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On Sale To-night And Monday

Cushion Tops

Printed and lithographed cushion tops, including Indian Heads, The Anglers, Ladies' Heads, Skating, Etc. also stamped tops for embroidery, all tops will be sold to-night and Monday at these reductions.

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Muslins

We continue our sale of linen muslins, to-night and Monday, giving the choice of 22, 25 and 30c linen color muslins for.....12 1-2c

A further reduction for to-night and Monday in our fine dress muslins will be this: Your choice of all fine American dimities and organdies in all the pretty colors and patterns, reg. price 20c a yard, tonight and Monday.....10c

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Ladies' fancy parasols in plain and fancy colors, to-night and Monday at Half Price

SIGNIFICANT CENSUS FIGURES PLACE ONTARIO BEHIND

Records Show a Remarkable Decrease in the Infant Population of This Province—Few Children.

Ottawa, Aug. 1.—The census department has issued a bulletin on ages, which shows that there are 13,021 more children under five years in Quebec than in Ontario, although the latter is one-third larger in population than Quebec. Since 1871 there has been a remarkable decrease in the population of infants in Ontario and Prince Edward Island. Whatever the cause of the decrease of the number of children, the Commissioner remarks that it is obviously not a decrease in the number of the married population. The provinces showing the largest proportion over 70 years are Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Ontario. The number of persons whose ages are not given constitutes less than one per cent of the whole population, the great majority of whom are in the unorganized Territories.

UNDER ARREST

The Mexican Central Train Robbers Captured—\$30,000 Recovered.

El Paso, Texas, Aug. 1.—Two more of the robbers who held up a Mexican Central train, and secured \$30,000 from the Wells Fargo Express Co., have been captured at Gomez Palacio, and nearly \$30,000 has been recovered. The first robber to be caught has been fully identified as "Bill" Taylor, who held up a Santa Fe Pacific train in Texas and killed two men. He was sentenced to death for that crime, but escaped to Mexico. Fifteen thousand dollars of the booty secured in the recent robbery was recovered from Taylor.

SEVERE FIGHT IN COLOMBIA

Terrible Slaughter of Revolutionists in a Prolonged Engagement.

Rebels Attack Government Entrenchments With Fierce Courage—Heavy Loss.

Panama, Aug. 1.—The peace commissioners who left here July 29 on the British steamer Cana to visit the Revolutionary General Herrera, near Agua Dulce, returned to Panama today. With them they informed a press representative that they were unable to fulfill their mission because of a very severe engagement between Herrera's forces and the government troops has been in progress since Tuesday, July 29, when the Revolutionary forces began to attack Herrera. At five o'clock Thursday morning the best battalions of the revolutionary forces attacked the government entrenchments with fierce courage. The slaughter of the revolutionists is said to have been excessive and barbarous.

That same afternoon the white flag was raised in their camp and they asked for an armistice during which they could bury their dead. This was granted.

The losses of the rebels up to Wednesday, July 30, were reported to be over 200, while the government forces have had eight men killed and eleven wounded.

Miss Ethel Wilson spent yesterday the guest of friends at Beverly Lodge. In the afternoon Miss Wilson and Mrs. Baskerville went fishing with Archie Park's boat, and tackle, and Miss Wilson caught a 28 inch pike and Mrs. Baskerville a 17 inch bass. Archie blames the good catch on the boat and the tackle.

TRACY IS WELL EQUIPPED FOR MORE DEEDS OF DARING

Outlaw Is Unwounded and in Good Health—Compels Ranchers to Supply Food.

Spokane, Wash., Aug. 1.—Harry Tracey, the fugitive desperado, is now in Eastern Washington, unwounded and in good condition, armed with four guns and 200 rounds of ammunition, provisioned for five days and equipped with two horses. Tracey crossed the Columbia River yesterday morning, and is now supposed to be headed towards the Idaho line. Tracey declared he wanted to hold up a bank or rob an express car. He says that he has promised to give the sum of \$5,000 within one year to

DIRECT LINE

Steamship Line Between Canada and South Africa Finally Secured.

Toronto, Aug. 1.—Sir Wm. Mulock has cabled the Canadian Manufacturers' Association as follows:

"Arranging for service this moment from Canadian ports to South Africa. Wire at once by what time you can fill first ship."

A reply was sent, saying: "Association delighted with prospects of American services. Think October first best date." The manufacturers have almost a year been agitating for a direct service, saying that they were in a position to provide cargo, and Sir Wm. Mulock promised before leaving for England to do all possible toward securing one. During the war the transports and other Government vessels leaving Canada for South Africa have carried heavy cargoes, and now that there is a prospect of a regular service, Canadians, who have heretofore used the New York service will be able to get a large share of the trade.

CONFESSED EMBEZLER

Boston, Aug. 1.—On his own admission, Willard C. Vanderlip, a prominent Boston lawyer, who for years has had the care of several estates, is guilty of embezzlement. The estate of the late George B. Emerson, of which he had charge for 16 years, has been dissipated in ways of which Vanderlip is unable to account. Mr. Vanderlip says that the amount involved is "somewhere around \$100,000," but Col. W. D. Sobier and John Lowell, who are acting on behalf of the estate, declare that \$200,000 has disappeared. Vanderlip was arrested at his home at the south end this afternoon. He was arraigned on the charge of larceny of bonds valued at \$4,000, which he was under a surety of \$100,000, bearing the names of Lyons and W. James Starbuck. Each of these men declares that he never signed the bonds. For 30 years the account has been kept confidential, and for numerous law firms in the city in the care of estates, the collection of dividends, the purchase and sale of securities and the disposal of real estate. He is a prominent member of the Order of Elks and a Mason of high degree.

Miss Maud Walton and niece, Miss Mabel Cooke, of Detroit, Mich., have returned home from visiting with friends in Boston, Mass. During their sojourn in the east they saw all its sights of that historic city and visited many other points in New England.

KING AND BOERS

London, Aug. 2.—The Daily Mail this morning says it understands that Lord Kitchener will come to London to meet the Boer generals Botha, De Wet and Delarey (who sailed from Cape Town for England July 30), and that immediately after their arrival here, King Edward will grant them an audience. Lord Kitchener will be present at this audience as will probably Lord Roberts, commander-in-chief of the forces.

HON. STRATTON ADMITS IT'S UP

Ross Government Cannot Get Along With Even Two of Majority.

Only Hope Rests in the Bye-Elections, and These Will Likely go Conservative.

Ottawa Citizen. The Ross government cannot hope to carry on its business with a paltry majority of one or two; it's only salvation is in the bye-elections which it has expectations of gaining. This is the view not enunciated by any rabid Conservative, but by none other than Hon. J. R. Stratton, provincial secretary in the Ross administration.

Down in the rotunda of the Russell yesterday was a small galaxy of politicians. Mr. J. P. Whitney, the Conservative leader, was there and over in another corner with some legal friends was Hon. Mr. Stratton.

"Do you think that the government will be able to pull through with a majority of two?" queried a Citizen reporter in conversation with Hon. Mr. Stratton.

"Well," said the provincial secretary, somewhat seriously, "we cannot expect to successfully carry on our business with such a majority as that; you know delicate questions are constantly arising upon which the parties come in conflict and in order to tide over any difficulty which might arise it is absolutely necessary to have more than one of a majority outside of the speaker."

"At the same time," proceeded Mr. Stratton, more hopefully, "the government expects to make up the deficiency in its majority when the bye-elections are held in a number of Conservative seats which we expect to see opened."

"When are you going to bring on the contest in North Renfrew?" was asked.

"I presume it will occur simultaneously with any other bye-elections preceding the parliamentary session," was the reply; "that, however, is my own impression. The premier when he returns may think it wise to bring on the contest earlier."

Hon. Mr. Stratton stated that Premier Ross will be home about August 25th. The provincial secretary said he was here on private business with the department of railways. He is accompanied by Mr. W. J. Boland, K. C., of Toronto.

The views as expressed above by one of the ministers of the Ross government will be regarded as a very candid admission of the impotency of that body and the impossibility of its conducting public business unless by some means or other its majority is augmented. And even in speaking of a majority of two Mr. Stratton may be counting his chickens before they are hatched. He is placing the open constituency of North Renfrew in the Liberal column whereas every indication now points to its being won by the Conservatives. Moreover, the government stands to have far more seats opened by the courts than do the Conservatives and any of the latter party which may be returned.

There are a number of Liberal seats, wherein the machine got in its work, but only then succeeded in pulling through the candidates with a bare majority. Of gaining these the Conservatives are now confident.

It is rarely indeed that leaders of two parties agree upon a political subject, but when Hon. Mr. Stratton comes down with the admission of the government's present weakness and its practical inability to carry on successfully the public affairs his views are fully coincided with by Hon. Mr. Whitney. The Conservative leader, outside of renewing his confidence that Mr. Ross will be unable to survive, has little to say just now on the political situation. He scouts, however, the idea that the government will gain anything in the bye-elections; the landslide is much more likely to be the other way.

20,000 HARVESTERS

The C. P. R. is wanting twenty thousand harvesters in Manitoba, and the Canadian Northern, and will run an excursion from all stations in Ontario to Winnipeg, on August 22, for ten dollars, and they can return any time before Nov. 15, upon payment of eighteen dollars. Pamphlets and particulars will be furnished upon application to W. H. Harper, the local agent in this city, or to A. E. Notman, Ass. Gen. Pass. Agent, 1 King street east, Toronto.

KING IS STRONG ENOUGH TO UNDERGO CORONATION

Satisfactory Progress of His Majesty—Now Doing More Walking—Interest in the Ceremony Increasing in London.

London, Aug. 1.—King Edward increases his walking exercise, upon which his physicians no longer place any restraint. There is now no doubt that His Majesty will be strong enough to undergo the coronation ceremonies on Aug. 9, but in order to guard against contingencies a special movable chair is being prepared for His Majesty's use should it be found necessary. The King is expected to remain on board the royal yacht at Cowes until the latest possible moment on Friday, the 8th, if this is possible, but there is a strong probability of his coming to London on Thursday.

His Majesty is in excellent spirits, and greatly enjoyed his seven-hour cruise to Brighton and back today. He read the newspapers and walked about the deck of the yacht, while Queen Alexandra took photographic snapshots of the yachting scenes.

London, Aug. 1.—To-day's announcement of the official order of procession has greatly stimulated the interest in the coronation. No such attempt is being made to decorate the streets on the lavish scale which was assayed prior to the King's illness. The redecoration of the Canadian arch is proceeding, however, and the Westminster City Council, in spite of the police protest yesterday, granted permission for the retention of the arch on the condition that it be removed directly after the coronation.

PLUCKY FIGHT

Holbein Abandoned Attempt to Swim Across the English Channel.

Dover, Aug. 1.—Holbein, who started at six o'clock last night, from Cape Gris-Nez, France, to swim across the English Channel to Dover, was obliged after a plucky effort, and when in sight of his goal, to abandon the attempt, owing to the unfavorable conditions. He was subsequently landed here.

Holbein was in the water thirteen hours, and was beaten by the strong tide. He was still swimming well, when urged to desist, as at the rate of headway he was then making it would have taken him thirty-six hours to complete the journey.

Dover, Aug. 1.—Although Holbein failed in his attempt to cross the Channel, he covered more than the distance from coast to coast. At 1.30 this morning he had covered 50 miles, although then he was only eight miles off the French coast. It had been expected that he would reach Yarmouth buoy, 61.2 miles off Dover, on the western tide, but when he failed of this a consultation was held aboard the tug accompanying him, and he was advised to quit. He was bitterly disappointed, but climbed aboard without assistance. To everyone's surprise he was fresh and strong. His temperature was normal. He took nourishment frequently throughout the night from a rowboat, and maintained a steady stroke. He was guided by powerful gas lamps placed on a small boat. The tide threatened to carry him to the open sea when the attempt was abandoned.

BIG FIGHT ON

Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 1.—The Commercial says:—It was learned late this evening that the Great Northern elevator, capacity, 3,000,000 bushels, has withdrawn from the Western Elevating Association. The Great Northern elevator is owned by the interests controlled by James J. Hill, owner of the Great Northern Railway, and one of the principal factors in the N. P. railway. The withdrawal of the Great Northern from the Western Elevating Association was followed immediately by discrimination on the part of the railroads controlled by the Vanderbilt interests against the Great Northern. In brief a fight is now on between the Vanderbilt interests and Jas. J. Hill. It was also learned late this afternoon that the railroads are discriminating against all the elevators in the Elevator Owners' Association, the new elevator pool that was organized recently in this city. What the outcome of this wholesale discrimination will be remains to be seen. It is said that the fight has only begun. The withdrawal of the Great Northern is said to be due to the failure to agree regarding the percentages to be allowed to the elevator. It is said that the Great Northern wanted more than the association was willing to allow.

OFFICES OF UNKNOWN SON UNITED WIFE AND HUSBAND

Romantic Story of David Parent, Who Was Married in Windsor Twenty Years Ago.

Windsor, Aug. 1.—Twenty years ago David Parent, of this city, married a young woman. A few months after the wedding the couple quarreled and separated.

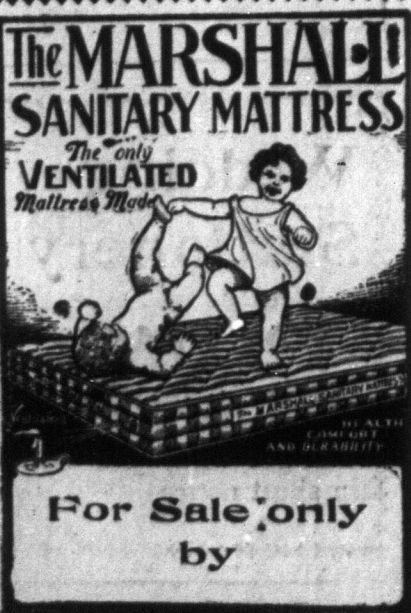
The wife went to Detroit to live and subsequently drifted entirely out of Parent's life.

A few days ago a young man called on Parent, who had continued to live in Windsor, carrying on a gar-

dening business, and announced himself as David's son. Parent had never heard that he was a father.

Young Parent told his father that he wished his parents would live together, and appealed so hard that he finally gained the father's consent to a reconciliation with his wife, and yesterday Mrs. Parent came back to her husband's home.

Kent Lodge A. F. & A. M., Blenheim, having invited Parthenon Lodge No. 267, A. F. & A. M., to attend divine service with them on Sunday evening, Aug. 3rd, in Blenheim, all members of Parthenon Lodge intending to go will leave their names at the lodge room to-night at eight o'clock.



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