

# 30 Days Sale of Winter Goods at

## JACOB WIHTON'S

All the goods must be sold to make room for our Spring goods. As I need both the money and the room, you will find the biggest bargains now offered in Overcoats.

We have a big lot of men's overcoats left over that must not be kept on hand.

**\$12.00 Men's Overcoats for \$6.00**  
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**Boys Overcoats** worth \$5.50 for \$2.75. Few small sizes from 3 to 10 selling for \$1.87 guaranteed to hold the color and wear well. Big lot of Boys' suits sizes from 15 to 19 guaranteed to be all wool, long pants and vests to match from \$2.67 to 3.50 to close them out. As low as the manufacturers' prices at JACOB WIHTON, MUNCY VALLEY.

A big lot of Men's Fleece Underwear worth 50c for 30c; men's 50c top shirts for 30c; men's 50c caps for 30c; boys' 25c caps for 19c; men's sweaters worth \$1.00 for 75c; Boys' sweaters worth 65c for 30c during the 30 days sale.

Also a big lot of Ladies' Shoes; \$2.00 for 1.54; also a big lot of Douglas Shoes to be sold for less than cost. Big lot Ladies' wrappers reduced in price. Men's suits worth \$9.50 for \$2.50; and \$2.50 suits for 62c. Mittens and Gloves at low prices.

So please don't delay to come to the sale as it is an old saying that a dollar saved is a dollar earned. Please tell your friends to come for the big bargains.

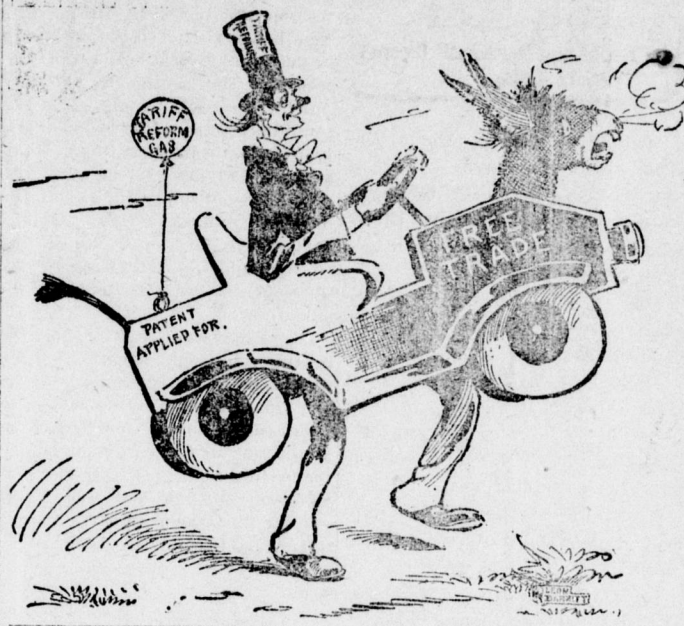
Sole agents for **W. L. DOUGLAS SHOES.**

From 3.00 to 3.50. Also received twenty-five cases of boots and shoes for Ladies' Gents and Children from 95c up; all new goods, no trash. All sizes and low prices.

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### AN HONEST GRAFTER

#### A Glimpse Into the Future of Municipal Ownership.

A Thumb Nail Sketch of a "Practical Politician"—The Profits of an All Around "Servant of the People, Who Seen His Opportunities and Took 'Em."

"Honest graft" will reach its highest level when, as predicted by the enthusiasts, the principles of municipal ownership are accepted by New York and the city controls the trolley lines, the electric light and gas works and all the ferries as well as the water-works and the police, the fire and the street departments.

Then such patriots as George Washington Plunkitt, for many years organization leader of the Fifteenth district in New York, will reap rewards of greater magnitude than they have ever been able to gather under the present order of things.

Perhaps you have never heard about Mr. Plunkitt's "honest graft" schemes. He told about them himself in a book published last year, which was introduced by a paragraph indorsing him as a "veteran leader of the organization," signed by its greatest chief.

Plunkitt was sore because there were some objections to graft being made out of the city by men like him, and in the first chapter of his book he uttered a vigorous protest. "Blackmailin' gamblers, saloon keepers, disorderly people, etc.," he admitted to be wrong. That was "dishonest graft."

"But," he added, "there's an honest graft, and I'm an example of how it works. I seen my opportunities and I took 'em."

Mr. Plunkitt's explanation of how he did these things will illuminate the possibilities of future municipal ownership days, if they ever come.

After elucidating the ways he was "tipped off" at various times by members of his party—the party in power—when new bridges, new parks, new streets were to be opened, so that he might invest in real estate likely to rise in price from the improvements contemplated, he adds: "I haven't confined myself to land. Anything that pays is in my line." Then he gives a specific instance:

Learning that the city was about to repave a certain street and so would have several hundred thousand old paving blocks to sell, he was "on hand to buy," and he "knew just what they were worth." But a newspaper "tried to do him" and got some outside men from Brooklyn and New Jersey to bid against him. Mr. Plunkitt's own words tell the story best:

"Was I done? Not much. I went to each of the men and said, 'How many of those 250,000 stones do you want?' One said 20,000, and another wanted 15,000, and another wanted 10,000. I said, 'All right; let me bid for the lot, and I'll give each of you all

you want for nothing.

"They agreed, of course. Then the auctioneer yelled, 'How much am I bid for these fine paving stones?'"

"Two dollars and fifty cents," says I. "Two dollars and fifty cents!" screamed the auctioneer. "Oh, that's a joke. Give me a real bid."

"He found the bid was real enough. My rivals stood silent. I got the lot for \$2,500 and gave them their share. That's how the attempt to do Plunkitt ended, and that's how all such attempts end."

It is hardly necessary, in the light of this authentic statement of "honest graft" workings, to enlarge upon the extended opportunities that would come to the men of the Plunkitt stamp were the dream of municipal ownership to come true. Plunkitt says "most politicians who are accused of robbing the city get rich the same way" he did. "They didn't steal a dollar from the city. They just seen their opportunities and took them."

While in the legislature Plunkitt introduced the bills that provided for the outlying parks of New York, the Harlem river speedway, the Washington bridge, the One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street viaduct, additions to the Museum of Natural History and many other important public improvements. He is now a millionaire. Under the proposed order of things, with city control of everything, he might become a billionaire.

As Others See Him and as Seen by Himself.

J. T. Allman, secretary of the Pennsylvania state grange, remarks that recently at a grange picnic a gentleman, not a farmer, extolled the farmer to the skies. As he saw it, the farmer is the most independent man in the land. He can scarcely know a want that he cannot himself supply. His wife enjoys a paradise, and his children are the healthiest, happiest and most contented to be found anywhere. There is nothing of which he can justly complain.

Soon after a farmer who owns two good farms and a house in town was heard to say:

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There is some truth in what the first man said, too much truth in the statement of the second. The mission of the grange is to realize for the farmer as far as possible the dreams of the first and to correct the evils complained of by the second.

Mrs. Brigham, wife of Colonel Joseph H. Brigham, assistant secretary of agriculture, died in Washington on Nov. 29. She was stricken with apoplexy on the Wednesday previous. Colonel Brigham is past master of the national grange.

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