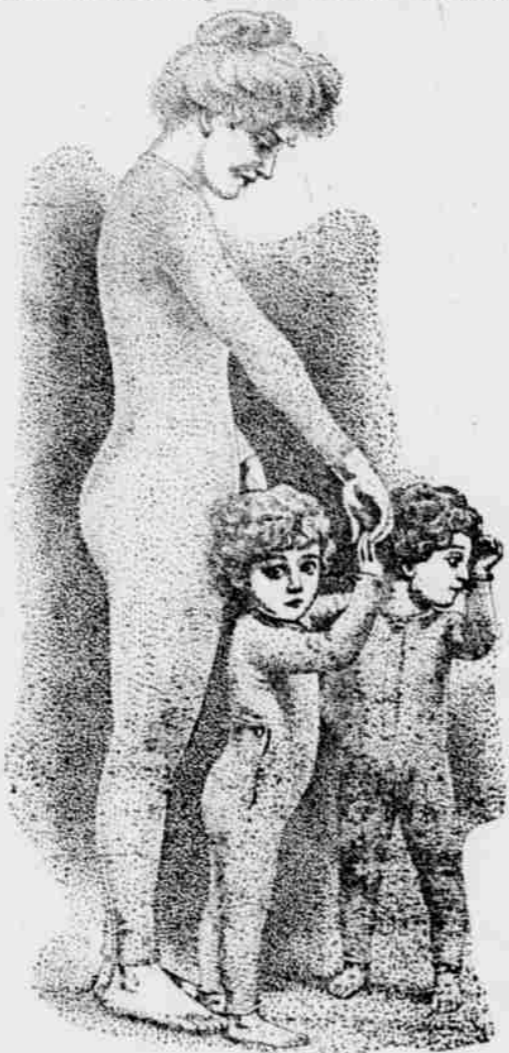


The Greater Alexander Department Store

We have been forced by the lateness of winter season to crowd into these first few days of December almost an entire month's selling of our finest winter Merchandise. This sale is to be the greatest we ever held in the history of this store. You seldom see such bargains in January or February

Underwear at Great Reductions

Owing to the fact that some lines are somewhat broken we will make the following reductions in Underwear:



UNION SUITS.	
\$3.50 Munsing Union Suits	\$2.75
\$3.00 Munsing Union Suits	\$2.40
\$2.50 Munsing Union Suits	\$2.15
\$2.25 Munsing Union Suits	\$1.90
\$2.00 Munsing Union Suits	\$1.60
\$1.75 Munsing Union Suits	\$1.40
\$1.50 Munsing Union Suits	\$1.15
\$1.25 Munsing Union Suits	98c
LADIES' VESTS AND PANTS	
\$2.00 Ladies' Vests and Pants	\$1.60
\$1.50 Ladies' Vests and Pants	\$1.15
\$1.25 Ladies' Vests and Pants	98c
\$1.00 Ladies' Vests and Pants	78c
75c Ladies' Vests and Pants	60c
All odds and ends in underwear including union suits, vests and pants at 1-2 price.	
CHILDREN'S UNDERWEAR.	
\$1.50 Children's Munsing Underwear	\$1.15
\$1.25 Children's Munsing Underwear	98c
\$1.00 Children's Munsing Underwear	78c
75c Children's Munsing Underwear	60c
50c Children's Munsing Underwear	40c
25c Children's Munsing Underwear	18c

Fancy Ribbons for the Holidays

We think the best assortment in eastern Oregon. All the wanted shades and prices from 25c to \$3.50 the yd.

JUST RECEIVED

A new assortment of Kayser's Neckwear for ladies. We are proud to say that this is the best line of neckwear to be had, while we can't show the assortment you would find in the City, we are showing something over 200 styles. A pleasure to show you.

Ladies Silk Waists

A beautiful line of silk waists in taffeta and messelane, all colors, Persians, plaids and plain colors. Some of which have been in our store less than two weeks, all fresh and new, free from soil of any kind.

\$7.50 Silk Waists will go at	\$5.75
\$6.50 Silk Waists will go at	\$4.75
\$5.00 Silk Waists will go at	\$3.75
\$4.50 Silk Waists will go at	\$3.25
\$3.50 Silk Waists will go at	\$2.75

Gloves "Fownes"



For Christmas we have added to our already large glove stock and now show a beautiful assortment in all sizes.

Ladies Hosiery

Very acceptable for Christmas and we are showing every style that we know about.

Silk Hose from	\$1.50 to \$3.00
Lisle Hose from	25c to \$1.50

Ladies Handkerchiefs

We have everything from the plain hemstitched to rose point real lace, French and Mederia embroidered, in fact every desired style in ladies handkerchiefs can be found here.

Silk Waist Patterns

Persians, plaids and stripes, all of which are pattern length and one of a color. Special \$4.75

Pay Just Half For Any Women's Suit

In order to sell in this 4 days sale what we would ordinarily sell in the month of December you may take your choice of all our suits at just exactly half; this includes suits in sizes from 14 to 47.

It includes suits whose selling prices are \$15.00 to \$50.00.

It includes everything we have without one reservation whatsoever.

Let us add that almost all the suits have been purchased just recently; that every suit of the sale is of popular style and desirable in every respect, and you can understand what a wonderful opportunity it is to buy at this reduction this early in the season.

Take your choice of all Women's Suits in our stock at just ONE-HALF.



Hair Switches

Big assortment, all grades from \$4.00 to \$9.00, your choice at this sale:

\$4.00 Hair Switches	\$2.25
\$6.00 Hair Switches	\$3.75
\$9.00 Hair Switches	\$4.75

Hair Puffs

All shades in two sizes:

\$2.50 Quality Hair Puffs	\$1.25
\$3.00 Quality Hair Puffs	\$1.50

Hair Nets

All shades, best qualities 10c

Black Taffeta 95c

For this sale a black taffeta sold regularly at \$1.50, 36 in. wide and worth \$1.50. Your choice 95c

Hand Bags

Both plain and fancy styles in material such as seal, Morocco, pig skin, velvet and linen. Prices at \$18.00

PRESIDENT TAFT SENDS MESSAGE

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for rapid and direct mail, passenger and freight communication quite so urgent as between the United States and Latin America. We can secure in no other quarter of the world such immediate benefits in friendship and commerce as would flow from the establishment of direct lines of communication with the countries of Latin America.

I alluded to this most important subject in my last annual message; it has often been before you and I need not recapitulate the reason for its recommendations. Unless prompt action be taken the completion of the Panama will find the only great commercial nation unable to avail in international maritime business of this great contribution to the means of the world's commercial intercourse. Quite aside from the commercial aspect, unless we create a merchant marine, where can we find the seafaring population necessary as a natural naval reserve and where could we find in case of war the transports and subsidiary vessels without which a naval fleet is arms without a body. For many reasons I cannot too strongly urge upon congress the passage of a measure by mail subsidy or other subvention adequate to guarantee the establishment and rapid development of an American merchant marine, the restoration of the American flag to its ancient place upon the seas.

I strongly commend to the favorable action of the congress the enact-

ment of a law applying to civil service to the diplomatic and consular service.

The excellent results which have attended the partial application of civil service principles to the diplomatic and consular services are an object lesson of the benefit to be wrought by a wider and more permanent extension of those principles to both branches of the foreign service.

During many years past appeals have been made from time to time to congress in favor of government ownership of embassy and legation premises abroad. The acquisition by the government of such suitable residences and offices for its diplomatic offices is so important and necessary to an improved diplomatic service that I have no hesitation in urging upon the congress the passage of some measure that would authorize the gradual and annual acquisition of premises for diplomatic employes.

Treasury Department.

Estimates for next year's expenses: Every effort has been made by each department chief to reduce the estimated cost of his department for the ensuing fiscal year ending June 30, 1912. These estimates thus made present the smallest sum which will maintain the department bureaus and offices of the government and meet its other conditions under existing law and that a cut of these estimates would result in embarrassing the executive branch of the government. This remark does not apply to the river and harbor estimates except to those for expenses of maintenance and the meeting of obligations under authorized contracts, nor does it apply to the public building bill nor to the navy building program.

The final estimates for the year ending June 30, 1912, as they have been sent to the treasurer on Novem-

ber 29 of this year for the ordinary expenses of the government, including those for public buildings, rivers and harbors and the navy building program amount to \$630,494,013.12. This is \$52,964,887,365 less than the appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1911. It is \$16,888,153.44 less than the total estimates including supplemental estimates submitted to congress by the treasury for the year 1911 and is \$5,574,659.19 less than the original estimates submitted by the treasury for 1911. These figures do not include the appropriations for the Panama canal, the policy in respect to which ought to be, and is, to spend as much each year as can be economically and effectively expended in order to complete the canal as promptly as possible. It will be noted that the estimates for the Panama canal for the ensuing year are more than fifty-six millions of dollars, an increase of twenty millions over the amount appropriated for this year, a difference due to the fact that estimates for 1912 include something over 15,000,000 for the fortification of the canal. Against the estimated expenditures of \$630,494,013.12, the treasury has estimated receipts for next year \$686,000,000, making a probable surplus of ordinary receipts over ordinary expenditures of about \$55,505,986.88, or taking into account the estimates for the Panama canal which are \$56,229,847.59, it will mean a deficit for the next year of about \$7,000,000 if congress shall conclude to fortify the canal. The cost of the fortification of the canal is about \$19,000,000.

The president refers to the antiquated methods in vogue in the treasury department and says that the head of that department has for two years been devoting his time to bringing the department up to date, eliminating waste and reducing the force,

largely in the interest of economy. By the detection of frauds in weighing sugar upwards of \$3,400,000 have been recovered from the beneficiaries of the fraud and an entirely new system free from the possibility of such a fraud has been devised. The department has perfected the method of collecting duties at the port of New York so as to save the government upwards of ten or eleven million dollars.

There are entirely too many customs districts and too many customs collectors. These districts should be consolidated and the collectors in charge of them should be abolished or treated as mere branch offices in accordance with the plan of the treasury department which will be presented for the consideration of congress.

An investigation of the appraising system now in vogue in New York city has shown a sacrifice of the interests of the government by underappreciation which is in the course of being remedied by reorganization and the employment of competent experts.

Very great improvements have been made in respect to the mints and assay offices. There is an opportunity for further economy in the abolition of several mints and assay offices that have now become unnecessary.

In the bureau of engraving and printing great economies have been effected.

In our public buildings we still suffer from the method of appropriation which has been so much criticized in connection with our rivers and harbors. Some method should be devised for controlling the supply of public buildings so that they will harmonize with the actual needs of the government. Not only buildings ap-

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DONALDSON'S

We are inaugurating the season of Hot Drinks and Appetizing Sandwiches at our Fountain.

MENU.

Hot Drinks, Etc.	HOT DRINKS.
Hot Mexican Chile with crackers	Hot Chocolate with Whipped Cream
Hot Mexican Chile with Tomatoes	Hot Tea with Whipped Cream
Hot Mexican Chile, Crackers and Coffee	Hot Coffee with Whipped Cream
Hot Mexican Chile, Crackers and Tea	Hot Lemonade
Chile Oyster Cocktail	HOT EGG DRINKS.
HOT BEVERAGES.	Hot Egg Malted Milk
Hot Beef Tea, Hot Beef and Celery	Hot Egg Chocolate
Tomato Bullion	Hot Egg Coffee
Malted Clam Bullion	SANDWICHES, ETC.
Beef and Tomato Bullion	Mixed Chicken Sandwiches
Crackers served.	Sliced Ham Sandwiches
	Sliced Tongue Sandwiches
	Chicken & Tongue Sandwiches
	Swiss Cheese Sandwiches



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