

ON - EASY - PAYMENTS!

A Bran New Firm,

Royce & Peavey,

Have dropped down among you with an elegant and elaborate line of

Furniture and House Furnishings,
Carpets, Lace Curtains,

Rugs, Bed Room Suits

Odd Dressers, Odd Beds

Clocks, Dinning Chairs,

Sofas, Rockers, Blankets,

Tables, Pannel Pictures,

Silverware, 1847 Rogers' Bros.

Baby Carriages, Cloaks, Jackets,

Portiers, Clothes Wringers, Etc., Etc. Etc

Goods sold on Easy Payments at Spot Cash Prices.

CALL and INSPECT OUR STOCK

JOELA BLOCK 131 S WASHINGTON ST.

WE ALL EAT TO LIVE
AND LIVE TO EAT.

Therefore when wanting first class Groceries, Coffee, Sugars, Tea, Apples, Pickles, Jersey Sweet Potatoes, New Sorghum Molasses, Fresh Bulk Oysters, Celery, Cranberries, etc., call at

CASH FRY'S

WEST MAIN STREET.

We have received a full supply of Holiday Candies and will have every thing demanded for the Christmas trade.

BLANKETS AND ROBES.

A BIG LINE AT

B. L. ORNBAUN'

THE NEW YORK STEAM DENTAL COMPANY.



Teeth extracted without pain by the use of Vitalized Air or Nitron Oxide of Gas, which is perfectly harmless and safe with all conditions of extraction. Teeth extracted plain, \$25.00 and \$35.00. \$15.00 and \$25.00. Anatomical fillings, 50 and 75c. Teeth \$1. \$3. \$5. \$8. \$10. \$15. \$20. per set. All kinds of the finest Dental Work in the state at reduced prices. All antd. Sixteen years' experience. A. P. HERRON, Manager.

The Day Has Past

FOR

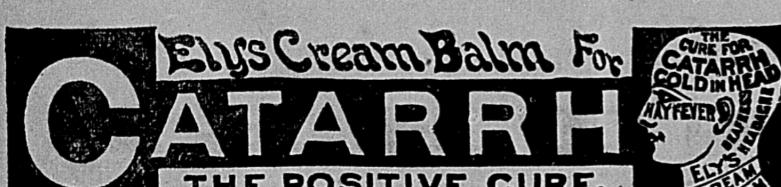
3,4 and \$5 Cabinets.

My Best \$5 Cabinets for \$2 per doz.

I have but one price—and that is \$2 per dozen. Remember this includes the finest class of work, and will not fade. Thousands of my cabinets are in Crawfordsville and vicinity and are all clear and brilliant. Do not patronize any gallery that makes work that would fade.

LAWSON, THE PHOTOGRAPHER,

OverCon. Cunningham's.



Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

LIVES CRUSHED OUT.

The Cry of Fire Causes a Panic in an English Theater.

MAD RUSH FOR LIFE OF THE AUDIENCE

Nine Children and One Man Trampled to Death—A Deadly Jam at a Bend in a Stairway—Heroic Action of Several Persons.

TEN LIVES SACRIFICED.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—A theater in Gates Head, county Durham, Saturday night was the scene of a frightful panic, in which, according to the reports received here, at least ten persons, including nine children, were killed outright and many injured. The sight of a slight blaze caused by a man in the audience dropping a lighted match on the sawdust-covered floor caused some one to start the cry of fire and a terrible panic ensued.

Mad Rush for Life.

There was a mad rush for the doors, which, owing to the savage crush and struggle, became so blocked that only a few succeeded at once in getting out. There was an especially violent rush for the staircase leading from the gallery. The passage giving access to this staircase became blocked almost at once with persons who were striving their utmost to escape when the staircase itself was filled with a struggling mass of humanity from the top landing all the way to the outlet. A check taker was killed in the midst of his heroic efforts to save other lives. In trying to restrain the crowd in its mad behavior he was thrown to the floor and crushed to death beneath the feet of the panic-stricken people.

Nine Children Killed.

When the panic had subsided so that an examination of the premises could be made the bodies of nine children, whose lives had been literally crushed out, were found lying on the staircase or near a door leading to it.

Tried to Restraine the Mad Crowd.

The performance which was so terribly interrupted was the second one of Saturday, the attraction being the pantomime "Aladdin." The theater was literally crammed with people. At 10:30 o'clock the shout of "Fire" was raised. The audience rose to their feet en masse and there was dire confusion, in the midst of which were heard the shrieks of women, many of whom fainted. The lessee of the house then displayed most creditable presence of mind. Stepping on the stage he shouted to the audience, beseeching them to remain seated and solemnly assuring them that there was no real danger if they would do so. At this juncture many others of the men present also showed that they retained their presence of mind by forcibly striving to restrain the mad rush of the crowd for the doors, but their brave efforts proved of no avail.

Fatal Head in the Stairs.

It was a sudden bend in the gallery staircase that caused the fearful jam at that exit. People who had fallen and were lying in heaps here, screaming and groaning, were trampled upon. At last so many of the struggling people had fallen that all passage for exit was effectually blocked by a mass of writhing human beings and those still remaining on their feet were forced to seek other means of escape.

How a Baby was Saved.

A baby which had been dragged from its mother's arms in the crush was saved by a man who, unable himself to gain the door, shouted to another man who was near the exit, and motioned that he would throw the child down from the top of the stairs if the other would catch it. The man below braced himself and held up his arms, and the baby went sailing over the heads of the crowd and was safely caught and soon borne out of danger.

The Fire Extinguished.

Meanwhile the fire was easily quenched. The police sought medical aid and assisted in extricating the victims from the staircase—a matter of the utmost difficulty. One child, after calling out piteously, "Save me! save me!" died before it could be reached. The corpses were laid in an adjoining building and the injured were taken to the hospitals.

Identified the Dead.

The news of the disaster spread rapidly and soon thousands of frantic people were rushing to the scene to ascertain the fate of relatives or friends. Within a few hours all of the dead were identified. All were between the ages of 13 and 16.

The lessee of the theater says that the alarm of fire originated from the act of a boy in dropping a lighted match in a crevice filled with waste paper and other rubbish, in his search for a lost penny. He also said that two pairs of water sufficed to quench the fire.

SCANLAN'S MIND WRECKED.

The Popular Irish Actor Will Probably Appear on the Stage No More.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The condition of William J. Scanlan, the actor remains practically unchanged. Sunday the demented actor's manager, August Pitou, caused Scanlan to be removed from his apartments at the Hotel Imperial to his own residence, 129 West Ninety-fifth street. He has canceled all engagements for the season and disbanded the company, as he believes the actor's mind is hopelessly wrecked. He is a victim of paresis.

Seven Buildings Burned.

WATERBURY, Wis., Dec. 28.—Saturday morning fire destroyed \$20,000 worth of property at Johnson's Creek, 8 miles south of this city, including three store buildings, two saloons, one office building, one residence and the contents of all. It is supposed to have been of incendiary origin.

Cotton Burned.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 28.—Sixteen hundred bales of cotton were destroyed by fire Sunday night in the railroad yards at the foot of Rutga street. The loss is estimated at \$50,000.

EAGER FOR STATEHOOD.

Four Territories Are at the Door—Bills Will Be Introduced for the Admission of Arizona, New Mexico, Utah and Oklahoma.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Among the measures to be presented in the house soon after it reassembles in January are bills for the admission of four of the territories still remaining out of the union. These territories are Arizona, New Mexico, Utah and Oklahoma, and their claims for statehood will be urgently pressed, not only by their respective delegates, but by committees of representative citizens, who are expected here for that purpose.

Arizona and New Mexico have been applicants for admission since the Forty-ninth congress, but their applications have been repeatedly denied on the ground that the population of each was not sufficient to warrant a state form of government.

Oklahoma is very much in earnest, although less than two years old. A delegation from the new territory is already here, and as soon as a bill for statehood can be introduced additional representatives will come to the capital to strive with congress. As soon as all the Indian lands now purchased are opened to settlement the area of the territory will be about equal to that of Ohio. The population, it is claimed, is already as great as that of Arizona, New Mexico or Idaho.

Utah is not expected to make a vigorous fight. The political situation in that territory is so badly mixed that it is difficult to predict what the complexion of the prospective state might be. Furthermore, the eradication of polygamy has not been fully completed. Utah will join the other territories in the effort to attain statehood, but her success is more doubtful than that of all the rest. The committee on territories will have to listen to the several applicants as usual, but present indications are that many deaf ears will be turned to their entreaties.

FOUR PERISHED BY FIRE.

A Southern Family Wiped Out in a Terrible and Mysterious Manner.

GOLDEN, N. C., Dec. 28.—Thursday night the country residence of Col. William Pearsall, a prosperous farmer who lived 6 miles from here, was burned to the ground. The neighbors discovered when they reached the burning building that all the lower doors and windows were closed.

Screams for help were heard from the second story, and the figure of Col. Pearsall, nearly obscured by smoke and flames, was seen, but for a moment. The roof fell in and his cries were forever hushed. Friday morning the ruins of the building were searched and a ghastly discovery was made. In the debris were found the charred skeletons of Pearsall, his wife and two children. It was evident that the man was striving to save his children, as their skeletons were on either side of his.

The general belief here is that the house was set on fire by some enemy of Pearsall; who was known to have in his house a considerable sum of money, and it is believed that he and his family were murdered, and that the murderer, to conceal the crime, set fire to the house. Pearsall was a very prominent man in the county, and a good deal of excitement was caused by the tragic death of his entire family. One theory of the tragedy is that the murder must have been committed by some of the colored people on the plantation who desired to go west. This is the season when they go by hundreds.

FELL SIXTY FEET.

Judge McClain's Mangled Body Found at St. Joseph, Mo., in an Open Court.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Dec. 28.—Judge George W. McClain for twenty years judge of the circuit court, left his home Thursday morning to go to the courthouse. That was the last seen of him until Saturday morning, when his mangled body was discovered lying on the ground in an open court in the center of the courthouse. The head was crushed in, the legs and arms broken and the neck dislocated. It is supposed that the unfortunate man entered a small walk at the top of the high wall surrounding the court and, losing his balance, fell over, dropping a distance of 60 feet. He was a warm personal friend of Gen. John C. Fremont.

SHOT WITH HER PRESENT.

Sadie Brown Buys Her Betrothed a Revolver and Proves Its First Victim.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 28.—William Reese and Sadie Brown were to have been married Saturday, and Friday she made him a Christmas present of a revolver. Saturday morning he called at her home for the wedding, but for some cause Sadie wanted to back out. They were in a room by themselves, and high words were heard between them. The next thing was a pistol shot. He had killed the woman with her own Christmas present. Reese escaped.

SCANNAN'S MIND WRECKED.

The Popular Irish Actor Will Probably Appear on the Stage No More.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The condition of William J. Scanlan, the actor remains practically unchanged. Sunday the demented actor's manager, August Pitou, caused Scanlan to be removed from his apartments at the Hotel Imperial to his own residence, 129 West Ninety-fifth street. He has canceled all engagements for the season and disbanded the company, as he believes the actor's mind is hopelessly wrecked. He is a victim of paresis.

A SUCCESSOR to Fava.

ROME, Dec. 28.—According to the Voce Verita, of this city, the negotiations of the marchese di Rondini with the government at Washington have progressed so far that the Italian government is about to appoint a successor to Baron Fava as minister to the United States. It is understood that a satisfactory settlement of the New Orleans matter is now assured.

MY WIFE HURT.

CARROLTON, Mo., Dec. 28.—A broken rail caused the wrecking of a train on the Chicago, Santa Fe & California road near here Sunday morning. The cars rolled down a 12-foot embankment. No one was killed, but thirteen persons were injured.

W. M. DARTER.

LOANS.

First Mortgage Loans

AT

4-1-2 Per Cent.

Interest Payable annually. Apply to

C. W. WRIGHT.

THE

Van dalia

LINE.

NORTH BOUND.

No. 52 Mail.....8:16 a. m.
No. 54 Express.....6:18 p. m.
No. 59, Local Accommodation.....11:40 a. m.

SOUTH BOUND

No. 52 Express.....9:44 a. m.
No. 54 Mail.....5:20 p. m.
No. 58 Local freig. it.....12:40 a. m.
Good connection made at Terre Haute for South and South-west. Train run through to St. Joseph, Mich., making good connection with C. & W. M. for Michigan points.

Good connection made at Terre Haute for the South and South-west. Trains run through to St. Joseph, Mich., making good connection with C. & W. M. for Michigan points.

J. C. HUTCHINSON, Agent.

Indianapolis Wire Works

Manufacturers of every Description of

WIRE GOODS.

BANK AND DESK RAILINGS, WIRE VASES, FLORIST DESIGNS, FLOWER STANDS, LOSS BASKETS, GUARDS, TRELLISES AND ARCHES, GUARDS OR ALL KINDS, WINDOW AND COUNTER GUARDS.

WM. SWISHER, PROP.,
27 Circle Street, Indianapolis, Ind.

DEAFNESS & HEAD NOISES CURED by PECK'S INVISIBLE TUBULAR EAR CUSHIONS. Whispers heard. Com- fortable. Successful where all others fail. Price \$1.50. Write for book of great

testimonials. 523 Broadway, New York.

PROF. DIEFFENBACH'S PROTAGON CAPSULES,

Sure Cure for Weak Men, as well as for all other physical infirmities. State age in order to receive Price. \$1. Catalogue Free.

A safe and speedy cure for all diseases of the heart, & all unnatural discharges. Price \$2.

GREEK SPECIFIC CURE ALL DISEASES AND SKIN DISEASES, SCROFULOUS SORES AND SYPHILITIC AFFECTIONS, WITHOUT MERCURY. Price \$2. Order from

THE PERU DRUG & CHEMICAL CO.,
189 Wisconsin Street, MILWAUKEE, WIS.

Agents

IN USE OVER 40 YEARS.

SIMPLE, EFFECTIVE, WONDERFUL.

Highest TESTIMONIALS.

At Druggists or Mail on

1 Recept.