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We have on hand the largest Stock. The largest Variety. And Sell at the Lowest Prices.

Always on hand a fine and choice selection of French China, Japanese, Bridgewood, Staffordshire, Blue Willow, Copeland's, Wedgwood's, Minton's, Dresden, Brica-Brac China and Royal Worcester Goods.

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5 CENT COUNTER. Lamp Shades, Tumblers, Tea Trays, Hat Racks, Casters, Tin Mugs, Toilet Soap, Albums, Photographs, Looking Glasses, Pocket Books, fine decorated Mugs and Cups and Saucers, Combs, Willow Baskets, Tom Tit Wagons, Potato Slicers, Candle holders 5 cents a dozen. Flags 5 cents a dozen, Jumping Ropes, etc., etc., etc.

10 CENT COUNTER.

Pans, Match Safes, Flower Scoops, Chromos in Frame, Cups and Saucers, oc and Scrub Brushes, Soup Ladles, Sniprise Boxes, China and Tin fumery, Can Opener, 1/2 dozen Silver Luster Tea Spoons, Faucets, Tack Corkscrews, Tooth Brushes, Dusters, etc. 15 CENT COUNTER.

te Decorated Plates and Cups and Saucers, Vases, Children's Tea Sets, Shales, Lemon Squeezers, Mince Knives, School Bags, Steak Hammers, Potatos, Photograph Frames, Dressed Dolls, Mouse Traps, Candlesticks, Kaleide-Toy Hay Wagons and Carts, Japanned Tea and Coffee Canisters, Chamols

20 CENT COUNTER.

Large Pitchers, 36 dozen Silver Lustered Table Spoons, Hair Brushes, Willow Baskets, Accordeons, Toy Brittania Casters, Scholars' Companion, Hair Oil, Eau de Cologne, Pomade, Toy Furniture Sets, Molasses Cans, Egg Beaters, Large Waiters, Inskatands, Lamps, Looking Glasses with gold frame and a large assortment of Tin and India rubber Toys.

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Fancy Inkstands of Porcelain and Bronze, fine Cigar Cases, Memorandum Books, Card Receivers, Handkerchief and Glove Boxes, fancy Albums, Washstands, Work Boxes and Baskets, extra large Dolls, (cost \$1 at any store), fine French 'ases, decorated Pitchers and Toy Tea Sets, Metalic Hair Brushes, Cloth Brushes, Toy Saw and Buck, Bureaus, large Wash Sets of 5 pieces, Express Wagons, etc., etc.

Dolls from 5 Cents to \$20.

Il Carriages or Perambulators only 75 cents. Large Chromos \$2. Fine Decorated Cologue Sets of 3 pieces 75 cents. Parlor Swings \$1.25. Tea Sets with gold band \$7.50. Tea Sets with moss rose \$10. Tea Sets Pinafore \$10. Decorated Chamber Sets of 10 pieces \$4.

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During the Holidays

I WILL OFFER AT

Extraordinary Low Prices

DRESS GOODS from 10 cents a yard newards.
WOOL FLANNELS, for 20 to 25 cents and upwards. ALL LINEN TABLE DAMASKS, at 30, 40 and 50 cents. PIANO AND TABLE COVERS at lower prices than ever before LADIES SHAWLS AND CLOAKS at greatly reduced prices. A LARGE STOCK OF COMFORTS for \$1, \$1.25 and upwards.

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I have still a large stock which will be sold at

MENS' SUITS for \$4, \$5, \$6, \$9 and \$10 and upwards.
BOYS and CHILDREN'S SUITS nearly at cost to close out.
I have the best stock of BOOTS and SHOES for Gents', Ladies and Children in the city. In HATS and CAPS, Underwear and Hosiery, White and Colored Shirts, Neck Wear, etc., my stock is very large. Besides the few articles named, all goods will be sold equally low.

G. B. FRANK, Vance Building, Alamo Plaza, Opposite Menger Hotel.

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M. M. MOONEY'S

New Year Cards

Heng up the Baby's Steeling

- Hang up the baby's stocking; Be sure you don't forget The dear liftle dimpled darlin The dear liftle dimpled darling: She no'er saw Christmas yet; But I've told her all about it. And she opened her big blue e And I'm sure she under-to d it. She looked so-funny and wise.
- Dear! what a tiny stocking!
 It doesn't take much to hold
 such little pink toes as baby's.
 Away from the frost and cold.
 But then, for the baby's Christma.
 It will never do at all!
 Why. S-uts woulde't be looking.
 For anything balf so small.
- know what will do for the baby. I've thought of the very best platiful borrow a stocking of grandm. The longest that ever I can; und you il hang it by mine, dear a hight here in the corner, so; And write a leiter to Santa.

 And fasten it to the toe.
- Write "This is the baby's stocking That hangs in the corner here; Yon never have seen her, Santa, For she only came this year; But she's just the blessedest baby— And now, before you go, Just cram her stockings with goodle From the top clean down to the

St. Nicholas

straight down through the welkin they sped like the light,
Without panse or turn to the left or the right:
The clouds dragged their skirts to get off the track,
The winds shrank alarmed—all quite taken aback;
E'en the moon drew in haste a veil over her face,
So quick cracked the whip and so fast was the last of paled out a laugh so joound and gay,
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one of His dear servants, so you see we have

one of His dear servants, so you see we have friends too "
"Where does that good friend live?" inquired the voies.
"It is the good Fraulein Weise; everybody in Heddelberg knows her. She has a Christmas tree to night for the children of the poor. Johannes has been sick and could not go out on such a cold night, so she sent us this protty tree and a goose with all its dressing and onlons, and a minoe-pie for our Christmas dinner. Ought we not to be happy? But I wish I could see the one that epeaks such kind words."
"That cannot be now," said the angel," "but will be seen he eafter, so be content."
The Krist-kindlein then kissed the two upon the forehead, and then silently passed through the closed door to search for the good Fraulein.

That was a blessed aiss, for with it came the spirit of the Christ obild; the love, the joy and the peace of heaven; for these were truly the children of the kingdom.

Passing on they came to the good Fraulein, whom they found in the midst of her group of happy children.

A large fir tree stood on the table, glittering with colored balls and candles, decorated with every variety of pretty things made of gilt and silver paper by Fraulein's own hands, assisted by numerous young friends, resdy to help one who was always trying to increase the happiness of others.

"She had gathered many comits, too, so that none would go away without something substantial from the Christmas tree.

They were all sparkling, but none so bright and merry as the good Fraulein, and

thestatish from the Christmas tree.

They were all sparkling, but none so tright and merry as the good Fraulein, and be Krist-kindlein pressed the kiss upon her provided the same blessing upon all whom he pointed out as loving and good.

Fraulein was forty-five years old, but the thrist-child dwell within that heart with all the freehouse of weath, and when she lay the freshness of youth, and when she lay down on her pillow that Chri mas eve, it was with the sweet hiss of benediction flooding her warm, loving heart.

And so all that night, beneath the stars of heart her arises and the first kindlette.

Then he roared such a laugh, as he sprang out of held, it startled the stars in the sky overbead; it startled the stars in the sky overbead; had they which at each other, as much as to say, the startled the startl the tao but who can doubt that just such

depiris are present in all where the spirit of boly, heavenly love animates the hous hold. Mamma folded her hands and kissed her group of wrapt lateners, for her story was done.

All Sorts.

Shawl- wade of zephyr keep off the wire

The tower of Babel is the first continued The actor who forgets his one plays a bargame of billiards.

Of all things which cost nothing, ness is worth the most.

The man who is always as "cool as a cr Michigan has produced a pig with a trunk This thing should be checked.

If you want to appreciate the genius Shakespeare, put yourself in his plays. Will some one please fit a conundrum to the following answer: "One is an ice pick and the other is a nice pickk?" We have two Sals in this country—Sal Bernhardt and Salvini. They are both after

Wisdom in Chunks.

He wto loses his temper in an argume

The wise man does not speak of a'l he loss, but he does nothing that cannot be

If you can: ot wear diamonds, put up with praris; if you cannot afford either, be con-tent with making the best of what you have. Adaptability is in itself a jewel.

Habit is almost as stong as principle, and sometimes, when we are beset by a multi-plicity of cares, may act in its stead. Be careful, then, that your habits are of the very best.

Fortune is usually called flokle, but abe seldom bes'ow, her favors upon those who idly spend their time in importuning her without making any bold attempt to win

There is this difference to be observed between want of consideration and want of tact, that the one can be cured by care, watchrulness, regard for personal interest, or an enlarged benevolence, but the other

We have two Sals in this country—Sal Bernhardt and Saivini. They are both after Sal-ary.

There are three natural phenomena which afterd divisions of time: First, the rotation of the earth on its axis, which gives rise to the solar day—that is, the interval between the will was contested ever since he married Mrs. J.

The name of the largest city in America was furnished by Shakespeare. He said, in a prophetic mood, "I Knew Yorick well."

Those who have tried it confess that a large, healthy mustard placter worn on it is axis, which gives rise to the solar ones whom the sun comes to the sum eridian or line drawn directly north and south; second, the time from new moon to new mood, or from full moon until it sgain appears with its whole surface illuminated; third, the revolution of the earth around the sun, causing the seasons and marking the period called a year. As the time which elapses between one full moon and the next total that he must give up driving moles or with that he must give up driving moles or with that he must give up driving moles or with the time from the church, the two positions of time: First, the rotation of the earth on its axis, which gives rise to the solar day—that is, the interval between the period swhen the sun comes to the sun erick and or line drawn directly north and south; second, the time from new moon to new moon, or from full moon until it sgain appears with its whole surface illuminated; third, the revolution of the earth on its axis, which gives most on the church of the earth on its axis, which gives in the colar day—that is, the interval between the period swhen the sun comes to the sun entered and or from full moon until it sgain appears with its whole surface illuminated; third, the revolution of the earth on its axis, which gives in the colar day—that is, the interval between the period called a year. As a the time which elapses between one full moon until it sgain appears a with its whole surface illuminated; third, the revolution of the earth on its axis, which gives

Brilliant and impulsive people," said a lecturer on physicgnomy, "have-black eyes, or if they dou't have 'out, they're spt to get 'em, if the rare too impulsive."

Upright legislator: "What, sir! You take me for on that can be bribee! You insult my sense of honor- but in case I really was such a man, how much would you give me?"

The Parladelphia Nows man is a person of experience. He rays: "A boston man has invented a new word "Astronom sterotology." It means what a man see when he uddenly runs again to a larry, "look at that gir!" What color! She's the pictore of health," and Dick, who has les ned to discriminate b teven nature and art. "A pisture of health." A painting, you mean."

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