

FALL OPENING

STORE HOURS: 8 UNTIL 6; ON SATURDAYS OPEN UNTIL 9.

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5,000 Elegant \$8.00 and \$10.00 Fall Skirts at \$5.00.



A magnetic feature of the great opening that is to be inaugurated tomorrow will be the sale of over 5,000 of the Handsomest and Most Stylish Fall Skirts you'd see anywhere. Not only are these skirts the finished product of the best skirt-makers in the country, but they represent the most charming and chic designs that will be popular for the coming fall and winter. The favorite fabrics, voiles and panamas, predominate. In the voiles there's an immense variety of skirts designed in the new sheath effects—smart clinging models to be so much worn. Some are made in flare effects, some pleated; many are designed with wide and narrow folds of taffeta silk and buttons. In the Panama Skirts the almost unlimited variety embraces many choice garments in the smartest Directoire models, gored and buttoned front and full pleated; some richly designed with taffeta silk trimming and inserting at side. These skirts are all black, and were positively made to sell at \$8 and \$10. It will be one of the opening's best sales at

\$5.00



We Bid You Welcome to Washington's Most Charming Millinery Show.

Our months of preparation are now to culminate in the most brilliant ensemble of the styles that will reign supreme in Fashion's realm—tomorrow we throw open our superbly appointed Millinery Salon for the exhibit of the season's choicest and most exclusive creations. And when a store can sway styles—lead the fashions—create the modes—does that not indicate true supremacy and mastery? This exhibit is truly a fashion triumph. This congress of millinery beauty is an exhibit of all that's authoritative in the fall and winter creations. Be our guest tomorrow—we promise to make your visit a pleasure long to be remembered.

As a leader in the opening selling we've selected the \$7.50 and \$10.00 lines of Women's Trimmed Hats, and shall price them \$5.00 for this occasion. There are included in this great collection of millinery several hundreds of the season's most elegant and stylish creations, all in the newest and most exclusive models, and only one of a kind. The styles and effects embrace many copies from the Paris and London hats, which are equaled in elegance and beauty by the productions of our own deft milliners, as well as dozens of masterpieces from New York's most famed millinery creators. Only for the Opening occasion will these \$7.50 and \$10 Hats be on sale at **\$5.00**

The Highest Types of Dress Elegance Lend Distinction to This Exposition.

Here's the department closest to the affections of every woman—and with the full knowledge that it is to play an important part in the Opening, every effort has been put forth to collect for the inspection of the women of Washington the season's choicest, daintiest and highest class productions—all and everything that fashion approves and popularity demands. The foreign creations vie with the best of home productions—all meritorious in the highest degree, all the very acme of style, and exquisite to the point of elegance. For Opening time we've arranged this attractive souvenir pricing.

- The most popular phases of the New Directoire model are shown in ten rich and elegant styles, and in all the new shades; these suits are tailored of soft-finish broadcloth, fancy mixtures, hairline stripe effects, etc.; the coats are in the 34 and 36 inch lengths, the skirts pleated and flared and finished with folds and buttons. These are \$25 suits. Opening price..... **\$19.98**
- Ten styles in the Handsomest Fall Suits, in shadow-striped worsteds, broadcloths, prunellas, etc.; colors are black, navy, smoke, hunter's green, catawba, prune, gray; coats in the latest mode and lined with fancy satin; elegantly tailored. All are \$40 suits..... **\$29.98**
- The New and Smart Tan Convert Fall Coats; tailored in a high-class manner; they are full lined with best satin; plenty of all sizes; every woman needs one of these handy coats. The value is \$7.98. For the Opening..... **\$5.00**
- New and Stylish Black Broadcloth Coats; full lined with best satin; in the most popular length for fall; all sizes, 36 to 44; soft and fine broadcloth. Sold usually at \$10.00. For the Opening..... **\$6.98**
- For the Opening we shall place on sale a large lot of Fine Black Taffeta Silk Waists; handsomely designed, with yokes of tucks and hemstitching; soft and fine chiffon taffetas. These are all \$5.00 Waists and a rare bargain at..... **\$1.95**

ARMY AND NAVY NEWS

The cadets at the Military Academy and the midshipmen at the Naval Academy will undoubtedly take part in the inaugural parade March 4. The young men from West Point and Annapolis formed an interesting and attractive feature of the procession four years ago, and it is appreciated that there is always great public interest in the appearance of the cadets and midshipmen. The West Pointers will probably be quartered in the War Department corridors, although that is a detail which has not been settled. The midshipmen are to come to Washington and return to Annapolis the same day on a special train, thus avoiding the necessity of providing quarters for them in the city. It is considered desirable that the young men should not remain long away from their academies.

One of the suggestions made to the Navy Department regarding the enlisted men on the battleship fleet on its return home is that the crews be brought to Washington for participation in the inaugural parade March 4, where the blue-jackets and marines would be bound to attract considerable attention and arouse much enthusiasm on account of the prominence which has come to the enlisted force by reason of its long cruise. Should they form a part of the inaugural procession, the men probably would be allowed a short period of liberty preparatory to rejoining their ships to proceed to their home ports. The usual target practice will be held.

Plans for the return of the fleet to the United States are being considered. The fleet will be divided into two squadrons, one to return to the Atlantic coast and the other to return to the Pacific coast. The fleet will be divided into two squadrons, one to return to the Atlantic coast and the other to return to the Pacific coast. The fleet will be divided into two squadrons, one to return to the Atlantic coast and the other to return to the Pacific coast.

The Navy Department will soon take up the question of preparing for the reception of the returning Atlantic fleet. One proposition includes a joint military and naval demonstration, with a parade on shore of troops, as well as blue-jackets and marines. A squadron will be assigned to the duty of meeting the Atlantic fleet, probably at Gibraltar, and making the remainder of the voyage home with the big command. The ships to be selected will undoubtedly be the battleships New Hampshire, Idaho and Mississippi and possibly the battleships Montana and North Carolina. The commander will be Rear Admiral C. H. Conway, with the Dolphin as his flagship, that vessel being a part of the new third squadron of the Atlantic fleet. The arrival of the fleet at a home port will be followed by a short period of liberty for the members of the crews and leaves of absence for the officers, after which the ships will proceed to their home ports.

The army board of ordnance and fortifications will hold its next meeting October 1 and will then arrange to take up the subject of dirigibles and aeroplanes as applied to military uses. Members of the board are highly gratified at the success of the Wright aeroplanes, which has made such remarkable records at Fort Myer. For the past year there has been some criticism on account of the alleged failure of the flying machine designed by Prof. Langley of the Smithsonian Institution, for which the board allowed about twice as much money as will be paid the Wrights if the maximum they can earn under their contract is given them. The Smithsonian authorities have been watching the flights of Orville Wright at Fort Myer closely and have announced that they will make an exhibition of Langley's machine and data. The machine never flew, although a small model did.

Candidates for Marine Commissions. Examinations of candidates for appointment as second lieutenants in the Marine Corps will be commenced October 25 in this city and elsewhere. There are at present fifty-eight vacancies in that grade. Already 200 candidates have been given permission to appear for examination and that number will undoubtedly be increased before the date of the examination.

To Supply Naval Colliers. The Maryland Steel Company has been awarded the contract for furnishing three steam colliers for the navy under bids opened September 1 last. That company offered to build, according to the department plan, three vessels of 7,200 tons cargo capacity and twelve knots speed for \$470,000 each. Under its own plans it offered to construct the three vessels for \$388,000 each.

Troops at Greensboro Celebration. Gen. Grant, commanding the Department of the East, has directed certain troops in that department to participate in the exercises incident to the centennial of the battle of Guilford Court House, at Greensboro, N. C., October 11 to 17. The troops include band and one troop of the 5th Cavalry at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., and one company of the 17th Infantry at Fort McPherson. He has directed also that one thirty-six-inch portable searchlight outfit complete be shipped to Greensboro from Fort Fremont, S. C.

Defenses of Outposts. The army signal bureau will purchase \$75,000 worth of cable for fire-control installations in the coast defenses of the Philippines, Hawaii and at San Francisco.

When a Sword Is Not a Sword. The board of customs appraisers at New York has just decided that some swords are not swords. They may be "ornaments," and as such should not be assessed at as high rate of duty as they would be required to pay were they real weapons of war. The case came up on an appeal from the collector of the port of New York, who decided that a consignment of bone swords imported from Japan for decorative purposes should pay duty as "swords or side arms." "Swords are swords," he said, "and should be assessed as such." In turning down the collector the board of appraisers decided that the bone swords were not likely to be used in warfare and should pay a duty of 30 per cent ad valorem as "ornaments" instead of 35 per cent as "swords or side arms."

Military Guardhouses Overcrowded. The army guardhouses are being filled with culprits beyond their capacity, and the military authorities are much troubled over the problem of accommodating prisoners with the somewhat limited facilities existing at posts. It is not always possible to send men sentenced to imprisonment to the large military prisons, although that is usually done where the period of confinement is a long one or it is desirable to get rid of a particularly troublesome character. It is necessary, however, to maintain discipline at the guardhouses, and that is not always found possible under the conditions of most of the garrisons. There have lately been many attempts to escape on the part of inmates of guardhouses, and the

at Fort Lyon, Col., where tuberculosis patients from the navy are sent for treatment, has been changed to the naval general hospital at Las Animas. There seemed to be no good reason why an army name should be continued for the institution and the name of the town nearby was selected as more appropriate.

A Mexican Officer Retained. Lieut. Jorge Landu, Mexican army, having been retained at the army service schools at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., with the consent of his government, with a view to utilizing his knowledge of the Spanish language for instruction purposes, is announced as instructor, department of languages.

To Represent the War Department. Secretary Wright has designated Maj. John Biddle Porter of the judge advocate general's department of the army to represent the War Department at the meeting of the American Prison Association, to be held at Richmond, Va., from November 14 to 19, 1908. Maj. Porter is well informed on the subject of prison administration and has previously represented the War Department at similar meetings.

Without Praise or Censure. The word "valorous" will be omitted from the inscription to be put on the fourth and final tablet for the monument to the regular troops on the Gettysburg battlefield. The tablet has been approved by the Secretary of War, and for a time it became a question whether the prescribed word could be used as part of the legend. Investigation disclosed that year in providing for the current fiscal year the maintenance of each tablet should bear a brief legend, giving his torical facts, without censure and without praise.

Criticism of Militia Commissaries. Commissary Gen. Sharpe, U.S.A., reports that the experiment of sending an officer of the District of Columbia National Guards, First Lieut. John C. Whitaker, to Pine Camp, N. Y., worked so well that he recommends that brigade and division commanders of the National Guard be invited to send some of their staff officers to maneuver camps for instruction. Gen. Sharpe also suggests that more care be exercised by militia colonels in selecting commissaries. One or two of those at Pine Camp, he says, showed ignorance even of elementary arithmetic.

Militiamen at Army Schools. Lieut. Col. E. M. Weaver, U.S.A., chief of the division of militia affairs, has sent a communication to the adjutants general of the different states requesting that

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if there be any officers of the organized militia who desire to attend any of the garrison schools and the several service schools or who, having been in attendance at a garrison school, desire to renew their attendance for the ensuing scholastic year the names of such officers be submitted to the War Department prior to September 30 in connection with the requirements prescribed in paragraphs 222 to 224, inclusive, militia regulations, as the War Department desires to act collectively on such requests with a view to organizing classes early in October to take the prescribed courses in the several schools.

Practice in Chesapeake Bay. Arrangements have been made at the Navy Department for the third torpedo flotilla and the cruiser Yankee to go through their annual target practice in Chesapeake Bay as soon as possible after celebration of Founders' week in Philadelphia from October 4 to 10. These vessels will be under command of Lieut. Willis G. Mitchell and may be joined in Chesapeake Bay by the submarine fleet under command of Commander Marsh.

Army Orders. First Lieut. Thomas W. Holliday, 2d Field Artillery, will proceed to Fort Riley, Kan., to take the course of instruction at the Mounted Service School. The leave of absence granted Capt. Philip W. Huntington, Medical Corps, is extended one month. First Lieut. Haldan U. Tompkins, Coast Artillery Corps, will proceed to Fort Monroe, Va., for the purpose of inspecting the operations of the Army mine planter Maj. Samuel Ringgold.

Oh, Woodman, Spare the Trees. To the Editor of The Star: The superintendent of the Capitol building gives a good reason for not taking up and removing the fated thirteen trees on the west side of Judiciary Park to some other part of said park, namely, that there is no appropriation for so doing, and hence it is decreed and the War Department by the engineer branch thereof approves of the cutting down of the said fateful thirteen after the period of thirty days.

The superintendent is right when he says there is no appropriation for said removal, but he is wrong and so are the commissioner of public buildings and his superior in issuing the order to cut down these trees, for there is no appropriation for so doing. All the superintendent can do and "all the king's horses and all the king's men" can do is first to wait until the Secretary of the Treasury approves the contract or contracts for the erection of a fireproof addition to the courthouse of the District of Columbia, and then to await the action of Congress in making an appropriation. For this purpose the sum of \$200,000 is authorized. Be it observed no appropriation is made

Republican Club Meeting. Arrangements have been completed for a meeting of the Tatt-Sherman Republican Club of the District of Columbia tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock at Metzger's Hall, 1110 F street northwest, at which the issues of the campaign will be discussed by R. E. Doan of Ohio, U. W. Youngblood of Indiana and S. Herbert Giesy of this city.

CHILDREN'S SUMMER SICKNESS. The following simple treatment will generally cure infants' Diarrhea within 24 to 48 hours: 1. Stop feeding dairy milk. 2. Give, to about one year old, one grain of calomel, cut into three doses of two hours' intervals. 3. Feed for a few days on thick rice water, strained, and sweetened, while yet hot, with some condensed milk. 4. When cured, gradually substitute fresh dairy milk, pasteurized or scalded. SOCIETY FOR PREVENTION OF SICKNESS. E. BERLINER, Secretary. A regular diet for children on condensed milk is inadvisable.

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