will. It'll be like lassooing a butterfly, an' I 'low as the man as can do it ain't appeared in camp yit," said Joe Bartlett meditatively. "As fer me, I ain't got the show of a chance. How in thumder can I expect a dainty little girl Vike Kitty to care for a rough, sanonant fellow like me?"

so remarkable a creature Kitty should ever love him to be considered only in the light of an impossibility. If his love be-came hopeful be reviled himself and blashed at his temerity.

Yet Joe was foreman of the new mine at Clear Creek camp and the most important man in the place. "No, the man ain't arrived yit," continued Joe, "an' when he does," he turned a little pale—"when he does, tood help Joe Eartlett!"

That evening, as was his habit, Joe was at Amos Carter's cabin. There were two reasons why he liked to spend an evening with Carter-he enjoyed swapping yarns with him over their pipes; and Kitty happened to be Carter's daughter. Kitty never suspected his love. Joe knew that she did

He took the pipe from his mouth, and, knocking the ashes from it, filled it carefully; but it was evident that his mind was not upon his task.

"Can't even speak grammar as I'd ort "Can't even speak grammar as I'd ort to," he muttered with disgust. "But they ain't nothing I wouldn't do for Kitty-Lord love her—even to study-ing a grammar book."

Joe was modest. He had no self-esteem whatever, and undervalued his

not return it, and he was not a man to wear his heart on his sleeve. If anyone had asked her about her opinion of Joe, she would have confessed frankly that she was almost as fond of him as of her father.

In the midst of a story of the plains which he was telling for the twentieth time, there was a loud rap on the door. Carter went to open it. A stranger stood on the threshold, a tall, slender, well-made young fellow, wearing the garb of the city-bred man. "Is this Mr. Carter's place?" he

"That's my name, young feller, W!ll

you come in?"
"I was told," said the newcomer, as he complied with the invitation, "that I should find Mr. Fartlett here." Joe came forward and offered his toil-hardened hand to the stranger.

You are Mr. Ames, the superintendent's son, I guess. He wrote me you were coming up for a spell, but I didn't 'low we'd see you till the next stage. I am glad to see you, sir," he said heartily.

A certain indifference or inference which seemed habitual vanished from the young man's face and manner. He held out his hand frankly.

"Thank you. I have come to rustlcate. I have a bad reputation at home. It arises from a slight difference between the governor and my-self. I am conscientiously opposed to ' He squared his shoulders and laughed. "I am supposed to take father's place here, but I have perfect confidence in you, Bartlett, and I shall take it as a favor if you will forget to remaind me of the responsilaughed in sympathy.

He was unmistakably a good deal a dandy. His lips were as immac ulate as it would have been in the city, and the hand from which a shapely as a woman's.

We must be good friends, Bartlett, he continued, "for I want you to let me down easy on the labor problem. Dad wants to make life a treadmill for

A broken smile from his hearers

greeted this statement. "I hope you know what work is, young feller," said Carter, his smile

ending in an audible chuckle. Clay Ames never knew what reply he made. His eyes for the first time had met Kitty's, and he forgot everything else but the tail slip of a girl with the wild-rose face.

In less than a week everybody in camp knew that the superintendent's son was in love with Kitty Carter. Half the men in the camp were his rivals, but they all liked the young boss, who had made himself one of them from the first night of his arrival. Kitty's ways were maddening. If her wilful heart favored any one, even her handsome city lover, she discrectly kept the knowledge to herself.

Joe Bartlett had just left the office and was on his way to the mine. Looking up he saw Kitty's figure speeding toward him. He knew at once that something was wrong. She was breathless, her lips were blanched and her eyes wild with terror.
"Kitty, what is it? Anthing wrong

at the mines" he asked, anxiously. She caught his arm to steady herself, "There's been a slide," she gasped. "and Clay-"

A sob choked her voice, and the agony in her voice went to Joe's heart like a knife stab. His face whitened, "Is Clay anything to you, Kitty?" he asked, huskily,

"Everything; all the world to me," moaned Kitty. "My heart will break if he dies."

Joe unclasped her trembling fingers from his arm. "Please heaven, we won't let him die, dear," he said gently, and a mo-

ment later he was gone. How the men worked to reach the death-trap where six of their comrades were entombed until, exhausted, they were compelled to fall back, while others filled their places; how one man, tireless and determined, kept always at the head never resting for a moment. To tell all this would make a

story in itself, Joe Barflett inspired everybody and cheered and encouraged the despairing growd that gathered about the entrance of the mine; and when, after hours of hard work, the last dividing wall of earth was penetrated, and an opening made large enough for a man to enter, it was Joe Bartlett, who, with no thought of his own danger, cilmbed through into the chamber beyond and one by one lifted the half-dead men to those waiting on the outside to receive

Young Ames had been farthest back and was the last to be rescued. He was very weak, but he waved his hand feebly to the cheering crowd as Joe

lifted him back to life and strety. Through the opening in the wall of earth the excited, shouting crowd had glimpse of a grimy, radiant facefirst saw Clay Ames-then there a sickening sound as of muffled fore to der, a horrible underground groanfollowed by a crash; a second had occurred and Joe Bartlett buried beneath it.

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Scranton's Shopping Center.

Anniversary Announcement

Special Anniversary Sale All the Week

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, the occasion of our Eighth Anniversary, we will conduct a special Autumn Opening, at which time unusual exhibitions will be made in every department, of the latest and best things for the Fall and Winter season of 1900-1901. You undoubtedly know Connolly & Wallace by name. You are cordially invited to a better and closer personal acquaintance. Come and visit us. This is not the cordiality of self-interest. We are asking you as guests and not as customers. No one will ask you to buy anything. No one will even look at you as if you were expected to buy something. The whole store and the whole stock are open to your examination, merely as things to see and admire and learn from. Service is ready on the instant you express a desire to be served—but it will never be pressed upon you. That is a Connolly & Wallace store rule—good the year round. Plenty to see. If you miss Connolly & Wallace's you miss an important city sight. The list of store features is a long one, and is being added ro almost daily. The stocks as a whole, especially the new Silks and Dress Fabrics, Tailored Costumes, Laces and Neckwear, Hosiery and Underwear, Linens and Blankets, are an inexhaustible source of interest and information. The decorations for this opening will be found worthy of a store that has made a reputation for such things.

Tailor-Made Costumes

September is a time of busy shopping. That's one reason our Winter Dress Goods store of tailor-made costumes is crowded always. But the chief reason is this: As much better as are this season's suits than those of former years, that much better are Connolly & Wallace suits than the average Introduction in a variety of latest French, English and German prosuits of the season, and that much cheaper, too. Read, but you must ductions in wool, and silk and wool, together with a carefully selected see to judge.

\$10 Homespun in Oxford, mixtures, \$15 Tan and brown covert cloth fabrics are: fly front jackets, taffeta lined; skirt percaline lined.

\$20 Suits of navy blue Venetian cloth trimmed tastefully with military braid; jacket in the new blouse effect with leg of mutton sleeve; skirt with inverted plait and new ruffle effect.

suits, fly front jackets, skirts with inverted plait, entire suit silk

\$25 Black and navy camels' hair suitings, silk lined throughout, inverted plait skirt, jacket with quirted taffeta collar, very new.

Black Silk Waists in Newest Styles

They'll be no less popular than last year, judging from the manner in which these recent comers are received. All of rich, crisp, lustrous bolities of the situation." Again his in which these recent comers are received. All of rich, crisp, justrous boyish laugh rang out and the others taffetas, elegantly made and trimmed, and very effective—especially when worn with the new jaunty tailor-suits. An excellent quality for only \$5, and a splendid garment for only \$7.50.

diamond flashed was as white and Men's and Women's Hosiery

You always have the satisfaction of getting good, dependable hosiery here. That, with the additional assurance that prices rule lower than most other stores, makes this a well-liked hosiery store.

For Men.

Here are some excellent kinds at little prices:

At 19c a pair-Of fast black cotton with unbleached feet, spliced heels and toes; values 25c.

At 25c a pair-Men's black cashmere hose of fine quality and good weight-spliced toes and heels and

For Women. Of black lisle thread in narrow and

wide ribs; also in lace effects, in fast black-per pair 25c.

At 50c pair-Of black lisle thread with lace ankles; also ribbed and lace all-over, in a variety of patterns. Also of English black cotton light-weight, with double soles, toes and heels.

Women's Knit Fall Underwear

Timely for you to think of. We thought of them and ordered them half a year ago. Therefore, fabrics and trimmings were made and cut and finished according to our own ideas. That makes them doubly Connolly & Wallace's, and THAT makes them reliable. Cotton, silk, silk mixtures, wool and merino, the best of them all, made into comfortable, good-looking, long-wearing garments, that ought to command bigger prices than these-and generally do command them

medium or heavy weight; drawers have French bands, side buttons. 75c Ribbed merino vests and pants \$1.65 Ribbed wool union suits in -high neck, long sleeves.

or grey, high neck, long or Lots of other special lower and higher prices.

50c Ribbed cotton vests and drawers, | \$1 Ribbed cotton union suits, the celebrated "Oneita garments' white, ecrue or grey.

white or grey, "Oneita style" \$1-Swiss ribbed wool vests in white high neck, long sleeves. Lots of other special things at

The New Black Dress Goods

This is only a branch of our dress goods stock, but it's one of the most important of all, and we treat it with the care and attention it deserves. In eight years of providing you with dress fabrics, we have never had so much in black to show you.

There are more than 100 styles in black alone for you to choose among. We show them under a clear, pure sky-light that is merciless in its disclosure of faults. Nothing but a good, rich, smooth black will endure this test. We have nothing else. There is no longer attached to black an exclusive significance of mourning. Madame Fashion has long since recognized its richness and effectiveness, and it holds a high place in her favor this season. The new weaves include some magnificent effects. The whole stock is one worth examining with care.

The New Fall and

collection of the best fabrics made here. Every line presented shows latest and most desirable weaves and colorings. Among the leading

Camel's Hair Zebeline French Tailor Suiting Satin Faced Venetian

India Camel's Hair Scotch Tweed Suiting Fine Covert Cloths Panne and Mirror Velvets French Poplins

An Elaborate Showing Of French Flannel Waists

Representing the newest ideas of foreign and domestic makers and 10c for 12 1-2c glass toweling, 50c yd for 64-inch, full bleached daembracing the popular colorings for fall wear.

We offer none but perfect-litting and splendidly made garments- 12 1-2c for 18c glass toweling

plain colors, with French back and new sleeve.

\$4-Fine French flannel waists in \$6.50-Handsome flannel waists in 12 1-2c for large huckaback towels the new fall shades, elaborately trimmed with silk.

\$5.—French flannel waists in black, gray, violet, blue and pink; corded back and front, made in a French back and new sleeve, neatly sailor collar style of taffeta silk. corded and with vest effect of hem-stitched taffeta silk, very effective. Trimmed with silk.

Some New Fall Flannels.

Flannel in wearing apparel will be more than ever in evidence this fall and winter. The comfort and serviceableness of this class of goods were long ago proven by women.

On sale now, a very handsome collection of new fall printed Fre ch flannels, also all the new plain shades. The printed flannels include the latest effect in stripes, polka dots, etc., which are used for shirt waists, wrappers, house gowns, etc.

Ours are the strictly all-wool grades. Plain colors, per yd. 60c. Printed goods, per yd, 75c.

Also a very handsome line of the plain, all wool flannels in silk embroidered polka dot at \$1.00 yard.

A Most Unprecedented Sale

Of Ladies' Early Fall Jackets

These are jackets from the 1900 spring stock, light in weight and eminently suitable for wearing during the early fall months. The style and cut of these jackets are up-to-date in every particular, in fact just the same as those that are now being made for the fall season. They are simply taking up too much of our space and out they must go. 150 of them, at less than halt price. Colors are mostly tans, browns and black. You may not find your size in all styles but you couldn't miss a bargain if you picked with your eyes shut,

in five lots, as follows:

to \$6.00. At \$3.25 all jackets that were \$6.50

At \$5.00 all jackets that were \$10.00 to \$12.00.

At \$2.50 all jackets that were \$5.00 | At \$6.25 all jackets that were \$12.50

to \$15.00.

At \$7.50 all jackets that were \$16.00 to \$25.00.

Housekeeping Linens. Important Savings.

16-inch bleached linen crash 6c instead of 8c 18-inch bleached cotton crash 6c instead of 8c 10c each for size 18x36 linen huck towels 40c yd for 64-inch pure linen damask, cream color

And these are merest hints. More than thirty rather important lots are told of in the detail that follows. It's the best linen news we've printed in a twelve-month-reductions at the very time we are surest of having to pay higher prices. Why? If you have a friend who manufactures he can explain. A furnace company year after year showed a balance earned, but it was never available for dividends. "There's our profit, gentlemen; a warehouse full of metal." But it took a new management to work out real cash. We are paying higher prices for the linens we are ordering for future shipments; we are finding "bargains" where stocks of this, that and other must be turned into cash for divi-

Will you take a dividend as well by getting enough of these goods for present and prospective wants?

11c for 15c glass toweling, checked.

checked. 12 1-2c for wide bleached Barnsley

extra heavy. 25c for large, fine huck towels, hem stitched

corded back and front, made in a 12 1-2c for bleached or brown Turkish bath towels. 23c for extra large brown Turkish

bath towels. 25c for extra large bleached Turkish bath towels.

25c for fancy weave huck linen tow-els, value 40c. 40c yd for 68-inch, extra heavy brown table linen.

55c yd for 66-inch, full bleached, extra heavy

60c yd for the heaviest brown damask made 85c yd for full bleached damask, worth \$1.00.

\$1.00 yd for 10 pieces 72-inch, full bleached damask, all one pat-tern; value \$1.75 yd.

A Very Special Bargain.

Napkins \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.25 dozen. Some big bleached dinner napkins, very fine, at \$3.50. The regular \$5.00 kind. There are fancy linens as well. Traycloths, hemstitched tea cloths and the like, just as cheap as the other linens we've told of.

Blankets and Comfortables, Pure, Beautiful, Low-Priced.

The cool days make these snowy heaps of blankets look both comfortable and luxurious. It's not time to use them yet, but that time is not far away, and here are ample reasons for early readiness. The prices are the most urgent reason for buying now, but there is a better reason for their selection by shrewd housekeepers. The soft wools, so beautifully corded-handsome to the eye, luxurious to the touch, and then so clean and pure, so sweet and odorless. They represent the finest product from most carefully worked wool. Of course, not all are all wool, Some very fine blankets have a strong spool cotton warp, which gives strength to the blanket, yet is so buried in the soft, warm wool that its p.esence is unknown except for the service it renders.

All told, it is the best collection of blankets that could be brought together. The prices are brought about by enormous buying before manufacturers were busy with regular orders.

The display will delight all tasteful housekeepers. These hints will tell something of the prices:

gray and tan color, medium size. 90c pair. Extra large cotton blankets in white and gray.

\$1.25 pair. Extra large cotton blankets in white and gray. \$1.75 pair. Extra large and extra

and gray. \$2.25 pair for 10-4 white wool and and \$8.00 pair. cotton mixed blankets, warm and well made-the 11-4 size, \$2.75 pair. \$4.00 pair for full 11-4 size white

wool blankets, made from fine

68c pair. Cotton blankets in white, | \$4.50 pair for extra large white wool blankets, fine and soft.

\$4.00 pair for very fine white wool blankets for single or 3-4 bed. The large size for regular beds \$5.00

kets in white and gray.

75 pair. Extra large and extra blankets, handsomely bound with silk and with new border effects; two sizes larger also at \$6.75

Other very fine and handsome woolen blankets up to \$18.00 pair. Luxurious silk comfortables, filled with finest and softest lamb wool, from \$12.00 to \$18.00 each.

TE EXPECT to make our store a mecca for visitors and shoppers during this anniversary week. Come and look and study—see the new fall things in all their freshness. Goods and prices are so adjusted as to make purchasing surely follow an inspection. Come anyway on Thursday, the date of our anniversary. This will be the real opening day, with Friday and Saturday included. Thursday the decorations will be complete. They alone will amply repay a visit. Bargains will be in evidence all the week. Come any time.

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awed into silence by the awfulness of | reach their comrade. and covered up their eyes as if thus e had caught sight of Kittty when they might shut out the memory of the brave face that but a moment be-

fore had smiled at them from its It was hopeless from the first Yet never did men work more here

For a second or two the crowd was camp for the next twelve hours to Rough men, the tragedy, and then a cry of hor-ror burst from a hundred throats. Women screamed and men grew white body was lifted from under the debris and the light of day fell upon his unconscious face,

They carried him to his own cabin and laid him up the bed. The braves! man in Clear Creek camp had given his life for his comrades, and the entire camp was in mourning. ically than the miners of Clear Creek | Moonlight flooded the cabin where about her slender waist. "I am glad," ills

his life still rested upon it. Two people-a man and a girl-stood beside the girl's waist, her face was hidden upon his breast.

He was so good!" she sobbed. "He died for your sake, and mine."
"Yes, dear," said Ames gently, "He was the best and bravest man I have ever known." His arm tightenend

Joe lay. The smile which had illuminated his face in the last moment of have a sweetheart." would have killed her." whispie-a man and a girl-stood beside pered Kitty, laying her tear-wet cheek him. The young man's arm was about against her lover's face. "But Joe did r loved anyone."

> ilence had kissed the dead man's lips. -St. Louis Star. Beecham's Pills for stomach and liver

COBRA THE FASTEST BOAT.

She Makes Forty-three Miles an

Hour in Preliminary Trial. Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. London, Sept. 18 .- The torpedo boat destroyer Viper's marvelous record of forty-three miles an hour has been And they never knew; for eternal eclipsed, and the fastest vessel in the world is now her sister ship, the Cobra. Both have turbine engines.

thirty-four knots. The Viper did 37,113 knots on July 13. The Cobra, in an unofficial trial over the same course at the mouth of the Tyne the other day, made 37.7 knots, or 43.5 miles. Her ena gineers say that she has not yet done her best, and that they expect fully another knot.

McCall's Magazine for October is just at hand with more than one hundred illustrations of parterns of up-to-date designs for ladies', misses' The contract speed of each was and children's garments.