

THE SENSATION SALE OF THE SEASON

Mid-Summer Clearance Sale

Commencing Friday, July 10, and ending Monday, August 10.



This Sale will be a General Closing-out of all Summer Wear of Dry Goods, Notions, Clothing, Hats and Shoes at Prices that will make them move off. We will also make Large Reductions on our two- and three-Horse Blount, Rose Clipper, Scotch Clipper, Vulcan Steel and Chilled Plows. We have an overstock of these Walking Plows on hand and don't want to carry them over until the next season.

We are agents for the Victoria Sulky Plows, Made by the Vulcan Plow Co., which we guarantee to do satisfactory work, or you may return them after a fair trial. Examine these plows before buying elsewhere.

Below we name you some prices that we will use during this sale, and you can readily see, by comparison of same brands and names of goods purchased of us heretofore, that we are far below regular selling prices but, as stated above, we want to close them out and they must go regardless of the low prices we are asking for them.

DRY GOODS.

All white dress goods, was 25c a yd. go at	15c
" " was 20c yd. "	12 1/2c
" " was 15c yd. "	10c
" " was 10c yd. "	7 1/2c
" and colored Lawn, was 15c yd. now	10c
" " was 12 1/2c yd. "	8 1/2c
" " was 10c yd. "	7c
" " was 7 1/2c yd. "	5c
Drapery Calico, was 10c a yard, now goes at	7 1/2c
\$2.25 black satin undershirts now go at	\$1.75
\$2.00 " " "	1.40
\$1.75 " " "	1.25
\$1.50 " " "	1.00



Men's Shoes.

Peter's \$3.50 Diamond Sp'd	\$2.75
" 3.00 184 Carat	2.25
" 3.00 Koh-I-Noor	2.25
" 2.50 Black Diamond	1.75
" 1.75 Hot Shot	1.25
" 1.75 Derby	1.25
" 1.75 Nox-All	1.25
" 1.50 Arco Kid	1.00
" 1.50 Banner	1.00
" 2.75 Uncle Sam's Pol- ished Calf	2.25
" 2.50 Jefferson	1.75
" 2.00 Hand Pegged full stock	1.50
" 1.75 Hero	1.25
" 1.75 Arion	1.25
" 1.75 Now Then	1.00



10c Shirting	7 1/2c
8 1/2c Shirting now goes at	6 1/2c
\$1.50 men's dress shirts at	\$1.00
\$1.00 " " "	0.75
\$0.75 " " "	0.50
\$0.50 " " "	0.40

CLOTHING.

Men's \$15 Suits at	\$11.50
" \$12.50 Suits at	8.50
" \$10 Suits at	7.00
" \$8 Suits at	5.00
" \$7.50 Suits at	4.00
Boys' \$10 Suits at	6.00
" \$8 Suits at	4.50
" \$5 Suits at	3.00
" \$3.50 Suits at	2.00
Children's Suits from 50c to	2.00

Men's \$4 Sunday Pants at	3.00
" 3.50 " "	2.50
" 2.75 " "	2.25
" 2.50 " "	2.00
" 2.25 " "	1.75
" 2.00 " "	1.50
" 1.75 " "	1.25
" 1.50 " "	1.00
" 1.25 " "	0.75
" 1.00 " "	0.65
Boys' 2.00 " "	1.50
" 1.75 " "	1.25
" 1.50 " "	1.00
" 1.25 " "	0.75
" 1.00 " "	0.65
" 0.75 " "	0.50
" 0.50 " "	0.35

Men's and Boys' Hats.

Missouri \$3.00 Hats at	\$2.25
Lenox 2.25 " "	1.75
Russell 1.50 " "	1.15
" 1.25 " "	1.00
Dutchess 1.25 " "	0.90
Boys' 1.00 " "	0.75
" 0.75 " "	0.50
" 0.50 " "	0.35
" 0.25 " "	0.15

Groceries.

Best Granulated Sugar 18 lbs	\$1.00
Extra light brown " 20 lbs	1.00
25c Roasted Coffee, per lb	0.20
15c " " "	12 1/2c
10 pkgs. Arbuckle's Coffee for	1.00
12 " New St. Louis Coffee	1.00

Trunks and Grips.

Our \$5.00 Trunks go at	\$3.25
" 4.50 " "	2.00
" 3.50 " "	2.50
" 1.00 Telescope	0.75
" 0.80 " "	0.60
" 0.70 " "	0.50
" 0.50 " "	0.35

Women's Shoes.

Peter's \$3.00 Diamond	\$2.35
" 2.75 184 Carat	2.00
" 2.50 Black Diamond	1.75
" 2.25 Queen	1.50
" 2.00 Unique	1.40
" 1.50 Martha	1.15
" 1.50 Bon-ton	1.15
" 1.50 Magnolia	1.15

Misses' Shoes.

Peter's \$2.00 Queen	\$1.50
" 1.50 Acme	1.25
" 1.50 Academy	1.25
" 1.25 Our Gented	0.80

These are only a few of the many brands of shoes of this line that we will sell at proportionate prices.

Boys' Shoes.

Peter's \$2.00 Ensign	\$1.50
" 1.75 Centripem	1.40
" 1.75 Devon Calf	1.40
" 1.75 Stonewall	1.40
" 1.50 Noxall	1.15
" 1.35 Blizzard	1.15
" 1.25 Clipper	1.00



We want all our old customers and everybody else to come and take advantage of the low prices during this sale, as these prices are so low that it will be hard for us to again duplicate them soon. We sell bacon at 12c. per pound. Thanking all for your kind patronage of the past, and soliciting a continuation of the same, we are gratefully yours.

RUSH & DRURY, LEADERS. AT KELSO.

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A Wrong Impression.

Judge Fort recently assessed a fine of \$200 against a man who sold a quart of whiskey to another fellow on a prescription because his wife was "puny." Judge Riley fined a bunch of saloon keepers in Cape county last week for violations of the dramshop law. The county court of Mississippi county has knocked out two of her saloons and the end is not yet. Scott county is digging an artesian well to compete with Doc Daniels at Benton as a thirst appeaser.—Sikeston Democrat.

The men behind the artesian well here have never been accused of being willing to compete, or cause others to compete with Doc Daniels as a "thirst appeaser." Doc is too valuable an adjunct to the "party." Don't you know that the "Modern Saloon" was closed up by some of the local "party" managers, and that the argument used was that the man in charge was not a fit man for the business, and that Doc Daniels run a "decent" saloon?

Well, if you don't know it, its a fact, nevertheless. But, to cap it all, the "party" managers gave this man who was considered by them as incompetent to conduct a "decent" saloon the nomination for justice of the peace—and he was, of course, elected.

What next? Why, feeling that this salve was insufficient to heal his wounded honor, because of having been shut out of the saloon business, and he was made chief magistrate of Benton!

This not intended as a reflection upon Benton's mayor. It is only intended to show up the character of the men who "run" things hereabouts.

In the opinion of the KICKER the present justice of the peace and chief magistrate of Benton is morally competent to conduct a small saloon.

About an Even Brake.

If Joseph W. Folk should head the Democratic state ticket next year he would be elected governor of Missouri. But how many of those Republicans, do you suppose, who are now vociferating themselves hoarse in his endorsement would vote for him at the head of the Democratic ticket.—DeBoto Press.
Just about as many as you would

find Democrats that would vote for him if he was at the head of the Republican ticket. The average partisan is a dramshop first and a patriot last—if at all. He votes for straight.

The Fulton Gazette wants Joe Folk for governor. It says: "The people are for him. They would rather give him the office than have him seek it. They are weary with the self-seeking, place-hunting, time-serving politicians. They are sick and tired of chicanery and intrigue. They want a man of the law brave enough to use the law. They would like to see the caravan of political vampires that marches regularly up to the capital dissipated to the four winds. They would like to have the whole of the miserable tale of official corruption unfolded so that every guilty man might be punished. They would like for the legislature of the state to be something more than a market-place, where votes are bought and sold. They want a man to clear off the mud, to purge the state of its felons. The Gazette believes that man to be Joseph Wingate Folk, Circuit Attorney of St. Louis, and if the governorship is the reward of faithful service, of courage, manhood and fitness, then it will be given to Mr. Folk without opposition."

Why will country newspapers devote columns of rot free to the big show to be held in St. Louis, when all the fellows who have managed to get themselves at the head of it draw such big pay? A fifteen dollar a day World's Fair Commissioner will send a column or two of stuff to a country editor, and the country editor feels himself honored because he has been remembered. Charge em five cents a line or else shove it in the waste basket.

It isn't every town that can boast of authorities that will single out one man and attempt to punish him for doing what every other citizen does, and what has been the established custom for all time. County Clerk McPheeters has his dwelling built slap dab in the street, and quite every other citizen is occupying more or less of the street. The bank people seem to be running a brick yard in the street—but that's all right.

Prosecuting Attorney Kelly argues that the fences and houses of other people in Benton have been in the streets for years and therefore have a right to remain. At what rate per annum does wrong become right? Mr. Kelly says that I defied the authorities. That isn't so. The thing isn't "taking" as well as was expected.

The Greenville Sun, a Republican paper, comes with Joe Folk for governor at its masthead, and V. V. Ing, of Wayne County, for lieutenant-governor. Mr. Folk is a Democrat; Mr. Ing is a Republican. It's the only way to burst both rings. The Kicker gladly accepts the Sun's suggestion. Let's knock out this infernal harangue about the "party," give us honest men—not "party" men.

The Sam Cooked organs want Mr. Folk to try to hold onto his present job. And they plead elegantly about the good work he is doing. But they forget to tell their readers that it would be utterly impossible for Mr. Folk to succeed himself so long as the result of an election in St. Louis is a mere matter of figures—with the "figgering" in the hands of Mr. Folk's enemies.

The ablest writer in the St. Louis field is evidently the man who does the work on the St. Louis World. But he is seriously handicapped because he must defend Barterism and the "triumphant Democracy of Missouri."

What we need is more lawyer-politicians. They make good legislative agents as well as an excellent commercial asset. Looks like they ought to be quoted in the market reports along with grain and cattle.

The very charter of the nation—the Declaration of Independence—declares that no citizen shall be denied the right of trial by jury. Perhaps Benton has outgrown the constitution.

The arrest and fine of last week was the answer to what the KICKER has been saying about the "party." How do you like it?

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.
Notice is hereby given that letters of administration upon the estate of Wm. H. Spencer, deceased, have been granted the undersigned by the clerk of the Probate court of Scott county, Mo., in vacation, bearing date the 2nd day of July, 1902.
All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within one year from the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate, and if said claims be not exhibited within two years from the date of the publication of this notice they will be forever barred.
J. B. FINLEY, Adm.

Water Your Stock.

There is at least one good reason for advocating an artesian well for Benton. It would prevent stock breeders from suffering for water. It is almost a matter for the Humane Society to take up to see how cattle scramble to get to the stale water at the mill pond.

This is not because of a shortage of water in the town. The wells and cisterns are full. But the grown up men and their grown up sons are just too "tired" to draw the water. Hence a flow of water is desirable.

I will be absent 3 or 4 weeks. Have left my business in care of Dr. S. J. Wade.
J. S. FREELING.

Information wanted of the present whereabouts of half-brother and half-sisters of the late Wm. Spencer, all being children of Jim Spencer, deceased, who lived near Morley, J. B. FINLEY, Oran.

Bandedist, at Kelso, sells Bacon at 12c a pound.

The proper thing to do is to visit my store at Crowder and see the line of goods I have at reasonable prices.
J. A. REXNER.

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Miller's addition to Oran contains some elegant building lots. The location is attractive and the soil fertile and level. Good water easily obtainable. Streets sixty feet wide divide the blocks and the lots are 50x148 1/2 feet in size and can be bought at \$75 and \$80 each. For particulars apply to Ed. L. Miller, Oran, or to this office.

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