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500 Pairs of Patent Leather Shoes Made to Sell at \$2.50 to Be Sold at \$1.79.

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Style 2—A very swell dress shoe, Light Sole, Cuban Heel, Bright Dongola Top, Patent Vamp and Imitation Tip.

Style 3—Medium Heavy Sole, Cuban Heel, Mat Kid Top and Patent Vamp.

Style 4—Medium Heavy Sole, Military Heel, Bright Dongola Top and Patent Vamp.

Grand Opportunity for Lace Curtain Buyers.

Of all the sales of lace curtains ever held this one stands out pre-eminent. The assortment is far greater, the values are better and the styles are superb. We are selling a good Nottingham lace curtain as low as 49c per pair, a splendid line of Ruffled Curtains from a dollar a pair up, and choice Arabians as low as \$5. If you have curtains to buy of any description, now is the time to save money.

Some Dress Goods Reduced.

Several lines of dress goods are on sale this week at particularly interesting values. If impossible to come see them drop a postal for samples.

At 49 Cents.—About 25 or 30 pieces of Cheviots, Storm Serges, Granites, Crepes, Worsteds, suitings, etc., in all shades and blacks, all Wool and Double Width Goods, well worth 65 and 75cts.

At 69 Cts.—About two dozens pieces of 44 inch Serges, Cheviots, Etamines, Camels Hair, Pebble Cheviots, Prouelles, etc. A specially attractive lot of good, stylish and serviceable dress stuffs, made originally to sell as high as a dollar a yard.

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BOATS BEFORE THE ARK.

Paintings in Egypt Show That Noah Did Not Invent Ships.

It is popularly supposed that Noah's ark is the first ship of which we have any record, but Egypt, that land of mystery and surprises, shows paintings of boats that were built and navigated at a far earlier period than 2840 B. C., which is the date usually assigned to the flood. It may have been one of her boats thus pictured that provided Noah and his three sons with a proper model for the ark, though the proportions must have been different or fewer animals must have existed.

J. de Morgan, the French Egyptologist, several years ago discovered in brick vaults near Cairo a number of boats that are certainly as old as the date at which the ark was built and perhaps a bit older. They are, it is true, but small craft, measuring 33 feet long, 7 or 8 wide and 30 to 36 inches deep. They resemble in general form the pictures painted by early Egyptian artists, which show what boats were used seventy and even eighty centuries ago. And today when the fellah skips aboard his small oar propelled skiff he uses a vessel the shape of which has been little improved during the ages that have passed since the shepherds kings ruled the valley of the Nile.—Philadelphia North American.

Shoddy Boots.

Boots and shoes in England have been subject to a very considerable fall in prices of late years. Partly this is owing to the use of machinery, partly to the employment of leathers which were used to do the work, partly to the use of what was formerly waste material and partly to sheer dexterity and trickery. Men's lace boots are now to be bought for 2s. 11d. They are made of leather, too, and to look at them you might think it genuine enough.

The truth is, however, the uppers are made of what are known as "center splits," and the soles are an artificial compound of leather waste. The "center splits" are very ingenious forms of shoddy. Good, honest skins are cunningly split into three thicknesses. The center sheet is soft and spongy and has no natural grain upon it. But this defect in its appearance is supplied by a process of printing which produces a surface "grain" and makes it, to the inexperienced eye, just like ordinary leather. It is then made up into boots that give every promise of good service, a promise to the eye, to parody Macbeth—pretty certainly destined to be broken to the hope.—Chambers' Journal.

Thunderstorms at Sea.

An electric storm at sea is one of the alarming experiences to which a mariner is exposed, but as a matter of record it is one that is least fruitful in disastrous results. As a rule few precautions are taken to guard against a stroke of lightning, especially in the merchant service. Ships of war are usually fitted with lightning conductors, a precaution made necessary by the explosives stored away in their magazines. But these safeguards are seldom seen on a merchant vessel, and, judging by the extreme rarity of the cases where they have been struck, Jack's claim that he is safer on the ocean than on shore during an electrical disturbance must be admitted.

It is a well established theory that one caught in a thunderstorm should not take shelter under a tall tree, especially if it stands in a clearing. Why lightning should strike an isolated piece of timber on shore and spare it after it has been converted into a vessel's mast is yet to be satisfactorily explained.

Manhattan Full of Holes.

Manhattan Island is like an enormous coal mine, with intricate galleries and apartments underground. A large group of curious subterranean rooms and passages is to be found at the foot of Broadway, extending out laterally to the east and west. An almost continuous line of them follows Broadway. Several of the banks and trust companies have offices fitted up below the crowded sidewalks, where rows of clerks work silently, unmindful of the rush and turmoil above their heads. In the safe deposit vaults built below the pavements of Broadway, Wall, Nassau and Broad streets are stored millions of dollars' worth of securities, over which the crowds hurry all day heedlessly.

A Strange Flower.

A strange flower has been borne by a Malabar rosewood growing in a garden at Violet Hill, Stowmarket, England. The bush was close to an apple tree, and on one of the largest buds bursting into bloom five perfect apple blossoms, each on separate stalks, were seen growing in the center. As the petals of the rose developed the apple blossoms opened, the two forming a curious contrast.

The Lacebark Tree.

The lacebark tree grows in the West Indies. It is a lofty tree, with ovate, entire, smooth leaves and white flowers. It is remarkable for the tenacity of its inner bark and the readiness with which the inner bark may be separated—after maceration in water—into layers resembling lace. A governor of Jamaica is said to have presented to Charles II. a cravat, frill and ruff—made of it.

Honor Edged.

"Is Miss Castings still sharp in her manner toward you?" "I should say so. Why, she's grown so sharp that now she cuts me whenever we meet."—New York World.

Ready For the "Yes."

Madge—Have you given Jack your final answer yet? Mabel—Not yet—but I have given him my final "No."—Brooklyn Life.

She Vetted the Plan.

"Shall we take in Yellowstone park on our bridal tour?" asked the man on half of the proposed combination. "No; we'll cut that out," replied the fair bride in prospective. "Yellow is so awfully trying on my complexion."—Chicago News.

A Dentist's Epitaph.

Epitaphs are often grim, but seldom grimmer than the following humorous couplet on a dentist's grave: Stranger, approach this tomb with gravity. John Brown is filling his last cavity. —London Globe.

ELMIRA BRIDGEWORKERS.

Go on Strike Because Company Wanted No Union Men.

Elmira, June 3.—Four hundred bridge workers in the two plants of the Empire Bridge company here went out on a strike at 9 o'clock Monday morning. The strike was due to the attitude of the company concerning an attempt to establish a union in the company's shops.

Recently a union was organized in the Elmira plants of the company and almost immediately a number of men were laid off, all of them union men. The union sent a committee to Superintendent R. T. Lewis and he told them plainly that the company wanted no union men in its employ.

The union demanded that when more men were again needed the union men who had been laid off be again employed in preference to new men. This was refused and the strike resulted. The company has posted a notice that it will hold the places open for its employees until Wednesday morning. Less than 200 men are now at work and one plant is still in operation.

Democratic Headquarters.

Albany, June 3.—The permanent headquarters of the Democratic state committee were formally opened at North Pearl street last night. Many well known party men from every section of the state were present while letters of regret were read from many others who found it impossible to be present. The headquarters are located in one of the oldest residences in Albany and beginning today it is expected that a large force of clerks will be kept busy sending campaign material broadcast throughout the state.

Care of Consumptives.

Detroit, June 3.—Before the national conference of charities and corrections Dr. S. A. Knopf of New York read a paper on "What shall we do with the consumptive poor?" Dr. Knopf said that special sanitariums should be built for the treatment of tuberculosis alone and the consumptive poor should be removed to these institutions.

MARKET REPORT.

New York Provision Market.

New York, June 2. WHEAT—No. 2 red, 80 1/2 c. o. b. afloat; No. 1 northern, Duluth, 81 3/4 c. o. b. afloat.

CORN—No. 2 corn, 70 1/2 c. o. b. afloat.

OATS—No. 2, 45 1/2 c. No. 2 white, 50c; track mixed western, 46 1/2 c.; track white, 48 1/2 c.

PORK—Mess, \$18.00@18.50; family, \$19.50@20.00.

HAY—Shipping, 60@65c; good to choice, 90@95c.

BUTTER—Creamery, extras, 22 1/2 c.; factory, 19c; imitation creamery, western fancy, 20 1/2 c.

CHEESE—Fancy large white, 10c; small white, 10 1/2 c.

EGGS—State and Pennsylvania, 16c.

POTATOES—New York, sack, \$1.75.

Buffalo Provision Market.

Buffalo, June 2. WHEAT—No. 1 northern, 77 1/2 c.; winter wheat, No. 2 red, 84 1/2 c.

CORN—No. 2 corn, 66 1/2 c.; No. 3 corn, 65 1/2 c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 48c; No. 3 mixed, 44 1/2 c.

FLOUR—Spring wheat, best patent, per bbl., \$4.25@4.50; low grades, \$2.50@3.00.

BUTTER—Creamery, western extra tubs, 22 1/2 c.; state and Pennsylvania creamery, 21 1/2 c.; dairy, fair to good, 19@20c.

CHEESE—Fancy full cream, 12 1/2 c.; good to choice, 11 1/2 c.; common to fair, 10c.

EGGS—State, fresh fancy, 17c.

POTATOES—Fancy, per bushel 70@75c.

Est. Buffalo Live Stock Market.

CATTLE—Best steers on sale, \$7.15 @7.25; good to choice shipping steers, \$6.85@7.10; coarse, rough but fat steers, \$5.15@6.15; choice to smooth fat heifers, \$6.00@6.40; common to fair heifers, \$4.00@4.75; good butcher bulls, \$6.15@6.50.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Winter lambs, choice to best, \$7.25@7.35; fair to good, \$6.90@7.20; choice to handy wethers, \$5.60@5.75.

HOGS—Mixed packers' grades, \$7.25@7.40; medium hogs, \$7.40@7.50; choice 225 lbs and upwards, \$7.55@7.60.

Buffalo Hay Market.

HAY—Timothy, loose, No. 1, per ton, \$12.50@14.00; timothy, prime loose bal'd, \$14.00@14.50; timothy No. 1 baled, \$13.50@14.00.

Little Falls Cheese Market.

Little Falls, June 2.—Sales on the dairy market today were: Large colored, 2 lots of 60 boxes at 9 1/2 c.; small white, 22 lots of 1.154 boxes at 10c; small white, 3 lots of 180 boxes at 9 1/2 c.; small colored, 15 lots of 1.198 boxes at 10c; small colored, 2 lots of 120 boxes at 9 1/2 c.; twins, colored, 7 lots of 398 boxes at 10c; twins, white, 16 lots of 796 boxes at 10c; twins, white, 3 lots of 150 boxes at 9 1/2 c.

BUTTER—There were 82 packages of creamery butter sold all at 22c; farm dairy brought 21@22c.

Utica Cheese Market.

Utica, June 2.—At the Utica dairy board of trade the offerings of cheese were 80 lots of 5,824 boxes. Large sold at 9 1/2 c. @ 9 1/2 c., ruling price, 9 1/2 c.; small at 9 1/2 c. @ 9 1/2 c., ruling price at 9 1/2 c.

His Idea of Success.

"What is your idea of success?" "Success," answered the man who has realized a few ambitions, "is merely the attainment of a condition which causes people who knew you years ago to look at you and smile and say, 'A fool for Jack!'"—Washington Star.

Reputation is a bubble hard to blow out, but easily burst.

The pessimist calls attention to the fact that the man whose credit is the best really needs no credit at all. He can pay cash.—Saturday Evening Post.

An Ancient Billiard Table.

There is a billiard table in London that can boast of a lifetime of two centuries and a long acquaintance with men who have made history. It belonged originally to Louis XIV., passed into the possession of Napoleon I. and now in its old age is on exhibition in Sala square. This celebrated table is smaller than an English table. The body of the table is a block of oak weighing ten hundredweight, covered with a cloth of electric blue. The frame of the table is of rosewood, and the six pockets—perhaps the most striking feature of the table—are reproductions in bronze of queer, hideous old gargoyles. When the ball falls into the pocket, the lower jaw of the gargoyle drops, and the ball is found in its mouth. It is a clever piece of old mechanism.—Liverpool Post.

An Indignant Poet.

Beranger, the famous French poet, whose greatest gift lay in writing little poems which he called songs, was particularly dependent upon the chance visits of the muse.

He was once visited by the author and academicien Viennet, who said to him:

"You must have written several songs since I saw you last."

"I have only begun one," answered Beranger.

"Only one? I am astonished!" exclaimed Viennet, becoming indignant. "Beranger became indignant. 'Humph!' he shouted. 'Do you think one can turn off a song as one turns off a tragedy?'"

Keeping Him In Tune.

Herr Meyer Lutz tells the following little story in Mainz About People: "Conducting once in Bradford, I noticed that the clarinet player, a young but clever and steady lad, jumped up a good deal during the progress of the opera. I found that his father, who played the trombone, sat just behind him, and every now and then he gave him a kick, with the remark: 'Look out, Saunty! There be a flat a-coun-ty!'"

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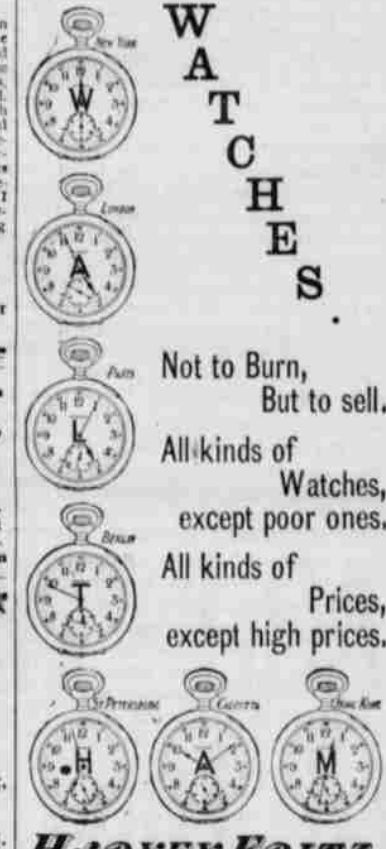
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