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Corsets fulfill all these requirements. Our assortment of this famous line is complete in all new and staple styles.

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Our prices are 15 to 20 per cent below regular stores.



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It keeps growing. That's an indication that the same customers come again, and they bring their friends with them.

It's because our goods give satisfaction, that our store has grown in ten years from the smallest in the city to one of the largest. You've all heard of the famous—

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They've helped us grow. If you wear them, you know what they are. If not, you should try a pair. We're sure of your trade if you give them a fair trial.

Ladies' Oxford Ties For Summer

wear are ready for you now. Everything in Ladies' Men's and Children's Shoes at Under-Market value.



We want to show you those new lines of Men's, Boys' and Children's

...CLOTHING...

Nobby Norfolk Suits for the boys that will make you proud of your son.

Three-piece knee pant suits, ages 8 to 14. They make the boys feel like their older brothers.

When you want to get up-to-date goods and the very best values for your money go to The New York Racket.

We are recognized as headquarters for

Ribbons, Laces and Embroideries

Very large assortments in all lines for you to select from.

New Lace Effect Hose Just In.



The New York Racket

E. T. BARNES, PROP.

The Only Spot Cash House in the City

Salem's Cheapest One Price Cash Store

MERGER CASE HEARD FROM

Washington's Attorney-General in the Supreme Court

ASKS FOR AN EARLY HEARING

SEVERAL COMPANIES ARE MADE DEFENDANTS IN THE NEW APPLICATION.

The Bill Asks for a General Order of Restraint Against a Consolidation of the Northern Railroads—The Circuit Court of Appeals Has Decided Several Important Cases.

WASHINGTON, April 7.—Attorney General Stratton, of State of Washington, today brought the attention of the Supreme Court of the United States the desire of that state to bring suit to prevent the merger of the Northern Pacific and the Great Northern Railroads by moving for leave to file a bill of complaint on behalf of the state versus the Northern Pacific and Great Northern Railroad Companies and the Northern Securities Company.

In making the motion Mr. Stratton said counsel for the defendants was present and prepared to proceed with an oral argument if the court was prepared to hear them, adding that the case involves the same questions as were presented in the Minnesota case. He added that an immediate hearing was desired because it would have another trip to the state of Washington.

Ex-Attorney General Gage, who was present as the representative of the railroad companies, acquiesced in what Mr. Stratton said as to the desirability of an early hearing, but the court declined to announce an immediate decision on that point. The Chief Jus-

tice said, however, that an early response would be given.

In connection with his motion for leave to file a bill of complaint, Stratton submitted copies of the bill and a brief in its support. To avoid the objections under which this court refused to entertain the bill of the State of Minnesota against the Northern Securities Company, the State of Washington has made the Great Northern Railway Company and the Northern Securities Company defendants.

The bill asks for a general order of restraint, and an injunction, and is a general recital of the acts of merger which it is claimed are in contravention of the laws of the State of Washington prohibiting the consolidation of competing lines of railroad.

Several Cases Decided.

San Francisco, April 7.—The United States Court of Appeals today handed down a decision affirming the decree of the United States District Court for the District of Oregon, in the case of Jacob E. Jacobsen, F. Dresser as administrator of the estate of Harper L. Hansen, deceased, and Will E. Ford, against The Dulles, Portland & Astoria Navigation Company. The judgment was given by the District Court for the defendant. The decree of the Circuit Court for the Northern District of Washington was affirmed in the case of F. W. Coler vs. Henry F. Allen, Pacific Northwest Packing Company and others. The application of Kennedy J. Hanley for a writ of mandate directed to Jas. H. Eddy, United States Judge for the District of Idaho, was continued until the first Monday in May.

TROUBLE AT OKLAHOMA.

Militia May Be Needed to Protect the Negroes at Lawton.

GUTHRIE, O. T., April 5.—The Comanche county authorities wired Governor Ferguson this afternoon, stating that a proclamation has been posted over the city of Lawton, warning all negroes to leave town tomorrow evening, and that the city is wild with excitement, and asking the Governor if he will order out the territorial guard if it becomes necessary. Governor Ferguson answered that every Oklahoma militiaman will be sent to Lawton to protect the colored citizens. The trouble is the result of the election April 1, when attempts were made to keep the negroes from voting.

A CITIZENS' CONVENTION

Will Meet and Put Up a Ticket at Oregon City.

THE DEMOCRATS TO PARTICIPATE

REPUBLICANS WIN OUT IN THE CITY ELECTION IN HELENA, MONTANA.

Municipal and Other Contests at the Polls in Ohio Yesterday with Varied Results—A Large Majority for a Judge in Cincinnati—Organized Labor Scores a Victory.

OREGON CITY, Or., April 7.—The Clackamas County Democratic Convention decided not to put a county ticket in the field. It will fuse with the Citizens' party. The Citizens' convention tomorrow will nominate a full county ticket.

In Montana. Helena, Mont., April 7.—In the city election the Republicans elected the entire ticket with the exception of two aldermen.

At Cleveland. Cleveland, O., April 7.—The following Democrats were elected in this city today:

Starr Cadwallader, for school director, defeated H. F. Sargent, by 3000 plurality; H. D. Coffinberry, city treasurer, defeated W. F. Hoppensack, Republican, by a like plurality; three members of the school council; J. L. Reilly, justice of the peace; and six out of eleven new councilmen. Mayor Johnson took an active part in the campaign.

A Complete Reversal. Toledo, O., April 7.—The Republicans elected the city ticket by an average majority of 1100. This is a complete political reversal.

A Big Majority. Cincinnati, O., April 7.—W. H. Jackson, Democrat, Superior Judge, was defeated for re-election by Probate Judge Howard Ferris, by over 16,000.

on a total vote of 42,000, which is about half of the total vote registered last November.

Victory for Labor.

Hartford, Conn., April 7.—Organized labor elected Ignatius A. Sullivan, a clerk in a clothing store, mayor of the city today.

AN IRISH PLOT.

Clan Na Gael Attempted to Blow Up a British Fort.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 4.—A special to the Call from Vancouver, B. C., says that ex-Premier Charles A. Semlin has just made public the fact that a plot to blow up the naval docks and fortress at Esquimalt was discovered and frustrated in 1900. The plan, it is alleged, was arranged in San Francisco by members of the Clan Na Gael. It is asserted that two men were sent from San Francisco for the purpose of carrying out the blowing up of the docks. Their names, as learned by the British Consul at San Francisco, were Denny McDermott and Albert Renwick, the former an Irishman and the latter a native of Belgium.

The information communicated by the Consul at San Francisco was that at a meeting of the Clan Na Gael the means were discussed of how to aid the Boers in their war against Great Britain. When the meeting was called at first there was no intention to use force but McDermott, who was present, offered to go to Esquimalt and attempt a body blow by dynamiting as much as possible of the forts and navy docks there. He asked for the naming of a companion to assist him in the deed. Renwick offered himself and was accepted. The two men were closely shadowed by detectives. After reaching Esquimalt, Renwick became alarmed and disappeared. McDermott was marched between two marines to a wharf and sent back to San Francisco by steamer.

Courtenay Walter Bennett, the British Consul General in this city, confirmed the story from Vancouver. He would give no further information except that it was the work of a society affiliated with the Fenian organizations. Irishmen who are prominent in the local patriotic society emphatically deny that there ever was a branch of the Clan Na Gael in this city. They also state they know of no Irishmen of the names mentioned in the Vancouver dispatch who could possibly be implicated in any plot against the British naval station.

Legal Blanks at the Statesman office.

EXCLUSION OF THE CHINESE

The Measure Has Passed the House at Last.

DRASTIC CHARACTER INCREASED

THE CHIEF STRUGGLE WAS OVER THE EMPLOYMENT OF MONGOLIAN SAILORS.

An Amendment to This Effect Was Ruled Out, but Later Adopted—All Existing Exclusion Laws Are Re-enacted, and Extended to America's New Possessions.

WASHINGTON, April 7.—The House today passed the Chinese Exclusion bill, after incorporating in it several amendments, which increased the drastic character of the measure. The principal one not only excludes Chinese by birth and descent, but all Chinese of mixed blood. The chief struggle was over the amendment to prohibit the employment of Chinese sailors on American ships—an amendment covering this proposal was ruled out on a point of order, but subsequently was modified to evade the ruling and was adopted by 100 to 74.

As passed the bill practically re-enacts all the existing exclusion laws, and incorporates with them the existing treaty regulations. It extends the exclusion laws to the Philippines and other possessions of the United States, and forbids Chinese labor in our Colonial possessions from coming into this country.

The conference report on the War Revenue tax repeal bill was adopted, and the bill sent to the White House. Late in the afternoon Fowler, (N. J.), moved to pass, under a suspension of the rules, the Senate bill to extend the charters of National Banks for twenty years. The Democrats were taken completely by surprise. As it was after the usual hour for adjournment, the attendance was slim. The Democrats attempted to filibuster, but the call of

the House finally secured a quorum, and the bill was passed.

FOR IRRIGATION.

WASHINGTON, April 7.—President Roosevelt has declared that more than seventy townships in Northern Montana be withdrawn from public entry, for use in the big irrigation scheme known as the St. Mary's Canal and Milk River project.

SIGNED A PARDON.

WASHINGTON, April 5.—The President today signed a pardon in the case of Captain Joseph Coughlan, who lost eleven members in grade some years ago, as a result of an unusually sharp letter written by him to a detail officer of the Navy Department. As one of the captains at the battle of Manila Bay, Captain Coughlan was advanced so as to make up a good deal of the ground lost.

FIVE WERE KILLED.

GLASGOW, April 5.—The struggle of crowds, which gathered at Ibrox Park today to witness the last International Association football contest between the teams from England and Scotland, caused the collapse of a portion of one of the spectator's terraces, resulting in the death of five persons, and the injury of 125 others. Twenty of the injured will probably die.

STRIKING PLUMBERS.

SPOKANE, Wash., April 5.—In reply to the demand of the master plumbers, that the striking journeymen return to work by next Monday or take their tools away from the shops, the Union men have been carrying away tools today. The master plumbers are at work themselves. There is no sign of a break in the strike.

BETTER PAY.

OREGON CITY, Ore., April 5.—The Willamette Pulp & Paper company increased the wages of their employees today. All \$1.50 men get \$1.75; all \$1.75 men get \$1.92½. The Crown Paper company made the same increase. It of \$50,000 more annually.

IS A CANARD.

LAWTON, Ore., April 7.—The story of the negroes being run out of Lawton is a canard. Several small typewritten slips ordering the colored people to leave Lawton were posted about town, but no one took the threats seriously.

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Jos. Meyers & Sons

THE WHITE CORNER (TRADE MARK)

SALEM'S GREATEST STORE

Ladies Suits and Skirts

A suit or dress skirt that does not fit is not cheap at any price. We are more than particular about the fit of every garment that leaves our ready-to-wear department.

Experienced Tailoresses to Wait Upon You.



Splendid Values in HOSIERY

Drop Stitchcotton Hose, fast black, full fashion. Pair **15c**

Lace Hose, exceptional values, in fast black. 2c **25c**

Fancy Colored Lace Hosiery and Cotton, also the very new black and white patterns; all superior qualities—

...50c to \$1.00...

All Silk Hosiery \$1.25 to \$1.75.

A LINE OF 25c BLACK HOSE TO CLOSE at 14c pr



LONG AND SHORT KIMONAS!

In Dimples Laine etc., trimmed in lace and wash braids

98c to \$3.50.

BEAUTIFUL SHIRT WAISTS!

See the prettiest line of white waists ever shown in Salem in our Court Street window.

Prices range 68c to \$6.50.

COLOR WAISTS 2c UP TO 14c.



A DANDY LINE OF MEN'S CLOTHING

Has just been opened and placed on sale at our usual Reasonable Prices

Marbles Free to Boys!

Every boy under 12 years of age who makes a purchase amounting to 25c or more will be presented with a dozen good marbles.

Send the boy on your errands.



THE BIG STORE

Ever Pushing Up Sales!

And Pulling Down Prices!

Read this Price List--Every Word:

Tracing Wheels, nickel plated, each 5c

10c Shell Hairpins, per doz. 5c

Full Bristle Hand Brushes, extra values 15c

25c Pyralin Dressing Combs, all colors 18c

50c Ladies' Plaited Belts, assorted buckles 25c

3c Invisible Hairpins, best quality, our price 2 boxes for. 5c

10c Hardwood Handle Hair curlers, nickel plated, price 8c

No-tions.

Large Cube Pins, the 10c kind, kinds, our price 5c

Best Hooks and Eyes, per card 1c

Aluminum Thimbles 1c

5c box Assorted Hair Pins, our price 3c

Wallace & Sons best Eagle Pins, 250 in a paper, all sizes 5c

Sweetwater Pearl Buttons, all sizes, per dozen 3c

Safety Pins, all sizes, nickel plated, per dozen 3c

Domes-tics.

Lonsdale and Fruit of the Loom Muslin, one yard wide, 16c value, our price 7½c

Lonsdale Cambric, regular 15c value, yard wide, our price per yard 10c

Cabot A. Muslin, brown, yard wide, regular 8 13c value, our price per yard 6c

Cabot W. Muslin, brown, yard wide, 7½c value, our price per yard 5½c

Asmoskeag Ginghams, staple checks, regular 5 13c values, our price per yard 5c

Percales, Simpson's Best ¾, regular 7c values; light colors, per yard 5c

Eagle percales, regular 12½c values, nice patterns, our price, per yard 10c

EMBROIDERIES.

3c Special Line 15c yd

2c " " 12c yd

12½c " " 8c yd

6½c " " 3½c yd

8c LACES FOR 3½c yd

New Arrivals...

Cushion Tops in new designs. —Stamped Patterns for lace work, such as collars, handkerchiefs, etc.

Paris Point Pique Gloves for ladies—Bicycle and street wear, all shades and guaranteed \$1.25.