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Changeable March weather emphasizes the need of a LIGHT-WEIGHT OVERCOAT. Our NEW line is now ready. A choice line it is, too. Contains all the latest ideas of the best makers and marked much less than same grades are sold for elsewhere.

Robinson & Chery Co. Clothes, Hats, Furnishings, Shoes, 12th and F Sts. N.W.

JOHNSTONS, 729 7th St.

Kindling 3c Wood, 3c

Levering Coffee 15 1/2c Exhibit,

Premiums—The beautiful and useful premiums given for the purchase of Levering Coffee are on exhibition in our windows. See them.

Wilbur's Cocoa 20c Exhibit,

Star Milk, 7c Baby Milk, 9c

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4 BOXES TACKS, 5c Star Soap, 2 1/2c Borax Soap, 2 1/2c

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\$100,000 Worth of Men's Suits and Overcoats at Ridiculous Prices.

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HAHN'S SHOES LOOK BETTER WEAR LONGER COST LESS Than any others sold in Washington.

RUDDEN'S... CREDIT HOUSE, 513 Seventh Street N.W.

The Times

BONA FIDE CIRCULATION. The circulation of The Times for the week ended March 5, 1897, was as follows: Saturday, February 27.... 34,650 Sunday, February 28..... 24,050 Monday, March 1..... 35,010 Tuesday, March 2..... 30,185 Wednesday, March 3..... 44,950 Thursday, March 4..... 75,138 Friday, March 5..... 60,160 Total copies printed.... 312,843 Less damaged copies, copies unsold in office and copies returned from news stands and branch offices. 16,140 Total..... 296,703

I hereby certify that the above is correct statement of circulation for the week ended March 5, 1897. WILLIAM P. LEECH, Manager of Circulation.

It is doing pretty well to have one good idea in each advertisement. The almanac tells us that there are 365 days in the year, and the most scientific advertiser issues his store news almost every morning or evening. There is probably no danger, then, that he will not have plenty of chance during the twelvemonth to exploit his good suggestions—not all of them, of course, because his advertising is going to continue year after year, but many of them. Let the announcements, then, be as fine and strong as possible. Have them convincing. And one thought is usually enough at a time, especially if it is a good one.

City Brevities James Hadley, for carrying concealed weapons, yesterday sentenced to ninety days in jail.

Two privates were appointed on the police force yesterday, to fill vacancies. They were Joseph Sibley and James E. Wilson.

Herman Beyer, the German who on the 24th of January last, appropriated goods to the value of \$23 from Le-Comte A. de Gostzen, was sentenced by Judge Miller yesterday to sixty days in jail.

Hugo Westphal, of Yorktown, Texas, was found dead in bed at the Hartman Surgical Institute, Columbus, O., yesterday. He had committed suicide by cutting his throat with a razor, and was a victim of melancholia.

The will of the late Mrs. Catharine M. Kennedy, bearing date of October 17, 1887, was filed for probate yesterday. Sallie J. Kennedy and Annie Birtwell, daughters, are the chief beneficiaries and the former is named executrix.

The Rev. H. R. Naylor, pastor of McKinstry M. E. Church, and Mrs. Naylor will be tendered a reception by the congregation of that church after prayer service this evening at 7 o'clock. The address will be made by Mr. O. A. Latham.

On the charge of vagrancy Judge Kinball yesterday morning sentenced John Lilely to 180 days, Mamie Thompson to ninety days, and Richard Coleman to sixty days in jail. Ernest Ouden, charged with disorderly conduct, was sent down for thirty days.

A tailors' union was organized last evening at American Federation of Labor headquarters by Mr. E. S. Christopherson, organizer for the Journeymen Tailors' National Union. The meeting was addressed by Mr. Frank Morrison, secretary of the American Federation of Labor, on the benefits of organization.

The Commissioners yesterday promoted Private Howard W. Weight of the fire department to assistant foreman, vice John A. Merriman, who was killed by a railroad engine, March 3. The sum of \$75 was also taken from the firemen's relief fund and given to Mrs. Addie M. Merriman to defray his funeral expenses.

Mayer & Pettit, Reliable Outfitters.

WE want to impress upon our readers the fact of the newness and excellence and style of our STOCK OF CLOTHING.

LADIES WILL find just what they want in handsome cloth costumes, spring styles, from \$5.50 up, and separate skirts as low as \$1.25.

MEN'S all-wool suits cost from \$5.50, and fine top coats from \$10 up.

CHILDREN'S suits as low as 98c.

We lay special stress on the cut and finish of our goods. Equal to custom made, at half the price.

Mayer & Pettit, 415-417 7th St.

You cannot possibly get into trouble.

It seems impossible for many people to believe that the furniture installment plan can be made to help the purchaser and protect his interests at every point. We do it, and take pleasure in doing it, because our volume of business is so large. We ourselves pay on the installment plan. Why shouldn't we also give credit to our customers and never worry them—as our wholesalers never worry us.

RUDDEN'S... CREDIT HOUSE, 513 Seventh Street N.W.

STOLL'S STOLL'S STOLL'S Four Greatest Shoe Values in Washington.

We are getting ready for spring—new goods are piling in on us every day. We are getting crowded for space, and must have room. Our prices and our values are getting a national reputation, even our announcements are copied in other cities. These four values are among the greatest we have ever offered.

Come for them with confidence

LADIES' Kid Boots—good quality and stylish—lace or button—patent tips, opera shape—at 97c. LADIES' FINE \$3.00 Columbia Button Boots—patent tips—needle and extra laces—very extra quality—\$1.98. MEN'S \$4.00 Patent Leather Shoes—very fashionable style, the greatest bargain of the year... \$2.47. YOUTHS' Patent Leather Shoes—very handsome and stylish dress shoe, the cheapest of youths' shoes in the city... 97c.

STOLL'S "810" 7th

CIVIL SERVICE POSITIONS. Official Declaration as to All of Them to Be Issued.

Considerable uncertainty as to the status of positions in the civil service still exists, even among persons who are whether a given place is under civil service rules or belongs to the excepted list is often a very nice question.

One, for instance, is in regard to employees in the Department of Justice. It settles the position of deputies under the United States marshal.

ON A HUMANE MISSION. Ezra Craft Interested in the Protection of Dumb Animals.

Ezra Craft, of Detroit, Mich., representing the American Humane Education Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, is making a thorough canvass among the business men of Washington in the endeavor to raise a fund which will defray the expenses of a free distribution of the organ of the society, "Our Dumb Animals," published at Boston, among the public school pupils and the poor children of the city.

RELEASED FROM SPANISH PRISON. Antonio del Villar, American Citizen, Imprisoned Since Sept. 5.

The State Department has received a cablegram from Consul McGan at Cienfuegos, announcing that Antonio Suarez del Villar had been liberated from prison there.

Wills Filed for Probate. The will of the late Mrs. Hanna Fletcher was filed for probate yesterday.

Marriage Licenses. Licenses to marry have been issued as follows: John Luthy and Margaret Davis, of Brooklyn; Hilary Warren and Mary Lee; Henry Thornton and Hattie West; York Patten and Emma E. Williams; William Kelley and Maude Johnson, of Philadelphia.

For Receiving Stolen Rings. Detective Henry Lacey arrested Ida Lyles, a fashionably attired young colored woman late yesterday afternoon, by order of Acting District Attorney Davis.

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He is a native Cuban, who had been naturalized a citizen of the United States. He was arrested at Cienfuegos September 5, 1896, and thrown into prison upon the charge of having purchased and concealed arms and ammunition for the insurgents. The case was sent to the civil judge at Havana December 21, 1896, where it has lingered until yesterday, when the order for the prisoner's release was issued.

Good Templars' Meeting. The regular meeting of Good Will Lodge, No. 7, I. O. G. T., was held Tuesday evening at Potomac Hall, corner of Eleventh street and Maryland avenue southwest, Chief Templar McCallan in the chair.

THE MARKET BASKET. Despite the pressure brought to bear on the market late week by the thousands of strangers fed here, the standards are plentifully supplied this morning as though there had been no special demand.

FLOWERS—Hyacinths, 50c per dozen; carnations, 25c to 35c per dozen; Golden Gate roses, 5c to 10c per dozen; La France roses, same; President Carnot roses, same; Kaiser Augusta Victoria roses, same; Madame Chantany (new), \$1 per dozen. Pinks sell all the way from 50c to \$1.00, and nasturtiums range from 25c to 50c; violets, 15c each; asparagus sprays, \$1 per dozen; Easter lilies, from \$1.50 to \$2 per dozen; magnolias, 50c per dozen sprays.

FISH—Rolling rock, 25c to 30c per pound; black bass, 20c to 25c per pound; pan size, 12 1/2c per pound; new salmon, 25c to 30c per pound; halibut, 20c per pound; fresh cod, 10c to 12 1/2c per pound; striped bass, 15c per pound; large rock fish, \$1.20 each; large black shad, 55c each; Florida roe, 40c each; Florida buck, 35c each.

FRUIT—Florida oranges, 40c to 50c per dozen; Jamaica oranges, 25c to 45c per dozen; Malaga grapes, 20c per pound; Colfax grapes, 15c to 20c per pound; Concord grapes, 12c per basket; Catawba grapes, 15c per basket; pineapples, 15c to 25c each; Japanese persimmons, 5c to 10c each; pomegranates, 10c each; sweet potatoes, 30c per peck; radishes, 3 bunches for 10c; cymbling, 5c each; hot-house tomatoes, 35c per peck; southern tomatoes, 25c per peck; celery, 5c to 10c per head; water cress, 5c per bunch; mint, 5c per bunch; cauliflower, 10c to 15c per head; new cauliflower, 20c to 40c per head; salad, 5c per bunch; Savoy cabbage, 5c per head; Irish cabbage, 15c to 25c per head; Irish potatoes, 20c per peck; snap beans, 20c per quart peck; southern cucumbers, 5c each; hot-house cucumbers, 10c to 20c each; Spanish onions, 5c to 10c each; egg plants, 10c to 15c; pumpkins, 5c to 15c each; green peppers, 25c to 50c per dozen; celery, 5c to 10c per bunch; cranberries, 8c per quart; squash, 2c per pound; new beets, 5c to 10c per bunch; old beets, 10c quarter peck; Rutabaga turnips, 20c to 5c per quart; new potatoes, 20c to 25c per quart peck.

BUTTER, EGGS, CHEESE—Best Elgin butter, 30c to 35c per pound; butterine, 15c to 25c per pound; nearby eggs, 15c per dozen; Western eggs, 12c per dozen; cream cheese, 15c to 20c per pound; Neufchatel cheese, 5c each; pineapple cheese, 65c to 75c each; Edam cheese, 85c each; Swiss cheese, 20c to 25c per pound.

PICKLES AND PRESERVES—Chowchow, 20c per quart; German mustard, 15c per quart; pickled onions, 15c per pint; celery, relish, 10c per pint; olives, 15c per pint; horseradish, 40c per pint; honey, 25c per pound; jellies, 10c per pound; preserves, 15c per pound.

MEATS—Sirloin steak, 15c to 18c per pound; porterhouse, 20c to 25c per pound; round, 12 1/2c per pound; prime rib roast, 15c to 18c per pound; corned beef, 10c to 12 1/2c per pound; soup beef, 6c to 8c per pound; lamb, 15c to 18c per pound; corned beef, 10c to 12 1/2c per pound; bean and sausage, 10c to 12 1/2c per pound; hot sausage, 10c to 12 1/2c per pound; sweet pickled pork, 12 1/2c per pound.

20c ON THE DOLLAR SUITS AND OVERCOATS.

The last days of the greatest slaughter sale of clothing ever known in the history of the world. Nothing like it ever seen. Fine clothing almost given away. 20 cents in cash will do the duty of a dollar.

Men's and Boys' Overcoats. Men's Overcoats, fine blue Kelsey, Wilson & Davis' price, \$24; our price, \$5.75. Men's Overcoats, all sizes; Wilson & Davis' price, \$12.50; our price, \$4.00. Medium Weight Overcoats; Wilson & Davis' price, \$10.50; our price, \$3.75. Men's Overcoats; Wilson & Davis' price, \$8.50; our price, \$2.00. Overcoats; Wilson & Davis' price, \$5; our price, \$1.50. Overcoats; Wilson & Davis' price, \$30; our price, \$10.50. Boys' Overcoats; Wilson & Davis' price, \$3, \$4 and \$5; our price, \$1.20.

H. FRIEDLANDER & BRO., Corner 9th and E Sts. N. W.

"The Heart of the Queen Witch" JOHN LANGDON HEATON. A thrilling story, timely and truthful. It is a fitting tale in The Times' remarkable series. The Times; one cent everywhere. Its fiction alone is worth the price.

Common-sense argument— The business of our business makes big buyers of us. The biggest are buying the cheaper the selling. Don't you see how it is we sell cheap?

Cash or Credit. House & Herrmann, Liberal Furnishers, Corner 7th and I Street.

TOLMAN STEAM LAUNDRY. Cor. Sixth and C Streets.

For Cooking and Heating— GAS STOVES, GAS APPLIANCE EXCHANGE, 1424 New York Ave. met 2:45 pm

Special Committee Having This Matter in Charge Discusses Plans. The special committee, representing the Associated Charities, Central Relief Committee, and the Board of Trade, of which Gen. Sternberg is chairman, met yesterday afternoon in the office of the chairman, in the State, War, and Navy Building.

THINK IT IS A FAKE. Detectives Don't Believe George H. Young Was Assaulted.

Persia Prohibits Exports. The Department of State is officially advised of the issuance of two decrees by the Persian government, one prohibiting from March 11, 1897, the exportation of rice, wheat, barley, and other cereals, and the other prohibiting the exportation of sheep and goat skins from the district of Meshed.

Start Right! These who have just started housekeeping should begin right by buying the most economical, best, and cheapest of floor manure. Doesn't take half the time to get a full bushel of Ceres than it does with any other kind?

40 Bushels Uncrushed Coke, \$2.90 40 Bushels Crushed Coke, \$3.70 Washington Gaslight Co., 413 TENTH STREET N. W.

FREIGHT FOR Cabin John, Glen Echo and Tenleytown. We deliver freight of all descriptions along the Conduit road as far as Cabin John Bridge and on the Tenleytown road at very reasonable rates.

McGILL & WALLACE, Printers, 1107 E Street Northwest. Presswork for the trade.

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10 ACRES FOR SALE AT ONE-THIRD VALUE. ON LINE OF CITY EXTENSION. EDWIN A. NEWMAN, 611 7th St. N.W.

The Basy Corner 8th and Market Spaco S. Kann, Sons & Co.

OUR 2d GRAND Rebuilding Sale

Our Prices Are More Than Right. We are selling as your wage-earners—whatever you save on your purchases is equal to money earned. Today's savings will be on Ready-made Shirts, Upholstery Stuffs, Dress Goods, Linings and Gloves.

Rebuilding Price, 98c Ladies' Figured Black Brilliantine Skirts, very desirable patterns, lined, bound and very full.

Rebuilding Price, \$1.25 Ladies' Novelty Check Skirts, black and white, tan and white, navy and white, green and white, correct styles, lined and interlined. A perfect garment.

Rebuilding Price, \$2.98 Ladies' Black Check Skirts, in three-ton colors, very stylish designs, lined with best Feltaline. Very full skirt.

Rebuilding Price, \$3.98 Ladies' Brilliantine Skirts, made of navy, black, purple and red Brilliantine. Excellent quality cloth. 9 pieces and hand-somely lined.

Rebuilding Price, \$4.98 Ladies' Black Mire Velour Skirts, a perfect gown as to fit, finish and style.

Rebuilding Price, \$7.50 Ladies' Black Silk Brocade Skirts, full sweep and perfect fitting, in a variety of designs.

Rebuilding Price, \$5.00 Ladies' Black Silk Brocade Skirts, handsome tailored and model fitting, small effects and neat designs.

Rebuilding Price, \$6.95 It's the Blowing of an ill wind that does not go to some one. We have placed an entire new line of \$1.00 Ladies' Kid Gloves in our stock, forcing a reduction on all the former \$1.00 and \$1.25 kinds to

75c a pair. They come in all colors, including blacks. The colors are 4-button and the blacks are 5-button. Any size you call for—5-1 to 7-1/2. This is another one of our special bargains, and such values are giving us great leverage in building up a large glove trade.



Ceres Flour makes more Bread, makes Flour Bread, makes better Bread, than any other flour manufactured. Beware of imitations of the Brand "Ceres." FOR SALE BY ALL GROCERS.

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