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LADIES' READY-TO-WEAR DEPARTMENT

Is 25 Per Cent. Cheaper Than It Was at the Closing Last Night.

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Is to-day's cut on all Ladies' Tailored Suits, Costumes of Velvet, Crepe de Chene, Messaline, Taffeta; Net; all Ladies' Skirts, whether silk or wool; all Ladies' Waists in the house; all Ladies', Misses' and Children's Wraps, Jackets, Cravenette Coats or Cloaks of any description; all Silk or Mercerized Petticoats; all Dressing Sacques and Kimonos; all Ladies' and Children's Furs and Fur Sets, all these, and without exception all of them, none laid aside or reserved, will fall in line with the general, startling reduction of 25 per cent.

CASH OR CREDIT

It matters not, when you have an account with us; if you have no account you can open one; the same price for credit, the same attention for credit, the same treatment for credit as for cash.

Despite all this Unexpected Sensation, SUDDEN PRICE SLASHING.

Every article selling yesterday at \$1.00, to-day 75c
Every article selling yesterday at \$2.00, to-day \$1.50
Every article selling yesterday at \$3.00, to-day \$2.25

Every article selling yesterday at \$4.00, to-day \$3.00
Every article selling yesterday at \$5.00, to-day \$3.75
And 75c for every succeeding dollar.

THE HOLIDAY STORE now in the Swiftest Whirlpool of Business Ever Before Known.

ORCHESTRA CONCERT TO-NIGHT BETWEEN 8 AND 10 O'CLOCK. ALL ARE INVITED.

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GEORGIA'S BIG FEDERAL JOBS

NO IMMEDIATE CHANGES

ARE LIKELY TO BE MADE BY THE PRESIDENT.

Secretary Shaw Says There is no War on in the Case of the Savannah Customs Collectorship or the Internal Revenue Collectorship. The President Has Announced a New Policy in Making Appointments.

By R. M. Lerner.
Washington, Dec. 21.—The presence of Maj. J. P. Hanson in Washington has started afresh the report that Collector of Customs Deveaux at Savannah, and Internal Revenue Collector Rucker, at Atlanta, are to be replaced by white men at an early day. This report is said to be in line with a new policy the President is about to inaugurate in dealing with federal appointments in the South.

In support of the story, it was said that Col. Bob Lowry, of Atlanta, was here last week to confer with the President and Secretary Shaw on the subject. It was also said that Maj. Hanson was invited by the President to come to Washington to consider the appointment of successors to Deveaux and Rucker. At the White House it was denied that any discussion of Georgia patronage has been held between the President and the gentleman named. Maj. Hanson did not go to the White House to-day. He has not been invited, but he will probably call and pay his respects to the President while here.

Secretary Shaw is positive that neither the President nor any one else has discussed the removal of Deveaux or Rucker with him. The records of the department show that Collector Deveaux's commission under his latest appointment does not expire until April, 1906. Rucker has no limit to his commission, although he was appointed about the same time as Deveaux. Secretary Shaw says the President has never indicated to him that he intends to inaugurate a new policy in dispensing federal patronage in the Southern states. He has said repeatedly that he proposes to judge each case as it arises on its individual merits, and in making appointments or reappointments he proposes to consult the best interests of the business people of the communities directly interested. Whatever the President's policy in dealing with Georgia and other appointments may be, he has not outlined it to any one thus far, and speculation on the subject without substantial foundation may bring about results unsatisfactory to the communities affected, which might otherwise be avoided.

A searching inquiry at the White House, the Treasury Department and of those Georgians who might be informed on such an important subject fails to disclose any movement looking to an immediate change in the collectorship at Savannah or the Internal Revenue collectorship at Atlanta.

WOMAN, GO AND SIN NO MORE.

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Speak a few words for this poor girl he has made his plaything." Mr. Levy declared that every effort of the prosecution had failed to sustain the charge that the prisoner pursued and threatened to separate Young from his wife. All the evidence tended to prove that just the contrary was true, showing at all times Young's persistent and unflinching admiration.

Not Responsible for the Sister.
Referring to the part Nan Patterson's sister and brother-in-law have had in the case, the attorney said: "I am not responsible for Julia or her disreputable husband, and I would to God that I could have brought them here. What may or may not have prompted Julia to write the letter which has appeared in this trial, I do not know. I don't know if it may not be that hiding behind this defendant Morgan Smith or his wife were attempting to blackmail the deceased. There is no evidence connecting the defendant with the letter nor showing

Neither Suicide Nor Accident.
District Attorney Rand warned the jury that they should not be influenced by the plea of sympathy to which the counsel for the defense had been driven by the insurmountable wall of evidence which confronted him. After informing the jury that the prosecution and the defense agreed that either Young killed himself or was killed by the defendant, he attempted to show that the suicide or accident theory had been disproved. In the connection the headless corpse, less skeleton which has figured in the case was again brought before the jury.

Mr. Rand insisted that nothing more than the testimony of Fawcett Stern was needed to prove that Young was the victim of a premeditated murder. The defendant's counsel agreed, he said, that the gun was purchased for the purpose of killing Caesar Young, making it clear beyond a doubt that the killing was deliberate and premeditated. He maintained that it had been proven by competent witnesses that Young never carried a revolver and that he had no revolver the day he was killed. That, he said, would destroy the suicide theory.

Affraid to Produce Smith.
The testimony of experts, which was made light of by Mr. Levy, was warmly defended by Mr. Rand. That testimony, said he, proved that Young could not have held the revolver in a position to make such a wound as caused his death. He declared also that all the conditions were opposed to the suicide theory. A man contemplating such an act would be morose, while Young that morning had every reason for an exactly opposite feeling. He had just shaken from his shoulders the burden which he had carried for a year or more.

Many of the important points could have been proved by J. Morgan Smith, the defendant's brother-in-law, yet he had not been produced. This was due, Mr. Rand declared, to the fact that the defense did not dare to bring him forward, for then the prosecution would prove the claim it has made all along and still insists is true, that Smith purchased the revolver with which Young was killed.

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ANOTHER SATCHEL NOW LOOKED FOR

MRS. CHADWICK HAD IT

AND AUTHORITIES WANT TO KNOW WHAT WAS IN IT.

This Satchel Is Said to Have Found Its Way Into the Hands of Mrs. Chadwick's Attorney, J. P. Dawley, Who Will Be Asked to Tell What It Contained—Former Housekeeper of Mrs. Chadwick Told of the Satchel's Existence.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 21.—Still another satchel, one thought by Receiver Nathan Looser to contain valuables belonging to Mrs. Chadwick, was today found to be missing.

This developed in a short examination of Mrs. Mary Landrville, Mrs. Chadwick's former housekeeper, held before Referee in Bankruptcy Remington.

The discovery is in addition to the missing trunk and grip that disappeared from the Holland House in New York the day before Mrs. Chadwick was arrested.

Mrs. Landrville told of accompanying Mrs. Chadwick to the Hollenden Hotel here, at the latter's request, and of taking two satchels into a room. Asked as to what had become of the satchels, the witness replied:

"I was instructed to give the large one to D. L. Pine of this city. I called him up by telephone and told him about it, and asked him to come for it. He arrived after Mrs. Chadwick had left for New York, and I gave it to him."

The satchel, she said, contained letters and papers. She did not know what had become of the other satchel. Mr. Pine admitted that he secured the satchel and kept it until Emil Hoover, Mrs. Chadwick's son, called for it last Sunday night. Emil told him that his mother's attorney, J. P. Dawley, wanted it. He said he was not curious as to what the satchel contained, but thought there were papers in it. Receiver Looser said he would ask the attorney to tell the contents of the satchel. The hearing was then continued until Friday morning.

Receiver Looser said to-day it was not likely that Mrs. Chadwick would again be summoned before the bankruptcy court.

WINE WAS SAVED.
Fire Considerately Spared That Feature of Metropolitan Club.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The Metropolitan Club house, the home of the most fashionable club in Washington, was gutted by fire to-day, involving an estimated loss of \$60,000 to \$100,000, partially covered by insurance. The fire was caused by a spark from an electric wire near the elevator shaft.

A library estimated to be worth upwards of \$15,000 and containing some volumes that cannot be replaced, escaped practically unharmed, and the flames did not reach the wine cellar.

PLANS TO ORGANIZE COTTON ASSOCIATION.

How the Movement to Aid the Growers Will Operate.

Fort Worth, Tex., Dec. 21.—At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Cotton Association here to-day plans were adopted for the organization of the National Cotton Association under the resolutions adopted by the convention at Shreveport, Dec. 15. Oswald Wilson, of Fort Worth, Tex., was unanimously elected secretary of the Executive Committee; J. W. Spencer, president of the Farmers and Mechanics National Bank, Fort Worth, national treasurer, and George N. Aldridge, of Dallas, was added to the Executive Committee.

The work of the association was divided among four different committees, as follows: For national legislation, E. H. Peters, Calvert, Tex., chairman; press and railroads, Stanley H. Watson, of Houston, chairman; cooperation, O. P. Pyle, Mineola, Tex., chairman; organization, Oswald Wilson, of Fort Worth, chairman; state legislation, J. H. Connell, for Texas, Dallas; P. M. Potts, for Louisiana, Natchitoches, La.

Each chairman is to name his committee at the earliest moment.

The secretary was instructed to send to the state chairman the plan of organization of the Executive Committee, so each state may be organized on the same lines.

The objects of this organization are: To urge upon every farmer in the Southern States the absolute necessity of diversification, rotation and the cultural system of growing cotton.

To secure legislation in all of the cotton states for the protection of insectivorous birds and to destroy systematically the cotton stalks as soon as the cotton is picked.

To secure these results, steps will be taken to systematically organize the entire cotton country.

The following members were in attendance to-day: E. H. Peters, Calvert, Tex.; P. M. Potts, Natchitoches, La.; Stanley H. Watson, Houston, Tex.; O. P. Pyle, Mineola, Tex.; N. C. Murray, Greenville, Tex.; Oswald Wilson, Fort Worth, Tex.

COTTON MILL MEN
WILL NOT ARBITRATE.

Reject the Proposition Submitted by the Textile Council.

Fall River, Mass., Dec. 21.—The Fall River cotton manufacturers have rejected the proposition for arbitration by the National Civic Federation, submitted by the textile council and ratified yesterday by mass meetings of five unions. Secretary Taylor of the textile council received the reply to-day.

The communication is brief, and in addition to the refusal, adds that the manufacturers can offer no plan that will involve any change in the 12½ per cent. reduction in wages.

DENSER THAN USUAL IN DEAR OLD LONDON.

The Fog So Thick That It Stopped the Traffic.

London, Dec. 21.—London was enveloped to-day in a black fog more dense than anything witnessed during the last two years. As early as 2 p. m. the city was lighted everywhere, the same as at night, but even electricity and gas failed to dispel the gloom.

The fog was particularly thick in the West End, where the streets were crowded with Christmas shoppers. In many places the traffic was almost completely stopped, and the greatest care was necessary to avoid accidents, a number of which have already been reported.

As night closed in the density increased and vehicle traffic in the most crowded section of the center of London was completely stopped. Singularly the fog was not so thick in the East End as in the West End, but within a circle of a mile, with Trafalgar Square as the center, it was so opaque that foot passengers lost their way.

Some of the scenes witnessed were pitiful, some were ridiculous and the whole was extremely weird. There were instances in which women became hysterical, and even the police lost their sense of direction and omnibus drivers became confused and drove onto the sidewalks, until finally all traffic was held up. At the main crossings and on the streets leading thereto, long shadowy lines of omnibuses, cabs and wagons loaded with Christmas packages stood motionless. The most brilliant electric lights only served to make the darkness visible. Torch boys were requisitioned and they did a rushing trade.

The railroad trains were all delayed. Queen Alexandra, who intended to leave London for Sandringham this evening, postponed her departure on account of the fog, and the consequent difficulty of driving to the station from Buckingham palace.

TO GIVE AUTHORITY
TO ADJUST THE RATES.

President Favors Such a Bill for Commerce Commission.

Washington, Dec. 21.—President Roosevelt discussed to-day with several callers proposed legislation regarding the question of railroad freight rebates and the question of empowering the Interstate Commerce Commission with authority to adjust freight rates.

It was stated to-day by one of the President's callers that Attorney General Moody now was engaged in the preparation of a bill which would embody the views of the administration on the question, and that the measure would be presented to Congress soon after the holiday recess.

The President has announced that the bill he is willing to support must be fair to both the railroads and the people.

Gov. Durbin at Waycross.

Waycross, Ga., Dec. 21.—Gov. W. P. Durbin, wife and son, of Indiana, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. McFadden, at their home on Pendleton street to-day. The Governor and his party have been spending several days in this section, most of the time having been spent hunting. Yesterday the party, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. McFadden, W. B. Beebe, of Columbus, O., and E. H. Tripp, of Indianapolis, Ind., went to Jacksonville, spending the day. The Governor and party will leave to-night in their special car for some.

FEDERAL CHARTERS FOR CORPORATIONS.

Heyburn Thinks Those Doing Interstate Business Should Have Them.

Washington, Dec. 21.—Senator Heyburn of Idaho had an extended talk with the President to-day on the subject of federal charters for corporations doing an interstate commerce business.

The Senator will introduce a measure providing for the incorporation under United States laws all corporations doing an interstate business. The bill will provide that corporations now in existence must take out federal charters and that such corporations as may thereafter be organized also shall incorporate under federal laws.

All such corporations will be under the supervision of the bureau of corporations.

DIVIDENDS ON THE READING.

First Ever Declared on the Holding Company's Stock.

Philadelphia, Dec. 21.—The directors of the Reading Company, the holding company of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company and the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company, property, to-day declared a semi-annual dividend of one and one-half per cent. on the common stock, the first that has ever been authorized on the stock of the holding concern.

Prior to declaring the dividend on the common stock the directors declared a semi-annual dividend of 2 per cent. on the second preferred stock, of record April 22. It was obligatory for the directors to place the second preferred stock on a 4 per cent. per annum basis before a dividend could be declared on the common stock.

Peculiar Accident in Sawmill.

Valdosta, Ga., Dec. 21.—News was received here to-day of a peculiar, but serious, and probably fatal accident to Mr. Bubber Albright, of the Old Redland district. Mr. Albright was working at his sawmill and was operating the log conveyor. When the log cleared the saw and started back for another cut, he did not notice that a heavy piece of rough-edge was left upon the conveyor. When this piece of timber came in contact with the rapidly revolving saw it flew up and struck Mr. Albright in the face with enough force to break his chin and shatter his jaw bone.

Fired More Rural Carriers.

Washington, Dec. 21.—Postmaster General Wynne to-day removed two more rural carriers for alleged efforts to influence legislation, the employees being H. E. Reading of Berthoud, Col., and J. W. Whitehead of Medina, O. Nevins is chairman of the executive board of the National Rural Carriers Association. Whitehead also is a member of the executive board and is secretary of the Ohio state organization of the carriers.

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