GREAT SLAUGHTER FIRE SALE OF DRUGS AND PATENT

Monday morning, January 23rd, we shall commence the greatest sale of drugs, patent medicines, perfumes, soaps, toilet articles and paints ever attempted in the west. The price at this sale will be but a fraction of the value of the goods. The goods offered are in almost every instance in as prime condition as ever, but wrapper scorched and smoked and are offered at ridiculously low prices to close out at once, as we have more than a carload of new goods already ordered to take their place.

SHERMAN & McCONNELL DRUG CO., 1513 Dodge St., Middle of Block, Omaha, Neb.

History of the Fire.

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The fire which cremated over \$10,000 worth of Drugs and Patent Medicines started on our second floor at about 8:30 last Monday morning, January 16th. James Jameson, the porter, was sent to fill the dispensing bottle with Columbian Spirits (Wood Alcohol) from a barrel of about 28 gailons capacity, containing at that time or 10 gallons of the spirits. He had removed the bung from top of barrel (which laid on the floor) and was in the act of sucking on the rubber siphon to make it 'start, when the vapors, which were probably present in the barrel, escaped, as it is supposed, and ignited from an open gas moment, and two young ladies who were working within a few feet, beat a hasty retreat and losing their hats and wraps in the flames. The use of a hand extinguisher had no effect on the flames and the fire department was at once called. Chief Redell as usual did himself proud, and it is a phenomenal circumstance that while the were kept entirely from the first floor and the third floor was only damaged by heat and smoke-but not by flames,

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Some Startling Bargains Remember the quality of the goods offered is unimpaired—but the wrappers are scorched or smoked.

43 bottle Lydia Pinkham's Compound, regular price \$1.00, Fire Sale Price 50c 69 bottles Swift's Specific (S. S. S.), regular price \$1.00, Fire Sale Price 34 bottles Swift's Specific (S. S. S.), regular price \$1.75, Fire Sale Price.......\$1.00 About 250 bottles Household Ammonia, regular price 10c, Fire Sale Price 5c About 200 bottles Distilled Extract Witch Hazel, regular price 25c and 35c, Fire About 100 bottles Mexican Hair Tonic, regular price \$1.00, Fire Sale Price 50c About 45 or 50c bottles Wine of Cardul, regular price, \$1.00, Fire Sale Price 50c About 50 or 60 boxes fresh Almond Blossom Cold Cream, regular price 15c, Fire Sale Price About 20 or 25 boxes fresh Almond Blossom Cold Cream, regular price 25c, Fire Sale Price 14c About 40 or 50 bottles Circassian Rum and Quinine, regular price 50c, Fire Sale Price 256 About 100 or 200 boxes Victor's 10-Minute Headache Capsules, regular price 10c. Fire Sale Price 5c About 75 to 100 boxes Victor's 10 -- Minute Headache Capsules, regular price 25c, Fire Sale Price 120 About 200 to 300 bottles Souvenir Violet Water, regular price 25c, Fire Sale Price.. 15c About 200 boxes Medicated Throat Tablets, regular price 10c, Fire Sale Price About 1,000 boxes Menthol Cough Drops, regular price 5c, Fire Sale Price...... About 100 boxes Lautirn Complexion Powder, regular price 50c, Fire Sale Price.. 15c About 200 boxes Kidd's Headache Wafers, regular price 50c, Fire Sale Price 15c About 100 quart bottles San Gabriel Claret, regular price 50c. fire sale price...... 25c About 100 bottles Mange Lotion for Dogs, legular price 50c, fire sale price,...... 25c About 50 to 75 boxes Brown's Camph. Tooth Powder, regular price 25c, fire sale price 12c About 100 to 150 Dubois Pennyroyal & Tansy Pills, regular price \$2.00, fire sale price 90c

About 25 to 30 bottles Liquid Peptonoids, regular price \$1.00, fire sale price..... 50c
About 40 to 50 bottles Fairchild's Ess. Pepsin, regular price \$1.00, fire sale price... 50c
About 60 to 70 boxes Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, regular price \$1.00, fire sale price. 50c About 80 to 90 boxes Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, regular price 50c, fire sale price... 25c About 30 to 30 boxes Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, regular price 50c, fire sale price... 50c
About 30 to 40 boxes Panopeton, regular price \$1.00, fire sale price... 50c
About 80 to 100 boxes Shinon Silver Polish, regular price 25c, fire sale price... 12c
About 40 to 50 bottles Mellin's Food, regular price, 75c, fire sale price... 38c
About 25 to 50 bottles Mellin's Food, regular price 50c, fire sale price... 25c
About 30 to 40 packages Homoepathic Health Coffee, reg. price 35c, fire sale price... 10c About 200 bottles Malaga Sweet Almond Oil, regular price 15c, fire sale price...... About 200 bottles Lily Cream, regular price 25c, fire sale price... About 80 to 100 boxes, each containing one dozen, UpJohn's 2-gr. Quinine Pills, reg-

Perfumes and Atomizers

We had just put away quite a quantity of fancy packages of Perfumes left from the holidays and these will be sold at about one-half their former value. We quote

About 10 or 12 bottles Ricksecker's Violet Water, regular price \$1.00, Fire Sale Price 50c About 100 or 125 bottles Florida Water, regular price 50c, Fire Sale Price 25c

About 40 or 50 Green Cut Glass Atomizers, regular price \$1.00. Fire Sale Price About 25 to 30 White CutGlass Atomizers, regular price \$1.00, Fire Sale Price About 200 to 300 Souvenir Violet Water (long green bottles), regular price 50c, Fire Sale Price

Condition of Sale-All goods sold for spot cash. To insure delivery during this sale, on the day of purchase shopping should be done be-

Our Prescription Department

During this sale will receive full attention and compounding will be done with our usual promptness.

Random Remarks

We were not closed a minute on the day of the fire and many of our customers don't know yet that we had one. Chief Reddell knows enough to STOP

WHEN THE FIRE IS OUT, and that is a

valuable thing to know. Our esteemed contemporaries who are still talking about the FIRE SALE we had in 1892-when we purchased the LESLIE & LESLIE stock-will now have an opportunity to put a fresh wad in their AIR GUN. During this sale extra pharmacists will be in attendance, so that no matter how great the rush, we shall be able to take

care of all. We did not miss an order on account of

Sherwin & Williams Paints.

We have more than 1,000 gallons of Sherwin & Williams Fine Paints scorched in the fire. These paints will not be brought down to the second floor at all, but may be seen by visiting our paint room on the second floor. We shall make a price on these paints of

75c Per Gallon.

in gallon or five gallon cans. The universal price for these goods is \$1.60. Our stock was entirely new last season and this is just like getting gold dollars for 50 cents. We shall sell the quart cans, the regular price of which is 45 cents, for 20 cents and the half gallon cans, regular price of which is 80 cents, for 40 cents,

AN & McCONNE

1513 DODGE STREET.

MIDDLE OF BLOCK.

OMAHA, NEB.

TOM EDISON AS A NEWSBOY | you will do it I will give you a paper every day for three months.

of Shiloh's Battle.

WAS AROUSED BY A TELEGRAM

Subsequent Career Shaped by the Effeet of the Message-Souvenir of a Meeting with gasped at me. Editor Storey.

Give this boy all of the papers he wants on credit,

On the wall of the Edison laboratory in Orange, N. J., the above curious sentence is framed. The writing is crabbed and the paper on which the words are written is regarded with veneration by every one in the laboratory, because it was one of the things that led Thomas A. Edison to become an inventor. Naturally, there is an interesting tele behind it, and the other day Mr. Edison told it to an old friend who called upon him to talk over the days of his youth. Here are the facts as he remembered them:

"During the war I used to sell paper

on the railroad between Detroit and Port Huron. Many of the towns along the way had no local news-dealers and the people used to come down to the station every day and buy the papers of the train boy. used to get around to the newspaper office before daylight every day and so, from loafing around the composing room, I got to know several of the printers. We used to laugh and joke with one another and we became pretty good friends. One morning I went into the office as usual and found every one in a state of excitement. Instead of joking the printers were running about getting the takes or putting them in the forms and the make-up men were standing on tiptoe around the stones justifying the type with a nervousness which they did not usually show. I asked several what was the matter, but they paid no attention to me. I couldn't understand it. Finally grabbed one fellow by the apron as he started for the stone and yelled at him to tell me what the trouble was. He jerked away in a moment and said:

Edison Hears the Great News. "'Don't bother me, boy. Battle of Shiloh! Ten thousand killed!' Then he rushed down the room, his heelless slippers slapping the floor as he went.

'So a battle had been fought. It meant that the paper was putting out an extra edition of war news and that it would be late. I walked down stairs slowly, without thinking very deeply of the subject, when ways trusted me before that, but I suppose suddenly the realization of the magnitude of the size of the pile and the news of the the affair rushed over me and I stopped on battle made him stop short. He had no the landing with a jerk. Ten thousand men jurisdiction, except in a small way, I supkilled! Why, the news would create a pose. But I was completely discouraged. storm of excitement. No wonder the print- Some one else would get the benefit of my ers hurried. I jumped down stairs three advertising. I walked away in the early steps at a time and rushed around to the morning, wondering why some things never telegraph office. I knew the operator at that station and I had an idea. 'Hello!' he said.

"'Hello,' said I. 'I want to send a tele-

'Well, write it out,' said he. You will have to fix it for me. Here's the and a good newspaper man, but a martinet point: Ten thousand men have been killed of the most cross-grained school. His asat a place called Shiloh. It will be in the sociates approached him at ordinary times paper this morning and everybody will with fear and trembling and now, with the Now, will you telegraph these rush of the morning upon him, he probably of Shiloh fought. Ten thousand killed.' If knocked at his door, I got no answer, but waiting that I could not serve them all by imitations.

'You see, I hadn't any money and I

had to reach the fellow in some way. Those papers would save him quite an amount at His Experience with Crowds Seeking Details the rate of 5 cents a day. But he hesitated, so to clinch the matter I added, 'and I will give you Harper's magazine for a year.'

"That settled it. He agreed to do it, and I knew that if he kept his promise I would have customers enough waiting for me along the line. Then I went over and saw the fellow who gave out the papers to the carriers every day. I said to him: 'I'll take 1,000 papers this morning!' He fairly

"You'll take a thousand papers! Well, you may lay down \$30 right now. And you will be lucky if you get five hundred. Papers will be scarce today.'

you will do it I will give you a morning! I could see a light inside so I knocked the time the train pulled out. It gave me ward me, and he was scribbling away for dear life.

About 70 to 80 bottles Tarrant Seltzer Apericut, regular price 50, fire sale price... 25c About 100 to 110 bottles Booth's Hyomel, complete, regular price \$1, fire sale price. 60c

answer.

he was concerned. say to him as I came upstairs, and I intended to say it, so I walked over and around the desk and stood directly opposite to him. He did not look up.

the trans up to Port Huron. The battle of stock was gone.



A NEW PORTRAIT OF THOMAS A. EDISON.

"Well, that staggered me. They had alseem to work out right. I passed around by the door of the editorial office, which was pure luck, for I did not notice where I was walking. Upstairs the editor of the paper probably was at work on his leaders. At that time the editor of the Detroit Free "'But,' I said, 'this can't be written. Press was W. F. Storey, a fearless writer

Stilloh has been fought and I have advertised it along the line. Now they won't trust me for a lot of papers. What will I do about it?"

Result of the Appeal. "He never said a word; he never even ooked up. He simply reached for a blank sheet of paper and wrote:

"Give this boy all the papers he wants on

W. F. S."

"Then he went on with his leader writing and paid no more attention to me, not even "I showed the note to the delivery man, who simply whistled now. I got them onto the train and we got away on time, after

"Now, it is curious how these things stick in one's memory. I can remember very well the crowd that waited at the first place we stopped. The people were terribly excited. words to all the stations along the line and would be worse than a bear. But he was get the operators to paste them up—Battle my last hope, so I went up the stairs and could give them out. There were so many witch-Hazel Salve. Beware of

again. No answer. Then I opened the another idea. I raised the price to 10 cents door. He was sitting at a desk on the when we reached the next place and I sold opposite side of the room. His back was to- them as fast as I could at that. I got rid of some hundreds of papers at the first three or four places. Further on several men "Mr. Storey!" I said. I received no offered me 25 cents, and they were so eager that I made the nearly fatal mistake of get-"'Mr. Storey!' I said again, louder this ting down among them. Well, you never time. He paid not the slightest attention saw such a mob. They knocked me about to the train in time to get on before it

to me. Apparently I did not exist as far as shamefully and I had to fight my way back "But I had made up my mind what to pulled out. Then it grew worse as we went further and more people were up to hear the news, and the thought that train might pull out at any moment always made them crazy to be waited on. Those "'Mr. Storey,' I said as firmly as I could, | telegram did their work well. Why, when I am a newspaper boy. I sell your paper on | we pulled into Port Huron two-thirds of my Battle of the Sand Pile.

"Just where the train entered the outskirts of the town there was a big sand pile. In selling papers in that city I never used to ride into the regular station. The engineer would slow up on the curve near the sand pile and I used to jump off and work my way up through the town, yelling the news as I went. I did not yell any news this day. It seems that some persons must have known about my habit of jumping, for when we pulled around the curve there was an enormous mob waiting. Why, I never saw the town turn out so many people. At first I did not think they were waiting for me; thought there was some celebration on hand. But I knew what they wanted a minute afterward. When I jumped down on the sand they gave one great yell and came for me all together. I was frightened and I think I could have run away if I had had time to think, but they closed in on me on all sides and I couldn't get away. The crush was something terrible. They screamed at me and pulled me, they tore my clothes and fought one another to get to me. They did not even allow me to sell the papers in the regular way. I did not have to take advantage of the situation and raise the price. They put it up for me. Men thrust 25 cents, 50 cent-notes \$1 and \$2 into my face and my pockets and dragged papers away from me. Some of them would get a paper and then have to fight for it afterward. It was flendish, and they still kept it up after the papers were all gone and I stood there with my hands and pockets full of money. Why, I never got off the sand pile and I was a sight when they got through. "Well, when I pulled myself together

and pinned up the rents so I could go into town and counted my money I found I was about \$150 ahead on the day. I went back and paid my bill at the paper office, and the money, well, I did things with that, too. But what was more to the point, I saw that all that happened had really resulted from those telegrams. I thought if the telegraph would do such a wonderful thing there must be something in it worth studying. I did study it, and that practically is what led me into the business of inventing."

His Pninful Blunder. Chicago Tribune: After a long and tire-some wrangle over the admissibility of the question the attorney for the defense turned to the shorthand reporter.
"I will ask you to read that question over

The reporter, who had been squibbling aim-The reporter, who has been squared by a pad lessly during the argument, picked up a pad of paper that lay before him and absent mindedly read:

"At the time this took place did you—O, worn by their elders, though the curve of large lines of materials for fancy trousers, worn by their elders, though the curve of large lines of materials for fancy trousers. my darling Nettie, you don't know how I miss you..."
Then he blushed, hastily picked up the other pad and read the question in full, while the lawyers tittered and the big jury-

stuffed his handkerchief into his mouth. Horrible agony is caused by plies, burns and skin diseases. These are immediately relieved and quickly cured by De Witt's

CORRECT HEADGEAR FOR MEN army hat, which is quite popular. The crown is almost identical with that of the army

Slight Modifications of Former Styles in Felt and Silk.

ARMY SHAPES GROWING

Gloves Worn by Well-Dressed Men-Fancy Trousers in Endless Variety-Parisian Innovation Frowned Down.

The changes in the style of men's hats from season to season seem very slight to hose who do not closely follow the fastions, yet the smallest fraction of an inch in the width or curl of the brim means a great deal to the initiated.

The crown of the correct silk hat this winter curves but slightly. The width of the brim varies from one and seven-eighths of an inch to two and one-eighth inches, according to the size and style, for there are three distinct patterns in "toppers." The

model, but the brim is very much narrower and is curved slightly at the sides. The in favor as the narrower stripes. ribbons on these hats are always narrow, varying from half an inch or less to an inch and a quarter. The crown of the gray soft worn comfortably loose and only moderately hat also bears a resemblance to the popular

army shape, and the rim is sometimes IN FAVOR stitched instead of being bound. It is a at the knee and the bottom being only about trifle too early in the season to tell what the styles of light hats for the spring will be, but the best hatters express the opinion that the spring soft hats will all show, in some degree, the influence of what is called

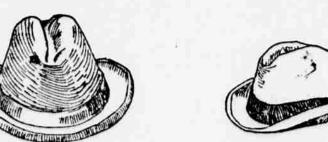
> Among the gloves of the season is one in fron gray suede, which looks very dressy on a hand that is not too large. Gray in almost any shade is a "big color," and a large hand always looks very much better in tan than in gray.

the army shape.

The Castor gloves, which were so popular a while ago, are still worn, though somewhat less than formerly. Broad stitching on the back has almost disappeared from the best gloves, and the fashion at present calls for unobtrusive stitching in a shade slightly darker than the glove itself or in white.



YOUNG MEN'S



ARMY SHAPE

styles are seen side by side.



SOFT HAT



In soft hats there is a modification of the blue hairline, and another with

the crowns, in proportion to the height, is A few of these are rather sporty looking, but identical, as will be seen by reference to the by far the greater number are quiet designs in hairline stripes. Of these stripes

There is a similar difference in the crowns there is an almost endless variety in of the two styles of derby hats, and the least a score of different shades and combrim of the young man's hat does not curve binations. The favorite material has a soft quite so much as that of the older man, gray ground with white or blue hairlines though this difference in the brim is so about a quarter of an inch apart. slight as to be imperceptible unless the two there is another pattern very much in favor that has a bluish gray ground with a dark

blue ground and a black hairline. Sometimes the lines are as much as half an inch apart, but those patterns are not so much

In the cut of trousers this season there are few changes to record. They are still long, without any noticeable flare at the bottom, the difference in the measurements

an inch. I asked a well known tailor whether the fashion, lately reported from Paris, of creasing the trousers down the sides instead of down the front, was likely to gain headway here, and he declared emphatically that such an innovation would never be adopted by well dressed men in America.

SOME LATE INVENTIONS.

An Illinois inventor has patented an attachment for dental chairs, consisting of an electrical motor mounted under the chair to drive a vertical shaft extending up to a convenient height to run the flexible shaft with which a large portion of the work is

Cuis are securely attached to the sleeve Curs are securely attached to the sieeve by a new holder, which has two parallel plates pivoted in a frame, with clamping jaws at either end, one set of which is held normally closed by a spring, while the other set is closed by a lever on the side of one An improved ventilator for rooms is

formed of a gauze screen set in an aperture cut in the lower sash of the window, with an adjustable damper by which the passage can be closed, the screen keeping out the dust that would enter if the sush were

Oil can be discharged into cups placed out of reach on machinery by the use of a new oil can, which is carried by a long rod and has the nozzle at the bottom, with an interior valve operated by a cord attached to the rod, extending down within reach of the hand. An automatic weather strip has been

patented for use on doors, being hinged to the bottom of the door, with an arm pressed against the casing as the door closes to drop the strip over the crack between the door is opened.

Chimneys are easily cleaned by a new machine, a brush of the same shape as the chimney being suspended on a rope running between pulleys at the top and bottom of the chimney, with a crank attached to the lower pulley to revolve it and draw the brush up and down.

A handy blotting pad is formed of a sheet of spring metal shaped into a cylinder, with edges pressed together tightly enough to hold the edges of the blotter when inserted the cylinder being carried on a handled bale to revolve as it is drawn over the paper.

Belts are automatically tightened by a pulicy, which is carried at the end of a pivoted frame and rests on the upper side of the belt, with an auxiliary pulley held in place below the lower side, the swinging pulleys being drawn toward each other to tighten both runs of the belt.

Kodol Dyspepsia Cure.

Digests what you eat.

Itartificially digests the food and aids Nature in strengthening and reconstructing the exhausted digestive organs. It is the latest discovered digestant and tonic. No other preparation can approach it in efficiency. It in-stantly relieves and permanently cures Dyspepsia. Indigestion, Heartburn, Flatulence, Sour Stomach, Nausea, SickHeadache, Gastralgia, Cramps, and all other results of imperfect digestion.
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