

# THE PALAIS ROYAL.

(ANNUAL CLEARING SALE.)

The reduced prices for old year cotton undergarments are creating an unprecedented "rush." To disappoint as few as possible, this rule,— "not more than two garments of a kind to each purchaser." Choice of 200 different styles of gowns, skirts, corset covers, chemises and drawers.

- Garments worth up to \$5.00..... \$2.98
- Garments worth up to \$3.00..... \$1.79
- Garments worth up to \$2.50..... \$1.59
- Garments worth up to \$2.00..... \$1.29
- Garments worth up to \$1.50..... 89c
- Garments worth up to \$1.25..... 67c
- Garments worth up to 75c..... 42c
- Garments worth up to 59c..... 33c
- Garments worth up to 50c..... 30c
- Garments worth up to 19c..... 7c

**Corsets Reduced.** 49c for Corsets worth up to \$1.50. All styles for Corsets worth up to \$2.50. As with underwear—all sizes are not here in all styles, though all sizes are here.

**Aprons Reduced.** All styles of 25c Aprons for 21c; all 70c Aprons for 55c; all \$1 Aprons for 70c. All styles for mistress and maid, the nurse, cook and waitress. Third floor.

**For Children.** 39c for 50c to 75c Skirts, in sizes up to 6 years. 50c for Skirts to \$1 Gowns. In sizes for mistress and maid, the nurse, Long and Short White Dresses.

## Lord & Taylor's Stock.

L. and T. are the sole importers of the famous "Onyx" Hose and "Oneita" Union Suits. Years ago, when "Onyx" and "Oneita" were struggling for a reputation the Palais Royal "took them up" and introduced them to Washington. Messrs. Lord & Taylor are not ungrateful, and their samples and surplus stock come here twice a year at complimentary prices. Passed on to the Palais Royal patrons at a nominal advance these semi-annual bargains are now looked forward to by hosts of patrons.

**The Hosiery.** Lot 1, Lot 2, Lot 3, Lot 4, Lot 5.  
18c 25c 40c 75c 98c

They are 25c to \$1.50 Hose, at 18c to 98c for choice. Ladies', Men's and Children's, in silk, wool, lisle, cotton; black, plain colors and fancy effects. The collection includes the drummers' samples, the New York show room samples, the samples sent for approval by foreign makers, the odd dozens and half dozens from Lord & Taylor's wholesale depot. Nearly 5,000 pairs in all, representing only this winter's styles.

**Underwear.** Lot 1, Lot 2, Lot 3, Lot 4, Lot 5.  
25c 39c 49c 75c 98c

Union Suits, Tights, Separate Vests and Pants, Ladies' Men's and Children's, in silk, lamb's wool, three parts wool, half wool, one-third wool, lisle and fleeced cotton. Black, white and fancy colors. Especial attention is asked to the "Oneita" Suits—men being as much interested as women. Great tables are to be filled, and the distribution is to commence promptly at 8 o'clock tomorrow morning. Need regular patrons be told to be here early?

## 89c for Ladies' \$1.50 Gloves.

(FITTED AT OUR RISK.)

The best bargain news ever published in The Star. The explanation: The importer overestimated his sales and the Palais Royal secures his surplus for prompt cash. You get best of \$1.50 Gloves for 89c—best of 1-clasp Cape Walking Gloves; best of 2-clasp Glace Kid Gloves; best of 3-clasp Suede Kid Gloves.

**Neckwear.** 75c for Jabots made to retail at \$1. As delicacy as can be—the lightening touch to the Sunday dress.

**Ribbons.** 9c yard for All-silk Soft-finish Ribbons, mostly worth 10c. Thousands of pieces ready tomorrow morning.

**Umbrellas.** \$2 for Ladies' and Men's Silk Umbrellas, mostly worth \$3—last of these "After-Christmas" bargains. With \$5 Mackintoshes at \$3.98, near 11th street door.

**Handkerchiefs.** 9c for 12½c to 18c Handkerchiefs. Proportionately reduced prices for the more expensive.

**Wraps.** \$5.98 for Ladies' \$10 Cloth "Revolving" Coats. Only \$3.98 for Misses' \$5 Revers. Third floor.

**Waists.** \$3.59 for \$5 to \$8 Taffeta Silk Waists. Many styles—various small lots made into one.

## Palais Royal, A. Lisner, G & 11th Sts.

## Saturday and Monday Specials.

READ-COMPARE-INVESTIGATE.

Our guarantee with everything you buy; money back if you want it.

Good Laundry Soap, 1½c.  
Babbitt's and Star Soap, 3½c.  
New Peas, String or Lima Beans, 5c.  
6½c. Large New Mackerel, 6½c.  
Imported Spaghetti and Anderson's Soups..... } 7½c.  
3-lb. Tins Bartlett Peas and Apples..... }  
New Md. Corn—Imported Oil Sardines..... }  
10c. Good Coffee, Extra Value, per lb., 10c.  
Anderson's Jellies and Jams and Challenge Milk..... } 9c.  
New Raisins and Currants, per pkg.; Large Bottles Cat-soup..... }  
12½c. Light Carpet Brooms, 12½c.  
New Asparagus Tips and Kipped Herring, per tin. } 12½c.  
Southwell's Apricot Jam and German Asparagus..... }  
15c. California Fruits, Heavy Syrup, 15c.  
Peaches, Pears and Apricots.  
25c. Cylinder Jar Preserves..... }  
25c. New Asparagus..... } at 18 cts.  
25c. Grated or Whole Pineapple..... }  
12 lbs. 33c.—Ceres Flour—24 lbs. 65c.  
Wines and Liquors.  
8-year-old Whiskies, per full qts., 75c.  
Alma Cabinet, Keyport, Monticello or Sherwood.  
4-year-old Harmony, per bottle, 25c.  
Per gallon, \$1.75.  
Silver Wedding Whisky, per full qt., \$1.  
The Best on Earth.  
Per gallon, \$3.50.  
25c. per bottle—10-yr.-old—per bottle, 25c.  
Pure California Wines, 25c.  
75c. per gallon, per gallon, 75c.  
Ten-year-old Wines.  
Orders of \$1.00 Upward Delivered Free.  
Phone 2188. Mail orders receive prompt attention.

## The Alma Co.,

318 9th Street, Corner of D Northwest.

### PUBLIC DEBT STATEMENT.

**A Decrease of \$2,049,102 Indicated for December.**

The monthly statement of the public debt shows that at the close of business, December 31, the national debt, less cash in the treasury, amounts to \$1,011,628,286, a decrease for the month of \$2,049,102.

The debt is recapitulated as follows: Interest-bearing debt, \$948,279,210; debt on which interest has ceased since maturity, \$1,339,700; debt bearing no interest, \$388,612,663. Total, \$1,338,257,564. This amount, however, does not include \$40,689 in certificates and treasury notes outstanding, which are offset by an equal amount of cash on hand which is held for their redemption. The total public debt, therefore, classified as follows: Gold reserve fund, \$150,000,000; trust funds, \$811,468,089; general fund, \$12,551,000; in national bank deposits, \$112,653,534. Total, \$1,236,612,623. 721, against which there are demand liabilities outstanding amounting to \$898,023,000, leaving a net liability on hand of \$341,609,278. There was an increase for the month of \$4,302,613 in the amount of cash on hand.

### PEARL HARBOR NAVAL STATION.

**Acquisition of 640 Acres by Condemnation.**

Admiral Bradford, chief of the naval bureau of equipment, has received official confirmation of the acquisition, under condemnation proceedings, of 640 acres of land on Pearl Harbor, about seven miles from Honolulu, for use as a United States naval station. The price awarded is \$75 an acre, which, with the cost of improvements, makes an aggregate of \$22,737. There is a leasehold on part of the land, and some fishery rights which must be extinguished, which the government title will be complete. The last formalities are expected to be passed at an early day, and then plans will be prepared for the establishment of the naval station, including the construction of buildings and guns. An extensive dock is one of the features contemplated for the station.

### MRS. DENNIS IMPROVES.

**Victim of Mysterious Assault Still on the Mend.**

After the consultation held at the Garfield Hospital today the physicians informed the police department that there was a further improvement shown in the condition of Mrs. Ada Gilbert Dennis, the victim of the mysterious assault committed more than three weeks ago.

The case of Mrs. Dennis has been a puzzling one to the doctors, because of the many changes noted in her condition. Several times she was thought to be dying, and the following day an improvement would be apparent. Two days ago it was thought she could have been discharged in eight hours. That time limit has expired, and the patient is apparently somewhat better.

Capt. Boardman said this afternoon that no information of importance has yet been obtained concerning the identity of the patient's assailant.

### HOLD BUT SMALL INTEREST.

**Statement Regarding Affairs of Local Railway Enterprise.**

According to the statement made today to a Star reporter by Mr. James Christy, the president of the Washington and Annapolis Electric Railroad Company, the placing of the affairs of the Everett-Moore syndicate of Cleveland, Ohio, owning or controlling a number of urban and interurban electric railways and an extensive telephone system, for the control of a committee of bankers, will not affect the enterprise which he represents. He stated that Messrs. Everett and Moore own only small individual interests in his company, and are not large holders of the stock.

As has been stated in The Star, Mr. Christy is in the process of negotiating arrangements for beginning the construction of an electric line from the District to Baltimore, with a branch to Annapolis, and also a road from Baltimore to Washington.

### ADMITTS HE IS A DESERTER.

**Young Man, Reported Here Will Be in the Navy.**

A young man who enlisted in the Navy under the name of George W. Childs, and who admits this name is fictitious, was arrested about 6 o'clock this morning by Bicycle Policeman Warren and held as an alleged deserter. He will be taken to Norfolk tomorrow night and turned over to the officers of the United States receiving ship, Franklin, from which the prisoner says he escaped three weeks ago. He refused to disclose his real name, but it is said he is well connected at Rochester. Letters found on him from his mother addressed him as "Dear Dan."

At an early hour this morning he called at the police station and asked for assistance. His good clothes attracted attention and the police were told about him, as it was supposed he was Charles H. Newhouse, the missing deserter. He was taken to a hotel and arrested. The officer was told that he was not the missing deserter and would have released him had he not admitted he was a deserter.

According to the prisoner's statement, he is a native of Boston. He enlisted in the navy and was sent to the receiving ship, Wabash at Boston. Being highly contented, he said, he hoped to be advanced until he reached a grade which would distinguish himself. After reaching the Franklin at Norfolk he experienced trouble with the crew, and he decided to desert. For two weeks, he said, he was employed as shipping clerk in a local convenience. Great care has been taken by the Austrians to make the Bosnian schools models.

### RECEIPTS FROM WAR REVENUE ACT.

A comparative statement of the receipts from the war revenue act of June 13, 1898, and the war revenue reduction act of March 2, 1901, shows that the former act produced between July 1, 1899, and November 30, 1900, the revenue of \$46,229,300 of the latter date produced in the corresponding period in 1901, \$29,429,642, a decrease of \$17,199,658.

### INSPECTOR WANK TO BE DISMISSED.

Upon the recommendation of Commissioner Fitchle of the New York Immigration office and Commissioner General Powderly, Albert Wank, an inspector connected with the New York office, will be dismissed on charges connected with the landing at New York without due examination and report of people who were not citizens of the United States. Wank is charged with the charges preferred against him in writing by Mr. Fitchle, except to make a general denial.

Wank cannot be compelled with.

Herbert Lewis has written to the District Commissioners suggesting that Trenton street, Newark, N. J., the superintendent of the municipal building, that the salary of Thomas H. Morgan, laborer, be increased from \$20 to \$30 a month.

### RECOMMENDS ACCEPTANCE.

C. B. Hunt, the computing engineer, has recommended to the District Commissioners the proposal of M. F. Talty to grade the streets from the south side of 8 street northwest between Phelps place and 22d street, at 28 cents per cubic yard. The grading of this space is necessary in connection with the construction of a sewer system, and the estimated amount of work is about \$420.

## Hahn's Big January Surplus Stock Shoe-Sale.

Our January Unloading Sales are now in progress and our surplus-stock rooms—overflowing with the most desirable shoes we ever owned—are being speedily cleared out by the never-failing agency of irresistible price reductions.

Our customers know that these are the times when it pays to buy—for FUTURE as well as for immediate use.

Each day sees very special prices on certain lines. Watch for them. Here are tomorrow's

**Extraordinary One-Day Reductions:**

**Women's Shoes.**

Rubbers and Overgaiters. 300 Pairs, 40c. Rubbers, Sizes 2½, 3 and 4. Pairs Black Cloth Korsey Slippers, with elastic soles. Tomorrow only..... **15c.**

Warm-lined Slippers. A Tableful of 75c. to \$1.50 Sateen quilted, Felt and Worsted Bed room Slippers, with elastic soles. Tomorrow..... **50c.**

\$1.75 and \$2.00 Boots. Of the best material, with Velvet Collar, fine Kid or Patent Leather, close or open toe. Sides 5 styles to select from. Tomorrow only..... **\$1.37**

\$2.50 Hand-made Boots. Velvet Collar, fine Kid or Patent Leather, close or open toe. Sides 5 styles to select from. Tomorrow only..... **\$1.85**

Guaranteed Patent Kid Hand-made Laced Boots, with invisible Cork Soles. A new Pair FREE with every pair of Patent Kid Boots. Tomorrow only..... **\$2.65**

\$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4.00 Boots. Wing-tipped and other styles of tip-top, close or open toe. Kid, guaranteed Enamel and Patent shape Patent Leather Boots. Tomorrow only..... **\$2.79**

Patent Ideal Kid. Regular \$5 grade, with invisible cork sole. A new Pair FREE with every pair of Patent Ideal Kid Boots. Tomorrow..... **\$3.15**

**Men's Department.**

**\$3.87** FOR \$6.00 SHOES. Tomorrow only.

**\$3.35** FOR \$5.00 SHOES. Tomorrow only.

**\$2.37** FOR \$3.00 SHOES. Tomorrow only.

**\$1.65** FOR \$2.00 SHOES. Tomorrow only.

**Boys' and Girls' Shoes.**

**BOYS' \$3.00 SHOES.** Tomorrow only. **\$2.35**

**GIRLS' \$2.00 SHOES.** Tomorrow only. **\$1.37**

**\$1.25 GRADE SHOES.** Tomorrow only..... **87c.**

**SPRING HEEL SHOES.** Tomorrow only..... **45c.**

**Wm. Hahn & Co's** Cor. 7th and K Sts. 1914-1916 Pa. Ave. 233 Pa. Ave. S. E.

**3 RELIABLE SHOE HOUSES**

**RELIGIOUS TOLERANCE.**

**Plan of Austrian Statesmen in Meeting Bosnian Question.**

William E. Curtis in the Chicago Record-Herald.

The Scheriatshule is a peculiar institution, in which is taught Moslem, Christian and Jewish law. In fact, the instruction covers the laws of all races and religions which is necessary to this mixed population, where the government endeavors to respect the religious scruples of every citizen. The government used to limit the number of the different churches. The Austrian statesmen who were required to solve the Bosnian problem recognized the importance of a fact which many rulers in all parts of the world and in all times have forgotten or overlooked—that religious sentiment and conscience lie deeper than any other influences that affect human activity.

As I told you the other day, the population of Bosnia is about one-third Moslem, one-third orthodox Greek, one-fourth Roman Catholic, and the balance Jew, Protestant and believers in other creeds. Each individual is not only allowed to worship in his own way, but is excused from military service, and is exempt from his religious duties. For this reason different courts are provided for the trial of different races. Special care is taken in Turkey that no religious conflict with his religious duties. For this reason different courts are provided for the trial of different races. Special care is taken in Turkey that no religious conflict with his religious duties. For this reason different courts are provided for the trial of different races. Special care is taken in Turkey that no religious conflict with his religious duties.

**SOME QUININE DATA.**

**A Few Facts and Figures About a Much-Used Drug.**

From the New York Press.

The druggist on the next corner charges 10 cents for a dozen two-grain capsules of quinine. The one in the middle of the block charges 7 cents. Both are "out-rate" houses. Now, let's see. An ounce of quinine costs the dealer 31 cents. Each ounce contains 48 grains, sufficient for 240 two-grain capsules, or twenty dozen, sold over the counter for \$1.40 to \$2. Capsule cost, 20 cents a pound, and there are enough in a pound to contain many ounces of quinine. The quinine the druggist sells for 22 cents him (capsules included) 32 cents. He is making, therefore, a profit of over 500 per cent on what is actually a household necessity.

It is no exaggeration to say that quinine is a staple. In numerous localities it is eaten as regularly as food. Men and women pour it into the palm of the hand and toss it down their throats. Ohio and Florida—my, my! The government might regulate the price as the English government does, in India, where quinine is more necessary than meat. Quinine is sold at every rural post office in India at the rate of five grains for a cent, or 48 cents an ounce, retail. In Bengal alone 1,400,000 five-grain packets are sold annually. The government used to limit the number of the different churches. The Austrian statesmen who were required to solve the Bosnian problem recognized the importance of a fact which many rulers in all parts of the world and in all times have forgotten or overlooked—that religious sentiment and conscience lie deeper than any other influences that affect human activity.

**CHINESE AWAKENING.**

**A Subject Proposes a Number of Industrial Reforms.**

From the Shanghai Mercury.

Outside the Great Wall, there is evidently a most intelligent subject. He has put out a capital proposition with a view to improve the breed of horses in the grass country, and otherwise make the natural products of that part more profitable than at home. He has evidently heard that the horse is in great demand for war purposes abroad, and sees no reason why China with its vast resources should not become a most important source of supply for cavalry. The breed of Chinese ponies must however first be greatly improved to reach the foreign standard. Accordingly he tells his people how this may be done and offers a number of suggestions.

In the second place, he exhorts them to make "Russia leather," and all sorts of goods that they should learn to make. He should learn how to produce more milk in this so as to send it long distances, as the foreigners do. In the fourth place, he exhorts them to learn how to make wool and camel's hair into cloth, as the foreigners do, and first buy our raw stuff, manufacture it, and then resell the finished article to us. He tells us that the wool should be spun in China with its staple, and not in England, and camel's hair into cloth, as the foreigners do, and first buy our raw stuff, manufacture it, and then resell the finished article to us. He tells us that the wool should be spun in China with its staple, and not in England, and camel's hair into cloth, as the foreigners do, and first buy our raw stuff, manufacture it, and then resell the finished article to us.

**Chinese Dainties.**

From the Philadelphia Times.

In the window of a store on 8th street, which for years has made a specialty of Chinese and Japanese products, varying from ceramics to tea, a box of nuts with the placard "Fresh Lichee Nuts" attracts the attention of the passer-by. Lichee nuts are a well-known Chinese delicacy. The enterprising Celestial merchant from whom the nuts are received, in a white circular, printed in pink, describes himself as a dealer in "dried lichee nuts of the best kind," and adds that he has been in business since 1842 and now holds a prominent position in the market. Canton. The eating of lichee nuts being an entirely novel experience, I picked up a nut and found it was a very light, round like a ball, measuring only three or four inches in diameter. The shell, which has a faintly pungent, pleasing odor, is brown and rough. When you shake it the nut rattles. A slight pressure of the finger breaks the shell and then you discover, not a nut, but what looks like a very fine, intelligent suggestion of it, too, in the taste. Preserved ginger from China is, of course, a well-known dainty, both that preserved in sugar and the ginger preserved in alcohol. A superior variety of ginger is the "stem ginger," which has the hard, indigestible part excluded. It comes in rather large pieces, packed in tin boxes.

**The President's English.**

From the London Chronicle.

The full text of President Roosevelt's message has now reached this country. It quite bears out Thackeray's favorite epithet about "the thirty-fourth column of the presidential speech," but, long as it is, some 22,000 words in all—it is readable from first to last. The President has a most vigorous and telling way of putting things, and whether he writes on anarchism or irrigation or reciprocity or forestry, is always at pains to make himself interesting and intelligible. His is a strenuous and forceful style, not perhaps very flexible, but full of brightness and sun-heat. Some of his phrases are really too good for the occasion. What should we think of a sentence like this in the king's speech: "So far ingenuity has been wholly unable to devise a substitute for the great war craft machinery of the sea?" Obviously, up till March, 1905, Americans may safely copy the President's English.

**The Best Telephone Girls.**

From the Electrical World and Engineer.

The American girls of Irish parentage have been found to possess to the highest degree the necessary quickness of perception and action, and to prove the statement is cited the fact that a large percentage of the operators in the Chicago exchange, picked out according to the results of examination, are girls of Irish descent. City life has been found to give a girl an advantage in this particular over the country girl, whose wit has been sharpened by the contact with many people and the exigencies of the urban community.

**Bible Study Among Catholics.**

LONDON, January 3.—The Tablet announces that the pope has appointed a commission for the consideration of all matters connected with biblical studies, to which Catholic scholars the world over may apply in cases of difficulty. Cardinal Parocchi is president of the commission, which will include eleven "consultors," chosen from different countries.

**One of the Drawbacks.**

From the Chicago Post.

"I wish I wasn't a boy for about half an hour," he said, as he looked out at the snow.

"Why?" they asked.

"Because," he answered, "girls don't have to shovel the snow off the walks, and in half an hour I'll all be done."

**More Than That.**

From the Chicago Tribune.

Lena—"I know I'm nothing but skin and bone."

Fatima (her dearest friend)—"You're unjust to yourself, dear. There's a whole lot of gristle about you."