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# THE GREAT 4c. STORE

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## TOYS, HOLIDAY GOODS AND CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

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<b>CHRISTMAS TREE ORNAMENTS.</b> <b>GLASS--2 FOR 4c.</b> <b>TINSEL 1c A YARD.</b>  <b>Xmas Tree Candles</b> <b>Xmas and New Year's Cards</b> very fancy—worth 10c <b>Only 4c</b>  <b>1897 Calendars</b> Beauties, <b>Only 10c</b>  <b>Spring Candle Holders</b> <b>Only 10c a Dozen</b>  <b>TOYS. TOYS.</b> Just Think—For Only 4c. Jack in box.....4c Harmonicas.....4c Flutes.....4c Humming Tops.....4c Watches.....4c Building Blocks.....4c Toy Sad Irons.....4c Toy Wash Boards.....4c Pop Pistols.....4c Rubber Dolls.....4c Horse.....4c Rubber Balls.....4c Masks.....4c Noah's Arks.....4c Tin Rattles.....4c Iron Banks.....4c Apple Banks.....4c	<b>Skates.</b> The Boys' and Girls' delight. A good present.  <b>Boys' Skates.</b> any size. <b>39c</b>  <b>Girl's Skates</b> Any size, with heel strap and patent lever fastener in front <b>Only 69c</b>  <b>Nickle Plated Skates.</b> Any size, boys' or gents'. <b>Only 98c</b>  <b>Child's Decorated Tea Set</b> Large pieces, good for regular use, 24 pieces, assorted colors. <b>96c Set</b>  <b>Glass Berry Sets</b> Large glass bowl, 6 saucers, worth 40c <b>Monday 29c</b>  <b>Opalescent Cream Jugs</b> Hold half pint—were 10c <b>Monday 4c</b>  <b>A Regular 10c Story Book 4c</b>  <b>Handkerchiefs</b> Some big bargains offered in this department. Gents' Initial Japanette, worth 25c each. <b>Only 14c Each</b>	<b>JOINTED DOLLS.</b> Special—15 inches long, pretty face, nice hair, well made, worth 35c. <b>Monday 19c</b>  <b>Washable Dolls</b> Stuffed body, 18 inches long, pretty face, worth 19c. <b>Monday 10c</b>  <b>Washable Face Dolls</b> About 12½ inches long, worth 10c <b>Monday 5c</b>  <b>SPECIAL BARGAIN.</b> <b>Mechanical Lion and Uncle Sam on Box.</b> Works by spring, a big, new toy, was 25c. <b>Monday 10c</b>  <b>Toy Sweepers</b> A perfect toy, and very interesting, same as the \$1.00 sweeper. <b>Monday 34c</b>  A very large assortment of fancy dressed dolls <b>From 24c Up</b>  <b>DOLLS BEDS AND CRADLES</b> <b>JUMPING JACKS,</b> <b>BLACK BOARDS.</b> <b>FROM 10c UP.</b>	<b>Steel Toys.</b> Sulky and Riders. Rabbit Riders. Horse and Surrey. Fire Chief's Wagon. Fire Engine. Hooks and Ladders Fire Patrol Wagons Drays with Two Horses. Farm Wagon and Horses. Railroad Trains. Stoves and Ranges. Dump Carts and Mules. Police Patrols. Ice Wagons. And many others.  China Toy Tea Sets, 10c. up. Climbing Monkeys. Doll Carriages, 24c. up. Drums, from 10c. up. Mechanical Toys. Trumpets. Magic Lanterns. Phonographs. Two Wheel Carts, 10c. Sand Mills. Bisque Figures. Wood Block Houses. Guns. Soldier Sets.	<b>Kid Body Dolls.</b> In Kid Dolls, you must see the bargains we offer before you can realize how cheap we are selling them. These are the most serviceable Dolls you can buy. We have them.  <b>From 10c Up</b>  <b>STORY BOOKS,</b> <b>A, B, C BOOKS,</b> <b>LINEN BOOKS</b>  They Are Worth Double. Drums, Rubber Dolls. Rubber Toys. Rubber Rattles. Rubber Balls. Card Games. Fur Animals. Wool Horses Wool Doys. Wood Horses and Wagons. Musical Tops. Tambourines. Hobby Horses. Galloping Horses. Doll Furniture. Doll Wash Tubs. Doll Wash Sets Noah's Arks.	<b>Big Bargains in China and Glass.</b> <b>They Make a Very Serviceable Present.</b>  We have a very large assortment of Decorated Plates, China Cups and Saucers, Mugs, Oat Meal Dishes, Bone Dishes, Olive Dishes, Creams, Etc., Etc., Etc.  <b>At Only 10c a Piece</b>  A very large assortment of China Cups and Saucers, worth 50c. and 35c.  <b>For 25c Monday</b>  <b>Glass Cake Stands</b> Full size. <b>Only 10c</b>  <b>4 Bottle Castors</b> With glass bottoms and nickled wire handle, worth 50 cents. <b>Monday 34c</b>  China Cream Sets. China Cup and Saucer and Plate Sets. China Bread and Milk Sets. Glass Water Sets. Decorated Glass Water Sets. China Oat Meal Sets. Glass Wine Sets.	<b>Glass Stand Lamp</b> Full size, large size wicks and chimney, all complete, worth 24c. <b>Monday 10c</b>  <b>Vase Lamps</b> Large assortment. <b>From 98c Up</b>  <b>Nickel Plated Cuspidors</b> Full size, worth 19c. <b>Monday 10c</b>  <b>Imported English Decorated Tea Pots</b> Fancy shapes—were 64c. <b>Monday 39c</b>  <b>1 Qt Decorated Cream Pitcher</b> Worth 15c. <b>Monday 10c</b>  Clothes Dryers—8 prongs, were 19c. <b>Monday 10c</b>  Imitation Leather Lunch Boxes, were 15c. <b>Monday 10c</b>  Coal Hods—Japaned with hood, some are dented very little, were 34c. <b>Monday 19c</b>

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In Addition to Showing Our Holiday Goods, We Have a Full Stock of Regular Staple Goods Always in Stock.

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### LLYWARCH HEN A CATWG DDOETH

Ivor, Generous as Gold, Meek and Beautiful to Behold.

### OUR EDEYRN THE GOLDEN TONGUED

Chieftain, Eloquent, Refined, Pious in Wrath, yet Wise in Mind, to the Bard a Golden Hoard is the Goodness of the Lord, None But Men of Matchless Might Dare Attend Him in the Fight.

Llywarch Hen y Rhen gawr oedd A neway et alioedd; Ddyfiawr, oedi y gw gwydh, Dygawdwr, canu ym gwydh.

Llywarch Hen was a celebrated poet who flourished in the middle of the sixth century. His patrimony was in the North of England, and he is supposed to have been a chief of some part of ancient Cumbria or Strathclyde. Llywarch bore a distinguished part in defending his country against the growing power of the Saxons, and survived to lament the loss of twenty-four sons who fell in the same cause. It appears from one of his poems that he fought under Arthur at the battle of Longorth, about A. D. 530. He retired after witnessing the defeat and death of his patron, to a solitary hut in Montgomeryshire, thence to a secluded little place called Fabell Llywarch, in the parish of Llanyover, near Bala, which is still pointed out as the "Cot of Llywarch Hen," where he composed his pathetic story on "Old Age," and where he died at the great age of 116 years, having outlived all his children, of whom the names of twenty-seven are recorded in history. Those of his poems which are extant are printed in the "Archaeologia," six of them being of an historical character; the other six are on moral subjects. The same poems were also published in a separate volume with a liberal translation by Dr. W. G. Fughe in 1792, entitled "Heroic Elegies." Llywarch is ranked in the Triads as "one of the three intelligent bards of the Court of Arthur," the other two being Catwge the Wise and Taliesin, the Chief of Bards.

Calwaladr hen blaer he (Da oedi) ac yn diwedi Eu brenniaeth, hylath hawl, Ar Ethawl lywodraethu.

Cadwaladr the Blessed, was the last of the princes who assumed the title of Chief Sovereign of Britain. He is called in the Triads one of the three Blessed and Canonized Kings of Britain, for the protection which he offered to the fugitive Christians when dispossessed by the Saxons. Disheartened at the progress of the Saxons he went to Rome in 686, where he remained until his death, which took place in 703. The parts which had not been conquered by the Saxons at this period were governed by different chiefs, as Cambria or Strathclyde, Wales and Cornwall.

Truchwith ar of ein trechu—'n dillaw A'n dyfed i Gyrru, Dyggiddiaeth, wiv faeth a fu, Em hwyliu yn cynllu.

Ni cha Cymry felly fod, A'u hegur hen ieth bygiod; Geraint Fardd Glas glw-was glan, Y'u dda oll a d'rai sillan.

Llunial Ramadeg llafnfydh, Ar cyntaf (gwelaf, un, gyfch).

Geraint flourished about A. D. 900. He is the author of a Welsh grammar, which was preserved among the MSS. at Raglan Castle, before the noted Welsh collection at that place was destroyed in the wars of the Commonwealth. This original work is now lost, but it was made use of to a great extent by Elinon and Edeyrn Dafod Aur.

Geraint the Blue Bard was one of the most illustrious men Wales ever produced, and it has been suggested by some that he was the same person with Aser who, on account of his great learning and superior talents, was invited by the great King Alfred to his Court, and that by his advice Alfred founded the University of Oxford. In gratitude to his distinguished patron, Aser wrote his life, which was printed for the first time in 1574. Caradoc records his death in his chronicle—"Aser the Wise, Archbishop of the Britons, died A. D. 906."

Rhovan follant cofiant cyfan gorhoftawli I Gruffydd ab Conan, Noddwr y Beirdd hofeidid-lan Ac acilydd y gyneg gan.

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rived at a high perfection, and from the death of Gruffydd ab Conan till the poetry and literature of Wales advanced. Llewelyn we have a brilliant succession of poets and men of letters. Gwair ydoedd hen Garadoc—Llanac arlaw

Llan, cu eurfad, enwog; Brwydd, hanesydd henn-awog, Ogu dadau mwyn goddog.

Caradoc was our great historian, who wrote the Chronicles of Wales, from the abdication of Cadwaladr to his own time, i. e., from 686 till 1157. His "Brut y Tywysogion" is a continuation of "Brut y Brenhiniaedd," or Chronicles of the Kings. His history was translated into English by Humphrey Llwyd, and published by Dr. Powell in 1584. Several editions of this important Welsh history have been published.

"Ifor Hael"— E fu yr hen Ifor Hael—'r Awen Ya rhawer trion-hael Wylthed a mrydd y maed Rhodri I Feirdd yn rhydd-hael.

Ivor the Generous, Lord of Maeslog, second son of Llewelyn ab Ivor ab Llewelyn ab Bieddi, who came to Glamorgan from Dyfed in the time of Iestyn ab Gwrgan. His mother, Angwara, was the daughter of Sir Morgan ab Merchit ab Gruffydd ab Meredith Gothin, the son of Ithys ab Tewdwr, Prince of South Wales. The chieftain of the house of Fredegar flourished from A. D. 1200 to 1270. He was the patron through life of the Prince of Wales bards, the illustrious Dafydd ab Gwilym, for which service Wales have always felt grateful to him, and his name respected. Many of our bards

have sung his praise, but none so excellent as the Patriarch of Wales. Ivor, generous as gold, Meek and beautiful to behold, Yet the boldest in the fray— Is the master I obey; None but men of matchless might Dare attend him in the fight! Chieftain, eloquent, refined, Ever in wrath, yet wise in mind, To the bard a golden hoard Is the goodness of his lord.

Edeyrn Dafod Aur, or Edeyrn the Golden Tongued, is referred to as an author of exceptional ability:

Edeyrn rhagorwydh awdwr, Goddog, ac enwog wr, A'i dafod aur, rhydiour oedd, Olydd o leithydd ydoedd; Colodd ein hylith a gwaith gwydh I gaeaf uchel korywch.

The Welsh grammar when he undertook to compile at the command of the Welsh Princess was made public about the year 1570. This curious and interesting old work is considered the national grammar of the Principality, and was published from the original manuscript about 40 years ago by the Welsh MSS. society. This is a most remarkable record of the patronage of literature by the Welsh Princesses in the midst of continual wars in defending their homes and country.

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hear, on very reliable authority, that he is afraid for Mrs. Fitchel to outpace him in this most important course of study."

### AN ENGLISH EDITOR ON THE WELSH.

Mr. A. E. Fletcher of the New Age (late editor of the Daily Chronicle) has favored the editor of "Young Wales" with an interview in the course of which he speaks freely upon many matters of interest to Wales. The Welsh members, he considers, are a body of good all-around members, with two promising men among them—Mr. T. E. Ellis and Mr. Lloyd George. Mr. Ellis makes an ideal Welsh, "has thoroughly justified his selection by his splendid success, but for all that "it is a pity he should have gone into office because it hampers him somewhat. Mr. Fletcher is as fervent as the most ardent Cymry Fyddite in his admiration for the member for Carmarvon whom he declares to be "one of the most prominent men in Parliament," and is "one of those good men who very likely may be approached to take office." But Mr. Fletcher's advice to Mr. Lloyd George is an emphatic "Don't," for "if he does accept office he will run the risk of sinking into an official Liberal and lose his influence as a leader. He is young and he is a splendid platform speaker, and adds the editor of the New Age, "I look upon him as the destined leader of the Welsh party."

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### ELEGANCE AND UTILITY.

He Bought Time-Pieces to Suit Each Particular Home Need.

From the Washington Star. "I want something handsome in the way of a clock," he said to the jeweler. "We have a very fine line of goods," was the response, "and the prices are very moderate." "I don't care anything about the price. I want something that will show at a glance that it cost a whole lot of money."

"Certainly. We have some beautiful imported goods." "That's the idea. Something that came from abroad. I want an ornate pedestal and ornate trimming and a statue on the top of it." "Here's a veritable work of art." "That's pretty well, but I'd like something more attractive than that. It's to be a birthday present to my wife. We haven't been keeping house very long, and she's been worried for four people would think we were going without a clock because we couldn't afford one. I'm going to see that she has something so handsome that it'll dazzle everybody who comes into the parlor and so precious that it has to be kept under glass like a specimen in the museum."

"How is this one?" the jeweler inquired, as he lifted a massively ornate article from a shelf. "That's the very thing. That'll please her almost to death. Pack it up and ship it out to my house and send the bill to my office." "It'll cost \$125," the jeweler mildly suggested.

"That's all right. It looks as if it were worth it." He started for the door, but came back and said: "By the way, you'd better give me another clock—one of those small nickel-plated affairs that cost about a dollar and a half, so that we can stick it off in an obscure corner to look at when we want to know what time it is."

evolved characteristic of the Welsh language states: "It is a heterogeneous conglomeration of a synchronising amalgamation and pulverisation of zinzibereous matter, and leads us into interminable disquisitions of a mythological metaphoric cabalistic-sartorial antediluvian paleontological cast!" Snakes alive! And do the Pontypridd folk still allow this blasphemous lie to live?

### YK HYFELYD WLAD.

Draw, ymhell ni wnar ddinas, Gwlad ddywybied a ddaon yw! Gwlad o hollwch, brl, ac urddas, Gwlad he nad oed poen a briw! Dymer fod y cawn ddinhardia, Ar lob cyntad yna sydd, Ar lob tridol, iac, a swastha, Hechyd y gwrth yna sydd.

O'n bryd cafi linu wedd Dy gogant heb un llyw! Lloslaw cerat, pryf cafi glywed, Fry o eilch yr awedd wen? Sefidur i Felan Bell'sum, Can am aborth Caiari; Ni awr eilch ar yr anghem Fawr am garlad Iona ca.

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—M. M. Bateman.



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**Pennsylvania Railroad to Issue Clerical Orders.**  
The Pennsylvania Railroad company announces that for 1897 it will issue clerical orders to regularly ordained clergymen in charge of churches located on or near its lines east of Pittsburgh and Erie. To secure these orders clergymen should make application to the nearest ticket agent as soon as possible, and it is desired that all applications reach the general office by December 15.