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## A GLORIOUS SPRING SEASON OF 1903

For the "Busy Corner" and its big army of patrons. The advance showing of the new spring merchandise mirrors fashion's newest and prettiest ideas. We are first in the field with the new 1903 Wash Shirt Waists, Wash Dress Goods, New Silks, etc. The advance guard of these goods have arrived, and there is much to gain by an early selection. Many of the styles and designs are exclusive with us and come only two or three of a kind, which makes it impossible for us to duplicate our orders when these are gone. Our success in the past has only made us more determined for bigger efforts in the future. This is a progressive era—and a progressive store. Each season must forge ahead of its predecessor. We have this season filled in the small crevices of imperfection that exist, and we feel that we are nearer the goal of perfection to-day than ever before. Each department has something new to show. Come—look around—you are always welcome.

### ADVANCE DISPLAY OF 1903 WASH FABRICS.

A line of Imported and High-class Domestic Wash Fabrics without a peer in the city. Not only is it the handsomest collection ever shown, but many of the prettiest effects are in one or two of a dress length, which makes them very exclusive. Among the novelties are 46-inch Border, Etamine, Linon Rays, Norica Soles, Sole Glace, Linon Binks, Linon Casella, P. K. Mill, P. K. Croix, Snow-Flake Crepon, Embroidered Voile, Linon Crush, Tartan Plaids, Fancy P. K. Lace Etamine, Parisian Tissue, Mercerized Waistings, and Chevrons, etc. PRICES START AT 12¢.

### THE NEW 1903 WASH SILKS.

The new ideas in charming and lustrous 1903 Silks have arrived. They are somewhat of a departure from what has been shown in the past. The leaders are Printed, Foulards, in neat designs of small cluster dots; the new Corded Wash Silks, in pin dots and checks and narrow stripes; and Taffetas and Louisettes in a multi of pretty colorings. The foreign Silks are also most gorgeous.

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**E. J. CAIN & CO.** SANITARY PLUMBERS.

### POPE CONFINED TO BED

The Alermists Again Declare He is Really Ill.

ALL AUDIENCES ARE SUSPENDED

Pontiff Never Succeeded in Getting Rid of His Cold, and Several Days of Absolute Rest Are Absolutely Necessary.

Rome, March 5.—The emotion attendant on Tuesday's function has caused the pope to be confined to his bed yesterday with intestinal troubles.

The larnists are again to the fore, and declare that Pope Leo is really



ill. They point to the official note in last night's Osservatore Romano, the Vatican organ, stating that on the advice of his doctor, the pope has decided to take several days' absolute rest. The wish is that the pope never succeeded in getting rid of the cold which caused a slight cough and hoarseness. Dr. Lapponi on visiting his business yesterday found that he was somewhat better, but frankly told him that he must either consent to cure his cold or he would run the risk of something serious. The pontiff thereupon gave way and promised to suspend his audiences. To save annoyance, Dr. Lapponi advised the pope to publicly announce this determination through the Osservatore Romano.

All the same, the condition of the pope, taking into consideration his advanced age, is not without danger and is causing considerable anxiety. So much so, it is asserted, that some of the cardinals who have come to Rome from a distance have postponed their departure.

Bishops Dunne, of Dallas, and Hoban, of Scranton, though they have been in Rome for some time past, have not yet succeeded in obtaining an interview because of the condition of the health of his holiness.

### MESSAGE FROM THE POPE

Cardinal Gibbons Receives Answer to Message of Congratulation.

Baltimore, Md., March 5.—Cardinal Gibbons received yesterday a cablegram from Pope Leo XIII, acknowledging the receipt of his eminence's wireless telegram of congratulation. In effect the reply was as follows: "The holy father thanks your eminence for the kind felicitation you sent on the occasion of his jubilee in the name of the clergy and people of the United States."

The message was signed by the pope's secretary of state, Cardinal Mariano Rampolla.

The cardinal's message was sent in the name of the clergy and laity of the United States on the celebration of the pope's silver jubilee. It was sent on Monday from the Marconi wireless telegraph station at Glace Bay, Nova Scotia.

Awarded \$12,500 Damages.

Kansas City, March 5.—A jury in the Circuit Court here yesterday awarded Miss Eva Cook, a telephone operator, \$12,500 damages against the Missouri and Kansas Telephone Company for injuries inflicted on her by Herschell Graves, a manager in the central office. Miss Cook testified that while she was seated on a high stool at work Manager Graves, angered because she had not carried out some trivial order, roughly whirled her about, causing her to strike and injure her shoulder and knee. Judge Stover, in instructing the jury, said that it might be well to have employers of corporations treat their employees with consideration.

Voted on License Question.

White River Junction, Vt., March 5.—Of the 246 cities and towns in Vermont which Tuesday voted on the license question all but 12 have reported, indicating that 87, including all the six cities, went for license and 147 cling to prohibition. As an illustration of the closeness of Tuesday's vote, compared with that of the general state vote on the question of accepting the license law a month ago, there are the counties of Windham and Bennington. The former, by the aggregate of town votes Tuesday, went "No" by one majority, while the county as a whole voted "Yes" by six majority a month ago.

Lebanon Murderer to Die.

Lebanon, Pa., March 5.—David Shaud, who Tuesday pleaded guilty to shooting and killing his niece, Mrs. Ida Becker, and Policeman Cyrus Shaeffer, who attempted to arrest him in this city on the night of February 14, was yesterday sentenced to be hanged at such time as the governor may name. The prisoner was apparently unconcerned when the sentence was pronounced.

Princeton Students Dropped.

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### WABASH INJUNCTION

There Will Be No Strike Until It is Dissolved.

MR. RAMSEY'S STATEMENT

Says If Strike Takes Place It May Spread to Such an Extent That Results of Coal Strike Would be Insignificant.

St. Louis, March 5.—Everything now hinges on the injunction, which the labor leaders will attempt to have dissolved, and until this shall be done they will there can be no strike of the Wabash trainmen, for they have agreed to obey the court's order. E. T. Irwin, of Peoria, and E. V. Penny, of Cleveland, attorneys for the trainmen, spent yesterday in conference with P. Y. Morrissey and S. W. Arnold and other union leaders, examining the injunction and preparing an answer that will be presented in court to secure a dissolution of the restraining order.

Asked as to what effect a sympathetic strike on the part of the trackmen, 2000 of whom, Grandmaster Wilkins says, are ready to support the commercial and industrial interests of the country, as a strike on the Wabash would, in all probability, spread to a large number of other roads, and would involve not only all organizations of railroad employees, but other labor organizations, and the results might be so serious that the great anthracite coal strike would dwindle into insignificance. Therefore, I deem it wise to keep the employees all over the system and the public correctly advised of the exact facts regarding the matter at issue."

A long statement was issued yesterday by President Ramsey, addressed to employees of the Wabash Railway Company and others interested, explaining his position in the present crisis.

Among other things he says: "The crisis now existing is a very grave one, not only to the Wabash and its employees, but to other railway companies and their employees and the commercial and industrial interests of the country, as a strike on the Wabash would, in all probability, spread to a large number of other roads, and would involve not only all organizations of railroad employees, but other labor organizations, and the results might be so serious that the great anthracite coal strike would dwindle into insignificance. Therefore, I deem it wise to keep the employees all over the system and the public correctly advised of the exact facts regarding the matter at issue."

W. G. Lee, first vice grand master of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, of Cleveland, O., said last night: "Railroad employees all over the country are watching this situation very closely. I have been receiving telegrams of inquiry, and many times was called to the long distance telephone. I had nothing to say, but it is surprising to see what general and intense interest has been aroused throughout the country."

Hollow Mast for Shamrock III.

London, March 5.—The hollow steel mast which has been made for Shamrock III is declared to be the most remarkable achievement in yacht construction in the United Kingdom. The workmen who built the spars for all three challengers say that the mast for the new boat is 1500-weight lighter than that of Shamrock II, while the whole spar is 1800-weight lighter than the lower mast of Shamrock I. The workmen declare that they do not see how the steel shell is to withstand the enormous strain of a high wind, but they admit that the designer is apparently satisfied with the result, since there is no talk of building an extra spar for an emergency.

Changes in German Embassy.

Washington, March 5.—Leave of absence for three months has been granted by the Berlin foreign office to Baron Ritter, second secretary of the German embassy at Washington. Baron Ritter will leave shortly, and will not return to America upon the expiration of his leave, but will be assigned to a new post. Baron von Dem Busche Haddenhausen has been selected to succeed Count Quadt as counsellor and first secretary of the embassy here. He sails from Bremen on March 7, and expects to take up his duties at the embassy about March 18. The new secretary has been in London as second secretary of embassy.

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### To the Public.

At this season of "Good Will," when we should all be grateful for the many blessings we have enjoyed, I wish to thank you for the liberal patronage you have bestowed upon me. I cordially invite your continued patronage, assuring you that I will not only appreciate it, but will do everything in my power to maintain it. With best wishes for your continued prosperity and happiness, I am

Very truly yours,

**D. C. Bowman,**

Druggist, 915 Main Street.



### Clearance!

Before taking inventory we want to clean up all odd lots and sizes. We advertise facts, and if prices will move these goods we are sure that each lot will be cleaned up quickly. Here are a few lots we will move.

- 1 lot boys' plow shoes, 3 to 5, 50 cts.
- Small lot boys' boots, 3 to 5, 75 cts.
- Small lot men's boots, 6 to 8, \$1.20.
- Small lot Men's coarse shoes, 6 to 10, 65 cts.
- 1 lot children's gum shoes, 9 to 11, 15 cts.
- 1 lot 4 ply linen collars, all sizes, 50 cts. dozen.
- 1 lot children's overcoats, half price.
- 1 lot men's overcoats, half price.
- Small lot underwear, half price.
- Small lot 60 sheets paper and 60 envelopes, 15 cts.
- Small lot men's 50 cts. shirts, only 33 cts.

We also have a few specials in this line to call your attention to.

- 1 bottle concentrated extract witch hazel, 5 cts.
- 1 bottle pure distillate witch hazel, 15 cts.
- 1 bottle triple distilled witch hazel, 18 cts.
- 1 bottle imported bay rum, 15 cts.
- 1 bottle true West India bay rum, 25 cts.
- 1 bottle Tappan's Florida water, 25 cts.
- 1 bottle 75 ct. quality Florida water, 35 cts.
- 1 bottle Slick's talcum powder, 10 cts.
- 1 bottle Colgate's talcum powder, very fine, 18 cts.
- 1 bottle Boyl's Bubbly foam, 23 cts.
- 1 bottle Colgate's perfumed cold cream, 10 cts.
- 1 bottle 10 ct. size, vaseline, 5 cts.
- 1 bottle Superior bay rum hair oil, 5 cts.

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