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Another thousand pounds of this splendid quilting Cotton, the first lot nearly all sold in a day. Come quick if you want any. Full pound bats, worth 12½c,

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Only 800 cakes of this nice Toilet Soap are here today, 3 cakes in a box for 6c and not over one box to a customer, regular 5c soap for only

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50 pieces of the very finest mercerized India Linens made are here today. These goods are worth fully 40c yard and cannot be duplicated for less; this lot only

19c Yard.

12½c COLUMBIA WORSTED 9c.

For this week we will sell our best Columbia Germantown, Saxony and Shetland Floss, the regular which is 12½c ounce, special price of this week only

9c Ounce.

ANNUAL SALE OF MUSLINS AND SHEETINGS.
ANNUAL SALE OF LINENS AND HOUSEKEEPING GOODS.
ANNUAL SALE OF MUSLIN UNDERWEAR.
ANNUAL SALE OF LACES AND EMBROIDERIES.

In connection with our great Challenge Sale we inaugurate these four big annual sales, and that means an opportunity to buy much under regular prices.

COMPARE OUR PRICES. YOU'LL SAVE MONEY.

10c TORCHON LACES 5c.

Thousands of yards of these very popular Torchon and Medici Laces and Insertions, in all widths and new patterns, regular values 10c, now only

5c Yard.

40c OVERSHOES 25c.

Ladies' genuine Rubber Overshoes, first quality and new shapes, every size in the lot, regular price 40c, very special at

25c Pair.

Challenge Sale Prices.

GREAT JANUARY SALE OF

HIGH GRADE MUSLIN UNDERWEAR,

AT PRICES ABOUT COST OF THE MATERIALS.

We have prepared for this great sale about 5,000 pieces of new and dainty Underwear for ladies; also we include in the sale our entire stock on hand, at much less than the original cost. Such an opportunity to buy elegant well made undermuslins comes but once a year. Will you take advantage of this chance to save?

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NIGHT GOWNS 49c.

Made of good muslin are these gowns, with tucked yoke and neatly trimmed, cut full and wide.

NIGHT GOWNS 68c.

Good 85c and $1.00 values are these splendid gowns. They are elaborately trimmed with Embroidery and lace.

NIGHT GOWNS 89c.

Good as we usually sell for $1.25, so you know they are fine; all are beautifully trimmed, some slightly soiled.

NIGHT GOWNS $1.25

For the regular $1.50 ones; also some that have been selling for $1.69. They are cut from the very finest muslins and handsomely trimmed.

PETTICOATS 59c.

Fine Muslin Petticoats, with felled seams, deep flounce around bottom and very full, really a 75c skirt.

PETTICOATS 98c.

Better than we have ever sold for $1.25 are these splendid petticoats, elegantly made and elaborately trimmed.

DRAWERS 19c.

These drawers may be found in some stores at 25c. They are good muslin, with deep hem and tucks.

DRAWERS 29c.

Fine Muslin and Cambric drawers, well made and nicely trimmed, with tucks and edging, well worth 35c.

DRAWERS 39c.

Our usual 50c kinds are found in these 39c Drawers. They are good materials and trimmed prettily with lace and embroiderey.

DRAWERS 55c.

You have probably bought worse ones for 75c. These are of fine muslin, in new umbreila shapes, and richly trimmed in lace or embroidery.

CORSET COVERS 29c.

This lot of nice Cambric Corset Covers are made in the newest shapes, and neatly trimmed; also some odds and ends for the same price, worth up to 50c.

CORSET COVERS 75c.

Fine Nainsook and Cambric Covers, trimmed with the daintiest laces and embroidery, worth fully $1.00.

Flannelette Night Gowns Below Cost.

During this Great Sale we will close out our entire stock of Fine Flannelette Night Gowns at less than cost. All pretty light colors; also pink and light blue. Regular $1.00 and $1.25 Gowns 75c. Regular $1.50 Gowns at 98c. Regular $1.75 and $2.00 Gowns at $1.37.

Challenge Sale Prices.

BARGAIN SALE OF TABLE LINENS AND NAPKINS.

Reliable Kinds, Remarkably Cheap.

We offer for this week the best values we have ever been able to give; this should command the attention of every housekeeper.

Bleached Table Damask, 72 inches wide, good weight and lovely designs, regular $1.25 and $1.50 qualities, for **only 89c yard.**

Bleached Table Damask, in rich pretty patterns, 66 inches wide, regular 85c grade, very special at **63c yard.**

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Regular 20c Huckaback Towels, 18x40 inches, at **15c.**

Regular 35c Huckaback Towels, 21x45 inches, at **21c.**

REDUCTION SALE OF FINE EMBROIDERIES.

Half Price or Less the Rule. To close out all our present stock of Embroideries we mark them at the following low prices:

Goods worth up to 10c	only 5c yard.
Goods worth up to 20c	only 10c yard.
Goods worth 25c and 35c	only 19c yard.
Goods worth up to 65c	only 25c yard.

Challenge Sale Prices.

GREAT JANUARY SALE OF

MUSLINS, SHEETINGS AND BEDDING,

AT LOWER PRICES THAN MANUFACTURERS ASK TODAY.

This is a sale of great importance to almost everyone and it is waited for by hundreds of thrifty shoppers. This year we are in position to give you the best values ever offered. While the cotton market is very fine and prices have an upward tendency, yet prices for reliable and popular brands of Muslin and Sheetings have never been so low as they are here just now.

NOTE THE FOLLOWING LIST OF PRICES:

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All our Muslins are full yard wide and first quality.

Regular 9c Androscoggin	7c yd.
Regular 10c Fruit of the Loom	7½c yd.
Liberty, Forrest, U. S, Fearless. Regular 8c Muslins, for 6¼c yd.	
Regular 12½c New York Mills	9c yd.
Regular 12½c Pride of the West	10c yd.
Regular 11c Dwight Anchor	8c yd.
Regular 10c Masonville	8c yd.

BED SPREADS.

The very finest Bed Spreads made, all hemmed ready for use, at the prices of the more ordinary kinds.

Regular 75c Quilts 63c.
Regular $1.00 Quilts 85c.
Regular $1.25 Quilts 98c.
Regular $1.50 Quilts $1.19.
Regular $2.00 Quilts $1.65.
Regular $2.50 Quilts $1.97.

SHEETS AND SHEETINGS.

Only standard make of Sheetings are found in this store at lowest prices.

42-inch Mohawk, regular 12½c, for		9c yd.
¾	" " 14c, for	11c yd.
4/4	" " 16c, for	12½c yd.
4/4	" " 22c, for	17c yd.
4/4	" " 25c, for	19c yd.
4/4	" " 28c, for	22c yd.
42-inch Utica Mills, regular 15c, for		11c yd.
¾	" " 16c, for	12½c yd.
4/4	" " 20c, for	16c yd.
4/4	" " 28c, for	22c yd.
4/4	" " 30c, for	25c yd.

HEMMED SHEETS.

Our sheets are all torn and hemmed before being laundered, thereby making them wear straight. The prices are very low.

Size 72x90, regular 60c, for	49c.
Size 81x90, regular 65c, for	55c.
Size 90x90, regular 75c, for	62c.

PILLOW CASES.

Size 42x36, regular 15c, for	12c.
Size 45x36, regular 18c, for	14c.
Bolsters, size 42x72, for	25c.

P. S. Positively no mail orders filled.

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100 fine Satine and Silkolin Bed Comforts for this sale, at less than cost to make. Regular $2.50 Comfors for $1.65. Regular $3.00 Comforts, for $1.98.

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&c., it will pay you to visit our store and get prices before buying elsewhere.

5 doz. Men's Grey Shirts and Drawers, worth 25c, now 15c.

2 doz. Men's Red Flannel Drawers, small sizes, worth 75c, now 37½c.

5 doz. Men's Fancy Percal Shirts, worth 50 and 75c, now 37½c.

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Try our New Orleans Syrup.
Try our 10c Plum Puddings.
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Coffee 8, 10, 12, 14 and 15c lb.
Cocoanuts 5, 6 and 7c each.
Try our Matches at 10c dozen.

Fresh new Mixed Nuts 15c lb.
Chocolate 10, 15, 16, 17, 18 and 20c cake.
Currants and Seeded Raisins 10c box.
Raisins 6, 8 and 10c lb.
Best Dates 8c lb.
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Dried Corn, Soup and Lima Beans.
Try our Spices. They are pure.
Give us a call on our light or dark Syrup at 30c a gallon.
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THE HOME DAYS.

When the goldenrod has withered and the maple leaves are red,
When the robin's nest is empty and the cricket's prayers are said,
In the silence and the shadow of the swiftly hastening fall
Come the dear and happy home days, days we love best of all.

Then the household gathers early, and the fire light leaps and glows
Till the old hearth in its brightness wears the glory of the rose;
Then the grandsire thinks of stories, and the children cluster sweet,
And the floor is just a keyboard for the baby's Pattering feet.

If the raindrops dance cotillions on the roof and on the eaves,
If the chill wind sweeps the meadows, shorn and bare and bound in sheaves,
If the snowflakes come like faries, shod in shoes of silence, we
Only crowd the closer, closer, where the cheery kindred be.

Oh, the dear face of the mother, as she tucks the laddies in,
Oh, the big voice of the father, heard o'er all the merry din;
Home, and happy homely loved ones, how they weave their spells around
Heart and life and creed and memory, in the farmstead's holy ground!

When the goldenrod has faded, when the maple leaves are red,
When the empty nest is clinging to the branches overhead,
In the silence and the shadow of the hurrying later fall
Come the dear days, come the home days, in the year the best of all.

—Margaret E. Sangster, in the Woman's Home Companion.

HOW MARLOW GOT HIS THIEF.

From Tit-Bits.

"Go for him for all you're worth, Mr. Marlow, and the very day he is charged I'll give you a check for £500!"

The detective's thin face flushed. He was young and unknown and so far had never had a chance. Now it had come, and he might not only make his reputation, but £500 as well, and that last would give him all that was best in the world to him—the girl he loved for wife—and without it it might be years before he could afford to marry.

He turned eagerly and gathered up the papers and note book.

"I'll lose no time," he said. "I'll do my best." But all the same it seemed an almost hopeless task. Fred Emberson, the thief, had a good 12 hours' start. He had gone at 4 o'clock the day before to the bank to pay money in and to cash a check, as usual, ready for paying the men's wages on the morrow, and he had never returned. The check had been cashed, the money never paid in, and Fred Emberson had vanished.

Mr. Ritchie was a hard and bitter man. He had been soured five years before by the disappearance of his only daughter. She had met at the house of some friends she had been visiting a man with whom she had fallen in love. He had been ineligible in every way—a poor man with no prospects, with apparently nothing to recommend him—but that made no difference to her.

Mr. Ritchie had stormed and raved, had refused emphatically to see him and had forbidden her ever to mention him again. She had refused. She had tried for some months to induce the two men to meet, she had persisted in sticking to the man she loved, and then she had run away and married him.

Mr. Ritchie never forgave her—never would. He returned all her letters unopened. He washed his hands of her and settled down, bitter and soured, to live out the remainder of his life in hard work.

Marlow sent his men to the station to make inquiries, and then made his way toward the rooms in which Fred Emberson had lodged during the year he had been with Mr. Ritchie. He went up to them, questioning the landlady as he went and getting no information except that she had not seen Emberson since he had left for his office the morning before.

He was almost giving up at last when suddenly a tiny scrap of cardboard fallen between the mantelpiece and the wall caught his eye. He took his penknife and began forcing it up. It might be nothing, of course, but he had turned over every scrap of paper and every book in the room and he would miss no chance.

The cardboard came up slowly. It was wedged in firmly between the mantelpiece and the wall, but he loosened it at last and held it up to the light.

When he saw it, he gave a little gesture of disappointment. It was the photograph of a child. That it belonged to Emberson seemed the last thing likely.

He called up the landlady and held it out to her. She shook her head over it. She had never seen it before, but it must have belonged to Mr. Emberson, she said, for her own daughter had occupied the room before he had had it, and the photograph was of no child they knew.

Marlow looked at it again and made a note of the photographer's name, which was printed on the back. It bore the address of a small town, and he frowned a little as he looked at it. What had Fred Emberson, a thief, to do with a little child?

He shut up his pocketbook with a snap and gave a final look around.

He was just turning away when his man came back from the station with the information that Emberson had been seen taking a ticket, not to London, as they had expected, but to a little place called Staybridge, half way down the line. It was a trick, of course. He would go on to Euston and pay excess fare and be lost at once in the London crowd.

Still Marlow sent his man to telegraph to the station at Staybridge and waited, still impatiently searching the room, for the reply.

It came promptly. Only one person had come by that train on the day before and that was a mechanic in a working suit and apparently on the [illegible] was not Emberson, and Marlow decided that his only chance now was to go to Topping where the photograph had been taken.

He started immediately, sending his man on to London to try to get some information there and meaning to wait for him at Topping. He got out at a little, quiet country station. The town lay behind it—a sleepy market town full of sheep and cattle and farmers' gigs and bright with spring sunshine.

He found the photographer easily enough, and there a copy of the photograph he had brought from Emberson's rooms. It had been taken just abont a year ago. The photographer remembered it distinctly, because the woman who brought the child broke down crying at the finish for no reason at all that he could make out.

"I suppose you know nothing of her, do you?" asked the detective, and the photographer shook his head.

"No, but she came here from a place not far from here," he said. "At any rate, I sent the proofs there—to a place called Straybridge, about five miles away."

Detective Marlow started a little. Staybridge! He was on the road at last surely! Staybridge was the place to which Fred Emberson had booked—the place at which the workman had got out! Detective Marlow's pulse quickened, and ten minutes later he was walking away from Topping toward the distant village.

It was a hot walk that day. The roads were dusty and he was tired when he reached it at last.

He made his way slowly through the straggling houses and quiet shops toward an inn. He would have to stop, of course, perhaps for some days, certainly for one night.

He went in and had some tea and then set out to look around. He was all impatience. The thought of the £500 stirred him.

He was remembering with a beating heart the girl he meant to marry, thinking it would not be long now, when a bend in the road brought him suddenly upon a small cottage.

It lay close to the road, a low wall hemming in its little square patch of garden and a little wooden gate leading to a flagged path, bordered with wallflowers, and lupins and lavenders.

He looked up half carelessly, wondering if Emberson was living in a cottage like that, if he was in Staybridge at all, when the sight of a little child sitting on the wall brought him to a standstill.

Something about her was familiar. At first he could not tell what, and then he remembered the braid on her frock and the braid on the child in the photograph. It was the same dress, the same child, only now she was older and prettier.

He stopped and went toward her She was such a little, thin child, and her face was pale and delicate in spite of the country air. She looked up at him with bright eyes and smiled, and somehow he felt oddly uncomfortable before her.

He hesitated before he spoke, and then his question came with a gruff, sharp jerk.

"What is your name?" he asked.

Her round eyes searched his face. It looked stern enough just then, but it did not frighten her. She slipped down from the wall and held out her hand.

"It's May," she said.

"And—what is your father's name?"

In spite of himself Marlow hesitated.

"Father's called 'Fred darling,'" she replied, "cos mother said so. And he's been away such a long time, and I didn't fink he'd ever come back."

The detective looked down at her. Fred, darling!

"When did he come back?" he asked abruptly.

The child, all unconscious, took her father another step nearer prison.

"Only the day before this day," she said, "and I was s'prised. I just couldn't fink who it was. But mother knew, and she cried, and it made her iller, and the doctor was very ang'y."

"Where is your father?" asked Marlow.

"He mustn't be 'sturbed," she said. "He's wif mother, and mother's dreffful ill. That's why he came back all in such a hurry."

She stopped, looking up at the detective with eyes that almost unnerved him. Perhaps something in his

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