

DOMINION PARLIAMENT.

The session of the Dominion Parliament at Ottawa was opened with the usual formalities on Thursday last. His Excellency the Governor General delivered to both houses the following speech:

Honorable gentlemen of the Senate: Gentlemen of the House of Commons: I have observed, with great pleasure, the remarkable advance in the political importance and material prosperity of Canada during the year which has just closed.

contributed greatly to the increase of our prosperity, and I am glad to note that the trade and commerce of the Dominion, and more especially the amount and value of her principal exports, have increased greatly during the past eighteen months, and there is good reason to believe that this improvement may be maintained, if not augmented, during the remainder of the present year.

The routine proceedings on Friday were very brief so that the address was taken up early in the afternoon. Mr. Bertman, of Toronto, made a truly liberal speech in moving it.

Charles' reference to the Governor-General created a hubbub in the house. Mr. Laurier replied as well as he was able.

NEWS OF THE WEEK. Berlin advices of the 3rd inst., say an article in a St. Petersburg paper, which attracted the attention of Europe, declares that France and Germany both support Russia's determination and are opposed to England's with reference to Lia Tien Wan.

LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

The fancy and staple dry goods firm of Bessan Ferras, Montreal, has suspended payment. Liabilities \$110,000.

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CHARTER OF THE CHEMICAL NATIONAL BANK

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ALL KINDS OF JOB WORK

Performed at short notice at The HERALD Office.

CLEARANCE SALE.

LADIES' AND MISSES Boots & Shoes

- The following lots will be cleared out at a reduction of 33 1/2 per cent. off regular price: 171 pairs Ladies' Dongola Laced Boots, all sizes.

J. B. McDONALD & CO'S.

FOR THE GREATEST BARGAINS IN BOOTS AND CLOTHING.

The Signs of the Times

It is believed by those who ought to know that Canada is now at the beginning of an era of great prosperity.

There is only one "Leading Fur Store" on Prince Edward Island, and

THAT'S OURS.

Every Herald reader knows it, Every Examiner reader knows it, Every Guardian reader knows it, Every Patriot reader knows it, Every Watchman reader knows it.

BEER BROS.,

The Leading Fur Store of P. E. Island.

See also our 15c. Printed Flannelette, now selling for 10c., See also our 30c. Dress Goods, now selling at 19c., See also our bargains in Men's Shirts and Sweaters, and above all

See our Slaughter, SLAUGHTER, SLAUGHTER SALE

Of Ladies' Jackets. SLAUGHTERED is the word.

Dozens of elegant New Garments at less than half price. Do you want them? Then you must HURRY, HURRY, HURRY.

BEER BROS.,

The Popular Store.

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FIRST OF NEW YEAR

Big Clearance Stock-taking Sale.

Beginning Monday, Jan. 10, until 22nd.

Tremendous Discount—Big Reductions in every Department Spot Cash.

Dress Goods, Colored, 20 per cent. off

Dress Goods, Black, 20 per cent. off

Silks, Satins, 25 per cent. off

Trimmed Millinery, Half Price.

Ladies' Jackets, Half Price.

Furs, Fur Coats, Muffs, Collars, Caps, etc., 25 per cent. off

Special discounts of Ladies' Underwear, Kid and Cashmere Gloves, Corsets, Men's Underwear, Shirts and Collars, Socks, Braces, etc. etc.

GENUINE REDUCTIONS. Sale from Jan. 10 till 22nd—Spot Cash—No Samples given.

W. A. WEEKS & CO., The Peoples' Store, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

CLEARING THE DECKS FOR ACTION.

The New Year has brought us new inspiration, our separate departments have made great realizations, all to one effect, to far exceed in the brilliant record of '97.

Mark Wright & Co., Ltd. THE HOME MAKERS.

D. GORDON. SIXTUS McLELLAN. Late with John McLeigh & Co.

A BOON

To our Province.

No Mere Sensationalism, But a Reality.

The long felt want of a modern up-to-date Tailoring Establishment at last realized in the opening of our

NEW STORE!

Sparkling as it does with NEWNESS, STYLE and SKILL. Everything that is conducive to the making of the excellence of a Tailoring Establishment is here.

Our Cutting and Tailoring DEPARTMENT

Is under the management of Mr. Sixtus McLellan, a graduate of the cutting school of New York, and also has a practical experience which, as an artist, has left him without a peer in the Maritime Provinces.

GORDON & McLELLAN, Fashion Leaders, Upper Queen St., next door to McKay Woolen Co.