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Great Building Sale Commencing, Saturday, June 1st

See half-page add and price list
on page eight of this issue.

This business was established in 1852—it has been going ever since. From a small beginning in a little store, where the opera house now stands, to our present fine establishment, which is altogether too small to handle our rapidly growing trade.

We will add two thousand and eighty feet of floor space.

We will tear out the rear walls, upstairs and down, and remodel the whole of the interior, counters, shelving, office etc.

In order to do this, we must get the greater portion of Carpets, Curtains, Dress Goods, Silks, Millinery, Tailor-made Suits etc. into the hands of our customers. Otherwise brick, mortar and dust might spoil them.

You know the quality of goods we keep, the chance is yours to buy them cheap.

Read the big add on page five.

THOMAS STONE & SON, Direct Importers

The Woolen Mills Ordered Clothing Department

NOW is the opportune time to place your order for a SPRING SUIT. Do not leave it until the Rush—

Be The First

We are now in a better position to serve you in every way. You will have FIRST CHOICE of our NEW SPRING GOODS of which we carry the LARGEST and BEST selected Stock of any in the City. OUR CUTTER, Mr. Williston, is a thorough mechanic and has none but first-class Men Coat-Makers under his direction. We guarantee to SAVE YOU money on Ordered Clothing and make them First-class and Up-to-date. We also carry a small stock of READY-MADE CLOTHING. We have the best \$1.50 and \$2.00 Ready-made Pants in Canada. Try US FOR A PAIR and at the same time LEAVE YOUR MEASURE FOR A SPRING SUIT.

The T. H. Taylor Co. Limited

Beaver Flour the Best.

WILLIAM FOREMAN & CO.

Items of Interest

These items should interest the most of you who have a need for such goods at such prices.

Quilts

A special sale of Honeycomb Quilts for Saturday. We have been fortunate in securing a lot of manufacturer's Quilts. He called them "seconds," although they are very slightly soiled, but it means a saving of 30 per cent to you for the washing of them.

15c Percales for 10c

112 yards of American Percales, 36 in. wide, firm, soft cloth in colorings, light grounds, with stripes of tuscany, rose, pink, blue and mauve with small figure in each stripe, regular at 15c per yard, Saturday at per yard 10c.

WM. FOREMAN & CO.

Perfection Stamps the Wearer

As a man of importance when the dress is right. Ill-fitting clothing brings little consideration for the man inside. Let us improve your appearance, and at the same time your importance. Our

Clothing to Order

will do both. Every little detail, anything that will add to the style or improve the finish of the garment is carefully considered and nothing neglected. Our garments are perfect in every respect.

Morley & Co. Fine Tailors, King Street

Chatham's Millinery Store

We Have

A full assortment on hand of the finest Millinery values. Well worth your while to see them.

New White Sailors 75c

This Week

We give a great bargain in Hats. One table Crimmed Hats. Trimmed stylish in all the new goods of the season, at \$2.00.

C. A. COOKSLEY - Opp. Market

Subscribe Now

BOERS ARE MASSING AND CAUSING SOME ALARM

The Town Guard at Queenstown in the Trenches Nightly—Dewet and Delarey said to Have Decided on a Winter Campaign.

Queenstown, Cape Colony, Wednesday, May 29.—The Boers are massing under Commander Krüger to the northward of Bailey. There is much local apprehension, and the town guard remains all night in the trenches. Passenger traffic to the north is suspended, and freight is proceeding under an armed escort. The banks close at noon.

A WINTER CAMPAIGN.

London, May 30.—A despatch to the Times from Cradock, dated May 28, reports under reserve that General Delarey crossed the Mafeking line west of Kimberley, moving south. It hints that there is a likelihood that he and General De Wet have decided upon a winter campaign in the Midland districts of the Cape Colony, and adds that if this is so the movement should prove the last throw of the dice.

TO KILL GEN. KNOX.

London, May 30.—A despatch from Kroonstad says the Boers derailed an armored train on which Gen. William Knox was traveling. The front truck was blown up with dynamite, and the Boers fired a volley into the cars. A

British relief column, with a Maxim gun, arrived, and the Boers dispersed.

RHODES AS PREMIER.

London, May 30.—Certain South African newspapers, taking their cue from Cecil Rhodes's journal, printed at Kimberley, are urging the appointment of Mr. Rhodes as Premier of Cape Colony in place of Sir Gordon Sprigg.

FOR INTERVENTION.

London, May 30.—A despatch to the Standard from Brussels says that Mr. Kruger has formally petitioned the International Arbitration Court to intervene to settle the South African question. The court will shortly be convened, but will certainly proclaim that it is incompetent to deal with the matter.

MORE MULES.

Father Point, May 30.—The large new steamship Montezuma, of the Elder, Dempster Line, arrived from Cardiff Wednesday morning and anchored awaiting orders. She had here at 7 p. m. to-day for New Orleans, where she takes a load of mules for the Cape of Good Hope, under charter by the Imperial Government. Captain Wm. Owen is in command.

MANY PLEASURE SEEKERS SWEEPED TO THEIR DEATH

Sad Fate of a Happy Party of Excursionists — Swept Over a Dam and Seven Drowned—Only Two Escaped.

Philadelphia, May 30.—A rowboat containing a merry party of eight young persons was swept over Flat Rock Dam, in the Schuylkill River, this evening, and seven of them—six girls and one boy—were drowned. The victims, all of whom were Philadelphians, were: Mamie Connors, aged 17 years; Sallie Cantrell, 17; 19; Mamie Sullivan, 21; Florence Bond, 21; Bertram Osmond, 19. The young man saved is John Moore, aged 21 years.

The party was composed of members of the Elm Social Club, one of the numerous associations of this city organized for the promotion of picnics and other social functions. The above named persons, with a large number of others, most of whom resided in the southern section of the city, organized a picnic for to-day. They embarked in a gaily decorated wagon early this morning, and pitched their camp in Rose Glen, along the Schuylkill river, on the northern outskirts of the city. Following their usual custom, the party split up after dinner for a row on the river, and those above mentioned decided to go in one boat. This was shortly after 2 o'clock. Boats were accordingly hired, and the two parties set forth for an hour's fun on the river. All for the boys were huddled in the stern. One of the boys was rowing and the other was sitting on the bow of the boat. After getting in the middle of the river and finding the current too swift for comfort, the boat was rowed towards shore.

During this time it was being carried slowly down stream. The boy doing the rowing decided to go through the locks. As he approached

the dam he was hailed by the lock-keeper not to approach any closer. The warning was not heeded, and the young oarsman kept on rowing until he found that the lock was closed. He attempted to turn the boat, which was then about fifty feet from the dam and 25 feet from the shore, but he turned the wrong way. A moment later and the boat was in the swiftly moving current. Realizing then for the first time that they were in danger, the girls began screaming, and the oarsman lost control of the boat. Swiftly it was carried toward the brink of the falling waters, and just as it reached the breast of the dam, over which 30 inches of water was passing, the entire party stood up, and the boat went over stern first.

The drop to the rocks below is approximately 12 feet. The boat struck the water bottom up, and as it disappeared the whole party was under it. Nothing more was seen by the few persons who saw the accident for almost a minute, when the boat reappeared, with one boy clinging to its keel. Then the second man was seen to come to the surface and make a frantic effort to reach shore by swimming. The six girls never rose to the surface. The boy who was swimming, and who proved to be Osmond, became exhausted and sank before he could be rescued. I More, the other boy, who was clinging to the boat, floated fully a half-mile down the river, and his rescuer, had an exciting time before they landed him in another boat. He was greatly exhausted, and was slightly injured by falling off the boat. Up to a late hour to-night, none of the bodies of the victims had been recovered.

WANTED TO LYNCH HIM

Monroe, Michigan, Citizens Desire to Hang a former Chatham Colored Man.

He had Seriously Stabbed a Companion in a Drunken Quarrel.

Monroe, Mich., May 30.—A stabbing affray occurred in this city at about 3 o'clock this afternoon that may result in murder. William Stokes, colored, stabbed William Rudert, a butcher, with a putty knife during an altercation in Jacob Hermann's saloon, on Monroe street. The men had been drinking heavily all day and at the time of the trouble both were intoxicated and quarrelsome. The knife entered between the two lower ribs on the left side and went through the lung and into the spleen. Immediately after the stabbing occurred Stokes ran out into the street and up the corner of First street, where Chief of Police Antian and Officer Baudrie were standing. Stokes, who was bleeding about the head, asked the officers to go over to the saloon and arrest Rudert. The officers started for Hermann's on the run, and just before they got to the saloon door Rudert rushed out and tried to attack Stokes, but was prevented from doing so. Stokes was taken to the police station and Rudert was

taken into Dr. Victor Sising's office, which is next door to the saloon. Dr. Sising, upon examination, found that Rudert had been seriously wounded, and after dressing the wound, which was about two and one-half inches deep and four inches long, ordered the injured man sent to his home. In the meantime a crowd had collected about the police station with a determination to break into Stokes's cell and take him out and hang him to a tree in the park. While the crowd was raving outside the officers took Stokes out of the back door of the station house and down the alley to the county jail, where he is now confined awaiting the result of Rudert's injuries.

Stokes says that Rudert attacked and knocked him down with a chair and afterward jumped on him, and that it was while on his back on the floor that he stabbed Rudert. When under the influence of liquor Rudert is a troublesome fellow, and at one time he was beaten into insensibility by an officer who attempted to arrest him for creating a disturbance. Stokes, who is known as "professor" and "doctor," came to this city from Chatham, Ont., several months ago and opened up a "fake healer's" office.

Shortly before 6 o'clock this evening a call was sent in from Rudert's home that he was dying. Officers went up to the house to take his dying statement, but the attending physician assured them that he was in no immediate danger.

PAN-AMERICAN, BUFFALO, N. Y. Parties who intend visiting the Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo, can secure private accommodation within ten minutes' walk of the grounds. For particulars and rates address M. H. Terry, formerly of Chatham, 1562 West Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.



MEN'S FINE SHOES
All Styles at Lowest
Prices.

Peace's NEW STORE
Fourth floor.
from market.

TOWNSHIP CONVENTION.

The Sunday schools of Chatham and Camden townships held their annual convention in the Baptist church, Louisville, yesterday. The attendance was large, the evening session packing the house. Average attendance of schools reporting, Knox church, 25; Louisville Methodist, 12; Thorncliffe, 40; Dresden Baptist, 40; Charteris, 30; Dawn Mills, 45; Camden, Presbyterian, 49; Chalmers, 40; Knox, Kent Bridge, 25; Turnerville, 48; Tapperville, 57; Louisville Baptist, 31. Excellent song service by the Baptist and Methodist choirs. Every number on the program was well handled. The officers for the ensuing year are: President, Mr. Isaac Haslet, Thorncliffe; secretary, Miss Campbell, Turnerville; treasurer, Mr. Thomas Arnold, Louisville. The ministers and delegates pronounced this the best township convention they had ever attended.

PRESENTED WITH PURSE OF GOLD

Mrs. W. Stanley Ball the Recipient of a Mark of Appreciation and Esteem.

At Harrison Hall this morning, the county officials assembled in the office of County Treasurer Shambleau and presented Mrs. W. Stanley Ball with a purse of gold and an address. Mrs. Ball was for a long time assistant in the office of the county treasurer and her pleasant manner and bright smile are much missed in the office and corridors of Harrison Hall. The Crown Attorney, William Douglas K. C., made the presentation and read the following address:—

To Mrs. W. Stanley Ball.—The office holders and occupants of Harrison Hall, desire to express to you their regret at your departure and express in some slight way how much they miss your presence and happy manner. We all rejoice in knowing that you have won the great prize of every good woman—a loving and worthy husband, and we congratulate you on your marriage and hope that you will both enjoy very many years of health and happiness together with all blessings possible.

We beg of you to accept the accompanying little souvenir as a small token of our esteem for you.

William Douglas, J. R. Gemmill, A. L. Shambleau, Judge Woods, James Holmes, J. C. Fleming, T. R. Coogan, Harrison Hall, 31st, May, 1901.

TWO VESSELS STRANDED.

Buffalo, N. Y., May 31.—The low water in Lake Erie caused two accidents yesterday. The lumber barge Wm. Jones lies in the middle of Niagara River with only her cabin showing above water, and another barge, the Noquebay, loaded with 1,000 feet of lumber, is hard ashore on the Canadian side, near the ferry landing. The William Jones was in tow of the steamer Huron City, bound down the river, for Tonawanda. Just after she passed the mouth of the river the Noquebay, against a sandbar and Jones bumped against a sandbar and her line parted. Her steering gear was also damaged and it was impossible to control the boat when the current carried her off the bar. She crashed into the waterworks crib and sank. The Noquebay, in tow of the steamer Lizzie Madden, struck in about the same place an hour later and drifted on to the Canadian shore.