

Fall Opening of Millinery

Thursday and Friday

Sept. 24 and 25

Advance Winter Styles
Will Also Be Shown

YOU ARE INVITED TO CALL
NUSBAUMER & STEINER
PONTIAC

Men's and Women's Fine Fall Shoes

This year we are showing the finest line of Fall and Winter Footwear for Men and Women that it has been our privilege to offer the people of Oakland in many seasons. We have everything new in styles and leather, including the Weave-Top Shoes for Women, and the popular tan, black and wine-colored leathers.

As usual, our prices are within reach of all; and this, coupled with the quality of goods we have, should make our store the headquarters for Shoe buyers this fall.

Henry Pauli
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SMITH BROS. Is the place to
COAL
LUMBER, CEMENT, Etc.

Hominy or White Meal, Winter-Wheat Bran and Baled Hay always in stock.

The Grand Trunk R'y System

Will give another

SUNDAY EXCURSION Sept. 20

FARE FOR ROUND TRIP

BIRMINGHAM

TO

Battle Creek	\$1.75
Bay City and Saginaw	1.55
Grand Rapids	\$2.45
Holly	\$1.00
Ionia	\$1.75
Lansing	\$1.25
Owosso	\$1.25

Tickets will be good going and returning only on advertised Sunday excursion train on day of sale.

Baggage will not be checked on excursion trains. Call at Station for particulars.

M. T. CRANE, Agent.



No. 1. A panama, trimmed with ostrich and velvet.
No. 2. Midsummer model trimmed with net edged with silk braid.
No. 3. Smart street hat trimmed with striped ribbon and straw ornaments.

SOME interesting facts come to light when one is looking up the subject of ostrich feathers. It is profitable to become acquainted with these. The ungainly bird of fine plumage, whose splendor we borrow and improve upon, is grown in South Africa and in our own country. South African species furnish the best quality of feathers. The birds are plucked for their plumes once in every eight months or three times in two years.

London is the great central market for raw feathers. Buyers generally go there to obtain their stocks and buy the feathers which have been sorted into different grades and sold at so much per pound. It is curious to observe the features that make a plume more or less valuable. It is the practiced eye alone that can observe all the points of difference. Width of the flues, quality of the fiber, length, texture, color and absence or presence of scars are all to be reckoned with. The business is fascinating in all departments. The buying, manufacturing and selling. Each season is a new chapter in the long story of the ostrich plume. For this airy splendid feather has nodded upon the head of beauty and waved from the helmets of the brave for many years. Long before the helmet and the helmet feather. Burned like one burning plume together, on Lammelet's dauntless head, or Guinevere looked distractingly beautiful in the "light green tuft of plumes she wore," the ostrich plume had lent its state to high occasions.



Ostrich, especially in high grades, is a good investment for women who can afford it. It will not cross less valuable, but will be more expensive as time goes on.

Although ostrich plumes hold first place in the matter of decorations for the hat and culture, ostrich fibers are worked up into other decorative pieces. Pompons and many airy fancy branchings are seductively placed on the latest millinery. In Fig 1 a hat from a great French designer is covered with spiral tufts of ostrich and a plume that suggests in coloring and form tossing seaweed.

In Fig 2 the group of three up-standing plumes illustrates the favorite way of all the myriad ways in which plumes have been placed on hats, a rich and stately decoration, while in Fig 3 a novel mounting is shown—eccentric, but full of style.

ARTISTIC NEEDLEWORK

Two Pretty Centerpieces That May Be Easily Made.

The wild carrot design, so well adapted to hand needlework, is shown here in an unusually odd centerpiece.



Odd Centerpiece.

conception. It may be worked entirely solid or with the little eyelets to contrast, and should prove decidedly attractive when finished.

This graceful 24 inch centerpiece to be done in solid embroidery, with the blossoms in French knots, will prove



Graceful Design.

attractive to the practical needlewoman. It is a new design and is exceedingly popular on account of its attractiveness when finished.

AUTUMN FASHION GOSSIP

Some Valuable and Timely Points for the Woman Who Cares.

The directorate waistcoat promises to last over another season, and provision has been made for very original and elegant effects in this regard.

Ribbons have been taken up on this stately by milliners during the summer, and in satin and velvet are to have a great vogue in the winter millinery also.

Bordure satins follow in the wake of the beautiful bordered summer stuffs and some exquisite effects are secured in this line of materials.

Buttons of all kinds, but particularly those covered with satin or with the costume material, are being used more lavishly than ever upon the early autumn models.

Cedar red or cedar brown—which are one and the same thing and suggest the old time mahogany, though with an added softness of tone—blends fair to be a popular autumn color and the chameleon or copper tones keep their hold upon public favor.

Chiffon broadcloth appears in all the new colorings and of a lightness and softness even surpassing that achieved by the manufacturers last year. Fancy broadcloths in one tone colorings and woven satin or chevron stripes are numerous.

The deep reddish brown and brownish purple shades which have claimed attention as relieving colors this summer are exploited earnestly among the fall silks and velvets. Wild plum, concord grape, prune and various other kindred shades seem likely to figure prominently among the winter color tints.

Sweeping the Floors.

If salt is thrown over the carpet before sweeping it will clean the carpet and make it easier to sweep. Salt householders sprinkle water on the floors before sweeping, to collect the dust and keep it from blowing around the room.

Prosperity Stares You in the Face

But your prosperity depends upon your own efforts. Have you all you need of it. Probably not. Then you want more. Here's how you get it: Start a bank account with us and we will pay you 4 per cent for the privilege of assisting you in saving for the future.

Make an effort. It is a sure success.

Exchange Bank

BIRMINGHAM MICHIGAN

Put Your Money In a New Country

The Pacific Coast extension of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway now under construction, opens to the settler thousands of acres of excellent agricultural land. The new country in Adams, Hettinger, and Bowman Counties, North Dakota, and Butte County, South Dakota, is now reached by the new track. The soil is a dark loam with clay subsoil, and produces in abundance wheat, oats, barley, speltz, flax, corn and potatoes. The land is well adapted to farming, good water is found at a depth of from twenty to fifty feet, and the whole country is underlain with lignite coal that outcrops along the streams, and in most cases can be had for the digging.

The climate is healthful, the air is dry and invigorating, and the percentage of sunny days is high. Outdoor work can be done almost every day in the year. Rainfall is amply sufficient to raise the crops. Regular mail service has been established, the roads are good, rural telephone lines traverse the country, and automobiles are in common use. The deeded land in this district sells for from \$10 to \$18 per acre. There are many instances this year where the crop equaled in value the cost of the land.

In Butte County, South Dakota, there is considerable government land open for homestead entry. Government land offices are maintained at Lemmon, Hettinger and Bowman, where filings and final proofs may be made. All of these towns are on the new line of the

Chicago Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway

In Montana, the new railroad traverses good farming land. It has been demonstrated that big crops of grain may be raised. Along the Yellowstone and Musselshell rivers, the water is used for irrigation, and phenomenal yields of alfalfa, sugar beets, and grain, are always certain. In the Judith Basin near Lewistown, Montana, is one of the most remarkable sections to be found on the new line. Under natural rainfall, the famous bench lands produced this year an average of 35 bushels of hard wheat to the acre, and the price was 94 cents per bushel. The basin contains about 1300 square miles and is sparsely settled. Some government land still remains open for settlement. A government land office is maintained at Lewistown. In Fergus County, outside the Judith Basin, is one of the greatest stock countries in the world, and good ranches can be purchased at a reasonable figure.

The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Co. has established an immigration department for the purpose of assisting in the settlement and development of the new lands now being opened. Pamphlets descriptive of its resources will be forwarded free on request.

F. A. MILLER
General Passenger Agent,
CHICAGO

GEO. B. HAYNES
Immigration Agent,
95 ADAMS STREET, CHICAGO

Accused of Embezzlement.
Grand Rapids.—Accused of embezzlements which may run to \$20,000, Fred S. Hughes, local manager of the Globe Loan Company of Cincinnati, was arrested. He is alleged to have obtained the money by dummy mortgages.

New Ann Arbor Factory.
Ann Arbor.—Work has started on the construction of a factory to be occupied by the Newlon Haggerty Ladder Company, which will remove to this city from Detroit. The contract price for the factory building will be \$5,500.00, and the structure must be completed by November 15.

Given Life Sentence.
Lansing.—Sherman W. Morris, the "lone highwayman," arrested here while trying to sell a valuable diamond and taken back to Colorado for trial, has been convicted of second degree murder there and given a life sentence.

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