

Christmas Candies

Main Floor, Near Elevator. Special boxes of Chocolates and Bon Bons, 1 lb. and 1/2-lb. boxes, per lb., 60c and 12c. Mixed French Cream Candies, 12 1/2c. Broken Mixed Candies, 10c.

SILK LEADERS OF THE NORTHWEST Dayton's Daylight Store

Formerly Goodfellow's. GEO. D. DAYTON, President. J. B. MORHER, Vice President. D. D. DAYTON, Treasurer. FRANK H. CARLETON, Director. Seventh St. and Nicollet Ave.

All Waist Patterns Neatly Boxed for Giving.

Store Open Thursday Evening Read Our Christmas Day Ad. Branch Postoffice and Parcel Desk on Main Floor Balcony.

Have to Hurry=Last Day Short, Sharp, Quick Action Now, All Day Thursday.

Half-Price Christmas Novelties See Tables Center and Rear Aisles—5c to \$5.00. Annual Silk Sale Still On. Christmas Silks at Greatly Reduced Prices.

Dress Goods Dept.

Novelty Dress Goods, including Panne, Camel's Hair, Bourette effects, Knub Canvas and English Tweeds; \$2.00 values. Thursday 98c. Black Dress Goods, including Fancy Canvas, French Voiles, Drap d'Ete, Roxanas, Armoires, Pebble Cheviots and Zibelines, 44 to 50 in. wide; regular prices \$1.25 and \$1.50. Thursday, 98c.

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Women's Silk Hose

Novelty Silk Hose reduced for Thursday— \$7.50 quality \$6.39 \$6.50 quality \$5.39 \$4.50 quality \$3.79 Black Silk Hose \$1.25 quality 98c \$1.75 quality \$1.39 \$2.50 quality \$2.29

Just Christmas Goods

Handkerchief and Glove Boxes 65c silk covered boxes 33c 25c silk covered boxes 13c 50c polished wood boxes 19c 39c leatheroid boxes 19c Smoking Sets 75c natural wood sets 38c \$1.50 automobile sets 75c Toilet Sets \$18.00 Toilet and manicure sets \$12.50 \$7.00 Sterling silver comb & brush sets \$4.98 \$5.00 Fancy decorated sets \$3.25 \$2.25 Comb & brush set, metal backs \$1.48 Cocobola Military Brushes, with hat and cloth brushes, mirror and \$9.98 comb, \$12.00 set, Thursday Vases and Puff Jars The 50c imported kind 25c

Women's Neckwear

Handsome stocks, collars and ties, the latest shapes and styles in silk, lace and washable materials, only a few of a kind, but altogether a big assortment, sold up to \$1 each, special, each 48c

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Christmas Sale Shirt Waist Patterns

Thursday Night from 7 to 9. Generous Waist Patterns.

Silk Waist Patterns \$1.19 \$1.49 \$1.69 \$1.98 Worth up to \$5.00 Wool Waist Patterns \$1.68 \$1.98 Worth up to \$3.00 Mercerized Waist Patterns 49c 69c 89c \$1.18 Worth up to \$3.00

NOTE OF WARNING—At a similar Waist Pattern Sale last Christmas Eve, all were sold in twelve minutes.

Christmas Work Basket Sale—Thursday.

Regular prices 25c to 75c. Special Prices 14c 23c 29c 39c 49c

Christmas Aprons

Nurses' Aprons, trimmed with embroidery. Thursday special 49c Children's Aprons, made of India linen, sizes 6, 8 and 10 years. Thursday Specials, 49c, 69c and 98c

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Handkerchiefs

Happy Thought, a box of handkerchiefs is just the thing. 600 boxes of men's and women's pure Irish linen handkerchiefs, 6 in each box, embroidered initials, broken assortment of letters from our best sellers, sold up to \$1.35 per box of 6. Special 75c

Fans 1/4 Off

Special for Thursday only—any Fan in our stock at 1/4 off regular price.

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Umbrellas

\$5.00 Women's Umbrellas for \$2.50. Fine black taffeta with beautiful long pearl and sterling silver handles, a handsome Christmas gift, special. \$2.50

Shirt Waist Sets

Dress Trimming Counter \$1.00 hand-painted Dresden China 3-piece sets. Extra special Thursday 39c

Great Christmas Waist Pattern Sale, Christmas Eve, 7 to 9.

Evening Waists

\$15.00 values, all colors. Thursday \$7.50

Women's Bath Robes

\$3.75 All Wool Eiderdown Robes, Thursday \$2.75

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Fur Dept.

Last Special Reduction on Christmas Furs. \$10.00 Marten Muffs, Thursday \$7.50 \$3 and \$3.50 Astrakhan Muffs, Thursday \$2.50 \$55 and \$50 Astrakhan Jackets, our own make \$42.50 \$50 and \$45 Near Seal Jackets, Thursday \$39.75 \$35 and \$30 Scarfs and Boas, Thursday \$25.00 \$15 Isabella and Sable Fox Scarfs, Thursday \$8.95

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Men's Furnishings

Final Christmas Reductions. Neckwear—2-in. Four-in-hands, 50c quality, Thursday 29c Men's four-in-hands, ascots, bows and tecks, all on bargain table, values to 75c, Thursday, two for 25c Fancy Vests—\$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.25, \$1.75 and \$1.50 House Coats Reduced—\$5.00 coats \$3.98, \$7 coats, \$5.88, \$8.00 coats \$6.79 Men's \$15.00 Lounging Robes, Thursday \$11.89 Fancy Suspenders, 75c kind 48c \$98c \$1.00 kind 59c, \$1.50 kind 98c

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Daylight Basement

Cut Glass, a large variety at lowest prices ever quoted: Cut glass nappies, 5-in. only, \$1.19. 8-in. cut glass berry bowls, worth \$4, only, \$2.98. 8 1/2-in. cut glass bowls worth \$5, at \$3.85. Cut glass water bottle, worth \$5, at \$2.98. Art Pottery—Our entire stock reduced from 10 to 50 per cent. An endless variety to choose from. Dolls, 15 inches long with hair stuffed body and bisque head; closing eyes; only 21c. Headquarters for Dinnerware. 10 tables displayed with all new up-to-date stock. See our leaders at \$11.95 and \$17.95.

Toy Stoves, good size, with cooking utensils, only 23c. Game Boards, all at lowest prices going. Game Boards, playing 10 games, worth \$1.25, only 95c. Game Boards playing 65 games, worth to \$4.00, \$2.95. U. S. Lock Lever Club Skates, boys' or girls', at 48c, 59c, 75c up to \$2.25. Ladies' or children's skates at 89c, \$1.25 and \$1.75.

BRIEF AGAINST MERGER FILED

MAJESTY OF THE LAW MUST BE VINDICATED.

Attorney General of Minnesota Asks the United States Supreme Court if the State Must Be Considered Powerless—Twenty-nine Assignments of Error Presented for Consideration.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Attorney General Douglas and Messrs. M. D. Munn and George B. Wilson have filed their brief for the state of Minnesota in its appeal from the decision of the state court in the suit against the Northern Securities company. It is a document of 176 pages. Its authors contend that the merger of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern Railroad companies into the Northern Securities company was for the purpose of stifling competition. After stating that the action was brought to enjoin the consolidation of the two railroad companies because they are parallel and competing lines within the state of Minnesota, and that the circuit court of the United States for the eighth circuit decided the case contrary to the contention of the state, the attorneys present their assignment of errors on the part of the circuit court. There are twenty-nine of these assignments, but the principal ones are that the decree is erroneous in holding that the Northern Securities company was not organized for the purpose of consolidating the two appellee railway companies; in holding that the ownership of the stock of the two railway companies by the Northern Securities company does not amount to a consolidation within the meaning of the acts set forth in appellants' bill; in holding that the Northern Securities company does not, in fact, control the two railway companies by virtue of its ownership of the stock of such railway companies, and in not holding that the Northern Securities company was intended by its incorporators to be and is a device for evading the laws of the state.

ern Pacific Railway companies and as a means of evading the laws of the state of Minnesota prohibiting such consolidation. They contend also that the Northern Securities company was intended to control both railway companies and thus place the property of the two railways under a single or unified management and to prevent either company doing any act hostile to the interests of the other, or entering into competition with the other, so as to lower rates or solicit business; in other words, as effectively to stifle competition and destroy whatever benefit might result therefrom to the public, as the entire system of railroads of each company within the state of Minnesota were owned and controlled by a single operating railroad corporation or individual.

Consolidation Complete. Arguing the law points in the case, they say: "The acquisition of a majority of the capital stock of the Great Northern and Northern Pacific Railway companies by the Northern Securities company effects as complete a consolidation of the property and franchises of such corporations as the one had purchased from the other, and the franchises of the other." The attorneys declare that the fact that these two railway companies have been consolidated in, and a perpetual control secured by, a single corporation, is not disproved by a word of testimony in this case, and add: "The only defense interposed is a plea that such consolidation is necessary in order to preserve the united control that Mr. Hill and Mr. Morgan and their associates most urgently desire, followed by a declaration of good intentions on their part, framed in alluring visions of benefits they intend to bestow upon this and other states. The appellants seem to think this excuse a painted vision a justification for the nagrant violation of the laws of this and other states. The court must bear in mind that seven states are practically dependent upon the railroads controlled by the Northern Securities company for their transportation facilities, and that these seven states embrace nearly one-twelfth of the area of the United States and contain within their borders nearly one-tenth of the total population of the United States." They conclude by calling attention to the magnitude of the case, and say: "The judgment of this court thereon must determine whether a sovereign state of this union is powerless to vindicate the majesty of its own laws."

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VAN SANT FOR CHAIRMAN

RIVER IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE IS APPOINTED TO URGE MEMORIAL AT WASHINGTON.

Burlington, Iowa, Dec. 23.—In accordance with resolutions adopted at the convention of the Upper Mississippi River Improvement association in Davenport, Iowa, Oct. 21-22, Thomas Wilkinson, president of the association, has appointed a committee consisting of Governor S. R. Van Sant of Minnesota, chairman; Ellis B. Usher, La Crosse; Alonzo Bryson, Davenport; Lewis B. Boswell, Quincy, Ill.; and Frank Gainne, St. Louis, to go to Washington and there present before the proper authorities the purposes of the association, and endeavor to secure favorable action upon the memorial to congress adopted by the convention. The memorial sets forth the importance of the great states of Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Iowa and Missouri, contiguous to the upper Mississippi river, and the necessity for permanent improvements of the river, so as to establish and maintain a steamboat channel of six feet in depth at low water, from St. Anthony falls to the mouth of the Otter river, a distance of 110 miles, for which congress is asked to appropriate \$15,000,000.

Hunt Game With a Camera. If you want to put in a day or two in photographic game or simply wish to see it as it innocently moves about, make a little trip to Gardiner on the Northern Pacific, at the entrance to Yellowstone Park. The deer, elk, mountain sheep and antelope by hundreds feed on the hills and flats about Gardiner and Mammoth Hot Springs during the fall and winter, undisturbed, forming a beautiful picture. Send six cents for "Wonderland 1903." Charles S. Fee, General Passenger Agent, St. Paul, Minn.

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Omaha Calendars for 1904. The popular business calendar is now ready for distribution. For copies of this calendar call at City Ticket Office, 600 Nicollet av., or it will be mailed to any address in the United States or Canada upon receipt of 10 cents to cover postage and wrapping, by T. W. Teasdale, General Passenger Agent, St. Paul, Minn.

CANADA FOLLOWS U. S.

Ontario Premier Discusses Political Cleavage of North America.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—In an address at the University of Chicago yesterday the Hon. G. W. Ross, premier of Ontario, discussed at length the causes which led to the division of the North-American continent between the two nations by which it is now held. Speaking of the movement recently inaugurated by Joseph Chamberlain to federate the English colonies on the basis of imperial protection against the world, Premier Ross said: "It requires no argument to show that the establishment of commercial relations within the empire on the basis of preferential tariff would greatly strengthen the ties which bind all the colonies, including Canada, to the empire, and remove still further in the background whatever inducements remain for closer political or commercial relations with the United States." Premier Ross said he did not desire to leave the impression that the Canadians looked with aversion upon the American form of government and the activity which this nation had exhibited in every element of human enterprise, but cited many instances in which Canada had followed the lead of the United States greatly to its own advantage.

MAY BE NO DEBATES

Badger Societies Refuse to Enter the Preliminary. Special to The Journal, Dec. 23.—The University of Wisconsin may debate with neither Michigan, Minnesota nor Chicago universities this year.

Professor David B. Frankenburg asked permission to select three seasoned men for the preliminary contest to choose the team to meet Michigan and the societies declining, four societies of the six voting against the request. "One of the debaters already chosen has refused to continue and it is doubtful whether there will even be an attempt to regain the debating prestige of the badger university."

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Umbrellas "If it comes from Barnaby's it must be good."

TYPHOID EPIDMIC

Pittsburg Has 450 Cases and Many Persons Dying.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 23.—Typhoid fever is rapidly increasing in this city and threatens to take on the character of an epidemic. For the first twenty-two days of December there were 410 cases and during the last twenty-four hours forty-nine new cases were reported. This breaks all previous records. The disease is virulent and a large proportion of those taken sick are dying.

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