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TIME TABLE.

IN EFFECT NOVEMBER 16, 1896.

WESTWARD

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| †Morning Express | 1:42 a. m. |
| †Mail | 12:14 p. m. |
| †Grand Rapids Express | 4:50 p. m. |
| †Suburban | 6:29 p. m. |
| *Chicago Express | 8:40 p. m. |
| *Night Express | 11:45 p. m. |

EASTWARD.

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| *Night Express | 6:33 a. m. |
| *Chicago Express | 6:50 a. m. |
| †Suburban | 7:18 a. m. |
| †Detroit Express | 11:07 a. m. |
| †Mail | 3:10 p. m. |
| †Evening Express | 8:40 p. m. |

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*Daily.
†Daily except Sunday.

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Whitehead & Mitchell this season have put in an immense new stock of Staple Holiday Goods. Presents that are useful and presents that please the recipient as well as please the buyer. It is simply impossible to enumerate all our Goods which have been unpacked this week and which we offer for your kindly notice and inspection. The stock consists of
Beautiful Plush Goods, Work Boxes, Toilet Cases, Auto and Photo Albums, Manicure Sets, Brush and Comb Sets, Ladies' Purses, Wallets, Bill Books, Holiday Books, Perfumery 5c to $1, Toys of Every Description, Etc, Etc. Our Cups and Saucers Are Startlers For Price!
Come in and look the line over whether you wish to purchase or not.
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## HOME NOTES.

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Blue Cross

The 1897 blue X

Blue Cross in 1897.

Blue will be you if you get the blue cross

Have you seen the new drop curtain at the Whitney? Well, it's a beauty.

The L. L. C. will meet with Miss Allie Hagerman next Monday evening.

The Tuesday Club meets at the home of Mrs. Bradley Cooper, Tuesday, Dec. 22

Don't miss hearing Rev. W. F. Sheridan at the M. E. church to morrow evening.

The Oakland County Farmers' Institute will be held in Milford, Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 13 and 14 '97.

Attention is respectfully called to Whitehead & Mitchell's new adv't on this page this week

Visitors at Mrs. S. J. Harris' Monday last, Miss Belle Pardee, of Detroit, and Miss Jennie Buttolph, and a good time? Cert

Waite Bros., Robertson & Co., of Pontiac, have a new adv't this week. Read it.

Other people may go ahead as soon as they are sure they are right, but the prize fighter must also be sure of the referee, or he can't win.

There is no excuse for any man to appear in society with a grizzly beard since the introduction of Buckingham's Dye, which colors natural brown or black.

In looking over our advertising columns this week don't fail to read the Christmas announcement of Frank Blakeslee on this page. It will pay you to read it

The Ladies' Missionary Society of Southfield U. P. church will give a "Dime Social" at the home of Jas. A. Miller, Friday evening, Dec 18. All are cordially invited to attend

Regular annual communication of Birmingham Lodge, No. 44, F & A. M., this Thursday evening, Dec 17. Election of officers Full attendance requested James B. Hunt, Sec'y.

David Roy's new home is rapidly assuming pleasing proportions and at the rate it is now being pushed will soon be finished and a pride of the village. A new barn is also an adjunct to the new establishment.

Our lady readers will do well to look up the business card of Mdlls. Hutchins and Anderson elsewhere in this issue If you wish anything in their line, they can please you

The L. O. T. M. of Mary D. Hive, No 393, are hereby notified and requested to attend the election of officers which will take place at the usual hour next Saturday evening, Dec. 19. Julia E Benedict, R. K.

For sale the Lowes property with brick store and frontage on Saginaw street and also on Pierce street For particulars call at the Lowes homestead on Pierce street. 4

"Patriotism with a Backbone or the Civic Renaissance," is the subject on which Rev. W. F. Sheridan will lecture to-morrow evening at the M. E. church, under the auspices of the Birmingham Epworth League Everybody invited.

John Pound near Court House, Pontiac. The chance is now. Don't miss it Till Jan 1 97 You will thank us for making it prominent N. B. All at 1-4 off We give you 25 cents on every dollar's worth. Try us at our special realization and depletion sale.

Did you notice a blue cross on your paper? No! No!! But you will the first issue in 1897 if you are in arrears Don't fail to bring in your big, round, elegant dollar and miss the cross with the azure tint.

The annual election of officers of Birmingham Lodge, No 149, K of P, will take place at Castle Hall, Tuesday evening, Dec 22 1896. Other questions of importance to the welfare of the lodge will be brought up A full attendance is requested. D. Adcock, K. of R. and S.

John Pound near Court House, Great Realization and Reduction sale No reserve, all at 25 per cent off, Who realizes what that means? ¼ off, 25 cents on every dollar off for cash on every article from cellar to roof till Jan. 1, '97. Do not delay, but buy your winter supplies of dry goods now.

F. M. Harmon, Treasurer of Southfield, for the convenience of tax payers will be at Beddow's store on Dec. 29, at Rust's store Dec. 30, at W. A. Harmon's store Jan. 4, Erity's Mills Jan. 5, at Town Hall Jan. 7 and at home every Friday except holidays. 5

The Orkepo Club were pleasantly entertained by Geo. H Mitchell at his home last Saturday evening. All the home boys were in it and from abroad we noticed Col. Isaac Filer, Capt. Arthur Gore, Major John O'Conners, Lieut. Strathearn Hendrie, all of Detroit. Supper was served and all left early well pleased.

The remaining numbers of the Epworth League Lecture Course are as follows: Dec 18, Rev W F. Sheridan; Jan. 8, Mr Horace Hitchcock; Feb 5, Prof. W. N. Ferris; March 19, Dr. J. M. Thoburn. Single tickets for the remainder of the course, 35c; family tickets, 75c Tickets on sale at L. B Peabody's store or at the church on evening of lectures. Admission to single entertainment, 15 cents.

John Pound, near Court House, Pontiac. Kindly read the large adv'ts for list of departments; also see small bills. A wonderful revolution. 25 per cent off extends right through the store. No reserve. Sale daily until Jan. 2, 97 Come in the morning and avoid the rush. All 1-4 off John Pound.

The alarm of fire on Sunday evening was caused by the burning of some rails on the Brown farm formerly owned by Fred Stephans. It demonstrated the fact that our volunteer fire department are ready and willing to attend to business at any time, day or night, for they got out the hose reels and made a phenomenal run to the corporation limits on the supposition that it was Brown Bros' new barn.

I will be at Troy Corners at Cutting's store on all Tuesdays in December and on January 5, 1897 and at the store of S. L. Robinson, Big Beaver, on Thursdays and at the Exchange Bank in Birmingham on Saturdays as follows, Dec 19, 26 and Jan 2 and 9, to receive taxes for township of Troy. William Harbison, Collector. 3

At the annual convocation of Birmingham Chapter, No 93, R. A. M., the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Eugene Brooks, H. P.; McA. Randall, K.; M. K. Filber, S.; D. M. Doty, C. of H.; M. B. Dennis, P. S.; Wm H. Smith, M. of 3 V.; H. F. Daniels, M. of 2 V.; Walter North M. of 1st V.; Frank Hagerman, Treas.; A. Partridge, Sec'y; S. Jarvis, Sentinel.

John Pound near Court House, Pontiac. Realization and Depletion. All at 1-4 off The weather has struck us just right for this great sale and for customers who need goods. Sheets and pillow cases 1-4 off. Eiderdowns, Astrachan Cloaks, Capes, Jackets, Cloakings and heavy weight goods Everything 1-4 off until January, 1897 John Pound

The light at the intersection of Maple and Woodward avenues furnished by the Oakland Railway, is a very important improvement in the village lighting It consists of a cluster of five incandescent electric bulbs suspended from a wire over the square and lights up the most important portion of the village, to perfection It was inaugurated under the careful supervision of Supt Savage and is a credit to him and the liberal company which he represents

John Pound, near Court House, Pontiac 1-4 off Trade early in the day. Cold weather goods, men's ladies' and children's underwear. 5 large cases just received before our sale and now submitted 1-4 off with all stock from cellar to attic, upstairs and down. 75 pieces wool flannel, 60 pairs blankets 95 capes and jackets, 1 bale comforters, and 25 white quilts. The chance is now here. The white quilts are elegant patterns. 1-4 off until Jan. 2, 97. John Pound.

Died, at his home in Southfield, Wednesday evening, Dec 9, 1896 Mr Daniel Nixon, aged 74 years. He was born in New York State, Sept 23 1822 Deceased leaves a wife and three sons, Chauncey, Volney and John, to mourn his loss His funeral took place Friday last and the services were conducted by Rev Jas McCracken, of the Southfield Covenanter church, and his remains placed in Greenwood cemetery.

The news of the city and county would not be complete should we omit mention of the unusual movement and impetus of trade now going on at John Pound's, near Court House, Pontiac, the reliable Beehive. Mr. Pound informs us that no such wonderful distribution of merchandise has taken place on Saginaw street in years. It will go on until Jan. 1, 97 and the genuine 1-4 off (25 cents on every dollar) is what does it. The stock is new and goods reliable and were bought well, and the public know the cut is genuine and extends to everything, which really makes the volume of the trade simply phenomenal even at the present very low price of everything Talk about hard times! Walk into 49 North Saginaw street any day and see the busy whirl and hear the hum of trade and the times are close, but it is the 1-4 off which acts as the wonderful talisman, and no matter whether it is silver, paper, gold or copper, all is fish that comes to the net and will pass readily for the best dry goods at 1-4 off at the Beehive and Mr. Pound wants all the people to know it.

### SPECIAL HOLIDAY OFFER.

Cabinet Photos from $1.50 per dozen up. First-class work guaranteed.
TOMLINSON,
Birmingham, Mich

### OBITUARY.

Mrs. Isabel Purdy died at her home in Birmingham, Dec 8, 1896. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Hanna, Sr. She was born 46 years ago in County Down, Ireland. Thirty eight years ago she came with her father's family to Michigan and settled in the town of Royal Oak, where she lived until she was married to George Purdy which occurred 22 years ago the day she was buried. Six times during her married life the angel death entered her home and carried away a loved child. She was very domestic and was always happy in caring for her family. She sacrificed her life for her children Early in life she sought the Lord and joined the R. P. church. After her marriage she with her husband joined the U. P. church. Her last sickness was long and painful, but she bore it patiently in the hope of soon meeting her Saviour. She leaves a husband, three children, four sisters, five brothers and an aged father and mother to mourn her loss.

### BIRMINGHAM W. C. T. U.

The W. C. T. U. of Birmingham is growing in numbers and in activity. Our number has almost doubled since we organized less than a year ago, being now about 30. In our recent canvas of our town with the petition for the suppression of any more saloons, there were six of us out about one day and secured 437 names of men, women and boys of 18 or over, who will be voters shortly. More names could have been secured, had there been more time before the council met. We found people were of many minds concerning this saloon business. We found a strong sentiment in favor of a petition to do away with all the selling of intoxicants whether in hotel or drug stores. One or two thought the more saloons there were, the less money would be spent, as there would be competition and drinks would be cheaper. One person wished the whisky was running past the house in a stream so it could be dipped up. We found one person who thought it would be a good way to pay the taxes. It was curious to see the different attitudes of the employees of certain different business concerns. One person told us if we wanted to kill our town dead, just shut up our saloons. Another thought the W. C. T. U. must be a set of fools to think they could do any good in this way, but unless we have been quite misinformed, there has been a law passed quite recently which will make it possible for the council to heed the petitioners if they are willing to do so.

MRS. WM. HUTTON.

### FRANKLIN FLUTTERINGS.

A large delegation of ladies attended the missionary meeting at Mrs. George McHenry's on Thursday last.

Mrs. Amos Durkee and children are visitors at George German's.

Caspar Case has been confined to the house for three weeks with a broken leg, result of a fall.

The annual donation for the benefit of Rev. J. Beattie will be held this week at A. A. Rust's. Particulars in our next.

### TOWN LINE TOOTINGS.

Mr. and Mrs. John McKinstry have returned from a four weeks' visit with Mrs. Will Hartrick in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Beach dined last Sunday with I. Leet near Franklin.

Visitors to Detroit lately: Elsie Beach and Fern Hendricks, Mr. and Mrs. Will McKinstry and family, Mr. and Mrs. Walton and sister, Mrs. Shug, A. C. Patch.

John Nye lost his last cow lately, a very valuable one. This is the second one in two years.

Mr. and Mrs. Rob Featherston Sundayed at Rochester, at Anson Mett's.

A. C. Patch and Wm. Taylor, of Troy, attended the Odd Fellows banquet at Pontiac.

Two dances lately, one at Wm. Peters' and the other at Mr. Kitchen's.

Mrs. Lowes (the old lady) is quite ill. There are little hopes of her recovery.

Clarence Lowes, of Vernon, is visiting here at present.

### SOUTHFIELD AVENUE.

As Miss Jennie Bell was on her way to Mr. McCracken's last Thursday afternoon, the horse became frightened and threw her out of the buggy. She fell on her head and was taken unconscious back to her father's. She was injured quite seriously but her friends hope to see her out again soon.

Francis Poole is going to leave Robert Hanna's farm in the spring and go to Ed Killam's farm

Mrs. Thos. Cooper was buried last week. She was an aged lady and leaves one daughter, Mrs. Will Purdy, and a son Stephen.

Mr. Daniel Nixon was buried last Friday. He had been sick a long time and death came as a happy release. Mr. McCracken conducted the funeral services after which he was laid to rest in the Birmingham cemetery.

Miss Rose Geisler is visiting at Samuel Bell's and with other friends before returning to her home near Utica.

Mr. and Mrs. James and Orla Patterson, of Caro, attended Mrs. George Purdy's funeral.

Miss Brooks is teaching her third year in the Jackson district with better success than ever.

The only talk heard on this street is about the milk business.

### COUNTY LINE CLIPPINGS.

John Cromie comes to the front again this time, another daughter.

Mrs. Warren Babcock died Friday, Dec. 4th, aged 87 years. Deceased has lived on the farm taken by her husband some 64 years. She leaves a daughter and two sons.

The Polish family near the County Line have lost three children by diphtheria.

Mrs. Fred Cartwright has been quite sick the past few days.

Orma Stevens has sent his little boy to Harper's Hospital for treatment.

James Bingham lost 80 bushel of potatoes during the cold snap.

Frank Halsey's team ran away near Union Corner, throwing him and his wife out and bruising them considerably.

Alpha Parks and Than Ames have gone up to Rondo.

W. McBride and Giles Hoxie, were hunting last week near Defore and brought home over 150 rabbits, some 40 partridge, besides other small game.

Mrs. Maria Aldrich, of Everett, attended her mother's funeral.

J. Mason has his new store about completed. The building is a credit as well as an ornament to the village.

Mr. Hilldebrand's team ran away coming from Detroit. Mr. H. was walking behind his team when an electric car came along. The wagon was badly used up and the team was not found for a day or two. Moral: Keep hold of your lines around the electric cars.

Wm. Harris' and J. Scott's pensions have been suspended.

Warren Lodge, K. of P., have elected the following officers: F. Drummond, C. C.; D. Wilson, V. C.; M. H. Blunt, P.; S. Martin, K. of R. S.

Miss Emma McClure has been under Dr. Kidder's care for a week or two.

G. H. Paine, of Detroit, was out to his farm—Cherry Tree Farm—one day recently.

ONCE MORE REMINDED.

Again this week we invite your attention to our line of goods suitable for Holiday Gifts. We enumerate a few of them in the subjoined paragraphs and venture to assure you that nowhere else in the city or state can you get like goods for the price you pay us.

TRAVER'S, DETROIT, MICH.

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| Gloves | 50c to $2 50 | Mufflers | 50c to $4 00 |
| Umbrellas | 75c to $5 00 | Sweaters | $1 00 to $3 00 |
| Suspenders | 25c to $4 00 | Canes | 50c to $3 00 |
| Night Robes | 50c to $2 50 | Shirts | 50c to $3 00 |
| Handkerchiefs | 12 1-2c to $1 00 | Scarfs | 50c to $3 00 |
| Hats | All prices | Collars and Cuffs | All prices |
| Neckties | 10c to $3 00 | Socks | 12 1-2c to $1 00 |
| Neckwear | 50c to $5 00 | Caps | 25c to $3 00 |

Besides these things we have coats and suits for boys and men at surprisingly low prices. You must remember that we sell no cheap and tawdey stuff at any price. You get your money's worth in a ten cent purchase the same as in a ten dollar purchase.

### DETROIT THEATRES.

The attraction at the Whitney Grand is the celebrated dramatic actor, A. W. Fremont, ably assisted by a capable company, including Miss Ada Van Etta, in the sensational comedy drama, entitled, "777." Mr. Fremont has aimed to give the public an American play by an American author. Through the medium of an American Company and the combination, if persevered in, cannot fail to bring him his reward. The time for making a new effort in behalf of the American stage, has arrived, and it was a source of satisfaction to know that Mr. Fremont's desire is to engage in it the full extent of his powers. The engagement at the Whitney commenced Sunday, Dec. 13, and continues throughout the week, with 25c matinee every day except Wednesday.

The "South before the War" will be at the Whitney Christmas week. It is an entertainment worthy of the attention of all theatre goers, and lovers of good singing and dancing and fun of minstrelsy. The company is composed of 50 artists, all of whom are noted for their peculiar talent, and they depict a true story of Southern life in slavery days. Although the company is largely composed of colored performers, the principal characters are taken by white artists, who stand preeminently in the front ranks of minstrelsy. The stage pictures are certainly true to nature. The cotton picking scene, with the colored people picking the cotton on the plantation and the rich melodies by the company awaken the sympathetic and music loving soul. "South before the War" has three quartettes, all first-class. Anyone who enjoys good singing could well afford to attend the famous play to hear them, if for no other object Matinees are announced for Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday with a grand holiday matinee Christmas day.

If you want to see a play that will make you cry as well as laugh don't fail to attend the Lyceum and see "A Temperance Town." Press notices of this play are not exaggeraters. The entertainment is certainly all right in every particular. All this week with usual matinees. Next week "The War of Wealth" will be given at this popular theatre.

### Christmas and New Year's Holiday Excursion Rates.

The Grand Trunk Railway System, lines west of the Detroit and St. Clair Rivers have arranged to sell special holiday excursion tickets at one and one-third fare for the round trip between stations on their lines in Michigan and Indiana under the following arrangement:

Christmas tickets will be on sale December 24 and December 25, good to return up to and including January 4, 1897.

New Year's tickets will be on sale December 31, 1896, and January 1, 1897, good to return up to and including January 4, 1897.

Special Return tickets to all Canadian points west of Brampton, Port Credit, St. Catherines, Welland Jct. and Port Colborne, and to points on Northern Division, Georgetown to North Bay, and branch lines west, will be sold on the above dates and limits at one and one-third fare from all stations on the above lines. (Dec31)

### ADVERTISED LETTERS.

The following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed in the post-office at Birmingham, Mich., for the week ending December 12, 1896:

Miss Gertie Yeiss, Richard Barnier Esq., Mr. Fred Newell, Mrs. Daisey Schultz.

Persons calling for any of the above will please say "advertised."

GEORGE H. MITCHELL, P. M.

### Holiday Excursions on the C., H. & D. Ry.

For the Christmas and New Years holidays, agents of the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton Railway, will sell tickets from points on their own line to points on lines in the Central Passenger Committee territory at one and one-third fare for the round trip. Tickets will be on sale Dec. 24, 25 and 31, '96, and Jan. 1, '97, good to return until Jan. 4, inclusive. Special arrangements will be made for students of colleges, seminaries, etc., returning home for the holidays.

### Notice to Farmers.

I have secured for the use of farmers in this vicinity a full blooded Berkshire boar which is for the improvement of stock in this vicinity. For full particulars call on Wm. H. Smith ½ mile north of Birmingham, Mich. 3

### Special Notices.

17 sticks (latest style) stick candy for a nickel at Whitehead & Mitchell's.

Four per cent. interest on savings, Exchange Bank.

For sale at a bargain, my home on Middle street. Good house and barn, with excellent well, good cistern. Plenty of small fruits. Lot large and roomy. I want to sell and will make the price right. Water works connection and everything in first-class order. Mrs. H. R. Miller, Birmingham, Mich. tf

A bottle of Mitchell's Compound Syrup of White Pine in the house saves doctors' bills, saves trouble, and very often saves precious lives. Gives almost instant relief in cases of coughs, colds, or lung troubles of any sort.

Wanted at once, hickory, suitable for turning handles at the handle factory of J. N. Zimmerman, Birmingham, Mich., formerly Tack Factory. Highest cash price paid. tf

Hudson's BIG STORE, Detroit.

Let Us Help You!

In the holiday buying there is perplexity as well as pleasure. "What to buy" is almost as important as "where to buy." This advertisement is to help answer both questions.

There is something here for everybody, because this is everybody's store. Every department has its multitude of suggestions of appropriate gifts—and every cent's worth of merchandise here is fortified by quality.

Make a start this week and enjoy the advantages of full and complete varieties. The crowds always grow greater and the selections meager as Christmas approaches. Buy early.

DOLLS!
Tiny China Penny Dolls.
Pretty Bisque Dolls, 10c.
Dolls with jointed limbs.
Dolls with wigs, and dolls with real hair.
Dolls that sleep, and Dolls forever awake.
Kid Dolls and Rag Dolls.
Art Dolls, and Dolls "like mother made."
Indian Dolls, Chinese, Japanese, African, Cingalese, and American Dolls.
Thousands upon thousands, they await your selecting at from 1c, to $15.
Dolls' Shoes, Hose, Hats, etc, etc.
Dolls' Homes, furnished and unfurnished.
Dolls' Carriages, etc. etc.

TOYS!
Fairyland brought to your door from the Nodding Gnome to the Iron Clown Artist who makes pencil portraits at your bidding.
Hopping Frogs and Crawling Bugs.
Folks who walk and Bears that dance.
Steam Engines and Electric Motors.
Railroad Trains and Floating war Ships.
Fire Engines and Hose Carts.
Hook and Ladder, and Water Towers.
Pumping Fire Engines, Carts and Surreys.
Drumming Cats and Mechanical Musical Toys.
Bicycles, Sulkies with Horse and Driver.
Velocipedes and Tricycles.
Iron and Wooden Wagons.
Wheelbarrows and Buckboards.
Patrol Wagons, Farm Wagons.
Goat Wagons and Sulkies.
Cycle Wagons.
Blackboards, Desks and Chairs.
Sideboards, Bureaus, Dressers, Tables.
Chiffoners, Beds and Cradles.
Tool Chests, Hammers and Hatchets.
Whips and Whistles, Kites, Balls, Bats.
Rifles and Soldier Outfits, etc., etc.

BOOKS OF ALL KINDS
Picture and Toy Books.
Books of Fairy Tales and Fables.
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Books of Adventure and Battles.
Books of Romance and Love.
Books of Mystery and Science.
Books of Wisdom and Folly.
Books for Boys and Girls.
Books for Old and Young.
Books, Books for all.
Beautiful calenders and Christmas Cards.

Ladies' Mackintoshes, $3.98 up.
Ostrich Boas, $6.00 up.
Ladies' Eiderdown Robes, $3.98 up.
Silk Waists, $5.00 up.
Fur Scarfs, Muffs and Collarettes, 75c up.

Fancy Slippers, $1.00 up.
Fur-Trimmed Slippers.
Crochet and Felt Slippers.
Infants' and Children's Slippers.
Men's Slippers.

Silk Pin Cushions, 50c up.
Spachel Tidies, 19c up.
Real Lace Tidies, 75c up.
Sofa Pillows, $1.75 up.

Purses and Pocket Books.
Chatelaines and Shopping Bags.
Traveling Sets and Shaving Mirrors.
Cigar, Card and Spectacle Cases.
Clocks and Calenders Combined.
Music Rolls.
Fans of Newspaper Fancies.
Ladies' Handkerchiefs—mountains of 'em
Ladies' Neckwear from 50c to $25.00.
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