

Every man is the architect of his own fortune.

THE WEEK BEFORE CHRISTMAS

While our Christmas trade started in early this season our stocks are still filled with pretty articles that will make useful and practical gifts. You are welcome here. No trouble for us to show goods. Store open every evening until Christmas.

Holiday Hostery

Any style, quality, color, size or kind you may want you will find here. The best of black cotton hose with mace split toes, put up in boxes for gift purposes, a very sensible and welcome gift, three pair in a box, \$1.00 a box.

Ladies' Scarfs

Here is something attractive for the ladies. The men can buy these with safety: Crepe de chine scarfs, plain colors, \$2.50, \$3.50 and \$4.50 each.

Umbrellas

Hundreds to choose from here. Pretty handles and good silk coverings. \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$4.00, \$5.00 up to \$10.00 each.

Suitable Christmas Gifts

FROM OUR LINED DEPARTMENT. A white satin bed spread, \$5.00 and up.

Shirt Waist Special

Monday morning at 9 o'clock we shall close out the following ladies' shirt waists at one-half price:

Special Sale Silk Remnants

The silk counter will be the best place Monday morning to put your hand in a hurry on gifts that don't cost much.

Gifts for Men

What is a good present to give a man? That is the perplexing question that is asked every day. Our men's department is crowded with many articles that will make useful and appreciative gifts.

Handkerchiefs

Always needed, therefore always acceptable as gifts. The ones you buy here are all linen and good values.

Comforters and Blankets

No need of reminding you of the usefulness of these things. Like these: Dora's comforters, \$4.00 each.

THOMPSON, BELDEN & Co. Y. M. C. A. Building, Corner Sixteenth and Douglas Sts.

day afternoon last, and is as follows: In the district court of the District of Nebraska, within and for the city of Omaha, the term beginning on the 24th day of November, 1903.

POPE IS SHORT OF MONEY

Denies Story of Finding of Great Wealth in the Vatican. The Vatican today the statement of the Tribune yesterday that Cardinal Gottl, prefect of the propaganda, had handed Pope Pius \$50,000,000 in bank notes, said to have been confided to Cardinal Gottl by the late Pope Leo, with instructions to turn the money over to his successor after a period of four months.

STAKES FOR NASHVILLE RACES

Camden Park Spring Meeting to Have One Event with \$2,500 Added. NASHVILLE, Dec. 18.—Stakes for the Camden Park spring meeting, April 21 to 23 inclusive, were announced today.

CONSPIRACY INDICATED

The conspiracy indictment to which Senator Litchell declines to plead, and against which a deparure will be had in an effort to obtain a writ of habeas corpus, was returned on July 1, 1903, and received from Judge Fisher money to the amount of \$500 for printing in the office of postmaster at Hastings.

POPE HAS LITTLE CASH

The financial condition of the Holy See is unsatisfactory and causes the pope's preoccupation. When the temporal power fell Pius IX, partly because he was generous and partly because he sincerely thought the occupation of Rome would not last long, maintained the salaries of all the clerics, officers and soldiers who did not take service under the Italian government, which represented a great outlay for years.

CARLISLE INDIANS WINNERS

Defeat University of Utah Foot Ball Team by Score of 22 to 9. SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 18.—In an interesting, snow-covered field, the Carlisle Indian foot ball team easily defeated the University of Utah by a score of 22 to 9.

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MOODY'S ORDERS TO SAILORS

Three in Isthmian Waters Told to Let Colombian Take Initiative. TAKES PERSONAL CHARGE OF AFFAIRS. Situation, While Not Alarming, is So Delicate as to Require Secrecy and Care in Giving Out Information.

PAPERS ON PANAMA

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At a conference held this afternoon between Secretary Moody and Brigadier General George F. Elliott, commander of the marine corps, the latter reported that upon a second hour's notice he could get under way to Colon with the new Caribbean sea battalion which is under orders to assemble at Philadelphia.

Although General Elliott will have a conference with the president before leaving for his duty, Secretary Moody, from his instructions regarding the conduct of operations on the isthmus, he will be given a wide latitude, much being left to his own discretion.

There were several conferences at the War Department yesterday regarding the location of the camps for the marines on the isthmus. Last the administration may be put in the light of anticipating the senate's ratification of the canal treaty by assuming obligations provided for in that convention. It has been practically settled that General Elliott will be taken in charge of the Panama harbor unless the safety of the republic absolutely demands it.

Colon-Hamburg-American Steam Packet company's steamer Christina, from Cartagena, called at the wharf yesterday morning with 80 men to go to rendezvous in Gulf of Carib.

NEBRASKA AND WYOMING INTERESTED

One Project Will Furnish Water for Half a Million Acres Located in These Two States—Nebraskan Gets Pension. (From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—F. H. Newell, chief of the reclamation division of the geological survey, today outlined to the senate and house committees on irrigation what his department had done and contemplated doing regarding the reclamation of the arid and semi-arid lands of the west.

EVENTS ON RUNNING TRACKS

Jockey Fall on Witful Leads Crescent City Handicap at New Orleans. NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 18.—Witful, the Crescent City Derby winner, added another triumph to his record today in winning the Crescent City Handicap at New Orleans. The event was worth \$1,000 to the winner, and apart from being the first race of the meeting, it was notable for the masterly performance of Jockey Grover Cleveland Fuller.

High School Beats Thurston Rifles

Before a large crowd of interested spectators at the Young Men's Christian association last evening, the first team of the Omaha high school defeated the team from Thurston, Oreg., by a score of 22 to 7.

public order. A board of control consisting of five members was appointed to raise the public subscriptions throughout the department of Bolivia in aid of the national government and in order to meet the heavy expenditures arising from the critical situation. Governor Insuarez of the department of Bolivia thanked the liberals for their manifestations of patriotism.

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Under date of October 21, Mr. Beauraune communicated a positive feeling of alarm in Bogota, over the possible action of the United States should the feeling in Panama find expression in overt acts. This alarm, he said, was voiced in the senate on the day previous.

Final adjournment of the Colombian Congress, on October 21, was duly reported by Mr. Beauraune on that date, with comment that nothing had been done except a vote of rejection of the treaty of August 12. He reported great anxiety over conflicting reports of secession in the Cauca and Panama departments.

On November 24 Mr. Beauraune reported the situation under control, but expressed alarm, as there was intense feeling against the government and also against the United States because of the belief that the United States had encouraged the secession movement.

On November 12 Mr. Beauraune telegraphed that he had been invited to the cabinet meeting on the 12th of the night before. He was asked if he officially construed the telegram of the 8th to mean that the United States would not permit the landing of Colombian troops. Mr. Beauraune replied that the language needed no interpretation.

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CHRISTMAS SALES

CHAFING DISHES Largest display in the city on special sale. Exquisite designs with latest improved lamps. Greatly reduced prices till Xmas. up from \$3.25



COFFEE AND TEA POTS—Enamel and nickel plated, splendid, useful gifts. We can surely say you at special prices until Christmas.

POCKET KNIFE—Celebrated IXL Henckle and Rogers makes. Bright new goods in all sizes. \$1.00 down to 25c

RAZORS—Very highest grade and absolutely warranted. Beautiful sets in cases. Safety razors, electric strops, brushes and mugs. \$1.00 razors up from...

Boys' Skates Up From 5c

Steel Sleds Boys and Girls 49c

STOVES AND RANGES

RADIANT HOME AND GARLAND HEATERS AT SACRIFICE PRICES. Fire Place Fixtures, Andirons and Fenders, in Brass and Wrought Iron.

MILTON ROGERS & SONS CO.

Nothing Will Please Her CHRISTMAS CANDIES

More than a bottle of our fine Perfume. No matter what odor you wish, we have it. No other such a stock to select from in the city.

It is expensive to sell such excellent candies at cut prices. We charge it to advertising. In cases, safety razors, electric strops, brushes and mugs. \$1.00 razors up from...

ATOMIZERS

We've got them as low as 25c, and they are beauties, too.

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TELLS IRRIGATION PLANS

Expert Newell Appears Before the House and Senate Committees. NEBRASKA AND WYOMING INTERESTED

dictate against the late Judge Maxwell for the position on the supreme bench of Nebraska and has been telling his friends in Washington what without wanting "the people of the prairie state" defeated him.

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One Project Will Furnish Water for Half a Million Acres Located in These Two States—Nebraskan Gets Pension.

Rural routes ordered established February 1. Nebraska's advantage in the additional route area covered, 67,500 square miles; population, 300,000.

AGED WOMAN FALLS ON DOORSTEP

OSCEOLA, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Mrs. John T. Byers, who is about 70 years old, met with a severe accident yesterday.

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Advertisement for J. J. Jeweler, featuring watches and jewelry.

Advertisement for Copley's Savings Bank, promoting saving money.