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On Ladies' Fur Capes and Ladies', Misses', Children's and Infants' Cloaks at prices heretofore not heard of,---a regular give away.

Ladies' 30-inches long FUR CAPES, former price \$12.00, now \$6.98.

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What is One's Loss is Another's Gain!

These Capes are consigned to us from a manufacturer that had to replevin them from a bankrupt retailer. It is not our loss, but it is your gain.

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As we said before, what is one person's loss is another's gain. And you will be the loser if you dream of buying these goods anywhere else besides

Kloepfer's New York Store.

P. S.—We are not afraid to name prices at any time, as we are hard to meet and beat. Next Saturday 1,000 yards 40-inch all wool 60c. Henriettas, all colors, only 29c. per yard. The plum of the century.

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1. To every girl who will bring us one new yearly paid-in-advance subscription to THE SEMI-WEEKLY INDEPENDENT before Dec. 25, 1895, we will give absolutely FREE a beautiful 18-inch doll.
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- Plain directions as to postal address for each paper must accompany each subscription.
- Receipts for money handed us on these subscriptions will be sent all subscribers at once by mail.
- Orders for prize dolls will be given on the PEOPLE'S DRUG STORE when subscriptions are received.

Independent Prize Dolls

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The Independent.

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Hydrophobia from a Skunk's Bite.

"Is the skunk a dangerous animal? I should say so," remarked Mr. E. F. Glaze, of St. Louis. "I know very many people will be surprised at the assertion, but there is one species of this unpopular tribe that is as much to be dreaded as a rattlesnake, as I learned one year while sojourning in Western Texas. One night in midsummer a party of us were camping out on the prairie of Llano county, when we were awakened by the screams of a colored boy who had been taken along to cook for the outfit. He said that something had bitten him, and examination showed that his hand was pretty badly torn. There were unmistakable evidences of a skunk in the vicinity, and there was no doubt that it had done the deed.

"The sequel is that a few days later the boy died a most horrible death of hydrophobia. I learned that it was not a rare thing for the bite of these miserable little cats to produce that dreaded ailment, and several well-authenticated cases of it occurred before I left the state. Some people think that hydrophobia finds its origin in these animals."

A Creepy Kind of Sweetheart.

Paris Letter to London Telegraph: From a country town comes the story of a girl who had lost by death three men to whom she was successively engaged. In the first instance the youth, to whom she had been betrothed for a year and a half, expired on the very eve of the wedding. In the second, another young man, to whom she had been engaged soon after the melancholy event, died a few days before the marriage, and his successor in her affections has now shared a similar fate. It seems that sundry ancient females of the neighborhood, attributing this series of calamities to the fact that this young woman has the "evil eye," have calmly suggested that the only remedy is to be found in burning her alive. On that score she need have no fear, of course, but the general opinion is that her chances of meeting with a fourth suitor are now infinitesimal. The unlucky girl is described as being of an amiable and sympathetic disposition, and as being, moreover, of very attractive appearance.

A Quality Not Inherited.

"Yes," remarked Cholly to his tailor "it's not a bad thing for you to have me among your patrons, you know."
"Perhaps not," was the rather doubtful response.
"My family name, being so well known in the community, is quite an advertisement for you. My forefathers, as you are doubtless aware, were early settlers."
"Yes, I've heard so. But I must say, sir, that in that respect you don't seem to take after them in the least."
Washington Star.

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HAVE HARD LIVES.

The Disadvantage of Being a Medical Missionary in China.

The women who go out as medical missionaries have a hard time of it, according to a writer in the Philadelphia Times, aside from mere inconveniences arising from living in such a country. In prescribing medicines not only is the fear of a future accusation of poisoning ever present, but the possibility that it may prove to be a reality. Thus a bottle of liniment curing the venerable grandmother of rheumatism may be left to a neighbor stricken with small pox as an infallible remedy; or the entire contents of a vial of toothache medicine be administered in one dose to a teething infant. Celestial reason that if a small portion is of any benefit the whole bottleful, taken at once, multiplies its usefulness in a corresponding ratio. Therefore, if not previously warned, experience soon teaches the missionary to make it an infallible rule never to dispense a poisonous remedy or one which could do harm if the entire quality were taken at once. Liniments and toothache drops compounded of nonpoisonous drugs may not be highly potent, but they are at least harmless. When it is absolutely necessary to administer a powerful remedy several times or for several times in succession the doctor puts each dose up in a separate vial, powder or capsule, and leaving them at the dispensary with a trained American nurse or other foreign helper, directs that a servant or child of the patient be sent there for one every three hours, or three times a day, as the case may require, otherwise it would all be taken at once, or divided among ailing neighbors.

Then the women doctors are obliged to be ever on the alert to keep the natives from stealing drugs from their medicine chests and so run the risk of being poisoned. Then, too, the curious objection to privacy, which prevails in China and makes it unwise for foreigners, especially doctors, to insist upon it for fear of being regarded with suspicion, makes it necessary to conduct all operations in semi-public manner and there is always the danger that some of the spectators may object at a critical point in the operation and thus imperil the patient's life, which would indeed be unfortunate for the poor surgeon. Anaesthetics are regarded with suspicion and seldom used, but the native steadily to pain makes them almost unnecessary. Altogether the life is not one to be desired.

Dr. L. Kittinger, a leading physician of Wilmington, Del., asked the proprietor of Brazilian Balm to send him a dollar bottle. A few weeks afterwards the doctor said: "I had a couple of cases of cold cough on hand that completely cured me. I had got to the end of my string. But the Balm made a prompt cure in both cases. It is a remarkable remedy."

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