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Our list of Christmas presents are full of interest
Special sale in all lines of ready-to-wear garments
Our line of toys still complete, and prices beyond competition.

TAKES OVER THE UNEXPIRED LEASEHOLD

FRED L. JOHNSON SUCCEEDS THE TELEPHONE PEOPLE ON COMMERCIAL STREET

Fred L. Johnson, proprietor of the Johnson Phonograph Parlors, on 12th street, yesterday closed negotiations with the owners of the Fulton-Dement block, on Commercial street, just east of Twelfth, whereby he secured the unexpired lease of the property, of five and one-half years, and will take possession very early in January next or just as soon as the Pacific States Telephone Company relinquishes the property and goes to its new and cozy quarters on Exchange street.

The building will be generously remodeled and handsomely finished and furnished, and Mr. Johnson's share of it, devoted to his present line of business, will be one of the handsomest and most modern in the city. It is not known what effect this change will have upon the other occupants of the premises, but as nothing was said on this score it is not likely to interfere in any way with those now doing business there. It is one of the best stands in the city, and under Mr. Johnson's energetic treatment will be

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Eleventh and Commercial Sts.

FOR SMOKERS ARTICLES

Cigars, 50c Per Box and Up
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HAS THE SANCTION OF GOOD WOMANHOOD

INTERESTING LETTER FROM A WELL-KNOWN ASTORIA MOTHER.

The Morning Astorian is in receipt of the following interesting and unanimous endorsement of the legislation proposed by Dr. B. Owens-Adair in the matter of the legal sterilization of all manner of human perverts and weaklings; and it is peculiarly valuable testimony since it comes from one of the very best of Astoria's good women, one who, daring to think, dares to declare her conclusions for the good of humanity. It reads as follows:

"Editor of the Morning Astorian.—Dear Sir: I, as a reader of your valuable paper, was greatly pleased to see the fearless way in which you, with terse and graphic editorial comment, recently published the communication of Dr. Owens-Adair, and in which you proclaimed your advocacy of the betterment of human society along the lines prescribed by her.

"Now in regard to this law of heredity of which Dr. Adair speaks and seeks to make good upon, we know that the 'sins of the father are visited upon the children from generation to generation' and remain with us interminably, while we do but little, in a scientific and logical way, to minimize and banish them; and actually foster them instead, by too slavish a devotion to tradition and custom.

"All of our public institutions, asylums, penitentiaries, reformatories, are literally menaces to human advancement, when looked upon from a humanitarian standpoint; and this fact of itself is one of the stoutest pleas that may be offered for Dr. Adair's proposed route to human freedom. None of these blasting ills are new; they are old as time itself. The poor human entity can only break itself against the solid law of moral nature, and so we must revert to the laws of men wise in their generation for the only relief, which, in the larger sense, is available. Therefore, why not try this certain expedient? It is always well to face the truth, especially when we are on the quest of world-wide good such as is bound up in this tremendous problem. And think of the ever accumulating burdens of taxation involved in the useless courses we have pursued to relieve and protect the helpless and the vicious.

"The world is peopled with criminals who are daily committing kleptomanical thefts, suicides, murders in round about ways, adulteries, lying,



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suits or overcoats; but we'll sell it to you in such a way that you'll make a good big clothes-profit.

If you want to give a present that is sure to please a man, this is the store for your money. We've got lots of the small things men need; neckwear, gloves, fancy hose, suspenders, canes and umbrellas, mufflers, fine shirts and underwear, fancy waistcoats. Useful gifts are always most acceptable.

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SMOKING JACKETS

P.A. Stokes

BATH ROBES

come all the more so. The rooms at present occupied by the phonograph parlors will be made over into an elegant five-room flat, which will be rented; in fact, three of the apartments are already in beautiful shape under the clever manipulation of B. F. Allen.

DENIES THE STORIES.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 19.—F. G. Kuehnen, general wrecking foreman on the Panama Canal, who is home to spend the vacation with his family in this city, says that the Panama Canal will be completed in six years and that stories of underground lakes, fatal slides and other disasters are untrue and work great injustice to the men responsible for the progress on the canal.

"The undertaking is going forward with great dispatch," said Mr. Kuehnen, "and the officers in charge will get credit for wonderful work when the task is finished. The stories circulated in this country that the canal will not be finished are false and unjust. There are now about 22,000 men working on the canal, of whom 6000 are Americans. A good many are Spanish, and they make good work-

HANDLING MUCH CASH.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Cash and securities, totalling half a billion dollars will move through the streets of New York and Brooklyn, respectively today and tomorrow, the occasion being moving time for the Dime Savings Bank in Brooklyn and the National City Bank of 52 Wall street. Both institutions go to new quarters. Thirty-two million in cash and securities, guarded by two lines of special policemen will be transferred in automobiles by the Brooklyn institution today, while \$50,000,000 in cash and \$500,000,000 in securities goes to the new home of the National City Bank just across the street from the old building on Sunday.

perjury, drunkenness, with no way of reaching such, even by moral suasion, because they are 'dead in sin', caring for nothing except to evade law, and much of this is fostered by misdirected sympathy, wrongly used wealth, called charity. The weak should be hedged about and guarded against themselves by resorting to the means which are used so effectively upon the lower and much less dangerous animals, which, without any compunction whatever we render harmless. So may we not go a step farther and remove this awful menace of dumb helpless grief with which we are burdened and for whose restraint and for whose keeping we are so grievously burden-

ed. It is for these that armies of physicians and nurses, attendants and guards and keepers, as the keepers of wild caged beasts are employed at such enormous expense by enlightened nations; the contemplation of which is so horrible that it makes the soul sick to even try to think of it.

"MRS. OLIVA REES WELCH.

The Man in the Moon. The dark markings so conspicuous on the moon and known as the "man in the moon" are great plains, lying at a much lower level than the brighter parts. In all probability they are old sea bottoms, some of them having undergone upheavals and other changes since the water retreated from them, others presenting the appearance of being unchanged since the time when the waters dried up or were in some other way removed from them.

His Thirst.

Husband—May, just send up some filtered water. Wife—Which was it last night, "Detained at the office" or "A friend at the club?" Husband—Why? Wife—Because I didn't know whether you wanted a tumbler or a painful. London Opinion.

Off His Mind.

"Have you forgotten that X that you borrowed of me some time ago?" "Oh, no. I still have it in my mind." "Well, don't you think this would be a good time to relieve your mind of it?"

The sorrow of yesterday is as nothing, that of today is bearable, but that of tomorrow is gigantic because indistinct.—Euripides.

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