

"An honest tale speeds best being plainly told"

Our January clearing sale will continue all the month and every dollar of winter goods must go to give room for new spring goods.



Are You Dress Ready to Buy— at greatly reduced prices in face of an advancing market.

10c, reduced from 25c. 25c, reduced from \$1.50. 25c, reduced from 50c. 60c, reduced from \$1.75.

Embroideries— A choice lot of new embroideries has just been opened which we have marked at special January prices—just now when these goods are so much needed for the spring sewing, we make you this offer—

Outing Flannel— January sale of Outing Flannel—gowns and dressing jackets—

Underwear— January clearing sale prices have been made in this department on lines of men's, ladies' and children's underwear—

THOMPSON, BELDEN & Co. THE ONLY EXCLUSIVE DRY GOODS HOUSE IN OMAHA.

AGENTS FOR FOSTER KID GLOVES AND McCALL'S PATTERNS

CALLS DAVIS TO WASHINGTON Secretary of War Sends for Puerto Rican Commander, Who Arrives at New York.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—Brigadier General Davis, military governor of Puerto Rico, arrived in Washington tonight in response to the summons of the president, who desires to consult him regarding conditions and proposed legislation for the island.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—General J. W. Davis, governor of Puerto Rico, arrived here today on board the steamer Ponce. Other passengers were General J. P. Sanger, Colonel C. H. Heyl, chief of the census bureau in Puerto Rico; Lieutenant J. Battle and Auditor John W. Connor.

Four Men Killed by Dynamite, CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Jan. 5.—Word has just reached here of the killing of four men on the Tennessee Central railroad eight miles from Rockwood. They were unloading dynamite when a quantity of it exploded. One man was killed instantly and three others died in two hours.

Title to Millions Good. SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 5.—Having secured the claims of her attorneys and secured the dismissal of suits against her, Mrs. Florence Blythe-Hinckley-Moore is now sole owner of the vast estate left by the late Thomas Blythe. That her title is ac-

"He Laughs Best Who Laughs Last." A hearty laugh indicates a degree of good health obtainable through pure blood.

Hood's Sarsaparilla never disappoints

Misses' Dur-Jackets— our great cloak sale ladies have been paying more attention to jackets for themselves than for the younger ones of the family—



Not any of these garments sell for more than half our regular low prices, and some even less. We have none which sells now for more than \$5.00, and some as low as \$2.50.

Black silk waists. We have only the larger sizes now in silk waists, 42 and 44, but they are bargains.

LADIES' JACKETS— There are still some beautiful jackets in tan, castor, black and navy; the 42 and 44 ones for \$10.00, the \$15.00 kind for \$7.50, and the \$10.00 ones for \$5.00.

Hosiery— We have included many lines in this great January clearing sale—

Boys' and misses' ribbed reduced cotton, 25c value, reduced to 15c per pair. Men's cashmere hose in tans and gray, 50c value, reduced to 25c per pair; size 19 only.

COALITION AGAINST BRITAIN

Seizure of Bundesrath May Result in Truce Understanding.

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BERLIN, Jan. 5.—The seizure of the Bundesrath remains the dominant topic of the German press. Influential papers like the Berliner Tageblatt, Cologne Volks-Zeitung, Berliner Neueste Nachrichten, Ham-burger Correspondenz and the semi-official Berliner Post strongly hint at the possibility of Germany's forming an anti-British coalition with Russia and France. The anti-British feeling is clearly growing. A series of anti-British demonstrations in the various cities is being organized by the pan-Germanic league.

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RECRUITING FOR RED CROSS

Suspicion that Enlistments Are Really for the Boer Fighting Force.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—Recruiting for the Red Cross, Gustav Simon, who is directing the movement and whose headquarters are a cigar stand in a saloon at Mulberry and Houston streets, said that when he advertised for nurses a week ago to enter the Boer service he received about 500 applications in one day, and that applications were coming in on an average of fifty a day.

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Boers have completely retired from the neighborhood of Motteno, but General Gardner does not appear to have pursued them, as the reinforcements from Sterksdroom have returned there.

General Gardner's report of the Motteno affair, which the Associated Press dispatches showing was merely a determined attack on a police outpost, which was successfully repelled. There were no British casualties.

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BOERS HOLDING COLESBERG

Make an Unsuccessful Attack on the British Position Near There.

RENSBURG, Cape Colony, Jan. 4.—Evening—Colesberg has not yet been occupied. The Boers unexpectedly attacked the British left at daybreak this morning, but were repulsed. They occupied hills to the north of the town, and were eventually driven out of their positions, after an hour's shelling by our guns. They still hold, however, the hills immediately surrounding the town, preventing the British from advancing along the railway.

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RELEASE SHIP, HOLD FLOUR

Price Court Passes on Part of Case in Which This Country is Interested.

LONDON, Jan. 4.—A dispatch from Cape-town, dated today, says the prize court has released the British steamer Mashona, captured by the British gunboat Partridge early in December, with American flour said to be intended for the Boers on board, but ordered its cargo to be warehoused, pending a trial of the case.

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RUMOR OF BRITISH VICTORY

Report in Capetown that Colonel Powell Has Defeated Boers at Matkeking.

LONDON, Jan. 5.—It is rumored at Capetown that Colonel Baden-Powell has again defeated the Boers at Matkeking. The British storming party numbered thirty, and the Boers numbered twenty-one were killed and thirty-three wounded.

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BARRELS FULL OF POISON

Molnoux's Laboratory Was Well Stocked with Deadly Drugs.

MANY WITNESSES ARE ON THE STAND

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—One of the most important witnesses in the Molnoux trial today was Charles D. Allan, Molnoux's private secretary. It was Allan who signed letters for Molnoux, and had served in the laboratory of Molnoux. When asked if there were many poisons in the laboratory he replied:

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BLAST FURNACE COLLAPSES

Three Men Caught in the Week and All Instantly Killed.

CHICAGO, Jan. 5.—Three men were killed today at the Illinois Steel company's plant at Thirty-first street and Ashland avenue. The men were at work in the blasting room when one of the huge blast furnaces fell and they were crushed to death.

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NO MONOPOLIES ARE WANTED

Government of Colombia is Doing Away with them—Trinitons After Sabana Railroad.

COLON, Colombia, Dec. 27.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—The government is doing away with monopolies. The cigarette monopoly ends March 31 and the match monopoly May 1, 1900.

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SHIP SINKS, BUT PASSENGERS SAVED.

LONDON, Jan. 5.—The Great Western line mail steamer she struck on Black Rock, off St. Sampson's, Island of Guernsey, at 6 o'clock this morning and sank. The crash killed the passengers, numbering thirty-two persons, who, rushing on deck, found the vessel slowly sinking. The boats were launched within ten minutes after the steamer struck and there was no panic. All the passengers were saved, but one sailor was drowned. All on board the ship behaved with the greatest courage and the captain was last to leave the ship. The ship is a steel vessel of 1,150 tons, and was built in 1881. It left Weymouth for Guernsey last night.

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Advertisement for Syrup of Figs, featuring an illustration of a woman and text: "ACTS GENTLY ON THE KIDNEYS, LIVER AND BOWELS. CLEANSSES THE SYSTEM. EFFECTUALLY DISPELS COLDS, HEADACHES, OVERCOMES & FEVERS. HABITUAL CONSTIPATION. ITS BENEFICIAL EFFECTS."

Advertisement for Denver Great Rock Island Route, featuring a train illustration and text: "Buffet Library Cars. Best Dining Car Service."

Advertisement for Beecham's Pills, featuring text: "Don't fail to try BEECHAM'S PILLS when suffering from any bad condition of the stomach or liver."

Advertisement for Boyd's Bostons, featuring text: "Woodward & Burgess Managers. The Famous Original BOSTONS. TWO LAST TIMES. Matinee Today—'ROBIN HOOD.' Tonight—'THE SERENADE.'"

Advertisement for Piroso, featuring text: "The Dramatization of Anthony Hope's Celebrated Novel, With ODETTE TYLER. And a full English Theater Company. State on Sale Now. CREAM PIPERSON'S. DON'T MISS ONE OF THESE LAST TWO PERFORMANCES. MATINEE TODAY. MONDAY, Jan. 8 and 9, TONIGHT, 8:15. M'INTYRE AND HEATH. And Their Big All Star Vaudeville Co. Prices—Evening, \$1.25 and 50c. Matinee, 75c. Children 50c. Admissions 10c."