

ONLY A HANDFUL of HOLIDAY GOODS

left. You can have them at exactly ONE-HALF PRICE. We make it a point to clear them all out the same year they are bought. That's why we always have new goods to show for the Holidays.

Barnes' Cash Store E. J. Barnes, Prop.

TO MEET AT GENEVA.

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 25.—Word has been received from Rev. F. E. Clark, D. D., from Montreal, stating that he has recently been at Geneva looking after the arrangements for the World's Christmas Endeavor convention to be held in that city next year.

will sail for Canton, China, where about February 1, she will become the wife of Charles S. Padgett, a prosperous contractor in the Chinese city.

IOWA HISTEDDFOD.

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GOES TO CHINA TO WED.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Miss Etta Mead, of Corona, L. I., a young and pretty miss of 18, starts alone today for San Francisco.

At the height of the fire thousands of spectators temporarily forgot the burning building in watching a struggle in the upper windows of a tenement house in Fifty-eighth street.

CHICAGO STORE PEOPLES BARGAIN HOUSE

Clearing Sale!

Our Great Clearing Sale starts to-day in full blast, and will be kept up until further notice. Prices on the following goods slaughtered right and left. There are two seasons of the year when we clear the shelves--that is, from now until February 1st, and from the 4th of July until September the 1st.

Salem's Greatest Growing Store.

McEVROY BROS.

Corner Commercial and Court Streets, Salem

BIG FACTORY IS CONSUMED

FIRE DESTROYS SIX-STORY BUILDING IN NEW YORK CITY.

PEOPLE FLEE FROM DWELLING.

Flames Threaten Tenements From Which Christmas Trees Are Carried Into Streets.

Flames Start in Third Story of Factory and Low Water Pressure Handicaps Firemen—Man Becomes Frantic and Tries to Jump From Window.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Hundreds of tenement babies and their toy-laden Christmas trees were carried into the street before daylight today during a fire which threatened to obliterate several blocks of the city in the vicinity of Fifty-eighth street and Eleventh avenue.

With tenement houses on three sides and with the gas tanks of the Consolidated Gas Company within reach of showers of sparks, the water pressure partially failed when the fire was hottest. Fire engines were hastily coupled together, pumping in pairs and this device, together with the bold work of the firemen, who advanced almost into the zone of the flames in order to play on the fire with their weak streams, finally saved the hundreds of surrounding homes.

The fire was first discovered when James burst from the third-story window and belched completely across Fifty-eighth street with a roar like a discharging cannon.

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A blanket picked up at hazard from bedding which other tenants were trying to save was stretched directly under the window. It was not needed, however, for the half-crazed man was drawn back through his window by main force.

The firemen carried the hose from the coupled engines to the roofs of the neighboring flat houses. They poured water upon the factory fire and extinguished little blazes which continually started on the roofs about them.

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reproduction of forest and mountain scenes that were as convincing as they were attractive and unusual.

There was a running stream, stocked with trout, and having its headquarters in a dammed pool, where beaver, otter and muskrats are shown. A large number of animals and game birds are displayed in cages all over the hall, and under the balconies are reproductions of typical hunting camps.

WAS EVIDENTLY INSANE.

Stranger Greets John Dobmann in Los Angeles Park and Stabs Him in Wrist.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 25.—"This is fine Christmas weather, isn't it?" cried a well-dressed stranger of John Dobmann, as the latter was seated on a bench in Central park this evening.

THEY WIN AGAIN

SALEM ALL-STARS CARRY THE BELT AWAY FROM STALWART MULTNOMAH.

Without Boasting, the Story of the Game Shows That Salem Boys Outplayed the Club Men at Every Crook and Turn of the Contest.

Thus Salem takes the scalp of Portland's big aggregation of football players once again and stands the champion of the northwest. The game yesterday on Multnomah field is reported one of the very best and cleanest of the year and the playing of the All-Stars from Salem was of a gilt-edged character.

The brilliant players for Multnomah were James and Stott. There was great rejoicing among the Salem fans last night when The Statesman displayed the bulletin of the game, and there was genuine pride in the boys who stand alone as the only set of players that has defeated the Portland club men and shown by repeating the dose that it was no accident.

The features of yesterday's game were Chadney Bishop's kicking, Rader's backing up of the line, Nace's catching of punts and Coleman's magnificent run of forty yards, but it is only just to say that every man in the line was true to the name they bore and was a star in the football field.

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CHRISTMAS UNUSUALLY MERRY IN BIG CITY OF EAST.

PEOPLE HAVE PLENTY OF MONEY

Merchants in Every Line of Business Report Record-Breaking Trade.

Religious, Benevolent and Political Institutions Furnish Dinners to More Than 250,000 Men, Women and Children—Salvationists Remember Poor.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—From all indications this was an unusually merry Christmas for the millions of men, women and children who call New York their home.

There was no reason why any one in the metropolis should have gone hungry today. It is conservatively estimated that between 250,000 and 300,000 were furnished with Christmas dinners by a host of religious, benevolent and political organizations.

The work of the Salvation Army was only a small portion of the great work of Christmas charity in New York, but it was typical of the whole. All religious denominations did their share in steering Santa Claus to the homes of the poor and friendless.

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SHERMAN INDIANS WIN.

Run of 107 Yards One of Features in Los Angeles Football Game.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 25.—Two serious casualties, some spectacular playing, including a 107-yard run, said to be the longest in history of football, were the features of the game between the Sherman Indians and St. Vincent's college today.

SOCIOLOGISTS TO ORGANIZE.

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Among those who are interested in the matter are Edward A. Rose, of the University of Nebraska, Albion W. Small, of the University of Chicago, Simon N. Patten, of the University of Pennsylvania, William G. Sumner, of Yale, and Thos. N. Carver, of Hartford.

This Date in History.

December 26. 1135—Stephen crowned king of England. 1292—John (Balliol) king of Scots, paid homage to Edward I at Newcastle. 1552—Charles V raised siege of Metz. 1776—Washington crossed the Delaware. 1811—Many persons perished in the burning of a theater at Richmond, Va. 1850—Independence of Belgium recognized by the allied powers. 1831—Stephen Girard, Philadelphia philanthropist, died. 1851—Lagos, Africa, destroyed by the British. 1891—Jorge Montt inaugurated president of Chile. 1900—Treaty between Mexico and China signed at Washington, D. C.

CHRISTMAS DAY

HOW IT WAS OBSERVED BY PEOPLE AND NUMEROUS SALEM CHURCHES.

Rest, Recreation, Worship—Honored as a Holy Day by Some and Festival Day by All—Decorations, Christmas Trees and Gifts Numerous.

The great Christmas festival was very generally observed in Salem yesterday. The business houses were closed and people of nearly all trades and callings rested from their labors.

In nearly all the churches exercises of a special character were held and all were decked in festive array in honor of the occasion.

At St. Joseph's Catholic church, the decorations were principally of evergreens and holly berries, which were arranged artistically around the altars, while in front of virgin's altar was built a miniature manger, after the one at Bethlehem, and a waxen Christ child lying therein.

At St. Paul's Episcopal church there were communion services in the morning at 7:30, also morning prayer and communion at 10:30, and an able discourse by Rev. Barr G. Lee on "The Incarnation the Basis of Morality."

At Christ Evangelical Lutheran there was confession at 10:30 a. m., altar service at 11, sermon at 11:30 and holy communion at 12 o'clock.

The Christmas exercises at the Congregational church were held on Friday.

Strike Ends at Warsaw.

Warsaw, Dec. 25.—The strike of the post and telegraph employees is at an end here. The strikers have accepted the conditions of the government.

YESTERDAY IN HISTORY.

December 25. 800—Charlemagne crowned at Rome. 1066—William the Conqueror crowned in London. 1440—Gilles De Retz, the famous "Bluebeard," executed at Nantes. 1476—Duke of Milan assassinated. 1642—Isaac Newton born. 1683—Execution of Kara Mustapha. 1762—Great riot at Drury Lane theater over price of tickets. 1776—Battle between British and Americans at Trenton, N. J. 1777—Vermont separated from New Hampshire and became an independent state. 1813—Violent eruption at Mt. Etna. 1816—Treaty concluded between United States and Algiers. 1828—Felix Salm, Prussian prince who served in American Civil war, born. 1864—Union army repulsed at Fort Fisher, N. C. 1893—Earthquake shock felt in southern California.

THE INVENTORY SALE

Beginning to-day our annual reduction. Special features mentioned in to-morrow's advertisement. Look out for it.

SALEM WOOLEN MILL STORE

C. P. BISHOP, Proprietor.