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## OUR SUMMER MILLINERY OPENING IS THE EVENT THIS WEEK.

Our annual opening display of Summer Millinery began on Wednesday and special displays will continue balance of this week and next. We invite you to come in and see the efforts of our artists in producing the very latest and most novel ideas in headwear.

### DRESS GOODS—

The greatest showing of spring dress goods we ever attempted is here now for you to see. Our new dress goods trade this season is a way ahead of any former years—a practical proof that we are buying in a cheaper market and pleasing our customers with values and styles. Almost any weave you want—in any color you want is here for you, and we will be glad to show it to you.

62 inch all wool flaked knit tweeds for separate suits and skirts, in excellent shades of navy, brown, myrtle, royal and black, all flaked with white 4 yards makes the skirt, 5-12 yds the suit, very special value at a yd. \$1.00

44 inch crepe, the newest fabric for summer dresses and light shirt waist suits, light weight but not sheer enough to require silk linings, in exquisite shades of pearl grey, champagne and reseda green, very special value at a yard. 75c

42 inch wide pure wool bright finish canvas etamine, the most correct goods this season for neat, unlined shirt waist suits, in excellent shades of navy, biscuit, brown, and reseda green, very special value at a yd. 50c

44 inch wide fine sheer all wool voile canvas, in every desirable light shade, one of the most popular weaves this season, special value at a yd. 50c

### HOSIERY—

We purchased our hosiery this season direct from Canadian and German makers. You pay no wholesaler's profit when you buy hosiery from us. Comparison is invited with any values you have been getting elsewhere.

Ladies' fine black cotton hose, Hemsdorf dye, warranted fast black, very special value at a pair. 12-1-2c

Ladies' fine Hemsdorf dye fast black stockings, in pretty new lace effects, stripes and all overs, very special values at per pair 35c, 40c and 50c

An assortment of children's hosiery is here that is almost impossible to list. Hosiery for boys and girls, light medium and heavy weights, excellent variety and splendid values.

### LADIES' LAWN WAISTS—

Fashion says that white lawn waists are to be again very correct. When comfort, style, and economy are combined then it is that an article is popular—and this is the case with our lawn waists this season.

Our best lines have just recently arrived and they open up crisp, fresh, white and dainty, extra values are on display at 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25, and 50c \$1.50

## JAP WARSHIPS REPORTED SUNK

Russian Story of Alleged Disaster on Port Arthur Mines.

Report Is Not Believed—Japs Drive out 1,500 Russians and Take New Chwang.

London, Thursday, May 19.—A despatch dated Che Foo, May 19, noon, says:—"Russian refugees who arrived here to-day on a junk from Port Arthur say that the Japanese bombarded Port Arthur last Monday. Russian officers who were on Golden Hill declared, according to the refugees, that during the bombardment a Japanese battleship and a cruiser struck mine and sank. The wrecks reported to have been sunk off Port Arthur are the battleship Shikishima and the armored cruiser Asama. The story is not believed here, but the Russians who brought the news insist that it is true."

### JAPS RE-EMBARK.

The Daily Telegraph's New Chwang correspondent, under date of May 18, says:—"After driving out 1,500 Russians and destroying the railway the Japanese re-embarked from Kai-Chau, the combined fleet heading southward. The Russians re-entered New Chwang with 1,000 infantry and two batteries of artillery, but all preparations are made for another hasty evacuation."

### THE JAP ADVANCE.

A Liao Yang despatch dated May 17, says:—"The northern wing of the Japanese army moving from Feng Wang Cheng, has occupied Kuandianshan (Hsi Yang Tsen), 45 miles north-east of Feng Wang Cheng. A division of guards which was moving towards Siu Yen, has retired temporarily at least, with the object, it is supposed, of covering a disembarkation near New Chwang, and of co-operating with the southern troops against New Chwang and Hsi Cheng."

### JAPS OCCUPY NEW CHWANG.

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Paris Matin says that official advices have been received to the effect that the Japanese have occupied New Chwang.

### HEAVY EXPLOSIONS HEARD.

Chicago, May 18.—A special to the Daily News from Che Foo says:—"The Daily News despatch boat Fa-wan, while passing Port Arthur about 10 a. m. to-day, heard six heavy explosions. They appeared to proceed from the inner harbor and suggested the idea that the Russians were blowing up their ships and docks."

### FROM LIAO-YANG.

Liao-Yang, Tuesday, May 17.—(Delayed in transmission).—Heavy rains and snow which has fallen on the mountains seriously impeded the military movements. The roads in some places are almost impassable, and may have led to the reported falling back of the Japanese on the roads leading here from Leng Hong Ching and Siu Yen. In consequence of the rain loosening the permanent way at Mukden the progress of the station of Shumandzy causing a wreck in which thirty persons were killed, mostly the families of railroad employees on their way north.

### FORWARD MOVEMENT RESUMED.

Paris, May 18.—A despatch to the Temps from Mukden says that the Mandarin of the district north-east of Feng Huang Cheng, has notified the Tartar marshal at Mukden of the arrival of the Japanese in his territory, which indicates that their objective is to turn Liao Yang by the north-east. The steady rain of the last two days has interrupted the progress of the Japanese toward Liao-Yang, the artillery being unable to move owing to the heaviness of the roads. The forward movement was resumed to-day."

### RUSSIANS DEMORALIZED.

Paris, May 18.—The Figaro states that the Czar has received from General Kuropatkin a despatch giving a gloomy forecast of what it likely to happen in the immediate future. Gen. Kuropatkin tells the Czar it is almost impossible to remedy by concentration of troops the strategic errors which have been committed. A month ago Gen. Kuropatkin sent a message to the Czar from Mukden saying that everything was in chaos. Since that time conditions have grown much worse owing to the defeat on the Yalu and the semi-demoralization of the Russian forces.

### FOUND IN ERIE CANAL.

Buffalo, May 18.—A special to the News from Tonawanda says the body of a man, apparently 35 years old, with the throat cut from ear to ear, was found floating in the Erie Canal near the mouth of the Ellicott Creek to-day. The indications point strongly to robbery and murder. The hip pocket was cut out and the stone pin in the man's tie was missing. The body had evidently been in the water several weeks.

J. L. Wilson & Son, architects, are preparing plans for a new hotel for Mr. Doyle at Wallbridge. Tenders will be asked for in a few days.

## DEATH'S CALL TO THE UNSEEN

Demise of Ex-Ald. J. R. Reid this Morning After Lingering Illness.

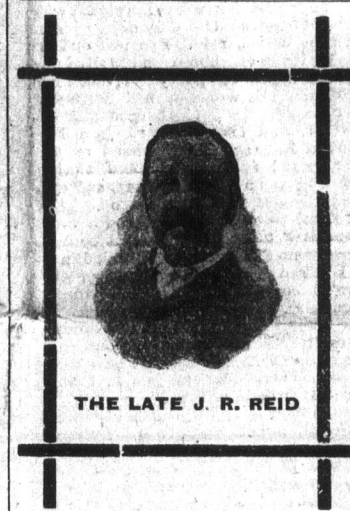
Universal Esteem in Which Deceased was Held—Obsequies on Sunday.

At 10.30 o'clock this morning there passed away at his home on Wellington Street West, after a lingering illness extending over four months, James Robert Reid, one of the Maple City's old and most esteemed citizens, in his 64th year.

For many years Mr. Reid has been actively associated with the progress and development of the Maple City, and the citizens generally mourn to-day with those who mourn.

The deceased was born in Sligo county, Ireland, on October 31, 1840. When but a child he came to this country with his mother and settled in Hamilton, where he spent his early youth and manhood. There, too, he met and later married Miss Annie Brown, who now survives him.

About the year 1885 Mr. Reid moved to Chatham, where he has since resided. He has been actively identified with the progress of the municipality, serving for several years as alderman. He was also owner and manager of the old street railway and proprietor of one of the largest merchant tailoring establishments in the city at that time.



THE LATE J. R. REID

The deceased was a life-long and zealous member of the Liberal-Conservative party, a prominent member of the Maccabees and was identified with the Park St. Methodist Church.

In addition to his widow nine children survive to mourn his loss, all of whom have the heartfelt sympathy of the entire community. The six sons are:—Charles, of Cleveland; Fred, of Chicago; John A. and Wm. H., of Detroit; B. L. of Winnipeg; and Spence A., the editor of The Planet Junior, city. The daughters are:—Mrs. E. S. Allen, of Ingersoll; Miss Jennie, assistant librarian, city, and Miss Edith, of the Post Office staff.

In addition the deceased leaves a sister, Mrs. Wm. Hamilton, of Hamilton, and a half-brother, John H. Williams, of Detroit.

The funeral will take place on Sunday afternoon from the home on Wellington Street West to Maple Leaf Cemetery, the pastor of the deceased, Rev. G. H. Cobble, conducting the services.

### HIGHBINDER'S PLOT

Rossland, B. C., May 18.—A startling story of intrigue and counter-plot is told by a prominent Chinaman here in connection with the sentence of Wong On and Wong Gow at Victoria for the murder of the Chinese theatre manager. A Christian Chinaman, having a certificate of membership in the Victoria Y. M. C. A. declared the conviction of Wong On is part of the Highbinder's attempt to punish Chinamen who accept Christianity; also that the Highbinder, who left the country immediately after the killing, has fastened the guilt on Wong On, who had since accepting Christianity frustrated various murders. By securing the conviction of Wong On through the alleged intimidation of friendly witnesses, the Highbinder, according to the Chinaman here, secure revenge for old scores, and provide an object lesson to Christian Chinamen, many of whom are said to be wavering in faith as an outcome of the trial. The Chinese section here which is several hundred strong, is thoroughly worked up on the subject and anxious to have the matter probed more deeply by the authorities before the capital sentence is executed.

The business man who succeeds in keeping before the public seldom gets behind.

## WAS STRUCK BY SHUNTING TRAIN

Young George Santry Met With Terrible Accident at G. T. R. Freight Yards.

In Avoiding Express he Sprang Before Incoming Freight—Lad May Die.

What may perhaps be a fatal accident occurred in the Grand Trunk freight yards at five o'clock yesterday afternoon. George Santry, a young boy who lives on Park street east, was playing about the yards, and just as the Wabash express was pulling out for the east he jumped across from the platform in front of the engine. The engine of a freight which was coming in from the east, and which he did not notice, struck the boy, knocking him down and giving him terrible injuries, part of one ear being torn off, and concussion of the brain being caused by the contact of his head with the hard steel of the engine.

Santry was immediately picked up and carried to the car tapper's office, where he had medical attendance in a few minutes. The unfortunate little boy is now lying unconscious at his home on Park street east and his recovery is doubtful.

### PASTOR REWARDED

The Quarterly Board of the Park street Methodist church met last evening and passed a highly complimentary resolution to the Rev. G. H. Cobble, the pastor of the church presided at the meeting. There were also present Dr. Geo. T. McKeough, J. A. Wilson, S. F. Gardiner, C. B. Sissons, W. L. G. Snell, Wilson Taylor, Mr. Mounteer, Sr., Chas. Austin, Dr. Thornton, Warren Martin, Daniel Jordan, Dr. Hicks, and Ald. A. D. Westman.

In consideration of the Rev. U. H. Cobble's splendid and arduous services last year a hearty resolution of thanks was passed. He was also tendered \$100 as a tangible appreciation of his services.

Wilson Taylor, financial steward, was also paid \$100 for the excellent manner in which he had fulfilled his duties.

### LADIES GUILD

The annual meeting of the Guild of Christ Church was held yesterday afternoon in the Sunday school hall. The treasurer showed a very favorable financial report, \$716 being received during the past year. The ladies held a balance from last year of \$455.25. Amongst the largest expense for this year was the purchase of the lot adjoining the church at a cost of \$650 and a present of \$200 to the wardens to assist them in the maintenance of the church. Mrs. Shackleton was re-elected president.

## Fireworks

That give good results: that please the eye and satisfy the most exacting is the kind we sell. We have everything in this line for the 24th, from goods at 1 cent each to large and beautiful pieces at 25c.

Rockets, Candles, Mines, Batteries, Rosewheels. You set the price you wish to pay and we will give you an excellent assortment.

## Firecrackers

The kind that makes a report. We have them from 1/2 in. to 18 in. long; the ordinary kind sells at 1c. per package, the best at 5c. per pkg. Be patriotic and make a little excitement for the children and neighbors.

## BUY THE BEST.

## SULMAN'S BEEHIVE...

King and 6th Streets

again by a unanimous vote. Mrs. John Waddell was elected as vice-president, Mrs. Chas. Keller was again re-elected, also the treasurer, Mrs. Herbert Fisher, was re-elected.

### SHOT BY HER BROTHER.

Harrison, Ont., May 17.—The fourteen-year-old daughter of Thomas Borten, a farmer, living four miles from Harrison, was accidentally shot and killed to-day by her brother, a boy of sixteen, who was examining a rifle. Death was instantaneous.

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### COLLARS

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### BELTS

Just received a shipment of Crush Belts in silk and leather—from 25c to 50c

### HARDARGER

Scrim and Flossin for making the latest fad—Hardarger Embroid.

## WELDON'S

Next Door to Malcolmson's Open Evenings



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If our store was so crowded that it could not hold another pair of shoes, we'd still make room for such shoes as these.

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Are made from Patent Colt, Calf and Vici Kid. New Spring Styles, correct as shoes can be made. All sizes and widths. These shoes excel in every way any \$3.00 shoes on the market.

## TURRILL, THE SHOE MAN...