Ready-to-Wear

In this store you can always find the

very latest in fashion and fabric. Every suit shown here is a credit to the tailors

who made them. Every garment must

pass a strict examination before entering this stock, and no matter what price you

pay you will always find better value and better siyle than can be possibly shown

elsewhere at these \$10 to \$18

combinations in soft woven eiderdown

See the selection \$3.50 to \$5

Children's Suits

BATH ROBES-All the new color

The beautiful novelties in Vestee and

Reefer Suits are attracting the attention of

mothers to this department. New novel-ties arrive here every week. You can al-



# SANTFRS CREAT STORE

Be Open Every Evening Until Christmas.

This Store

Will

oday and All Next Week This store expects to do the biggest holiday business in its history. We know that no finer selection in our special line can be shown in this site.

line can be shown in this city. What shall I buy him?

We suggest the following: An Umbrella, Cane, Silk Handkerchiefs, Fancy Shirts, Dress Shirts, Silk Suspenders, Silk Hose, Gloves, Silk Neckwear, Dressing gown, Smoking Jacket, Bath Robe, or Fancy Night Robe.

## Novelty Furnishings

NECKWEAR- Beautiful silk color-

NECKWEAR - Fine imported "Lyons' silks in the newest dresden 75c patterns, each in fine enamel box

MUFFLERS-In new dresden and flowered silks A very large variety is on display in this store at. 50c

MUFFLERS-In fine imported "Lyons" silk. All the most beautiful French designs are here. \$1.50

DRIVING GLOVES-English make, full fur lined. A fine pres- \$3.50

UMBRELLAS-Silver mounted in a fine enamel box. A very useful present to any gentleman \$2.75

See the superb and exclusive design of furnishings in our show windows.

Our grand window dis-

## ways find what suits you and pleases the

or Turkish fabric.

Full Dress and "Tuxedo" Suits or Coats and Vests in the most fashionable "Crepe" Cloths at about half the price charged by the to-measure tailors. If you are going to get a Dress Suit von will profit by looking at ours.

### Top Coats And Overcoats

You certainly should see and compare the style of our Overcoats with those usually sold at these prices. There is such fine tailoring in them that you would wonder where the further improvement could be made. They are fully consistent with the very latest fashion plate. See them displayed in our show \$8 to \$20

SMOKING JACKETS-The most popular present for a gentleman, and we have a much finer and larger assortment than any previous year. Prices \$3 to \$8

## Boys' Overcoats

We have given a great deal of our peral attention to the style of Boys' Reefers and Overcoats this season, and the result is that we are showing some of the nobbiest little coats in town, either in covert, beaver or chinchilla.

## Pleasant Surprises

Handkerchiefs-Pure silk, worked initial, half dozen in a white enamel box, making a nice present..... 50c

Handkerchiefs-All pure linen, hem-

Silk Suspenders -- Beautiful raised 

Suspenders—In Silk or Satin, French or Dresden designs. 75c AND \$1

Silk Hose—In all the new colorings, Put up for presents. Three pair 50c in enamel box......

Gloves-Silk lined, in new shades of Tan and "Moca." One pair in a \$1

All that's new and most fashionable is found in this store.

# Samter Bros.

Scranton's Leading Outfitters.

More Holiday Novelelties are on exhibition in our show windows than any previous year.



The Bachelors' committee has been or. The patronesses are the following: hard at work the past few days, as, Mrs. A. B. Blair, Mrs. J. Seiden Blair, indeed, it has been for weeks, but the Mrs. H. T. Brady, ir, Mrs. Reese G. members have been particularly busy recently with the invitations, which will be issued on Monday. The list is somewhat smaller than last year, but the care and accuracy characterizing its various details have necessitated a vast amount of labor. The ball arrangements are now practically com pleted, as far as it may be at this time. A most elaborate scheme of decora tions has been planned, special attention being given to the supper room and the boxes. There will be sixteen of the latter and that they are likely to be in great demand is evident from the fact that already half of them. have been engaged. The floor is receiving great attention also, according to the custom of past years. The com-Messrs, J. H. Brooks, T. C Fuller, James Blair, jr., Worthington Scranton and M. B. Fuller, will leavnothing undone to make the ball the most unqualified success in the social history of the city.

Weather permitting, this afternoon there will be a sweepstake handicap at the Country club. If the number of entries warrant the captain in aging for the club championship that will be played. For the benefit of the Country club members who have become exercised regarding the religious environment which seems to be swiftly closing in around the links, it may be stated that the most recent acquisition in the way of a church, situated on the thirteenth green on the lower links, will not interfere with future playing, as the green will be removed to a saic distance. There is no immediate probability that Sunday games, so popular on many links, will ever be adopted at the Scranton Country club, even if no more churches are erected in continuous row about its borders. The members are not in favor of Sunday games. It may be suggested that it would be well for churches erected on the links to provide themselves with strong wire window screens to guard against week day contingencies.

The Princeton Glee club concert will be the great event of Christmas night. The men will be lavishly entertained that day, roany dinners a tea and a dance now being intended in their hon-

Mrs. H. T. Brady, ir., Mrs. Reese G. Brooks, Mrs. George G. Brooks, Mrs. A. M. Decker, Mrs. A. W. Dickson, Mrs. E. L. Fuller, Mrs. N. A. Hulbert, Mrs. E. B. Jermyn, Mrs. W. D. Kennedy, Mrs. B. E. Watson, Mrs. H. W. Kingsbury, Mrs. W. W. Lathrope, Mrs. J. A. Linen, Mrs. W. G. Parke, Mrs. Frederick J. Platt, Mrs. C. D. Simpson, Mrs. A. H. Storrs, Mrs. H. W. Tay-lor, Mrs. Arthur Twitchell, Mrs. T. H. Watkins, Mrs. L. A. Watres.

vent of Christmas night. The diagram will open at Powell's on Monday. That the house will be crowded is already an assured fact. The concert will be followed by a dance at the Bi-

last of the exhibition and the public is invited to visit the rooms in the Carter building, on the Linden street side

The "cradles" for the Lackawanna hospital have mutely solicited considerable money for the children's ward. more than \$125 having this far been containing ... was stolen. How a perthe hospital is a mystery, but it was each shopper would build that muchneeded ward.

The Phi Alphas gave a dinner Thursday night at the Country club in honor of Mr. Lawrence Futler.

Mrs. Chauncey Reynolds will give : tea next Thursday afternoon at her home on Wyoming avenue.

Miss Benneil will entertain a company of friends at cards this evening.

The Princeton Glee club is the great

The first exhibition of the Keramic tub has been most successful. Many visitors have viewed the collection and expressed surprise at the large numper of beautiful pieces of porcelain. The sales have been extensive, but there is still a fine assortment to be seen, several new pieces having been added yesterday. Today will be the

received in this way. One cradle bank son of ever so abandoned a type could steal from the poor sick children in done: Don't forget the little people at Christmas time, a few pennies from

Among those who will probably en-

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Boles, Mr. and H. H. Brady and Mrs. B. Mrs. W. F. Hallstead, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Weston, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Scranton, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Brady, Mr. and Mrs. J. Benj. Dimmick, Mr. and Mrs. Miss Welles, Miss Bennel, A. D. Blackinton, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Parke served refreshments. Watkins and others,

Mrs. B. A. Hill gave a beautiful tea on Thursday at her home on Clay avenue in honor of her daughter's advent into society. A very large number of ladies called. The house was claborately decorated by Clark. Bauer's chestra furnished music, Mrs. H'll and Miss Hill were assisted in receiving by Mrs. Samuel Wayland, of Wilkes-Barre. Among the handsomely gowned ladies who were about the oms were Mrs. A. J. Connell, Mrs. W. Watson, Mrs. Landy, Mrs. T G. Wolfe. At the frappe table were Mrs. G. M. Hallstead and Mrs. F. L. McGowan. In the dining room were Miss Annie Watson, Miss Anne Hand. Miss Mubel Schlager, Miss Bierhaus and Miss Carrie Bennell. Hantey ca-

Mrs. Frank E. Platt gave a large reeption on Thursday at her home on Webster avenue. It was one of the ceiving by her sister, Miss Skinner, of Hartford, Conn. The ladies who aswere Mrs. R. W. Archbald, Mrs. J. Platt presided at the frappe table. Mrs. Helen Boies, Miss Marjorie Platt, Miss assisted in serving refreshments.

Miss Jessie Ripple will entertain small company of friends at a masquerade party on the 26th.

yesterday, introducing Miss Helen Sanderson to society.

eautiful dinner of thirteen covers Tuesday evening. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Sturges, Mr and Mrs. Arthur Twitchell, Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Brady, Miss Welles, Miss Augusta Archbald, Messes, P. B. Belin and James Blair.

Mrs. George Sanderson gave a reeption yesterday afternoon to intro duce Miss Helen to society. Mrs. Sanderson and her daughter were assisted in receiving by Miss Tyler, of Ithaca, N. Y., the flancee of Mr. James G. Sanderson. About the rooms were the Mr. Gardner Sanderson, Mrs. H. B. Reynolds, Mrs. R. M. Scranton, Mrs. F. J. J.

tertain holiday house parties will be Platt and Miss Anna Sanderson . Mrs. A. R. Hazlett, is confined to his home B. Sturges and Mrs. J. Benj. Dimmick presided at the table in the dining room, where Miss Hunt Miss Welles, Miss Bennell and Miss

> Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Hurley will give a reception on Thursday evening next at their home in North Park. Mrs. Hurley will also receive on the afternoon of that day.

> Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 27, at 4 clock, Helen Grace, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eliezer D. Jenkins, of Capouse avenue, will be married to Dr. Welcom C, Snover, at Green Ridge Presbyterian church.

This afternoon the Young Ladies' ociety of the First Presbyterian church will hold a cake sale in the parlors, where tea will be served and pleasant social hour has been planned. The cakes made by the First church young ladies are every bit as good as the cause for which they labor and that is saying a great deal.

The Home for the Friendless has been quarantined for the past two most attractive social affairs of the months with a miniature epidemic of year. Mrs. Platt was assisted in re- scarlet fever. None of the cases have proved fatal and all have now recovered. Next week fumigation will take sisted in entertaining about the rooms place and outside intercourse with the were Mrs. R. W. Archuald, Stranton, Benj. Dimmick, Mrs. R. M. Scranton, Mrs. A. H. Storrs, Mrs. D. L. Tate and tron and the old ladies, as well as for the little people, who have been kept the little people, who have been kept school. The physicians C. H. Welles and Miss Platt were at say that the arrangements for isolathe table in the dining room. Miss tion of patients suffering with contagious disease are so complete in the Louise Smith and Miss Janet Storrs home that it is in far better condition in this respect than any hospital in the city. It is a pleasure to be able to announce that the inmates will by able to enjoy the old-fashioned Christmas festivities as in the past. Mrs. Walker, the matron, has given a number of Mrs. George Sanderson gave a tea little teas for the old ladies during this state of quarantine and the children have had a party, besides a delightful Thanksgiving celebration, so Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Watkins gave a their shut-in condition has been somewhat brightened.

#### Movements of People

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Smith are in New Dr. D. H. Jenkins and son are in Phila-

Attorney A. J. Colborn has returned Sheriff Block, of Birghamton, was into city yesterday. City Solicitor and Mrs. A. A. Voshurg re in New York city. Mr. M. T. Carter and family have gone

o Florida for the winter. Colonel and Mrs. H. M. Boles have re-urned from New York city.

Miss Bierhaus, of Vincennes, Ind., is the guest of Miss Annie Watson. Miss Cera Spencer, of Thompson, is visiting her cousin, Mrs. J. D. Peck, on Green Ridge street. Mrs. Joseph. A. Scranton and Mrs. D.

. Tate have returned from a fortnight's tay in Philadelphia.

Miss Bradley, of Newburgh, N. Y., will

N. Spencer, isit her sister, Mrs. F. M. Spencer, or the next few weeks. Mr. William N. Williams, of Plymouth,

esturned home yesterday, after a short deit with relatives in this city. Rev. E. R. Lewis will preach tomorrow t the Audenried Congregational church and will spend the week in Schuyikil!

Miss Eva M. Brown, of the Corressondence schools, has left the city to gend Sunday with friends at Clark's Rt. Rev. M. J. Hoban vesterday vis-

ted Rev. Thomas Brehony, at Eckley, who is about to be removed to Philadal-phia, to St. Agnes' hospital. F. M. Spencer was at the Hotel Wal-ton, Philadelphia, the right of the fire, and says it was the scene of a great

fright for most of the guests.

Miss Clara F. Speicher has returned home from the State Normal school to spend the Christmas vacation with her parents. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Speicher, of Prescott avenue.

#### Distribution in the destribution with HER POINT OF VIEW DUNINAM WINDING

Christmas wouldn't be so expensive distributed. The amount of hard work receding Christmas would afford in-Unitely more satisfactory results if for every person to whom gifts were to be made. So many of us crowd a whole year's labor in that little fortnight and then wender why we have nervous prestration afterward. I know only one sensible woman

There may be others, but she is the solitary individual of that class whom I can now eath to mind. She has had her Christmas preparations ready for a month, with the exception of a very few things, which must accessarily be delayed until the last day or two. All nicely packed away in their pretty wrappings of white these paper lie the smaller articles ready for the messen- another friend she prepared a fish but it all shows what can be done with gor. She has not bought in a hap | globe with some levely plants which ingenuity, time and patient labor. She hazard fashion, as do some women who procure a quantity of things and then make an indiscriminate a dection, grab bag style, for various friends. Instead much time and thought were expended upon each gift and the tastes Colonel and Mrs. H. M. Boles have retraced from New York city.

Willis, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. party bag, the dainty center piece, the

Costume, besiden the center of several delicate handkerships. They were her costlier gifts are sent forth.

Saucy Bess.

magazine cover, the velvet collar and belt for her young friends. They were finished without hurry and with the pleasantest thoughts wrought into of two blessed Sundays between this morning and Christmas day, as so must lost time. She do s not have to tear madly down town in crowded an unsatisfactory choice of what is left for somebody omitted from her list by mistake. Oh, no, she is a wise woman, and she has even sent in her subscriptions and addresses for the periodicals she wishes to present to friends. How I hate her for being so

The story of a twenty-five cent limit

which was left incomplete last week may be prolonged to a considerable extent. The busy young wife, like the sensible woman noted above, did not make all her preparations for Christmas in a hurry. She could never have achieved such results in a week or two. Indeed some of her plans were made in June and even earlier. For instance, it was then that she went far into the woods one day for a drive with friends and carried a trowel and a basket in order to remove ferns for home adernment. They throve finely in a shaded corner of the lawn and from their number two or three handsome ones were kept in the house. When her conomical Christmas expanditures became necessary she bit upon an idea that saved much of the gliowance provided. There were some If only the time and thought we do- pots in the cellar, common red ones, vote to it were a little more equally wide and low, such as bulbs often come in at Easter. She brushed a coat which is spent in shopping, worrying of shellac on several and carefully and hurrying during the two weeks pasted a row of portraits of famous authers, cut from the Bookman and finitely more satisfactory results if other magazines. They were elipped undertaken earlier with definite plans | in an oval form, with a little gilt boxder as a frame for each. Over all she put a coat of varnish. These decorated one pot, in which was placed a beautiful, thrifty wood fern. The art embroidered shawl, two book covers gallery was varied as to the others, one having a frieze of children's faces | does not include a number of presents cut from the advertisements, another given to children none costing more of well known stage favorites. Mand than 25 cents and some of which in the Adams' wistful eyes looking out from a miniature frame made of they dots water color sketches by the giver. of putty gilded to look like the beading often seen. These most attractive gifts gladdened the hearts of three old who devised the scheme, the deer skin ladies whose homes were none too the silver dish, the silk for embroidbright with flowers and sunshine. For

> Then she made birds turn yer pieces forty cents. It made an iminite num-

edge of good lace or with a dainty bit of embroidery in the corners, either wrought on the material or out out of lace and appliqued with infinitismal each stitch. She does not have to sit stitches. All these things took ti.ac. up nights and bemean the intervention | She couldn't have done them up in the last two weeks before Christmas

Then she hem-stitched some chiffon and made a lovely knot of the fluffy stuff to go beneath the fair chin of a shops and wind swept streets to make girl she loved and she fashloned as an unsatisfactory choice of what is beautiful party hood out of a vard of pink china siik and some white wadding. This gift cost sixty cents, but it was averaged up on the ferns,

A dream of a corset cover was made. seamless except at the shoulders, of dimity, with tiny frills and beading in which baby ribbon was run. A ribbon collar made over wires with stunning points and a dear little bow in front cost twenty-five cents and couldn't be duplicated in the shops for lifty. A strip of white cashmere embroidered richly at the ends in blue forget-menots made a shawl or scarf to wear under a party cloak which is the pride of a certain belie's wardrobe. It cost \$2, but was the sole extravagance in the list and was "evened up," as the donor declared, by the other things.

Here is a partial list, with the ex-

Gilding for three pets of ferns ...... \$ .10 amen for collars, etc. .... Dimity for two corest covers...... Ribbon for collar Chiffon for two bows hina silk and wadding ..... Cashmere and silk floss .....

This amount purchased twenty-eight gifts, at an average of 20 cents each. They included three pots of terns, six collar edges, two handkerchiefs, two corset covers, a ribbon collar, two bows, a party-hood, three sets of Madonna pictures, mounted, one nut bowl, an and four magazine covers. The list shape of books, were embellished in Some of the materials were already in ery and sewing not being estimated thrive in the water with gravel and said, and so said her bushand, they never had such a happy Christmas in their lives, and this year, when of sheer linen for the collar. A half- | their worldly prospects have so far imyard of the exquisite fire material cost proved that he sacrifices of that other holiday time are not needed, she looks ber of those protty accessorles to a back uponit with a certain theil of pride