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We were Established in 1852 and have been the Leaders in Dry Goods ever since.

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We close our Store To-Night at Seven O'clock in order to make final arrangements of our stock, and complete the marking down of goods of our Great Expansion Sale, commencing on Monday Morning

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Our Winnipeg business will add to the strength of our Syndicate Connection, and give us unequalled buying facilities.

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NOTICE

The Board of Directors of the Chatham Gas Company, Limited, have decided to offer for public subscription at par \$25,000.00 of the treasury stock of the company, in shares of \$20.00 each, for the purpose of extending and improving the Gas and Electric lighting plants. Full particulars in reference to this stock may be obtained at the office of the company. Subscriptions will be received for a limited period only.

P. S. COATE, Secretary.

TENDERS

Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to the hour of 4 o'clock p. m., on Monday, the 17th day of October, 1904, for the work of cleaning out the Woods Drain, on Sandys Street, (between the City and Dover township) according to plans and specifications to be seen at the City Engineer's office. Tenders must be accompanied by a marked check for 25 per cent. of the amount tendered. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

W. G. MERRITT, City Clerk.

Dated Oct. 5, 1904.

Carbo magnetic razors, guaranteed; no honing necessary. Geo. Stephens & Co.

FOR THE CHILDREN

White Fur Coats from \$3 to \$6.50
Bonnetts from 25c to \$4.00

MRS. WELDON'S
FANCY GOODS STORE

GALE IN THE FAR EAST

Precludes Active Operations By Blockading Jap Fleet.

Four Russian Warships in the Port Arthur Harbor Severely Damaged By Japanese Land Batteries—One Vessel Stated to Be Completely Wrecked—Japs Preparing For the Winter Campaign—Jap Cruiser Sinks British Steamer.

London, Oct. 8.—Continuance of the gale which developed on the China Sea and adjacent waters on Oct. 4 precludes active operations by the Japanese fleet blockading Port Arthur. The British steamer Sishan, with a cargo of cattle and flour from Shanghai for Port Arthur, has been seized by the Japanese off Newchwang. A detachment of the Finland guards has been ordered to leave St. Petersburg for the Far East.

Russian Warships Damaged. Tokyo, Oct. 8.—It is reported here that the fire of the Japanese land batteries severely damaged four Russian warships in the harbor of Port Arthur. It is stated that one of the vessels was completely wrecked. The names of none of the ships were given.

Preparing For Winter Campaign. Field Headquarters of the Second Japanese Army, Oct. 5, 2 p.m., via Fusan, Oct. 7.—The Japanese are bringing up enormous quantities of supplies and ammunition for the winter campaign, using the reconstructed railway, carts and junks of the Liao and Taite Rivers. The railroad traffic is uninterrupted, and additional soldiers continue to arrive. Outpost skirmishes are confined to the first and fourth armies. The troops are standing the climate splendidly, few being reported sick. Cold weather is just beginning.

Sounds of Firing Heard. St. Petersburg, Oct. 8.—The only reference made to the reported sea fight off Port Arthur is contained in a delayed special despatch from Chefoo, which says that on the night of October 5 the sound of firing was heard in the direction of Port Arthur and that searchlights were seen to be working in that vicinity. It is thought there may have been a battle, but no confirmation of the report has been received.

British Steamer Stopped. The captain of the British steamer Chonan, which was stopped by a Japanese cruiser while on her way to Chefoo from Taku, but was allowed to proceed after her cargo had been examined, has made a protest against the way he was boarded and searched on the high seas.

To Hold Out Nine Months. St. Petersburg, Oct. 8.—A special despatch from Mukden, dated Oct. 7, says there have been no changes of importance in the general situation there. The blockade of Port Arthur appears not to have been so effective recently, as a number of messengers have slipped through. The latest advances state that the fortress has sufficient ammunition and provisions to enable the garrison to hold out for nine months.

ARMY FOR BUSINESS.

Arnold Farster Says Army is Not For Sport Or Recreation.

London, Oct. 8.—At Sheffield Thursday night, Arnold Farster, the Secretary for War, said his experience in the War Office had convinced him that the lessons of the Boer war had not yet been learned, and that dangers existed requiring immediate treatment. "We do not want an army," he said, "for sport, for social opportunities or for recreation, but an army which is ready to face a foreign army and defeat it." Under the peculiar circumstances of this country Mr. Farster thought, "we should not gain from conscription those benefits which advocates expected, while we should impose upon ourselves unnecessary burdens."

Col. Farewell President.

London, Oct. 8.—The Canadian Charities Convention yesterday morning elected the following officers: President, Col. J. E. Farewell, K. C. Whitley. Vice-Presidents, Mayor Beck (London), J. J. Kelso (Toronto), Alexander Shaw, K.C. (Warkenton). Treasurer, Rev. James Ledyard, Owen Sound.

Secretary, Frank Walsh, Toronto. Honorary Secretary, Dr. A. M. Roseberry, Toronto. Executive committee—Dr. Tray, Chatham; R. H. Lane, Montreal; S. M. Thompson, Brantford; John Keane, Ottawa; R. Massie, Toronto; O. Labelle, London; C. Ferrier and A. McMurchy, Toronto; Mrs. E. Yarker, London; Mrs. B. Urquhart, Hamilton; and Mrs. O. Sullivan, Toronto.

The next meeting will be held in Toronto on Sept. 27, 28 and 29, 1905.

Four Burn to Death.

St. Joseph, Mo., Oct. 8.—Four persons perished yesterday in a fire which destroyed the Tracey Hotel in South St. Joseph. They were Lafayette Frew and Joseph Dillingham, live stock buyers; C. F. Norton, a stock yard employee, and Mrs. Anna Weston.

Oysters by express to-day; standards and selects, at Northwood's.

SOLDIERS WILL FORM CLASSES

Under Sergt Major Flowers They Will Train During the Coming Winter

New Dundonald Drill is Very Popular—Regimental Parade Discontinued Till Spring

The 24th Kent Regiment concluded its series of autumn drills with last night's turnout. There was a measure attendance of the officers, but the soldiers made a splendid representation for this late season.

After the formal telling off of the Battalion an hour's work on the new Dundonald drill was conducted under the command of Adjutant Coltart. This new drill is very popular with the soldiers, its rapid and comprehensive movements and the individual working of the supernumeraries in the "chain of responsibility" giving additional interest to the drill.

At the conclusion of the drill and before disbandment, Sergt. Major Harry Flowers briefly addressed the Regiment. He said it was his intention during the intervening winter months to form classes in physical drill and bayonet exercise to which he would be pleased to receive the soldiers who desired to take up the work. These classes were being formed to enable the Regiment to start work in the spring with a well-equipped and trained corps, which would bring credit to the Battalion.

Adjutant Coltart also addressed the soldiers. On behalf of the commanding officer, Col. Rankin, who was unavoidably absent, being out of town, he thanked the soldiers for their faithfulness and allegiance during the past season and expressed the hope that next spring the Regiment would prove one of the smartest and best in the province.

The soldiers then dispersed with cheers and Sergt. Major Flowers had many enlistments to his class.

STICKS TO HIS STORY.

Capt. Lorne Hale Says "Whole Thing is Between 'Me and Stratton'—Denies Alleged Interview.

Pembroke, Oct. 8.—Capt. Lorne Hale yesterday had a numerous bodyguard who did not leave him alone to the interviewers five consecutive minutes. Mr. Hale would say this, notwithstanding the presence of the bodyguard, namely, that Mr. Vance made no promise that his expenses would be paid. This promise, he declared, came from Mr. Stratton. "Vance made no promises. The whole thing is between me and Stratton."

Where It Was Promised.

He was asked: "Where did Stratton make the promise that your expenses would be paid?" "Both here and in Toronto. I went to Toronto and Stratton came here."

"How much did he say would be paid?" "Everything but my personal expenses. The Government was to have charge of the campaign and pay everything."

How Should He Know?

A telegram from Toronto, that he was quoted as saying that the Conservatives spent \$80,000 to win North Renfrew was shown Mr. Hale. "Never said anything of the kind," he replied. "How should I know that?"

Charged With 25 Burglaries.

Toronto, Oct. 8.—A number of residents in the west and northwest part of the city have been victims of burglars. Yesterday afternoon Detective Duncan made an arrest that it is thought will put a stop to them. There will be about 25 charges laid against the man arrested. He gave his name as Hans Waldheim. He has only been in the city about six months. When searched 100,000 shares of Rossland gold mining stock, the property of A. H. Greene, and a draft on a New York bank, for \$30, issued by the Bank of Hamilton, Dundalk, in favor of F. M. Robinson of Hamilton, were found. He had some pawn tickets, issued by pawn brokers in Buffalo. He will also be charged with burglarizing the residence of George Melville, 78 Empress crescent.

Strive to Be First.

Toronto, Oct. 8.—Another successful day marked the Provincial Christian Endeavor convention. The meeting in Massey Hall last night was well attended, and the addresses by Rev. Principal Caven and Prof. Amos R. Wells of Boston were interesting and instructive. Principal Caven discussed the matter of Sabbath observance. Prof. Wells took as his subject, "Wanted—A Leader," and went on to show the necessity among Endeavorers of a greater willingness to lead.

Help us to fill the Bank, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday are the days. Read Urban ad.

ATTAC'S KING LEOPOLD

L. T. Morel of England Made Assault At Peace Congress.

Said the King Was Personally Responsible in a Large Measure For the Cruelties Practiced On the Natives of the Congo Free State—Defence By G. H. Head of Cambridge, England—Booker T. Washington's Speech.

Boston, Oct. 8.—King Leopold of Belgium was assailed for his policy as sovereign of the Congo Free State, at a public meeting held yesterday in connection with the sessions of the International Peace Congress. This meeting, which was one of the largest of the Congress, had been called to consider the mutual relation of races and the menace to the world's order through the exploitation of weaker peoples.

The attack upon King Leopold was made by E. T. Morel of England, who represented the Congo Reform Association. Mr. Morel charged that the King was personally responsible in a large measure for cruelties practised on the natives of the Congo Free State in the terrible endeavors of monopolistic commercial organizations to obtain from the country all the ivory and rubber possible.

The King was defended by George Herbert Head of Cambridge, England, who submitted that King Leopold had done all possible to stop the cruelties practised, and who also urged that whatever profits came from the trading and development in the Congo did not pass to King Leopold at all, but were expended instead for the development of the Congo State and in public works in Belgium.

Booker T. Washington arraigned the Belgian Government for the alleged outrages in the Congo Free State, declared that he had evidence of abuse and cruelty and said that a state of affairs existed that was a blot upon modern civilization. "I have testimony direct," he said, "from Dr. Shepard and from the lips of Dr. Morrison, a sovereign man, two men who have gone into the Congo Free State to work among their own people, and whose story of sacrifice is one of the dramatic incidents of history. The influence of the civilized world should be felt and should free these people from the barbarities they are now suffering. Their villages have been burned, their people murdered and maimed. Dr. Shepard tells me that he has seen with his own eyes eighty-one human hands hung up to dry to be presented to the Belgian authorities to show that the soldiers did their duty."

Jonathan George Acquitted.

Sandwich, Oct. 8.—Jonathan George, the aged colored man, who was accused of murdering Mrs. Eliza Williams, whose dead body was found in her little home on April 5 last, is a free man. He was liberated Thursday night because the court held that the prosecution had failed to establish a case against him. In making their presentment the Grand Jurors took occasion to severely score the roadhouses which are licensed in Essex County. Justice Toetzel agreed with the jury, and said that houses licensed merely for the purpose of selling liquor are a menace to society. He again referred to Wade Hill, in whose hotel John Rudden received his death blow, and suggested that Will remove to some other county.

Golfer Lyon Honored.

Toronto, Oct. 8.—The winning of the amateur golf championship of America at St. Louis by George S. Lyon received civic recognition yesterday by the presentation to Mr. Lyon of a silver fruit dish with the inscription "Presented to Geo. S. Lyon by the City of Toronto on the occasion of his winning the Olympic Championship at St. Louis, U.S.A., September, 1904." In marked contrast to former civic functions of a similar character the ceremony was held in the quietude of the Mayor's private office.

Pastor Brown Caught Him.

Chatham, Oct. 8.—Rev. "Constable" Brown of Blenheim, in disguise, Thursday, caught John Peel, a Merlon hotelman, selling intoxicating liquors while the fair was in progress in that place. The preacher constable took the liquor away from the boys and drove out of town with the captured grove. Peel's case will probably come up at an early date.

A Cowardly Attack.

Hamilton, Oct. 8.—Thursday night ex-Roeve James Marshall, Barton Township, and his 15-year-old son, were attacked by four men at Ryckman's Corners, and severely beaten. John McCloy, Hagersville, and Frank Wentworth of the same town were arrested yesterday morning charged with the offence. They were remanded.

One Killed and Seven Injured.

Pittsburg, Oct. 8.—J. W. Rauch was killed and seven injured yesterday in a collision on the Pan Handle Railroad between the Wheeling express, eastbound, and a freight engine, westbound.

When you want an artistic design, call up or visit Victoria Ave. Green Houses. Phone 181.

Ladies

You like nice Stationery don't you?

There is a new kind in the market just received from Old England. It is called English Cambric Linen, in three shades, white, grey, sky, with Coronet cut Envelopes to match. It is the swellest line we have ever had, and that is saying a good deal. The price is within reach of all 15c a quire or 2 quires for 25c. A nice way to buy it for a trial is 24 sheets paper and 25 envelopes for 25c.

Come and get or send for a trial lot.

Sent by Mail for Same Price.

We also have some paper in Mourning Goods, something very special and hard to get. You can have your choice of two widths, narrow or broad. Price 25c a quire, envelopes 15c a package, or 12 sheets of paper and 12 envelopes for 25c.

Sulman's Beehive

King and 6th Sts

Women's \$3.00 Shoes

We've a Woman's Three Dollar Shoe that is a "satisfying" Shoe in every respect. It's a Shoe that will please any lady.

It's Excellently Made

It has all the style of a higher priced Shoe.

The stock is good, and it's a splendid example of good shoe making at a moderate price.

The Woman who wants to invest Three Dollars and no more, in a pair of Shoes, should give this shoe a trial.

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