CORDES & MOSBY.

Dissolution Sale==An Unheard=of Slashing and Cutting of Prices.

$125,000 WORTH OF DRY GOODS AND NOTIONS TO BE CLEANED UP QUICKLY.

The whole of the carefully and well-selected stock marked at sacrifice prices to clean it up quickly. Every article in our house, no matter how new and desirable, is reduced in price, except where contracts with the manufacturer forbid us. No prudent shopper can afford to overlook this very special money-saving opportunity just at the very beginning of the season. Below for special mention:

Wash Goods.

Scotch Ginghams—
25c. quality ....22c.
30c. quality ....25c.
French Gingham, open-work stripe, 50 quality ....45c.
French Ginghams, with mercerized stripes, 50c. quality ....45c.
French Ginghams, with mercerized tuck, 60c. quality, now ....49c.
Silk and Cotton Novelty Crapes, 60c., marked down to ....50c.
Embroidered Silk and Cotton Crapes, were 60c., now ....52c.
Silk-Striped Dimities, Foulard patterns, were 50c., now ....45c.
Mercerized Foulardettes, were 35c., now 30c
Printed French Satines, were 29 and 37 1-2c., now ....21c.
Zephyr Linens, new patterns and colors, were 40c., now ....35c.
Real Irish Dimities, 25c. ones, now..22c.
25c. Printed Linen Lawns ....19c.
19c. Printed Organdies, effective designs, now ....16 2-3c.
Colored Dotted Muslins, all colors, 25 and 30c. grade ....22c.
Novelty Dotted Muslins—
50c. ones now ....45c.
65c. ones now ....59c.
75c. ones now ....69c.

Ladies' Gloves.

8-button-length Suede and Glace, in Black and White, were $2, now..$1.29.
$1.50 quality now ....98c.
2- and 3-clasp Dorothy Kid, in Tans and Reds, were $1.75, now ....$1.35.
4-button Suede, in Tans, were $1.50, now 98c.
2-clasp Pique Kids, in Tans, Browns, and Reds, were $1.25, now ....98c.
16-button Fancy Suede, from $2.50 to 69c.
12-button Fancy Suede from $2 to 48c.
2-clasp Red Kids, were $1, now....48c.
Black Silk Gloves, sizes 5 1-2 to 7, were 75c., now ....48c.
$1 quality, sizes 5 1-2, 6 1-2, and 7 1-2, now ....69c.
One lot of Tan and Black Silk Gloves; also Tan Taffeta Gloves, were 50c., now ....19c.
One lot of Tan Taffeta Gloves, were 25c., now ....9c.
Also, Misses' Black Taffeta Gloves, were 25c., now ....9c.

Silk Waists.

Colored and Black Taffetas, Colored and Black Satin Duchess—
Reduced from $12.50 to ....$6.
Reduced from $10 to ....$5.
Reduced from $7.50 and $7 to ....$5.
Reduced from $5 to ....$3.

SILK SKIRTS.

Colored Taffetas—
$25, $22.50, and $20 to $15.
$10 and $7.50 to $5.75.
The balance of the Colored Flannel Waists go at 79c. Colors are Red, Blue, and Black.

WASH SHIRT-WAISTS.

White and Colored Lawns, White and Colored Dimities, Percales, Ginghams, and Madras—
The $1.50, $1.35, and $1.25 for....98c.
The $2 and $2.25 for ....$1.58.
The $3.75 for ....$2.29.

WRAPPERS.

Percale Wrappers—
The $1.50 and $1.25 for ....98c.
The $1 for ....69c.
Lawn Wrappers—
The 98c. ones for ....79c.
The $1.50 ones for ....$1.39.
The $2 ones for ....$1.50.

White Goods.

White Madras, was 12 1-2c., now 10 3-4c.
Satin-Striped Organdies, were 12 1-2c., now 9 3-4c
Dotted Muslins—
25 and 30 to 22c.
35 to 27c.
40 to 33c.
50 to 45c.
60 to 50c.
65 to 59c.
Corded Linen, 60c. grade ....53c.
Novelty White Goods, for waists or dresses—
60c. quality ....50c.
40c. quality ....33c.
35c. quality ....29c.
25c. quality ....22c.
16 2-3c. quality ....15c.
15c. Pique ....12c.
25c. Pique ....21c.
35c Pique ....25c.
40c. Pique ....33c.
50c. Pique ....42c.
60c. Pique ....50c.
75c. Pique ....65c.
India Linons—
12 1-2c. quality now ....11 3-4c.
16 2-3c. quality now ....15c.
20c. quality now ....17c.
25c. quality now ....22c.
30c. quality now ....26c.
35c. quality now ....29c.
40c. quality now ....36c.
50c. quality now ....45c.
French Nainsooks—
37 1-2c. quality now ....34c.
40c. quality now ....36c.
50c. quality now ....45c.
60c. quality now ....55c.
75c. quality now ....69c.
$1 quality now ....89c.
Persian Lawns—
12 1-2c. quality now ....11 3-4c.
16 2-3c. quality now ....15c.
20c. quality now ....17 1-2c.
25c. quality now ....21c.
30c. quality now ....26c.
35c. quality now ....30c.
40c. quality now ....35c.
50c. quality now ....43c.
Batiste, 46 inches wide—
25c. quality ....21c.
35c. quality ....29c.
40c. quality ....35c.
50c. quality ....43c.
60c. quality ....50c.
Organdies—
20c. quality now ....25c.
40c. quality now ....36c.
50c. quality now ....45c.
65c. quality now ....59c.
75c. quality now ....69c.
$1.00 quality now ....89c.
$1.25 quality now ....$1.10.
Linen Lawns, full yard wide, all pure linen—
40c. grade ....36c.
50c. grade ....45c.
60c. grade ....53c.
75c. grade ....69c.
85c. grade ....79c.
$1 grade ....89c.

Underwear.

Men's French Balbriggan Shirts, both long and short sleeves, Drawers to match ....45c.
Ladies' Swiss Ribbed Lisle, low neck and no sleeves, 16 2-3c. grade....15c.
25c. grade ....21c.
Boys' Shirt-Waists, White cambric and percale, perect fitting, and nicely made, 50c. ones ....45c.
75 and 85c. ones ....69c.
$1 ones ....90c.

Trunks, Dress Suit Cases, and Travelling Bags.

Our stock, in all the new shapes and colors, reduced 10 per cent. on our already low prices.

Silks.

Fancy Taffetas, checks, plaids, and figures, reduced from $1 to ....39c.
Fancy Silks, checks, plaids, and brocades, reduced from $1, $1.25, and $1.50 to ....53c.
Printed Foulards reduced to....69c.
Black Silks, in handsome brocades and Moires, reduced from $1 and $1.25 to 79c.
Black Silks, Brocades, Moires, and cords, reduced from $1.50 and $2 to 95c.
Satin Crepe de Chine, in Black and colors, reduced to ....$1.63.
All-Silk Crepe de Chine, in Black and colors, now ....95c.
Colored Silk Poplin, splendid line of shades, $1.50 grade, now ....$1.35.
Colored Silk Poplins, full line of colors, reduced to ....89c.
Colored Silk Poplins now ....$1.19.
Wash Silks, corded checks and stripes. 47c.
Remnants of Silk, Black and colored, at about one third of regular price.

Hosiery.

Children's 25c Ribbed Hose, sizes 5 and 6, now ....12 1-2c.
Children's 25c. Socks, in Black and Red, sizes 4, 4 1-2, and 5, now ....12 1-2c.
Children's Socks, in Blue, Pink, and Tan, sizes 4, 4 1-2, 5, 5 1-2, and 6, reduced to ....12 1-2c.
Misses' 50c. Hose, in Black, Navy, and Tan, with White polka-dots, now 39c.
Ladies' 25c. Plain Black Cotton Hose, 19c.
Ladies' $1 Dropstitch and Lace-Ankle, Silk-Plated Tan Hose now ....75c.
Ladies' $1 Black Dropstitch Silk-Plated Hose now ....75c.
Ladies' Plain Black Cotton Hose, in sizes 8, 9 1-2, and 10, were 75c., now 48c.
Ladies' Dropstitch Lisle Hose, in three styles, worth 50c., now 3 pairs for..$1.
Children's Black Ribbed Hose, were 25c., now ....19c.
Children's Plain Black Cotton Hose, were 25c., now ....19c.
Misses' Plain Black and Dropstitched Lisle Hose, were 50c., now ....45c.
Ladies' Black Silk Dropstitched Hose reduced to ....$2.75.
Ladies' Colored Silk Dropstitched Hose reduced to ....$2.29.
Ladies' Black Dropstitched and Plain in Cotton and Lisle, reduced to...48c.
Ladies' Tan Silk Hose, dropstitched and plain, reduced to ....$3.
Ladies' Black, lace ankle ....48c.
Ladies' Black, lace ankle ....69c.
Ladies' Black, lace ankle ....75c.

Colored Dress Goods.

50 patterns in plain, checked, figured, and striped, were 50, 75c., $1, $1.25, now ....39c.
300 styles Plain, Plaid, Checked, and Striped, were 75, 85, 95c., $1, and $1.25, now ....69c.
One lot of 25 styles Plaid-Back Fancies and Plain Suitings, were $1.25, $1.50, $1.75, $2, and $2.50, now ....79c.
100 styles Silk and Wool Mixtures, Diagonal, Pin Checked, in Brown, Blue, Green, Tan, and Gray, were $1, $1.25, $1.50, $2, and $2.50, now....98c.
French Challies, full line of colors, 32 and 49c.
Silk-Striped Challies, were 75 and 85c., now ....69c.
Double-faced Plaids, in Gray, Castor, Tan, and Brown, $1.50, $2, and $2.25, now ....$1.39.
$2.50 quality ....$2.29.

Black Goods.

CREPONS.

$1.00 Mercerized Crepons now....39c.
$1.00 Wool and Mohair Crepons now 69c.
$1.75 Wool and Mohair Crepons now $1.19.
$1.50 Wool and Mohair Crepons now 98c.
$2 Wool and Mohair Crepons now..$1.39.
$3 Grenadine Crepons now ....$2.39.
$4.50 Silk Crepons now ....$3.49.
50c. Figured Black Crepons now....29c.
75c. Figured Black Crepons now....49c.
$1.25 Figured Black Crepons now....79c.
$1.50 Figured Black Crepons now....79c.
$1.50 Figured Black Crepons now....98c.
$2 Figured Black Crepons now....$1.39.
$2.50 Unfinished Worsted, suitable for unlined skirts ....$1.98.
$2 Mohair Diagonal ....98c.
$1 Black Mohair, 56 inches ....79c.
75c. Black Mohair, 56 inches ....63c.
75c. Poplins ....59c.
85c. Poplins ....69c.
1 Poplins ....79c.
$1.50 Poplins ....$1.29.
$1.50 Light-Weight Poplins ....79c.
$1.25 Pebble Vicuna ....69c.
$1.50 Figured Camel's-Hair ....69c.
$13 Suit Pattern, heavy cord silk dot, $5.98.
$15 Suit Pattern, invisible plaid Vicuna, $6.98.
$17.50 Suit Pattern, Figured Camel's-Hair ....$6.98.
$9 Crepe ....$5.00.
$15 Crepe Veil ....$7.50.
Reduction in all Staple Black Goods, such as Broadcloths, Venetians, Cheviots, Serges, Henriettas, Ready-Made Veils, Crepes, Etamines, Poplins, Challies, Nun's Vellings, Camel's-Hair Grenadine, and Silk Grenadines.

Furnishings.

Men's Madras and Printed Nainsook Negligee Shirts, 1 pair cuffs to match each shirt, the $1 and $1.25 ones....89c.
Guyot's Suspenders ....43c. pair.

NECKWEAR.

Imperials, Tecks, String Ties, Puffs, and Band Bows, English Squares, and Four-in-Hands, all this season's styles, new and fresh—
The 25c. ones ....22c.
The 50c. ones ....45c.

HOSIERY.

Men's Half-Hose, Cadet-Blue, White polka-dots, the 25c. grade, now per pair ....19c.

COLLARS.

Coon Brand Collars, all the correct, new shapes, 20c. grades ....12 1-2c.

LINEN-BOSOM SHIRTS.

Three styles—open front, closed front, and open back and plaited bosom, open back and front—perfect fitting garments, the $1 quality ....92c.

NIGHT SHIRTS.

All sizes, nicely trimmed, full width and length—
The 75c. grade ....47c.
The $1.25 grade ....98c.

PAJAMAS,

made of madras and ginghams, the $1.25 quality ....98c.

Rugs and Druggets.

Ingrain Druggets at 20 per cent. off. Our entire stock of Oriental Rugs reduced 25 per cent.

LINOLEUMS.

Inlaid, 2 yards wide, reduced from $3 to ....$2.50.
Plain, 2 yards wide, from $1 to....85c.

MATTINGS.

Reduction of 5c. a yard on all Mattings.

Linens.

60c. Damask ....49c.
75 and 85c. Damask ....69c.
90c. Damask ....75c.
$1.00 Damask ....83c.
$1.35 Damask ....$1.19.

NAPKINS.

$1.25 Napkins ....95c.
$1.50 Napkins ....$1.19.
$1.75 Napkins ....$1.39.
$2.00 Napkins ....$1.59.
$2.50 Napkins ....$1.95.
$3.00 Napkins ....$2.39.
$4.00 Napkins ....$3.29.

BATH TOWELS.

Initial Bath Towels, 18x36 inches, the 12 1-2c. ones ....9 1-2c.
24x44-inch Initial Bath Towels, large size, heavy-weight, the $3 quality, $2.75 dozen.
Tray Cloths, all linen, fringed, open-work borders, the 15c. ones..11c. each.
All-Linen Damask Tray Cloths, 35c. value ....23c.
Hemstitched All-Linen Sheets, 2 1-2x2 3-4 yards, the $5.50 kind ....$4.39 pair.

DAMASK CLOTHS.

John S. Brown's makes, all lengths, at greatly reduced prices. Napkins to match.

TOWELS.

18x36 Hemmed Linen Huck Towels, the $1.75 quality ....$1.39 dozen.
20x40 Hemmed Extra Heavy All-Linen Huck Towels, the $3 kind, $2.39 dozen.
20x40 Hemstitched All-Linen Huck Towels, full size, the $3.50 ones, $2.95 dozen.

Lace Curtains.

Nottingham.	Tambour.
$1.00 grade, $ 79	$4.00 grade, $ 3.19.
$1.50 grade, 1.19.	6.00 grade, 4.80.
$2.25 grade, 1.80.	8.00 grade, 6.40.
$2.50 grade, 1.98	7.50 grade, 6.00.
$2.00 grade, 1.60.	4.50 grade, 3.60.
$3.00 grade, 2.40.	8.50 grade, 6.50.
$5.00 grade, 3.98.	15.00 grade, 12.00.
$4.50 grade, 3.60.	12.50 grade, 10.00.
$4.00 grade, 3.19.	20.00 grade, 16.00.
$3.50 grade, $2.80.	
Irish Point.	Muslin.
$ 7.50 grade, $ 6.00.	$1.75 grade, $1.40.
$ 8.50 grade, 6.80	1.50 grade, 1.20.
$10.00 grade, 8.00.	1.00 grade, 79.
$12.50 grade, 10.00.	2.25 grade, 1.80.
$15.00 grade, 12.50.	3.00 grade, 2.40.
	3.50 grade, 2.80.
	4.00 grade, 3.19.
Brussels—	
$18.50 grade, $10.00.	$15.00 grade, $10.00.

Curtain Ends, from $1.25 to 98c., and 79c. to 69c.
Portieres—
$25.00 grade reduced to ....$18.48.
$14.50 grade reduced to ....$12.48.
$13.50 grade reduced to....$11.98.
$10.00 grade reduced to ....$7.98.
$7.50 grade reduced to ....$6.00.
$8.50 grade reduced to ....$7.00.
$9.00 grade reduced to ....$7.48.
$6.50 grade reduced to ....$4.98.
$5 grade reduced to ....$3.50.
$4.50 grade reduced to ....$2.98.
$4.00 grade reduced to ....$2.48.
$3.00, $3.50, and $2.50 grades reduced to $1.98.
$2.00 grade reduced to ....$1.48.
$1.50 grade reduced to ....$1.29.
Another lot Portieres—
$15.00 value, now ....$7.75.
$7.00 value, now ....$2.48.
$7.00 value, now ....$4.00.
Table Covers—
Were $6.50, $5, and $4, now....$3.00.
Were $2, now ....$1.49.
Were $3, now ....$1.98.
Were $1.25, now ....98c.
Were $1, now ....79c.
Were $5, now ....$3.48.

Tailored Suits and Skirts.

This season's most fetching styles, all properly made and lined, at just about the cost to manufacture. Examine them for yourself. The values all most convincing.

LADIES' SUITS.

Venetians, Homespuns, Covert Cloths, and Serges, colors Dark- and Medium-Blues, Dark- and Light-Grays, Browns, Tans, and Black—
$20, $18.50, $17, $15, to $8.75.
$25 and $22.50 to $10.
$50 and $35 to $17.50.

SEPARATE SKIRTS.

Light- and Dark-Gray Homespuns, Blue and Black Cloth, Blue and Black Serges, Plaids, Crepons, Taffetas, and Peau de Soie—
$20, $18, $16.50, and $15, to $9.75.
$10 and $8.50 to $5.
$5 and $6 to $3.25.
$4 to $2.25.

Rugs.

Smyrna—
Reduced from $1.50 to $1.20—size 18x36.
Reduced from $2 to $1.60—size 21x40.
Reduced from $3 to $2.40—size 30x60.
Reduced from $4.50 to $3.60—size 36x72.
Reduced from $15 to $12—size 6x9.
Reduced from $30 to $24—size 9x12.
Reduced from $60 to $48—size 12x15.
American Axminster, 9x12, $35 value, now ....$28.
Wilton, 9x12, $35 value, now....$28.
Kurdistan Turkish Rugs, 9x12, $50 value, now ....$40.
Soudan Rug, 9x12, $37.50 value, now $32.
Turkish Rugs, 20 per cent. off.
TAPESTRY—
50c. grade ....45c.
$1 grade ....79c.
$1.25 grade ....98c.
75c. grade ....59c.
85c. grade ....69c.
$1.50 grade ....$1.39.
$2 grade ....$1.80.
SATIN DAMASK AND BROCATELLE.
$2.50 grade ....$1.69.
$4.00 grade ....$2.49.
$2.50 grade ....$1.98.
BROCADED UPHOLSTERY VELOURS.
$3.50 grade ....$1.98.

Dress Trimmings.

Jet Fringe, former prices $3.50, $2.50, $2.25, and 85c., now $1, 75c., and 43c.
Colored, Spangled and Pearl Passementerie, former prices $2, $1.50, $1.25, and 60c., now $1, 75c., 63c., and 15c.
Beaded Lace, former prices $1 and 75c., now ....39c.
Violet and Turquoise Spangled Net, former price $5, now ....$1.25.
Black Spangled and Beaded Net, former prices $5, $3.50, $2.50, and $1.25, now $1.25 and 75c.
Silver and White, Gold and White, Black and Silver, Black and Gold Net, former price $4, now ....$1.25.
Black Braid Jackets, former prices $15, $12.50, and $10, now ....$2.50.
One Beaded Blouse, was $20, now....$5.
One Beaded Panel, was $16.50, now....$5.
Colored Gimps and Braid Trimmings, were 10, 15, 16 2-3, and 20c., now....5c.
Black Spangled Bow Knots, Colored Appliqued Ornaments, that were $1.75, $1.50, $1.25, $1, and 75c.—just half price.
One Steel and Jet Collar, former price $8, now ....$1.
One Jet Collar, former price $10, now $2.
One lot Braid and Colored Beaded Boleros, Colored Spangled Yokes, Ornaments, and Braid Frogs, all one third former prices.

Domestics.

10c. Black Percaline ....8 1-4c.
15c. Black Percaline ....12 1-2c.
12 1-2c. Black Percaline ....10c.
12 1-2c. Outings ....10c.
10c. Flannelettes ....8 1-3c.
65c. French Flannels ....50c.
75c. French Flannels, dotted (all new), 69c.
50c. Flannels ....43c.
5c. Calicoes ....4 1-4c.
6 1-4c. Calicoes ....5 1-4c.
7c. Checked Gingham ....6 1-2c.
50c. Wool Moreens ....42c.
50c. Wool Moreens (2 pieces) ....20c.
65c. Mercerized Moreens....54c.
60c. Mercerized Moreens....49c.
30c. Imported Cheviots ....23c.
12 1-2c. Standard Percales ....10 1-2c.
12 1-2c. Gingham ....10 1-2c.
10c. Gingham ....9c.
16 2-3c. Gingham ....13c.

WHITE QUILTS.

$1 White Quilts ....92c.
75c. White Quilts ....69c.
$1.90 White Fringed Quilts ....$1.49. (For single bed.)
$4.00 Fringed Quilts ....$2.49. (For single bed.)

Stationery.

Woven Linen, regular 25c. paper, square and oblong shapes, 7c. pound.
Regular 25c. Box Paper, containing 1 quire paper and 25 envelopes, 25c. each.
Spachtel Embroidery, in Scarfs, Shams, and Centres, reduced to 59, 69, 89, and 95c. each.

Perfumery and Toilet Articles.

Rogers & Gallet and Le Grand's Extracts, were $1 and $1.25, now....79c.
Ricksecker's Martha Washington Face Powder ....13c. box.
Vantine's Oriental Soaps, were 25c., now 11c.
Gelle Freres Smelling Salts, was 50c., now ....25c.
Gelle Freres Tooth Paste, was 50c., now 25c.
Tetlow's Talcum Powder, 7c. can.
Celluloid Puff-Boxes, were $1.25, now 25c.
75c. Rubber Combs, 25c. each.
20c. Tooth-Brushes, 10c. each.
Regular 10c. Soap, all odors, 2c. per cake.
Kahnweiler's Bath Sponges, were 25c., now ....9c.

Leather Goods.

Seal, Alligator, Lizard, and Monkey-skin, plain and silver trimmed, in Ladies' Card-Cases and Combination Pocket-Books—
Were 50, 75, and 85c., now ....25c.
Were $1 and $1.25, now ....59c.
Were $1.75 and $2.50, now ....95c.
Were $2.50 and $4.50, now ....$1.69.
Dog Collars and Pulley Belts reduced to 49, 59, 79c., and $1.19.

Ribbons.

Satin Gros-Grain, all silk and colors—
Were 8, 10, and 12 1-2c., now..5c. yard.
Were 15, 20, and 25c., now....10c. yard.
Were 30 and 45c., now ....15c. yard.
Moire and Plain Taffeta, were 30c., now ....15c.
One lot Fancy Ribbons, were 35 and 40c., now ....22c.
Satin Sash Ribbons, all colors, were 60c. and $1, now ....39 and 59c.

Art Draperies.

85c. and $1 Cotton Printed Velours, for draperies and furniture covering..49c.
New patterns and colors in Drapery Silks reduced to ....49c. yard.

FOUND DEAD IN BED.

INDICATIONS THAT CAPTAIN LOUIS OSTHEIM COMMITTED SUICIDE.

BULLET HOLE IN RIGHT TEMPLE.

He Was to Have Been Married Yesterday—Tragedy in Chicago Hotel—Jury Says Death Was Caused by Accident.

CHICAGO, April 9.—Captain Louis Ostheim, First United States Artillery, was found dead in his room at the Auditorium Annex late last night. There was a bullet wound in his right temple. Under his body was a new revolver. The body lay on the side. Life apparently had been extinct since Saturday.

According to the announcement in the Chicago papers, Captain Louis Ostheim and Mrs. Eva Bruce Wood were to be married in this city to-day at the residence of the bride's uncle, Walter B. Phistler. After the ceremony, Captain Ostheim and his bride were to leave immediately for the East, visiting Philadelphia, the Captain's former home, and other cities. After May 1st they were to be at home at Fort Screven, Savannah, Ga., where the Captain's battery is stationed.

Among the articles found in the Captain's room were two wedding rings. One was of heavy gold, and inscribed as follows: "Eva to Louis—April 9, 1900."

The other was smaller and more delicately made. Inside was engraved: "Louis to Eva—April 9, 1900."

FORMERLY AT FORT SHERIDAN.

Captain Ostheim was stationed at Fort Sheridan previous to the Spanish-American war, and it was during his stay here that he met Mrs. Wood. He had been transferred from service with the Sixth Artillery in Manila to the First in the United States, and had come to Chicago to be married, when he committed suicide. The cause of the suicide is a mystery. Nothing was left in the room to throw any light on the matter.

The only writing found was the following address on an empty envelope: "Miss Clara Ostheim, 1312 north Seventh street, Philadelphia." In the pockets of the Captain's clothing were found eight $50 bills, five $20 bills, and a check for $210.

Captain Ostheim registered at the Auditorium Annex on Monday, April 2d, one week ago to-day. He seemed to be in excellent health, showed the tan of his Philippines campaigning in his face, and was reserved in his manner. The Captain was last seen alive on Saturday night at 9 o'clock, when he asked the clerk for the key to his room.

When the chambermaid went to his room Sunday morning she found the door locked. This was not unusual, and the girl went about her work in other rooms. Returning to Captain Ostheim's apartment, she found the door still locked. Then she reported the circumstances to the office. The clerks concluded that the Captain was tired and desired a long sleep, and made no effort to open the door until last night.

BULLET-HOLE IN HIS TEMPLE.

Captain Ostheim was lying on the bed dead. As stated, there was a bullet-hole in his right temple, and under his body was a new revolver.

The Captain was born in Pennsylvania about thirty-eight years ago. Soon after joining the State militia he applied for admission to the United States Military Academy at West Point. He passed his examinations and graduated in 1883. He became a second lieutenant of the Third Artillery on June 13, 1883. His first service was at Jackson barracks, Louisiana, where he remained until 1885. He then secured a leave of absence for a year.

On his return to service Lieutenant Ostheim was placed in charge of Fort Myer, Virginia. He left that post on April 15, 1887, and went to Washington barracks, in the District of Columbia. In 1888 he returned to the Artillery School for practice, and on May 22, 1891, became first lieutenant of the Second Artillery. In 1898 he was transferred to the Sixth Artillery.

When the Spanish-American war broke out Lieutenant Ostheim was ordered to the Philippines.

On October 16th the Army Register shows that Lieutenant Ostheim was transferred to the First Artillery as captain, and was probably assigned to E Battery, as that was the only battery of that organization serving in the Philippines.

Captain Ostheim's military history throughout is a record of transfers to more important posts and of promotions in rank.

VICTIM OF INSOMNIA.

Mr. Phister was notified of the death. "I am sure the Captain's death was caused by an accident," said Mr. Phister. "He was perfectly happy, and had made minute arrangements for his wedding to-morrow. He had even bought tickets for his bride and himself to Cincinnati, which was to be the first stage in their wedding journey. He had given one ticket to Mrs. Wood, so that she might get her trunk checked. The only trouble the Captain had to worry him was insomnia."

JURY SAYS IT WAS AN ACCIDENT.

CHICAGO, April 9.—A verdict of death by the accidental wound was decided on to-day by the coroner's jury in the case of Captain Louis Ostheim, of the First United States Artillery, who was found dead last night in his apartments at the Auditorium Annex. At first it was believed that the death of Captain Ostheim was a premeditated suicide, but no motive has been found for such an act, and after listening to considerable testimony the jury rendered its verdict.

Southern Institute of Expression.

Announcement is made of the Southern Institute of Expression, which will be conducted by Byron W. King, president of King's School of Oratory, assisted by Mrs. King, in delsarte culture and pantomimic expression.

The institute will be held at the Young Men's Christian Association building, beginning Wednesday, April 18th, and continuing to and including Saturday, April 28th. The course will include fifty lessons in the art of literary expression, voice development, and culture. The following will be the time programme:

12 Noon—Class in Bible reading and interpretation.

4:30 P. M.—Class in new physical culture, under direction of Mrs. King; also, a class in delsarte culture and pantomime, conducted by Mrs. King.

5:15 P. M.—Class in higher elocution—the philosophy of expression.

6:15 P. M.—Class in Shakespeare instruction—lectures, readings, discussion of plays.

8:15 P. M.—Class in elocution, voice culture, and expression.

Tickets can be secured at the association building for any of the above classes or for the entire course. Dr. King's institute, conducted here last year, left a lasting impression, and so successful was his work that a goodly number of students from Richmond were in attendance upon his summer school at Ebensburg, Pa.

Sons of Veterans.

A large and enthusiastic meeting of the Sons of Veterans was held last night at Lee Camp Hall. Commander John Lamb presided.

A considerable amount of routine business was disposed of. General orders were received from the United Sons of Confederate Veterans, calling attention to the reunion of veterans and Sons to be held in Louisville in May. The Sons in this city, as well as throughout the entire State, are working hard to carry a large delegation to the reunion, and feel much encouraged at the results that they have accomplished.

Messrs. Courtney and Parker made short addresses.

The camp decided not to hold any meeting on next Monday, on account of that day being Easter.

McGill Catholic Union.

A large number of the members of the McGill Catholic Union assembled at their rooms last night to hear the lecture delivered by the Hon. S. L. Kelly, the subject being "A Recent Trip to Cuba," which proved to be highly interesting and instructive. Mr. Kelly said that under the present government Havana was as clean and orderly as any city of its size in the States, and also that the majority of the people of Cuba were very well pleased with the change, and satisfied to be citizens of the United States. There is room, he said, for Americans and American improvements in Cuba. Mr. Kelly is a firm believer that in the course of time, and under such representatives as Fitzhugh Lee, who is much beloved by Cubans, Spaniards, and Americans, the island will be as much to us as any State in the Union.

Meeting of Company C.

A meeting of Company C, Guard of the Commonwealth, and the Veterans' Association of the company, will be held at the Armory to-morrow night.

The object of the meeting is to complete the reorganization of the company. The men who served in the company during the Spanish war, as well as those who completed their terms of service prior to that war, are becoming greatly interested in the affairs of the company, and will exert every effort to get it ready for entrance into the service of the State.

Mrs. M. M. Dodamead Quite Ill.

Mrs. M. M. Dodamead, formerly of Richmond, but now of Norfolk, is seriously indisposed at the Lexington, as the result of painful injuries received in a fall on Broad street last week. Mrs. Dodamead is well advanced in years, and her age militates somewhat against her recovery. She had just left a street-car when the accident befell her. She tripped on the curbstone and fell heavily to the sidewalk.

Horatio Clare Walpole Not Dead.

Some time ago information was received here from the Transvaal to the effect that Horatio Clare Walpole had fallen in battle. Intelligence now comes that his wife, who resides in Nelson county, has received a letter from him, written after the date that the newspapers reported his death.

Mr. Walpole was long a resident of Virginia, and spent considerable time in Richmond. He comes of a noble family in England.

Addressed the Carpenters.

Mr. W. J. Williams, of Atlanta, Supreme Organizer of the Union Brotherhood of Carpenters, addressed a largely-attended meeting of Carpenters' Union, No. 388, at Central Hall Saturday night. He left for Philadelphia, but will return to Richmond on his way home.

Book and Job Work neatly executed at the Dispatch Printing House.

FLOOD SITUATION IMPROVING.

Texas Still Suffering Greatly, However, and More Rain is Expected.

AUSTIN, TEX., April 9.—The flood situation here is improving somewhat, but the reports from points below indicate that the full effect of the immense volume of water is being felt in Wharton and Lafayette counties, everything being inundated and much loss of property interests and something like fifty washouts and losses of bridges are reported by the railways.

In the southern part of this county several people are missing, the number representing a family of six Italians and two negro families. It may be that they have escaped, but as their homes have been washed away it is presumed that they perished in the rushing waters.

The river is receding rapidly at this point and above, notwithstanding the fact that another heavy raise was reported early this morning on the Concho, 125 miles north of here.

Reports to-night from LaGrange, in Fayette county, are to the effect that while much of the lower portion of the town is under water, the property loss is small. No one is missing.

The International and Great Northern Railway and the Missouri, Kansas and Texas have been seriously crippled by the floods. The first-named road has had 500 washouts and lost bridges on its road from Hearne to the Rio Grande. The Missouri, Kansas and Texas is likewise a heavy loser, having to abandon much of its track altogether.

It is not believed that the damage to the cotton crop will be of great extent, as the season is yet early and all the crop can be replanted.

FOR LIGHT AND WATER.

The people of this city held a mass-meeting to-day, at which the consensus of opinion was that it was not feasible to rebuild the dam and power-house, although no definite action was taken. A proposition was made to the meeting by the old water company, whose plant has likewise suffered much from the flood, that they would take all the piping and wiring of the city plant, and such of their apparatus as could be recovered from the wreckage, pay fair value for the same, and rejuvenate their plant here and furnish the city with water and light within two weeks. The proposition was handed over to a committee of twenty citizens, to be considered. In the mean time, the Water and Light Committee met and instructed its superintendent to at once secure from New Orleans, or some other available point, a steam engine, by which it is hoped that the city can operate one of its big pumps, which remains intact, and furnish the city with water until some more definite arrangements can be made.

Much fear is being entertained with regard to the sanitary situation of Austin, as the city is already beginning to show the effects of lack of drainage water. Governor Sayers to-day gave the city $500 out of the flood-sufferers' flood, to be expended on behalf of the poor of the city who have been made homeless. All such are being well cared for.

ALONG THE COLORADO.

HOUSTON, TEX., April 9.—At the town of Bastrop the river is falling rapidly. As far as known here, there were no lives lost in Bastrop or its vicinity.

At Columbus the Colorado river is still rising, but will hardly get into the town, as 8 feet additional water will be necessary for this to be brought about.

The main flood has reached Wharton. The water is likely to stand in that vicinity for some time, as thirteen miles of drift block the river solidly at its mouth.

At Bryan the Brazos river has spread over the whole of the bottoms, where farmers had just finished planting corn. Ample warning was given, and there will be no loss of life. Most of the cattle have been taken. The Navasota river is booming, and joins the Brazos at Navasota. All that section will be under water by morning, but the damage will be confined to crops and bridges. The Brazos is now only 5 feet below its record of last June, and more water is coming down, but conditions are such that the loss will not be one-tenth as great as was expected.

MORE RAIN PROBABLE

The reports from Southern, Central, and Southwestern Texas indicate a probability of further rain. According to the best information obtainable, most of the corn and nearly all the cotton so far planted is ruined, and will have to be replanted. There has been some damage to Port Lavaca, Rockport, Corpus Christi, and other small places along the coast, by reason of the gales, but it is not very heavy.

A special from La Grange says: "At 7 o'clock the river had risen 47 feet, and it is still rising slowly. Business has become partly suspended. The power-house is practically inundated, and the larger part of the plant will no doubt give way when the water recedes. Many dwellings are fastened to trees by ropes and chains. No trains were running on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas road to-day. There has been no loss of life in this vicinity.

FATALITIES AT GONZALES.

GONZALES, TEX., April 9.—The river has fallen about 4 feet since yesterday, there has been great loss to cattle in the river bottoms, and it is feared a dozen or more lives have been lost.

A Bohemian and his wife, panic-stricken, jumped into the turbulent waters, 10 feet deep, and were almost immediately drowned, when they could have remained in safety. It is thought a negro boy of Marcus Tate's is also drowned, and two Mexicans are missing.

Reports come in that a number of bodies have been seen caught on snags and barbed-wire fences. The river farms are ruined.

The Aransas Pass railroad, for five miles north of here, is inundated, and several bridges are washed away.

COURT-MARTIAL FOR FUNSTON?

His Execution of Two Filipino Prisoners—Pana's Career.

MANILA, April 9.—8:20 P. M.—An interesting topic of conversation in army circles is the investigation of General Frederick Funston's execution of two Filipinos, and the possibility of a court-martial resulting therefrom. The story is that the Filipinos captured three Macabebe scouts, who were crossing the country near San Isidora, and were preparing to kill them when one of the Macabebes escaped and found General Funston with a scouting party near. This man guided the Americans to the rescue of his companions, and when the troops approached the Filipinos fled, leaving the Macabebes. Several of the Filipinos were shot and General Funston captured two of them, took them to the village square and hanged them without trial, as a warning to the Filipinos.

The present method of warfare and instances of mutilation of prisoners have incensed the American soldiers to such degree that they feel justified in making reprisals, which has been done on several occasions recently.

There is a strong feeling among the residents and friendly Filipinos that the Chinese General Pana, who, as announced March 31st, surrendered to Brigadier-General Kobbe, after terrorizing the province of Panay, should be severely punished. It is pointed out that his career has been more that of a brigand than that of a soldier, as he looted and extorted money by torture from wealthy natives. It is believed that Pana surrendered because he feared his own men, and that he expected to be paroled, like other officers, and enjoy the fruits of his brigandage.

QUARTER MILLION LOSS BY FIRE.

Damage in Lumber District at Greenpoint, N. Y.

NEW YORK, April 9.—A fire broke out at 3:30 A. M., to-day in a frame building at Ash and Oakland streets, Greenpoint, owned and occupied by Edward C. Smith, as a box factory. Before it was gotten under control the fire spread to adjacent structures and caused a loss estimated at $250,000. The loss on the box factory is about $100,000. The wood yard of George W. Piper, at Provost and Page streets, was destroyed with small buildings containing machinery; loss $10,000. The other losses were as follows:

Post & McCord, the Brooklyn iron works, $50,000; Alexander Collum, coal yard, $50,000; Church & Co., soda works, $10,000; the Brooklyn oil works, $25,000.

Loss on various small buildings bring the total up to about $250,000.

Receivers for Loan Associations.

ATLANTA, GA., April 9.—In the United States Circuit Court to-day, Judge Don Pardee named receivers for the three defunct building and loan associations of this city. R. C. Alston was named for the Southern Home Building and Loan Association, Julius L. Brown for the National Railway Building and Loan Association, and B. H. Pill for the Atlanta National Building and Loan Association.

The Plague in Australia.

PERTH WESTERN AUSTRALIA, April 9.—A man has died from the bubonic plague at Freemantle.

Virginia News Notes.

Mr. Cobbs Boyd, of Hinton, W. Va., died in Scottsville, Va. (his old home), on Sunday morning.

Right Rev. Alfred Magill Randolph confirmed a class of nineteen at Trinity church, and one of eleven at Emanuel church, Staunton, on Sun