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One More Day==

And then Christmas cheer in good earnest. Have all the little gettings-ready been done? Of course not; they never are until the very end. We are trying to make it easy for the last-minute people to choose with comfort—and there's plenty yet for them to pick from.

The following list simply hints of the gift goods that are to be found here in such superb assortment. It contains suggestions for everybody, possibilities for all conditions of purse.

The prices are the lowest.
The assortments are unsurpassed.
The delivery department is prompt and efficient.
The force of nearly 1,000 salespeople is sufficient to meet all demands.
The quick cash system prevents long waits for change.
The six spacious elevators make the upper floors easy of access.

Special Sale of Xmas Lamps.

Dainty Lamps make best of Xmas gifts. This year's styles are remarkable for choice and odd effects at little prices. More satisfactory Lamps are not made than we are now showing.

As a very special value we offer many one-of-a-kind Lamps, complete with globe, chimney, etc., in new and exquisite decorations, at the popular price,

$5.00 Complete.

Fifth floor.

China Ware Department.

Dinner Sets, French china.....$20.00 to $85.00
Dinner Sets, Austrian china.....$15.00 to $25.00
Dinner Sets, English china.....$7.50 to $15.00
Tea Sets, French china.....$6.00 to $12.50
Tea Sets, German china.....$4.00 to $6.50
Toilet Sets, 127 styles.....$1.50 to $15.00
Ice Cream Sets.....$1.75 to $20.00
Pudding Sets, china.....$1.50 to $6.00
Chocolate Sets, china.....$3.00 to $8.00
Tete-a-tete Sets, china.....65c. to $6.00
Chocolate Pots, china.....50c. to $5.00
Salad Dishes, china.....35c. to $5.00
Cake Plates, china.....25c. to $5.00
Cracker Jars, china.....35c. to $4.00
Sugar and Cream Sets.....15c. to $5.00
Comb and Brush Trays.....50c. to $5.00
Fancy Pin Trays.....10c. to $1.00
Ash Trays.....10c. to 50c.
Bon Bon Boxes.....15c. to $1.00
Puff Boxes.....25c. to $1.00
Fancy Sugar Bowls.....25c. to $1.00

Cut Glass Department.

Cut Glass Carafes.....$1.25 to $5.00
Cut Glass Decanters.....$1.00 to $5.00
Cut Glass Tumblers, doz.....$3.00 to $6.00
Cut Glass Bon Bons.....95c. to $3.25
Cut Glass Salad Bowls.....$5.00 to $12.50
Cut Glass Water Pitchers.....$2.00 to $5.00
Cut Glass Sugar Shakers.....25c. to $1.00
Cut Glass Salts and Peppers.....12½c. to 50c.
Third floor.

Pressed Glass Department.

Lemonade Sets.....$5.00 and $5.50
Water Sets.....$1.00 to $5.50
Wine Glasses, doz.....35c. to $3.00
Lemonade Glasses, doz.....60c. to $5.00
Punch Bowls.....$1.00 to $5.00
Pressed Glass Salad Bowls.....10c. to 50c.
Water Pitchers.....15c. to $1.00

Lamp Department.

Porcelain Lamps, with globe.....$1.50 to $25.00
Onyx-base Lamps, with globe.....$2.50 to $25.00
Black Iron Lamps, with globe.....$2.50 to $25.00
Decorated Lamp Globes.....50c. to $12.50
Decorated Lamp Shades.....50c. to $3.50
Silk Lamp Shades.....50c. to $3.50
Incandescent Gas Burners.....75c. and $1.00
New Onyx-top Tables.....$3.50 to $17.50

Housefurnishing Department.

Brass 5-o'clock Tea Kettles.....$1.25 to $8.00
Chafing Dishes, complete.....$2.25 to $5.00
Nickel Trays and Scrapers.....75c. to $2.00
French Glass Mirrors.....15c. to $5.00
Blacking Sets.....25c. to $1.00
Blacking Boxes.....85c. to $2.00
Smoking Sets.....85c. to $4.50
Scrap Baskets.....25c. to $3.00
Clothes Hampers.....75c. to $4.00

Housekeeping Supplies Dept.

Down Comforts.....$4.50 to $25.00
Roman Blankets.....75c. to $6.00
White Bed Spreads.....75c. to $25.00
Cut-work Scarfs.....50c. to $1.50
Cut-work Pillow Shams.....$1.25 to $4.00
Pattern Damask Sets.....$3.65 to $50.00
Fringed Sets.....$5.00 to $7.50
Hemstitched Sets.....$7.50 to $20.00
Hemstitched Tea Cloths.....$1.00 to $9.00
Damask Table Cloths.....$2.00 to $20.00

Sterling Silver Department.

Sterling Silver Hat Brushes.....$1.00 to $3.00
Sterling Silver Cold Cream Boxes.....50c. to $1.50
Sterling Silver Combs.....50c. to $2.00
Sterling Silver Tooth Brushes.....75c. to $1.50
Sterling Silver Nail Files.....50c. to $2.00
Sterling Silver Whisk Brooms.....$1.00 to $5.00
Sterling Silver Cuff Buttons.....50c. to $2.00
Sterling Silver Shoe Hooks.....50c. to $2.00
Sterling Silver Shoe Horns.....$1.00 to $4.75
Sterling Silver Bonnet Brushes.....$1.25 to $3.00
Sterling Silver Lorgnette Chains.....$1.25 to $3.00
Sterling Silver Sugar Spoons.....$1.25 to $2.00
Sterling Silver Souvenir Spoons.....75c. to $2.00
Sterling Silver Brooches.....50c. to $1.50
Sterling Silver Match Boxes.....$1.50 to $2.00
First floor.

Leather Goods and Jewelry.

Unfinished Alligator Bags.....$1.50 to $2.50
Embossed Silk Bags.....$4.00
Suede Opera Bags, green and mode.....$1.75 and $2.00
Pearl Opera Glasses.....$6.00 to $9.00
Enameled Opera Glasses, jeweled.....$7.50 to $20.00
Empire Fans, jeweled or hand decorated.....$1.25 to $18.00
Chains for Fans, plain and jeweled.....75c. and $1.00
Pocket Books — Alligator, Monkey Skin, Elephant Hide, Seal, Morocco, Crushed Levant.....$1.00 to $8.00
French Gilt Purses, jewel tops.....$3.00
Jeweled Hat Pins.....50c. to $2.00
First floor.

Ladies' Neckwear Department.

Black Liberty Silk Ruffs.....50c. to $4.00
Black Liberty Silk Capes.....$4.00 to $12.00
Black Ostrich Feather Boas.....$4.50 to $15.00
Gray Ostrich Boas.....$12.00 & $13.00
Fancy Jabots.....50c. to $1.25
Liberty Silk Squares and Ties.....50c. to $3.00
First floor.

Glove Department.

Ladies' 4-button Kid Gloves.....$1.00 to $2.00
Ladies' 2-clasp Kid Gloves.....$1.00 to $2.00
Misses' and Children's 4-but. Kid Gloves.....$1.00
Boys' 2-clasp Dogskin Gloves.....$1.00 and $1.25
First floor.

Hosiery Department.

Ladies' Cotton Hose.....12½c. to 75c.
Ladies' Lisle Thread Hose.....25c. to $1.50
Ladies' Silk Hose.....75c. to $4.00
Children's Cotton Hose.....12½c. to 72c.
Children's Lisle Thread Hose.....42c. to 75c.
Children's Silk Hose.....55c. to $1.75
First floor.

Muslin Underwear Department.

Lawn Aprons, plain and fancy.....15c. to $1.50
Knit Underskirts.....50c. to $1.50
Silk Petticoats.....$4.75 to $50.00
Outing Cloth Gowns.....50c. to $3.50
Eiderdown Sacques.....69c.
Second floor.

Infants' Department.

Worsted Drawer Leggins.....39c. to $1.75
Worsted Knee Leggins.....25c. to 75c.
Worsted Mittens.....15c. to 50c.
Silk Mittens.....50c. to $1.25
Hand-knit Booties.....25c. to $1.00
Bengaline Silk Caps.....25c. to $6.50
Infants' White Long Cloaks.....$1.50 to $22.50
Children's Colored Coats.....$2.00 to $15.00
Second floor.

Men's Department.

Turkish Toweling Bath Gowns.....$3.00 to $8.00
Wool Lounging Robes and Dressing Gowns.....$4.00 to $20.00
House Coats or Smoking Jackets.....$4.00 to $20.00
Cardigan Jackets.....$1.87 to $4.50
Sweaters.....$1.50 to $4.50
Mackintoshes.....$5.00 to $10.00
Half Hose (per ½ doz n).....75c. to $10.50
Wool Gloves.....25c. to 75c.
Lined Skin Gloves.....50c. to $5.00
Suspenders.....25c. to $3.00
Linen Handkerchiefs.....12½c. to 75c.
Initial Linen Handkerchiefs.....25c. & 35c.
Silk Handkerchiefs.....20c. to $1.00
Silk Neckwear.....25c. to $1.50
Full Dress Shields.....$1.00 to $3.00
Silk Mufflers.....$1.00 to $1.50
Children's Umbrellas.....50c. to $3.00
Ladies' Umbrellas.....$1.00 to $13.50
Men's Umbrellas.....$1.00 to $15.00
First floor.

Boys' Department.

All-wool Suits.....$2.50 to $8.50
All-wool Chinchilla Reefers.....$5.00 to $10.00
Little Boys' Astrakhan Reefers.....$1.95 to $2.90
Blue Kersey Top Coats.....$7.50
Sailor Blouse Suits.....$3.50 to $8.50
All-wool Long Pants Suits.....$5.00 to $12.50
All-wool Short Pants.....50c. to $1.75
Outing Cloth Blouses.....50c.
All-wool Flannel Blouses.....$1.00
All-wool Sweaters.....$1.00 to $1.50
Rubber Coats.....$2.50
Mackintoshes.....$3.25 to $4.25
Leggins.....85c. to $1.95
Unlaundered Shirts.....39c. and 50c.
Bicycle and Golf Suits.....$5.00 to $7.50
Bicycle and Golf Caps.....50c. to $1.00
Silk and Wool Striped Toques.....48c. to $1.68
3d floor.

Suit and Wrap Department.

Ladies' Embroidered Plush Capes.....$12.50 to $30.00
Ladies' Embroidered Velour Capes.....$19.00 to $50.00
Ladies' All-wool Golf Capes.....$10.00 to $25.00
Ladies' All-wool Reefers.....$3.75 to $18.50
Ladies' Blouse Suits.....$15.00 to $25.00
Ladies' Silk Dress Skirts.....$6.25 to $25.00
Ladies' All-wool Skirts.....$5.00 to $15.00
Ladies' Black Silk Waists.....$5.00 to $15.00
Ladies' Fancy Silk Waists.....$7.50 to $25.00
Ladies' Wool Waists.....$1.68 to $4.50
Ladies' Outing Cloth Wrappers.....$1.00 to $2.95
Ladies' Wool Tea Gowns.....$5.00 to $15.00
Ladies' Silk Tea Gowns.....$10.00 to $25.00
Old Ladies' Shoulder Shawls.....95c. to $1.95
Ladies' Hand-knit Fascinators.....25c. to $1.00
Ladies' Fur Muffs.....75c. to $25.00
Ladies' Fur Scarfs.....$3.00 to $50.00
Ladies' Fur Collarettes.....$5.00 to $75.00
Ladies' Fur Caps.....$15.00 to $125.00
Ladies' New Fur Neck Ruffings.....$5.75 to $25.00
Children's Fur Sets.....$1.25 to $5.75
Ladies' Mackintoshes.....$1.95 to $24.00
Children's Mackintoshes.....$1.95 to $5.00
Third floor.

Shoe Department.

Misses' and Children's Fur-trimmed Juliettes.....$1.00 and $1.25
Women's Velvet Carriage Boots, fur trimmed.....$3.50
Men's Vici Kid Slippers.....$2.00
Men's Russia Calf Opera Slippers.....$2.00
Men's Russia Calf Romeo Slippers.....$2.50
Men's Real Alligator Opera Slippers.....$2.50
Boys' Vici Kid Patent Trimmed Slippers.....$1.75
Youths' Vici Kid Patent Trimmed Slippers.....$1.50
Children's Red Goat Opera Slippers.....$1.00
Second floor.

Rug Department.

Smyrna Rugs.....62½c. to $40.00
Wilton Rugs.....$1.50 to $7.50
Turkish Rugs.....$6.00 to $62.50
Fur Rugs.....$2.00 to $4.50
Children's White and Brass Cribs.....$5.00 to $30.00
White Enameled Iron Beds.....$2.50 to $30.00
Third floor.

Picture Department.

Easels, oak or white.....$1.39 to $2.50
Photographs on glass, medallion styles.....19c. to $1.00
Photographs, framed.....19c. to $5.00
Water Colors—choice subjects.....$2.75 to $6.50
Pastels by Chandler and others.....59c. to $7.50
Gibson's Pen and Ink Reproductions.....$1.00
Oil Paintings—by Stahr—Cattle and Sheep.....$10.00
Pearl Paintings.....$2.95 to $7.00
Yard of Violets, Pansies or Roses, white frames, brass corners.....$1.45
American Poets, in gilt frames.....$1.00
Favorite Musicians, in gilt frames.....$1.00
Fourth floor.

Handkerchief Department.

Ladies' Linen, Embroidered, Hemstitched or scalloped.....12½c. to $3.50
Ladies' Linen, Embroidered, Lace Trimmed.....12½c. to $2.00
Ladies' Linen, Footing Trimmed.....25c. to $1.00
Ladies' Linen, Hemstitched.....12½c. to $1.00
Men's Linen, Hand-embroidered Initials.....25c. to 50c.
Men's Linen, Hemstitched.....12½c. to 75c.
First floor, 10th st. building.

Upholstery Department.

Uncovered Down Pillows.....50c. to $1.75
Covered Down Pillows.....$1.00 to $5.00
3-fold Screens.....$1.50 to $4.00
Figured Tapestry Panels.....69c. to $5.00
Lace Curtains.....65c. to $25.00
Portieres.....$2.50 to $20.00
Silk Mantel Scarfs.....$2.50 to $12.00
Tapestry Table Covers.....75c. to $7.50
Velvet Table Covers.....$6.00 to $16.00
Second floor.

Toy Department.

China Tea Sets.....25c. to $5.00
Magic Lanterns.....50c. to $10.00
Blackboards.....25c. to $1.95
Doll Trunks.....25c. to $5.00
Children's Pianos.....50c. to $3.00
Ten Pins.....25c. to $1.50
Laundry Sets.....15c. to $1.00
Woolly Toys.....10c. to $10.00
Building Blocks.....10c. to $8.50
Iron Toys.....25c. to $5.00
Steam Engines.....50c. to $10.00
Toy Stoves.....10c. to $3.00
Toy Carpet Sweepers.....10c. to 75c.
Iron Safes.....10c. to $1.00
A. B. C Picture Books.....5c. to 75c.
Parlor Croquet.....50c. to $1.00
Musical Toys.....5c. to 50c.
Children's Desks.....$1.00 to $7.00
Ladies' Desks.....$5.50 to $18.00
Doll Carriages.....25c. to $10.00
Oak and Mahogany Tables.....$1.00 to $3.95
Velocipedes.....$1.00 to $5.50
Tricycles.....$2.95 to $10.00
Iron Wagons.....$1.25 to $2.00
Wooden Wagons.....$1.00 to $3.50
Large Patrol Wagons.....$7.50
Fourth floor.

Dress Goods Department.

Print Dress Patterns.....50c. to 75c.
Gingham Dress Patterns.....50c. to $1.50
Percale Dress Patterns.....$1.00 & $1.25
Lawn Dress Patterns.....$1.00 & $1.25
Woolen Dress Patterns, colored.....$1.50 to $5.00
Woolen Dress Patterns, black.....$1.50 to $5.00
First floor, Tenth st.

Two Extraordinary Offerings.

59 Down Pillows, covered with rich figured and hand-painted satins, and finished with silk cord.

Special Price, $2.00. Regular Price, $3.00.

Second floor.

25 Soft Spring-edge Couches, upholstered in figured corduroys and velvets, sloping head, fringed all around.

Special Price, $7.50 Each.

Third floor.

The Exposition of Indian Art

will soon be gone. Those wishing to participate in the bargains now offered have no time to lose. For Christmas presents Indian Oddities are most acceptable. They are quaint and curious. They attract and interest both young and old. They charm the modern fancy by their oddity. The associations make them doubly valuable.

Dozens of PIECES OF PECULIAR PUEBLO POTTERY ARE NOW OFFERED at half and less than half the original price.

Woodward & Lothrop.

CLARK 811 PA. AVE. & CO.

(Closed all day Xmas day.)
Open Evenings.

Gift Goods Reduced

A word to the wise is sufficient. See how much money you can save on your gifts by buying here tomorrow:

Ladies' Eiderdown Dressing Sacques reduced:

$1 Sacques for 75c.
$1.50 Sacques for $1.

Handkerchiefs Sacrificed.

Men's Colored Bordered Handkerchiefs—large size—
10c. quality reduced to 5c.
12½c. quality reduced to 9c.

Ladies' All-linen Hemstitched and Embroidered Handkerchiefs, reduced from 12½c. to..... 8c.

Ladies' All-linen Colored Bordered Handkerchiefs, reduced from 12½c to 8c.

Ladies' 25c. Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, reduced from 25c. to.... 18c.

Ladies' Fine All-linen Embroidered Handkerchiefs, reduced from 75c. and $1 to..... 50c.

Men's 24-in. Japanese Silk Handkerchiefs, reduced from 33c. to.... 25c.

Hosiery and Underwear Reduced.

Ladies' Tan Hose, plain and drop-stitched, reduced from 25c. to 18c.

Ladies' Fine Silk Vests, low neck and sleeveless, crocheted straps, size 3, reduced from 50c. to..... 37½c.

Men's Black and Colored Ribbed Half Hose, reduced from 25c. to... 18c.

Ostrich Feather Boas reduced.

Were.....	$15	$10	$6.50	$5.00
Now.....	$10.50	$6.75	$4.75	$3.98

Feather Collarettes reduced from $2 to $1.50.

Men's Umbrellas Reduced.

Were..	$7.50	$6.00	$5.00	$4.50
Now...	$5.00	$4.00	$3.50	$3.00

Ladies' Beautiful Changeable Silk Umbrellas, close rollers, with nobby Dresden handles, at..... $1.75

Grand line of Ladies' Aprons—all kinds and all sizes, at special prices.

Dress Patterns Reduced

—$2.00, $2.75 up to $5—packed in neat box for gift-giving.

Clark & Co., 811 Pa. Ave.
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The Quality Store.

Open Tonight and Tomorrow Night.

Check off

What you want—and select it—and we'll see that it is delivered tomorrow. This is just a guide line—to show you how far you can make your Xmas money go—in Novelty Housefurnishings of the best class.

$3.50 for Fancy Corner Chairs.

$6.50 for Fancy Divans.

$7.50 for Fancy Parlor Chairs.

$1.98 for Fancy Rockers.

98c. for Fancy Tabourettes.

$10 for Morris Chairs.

$3.48 for Panel Tapestries.

75c. for Fancy Tables.

25c. for Down Pillows.

$1.50 For Open Book Shelves.

$3.75 for Ladies' Desks.

Have a look at the Shaving Stands—oak and mahogany.

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FURNITURE, CARPETS, DRAPERIES.
Pa. Ave. and 8th Street.
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Shop tonight and tomorrow. Holiday Goods reduced in price every hour.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas.

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HIGH SCHOOLS ENTERTAIN

Exercises at Each Appropriate to the Christmas Occasion.

Music and Recitations Leading Features—Schools Close at an Early Hour—The Program.

Christmas was generally observed in the high schools of the city today by early closings and impromptu entertainments. The last school day before Christmas is always an enjoyable one, and especially at the high schools, where discipline is relaxed several notches and entertaining features provided in place of the regular course of studies. The study and recitation periods were shortened and the after programs began as a rule about 12 o'clock.

At the Business School literary and musical features were provided, the talent being drawn from the pupils. Miss McDonald gave a piano solo in good style, and Mr. Riordan gave a reading, Richard Harding Davis' "A Recruit at Christmas." Mr. Quinter played a cornet solo that was much appreciated, being followed by Miss Meacham, who contributed a vocal solo; Miss Edwards gave a recitation, and the Misses Haas a piano duet.

Easterns Have a Christmas Tree.

At the Eastern High School there was a big Christmas tree, loaded down with bright trimmings and curious-looking bundles. These bundles were presents for members of the faculty as well as pupils, and some of them were a source of much amusement. A program of literary and musical numbers, participated in by some of the pupils of the school, was also a feature of the celebration.

The following program was given at the Western School: Chorus, "Sleep, Little Babe;" recitation, "The Doughnuts Like Your Mother Used to Make," Miss Della Fishel; song, "Dreams," Miss Marie Everett; violin solo, Beethoven Waltz, Miss Daisy Field; recitation, "Changing Year," Miss Belle Graves; guitar and mandolin selection, "Normandie" March, Misses Wright and Ball; song, "The Serenade," Miss Bessie Cobaugh; reading, "Christmas Week," Mrs. Walton; violin solo, the intermezzo from "Cavalleria Rusticana," L. Lennox; guitar and mandolin selection, "Daughter of Love," waltz, Misses Ball and Stoddard.

Speeches were made by Mr. Leetch and Mr. Cheyney of Cornell University, Mr. Smoot and Mr. Alexander of Lafayette and Mr. Bradley and Mr. Cassin of Columbian. The program was one of exceptional merit and reflected the greatest amount of credit on the school.

Central Program Abridged.

Although a long program had been prepared for the pupils of the Central School, some of the expected participants did not appear, abridging the order of exercises materially. A very pleasing entertainment was given at that school, however, participated in only by the German sections. At the regular entertainment, nearly all of the scholars provided themselves with balloons and the hall presented a unique and pleasing effect, with hundreds of the dainty toys of all colors at all stages of elevation. The principal features of the entertainment were selections by the glee club of the school, under the direction of Mr. Gunnell; a banjo solo by Mr. Sallade, and a drill by a team of eight Central boys, under the command of Military Instructor Domer. The boys put up a splendid drill, and received round after round of applause.

THE OYSTER DREDGERS.

Baltimore Objects to Receiving Them From This City.

The question of what to do with the alleged ill-treated oyster dredgers who come here from down the Potomac river, usually from the jurisdiction of the state of Maryland, is agitating the minds of some of the local officials. Complaint is being made in Baltimore about the sending of these unfortunate men there.

The matter was made the subject of an official communication received at police headquarters yesterday from Alonzo B. Gough, who is connected with the charity department of Baltimore city. He takes the position that dredgers whose homes are in cities other than Baltimore should not be sent to the monumental city. On the other hand, the local authorities see no reason why all of them should not be sent there. These dredgers come here, as a rule, from Maryland waters, instead of going to Baltimore, because it is much nearer.

Since the 23d of October nineteen of them have come to Washington from the lower Potomac, and each one said he had shipped from Baltimore. Four of them had been so badly treated that they had to be given hospital treatment before they were able to travel.

Capt. Cutler, superintendent of the municipal lodging house, this morning called on Sanitary Officer Frank and discussed the dredger problem. Almost every night during the past two weeks, he says, he has had to accommodate some of the dredgers. He thinks something should be done for the protection of the men down the river.

Master Plumbers Elect Officers.

At a special meeting of the Master Plumbers' Association held Tuesday night the largest attendance on record was present. An election of officers was held, which resulted in the unanimous choice of William Koch as president. H. J. Allen was chosen vice president; E. J. Hannan, secretary; Charles Barrick, sergeant-at-arms, and Daniel Hannan was re-elected treasurer.

It was decided to accept District Commissioner Black's suggestion to the association not to withdraw its representative on the plumbers' examining board at the present time, and also to submit the views of the association upon what the composition of the examining board should be.

Suit for Wages.

A libel suit was filed this afternoon by Willie Green against the oyster boat Nettie May. Green claims to have been employed on the boat, and the suit was filed in an endeavor on his part to secure wages which, he says, are due him.

Offenders Receive Sentences.

John Boughn, alias John Goings, recently convicted in Criminal Court No. 1 of attempted arson, was this afternoon sentenced by Chief Justice Bingham to imprisonment for two years in the New Jersey state prison at Trenton.

Nelson Wooden, colored, convicted of second offense, petty larceny, was sentenced to imprisonment in the same institution for one year and one day.

Robert Williams, colored, convicted late yesterday afternoon of housebreaking, was committed to the reform school of the District during his minority.

Crook Confesses.

William H. Crook today pleaded guilty before Judge Kimball of the larceny of a quantity of silver, valued at $8, from Dr. Millard F. Thompson Tuesday afternoon, and was sent to jail for three months.

Crook went to Dr. Thompson's house and asked for something to eat, which was given him. Seeing the articles lying loose on a table in the room, he carried them off. All the articles were recovered.

Explosion of Acetyline Gas.

An explosion of acetyline gas at the residence of Dr. S. Clifford Cox, in Hyattsville, Md., startled the residents of that community about 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The explosion was heard and felt all over the village, but the damage done was slight and no one was hurt.

For Collector at Albany.

It is learned that the President has decided upon the appointment of John G. Ward as collector of internal revenue at Albany, N. Y., to succeed Louis W. Pratt, who was said to be a defaulter. The nomination probably will be sent to the Senate immediately on its reconvening.

Edw. C. Cook, 513 Adams ave., Scranton, Pa., states that he considers Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup the most efficacious remedy for coughs, colds, etc., he has yet found.

Sensational Doll Selling!

Every Doll we have is yours for less than wholesale cost! We want none on hand after the holidays.

25c. Jointed Bisque Dolls..... 15c.
39c. Dolls reduced to..... 25c.
50c. Kid-body Dolls..... 39c.
75c. Bisque Dolls..... 50c.
(with movable joints.)
$1.00 Finely Made Dolls..... 75c.
$1.25 Dressed Dolls..... $1
$1.00 Dressed Dolls..... 69c.

Especially advantageous purchases recently account for these remarkable doings in

HANDKERCHIEFS.

Silk Handkerchiefs—embroidered border—easily worth double... 9c.

Ladies' Initialed and Embroidered Handkerchiefs..... 5c.

Children's Handkerchiefs — a present sure to win every youngster's heart—3 in a box.. 18c.

Elegant assortment of Ladies' Initialed Handkerchiefs—choice 10c.

39c. quality Initialed Silk Handkerchiefs—want new owners at this price..... 25c.

Think of 25c. Initialed Silk Handkerchiefs at this price. 12½c.

Here's a quality that 9 out of 10 stores ask 15c. for—Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs... 10c.

Handkerchiefs at every price, ranging from 5c. to $5. Remember, all Handkerchiefs boxed free.

Here's the handsomest Umbrella offer ever made in Washington—Ladies' Taffeta Silk—beautiful assortment of handles—and offered at..... $1.49

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Late buyers have cause for self-congratulation! Commencing tomorrow morning and continuing till closing up time tomorrow night—every article of our holiday merchandise is to be cut to and below cost—to clear it out! Nothing like this chance has ever been presented you! Good goods—the things you want—

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Holiday Gloves.

This is the place for belated Glove buyers. Recent shipments just in give you an unbroken assortment to pick from.

Ladies' Silk Mitts, nicely boxed. 50c.

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Ladies' Stylish 2-clasp Mocha Gloves—all shades—at $1.39, the right price—our special.. $1.00

Men's Excellent Quality Kid Gloves—any style or color desired—at $1.50 and..... $1.00

Crowds and crowds of buyers around our Leather Goods counter evidences popularity.

98c. Purses—heavy sterling corners—in every leather—also in alligator and crushed green seal; also 98c. Chatelaines—nothing finer ever graced this department—for..... 49c.

Here's something that makes it cheaper to buy it than lose money—Children's Purses—elegant ones—worth 25c.—in alligator, monkey, seal and green leather—kid lined—and only... 9c.

$1 Plated-trimming, Silver and Gold, Fine Opera Chain, Velvet Coin Chatelaine — as fine a Chatelaine as any one sells for $1—and we except no one—anywhere—our special price... 69c.

$35 Jeweled Belt, beautiful specimen of fine workmanship, for..... $18

The Genuine Tortoisene Combs—the popular coiffure crester—reduced now to..... 50c.

TRIMMED HATS AT $3.50 AND $5.

Beauties, prepared especially for this Xmas time. These Hats are worth up to $7.50 and $8.

Black Ostrich Plumes — elegant quality and one of the best values that ever this store proffered you..... 49c.

Sweet Violets—two feet away and you'd declare them real — especially nice for holiday home decoration—per bunch... 5c.

Roses just as cleverly made as the Violets—beauties to pick from at..... 10c.

The Elmore Hat—the present fad in head adornment—special offer at..... 75c.

Here's something to make fur buyers and sellers==wonder how it's done! $15 Cape offered at $7.50.

Persian Lamb and Electric Seal Cape—12 inches deep—pointed yoke (7 points)—marten tails all around—heads and tails in front—black satin lining—a Cape we pledge our reputation cannot be bought for less than $15—only a combination of luck, business sagacity and ready cash enables us to offer it at this most wonderful price..... $7.50

No stock of Furs in town can match this one in quality, variety or low price. Capes ranging from $2.69 to $30.

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Whatever you buy here is SURE to be "RELIABLE"—and here are a few hints as to

What Your Money Will Buy:

For Ladies.		For Children.		For Men.	
25c.	50c. All-wool Overgaiters. Pure Gum Heeled Rubbers. Good Spring-heel Rubbers.	25c.	Infants' Soft-sole Boots. Infants' Leather-sole Kid Shoes. Misses' or Child's Rubbers.	50c.	Velvet or Leather Slippers. Best Broadcloth Overgaiters. Pure Gum Overshoes.
48c.	Cloth or Corduroy Cycle Leggins. Worsted Knit Slippers. All-felt and Beaver Slippers.	45c.	Infants' Quilted Satin Booties. Misses' or Child's Knit Slippers in several pretty colors.	75c.	$1.25 Plush Embroidered Slippers. Imitation Alligator Slippers. Wool-lined Half Arctics.
75c.	Fine Jersey Leggins. Fleece-lined Quilted Slippers. Warm-lined Beaver Laced.	50c.	Infants' Vici Kid Button. Child's 4 to 8 Spring-heel. Infants' Kid Laced Boots.	$1.00	15 styles Vici Kid Slippers. Wool-lined Storm Rubbers. Durable Veal Calf Laced.
$1.00	White or Black Evening Sandals. Fur-trimmed Quilted Juliets. Dressy Kid Button or Laced.	75c.	Misses' Red Felt Slippers. Jersey Leggins, all sizes. Boys' and Girls' Solid Shoes.	$1.25	$1.50 Hand-made Romeo Slippers. Best Quality Buckle Arctics. Casco Calf Lace or Gaiters.
$1.25	Old Ladies' Comfort Shoes. Genuine Vici Kid Boots. Hand-sewed Felt Juliets.	$1.00	Child's Rubber or Leather Boots. Child's Button Arctics. Boys' Tan Leather Leggins.	$1.50	$2 Grade Fine Kid Slippers. Triple-sole Bulldog Laced. Waterproof Grain Shoes.
$1.50	$2 Satin Quilted Warm Laced, Fleece-lined Button Arctics. Beaded Kid Evening Slippers.	$1.25	Misses' Best Rubber Boots. Misses' Button Arctics. "Dandy" Dress Shoes, 8 kinds.	$2.00	Extension-sole Winter Russets. Genuine Cork-sole Shoes. Hand-welt "Royal" Shoes.
$2.00	Best Patent Leather Sandals. The "Royal" Fine Kid Boots. Genuine Box Calf Winter Boots.	$1.50	Boys' Winter Tan or Black Shoes. Boys' $2 Tan Goat Leggins. Youths' Best Rubber Boots.	$2.50	Double-sole Fine Winter Shoes. Splendid Calfskin Boots. First Quality Rubber Boots.
$2.50	Hand-welt Cork-sole Boots. Kid or Box Calf Storm Boots. Louis XV Heel Satin Slippers.	$2.00	Misses' Cork-sole Dress Shoes. Boys' "Yuk'n" Waterproof Shoes. Youths' Cork-sole Fine Shoes.	$3.00	Elegant Patent Leather Shoes. Finest Box Calf Shoes. $4 Double-sole Winter Russets.
$3.00	Patent Leather Dress Boots. Winter Tan Cork-sole Shoes. The Best Cycle Boots.	$2.50	Boys' Best Vici Kid Shoes. Boys' Cork-sole Dress Shoes. Youths' Pat. Leather Shoes.	$4.00	$5 Pat. Leather Shoes. Best Kangaroo or Cordovan Shoes. Hand-sewed Calf Boots.

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Bills for Divorce Filed Today in Two Cases.

Elenora Stewart, whose maiden name was Goddard, this afternoon instituted suit for divorce from Harry C. Stewart. According to the petitioner, she married the defendant September 13, 1887, and lived with him until August 1, 1895. She charges extreme cruelty on the part of her husband. In addition to a divorce, Mrs. Stewart asks that she be granted the custody of their one child and authority to resume her maiden name. Her solicitor is W. E. Poulton.

Suit for divorce was also begun this afternoon by Matilda Cook, who seeks a legal separation from Louis Cook. The couple were married June 11, 1888, according to the petition, and lived together until April, 1893, when, the wife says, she was forced to leave her husband because of great cruelty perpetrated by him upon her. Mrs. Cook asks for the custody of her three children. William L. Pollard is the solicitor for the petitioner.

Did but Little Damage.

Special Policeman O'Day turned in an alarm from box 256 about 10 o'clock this morning for fire in the basement of W. B. Lester's house, No. 1748 S street northwest. The fire, which was confined to the basement, was caused by the burning of some rubbish left near the furnace. Firemen extinguished the flames before much damage was done.

During the fire a pocket book, containing $71, disappeared from the house. Miss Josephine Denham, to whom the money belonged, reported the theft to the police.

Clerks Given Special Privileges.

The District Commissioners today ordered that the various District offices be closed at 1 o'clock p.m. on the 24th and 31st instants, and that all who, in the judgment of the heads of the different departments, can be spared, may be excused at the same hour on the intervening days, care being taken to so manage that all employes shall have an equal benefit of the privilege.

Officers Elected and Obligated.

At the quarterly meeting last evening of Rising Sun Lodge, No. 1365, G. U. O. O. F., the following officers were elected and obligated for the ensuing quarter: E. S., William R. Cameron; V. G., John N. Wood; N. G., William A. Wells, jr.; P. N. G., Joseph Wanser, jr.; N. F., A. Z. Flemming; P. N. F., Norvil Johnson.

Annual officers elected—P. S., James H. Coleman; W. T., Rev. W. J. Howard; W. C., Joseph Manning; advocate, Wm. H. White; physician, Dr. A. R. Collins.

Officers appointed for ensuing quarter—R. S. to N. G., James H. Jackson; L. S. to N. G., Charles H. T. Over; R. S. to V. G., Samuel Robinson; L. S. to V. G., Alfred Tappen; warden, Robert W. Gilliam; I. G., Harry Anderson.

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