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TO THE Public: I hereby forbid any person trusting my wife, or any other person on my account, as I will pay no bills contracted by anyone except myself. Wm. J. Elliott, Sr.

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39 Cent Special.—to-day (Saturday) only. Just received, 75 one pound boxes of Apollo Caramels, vanilla and coffee supers to be sold at 39 c. per pound, long as they last. Iced Cross Pharmacy.

### Miscellaneous.

ORGAN for Sale. George Heller, Central Avenue.

FOR SALE. Eight shares of preferred stock at par, and eight shares of common stock at \$10.50 per share of the Hammonton Telephone and Telegraph Co. Edwin L. Crowell.

FOR Sale.—A second-hand freight elevator in good condition. Can be seen at Strawberry Warehouse, Washington Street. A. J. Heller.

### Wanted.

WANTED.—high class man to sell trees, shrubs, roses, vines, berry bushes, bulbs, etc. (Good wages. Permanent. Exclusive territory). Brown Brothers Nurseries, Rochester, New York.

At the M. E. Church to-morrow. Class meeting, 9:30 a.m. Preaching at 10:30 and 7:30, by pastor. Bible School at noon. Jr. League service at 3; Epworth League 6:45, led by Edward Johnson. Mr. and Mrs. Hunter, singing evangelists, will sing at morning and evening services and at Sunday School. A free-will offering will be given the evangelists on Sunday.

Baptist Church. Preaching to-morrow at 10:30 and 7:30. Bible School at 11:45; Jr. C. R. at 3; C. R. at 6:30; leader, Frantz A. Lehman. Morning topic, "The ministry of reconciliation"—text, 11 Cor. v. 18. Evening, "The mighty famine," first sermon of the series on the Prodigal Son. Luke xv. 14.

If you are now without a church home, or a stranger stopping here, or have been neglectful, the Presbyterian Church invites you to the service of the morning at 10:30; theme, "The safeguarded home." Sabbath School at noon. C. R. at 6:45. Miss Potter leading; topic, "Worth-while ambitions." Evening service 7:30; theme, "Courage." Prayer service at 7:30 on Thursday evening. Good singing at all these services.

A Sunday School and Young People's Institute will be held Feb. 6th to 9th, inclusive. Dr. E. M. Stevenson, field-worker of Penna., Miss Lida Jenkins, and others, will be present and present different phases of the work.

The Pastor of the Baptist Church asks all the women interested in the work of the Church to meet Miss Lida Jenkins, of Philadelphia, on Thursday afternoon, 3 o'clock, at the church. Miss Jenkins will also speak at the prayer meeting. Those remaining at the church are invited to bring their lunch.

## BANK BROTHERS

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## Pre-Inventory News for the Week January 20th to 26th

If you have something particularly good, you would like to have your friends get some of it,—we know you would. That is just the way we feel about this Pre-inventory Sale of ours. We are selling our entire winter stock of critically selected merchandise at a great reduction in price, and would like you to get some of it.

Here is how we are going to remove a lot of

**Overcoats and Suits**  
before our Inventory Day comes around.

**Hart Schaffner & Marx Clothes**  
are included in this sale.

Men's Overcoats that were \$22.50  
marked down to \$18.

Men's Overcoats that were \$18 to \$20  
marked down to \$15

Men's Overcoats that were \$15  
marked down to \$12.50

Men's Overcoats that were \$12.50 and \$13.50,  
marked down to \$10

Men's Overcoats that were \$7.50  
marked down to \$5

Men's Short Overcoats that were \$10  
marked down to \$5

**Big Boys' Overcoats**  
that were \$7.50,  
marked down to \$5

Big boys' Overcoats that were \$5  
marked down to \$3.25

Big boys' Overcoats that were \$3.50  
marked down to \$2.50

**Little Boys' Overcoats**  
that were \$1.50  
marked down to 95 cents

Little Boys' Overcoats that were \$2  
marked down to \$1.35

Little Boys' Overcoats that were \$2.75  
marked down to \$1.75

Little Boys' Overcoats that were \$3  
marked down to \$1.95

Little Boys' Overcoats that were \$5  
marked down to \$3.50

## Men's Suits

That were \$25 and \$22.50  
marked down to \$18

Men Suits that were \$20  
marked down to \$15

**Young Men's \$10 Suits**  
marked down to \$7.50

Young men's, \$7.50 Suits  
marked down to \$5

For ordinary wear, we have about seventy-five Suits left yet of \$6, \$7 and \$8 grade, that are marked down to \$3.75

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marked down to \$7.50,—were \$10

Ladies' Long Coats  
marked down to \$5,—were \$7.50 and \$9

Ladies' Suits marked down to \$10,  
were \$15

Ladies' Suits marked down to \$7.50,  
were \$10 and \$12.50

## Ladies' Dresses

marked down to \$10,  
were \$15

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**Marked down to \$2.50**

Every Hat that we sold  
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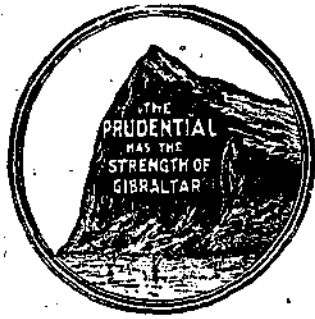
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**SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, 1912**

Yes, it was cold enough; but we cease to shiver when we read of  
western localities with mercury at twenty to forty degrees below zero.

While records show that once upon a time the temperature was  
fourteen below zero for a day, in Hammonton, the oldest inhabitants  
agree that never was there so prolonged a cold spell as has been the  
present one. But, if it is any comfort to you, remember that freezing  
weather has extended, this month, clear down to the Gulf of Mexico.

Don't "hook on" your sleds to wagons, sleighs, or automobiles.  
There's lots of pleasure in it, yet some time there'll be a bad "spill,"  
or a "side-sweep" by swiftly-passing automobile.

This twelve-day cold snap has seriously affected the egg business,  
—so say our poultrymen.

Here is another opportunity to realize the joy of giving to those who  
are in need. Members of the Civic Club found, this week, several  
families suffering for the want of sufficient clothing,—particularly  
bed clothes. If the reader has anything in this line, even partly-worn,  
that can possibly be spared, it can be used for the comfort of those so  
badly in need. Send bed covering, quilts or blankets, to Mrs. Samuel  
Anderson, to-day, or soon, and they will be properly placed. Partly  
worn clothing is also needed. It is as true as any portion of the Word,  
that, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Look over your store-  
room,—realizing the bitter cold weather of the past two weeks, and the  
sufferings of those not well clad.

**Why it Costs More to Live.**

Some useful facts bearing upon the present high cost of living—cost  
of high living, more properly—cost of living, are furnished in the following com-  
munication to the "New York Times":

I was a lad in 1879, twelve years old, living on a farm in Central  
New York. At that time, my mother received \$4 a month for one year and  
\$12 a month for eight months. Carpenters received \$4.50 a day, and  
worked from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Employees in a cotton mill, near by,  
worked from 5 a.m. to 7 p.m., and took pay out of "the store," paying  
30 to 75 per cent profit. Good sized pigs earned \$2.50 a week, and  
leaned themselves. Labor lived on pork and sheep on straw beds.

I left the old farm at the age of 20, and the world has not gone  
against me. I have returned now, but for many years I employed from  
150 to 200 people, so I have been in a position for fifty years to know  
about and be interested in labor.

Labor is now simply slaving to some extent in the advancement of  
the world, and in living comfortably and decently. I note the appointment  
of all kinds of commissions to ascertain the reason for increased  
cost of living; also, a lot of fool talk from college professors and writers  
about the increased supply of gold and many other things being the cause.

The increased cost of labor is the sole and only reason for the  
increase. Labor now receives from two to four times as much as  
formerly; and if one follows any product of the farm or of the manufac-  
turer through the many handlings until it is delivered at the door, it will  
be easy to account for the increase in the cost of living.

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army is growing larger and

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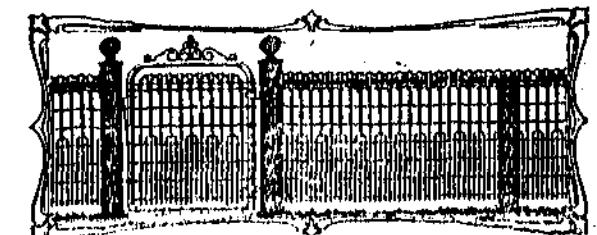
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Don't miss this sale. Give us a call. It will pay you.

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Weights and Measures for Atlantic  
County, went to Trenton yesterday,  
to receive his official documents  
and instructions. He will soon be  
"on the job," testing every weight  
and measure used in business in this  
county,—having the correct legal  
standards to work with.**

The ladies of the Universal  
Church will serve a New England  
supper on Thursday evening next,  
25th, beginning at six o'clock.

..... MENU .....

Roast Beef and French Dressing  
Hot Stuff  
Crisp and White Bread  
Cranberry Sauce  
Apple and Pumpkin Pie  
Indian Pudding  
Coffee

Price, 25 cents; children under 12  
years, 15 cents.

The Hammonton Poultry Association  
elected the following Direct-  
ors, on Monday: R. H. Sharp, T.  
W. Vane, Anton Piez, C. K. Nel-  
son, Geo. R. Pelouze, J. E. Gerhart,  
B. P. Gray, H. O. Packard. The  
Directors elected the following  
officers:

President, R. H. Sharp.  
Vice-President, T. W. Vane.  
Secretary, Anton Piez.  
Treasurer, H. O. Packard.

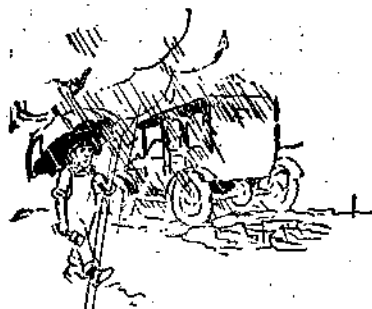
In November, Mr. J. H. Myrose  
had the water shut off from his res-  
idence, on Central Avenue,—ex-  
pecting to be away for some time.  
On his return, it was first decided to  
turn on the water, but the order  
was countermanded. A workman  
was sent from the Department to  
put in a new curb-box, and in the  
operation turned the stop. As every  
spigot in the big house was open,  
perhaps you can imagine the result-  
ing condition of things there. Af-  
ter some days of near zero weather,  
they say that every room was a  
skating rink, the ceilings decorated  
with an icy cascade, the stairway  
a frozen waterfall. Mr. and Mrs.  
Myrose acknowledge that it looked  
very pretty, but—The Depart-  
ment agrees to "make it right,"  
as their employee caused the dam-  
age.

The lecture on Tuesday evening  
was good, though not coming up  
to the expectations of everybody.  
But Dr. Forbes certainly gave us  
good advice, and brought out in  
his peculiar way the mistakes too  
many are making, suggesting practical  
remedies. His topic was "Mis-  
takes of the Devil and some other  
people." Being more familiar  
with the latter, he gave them the  
most attention. If his advice was  
followed, the boy question and  
many others would be settled.









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It won't do to revarnish it the way a carriage is sometimes revarnished. Most painters think it will. I KNOW HOW to put MOTOR CAR varnish on a motor car, and make a job that will outwear two ordinary jobs. For one thing I promise to use only Valentine's Vanadium Varnishes, the HIGHEST PRICED and best in the world. The price of my job will not be high however.  
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**THE CUMBERLAND Mutual Fire Insurance Co.**  
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It's so, if you read it  
in the Republican



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There's one or more cold rooms in every house. Somehow or other these rooms can never be made comfortable on a cold day. There is a way to overcome this.

### Use a Vulcan Odorless Gas Heater



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The number of garments collected during the past year by the Needlework Guild was 1864. From this number, 1035 were given out in and around the town of Hammonton, every case having been thoroughly investigated by the committee. About 800 garments were sent to State institutions, Homes and missions.

They had a big chicken show at Canonsburg, Pa., recently, and the "Daily Notes" of that place says "The Rev. H. F. Loomis can grow chickens as well as preach. He is exhibiting Columbian Wyandottes, and took first and second on hens, and fourth on both cockerels and pullets. There were fully seventy-five exhibits of this breed of Wyandottes."

There was a fire alarm at nine o'clock Tuesday morning, from Third and Fairview. It was Passalacqua's barn, which was destroyed. A cow was burned so severely that she had to be killed. Of the origin of the fire no one seems to know anything—at least, will not acknowledge it. The firemen made record time getting there, but were hampered by the intense cold and a frozen hydrant. However, they saved adjoining buildings.

At the State Horticultural Society meeting, this week, in Trenton, Secretary Dye said: The total yield of the farms of the State for the past year was \$67,715,872, an increase of almost \$4,000,000 over 1910. The increase was due to the fact that higher prices more than made up for the short crops, the latter having been seriously affected by extremes of untimely weather. Because of the drought in the early part of the year, much corn failed to germinate and made replanting necessary. The potato crop was reduced about fifty per cent. and the hay crop was nearly as much damaged. There was an excess of rain during the last months of the year, and the secretary declared this would work to the advantage of the early planted crops, meadows and orchards.

The continued barking of Rover, a Newfoundland dog greatly prized by little Owen Harden, saved the members of the household of John E. Harden, near Washington, Pa., from death by fire, last Monday morning, when their home was totally destroyed.—the flames originating from ignition of escaping gas in the kitchen. So rapidly did the fire spread that Mr. Hardin with his wife and four small children were compelled to rush out into the ten-below-zero weather in their night garments.

Not only did the dog awaken the household when the fire broke out, but he rushed back into the burning house and dragged from danger two of the children who had been overcome by the smoke while trying to escape. Rover had been sleeping in the kitchen when awakened by the fire, and rushed to the room where eight-year-old Owen was sleeping, and barking and yelping, threw himself against the door. The noise awakened the boy and his parents, who had barely time to get out of the house.

The family, in a half-frozen condition, were taken in by neighbors, while the dog, badly burned in his heroic work, was well cared for, a physician being called to attend to his injuries.

### The Cause Of It.

Cigarettes helped land in the State Reform School, at Jamesburg, every one of the 320 boys sent to the institution by courts from all parts of the State during the past year, according to a report that Supt. J. C. Kalleen has sent to Gov. Wilson. Parental neglect and poor environments have helped also, but it is worthy of comment that every one of the new boys was a cigarette smoker and a truant from school or home.

Touching on home conditions, Supt. Kalleen says that intemperance of parents has been one of the principal contributing causes of waywardness in many cases, while in some instances, even young children have been taught the use of intoxicants.

An appropriation of \$200,000 is required for the maintenance of the home this year.

While we have not as yet contributed any Hammonton boys, there are not a few who are fast becoming candidates. But what many of us cannot understand is, where do young boys, hardly in their teens, get cigarettes? The law against selling or giving to minors is very strict.

A telegram received on Wednesday announces the death of Mrs. Mabel Johnson, wife of ex-Sheriff Johnson, at Denver, Col., where she had gone in quest of health. Her husband was with her. He has many sympathizers here.

**As Usual.**  
Journalist—There was a shocking murder last night. Have you arrested the murderer?  
Police—No, sir, but we have locked up twenty people who saw the crime committed.—New Magazino.

**The Automatic Alarm.**  
Lights out. The house is dark and still. The windows have a vacant stare. The night is black. The wind is chill. Lights out.

And noiselessly he climbs to where The porch roof looms. He mounts the sill. Forces the casing; then, beware—

A flood of light springs up! A shrill Voice sounds! He's touched some button there. Then, with a curse, Porch Climber Bill Lights out. —Cleveland Plain Dealer.

**Natural Inference.**  
"See what a muscle I am developing."  
"Going in the prize ring?"  
"No, indeed!"  
"You must be going to get married then."—New York Sun.

**Borrowed Troubles.**  
The troubles that assail us Would hardly ever hurt us If courage did not fail us. And hope did not desert us.

The worst woes that beset us Are those that never find us. The foes that longest fret us Are those that lurk behind us.

The ills that bring us sorrow But seldom overtake us. The troubles that we borrow Are oft the ones that break us. —Chicago Record-Herald.

**At the Derby.**  
"What is your money on?" she excitedly cries. As the field gallops into full view. Then he things of that milliner's bill and replies. "Quite a lot of my money's on you." —London Opinion.

**Helpful Literature.**  
Mrs. Gray—What book has been the most helpful to you?  
Mrs. Brown—Webster's Dictionary. The baby sits on it at the table, and it saves the price of a high chair.—Toldeo Blade.

Now, much surprised and not at all amused, We wonder as we quarrel with the fates That such a precious substance ever was used For idle pastime by a boy on skates. —Washington Star.

**Natural Attraction.**  
"I read of some girls who have taken lately to farming. Odd occupation for girls."  
"Not a bit of it. Isn't farming the science of husbandry?"—Baltimore American.

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