o'clock this morning formally resigned the office of governor general and captain general of the island of Cuba in favor of General Jimenez Castellanos.

The ceremony took place in the throne room of the palace without any further solemnity than the secretary of the government reading the royal decrees on the subject in the presence of the president of the colonial government and Generals Parrado, Solano, Reis and Tejada. The ceremony and festivities attending the taking of the oath of office in previous years upon the appointment of a new governor general were dispensed with on the present occasion. There was merely a formal turning over of the military command.

Preparations for the rapid evacuation of the provinces of Pinar del Rio and Havana are progressing actively. The Spanish transport Covadonga arrived here last night. The United States transport Florida completed unloading its cargo yesterday at Mariano and entered Havana harbor shortly after noon yesterday.

Advice from Sagua report that the American schooner Jacob M. Haskell, from Philadelphia with a cargo of coal, ran ashore November 23 on the bar known as Blanquisear Marillanes. Lighters were sent to the assistance from Isabella de Sagua and took off some fifty tons of coal. The cargo will be saved, but the schooner will probably be lost, as the water is up to the decks.

A dispatch from Cardenas says the entrance to that port is dangerous for large vessels owing to obstructions, such as boilers and heavy pieces of machinery, which were sunk during the war, having been washed away by the under tow and massed in the channel known as Mamill pass.

The Spanish evacuation commission believes the evacuation of Havana will be completed by December 10, but this is believed impossible. The commission is satisfied it will be impossible for the troops to remain until February, and a great effort will be made to complete the evacuation of the island, all the army desiring to leave as soon as possible. It is rumored that as soon as the actual evacuation of the island, between the 15th and 10th of December, the civil government will be removed to Cienfuegos, where General Castellanos will establish his headquarters.

The Chamber of Commerce today sent the following communication to the postal authorities in Washington:

Whereas, The method of handling the mail at Havana is antiquated, exceedingly slow and most confusing and is causing the rapidly increasing business of the Americans in this city great embarrassment; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the postmaster general be requested to arrange as soon as possible, the modern postal system be stationed here.

Advice from Guines, Havana province, report that Thursday last the officers of the Barbrato battalion of Spanish troops at the office of La Justicia, destroying it. The officers were looking for the editors of the paper with the intention of killing them because of an editorial which had appeared in the journal under the caption, "Adieu," which article met with the approval of the military commander. Several private residences were attacked in the endeavor to capture the editors, who fled to the insurgents' camps.

CUBANS ANXIOUS TO AVOID FRICTION. Gen. Butler of Evacuation Commission Tells of Conditions in Havana.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 26.—Gen. M. C. Butler of South Carolina, member of the Cuban Evacuation commission, arrived here today direct from Havana, in response to a telegraphic summons from President McKinley. This afternoon he had a two-hour consultation with the president, and an extended report of negotiations for the evacuation and of the terms upon which the Spaniards had agreed to complete the evacuation by January 1. General Butler gave it as his opinion that all the Spanish troops will have departed within the ten days fixed in the agreement. He says the Spaniards have with a few exceptions, shown a reasonable fairness and that there has been little friction. Some of the claims they have made for compensation for Spanish property have been ridiculous and they will, of course, be abandoned in the end.

General Butler denies all reports of discussion among the members of the American commission.

In addition to his report upon the actual work of the joint commission General Butler has furnished the president much valuable information as to the general situation in Cuba, the ability of the Cubans for self-government and generally the result of his observations during his stay there. General Butler is of the opinion that the military government of the island must be continued for some time, but that it only should be as vigorous as may be necessary to preserve order. He thinks the Cubans are ambitious for self-government and anxious to avoid friction with the American authorities. If military control is continued with discretion he believes there will be little trouble. One of the most troublesome features of the situation is the criminal class and the difficulty of determining in the case of prisoners who are incarcerated for political offenses and crime.

There has been a great deal of talk in the past about an oath-bound organization on the order of the Italian Mafia, known as the Nonito, which was a source of terror to the inhabitants. One of the few commendable acts of Weyler was the deportation of about 700 of the members of the organization to the penal colony of Ceuta. But fears are expressed that these criminals may return or

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