

## Why are the Star-5-Star Shoes So Popular

If you've worn them yourself you know the reason. If not, you should ask your neighbors about them at once. THEY FIT WELL. THEY ARE MADE ON "UP-TO-DATE" LASTS. THEY WEAR WELL. THEY GIVE SATISFACTION EVERY TIME and they're sold by



**STOWERS**  
**The New York Jacket**  
**Shoes**  
**E. T. BARNES PROP.**

on a spot cash business basis. You're missing a good thing if you do not wear them. We're having a grand

## 20 PER CENT DISCOUNT SALE Of Men's, Boys' and Children's Clothing.

It will pay you to fit out yourself and while this sale lasts. No marked up prices, but 20 per cent off from regular prices which are all marked in plain figures.

**Salem's Cheapest One Price Cash Store**  
OUR STORE CLOSSES AT 6 O'CLOCK every evening except Saturday  
Cor. Commercial and Chemeketa Sts. E. T. BARNES, Prop.

## IN CONGO FREE STATE THE MOST NOVEL COURT

AWFUL ATROCITIES PRACTICED BY OFFICIALS AND PLANTERS.

Cannibals in Their Service Supplied With Arms to Hunt Down Natives for Their Flesh—American Missionaries Are Corroborated by an Officer

LONDON, Jan. 2.—Captain Guy Burrows, who has just retired from the employ of the Congo Free State Government, after six years' service, declares in an interview today, with the representative of the Associated Press, that the conditions prevailing in the Congo Free State are a disgrace to civilization and far worse than ever before. He pictured atrocities of a most horrible character, perpetrated on the natives by officials and whites who had the concession of the rubber lands. As a typical instance of the means employed by the Free State Government, Captain Burrows corroborated the statement of American missionaries to the effect that the officials employed 500 cannibals, to whom they issued rifles to "massacre and capture unarmed natives who had rebelled against their brutal methods."

"I have sworn testimony," said Burrows, "of the Belgians handing over natives to the cannibal tribes, for the express purpose of being eaten. Forced labor prevails everywhere, and the 'shotgun rule' is the truest description of the present administration."

### ONE MAN RESIGNS.

Gov. J. R. Rogers' Appointee Ready for His Successor.

VERRETT, Wash., Jan. 2.—The Pan-American Commissioner, Chas. Elmer Johnston, has resigned his position of Commissioner to prepare the Washington state exhibit for the St. Louis fair. Mr. Johnston says, as he received his appointment at the hands of Governor Rogers, he believes the resignation is a matter of courtesy to Governor McBride.

### RETURNING THE STOCK.

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—The office of the Northern Pacific Railway Company was kept open today, for the receipt and redemption of the preferred stock of that company. Upwards of \$60,000,000 of the entire \$75,000,000 of that issue was received, paid for and cancelled. Under the terms of the company's notice all the outstanding shares of the whole issue of the preferred stock became actually retired at midnight to-night, and ceased to exist as stock, and all holders of certificates for the preferred stock have been notified that, on presentation of the same at the company's office, they will receive payment in cash to the par amount of each certificate.

### IN FIFTEEN ROUNDS.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 1.—Joe Bernstein, of New York, was awarded a decision over Tommy White, of Chicago, today, at the end of fifteen rounds, before the West End Club.

EVER CONVENED IN KANSAS IS NOW IN SESSION.

It Consists of Federal Officers and Convicts in Stripes, and Will Try the Mutineers in the Government Penitentiary in Kansas on Charges of Murder.

LEAVENWORTH, Kans., Jan. 2.—The most novel court which ever sat in Kansas convened in the library of the United States Penitentiary this afternoon, for the arraignment of the ringleaders of the mutiny of November 7th, and who are implicated in the killing of Guard J. B. Waldrepe. Every person in the court, with but one exception, was either a United States official or a prisoner wearing the stripes denoting a desperate character.

The mutineers, seventeen in number, were brought in, each wearing a ball and chain, and the following were arraigned on the charge of murder: Turner Barnes, Eob Clark, Frank Thompson, Gilbert Mullin and Fred Robinson. Four others, who have not yet been captured, are included in the charges. Five of the prisoners entered a plea of not guilty. The trial will be held to-morrow.

### Railroad Merger Case.

Minneapolis, Minn., Jan. 2.—Governor Van Sant and Attorney General Douglass reached home this afternoon. Both immediately went to work on the railway merger case. The Attorney General will leave tomorrow night for Washington, and will institute the state's suit Monday in the Federal Supreme Court. His appearance Monday will be a formality. The court will set a date for hearing, and Douglass will return to Minnesota. When he next goes to Washington he will be accompanied by Geo. P. Wilson and L. D. Munn, his associates in the case. Then the great battle will be on in earnest.

### From the Conference.

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 2.—Attorney General Stratton has returned from the governors' conference at Helena. He said that, whether a suit will be brought to prevent consolidation of the Northern Pacific, Great Northern, and Burlington Railroad system, in this state is doubtful, depending on future contingencies which he cannot now discuss. The conference, which decided that consolidation was unconstitutional in five states—Washington, Idaho, South Dakota, Montana and Minnesota—Stratton says, was harmonious.

### THE CABINET DINED.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—A dinner to the Cabinet, the first of the large formal functions of the year at the White House, was given by President and Mrs. Roosevelt tonight.

### What Do the Children Drink?

Don't give them tea or coffee. Have you tried the new food drink GRAIN-O? It is delicious and nourishing and takes the place of coffee. The more GRAIN-O you give the children the more health you distribute through their systems. GRAIN-O is made of pure grains, and when properly prepared tastes like the choice grades of coffee but costs about 1/2 as much. All grocers sell it, 15 cts. and 25 cts.

## PORTO RICO IS TRANQUIL

Governor Hunt's Message Indicates Great Improvement

IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF THE ISLAND TERRITORY—GREAT INCREASE IN SCHOOLS.

Commerce Has Developed, Railroads Are Being Constructed, Agriculture Has Become More Profitable, and Prosperity Appears to Prevail—The Republican Differences in the Ohio Legislature Continue.

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico, Jan. 2.—Governor Hunt's message to the Legislature of Porto Rico was delivered today, before a joint session of that body. The message says: "Tranquillity and contentment prevail in Porto Rico; the schools have multiplied; railroads are being constructed; the commerce of the island has been developed, and exports have increased; agriculture has become more profitable; roads are being built, and debts are being paid. Tolerance of opinion has become more common, former antagonism being forgotten."

Governor Hunt's report said further that 885 schools were open throughout the island, 934 teachers were employed in them, and 15,000 pupils attended them.

### The Result in Doubt.

Columbus, O., Jan. 2.—The contest between the Republican factions over the organization of the Legislature is still in doubt, so far as the House is concerned. The claims of either faction would indicate that one element is confident of Price becoming speaker, and the other of McKinnon winning, but the efforts of both show that there are yet "votes to get," by whomsoever becomes speaker.

### Supported by Tammany.

New York, Jan. 2.—Justice Scott, of the Supreme Court, today handed down a decision declaring Perry Belmont to be the regular Democratic nominee for Congress, in the Seventh district. Colonel Asa Bird Gardner called on Candidate Belmont this evening, and assured him of the support of Tammany Hall, some of whose leaders had opposed him.

### HORSE FLESH USED.

Section Men on Utah Railroads Find That Freight Make Other Meat Too Costly.

SALT LAKE CITY, Jan. 2.—Wild horse meat is the principal article of food for the section men on the desert districts of the railroads in Southern Utah, according to reports which come from there. The men say that other meats are too expensive after freight or express charges are paid, consequently the wild horse hunt takes place frequently, the animals being plentiful in the region between Milford and Callentles.

The section men say the meat is not bad, especially when it is the only fresh meat obtainable.

### COVE IS DESTROYED.

The Little City in Union County Suffers a Heavy Fire Loss.

UNION, Jan. 2.—News was brought in from Cove, Or., that a fire had destroyed the business portion of that town. The fire was discovered in the saloon of J. Blooms & Son. It spread to the bowling alley, destroying that and the meat market of Joe Deperre, barber shop of Buck & Alexander and the blacksmith shop of John Mitchell. This included nearly the entire business portion of Cove. The fire was discovered shortly after 5 o'clock this morning. Most all are insured.

### TO SUCCEED VALENTINE.

New President and Director Chosen by Wells, Fargo & Co.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 2.—The stockholders of Wells, Fargo & Company met this afternoon, for the purpose of selecting a president and a director to fill the two vacancies caused by the death of the late J. J. Valentine. Dudley Evans, of New York, was elected acting president, and E. H. Harriman, director.

### COINAGE OF METAL.

Work of the Mints During the Past Year Reported by Officials.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—The statement of the Director of the Mint shows the coinage executed at the mints of the United States, during the calendar year ending December 31, 1901, was \$124,693,770, of which \$101,735,187 was gold, \$20,738,460 was silver and \$2,220,123 was in minor coins.

### HE HAS RESIGNED.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—David A.

Nunn, whose resignation as Collector of Internal Revenue of the Fifth Tennessee District, was called for by the President a few days ago, today handed his resignation to the President in person.

### A SERIOUS CHARGE.

DILLON, Mont., Jan. 2.—Constable J. W. Dikes, of Milton, Or., has arrested Ernest H. Boyd in this city, charged with criminal assault upon Effie Wilson, 14 years of age, a resident of Milton. Boyd says he will return without requisition papers. He will be taken to Oregon tomorrow. Boyd was formerly a resident of Dillon. He saw service in the Philippines with Company E of the Montana Volunteers. Another resident of Milton is arrested charged with the same crime. Boyd's father lives here. Boyd came to Dillon a week ago.

### IS NOT CONTAGIOUS.

Consumption May Lose Some of Its Terrors if This Be True.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Dr. S. A. Knopf, the well known authority on tuberculosis, in addressing the Academy of Medicine today, said that, contrary to the opinion of the United States Government, tuberculosis was not contagious.

### MISS STONE FREE.

Such is the Rumor in Vienna, Though It Has Not Yet Been Confirmed.

LONDON, Jan. 2.—A dispatch to the Central News, from Vienna, says the report has been received there, via Sofia, to the effect that Miss Helen M. Stone, the American captive missionary, has been released. This report lacks confirmation.

### FELL FROM ENGINE.

A Fireman Killed Near Baker City—A Most Peculiar Accident.

BAKER CITY, Or., Jan. 2.—Fireman Patrick Carrigan, on the west bound O. R. & N. train, fell from the engine tonight near Durkee, and was killed. It is supposed he lost his footing as the train rounded a curve.

### HIGH WATER.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Jan. 2.—A hundred families living in the flats and lowlands around Chattanooga camped on the knolls last night as a result of high water. Suburban street-car traffic is crippled and many houses are submerged. Twenty-seven miles of track are under water on the Western & Atlantic Road. Chattanooga is almost surrounded by water. At noon today the water had fallen two inches. Most of the damage has been due to back water.

### AMERICANS RELEASED.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 2.—The recent arrest of two naturalized Americans at Tripoli, for refusing to pay the tax providing for exemption from military service, has led to sharp representations on the part of the United States Minister to Turkey, John G. Fleishman, to the porte. The latter promptly ordered the release of the men arrested and instructed the authorities not to molest American citizens.

### PASSING OF A VETERAN OF THE CIVIL WAR

Adam Goode Died at His Residence in North Salem Last Evening at a Ripe Old Age—Funeral Tomorrow.

Adam Goode, aged 83 years and 6 days, died at his residence on the corner of Market and 8th street, North Salem, at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Mr. Goode has been a resident of this city for a number of years and an active and enthusiastic member of the Free Methodist church. He served during the Civil War with the 35th Iowa Infantry, called the "Grey Beards." Several children survive him, the majority of whom reside in this city. The funeral services will be held in the Free Methodist church in North Salem, at 10 o'clock tomorrow (Saturday) January 4th.

### At Bed Time.

I take a pleasant herb drink, the next morning I feel bright and my complexion is better. My doctor says it acts gently on the stomach, liver and kidneys, and is a pleasant laxative. It is made from herbs and is prepared as easily as tea. It is called Lane's Medicine. All druggists sell it at 25c. and 50c. Lane's Family Medicines moves the bowels each day. If you cannot get it, send for a free sample. Address, Orator F. Woodward, Le Roy, N. Y. 5.

G. H. Hoyt, the Jefferson produce and potato dealer, was doing business in Salem yesterday.

Mrs. C. S. Moore and mother, Mrs. N. Langell, of Medford, who is visiting with her, returned last night from a visit to Portland.

Mr. Harry Drum, of Lansing, Michigan, who has been visiting with friends in this city the past few days, departed last night for Honolulu, H. I., where he expects to engage in business.

L. A. Greenleaf, formerly of this city, arrived yesterday afternoon from his present home in Los Angeles, Cal., for a few days' visit to friends and relatives.

Rev. and Mrs. M. M. White depart for Oregon City and Portland this morning on the Pomona, for a business trip, and to visit their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Menefee, of Portland. Mr. Menefee is health officer in that city.

## BIG SYNDICATE IS IN TROUBLE

A Company Owning Electric Railway and Telephone Lines

PLACED IN CONTROL OF COMMITTEE OF BANKERS—MONEY STRINGENCY RESPONSIBLE.

The Concern Controlled Twelve Hundred Miles of Motor Lines in Ohio and Michigan—A Run on a Bank Was the Result of the Announcement of the Embarrassment of the Firm.

CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 2.—The financial affairs of the Everett-Moore Syndicate, owning or controlling a number of urban and interurban electric railways and extensive systems of local and long distance telephone lines in Ohio and Michigan, passed into the control of a committee, composed of seven prominent bankers of this city, today. This action was taken, it is said, as a result of a temporary financial embarrassment on the part of the syndicate, which has for some time past been affected by the stringency in the money market.

The committee chosen has been at work investigating the affairs of the syndicate, and expresses the firm belief that the concern is entirely solvent, and that its embarrassment will be only temporary.

The Everett-Moore Syndicate is accredited with controlling more than 1200 miles of urban and interurban electric lines in Ohio and Michigan, with new extensions still in course of construction. The aggregate capitalization of all the various properties owned or controlled by the syndicate is said to be about \$120,000,000.

### Run on a Bank.

Cleveland, O., Jan. 2.—As a result of the announcement of the financial embarrassment of the Everett-Moore

Syndicate, a run was started on the Dime Savings & Banking Company, of which Messrs. Everett and Moore are directors, late today. All demands were promptly met, and President Watters said the bank had ample funds on hand to pay all depositors who desired their money.

When its last report was issued, in October, the bank's total resources were placed at \$5,782,000, including a surplus fund of \$325,000.

### ANOTHER COMPLAINT HEARD

Hamburg Ship Owners Protest Against Desertions of Sailors.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 2.—The Secretary of the Treasury has forwarded to Customs Collector Stratton, copies of correspondence between himself and the Union of Hamburg Ship Owners, in relation to the frequency of the desertions of German sailors at California and Oregon ports. These desertions are caused, say the Hamburg people, by local shipping masters who incite seamen to desert. The German Consul at Portland, Or., and at San Francisco report that they have not been able to succeed in effecting any improvement in the matter.

### WORK OF NIHILISTS.

A Bomb Exploded Under Balcony of a Grand Duke of Russia.

PARIS, Jan. 2.—A dispatch to the Patrie, from Kiev, European Russia, under today's date, says a bomb was exploded last night under the balcony of the palace of the Grand Duke Constantine. The explosion occurred at a moment when the salons were thronged with guests. A great panic followed but nobody was injured, although the damage done was considerable. All the windows near the scene of the explosion were shattered. Nihilist students are suspected of committing the outrage. Fifteen students have been arrested.

The Grand Duke Constantine is a son of the late Grand Duke Constantin, who was the brother of Emperor Alexander II. One of the present Grand Duke Constantine's sisters is the Queen of Greece. The Grand Duke is President of the Imperial Academy of Sciences, Aide-de-Camp General, and Chief of Military Schools of Russia.

### A WRECK SOMEWHERE.

British Columbia Lighthouse Keeper Reports Evidences of It.

VICTORIA, B. C., Jan. 2.—W. P. Daykin, lighthouse keeper at Carmanah, in a letter dispatched by the Queen City, says the coast is littered with wreckage in the vicinity of the light house. It includes large inter kegs or barrels, with galvanized hoops; two hatches painted a reddish brown, two cabin doors painted white, a vessel's bowsprit, and a jibboom.

**Joe Meyers & Sons**  
THE WHITE CORNER (TRADE MARK)  
SALEM'S GREATEST STORE

## BECAUSE

We permit no one to undersell us—we consider it our special mission to sell "BETTER GOODS FOR THE SAME MONEY," OR THE SAME GOODS FOR LESS MONEY, than any other store in Salem.

## BECAUSE

We have the largest store in the city, we have first choice of the samples sent here by Eastern factories and jobbing houses.

THAT'S WHY THE BIG STORE SUCCEEDS SO WELL IN ITS NEW QUARTERS.

## LADIES' GREAT SUITS SALE

LADIES' WRAPS CHILDREN'S WRAPS

## REDUCED

1  
3

Our reductions are offered in a legitimate way. We actually give you what we promise. TRUNKS and VALISES. QUILTS, BLANKETS. All reduced in order to make room for the arrival of our spring goods.

MEN'S COATS, BOYS' CLOTHING, FURNISHINGS OF ALL KINDS.

## GREAT VALUES IN MEN'S UNDERWEAR

Ask to see the Luzern Wool Underwear, it's the best of its kind on the market.

## MEYERS' MEN'S SHOES

SALE PRICE \$3.15  
Equal to \$4.50 and \$4.50 shoe store shoes.

Our Store Closes at 6 O'Clock Every Evening Except Saturday