

Christmas Shoppers

Can find many an item here that will be sure to add to the holiday happiness of this glad Christmas time.

Holiday Hosiery— Fancy hosiery have taken their place in the ranks of popular gifts...

Cloak Department— Thursday's sale in our Cloak Department. Special closing out sale of children's Cloaks...

Men's Furnishings— An endless variety of ties, for holiday presents, 25c, 50c and \$1 each.

Holiday Gloves— Always acceptable gifts. The best makes are carried by us in both lace and clasp.

Christmas Presents— Various useful things for infants. Cute little kid booties in white, black, tans, coffee, red, pink, blue.

Notions— Pocketbooks and Boston Bags. A glance at the special offerings in holiday pocketbooks will convince you of the many pretty things we are showing for our Christmas trade.

Holiday Linens— A linen table set is a most acceptable gift. A most admirable gathering of Damask Linen is here to choose from—these and others.

Dolls' Sun Bonnets— The cutest thing you ever saw. Crochet Sacques and Booties, Embroidered Shawls, Crochet Silks, Crochet Silk Caps and Angora Caps.

Blankets— For household and quilts— need or holiday thought. This stock is splendidly ready to meet every want.

Holiday Handkerchiefs— Are full of interest. Just now for holiday gifts, and we've such grand assortments that choosing is easy.

Underwear— Ladies' camel's hair Underwear. Very fine, soft quality, flat goods, \$1.00 a garment.

Stirring News— New Silk for Silk Buyers— Waist stuff. A sale that will interest women whether in need of silk for skirt, waist, dress or just a bill for the holiday fancy.

Art Needlework— Sofa Pillows. Ready-made, handsomely embroidered, at \$4.00 \$5.00, \$7.00, \$9.00 and upward.

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PRESIDENT AT HOME AGAIN

Chief Executive and Party Return to the National Capital.

ALL ARE WELL PLEASED WITH THE TRIP

Journey in the South Has Wiped Out All Sectional Lines and Good Feeling Prevails Everywhere.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—President McKinley and party returned to Washington at 11:30 today from their southern trip. The ride through Virginia this morning was uneventful. Mrs. McKinley was somewhat better today and the other members of the party are in good health.

TO AMEND THE INCORPORATION.

Changes in Maritime Canal Company Suggested by Mr. Hawley.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Mr. Hawley of Texas today introduced a bill to amend the act incorporating the Maritime Canal company. It has been approved by a majority of the sub-committee of the committee on interstate and foreign commerce.

CONSTRUCTION OF PACIFIC CABLE.

Corlis of Michigan Desires Secretary of State's Approval of Concession.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Mr. Corlis of Michigan today introduced a bill to facilitate the construction and maintenance of a cable in the Pacific ocean between the United States and Hawaii, Philippines Islands, Japan and other countries.

SPEECH AT COLUMBIA.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 20.—The presidential train arrived at Columbia, where the first secession convention was held, at 10:10 p. m. last night, and remained three-quarters of an hour. A considerable crowd gathered at the station. The second Tennessee band was present and as the train rolled in played an inspiring air. There were prolonged calls for the president, who was introduced by Mayor Lipscomb. The president spoke as follows:

ONCE WARRIOR; NOW A PRIEST

General Olmsted, Conspicuous in Civil War, Converted to Catholic Faith and to Be Ordained.

LAFORTE, Ind., Dec. 20.—General W. A. Olmsted of New York, a convert to the Catholic faith, will be ordained to the priesthood at Notre Dame this week and will celebrate his first mass Christmas morning.

GETS SIX YEARS AND A HALF

Cashier of Wrecked Chestnut Street Bank, Philadelphia, Sentenced for Conspiracy.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 20.—William Steele, former cashier of the wrecked Chestnut Street National bank, was today sentenced by Judge Butler in the United States district court to six years and six months' imprisonment and \$500 fine.

SUICIDE ON A CROWDED CAR

Young Woman Chooses Peculiar Surroundings to Take Fatal Dose of Carbolic Acid.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 20.—Miss Belle Hite attempted suicide this afternoon on a crowded Olive street car by drinking the contents of a bottle of carbolic acid.

WAR INQUIRY BOARD ASKS ADJUTANT GENERAL TO REQUEST HIS PRESENCE.

GENERAL SHAFER'S INTERESTING STORY

Captain Hardy of Fifth Illinois States His Opinion of First Division Hospital in No Uncertain Terms.

EX-QUEEN PLEADS FOR HER RIGHTS

Former Monarch of Hawaii Wants to Recover Her Real Estate.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Ex-Queen Liliuokalani today to the senate today the following protest against the appropriation of the crown lands of Hawaii by the United States:

WIDEN SCOPE OF SENATORIAL LAW.

Butler Gives Notice of an Amendment He Will Present.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Senator Butler of North Carolina gave notice today of an amendment he will introduce to the pension appropriation bill, providing for ex-confederate soldiers. The amendment follows:

HE WILL NOT BE DISUADED.

Secretary Bliss Desires to Retire by First of Year.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Several western senators, including Wolcott of Colorado and Spooner of Wisconsin, today urged Secretary Bliss to remain in the cabinet, but the secretary replied that he would not consider his determination and hoped the president would determine on his success very soon, as he hoped to be able to retire on January 1.

CLEVER COOKS

Who appreciate making their own soups, stews, and gravies, will find it a laboring and strengthening ingredient in their diet.

Every jar guaranteed and signed in Blue. LIEBIG COMPANY'S EXTRACT OF BEEF

MILES UNWILLING TO TESTIFY

War Inquiry Board Asks Adjutant General to Request His Presence.

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—General Shaffer appeared unexpectedly before the investigating committee this afternoon and told the story of the Santiago expedition. He was supported by his aide, Colonel Miles, who was with him in Cuba, and flanked by a large portmanteau of papers, to which his aide occasionally applied for reference.

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IN SENATE AND HOUSE

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SUMMERS FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

Two Nebraska Names Sent to the Senate for Confirmation.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The president today sent these nominations to the senate: Matthew A. Daugherty, receiver of public money at Sidney, Neb.; Robert D. Harris, receiver of public money at Sidney, Neb.; Frederick E. McKinley, receiver of public money at Guthrie, Okl.; Solomon O. Beetha, attorney for northern district of Illinois; William S. Summers, district attorney for Nebraska.

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THREE THOUSAND ARE KILLED

Square Mile of Houses Levelled by Explosion of Powder Magazine.

TERRIBLE FATALITIES IN CHINESE CAMP

American and French Missions at Hang-Chow Damaged, but No White Persons Are Killed.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—A dispatch from Shanghai to a newspaper here says a powder magazine situated in the center of the Chinese camp at Hang-Chow exploded yesterday, leveling a square mile of houses. It is estimated that 3,000 soldiers were killed, including the general commanding the force. The American and French missions are both supposed to have been damaged, but it is said there were no fatalities among the Americans.

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ACQUITTED OF LESE MAJESTE.

American's Condition Justified Term.

RUMORED ASSASSINATION.

PARIS, Dec. 20.—A dispatch from Cape Haytien received here today says that it is rumored that the Dominican president, Ulysses Heureux, has been assassinated while attending a christening tonight.

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