

IN GIVING CHRISTMAS PRESENTS
You do not seek the bargain counter for the reason you would not give an old style or shief worn article to a friend, therefore

Rathfon Bros.,

THE HIGH CLASS

Clothiers,

Tailors and

Furnishers,

Of Escanaba are in a position to sell you suitable goods for the holiday season.

Smoking Jackets or House Coats.
Made from plaid back cloth with cuffs, collars and pockets of plaid, stylish shapes, \$4.50, 7.50, 8.00 and 10.00

MUFFLERS.
In all the new shapes and colorings; ask for the Automobile adjustable muffler nothing like it in the city—just out. Prices, \$.50, .75, 1.00, 1.75, 2.00

Holiday Neckwear.
Every stylish shape and coloring at .25, 50, and \$1.00

Men's Night Robes,
plain and fancy trimmed—a serviceable gift .50, .75 1.00, 1.50

Men's White and Fancy Shirts.
A suitable and useful gift at \$1.00, 1.50
Our Full Dress Shirts
and our "Stout" shirts are wonders of style and comfort at 1.00 and 1.50

Handkerchiefs.
In plain white, fancy border and initial, are acceptable tokens. 50, 75, \$1.00

Fancy Suspenders—Lovely ones at .75 and \$1.00.

GLOVES
Silk lined and unlined, dressed and undressed, in the fashionable shades, prices, .75, 1.00, 1.50 and 2.00

Cardigan Jackets,
warm, durable and comfortable price, 1.50, 2.00, 2.50 and 3.00

SWEATERS for men, boys and children will be appreciated by the receiver. An inexpensive gift at \$1.00, 1.50, 2.00, 2.50, and 3.00.

OUR BLACK JERSEY SHIRTS,
Manufactured by A. C. Staley Mfg. Co. have a world wide reputation. No better gift for your husband or brother than a pair of the Jerseys, at \$2, 2.25, and \$2 50 each.

Underwear
Ypsilanti Union suits from \$6 to \$9 the finest underwear in the world. In our A. C. Staleys separate garments, flat and ribbed from \$2.00, 2.50, 3.00, 5.00 and 5.50 a suit, you have nothing to compare with them in the city in price or quality.

Our Merchant Tailoring Dept.
Is a wonder in sartorial art and skill and we are in a position to turn you out beautiful overcoats, suits and trousers for the holiday festivities.
Our Ready to Wear
Clothing manufactured by H. S. & M. is without question the best that skill and money can produce.

Remember every article in our establishment is marked in plain figures and sold at a legitimate profit. You have Rathfon Bros. guarantee back of every purchase.

OUR MOTTO: "An equivalent for every dollar expended."

Rathfon Bros.,
MASONIC BLOCK. ESCANABA, MICHIGAN.

SHOES.

Christmas Presents For Everybody

Rathfon Bros. & Young have made a special effort to please your Xmas fancies. They have an immense stock of slippers purchased especially for the holiday trade and in order to move 'em quickly we have marked them at prices usually asked for very inferior goods.

A GOOD ONE.
We have just received a big invoice of Ladies' Spring Heel Shoes in Box Calf, Vici Kid and Cloth tops, heavy welt and hand-turned soles, sizes 2½ to 5 and A to EE They are extra good quality, worth \$2 50, but go now at **1.75**

FIVE MEDALS.
The Banister Shoe for Men was awarded the 5 highest medals at the Paris Exposition. It is acknowledged to be the finest and best shoe made. It is sold by us exclusively.

ONE FOR \$4.
The Ralston Health Shoe is without question the very best \$4 shoe on the market. Call and let us show you how it is constructed. For men.

LADIES' CHOICE.
Our stock of Ladies' Shoes include the leading lines made in the country, and at present we are giving our customers an opportunity to save from 50c to \$1 on every pair.

SOFT SHOES.
We show Children's Soft Soles in all colors and styles, including a big variety of fur trimmed ones at 50c.

It will pay you to call early. We know of no more acceptable Christmas gift than a pair of handsome Shoes, such as we are showing in both Ladies' and Gent's departments.

Leggings in up-to-date styles, in lace or button at prices from 50c to \$1 75. Call and see them.

RATHFON BROS. & YOUNG,
MASONIC BLOCK.

ARREST SHOPLIFTER,

Mrs. Olaf Johnson Fined For Stealing Ribbon.

HOUSE SEARCHED FOR MORE GOODS.

Unfortunate Woman is the Wife of a Well Known Contractor—Caught in the Act at Fair Store.

Mrs. Olaf Johnson, the wife of an Escanaba contractor, was arrested at The Fair Savings Bank department store last Saturday night charged with shoplifting. The arrest was made at the instigation of a floor walker who claimed to have detected the woman in the act of "lifting" a bolt of ribbon. With as little disturbance as possible the woman was conducted to the rear of the store and held until a policeman had been called, but when that official put in an appearance he refused to place the woman under arrest until supplied with a warrant.

This necessitated the holding of the accused until a magistrate had been found and a warrant issued, and as a consequence the serving of the instrument was not effected until about eleven o'clock. For some months past Mrs. Johnson has been suspected by employes of the store

COME AND SEE OUR HOLIDAY SELECTIONS

We have prepared for our usual large Holiday business. The selections this year are exceptionally beautiful—the prices exceptionally low. Come and view them.

BEAUTIFUL DIAMONDS, BEAUTIFUL SILVER,
BEAUTIFUL CUT GLASS, BEAUTIFUL WATCHES,
BEAUTIFUL CLOCKS, BEAUTIFUL JEWELRY,
and BEAUTIFUL NOVELTIES.

You will surely be pleased with the display, and will find many useful suggestions for your Christmas Gifts. It is always better to be among the early purchasers. Again we urge your visit of inspection.

H. M. STEVENSON,
600 LUDINGTON STREET, Escanaba.

of "lifting" and a close watch had been placed on her. The woman wore a large cape and is said to have slipped the stolen articles under its folds to avoid detection.

Saturday night there were an unusual number of shoppers in the downtown stores and although Mrs. Johnson was arrested while The Fair store was well filled with customers, very few knew what had transpired until after the matter had become a topic of general street talk, when the story spread with the usual rapidity of bad news. When first taken into custody Mrs. Johnson stoutly protested her innocence, declaring that she had purchased the ribbon which had been found in her shopping bag. She also denied having taken other articles when accused, but finally admitted a portion of the charges and agreed to return the missing articles if released.

In connection with the warrant sworn out for the woman's arrest a search warrant was also procured and the officers and a representative of The Fair store visited the Johnson home where, it is alleged, a quantity of stolen goods was recovered. Monday Mrs. Johnson was given a hearing before Justice Emil Glaser and a fine and costs, aggregating \$33, was imposed. Her husband paid the fine and the incident closed. Nearly all the stores in Escanaba are troubled with shoplifters and the amount of goods lost in this way amounts to considerable in the course of a year. In many instances the articles taken are trivial and practically worthless to the victim of this peculiar mania, for in many cases it is simply due to a disordered brain and the unhappy victim steals without knowing why they do it.

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An immense and well selected stock of holiday goods at a discount of 20 per cent on the dollar at Greenhoot Bros.

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SPECIAL SESSION CALLED.

County Board of Supervisors Will Meet on January 3.

The county board of supervisors will meet in special session at the court house in this city on Thursday January 3. This meeting is made necessary by a resolution adopted at the last regular session providing that the books of the various county officials should be examined by an expert each year just prior to the close of their term and a report made to the county board of their condition.

In accordance with this regulation J. A. Dresser of Detroit and expert accountant, is now at work on the books of County Treasurer E. M. St. Jacques and on Jan. 3 will submit his report covering the books of each of the county offices to the board. Mr. Dresser made the examination of the county's books here two years ago and gave such satisfactory service

WILL BUILD A DEPOT

Escanaba and Lake Superior to Erect Station in This City.

MANY IMPROVEMENTS FOR NEXT YEAR

Line to be Extended to Boney Falls Where a \$100,000 Paper Mill Will be Erected—St Paul Officials Here.

Tuesday the private car of President A. J. Erling of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad company, with seven subordinate officials and J. W. Wells, general manager of the Escanaba & Lake Superior road, made a tour of inspection over the new extension of the latter line between Channing and Watson and later went over the property of the two companies at Wells and North Escanaba, preparatory to making a number of important improvements early next spring. Aside from President Erling the St. Paul officials making the trip were: P. M. Myers, secretary; H. I. Williams, general manager; W. J. Underwood, assistant general manager; B. A. Bush, assistant general superintendent; S. P. Bush, superintendent motor power and P. X. Hastings, superintendent Superior division.

After spending several hours in the city the party left over the "Soo" line on their return trip to Milwaukee. The officials found the new extension entirely completed, the surfacing and levelling work having been finished last week and most of the men who have been at work on the construction were released for the winter. Two trains are making daily trips over the new road but no ore will be moved to the new dock at North Escanaba until next spring. No estimate was made on the amount of ore which the company expects to move from this dock next season but there is little doubt but that it will be operated to its fullest capacity.

It is the intention of the St. Paul company to double the capacity of the present dock next spring by extending it just twice its present length, or from 750 to 1500 feet from the shore line. This can be done at a much less expense than the building of an entire new dock, with the necessary approaches, would require and at the same time the operation of a single dock is cheaper than if it were divided between two, the capacities being equal. The dock, as it now is, contains 120 pockets of 250 tons each or a total capacity of 30,000. In its completed state it will have 240 pockets and a total capacity of 60,000 tons.

Speaking of proposed improvements by the E. & L. S. company, the Menominee Evening Leader of Tuesday says: General Manager J. W. Wells, of the Escanaba & Lake Superior railroad, and the I. Stephenson Co., announces that next spring the railroad will be extended to Boney Falls a distance of about fifteen miles. At Boney Falls there is a forty foot water power in the Escanaba river, which will be developed at a considerable expense. This water power has been surveyed by paper mill experts, who pronounce it one of the best in the northwest. Mr. Wells says that in a year or so a big paper and pulp mill will be built by the company at Boney Falls. This will represent an expenditure of about \$100,000.

In the spring the Escanaba & Lake Superior road will be extended from Wells, Mich., to Escanaba a distance of about two miles. A depot will be built on property owned by the company on Ludington street. "Our purpose of building to Escanaba," says Mr. Wells, "is simply to supply our own yard in that city with stock. It furnishes us additional facilities."

Drunk and Disorderly.

Anthony Calver and John Larson were arrested Tuesday morning for being drunk and disorderly. When arraigned before Justice Glaser both entered a plea of guilty and were assessed \$7.50 each. Larson paid his fine but Calver said he preferred taking the eight days in jail, and he got it.

See the Souvenir Calendars of Escanaba at Ellsworth's.

ERICKSON'S

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Kid body doll
15 cts.

Musical Top
9 cents.

Climbing
Sailors
23 cts.

Trumpets
5 cts.

Story books
10 cts.

Toy watches
5 cts.

Games
9 cts.

Marble Top
Tables
5 Cents

Games
5 cts.

Iron toys
5 cts.

Dressed doll
10 cts, up.

Toy Banks
A B C blocks
5 cts.

Dressed doll
13 cts.

Dressed doll
19 cts to \$3.

Toy trunks
29 cts.

Undress doll
9 cts.

Tool chests
29 cts, up

Story Books
15 cts.

SANTA CLAUS IS HERE

And has Established Headquarters with

RED BERRIES

Where he has the most extensive and elaborate display of
Holiday Goods ever shown in Delta County.

The Holiday trade is now in full blast. Every department in our store records sales far ahead of last year. Only a short time now in which to make selections. Do not wait until the last minute, but select presents now, while the stock is complete. Everything to delight young and old alike.

Dry Goods Department.

Fine lot of Elegant Stripes and Taffeta Silks, choice patterns, regular \$1.00 value, Xmas sale price.....
Another lot of choice patterns, good quality silks, regular \$1.25 and 1.50, sale price.....
All our black Crepons, 40 inches wide and always sold for \$1.50, sale price.....
A fine line of French hannels, comprising plain and figured, upwards from.....
Another lot of the newest French hannels, silk embroidered polkadots, sale.....
Fine lot of black and blue pebble goods, 44 in. wide, extra good quality, prices per yard upwards from.....



One lot of Ladies' Silk Waists, all colors, made up in elegant style, cheap at \$6.50, Christmas price, 4.75
Handkerchiefs off the big arches, the 12c kind, 07
Children's Handkerchiefs only..... 01
Black fascinators, large size, good quality, well knit, regular 60c grade, 49
Belted ones, 70c and upwards, 19
An elegant line of wide fancy Ribbons, sale price.....
The largest line of fancy center pieces etc. that were ever shown

LINENS

All pure linen napkins, fine Xmas gifts 69c to \$5.00 per doz. Special reductions on all Table Linen for the holidays. A magnificent assortment.....

Cloak Department.

SPECIAL REDUCTION In our Cloak department, Ladies' and children's jackets, Capes, Collarettes and in fact everything in the line of winter wraps must be sold regardless of cost. A trial will convince you.
Children's Cloaks, made up in plain and fancy hannels, lined throughout and nicely trimmed, with nut to match, cheap at \$6.00, our Christmas price—ages 2-3.....
One lot of Misses Jackets, sizes 6 to 10 years, were 3.00 but our Christmas price is.....
Another lot of Misses Jackets that were sold for 3.50, but our Christmas price for 4, 6, 8 and 10 years is.....
One lot of Ladies Jackets, sizes 32, 34, 36 and 38, former price 8.00, our Xmas price.....
Three Misses Jackets, size 14 and 16, regular price 6.50, now.....



Seven Jackets, sizes 32, 34 and 36, were 13.00, now 6.50
Eight Jackets, sizes 32, 34 and 36, regular 22.00 value, 11.00
Six Jackets, size 32, 34 and 36, regular 17.00 value, as long as they last, 8.50
One lot Electric Seal Collarettes, worth 1.75, will be sold until Christmas at..... 98
One lot Electric Seal Collarettes, regular 3.50 value, for our holiday sale..... 2.59
One lot Electric Seal Collarettes, regular price 6.00 and 4.00

TOYS and DOLLS



A GRAND ARR

G. M. WEST RESIGNS.

Asst. Supt. Peninsula Division
C. & N. W. Out Jan. 1.

AFTERMATH OF FORD RIVER WRECK.

Trusted Official Who Has Been in
the Employ of Company Twenty-
Seven Years is Forced
to Quit.

It is rumored, on what is generally
accredited with being good authority
that G. M. West, assistant superintend-
ent for the Peninsula division of
the C. & N. W. railway, has tendered
his resignation to take effect on Jan-
uary 1. Attempts to verify this rum-
or have been partially successful as
a number of minor officials connected
with the local general offices of the
company have admitted that Mr.
West will leave his present position
and probably sever all connection
with the company with the close of
the year.

Mr. West himself could not be in-
terviewed owing to the fact that he
left several days ago for St. Andrew's
Bay, Florida to spend the holidays
with his wife. The rumor of this
change came as a general surprise
both in railroad and business circles
as Mr. West has been in the employ
of the Northwestern company for
twenty-seven years and has been
looked upon as one of the most trust-
ed and valued officials of this division
much of this time.

No sooner had the rumor of West's
retirement become circulated than
inquisitive ones began casting about
to devise the probable cause and it
was not long before interest was
added to the story by the claim that
his resignation had not been wholly
voluntary but was in reality forced
upon him, either by request of super-
ior officials or by his having been
placed in a position which he no
longer cared to occupy.

In this connection it is stated by
certain subordinate officials that Mr.
West's withdrawal is but the after-
math of the Ford River Switch wreck
of February 8th last when ten persons
were killed through apparent negli-
gence on the part of local dispatch-
ers. This same wreck, it will be re-
membered, resulted in the dismissal
of the agent at Narenta, and one of
the dispatchers in this city, and it
was also strongly intimated that it
was the direct cause of Mr. Rooney's
resignation. It is said that Mr. West
has been offered another position with
the Northwestern company but it is
scarcely probable that he will accept
it if the above rumor is true.

The City

Services appropriate to the season
will be held in the First Presbyterian
church on Sunday morning, and a
special song service in the evening.

In you want a fine couch go to D.
A. Oliver.

The schools at Carney, Menominee
county have been closed for fear of a
diphtheria epidemic. Two cases have
already been discovered and many
children were exposed.

It is useless for a self-made man to
waste money in taking out a patent
on his creation.

The Concordia band has arranged
to give a series of concerts and dances
alternating two weeks apart at the
Peterson Opera House this winter.
The first event will take place
during the first week of January.

Kodaks for Xmas Mead Drug Co.

Archbishop Ireland and Bishop
Goldrick appeared before the senate
committee at Washington Wednes-
day and spoke in behalf of the army
canteen. Archbishop Ireland ex-
pressed the belief that the canteen
was in the interest of temperance
and good morals in the army and
based his remarks upon observations
at Ft. Snelling, near his home, and
his service in the war of the rebellion.

Everything in late books, Mead
Drug Co.

Arthur Haskell, employed nights
at the Northwestern freight house,
had two toes on his left foot quite
badly crushed one night last week by
dropping a truck on his foot. He is
still moving about on crutches.

D. A. Oliver has the finest line of
rockers and easy chairs in the city.

THE LILY GOLD MINING CO.

Mr. Hedin in Escanaba Disposing
of Stock Therein.

Mr. Frank Hedin, vice-president
of the Lily Gold Mining company of
Spokane, Wash., is in the city in the
interest of his company. The object

of his visit to Escanaba is to sell
stock for the purpose of purchasing
machinery with which to operate the
mine, which is already an assured
success, as documents in his posses-
sion which includes sworn statements
fully testify. The stock is non-
assessable, and sells for fifteen cents
per share. Parties who desire to
examine the property with a view to
furnishing the needed money are
particularly invited to call. Only a
limited amount will be sold. Mr.
Hedin may be seen at A. Clement's
barber shop for a few days, and he
invites all persons interested to call
upon him for further information.

ESCANABA WINS OUT.

Gets Decision in Debate With
Marquette by Small Margin.

EVENT IS A FINANCIAL FAILURE.

High School Pupils Discuss Gov-
ernment Ownership of Rail-
roads Thursday Night.
Attendance Small.

The debate in the high school audi-
torium Thursday night between the
representatives of Escanaba's and
Marquette's high school classes was
won by this city, by a margin, how-
ever, so small that there was little
glory in the victory. The judges
deliberated for some time before ar-
riving at a conclusion and at first
were in favor of calling the contest a
tie. At this point Superintendent
R. D. Ewing of the local schools and
Professor Giles, teacher of history at
Marquette, were called into consulta-
tion and as the former insisted upon
a decision, the discussion on merit
was continued.

All of the judges practically agreed
that Marquette's representatives
made the best showing on argument
and they were equally satisfied that
Escanaba had won the laurels on deli-
very, and for a time it looked as
though this would be their final de-
cision. Again a demand was made
for a decisive opinion and finally Rev.
A. E. Elliott of Marquette, speaking
for the judges, announced that while
Marquette was entitled to credit for
the better argument, Escanaba had
shown a more perfect delivery and on
the whole had presented their side of
the debate in the best light and were
therefore entitled to the victory.

The program opened at 8:30 p. m.
with a violin solo by Myrtle Zane,
followed by a piano solo by Fred
Erickson. The debate was opened
and closed by the affirmative side,
which had been assigned to the Es-
canaba debaters. The subject under
discussion was, "Resolved, that the
railroads of the United States should
be owned and operated by the Fed-
eral Government." The six debaters
who participated were: Marquette,
Messrs. Clark, Rose and Ferris; Es-
canaba, Messrs. Stevenson and Strom
and Miss Van Groll.

The judges were Rev. A. E. Elliott of
Marquette, Ira C. Jennings of Es-
canaba and Charles Juttner of Pow-
ers. Conrad Stevenson opened the
discussion and the other debaters
followed alternately, negative and
affirmative. The rebuttal arguments
were made by Clark and Stevenson.
The attendance was small and from
a financial standpoint the debate, to-
gether with the preliminary event of
two weeks ago, were failures as they
barely paid expenses. The object
of these debates as with the lecture
course and other events promulgated
by the public schools are all for a
good cause, but for some unaccount-
able reason it is practically impossi-
ble to get the public interested
enough to make them successful. A
return debate will be given at Mar-
quette some time in March.

THE RECORD BROKEN.

Coal Receipts 35,000 Tons in Ex-
cess of Any Previous Year.

The receipts of soft coal at this
port during the past season aggre-
gated 250,000 tons, or 35,000 tons in
excess of any previous season. The
announcement was something of a
surprise, even to the management it-
self, the appliances for handling be-
ing considered incapable of doing
work to this extent.

Excursion rates for the holidays,
via the Northwestern line. Excur-
sion tickets will be sold at low rates
to points on the Northwestern sys-
tem east of the Missouri river within
200 miles of selling station, Decem-
ber 22, 23, 24, 25, 31 and January 1,
good returning until January 2, in-
clusive. Apply to agents Chicago &
Northwestern R'y.

Toys of every description at re-
duced prices at Schram's.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

General Information Gleaned
From Various Sources.

CONDENSED FOR BUSY READERS.

A Week's Happenings Throughout
Our Own and Other Coun-
tries, of Interest to The
Iron Port Readers.

A small boat carrying the keepers
of Squaw Island lighthouse, near
Mantowoc, to the mainland was cap-
sized seven miles out last Friday.
The occupants were W. H. Shields,
his wife and niece, Mrs. Mary Davis,
Owen McCauley and Lucien Morden.
When picked up Saturday afternoon
all had succumbed except Shields
and McCauley and they are danger-
ously frozen.

A work of art is the burnt wood
work on display at Ellsworth's Drug
Store. No finer present for Xmas.

The Zschische & Sons tannery at
Sheboygan, Wis., was destroyed by
fire Sunday entailing a loss of \$180,-
000.

The official count of Michigan's
vote in the recent election, shows
that a total of 544,375 ballots were
cast for the head of the ticket and
McKinley's plurality was 105,584.

According to the census figures for
Wisconsin, Marinette has a popula-
tion of 16,195.

The steamer Alpha was wrecked
near Vancouver Monday and eight
of her crew drowned.

The Agrarian party in Germany
is now working to prohibit the im-
portation of American farm products
into that country.

It is believed that Ambassador
Choat will resign and return to his
practice of law in New York owing
to the recent death of his partner.

A half million dollar fire occurred
in the plant of the Brown Hoisting
& Conveying Machine company at
Cleveland Monday. Eleven hundred
workmen are thrown out of employ-
ment as a result.

Two negroes, Jim Henderson and
Bud Rowlands were lynched at Rock-
port, Ind., Monday by a mob of 1,000
citizens. The negroes had murdered
Hallis Simons, a white barber.

The German training ship Guel-
snau was wrecked during a storm at
Malaga, Sunday and more than 100
cadets were drowned.

Henry Borteaun, cook on the yacht
"Hattie Bradwell" died very sudden-
ly at Marinette last Friday.

Joseph Madigan foreman of Steph-
enson's logging camp at Daggett,
was perhaps fatally stabbed by two
Polanders last Saturday night.

John Androsky of Menominee was
killed by a falling tree near Aimes,
Mich., last Saturday.

Ed Freeman, who conducted a broker-
age office at Marinette committed
suicide at Green Bay last Saturday
by shooting himself with a small
rifle. He was 26 years old and his
home was at Danville, Ill.

Counterfeit half dollars have made
their appearance in several upper
peninsula towns recently. Mer-
chants should keep a sharp lookout
for "shovers of the queer" during the
busy holiday season.

BRYAN AS A PUBLISHER.

Will Launch a Weekly Paper of His
Own at Lincoln.

Hon. William Jennings Bryan has
turned down all the flattering offers
made to him to become the employe
of others at a princely salary and has
decided to establish a paper of his
own. It will be called The Commoner
and will be issued weekly from Mr.
Bryan's home city, Lincoln, Neb.
Mr. Bryan will not only be the editor,
but the owner as well. It will be his
to use as he pleases and will be made
the vehicle through which he will
continue his championship of the
principles in which he so firmly be-
lieves.

The first number of The Commoner
will make its appearance probably
about the first of the year. It will
thus have its beginning at the open-
ing of the new century, upon which,
Mr. Bryan's friends believe, it will
exert great influence. That it will
be awaited with interest especially
from those who have pinned their
faith to Mr. Bryan and his policy,
goes without saying.

Do not complete your Christmas
purchases until you have looked over
Ellsworth's line.

Order your Christmas ice cream
at Hoyler's bakery.

J. J. Cleary was at Iron Mountain
on business Wednesday.

Gene Sullivan has reorganized his
orchestra.

ELLSWORTH

IS READY FOR THE HOLIDAY TRADE.

Never before have we shown such a magnificent
array of goods suitable for Holiday Gifts as at the
present time. The line consists of

**Fancy China and Bric-a-Brac,
Leather Purses for ladies and gents,
Silver Mounted Ebony Goods,
Japanese Mori-Agi Ware,
Fancy Decorated Ware,
Toilet and Manicure Sets.
Package Perfumers, all odors.
Books and Games of all kinds.
Gunther's Fine Xmas Candies,
Lowney's Fine Xmas Candies.**

You are invited to call and look over our goods.
Packages put away until Christmas if you wish.

ELLSWORTH'S DRUG STORE.

OMN'S FURNISHINGS.

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.

FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

We are showing the Finest and
largest line of Oxford and Eng-
lish Square Mufflers we have
ever shown at

50c, \$1.00 and 1.50.

Bath Robes at

\$4, 5, 7.50 and \$12.00.

Underwear, Hosiery, Furnish-
ings, Hats, Shoes, Gloves and
all the other articles. And
what's more, all are Moderately
Low Priced.

MATT N. SMITH,

813 LUDINGTON ST.

PHOTOGRAPHER.



The Wixson Gallery

Opposite the Catholic
School, Escanaba,

Is the place to get Finest Pic-
tures at lowest prices. All
the newest styles from the

**Smallest Button Photos
To the Largest Portraits.**

Matts, Frames and other Pic-
ture Goods.

WIXSON & ROBB,

THE ARTISTS.

BEAUTIFUL XMAS GIFT

From now until January 1st, 1901, I will sell any piano in
my large stock at a special low price for the holidays. The as-
sortment includes the following celebrated makes:



**Sohmer,
Kimball,
Steger,
Singer,
Kroeger,
Whitney,
Heinze.**

The Sohmer Piano embodies the highest achievements in
piano making. Its tone, action and brilliancy are unsurpassed.
It is already a favorite in Escanaba. Such citizens as J. K.
Stack, J. F. Carey, and many others have recently purchased
Sohmer Pianos and are more than pleased with them.

Kimball Pianos are world renowned. They give satisfaction
everywhere. One has been placed in the blue room at the
White House, and one in the executive mansion of the president
of Mexico.

The other makes we handle are popular with those who do
not desire a high priced piano, but who want a thoroughly re-
liable instrument at a moderate figure. Come and get our
prices.

We have the largest assortment of Pianos ever shown
in the Upper Peninsula.

ARCHIE CAMPBELL.

Salesroom on Mary St., near of Ammerman's Drug Store.

WINNING YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS - AND MANY HAPPY MOMENTS UNDER THE MISTLETOE.

One lot Electric Seal muffs 10.00
high collar, worth twice the money, 89

Miscellaneous Snaps.

A nice large assortment of ebony ware, nice for Xmas gifts sale price 25
Large line of perfumery, nested in baskets, sale 10
Photo frames in several different styles, this sale 23
A large assortment of fancy Gilt and Celluloid Goods, prices ranging upwards from 25
Large line of Fancy Cups and Saucers for ornaments, regular 40c values, sale price 25
Beautiful line of Glass Vases in different colors, gilt ornamented, sale upwards from 12
Writing Paper in all the latest Shades, per box upwards from 15
A nice line of little Ornamentary Figures representing many different styles, sale price 25
Jewel Boxes made of colored glass with cover handsomely decorated in gilt, sale price 23
Our line of Games, Books, Toys and Dolls are beyond fancy comparison. The largest stock ever brought to this city and are sold lower than ever before heard of.
One lot of fancy purses, different colors, 40 cent value sale price 25
Fancy silk umbrellas go at cost during the Holidays. Chatelaine purses, silver or gold finish, sale 23 cents up to 1 50
Christmas cards from 5 to 25
Pretty Cup and Saucer 19
Oatmeal set, creamer, bowl and plate, for 49
Children's pretty cup, saucer or and plate, 29
China Creamer and Sugar 33
An elegant line of China Plates at Christmas prices. Our line of Bon Bon Jars are elegant and extremely cheap.



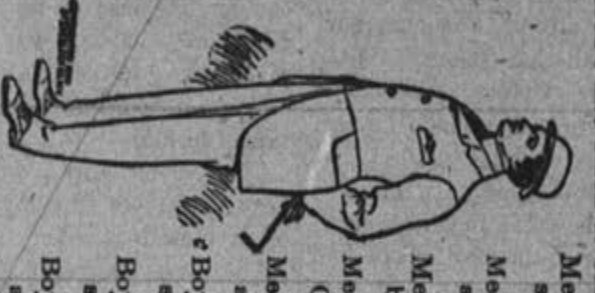
SPECIAL PRICES on Trunks, Satchels, Fine Umbrellas, Mackintoshes, Dress Suit Cases, Telescopes, Men's Jewelry, Men's Fine Pants, Boys' Fine Pants, Mackinaw Jackets, Sheepskin Lined Duck Coats, Lumbermen's hostery SHOES Our shoe stock is the most complete in the city. We do not handle trash or job lots. Any and everything in first-class footwear for men, youths and boys.

Holiday Reductions in Clothing AND GENTS' FURNISHINGS.

Men's Clothing.

Furnishing Dept

Unequaled Items for Xmas Gifts.
Men's Sack Suits in checks and plaids, up from \$6 50
Men's Sack Suits in plain colors, upwards from 8 00
Men's fine black or blue Worsted Suits up from 9 00
Men's fancy worsted frock or sack suits, upwards from 12 00
Men's double breasted suits, all styles 8, 10 12 up
Men's heavy Storm Ulsters, black frieze, 5 00
Men's heavy black Kersey Overcoats, 5 00, 8 00, 10 00
Men's latest style Raglans, all colors, 15 00 to 22 00
Men's Suits, in knee pants, all styles 2 50 to 7 00
Men's Suits in long pants, all styles 3 50 to 12 00
Men's Reefers, big variety, all sizes 2 50 to 7 00
Boys' Overcoats, newest patterns 3 50 to 12 00
Smoking Jackets and House Coats, all of the new designs, fine goods 5 00 to 12 00



Hats and Caps.

In this line especially we defy all competition on price, style and quality as well as completeness of assortment.
Men's fine Stiff Hats, all shades and newest shapes from 2 00 to 4 00
Fedoras, black, brown and gray in the latest blocks, 1 00 to 4 00
Men's Brighton cloth Caps, all colors 25
Men's Golf Caps, in plaid or plain colors, 50 to 1 00
Men's Yacht Caps, endless variety 50 to 1 50
Men's fur Caps, new styles 1 25
Men's genuine Seal Caps, very fine 5 00
Boys' Caps, in plain or fancy patterns, immense assortment, from 25 to 1 00
Men's and boys' knit Caps and Toggles 25 up



Shoe Department.

Owing to the fact that propose to discontinue our shoe department we will close out all our footwear at a sacrifice. Every pair of ladies' misses' and children's shoes are of the best makes, and the line is complete. We have placed them in 5 lots, at these low prices.
Lot One goes at, per pair 89
Lot Two goes at, per pair 98
Lot Three goes at, per pair 1.29
Lot Four goes at, per pair 1.59
Lot Five goes at, per pair 1.98

Quilts and Blankets.

QUILTS—We have some nice ones from \$2.25 and up to 13.00
Cheaper ones if preferred.
BLANKETS—Good all-wool White Blankets, colored borders, Christmas price upwards from 3.75
RUGS of all descriptions. The largest line ever shown in the city. Prices from 65c to 35.00
Sale commences Monday morning, December 17th, and continues until Christmas Eve. We want you to visit our store whether you buy or not. Handsome sights for the little ones.

descriptions	119
Drums	45
23 cts, Up to \$3.	19
Cradles and beds	12
15 cents.	23
Toy furniture of all kinds	5
Shoe fly	43
rocker horse	23
45 cents.	98
Doll houses	
25 cts, up.	
Crokinole	
Boards	
95 cts.	
Climbing Mills	
25 cts.	
Automatic Marble Games	
45 cts.	
Story Books	
15 cts.	
Carpet Sweepers	
15 cts	

Ed. Erickson's Big Busy Cash Store, Escanaba.
508 and 510 Ludington Street.

25 cts.	Story Books
19 cts.	Fancy tree
	Ornaments
	1 cent.
	Ornaments
	2 to 25 cts.
	Xmas
	Candles
	8 cts box.
	Gold Pens
	75 cts, up
	Wash sets
	49 cts.
	Child's
	Tea Set
	7 cts, up
	Checker
	Boards
	10 cts.
	Mouth organ
	5 cts, up.

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WITH
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PRICES



CHRISTMAS SALE

AT THE

FAIR SAVINGS BANK DEPT STORE

WE
HOLD
THE
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FOR 3 DAYS, Friday, Saturday, Monday, DEC. 21-2-4, 1900

Sensation in Dress Goods.

This three days' sale will be our annual clearing up of the stock of fine dress goods. Everything must go regardless of cost. Here is a snap if you want a nice dress for a holiday gift. The high priced ones cost but a trifle.

- All dress goods that formerly sold up to 45 cents a yard will go at this sale for... **19**
- All dress goods that sold up to 87 cents a yard will go at this sale for... **39**
- All dress goods that formerly sold up to \$1.87 per yard will go at this sale for... **89**

All dress goods that formerly sold from \$1.87 to \$5 a yard, everything in fine dress goods, black or colored, we hold nothing back... **1.45**

Our customers know that we carry the very finest of dress goods. The only thing we can say here is that those who appreciate a good bargain will certainly find it in this our annual Christmas dress goods sale.

We still have a lot of toys and fancy goods for Christmas. Loads of these goods are selling every day. Don't wait until the last day. The assortment is constantly growing smaller. A large corps of clerks has been engaged for the holidays.

- Turkeys - - - - - **13**
 - Chickens and geese - - - - - **10½**
 - Chickens - - - - - **10½**
 - Fresh meat, pork, beef, etc., any way you want it. Our price the lowest.
 - Bananas, per doz - - - - - **15**
 - Good mixed candy, lb - - - - - **6½**
 - Good mixed nuts, lb - - - - - **12½**
 - Shelled pop corn, lb - - - - - **6**
- Get a box of cigars for Christmas. Packed 25 in a box. They are fine. Price, **\$1.25.**
- Remember we have fresh meat from this on.



Our Furniture Department on the 3rd floor is crowded with beautiful articles of furniture and pictures for holiday gifts. Just look them over. Lots of sleighs, wooden toys and toy furniture yet. you can make the little ones happy with a toy from this department.

Clothing Department.

We have still part of the stock of Kuhn, Nathan & Fischer, which was bought by us a few weeks ago. If you did not get a suit or overcoat out of this lot on the first sale here is a chance for you to buy your own Christmas gift and save enough money to buy presents for your friends. This is the last Big Special Sale for this season. It will be a corker. So don't miss it. Here goes for red hot Christmas goods.

No. 5655. K. N. & F., fine blue black, Washington mills, kersey overcoat; fine all wool goods, well lined with Scotch plaid tartan, silk stitched, velvet collar, manufacturer's price, **\$10.** Christmas sale price **7.50**



No. 5237. Oxford gray Scotch homespun golf cloth overcoat; Skinner's satin facing and piping, silk velvet collar; a stylish coat and a corker for wear. **9.50**

No. 9512. Dark grey Scotch cheviot overcoat, heavy union tartan lining, silk velvet collar, silk stitched, a union made coat; manufacturer's price **\$12.** Christmas sale price **8.50**

No. 8914. Men's fine box overcoat up-to-date, stylish, swell coat; made of all wool herring bone cheviot with golf back, silk velvet collar to match; manufacturer's price **\$10.** Don't fail to see this coat the style will please you. Christmas sale price **7.75**

The K. N. & F. new "Raglan" overcoats, Irish frieze and pebble cheviot goods, the new sleeve and new style pockets. Christmas sale price **10.00**

No. 9139. Perfection overcoat, the long English walking coat, the latest fad in style, box coat, lined throughout with best quality of Italian farmer's satin, hair cloth sleeve lining, silk velvet collar, made up with raw edge and slanting pockets with flaps, the new sloping shoulders. The swellest and latest coat out. Made of best quality of Washington mills all wool kersey. An **\$18** suit. For this Christmas sale only **12.00**



All wool, wide wail, genuine Scotch cheviot, box overcoat in oxford gray, satin facing and tartan lining. Christmas sale price **10.00**

No. 5278. K. N. & F. make. Suit made of heavy 20 oz clay worsted, Italian twill lining, Skinner's satin facing; manufacturer's **\$18.00** suit. Christmas sale price **9.95**



No. 1624. Men's fine dark blue clay worsted suit, all wool and very fine. Heavy serge lining, Skinner's satin facing, silk sewed. Manufacturer's price **\$14.** Christmas sale price **7.95**

Six different styles of men's heavy Scotch tweed suits, elegantly tailored, best lining, good colors in checks and stripes, **\$18** once, Christmas sale price **10.00**

Ten different styles of boy's knee pants, the Banner Brand make. All wool cloth, double knees and seat. Christmas sale price, a pair **45**

Men's heavy all wool Irish frieze ulsters, dark oxford greys, the most sensible coat you can buy, heavy plaid serge lining, a **\$12** coat at all times. Christmas sale price **8.50**

Men's heavy ulsters, mixed brown diagonal cheviot, heavy serge, plaid lining, Christmas sale price, any sizes **3.50**

Don't forget that we give 1-3 off the price of all Jackets and Capes for Ladies. One Half off on Millinery. See these goods

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