

# NOTICE!

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Is your Table Silver as good to-day as  
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Have you noticed that at the parts most  
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Do you think this condition of your Silver  
is in keeping with your idea of a well  
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Then why not, when you decide on re-  
placing your old ware, give place to it with  
the "Wallace" Brand, the Silver that refuses  
to wear and is guaranteed without time  
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Start with the Tea Spoons and gradually  
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Tea Spoons cost \$5.00 for a Dozen.

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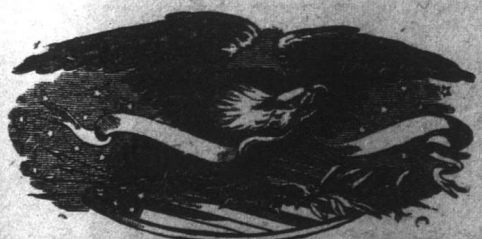
## SPRING OVERCOATINGS and SUITINGS

### A \$60 OVERCOAT FOR \$48

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St. John's

Forty-Four Years in the Service of  
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## Reception to Opposition Leader.

DEMONSTRATION BY PARTY SUP-  
PORTEERS.

Upwards of 2,000 supporters of the  
Opposition party gathered at the Rail-  
way Station last night at 11 o'clock  
to meet Mr. J. R. Bennett, the leader  
of the Opposition, Mr. A. E. Hickman  
and Sir J. C. Croble, who were re-  
turning to the city after their strenu-  
ous campaign in Harbor Grace and  
Bay de Verde districts. When the  
train moved into the station, the  
thousands that had congregated  
along the platform gave the candi-  
dates a tremendous reception, and  
the scene will not soon be forgotten.  
When the candidates appeared on the  
platform of the car, ringing cheers  
were given for upwards of five min-  
utes. After short addresses had been  
made by Mr. Bennett, Mr. Hickman  
and Sir J. C. Croble, each of the can-  
didates were lifted shoulder high by  
their many admirers and carried  
through the station to the front en-  
trance where their conveyances were  
waiting and hauled through the  
streets to their homes. Amidst trem-  
endous cheering and unbounded en-  
thusiasm, the procession wended its  
way via Hutchings Street, New Gov-  
ernment Street and Duckworth Street  
to the C.C.C. Hall, while upwards of 50  
motor cars took part in the grand  
demonstration en route, tooting their  
horns furiously. A very enthusiastic  
meeting was held in the East End  
Committee Rooms, the leader of the  
Opposition and other candidates,  
made enthusiastic addresses. Mr.  
W. J. Higgins also spoke, thanking  
the gathering for their remarkable  
outburst of feeling, and he was sure  
that when the ballots were counted,  
the results would demonstrate that  
the city with the rest of the country  
and done its duty. The meeting did  
not terminate until after midnight,  
and the vast crowd of supporters,  
upon leaving the hall, joined in the  
procession and accompanied the lead-  
ers of the Opposition, Mr. Hickman, Sir  
J. C. Croble, and Messrs. Higgins and  
Fox to their homes. The wildest en-  
thusiasm was manifested along the  
line of route and the enthusiastic  
supporters cheered the candidates to  
the echo. Last night's demonstration  
has been seldom equalled in the city  
and if appearances count for any-  
thing there is no doubt of the elec-  
tion of six Opposition men for St.  
John's.

## Superstitions.

STUPID TALK ABOUT THE LUXUR-  
TOMB.

A great deal has been said as to-  
course which, some people have sup-  
posed, would, in accordance with popu-  
lar superstition, light on whom so-  
ever should disturb the last sleep of  
Tut-ankh Amen in his tomb.

Although such forebodings have  
been current among the superstitious,  
no Egyptians are affected by such  
fears, nor do they express any feeling  
the such archaeological exploration  
as Lord Carnarvon carried out could  
be regarded in any sense as a desecra-  
tion which would bring down a curse  
on his head.

Actual written curses of this nature  
very rarely occur in Egyptian inscrip-  
tions or on mummies. Certainly noth-  
ing of the kind has been found, so far,  
in Tut-ankh Amen's tomb.

In general it may be said that harm  
has never come to those who have  
dug up these ancient tombs with due  
reverence and with a pure zeal for  
knowledge as their motive.

Stories about mummies casting a  
curse on their disturbers very prob-  
ably arise from Western superstitions  
connected with the graves of the dead.  
However that may be, they have no  
place at all in the native Egyptian  
mind.

Ever-increasing population de-  
mands that every acre of land useful  
for growing crops should be cleared  
and devoted to farming, says the  
American Tree Association. Set-  
tlers should reserve sufficient wood-  
lands for their home needs, carefully  
distinguishing between the land that  
is best for agricultural purposes and  
the land that is best for forestry pur-  
poses, and thus doubling their re-  
sources.

## South Africans' Long Sight.

Spectacles are unknown in South  
Africa, except in the case of persons  
of European birth, who have taken  
them with them into the country.

A South African, writing to a Lon-  
don paper says that ninety-nine per-  
cent of European city dwellers vis-  
iting Africa for the first time are  
amazed at the remarkable eyesight  
of the natives.

I have seen, he says, a good pair  
of native eyes recognize a person,  
once seen, at a distance of over a  
mile away. Acquaintances are fre-  
quently recognized at a distance of  
and three-quarter miles away, and  
intimate friends or relatives at two  
miles distant.

In Zululand the contrast is even  
more striking. Here the air is so  
clear that the natives are able to  
pick out objects over seven miles  
away. And this by starlight—not  
daylight.

## Did Robin Hood Exist?

There is practically undeniable  
evidence that the Robin Hood of  
fanciful literature was anything but  
a creature of popular fancy, although  
most authorities believe that the  
Robin Hood legends were probably  
originally based on some grain of  
truth. Robin Hood legends were  
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grain of truth. Robin Hood is repre-  
sented in legend and ballad as a  
noted possibly titled outlaw who lived  
in the time of Richard I. of England.  
With his followers, all of whom were  
expert archers, he rode about the  
country robbing the wealthy to give  
to the poor. Though he killed the  
king's deer he was loyal in other re-  
spects. He is painted as a dashing  
and gallant knight who offered pro-  
tection to women and always cham-  
pioned the cause of the weak.

## Eyesight and Color.

That it is the way in which we see  
which forms the color of our hair, is  
a theory given out from the Vivarium  
laboratories of Vienna, where work-  
ing the group of Viennese scientists who  
conducted the now widely known  
gland experiments.

The author of this theory is Pro-  
fessor Pinkler, who says that he has  
performed curious experiments on  
fishes, causing a number of them to  
live for some months in a tank lit  
only from below. The result was  
that the fish which swam on their  
bellies became dark on their bellies.  
Usually such fish are dark on their  
backs, and Professor Pinkler's in-  
ference is that it is the direction and  
intensity of the light which forms  
the color. The old theory was that  
the coloring was protective, as to  
their enemies the white bellies and  
black backs of the fish were invisible  
respectively against the sea-bottom  
and the sky.

As a result of his experiments,  
Professor Pinkler is sure that the  
way light enters the human body  
through the eye is one of the chief  
factors in racial pigmentation. Town-  
dwellers see dark and grow dark;  
mountain and field dwellers see fair  
and grow fair.

## Tired, Nervous Mothers.

are the direct cause of much unhap-  
piness in our homes; their condition  
irritates and wears upon the husband  
and often ruins a child's disposition.  
This condition of the mother is often  
due to some weakness which makes  
her entirely unfit to perform her  
household duties and bear the strain  
upon her nerves that governing chil-  
dren involves. Every woman who  
finds herself in this condition should  
98 out of every 100 women who suffer  
remember that statistics prove that  
from female ill is helped by Lydia  
E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound,  
and lose no time in giving it a fair  
trial.

## From Cape Race.

Special to Evening Telegram.  
CAPE RACE, To-day.  
Wind E.N.E., fresh with dense fog;  
nothing heard passing. Bar. 30.02;  
Ther. 40.

## A Super-Cat Who Thinks

This is the story of Mephistopheles,  
a super-cat, as told by a writer in an  
English paper:

One day the world will begin to  
realize that there is a big untapped  
source of intelligence and use-  
fulness in the quiet, unassuming spec-  
ies which man long condemned to the  
unimpressive name of cat. I have a  
Tom who has convinced me in a  
hundred little ways that he is a su-  
per-cat and not only understands  
what is passing around him, but he  
thinks for himself, and never acts  
without reason.

Black, he was emerging from the  
nether regions of a coal cellar when  
I met him first.

He was only a kitten then, but he  
thrust one paw against the cellar  
door, forced it open, and walked to-  
wards me with a sedateness inherited  
from ancestry which had its begin-  
nings before time was.

And the kitten, aged of three  
months, proudly bearing the name of  
Mephistopheles, he was installed as  
office "boy" and cat-of-all-work in a  
city office, to the conditions of which  
he adapted himself with remarkable  
ease and success. Within the first  
few days I had evidence that he was  
taking a keen and intelligent interest  
in things, and remarked that he sur-  
passed the average office boy, in that  
he never made a miscalculation or er-  
ror of judgement. He seemed to  
have an uncanny kind of sixth sense,  
taking in all one had to say before  
there was time to speak it—grasping,  
as though by mental telepathy or  
through transference, just what one  
wanted to convey.

Mephistopheles has been with me  
for more than six months, and all my  
friends agree that he is a remarkable  
cat. When he first heard the tele-  
phone bell ringing he picked up his  
ears, rose and walked to the instru-  
ment, and cocked one ear against it  
for all the world as though he knew  
something would be spoken through  
it at a time an exasperated caller at  
the other end said things which even  
Mephistopheles should not have  
heard.

## FASCINATED BY TELEPHONE.

That telephone has exercised an  
erie fascination for him ever since.  
At intervals, he will take up a posi-  
tion with his head close to the re-  
ceiver, and although he has never  
taken it down yet, he gives the im-  
pression that he might do so at any  
time.

Of course, cameras and photog-  
raphic apparatus occupy a lot of space  
in my studio, and Mephisto finds them  
full of immense possibilities. He has  
put in a lot of time with cameras, and  
frequently takes up a position—al-  
ways at the photographer's end—that  
is at least suggestive of a wish to  
take pictures for himself.

He tries to grasp the bulb of the in-  
stantaneous shutter, sprawls across  
the rear of the camera, and even has  
gone to the length of mounting the  
tripod to take up a position in mim-  
ery of a photographer.

Perhaps he is waiting for the right  
subject to come along, and then one  
will have an exclusive picture of an  
unique character! It really does  
seem that Mephisto has a mechanical  
turn of mind, because one of the other  
things which commands his attention  
and respect is a typewriter. I have  
caught him unawares with his paw  
tentatively suspended over the keys,  
and, once or twice, I have entered  
quietly to find him sitting in front of  
the machine with one paw on a key  
and gazing meditatively at the board.  
But if he has typed any love letters  
to a lady friend, he has done so in  
my absence.

More door opening and closing is  
playgame Mephisto does almost  
hourly. And he has a strange pow-  
er of divining the identity of visitors.  
From behind three closed doors he  
will ascertain that someone is com-  
ing, prick up his ears, and stiffen his  
back if it is a stranger, or rush fran-  
tically to meet a friend, on whose  
shoulder he will perch, caressingly.  
And he knows that the visitor is ap-  
proaching long before I do in the or-  
dinary way.

## Shipping.

Schr. Netherton, 19 days from Bar-  
bados, arrived at St. John's yester-  
day with a cargo of molasses.

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um last, rubber  
heel \$5.75 pair.

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Goodyear Welt, Rubber Heel  
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**Men's Black Grained Work Boots.**  
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**Men's Dark Tan Veal Calf Work Boots, \$3.85 pair**  
Good roomly fitting.

# STEER BROS.

A white satin gown of exquisite  
grace features a front drapery start-  
ing from a rather high waistline  
From the wrist hangs a long slender  
train.

A day frock of dark blue serge  
uses the draped silhouette with a sug-  
gestion of a bustle. A serge bow at  
the back is the most important finish-  
ing point.

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