

Our Store, including "Men's Section," will close at 10 o'clock Saturday Evening until March 20th

JANUARY CLEARANCE SALE

Women's Section—

FINAL CLEARANCE SALE OF TAILORED SUITS IS GOING ON THIS WEEK

This is the sale many women have waited for, if we may judge by the prompt response to our announcement of this final cut in prices. Profits have been swept aside, and losses cheerfully accepted, in order that we may make a clean sweep of our entire suit stocks. And the way suits are selling, our purpose will be accomplished by Saturday night when the sale ends. If you want an extra tailored suit to wear now or later, you can pick it up at this sale for even less than you think. Come and see!

THESE ARE ROCK-BOTTOM PRICES:

- 4 colored suits in serges and mixtures; size 36 and 38; formerly priced \$25 to \$32.50 \$ 7.50
4 black suits in broadcloth, chevrot and serge; size 40; formerly \$15 to \$30
5 black broadcloth and chevrot suits; sizes 42; formerly \$15 to \$25
3 black broadcloth and chevrot suits; size 44; formerly \$15 to \$25, now... \$12.50
22 suits in fancy broadcloths, chevron serges and mixtures in misses' and ladies' sizes; all this season's models with long coats; formerly \$22.50 and \$25, now \$19.75
41 suits in black, navy, smoke, hunters' green and fancy mixtures, in serges, broadcloths, chevrots and novelty weaves; all sizes from 14 years to 40 bust measure; formerly priced from \$35 to \$57.50, now \$25.00
8 novelty suits, in broadcloths and worsteds, gray, green, red and brown; most were manufacturers' models in sizes 38 to 44; all are this season's accepted models; formerly priced from \$45 to \$75, now...

MEIGS & CO.

INCORPORATED
OUTFITTERS TO MEN WOMEN & CHILDREN
BRIDGEPORT, CONN.

The D. M. Read Co.

Established 1857.

Our Annual Inventory will be taken Friday and this week Clearance Sales are the order in every department and section. We desire to lessen stock materially and to that end most generous reductions have been made. Customers this week will find it expedient to pay daily visits, and are certain of finding bargains.

Blankets

The best grades made and in half a dozen or more different weights and qualities. All colored borders, a good assortment.

- Value \$1.75 at \$1.40
Value \$2.50 at \$2.00
Value \$3.50 at \$2.90
Value \$4.50 at \$3.75
Value \$5.00 at \$4.25
Value \$6.50 at \$5.50

Black Silk Petticoats, \$5.00

Spring models and very attractive. Made of rich heavy Taffeta, soft finish, and perfect in fit about the waist and hips, well-suited to wear with the clinging Directoire skirts.

Special at \$5.00

Black Satin Petticoats, a limited number only to close out at \$3.48 each

Robe Flannel

Only a few pieces to close out, the reversible kind, dark blue and white, old blue and white, and gray and white.

20 cts. a yard, special.

Wash Goods Section.

"Togards." Little smooth soft caps of stockinette that fit over the fore part of the foot and prevent the wearing through of the stocking toes. They help out wonderfully with silk and fine sheer lisle hosiery.

10 cts., a pair, Notion Stock.

Dress Weights by the yard, in black or white, 15 cts. a yard.

The D. M. Read Co.

Radford B. Smith

1072 Main St. DEPARTMENT STORE, 89 Fairfield Av.

"THE STORE TO FIND SCARCE ARTICLES"

COUPON GOOD

Wednesday, Jan. 27

CHOICE OF LARGE LOT SAMPLES VERY FINE SCISSORS AND SHEARS NOTHING LESS THAN 50c IN THIS LOT AND UP TO \$1 CHOICE OF LOT 25c

This is a lot of very fine Cutlery and is worth the attention of any one who wishes a pair of Scissors that will cut and stay sharp.

Big values here for those that are prompt. Goods delivered any part of city.

Horses, Horses



Wednesday at 2 P. M.

BIG AUCTION SALE

40 horses for this sale. Big matched teams; big single horses. A lot of good business horses. We have a few good black hack horses; a lot of good driving horses.

20 good Second Handed Horses right out of work that will be all sold for the high dollar no matter what they bring.

Wagons, Harness, Blankets, Whips Everything for the horses goes at this sale.

Hamilton Bros.,

The Leading Horse Mart of Connecticut. 749 WATER STREET, Opp. Depot. BRIDGEPORT, CONN. Telephone 1138-4. 182 and 184 George St., New Haven.

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MODEL FOOD MARKET

Free Delivery 50-54 CANNON STREET 'Phone 83

Cut Prices For Wednesday and Thursday

- Sirloin Steaks . 12 1/2c lb
Large can Van Camp's or Peerless Evaporated Milk 9c can
1 lb can Royal Baking Powder 35c
Curtice Bros.' Jams, any flavor, 12 1-2c Jar
Seeded Raisins, 7c package, 3 for 20c
Imported French Peas 12 1/2c

STAMP SPECIALS

- 10 STAMPS FREE with two packages Prepared Buckwheat 25c
10 STAMPS FREE with two packages Oatmeal 10c package
10 STAMPS FREE with one package Macaroni 10c package
10 STAMPS FREE with one package 20 Mule Team Borax 14c package
10 STAMPS FREE with two packages Shredded Codfish, 5c package

130 Stamps Free with 1 can White Lily Baking Powder 45c can

A SALE

of Lace Curtains

Including all styles. You will find Brussels, Irish Point, Cluny, Bobbinet, Scotch Muslin, Nottingham, etc.

Sensational prices on odd pairs of Curtains. A visit to our store entails no obligation to buy.

N. BUCKINGHAM & CO., Inc. Est. 1842 177 STATE STREET

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To Washington and the Southland

Two Luxurious Trains FEDERAL EXPRESS COLONIAL EXPRESS

Through service—You pass through New York without having to change cars. To ladies traveling alone this is a great advantage.

These trains are splendidly equipped—vestibule buffet parlor cars and dining car in either direction.

Daily, Sundays included Through sleeping cars between Boston and Philadelphia and Washington. Due Washington at 9:45 a. m. Prompt connection for all Southern Winter Resorts. EXCURSION TICKETS NOW ON SALE For information write A. B. SMITH, General Passenger Agent, New Haven, Conn. NEW YORK, NEW HAVEN & HARTFORD RAILROAD CO.

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With the B. P. O. E.

LOW RATES VIA

UNION PACIFIC

Unequaled Service, Finest Equipment, Fast Time THREE DAYS FROM CHICAGO FOUR DAYS FROM NEW ENGLAND For advertising matter, information, etc., address W. MASSEY, N. E. F. & P. A., 176, Washington St., Boston, Mass.

Not Many Store-Sales Are Uninfluenced by Store-Advertising!

The store-sales to-day that are uninfluenced, directly or indirectly, by store-advertising will not have amounted to ten per cent. of the total business of the day. By the direct influence of advertising is meant the sales of articles specifically advertised. By the indirect influence of advertising is meant the articles sold that are not specifically advertised, but are displayed to the customers who are drawn to the store by THE ADVERTISED ARTICLES. In the latter case, as surely as in the first, the advertising must be credited with the sale. Observant merchants know that this is true. They should gain courage from the knowledge to strengthen their advertising campaigns to the point of matching their store-hopes and plans.

CHILD LABOR

Tendency of the Times With Respect to Paramount Sociological Problem.

Sunday evening, in the Congregational church at Stratford, Rev. Dr. Packard devoted his discourse to the theme of Child Labor. A little more than 100 years ago, he said, the first legislation upon child labor was passed in the English Parliament. That was in 1802. For the 100 years since there has been maintained a steady and on the whole a successful fight to protect the tender years of childhood in England and our own country. The Manchester Board of Health in 1798 passed this resolution: "The untimely labor of the night and the protracted labor of the day with respect to children, not only tend to diminish future expectations as to the general sum of life and industry, by impairing strength and destroying the vigor and stamina of the rising generation, but it too often gives encouragement to idleness, extravagance and profligacy of parents, who contrary to the order of nature, submit by the oppression of their offspring."

The past century has witnessed the gradual adoption of the new view of the child in the social fabric. Dr. Felix Adler tells us that in the slow tide of humanity there have been three stages in the general idea of the child. First, the Chinese notion, the child as the conservator of the life of the parent after death. 2d, the English notion as the preserver of property. And 3d, the modern idea, the child as the builder of the future. The advanced students of this great problem are asserting what, as Christian people, we ought to accept, that the child has a right to be born well, the right to grow up without being stunted by premature labor and the right to be happy even in school, as he will be if allowed a fair degree of freedom to continue in school through the important years from 12 to 16. If the child is to become a useful member of society he must have an education to help him in his life. It is the duty of the parent to progress beyond the point where the father left off. Sometimes men pooh pooh the whole agitation of this subject by saying:

"I began to earn my living when I was nine years old and have I suffered from it? I never wore flannels when I was a boy, why should the boys wear them today? I went to school in the winters for three months and why should my children have ten months in the year?" But such arguments from ignorance and selfishness are the last words of a man who has rarely heard. Child labor is a national problem. How much child labor is there? It is impossible to furnish accurate statistics for many reasons. In the factories, coal mines, glass works, a great many children of foreign parentage are employed and no honest statistics are gathered. The poor parents, short sighted, want the little child, on to begin earning money early. They will evade the laws by professing their children are of legal age when they are not. And what is the difference whether there are one or two million children under age for work in this country—the principle is the same. But we assume that with that there is a great amount of child labor in the cotton belt of the South, in the mines of Pennsylvania, and in the glass works of New Jersey. In Connecticut there are more than 10,000 at work between the ages of 14 and 16. The textile industries employ them in large numbers. The evils of child labor increase with civilization, because democracy, to be successful, requires the highest grade of physical well-being and mental and moral strength. The demand for cheap labor often means infant labor. The progress of inventions and devices often increases the number of little children who can run machines. Thousands of little boys and girls are engaged in long continued labor, which deteriorates them. Often capitalists demand cheap child labor to secure large profits. More often lazy and avaricious parents live off the premature lot of their children.

Suppose we say that there are two million children in our country set to work before they have had any fair chance to learn in school, and kept at work through the dangerous period of adolescence when nature demands a reasonable amount of infant labor. Here, for example, before me is a picture of a boy at work in a glass factory. He sits bent over his low stool for 10 hours and his task is to blow glass stoppers to bottles, about 300 dozen a day. As a machine he is perfect, but the stooped shoulders and hollow chest, the bent back and flabby limbs, the sunken face and lustreless eyes are the ravages of every nerve when rest time comes, all combine to tell the story of a wasted life. He gets \$4.50 a week. He began at 10 to do this work. Seven thousand boys, from 10 to 16, worked in glass houses in 1900. The increase of this business means the increase of small boys fed to the machine. In most of these houses boys work on day and night shifts. They go out of the overheated rooms be-

WEDDINGS IN BRIDGEPORT DURING 1908

Matrimonial Contracts Entered into as Shown by Official Records of Town Clerk's Office—Marriages not Hitherto Announced.

(Continued from Yesterday.) June 30, Albert B. Schollhorn, U. S., 30, New Haven, manufacturer, single, to Elizabeth J. Wyle, U. S., 23, Bridgeport, at home, single, by Rev. H. A. Davenport.

June 30, Nathan H. Dahl, U. S., 21, Bridgeport, electrician, single, to Caroline E. Reeves, U. S., 21, Bridgeport, shop hand, single, by Rev. G. H. Beard.

June 30, George L. Tiffany, U. S., 33, Bridgeport, machinist, divorced (3rd.) to Alice E. Squires, U. S., 32, Bridgeport, at home, single, by Rev. G. H. Beard.

June 30, Robert E. Connelly, U. S., 29, Bridgeport, pressman, single, to Mary E. Kennedy, U. S., 23, Bridgeport, forlady, single, by Rev. W. J. Fitzgerald.

June 30, Richard M. Coit, U. S., 62, Bridgeport, painter, single, to Lena Barry, U. S., 45, Bridgeport, housekeeper, single, by Rev. D. Major.

June 30, Herbert R. Sweet, U. S., 23, New Rochelle, bookkeeper, single, to Amy M. Berger, U. S., 22, Bridgeport, bookkeeper, single, by Rev. E. Kenyon.

June 4, Patrick Joseph Sheehy, U. S., 26, Bridgeport, clerk, single, to Emma Skirvan, U. S., 18, Norwalk, hatter, divorced, by Rev. S. O. Curtiss, South Norwalk.

June 6, Simon Babej, Austria, 21, Bridgeport, stamper, single, to Anna Hutz, Austria, 18, Bridgeport, shop hand, single, by Rev. D. Major.

June 13, Frank Jacevics, Austria, 23, Bridgeport, laborer, single, to Clara Ostal, Austria, 24, Bridgeport, at home, single, by Rev. D. Major.

June 13, George Smetans, Austria, 21, Bridgeport, laborer, single, to Mary Flia, Austria, 21, Bridgeport, housework, single, by Rev. D. Major.

June 16, Wesley R. Fancher, U. S., 29, Bridgeport, foreman in bakery, single, to Lulu Elwood, U. S., 23, Westport, single, by Rev. C. B. Strayer, Greens Farms.

June 17, John O'Connell, Ireland, 46, Bridgeport, police officer, widower, to Bridget E. Sullivan, Ireland, 45, New Haven, at home, single, by Rev. E. J. Farmer, New Haven.

June 20, Ivan Czaplinski, Hungary, 27, Bridgeport, laborer, widower, to Theresa Purosko, Hungary, 20, Bridgeport, shop hand, single, by Rev. D. Major.

June 20, Joseph Ostal, Austria, 28, Bridgeport, laborer, single, to Julia Zelenka, Austria, 21, Bridgeport, shop hand, single, by Rev. D. Major.

June 20, Ivan Dogar, Hungary, 26, Bridgeport, laborer, single, to Maria Horvath, Hungary, 24, Bridgeport, shop hand, single, by Rev. D. Major.

CARRIE NATION ROTTEN EGGED

Her Appearance at London Music Hall Very Brief Last Night.

London, Jan. 26.—"They stoned the prophets of old and I guess I ought not to object to a few eggs," was Carrie Nation's comment to-day on the sudden ending of her advertised meeting at Canterbury Music Hall last night. She had scarcely begun her harangue when a shower of eggs fell around and over her. The curtain was rung down immediately. Earlier in the evening Carrie was jeered off the stage at the Paragon Music Hall on the East Side.

"When I agreed to appear in London music halls," Mrs. Nation said to-day, "the managers said they would see that I got protection. That is the promise I got. It would be far better to be in a cannibal island. London is mad because I say it is the worst place on earth. The attacks on me prove it." Mrs. Nation has put the London police in a quandary. She is such a curiosity that her every public appearance causes trouble and it is probable that she will be prohibited from continuing her music hall engagements.

Fine Hats Fur turbans, fur scarfs, fur muffs, at bargain prices at E. H. Dillon & Co., 1142 Main St.

BRIDGEPORT BOAT SENT TO BOMBAY Motor Launch to be Used in Light Towing and Oil Transfers in India.

Bridgeport will be represented at Bombay, India, by a 25 foot motor boat shipped yesterday by the Bridgeport Motor Co. The boat is probably the best ever turned out by the company and is similar to the launch of the Bridgeport Yacht club. It is seven foot beam and is equipped with a seven horse power Bridgeport motor with all the latest devices in reversing gear, under-water exhaust and side steering wheel. The boat went to New York on the Naugatuck last night and will reach its destination by way of the Suez canal in about two months to make the journey.

The boat, which was ordered by a New York agent, is the first to be sent to Bombay by the company. Last year about 25 boats were shipped to Burmah. The boat will be used as an oil carrier and for light towing purposes. The company expects to receive more orders for the same kind of craft after this one has been tried out. The craft in which the boat was packed bore legends which will make Bridgeport known as a manufacturing centre wherever it is seen.

DIXON'S DEATH WAS SUDDEN William F. Dixon, a teamster residing at 83 Randall avenue, died suddenly yesterday following an attack of heart disease. The deceased was seized with the fatal attack at home and was immediately removed to St. Vincent's hospital where he died an hour later. He is survived by his parents, John and Eliza Dixon; three sisters, Elizabeth, of New York, Sarah J., and Mrs. J. B. Scenter, of this city, and three brothers, Christopher C. and John S., of New Milford, and George D. of this city.

Have only one doctor—just one

No sense in running from one doctor to another! Select the best one, then stand by him. No sense in trying this thing, that thing, for your cough. Carefully, deliberately select the best cough medicine, then take it. Stick to it. Ask your doctor about Ayer's Cherry Pectoral for throat and lung troubles.