

Many Tempting Prices in The Ladies' Ready-to-Wear Dept.

This will be a special week in our Ladies' Ready-to-wear Department. Profits forgotten altogether. Make a point of visiting this department during the sale. You'll find many money-saving chances. Second floor.

Ladies' Cloth and Tweed Suits

Surprising values in handsome, well-tailored suits. Our range of sizes is still complete. All these suits are "Spring 1907" styles, absolutely new and up-to-date.

\$15.00 Suits for	10.00	\$21.00 Suits for	14.50
17.00 Suits for	12.00	22.50 Suits for	15.50
19.00 Suits for	13.00	27.50 Suits for	18.75
\$30.00 Suits for 21.00			



Dress Skirts

All our immense range of Cloth and Tweed Skirts on the sale list. We have been showing extra value in Skirts all season. You save much on them now.

\$5.00 Skirts	\$3.75	\$7.50 Skirts	\$5.50
6.00 Skirts	4.25	8.00 Skirts	5.95
6.50 Skirts	4.65	9.00 Skirts	6.75

Special
35 Sample Skirts, regularly worth 3.50, 4.00 and 4.50, sale price... **2.90**

Rainproofs and Tweed Coats

We have about two hundred new Rainproof and Tweed Coats to offer you at tempting prices. They're all stylish, well made coats of this season's buying. Not often a chance like this.

\$ 5.00 Coats	3.85	\$14.00 Coats	10.25
8.00 Coats	5.95	15.00 Coats	11.50
10.00 Coats	7.25	16.50 Coats	12.00
11.00 Coats	7.75	17.50 Coats	12.75
\$18.00 Coats... 13.50			



Blouses Will Soon Be Done

Very few days more selling will clear up all our White Blouses. Come soon if you want any.

4.00 and 4.50 Blouses for	2.90	2.50 Blouses for	1.65
3.50 Blouses for	2.50	2.00 Blouses for	1.35
3.00 Blouses for	2.10	1.75 Blouses for	1.20
1.50 Blouses	1.10	Special 1.00 Blouses	70c

Embroidered Blouse Lengths

Dainty White Blouse Lengths of Muslin, Linen and Silk. Beautifully embroidered. No two alike.

\$2.00 blouse length	\$1.35	\$3.00 blouse length	\$2.10
2.25 " "	1.50	3.25 " "	2.40
2.50 " "	1.75	3.50 " "	2.60
2.75 " "	1.95	4.00 " "	2.90
\$5.00 blouse lengths \$3.85			

Children's White and Colored Dresses

These go at prices that make it folly to make them at home. For girls 2 to 9 years.

60c Dresses	45c
75c Dresses	50c
\$1.00 Dresses	70c
1 1/2 Dresses	85c
1.50 Dresses	1.10
2.00 Dresses	1.35

Buy Your Carpets Now

You save just Twenty-Five per cent. on all Carpets, Rugs and Curtains just now. We have an immense stock to show you—the largest in the city. A lot of ends of carpets, from 4 to 15 yards at

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Solid hardwood frames with pretty colored muslin filling.

Regular \$4.50 Screens	3.55
Regular 5.25 Screens	4.15
Regular 6.00 Screens	4.65
Regular 8.00 Screens	6.15

Portiers

Our stock of Portiers demands special mention. We have them in Chenille, Silk Velour, Tapestry and Jute.

\$25.00 Portiers	20.75
20.00 Portiers	16.85
15.00 Portiers	12.25
10.00 Portiers	7.75
12.00 Portiers	9.15
5.00 Portiers	3.95
4.00 Portiers	3.35
3.00 Portiers	2.50

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B.C. CONSERVATIVES HONOR THEIR PREMIER

Mr. McBride Receives Handsome Present and Address on Return from London--Reviews His Fight for Provincial Rights

Victoria, B.C., July 18.—When Hon. Richard McBride arrived home from his mission to London to vindicate the rights of this province at Ottawa, the Conservatives gave a public demonstration and the popular leader was the recipient of a presentation and address as follows:

To the Honorable Richard McBride, K.C., M.P.P., Premier of the Province of British Columbia.

Sir—The Conservatives of the city of Victoria desired to place on record their high appreciation of the valuable services rendered by you to the province of British Columbia on the occasion of your recent visit to London, in connection with the demands of this province for justice at the hands of the Dominion Government.

We wish to bear testimony to the great ability and acumen which you brought to bear in the successful accomplishment of your very difficult mission, and to the fact that the efforts you have put forth on the occasion of the introduction in the Imperial House of Commons of the bill to amend the British North America Act resulted in the elimination of the words "final and unalterable," thereby leaving it open to the province to continue its battle for due and proper recognition at the hands of the federal authorities.

By your masterly treatment of this complicated and difficult question, both in Ottawa at the provincial conference and in London, you have won yourself an enviable position amongst the leading statesmen of Canada.

We beg to ask your acceptance of the accompanying piece of plate as a token of the esteem and renewed confidence in your leadership of the Conservatives of this province, and to express the hope that you will long continue to lead the party to victories even greater than those won in the past.

Signed on behalf of the Conservatives of the city of Victoria, the 15th day of July, 1907.

G. H. BARNARD,
President Liberal Conservative Assn.

W. H. PRICE,
Secretary.

The present which accompanied the address was greatly admired by all who saw it. It consisted of a large silver tea service enclosed in a leather

case covered and plush lined. On a silver plate on the cover was inscribed: "Presented to the Honorable Richard McBride, K.C., Premier of British Columbia, by the Conservatives of Victoria in consideration of his success in London in maintaining provincial rights. July 15, 1907."

When Mr. McBride rose to respond he was tendered an ovation that would gladden the heart of any public man. After thanking his friends for the welcome extended to him he dwelt with the object of his mission and its results. We quote him from the Victoria Colonist as saying:

His Visit to London

"With regard to my mission to London, there can be no question but that my visit was very much hastened by the action of the federal parliament at Ottawa. Perhaps a glance at the Hansard of the federal house at Ottawa to commence with would show that, some weeks prior to my visit, it was proposed at that place to request the imperial government to make the adjustments proposed by the conference of premiers 'final and unalterable.' It was at once allowed by persons on all sides that those words were not at all unnecessary. In the first place, in connection with this readjustment, and in the next place it was not necessary to go to London, England, to implement these proposals.

"However, Mr. Fielding was very frank in his statements and he at once, in speaking to the house of Commons, admitted that it was proposed to go to London to close the door, as it were, on the province, so that hereafter it might not go down to Ottawa for further and perhaps better treatment, if in the judgment of the people of the different provinces they felt that further and better treatment should be shown them. In other words, though unnecessary to go to London, the powers that be at Ottawa, in order to guard against further claims made by the different provinces in the way of additional subsidies, proposed to get from the imperial government a legislative enactment which would show in so many words that what had been proposed by the Commons and senate at Ottawa must be looked upon for all time as 'final and unalterable.' So that you will see that hereafter, if British Columbia, smarting under

what she considered to be ill-treatment, proposed to present her case to the government for the time being at Ottawa, with a view to securing additional treatment, all that might be expected from that quarter would be a reference to the imperial government. And the suggestion was that British Columbia might as well return home and be satisfied with what had been done."

Had Strong Ground

"Well, ladies and gentlemen, backed up by a resolution of the Imperial parliament, and better than that, by the will of the great people of British Columbia I felt that I was indeed occupying very strong grounds when I took my passage to London, England, with credentials which would give me some standing before the London authorities. (Loud and continued applause.)

"Immediately on my arrival in England, I submitted these credentials to Lord Elgin, secretary for the colonies, and I might say, sir, that the receptions given me by that gentleman were very hearty indeed. He at once demonstrated a capacity to grasp the question, and from what I could see, appeared to be very much concerned with the situation. It was indicated to me that the bill necessary to carry out the wish of the federal party at Ottawa had been practically framed and had it not been for British Columbia's attitude, first in modifying the Imperial authorities that I was about to proceed to London and then by following up that notification by official action by my own presence in London, it is likely that further steps might have been taken, and the bill put through without any outside interference whatever.

Given Every Opportunity

"However, let me say at once that his lordship exhibited an anxiety to see that I was given every opportunity to have my case presented to the Imperial government, and in the course of the two months, during which time I was continuously in London, with the exception of three or four days, I had many opportunities offered me (of which of course I took advantage), when I could go before Mr. Churchill, Lord Elgin and Sir Francis Hopwood, the permanent under secretary, and Hamer Greenwood, M.P., private secretary to Lord Elgin, when the claims of the province could be discussed in detail and at great length. (Hear, hear.)

Sir Wilfrid's Attitude

"Now, sir, in a few words, what has been the outcome of my visit to London, England? I was obliged to go there to face the resolution of the federal government, which resolution contained the words 'final and unalterable.' I came to London, and I might say that I had the privilege as well as the pleasure, of discussing the

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