

# Extra Special Sale on Muslins and Sheetings.

On Monday morning we start a special sale on sheeting and muslins, and you know that a special sale at our store means a big saving to you. In spite of market prices having gone up, we will sell sheeting and muslin in this sale at special cut prices—in many cases below the mill price.

- 4-4 BLEACHED MUSLINS—
  - "Astoria" in this sale—at 54c yard.
  - Chapman—in this sale—at 54c yard.
  - Alabama—in this sale—at 64c yard.
  - Louisa—in this sale—at 7c yard.
  - Utica N—in this sale—at 74c yard.
  - Fruit of the Loom—in this sale—at 7c.
  - Trade of the West—in this sale—at 12 1/2c yard.
  - Hill—if this sale—at 8c yard.
- 4-4 UNBLEACHED MUSLINS—
  - Aurora C—in this sale—at 34c yard.
  - Fairmount L—in this sale—at 4c yard.
  - Continental—in this sale—at 64c yard.
  - Pepperell R—in this sale—at 64c yard.
  - Aurora B—in this sale—at 44c yard.
- WIDE SHEETINGS—BLEACHED.
  - 10-4 Dallas—in this sale—at 20c yard.
  - 8-4 Lockwood—in this sale—at 18 1/2c yard.
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  - 45-inch Dallas—in this sale—at 10 1/2c yd.
  - 10-4 Lockwood—in this sale—at 22 1/2c yd.
  - 8-4 Lockwood—in this sale—at 20c yard.
  - 45-inch Lockwood—in this sale—at 10 1/2c yd.
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- HEMSTITCHED SCARFS—
  - 50c Hemstitched Scarfs, 18x45—in this sale—25c each.
- TABLE CLOTHS—
  - \$1.75 Bleached Table Cloths—in this sale—\$1.00 each.
  - \$2.25 Bleached Table Cloths—in this sale—\$1.69 each.
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  - \$5.00 Bleached Table Cloths—in this sale—\$3.28 each.
  - \$4.00 Bleached Table Cloths—in this sale—\$2.88 each.
  - \$7.50 Bleached Table Cloths—in this sale—\$4.99 each.
- NAPKINS:
  - \$8.50 Bleached 3-4 Napkins—in this sale—\$2.50 a dozen.
  - \$6.00 Bleached Napkins—in this sale—\$1.83 a dozen.
  - \$3.50 Bleached Napkins—in this sale—\$2.38 a dozen.
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- TOWELS:
  - 45c Hemstitched Huck Towels—in this sale 25c each.
  - \$2.00 Hemstitched Bath Towels—in this sale—25c each.
  - 25c Hemstitched Huck Towels—in this sale 15c each.
- SCRUB CLOTHS—
  - 3/4c Scrub Cloths—in this sale—5c each.
- WASH CLOTHS—
  - Special sale on Wash Cloths—1 1/2c each.
- BED SPREADS—
  - \$2.00 Fringed Bed Spreads—in this sale \$1.50 each.
  - \$1.75 Fringed Bed Spreads—in this sale \$1.25 each.

have been merrily busy during this Great January Clearing Sale. Consequently, it has left us with a great many remnants and short lengths. Now they are all to go at sweeping reductions in prices. Remember this is an opportunity that comes but once a year. Never mind the weather, when you can get such values as these—On Sale MONDAY MORNING, 8 A. M.

NEW ETAMINE SUITING—In shade of mode, 50 inches wide, regular price \$1.00 per yard, 7 1/2 yards in remnant—for \$2.19.

NEW MISTRAL CLOTH—In new blue, 10 inches wide, regular \$1.00 per yard, 4 yards in remnant—for \$1.98.

FRENCH GRAY ETAMINE—50 inches wide, regular price \$1 per yard, 8 yards in remnant—for \$2.19.

MIXED BROWN CHEVIOT—56 inches wide, regular price \$1.25 per yard, 5 1/2 yards in remnant—for \$2.19.

DARK GARNET BRILLIANTINE—Regular price 50c per yard, 5 1/2 yards in remnant—for \$1.19.

BLACK AND WHITE NOVELTY—50 inches wide, regular price \$1.50 per yard, 4 1/2 yards in remnant—for \$2.89.

BLACK AND WHITE HAIR STRIPED KERSEY—32 inches wide, regular price \$1.50 per yard, 6 1/2 yards in remnant—for \$2.88.

ALL WOOL VENETIAN—Regular price \$2c per yard, 4 1/2 yards in remnant—for \$1.19.

FRENCH ZIBELINE—In garnet, regular price \$1.75 per yard, 3 1/2 yards in remnant—for \$1.98.

- GARNET ETAMINE—All wool, 4 1/2 yds. in remnant—for \$1.13.
- MELROSE CLOTH—In shade of mode, regular 50c per yard, 5 1/2 yards in remnant—for \$1.13.
- REMNANTS OF PRETTY WAIST GOODS—
  - POINTILLA NOVELTY—In red, regular price 50c a yard, 3 1/2 yards in remnant—for \$1.13.
- WOOL CREPE DE CHENE DOT—in new green, regular price 75c a yard, 3 yards in remnant—for \$1.95.
- LACE STRIPE NOVELTY—Very new, regular price 75c a yard, 3 yards in remnant—for 98c.
- BEDFORD CORD NOVELTY—Light blue with white polka dot, regular price \$1.25 yards in remnant—for \$1.39.
- PRUNELLA WAISTING—Plain colors, regular price 75c a yard, 2 1/2 yards in remnant—for 98c.
- SATIN FINISHED PRUNELLA—Regular price 75c a yard, 2 1/2 yards in remnant—for 98c.
- PARISIAN NOVELTY—Regular price 75c a yard, 2 1/2 yards in remnant—for 98c.
- BLACK AND WHITE STRIPE NOVELTY—Regular price 75c a yard, 2 1/2 yards in remnant—for 94c.
- REMNANTS OF COLORED SILKS—
  - All marked at next to nothing in price, odds and ends of colored silk, colored silks, black silks, etc., and a large lot, but fine value for those who come early. They are marked at the rate of about 10c a yard.
- REMNANTS OF BLACK SILKS—
  - Many beautiful pieces—the lot includes black, black and white, black and blue, black and red, etc. We call your attention to a few prices selected at random:
    - BLACK PEAU DE SOIE—Regular price \$1.25 per yard, 4 yards in remnant—for \$2.19.
    - BLACK TAFFETA—Regular price \$1.25 per yard, 27 inches wide, 3 1/2 yards in remnant—for \$2.09.
    - BLACK PEAU DE CYGNE—Regular price \$1.25 a yard, 4 yards in remnant—for \$2.19.
    - LYONS BLACK TAFFETA—Pure dye, regular price \$1.50 a yard, 3 1/2 yards in remnant, for \$2.79.

## THOMPSON, BELDEN & Co.

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

**January Linen Sale—**

Embroidered Linen Pillow Cases—

22-25 Embroidered Pillow Cases—in this sale—\$1.10 per pair.

CRASHES! CRASHES!

7 1/2 Brown Linen Crash—in this sale—25c per pair.

10-4 Brown Linen Crash—in this sale—12 1/2c per yard.

tries made last year, it is safe to state that approximately 4,700 homesteads, aggregating 750,000 acres, were taken during the year 1902, and it there were any fraudulent entries made they must have been instigated by the persons so anxious to have a leasing bill passed, but it is not believed that a very great number were not taken good faith by persons who, without homes, but who are desirous of securing homes under the generous provisions of the homestead law.

While a great hue and cry has been raised about homesteads not being made in good faith, a close examination of the proof papers on file at the various land offices so far visited shows by sworn testimony of three persons, the number of witnesses required when making proof, that substantial improvements are on the lands and in every instance good faith must be apparent from the sworn evidence before the proof papers can be approved. It is also found that at every land office visited that a number of speculative homesteads were from time to time being rejected and the entries canceled. It is quite probable that these are the class of entries complained of as being purely speculative, and, anyway, if fraud has been committed along these lines it is well recognized that such fraudulent entries were instigated by the very persons who are so ardently pushing the leasing bill.

### DEATH RECORD.

**Dr. Frederick J. Bancroft.**

DENVER, Colo., Jan. 17.—Word has just been received here from San Diego, Cal., of the death from heart failure of Dr. Frederick J. Bancroft of Denver. Dr. Bancroft was one of the most prominent physicians in the state and had a national reputation for his writings upon the effects of climate upon certain diseases. Dr. Bancroft served as surgeon with union forces in the civil war. He was born at Enfield, Conn., in 1834 and came to Colorado in 1868. Three children survive him. The remains will be brought to Denver for burial.

**Beatrice, Neb., Jan. 17.—(Special.)—** Jacob Schuck, for many years a resident of this county, died yesterday at Newton, Kan., at the advanced age of 94. The remains will be interred at Blue Springs.

**Quintan Hogg.**

LONDON, Jan. 17.—Quintan Hogg, founder and president of the Polytechnic Institute and editor of the Polytechnic Magazine, died suddenly today of heart disease. He was born in 1848.

**Centenarian Woman.**

POETORIA, O., Jan. 17.—Laura Foster, mother of former Governor Charles Foster of Ohio, is dead, aged 100. Her husband founded Potosi and from him it took its name.

**Princess Gives Up Titles.**

BERLIN, Jan. 17.—The legal representatives of the crown prince and princess of Saxony have arranged the terms for their separation. The princess abandons all titles, rights and dignities appertaining to her through her marriage and resumes her maiden name. The crown prince has expressed his willingness to pay her \$7,500 yearly. The agreement does not mention the right of the crown prince to see her children.

### COMMERCE BILL PASSES

House Creates New Department with Cabinet Minister at Head

### LABOR BUREAU IS TO BE TRANSFERRED

President May Place Interstate Commerce Commission Under New Office Should He Deem Such Action in Public Interest

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—At the end of a struggle which prolonged the session until after 6 o'clock the house passed the substitute for the senate bill to establish a department of commerce and labor. The vote stood 137 to 40. All the republicans and twenty-nine democrats voted for the bill.

The committee of the whole the democrats and a sprinkling of republicans, led by Mr. Corliss (Mich.), struck out the section providing for a bureau of insurance. By a piece of parliamentary strategy, Mr. Hepburn (Ia.), chairman of the Interstate Commerce commission, sought to have this provision restored, but the opposition stood fast and he was overcome. The democrats then attempted to recommit the bill with instructions to report back a separate bill for a department of labor, but the motion only obtained the support of two democrats.

The only other substantial amendment was one to authorize the president to transfer the Interstate Commerce commission to the new department.

**Differs from Senate Bill.**

The substitute as passed by the house differs from the senate bill in important particulars. It leaves the life-saving service, the marine hospital service, the steamboat inspection service, the bureau of navigation and the shipping commissioners under the control of the Treasury department, but authorizes the president to transfer other bureaus for the collection of statistics and the Interstate Commerce commission to the new department. It places under the new department the national bureau of standards, the coast and geodetic survey, the bureau of statistics, the census bureau, the bureau of foreign commerce, the bureau of immigration, including jurisdiction over Chinese immigration, and also creates the bureau of manufacturers and corporations.

At the opening of the session Mr. McCleary (Minn.), from the committee on appropriations, reported the District of Columbia appropriation bill and gave notice that he would call it up at the earliest possible moment.

The house then resumed consideration of the department of commerce bill.

General debate having closed, the bill was read for amendment under the five-minute rule.

Mr. Richardson (Ala.) moved to strike out the words "and labor" in the title of the new department, "Department of Commerce and Labor." He said he was not individually opposed to the creation of the department of commerce, but objected to the incorporation into it, and the subordinate

### DOCTORS NOW CONSIDER IT POSSIBLE THAT FEED VICTIM MAY NOT DIE

COLUMBIA, S. C., Jan. 17.—After a day of anxiety to the friends of N. G. Gonzales, reports tonight from the hospital are encouraging, though not fully assuring recovery. During the afternoon there was grave apprehension for the life of the wounded man, and at one time practically all hope had been abandoned, but there is now some indication of a favorable outcome.

### DID YOU EVER KNOW THAT IMPROPER FOOD OFTEN CAUSES THE LIQUOR HABIT?

It's a great proposition to get rid of a taste for liquor by changing food.

### CAPTAIN STREETER IS SENTENCED

CHICAGO, Jan. 17.—"Captain" George W. Streeter, Henry Hoodlike and William McManis, recently convicted of manslaughter, were sentenced to the penitentiary, a new trial having been denied by Judge Chetlain.

### EXPLOSION KILLS TWO MEN

WEST NEWTON, Pa., Jan. 17.—A boiler exploded at a factory here, wrecked a sawmill, killed two men and injured two others, one probably fatal.

### ALL WOOL Subject to your test

In order to convince you that our \$3.50 trousers are worth \$5.00, \$6.00 and \$7.00, and our coats and vests are worth \$15.00 and \$18.00 in any other tailor shop, we will furnish you samples of all goods you desire and find it out before you place your order here.

### WHY PAY MORE.

Fit and workmanship guaranteed. How can we do it? How can we do it in New York, Chicago and Kansas City?

### THE GRAND PANTS CO.,

205 North 16th St. Open evenings until 9 o'clock. Saturday evenings until 10 o'clock.

**A SLIP OF THE KNIFE AND BLIND FOR LIFE.**

No knife or drug used in Vitasol treatment. Nothing put in the eye. All eye diseases cured.

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1918 Farnam St., Omaha, Neb., P. O. Box 48.

### REMOVES CATARACTS

I treat all cases under a guarantee. If you are not benefited or cured the treatment won't cost you 1 cent. Consultation free.

### IF YOU HAD FOUND RELIEF IN MEDICINE, TRY MAGNETIC TREATMENT.

No matter what your ailment, it will help you.

### CURES BRUISES, LACERATIONS, BURNS, SCALDS, ETC.

Nature's force for the cure of diseases. Send for free booklet, "Nerve Force and How to Obtain It."

### DR. CHAS. I. WHITE, M. D. & V. P.

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### SHAW WELCOMES DELEGATES

Secretary of Treasury Speaks at Customs Congress in New York.

### AMERICAN REPUBLICS ARE REPRESENTED

Speaker Suggests Certain Changes He Thinks Would Prove Beneficial and Calls Attention to Neglected Commercial Advantages.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—The first formal session of the International Customs congress was opened here today with an address by Mayor Low.

He was followed by Leslie M. Shaw, secretary of the treasury, who said in part: "The people of the United States welcome with greatest cordiality the distinguished representatives of the American republics of which this congress is composed."

The speaker suggested certain changes in the tariff which he thought would be beneficial and called attention to neglected commercial advantages.

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### COAL DEALERS INDICTED

Chicago Grand Jury Returns True Bills in Forty Cases.

### TOTAL OF TAX ROLL

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necessity of facilities for inter-communication and the importance of the railroads to the general public welfare. He spoke of the attitude assumed by the government toward railroads and argued that although the railroads were operated by private corporations they were under the control of the government and to a great extent public property.

### It Becomes Public Highway.

A piece of property acquired for railroad purposes, he said, immediately ceases to be property and becomes a part of the public highway, and its value does not depend upon its use for any other purpose or in any other respect. As an integral part it has no value of its own any more than a part of a locomotive. Therefore the value of any part of a railroad depends upon the value of the whole. This idea, he argued, should be practically applied and the value of the whole should be determined and not the value of its parts.

### Policy of Railroad Taxation Followed.

The policy of railroad taxation followed in this state, he said, gives Douglas county its distributive part of the taxable value of railroad property and if Douglas county loses by that plan it is not the railroad company that is the gainer, but Sary county and the other counties of the state. He contended that railroad property should not be treated as the property of any private individual, subject to the condition and the fluctuations of the market.

### Board Overruled the Burlington Company's Protest.

Then on suggestion of Mr. McIntosh the cases of the railroads were called each in turn and as there was no further argument on the part of their attorneys the protests were promptly overruled by the same affirmative vote of 10 to 2.

### Board Then Took up the Case of the Union Pacific Railroad.

and after hearing evidence on the value of the property, decided to let the assessment as fixed by the Board of Review stand.

### Other Protests Overruled.

When business was resumed after the noon recess the case of the Chicago, Rock Island and Omaha and Burlington roads were taken up in turn, on the protests of George T. Merton. In these cases the taking of testimony was cut short by dispensing with the reading of the records of the board of review. The federal courts as presided by Mr. McIntosh. In each case Tax Commissioner Fleming was questioned as to his information regarding the value of the railroad property in question and permitted to say that he believed the assessment as returned by the Board of Review to be just and equitable. In each case the board by a unanimous vote of the eight members present found the assessment as returned by the Board of Review to be equal and just.

### There was no complaint on the part of George F. Morton against the assessment of the Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley road and its property was not specially considered by the board, so it was left as returned by the board of review.

### The Omaha Belt railway came up for consideration on the protest of the company. J. F. Stout appearing as attorney.

Mr. Stout called C. L. Hanson, civil engineer in charge of the assessment, as witness and testified that the track of the Belt line could be replaced for \$13,000 per mile and the road had ten miles of track. A. P. Tukey and C. F. Harrison were called as real estate experts to state that the value of the right-of-way would average from \$1,000 to \$1,200 per acre. There was some discussion between Mr. Stout and Mr. McIntosh as to whether eighteen miles of switch track property should be included in the assessment at the same rate as the main line and whether the franchise should not be assessed. All discussion was cut short by a motion from Mr. Zimman that the assessment of the Belt line be reduced from \$400,000 to \$400,000, and the motion prevailed. Mr. Burkley only voting in the negative.

### Railroad Assessments.

Following are the railroad assessments as they were fixed by the state board and as they now are:

State	Present
Union Pacific	\$14,582,280
O. & M. V.	1,250,000
O. & N. W.	7,853,140
C. & M. V.	9,370,000
Omaha Belt Line	400,000
Total	\$33,355,420

### The case of the Pacific Express company was argued at some length between Mr. Haswell and Tax Commissioner Fleming as to the right of the city to tax upon the capital stock of a company incorporated here. Finally, on motion of Mr. Zimman, the assessment of the company was raised from \$135,000 to \$500,000. Counselmen Burkley, Trossler, Zimman and Kary prevailed in the affirmative and Haswell, Mount G. and Whitaker in the negative.

### Soon after 6 p. m. the board took a recess and returned later in the evening to approve the minutes and adopt a resolution approving the rolls as they had been equalized and corrected by the board.

### EXPLOSION KILLS TWO MEN

Two Others Are Injured and One Will Probably Die as Result.

WEST NEWTON, Pa., Jan. 17.—A boiler exploded at a factory here, wrecked a sawmill, killed two men and injured two others, one probably fatal.

The injured: WILLIAM HUNTER, ROBERT FOLEY.

The dead: H. Hunter, former member of the Pennsylvania legislature, badly scalded; James Dick; will recover.

It is thought the explosion was caused by water in the boiler.

### GREENVILLE, Mich., Jan. 17.—Two boilers in the Ranney Refrigerator factory, known as factory A, blew up today, killing two men and injuring more than a dozen others and causing an estimated money loss of \$5,000.

Dead: CHARLES PRICE, engineer. R. A. STANTON, fireman. Seriously injured: Ed Hammond, Matt Bailey.

### REDSKINS TIRE OF RATIONS

Ask President to Provide Them with Work and Pay Them Wages.

BUTTE, Mont., Jan. 17.—J. O. Monteath, Indian agent of the Blackfoot reservation, has just been visited by a party of Blackfoot Indians to ask the president to stop the ration system and put them to work and pay them wages.

They believe that they are getting out of the condition of ignorance and dependence when the ration system is the only practical method of treating them.

### RIO GRANDE REFUSES RAISE

Trainers Consult Executive Officers, but Look on Strike as Last Resort.

DENVER, Jan. 17.—J. A. Edson, manager of the Denver & Rio Grande railroad, has refused the request of the trainmen for a 30 per cent increase in wages, and the

### RACES SIDETRACK LEAGUE

Epworth Convention May Change Date to Avoid Clash with Trotting Meet.

DETROIT, Jan. 17.—The local committee of arrangements for the national convention of the Epworth league has decided to recommend that the date, which was to have been the week of July 12, be changed to the opening days of that month, including the Fourth of July.

The original date conflicts with the grand circuit trotting races and the reunion of the veterans of Saratoga, which the president and several prominent army and navy officers will probably attend.

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