

JANUARY CLEARANCE SALE

Beginning December 29--Closing January 15

Everything in the store REDUCED except patterns, rubber goods, thread, yarns

Store closed all day New Years

The many women who have awaited this sale will be greeted this time by bargains more noteworthy in every respect than at any previous time. We have searched the markets for extraordinary values—not cheap merchandise for special sales, but high quality goods at an unusual low price. Now we are ready. Each department vying with the others in splendid value giving, the whole store bubbling over with an excellent sale spirit. There are only a few choice items given below. Come, revel in these bargains for 15 days. Come early, stay late. Remember, everything reduced, except the articles named above.

Embroidery Specials

The best value we have ever offered, exceptional in high quality, beauty of pattern and durability, and all this with a low price.

Edging and Insertion, a splendid value, wide, pretty, and durable, per yard..... 5c

Embroidery Edging, daintiest patterns, firm edge, good material, a worthy value, per yard..... 10c

Exceptional value, one of our best bargains, dainty patterns on swiss, cambric or muslin, very unusual, per yd..... 12½c

Corset cover embroidery very superior quality, material of dainty cross-barred swiss, Excellent patterns, 50c value, per yard..... 25c

Flouncing, beautiful patterns, fine material, firm edges, a very exceptional value, per yd..... 48c

All Rugs Reduced

Every rug in this new department reduced during this sale. There are all sizes, all kinds, all prices.

Floral or ornamental patterns in medallion or all-over effects, ingrain, fiber, tapestry, axminster, brussels, velvets, in all about one hundred patterns in sizes from 4 feet, 6x7 feet, 6 to 10 feet, 6x13 feet, 6.

This is a great opportunity for you. Come and make your selection.

Any \$10 rug at..... \$8.75

Any \$25.00 rug at..... \$21.87

Any \$42.00 rug at..... \$37.18

All of Our Excellent Suits at Half Price

Every one of our stylish, beautiful tailored suits, the best suits that careful tailoring, high quality material, suitable trimmings and careful selection of styles can make. But we don't want to carry any of them over, so we just cut the price to clear them.

There will be several months yet before you will want a spring suit and these excellent garments selling at half price now present an extraordinary opportunity of securing a fresh new stylish suit to fill in between the seasons.

Silk Dresses \$10

A number of these stylish, necessary gowns that all women love but feel unable to buy—have been placed on sale at a remarkable low price.

They are almost necessary in every woman's wardrobe, as a party gown, evening gown, or for nice wear.

Their dainty trimmings, attractive styles and beautiful colors appeal to all women, and now you may own one. But come early. Bargains as these will go rapidly.

All sizes, your choice, price each..... \$10.00

300 Pair Shoes at \$1 Per Pair

300 excellent, stylish durable shoes at a price that will attract an enthusiastic throng of buyers.

They come in patent, vel, calf, and gun metal. The styles are varied, and there are shapes to fit all feet. A number are in Misses' school heel styles and are exceptional values in every way. Every size is here, all piled high on a large table in our shoe department. There are values in this lot worth to \$3.00, and every one is worth from 75 to 100 per cent. more than we ask.

Exceptional Lace Values

Many, Torchon and Valenciennes in a large assortment in new and attractive patterns. Values that exceed any previous offerings we have ever made. Supply your future needs.

Cluny laces, insertion and edges, pretty new patterns, 2 to 2½ inches wide, price per yard..... 5c

Cluny laces, 4 to 6 inches wide, fine quality, edges and insertions, price per yard..... 10c

Torchon laces, the most durable, serviceable lace, new patterns, unusual at per yard..... 6½c

Torchon lace, 1½ to 2 inches wide, price per yard..... 5c

L. E. and H. J. Hamilton
317 First Street

THE HAMILTON STORE

ALBANY, OREGON

Our Seventh Annual Clearance Sale

The Sale that Pleases the People

Commences Tues. Jan. 4—Closes Sat. Jan. 22

Goods will be sold at Prices that are even less than the basest manufacturing cost. This will be one of the GREATEST PRICE CUTTING EVENTS of the season. It will be a regular "Clean Sweep Sale" for we shall quote prices that will attract money out of the foot of the stocking as a magnet attracts steel. Look for our Posters, they will give the Prices. If you do not receive one, phone or send your address and we will forward one to you. Such goods as—Mens and boys high top shoes, Overcoats, duck, corduroy, mackinaw and mole skin work coats. Ladies and Misses suits, coats and skirts to be sold below cost.

Regular Price Charged for Goods Sold on Time

Our Motto WESELY & CAIN Our Motto
One Price
To All SCIO OREGON To All

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DIRECTORS: J. J. Barnes, W. F. Gill, J. A. Bilyeu, J. R. Barnes, C. A. Warner

Scio Milling Company

SUCCESSORS TO SCIO ROLLER MILLS

INCORPORATED DECEMBER 28, 1904.

We do a General Custom Milling Business. Flour and Feed on Sale. Wheat Bought and Exchanged for Flour. We are in the Field for Business and Will Treat You Right

The Man From Br...

By George Barr

(Chapter IV Continued)

Lady Deppingham's pert little nose lifted itself in disgust as she was joggled through the town behind the grunting substitutes for horseflesh. She sat beside her husband in the foremost cart. Mr. Bowles, very tired, but quite resplendent, walked dutifully



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by beside one wheel. Mr. Saunders took his seat at the other. The servants came along behind in the second cart. Far ahead, like hounds in full cry, toiled the unwilling luggage bearers. From the windows and doorways of every house, from the lanes and alleys, from the side streets and mosque approaches, the gaze of the golden populace fastened itself upon the procession. The town seemed

to be a bank. There isn't a poor man, woman or child among the natives. This is truly a land of plenty. The superintendent of the mines, a white man—a German—and the foremen are Boers. They work shares, just as the natives do, and even more, I think. The clerical man is entirely native. There were ten white men here before you, including two Greeks. Being owners, the natives have decided four hours constitute a day's work. They pay themselves accordingly, as it were. No one works after day, sir."

"I wouldn't this be a paradise for the English workmen," said Deppingham. "That's the end of a labor they'd like. Do you mean that these fellows trudge out to work every morning and back in at noon?"

"Certainly not, sir. They ride their own light-colored horses to work and ride back again."

"You take my breath away," said the other, lapsing into a stunned silence. "The road had become so steep and laborious by this time that Bowles was very glad to forego the pleasure of talking. He fell back with Mr. Saunders and proceeded to give the inquisitive lawyer's clerk all the latest news of the island."

The inhabitants of Japan had been prompt to protect themselves in a legal sense. They had engaged the services of eminent solicitors in London, who were to represent them in the final settlement of the estate. London was to be the battleground in the coming conflict. A committee of three had journeyed to England to put the matter in the hands of these lawyers and were now returning to the island with a representative of the firm, who was coming out to stand guard, so to speak. Von Ritz, the German superintendent, was the master mind in the native contingent. The absent committee was composed of Ben Adl, Abdallah Ben Sabhat and Kasula, the Ararat lawyer. They were truly wise men from the east—old, shrewd, crafty and begotten of Mohammed.

The mines continued to be operated as usual pending the arrival of the executors' representative, who, as we know, was now on the ground in the person of Thomas Saunders. The fact that he also served as legal adviser to Lady Deppingham was not of sufficient moment to disturb the arrangements on either side.

As for the American heir, Robert Browne, he had not yet arrived. He was coming by steamer from the west, according to report, and was probably on the Roswell, Sumatra to Madagascar, due off Ararat in two or three days.

"The islanders," said Mr. Bowles,

lighting a cigarette, "it looks to me, have all the best of the situation. They get the property whether they quarry or not, while the original beneficiaries have to jockey each other or get off the island at the end of the year. Most of the islanders have got three or four wives already."

"You mean to say that they can have as many wives as they choose?" demanded Saunders, wrinkling his brow.

"Yes, just so long as they don't choose anybody else's."

"My word!" "Eh?" queried Bowles, arousing himself.

"I didn't say anything," retorted Saunders, looking up into the trees. Standing out against the sky fully a mile ahead was the home to which they were going. The chateau, beautiful as a picture, lifted itself like a dream castle above all that was earthly and sordid. It soared down from its lofty terrace and glistened in the sunset glow like the jewel that had been its godmother.

According to its own records, the chateau, fashioned quite closely after a famous structure in France, was designed and built by La Marche, the ill-fated French architect who was lost at sea in the wreck of the Vendome. Three years and more than £200,000—to make it seem more prodigious, nearly 18,000,000 francs—were consumed in its building.

Apartments fit for a king shrouded. Suits which took one back to the luxuries of Marie Antoinette were common. Banquet halls, ballrooms, reception halls, a chapel and even a crypt were to be found if one undertook a voyage of discovery.

Lady Deppingham, being first in the field, at once proceeded to settle themselves in the choicest rooms—Henry VI suit, which looked out on the sea and the town as well. It is said that Wychkolme slept there twice, while Skaggs looked in perhaps half a dozen times—when he was lost in the building and trying to find his way back to familiar haunts.

There was not a sign of a servant about the house or grounds. The men whom Bowles had engaged carried the luggage to the rooms which Lady Deppingham selected and then vanished as if into space.

"They say these American are a wonderful people, my word," ventured Mr. Bowles. "I dare say when Mr. and Mrs. Browne arrive they'll have some very good ones."

"Browne?" cried Mr. Deppingham. "This very evening I shall give orders concerning the rooms they are to occupy. I suppose, however, that the rooms we have taken are the best?"

(To be Continued)