

OWEN'S LEGISLATIVE REFORMS

HE'S FOR THE INITIATIVE, REFERENDUM AND RECALL.

And If We Had 'Em We'd Come to a Stage Where We Wouldn't Need 'Em, Our Politics Would Be So Much Better

Senator Robert L. Owen of Oklahoma led the discussion at the Republican Club yesterday on the initiative, referendum and recall. Before tackling the subject he remarked that it was a good omen for the country when a Democrat was able to feel perfectly at home in a Republican club.

Senator Owen was strongly in favor of all three measures. He said that they formed the best method of lawmaking, since they were "speedy, direct, simple and efficient." Through them, he said, the people would be able to initiate any law desired and veto any that they didn't believe good. The adoption of these measures means he said, "the rule by the people in practice as well as in theory."

He described how "the idea has swept the West" and declared that in his opinion it will be the leading issue in New York in the next campaign.

After saying that some of the objections made to these measures were that the people would act imprudently and pass laws unwisely drawn, especially laws attacking property, Senator Owen pointed out that in Oregon, where the measures are in effect, out of sixty-five propositions submitted to the people in eight years not one assailed private or corporate property.

He said that the economy of the plan was proved by the fact that the submitting of the sixty-four measures cost Oregon only \$47,000, and added that the intelligence of the voters had been measured in a way by submitting thirty-two propositions to the faculty of Oregon University for a test vote. Out of the thirty-two the professors were with the people on thirty-one, and the point of difference was a woman suffrage, which the people voted against.

He declared that it had been found that "the slum districts" don't vote, and that in this way matters are left to the decision of the better class.

Greater simplicity in the laws of the country is what is needed, said Senator Owen, and he was certain that the best way to correct existing abuses was by means of the initiative and referendum. He spoke too of the need of "purifying the Government of every form of corruption" and gave Oregon as an example of how the measures he advocates had done the work. The Oregon Legislature's corrupt practices bill, "which no joker in it," was held up as a model, and the assertion was made that in New York "you have only the color of the law, which doesn't seem to work well."

The passage of that act in Oregon," said the speaker, "made it one of the most decent and honorable States in the Union."

The initiative and referendum, he thought, would eliminate machine rule in politics, and he believed these measures would soon be universally adopted. The recall he valued chiefly because it doesn't have to be used, since it makes public servants respond to the will of the people.

Prof. Henry J. Ford of Princeton was another who spoke in favor of the measures under discussion. He said he favored them only "because the regular channels are so blocked that progress cannot be made."

The end of the movement, Prof. Ford thought, would be a return to "a true representative government, a thing we have never had," and at that time the initiative and referendum would be put aside "as curios for which we have no further use."

Others who spoke in favor of the three measures were F. C. Howe, secretary of the National Progressive Republican League, and Henry B. Maurer, secretary of the Initiative and Referendum Club. Walter D. McKinney, secretary of the Representative Government League, who was to have spoken in opposition, was unable to be present, but sent a letter, which was read.

RIGHT OF WAY LAWSUIT.

Pell Family of Esopus Say Their Access to the Highway Is Threatened.

James Duane Pell, F. Livingston Pell, Mrs. Lela Pell Wright and other members of the Pell family who have an interest in property owned by the late James Duane Pell along the Hudson River near Esopus have brought suit here against the Missionary Society of the Most Holy Redeemer, a Roman Catholic organization which has a school on property adjoining the Pell estate in the rear, to prevent the closing of a road which leads from the defendant's property and from Pell's dock to the Newburgh turnpike.

The defendant has notified the members of the Pell family and others that this road is a private way and passes over the defendant's property and that the good of the school demands that the road be closed. The plaintiffs say that this road has been used for over twenty years, and before the defendant got the property it crosses, and that if it is closed there will be no way to reach the highway from the Pell property.

The plaintiffs have obtained an order to examine John B. Ireland of 103 East Sixty-ninth street, to find out the conditions under which he sold the property to the school, but have been unable to serve the order, because Mr. Ireland is more than 90 years old and never leaves his house.

HORSES FOR PORTO RICO.

Kentucky Plans to Show and Race a String There.

C. L. Ryley, who is president of a coal and grain company in Lexington, Ky., and of a coal company in Versailles, Ky., and who lives in the latter place, left yesterday for San Juan, Porto Rico, on the S. V. Lukenbach with a string of Kentucky show horses which he is going to exhibit at the fair that is to begin at San Juan, February 23.

"I shall not only put the horses on exhibition, but shall race them," said Mr. Ryley at the Imperial just before he left. "My idea is to introduce Kentucky horses into the island, where I believe there is a great demand for them. They are all of standard breed and registered."

Coast Artillery Review.

A big military event is to come off at the army of the Thirteenth Regiment, Coast Artillery, in Sumner avenue, Brooklyn, on Wednesday evening, March 29, when the coast artillery troops comprising the Eighth and Ninth districts in Manhattan will join with the Thirtieth in a drill, review and evening parade. There will be an assemblage of more than 2,000 officers and men under command of Brig. Gen. David E. Austin. The large drill field will furnish ample space for the evolutions. Mayor Gaynor has accepted an invitation to review the regiments.

Shipload of American Food for Chinese.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 11.—When the Government transport which is to carry supplies to starving Chinese sails from here on February 25 it will carry a full cargo. The Seattle Commercial Club, which is superintending the giving of supplies, is receiving donations from all parts of the country. A telegram was received from the Christian Committee yesterday, notifying the relief committee that 1,000 tons of provisions would be forwarded from New York.

Macy's R. H. Macy & Co.'s Attractions Are Their Low Prices. 34th to 35th St.

Crowded Out: Sales of Women's Suits, Gowns and Furs, Misses' Suits and Dresses, Lingerie Waists, Negligees, Silk Petticoats, Corsets, Ribbed Underwear, Hosiery, Spring Dress Goods, White Goods, Drapery Fabrics, Towels, Coffees and Teas and a list of attractive "Specials for Tuesday."

THE ORIGINAL DEPARTMENT STORE Macy's B'way at 6th Av. 34th to 35th St.

Laces, Robes, Embroideries, Neckwear

Silk-run Laces 15c to \$1.39

White and cream Edgings, Insertions, Bands and All-overs, imported to sell at 30c to \$2.65 yd., 1 1/2 to 12 in. wide, at 15c to 42c; 18 in. all-overs, at 74c, 98c and \$1.39.

Hand-crocheted Lace, 19c to 98c

Genuine Turkish Lace, various patterns suitable for trimming lingerie and linen dresses; 3/4 to 6 in. wide, 19c, 36c, 68c and 98c.

\$1.00 Lace All-overs at 59c

Silk-embroidered black, ecru and Persian on black or white lace net; width, 18 in.

\$1.25 to \$2.00 All-overs at 74c

White embroidered and tucked muslin all-overs for waists, gumpes and half sleeves; usual widths.

85c to \$1.00 Flouncings at 69c

White muslin flouncings, choice assortment of broderie anglaise designs; width, 26 inches.

\$1.50 Flouncings at \$1.24

White batiste and lace flouncings; width, 42 inches.

\$15.00 Batiste Robes, \$9.94

White or ecru, embroidered in colors, deep embroidery on skirt, insertion to match.

\$16.50 Batiste Robes, \$10.89

All white, in five broderie anglaise designs; shaped skirts, all-over embroidery for blouse.

\$1.25 Heavy Lace Sets, 69c

Dutch collar, narrow cuffs, Venise lace, Irish crochet designs.

55c to 75c Linen Jabots, 47c

Hand-embroidered in five pretty designs, edged with cluny lace, and laid in half-inch pleats.

\$2.25 Chemisette Sets, \$1.49

Tucked all-over Net Lace Chemisettes half-sleeves to match.

MEN'S UNDERWEAR

Linen Mesh, Broken Sizes, Worth Up to \$7.00; Sale, \$1.89

An odd lot of Men's Ringhelt Ramie Linen Mesh Shirts, Drawers and Union Suits, 650 pieces, in style numbers 30, 40 and 50. Not all sizes in each of the lots, but in the lot collectively. Every one of these garments is worth at least \$3.00, and the majority far more. In regular stock, less expensive qualities beginning at 29c.

HANDKERCHIEFS—

Extra Values

The reason being that they have not passed the test for the first class. A slight discoloration, a thread awry or uneven revealed by the magnifying glass, enables us to offer values such as these:

59c For Six; Men's Pure Irish Linen Handkerchiefs Value \$1.50 If Perfect.

Openwork embroidered initial, 1/2 inch hems. Slightly imperfect.

15c each for Men's 25c Irish Linen Handkerchiefs; slightly imperfect; the initial hand-embroidered.

10c each for Irish Linen Handkerchiefs; slightly imperfect; variously initialed, some with French tape border; values 12c to 35c.

70c for box of six; Women's Shamrock Linen Handkerchiefs; slightly imperfect, tape border; value 25c each.

The following five lots are best quality, perfect goods:

24c each for Men's 50c French Novelty Handkerchiefs, in neat colors and patterns.

98c to \$1.40 for Men's Imported and Domestic Mufflers, plain and novelty styles, no box reduced.

60c for box of six; Men's Pure Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, liberal size; value 90c.

4c each for Women's 12c Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, cord and laid designs.

40c for six Women's Pure Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, value 12c each.

We pride ourselves on carrying the daintiest and largest stock of Hand Embroidered Madeira Handkerchiefs in this country; prices run from 49c each to \$12.94.

39,720 YARDS FINE DRESS SILKS

Worth \$42,975.00 to Be Sold at \$32,165.00

Our Great February Sale—One of the Most Comprehensive of the Year.

All New, Absolutely Dependable Silks.

Involved are the best foreign and domestic silks; we make particular mention of the two famous weaves, "Marchioness" Pure Dye Silks, made expressly for us and sold under the broadest guarantee; and the silk of C. J. Bonnet et Cie., of Lyons, France.

\$1.50 Foulard Silks, 99c Double width jacquards and plain satin grounds; quantities of navy and white polka dots, etc., 40 inches wide.

\$1.25 Marquissette Silk, 94c Street and evening shades; also black; 42 inches wide, strong and durable.

\$1.00 Pongee Shantung, 79c Natural color, exceptional quality, 36 inches wide.

75c White Habutal, 59c 36 inches wide, strong and durable.

\$1.25 Satin Messaline, 94c In a great variety of street and evening shades, 36 inches wide, strong and durable.

75c Natural Shantung, 59c 26 inches wide, splendid quality.

65c White Habutal, 49c 27 inches wide, thoroughly dependable.

50c Wash Silk, 38c Imported stripes in various patterns and colors, 19 inches wide.

\$1.35 Black Messaline, 99c 42 inches wide, excellent quality satin.

\$1.00 Black Habutal, 69c Imported "Spot-proof," 27 inches wide, guaranteed.

\$1.25 Black Marquissette, 94c 42 inches wide, strong and durable.

\$1.25 Black Shantung, 94c "Yarn-dyed," 36 inches wide, standard grade.

\$1.00 Black Taffeta, 79c Manufactured expressly for Macy's, 36 inches wide.

\$1.00 Black Satin, 74c Our famous "Imperial" satin, 35 inches wide.

\$1.50 Black Mousseline, \$1.14 Our famous "Marchioness," pure dye, black dress satin Mousseline; manufactured expressly for Macy's; 36 inches wide.

Other Fine Silks Up to \$4.96 per yard.

TAILORED SUITS

Charming New Spring Styles

For women, petite women and misses at \$29.74 to \$49.74. Almost all are exactly copied from French models.

\$29.74 for Serge Tailored Suits of navy, white or black; mannish coat with lapped seams and striped messaline lining; graceful flared skirt; pleated below knees.

\$32.74 for Flecked Gray Tweed Suits, square coat collar and button holes piped to match flecks; skirt box-pleated at sides.

\$34.74 for Light Weight Cheviot Suits, white—White-Striped Cheviot Suits, blue and black, like illustration, the odd coat trimmed with novelty collar of pique and silk, the girde skirt made with front and back panniers.

\$49.74 for Navy or Black Serge Suits made with two-button cutaway coat, handsomely braided, and panel skirt joined to pleated flounce with braid band.

Women's Coats

\$26.74 for A smart new model, full-length, semi-fitting, of gray-and-white and magpie checks; silk skeleton lining, full sweep sailor collar oddly inlaid with Ottoman or moire silk; side-fastening large self-covered buttons.

Finer Coats up to \$79.75; Wraps up to \$139.00.



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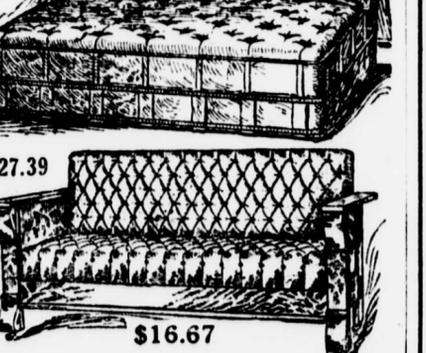
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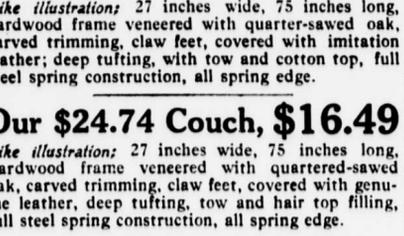
Our \$14.74 Couch, \$11.24



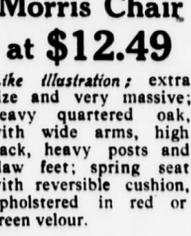
Our \$16.24 Morris Chair at \$12.49



Our \$24.74 Couch, \$16.49



Our \$16.24 Parlor Chairs, \$5.94



Our \$34.24 Divan Couch, \$27.39



Our \$49.24 Parlor Suits, \$35.24

Highly polished mahogany very massive design; sofa, arm chair and large rocker with loose cushions, covered with silk plush or panne velour. Save \$14.00.

Our \$86.50 Parlor Suits, \$50.50

Crotch mahogany, elaborately carved; sofa, two large and two small arm chairs, covered to your order in tapestry, silk plush or panne velour. Save \$16.00.

Our \$68.25 Parlor Suits, \$55.50

Three extra large pieces; sofa, arm chair and rocker. Highly polished mahogany finish, frame beautifully carved, loose cushion seats; covered to order in choice of silk or panne velour, in any color. Save \$12.75.

Our \$125.00 Parlor Suits, \$70.25

Highly polished solid mahogany; three pieces; seat and back upholstered in plain or Spanish leather; your choice of colors. Save \$54.75.

Our \$126.00 Parlor Suits, \$93.25

Crotch mahogany frames, elaborately carved, solid mahogany veneer panels; five pieces; covered with choice of tapestry, silk plush or satin damask. Save \$32.75.

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Solid mahogany, some plain, others beautifully carved, in various sizes—

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Vernis Martin and Rookwood Cabinets

For sheet music or piano roll records, in Vernis Martin or Rookwood—

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Vernis Martin or Rookwood Tables

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Parlor Cabinets

Table with 4 columns: Regularly, Sale, Regularly, Sale. For Parlor Cabinets.

DOMESTIC RUGS

French Weave Wilton Rugs; extra fine quality, artistic designs:

\$3.74 for size 22 1/2 x 36 inches. \$5.24 for size 27 x 54 inches. \$7.48 for size 30 x 63 inches. \$17.24 for size 4 1/2 x 7 1/2 feet. \$31.49 for size 6 1/2 x 9 feet. \$44.74 for size 8 1/2 x 10 1/2 feet. \$48.74 for size 9 x 12 feet. \$67.50 for size 9 x 15 feet. \$67.50 for size 10 1/2 x 12 feet. \$80.50 for size 11 1/2 x 15 feet.

Royal Wilton Rugs; beautiful Oriental and two-tone effects:

\$1.08 for size 18 x 36 inches. \$1.96 for size 27 x 54 inches. \$2.48 for size 30 x 63 inches. \$12.48 for size 4 1/2 x 7 1/2 feet. \$32.48 for size 8 1/2 x 10 1/2 feet. \$34.48 for size 9 x 12 feet.

One-Piece Wilton Rugs—two-tone and Oriental effects:

\$34.48 for size 8 1/2 x 10 1/2 feet. \$50.74 for size 9 x 12 feet.

LINOLEUM SALE

39c per square yard for Printed regularly 60c and 75c a yard.

98c per square yard for Inlaid Linoleum—2 1/2 yards wide; parquet, mosaic and tile effects; regularly \$1.19 square yard.

CARPET SALE

69c yard for Wool Velvet Carpets, for halls and stairs; our regular price \$1.04 a yard.

89c yard for Axminster Carpets, for parlors, etc.; our regular price \$1.24 a yard.

98c yard for Wilton Velvet Carpets, for halls and stairs; our regular price \$1.44 a yard.

Other Carpets in stock ranging up to \$2.89 a yard.

60-PIECE GLASS SERVICES

\$1.98 for \$3.50 Plain Thin-Blown Glass Service, consisting of 12 whiskey, 12 mineral, 12 high ball glasses, 12 water tumblers and 12 champagne glasses.

60-Piece Services of Bohemian Glass, \$7.32 to \$18.77.

SALE OF RICH CUT GLASS

89c each for Spoon Trays; sold elsewhere at \$1.25.

\$1.49 each for Water Bottles; elsewhere \$3.00.

\$1.89 for Mayonnaise Bowl and Plate; elsewhere \$3.50.

\$2.39 for Water Jugs—2 1/2 pint size; elsewhere \$5.00.

\$2.49 for Low Jelly Dishes—9-inch size; elsewhere \$5.00.

Other Cut Glass Pieces in stock up to \$10.00.

DINNER SETS

\$3.49 for American Porcelain Dinner Sets, 100 pieces, white fancy shape; our regular price \$4.23.

\$4.39 for American Decorated Porcelain Dinner Sets, 100 pieces; green floral design; our regular price \$5.83.

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A rare assortment of wall and furniture coverings, screen and slip coverings, draperies and hangings in endless color combinations and designs.

Included are Jacobean designs, bird medallion and panel designs for library and living rooms; floral garland, stripe, cluster, conventional, and all-over designs of wild flowers, roses, chrysanthemums, daisies, apple blossoms.

Also allegorical designs; Marie Antoinette, tapestry and foliage designs for bedrooms, breakfast rooms and sitting rooms; Dutch designs in rich dark colorings for the den or library.

English Chintzes and Linens, hand-block-printed, absolutely sun and water proof.

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Imported Cretonnes, white and cream grounds.

10c to 74c yard for 31 inch width

98c to \$1.74 yard for 50 inch width

Java Cloth Dutch Prints, hand-blocked.

49c for 86c quality, 31 inches wide.

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Domestic and foreign manufacture; various grades at prices twenty-five per cent. below regular.

Crochet Bedspreads, hemmed, full-blended, beautiful raised centerpieces, ready for use—

74c for size 68x82 in. \$1.13 for size 72x90 in. \$1.19 for size 80x86 in.

Honeycomb Bedspreads, extra heavy, hemmed, in all-over and medallion effects.