

No. 25—HEROES OF HISTORY.

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IVAN THE GREAT—Hero Who Freed and Tried to Civilize Russia

A NORSE viking, Rurik by name, came to the Novgorod district of Russia in 860. The Slavs begged him to put down the civil wars that were ruining their savage country and to rule over them. He did so. Then came a long line of his descendants, some of them good kings, some bad, all half-barbaric; most of them leading violent lives and dying violent deaths. They and all Russians were heathens up to the time of Vladimir the Great, who, in 988, was baptized and made his subjects a Christian nation, with Kiev as their capital city. Long periods of anarchy, misrule and official incompetence darkened the next two centuries. At last, in 1237, came a blow from which Russia has not yet recovered.

The Mongols, a warlike people of Central Asia, had some time before begun a career of conquest under Genghis Khan, a military genius who carved out for himself an empire stretching from the China sea to the Dnieper. A later leader, Batu Khan, in 1237, led his marauding tribesmen, known as "the Golden Horde," into Russia, and in a very few years had conquered the whole land. National progress was checked, the people enslaved, the land's slowly growing civilization lapsed into hopeless confusion. Groaning under the cruel yoke of the Golden Horde, Russia lay still while the rest of the world moved on. The country's slow progress may be traced indirectly back to this long era of slavery and arrested development. The Mongols and their descendants, the Tartars, left a smear on the Russian national character that all the succeeding centuries have been unable to efface.

The Mongols let Russia's rulers go through the form of governing the luckless conquered race, but each sovereign was forced to do humiliating homage to the Great Khan (or emperor of the Horde). And so matters went on until by the beginning of the fourteenth century the chief city and state of the enslaved country was Moscow. Thanks to a line of less barbaric princes than most local provinces possessed, Moscow was by this time the strongest as well as the most nearly progressive state in Russia. In 1380 Simon the Proud, foremost of the Muscovite princes, aroused his subjects to rebel against their Mongol masters. The Horde crushed the revolt, burned the city of Moscow to the ground and put thousands of its citizens to death by torture. This put an end to the hopes of national independence until, in 1462, Simon's grandson, Ivan III ("the Great") came to the throne.

Ivan was a man of strange character. If he had lived 400 years later he would have been an ideal political boss. He realized the desperate condition of his country, the strength of the Mongols, the division of Russia into many petty and weak states. Where others had been content to accept affairs as they found them or to stir up ill-fated insurrections, this fifteenth century politician went to work along a different line.

By wheedling, intrigue and clever diplomatic tricks, he annexed to Moscow the stronger Russian states and by force of arms subdued the weaker, until he had gathered about him a powerful confederacy, all subject to Moscow and to himself. In other words, he had consolidated Russia into an autocracy. And Ivan was its autocrat. He strengthened his position by marrying a niece of the last of the Byzantine emperors and took for Russia's royal emblem the Byzantine standard of the Double Eagle. He was firmly entrenched in what was virtually an absolute despotism when, in 1478, the Great Khan of the Mongol Horde sent for his formal allegiance.

A band of Mongolian ambassadors arrived at Moscow, bearing with them the Great Khan's portrait. To this picture Ivan was expected to prostrate himself publicly in abject homage. But he had long been planning for this very occasion. In the presence of his court he hurled the Khan's portrait to the ground, spat on it and ground it to atoms under his heel. Then he had all but one of the scandalized envoys put to death in an extremely painful fashion, and sent the sole survivor of the murdered embassy back to Asia to tell the Khan what had occurred.

This roused the whole Horde to a fury of retaliation. Ahmed, the Khan, raised a great army and marched on Russia to repeat his tribe's earlier triumphs. But it was a different Russia that attacked from the disorganized, cowed country of a few years before. Also, owing to internal dissensions in the Horde, it was a less powerful, less united force of Mongols who made this new invasion. Ivan's army met Ahmed's troops on the banks of the River Oka. The Mongols retreated in panic and Russia was free.

Having rid his land of its tyrants, Ivan tried his best to free it also from the heavier yoke of ignorance and barbarism. But here he was less successful. The blight had struck too deep for any one man or one century to eradicate it. Ivan succeeded better as politician and soldier than as reformer. Nevertheless he did his best. He brought to Moscow architects, artists and scholars from more enlightened countries and strove to interest his subjects in learning and progress. He also made Russia to some extent a haven of refuge for victims of religious persecution. In view of Russia's present attitude on such topics this toleration seems scarcely credible. Ivan would not take the title of emperor, calling himself instead the "grand autocrat." It remained for his grandson, Ivan IV (nicknamed "the Terrible"), to originate the title of "czar," which is the Russian form of "Caesar."

In 1565, after a reign of 43 years, Ivan the Great died. He had found Russia an enslaved, helpless collection of rude principalities. He left it free and united. He had, further, increased the boundaries of its territory almost fourfold and had done all that man could do to bring the light of education and culture into a land blinded by centuries of darkness.



REAR ADMIRAL WILLIAM P. POTTER.

Rear Admiral Potter will become chief of navigation July 1. He succeeds Rear Admiral Pillsbury. The chiefs of the navy department.

FOREIGN ELEMENT IN OUR POPULATION

As the result of a census office investigation to which reference was made last week, it appears that more than half the white population of the country is composed either of foreign-born persons or the native-born children of foreign parents. This class of citizens is found almost entirely in the New England states and the middle west, while the south has retained its individuality of race. In 1900 the foreign population formed more than half of the white inhabitants of the middle and New England states, or, to be precise, 518 in every thousand. In the southern states, on the other hand, foreign citizens or children born of foreign parents numbered only 79 in every thousand. As regards the relative numbers of the sexes there seems to have been a slight difference between the two years for which comparisons are made in the report, the difference being in favor of the females. In 1900 the male population represented 50.9 per cent of the total, while the females were 49.1 per cent of the whole. In 1900 the male population amounted to 50.2 per cent of the total, while the female sex were credited with 49.8 per cent. There was, as will be seen, a gain in the relative number of women in the course of 110 years covered, though an absolute equilibrium has not yet been reached.—Bradstreet's.

To avoid serious results take Foley's Kidney Remedy at the first sign of kidney or bladder disorder such as backache, urinary irregularities, exhaustion, and you will soon be well. Commence taking Foley's Kidney Remedy today.—P. J. Hill Drug Co. (The never substitutes) Salt Lake City.

LOSS OF APPETITE.

A person that has lost appetite has lost something besides—vitality, vigor, tone. The way to recover appetite and all that goes with it is to take Hood's Sarsaparilla—that strengthens the stomach, perfects digestion and makes eating a pleasure. Thousands take it for spring loss of appetite and everybody says there's nothing else so good as Hood's.

These Special Monday Offerings Make Money Go Far

The Greatest Sale Records of every Monday PROVE that our special values are REAL Busy Buying throngs that fill our store every Monday PROVE Confidence in our Promises. Great Numbers of New Customers added every day PROVES that our Merchandise, Assortments, and Values are ever gaining Fame!

MONDAY.

15c and 16-2-3c Batiste and Organdy Lawns at 9c a Yard

50 pieces new Batiste and Organdy Lawns—absolutely fast color—in all kinds of neat, nobby styles and floral effects. Special price for one day's selling—12 yards to a customer, at a yard **9c**

MONDAY.

39c Laundered Bags at 21c each

200 pretty Laundry Bags, made of fancy art denim—in Oriental colorings and designs, value 39c, for one day, one to a customer at each **21c**

MONDAY.

15c Pillowcasing at 8 1-2c a yard

1,000 yards bleached Pillow Casing, 42 inches wide—a soft cotton—value 15c, for one day—10 yards to a customer—at a yard **8 1/2c**

MONDAY.

\$2 Linen Table Cloths at \$1.18 each

200 in this lot, 8x4 and 8x10 sizes, silver bleached Table Cloths—some hemmed, other hemstitched and quite a few with drawn work borders—for one day—one to a customer at each **\$1.18**

MONDAY.

\$4.00 White Marseilles Bed Spreads at \$2.28

There're only 50 of them—and you never had a chance to buy them for less than \$4.00—measure 78x88 inches—excellent designs. For one day— **\$2.28**

MONDAY.

\$4 and \$5 Swiss Beds Sets at \$2.68 a Set

The prettiest flounced white Swiss bed sets—with dainty colored borders and bolier covers to match—value \$4.00 and \$5.00. For one day— **\$2.68**

MONDAY.

\$1.50 ank \$1.75 White Embroidered Flannels at \$1.18 a yard

24 styles of White Silk Embroidered Skirting Flannel, scalloped, hemstitched and cut out edges, the prettiest designs ever shown. Special for one day at a yard **\$1.18**

MONDAY.

65c Hemmed Bed Sheets at 39c each

650 hemmed, bleached Bed Sheets, 2 1/2 yards long and 2 yards wide—worth 65c. For one day— **39c**

MONDAY.

\$7.00 and \$8.00 Tapestry Table Covers at \$4.60 each

The handomest Tapestry Table Covers—artistic and exclusive designs—richly harmonious colorings—8x4 sizes—value \$7.00 and \$8.00—For one day—one to a customer at, each **\$4.60**

WE'RE PROUD OF THESE SILK VALUES

And you'll agree with us that they are worth—after you've seen them—it's many a year since such really good silk values have been offered. Judge by these few:

CREAM AND WHITE PEAU DE CYGNE.

Very fine qualities, firm weave and high finish, 45" square, 18 inches wide, sale price, per yard **48c**

75c quality, 18 inches wide, sale price, per yard **58c**

85c quality, 19 inches wide, sale price, per yard **68c**

90c quality, 19 inches wide, sale price, per yard **75c**

110c quality, 20 inches wide, sale price, per yard **90c**

125c quality, 21 inches wide, sale price, per yard **\$1.10**

BLACK TAFFETA SILK

Black Taffeta Silk, 36 inches wide, high finish, heavy grain and medium soft, an elegant quality, suitable for gowns and waists, regular value \$1.25, on sale, **89c**

27 INCH PONGEE SILK

We have just received 50 pieces more of 27 inches wide Pongee Silk, bought at a slight reduction from the last lot, to make a profit we should not sell it at a cent less than 60c Monday, you can buy it at a yard **39c**

DRESS GOODS REDUCTIONS

That Afford Money-Saving Chances Without Precedent.

50-INCH SICILIAN MOHAIR

The best values offered this season at these prices. Fully 50 inches wide; comes in brown, navy blue and black; extra heavy weight, for suits, skirts. An ideal fabric for bathing suits. A bargain at 75c—on sale at a yard **48c**

LIGHT WEIGHT PRUNELLA CLOTH.

Just arrived, a delayed shipment of light weight satin finished Prunella Cloth in all the leading shades of mulberry, raspberry, nutmeg, etc. The shades most popular for this season's wear. 44 inches wide. Regular \$1.35 values **\$1.05**

SILK AND WOOL NOVELTIES.

A gorgeous line of silk and wool Novelties in light shades of eolienne, wool silk and wool batistes, silk and chiffon cloths in white and tinted colorings; an ideal fabric for afternoon and evening dresses; 48 to 48 inches wide; values up to \$2.50—on sale at a yard **\$1.45**

Millinery at One-Third

150 very fine

IMPORTED HATS!



The remaining stock of a well known French Importer, in all the very latest shapes—trimmed charmingly. The values range from \$5.50 to \$10.50, choice while they last at **\$4.75**

WASH GOODS and WHITE GOODS PRICES

That Need No Commendation.

30c and 35c White Shirting Madras

In an endless variety of patterns for men's shirts, boys' and ladies' waists. Special for next week, per yard **21c**

40c WHITE PIQUES, 50c

next week per yard **29c**

NATURAL LINES COLORED BLOUSE LINES, all pure linen, for ladies' and children's suitings—

Value 25c next week, per yard **16c**

Value 30c next week, per yard **21c**

Value 35c next week, per yard **26c**

Value 40c next week, per yard **29c**

Value 50c next week, per yard **33c**

WHITE SHIRT WAIST and SUITING LINES.

Value 65c next week, per yard **47c**

Value 50c next week, per yard **62c**

Value \$1.00 next week, per yard **72c**

Value \$1.25 next week, per yard **84c**

A CURTAIN AND LINEN STORY

That Will Hold Attention of Every Economical Woman.

Two yards wide Imported Turkey Red Table Damask, new designs—

Value \$1.25 next week, per yard **87c**

Grass Bleached Fine Irish Table Linens—72 inches wide—\$1.75 quality—

10 choice patterns to select from. Next Week, per yard **\$1.23**

WHITE SATIN DAMASK FRINGED DOILIES—20 inches square—

Value \$2.00—Go Next week per dozen **\$1.36**

\$7.00 WHITE IRISH POINT CURTAINS—Go next week

per pair **\$4.60**

\$12.00 IVORY GENOA POINT CURTAINS—Go next week

per pair **\$7.20**

\$17.50 WHITE BRUSSELS NET CURTAINS—Go next week

per pair **\$11.80**

\$18.00 WHITE LINEN TABLE SETS—Cloth and Napkins to match—9-5, 10-10, 12-12, 14-14, 16-16—

18 sizes—Go next week per set **\$12.60**

Unusual Shoe Bargains

Unusual for all the wanted Sorts for Women and Children are included at these Very Low Prices

Boys' School Shoes with double soles and leather lining, sizes 4 to 10, value \$3.00 on sale **\$1.75**

Ladies' School Shoes in lace or button, sizes 1 1/2 to 2, value \$1.75, on sale at a pair **\$1.35**

Ladies' Tan Oxfords with well soles and strap laces, the newest styles, value \$4.50, sale price **\$2.95**

Ladies' Street or Dress Oxfords in patent or tan leathers, sold everywhere up to \$5.00, our price during this sale is a pair **\$3.45**

A HOST OF TEMPTING PRICES ON BOYS' CLOTHING

Navy Blue Serge Suits.

\$5.00 Values in plain and fancy 22-34 in straight knee pant styles, special at **\$3.75**

\$7.00 Values, in fine imported all wool serges, plain and fancy weaves, made up with straight or knickerbocker pants. Special at only **\$4.95**

Fancy Worsteds, Cassimere and Cheviot Suits

\$4.00 Cheviot Suits made up in regular style with straight knee pants, light, medium and dark patterns, special at **\$2.45**

\$8.00 Suits, regular and knickerbocker made up of Cheviots, worsteds and cassimere fabrics of exceptional quality. Special at only **\$3.95**

Parasols

Strictly Stylish up-to-date Beautiful Parasols at prices conspicuous for their Lowness

Parasols worth up to \$5.00 each on sale at—

..... **\$2.95**

Including figured flouard parasols with plain colored tucked border, plain or plaid taffeta Parasols with hemstitched border, plain or embroidered silk Pongee Parasols and a variety of other pretty styles, worth up to \$5.00 each on sale at—

..... **\$2.95**

Parasols worth up to \$3.00 each on sale at—

..... **\$4.95**

This season's every new idea is included in this sale. All the latest things in Parasol Fashions are represented. Parasols with 5-12 and 16 ribs, parasols with large Ivory tips and rings, fancy Plaid Parasols, Persian border Parasols, Silk Embroidered Parasols, etc.

Worth up to \$3.00 on sale at—

..... **\$4.95**