

# The McCurdy Store Thronged With Christmas Buyers

All previous sales are being broken daily. The store is fully prepared for this immense activity of Christmas buying--stocks more complete in assortment, service better arranged for quickness, and more space given to Christmas goods than seasons before. This bright store with its splendid merchandise and strong organization seems to be

Christmas Buying Headquarters for Rochester

## Gloves for Holiday Gifts

There's a breadth and completeness within our Kid Glove Stock excelled by any other showing hereabouts. Our direct importations from the glove centers of the world insure the correct styles, clasps, shades, also European sewing and finish.

No Need of an Argument as to the Matchless Excellence and Desirability of These Brands.

Jovain et Cie Kid Gloves--the best gloves in the world, at \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.

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Dent's Walking Gloves at \$1.75.

The P. & L., an imported Kid Glove that leads all gloves for the price, \$1.

A special brand of \$1 Gloves to be sold at a pair, 70c.

**GLOVE CERTIFICATES**—A satisfactory way to present a pair of gloves is to buy one of our Glove Certificates, which enables the recipients to choose their own particular style of glove and color, after the holiday rush when our glove fitters can give more attention in aiding the selection.

## Pur Sale

This sale of furs which commenced Saturday last has aroused the greatest selling enthusiasm possible. Before buying a single piece of fur for a gift come here and see how much we will save you. Don't wait, for they're selling fast. There are pieces as low as \$1.50—some at \$4.50, \$7.50, \$9.50 and hundreds of pieces at higher prices. The saving averages one-third.

## Prettiest of Dolls

Dollyland on the second floor has a large population. What a great big happy family. Folks tell us that it's the best doll showing in the city.

There are dolls for \$12.00 and dolls for 10c. Hundreds of prices in between. Bring the children—all of them—let them see this doll city at its best, and while here buy some of these dollies at a saving.

At \$1 each—Hundreds of dolls that formerly sold at \$1.50 and \$1.75, including some of the famous Kestner make. Kid body, cork stuffed, jointed, dressed.

At 50c—Dolls that formerly sold at 65c, 60c and 75c.

At 30c—Dressed and undressed dolls that sold at 50c.

At 19c—Hundreds of styles in this lot which usually sell at 25c.

## The Santa Claus

### Prize Contest

Six more days, boys and girls, before this contest closes. Draw a picture of Santa Claus and write a four line verse containing the words *Santa Claus and McCurdy's*, send it in with your name, age and address and you may win one of the ten prizes of \$5 each for the most

original picture and verse. Contest is open to boys and girls under 15 years.

## The Wonderful Handkerchief Display

Wonderful not alone because of the number of pieces involved, but on account of the immense showing in the grades that are now most in demand and the very evident accomplishment of our determination to provide values out of the ordinary.

With so much spread before us a comprehensive list seems an impossible task. We do not attempt it, but merely call attention to a few lines of interest.

Women's Pure Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, also new designs with Belfast and Swiss embroidered borders; also a lot of pretty handkerchiefs with embroidered corners and edges—a remarkably good assortment at each 12 1/2c.

Women's Lace Trimmed Handkerchiefs in novel designs; also new Swiss point edges and hemstitched borders in dozens of effects—a grand showing—at each 25c.

Everything in Box Handkerchiefs for women, children and men. Dainty boxes of various styles, containing a half dozen handkerchiefs in a wide range of prices.

We have Handkerchiefs as low as 5c, and real lace handkerchiefs up to \$25 each. In fact, we have everything that's worthy in the handkerchief line for holiday selling.

## Sale of Holiday Waists

A special purchase of fine Albattross Waists goes on sale to-day. They're made of extra fine material in black, white, brown, navy, light blue, tan and garnet, plaited over opening and down back, entire front is smocked, waist lined throughout, if bought regularly could not be sold for less than \$5.50. Special sale price \$3.75.

## Toyland Delights Hundreds of Children

From opening till closing time Toyland in our Christmas basement is filled with a happy, joyful lot of children and a good natured crowd of shoppers. We cannot describe all the many wonders. You must come and see them.

An incomparable assortment from the most modest priced Toys at a dime to the expensive things running up into dollars.

## Hints from Toyland

Shoo Fly Rocking Horses, 50c, 75c, \$1 up to \$3.50.

Writing Desks, 85c, \$1, \$1.95, \$2.25 up to \$5.

Iron Toys such as Hook and Ladder, Police Patrol, Fire Engines, Trains, etc., at each 35c.

Another assortment of larger Iron Toys, at each 75c.

The Flexible Flyer Sleds, in sizes 1, 2, 3 and 4, at \$1.75, \$2.15, \$2.75 and \$3.

Stock of all varieties for boys and girls at from 30c up to \$2.

Large size red Rocking Chairs, each 38c.

Humpty Dumpty Circus, and other games, at 35c, 50c, 75c, \$1 to \$3.

Mechanical Toys, comprising Irish Pig, Happy Hooligan, Foxy Grandpa, and many others, each 25c.

Magic Lanterns, all sizes, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1 to \$4.50.

Go-Carts and Doll Carriages in all styles from 25c up to \$10.

Games of all kinds, Pit and Clinch at each 25c.

Toy Pianos, 10c, 25c, 35c, 85c, \$1 to \$2.

Horns from 5c to 50c.

Drums from 25c to \$1.50.

Guns from 5c up to \$1.

Horses with wagons attached, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1 and \$1.50.

Boys' Express Carts, 95c, \$1.10, \$1.25 and \$1.50.

Babies' Cutter Sleds, \$2.35 to \$5.

Velocipedes and Tricycles, \$1 to \$3.50.

## The Right Sort of Umbrellas

If one is to give a useful present, why not an umbrella? We never had so many superb styles to show you as right now.

Somehow or other we were particularly fortunate in our selection. The usual umbrella goodness is accompanied with the daintiest and prettiest of handles, whether ornate or plain.

This is the way the Price Part lends interest to the story:

Children's Umbrellas at 50c, \$1 and \$1.50. Paragon frame, steel rod, fast black materials, 24-inch size with Natural Wood handles and 26-inch size with Fancy Metal handles.

Children's Silk Umbrellas in colors green, blue and red, with fancy and natural wood handles, up to \$3.

Women's Umbrellas of fast black material, with paragon frame—case and tassel. Fancy gold and silver tipped handles, each 80c.

Women's Umbrellas, with paragon frame and steel rod, 8-ribbed, handles of gun metal, ivory, pearl, horn, with natural wood stick, \$1.50.

Women's Fine Union Silk Umbrellas, with tape edge, tassel and case, handles of carved pearl and horn tipped with gold and silver, \$2.50.

Women's or Men's Traveling Umbrellas—can be folded to fit suit case, a most convenient article. Special at \$2.50 and \$3.25.

A fine line of Serge and Union Silk Umbrellas, tape edge, paragon frame and steel rod, handles of pearl and burnt ivory combined with gold and silver trimmings, also gun metal handles in pretty designs, both crook and plain—\$3.00 and \$3.75.



Strength Has Improved.

Rev. H. La Gullion, of St. Germain, New Mexico, writes about the effect of Pastor Koenig's Nerve Tonic for R. Martinez: "I suffered terribly of headache so much that it seemed as if my eyeballs were coming out and my stomach rejected all kind of food. For a long time I couldn't sleep during the night, but only a little during the day. I became so weak that I couldn't do any work without getting severe palpitation of the heart. At last a general nervous prostration resulted, which prevented me even from writing the simplest thing. As soon as I took the Tonic I felt the benefit of it. My strength has been improving all the time, and I am therefore very thankful for the valuable Tonic."

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## CANANDAIGUA.

The fair for the benefit of St. Mary's new church fund will be held at Bemis hall from Dec. 25 to Jan. 4. There will be two principal booths each presided over by a president, three vice-presidents and a committee. That the congregation may be equally divided one booth will be looked after by the members sitting on the north side of the church and this will be called the North booth, with Miss M. Moran, president, Mrs. W. J. Donovan, Mrs. Joseph Monte, Miss Sophia Widman vice-presidents. There will be sittings on the South side of the church will assist Mrs. James Farrell, president, Mrs. Ann Berry, Mrs. A. Taylor and Miss Mary O'Leary vice-presidents. Besides the main booths, there will be a fish pond and doll booth of which the younger members have charge. Supper will be served during the evenings and Mrs. John Cuppens and her assistants will see that no one goes away hungry. After the regular supper refreshments will be served until the time for closing for the night. A committee has been appointed to provide entertainment each evening during the fair and the committee reports that the best talent in the country has been procured to amuse all for about an hour. Each night the new plays will place in the hands of every one a copy of the latest fair news. In fact the only thing that will not be found at the fair is a place to sleep. Every body must be awake especially those who are on the contest for the diamond ring and building lot. Let all keep moving until we have the new church completed.

## ABURN

The funeral of Susan M., widow of the late Thomas O'Brien was held from the house last Friday morning and services were held at St. Mary's church at 9:30 a. m. The funeral services were read by Rev. John B. Doran, assistant pastor of the church who also conducted the burial services. Interment was in St. Joseph cemetery.

The funeral of the late Charles McCarthy, who died in Mount Pleasant, was held from the family home in Lewis St. last Saturday morning and was largely attended by relatives and friends of the deceased. The service at the church consisted of a requiem high mass during which several solos were rendered by the choir. The floral offerings were numerous. Burial was in St. Joseph cemetery.

Mr and Mrs. Patrick (Minnie) wish to thank all friends and neighbors who assisted them in any way during the recent illness and death of their daughter, Miss Mary Minny.

The formal celebration of the golden jubilee of the Immaculate Conception was held in the different churches of the city last week and were largely attended. A special retreat was held at St. Aloysius church, conducted by Rev. Father Nelligan of Union Springs.

Rev. Father Villies of the Redemptorist Order, who delivered the sermon on the occasion of the golden jubilee of the Immaculate Conception at St. Mary's church, has returned to his home in New York.

During the week the Stations of the Cross were read every morning and on Wednesday and Friday evening at the five different churches in the city. Special advent services were also held every morning.

## GENEVA

A meeting of the Young Men's Club was held at St. Francis de Sale's school Monday evening at 8 o'clock. The program of musical selections was very interesting.

A reception of the members of the sodality took place at St. Stephen's church, Sunday evening at 7:30. Father Ryan of Rochester gave an eloquent sermon to the young ladies of the society.

Next Tuesday evening a sale of articles will be held in the basement of St. Stephen's church, under the auspices of the Ladies Catholic Aid Society of Geneva.

Miss Ella L. O'Brien of William St., fell and was seriously injured while going to her work last Thursday.



POPE PIUS X.

A fine Picture of Pope Pius X 16x20, given free to all subscribers paying one dollar in advance for the Journal.

## USING PEAT FOR FUEL

Fires Kept Burning 200 Years with this Earthly Fuel.

In this twentieth century, with its wireless telegraph and other wonderful inventions, more and more attention is being given to peat as a substitute for coal. The principal scientific schools, such as the Boston School of Technology and the University of Wisconsin, have devoted considerable time to experimental work with a view to solving the problem. Pliny, the Roman historian, says that a German tribe "pressed with their hands a kind of mossy earth which they dried and burned for cooking purposes and for warming their bodies."

Beckman, in his "History of Inventions," mentions a letter of sanction by Abbot Ludolph, in the year 113, permitting a nunnery near Utrecht to dig peat. The same authority informs us that the words "turbo" and "turfa" occur in certain land grants in the years 1190, 1191, 1201, 1210. In the laws of Scotland as early as 1140 mention is made of extensive traffic in this fuel. Charred peat was used in the Freyberg smelting houses in the year 1560 and in England in the early part of the seventeenth century.

In England to-day there are domestic fires burning in Yorkshire which for centuries have never been allowed to go out. This is particularly true of a certain estate at Castleton, in Whitley district, where the fires have been burning constantly for 200 years, and a farm house at Osmotherby, in the same district, has not let its fire go out for 500 years.

## Automobile and Buffalo.

An enthusiastic motor cyclist in India, to escape the heat of Bombay, rode his machine up to Khandalla. It is a seventy-odd mile run and the road, until the foot of the ghats is reached, is perfectly flat. Upon the steepest gradient he overtook a herd of water buffalo. Hardly had he a yard in front of the animals when one of them took offense at the smell of the gasoline, or regarded the labored "tuff-tuff" of the engine as a challenge to mortal combat. It gave a grunt, lowered its head and charged heavily upon the intruder. The road was more than steep. It was dangerous. On the right hand towered a cliff, on the left there was a drop of nearly 1,000 feet on to the tops of the trees in the valley below. The lumbering beast gained rapidly. Luckily, the rider carried a revolver. He drew it and fired back over his shoulder. The first shot missed, the second passed along the animal's side. With a roar of pain the huge beast started aside, slipped on the edge of the cliff, and the next minute crashed down on the tree tops below.

## The Only Real One.

When Charlemagne Tower, United States Ambassador to Germany, was on his way to that country he fell into conversation with an intelligent lady, a stranger, who told him that among the places she intended to visit on her travels was the Charlemagne cathedral—Charlemagne towers, I call them," she added. "Then," said the diplomat, handing her his card, "when you go to Berlin visit the one there."

## A Gift from Canada.

The Earl of Aberdeen's connection with Canada—he was governor general from 1893 1898, has been appropriately recognized by the Canadians, who have sent Lady Marjorie Sinclair a chain made of Klondike gold, measuring sixty-five inches and containing eight links. Five of the eight provinces and jeweled with the precious stones of Canada.

## Didn't Know It was Sunday.

A man came into the village of Rumford Falls, Me., one Sunday afternoon recently with his farm wagon and some stuff for sale. When it was suggested to him that such a performance was a trifle strange for such a day, candidly remarked: "Well, for goodness sake, I didn't know it was Sunday. We are all of us liable to make mistakes sometimes."

## Wireless in Iceland.

Iceland, cut off from the rest of the world save for slow mails, is to be linked to other countries by means of wireless telegraphic connection with the Shetland islands. This is to follow the action of the Icelandic parliament, at its last session, in voting a yearly subsidy of \$9,300 for 20 years for that purpose.

## A Queer Indian Fruit.

In Ceylon there is a tree called "Eve's apple tree," which is remarkable in that the orange red fruit is beautiful to look upon, yet out of each fruit a piece appears to have been bitten. It is said that the simulation of a fruit which has been bitten into is perfect. The fruit is poisonous.

## No Orphan Asylums.

Australia has no orphan asylums. Every child who is not supported by parents becomes a ward of the state, and is paid a pension for support and placed in a private family where board and clothes are provided until the 14th birthday.

## Trouble Over a Name.

A man stepped up to the window of the post office at Stafford and asked for his mail. "What is the name?" asked the postmaster. "Loudler," replied the man. "What is the name?" then shouted the postmaster. "Loudler," again said the patron. "Your name?" roared the postmaster, until he rattled the windows. "Loudler, J. H. Loudler," meekly replied the man.

## A Magnificent Specimen.

E. P. Kewick, of Fairfield, Me., has a lemon tree on which there are a number of lemons, one of which measures 10 1/4 inches in circumference.

**The Church and Divorce.**  
According to the doctrine of the Roman Catholic church marriage is something more than a civil contract. It is a sacrament, and being such, it cannot be severed by the courts. Hence, the influence of that church is thrown against divorce. Its moral teaching is antagonistic to the divorce evil. In a measure the Episcopal Church occupies the same position; and it is of no small significance that so powerful a religious body as the Presbyterian Church has arrayed itself distinctly against this evil, without, however, making any specific doctrinal change respecting the marriage relation.—Denver Republican.

## COOK OPERA HOUSE

WEEK DEC. 19

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