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# Only Two Days More, Make Every Hour Count and Remember That We Close at 6 P. M. On Christmas Eve. Open Tonight and Tomorrow Evening

## Embroidered Scalloped Pillow Cases; Ideal For Gifts

Made of Pequot Tubing (no seams) handsomely embroidered under our own supervision. Designs exclusively here.

42x36 and 45x36 inches; 75¢ per pair.

Bolster Cases to match 75¢; Sheets, \$1.98.



## Now Comes a Reduction On Certain Toys

Those that have become soiled and marred through constant handling or in decorative purposes.

Not saying, however, that they are undesirable. A few moments with a rough and ready child and a new one would appear no better.

### NUTS

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#### Carving Sets

Consisting of steel, Fork and Carver, each set in attractive box, \$3.25, \$3.98, \$4.50, \$5.00 to \$5.90.

Casserole—98¢, \$1.50, \$1.69, \$1.75, \$1.98, \$2.90, \$3.90 and \$4.50.

Nickel Plated Chafing Dishes with reliable Alcohol Lamp. Special, \$2.98.

#### Women's Hosiery

Quantities are large in the grades most wanted for gift giving; silk, 79¢ to \$2.00. Lisle, 25¢ upward.

#### Women's Gloves

Qualities of the best sort; and styles most wanted at this time, including Kayser's Leatherette Gloves; at 75¢ and \$1.00.

### Buy "Him" A Fancy Vest

Now the vogue among good dressers in the fashion centers.

The double breasted vest holds sway.

Comes in plaids, checks, and plain shades of brown, green, tan, fawn and others.

Prices, \$2.98, \$3.95, \$4.50 and \$5.

#### Men's Bath Robes

—and lounging robes of blanket, terry and matelasse; every color and pattern wanted. At \$2.98, \$3.95, \$4.50, \$5 to \$12.

BOWMAN'S—Second Floor

#### Handsome Linens

Pattern cloths and napkins to match; cherry, Notredame, King Cotton and Laurel band. Cloths, \$8 and \$8.50 (81x81) — Napkins, \$8.50 to \$12.50 (26 inches).

### Gift News About Bedding

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Indian Blankets — good sizes — fancy colors — and good weight, at \$1.69 each.

Comforts, made of silkoline material, double size — filled with sanitary cotton, at \$1.89.

Double Bed Comforts, winter weight, large assortment of patterns and different material to select from, \$1.19 to \$2.50 each.

Bed Blankets, 60x80 inches. Fawn color, good weight and heavy nap, at \$9¢.

Large assortment of Crib Blankets, different designs and colors — from 25¢ to \$1.75.

### CANDIES

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#### Gift Kimonos

Inexpensive models if you wish; to the finer grades including Albattross.

#### Satin Striped Silk 39c Yd.

About five hundred yards of satin striped silk, excellent for shirts or blouses. Smart colored stripes in two-tone and other effects.

### Visit the Furniture Gift Department On the 5th Floor

Beautiful collection of Period Rockers, in Solid Mahogany and Quartered Oak.

Special in a Reed Rocker, tapestry upholstered, \$8.95.

Fumed Oak Magazine Rack, four shelves, \$1.95.

Large overstuffed Fireside Rockers, \$14.75.

Also other articles suggested as follows:

Smokers, Pedestals, Ladies' Desk, Sewing Machines, Tabourettes, Davenport, Sewing Cabinets.

#### Useful Holiday Gifts Specially Priced

Men's Slippers of fine kidskin; high and low cut; pair, \$1.00.

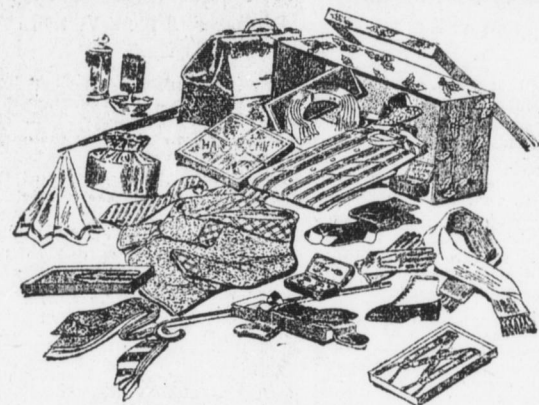
Women's Slippers of colored felt, with leather soles; pair, 79¢.

Boys' Tan Shrewsbury Shoes, two-buckle, double sole storm shoes. Sizes up to 13½. Price, \$2.00; largest size, \$2.25.

Children's Red Top Rubber Boots, sizes 6 to 10½. Price, \$1.75.

#### Hassocks

Always acceptable as gifts — new shipment just in — 39¢, 59¢, 85¢.



## The Gift for Him Is Here

Everything a man wants. Just the things he'd tell you if asked what he wanted for gifts.

And here are men who can be relied upon to suggest the right gift.

Here is a store that will give you the service you want to-morrow.

Ties, hosiery, belts, kerchiefs, suspenders, collars, shirts, sweaters, pajamas, night shirts, combination sets and many others.

All these will be found in the Department of Furnishings for Men.

### One of Those Luscious Pot Roasts, Tomorrow

Made in the famous Wear-Ever Aluminum Kettle. Demonstration all this week.

### A \$5.00 Leader in Blankets

Made of selected stock; steam shrunk. Here in a choice selection for gifts. Gray with pink and blue border; large blue plaids; small lavender checks; also tan and gray.

Dainty Bed Covering, Seco Silk Covered Comforts, \$3.98.

Silk Covered Comforts of better grades, \$7.50, \$10.00, \$11.50, \$22.50 and \$24.50.

### Women's Bath Robes

Light and dark colorings; Indian designs; conventional figures; some satin faced; others quilted and many other effects, \$2.75 to \$7.50.

### What Better Than An Elegant Blouse

Here in our unexcelled Blouse Section are Blouses that would be acceptable to women of most discriminating taste.

Beautiful blouses of the finer grades included.

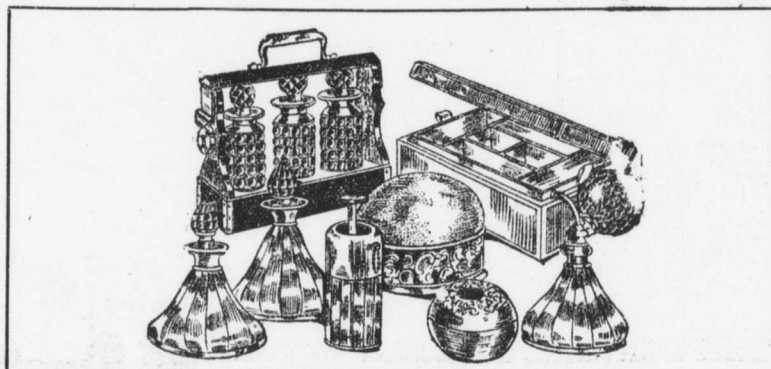
—Radium Laces Chantilly; Fine Nets, Combinations and numerous smart effects. Prices are \$5.00 to \$11.50.

### Silk Petticoats

Taffetas and satines; newest styles and colorings; special prices are \$1.98, \$2.50, \$2.98, \$3.50 and \$5.00.

### Pictures

A large collection of framed pictures in varied and highly desirable subjects, 29¢, 39¢, 69¢, 98¢ and \$1.98.



### The Toilet Goods Section Says:

That its collection of choice perfumes, powders and other requisites is most complete and that gifts may be selected with ease.

Of particular interest are Military Brushes and Hair Brushes of Ebony, ranging from \$1.50 to \$7.50. Hair Brushes at 50¢ to \$5.00.

## RODERICK TALKS ON COAL TRADE

Chief of Mines Says That Foreign Trade Did Not Materialize Last Year

James E. Roderick, State chief of mines, voices the belief that it will take considerable work and more effort to secure co-operation among shippers before Pennsylvania's export trade in coal for South America can be built up in his report on the state of mines in this state last year. The report covers the hard and soft coal mining and the coke making in 1914 and considerable space is devoted to the development of trade conditions. It is noted that Pennsylvania coals have won in competition with southern state coals and that the Navy Department has recognized the value of Keystone State products. Until the war orders came the industry was more or less seriously affected and last year production declined.

In the course of his report the chief says: "The coal production of Pennsylvania for the year 1914 was 237,074,171 net tons, of which 145,884,559 tons were bituminous and 91,189,641 tons anthracite. The coke production was 17,164,124 net tons. Both coal and coke showed a reduction from the high record of 1913. The decrease in the bituminous output was 27,081,129 tons; in the anthracite, 427,323 tons, and in coke, 7,564,114 tons.

"There was a notable decrease in the number of accidents in both regions. The bituminous fatalities numbered 413 as against 611 in 1913; the anthracite numbered 600 as against 624. The nonfatal accidents in the bituminous region numbered 963 as against 1,082 in 1913, and in the anthracite region 1,038 as against 1,125. Notwithstanding the reduced tonnage the number of employees was considerably greater than in 1913. The bituminous region reported 196,038 employees as against 189,909 in 1913; the anthracite reported 180,899 as against 175,310.

"The trade in bituminous coal was generally disappointing, as a result, chiefly, of the depression that prevailed throughout the country in nearly all branches of industry.

"At the outbreak of the European war coal shippers had hopes that a large market might be opened up to them, but no beneficial results followed. German and Austrian ships were driven out of the market and the English government chartered all the tonnage it could possibly reach, making it impossible to obtain carriers for American coal, except at rates so high as to be prohibitive. The expectation of trade with South America was equally disappointing. The South American merchant requires a long period of credit, in many cases three or four months, often with a demand for renewals, and this condition had a most discouraging effect upon the American shipper.

"The accident record for the year showed a gratifying decrease in the number of fatalities. The record in the anthracite region is the best since 1902 and in the bituminous region since 1897. In the anthracite region there were 600 fatalities, or 3.32 per 1,000 employees, as against 624, or 3.56 per 1,000 employees, in 1913, a decrease of 3.85 per cent. In the bituminous region there were 413, or 2.11 per 1,000 employees, as against 611, or 3.22 per 1,000 employees, a decrease of 32 per cent.

"The production per life lost in the anthracite region was 151,982 tons and has never been equaled since the first anthracite law was enacted in 1870. The nearest record was in 1913, when 146,838 tons were produced. The production per life lost in the bituminous region was 255,231, as against 233,086 tons in 1913. This record has been equaled only four times in forty years, in 1886, 1888, 1897 and 1912.

## STATE WILL GIVE FAVORING RATE

Coal Miners Insurance Will Be Ten Per Cent. Below That of Stock Companies

Officials of the State Workmen's Insurance Fund believe that they will have a fair show of landing for the State a considerable amount of insurance of coal miners as a result of the conference held at the Capitol late yesterday afternoon between the Insurance and Compensation officials and coal operators representing approximately \$75,000,000 of annual pay roll. The State officials declared that it was

the intention to reinsure the State fund against exceptional hazard and due arrangement would be made for insurance of public liability.

From start to finish the meeting was marked by a fire of questions and the session did not end until dark. Several coal operators and attorneys and some interested in insurance companies poured broadsides at the State officials, raising many involved questions. The State announced that its rates for coal miners would be ten per cent. below those approved yesterday by the State Insurance Fund for stock companies. There were some questions raised at the meeting about the procedure on approval of the stock rates, but it blew over and the meeting settled down to a straight talk on what the State would do in the way of making insurance of coal miners under the compensation act attractive to the operators.

The meeting was attended by ninety men whose operations represent possibly \$75,000,000 of annual pay roll. The rates for the State fund for mining with shafts, tunnels or galleries or with drifts or slopes will be \$4.18

for anthracite mines and \$2.45 for bituminous mines. These rates are based on each \$100 of pay roll.

State Treasurer Young, chairman of the fund board, presided, and the speakers for the State were Commissioner Jackson, Assistant Manager Allen, of the State fund; Chairman Mackey, of the Compensation Board; Counsel Bohlen, of the Compensation Board, and Special Deputy Downey, of the State Insurance department. Over thirty operators or their attorneys took part in the discussions.

McFARLAND TO TALK ON FUTURE OF NIAGARA FALLS  
The American Civic Association will hold its annual meeting in Washington December 28 to 31. The president J. Horace McFarland of this city, will speak on the subject, "What Shall We Do With Niagara?"

THE WEATHER A YEAR AGO TODAY  
Snow Temperature, High, 35 degrees, Low 21 degrees—remember Laxative Bromo Quinine cures a cold in one day. There is only one "Bromo Quinine" Look for signature E. W. GROVE. 25c.—Advertisement.

## Bringing Up Father

By McManus



HOW DID YOU HAPPEN TO GIT OUT TONIGHT-JIGGS?

I DIDNT GO HOME FER SUPPER - I SENT MAGGIE A NOTE SAYIN' I WUZ INVITED OUT TO DINE!

PRETTY SOFT - EH?

I SAID THAT EMPTY-HEADED SOCIETY DUDE JONES INSISTED ON ME DININ' AT HIS HOUSE - SHE'LL BELIEVE IT -

HERE'S DE SASSIETY GENT NOW!

SAY - I SENT A NOTE TO ME WIFE SAYIN' I WUZ GOIN' TO EAT AT YOUR HOUSE!

OH! YAS - I WAS JUST GOING TO TELL YOU - MY WIFE AND I WERE AT YOUR HOUSE WHEN YOUR NOTE CAME -