

\$10 REWARD

We shall give \$10.00 in gold as a first prize, and \$5.00 as a second prize, to the boy or girl under eighteen years of age writing the best poem of two or more verses, using the MONARCH RANGE as subject of the poem. All poems to be handed in before 6 P. M. on February 16, 1905

CHARLES HEILBORN & SON

Complete House Furnishers. 590-592 Commercial St.

RUNNING FULL TIME

Steel Corporation Is Crowded by Its Orders.

NEARLY EVERY PLANT BUSY

Tubes, Bars, Plates and Shapes Get the Heaviest Run—Orders for Second Half of the Year Are Held for \$1 Increase.

New York, Jan. 19.—With some minor exceptions the markets all along the line have been rather quiet during the past week and there are, says the Iron Age, some alarmists who show symptoms of uneasiness. The very fact that the trade is producing and consuming so enormous a quantity for this season of the year seems to inspire doubts as to the possibility of maintaining the pace. On the other hand, the principal preoccupation of other conservative interests is that there may be danger of a runaway market as the usually busy season, spring, approaches. Powerful influences are arrayed on the side of keeping prices of finished materials at the present level, with the possible exception of wire products, and this causes hesitation on the part of smaller manufacturers to book much additional business when they must cover the raw material at the present range of prices. Some of them seem to look forward to another period of premiums over official prices for quick delivery.

In spite of the fact that the steel

corporation is turning nearly every wheel which it controls, the management is forced in many finished lines to prorrate shipments in the order in which specifications have been received, being unable to fill the demands of all. The steel corporation is running 94 per cent of its blast furnace capacity, has every steel plant except Columbus, in operation; is operating 99 per cent of the tin plate mills, 98 per cent of the sheet mills and is running full on tubes bars, plates and shapes.

A considerable tonnage of ore is being contracted for. Eastern furnacemen have taken several hundred thousand tons of non-Bessemer Mesaba ores on the basis of \$3 a ton as compared with \$2.40 a ton last year. The eastern furnaces already have bought some considerable quantities of European and Cuban ores, while eastern home producers are crowded for deliveries beyond their capacity.

The event of the week has been the purchase on the part of the steel corporation of 25,000 tons of Bessemer pig at \$15.50 Valley furnace. Otherwise the crude metal markets have been exceedingly quiet in all the distributing centers.

The attitude of sellers and buyers to the future has been indicated by the outcome of some large inquiries for the second half of the year. The market asked an advance of \$1 a ton over present prices, which the sellers decline to consider.

There has been somewhat market activity and an advance of about \$3 a ton in Suelp. There have been a number of large transactions in Pittsburg, the eastern and central Pennsylvania mills participating in the business.

The steel market is quiet. The makers continue confident, and count on some very heavy orders later on for the west and southwest.

Our annual sale commences on Tuesday, January 24; every article in the store reduced—with a few exceptions. C. H. Cooper.

GROWS GOOD APACE

New York Grafters Are All Being Arrested.

SLUMMING PARTIES CAPTURED

Women Grew Hysterical Over the Situation—Palmist Knocks Out Three Coppers With Her Fists. Loads of Culprits Taken.

New York, Jan. 19.—Police activity continued throughout during the early hours in the campaign against gambling houses and illegal resorts.

A squad of officers closed in on a suspected house on West Twenty-eighth street and found gambling in progress. The frightened players struggled with the detectives. All were permitted to escape except two men who were charged with conducting the place. The furnishings were seized.

Early in the night raids were made on two drinking resorts in Twenty-ninth street near Broadway and several wagonloads of habitués were arrested. Two or three slumming parties got into the police net and the women members became hysterical over the situation. They were liberated.

Palmists and the like appear also to have fallen under the ban. One woman was arrested after laying two or three policemen low with her fists. A police matron had given her marked money in return for pretended service.

NEGRO EDUCATION.

The Work Was Never in So Encouraging Condition.

New York, Jan. 19.—At the annual meeting here of the Armstrong Association, interested in educational work among the negroes an increase of nearly 200 members, making the total 730, was reported. William Jay Scheffelin was re-elected president. A recent innovation—that of holding meetings in private houses, was discussed. Only comparative strangers to the work among the negroes have been invited to these meetings which have resulted in many contributions to the association funds.

In addressing the meeting, Dr. H. B. Frissell of Hampton institute said:

"We have 100 more students than ever before, and a comparative increase in the number of teachers. We have increased the school course to four instead of three years, with a year's post graduate. To meet the extra expense we shall have to raise \$20,000 this year. The endowment fund, now \$1,200,000, ought to be increased."

Installation of Officers.

At its last meeting Fern chapter No. 38, Order Eastern Star, installed the following officers: Worthy matron, Myra A. Reed; worthy patron, W. T. Scholfield; associate matron, Mary Strenmeyer; secretary, Laura M. Lounsberry; treasurer, Ella Morton; conductress, Inie Campbell; associate conductress, Rebecca Goodin; chaplain, Eliza J. Hustler; Ada, Augusta McGregor; Ruth, Ruth Cornelius; Esther, Tillie Christensen; Martha, Kate M. Welden; Electa, Lucy Morton; warder, Della Schultz; sentinel Louis Hartwig; marshal, Kate B. Stuart.

Past patron, G. W. Lounsberry acted as installing officer and on behalf of Fern chapter presented to retiring Worthy Matron Isabella Cleveland a beautiful past matron's pin. The ceremonies of the evening concluded with a bountiful spread and music in the banquet hall.

Worst of All Experiences.

Can anything be worse than to feel that every minute will be your last? Such was the experience of Mrs. S. H. Newson, Decatur, Ala. "For three years," she writes, "I endured insufferable pain from indigestion, stomach and bowel trouble. Death seemed inevitable when doctors and all remedies failed. At length I was induced to try Electric Bitters and the result was marvelous. I improved at once and now I'm completely recovered. For Liver, Kidney, Stomach and Bowel troubles Electric Bitters is the only medicine. Only 50c. It's guaranteed by Chas. Rogers, druggist."

CALIFORNIA RESTAURANT.

Reopened Under New Management. John Blasch has leased the California Restaurant and Oyster House and is now prepared to serve the public. The best oysters and meals in the city. Family trade supplied. Good cooks, polite waiters and prompt service.

Greatly in Demand.

Nothing is more in demand than a medicine which meets modern requirements for a blood and system cleanser, such as Dr. King's New Life Pills. They are just what you need to cure stomach and liver troubles. Try them. At Chas. Rogers' drug store, 25c, guaranteed.

HAVE YOU WEAK LUNGS?

Do You Fear Consumption?

"When we take into consideration the fact that one out of every seven in this climate die of consumption, is it any wonder that it is feared by the people of Astoria, who have weak lungs and chronic colds and coughs?" said Mr. Rogers, our local druggist, to an Astorian reporter.

"A famous London physician has for years urged his patients, when the slightest tendency to consumption appeared, to take all the cod liver oil possible into their systems, and physicians everywhere have recognized its value for coughs, colds, bronchitis, consumption and all wasting diseases, but, unfortunately few could take it and derive any benefit from its use, on account of the indigestible grease which it contained.

"Now," continued Mr. Rogers, "I want every person in Astoria to know the value of our new cod liver oil preparation, Vinol. It actually contains in a concentrated form all of the body-building elements of cod liver oil actually taken from fresh cods' livers, without a drop of oil or grease to upset the stomach and retard its work.

"Therefore, wherever old-fashioned cod liver oil or emulsions will do good, Vinol will do far more good. We guarantee Vinol will improve the appetites, strengthen digestion, make rich red blood, create strength, cure chronic coughs and colds and strengthen weak lungs.

"We have letters from people who have been given up to die in consumption and claim to have been cured by Vinol. Among others is the following from Mrs. J. G. Brown of Anderson, Ind.:

"Our daughter was on the verge of the grave with consumption. Our family physician said she could not possibly recover. She was so weak we could only give her half a teaspoonful of port wine at a time, this being the only thing she could take into her stomach. We tried Vinol, however, and after taking several bottles, our daughter was up and taking her meals regularly, and is now as healthy as she ever was. We hope other dear ones may be saved as ours was, and words are inadequate to express our gratitude to you and your splendid cod liver oil preparation, Vinol."

"If Vinol fails to give satisfaction to our customers, we return your money without question." Chas. Rogers, Druggist.

Great reduction in dry goods and clothing will be made during the month of January at our annual sale, now going on. C. H. Cooper.

Next Time

You need a pair of Men's, Women's or Children's

SHOES

Honest, Durable Shoes

For less money than you have been paying try

S. A. GIMRE

543-545 Bond St.



Economy Brand Evaporated Cream

goes farthest, because it is most concentrated; is most nourishing, because richest in cream; most perfect, because most skillfully prepared. Its purity is guaranteed under forfeit of \$5,000 to anyone able to prove any adulteration in our product.

FACTS are a STONEWALL ARGUMENT.

S. DANZIGER & CO.

488 and 490 Commercial Street.

Are going to tear this building from Stem to Stern, work will commence early in February or just as soon as this stock is reduced in size so as to allow the workmen room to begin alterations.

\$15,000 worth of as good and fine CLOTHING, HATS, SHOES AND FURNISHINGS as there is in the state is on the CLOCK OF SACRIFICE at

25 TO 50 PER CENT OFF REGULAR PRICES!

Stein Bloch & Co. and other finest makes, or just a notch better clothing than any other store in Astoria handles. S. Danziger & Co. always were Astoria's greatest Clothiers, and when the **BIG STORE** opens for Spring trade we will be still greater, comparing favorably with the best stores on the entire coast.

MEN'S SUITS.

There are hundreds upon hundreds of fine Suits that are so low in price that you cannot afford to miss this sale. \$6.65 for all kinds of \$10 and \$12 Suits. \$9.65 for all kinds of \$13, \$15 and \$16.50 Suits. \$13.65 for choice of hundreds of finest \$18, \$20, \$22 and \$25 Suits.

OVERCOATS AND CRAVENETTES.

Our entire line of fine garments are on Sacrifice Sale at the lowest prices known. \$6.85 for our great \$10 and \$12 Overcoats. \$8.85 for all kinds of \$15 and \$16.50 Overcoats. \$11.85 for all kinds of \$18 and \$20 Overcoats. \$16.85 for choice of all our fine \$22, \$25 and \$30 Overcoats.

HATS.

\$1.35 for \$2 and \$2.50 Soft and Stiff Hats. \$2.35 for \$3 and \$3.50 Hats. \$3 for Hawes Hat. As we are under contract not to cut prices on this hat we will give each customer buying a Hawes Hat the choice of any necktie or suspenders in the house.

MEN'S PANTS.

More than a thousand pairs—the best kinds. \$1.45 for \$2 and \$2.50 Pants. \$1.95 for \$3 Pants. \$2.65 for \$4 Pants. \$3.65 for \$5 and \$6 Pants. Mackintosh Coats Just Half Price.

YOUNG MEN'S SUITS.

\$4.90 for \$7.50 Suits. \$7.90 for \$10 and \$12 Suits. \$9.90 for \$13.50, \$15 and \$18 Suits.

SHOES.

Our entire stock of Fine Shoes at sacrifice. \$1.35 for odd lot \$2 and \$2.50 Shoes. \$1.75 for choice of all \$2.50 Shoes. \$2.75 for choice of all \$3.50 and \$4 Shoes. \$2.25 for choice of \$3.50 logger's Shoes. \$3.50 for choice of \$4.50 and \$5 Fine Logging Shoes.

BOY'S OVERCOATS.

13 to 20 Sizes. \$3.45 for \$6 and \$7.50 Overcoats. \$6.95 for \$10 Overcoat. \$9.95 for \$15 and \$18 Overcoats.

FURNISHING GOODS.

Our fine new fresh stock must be sold. Let the loss be what it may. Now, men, boys and women, your time has come. 5c for choice of white and colored 10c Handkerchiefs. 5c for 15c Celluloid Collars, all styles. 5c for 10c Good Quality Cotton Sox. 8c for 15c Extra Quality Cotton Sox. 10c for ladies' 20c fine Bal. Hose. 12 1/2c for Wool Marino 20c Sox. 17c, 3 pair for 50c, best quality 25c Wool Sox. 35c for best quality Heavy German Knit 50c Sox. 15c for all 25c and 35c Suspenders. 35c for all 50c, 65c and 75c Suspenders.

KNEE PANTS SUITS.

Hundreds to Select from. The best and latest styles. \$1.65 for \$2.50 Suits. \$2.35 for \$3.50 Suits. \$3.35 for \$4.50 Suits. \$3.95 for \$5, \$6 and \$7 Suits.

ODD KNEE PANTS.

35c for 50c all wool. 55c for 75c extra good. 5c for 10c stockings.

SHIRTS.

Largest stock of nobby and fresh styles in Astoria at less than wholesale cost. 35c for Golf soft bosom or Nobby stiff bosom, also Black Sateen, etc., worth 50c and 65c. 45c for Black Sateen, soft or stiff bosom, with or without cuffs. Worth 75c. 85c for Monarch and other brands worth \$1.25. \$1.15 for all kinds of \$1.50 Shirts.

UNDERWEAR.

35c for Broken Lots Derby Rib, heavy, worth 50c and 65c. 45c for fancy French Bal. Rib, worth 75c. 85c for Ex. Quality Wool, \$1.25 value. \$1.15 for Select Quality, \$1.50 and \$1.75 value. \$1.45 for \$2 and \$2.50 Best Imported Stock.

CHILDREN'S OVERCOATS.

2 to 12 Sizes. \$1.65 for \$2.50 and \$3 Overcoats. \$2.85 for \$4 Overcoats. \$3.85 for \$5, \$6 and \$7 Overcoats.