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SALE PRICES.

Buy your Cottons this week. From 2c. to 8c. a yard saved on cottons, sheetings, and pillow cottons is about as easy a way to reduce household expenses as we can tell you of, and the careful housekeeper knows that every dollar saved counts at the end of the month. Come to us this week for Cottons.

## New Dress Goods.

Crowds of New Dress Goods here for you to see, dress goods direct from the looms of the best manufacturers in Europe. Canada comes to the front again this year, too, with a splendid showing of home-spuns in the new and stylish grey and pastel tones.

Broadcloths are again popular. Mohairs we can never dispense with for serviceable wear. Wool Taffetas for Shirt Waist Suits are very correct. Tweeds and Plain Home Spuns are extremely popular for the new Eaton and Bolero Suits. Henriettas are strongly to the front, and will be used more largely than for many seasons.

We are, as usual, showing many exclusive styles in all classes of these goods, and would be glad of an opportunity to show you our new arrivals.

## Dressmaking.

Miss Wright is now ready to receive your orders and give them prompt attention.

If you are wise you will get your order in early and avoid the vexatious delays of later in the season.

We guarantee Miss Wright's work to be absolutely satisfactory. Charges for making are very moderate.

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## THE GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC

Will cost \$150,000,000 and every citizen of Canada must pay his share. Start saving at once by opening an account at

## Westman Bros.

Our quotations on Builders' Hardware will prove a nest egg for a saving bank account.

## WESTMAN BROS. Big Hardware and Stove House

## "THE ARK"

## Graniteware

is moving out fast at the  
Cut - Price Sale

The price averaging 1/4 off the regular. Your opportunity to secure bargains in useful articles. Samples of the goods in the window on Saturday.

See Our Bargain Counter!

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H. MACAULAY

## MADE MERRY AT THE RINK

President G. W. Cornell Entertains Curlers at a Banquet

### MOST SUCCESSFUL EVENT

It was a jolly crowd of curlers who assembled in the rink last evening to enjoy the good things provided by President G. W. Cornell at the second annual President's banquet. Caterer E. A. Mounter provided an excellent menu and the celebration was continued far into the night.

Among those who were present were ex-President Robert Gray, Chas. Hadley, Dr. J. L. Bray, J. B. Rankin, T. J. Rutley, J. Harrington, Geo. Taylor, J. Glassford, J. W. Aitken, J. G. Kerr, Jas. Fleming, A. H. VonGuntten, W. Anderson, F. Malcolmson, G. W. Raymond, John Stephens, Mr. Gillean, London, A. C. Trudell, Jonas Gosnell, C. B. Heath, John McCoig, Geo. Fielder, T. G. Guttridge, Dr. L. I. Nichol, S. Ballis, M. J. Barnovsky, W. E. Merritt, A. C. W. Edward, C. H. Gunn, D. A. Hutchison, Mr. Kelsey, W. G. Richards, Edwin Bell, J. M. Pike, Consul Ifft, J. C. Pritchard, H. S. Clements, M. P., L. E. Tillson, and others.

The club has been very prosperous under Dr. Cornell's regime and the many complimentary remarks passed upon his hospitality last evening gave evidence of his popularity in the club. He made an excellent host, and enjoyed the evening as much as anyone.

The toast list was an excellent one, including, as it did, some of Chatham's most fluent orators. It was as follows:

The King.  
Canada—J. B. Rankin, K. C., Edwin Bell and Consul Ifft.

Our City—H. S. Clements, M. P., and Chas. Hadley.

Our Club—J. G. Kerr, Robert Gray, W. G. Richards and Dr. J. L. Bray.

Vice-Chairman—John McCoig.  
The Game of Curl—H. Gilles, J. M. Pike, J. W. Aitken and J. Fleming.

Speeches—C. B. Heath, W. D. Sheldon, John E. Stephens, and G. G. Taylor.

Our Host—J. M. McCoig.  
Response—President G. W. Cornell.  
"But soft, me thinks I scent the morning air!"—Shakespeare.

"And truant husbands will return and say."  
"My dear, I was the first to come away!"—Anon.

During the evening songs were sung by George Fielder, recitations given by W. E. Merritt, and quartette selections from W. M. Smith, R. W. Angus, John R. Smith and J. W. Wilson.

## THE POLICE COURT

Many Matters Which Have Come Before the Attention of the Local Authorities

Tom Gillies, who was recently released from Central Prison, after a sojourn of six months in Toronto for being drunk, spent the night in the Police Court cells. Tom, in spite of his good intentions, has been drunk the most of his time since he came back. Judge Houston told him this morning that he would be given another term if he gets drunk again. There was a charge against him this morning.

Dan O'Neill was given a night's lodgings in the cells. He was drunk. He told the Judge this morning that he was on his way to Thamesville, where he had a job. He said he would get out of town inside of 15 minutes if Mr. Houston would release him. The Judge thought this was about the easiest way of getting rid of him.

The police received a letter yesterday afternoon from John B. Noah, formerly of this city, now living in Hagarville, Ont. When Noah left Chatham he left an overcoat in the house he vacated and he wanted the police to locate it for him if they could. The overcoat was located quite easily and sent to Mr. Noah last night.

There are at present only two signs on King St. All of the rest have been taken down.

The police have at last, after much trouble, got a clue as to the whereabouts of Harry Hart. Some time ago Chief Holmes got a letter from England addressed to Hart, and he has ever since been trying to locate that gentleman. It is now thought he is working for a man in Highgate. John Lee, who was in town yesterday, has volunteered to look up the young man if he is in Highgate.

As a rule, one must either climb or dig for things that are worth having.

## A PLEASANT VISIT

Central School Kindergarten Class Spend a Profitable Time at the Fire Hall

The visit of the Central school kindergarten children to the fire hall yesterday is one which will long be remembered by the little tots. The instructors, Misses Turner and McLean, were delighted with the courtesies extended to the children by the firemen during the visit, and as for the children themselves, Chief Pritchard is to them one of the most popular men in the city.

The obliging Chief has a warm spot in his heart for children, and it was a pleasure to him to show the little kindergarteners through the hall. Nothing was overlooked. The children were shown the sleeping rooms, while the Chief explained how the alarm came in, how the firemen had to jump into their clothes and slide down a brass pole to the floor beneath. He even satisfied the little tots by taking them down the pole in his arms, one at a time. The children learned the use of the hose and ladders and were allowed to pet the horses. In fact the Chief would make a capital kindergarten instructor himself.

It is not often a public official is found who will put himself to so much trouble as the Chief did yesterday, and the visitors were deeply grateful and pleased beyond measure.

## A LIST OF CASES

The High Court Will Open in Chatham on Monday Before Justice Meredith

The following is the list of cases which will come up for hearing before Mr. Justice Meredith at the winter sittings and spring sittings of the High Court, which open on Monday at 10 o'clock at the Court House.

BY JURY.  
1. Clark vs. Mitton; W. Mills for plaintiff, and Houston & Co. for defendant.  
2. Ainsworth vs. Moore, et al.; Wilson & Co. for plaintiff, Lewis & Richards for defendant.  
3. Canada Southern Ry. vs. Foster; Kingmill & Co. for plaintiff, and Wilson & Co. for defendant.  
4. Eberlee vs. Desmond; R. L. Gosnell for plaintiff, and L. J. Reycraft for defendant.  
5. Moore vs. Stonehouse, et al.; Wilson & Co. for plaintiff, and J. S. Fraser for defendant.

NON-JURY.  
1. Morrison vs. Gibb, et al.; Houston & Co. for plaintiff, and S. E. Arnold for defendant.  
2. Cottingham vs. Foster; S. E. Arnold for plaintiff, and J. G. Kerr for defendant.

## THE OLD MAIDS

A Very Enjoyable Concert Held in St. Andrew's Church Last Evening

The Old Maids "Convention," held in St. Andrew's church last evening under the auspices of the young ladies of the Assisting Society, proved an unique success. There was a large attendance present, and the receipts totalled something over \$55.

The "convention" this year was the sequel to the "convention" held under the same title last year. The old maids are supposed to have journeyed to Alaska, where some of them have succeeded in making a "catch," whilst others of their number have not been so fortunate, more or less. Last night's event proved a very humorous affair, and all the parts were exceptionally well taken.

The musical selections of the evening were supplied by the seven step-children of Mrs. Tiny Vantassel. The role of Mrs. Vantassel was taken by Mrs. James Park.

The impersonation of the president of the convention was cleverly taken by Harry Philp, who dressed as a maiden lady, was unknown by many of his friends in the audience. The following were the officers and executive who assisted him: Miss Ada Ross, secretary; Miss Cummings, treasurer; Mrs. James Park and Misses Duffy, Alice Trotter, Wilson, Martin, Park, Agnes Kerr, Coltart, Glassford, A. Glassford, Davidson, McKinley, English, Florence McKinley, Morrison, Kelly, Sinclair and McLean.

Mrs. Vantassel's step-children—Misses Battisby, Collins, Cummings, Martin, and Messrs. James Trotter, R. Riddell and G. Brackin.

A hypnotist was assisted by Misses Riddell and English.  
The part of the Indian warrior was aptly portrayed by Will Coltart.

The proceeds of the event will be devoted to the renovation of the Sunday school hall of St. Andrew's church.

Every man has a right to his own opinion as long as he keeps it to himself.

## SAYS NOT GUILTY

Bail For Mrs. Banwell—Case Remanded Till Monday Next.

Toronto, March 2.—"Not guilty" was the plea entered on behalf of Mr. and Mrs. Banwell by Mr. DuVernet when the young couple appeared in the Police Court yesterday morning. Mr. Curry asked a remand until Monday. Mrs. Banwell was released on \$7,500 bail in three sureties of \$2,500 each, furnished by A. F. McMichael, Mrs. Mary Harris and Mrs. Banwell herself.

The charge as read in court declares that the two prisoners "wrongfully converted to their own use a total sum of \$40,350.35, being the property of the Crown Bank of Canada and capable of being stolen and with the intent to deprive the said Crown Bank of Canada absolutely of their property and interest therein, contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided."

Will Fight Conviction.  
"I suppose you just pleaded not guilty to cover your election and a trial by jury?" Mr. DuVernet was asked. "You have no serious intention of combating the charge?"

"Haven't we?" was the reply. "Well, just you wait and see. Some lawyers might tell you just what we should do or what we intend doing, but at present I am not going to say exactly what our defence will be or how we will plead when we get before the other court."

Prisoners in Good Spirits.  
The Banwells arrived at the Don station a little after 7 o'clock yesterday morning, and were driven to police headquarters, where they awaited the opening of the court. On the way from the station Mrs. Banwell was informed that she, too, was under arrest. Both seemed in good spirits.

## JAPAN'S FAMINE

Families Once Proud and Comfortable Now Reduced to Want.

Seattle, Wn., March 2.—The steamship Dakota bring advices from Nagasaki that the famine situation in the northern provinces of Japan is steadily growing graver.

A second appeal has been issued by W. E. Lampe, Chairman of the Foreign Committee of Relief, in which he says: "When we issued our first appeal to the foreign communities in Japan in December, we estimated that 680,000 persons out of a population of 2,821,000 persons were on the verge of starvation."

"Since then members of our committee have personally visited 26 counties and as many towns in the provinces of Miyagi and Fukushima and have distributed 9,000 yen. Our first figures estimating those effected by the famine are too weak to describe the actual suffering."

"Able-bodied men, ragged and hungry, are facing the snow and icy winds to bring wood from the mountains in the hope of earning enough through its sale to keep their starving families. Women are covering babies with their own clothing to keep them warm and such conditions as these can only mean death in the end."

"Families once proud and comfortable, are now reduced to want."

## GENEROUS GIFTS

The Receipts of Elks' Charity Ball Were Donated for Charitable Purposes

The receipts of the Charity Ball recently given by the local Elks Club total the handsome sum of \$40 over and above expenses.

The proceeds have been evenly divided among the local charitable institutions and societies as follows: Public General Hospital, \$10.00; St. Joseph's Hospital, \$10.00; Home of the Friendless, \$10.00; King's Daughters, \$10.00. Previously the sum of \$10 had been donated to the Children's Aid Society, so that all have derived equal benefits.

## TALENTED MUSICIAN

The Windsor Record in a report of an organ recital given recently in that city by G. Arthur Depeu, of Detroit, has the following to say of Henry McCaw, a former Maple City boy and well known here, who took part in the entertainment:

"Henry McCaw, brother of Miss McCaw, the church organist, appeared for a violin solo, and won even further honors than he has previously enjoyed. Mr. McCaw is heard all too infrequently in Windsor. He combines a pleasing platform appearance with a true touch of the instrument which is the nearest approach to the human voice."

In every clime its colors are unfurled.

Its fame has spread from sea to sea;

Be not surprised if in the other world,

You hear of Rocky Mountain Tea.

A. I. McCall & Co.

Any man can wear open-work stockings if his wife refuses to mend them.

The way of the world is to make laws but follow customs.

## TO CUT OFF

PERQUISITES

Hon. W. J. Hanna Explains Apparent Increases of Salaries.

### LEGISLATURE ROUTINE

Toronto, March 2.—The salaries of officials in the public institutions and the perquisites they receive were discussed in the Legislature yesterday on a motion of Mr. Dunlop, asking for a return showing these amounts.

Speaking to the motion, Hon. W. J. Hanna said he was glad to avail himself of the opportunity of making an explanation so that when the estimates were brought down the members would understand why the increases were made. In some of the institutions there were officials who appeared to be earning a salary of \$500 or even less, and with a view to finding out what perquisites they were receiving, the department sent instructions to the superintendents to supply the information. He was not sure that the return would not appear to be unfair to some individuals. In one case the salary was put down as \$450, but this employee had six or seven adult members of the family not in the institution who were living out of the supplies. This man had free coal, light and house, the perquisites amounting to \$600 or \$700. In attempting to cut out the perquisites, the department had found some difficulty in respect to the superintendents, but from the superintendents down the perquisites were cut off, and a reasonable allowance in lieu thereof made to the officer. While these items would appear in the estimates as increases, in reality they were not so. In the case of the nurses there was a real advance.

Saved Money by Perquisites.  
Hon. Mr. Harcourt said the principle adopted by the old Government was that the perquisites should be cut off, but it was represented that the province was saving money by the system. He would be glad if an admittedly evil system could be lessened if it would result in gain to the province. Instructions had been sent out that grown-up members of a family should not be maintained at the expense of the province, and also limiting the time of visits of relatives. Very often officials would invite relatives to stay with them for weeks. He concurred in the suggestion that perquisites be limited as far as possible.

Mr. Whitney: The trouble is, no limit is possible.

Mr. Hanna wished to be understood that he did not say perquisites would be allowed in the case of the superintendents. He favored the straight way, but would leave it over till next year. There were some substantial perquisites, in some cases amounting to the salary.

Mr. Harcourt said it was clear that a salary of \$2,000 for a superintendent of a big institution was inadequate. Therefore, the province must supplement the salary.

Mr. Graham reminded the House that perquisites created a great deal of jealousy in friction. He favored the straight salary. Bursars, in particular, should have more salary and more power.

The motion passed.

Answers to Questions.

Mr. May of Ottawa asked for a return showing the changes in the Normal school staff of the province. Hon. Dr. Pyne replied that Miss Agnes McKenzie of the London Normal School resigned, and Miss Jean Laidlaw was appointed. Miss B. Livingston of the Normal School, Ottawa, resigned, and Miss Helen Holland was appointed, but owing to ill-health she feared she could not fill the position, and Miss Alicia Robertson was appointed.

At the same school Miss L. Cumming was relieved of her duties at the request of the principal, and Miss Livingston was appointed in her place. Prof. Guy de Laskard was appointed French teacher at the Toronto Normal School in place of Eugene Mason, who died; and Mrs. Miriam Brown was appointed instructor in reading at the same school.

A number of private bills were introduced.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Matheson and Hon. G. P. Graham, J. A. McMillan, Glenora, was added to the municipal committee.

The Temiskaming Railway Report.

The annual report of the Temiskaming Railway Commission was laid on the table of the Legislature by the Provincial Secretary yesterday. The cost of the road and equipment to Dec. 31, 1905, was \$7,475,473.84, less proceeds from sale of road, car rental and interests on deposits, \$38,870.45, leaving \$7,436,603.39. There was expended on the James Bay appropriation \$4,461.25; Prof. Guy de Laskard, \$2,771; cash chief engineer's account, \$2,771; cash in bank, \$32,605.71. Total expenditures, \$7,476,441.35. The liabilities are given as follows: Loan from province, \$5,840,004; advances from province, \$1,636,164.27; unclaimed wages, \$273.08; a total of \$7,476,441.35.

The revenue was: Passenger earnings, \$108,681.76; mails and express, \$7,804.85; freight earnings, \$121,530.46; telegraph earnings, \$4,697.07; miscellaneous, \$11,006.41; gross earnings, \$253,720.55.

Operating expenses: Maintenance of way and structures, \$25,072.89; maintenance of equipment, \$12,533.63; conducting transportation, \$38,323.53; general expenses, \$13,823.53; total operating expenses, \$139,772.50.

Net earnings, \$113,948.05.

Percentage of operating expenses to gross earnings, 55 per cent.

Carried \$6,648 Passengers.

The passenger train mileage was 45-

## Hair Brushes And... Cloth Brushes

For One Week we continue our sale of the two lines at a lower import price.

Hair Brushes 14c, regular  
" 19c, "  
" 29c, "  
" 39c, "  
" 49c, "

Cloth Brushes 19c, regular  
" 39c, "

All Brushes of good goods. V bought 25 gross of these goods and we intend to sell them in a RUSH.

Come and get your share of them or you make a mistake.

## Sulman's Beehive

KING and SIXTH STREETS

P.S.—We have received two car-

loads of our new WALL PAPERS.

They are the greatest value ever in

Canada. You'll say so when you

see them.

## FRIED CAKES

Just Like Mother Makes

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Phone 489

538; freight trains, 21,080; mixed, 55-

197; total of 118,815. Passengers car-

ried numbered 86,648. Average amount

received from passengers, \$125. Tons

of freight carried, 99,192; average haul,

48 miles. Of freight carried, lumber

and square timber amounted to 27,382.

At the end of the year the Boston

Creek trestle was being erected at the

forty-first mile of the second division.

Track-laying will proceed rapidly

northward, and should reach the Black

River, seventy-five miles north of New

Liskeard, by June 1. From that point

to the end of the present contract the

grading should be completed in time to

allow the laying of track to the junc-

tion of the Black and Abitibi Rivers

next fall. Preparations are being made

to establish a train service over the

first thirty miles of the second division.

A telegraph line is erected and 399

stations partially constructed.

A second report on the electrification

of the road has been prepared by an

expert and laid before the Government

for final consideration.

Coming of the Prince.

Col. Hanbury Williams and Under

Secretary of State Pope, made a social

call on the Premier and his colleagues

at the Parliament Buildings yesterday.

They are in the city to arrange for the

visit of Prince Arthur of Connaught

from April 21 to 26.

They also called on the Lieutenant-

Governor yesterday.

The Premier said the Government

would wait till the Lieutenant-Gov-

ernor's plans were announced before de-

termining what steps would be taken to

entertain Prince Arthur.

A NICER WORD.

That Westerner seemed to be tell-

ing you some pretty tall tales.

Yes, he was telling me that out

his way it was nothing unusual to

harvest 150 bushels of wheat to the

acre.

Of course, you told him that

was a lie!

Not exactly. I merely remarked

that it was a cereal story.