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S. Kann, Sons & Co.

OUR 2d Grand Rebuilding Sale.

THE LAST REMNANT DAY IN MAY

WE ARE GOING TO CELEBRATE ITS END WITH HOUSING GOOD VALUES—THE KIND THAT WILL TEMPT YOU TO BUY, NO MATTER IF YOU WANT TO OR NOT.

Here is a corker to start with. **6,000 yards**

Medium and fine Cambric, Swiss and Nainsook Remnants of both Edgings and Insertings, manufacturers' samples of 44-yard strips. Some six weeks ago we had just such another lot, only not quite as fine as these, which created quite a furore, and made us many new customers for this department. This immense assortment goes on sale tomorrow. They run in width from 2 to 15 inches, with prices ranging from

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Of White Goods, such as Check and Plaid Nainsook, Check, Plaid, Corded and Striped Lawns, Piques, India Linons and Dotted Swisses. They'll average half price, because we sell them from 4c. to 10c. a yard. While in the piece they sold from

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Remnants on our 3d floor.

Remnants of 6c. Yard-wide Extra Heavy Unbleached Muslin, 27c.

Remnants of 8c. Unbleached Pillow Case Muslin, 40 inches wide, 37c.

Remnants of 12c. Celebrated New York Mills Yard-wide Bleached Muslin, 67c.

Remnants of 12c. odd lot dark styles of Sea Island Percales, the best goods made, 47c.

Remnants of 12c. Extra Fine White India Linons, 57c.

Remnants of 6c. new styles in Pacific Lawns, light grounds, with assorted colorings, warranted fast, 27c.

Remnants of 12c. to 25c. American Organdies, French Lappet Swisses, Canvas Bike Suitings, Fancy Ducks and other choice wash goods, 73c.

Remnants of 16c. Plain Wool Nun's Veiling, in all colors, including black, 53c.

Remnants of 12c. to 16c. Fine Sheer Lawns, in all the plain shades, including black, 73c.

Remnants of 16c. Plain Fast Black Sateen, Henrietta finish, 83c.

Remnants of 18c. Figured Wool Challies, only dark grounds, 27 inches wide, 83c.

Remnants of 25c. assorted double-width Wool Dress Goods, in light and dark mixtures, suitable for children as well as grown folks, in patterns from 2 to 8 yards, 93c.

Remnants of 25c. Novelty Tinted French Sateen, in either gilt or silver, guaranteed not to wear or wash off, will make up as handsome as silk, 12 1/2c.

Remnants of 39c. to 50c. All-wool Double-width Dress Goods, Serges, Henriettas, Cloth and Novelty Mixtures. If we have the quantity in a piece which you require you'll get a wonderful value at

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Finest olives. Boneless chicken and turkey. Sweet pickled beets. Spiced, pickled and tinned—boneless and in oil—sardines and plain. Potted meats—ham, tongue, chicken and turkey. Pate de foie gras. Pate de liver. Pate de heart. Assorted tinned. Russian caviar. Van Camp's baked beans. Wafers and crackers. Grape juice. Glass lemon extractors.

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"Pen Park" Claret, 5 bots., \$1

As a "leader" we offer rich, heavy body 5-year-old "Pen Park" Claret, a bottle for \$1.00. It keeps her from wanting to paint velvet lambrinquins from the drawing room mantel.

It's a matter little what it is that you want—whether a situation or a man—send us a card. The star will reach the person who can fill your need.

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STARVATION AND MISERY

The Spectacle Presented to Mr. Calhoun When He Visited Matanzas.

Rule Inquiry to Be Soon Finished—Mr. Atkins' Plantation Raided—Distributing Funds.

The latest advices from Mr. Chas. M. Pepper state that the palace authorities in Havana are chagrined over Mr. Calhoun's visit to the reconcentrados at Matanzas without giving them notice. He went in company with Consul General Lee and Consul Brice. He saw settlements of pacificos at points between Havana and Matanzas, but his personal inspection was limited to Matanzas. He was horrified by the spectacle of starvation and misery which he witnessed. He declined to visit other places that day where pacificos are herded, saying that he had seen enough and that further investigation could add nothing to his idea of the situation.

He was satisfied that the reports of suffering caused by the reconcentrados had not been exaggerated, and that the American consuls in their reports to the State Department had not overstated the cases.

Mr. Calhoun made special inquiry as to whether any system of issuing rations to the reconcentrados had been adopted by either the military or the civil authorities. He was told that nothing had been done for their relief.

The number of reconcentrados at Matanzas is now 4,000, which is much smaller than formerly. Many of them have been sent into villages in the country.

While Mr. Calhoun declared that the pacifico settlement at Matanzas was all he wanted to see, it is possible that, since the horror of his first impression has worn off, he will visit two or three other places before returning to the United States.

His opinion of the Matanzas reconcentrados and his description of the actual conditions are already on the way to Washington. Distribution of funds to the distressed Americans has begun in Matanzas and Sagua. Gen. Lee is securing passage of the Havana destitutes to New York.

Atkins' Plantation Raided. The insurgents are making night raids around Cienfuegos, with little opposition from the Spanish troops. One night they drove off 300 head of cattle which the troops were guarding. The following night they made a raid and took fifty cattle from Atkins' plantation and fifty from an adjoining one. Atkins is a Boston sugar planter, who is said to have gone to Washington to secure aid for his property that the insurgents had carried off to Cuba, including the country around Cienfuegos, was pacified. Information of these raids came from a certain admission of its truth is made at the palace.

The Ruiz Inquiry. Consul General Lee and Mr. Calhoun hope to finish the Ruiz inquiry this week. Senor Conzosta, who represents Spain, is also anxious to end it. Mr. Calhoun's report for official records has been completed with, and I am informed that the records show that Ruiz's death occurred just after the military authorities turned his case over to the civil authorities, and no proof had been brought forward which justified holding him for complicity in Aranguren's attack on the train near Guatabacoa. It is clearly established that Ruiz was kept incommunicado for days after declaring his American citizenship and demanding his rights.

On the other hand, Spain is bringing a volume of evidence to disprove the charge that Ruiz was ill treated in prison, or that his death was due to a blow from the jailer or other person. The Spaniards are seeking to make out that Ruiz was killed during an attack of it. But there is no denial of his solitary confinement.

Havana, he is waiting news from Spain and the United States. Nothing gets by the censor except a few details of the discussion in the cortes and hints of the cabinet crisis at Madrid.

Weyer at Sancti Spiritus. General Weyer is at Sancti Spiritus and is said to be keeping in the field in order to be out of reach of communications from the ministry and demands for an explanation of the failure of pacification. He is quarrelling with his generals and censuring their inactivity in the field.

Gen. Suarez Inclan who was in command in Pinar del Rio, has insisted that he be permitted to return to Spain on account of bad health, and he will leave soon. General Arolas of trocha fame is still here, inactive.

The autonomists are showing some life. They profess to have information of a change in government policy and in the conduct of the war. They will make conciliation of the insurgents their chief proposition for Cuba to purchase independence is secretly favored by some, though public declaration cannot be made.

General Weyer says that the reforms will be promulgated whenever Madrid directs. Mr. Calhoun's refusal to encourage suggestions that the United States territory reforms has finally caused a communication to be made that McKinley's administration will not be drawn into such a policy.

Insurgent advices report General Gomez not forty miles away from Weyer at Sancti Spiritus, but he is not marching westward.

Local guerrillas have won some skirmishes against the insurgents, but the latter's losses are not heavy. There are 300 insurgents surprised some guerrillas who were reconnoitering and routed them. The official account places the guerrilla loss at twelve killed, but the number was greater.

A Garden Party. A garden party in aid of a building fund for a parish hall for St. Margaret's Church will be held on the grounds of Miss Little, Columbia road and 19th street, tomorrow, from 4 to 11 p.m. An orchestra will play all the evening. The grounds will be well lighted and a substantial supper as well as lighter refreshments will be provided.

Law Suit Over a Petrified Body. From the Cincinnati Enquirer. Papers in a suit for possession of a petrified man have been filed in the district court at Crookston, Minn. The petrification has been in the courts for almost a year. Soon after its discovery the man on whose property it was discovered brought suit to obtain possession of it. Then two brothers by the name of Lecount came forward with the claim that it was the body of their father, and they produced many witnesses to support their claim. It then seemed to become a rage to claim the stone on the ground of relationship, and claim after claim was put in, until in all ten different parties claimed it. Some parties managed to get hold of the petrification and exhibit it in northern Minnesota and elsewhere for a time, but in the end the stone was obtained, and the petrification has been lying in jail at Crookston for the past month or so.

The latest case is that of Mrs. H. W. Holmes vs. Geo. H. McPherrin et al. Mrs. Holmes claims the petrification on the ground that her husband was the discoverer of it, and that, as he was the discoverer, she is the legal owner.

Not Necessary Now. Bobbie Bunting—"I guess that fellow must be engaged to sister at last." "While Simmons—"Why?" "He has suddenly stopped giving me money."

Choice of Evils. From the Chicago Record. "Why do you buy your daughter a new wheel every year?" "It keeps her from wanting to paint velvet lambrinquins from the drawing room mantel."

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Another One of Our Famous "Sales" at The Famous Price of \$6.25

We regret to say it, that the long-looked-for train of "Prosperity" has been delayed at "side tracks." Or it may be the backward spring season! However, business has not been what it should be and manufacturers as well as the retailers are heavily overstocked. With our usual enterprise in the interest of our patrons we have gone into the market and bought large quantities of the best clothing at a great sacrifice. We have added to these lots the major portion of our regular stock and tomorrow we will inaugurate one of our old-time famous sales of

\$10 & \$12 Suits at \$6.25.

Our reputation and past sales is sufficient guarantee as to the genuineness of this one. We have no patience with crooked business methods, "fake" sales, and other business humbuggery. Above we give you a clear cut statement of the business conditions which have led to this offer. You can corroborate this by attending this sale, for we can conscientiously state that we have never offered as good values, nor do we believe that any other clothing house in Washington ever will.

If you have not yet bought your spring or summer Suit you will never have such an advantageous opportunity again.

A Trouser "Sale" at \$2.

We also secured 225 pairs of Men's Trousers, in desirable All-Wool English stripes, chevots and mixtures. They are worth from \$2.50 to \$4 a pair. Your choice of the \$2 lot for

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FOR WOMEN CYCLISTS

Some time ago there was published a statement in this column about the differences in riding between American and English women, taking Mrs. Rinehart of Denver as the leading American rider, and Mrs. L. E. Grace of London as a representative of England. A little additional information will prove interesting. According to the last batch of records allowed by the Century Road Club of America the following are mentioned: Mrs. A. E. Rinehart, twenty-centuries in thirty days, September 27 to November 25, 1896. Colorado state record. Mrs. A. E. Rinehart, 2,628 miles in thirty days, October 17 to November 15, 1896. Colorado state record. Mrs. A. E. Rinehart, 4,982 1/2 miles in sixty days, September 27 to November 25, 1896. Colorado state record.

As a wonder, Mrs. Rinehart will probably have as many century runs at the end of the present year as she had in the last year, which she did in 1896. During September, October, November and December made many creditable century runs. In October she set out on a ride of thirty miles in as many days. She had ridden twelve when a heavy storm came up and frustrated her plan. The roads were not all the better for it, and she did not start until she started in again. She then rode twenty centuries in twenty days.

Another storm curbed her efforts. Notwithstanding she got a chance to ride twenty-four centuries in twenty-five days in November, and when the end of December came her total list of century runs in 1896, which 116 were made in 1896 and the other two in December, 1896. Her total mileage for thirteen months is 17,178. This was exceeded by a body of riders in the last year, the best score being 21,000. The prospect is that this will be exceeded this year. The greatest number of centuries ridden by one rider in 1896 was ninety-two.

On three different occasions this champion rode double centuries, that is, 200 miles, in one day. This was done on July 22 and August 7, and on September 27. On the last ride Mrs. Rinehart covered the distance in sixteen hours and eighteen minutes. The record of the day is a state record of this feat, although the record has been lowered since. It is a little singular that the best time in which she ever rode a century was made on this ride, her second century; that day being ridden in seven hours and forty-three minutes. She covered the last twenty miles in an hour.

When Mrs. Rinehart began to ride she used a drop-frame, but last February she decided to ride a diamond frame. She had herself so attached to the bearings and gear of her old machine, however, that she had them changed to the diamond frame. Her wheels were twenty-three gears to a wheel, and she had a 72. On her century rides she stops often at houses along the route, and the children in these houses adore her.

Mrs. Rinehart's string of century bars, representing the last year's work on her wheel, is more than a yard long. It is of 14-karat gold, and each little bar cost, at a Chicago jewelry house, fifty cents. So far the string represents an outlay of only \$60, but five times that sum would not purchase it from the owner.

Mrs. Grace is easily the fastest of the women bicycle racers in England, and has the best lot of records to her credit. She is a little woman and one would think hardly able to do such riding. She has probably won more bicycle races than any other female cyclist. She has been in all kinds of bicycle speed contests from the quarter of a mile sprint to the long grinding race-day race, and has landed first in scores of them. She does not equal in the number of centuries ridden by Mrs. Rinehart of Denver, but she has ridden better times than she has ever done in the road race. Her best time for a century is the distance over the "Great North road"

course in England in six hours, twenty-nine minutes and fifty seconds. She has an amount of endurance, and has raced day after day, seeming only to increase her speed, and on one occasion won three long-distance races in one day. The following extract from her record shows some remarkable performances:

November 27, twenty miles, international scratch race, beating Lisette, French champion, first.

December 23, fifty miles, international scratch race, first.

December 31, twenty-mile scratch race, first. Two-hour scratch race, first; half-hour match, with Miss Farrer, first.

December 17 to 21, five-day international race, first.

December 23, one-hundred-mile championship race, first.

December 24, twenty-mile scratch race, first.

December 28, twenty-five-mile handicap race, first.

December 28, forty-mile handicap race, first.