

NEXT WEEK IS CHRISTMAS.

Get Ready now Before Everybody is on the Jump

Next week there will be no need to beg for Customers. We will be so rushed that we won't write adds at all. Our stores are ready as never before, with extra goods and help. Every article marked to lowest price. Take advantage of the complete stocks now.

SPECIAL OFFERINGS FOR THIS WEEK ONLY.

A ton of Langman's 25c. quality Chocolates and Mixed Candies, packed in neat boxes, containing 1 lb. each. While this lot lasts our price will be 2 pounds for 25c.

LAWN APRONS FOR XMAS.—10 dozen of Ladies' Fine Lawn Aprons, extra long with embroidery and insertion on sale this week at 35c.

SALE OF LADIES' DRESS SKIRTS.—This week only we will place on sale all our \$2.50 to \$3.75 Dress Skirts, black, greys, navy and colored effects, well made, choice of them all \$1.95.

CHILDREN'S CLOAKS AND REEFERS.—We will clear about 65 Little Girls' Coats for winter, made in different styles, for ages 1 to 8 years, at \$1.25 and \$2.00. The material alone in these Coats cost more.

LADIES' FUR LINED GLOVES.—Fowne's Kid Gloves, Lined and Fur Cu7s, size 5½ to 7½, worth \$2.00 on sale this week at \$1.25.

RUGS AND FLOOR OILCLOTH.—We are selling out the Rug, Floor Oilcloth and Linoleums, under cost, some at cost price, as we have no room for this stock. Come and get your share.

OVER 4,000 HANDKERCHIEFS.—Tremendous lot of Xmas-Handkerchiefs, any style you may ask for, a wonderful variety marked to sell at about ½ the price of other stores.

LADIES' MOTTO AND PLAIN HANDKERCHIEFS.—4c 6c 9c to 13c or 8 for 25c, 6 for 25c and 4 for 25c. Ladies' Fine Belfast Handkerchiefs, new designs, 8c. 10c. 15c. to \$1.00. See our Handkerchief Bazaar before you buy elsewhere.

THE LONG BARGAIN STORE.—Every day we make changes in this big store, replacing new goods for the sold out lines. Come and see it to-morrow. Extra help to work to insure good services.

ZERO WEATHER FOOTWEAR.—Past few days it was below Zero. Are you provided with comfortable Footwear? If not, why don't you come into our stores and look over the 159 cases of Overshoes, Rubbers, Gum Rubbers and Felt Boots that came to us last week and we are selling them at 20 to 40c less on every every dollar, than any other shoe dealer can do. Be wise and do your Xmas shopping this week with

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The builders of cities, of worlds, are we,
The unnamed scribes, and of unknown worth;
For we are the kinsmen of Progress, and he
The one Prince we serve on the whole wide earth.
Nor gold, nor glory, nor name we claim—
We ask but the right, unfettered to fight;
To name a wrong by its shameful name;
To slay the wrong for the love of the Right.

The sentries of cities, of worlds, are we,
Each standing alone in his high watch-tower;
We are looking away to the land, to the sea;
We have only a lamp in the midnight hour.
Then leave us the right to fight or to fail,
As God may will, in the front of the fight,
Unchallenged, unquestioned for the good of all,
For the truth that lives, for the love of the Right.

The givers of glory to nations are we,
The builders of shafts and of monuments
To soldiers and great daring men of the sea;
But we are the homeless, strange dwellers in tents,
With never a tablet or high-built stone,
Yet what care we who go down in the night,
Though we live unnamed, though we lie unknown,
If only we live and die for the Right.

There are brighter things in the world than gold,
There are nobler things in this world than fame—
To silently do with your deeds unfold,
To silently do unnamed to fame,
Then forth to the fight, unnamed and alone,
Let us lead the world to its destined height;
Enough to know, if but this be known,
When we live and die in the ranks for the Right!

—Joaquin Miller.

THE POET LAUREATE.

How He Is Described by the New York Comic Life.

New York Life gives the following satirical sketch of Mr. Alfred Austin, English poet laureate, in its "Dictionary of International Biography":

"An English trochaic, iambic, heroic and hot-air poet, deadly rival of Ella Wheeler Wilcox and Laura Jean Libby, and all around odes-maker to the King. This gentleman was born at the rear entrance to Westminster Abbey about fifty years ago. As a boy, Mr. Austin early evinced remarkable talent. At twelve years of age, in common with all geniuses, he became convinced of his own future greatness, and composed for the world the following lines to show his own confidence in his destiny:

"There was an old grandee of Spain,
Who constantly grinned while in pain.
These lines, doncher know,
Are merely to show

I can write in a humorous vein."
Recognition came slowly but surely, and when Tennyson died it became evident that Mr. Austin was the worst man for the place, Algonon Swinburne's sense of humor being in total collapse.

"It was Shakespeare's privilege to make people weep. Mr. Austin does better. He makes the world smile, and sometimes swear. It is said that in another century no poetry will be written. It will be seen from this that Mr. Austin is a hundred years ahead of his time.

"As poet laureate he has achieved a remarkable success in binding together the two great Anglo-Saxon branches of humanity. Whenever he has written an ode we have felt drawn together by a common sorrow."

Two Remarkable Careers.

Sketch calls attention to a remarkable similarity in the careers of the Duke of Marlborough and Lord Kitchener. Kitchener was born exactly two hundred years after Marlborough. In 1671, Marlborough saw his first service in Tangier, and in 1871 Kitchener was appointed a Lieutenant in the Royal Engineers. In 1679, Marlborough went to Flanders, and two hundred years later Kitchener was sent to Cyprus, and in the following and corresponding years one was transferred to Scotland and the other to Anatolia. Marlborough, of course, got on faster, for, whereas he was made a general in 1683, Kitchener was only promoted Captain in 1883, and, while Marlborough was Ambassador to France in 1685, Kitchener was Commissioner at Zanzibar in 1885. In 1689, Marlborough was made an Earl, whereas in 1889 Kitchener had only got as far as the "C.B."; but matters were a little more equal a few years later on, for Marlborough was made a Duke in 1702, after his great campaign in Flanders, and in 1902 Kitchener was made a Viscount, after concluding the long war in the Transvaal. It will be interesting to see whether the parallel will continue and whether Lord Kitchener will have his Blenheim, his Ramillies, and his Malplaquet in 1904, 1906, and 1909.

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