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Children's Chairs—A magnificent line of these.

Tables—All shapes, sizes and description.

Dressing Tables—Bureau, Mahogany, Antique Oak or White Enamel.

Odd Dressers—White Enamel—many dainty designs.

Chiffoniers—Many styles and different kinds of wood.

Wash. B. Williams, Furniture, Carpets, Drapery, 7th and D Sts. N. W.

Crowded To the Doors.

Such prices as these naturally bring a crowd. Why pay jobbers' and retailers' profits when you can get clothing direct from the manufacturers at less than the manufacturers' prices.

Samples of the Prices: Men's Blue and Black Kersey Overcoats, 44 inches long, 4 inch silk velvet collar, double warp Italian lining—sell in every retail store for \$14. \$4.90

Men's Heavy Winter Suits that usually retail for \$10. \$3.80

Men's Double and Single Breasted Black and Blue Cheviot Suits, made and trimmed in first-class style, usually retailed for \$10. \$4.90

Men's Storm Ulsters that sell in every retail store for \$12. \$3.98

Men's Belfast Frieze Storm Ulsters, extra large collars, cassimere lined, usually sold in retail store for \$15. \$6.50

Men's Handsome Trousers, in neat checks and stripes, sell in every retail store for \$5. \$1.98

Young Men's Storm Coats, usually retailed at \$7 and \$8, for \$2.60

Children's Combination Suits, extra pants and cap to match, sell in every retail store for \$5. \$1.75

DON'T FAIL TO SEE THE GOODS.

Great Syndicate Clothing Company, 1003 Pa. Ave.

SECOND FLOOR FROM 10th ST.

Buy Your Toys

Where they are cheapest—at the Universal Housefurnishing Store, 512 9th St. N. W.

Brown's Shoe Store, 305 Pa. Ave. S. E.

Given away

Stoll's shoes

Proposed Check to the Evasion of Tax Payments.

LARGE SUMS LOST BY IT

In the Matter of Water Main Assessments—A Million of Dollars—Lease of the Wholesale Market Lunch Stand—Mr. Albert's Request Denied.

The drafts of bills for reassessment of taxes set aside by the committee of the House of Representatives, as the Morning Times stated, before they were presented to Congress. It is the intention to put an end to the evasion of payment of taxes, both general and special, by taking advantage of technical errors and irregularities. The local and Federal Government through this sort of leak sometimes runs very high, as in the water main assessments made voidable by the Burdick decision, when the possible loss has been estimated as high as \$250,000.

SEPARATE BILL DRAFTED. For this purpose a separate draft was made for water main assessments, but confusion arose between the two bills in the copying, and both were made slightly wrong.

The assessment, in all cases, where the assessment has been set aside, is considered to be entirely within the power of Congress. The objection to it is the opposition that will be aroused against the whole bill, in each case. The amount in the water main cases, however, is so large and the evidence of the assessment so recent, that Mr. Burdick thought the Commissioners' request for reassessment to cover all cases back to last May.

MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS. Benjamin W. Eeles, who recently complained of the condition of the triangular space at Massachusetts avenue and E street, northeast, was informed that the attention of the police has been called to the place.

RECORD OF THE COURTS. Circuit court, No. 1, Justice Bradley—Carry et al. vs. Deane et al. Michael J. Carver, plaintiff, requested two cases, Seymour vs. Newman, plaintiff requested to deposit as security or condition of bail.

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OUR CHRISTMAS MARKET

AS SEEN BY THE HOUSEWIFE

Sumptuous Food and Decorative Display in Center Market.

SOME PROMINENT DEALERS

"They Are the Best Friends of All." Prominent in the Ninth street wing are the stalls and office of C. Engel's Sons, No. 490. Always lavish and complete in their supply they have surpassed themselves this year. On Monday and Tuesday, both of which days the great market will remain open, will find strawberries, new tomatoes, new potatoes, lettuce, celery, radishes, cauliflower, black Hamburg and American grapes, and every well-equipped market supply call for. Gam the finest and fattest Christmas turkeys, quail, pheasant, etc., will hang in tempting rows in front of the well-known and popular stalls. A few words about the gentlemen in the Ninth street wing are known and liked, inside and outside of the market, wherever energy, industry and probity are known. Their wide, far-reaching business is the result of years of painstaking labor united with business sagacity, and a desire to provide the very best for the very best class.

FOR BEAUTIFUL FLOWERS. You will go, of course, to see Mr. Robert Bowdler, 469 B street wing. One of the oldest established florists, and well-known all over the District, his lovely, fragrant flowers are noted for their perfection, and no further encomium. The decorations this year in the market will be finer than usual, and Mr. Bowdler's stand, among the most attractive, will be doubly so. Kindness of heart is one of the characteristics of this worthy gentleman and from his fragrant stock many a flower rises its way to nobility and distinction. It seems natural that the heart of a man whose daily avocation leads him among the loveliest of God's creations, should incline to deeds of gentleness and charity. A life spent among flowers ought to bring happy thoughts.

of the Market Association, Mr. J. K. Mansum, has a row of stalls, from 433 to 473, in B street wing, where general produce in its freshest and most salable state can be daily had. Pomatoes, grapes, fruit, berries and every modern delicacy can be had. We could scarcely get near enough to speak to him, for his custom list is so large that ladies were patiently waiting their turn to give orders for the holidays. Mr. Mansum seemed to be a prince of good fellows, himself. A merry Christmas to all.

EVERYBODY KNOWS. Every one who loves good living knows the great fish and game man, who owns the largest river fisheries, and whose game is celebrated all over the city. His latest rabbit raid in West Virginia resulted in "hogging" a real bear. The animal, now quite tame, is to be fact—brought in full view, wreathed with garlands, wearing a blue sash and ribbon. All along the large stalls from 378, B street wing, the eye is tempted by terrapin, wild and tame duck, fowl of all kinds, including Christmas turkeys, capons, and all sorts of fowl. The decorations at the Golden stands will, as usual, attract general attention, and the order book is filling with the usual number of orders. A five-wheeler man once offered a liberal sum for half an hour's use of this same book. He probably wanted to see the sights and "take 'em." He had to have done it, for the names of America's very greatest statesmen and Europe's diplomats are there. Of Mr. Golden's stand, we have already said much, and our Christmas crowd and all sound. The decorations at the Golden stands will, as usual, attract general attention, and the order book is filling with the usual number of orders.

CLARK BROS., FLORISTS. The first stall as you enter the Ninth street wing is used by the above firm. For color, as of "Archie the best" green, you, and you turn to grow enthusiastic over the jars of exquisite Jacquemont, La France, bride, and Marjory roses, leaving in profusion toward you. As a cultivator of roses, the Clark Bros. are nearly without peers, and their pleasant courtesy adds to the already large custom list. Have a cluster of these roses on your Christmas table.

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Three Car Loads of Choice Poultry due to arrive from Virginia Monday morning at 7 o'clock. They are all prime birds specially fattened for Christmas. Your choice at 10c per pound.

GARDEN MARKETS, 633 E St. S. E., 400 H St. N. E., 9 Fla. Ave. N. W. Mixed Nuts per pound, 10c. French Candy per pound, 6c.

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SHOPPING FOR CHRISTMAS

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WHY BERMUDEZ MISSED.

Reminiscence of a Famous Old-Time Duel at New Orleans. New Orleans Times-Democrat.

"Did you witness Judge Bernudez's duel?" I asked an old Louisiana who had seen many meetings under the code. Although a dead shot, Bernudez missed his man at five paces.

"Yes, you know Bernudez was his adversary and to the best of my recollection the cause that led to it was a trivial one—some foolish newspaper publication in relation to the College P'Orleans. I believe Bernudez, whom I have known for many years, was a professor in that institution and a poet of great merit.

"He was as simple as a child, unacquainted with the ways of the world, and perfectly inoffensive except when goaded by contradiction on some favorite hobby. Then, under the influence of harmless bluff and perhaps wine, his language would become caustic and biting. He lived in a room, and amid the gaieties of society. Fear was a stranger to his nature. Duty was his only guide.

"Well, for some reason or other Bernudez concluded to call on Bernudez, and, knowing that the judge was the most expert marksman in the city with a pistol, also made up his mind to shorten the distance to five paces. I can't hit a barn door at five paces, I know, but at five the case will be different, I hope. I'm sure, many a je teoucher, pen sur sur." (He'll kill me, but I'll shoot him sure.) Things turned out as he expected, except as to the marksmanship part.

"When they reached the scene of combat, and as they were about being placed in position, Bernudez, yielding to the force of habit, drew out his snuffbox, and after offering a pinch to the attendants, advanced in his usual easy, smiling, and winning way toward his antagonist, over whose aims the competitor frankly admitted that he suspected Bernudez of that kind and affectionate roilous and scholar had haunted him at the moment of firing and paralyzed his nerves."

HOW SMALL INVESTORS HAVE ACQUIRED LARGE INTERESTS IN CRIPPLE CREEK GOLD. It is not generally known that almost all the fabulous wealth which has been taken from the tunneling of Bull Hill, by the Bull Hill Gold Tunnel Company.

This tunnel is to be run entirely through the mountain, which is in the heart of the Cripple Creek district, and has already struck some of the richest leads in this section, although they have only about 200 feet of it completed. A force of men are now working night and day on it and, from surface indications they will strike at least twenty rich veins within the next three months.

The company practically owns all the veins in the mountain, and will develop them through their tunnel, which will give it full ownership to what will be equal to more than twenty miles in this richest section of all the Cripple Creek territory.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

New York Stock Market. Purchased by Frank Wilson Brown, broker, No. 1335 F street.

Table with columns: American Tobacco, American Southern, Col. Fuel & Iron, C. & O. Railway, Chicago Gas, Del. Lac. & Western, Distiller & Cattle Feed, Delaware & Hudson, Erie, General Electric, New Jersey Central, Lake Shore, Louisville & Nashville, Nat. Lead, Nat. Live Stock, Missouri Pacific, Manhattan Elevated, N. Y. & N. J. Electric, N. Y. Tel., Omaha, Union Pacific, Reading, Rock Island, Southern, Southern Pld., St. Paul, Texas Pacific, Wash. Union Tel., Western Union Tel.

Washington Stock Exchange. Sales—Wash. Gas, 90 at 45, Columbia 100 at 110, U. S. Gov. Bonds, U. S. 5's, U. S. 4's, U. S. 3's, U. S. 2's, U. S. 1's, U. S. 10's, U. S. 15's, U. S. 20's, U. S. 25's, U. S. 30's, U. S. 35's, U. S. 40's, U. S. 45's, U. S. 50's, U. S. 55's, U. S. 60's, U. S. 65's, U. S. 70's, U. S. 75's, U. S. 80's, U. S. 85's, U. S. 90's, U. S. 95's, U. S. 100's.

AMERICAN SECURITY AND TRUST CO., 1405 G ST. Capital - \$1,250,000. Table with columns: American Security, American Trust, American Insurance, American Savings, American Loan, American Bond, American Stock, American Real Estate, American Commercial, American Industrial, American Agricultural, American Manufacturing, American Transportation, American Communication, American Public Utility, American Financial, American Miscellaneous.

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Union Savings Bank, 1222 F St. N. W. which is open EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT between the hours of 6 and 8. (Four per cent. interest on savings account.)

The Amount of Surplus in this Company has been increased from \$200,000 to \$225,000. Capital - \$1,250,000.

Kit Carson Post Office. Kit Carson Post, No. 2, G. A. R. will hold an open conference and grand party at Grand Army Hall on Monday evening. The donations received to be distributed on Christmas among the unemployed and needy comrades, and the widows and orphans of the dead. Addresses will be delivered on the occasion by Gen. J. H. Henderson, representative from Iowa; Col. C. P. Lincoln and others. Music will be rendered by the G. A. R. Band.

Articles of incorporation for the Farmers' Athletic Club were submitted for record yesterday. The persons named as incorporators and directors are: J. J. Barry, Charles McCarty, H. J. Mulligan, Frank M. McDonald, and William Vermillion. The club is organized for the benefit of the encouragement of athletic sports, and the promotion of physical culture.