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New York has 6,000 policemen, distributed over 350 miles of territory.

The San Francisco Call intimates the California orange crop at 9,000 car loads.

The Seth Low politicians intimate that Tom Platt is dilled. But is Seth so active as formerly?

Speaker Reed says that he sees no reason why the coming session of Congress should not be a short one.

It is said that Germany intends to bombard the coast towns of Hayti unless her demands are complied with.

That is a remarkable protest from the California bench and bar against the appointment of Attorney General McKenna to the Supreme bench.

And now the Virginia Legislature has lined up against football. The kicking on this subject is both general and vigorous, says the Mail and Express.

"There is an old woman," says a London paper, "who has a milk stand in St. James' park, who has stood at it for sixty-three years. How awfully tired she must be by this time."

Now that John J. Ingalls is to act as Washington correspondent for a Western paper, Tom Reed ought to get up a series of scraps for him in the House, thinks the Louisville Post.

A Washington dispatch says that "Lord Salisbury is unwilling to recognize the Monroe doctrine in terms." That will be all right so long as all the European nations recognize it in fact.

It is said that neither Du Maurier nor the publishers of "Trilby" sent a copy of the book to the author of "Ben Bolt." The latter claims that he has not read the book at all, and does not even know the story.

An Ohio postmaster who is also a saloon keeper conceived the brilliant idea of giving a two-cent stamp with every drink and a drink with every ten postage stamps purchased. The internal revenue put a stop to the scheme.

The St. Louis Globe-Democrat says: "Fredericksburg, Va., has just celebrated the anniversary of the denunciation of the stamp act by the county judges in 1765. It is useless to ask a people with such recollections not to sympathize with Cuba."

Julia L. Green has obtained a verdict of \$5,000 against the Ashland Water company, of Wisconsin. The cause of action, says the Charleston News and Courier, was the alleged negligence of the Water company in furnishing impure and unwholesome water containing typhoid fever germs to the plaintiff's husband, Lars G. Green, from the effects of which he died.

Great Britain without a pound of native raw cotton spins and weaves 77 per cent. of the cotton goods purchased by other nations. The United States producing over half of all the cotton grown in the world, supplies less than 5 per cent. of the manufactured cotton which other countries buy. Over 95 per cent. of the world's trade in cotton goods is in the hands of Great Britain. Germany and France, neither of which raises a pound of cotton at home. In 1896 the British consumed 4,100,000 bales of cotton and 82 per cent. of the production of this cotton was exported. This represented a consumption of about 3,412,000 bales of raw cotton, or about 200,000 bales more than the entire quantity consumed by the United States mills during the same period.

HARBOR IMPROVEMENTS—REPRESENTATIVE YOUNG'S BILL.

The present and continually growing importance of the Norfolk harbor demands the attention of the Federal Government, and the presentation by Representative Young on the opening day of the session of a bill appropriating \$100,000 to widen the channel of the Elizabeth river to 500 feet and to a depth of 28 feet, between Hampton Roads and the navy-yard, was timely and appropriate. Every assistance should be rendered and every influence brought to bear to secure the appropriation. During the past extra session the effort was made to secure the visit of the Congressional committee in charge of harbor and river improvements to inspect for themselves the advantages and the wants of the Norfolk harbor. This effort should be renewed and persisted in. The demands of our growing commerce and the necessity of a great naval dry-dock, capable of floating the largest of our battleships, are imperative reasons for the deepening of our harbor. There should be no sloth on our part to press upon the attention of Congress the importance of these improvements and to render every help to Congressman Young in his attempt to secure the passage of his bill.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING.

Very many people are taking the advantage of the really fine weather to do their Christmas shopping, and already have many of our stores begun to put the holiday attire.

There are those, of course, who by reason of circumstances are compelled to delay purchasing, while the majority are those who buy during the few days just preceding Christmas, but to those who wish to buy now the columns of The Virginian may help them. The holiday advertisements in The Virginian are not the least interesting of its contents.

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HANDS OFF HAWAII.

The Philadelphia Times is raising its voice against the annexation of Hawaii, and tells Congress very plainly to keep its hands off.

It has its doubts whether Hawaii is annexed or not, but feels that the great wrong will not be accomplished without the country being thoroughly informed as to the step and its consequences. Certainly it is offered both in and out of Congress by the right-thinking men of the country irrespective of party, and by a great majority of the press, but all the same it looks as if annexation is sure to come.

In such an event, this much might be understood:

Once annex Hawaii and good bye to the Monroe doctrine.

Colonial aggrandizement will bring us anything but peace, and the lesson which the Colonial troubles of England in Africa are now teaching that nation may come to us some day because of the Hawaiian muddle, though in a different form. There has been so much written against the annexation of the islands that one would suppose that some heed would be given by Congress to the people's wishes in the matter, but it seems that the contrary is the rule, and the annexationists, backed up by President McKinley, are determined to go on with the accomplishment of this object regardless of consequence.

In addition to this fact that the people of this country do not want Hawaii, these are questions of right and wrong involved in the proposition to take the island—questions of morality and honor, of principle and the rights of others. Congress should let the matter severally alone.

VIEW OF FOOTBALL FROM A SCIENTIFIC STANDPOINT.

The passage of the anti-football bill by the Georgia House of Representatives has called forth some remarks from the Medical Record, one of the foremost journals of its class in the country, which says that "the overwhelming vote of the lower house makes it quite probable that the Senate will endorse the action and the bill will become a law. If this be the case, Georgia will set a laudable example for every commonwealth of the country. The time certainly has come when such a general movement is necessary.

"In view of the great number of serious accidents on the football field between college teams, it is impossible to view the game any longer in the light of innocent recreative amusement with harmless and healthful athletes as its object. Although so-called slugging has been ruled out of the new game, there is still left enough of brutal muscular force to make the alleged sport productive of the greatest variety of surgical injuries to every part of the body. Only the severer injuries are noted, while the lesser ones serve as enervating incidents to call forth the plaudits of an excited audience. Short of actual death on the field, not much account is taken of the hundreds of young men who are oftentimes injured for life as the result of the rough and tumble methods of the match. The trainers explain the number of injuries by the lack of requisite physical preparation

for the contest, but, in reality, the more the footballers are trained, the more dangerous becomes the game.

"It is certainly time we should look the matter fairly in the face. If we wish to develop pluck, courage, endurance, and strength, we can do so in more healthful and safer ways. It is time that the new game, with mere weight against weight, should be abolished."

There are no doubt some people who will disagree with the Medical Record in what it has to say on this subject, but the fact remains that there is a growing sentiment throughout the country that some action should be taken to eliminate from the game of football those features which are always fraught with danger to the players. The Record treats the matter from a scientific standpoint, and is not at all moved by sentimentalism.

NOTES AND OPINIONS.

About two million canary birds are annually bred in Germany and sold for \$3,000,000.

At Victoria, B.C., London, store rooms for 250,000 carcasses of beef are provided.

From June 1 to August 20 of this year 5,720 persons went through Yellowstone Park. This was an unprecedented number.

Farmers of the West will fix up, speculate, spend money and mortgage their farms again in "Just the Same Old Way." The old farm without a mortgage does not seem like the same old farm.—New Orleans Picayune.

A German scientist recommends bromine for sterilizing water. One grain is sufficient to destroy the bacteria in a quart, and the bromine can be afterwards neutralized by ammonia so as to give a clear, tasteless water.

The revised returns of the Russian census give the total population of that country at 129,000,000. This makes Russia third in rank among nations, China coming first with an estimated population of 490,000,000 and the British Empire next with 298,000,000.

PERSONALS.

John Swinton, an associate editor of the New York Sun for many years, has been elected to the staff of that paper. Mr. Swinton hails from Haddingtonshire.

Bonaparte's house at Longwood, St. Helena, is now a barn; the room he died in is a stable; and where the Imperial body lay in state may be found a machine for grinding corn.

Col. Charles Jerome Bonaparte, a grand-nephew of Napoleon, the first Emperor, is said to be a candidate for Senator Gorman's seat. Mr. Bonaparte is a lawyer of Baltimore.

Miss Marie Audubon, a granddaughter of the naturalist, has translated from French the hitherto unpublished journals of her illustrious ancestor. The labor of translation occupied twelve years.

At a meeting of the Archaeological Society of Hawkei it was resolved to erect a tablet on the house at Hougistish, in which Robert Paterson, the prototype of Sir Walter Scott's "Old Mortality," was born in 1775.

The Jubilee Collarette Made of Plush and Bordered With Fur.

Among the small wraps of fur, plush, velvet and cloth the dainty collarette is well liked, and it is certainly one of the most convenient and inexpensive of the diminutive outside garments, easily made by the most inexperienced seamstress. The collarette pictured at this figure is taken from the current number of The Delineator. It extends a short distance below the shoulders and is of



circular shaping, with a center seam. The closing is made at the front and the collarette ripples all around, but the ripples are much more conservative than those of last winter. A broad ripple ruffle flares from the top of the standing collar. A handsome collarette of black velvet bordered with chinchilla was copied from this to wear with costumes as well as silk and the effect was stylish and harmonious.

(Specially prepared for us by The Butterick Publishing Co., Limited.)

Merit Talks

"Merit talks" the intrinsic value of Hood's Sarsaparilla. Merit in medicine means the power to cure. Hood's Sarsaparilla possesses actual and unequalled curative power and therefore it has true merit. When you buy Hood's Sarsaparilla, and take it according to directions, to purify your blood, or cure any of the many blood diseases, you are morally certain to receive benefit. The power to cure is there. You are not trying an experiment. It will make your blood pure, rich and nourishing, and thus drive out the germs of disease, strengthen the nerves and build up the whole system.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Is the best in fact—the One True Blood Purifier. Prepared only by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

UNPRECEDENTED UNDER VALUE SELLING!

The Great Store begins another week of Stupendous and Unprecedented Under Value Selling. It brings forth thousands of Rich, Rare Bargains in Fashionable, Elegant, Seasonable Garments, made in its own Tailor Shops, by its own First-Class Tailors; warranted in every particular the best type of Standard Ready-to-Wear Garments. It is a store for the masses, and the crowds have responded daily and hourly to its announcements, making every minute a busy one, and carrying conviction, truth and assurance to the throngs of buyers that every statement is being complied with. Every price advertised is exact to the penny. Every article enumerated is honestly represented. Every quality is truthfully defined and always given.

VALUES THAT ARE AS GOOD AS GOLD.



Four Ninety Seven

Men's Suits, made from good Heavy, Plain, Staple Fabrics—among them solid black and other neat designs—just such Suits that rival in appearance garments that other places make nearly a double charge, and some still more—there's economy and safety in trading with the manufacturers direct, and men of sense who know how to appreciate money-saving chances are not slow in finding it out. Great big inducements in the Four Ninety-Seven line of Men's Suits.

Two Eighty Nine

Another shipment of Men's Heavy Winter Tweed Suits just to hand. The patterns are neat, plain and serviceable. The Suits are made up in four-button, single-breasted straight and round-cut sacks, durably made and trimmed, and the scale comprises all sizes from 31 to 42, both inclusive. The Suits are on the backs of hundreds of well-pleased men that are continually walking advertisers, and there's not a man who wears one of these famous Two Eighty-Nine Suits that wouldn't readily admit that they are equal in every way to Suits that would cost a V in any other store.

Six Forty Eight

The Show Window displays Men's Pure Wool Cassimere Suits, just as good for intrinsic value as one dollar is worth another. These Suits are made from solid wool—every fibre—in proper manner, thoroughly shrunken, and in every way reliable. We back them not alone with our guarantee as responsible merchants, but with all we have—a reputation for fair and square dealing. Men of quiet tastes who are seeking conservative patterns and bang-up value, will want to look up this wonderful Six Forty-Eight creation.

Seven Ninety Seven

Handsome patterns of Choice Plaids and Mixtures in Men's Suits, both single and double breasted. Bear in mind that the cheap prices quoted are by no means for inferior qualities. The workmanship alone with such vast resources would cost as much as we charge for the outfit ready-to-wear. Seven Ninety-Seven never own a such pretty Suits before, and the prices are with the advanced prices in the woolen markets, that it never will again.

One Eighty Nine

Boys' Chinchilla Reefers, with wide ulster collars and storm pockets, made in the proper manner from standard blue material. One Eighty-Nine never owned better Reefer property. Practical economists will want to make note of this extraordinary Reefer Bargain.

One Thirty Seven

Fancy Designs in Children's Suits, made in Reefers and Plain Jackets, in sizes up to 16. Keep the fact well in view that it matters not how low the price. The Trunks are made with taped seams and strong bands, and the Suits will give satisfactory service.

Three Dollars

Choice Patterns in Boys' Suits that contain all the strength-giving improvements: Double seat and knee—taped seams and otherwise built for strength and lightness. The patterns are up-to-date, and the crowds in the Children's Store seem to understand it.

Two Forty Eight

Strictly All Wool Suits, made up with wear resisting double seat and double knee Pants from choice patterns, in all sizes of Reefers from 4 to 8, and in plain Suits grading along to age 16. Experienced shoppers who know a thing or two about Boys' Clothing assert themselves freely that no such value has ever been shown in Norfolk in standard Boys' Attire for the Two Forty-Eight.

One Ninety Eight

Stronger Bargains than ever in the One Ninety-Eight line of Children's Suits. New patterns are continually taking place of lots that have been closed, and better values than is now offered at One Ninety-Eight was never placed on clothing tables.

Eight Ninety Eight

Plenty of Men's Fine Suits—called down from high cost lines and scaled down to Eight Ninety-Eight to clean up remnants. The Burk & Co. system never accumulates broken sizes. The new schedule admits of rare savings in this line—some of the Suits are sold for less than the value of the cloth—it pays to look—the goods are shown cheerfully—all sizes are graded in stacks—no trouble to show them. Bargain time is now at hand in the Eight Ninety-Eight Specials in Men's Heavy Winter Suits.

Ten Dollars

Bring along your best tailoring ideas. The Ten Dollar line of Suits stands alone for superior workmanship, fit and general excellence. The patterns are choice—the shapes are the correct counterparts of the models on the new fashion plates. Plenty of men wonder how so much extraordinary finish can be couched in a Ten Dollar Suit. The Great Store has actually outdone itself—it had no other to outdo. See the West Window—solid value talks loud.

Twenty Five Cents

Knee Pants of Fancy patterns for boys up to age 16 inclusive. Quarters are actually doing double service when they capture so much value in cloth and workmanship alone, to say nothing about choice designs that look as well as woollens that are very much more expensive.

Seventeen Cents

Knee Pants for Boys, made from solid patterns and neat striped Chevrons. The sizes grade all along up to age 15, and the pants are made with taped seams and stout bands. Price never sacrifices quality here. The goods must have service, matters not how cheap the price.

Seven Forty Eight

Stylish Covert Overcoats for men, made from extremely fashionable Overcoatings; tailored in excellent manner and in point of appearance and service will stand side by side with the usual kind of overcoats that command nearly half again as much as we are now charging.

Five Dollars

Men's Overcoats for Five Dollars each, in pretty shades of Medium Weight Overcoatings. Early callers will have nothing to lose by making their selections in advance, as such bargain snaps cannot hold good forever.

Two Ninety Seven

Boys' Storm Ulsters, made full length to the shoe tops, with wide collar and storm pockets, from wear-well navy blue Chinchilla. There will be no duplicates of this lot at this price after they are closed.

Two Fifty

Children's Astrachan Reefers in sizes from 4 to 8. A wonderful bargain creation. Beyond question a child's garment that contains more style and good looks than anything ever shown in the store for the moderate cost of only Two Fifty.

Twelve Fifty

Finer Trunking Suits, made with finer Scotch Flaid Suits, finished in superb manner, and in every detail a just comparison with measure-made Suits that mostly any tailor would charge almost double the price quoted here. The business transacted in the Twelve Fifty line this season is by far over and above any preceding season. Merit will tell. People know genuine worth when they see it.

Ninety Eight Cents

Children's Suits, starting in size from age 4, in nicely embroidered Reefer Jackets up to age 8, and in plain double-breasted jackets up to size 16. Made from durable brownish pattern, heavy weight, not by far the best Suits you've seen, but likely the very best you've seen for the Ninety-Eight Cents.

One Nineteen

Navy Blue Children's Suits—Reefers and Plain Jackets, in sizes up to 16 inclusive. Warm, comfortable—good looking Suits that can't be duplicated in make and finish without a considerable advance on the Bargain Quotation of One Nineteen.

Three Ninety

Children's Suits that in many instances have become broken out of sizes, have dropped from the Five Dollar line down to Three Ninety. Parents and guardians seeking big value at a big discount, will want to investigate the purchasing power of Three Ninety in the Children's Department.

One Forty Seven

Nobby Chinchilla Reefer Jackets for the little fellows—sizes 4 to 8, both in cloth and felt—made with deep collars, neatly braided and rib buttons—an immense bargain for the One Forty-Seven.

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