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Bee, Dec. 21, 1902.



Three Days More

For your holiday shopping. Read these timely hints for gift-giving. Store open evenings until Christmas.

What to Give—Give Dress Goods—

There is not a child or woman who doesn't immediately call up visions of gifts and feasts and pretty dress goods with the very mention of Christmas.

CHOICE SUITINGS—for Christmas, at 50c, 75c and \$1.00 a yard.

PRETTY DRESS GOODS—in all wool, can be had at small cost for misses' and children's waists and dresses, in all the new shades of vesper green, new blue, red and castor shades, at 50c a yard.

BLACK DRESS GOODS—When in doubt what to give, give black, you can make no mistake, black is always good. We are showing a pretty line of all the new weaves at 50c, 75c, \$1.00 a yard.

OUR BLACK SILK SPECIAL—They make a beautiful present—plenty of people are coming for them now. You should see these silks at once. \$1.25 Black Peau de Soie for 95c; \$1.75 quality now \$1.27 a yard. 75c recommended Black Taffeta now 53c; \$1.25 quality, 27-inch, now 98c a yard.

Muffs of Fine Fur—

Muffs of very finest natural marten at \$8.50, \$10 and \$12

MUFFS of beautiful Persian lamb, \$1 and \$12.

MUFFS of fine electric seal, at \$3.00.

MUFFS of finest Alaska seal, at \$18.00, \$20.00 and \$22.00.

PETTICOATS of fine black silk taffeta, at \$10.00, \$12.00, \$13.50 and \$15.00.

PETTICOATS of extra fine quality of black mercerized sateen, at \$15.00, \$17.50 and \$22.50.

WAISTS in pretty metallic velvet effects, in navy and white, black and white dot, at \$5.00.

WAISTS in cashmere, Bedford cord and French flannels, at \$3.75, \$4.00 and \$5.00.

The Umbrella as a Gift—

Frame, cover, handle and price; these four points one should consider when buying an umbrella.

A great many people overlook one or the other, especially during the holiday rush. We buy our umbrellas from a good reputable manufacturer; we know they are all right, thus you make no mistake when buying here. Our holiday line is still complete with some very pretty novelty handles. As a gift they are useful and sure to be appreciated. When in the store be sure and visit the umbrella department.

The handles all very pretty, some are in the plain wood handles, also some pretty ones in ivory, pearl and tortoise shell; some beauties with solid silver handles.

Prices, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.25, \$3.50, \$4.00, \$5.00, \$6.00, \$10.00 and \$15.00 each.

The Mansfield Travelling Set—consisting of silk covered waterproof pocket and sanitary wash cloth, silk jewel pocket and powder puff in dainty boxes, at \$2.25 a set.

Silk covered waterproof pocket and wash cloth, at 65c and 75c.

Silk covered jewel pocket, charms lined, with four separate compartments, at 50c each.

Ivory Pyralis soap boxes, at 25c and 50c.

Stirling silver thimbles at 25c and 50c.

Beautiful satin shoe supporters, hand embroidered, at \$1.25 a pair.

These Are Useful—

You may not have thought of these when making out your shopping list—they may fill the place—what to give.

Christmas Handkerchiefs—



Never so many pretty new handkerchiefs as now. This is a busy counter, but extra salespeople, wrappers and cashiers means no long waits.

While we have sold thousands in the past week, our stock is still large and complete. We anticipated your wants and purchased early in large quantities.

Plain hemstitched handkerchiefs, all linen, 5c, 10c, 15c, 25c, 35c and 50c each.

Embroidered handkerchiefs, all linen, 15c, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00 up to \$5.00 each.

Initial handkerchiefs at 25c each or \$1.40 per box of six.

Lace trimmed handkerchiefs, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50 each.

Special Sale—

75c and 85c imported French flannels at 50c yard.

On Monday morning we place on special sale a choice line of our regular 75c and 85c imported French flannels, at 50c per yard.

The styles are Persian stripes, dots and figures and you know the quality to be the best. Come early.

Timely Hints for Gift Givers—

No trouble to select a gift in our men's department as the goods are new and assortments all still complete.

Here you will find many articles that will make appreciative as well as useful gifts for the men.

Fancy silk suspenders put up neatly, one in a box, 50c to \$4.00 per pair.

Gloves in the season's newest styles and colors, \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00 per pair.

Neckwear, the most complete holiday line ever shown, 25c, 50c, \$1.00 and \$1.50 each.

Fancy dress shirts, \$1.00 and \$1.50 each.

Silk hose, plain black, also fancies, \$1.00 and \$2.50 per pair.

Holiday Hosiery

For Christmas gift there is nothing that is more acceptable than a pair of fancy hose or silk hose.

Before buying we would like you to see our pretty lines of black openwork hose, embroidered in colors, the openwork silks in all delicate shades and the imported French stockings.

Prices from 50c to \$7.50 per pair.

Real Laces—

Duchesse and point lace Berthas, at \$25 and \$35 each.

Duchesse Berthas at \$9.00 and \$12.00 each.

Duchesse collars at \$10.00, \$14.00 and \$18.00 each.

Duchesse and point lace collars at \$25.00 and \$30.00 each.

Real laces by the yard in real Valenciennes, point and duchesse.

THOMPSON, BELDEN & Co.

Y. M. C. A. Building, Corner Sixteenth and Douglas Sts

PLOWS FAIL TO CLEAR ROAD

Trains Unable to Move in Portions of Wyoming and Colorado.

FEARS OF GREAT DAMAGE TO LIVE STOCK

Snowstorm Which Sweeps Over Western Portion of Country Said to Be the Worst in Number of Years.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Dec. 20.—After raging with relentless fury for thirty-six hours, the storm subsided early today. The wind continued to blow, however, and the snow is being piled in huge banks.

The Union Pacific is blocked between Cheyenne and Sidney, where a number of passenger and mail trains are tied up. The storm centered between Hillsdale and Pine Bluffs and there the company's rotary and wedge plows are battling with the big banks of snow.

Conservative stockmen say this is one of the worst storms for the stock interests in this section in many years. There have been no reports of lives or stock lost, but it is too early to hear from the outlying districts.

DENVER, Dec. 20.—While Denver was enjoying a calm, mild winter day, there was raging within a few miles of the city the worst snow and wind storm since the great storm of 1898.

Cattle are suffering much from lack of shelter. Last night the Colorado & Southern train south from Cheyenne stuck in a nine-foot drift on Eukhorra hill and was soon completely covered with drifting snow.

HUGO, Colo., Dec. 20.—The worst storm in ten years has been raging here for thirty hours and although the sky is clearing, the wind is still blowing a gale.

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VANDERBILT GROWS BETTER. TRAINMEN ASK FOR RAISE

His Condition During the Night is One of Improvement.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Cornelius Vanderbilt, who is ill with typhoid fever and peritonitis, continues to improve, according to the statement made at the house early today.

During the night everything seemed exceedingly quiet about the house, though one of the two attending physicians remained in the house all night.

The following bulletin has been issued: Mr. Vanderbilt passed a better night and his condition this morning is more favorable.

When the physicians left the house Dr. DeLaford said: "Mr. Vanderbilt is a little better and his condition is more encouraging."

ROOSEVELT IS ASKED

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is still an invalid and had to be transported on a bed from the German legation to the railroad station.

The British cruiser indefatigably made the first prize under the blockade, capturing the Venezuelan schooner Julia.

Informal exchanges of views between the chancelleries of Rome, London and Paris indicate the willingness of the British, Italian and French governments to agree to the creation of a mixed commission as a means of adjusting the difficulties.

A similar notice to that published in London today was promulgated by the German Foreign office announcing a blockade of Venezuelan ports.

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WILL TELL TWIN CITY LINES WAGES BE INCREASED.

ROADS TO PACIFIC EXEMPT FROM DEMAND

Pay is Better in West and Higher Cost of Living Does Not Press So Hard on Men Working There.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 20.—Within a week all railroads doing business between the Twin cities and Chicago and to points in the southwest will be formally asked by the trainmen for an increase of 20 per cent in wages.

The lines from St. Paul to the Pacific will not be included in the demand, at least for the present, as the rate of pay on Pacific coast lines is much higher than on western and southern roads.

The additional cost of living is given as the reason for the demand.

ATTACKS ORGANIZED LABOR

Manufacturers' President Says Coal Strike Evoked Much Maudlin Sentiment.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 20.—"It is time to organize" is the keynote of four circulars being sent to manufacturers throughout the country by D. M. Parry of Indianapolis, president of the National Association of Manufacturers.

Referring to the Hayes resolutions adopted by the recent convention of the American Federation of Labor at New Orleans.

The circulars are directed more against labor convention than against the eight-hour bill, which he has attacked.

Referring to the Hayes resolutions adopted by the federation, Mr. Parry says: "John Mitchell's united mine workers' organizations cost 1,804 votes solidly for this resolution. This is the organization that evoked so much maudlin sentiment and brought the whole country to its knees in the anthracite strike. It is confidently prophesied that the coal trade will be in the control of the trade unionist by the time of the next American Federation of Labor convention."

The charge is made that the Hayes resolutions mean an attack upon the productive wealth of the country and that the socialists intend to take possession of all municipal and private properties.

Carpenters' New Officers.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 20.—The Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners will move their headquarters to Indianapolis on January 1.

New Commander for Revenue Cutters.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—First Lieutenant J. C. Cantwell of the United States revenue service has been assigned to the command of the cutter Golden Gate and Hartley, succeeding Captain W. H. Cushing.

BLOOD POISON

Bone Pains, Itching, Scabby Skin Diseases.

CANCER—Permanently cured by taking Botanic Blood Balm. It destroys the cancer cells and cures the disease.

Itching Scabby Skin, Blood Feels hot, Swelling, Itching, Rashes and Bumps on the Skin, Itching Patches in Mouth, Sore Throat, Headache, Stomach Troubles, Run-down, Ulcers on any part of the body, Hair or Eyebrows falling out, take Botanic Blood Balm.

It is believed among the Venezuelan revolutionists that the present movement against Castro will be successful.

Revolution is Still Powerful.

PANAMA, Dec. 20.—News received here from the Venezuelan frontier is to the effect that the revolutionary movement against President Castro is now more powerful than ever.

British Sloop is Ashore.

PORT OF SPAIN, Trinidad, Dec. 20.—The British sloop of war Fantome, which was sent to command the entrance to the Orinoco, is hard aground near Barrancas, on the left bank of that river and 120 miles southwest of Trinidad.

Pennsylvania Appoints Manager.

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House Disposes of a Bill

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How Can We Do It?

WHY CAN WE DO IT? All we ask is a trial and you will be convinced of what we say.

Grand Pants Company

205 N. 16th St. New York, Chicago, Kansas City and other places. OPEN EVENINGS.

DOLLARS TO BE UNIVERSAL

Secretary Shaw Wishes to See American Money Good the World Over.

SHOULD BE AS SECURE AS BRITISH CASH

Minister Sees No Reason Why United States Currency Should Not Be as Widely Used as English Language.

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—Secretary Shaw was the principal speaker at a meeting of the Bankers' club here this afternoon.

He said in part: I want to emphasize the necessity for an element of elasticity in our currency. It has been said that our present system is inflexible. This is true in the sense that the term is employed, but in another sense it is a mistake. Unfortunately, however, the volume contracts just when it should expand and expands when it should contract. This is not capricious criticism. It is the naked truth.

There is just as much need for contraction when money is not legitimately needed as there is for expansion when more money is required. And unless contraction can be induced expansion is impossible.

What are the essentials of an elastic currency? First, its prompt retirement when not needed; second, its equally prompt reissue when needed. And unless you have the one you cannot have the other. The one is an essential protection against inflation. The other is the best safeguard against stringency. Currency sufficient to do the business of the country is not inflated. A redundant currency, be that much or little, is always dangerous.

Some have suggested the issuance of currency based upon deposits of state and municipal bonds, instead of government bonds, but this would leave the system as inflexible as at present. What is needed is the right to issue a limited amount of currency without encroaching upon the available funds of the assets already in the bank, but with such safeguards as will insure its absolute safety and its prompt retirement when the demand ceases.

This cannot be accomplished under the present system of national bank circulation. Bonds are too scarce and the price too high, and there is no way to induce additional circulation when the demand increases, or its retirement when interest rates are low. The gradual liquidation of the government debt is reducing the amount of bonds available for circulation. It, therefore, follows that the idea of having an elastic currency must be abandoned, and in order to maintain that which we have the government debt must be perpetuated and more bonds issued as needed, or some new scheme evolved. If the banks are to issue any circulation whatever, it like government bonds, deposited with the treasury, or by

URGES NICARAUGA CANAL

Senator Morgan Says Panama Ditch Will Never Be Dug.

COLOMBIAN CONGRESS MUST PASS TREATY

Republic Has Had No Parliament for Four Years and Now Has No Money with Which to Pay Legislative Expenses.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—After a session of less than three hours the senate today adjourned until January 5.

Today's session was largely given up to an address by Senator Morgan on the isthmian canal. He declared it to be in the interest of the United States to resume negotiations with Nicaragua and Cost Rica with the view of utilizing the Nicaragua route, as he believed the Panama treaties would never be negotiated.

A number of bills were passed and the conference report providing for the payment of the expenses of the anthracite coal strike commission was agreed to.

Only twenty-seven senators were in their seats when the senate was called to order. Mr. Allison of the senate conferees on the coal strike arbitration bill presented the report of the conference committee. He explained that the senate amendment fixing a definite sum for the expenses and compensation of the commissioners and employees and taking the question out of the hands of the president had been retained, but that the senate conferees had yielded to the house to the extent of allotting \$15 per day to the commissioners for expenses instead of \$10 as fixed by the senate. The report was agreed to.

Mr. Lodge on the committee on finance presented the currency bill and gave notice that as the measure is important he would call it up during the morning hour of the senate at the earliest moment.

He expressed the opinion that the bill would not lead to prolonged debates. A bill authorizing the payment of judgments amounting to \$1,000,000, on account of the destruction of property in Hawaii in connection with the bubonic plague epidemic in 1899, also passed.

Representative Hepburn today introduced a bill to fix the terms of the circuit and district courts for the southern district of Iowa and making changes and divisions.

Secretary Shaw has recommended that the salary of the collector of customs at Omaha be increased \$1,000.

Senator Millard introduced a joint resolution today extending the time for completing the Akron, Sterling & Northern railway, starting at the head of Valdes bay, Alaska. Mr. Morgan introduced the same resolution in the house.

President Roosevelt expects to visit Nebraska on his western trip, now under contemplation. He has been in consultation with a number of western senators and members of congress with a view of planning his trip across the continent. Senators Dietrich and Millard have been consulted in regard to the same. The president expects to reach Nebraska in May, but details of his visit have not yet been arranged.

The chief executive is looking forward to a pleasant period of rest and he expects to receive it in his trip through the country with which he was associated long before he was thought of being president of the Republic.

Thomas Hollnake has been appointed postmaster at Weller, Monroe county, Ia. Vice Annie Griffin, resigned.

Millon C. White and Harry Myers have been appointed rural letter carriers at Ottumwa, with Roy White and Archie Eaton as substitutes.

The comptroller of the currency has appointed the Drivers' Deposit National bank of Chicago as reserve agent for the First National bank of Shenandoah, Ia.

Robert B. Johnson of Fremont, Neb.; Oscar L. Rock of Council Bluffs, O. M. Leonard of West Mitchell, H. H. Peet of Springfield and Frank V. Arnold of Grinnell, Ia., have been appointed railway mail clerks.

Publish your legal notices in The Weekly Bee. Telephone 224. Have Root print it.

OFFICIAL SMUGGLERS HELD

Porto Rico Authorities Arrest Club Officials for Breach of Customs Laws.

SAN JUAN, P. R., Dec. 20.—Benjamin Butler, supervisor of elections; Captain G. W. Montz, United States marine corps, and James Brennan, an employee of the country club, have been arrested for smuggling sixty cases of wine and liquors from St. Thomas on the United States ship Unda and lighthouse tender Laurel. The prisoners were bound over until Monday at \$2,000 bail.

Butler is managing officer of the club and Brennan the steward.

The arrest of other prominent persons will be made today and it is said that a large number more will follow, as the smuggling has continued for a long period and goods are being secretly landed throughout the naval station.

WABASH MAN BUYS RAILROAD

Charleston, Clendennan & Sutton Line Passes to Henry Davis.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 20.—The Charleston, Clendennan & Sutton railroad was sold today to a syndicate headed by former Senator Henry Davis of Illinois, Va., one of the Wabash supporters in West Virginia development and railroad extension. The road will be extended forty-five miles to Beverly, W. Va., to connect with the West Virginia Central & Pittsburgh railway, owned by a Wabash syndicate.

The capital of the company is \$3,000,000, of which most has been issued, and the company has an authorized bond issue of \$3,000,000.

HIGHWAYMAN SHOT TO DEATH

Attacked with a Companion by a Possé of Citizens and is Finally Captured.

ARDMORE, I. T., Dec. 20.—Two highwaymen, heavily armed, were attacked by a posse of citizens as they rode into the town of Providence in the Chickasaw nation last night, and an exchange of shots followed.

The horse was shot from under one of the men, George Bloum, and finally he was shot and captured. The second man escaped. Bloum later died of his wounds. The man supposed to have engaged in a robbery near Providence yesterday.

Italy Has Good Surplus