



Greatest One Week Special Sale of Beautiful Black Dress Goods We Have Ever Had, Starts Monday, 8 A. M.

Of greatest importance to you, is the kind of black dress goods we are going to sell. We wish to state right now, as in the past, that old designs, seconds, cheap, trashy lots are absolutely unknown to Thompson, Belden & Co. Every piece of black dress goods to be sold during the great sale has been taken from our regular stock. The reason for this great sale is our stock of black dress goods is too large at this season of the year. It would be impossible to tell of the many good points in this great clearing sale.

We can only hint of the many beautiful fabrics and extraordinary low prices that will prevail during the one week of the greatest sale of choice Black Dress Goods Omaha ladies have the pleasure of attending. As for quantities, the sale will last the week out. But selections are best the first of the week, before they have been picked over. All to go on sale Monday, 8 a. m.

NOTE—Read each item below carefully, note the beautiful quality of the goods to be sold and the extraordinary reductions.

- HANDSOME BLACK BRILLIANTINES—Regular 50c quality, beautiful luster, just one-half price, 25c a yard.
BLACK POINTILLA NOVELTY—Very pretty fabric, tiny pinhead dots scattered here and there, deep rich black, all wool, regular 75c quality, Monday, 25c a yard.
BLACK SILK AND WOOL EOLLENE NOVELTY—Dress elegance itself, beautiful rich luster, drapes most charmingly in the new soft clinging effects, regular 1.25 quality, Monday, 80c per yard.
BLACK SILK AND WOOL CREPE DE PARIS—They stand today, a fabric of great beauty, the favorite of all women, very silky, beautiful luster, being light in weight, soft, cool and refined in appearance, regular 1.25 quality, Monday, 80c a yard.
SILK LUSTER NOVELTY BRILLIANTINE—Rich, glossy black, here and there they woven silk dots, for traveling or office work, just what you want, Monday, 25c a yard.
PARISIAN SILK AND WOOL POINTILLA—Fine silk and wool crepe de chine ground, here and there fine pin dots of silk scattered, just a suggestion of novelty, regular 1.00 quality, soft, rich luster, 60c a yard.
ENGLISH SILK FINISHED BRILLIANTINE—Equal in appearance to any all silk fabric, in the new soft chiffon finish, 46 inches, regular 1.50 quality, Monday at 95c a yard.
BLACK SILK FINISHED PANAMA—If you overlook all other goods, by all means make it a point to see this special fabric, never such value went over our counter before. Note the wide width, 54 inches, in the new soft chiffon finish, a fabric that is good any season of the year, and will make a dress suitable for any occasion. Never sold for less than 1.50, Monday as long as they last, 95c a yard.
BLACK BASKET PANAMA—Regular 1.25 quality, will give unlimited wear, Monday, 95c a yard.
BLACK NOVELTY PANAMA—The price is absolutely the lowest ever named for such beautiful fabrics, regular 1.25 quality, two styles, rich, deep black, Monday at 75c and 90c a yard.
GERMAN SILK FINISHED PRUNELLA—The style and the general appearance of the cloth is the clearest shown this season. Looks more like all silk, regular 1.25 quality, Monday at 80c a yard.
ALL WOOL CREPE GRANITE—A wealth of beauty in every yard of this dressy fabric, regular 1.00 quality, in the new soft finish, Monday, 75c a yard.
BLACK JACQUARD PANAMA—The loveliest designs you can dream of, if you are looking for something just a little of the plain, weaves, here and there small woven figures, regular 1.50 quality, rich, deep, black, Monday, 75c a yard.
BLACK CORDED ARMURE—Fine imported fabric, very dressy, fine pin stripe giving it just the suggestion of novelty, regular 1.00 quality, Monday, 75c a yard.
NOTE—While the quantity of goods to be sold is large, in many cases there are but single pieces of a kind. At these extraordinary low prices the crowd that will attend this special sale, will be very large, lots will be quickly closed out, consequently we cannot fill mail orders.

- Economy Basement Bargains for Monday.
Colored Waists, at 25c, worth 35c.
Walking Skirts, in black, at 37c, worth up to 50c.
Grey Jacket Suits, at 45.00, worth up to 100.00.
House Wrappers, at 60c, worth up to 1.15.
House Coats, at 50c.
Our Colored Wash Goods Department.
In the basement, lots of daylight, plenty of room and the choicest styles of wash materials. See our display of Real Irish Dimities, dainty beyond description, novelties everywhere. Price 35c and 30c yard.
'Banzai Silk.'—one of the most popular wash silks in the country. Rich luster, fine quality, 50c yard.
See our line of Printed Silk Organdies. You'll be surprised at the fine quality we sell you for 25c yard.
In Gingham and Madras we are head-queens for choice styles. (That's what we heard ladies say.)
Imperial Chambrays, plain and fancy, 22 inches wide, 15c yard.
Our line of 36 Zephyr Gingham comprises hundreds of styles.
Full line of colors of the very popular Mercerized 'Vicerine,' Mercerized Panama, price 25c yard.
Veilings.
The ladies are invited to call and see our new and handsome novelties in Automobile

- Veils and Hat Drapes. These styles are exclusive, as two of a kind. Prices from 25c to 1.00 each.
Plain and fancy Tuxedo Veiling, in all new and desirable shades, from 25c to 1.50 yard.
Maine, in all colors, at 25c yard.
Selling Silk Veiling, in white, black, navy and brown, at 25c yard.
Chiffon Veiling, 80c, 75c and 1.50 yard.
Special Bed Spread Sale in our Economy Basement.
All 25c Fringed Bed Spreads Monday 1.18 each.
All 50c Table Damask, Monday 30c each.
All 1.25 Hemmed Bed Spreads at 1.00 each.
All 1.25 Hemmed Bed Spreads at 80c each.
Towel Sale.
All 10c Huck Towels, Monday 5c each.
All 12 1/2c Huck Towels, Monday 5 1/2c each.
All 8c Bath Towels, Monday 25c each.
All 10c Bath Towels, Monday 10 1/2c each.
Table Damask.
All 50c Table Damask, Monday 30c yard.
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Teneriffe Dollies.
All 10c Teneriffe Dollies, Monday 5 1/2c each.
All 15c Teneriffe Dollies, Monday 5c each.
Scarf Sale.
All 40c H. S. Damask Scarfs, Monday 15c each.
All 80c H. S. Openwork Scarfs, Monday 60c each.
Special Sale of Embroidered Waist Patterns.
Monday we will place on special sale 100 White Embroidered Mull and French Lawn Waist Patterns, at 1.25 each. See Howard Street window.
Special Sale Hand Embroidered Dollies.
All 30c Scalloped Hand Embroidered Dollies, Monday 15c each.
All 50c Scalloped Hand Embroidered Dollies, Monday 25c each.
All 75c Scalloped Hand Embroidered Dollies, Monday 40c each.
All 1.00 Scalloped Hand Embroidered Dollies, Monday 50c each.
Embroidery Bolero Jackets.
Some choice Bolero Jackets have just arrived and will be shown at our Lace and Embroidery Counter. The materials are linen combined with lace; lawn combined with lace and embroidery. Entirely new and designed for summer wear. Prices: \$2.50, \$4.00, \$5.00 and \$10.00 each. Other elaborate Boleros at \$20.00 and \$30.00 each.
We are showing some very choice styles

- Beautiful 50c All Wool Crepe Albatross, Monday 25c Yard.
Could you imagine anything more beautiful at this season of the year for the pretty soft clinging gown. Run your eye over this list of pretty colors, light blue, reseda green, tan, new brown, blue, olive green, new grey, champagne, Nile green, etc. As long as they last Monday, just one-half price, 25c a yard.
French Pattern Hats Half Price.
The genuine Paris models, bearing the signature of French designers. Positively only one of a kind in existence. The very acme of perfection and styles which are the best in our entire display.
Monday at just half price. Millinery Department, Second Floor.
Monday Special Sale in Our Drapery Dept., Third Floor.
19 1/2 quality of alkaline, Monday 5c a yard. 15c Cretonnes, Monday at 5c a yard. 15c Art Denims, Monday at 5c a yard. 20c Art Denims, Monday at 5c a yard.
Lace Curtain Special Monday.
Another fine opportunity for a bargain in lace curtains just at the right time.
White Nottingham Lace Curtains.
20c, 1.00 Curtains at 50c pair.
25c Curtains at 1.25 a pair.
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Lace Curtains.
25c Fish Net Curtains at 1.19 a pair.
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White Novelty Lace Curtains.
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Lace Bed Set Specials.
10.00 Bed Sets at 8.50 per set.
20.00 Bed Sets at 15.00 per set.
35.00 Bed Sets at 25.00 per set.
40.00 Bed Sets at 30.00 per set.
Dainty Waists.
All our own exclusive styles, crisp and new. Everything we sell is good and our prices are always less than any other store for our fine class of goods. Waists from 1.00 up to 15.00.
Special Suit Sale—All the cloth Suits at Greatly Reduced Prices.
50.00 Suits, at 35.00.
40.00 Suits, at 25.00.
35.00 Suits, at 22.50.
Art Lovers Attention.
Never has Omaha been privileged to see such a display of Foreign Art needle

THOMPSON BELDEN & CO. HOWARD CORNER SIXTEENTH STREET.

stopped at that intersection. All south of Market street, with perhaps some exceptions in the vicinity of Pacific Mail dock, is gone. The section is bounded on the north by Market street and runs out to Guerrero street, goes out that street two blocks, turns west to Dolores, runs west six blocks to about Twenty-second, taking in four blocks on the other side of Dolores. The fire then took an irregular course southward, spreading out as far as Twenty-fifth street and going down that way to the southerly bay shore.
Estimate of Loss Varied.
Rolla V. Watt, western manager of the Royal and Queen insurance companies, and one of the most prominent insurance men on the coast, was asked if he would hazard an estimate on the financial loss. He said: "My idea is something like \$200,000,000. I have heard other insurance men place the figure at \$200,000,000. We do not know. It is simply too big for any human head to figure out at this time."
It was stated upon authority last night that the Merchant exchange, Fairmont hotel and Mercantile building would be open for public offices on Monday morning. All these have been examined by expert architects, who have pronounced their frame work and foundations to be absolutely safe. All three buildings have been burned to a certain extent, but the fire in no way caused them to be a menace to life and safety.
Partial List of Dead.
Mayor Schmitz and General Funston have established headquarters at Fort Mason, which was saved by some desperate work on the part of the soldiers, aided by a body of sailors from the warship Chicago. The records in the Hall of Records have been unharmed, which will prevent any tangle in titles.
The following is a partial list of the identified dead who have been buried by the authorities:
HARRY CHESTRO, 977 1/2 Folson street.
N. ROSENFELD, 278 Pacific street.
E. SOUTHWICK, 48 Pacific street.
J. M. VASE, 250 Sherman street.
WALTER AND 3-YEAR-OLD BOY, 128 Turk street.
— KING (male), 328 Mission.
Besides these sixteen unidentified persons were buried under the supervision of Dr. Campbell, of them being Italians, found in the building of the Western Fish company.
A number of others have been buried whose names cannot at present be learned.
Two Million Dollars in Sight.
The following is a tabulated statement of the amount of money raised yesterday for the sufferers of the earthquake and fire here. This has not any reference to any moneys subscribed heretofore:
Government appropriation \$2,000,000
St. Louis 100,000
San Francisco 100,000
Seattle 50,000
Victoria, B. C. 25,000
Los Angeles 25,000
Goldfield, Nev. 11,000
Reno, Nev. 10,000
Spokane 10,000
Los Angeles Chinese 2,000
Los Angeles theatrical people 2,000

of Health, wishes the Associated Press to make it known throughout California that plumbers are needed at once in San Francisco. They must bring their own tools. Their tools will be sufficient to secure their transportation. They are requested to report at the office of the State Board of Health at Laguna and Grove street.
FORT BRAGG DESTROYED BY FIRE
Towns of 5,000 in Lumber District Burns as Result of Quake.
BERKELEY, Cal., April 21.—A private letter received today by Postmaster Schmitz brings the information that Fort Bragg, one of the principal lumbering towns of Mendocino county, was almost totally destroyed as a result of a fire following the earthquake of last Wednesday morning.
The bank and other brick buildings were leveled as a result of the tremors and within a few hours fire had completed the work of destruction.
But one person of the 5,000 inhabitants was killed, but scores were injured. Eureka, a large town in the same county, fifty miles from Fort Bragg, was practically undamaged, although the quake was distinctly felt there.
congress that the appropriation would be made.
Following is the text of the president's message:
The Senate and House of Representatives: I submit herewith a letter of the secretary of war, with accompanying documents, suggesting a resolution in order that the sum of \$1,000,000, as recommended by the secretary of war, the appropriation of which has been authorized by the act of March 3, 1905, be appropriated for the relief of the sufferers of the earthquake of last Wednesday morning.
This letter refers to the appalling catastrophe which has befallen San Francisco and neighboring cities, a catastrophe more appalling than any other of the kind that has befallen any portion of our country during its history. I am sure that there is need on my part of no more than a suggestion to assist in order that this resolution may be at once passed. But I urge that instead of appropriating a further sum of \$1,000,000, as recommended by the secretary of war, the appropriation of \$1,000,000 in addition, large sums are being raised by private subscriptions in this country, and very generous offers have been made to assist us by individuals of other countries, which requests, however, I have refused, as in my judgment there is no need of an appropriation of more than our own resources; this refusal, of course, in no way lessening our deep appreciation of the kindly sympathy which has been shown such offers.
The detailed act of the action of the War department is contained in the appended letter of the secretary of war. At the moment our attention is primarily directed to the meeting the terrible emergency of the moment. Later I shall communicate with you as to the national government will take in meeting the more permanent needs of the situation, including, of course, rebuilding the great governmental structures which have been destroyed.
I hope the action here requested can be taken today. THEODORE ROOSEVELT.
The letter of Secretary Taft to the president recommended that congress be requested to appropriate another \$1,000,000 to enable the War department to carry on the work of relief at San Francisco. Accompanying the secretary's letter is a report from General Bell, chief of staff, Quartermaster General Humphrey, Commander General Sharp and Surgeon General O'Reilly, detailing what has been done since the first word came that a disaster had overtaken San Francisco. These reports also embrace a complete recapitulation of all telegrams sent and received, and give a history of the work done by the War department at San Francisco to date.
The house today passed a resolution appropriating \$1,000,000 in addition to the amount heretofore appropriated for the San Francisco sufferers.
Owing to the eulogies in the senate no other business will be transacted today. The message from the president relating to the San Francisco earthquake was not delivered to the senate and the resolution of the house appropriating \$1,000,000 will not be received from the house until Monday. Secretary Taft has received assurance from the senators that the resolution will be passed and that he can proceed with the necessary expenditure for relief.

REFUGEES FROM RUINED CITY
Olive Fremstadt's Maid Gives Graphic Account of the Earthquake.
OTHERS RELATE DETAILS OF THE HORROR
Passengers on First Train Out of San Francisco Leave Madame Sembrich and Other Opera Stars Behind.
Between forty and fifty of the first people fleeing from the stricken city of San Francisco arrived in Omaha yesterday afternoon on Union Pacific train No. 5 on their way to their homes in various cities of the east. The train left Oakland at 7 o'clock Wednesday evening, and although it might have carried hundreds, not more than half that number left on it. Across the bay thousands were vainly wishing they knew of a train to take and thousands were vainly trying to get to the ferry, that they might cross to Oakland, where at least there would be a chance of getting away.
The interior of the train which pulled into Omaha yesterday, the first train from the Golden Gate since the earthquake, presented a study in faces. One had only to look at the passengers, their nervous attitude, their drawn faces and the sleepless eyes to know that they had passed through some terrible ordeal. They were still talking of the awful nightmare. Some of them became half hysterical as they rambled on to each other of the fearful sensation of a quaking earth, of the terrors of the fire which followed, and of the weakness of the soul at the fear of a second shock. All were anxious for news from the ruined city and Salt Lake, Denver and Omaha papers were piled on the seats.
Fremstadt's Maid Describes It.
Among the passengers was Marie Altmeier, maid to Olive Fremstadt, who stopped a day at Salt Lake. Miss Altmeier was on her way to her home in New York. She and her mistress were the only ones connected with the Metropolitan Opera company who got away from San Francisco on the same day the catastrophe occurred.
"By were staying at St. Dunstan's, at Van Ness avenue and Sutter street," said Miss Altmeier. "Madame Fremstadt had rejoined the company after a few days absence and played Carmen Tuesday night.
"Then the awful shake came my feeling was the most terrible I have ever known. O, my God, it makes me sick to think of it. The earth falls out from beneath my feet and there is nothing to hold to. Things fall from the wall and the bed slides across the room. A crash and a roar in every direction like a big storm, but above all else the screams of women and the piercing shrieks of children. I saw the universe is going to pieces. I go up in the air a foot or two, it seems, then the floor sinks beneath me and I think I am going to fall forever. Then it shakes me from side to side and I fall down on the floor and have my face in my arms.
"See the end of the world.
"I got the window and brick out. All around me big stones and brick buildings are going to pieces like houses of blocks. Men and women and children run down the streets like rabbits, and they are pouring out of the houses. I know then that this end of the world has come.
"Mon Dieu, I cannot tell you. You should be there to know. I am ready to die now if I think of it. I do not stop for the elevator, but I run down six flights of stairs—one of them I fall down. On the first floor I find Madame Fremstadt. 'O, Marie,' she says, 'do you have your hat? Get your hat and we will leave the city.' So I run back up to the seventh floor to get my hat and coat. Then I come back down and fall down another flight.
"Madame Fremstadt and I go out into an open place, where thousands of other people are. All day we stay here, trying to get someone to take us to the ferry, for Madame thinks if we get to Oakland we can find a train. About 1 o'clock they bring us some sandwiches from the hotel. We don't get any water at all. People are so crazy they do not stop for money. Sometimes men drive by and we offer them money, but they shake their heads and never stop. The flames leap up from the big fires over the city and the air is filled with smoke. O, it is terrible to wait there when we want so much to get across the bay.
"Leave Sembrich and Goertlis.
"Late in the afternoon Madame Fremstadt gives a man \$50 and he takes us to the ferry. One of the last men we see is Manager Goertlis. He says he can get no tickets, no trains, no drays, no hacks, no anything, and he and Sembrich and Caruso and the rest of them will get away when they can. We go across the bay and hurry to the station at Oakland. The train is just starting. We scream and wave our hands. The train stops and we get on. I tell Madame Fremstadt it was nothing but Dutch luck, just nothing but Dutch luck. I never leave New York again."
Madame Fremstadt left the train at Salt Lake City, but will resume her journey and expects to reach New York next Thursday.
L. Frank of Cleveland, O., was another passenger on the train. He said:
"it was at San Lorenzo, fifteen miles east of San Francisco, when the shock came. It threw me out of bed onto the floor. I put on my clothes and got out of the house as quickly as possible. Then I caught a local train and rode to Sacramento, leaving it there to wait for this

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Hood's Sarsaparilla expels them, renovates, strengthens and tones the whole system. This is the testimony of thousands annually.
Hood's Sarsaparilla
Is peculiar to itself. Accept no substitute, but insist on having Hood's and get it today.
Liquid or tablets, 100 Doses One Dollar.

BURLINGTON MAKES GOOD TIME
Relief Train Burns West Faster Than Mile a Minute.
HASTINGS, Neb., April 21.—(Special Telegram.)—A San Francisco relief train from Chicago was taken through here by the Burlington this morning on record-breaking time. The train consisted of seven freight cars and Burlington engine 11 left Pacific Junction at 5:45 and arrived here at 8:40, covering the 175 miles in 172 minutes, including two stops for water.
Materity Hospital at Berkeley.
BERKELEY, April 21.—A maternity hospital has been established under the direction of Prof. Magee at the University of California, where unfortunate victims of the fire who are about to become mothers are being cared for. Last night three infants were born and are living. One child was born in the public square. The physicians now have the work of relief so well in hand that such pathetic scenes as this will not be enacted again.
The refugees keep coming in to Berkeley, though the town is now feeding and sheltering 8,000 people in public buildings and the university and 8,000 more in private houses. The capacity of the town is taxed to the limit. Strict quarantine rules were put into effect this morning and every effort is being made to check disease. The thousand of individual shower bath rooms in the men's gymnasium and the like number in the women's room at the university have been thrown open to the refugees, and men, women and children alike are being compelled to take a bath and change all clothing.
An attempt will be made to open the public schools here Monday.
Express Company Donates.
W. H. Quick, general superintendent of the United States Express company at Des Moines has notified Local Agent E. F. Fitz William as follows:
Effective immediately the United States Express company will carry free of charge contributions of money, clothing or supplies for the sufferers of the city of San Francisco and neighboring towns when such shipments are consigned to city officials or to regularly constituted charitable institutions.

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President Recommends Appropriation of \$1,500,000 Additional.
WASHINGTON, April 21.—The president today sent to congress a message, accompanying documents and papers from the War department, recommending the appropriation immediately of an additional \$1,500,000 for the relief of the sufferers by the calamity at San Francisco.
The president today conferred with Senator Allison, chairman of the senate committee on appropriations, and with other senators and representatives as to the need for further aid for the residents of the stricken city and a decision was reached that congress should be requested to appropriate the additional \$1,500,000. Assurances were given by the members of

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