

All Hail Santa Claus!

Here are Some Sample Bargains

Note them Well

Books—Cloth bound, standard fiction. Others ask 50c. Our price

15

Picture Books—From "two for a penny" up to

35c

Others ask twice as much.

Dolls of all sizes and kinds. Others ask from 10c to \$5.00. Our price

5c to \$2.50

Doll Buggies—Others ask from 25c to \$2.25. Our price

20c to \$1.10

Doll Houses—Others ask 75c to \$1.50. Our price

50c to \$1.00

Toy Trains—Choo Choo cars. 25c trains at 20c; 75c trains at 50c; 1.25 trains at

75c

Mechanical toys of all kinds. Others ask 25c to 75c. Our price

20c to 50c

Like Reductions on All Other Toys and Novelties

Christmas at Actual Cost Price

We have fully determined to devote ourselves to the cigar and tobacco and candy business hereafter. For this reason we offer the people the biggest bargains in Holiday Goods ever shown in Denison. No reason to complain of Christmas being expensive when you can buy from our fine stock at

Actual Cost Prices

We have engaged the well-known salesman, Mr. M. J. Collins to assist us in this great sale and every preparation has been made to handle the big rush to come when the people know that their Christmas money will go twice as far if spent at our store.

Everything in our fine line of Holiday Goods Goes at a Like Big Reduction. Come in and we will convince you that we are in earnest and that this is the biggest Holiday Bargain Store in Crawford county.

Yours for a cheap Christmas



C. OTTO



Christmas Trees at Actual Cost

Just to show that we mean business and are willing to help the Holiday spirit along, we have a fine fresh lot of Christmas Trees which we will sell at just what it cost us to lay them down in Denison.

Christmas Tree Decorations

Beautiful decorations for which our store has always been noted. Sold elsewhere at from 10 to 15c. our choice now at

5c

Artificial Flowers—The 10c kind. Now going at, each

2c

AGAINST WOMEN

Hong Kong Paper Opposes Women Missionaries for Interior China.

TELLS OF RECENT MASSACRE

Urges that Only Men Should be Sent to Interior Points at Present on Account of Native Prejudice.

The shocking affair reported at Linchow on the North River, seems to call for comment, yet the subject of missionaries and mission work in China is such a thorny one that it is a task of delicacy to refer to it and at the same time to avoid transgressing some article of faith, canon of good taste, or rule of debate. The latest sad incident involving the cruel murder of women and children, illustrates one side of the matter, one drawback of the movement; but to treat only of that is to ignore the very genuine secular usefulness of these embarrassing invaders of China, their educational and medical work. The long list of feminine and juvenile martyrs, however, of which the additions of this latest catastrophe represent but a small fraction, must renew in many minds the doubt, often previously expressed, of the propriety of permitting women and children to accompany the male pioneers of the gospel. The dreadful risks to which these defenceless members of the missionary corps are exposed was painfully exemplified in 1900; and we believe we are not alone in thinking it would be better, for many reasons, to restrict missionary work and its perils to males. The Chinese idea of woman's status is not in anything like accordance with the foreign idea; and there must be men missionaries of experience who have been enabled to realize the many misconceptions which occur among the Chinese where women missionaries are concerned. It would not detract at all from their Chinese unselfishness were these to set their faces against the intrusion of women into what is emphatically a sphere for men, and to encourage their uncomprehending brethren to a recognition of their full responsibility in countenancing the admission of women. Of course it can be urged that there is work which women can better do; but in view of the dreadful price that has sometimes to be paid, and the liability they will incur of being accused of a selfish disinclination to the fuller martyrdom of celibacy, we trust the men missionaries will not press this point too far. If they succeed in their good work with the men of China, the lot of the women of China would be directly ameliorated as desired, without the inter-

vention of women missionaries.

Returning to the matter of the Linchow affair, all accounts agree in attributing its origin to the action of Dr. Machle; and as this gentleman has happily escaped the fate of his companions, there can be no sentimental objection to instituting an enquiry as to his share of responsibility for what happened. Article VIII. of the Tientsin Treaty of 1858 says: "The Christian religion, as professed by Protestants or Roman Catholics, inculcates the practice of virtue, and teaches man to do as he would be done by. Persons teaching it or professing it, therefore, shall alike be entitled to the protection of the Chinese authorities, nor shall any such, peaceably pursuing their calling and not offending against the laws, be persecuted or interfered with." To protest against the disturbance of hospital patients by the noises of the Joss procession was reasonable, provided it were properly done, and the request politely made to the responsible parties. If it be true that Dr. Machle laid hands on a sacred image carried by the procession, we fear we must place a large measure of a serious responsibility on his shoulders. To behave disrespectfully or sacrilegiously to a Joss appears to be such an unthought of thing in the case of Chinese that so far as we can ascertain there is no legal injunction extant, nor any legal penalty provided. Therefore, it may be that this zealous missionary has not "offended against the laws," although he cannot be said (still assuming the correctness of the received reports) to have been "peaceably pursuing his calling." The missionary who wants to teach the heathen the wickedness and folly of idol worship probably thinks he makes a fine point by maltreating the idol; but he is not doing "as he would be done by." For we read that "the people of Linchow are very superstitious, and" (quid rides)? "believe in their gods." Some of them might conceivably think it necessary to profane the American place of worship, or to handle disrespectfully some of its sanctified furniture, in which case the missionary's point of view would be different. This affair will inevitably have political results. We in no way wish to whitewash the turbulent savages who have been guilty of such heinous murders; but it will be but fair to both sides to make sure what truth there is in these stories of provocation. The other point, which we regard as most important, is a matter for the various missionary societies, or their respective Governments. Will they take into consideration the advisability of forbidding the importation of women and children by inland missionaries? We think they ought to.

A FRESH GLIMPSE OF CHINA

Quaint News Item from the Celestial Empire as Given by Hong Kong Papers.

The Po-Shang pawnshop situated in Cheung Kwai-Fong street of the Sun-Cheng village, Poon-Yu district, has been established for a considerable time, has a large capital and has a flourishing business. There is a wide canal in front of the pawnshop and a small hill behind. The building is very well constructed and is very strong. A small fort has been placed on the roof to protect it against attacks from robbers, etc. No robbers had ever dared to attack this place before although it was known that many wealthy people kept their values there. On the afternoon of the 29th ultimo, many strangers arrived in the village and a steam launch towing two junks was seen entering the river close by. The people soon found out that several hundred robbers had come to attack the famous pawnshop. The pawnshop people rushed to the roof and sounded their gongs for assistance. The fokes fired on the robbers from the roof and kept them at bay for over two hours. A division of the robbers was then sent on to the hill commanding the roof and from there they easily dislodged the defenders and managed to get into the building which they ransacked from top to bottom. They carried away valuables to the amount of 50,000 taels and were about to attack the neighboring houses when the advice of the more prudent ones prevailed and they decided to leave the place as daylight was approaching. The neighbors were in great consternation and their fears subsided only when the robbers were known to have left.

TAX ON PREPARED OPIUM.

On the 1st inst. Deputy Shun was sent by the Viceroy to meet the Nam-Hoi and the Poon-Yu magistrates and all the merchants dealing in prepared Opium. These merchants were received in the reception hall of the Nam-Hoi yamen. It has been decided to levy a tax of four candareens per ounce of prepared Malwa or Patna opium. Every dealer shall send to the government a detailed report of the monthly sales and any sale effected which has not been entered will be charged twenty times the duty. The taxes are payable monthly and the licenses renewable yearly.

THE WAICHOW REBELLION.

Owing to the Waichow insurrection threatening to become more serious Viceroy Shun has sent a dispatch to Admiral Li Tsun instructing him to proceed without delay to the scene of the disturbance with several divisions

of troops to quell the rebellion. It is reported that Admiral Li started on his mission two days ago.

The biennial prediction that Congressman Conner will have strong opposition for renomination has been going the rounds. It's a hundred to one shot that he will have a clear field.—Odebolt Chronicle.

The Storm Lake Pilot-Tribune opines that it may be that when the time comes Congressman Conner will have no opposition. "He is a useful member of the house and is in accord with his district on opinions on current topics, and it is believed that it would take a strong man to defeat him," says the Pilot Tribune.

The talk of "opposition" to Congressman Conner has suddenly stopped. The stories sent out from Des Moines were never seriously considered by those familiar with conditions in the Tenth district. The leading papers of the district are supporting Conner and there seems little likelihood that he will have formidable opposition next spring.—Estherville Enterprise.

The recent interview in the Register and Leader which stated that Congressman Conner was likely to have opposition in the tenth district, served the good purpose of bringing out an expression on the question. On every hand the eminent fitness of Judge Conner for the position is acknowledged and from every quarter comes unqualified indorsement and promises of support. Congressman Conner is naturally pleased with the general support pledged him from almost every locality in the district. And he is entitled to this splendid indorsement.—Carroll Herald.

Congressman Conner, of this district, who has been from the beginning of the agitation for railway rate legislation in favor of clothing the Interstate Commerce Commission with fuller powers, is in entire accord with the president's program for bringing the matter to the attention of congress at the beginning of the session, and forcing some action. His Greene county constituency, who are practically a unit in demanding that such legislation be enacted, will appreciate his decisive stand on the question.—Jefferson Bee.

Congressman Conner put himself on record on the right side of this question in a letter to officials of the Hamilton county branch of the Corn Belt Meat Producers Association, written a year or so ago. Mr. Conner did not wait until public clamor forced an expression.—Webster City Freeman-Tribune.

HIGHWAY NOTICE.

STATE OF IOWA, ss.
Crawford County, Iowa, Dec. 7th, 1905.
To Henry Beeman, Louise Olson, Daniel Hemphill, George M. Harvey and to whom it may concern:
You and Each of you, Are Hereby Notified, that the commissioner appointed to vacate a part of Highway No. 719 commencing at the center of the east end of Kane Street and on the east side of fourth street in the town of Buck Grove in Crawford County, Iowa, running thence east 288 feet, thence north 385 feet and terminating at a point 22 feet south and 361.4 feet west of the 4 section corner on the north line of section 16 in Township 32, North of Range 39 west of the 5th Principal Meridian in said County has reported in favor of the vacation thereof, and all objections thereto or claims for damages must be filed in the auditor's office in said county in Denison, Iowa, on or before noon of the 10th day of February A. D. 1906 or such highway will be vacated without reference thereto.
EDW. THEOBALD,
Auditor of Crawford County, Iowa.

The Skill of the American Housewife in Bread Making is due to Yeast Foam. It makes good Bread from any flour.

Yeast Foam is the finest that took the First Grand Prize at the St. Louis Exposition, and is sold by all grocers at 5c. a package—enough for 40 loaves. Our book "Good Bread" free.
NORTHWESTERN YEAST CO.
CHICAGO, ILL.

Kennedy's Laxative Honey and Tar Cures all Coughs, and expels Colds from the system by gently moving the bowels.

Dr. B. A. Stockdale

Eye, Ear, Nose, Throat and Chronic Disease Specialist of Des Moines, will be in his office in the

MERCHANTS HOTEL, DENISON, (Formerly FARGO HOUSE)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 2

From 8 a. m. to 6 p. m.—ONE DAY ONLY—Returning every four weeks.



Dr. STOCKDALE

Known throughout the northwest for his remarkable cures, has visited Denison every four weeks for the past five years and has had phenomenal success in the treatment of his specialties.

Dr. Stockdale is a graduate of the best colleges, and has met with great success because of his skilled treatment and cures of Chronic diseases of the Eye, Ear, Nose, Throat, Lungs, Bladder and Kidneys, Rheumatism, Constipation, Blood and Skin Disease.

PILES and all RECTAL DISEASES CURED or no PAY.

Diseases of Women Skillfully Treated

Men who are suffering from nervous and physical debility, lost vigor, and premature decline of power, are positively guaranteed a cure.

NERVOUS DECLINE, resulting from violation of nature's laws, CURED UNDER GUARANTEE.

CONSULTATION FREE AND CONFIDENTIAL.

If you cannot call, write me.

—ADDRESS—

Dr. B. A. STOCKDALE, Citizen's Bank Bldg., Des Moines, Iowa.

See me in Des Moines office any week day, except Tuesdays and Wednesdays.