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A woman's Spring wardrobe is not complete unless it includes one or two of these fashionable, comfortable waists.

As usual, we're to the front with the wanted styles of this popular waist—stunning effects in Lingerie and Net. Stop in and examine them.

Notice the Window Display of these Waists.

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WANT TO HEAR JUDSON AND MANWARING

Will Be Strong Opposition to Plan to Crush Owners of Small Electric Lighting Plants.

At the meeting of the joint committee of the Board of Trade, Business Men's Association and the Manufacturers' Association on public utilities and legislation, last night, there were several informal talks on the public utilities bill. It was decided not to lay down any definite plan of action until such a time as Senator Moses W. Manwaring and Siles Judson of Stratford could appear before the committee and discuss the utilities bill. It was agreed that a measure could be recommended in connection with the utilities bill, which will protect the owners of small electric lighting plants who are supplying buildings adjoining their premises with light.

Wallace G. Taylor, representing the Howland Dry Goods Co., appeared before the committee and told how the Howland Dry Goods Co. had a power plant and how it was protected by a bill which would build some buildings adjoining their premises and by supplying the new buildings with electricity. Taylor was able to get light cheaper than he would if he bought from others, while the Dry Goods Co. was able to lessen its own cost by getting light from a neighbor share the product.

The aldermanic committee on ordinances to-morrow night will consider the creation of several ordinances including one creating the office of a man building inspector, one increasing the salary of superintendent of bridges from \$1,000 to \$1,500 per annum; one adding five new patrolmen to the police force, and one reconstructing the ordinance relative to the hydrant inspector so that it can be held by a horseman in the fire department instead of a captain.

The Ways & Means committee will meet to-morrow night to consider the appropriation of \$200 for a Lincoln Memorial tablet.

DANBURY MAN CHOKES TO DEATH

Danbury, March 9.—George B. Keeler, aged 75, choked to death to-day at his home on River street, while eating breakfast. A piece of meat caught in the old man's windpipe and he died a few hours later.

DIED

SHEPARD—In this city, on Monday, March 8th, 1909, Elmer B. Shepard, aged 69 years, 8 months, 19 days. Friends are invited to attend the funeral from his late residence, No. 103 Center street, on Thursday, March 11th, at 2:30 p. m. S. 9 b.

BURRITT—In Stratford, Monroe, March 8th, 1909, John Burritt, aged 86 years, 3 months, 8 days. Friends are invited to attend the funeral at his late residence, Stepey on Wednesday, 10th inst., at 2 o'clock p. m. S. 9 b.

WIGGLESWORTH—In this city, March 8, 1909, John Wigglesworth, aged 46 years. Friends are invited to attend the funeral at the residence of his brother-in-law, Fred Tiffany, 50 Sherman St., on Wednesday March 10, at 2:30 p. m. Interment at Lakeview Cemetery. S. S. b.

MONUMENTS

ARTISTIC—LASTING. Plant operated by pneumatic cutting and polishing tools.

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SHAKESPEARE

GREATEST WRITER

And King Lear Greatest Tragedy Ever Written.

Prof. Wm. Lyon Phelps Entertains Large Audience in High School Hall—A New Bacon Book.

Prof. William Lyon Phelps of Yale entertained and instructed a large gathering last evening, at the High School Hall, the subject being King Lear. By way of introducing some of the biographical facts (facts, only, as the speaker emphasized) concerning Shakespeare were detailed. The Baconian theory was also touched on rather humorously. Ancient this same controversy the lecturer said that a friend a short time ago warned him to "Beware the Ides of March," to which he replied: "Why? I'm not Julius Caesar." The reason given the audience was that the lecturer had been told by Prof. Phelps' friend, who conclusively proved the authorship by Bacon of Shakespeare's works. The professor said that he was going to read the book and if the evidence proves the case, will be convinced. However, it is not so simple as that, although Prof. Phelps advanced his claim to receiving the idea with a "hospitable" mind, the author of this book by name Booth, will not give up without convincing proofs to convert the speaker of last night.

Previous to discussing Lear the lecturer said that Homer is a model who first presented Shakespeare works in book form deserve the thanks of all humanity, as they are the only authors who have been translated into all languages. In this volume of theirs is a picture of the author, beside which Ben Johnson has attested the accuracy of the original. In speaking of the face of Shakespeare the speaker mentioned the comparison of "The cathedral face and the cathedral works" which is applicable to handsome men. Prof. Phelps thinks it is just like Shakespeare to have had an ordinary face. In the various editions of Shakespeare the lecturer said that many errors have appeared. He illustrated very strikingly the reasonableness of the play, which would be a very short-hand artist might go to any modern play, take down accurately the lines as spoken, and give his version of the play, which would be a very different thing from the original. He stated that the literature of England from 1600 to 1625 was as great or greater than at any period of the world, though it was not then appreciated. He mentioned the names of the great writers of that time, such as Spenser, Marlowe, Shakespeare, and others. He also mentioned the names of the great actors of that time, such as Burbage, and others.

At 11:30 Blake of the Afro-American team and Adams of the reconstructed team stopped running and quit the race. Blake was the first to be announced as a team their joint distance being made 167-3 beginning the 35th hour. Blake at end of 38th hour: Cibot and Orphe, 236-0; Dineen and Prouty 228-3; Davis and Metkus, 220-3; Peegan and Callahan, 218-0; Naves and Shelton, 206-4; Corey and Hegelman, 196-8; Shelton and Frazer, 193-6; Guignard and Rovere, 189-6; Naves and Kellar, 187-8; Peegan and Callahan, 187-8; Quackenbush and Edelson, 172-1; Zimmerman and Wollodge, 168-1.

DR. PENTECOST WOULD STOP ALL PROGRESS

Opposition to the work being done by Rev. George F. Pentecost in Hartford, Conn., has been expressed by the members of the Parish House of the Assembly Hill Congregational church, Hartford, yesterday. Dr. Pentecost is the author of a book, "The Kingdom of God is Within You," which is being sold in this city, last summer, the meetings being held in Polk's theatre on Sundays.

At the close of Dr. Pentecost's address on "Evangelism, Old and New," says the Courant this morning, "Rev. James T. Sunderland, pastor of Unity church, arose and said that he considered the ministers of Hartford a body of capable, progressive men, able to deal with the situation in Hartford, and he very much questioned the advisability of inviting a man like Dr. Pentecost, who acknowledged that he considered the most important duty of a minister to be to maintain the status quo of the old doctrines and positions of the church and to take a decided stand against the new and progressive ideas."

SENATOR SEARLES FAVORS STATE INHERITANCE TAX

(Special from United Press.) Hartford, March 9.—Senator Searles introduced a resolution in the Senate to-day which declares Connecticut in favor of a state inheritance tax, and requests that the Connecticut delegation in Congress be instructed to support a properly drawn joint resolution which would place the inheritance tax in the Federal government to refrain from taxing inheritances for Federal purposes and reserve this source of revenue for the State. The Senate has appointed the following trustees for the Connecticut Hospital for the Insane: Franklin W. Ferry, Putnam; William Waldo Hyde, Hartford; Elijah K. Hubbard, Middletown; Lieutenant Governor Weeks, Middletown. Also the following trustees for the Connecticut Hospital for the Insane: Castello Lippitt and Dr. E. Stark of Norwich; Edwin S. Greeley, New Haven; and George C. Waldo, Bridgeport.

SIX DAY WALK AT MADISON SQUARE GARDEN

(Special from United Press.) Madison Square Garden, March 9.—Sometimes running to vary the deadly monotony of walking and at one time exhausted because apparently too exhausted to run, sixteen of the seven teams that started in the International Go-As-You-Please Race at Madison Square Garden entered the second day of their grueling grind this morning.

The "Leg-Workers" are ahead of the race and it looks as though the leaders are strong. The first team, that will insure a new mark when the flag drops. Dineen and Prouty in the first day's run, and on the second day have set such a fast pace that the stragglers were forced to cover.

An epidemic of quitting, followed by the re-organization of teams marked to-day's grind. First, Annabel left the Garden without telling his partner, O'Driscoll, then Doms was forced to quit through illness and his partner, Naves and O'Driscoll, were paired. They did not last long as O'Driscoll had a severe cold and was finally stopped, saying he had had enough.

Mike Spring of the New York team retired with a badly swollen and stiffened leg, and was forced to quit. Coleman of the Chicago team, who had fainted during the night, said he was too ill to continue, and finally Peter Golden, who disagreed with Hegelman about the work refused to go any further. The management of the race, with Corrie and Hegelman and the field was reduced to thirteen teams. The Frenchmen still leading Dineen and Prouty by nearly six miles.

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GAS STOCK INCREASE SLIDES THROUGH HOUSE

(By our Staff Correspondent.) Hartford, March 9.—In the House to-day a resolution amending the charter of the Bridgeport Gas Light Co. and authorizing an increase of capital stock, was passed without dissent, and will come before the Senate in its proper course. The resolution has been fully explained in the Farmer and the Commercial Appeal, and the exchange of new stock for the outstanding old stock under certain restrictions.

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BLOCK PAVEMENT IN NEW HAVEN

The New Haven Journal and Courier expresses views on block pavement as follows: "New Haven has now experienced the wooden pavement during all sorts of weather and has found it to have many virtues; but some very weighty faults. There can be little doubt that it is cheap. Certainly its durability is not as great as some other styles. It involves a constant expense to maintain it, for the blocks swell in wet weather and form good sized mounds, which are dangerous, and they split or wear out. The pavement is not more cleanly than ordinary street pavement. Certainly its numerous crevices, which catch and hold dirt and unhealthful filth, must be considered. Its greatest advantage is its noiselessness. On the other hand, opposed to that its worst point is its slipperiness which makes it cruel to horse-flesh. In the winter the crevices hold ice, and the wood makes the pavement slippery. In the winter the least little snow fall or the thinnest coat of ice makes the pavement so slippery that driving and dangerous for horses. A good instance of this was offered on State street yesterday when the fire horses felt many times in responding to other fire call. True, it may be satisfactory to automobiles, but there are other noiseless pavements which are satisfactory to all kinds of traffic.

WHAT NEW TARIFF BILL WILL CONTAIN

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ADMITTS KILLING HIS SWEETHEART ON LONELY ROAD

Joseph J. Mueller Held by the Baltimore Police While Story is Investigated.

Claims Shooting Was an Accident Told Story of Hold-up in Which Robber Killed Miss Reed, but Later Writes Out a Statement Saying He Shot at Highwayman but Hit His Companion.

Baltimore, March 9.—The mystery surrounding the shooting last night of Miss Jane Reed, a handsome young woman, on a lonely road at Mount Washington, a suburb, was cleared up to-day when Joseph J. Mueller, to whom she was engaged and who was with her at the time of the killing, made a statement to the police, admitting that he fired the shot that killed Miss Reed. He declared however, that he was firing at a highwayman who had held them up to rob them and that the killing was an accident. He was held without bail to await the investigation which is being made by the police and coroner.

When the dead body of the young woman was found in the road Mueller declared that she had been killed by a robber who had held them up to rob them and that the killing was an accident. He was held without bail to await the investigation which is being made by the police and coroner.

The police did not believe his story and held him under arrest. Taken to the station house the accused man maintained his innocence and the relatives of the slain girl stood by him, declaring that he had no reason to kill her. After the coroner's jury that had been impaneled returned a finding ordered him detained he was again questioned by the detectives and finally admitted that he had written a statement which was a lie, but was written by a man who had killed Miss Reed. The police are still questioning Mueller.

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HOWLAND'S

Entrances on Main street, Fairfield avenue and Cannon street.

Bridgeport, Conn., Tuesday, March 9, 1909. The Weather—Rain and warmer to-night and Wednesday.

Silks and silk-sellers.

Of about equal interest are the silk economies and folks selling the silks.

The charming thin silks from Japan are charming in themselves. They are doubly-attractive at the prices that are fixed on them.

The clever Japanese folk who are selling them are fully as interesting.

Every woman is invited to come and meet them.

Silks at 19c to 89c a yard; worth 25c to \$1.15. Opposite elevator

Sheets and other staples of extra worth

Here is a sheet that measures 81 by 90 inches made of solid nice muslin that is to be bought at 65c. We know of none to equal it at anywhere near the price. It will launder straight for it is torn. It has great wearing ability.

And here is a heavy Turkish towel at 19c that you want to compare with the ones you usually pay 25c for. Double-looped, firm as can be, and measuring 21 by 46 inches. Pure white. Excellent.

Knitted wash-cloths, white with colored border,—3c. Usual 5c one are not a whit better. Turkish wash-cloths of good size,—5c.

Polishing cloths of a fabric that looks like chamois. Very firm,—15c and 20c.

Glass towels finished with hem and loop. Ready for instant use,—19c and 25c.

Dish-cloths of heavy weight. Open mesh,—6c and 12 1/2c.

Floor and scrubbing cloths. Made of a heavy tough material that absorbs water and cleanses quickly, 8c and 10c. Main floor.

Right aisle, rear

Wall-paper that doesn't look "papyry"

The best wall-paper is the one that looks like a fabric. Those cretonne and madras and burlap papers are truly artistic.

How distinctive they make a room. How admirably they harmonize with furnishings. What individuality they attain.

Rich indeed are the effects of cut-out borders and panels. How rich, in fact, you had best come and see. There are ready some examples designed and made ready by our own experts. They are worth seeing. They contain hints of value to everybody planning home decoration.

Now is good time to make such plans. There is abundant time to give the question the thought it deserves. One should not hurry in choosing new paper; the more time devoted to it, the better.

New papers are ready. Beautiful. With the new papers, is the store's service in choosing. No extra charge for it. That is what we are here for. Also, there is fair price. Art doesn't mean high price. Not here. Rarely-pretty papers are sold at prices less than you will expect.

If you wish, papers may be hung under our direction. We can count on good work from our special corps of workers.

Third floor, adjoining Carpet Hall

DUMPS CLOSED AND NEW DUMP CREATED

Because of complaints from Major Harry Taylor there are no longer public dumps along the river at the foot of Grand, Stella and Wakeley streets. Director of the city, these dumps closed this morning and in their place established a public dump at Herbert street.

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Men's shoes at \$3 that are great.

Any dealer could get as good shoes as these and sell them to men at the same price.

But no dealer does. There is not enough "in it" to suit most folks.

Profit is small when such good shoes for men are sold at \$3.

But this store does it. Believes it's a good thing to do. This is how.

We go to the biggest maker of men's \$3 shoes in America. We pick the best things he has. Then we show how he can make them a little better. Suggest better stock, a nicer finish, point out improvements that can be made. We have those better features put into the shoes and pay extra to get them. Then we take those shoes and sell them at \$3.

Of course they are better than usual \$3 shoes.

Wetted shoes, please note. Not heavy and rough but nice and trim and good style and full of comfort. They will give good service. All they need is the treatment that good shoes deserve.

Lace, and button and blucher: in patent leather and Vici kid and velour calfskin. Near Fairfield avenue door.

New and pretty and in much variety.

Some, in fact, are the fabrics that have been produced in advance for next Autumn's business!

Rich plain colors. Delightful mixture. Quiet stripes. Plain colors with a satiny stripe.

All the new Spring shades such as wisteria and moka and sage-green and the new brown.

Some 54 inches wide! None less than 42.

Clear of yarn, fast of dye, nice of finish, good in every way and through and through. 89c. Right aisle, rear

'Tween-season underwear for women.

Nice warm underwear in new models for wear at just this season when one doesn't care for very-heavy and it isn't safe to put on light.

White or ecru cotton of medium weight, high-neck vests with long or short sleeves, ankle pants, — 50c and 59c.

Silk-and-wool of medium weight, seasonable cut,—\$1.

Wool of light weight, exactly warm enough, high-neck vests with long sleeves,—75c.

Combination suits of medium weight cotton, white or ecru, high-neck, long or short sleeves,—\$1.

Lisle union suits of light weight, fit delightfully, lace trimmed,—75c and \$1.

Cotton union suits of light weight, especially good of fit, nice soft yarn, high or low neck, all styles of sleeves,—\$1.

Cannon street aisle, rear.

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LICENSE FOR M'NIFF

The County Commissioners yesterday handed down a decision in the matter of a license to one James Mc-Niff, of 83 Main street, Danbury, to sell liquor in the city. The license was granted for the term of one year. The license was granted for the term of one year. The license was granted for the term of one year.

OLDEST EX-GOVERNOR IS SERIOUSLY ILL

Battleboro, Vt., March 9.—Ex-Governor Frederick Holbrook, president of the Vermont Savings Bank, and the oldest living ex-Governor in the United States, is critically ill at his home here. Ex-Governor Holbrook was 94 years old last month.