

Ping Pong Sets On our Special Sale Table you will find the following goods greatly reduced—Vellum wood racket at \$1.40
Wood racket, leather wrapped with nickel plated fixtures 2.00
Croquet Six balls, plain 59c
Eight balls, plain 74c
Sporting Goods Dept.—Main Floor.

YOU'LL FIND IT AT BENNETT'S—Victor White.
W. R. BENNETT CO.
16TH & HARNEY STS.

Base Ball Boys' catcher's mitt 10c
Catcher's mitt, well made 89c
Infielder's mitt, boys' 23c
Bat, strong 30c
Cock of the Walk ball 25c
All hammocks greatly reduced.
Sporting Goods Dept.—Main Floor.

Our Great August Reduction Sale of Pianos

Not only do we wish to stimulate the dull business month, but also to make room for fall purchases, which will reach us before September 13th.



One hundred pianos are on their way to Omaha. We haven't room to conveniently accommodate our present stock, hence this sale of sales on pianos begins at 8 o'clock Monday morning and continues until the present stock is reduced. We have all prices, styles and kind of the world—"The Everett", Ivers & Smith & Barnes, Light & Co., H. D. Bently



fancy wood cased pianos—the new artistic stand-Pond, Lindeman, Starr, Richmond, Harvard, and other standard and noted instruments.



We also make special inducements on rent prices and further assist this stock reduction sale, and will rent brand new pianos.

Pianos sold \$10.00 down, \$5.00 monthly.

Everything sold under our strict guarantee.

"A reputation to sustain, not one to make"

Dry Goods Dept.

Short lengths of wash goods. Lengths for children's dresses, dressing sacks, Kimonas. All our fine goods up to 25c yard, at 3c
Fine Dimities and Lawns, new and attractive patterns in colors, that will wash, worth up to 15c yd. 5c
Fine Imported Dimities, Fancy French Mulls and Satin Stripe Zephyrs, in a very beautiful line worth to 50c yard, at 15c

Advance Showing of Fancy Fall Waistings

All new goods of the latest patterns, styles and weave. 27-inch Fancy Weave Corded Novelty, French, German Waistings in raised pin dots fancy bordered stripes. These goods are regular 90c values, Monday at 60c
50 pieces of swell new fancy figured Persians, Dresden and French effects for party, evening wear, a \$1.00 value, at 75c
The swell thing in silk, we are showing a swell line of the new black and white check silks for waists, dresses etc. These goods are all the craze in the east and will be in great demand for fall and winter, our price, yard, \$1.00 and 85c

A Big Fall Advance Sale of Bed Comforts

We have just received a large advance shipment of our fall and winter Bed Comforts, they go on sale Monday at prices at once a marvel and delight.
Single Bed Comforts, fancy patterns, stitched, worth 75c, at 50c
10-4 good heavy fancy Bed Comforts, nice pattern, worth 90c, at 69c
Better grade, stitched Comforts, worth \$1.00, at 79c
10-4 fancy silkoline, knotted Comforts, worth \$1.25, at 98c
\$1.48 quality at 1.15
11-4 fine and heavy knotted sateen Bed Comforts, very beautiful patterns in light and dark, worth \$2.35, at 1.89
All our better grade of Comforts up to \$5.00 each proportionately low.
300 stamped linen "Centerpieces" newest designs and styles, 18 to 24-inch. We make a special sale on Monday at, each, 32c, 23c and 15c
100 dozen ladies' fast black cotton hose, full fashioned, worth 15c pair. Special sale on Monday, per pair 10c
Two specials in Corset Covers. Fine cambric, French cut and tight fitting, hemstitched, embroidery and lace, trimmings, worth up to 35c—Special for Monday, each, 19c and 15c
500 dozen Swiss and linen handkerchiefs, embroidered and lace edges, also plain hemstitched. A manufacturer's clean up and worth up to 25c each. Special for Monday, 3 for 25c
5,000 pieces cotton finishing braid, white and colors, fine quality and good patterns. Worth up to 15c piece. Monday we sell them at, piece, 5c
Clearing up our stock of Summer Lace and Drop Stitched Hose, these are this season's, newest designs, and worth up to 50c pair.
Monday we clear them up, pair, 45c

Munyon's Witch Hazel Soap 10 Cents

THE LUXURY OF POMPEII BROUGHT INTO MODERN TIMES.



THE DELIGHT OF THE BATH FOR PEOPLE OF REFINEMENT.

The luxury of the Pompeian Baths was famous—the bath was a social function; it was improved from year to year and new refinements added until none but the rich could participate in its delights.
But it is quite a reasonable assumption that the average American citizen today may enjoy the bath to a much fuller measure of delight. He may not have a score of attendants to meet his wants, nor a magnificent marble natatorium. But he has far more practical comforts. He has the sensible bath rooms found even in small homes; the cleanly tub, the hot and cold water at a turn of the wrist, and best of all he has something which the Pompeians with all their wealth did not even dream of—a perfect soap.
In my Witch Hazel Soap the man, woman or child who wishes to derive the greatest pleasure, comfort and benefit from the bath will find a perfect combination of the three. It will stimulate the pores, cleanse and freshen the cuticle, impart a healthful glow to the body and make the skin soft as velvet, and at the same time it will be doing its work as a skin medicine and food, curing all disorders and making new and better complexions.—MUNYON.
We quite agree with all Prof. Munyon says. But we can add more. People tell us that Munyon's Witch Hazel Soap is the best thing in the world to ease baby of all forms of summer eruptions, rash, hives and prickly heat; that it will cure pimples, blackheads and facial blemishes, soften hard skins and scaly scalps, remove dandruff and make the hair soft and glossy.
MUNYON'S PRICE IS 12C. OURS WHILE THIS LOT LASTS, A CAKE. 10c

Monday Jewelry Bargains

A solid gold spring eye-glass with cork guard nose rests and finest "crystal," rimless lenses, including cord and case. Exclusive optician's price \$5.00, our price tomorrow 1.50
Expert opticians to TEST YOUR EYES. Only 2 pairs of these to one customer.

MONDAY IS SPECTACLE DAY—Spectacles and eye-glasses tomorrow at "CUT RATE" prices.
Steel spectacles or eye-glasses, opticians charge 50c—our price tomorrow 10c
GENUINE GERMAN SILVER SPECTACLES with good lenses—optician price \$1.00—our price tomorrow 25c
ALUMINUM SPECTACLES OR EYE-GLASSES, riding bow, straight temple and adjustable—optician's price \$1.50, our price tomorrow 50c
A full line of solid gold spectacles up to 6.00
GENUINE ALUMINUM SILVER SPECTACLES, either riding or straight bow, offset or adjustable eye-glasses, fitted with best quality crystal lenses—exclusive optician's price \$2.50—our price tomorrow 1.00
REAL GOLD FILLED SPECTACLES OR EYE GLASSES, guaranteed 10 years, any style, fitted with genuine FRENCH LENSES—optician's get \$3.50—1.48 here tomorrow at

Monday Shoe Bargains

Men's Patent Colt Lace Shoes with dull kid tops and medium Goodyear welt soles, regular \$5.00 value at— \$4.00
Men's Vict Kid Lace Bluchers, a very nice light shoe, dressy Goodyear welt, \$5.00 value, our price— \$3.50
Men's Box Call Lace Bluchers with dull kid tops and medium Goodyear welt soles, worth \$5.00 anywhere, our price— \$3.00
We are sole agents for the best \$2.50 shoes ever made. The Franklin.
Call and see our Dress Shoes. We are selling them from 50c to \$1.50 cheaper than any store in Omaha, and they are all the newest shapes.
MAIN FLOOR.

Monday Crockery Bargains

Combination table of crystal and gold vine and flower decorations, values \$1.50, choice 90c
Table of assorted sizes and patterns crystal orange bowls, choice for 10c
Star Jelly Bowls, choice for 5c
Assortment of novelties, choice for 5c
Cream Sets, 4 pieces, new and bright glass 25c
Table Tumblers, flint, per doz. 20c
Table Tumblers, engraved flint, per doz. 36c
Jelly Tumblers, per doz. 20c
Some Porcelain Meat Dishes, for 15c
SECOND FLOOR.

Bargains in Our Hardware Department—Basement

Brooms! Brooms!

No. 1 plain broom, regular price 20c—our price 16c
No. 1 plain broom, regular price 25c—our price 19c
No. 2 parlor broom, regular price 30c—our price 23c
No. 1 parlor broom, regular price 35c—our price 28c

SCREEN DOORS

One more chance—all doors ONE-HALF PRICE.
8 foot enameled Bath Tubs, regular price \$5.84, our price \$4.86.

Paints! Paints!

Paint season on. To make room for stock, we are offering paints made up, regular price \$1.50 per gallon, at 86c
Harness up from \$4.95.
Lap robes, up from 24c.
Regular storm aprons, regular \$1.08, tomorrow 86c.
Horse hats at cost. Fine oak bath tub seats, regular 72c—special price 56c.

RANGES, STOVES AND WATER COOLERS

We are offering for this sale a 6-hole guaranteed Range with closet for \$26.00.
Large 4 hole cast cook, regular \$14.40—our price 11.98
No. 2 gasoline stoves, regular price \$2.95—our price 2.28
3 gallon water cooler, regular price \$1.98—our price 1.48
6 gallon water cooler, regular price \$2.78—our price 2.24
10 gallon water cooler, regular price \$4.48—our price 3.98



Mail Boxes
Regular price 98c, Monday at 74c

MR. WU'S WIT AND WISDOM.

There is an old Spanish proverb which says: "He who goes abroad to get knowledge must take knowledge with him." For this reason, relates the Washington Post, his excellency, Wu Ting Fang, who brought to the United States much of Oriental as well as Occidental wisdom, returns to China with much that will prove of lasting benefit to his country. No other envoy of a foreign power, especially from an Asiatic country, ever showed a greater or more intelligent interest in our language and customs or left us favored by a larger share of the sincere regret of countless Americans.
The position held for five years by Minister Wu was at no time a sinecure, the dissimilarity of the conditions and the diversity of the populations in the United States and China making it difficult to prevent misunderstandings, even in time of peace.

The outbreak in China in June, 1900, brought Minister Wu into peculiar and far-reaching prominence, and there was much natural curiosity in this country and Europe, as to the manner in which this high type of Oriental, ingrained with western

culture and progress, would acquit himself. His fidelity to duty in remaining at the legation during the intense heat of a Washington summer, his frequent visits to the State department to furnish or receive the latest dispatches, his urbanity, even when threatened with personal violence, criticized by the press, and his unflinching faith and courage called forth the admiration of the civilized world. Few men, irrespective of race or clime, under the same circumstances, would have made so few mistakes. Minister Wu has shown himself master of that subtle art which he defines as "nothing more than an appeal to reason and to the sense of justice inherent in mankind."

Mr. Wu's legal education was finished at Oxford, England. On his return to his home in Hong Kong he was appointed by the emperor to the office of police magistrate—a position of great honor—and later became legal adviser to the crown. He is a director of the Imperial railway of China and bore a conspicuous part in the peace negotiations between that country and Japan. His appointment as minister to the United States early in 1897 was an imperial recognition

of his distinguished services to his country.

Not the least of Minister Wu's causes for self-congratulation is the fact that he was instrumental in securing the construction of the first railroad in China. It was 190 miles long and was used for the transportation of coal from the Tai-ping mines to the port of Taku. Already it has branches in several directions, and from the first has paid a dividend of 30 per cent. About 7,000 miles of railroad are in course of construction in China, one concession being in the hands of Americans.

Minister Wu came to this country with a serious purpose—to break down the prejudices against his people, and it is still his dearest hope that, before many years, the Chinese will be placed on an equal footing with the other great nations of the world. In respect to our trade relations with his country Minister Wu quotes statistics for his assertion that, of several staple commodities manufactured in the United States, China is our heaviest purchaser. Quoting Confucius' maxim, "What you do not like done to yourself do not do to others," Mr. Wu declares that reciprocity originated

with that sage, five centuries before the Nazarene said: "Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them."

Mr. Wu's accomplishments as a public speaker are too well known to require comment. His profound logic, forceful argument and lightning-like wit would have given him a high place among the jurists and orators of any country. He speaks our language with a slight accent that characterizes the English spoken on the continent of Europe and his mastery of our idiom is marvelous.

Once, by a little unconscious play on words that escaped the reporters, Minister Wu provided much amusement for a large number of persons. About three years ago he delivered a memorable address for the benefit of one of the mission churches of the city. Referring to the part played by United States Treasurer Ellis H. Roberts in securing his services as speaker for the evening, Mr. Wu said: "When Mr. Roberts came for me he looked so respectable that I could not refuse. You know, in China, we have great respect for age." At this the large audience indulged in a shout of

laughter at Mr. Roberts' expense. "I don't mean that he is so old," continued Mr. Wu. "It may be that he is not much older than I am, but he looked so respectable that I had to come with him."

A committee called on Mr. Wu to request him to address a society connected with one of the fashionable churches of Washington. Casual mention was made of the fact that the youthful pastor of the church had recently resigned to enter upon a new field of labor on the Pacific coast.
"Why did he resign?" asked Mr. Wu.
"Because he had received a call to another church," was the reply.
"What salary did you pay him?"
"Four thousand dollars."
"What is his present salary?"
"Eight thousand dollars."
"Ah!" said the disciple of Confucius. "A very loud call!"

Mr. Wu has been a keen observer of the difference between the manners and customs of this country and his own. His observations have not been limited to his own exclusive social circle, for he has keenly enjoyed mingling with all classes of American people and has manifested to all the

gentle courtesy which makes the patrician of every race and age.

He has shown particular interest in regard to courtship and marriage in the United States, and, comparing our observances with those of his country, considers that there is room for improvement in both. He thinks the young people of China should be permitted, under proper circumstances, to converse occasionally with those to whom they are affianced and is equally convinced that there is too much freedom of association and too little deference to the wishes of parents and guardians in matrimonial affairs in the western hemisphere.

In China persons of rank do not see their future husbands or wives until the marriage ceremony occurs. Mr. Wu has related in his inimitable manner how, with a little planning and the assistance of a few friends, he managed to obtain at a distance of thirty feet, a glimpse of the young lady who had been chosen to be his wife. Mrs. Wu, who is a sister of Ho Yow, Chinese consul general at San Francisco, was unacquainted with English when she arrived in this country, but she has been a diligent student and now speaks our language al-

most fluently. She is a typical high-class Chinese beauty and is finely educated.

Mr. Wu, who is ardently opposed to foot-binding, desired in early manhood to marry a young woman with natural feet, but, though his parents searched for three years, none of suitable rank and education could be found. Anti-footbinding societies have been in operation in China since 1867, and Mr. Wu, who is authority for the statement that this strange custom originated in the dream of an emperor who ruled that country more than a thousand years ago, says that it is waning in popular favor and expresses the hope that it will soon be a thing of the past.

In and Out.
Chicago Post: The two young men reached the door at the same time.
"Is Miss Walsingham in?" they asked.
The maid looked at them and shook her head, disconsolately.
"She's in to wan av ye an' out to the other," she said at last, "but the two av ye comin' together has got me so tangled I'm blent if I know which is which. But come right in, both av ye, an' I'll ask her to come down an' pick ye out."