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CURTAIN STRETCHERS.



THE IDEAL WAY OF DOING UP CURTAINS. New Stock Just Received.

Table with 2 columns: Description of curtain stretchers and their prices.

W. H. Thorne & Co. Ltd MARKET SQUARE, ST. JOHN, N. B.

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is in the peace of mind it brings—not in the price paid. Yale Padlocks are the Finest in Finish Most Marvellous in Mechanism, Safest for Security, and are therefore the cheapest in the long run.

EMERSON & FISHER, Ltd. 25 Germain St.

Special Sale of Men's Trousers.

Prices Range from \$1.00 to \$4.50

The whole of our immense stock of Trousers—about a thousand pairs—are included in this sale.

American Clothing House, 11-15 Charlotte St., St. John.

Ladies Fur Lined Coats at Bargain Prices

Table with 2 columns: Coat description and price.

F. S. THOMAS, 539 Main St.

THE PREACHER Who preaches the shortest sermon is usually the most popular. Our sermonette for to-day is brief Prescriptions accurately filled, with the PUREST DRUGS and prompt delivery of same to any part of the city.

The DRUG STORE—Phone 587—100 King St CHARLES R. WASSON

Men's Suits, Youth's Suits, Boys' Suits AT THIS FEBRUARY SALE.

You'll lose the opportunity of a life time if you allow the big sale to pass without taking advantage of the sale prices. The sale includes up-to-date suits of every size and description.

J. N. HARVEY, Clothing & Tailoring, Opera House Block

STRANGLERED THE CLERK, AND ROBBED T. S. SIMMS FACTORY OF \$1200 AT NOON

DISASTROUS FIRE LAST EVENING AT BUCTOUCHE

J. D. Irving's Big Store, Legere's Store, the Jail, and D. P. Gallant's Residence Destroyed at Loss of \$50,000

MONCTON, N. B., Feb. 18.—A most disastrous fire occurred at Buctouche last evening when the general store of J. D. Irving was burned to the ground, also the store of Patrick Legere, thamesh, Buctouche jail, and the residence of D. P. Gallant.

JOHN G. WOODLEY LEAVES THE PROHIBITION PARTY

Says It Has Fulfilled its Purpose in Making Temperance a National Issue and is Now Dead.

OMAHA, Feb. 18.—After years of affiliation with the prohibition party, John G. Woodley, its candidate for president in 1900, announced yesterday that he was no longer connected with the party.

GUBA GETTING READY FOR GIGANTIC SMASH

Bill Prepared Which Prohibits Foreigners From Holding Any Property in the Island.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—According to a special despatch received by the World from Havana, there were reports current there last night that a bill would be introduced in the House prohibiting foreigners holding any property in Cuba and that judging from expressions by members of both Houses of Congress the bill would be enacted into law.

ARRESTED AT INQUEST ON LARGERY CHARGE

MONTREAL, Feb. 8.—Hardly had the verdict of death on the poisoning been announced as the inquest on Thomas Green than a detective showed his way through the crowd and arrested Chas. Hill, the owner of the restaurant where the accident happened on a charge of larceny of \$600 at Foxboro, Mass., in December. He was still tottering from the effects of the gas and admitted his real name was "Bill," but said that the sum was "great." He says he will go to jail.

CASE AGAINST THE CITY FORMALLY WITHDRAWN

Settlement of the McArthur Claim Announced in Circuit Court This Morning.

TWO THOUSAND DELEGATES DEMAND PROHIBITION

Monster Petition Presented to Manitoba Government Asking Abolition of the Saloon.

WANNIPEG, Feb. 18.—A monster petition which has been prepared under the auspices of the Social and General Reform League for the abolition of the barroom was presented to the government today by the league's delegation.

FORESTRY DISCUSSED AT WASHINGTON TODAY

Conservation Congress, With Little Time for Business, Finds Plenty for Entertainment.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—With two days only in which to deliberate and to reach some definite conclusions regarding what steps should actually be taken to conserve the natural resources of three participating nations, the United States, Canada and Mexico, the commissioners representing these countries in the North American conservation conference which is being held at the state department, undertook their work with energy today.

INDIANS PLEAD FOR THE SALVATION OF THEIR RACE

Urge That the Sale of Liquor Among Their People be Abolished.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 18.—The Grand Council R. T. or T. proceedings yesterday were varied by remarkable addresses from two full blooded Indians, members of the Saulteaux Band, Chief Bone and his fellow tribesman Rev. Mr. Boyer. They were there as delegates from Kiskokovinnin Council, the first council to be organized among the Redmen. They made impassioned appeals for the prohibition of the liquor traffic in behalf of their vanishing race.

MAIL AND EMPIRE HEARS SOMETHING OF THE I. C. R.

Ottawa Correspondent Says It is to be Placed Under a Commission of Three—Mr. Pottinger One of Number

TORONTO, Feb. 18.—A Mail and Empire despatch from Ottawa says:—"The government has decided to place the Intercolonial Railway under a commission of three members. The preliminary resolution has received the assent of the Governor General and will be introduced by Mr. Graham probably next week. It will not be resisted by the opposition, except to the extent of their insisting upon an amendment making the members of the commission irremovable except upon an address from both houses of parliament."

BEGGARS ARE DRIVING CASTRO FROM BERLIN

BERLIN, Feb. 18.—Cypriano Castro, at one time President of Venezuela, left here today for Dresden where he purposes to make a prolonged stay. He is now fully restored to health. General Castro leaves Berlin on account of the receipt of quantities of begging letters due to the faithful newspaper stories of his lavish expenditures while in this city. One writer demanded \$15,000, of which the first instalment of \$25,000 was to be sent immediately.

Harry W. Schofield came in on the Boston this morning. Rev. David Lang has returned to the city from Yarmouth. Mrs. H. C. Schofield returned to the city today. H. P. Timmerman, industrial agent of the C. P. R., is in the city.

UNKNOWN DESPERADOES ENTERED THE OFFICE WHEN WM. DOWNEY WAS IN CHARGE

Choked the Young Man, Kicked Him Into Insensibility, and Made Off With the Pay Envelopes Containing Upwards of \$1200—No Clue to the Robbers.

One of the most daring robberies ever reported in St. John, took place in the T. S. Simms brush factory, Union street, between twelve and one o'clock today. Unknown men entered the office and after choking and beating the clerk in charge, got away with the pay box containing upwards of \$1200.00. The factory closes for luncheon at 12 o'clock, and at the hour of the robbery a number of employees were in the lunch room upstairs. Others of the office staff went to dinner at half past twelve leaving in charge W. H. Downey, twenty-one years of age. The latter was at his desk in the office when without warning he was seized by the throat from behind and almost strangled.

YOUTHFUL HEROINE TO BECOME A NURSE

Girl Who Saved Little Brother and Herself Ten Years Ago, Enters Training Hospital.

KINGSTON, Ont., Feb. 18.—Almost a decade ago Canadians were thrilled by the story of a seven year old girl who was lost with her little baby brother around Charleston Lake in Leeds County. It took four days of search to find them and it was learned that the brave little girl had maintained her own life and that of her little brother on one bottle of milk which she had with her and on berries and roots. A fund was raised for the heroine and Toronto friends invested it so that she might be educated. This week the girl, now a woman, Miss Caroline Larose, has left Athens for Cornwall, where she enters the General Hospital as nurse in training.

ACCIDENTALLY KILLED WITH HIS OWN RIFLE

GENTLE OSPIPER, N. H., Feb. 18.—His snowshoes tripping in the railroad tracks at Caspee Station, as he was returning from a fox hunt late today, I. Dennis Carter, a well known hunter and guide of the north country, accidentally discharged his shotgun, receiving the charge in his right leg, which severed an artery and caused him to bleed to death before help could reach him.

AMERICAN LUMBER FOR EARTHQUAKE SUFFERERS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 18.—Fifteen million feet of lumber is now on the way to Italy to be used in the construction of homes for the earthquake victims, the last shipload having left New York last Tuesday. The first vessel to leave this country loaded with lumber is expected to reach Messina on Sunday, the several other vessels reaching there about a week apart. The City which is now at Messina will remain at that port under orders just issued by the navy department to assist in the distribution of the supplies.

Downey was choked, beaten and kicked and very badly hurt. He was left unconscious on the office floor. He knew absolutely nothing more about the occurrence until he found men working over him endeavoring to bring him back to his senses. He had no idea whether only one man or a number entered the office as he neither heard nor saw anything before he was struck down. Pay for the men amounting to over \$1,200 had been taken from the bank in a satchel and put up in envelopes this forenoon. It was in the pay box in the vault and the door of the vault, while closed, was not locked. The robbers took out the box, transferred all the money to the satchel and made their escape apparently without any one being a bit the wiser, even though quite a number of employees were only a few yards away. The teamster who passed through the office on returning from lunch was the first to find Downey lying on the floor unconscious. Others of the employees were immediately notified and the police were summoned and a search is now being made for the robbers. So far as can be learned there are but few who knew of the office arrangements for paying the men, excepting those employed about the factory. The members of the company have absolutely no clue.

GRAND DUKE IN A PLOT TO DETHRONE EMPEROR NICHOLAS

ATTEL AND DRISCOLL ARE READY FOR TONIGHT'S FIGHT. Betting is 10 to 7 in Favor of Driscoll and Some Heavy Wagers are Being Made.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Both little fighters claiming that they were ready to make the weight at 125 pounds, preparations were completed today for the fight at the National Athletic Club here between Abe Attel, world's featherweight champion, and Jim Driscoll, the English featherweight champion, who has not lost a fight since his arrival in this country. The little men trained hard and conscientiously, and it is expected that the contest will be the best seen here for some time. Late last night the dispute over who should referee had not been settled, but a compromise will be agreed upon before this evening. The betting today is 10 to 7 in favor of Driscoll. Several large wagers were recorded. There were several rumors that the police would interfere with the fight, but the promoters seemed to be little disturbed.

U. S. SEAMAN DROWNED

NEWPORT, R. I., Feb. 18.—A seaman on board the battleship New Hampshire near Hampton Roads on the return from the trip around the world, was lost overboard and drowned today, according to unofficial wireless messages picked up here today. The name of the man could not be learned.

LATEST WEATHER REPORT

MILD and RAINY

Russian Official Implicates the Czar's Uncle, Vladimir, Who Has Just Died—Plan Was to Establish a Regency

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 18.—A sensational story of a reactionary plot to dethrone Emperor Nicholas and proclaim a regency in Russia, is being related in St. Petersburg today, in connection with the recent death of Grand Duke Vladimir Alexandrovitch, the emperor's eldest uncle. The authority for the story is a high judicial official of St. Petersburg. According to this individual the affair was uncovered in connection with the revelations concerning the Azeff and Lopukhin cases, while investigating the relations between Azeff and the reactionary organization. Azeff is the man who has been condemned to death by the organization because of his alleged treachery. The prosecuting department of the government, desiring to substitute a strong handed reactionary regime and had formed a plan to establish a regency under the Grand Duke Vladimir. How far the Grand Duke was cognizant of this scheme is not set forth, but the official in question said today that a search for the documents in Vladimir's palace was about to be undertaken when the Grand Duke suddenly died.