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Queen Quality Patent Leather Shoes for Christmas Presents. Men's black velvet slippers, Chenille Embroidered, Patent leather quarter, going now at \$3.00. Ladies' black felt slippers, fur trimmed, leather sole, a big bargain at \$1.00. E. T. Grassfield, (Successor to Grassfield Bros.) MANCHESTER, IOWA.

Our Business Directory.

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So far as the shipping subsidy bill is concerned it may be said that the people are already paying as many subsidies as they care to endorse, and the commercial pirates of the nation may stretch their patience to the breaking point.

Democrats and Subsidy. West of the Alleghenies the woods are full of republicans who are utterly opposed to the scheme for taking money out of the national treasury and bestowing it upon men who without any subsidy are prepared to invest acres of millions in foreign-built ships.

What do they think of the situation now? They see their representative almost to a man standing in with the Hannas and Paynes, with no hope of defeating the most brazen grab on record save in the democrats.

At the recent International Live Stock Show held in Chicago, 29th to Dec. 6th, the showing made by the Iowa State College of Agriculture and Mechanical Arts in the Student Judging Contest and in the Live Stock and Cattle Shows has already attracted world wide attention.

From letters which we are receiving from week to week, we fear that some of our readers in the northern part of our territory are liable to make a mistake in selecting seed corn for next year.

And in the meantime there is no decline in the retail prices of meats. And no explanation is vouchsafed. When Attorney General Knox filed his pleadings in the case of the United States against the big combine elaborate explanation was made respecting the high price of beef and pork.

With one hand it maneuvers the markets to depress normal prices, and with the other it monopolizes the meat supply of the country and manipulates prices to the consumer, mauling the people.

CUCUMBER. An Elder Flower Cream is the best protection for the face from the Spring Winds, Heat and soot, it keeps away black heads and other blemishes.

FAMOUS ILLUSIONS.

SOME SECRETS OF PROFESSIONAL CONJURERS REVEALED. How the Mysteries Are Destroyed and the Tricks Shown of Their Behind the Scenes.

A behind the scenes view of the famous illusions and conjurers have mystified and delighted generations after generations has peculiar fascinations. There are few of us who value our own childish illusions so highly that we will not part with them for the fun of seeing how we have been fooled.

By the time the chest is roped he is free. The chest has a secret opening, made by the top and sides of the chest, which he crawls out. A slim man is usually employed to do the trick.

THE BIRTH OF JAPAN. Curious Legend of the Creation Handed Down by the Japanese. The following is the curious legend of the creation as it is told in Japan.

THE FRED FOOT. A lady was watching a letter at his work whose one foot was kept with a "never slackening speed turning his swift wheel round" while the other rested patiently on the ground.

COOKING HINTS. Chocolate is greatly improved by adding a teaspoonful of strong coffee just before serving.

any dough or batter in one teaspoon of baking soda to two cups of flour milk. If making a gelatin dessert on a hot or a wet day, add a little more gelatin than the recipe requires, half as much again if you wish to hold fruit into the jelly.

A GOOD PRESCRIPTION. Laughter as a Stomach Cure and an Aid to Health. Worry is but one of the many forms of fear, so that worry tends to the production of indigestion.

Laughing is in itself also a useful exercise from the standpoint of digestion. It stirs up all the abdominal organs, it increases the circulation of the blood, it increases peristalsis, it increases the secretion of gastric juices.

Another of the most astounding feats of modern magic is the art of making a person or object apparently float in the air. A couple of ordinary chairs are placed on the stage—well toward the back, which is draped with black cloth.

Another very effective illusion, arranged upon the same principle, shows the head and bust of a lady supported on a three legged stool resting on a small table. One can apparently see not only between the legs of the table but the back of the stool, but through the space between the stool and the table.

Supernition. Parson (visiting prison)—Why are you here, my misguided friend? Prisoner—I'm the victim of the un-lucky No. 13. Parson—Indeed! How's that? Prisoner—Twelve jurors and one judge.—Chicago News.

CHRISTMAS FURNITURE!

Our Stock of Christmas Furniture Is Now in. BROWN, THE FURNITURE MAN. All The New and Up-to-Date Styles. Our store is a public institution. You don't have to buy when you come here. We'll thank you for it. We trust to the QUALITY of our Furniture, and our LOW PRICES to secure and retain your patronage.

PRACTICAL PRESENTS.

For father or mother, Brother or sister, Husband or wife, Just what you want, And the price you can pay. Ranges and heating stoves, Razors and knives, Carvers and shears, Tools and utensils.

CARHART & NYE.

The Central Pharmacy, Headquarters for Holiday Goods. We are showing a beautiful line of Burnt Wood Novelties, in Pictures, Frames, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Necktie Boxes, Nut Bowls, Etc.

Leather Goods, Ladies' Pocket Books, Cord Cases, Wrist Bags, Chatelaines, Music Rolls, Gent's Pocket Books and Purses.

Wave Crest Ware, Jewell Cases, Bon Bon Dishes, Handkerchief Boxes and Trinket Boxes.

Fancy Perfumes, Books, Bibles and Prayer Books, and many articles too numerous to mention. Call in and let us show you.

Anders & Philipp, Central Pharmacy.

Xmas Slippers are Always a Suitable Holiday Present.

Our ladies' black or green felt Juliet, fur trimmed, at \$1.25 are the best. Ladies' black or red satin slippers, flannel lined, the finest thing made for a cozy evening at home. We sell them at \$1.35. Men's felt slippers at \$1.25. Men's leather slippers in tan, wine or black at popular prices. Look them over. Kinne & Madden.