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## TODAY THE LAST DAY.

.....THE SALE OF THE SEASON.....

# 500—PAIRS OF MEN'S PANTS WILL BE SOLD—500

## AT HALF PRICE.

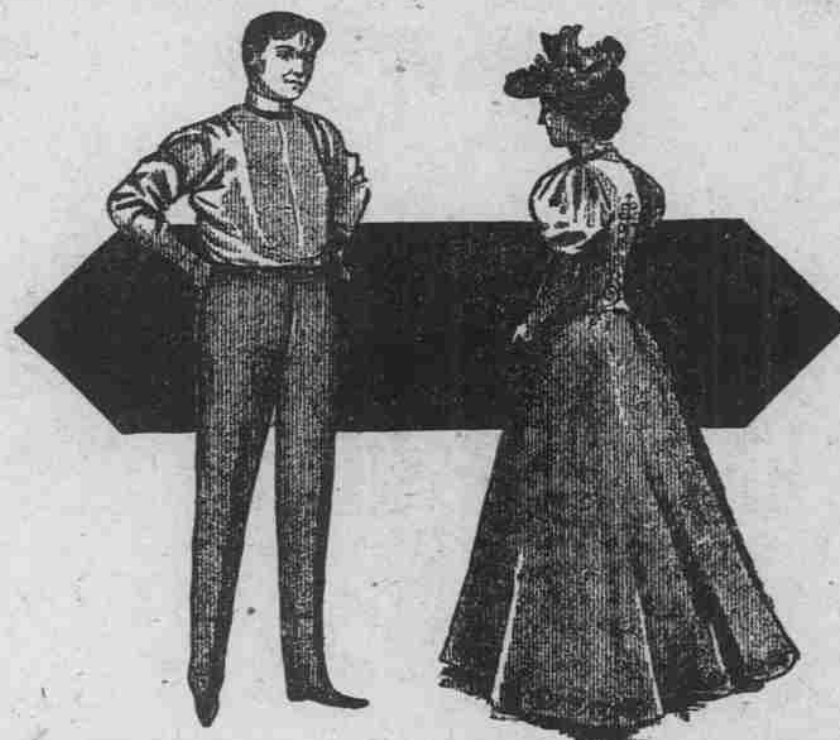
### We Have a Way of Doing Things

Peculiarly our own. If we do anything at all we do it Right.—do it thoroughly. We have too many pairs of pants in stock. We wish to reduce our stock. To do this quickly and thoroughly we apply the lever of "cut prices," and such a cut,

## ..Half-Price..

Prices Range from \$1.25 to \$5.50.

## A. M. Williams & Co.



### HOW DO THEY FIT?

Try on any pair—your size—from our complete pants stock, and that question will always be satisfactorily answered. So will the price. Here you will find worsteds, chevots and cassimeres in pretty stripes and checks, bars, widewales, plaids and sedate mixtures—made to wear, made to fit and fit to wear anywhere.

### Today the last day.

Positively the last day of this great sacrifice sale of Men's everyday and Sunday trousers. If you have not as yet turned this sale to your own individual advantage, it is high time you did so. If you have allowed any possible feeling of skepticism in regard to the genuineness of our price-cut, to keep you away, we ask you to do us the justice of an investigation. Today positively the last day when you can buy Men's trousers at half-price. Do as so many others have done—Profit by it.

### ...Pants at Half-Price...

Makers are... **K. N. & F. and Sweet, Orr & Co.**

PAUSE TO CONSIDER THAT

\$5.00 buys two pair of \$5.00 Pants during this sale, or one pair for \$2.50.

## A. M. Williams & Co.

### DONS TRYING FOR MORE MONEY

Americans Asked to Receive a Counter Proposition to Their Ultimatum.

### REQUEST WILL BE DECLINED

Demand Must Be Acceded to as Last Presented By Our Commissioners. Indications Now are that the Time Limit Set by the United States Will Be Exhausted by Spain.

PARIS, Nov. 25.—It is now known that Spain will exhaust her time limit, which expires Monday, before replying to the American offer regarding the Philippine islands. In the meantime the Spaniards are canvassing every field and exhausting every resource to put off the inevitable.

Now the Spaniards apparently doubt the fixedness of the amount the Americans offered for the Philippines, and today they sent a communication to the American commissioners asking if the latter would accept a counter proposition by Spain to cede the Philippines for \$100,000,000.

Spain imagines the Americans might be willing to lop off the great island of

Mandanao from the Philippines and pay Spain \$50,000,000 for what would remain, instead of \$20,000,000 now offered for the entire archipelago.

Spain will learn in answer to such an inquiry that the Americans employ the word ultimatum to signify ultimate conditions. However strenuously Spain may seek to increase her money advantage for cession of the Philippines, she will finally be compelled to know that the United States' offer means \$20,000,000, no more and no less, and that the whole archipelago must pass into the hands of the United States for just that sum.

Spain, before giving up or turning away, will also propose some alternative bargain, perhaps the Carolines or Canary islands to be held in possession of the United States in addition to the Philippines, on condition that Spain be permitted to retain her sovereignty in the latter group. In other words, Spain would cede certain territory in the Carolines and the Canaries and control of the Philippines by the United States, but with nominal Spanish sovereignty, and as a further inducement propose that the United States shall pay to Spain no money on account of the Philippines.

#### Final Instructions to Rios.

MADRID, Nov. 25.—The Spanish ministers met in council today. They were occupied exclusively with consideration of the peace question. Eventually the ministry unanimously approved the instructions to Monterio Rios, at Paris, drawn up by the foreign and colonial ministers, which will be telegraphed to Paris tonight.

Premier Sagasta was asked if Monday's session would see the close of the Paris conference and the signature of the treaty of peace. He replied: "Who

knows? Maybe fresh incident will arise or further consultations or exchanges of view will be necessary.

#### Washington Confidential.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.—This afternoon when the cabinet adjourned, nothing had been received from Paris indicating what would be the Spanish reply to the latest memorandum of the American commissioners. No one in high official circles, however, doubts that the Spaniards ultimately will sign the treaty, although it is in some quarters thought a demand will be made for an increase in the amount of the cash payment named by the American commissioners.

#### Cuba Would Be Free Awhile.

NEW YORK, Nov. 25.—A dispatch to the Herald from Havana says:

Domingo-Mendez Capote, late vice-president of the Cuban republic, and now president of the executive commission, has expressed his belief that the future of Cuba would inevitably be annexation to the United States. This he said was the natural outcome of recent events, but he denied that Cuban leaders have had aspiration. The independence which so long animated the Cuban people is to be temporarily satisfied. They wish for a short period at least to see their own flag waving over "Free Cuba."

They recognize that annexation will come, and that shortly and by the unanimous voice of the Cuban people themselves, but they desire to see the cause for which they had fought crowned with the success it deserves.

One dozen of those extra finish Platino Fotos, made by Gifford, will make you twelve fine presents for Christmas. Nothing would be appreciated more, and now is the time to sit for them. Don't put it off too long and then expect to have them finished in time. 1 im

### CAROLINES AND PELEWS NEEDED

United States May Purchase More Islands From Spain.

NEW YORK, Nov. 25.—A dispatch to the Herald from Washington says: There is reason to believe that the administration would be willing to purchase from Spain not only the Philippines, but all of the Carolines and the Pelew group.

It is no longer a secret that during the war the naval war board and Commander R. B. Bradford, chief of the bureau of equipment of the navy department, strenuously urged upon Secretary Long the seizure of the Carolines. In fact, one of the monitors sent to Manila was selected by the board by this duty, but the president failed to approve the proposition.

Behind the proposition to buy Ualan lies the hope in some quarters that Spain will make a counter proposition for the cession of the entire group and the Pelew islands for an increased compensation.

The occupation of Guam by this government was based upon the belief that it has a magnificent harbor, and would be an excellent stopping place between Honolulu and Manila. The American commissioners have now learned that the harbor is exposed to monsoons, that it is shallow, and that the island is subject to earthquakes.

In the Carolines most of the islands have excellent harbors, which are well sheltered. They are heavily wooded and supplied with fresh water, and

earthquakes are unknown. In addition they would, if acquired by the United States, be the outposts of the Philippines.

The belief prevails here that the Germans will bring pressure to bear upon Spain to prevent her from selling the Carolines to the United States. Such action would undoubtedly be looked upon as a cause for a breach of friendship.

#### Blackleg in Grant County.

LONG CREEK, Nov. 24.—A disease much dreaded by cattle growers, known as blackleg, has made its appearance in this county. L. B. Conger, a prominent cattle raiser, while in Long Creek yesterday, stated that during the past ten days the disease had killed five of his calves. He said that, while the appearance of the disease need not necessarily cause a fear of an epidemic, it is contagious, and generally proves fatal, and every cattle owner should guard against its spread as much as possible.

Mr. Conger was asked to give his opinion regarding the outlook for stock in Grant county. He said:

"As far as the cattle are concerned, the outlook is as good, in my opinion, as in former years. The snows of the past two weeks will lead in a general roundup of all outside stock, preparatory to feeding, but there is as yet no necessity for feeding the hay, which will no doubt be badly needed before spring opens up. As a rule, cattlemen have, owing to the late scarcity of grass, taken extraordinary precautions to lay in a good and sufficient amount of hay, and those who have neglected to do so will, as is generally the case, suffer some loss. Sheepmen are apt to suffer some loss, if reports are correct, but cattle are in far better condition than sheep, and unless the winter proves unusually severe, Grant county will market as many cat-

tle next year as it did during the past season."

#### Fatality Near Grant's Pass.

GRANT'S PASS, Or., Nov. 25.—An unknown man apparently 25 years of age, who has been cutting wood for J. A. Poole near Wolf creek, was killed this morning by a log rolling over and crushing him beyond recognition. There was no one near when the accident occurred, but from indications it seems as though a small limb caught in the clothes, carrying it along as the log made several revolutions down a steep grade. He claimed to hail from Mexico, but did not give his name.

### Are You Interested?

#### The O. R. & N. Co.'s New Book

On the Resources of Oregon, Washington and Idaho is being distributed. Our readers are requested to forward the addresses of their Eastern friends and acquaintances, and a copy of the work will be sent them free. This is a matter all should be interested in, and we would ask that everyone take an interest and forward such addresses to W. H. HURLBURT, General Passenger Agent, O. R. & N. Co., Portland.

#### For Sale.

The improvements of the fair grounds, fences, tanks, water cart, grand stand, pavilion, stables and sheds. Sealed bids will be received for any part or whole of this property by the undersigned on Dec. 1, 1898, the property to be removed from the grounds by January 1, 1899. Right reserved to refuse any or all bids.

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