

### WARM FOOTWEAR FOR COLD WEATHER

Ladies' Beaver Slippers, \$1.00 to \$1.50.  
Ladies' Faced Beaver Slippers, \$1.00 to \$1.75.  
Ladies' Knit Slippers, lined, \$2.50.  
Ladies' Felt Slippers, 45c to 60c.  
Ladies' Felt Slippers, fur trim, black or red, 75c to \$1.00.  
Ladies' Knit Slippers, 75c to \$1.00.  
Men's Felt Slippers, 50c and 60c.  
Men's Lambmen's Sock and Rubbers, \$2.00 to \$2.75.  
Ladies' Overalls, 15c to \$50.  
Ladies' Leggings, 50c to 90c.  
Men's Leggings, 50c to 75c.  
Boys' Leggings, 50c to \$1.25.

**H. B. MERRITT, Pontiac.**

### GRAND TRUNK & RAILWAY SYSTEM

Arrival and Departure of Trains at Birmingham.

WEST BOUND FROM BIRMINGHAM	EAST BOUND TO BIRMINGHAM
No. 12—Morning Express to D.D. (Leave) 7:45 a.m.	No. 11—Night Express to D.D. (Arrive) 11:15 p.m.
No. 13—Mail and Goods Express to D.D. (Leave) 12:15 p.m.	No. 14—Night Express to D.D. (Arrive) 11:15 p.m.
No. 15—Chicago Express to D.D. (Leave) 4:15 p.m.	No. 16—Chicago Express to D.D. (Arrive) 11:15 p.m.
No. 17—Chicago Express to D.D. (Leave) 8:15 p.m.	No. 18—Chicago Express to D.D. (Arrive) 11:15 p.m.

W. C. SANFORD, Gen. Supt.

### Ateration of Sale...

EVERYTHING REDUCED IN PRICE.

to convert all the merchandise possible into cash prior to closing our store for a period of several weeks. Now is the time to provide for present and future needs.

### Prices Were Never So Low

and will not likely be duplicated at any time. Astonishing bargains in Dry Goods, Silks, Dress Goods, Linens, Hosiery, Underwear, Corsets, Undermuslins, Handkerchiefs, Neckwear, Gloves, Cloaks and Suits, Millinery, Shoes, Clothing, Hats and Caps, Men's Furnishings, Crockery, Glassware, Lamp Carpets, Rugs, Draperies—comprising the largest and most varied assortment of merchandise shown by any house in Michigan.

### THE ENTIRE STOCK OF OUR 2 STORES

offered at a tremendous sacrifice. No previous sale will give you any idea of the values that can be had here now. Come in and see; look at the goods and prices; compare. You'll be satisfied then that nowhere else can you trade so profitably. All your expenses will be more than met by the money you will save on purchases.



### Household Necessities.

It is plain to be seen that our Hardware is all right. Our constantly increasing sales prove that our STOVES AND KITCHEN UTENSILS are made by the most reputable manufacturers in the land and therefore are reliable.

All of these things we have in our stock of Hardware and many other things for the individual, the carpenter, the farmer and the contractor. It's to be found in a Hardware store we've got it.

YOURS FOR BARGAINS

### J. R. BLAKESLEE.

### PONTIAC, OXFORD & NORTHERN R. R.

TIME TABLE.

Trains Run on Central Standard Time.

GOING NORTH	GOING SOUTH
7:50 a.m. Pontiac to Detroit	8:00 a.m. Detroit to Pontiac
9:15 a.m. Pontiac to Detroit	9:30 a.m. Detroit to Pontiac
10:45 a.m. Pontiac to Detroit	11:00 a.m. Detroit to Pontiac
12:15 p.m. Pontiac to Detroit	12:30 p.m. Detroit to Pontiac
1:45 p.m. Pontiac to Detroit	2:00 p.m. Detroit to Pontiac
3:15 p.m. Pontiac to Detroit	3:30 p.m. Detroit to Pontiac
4:45 p.m. Pontiac to Detroit	5:00 p.m. Detroit to Pontiac
6:15 p.m. Pontiac to Detroit	6:30 p.m. Detroit to Pontiac
7:45 p.m. Pontiac to Detroit	8:00 p.m. Detroit to Pontiac

Schedule of Trains between Pontiac and Oxford.

### Prices Were Never So Low

Majestic Building, City Hall Square, Detroit.

### HOUSE URGED TO PASS CANAL BILL

Nicaragua Route Declared the Better by Both Hepburn and Mann.

BOTH MEN OPPOSE A DELAY.

Proposed Panama Company Is Held of No Importance in Deciding Question.

Mr. Hepburn says 27 States Want Waterway.

In Washington, Jan. 8.—An extended debate on the Nicaragua canal bill was the feature of the House session for the day, the principal speeches being made by Mr. Hepburn, chairman of the Interstate and Foreign Commerce committee, which reported the measure, and by Mr. Mann of Illinois. Immediate passage of the proposed canal was urged by both speakers, who said that the Panama company should make no difference, and the only result would be to delay the beginning of work. Mr. Mann contradicted statements of Mr. Hepburn that free passage could be given United States ships, and that the Panama company, in order to sell, had forfeited its rights and property to the Colombian government. He also said the estimates of cost would be likely to prove far from correct, quoting the experience with the Chicago drainage canal.

### After-Holiday Sale

AT Whitehead & Mitchell's

Fine line of Lamps, China Ware, Cups and Saucers, High Art Vases, and Perfumeries.

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### DETROIT UNITED RAILWAY

(Operates all Detroit City Lines.)

Time Table—Pontiac Division.

In Effect, November 19th, 1901.

Subject to Change Without Notice.

### EIGHTEEN BRITISH KILLED.

Somerset Light Infantry Suffer Loss at Amersfort.

London, Jan. 8.—The war office has received the following dispatch from Johannesburg, dated Johannesburg, Jan. 6: "Plumer, Spens and Pottinger engaged Chris Botha and Oppenheim on Jan. 3 and 4 north of Amersfort, and drove the Boers from the position. But on Jan. 4 a portion of the British force under Major Valentia of the Somerset Light Infantry suffered severely. Major Valentia and eighteen men were killed and five officers and twenty-eight men wounded. The Boers left nine men dead on the field. Colonel Coleburner surprised Field Cornet Louw's laager at Waterlooplein, Jan. 5, killing five men and capturing twenty-nine." Lord Kitchener mentions other minor surprises and captures. General French reports that the Boers in Cape Colony are so reduced in numbers as to require only an elaborate police system to keep them in check. The weekly totals of Boer casualties are thirty-six men killed, nine wounded, 281 made prisoners, and seventy-two surrendered.

### Chicago Schools May Close.

Chicago, Jan. 8.—The board of education today announced that the schools must close because of lack of money to keep them running is creating a storm of comment from Chicago's leading school educators. One and all agree that the impending crisis is unaccounted for and might easily have been averted. Many apparently feasible solutions of the problem were voted today by women prominent in the educational field. Mrs. Harriet van der Wart, chairman of the industrial committee, Illinois Federation of Women's Clubs, said: "The prospect of the schools closing is terrifying to mothers whose children must either be thrown into the streets to run wild or be forced to rely upon a home-made education. I can discover no real reason why money should not be forthcoming."

### Belgian Prince Vindictive to Premier.

Sofia, Jan. 8.—The dissolution of the Sobrane has caused astonishment Premier Karaveloff said he was willing to remain in office if the dissolution were decided upon. Prince Pernin, however, opposed the measure. Therefore the decree of dissolution is being delayed. The key of the situation lies in the desire of the premier to obtain a homogeneous loan. The Sobrane cannot convene until March. The Bulgarian people are ready to give the gold for the February coupon, which are payable in London. The officials have not been paid this month.

### Pays for Death of Lenin.

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 7.—A case famous in international diplomacy was closed by the payment of \$7,500 damages to Mrs. Lenz, the mother of Frank G. Lenz, an American wheelman who was killed by Turkish officials. The money was turned over by the state department to Attorney John H. Mueller of this city.

### Virchow Broke Thin Bone.

Berlin, Jan. 7.—The fact has developed that the injury sustained by Professor Rudolph Virchow in slipping as he was alighting from a street car yesterday was a fracture of the thigh bone. The professor is doing well, considering the nature of his injury.

### Three Children Burned to Death.

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 7.—Three children were burned to death in the suburbs of Springfield. Their mother, a colored cook, looked them in a room with a fire and went to her work.

### Twenty Dead in Week.

Mexico City, Jan. 7.—A train on the Hacienda Railroad, en route to Fresno, when near Pueblo, ran off the track yesterday. At least twenty are reported killed.

### Chicago Market Report.

May wheat, 82 1/2 @ 84; May corn, 67 1/2 @ 69 1/2; May oats, 46 1/2; May rye, 47 1/2 @ 49 1/2; May January shorts rye, \$5.52 @ 56.

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### DO YOU GET UP WITH A LAME BACK?

Kidney Trouble Makes You Miserable.

Almost everybody who reads the newspaper is sure to know of the wonderful cures made by Dr. Kliner's Swamp-Root kidney and bladder remedy.

It is the great medical triumph of the twentieth century, discovered after years of scientific research by Dr. Kliner, the eminent kidney and bladder specialist.

wonderfully successful in promptly curing the most stubborn kidney and bladder troubles and Bright's Disease, which is the most common form of kidney trouble.

Dr. Kliner's Swamp-Root is not recommended for anything but your kidney, liver or bladder trouble; it will be found to be the best remedy you need. It has been tested in so many ways, in hospital work, in private practice, among the helpless too poor to purchase relief, and has proved successful in every case that a special arrangement has been made by all readers of this paper to send you a free bottle to try it. Also a book telling more about Swamp-Root and how to find out if you have kidney trouble.

When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper and give your address.

Dr. Kliner & Co., Birmingham, N. Y. The regular fifty-cent and one-dollar bottles are sold by all good druggists.

### Good Name for a Dog.

The other day when Counselor Edmett, one of the sons of the late Stephen, met "Jack" Switzer of Bath, father of the American champagne industry, at the Fifth Avenue hotel, he said to a friend who was with him: "It's a fighting dog," added the counselor, "and he wants an appropriate name for it." The new Times.

"Tell him to call it 'Moreover,'" said Jack.

"Moreover?" exclaimed Counselor Edmett, perplexed.

"Yes," replied Switzer; "Moreover, after the first fighting dog on record."

"Never heard of him!" declared the counselor and his friends.

"Go read your Bible, then," said Switzer, "and see where it says that 'Moreover, the dog came and licked Lazarus.' I don't know what his name was, but he must have been a fighting dog or he wouldn't have licked Lazarus."

### Taxed Back Home.

Expatriated Americans in large numbers, according to a New York newspaper, are returning with relative ease to their native country, because of the recent decision of the English courts, which shows that a domicile in Great Britain is sufficient to subject the taxpayer to heavier taxes than would be the case on this side.

William Shakespeare, "the chief literary glory of England," was a yeoman's son.

### Recalls Panama Canal History.

Referring to the efforts of the Panama Canal company to build a canal by private enterprise, he summed up their efforts as follows:

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