

The Important Sale of the Year.

WILD WEST WEEK - AT - Montpelier's Best Store.

We operate a Summer Clearance Sale of more than usual importance. It is to be a regular Buffalo Bill demonstration. Not particularly wild and woolly, but something doing from Monday morning until Saturday night, the week the great Scout is here.

For when Summer Clearance time arrives, we always muster up our Jesse James nerve and priced things to stampede the place. We have lassoed all the odd lots and too large stocks, and rounded up the finest lot of bargains in a year.

Store Closes at Noon Wednesday. Come Early That Day.

Tremendous Sacrifice in the Ready Made Department on all seasonable goods. One of the very first things you want to do is to get on to the trail of our Ready Made Department Bargains.

SUITS AT HALF PRICE

A loss of all the profit and part of the cost to make room for fall stock.

- \$12.00 to 15.00 Misses' Suits, \$ 8.98
20.00 to 25.00 Suits, 13.50
27.00 to 35.00 Suits, 16.50
35.00 to 45.00 Suits, 20.00

If at first you are not impressed with the importance of these prices, read them over again.

All Silk and Pongee Coats at the Following Low Price to Close

- 4 \$20.00 Black Taffeta Coats, \$11.00
5 25.00 Black Taffeta Coats, 15.00
1 25.00 Pongee Coat, 16.50
1 30.00 Pongee Coat, 20.00

Misses' and Women's Covert and Mixture Coats at \$5.00 each

About twenty in the lot, worth from \$7.50 to 15.00. Your choice at the above low price for \$5.00.

Dress Skirts at Half Price and Less Than Half Price

- 1 Lot \$8.00 to 11.00 Skirts, \$5.98
1 Lot 5.00 to 7.00 Skirts, 2.98
1 Lot 3.00 to 5.00 Misses' Skirts, 1.98

Plain colors and mixtures. White and colored Wash Skirts, made of linen, duck, lawn, repp, etc.

\$2.50 to 5.00 Skirts, to close at \$1.98

1.25 and 1.50 Skirts, to close at 98c

We have done our part to make this sale a great success, just when you want the goods.

50 MUSLIN DRESSES AT \$3.98 EACH

In this instance the price would not buy the materials or pay for the making. We don't want one left on our racks, that is why. Sizes 32 to 40. Was \$5.00 to 11.00.

20 OTHER DRESSES AT \$2.98 THAT ARE REMARKABLE VALUES

25 PRESTLEY CRAVENETTE COATS

The best waterproof cloths ever put into a coat. All in style. Regular price \$12.50 to 15.00. Sale Price, \$9.98.

Rubberized Silk and Other Waterproof Coats

Your choice of our \$19.50 to 25.00 Coats - 15.00

If you want a good, all around garment, now is the time and this is the place.

PETTICOAT BARGAINS

One dozen \$3.98 and 5.00 Silk Petticoats. Sale price \$2.98. Colors, black, navy and receda.

The first thing we offer is 20 dozen Towels, 13 x 27 inches, at 5c each.

20 dozen part Linen Towels, size 17 x 32, regular 15c kind, 10c each.

20 dozen Turkish Towels at 10c each.

BARGAIN NO. 2--COTTON BATTEN

2,000 rolls of Cotton Batten of the following kinds at a great reduction, making it a specially opportune time to buy for fall use. The first time these splendid battens have ever been put in price.

1,000 rolls of our 10c Batten - 8c

1,000 rolls of our 15c Batten - 10c

BARGAIN NO. 3--COLORED WASH GOODS

Including a great many white kinds, at just One-Half Price, probably the lowest this class of merchandise has ever been sold.

15c Wash Goods, per yard, 7 1/2c

25c Wash Goods, per yard, 12 1/2c

50c Wash Goods, per yard, 25c

SPECIAL IN LINEN DAMASK AND WRAPPERS

During this week we sell all of our \$1.25 Damask at 98c yard. And 30 dozen \$3.50 Wrappers and the best \$3.50 Wrapper made. This Week at \$2.98.

MUSLIN UNDERWEAR SPECIALS

10 dozen Corset Covers of the 50c kind, at 29c each. 100 \$1.25 and 1.50 Petticoats, at 98c

Other Interesting Bargains in Cotton and Linen Goods, Etc.

- 300 yards Apron Gingham, per yard, 5c
250 yards 15c Sash Muslins, per yard, 10c
250 yards 25c Scotch Gingham, per yard, 15c
75 yards 18c Drapery Muslin, per yard, 9c
10 dozen 15c Black Hose, per pair, 10c
1,000 yards 15c Point de Paris Laces, per yard, 8c
40 pieces 3 1/4 inch All-Silk Ribbon, per yard, 10c
200 yards 10c and 12 1/2c Hamburgs, per yard, 5c
300 yards 18c to 25c Hamburgs, per yard, 15c
150 yards 50c to 65c Hamburgs, per yard, 39c
200 yards 35 to 40c Hamburgs, per yard, 25c
30 yards 25c White Flannel, per yard, 15c
8 1-2 dozen 50c White Lace Hose, per pair, 39c
7 \$1.50 White Parasols, each, 75c
40 \$1.25 Umbrellas, each, 98c

The minute we roped these bargains and branded them with these prices, we knew that there would be some excitement around the Glove Counter. What do you think of it?

100 pairs Tan, 2 button, all silk, double tip Silk Gloves, best shades, all sizes, and our regular 50c Gloves. Sale Price only 25c pair.

Nine dozen 16 button Silk Gloves in all sizes, our regular \$1.25 Gloves, colors black and white. Sale Price 98c pair. We bought too many that's why.

GREAT BARGAINS IN THE DRESS GOODS AND SILK SECTION

Several hundred dollars worth of choice fabrics that we want to clear from our stock at once. Consequently we have priced each piece to court your immediate attention. There isn't any question as to the saving importance of this sale, and if we can arrest your attention but for a few minutes among this brilliant array of money savers, we can convince you once again that it is our bargains that has made this Montpelier's Best Store.

DRESS GOODS AT 39c YARD

One dozen pieces, 150 yards, of pretty mixture and novelty cloths from our stock of 50c and 59c Dress materials. Excellent for Skirts, Misses' Suits, etc. The really splendid bargains are in these two lots listed below.

LOT NO. 1

This lot includes many pretty novelties and fine plain materials in wool and silk and wool with a splendid variety of colors. Goods that sold for \$1.00, 1.25 and worth it. Sale Price to Reduce Stock, 79c Yard.

LOT NO. 3, DRESS GOODS, 98c YARD

And the best one of them all. This assortment includes some of the very prettiest things we have, goods worth \$1.25, 1.50, 1.75 and 1.98 a yard. Sale Price, 98c.

Silks contribute much to make this sale a success. The quantity is not but the quality is high and the price low; for instance, 1 dozen Novelty Taffeta Dress Patterns, regular \$1.00 a yard Silk, Sale Price, to close, 59c a Yard.

OTHER SILKS AT 59c YARD

Several patterns of the famous Cheney Bros. Foulards, in plain and dotted effects, the regular dollar a yard spot proof kinds and the best shades. Sale Price only 59c a Yard.

One half dozen Dress patterns in greys, blues, etc., the finest silks we have, the regular price being \$1.38. Sale Price, 98c.

BARGAINS IN BLACK TAFFETA SILKS

1 piece 20-inch Black Taffeta, good weight and nicely finished, specially good for petticoats; regular price 75c a yard. Sale Price only 59c a Yard.

1 piece 30 inch Black Taffeta, \$1.00 quality. Sale Price only 89c a Yard.

1 piece 36-inch \$1.50 Taffeta. Sale Price \$1.19.

1 piece 24-inch Black Morse Taffeta, regular price, \$1.25. Sale Price, 79c.

In no instance is the quality different than usual. The object of these Silks at these prices is to create as wide interest as possible.

THREE SPECIALS IN SHIRT WAISTS

50 \$1.25 Shirt Waists - 98c

150 Exceptional Values at - \$1.50

30 \$2.25 and 3.00 Waists - \$1.98

TOLSTOI'S WIFE IS GREAT TOO

Mother of Seventeen Children Whom She Has Educated

IN SERVICE AND LETTERS

Manages Family Business in a Masterful Way and Edits the Count's Writings--Steered Children Out of Father's Course.

Moscow, Russia, July 18.--Countess Tolstol came recently to Moscow to open the family home in this city.

Ever since the Countess took forcible charge of her husband's financial affairs, ten or fifteen years ago, and bought the Moscow home, it has been the family custom to pass the winter here. But the Count's health has made this impossible for several years and it is probable that the weeks he spends here now will be his last in Moscow.

He will be eighty in August. Years ago he ruined his constitution by fanatical excesses in laboring in the fields under the hot summer sun and tramping over the country in the depths of the terrible Russian winters. Today he is a decrepit, peevish, broken-down old man, looking forward with childlike delight to the few weeks in the midst of old friends in Moscow.

The management of all the family business and the supervision of the large farming interests at Yasnaia Poliana have fallen upon the shoulders of the Countess, and at the same time she has acted as her husband's secretary, writing and rewriting his manuscript sometimes half a dozen times. All of this, added to the care of her husband--and he is not a patient invalid--is telling upon her own strength.

She is many years younger than her husband, the daughter of a well-known Moscow physician, and was a handsome plump, black-eyed school-girl when the Count married her in 1861, he being then thirty-three years old and having led since manhood a dissipated life of wild debauchery and mad extravagance.

He took her to Yasnaia Poliana, which had come to his family through Catherine the Great's infatuation for the Gen. Tolstol that day, and set up his household in a little peasant's hut on the bankrupt estate. There she lived nearly twenty years without going back to Moscow; there she became the mother of seventeen children and educated them herself, while her husband spent his time in Moscow or St. Petersburg or wandered off on his long tramps to study peasant life.

After years of extraordinary executive ability and stupendous sacrifice and labor Countess Tolstol was able to move the family into the ancestral house on the estate which had been dismantled and deserted during the Count's young manhood, everything of value being taken out of it and sold. The estate is now the most prosperous in the district. The enormous mortgage was lifted long ago through the efforts of the mistress of the establishment.

Most of the children have grown to majority. They are versed in science and literature, and speak three or four languages and play the piano--the education which the mother gave them unaided. They are thoroughly devoted to her, and so far she has kept all of them from embracing their father's doctrine or mode of life. One of the elder daughters did so for awhile, but was soon persuaded to give it up. Countess Tolstol takes no pains to hide from the world the fact that she does not in the least agree with her husband's ideas on living, but she respects his intellectual and literary ability. Without her assistance and judgment his present literary career would have been impossible.

The Count's doctrine ruined the brilliant career of a young man who was a special friend of the Tolstols. Following the Count's tendencies, he married a disreputable woman, with whom he had had a long association, and who was far from being worthy of the sacrifice. Ever since that Countess Tolstol has preached against her husband's code of ethics. At Yasnaia Poliana the family live simply, but with a dignity befitting name and position. In Moscow it entertains friends a great deal in a quiet way.

The Countess dresses with simple elegance, in rich black velvet or heavy silk, and has a few good jewels and much beautiful rare lace of which she is fond.

Wants to See World's Great Men. She has never been out of Russia, but her children have traveled extensively through Europe. One of the daughters makes her home in Rome. The Countess has always desired ardently to travel and meet the men and women in other countries who are molding through and making history, and as she is still comparatively young, it is possible that the world at large may yet come in contact with this remarkable woman.

For All People All the Time. Some people like a certain dessert sometimes; other people like it all the time, but you cannot get all the people to like it all the time--unless it be Nabisco Sugar Wafers, for which you never grow taste-tired. This luscious, palate-pleasing confection is ideal for every sort of social function, whether as a dessert or to be nibbled with the punch or the ice. Nabisco Sugar Wafers take the place of candies and sweets, blending deliciously with ices and coffee and most happily completing either a sumptuous dinner or an afternoon tea.

\$25 FOR A LETTER

CAN YOU WRITE ONE?

The Prize to be Awarded in a Letter Writing Contest Open to Every One in Vermont.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have been used in this state for a generation. Hundreds of remarkable cures have been reported during that time and there is scarcely a family in which the remedy has not been tried with beneficial results. This furnishes the material for the letters to be written in this contest. There is no demand upon the imagination, every narrative must deal with facts.

The Prize. The Dr. Williams Medicine Co., of Schenectady, N. Y., will award a prize of \$25.00 for the best letter received on or before July 25, 1906, from the state of Vermont, on the subject, "Why I Recommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills."

The Conditions. The cure or benefit from the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills described in the letter may be in the writer's own case or one that has come under his or her personal observation.

More than one cure may be described in the letter, so long as every statement made is literally true.

The letter should be no longer than is necessary to relate the benefit obtained from the remedy in the case described.

Each letter must be signed by the writer with his or her name and full address and the letter must give the correct name and address of the person whose cure is described. THESE WILL BE STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL and will not be made public. Letters containing addresses that cannot be verified will not be considered in awarding the prize.

The writer of each letter must state the name and date of the paper in which he or she saw the announcement of this competition.

Fine writing will not win the prize unless you have a good case to describe. The strength of the recommendation and not the style of the letter will be the basis of award.

The contest will close July 25, 1906. Do not delay, but if you know of a cure write your letter NOW. Observe the above conditions carefully or your letter may be thrown out.

Address all letters as follows: Letter Contest Dept., Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

Once Poor Himself.

The little hero of the following incident did not belong to me. In fact, from his appearance I think he belonged to no one in particular. I am equally sure that the fact of his loneliness had no terrors for him. He was a ragged little urchin selling papers on a busy downtown corner. A stylishly gowned woman amid the hurrying through dropped her pocket book. Quick as a flash the boy seized it and hurried after her. Touching his cap, he handed her the heavy purse.

She thanked him very graciously and handed him a nickel. In a tone equally gracious he responded, "Aw, keep your nickel, I was poor once myself."--Delinctor.

What He Said.

"Waiter," said a traveler in a railroad restaurant, "did you say I had twenty minutes to wait or that it was twenty minutes to eight?" "Nayther. Oi said ye had twenty minutes to ate, an' that's all ye did have. Yer train's just gone."--Everybody's Magazine.

Words of Praise

For the several ingredients of which Dr. Pierce's medicines are composed, as given by leaders in all the several schools of medicine, should have far more weight than any amount of non-professional testimonials. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription has this badge of honor on every bottle--wrapper, in a full list of all its ingredients printed in plain English.

If you are an invalid woman and suffering from frequent headache, backache, gnawing distress in stomach, periodical pains, dizziness, constipation, pelvic drainage, dragging down distress in lower abdomen or pelvic, perhaps dark spots or specks dancing before the eyes, faint spells and kindred symptoms caused by female weakness, or other derangement of the feminine organs, you can not do better than take Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription.

The hospital, surgeon's knife and operating table may be avoided by the timely use of "Favorite Prescription" in such cases. Thereby the obnoxious examinations and operations of the family physician may be avoided and a thorough course of successful treatment carried out in the privacy of the home.

"Favorite Prescription" is composed of the very best native medicinal roots known to medical science for the cure of women's peculiar ailments, contains no alcohol and no harmful or habit-forming drugs.

Do not expect too much from "Favorite Prescription." It will not perform miracles; no medicine will. It will do as much to establish vigorous health in most weaknesses and ailments peculiarly incident to women as any medicine can. It must be given a fair chance by perseverance in its use for a reasonable length of time.

You can't afford to accept a worse remedy as a substitute for this remedy of known composition.

Sick women are invited to consult Dr. Pierce, by letter, free. All correspondence is guarded as sacredly secret and womanly confidences are protected by professional privacy. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets the best laxative and regulator of the bowels. They invigorate stomach, liver and bowels. One a laxative; two or three a cathartic. Easy to take as candy.

REVOLUTION SEASON ON

Began a Little Early in Central America But It's On

WARS, RUMORS OF WARS

Are Being Heard from One End of the Section to the Other--Rumors of Government Overthrow.

Washington, July 18.--The annual summer revolution season has opened in Central America. It began a little early this year with a side show in Haiti, but the big show is now on in the main tent and the cafes from one end of Guatemala to the other end of Nicaragua are charged with rumors, foods being distasteful during the tropical summer months.

Revolutions are the Coney Island of Central America. Every year when Luna Park opens the patriotic generals go out and enroll a man or two out of work, issue a manifesto from the junta, which occupies a corner in the cheapest restaurant, and the season is on. There are fewer fatalities than at Coney, and it's very fascinating.

An "army" of fourteen generals and three privates will descend upon a hapless town, too poor to care whether it is captured or not, and the uprising is started. President Davila, of Honduras, tells his minister in Washington to inform the state department that an attempt is being made by Cabrera of Guatemala and by San Salvador to overthrow his government. Guatemala, where the president is busy jailing everybody to keep from getting stabbed or blown up, says it's Zelaya of Nicaragua that is doing it. The only country not involved so far this season is Costa Rica, where the Central American peace court was inaugurated a few weeks ago. The ceremonies of this occasion have delayed the Costa Rica season.

There are three fine side shows this season to make up for any lack of excitement in the main event. This is Mexico's revolution, the great Panama spectacle where the United States marines are keeping order and preventing rowdiness, and the Haitian conflagration. Venezuela, further south, will not figure on this summer's bill because of sickness.

When, through Secretary Root's efforts, the representatives of the Central American government met in Washington and rumpled one another's frock coats in the general congratulation over the establishment of the Central American peace court, it was thought that the usual summer revolution season would not be pulled off. The peace conference was very successful, but, as an American diplomatist observed, the only oversight was that the professional revolutionists were not included in the gathering.

So the season is on. It will last until the weather gets cooler late in October. In the meantime, though one or two governments will probably be shaken a bit, no one will have the temerity to deprive the people of their amusements.

Washington, July 18.--Now that the latter day generation has reached the point where it is confident that it would suddenly go up to eternity in fizzle some day were no annual vacations with pay coming to it, the government has inaugurated the policy of giving its horses "annual leave with pay." It is one of the reforms of the Roosevelt administration and is designed to take its place in history alongside with the government employees' liability law, so its backers say.

The father of this horse movement is Charles A. Conrad, chief clerk of the post-office department, and the immediate field of his labors in that department. It is predicted, however, that the influence of his action will be felt in every department.

The first horse to get his vacation was "Charlie," one of the faithful animals that hauled Postmaster-general Meyer about town. He was given thirty days in which to cavort around in a pasture in Montgomery county, Md., about six miles from the city. Next year, he may be sent to the seashore. In addition to the thirty days' allowance, his board bill will be paid by Uncle Sam. While "Charlie" is away, Postmaster-general Meyer will use his automobile exclusively.

"Every employe of the government," said Mr. Conrad to-day, "receives thirty days' annual vacation, and thirty days' sick leave, if necessary. I see no reason why the horses we employ to transact the business of the department in the city ought not to receive a rest, or a vacation, as it were, and heretofore I am going to send each and every one of the horses for a thirty-day period of rest."

"We can spare a great many of them in the summer time, and this is the time they will appreciate a rest from the hot asphalt and welcome the green grass of the country and the shade of the trees."

"Dick," the mate of "Charlie," will be the next one granted a vacation. "Dick" had to remain in the city for emergency work, in case the postmaster-general's automobile should break. The leave of absence for the horses are being made out in regular form used for employes and was signed on behalf of the horses by the department's stenographer.

Two Shakes.

Have money and the world. Will shake you by the hand; Have none and the world. Will--shake you! Understand!

The Perley E. Pope Co., 66 Main St., Montpelier, Vt. That's the Place.