

R. TEMPLETON, 333 Water Street.

TO-DAY we are opening our first General Sale and will make it a record one in regard to prices and wonderful values. We have reduced goods in all departments to a small margin above cost, and some special lines which we wish to make a clearance of, we have had marked down much below cost. In addition to odds and ends, remnants and soiled goods, we have above \$3,000 worth of goods taken over from two outport stores, all of which we are offering much below cost to clear. We have also imported many novelties specially for this sale which we will have ready for your inspection to-day.

TABLE DAMASK. Half Bleached; 44 inches wide. Usual Price22c., 25c. and 30c. During Sale18c., 20c. and 25c. 52 inches wide. Usual Price35c. and 40c. During Sale28c. and 33c. 60-inch Special. Usual Price45c. yard Now35c. yard 72 inches wide. (Pure White) well worth 90c. yard. Now70c. yard during Sale	TABLE CLOTHS & TABLE NAPKINS in great variety. 6 foot wide FLOOR CANVAS. 20 different patterns to choose from. 47c. yard. MEN'S CAPS. A much larger stock in hand than usual. Formerly20c., 40c. and 50c. During Sale15c., 30c. and 36c. MEN'S CASHMERE SOCKS. Black and Heather Mixtures. Formerly35c., 40c. and 50c. Now, during Sale30c. pair	SHIRT DEPARTMENT. We have a surplus stock, and in order to clear, all have been marked from 20 per cent. to 30 per cent. under usual prices. These comprise: FLANNELETTE SHIRTS, with and without collars. Formerly50c. to 90c. Now Reduced30c. to 60c. Special attention is called to this lot of VELOX POLISHING CLOTHS, for Silverware, 15c.	VELOX POLISHER makes labour light; for cleaning metal of any kind. Only 15c. SEE OUR SILKS. Pongee and Jap Silks; all shades. From 24c. per yard. Washing Silks, suitable for Blouses, in Light, Fancy, Checked and Striped. Formerly50c. to 75c. Now Reduced to35c. per yard Over 1,500 Yards DELAINETES, MUSLINS & COTTONS For Ladies' Blouses and Dresses. Former Price12c. to 17c. Now One Price10c. per yard
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EASTER!



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High Cut Shoes in the best and NEWEST MODELS.
Oxfords, Ties, Pumps, etc., in many new features, just shown for Spring.

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To Celebrate Empire Day (May 24).

Delegates from the following societies met last night in the British Hall on the invitation of the British Society to celebrate Empire Day this year: B. I. S., C. E. T. S., S. O. E., S. U. F., Onward Lodge Good Templars, Knights of Columbus, Leeming and Royal Oak Lodges, L.O.A., Star of the Sea, I. O. O. F., Mechanics, George Boyd Lodge, I.O.G.T., and British Society. Communications were received from the P. A. & B. and Masonic bodies. Mr. W. H. Goodland, President of the British Society, took the chair as convener, and Mr. W. J. Higgins, Secretary of the B. I. S., was appointed secretary of the meeting. The Chairman explained that the British Society at a recent meeting had determined to try and secure the co-operation of sister societies in making the day a general holiday. At present the day was only observed as a Government and Bank holiday, but was not kept as a general holiday by the mercantile people until the following month. It was felt that the day set apart by statute as Empire Day in honor of the late Victoria the Good should be fittingly celebrated. Mr. E. M. Jackson, President of the Star of the Sea, endorsed the remarks of the previous speaker and expressed his approval of the British Society's attitude. Mr. J. L. Slattery, of the B. I. S., and Mr. J. P. Scott, of the Mechanics' Society, spoke in a similar strain. It was moved by Mr. Slattery and seconded by Mr. Scott that a communication be prepared by Messrs. Goodland and Higgins conveying the views of the meeting and forward it to the Importers' Association for their consideration. At the close a hearty vote of thanks, proposed by Mr. C. E. Hunt and seconded by Mr. T. J. Pope, was accorded the Chairman.

A GENUINE BARGAIN.—Women's Black Hose which in the usual way are splendid value at 25 cents per pair, we are now offering at 20 cents per pair at our East End Store, Duckworth St. G. KNOWLING.—apr3,31

Wedding Bells.

January the 29th was a memorable day at Newtown, when Dr. Dougald Jamieson, of Greenpond and Miss Elizabeth Barbour, daughter of Thos. Barbour, of Newtown, were united in the bonds of matrimony. About 3 o'clock p.m., the bride entered the Methodist Church, escorted by her brother, Mr. Percy Barbour, while the wedding march was beautifully rendered by Miss Emma Barbour. The bride was handsomely attired in a suit of cream lace over satin, and presented a pleasing appearance. She was supported by Miss Florence Blackmore, cousin of the bride, while Mr. Jesse Hann supported the groom. The nuptial knot was tied by the Rev. W. J. Wilson. After the ceremony the party wended their way to the Methodist school house where a sumptuous feast awaited them, and also numerous guests, who were invited to partake of the same. After the repast, a few hours of social intercourse were enjoyed, during which time the extensive display of useful and artistic presents to the bride were inspected, and pronounced beautiful and appropriate, showing the popularity and esteem in which the bride was held. The bride and groom remained at the home of the bride's parents for a day or so, when they set en route for their future home at Greenpond, at which place the doctor has just entered upon his practice in medicine. We wish them a happy and prosperous voyage over the matrimonial seas.

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The Elopement.

BY H. L. RANN.



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Eloquents are usually planned by young people who would like to exchange mothers cooking for the plain and simple diet of love in a four-room flat, where there will be no disturbing influences except rent and the gas bill. Many a girl has left a home where all she had to do was to make her own bed and pump the piano, and scaled down a fire escape in order to marry a youth who didn't have the visible assets of a shave or the business prospects of an umbrella mender, with the result that she either had to give lessons to support a weak-minded incubus or go back home and be fogged around by her memory. This kind of an elopement always gets into the papers, but the sequel is left for the curled lip of the neighbors.

When a girl who has always had her own way, with 8 per cent compound interest, gets her heart set on a young man who can make love with the ardor of a fudge factory, the chances are that she will marry him.

If she has to elope in a buckboard and a short-sleeved tea gown. When such a case as this arises, the best thing for the parents to do is to swallow hard and advertise a quiet home wedding. If a girl is bound to marry a mental hiatus whose earthly possessions consist of a battery of purple neckties and a perennial grin, it is better to have it over with before she breaks out of the third story window and into the headlines of the evening paper.

Every once in a while somebody will elope and live happily ever after, but the battling average of this kind of elopement is about .150. When young folks have to run away from home to find happiness, the home needs fixing in several important particulars.

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"We have used a great many bottles of your Liniment in our family, and are selling dozens. We find it the best, and everyone that uses it says the same."

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