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Swell in ... New Styles for Spring

THE present appearance of our sales-room is proof of the ease with which you may get fashionably attired at a small price. There is no chance of inadequate variety of handsome styles. Those seeking the newest suits and garments of the season in the finest materials have only to come here. Again the array of lesser priced things afford opportunity for those in quest of equally correct but less costly costumes. Just a few details:

At \$19

Tailor-made suit, charmingly modeled—light gray, tan, fawn and black Voile Cloth, lined with silk, skirt trimmed with Taffeta silk and stitched.

At \$16

Extra suit, double breasted, dip front, bell sleeve—Lapels, faced with heavy corded silk—ripple skirt—navy and black Wale serge.

\$7.50

Eton suit, double breasted—in fawn Homespun, lined throughout, just as correct in style and perfect fitting as any suit we have in stock.

RAIN COATS

Some swell styles at very small prices are represented in this stock—come in and let us show them to you.

Our \$1 Gloves
Beat the World



At \$18

Blouse suit, lined with silk—there is style in every inch of this—made of Cheviot-finished Serge in navy and black—skirt and jacket, trimmed with silk and stitched.

At \$6.50

Fawn Covert Box Coat—double-breasted, Roman Satin lining.

\$7.50

The new Eton Jacket of Black Broadcloth or fawn Covert, Roman satin lined, lapels faced with Taffeta silk and stitched—very neat and stylish.

MILLINERY

Nothing in the city to be compared with what we are offering—if you want to pay \$5 we have a hat to suit you, or any other price.

Thomas. Stone & Son.

Our... Oyster Patties

Are Not Surpassed Anywhere
in Canada

Orders for Holiday Parties, Socials and Entertainments promptly attended to.

Wm. Somerville

NEXT STANDARD MARK, CHATHAM

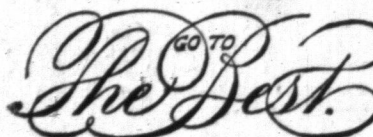
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—WILL SELL—

Picture Paintings

By FLEMING, CHAP.

For the NEXT TEN DAYS I will sell these Paintings as I am leaving the city, at specially low prices. Now is your opportunity to adorn your rooms.



Have you seen the Catalogues of THE CANADA BUSINESS COLLEGE, CHATHAM, ONT.

If not, you are not familiar with the best Canada has to offer in the line of Business Education, Shorthand or Penmanship.

EASTER TERM.
Commences Tuesday, April 9th, but pupils may begin at any time most convenient to themselves.

INSTRUCTION AT YOUR HOME BY MAIL.

We are now prepared to give you a course of instruction at your home in either book-keeping, Shorthand or Penmanship, and have already handled a number of pupils successfully in this way. To those whose circumstances will not allow them to leave home to attend school, this affords an excellent opportunity of getting a thorough knowledge of these subjects, while you are still following your daily work. We can qualify you to fill a good position through these mediums. Write for terms of Mail Course.

To those who can come to Chatham, but who cannot commence for some time, we would strongly recommend their taking up the Mail Course in the interval, and thus saving themselves considerable time and expense after coming.

We allow railway fare to those from a distance up to \$8.00, and can secure good board for gentlemen at \$2.50 per week, and for ladies at \$2.00.

Our Catalogue is acknowledged to be the handsomest issued by any business school on the continent. Write for one, if interested.

D. McLAUGHLIN & CO.,
Chatham, Ont.

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Dr. Russell, dentist, has removed his office to corner King and Fifth streets, over Merchants' Bank.

RESULTS OF BANK AMALGAMATION.

The Canadian Bank of Commerce
Completes the Purchase of the
Assets of the Bank of British
Columbia.

THE BANK'S CAPITAL NOW EIGHT MILLION
DOLLARS AND ASSETS OVER SIXTY-
THREE MILLIONS.

The negotiations for the purchase of the assets of the Bank of British Columbia, by the Canadian Bank of Commerce, an announcement respecting which was made some months ago, have been carried to a successful conclusion. A thorough examination of the affairs of the Bank of British Columbia was made by the officials of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and this proving entirely satisfactory, the amalgamation was finally completed on the second of January. A statement of the affairs of the Canadian Bank of Commerce after the amalgamation has now been issued, and discloses a very strong position. In point of Capital and Reserve the Bank now ranks fourth among banking institutions on the Continent of America. It has 62 branches throughout Canada; five branches in the United States, namely, at New York, San Francisco, Seattle, Portland (Oregon), Skagway (Alaska), and one in London, England; 68 establishments in all. The acquisition of the London office is an important step in the progress of the bank. The Bank's transactions in sterling exchange in the United States and Canada each year amount to many millions of pounds and the ability to

handle this business through the Bank's own London office will result in an important addition to the earning power of the bank. In many other directions such concrete results of the amalgamation will be immensely benefited by the amalgamation.

The following is a condensation of the statement issued by the Bank at the close of business on the 31st of March:

Assets:	
Cash, gold, bullion, bankers' balances and balance due by the London office	\$ 7,345,421.04
Government, municipal, railway and other bonds and stocks	10,308,780.64
Loans and discounts	\$17,454,201.68
All other assets	45,530,388.63
	1,509,074.61
	\$64,693,664.92
Liabilities:	
Capital	\$8,000,000.00
Reserve	2,000,000.00
	\$10,000,000.00
Circulation	5,588,438.00
Deposits	46,423,528.64
All others	2,681,698.28
	\$64,693,664.92

A VERY RARE DISEASE

Stone Under the Tongue Cured
by an Operation.

New York Politician's Lip Due to Sub-
Lingual Calculus.

New York, April 16.—Louis Grenner, formerly Republican leader of the Twenty-seventh Assembly district, has just been the subject of a highly interesting surgical discovery. For years his speech has been impeded by a growing tendency to lisp in ordinary conversation, and even in making a speech. Now it has gone. He has it cut out, and it came out in the shape of a stone. Mr. Grenner's unpleasant impediment was removed with forceps on April 5 by Dr. Irving Townsend, of the New York Eye and Ear Infirmary. His was a well-developed case of sublingual calculus, one of the most rare

affections known to surgery, and one of greatest interest to the profession.

This stone formation is a limestone-like concretion resulting from the deposit of lime salts from the salivary glands. While such concretions in other portions of the human anatomy are not uncommon the formation of so large a one in the sublingual region is most unusual.

Mr. Grenner has suffered more or less from swelling and inflammation of the throat and lingual glands for ten years. Finally the difficulty affected his appetite and he consulted a specialist.

A cocaine spray was applied as a local anesthetic and the surgeon then used the probe at the seat of the sublingual swelling. As yet he had not suspected sublingual calculus, the disease is so rare. The truth dawned upon him when his probe came in contact with a hard resisting substance. He then applied the forceps, and removed the obstruction without difficulty.

Rt. Rev. Abram Grant, D. D., of Indianapolis, Ind., will preach in Campbell A. M. E. church to-morrow evening at 8 p. m. Bishop Grant is a giant both physically and intellectually. A reception will be tendered the bishop and clergy after the service. Everybody invited.

HOW A BOER LAAGER WAS RUSHED BY THE BRITISH NEAR KLERKSDORP

Six of the Enemy Were Killed, Ten Wounded and 23 Taken Prisoners—General Kitchener is Preparing for Another Grand Sweep and Takes a Hopeful View of the Situation.

London, April 16.—The War Office has received the following despatch from Lord Kitchener, dated Pretoria, April 15:—

"Colonel Sir Henry Rawlinson's column rushed the south laager, north-west of Klerksdorp, at daylight. Six Boers were killed, ten wounded and twenty-three taken prisoners. He captured a twelve-pounder, one pom-pom, complete, and two ammunition wagons, with ammunition. Our casualties were three wounded.

"Colonel Plummer captured a field 'cornet and seven men, with ten wagons and eighteen rifles.

"During Colonel Pilcher's operations in Orange River Colony, seven Boers were killed.

"While the letters of responsible correspondents in Pretoria, depict the situation in a rather despairing mood, the Pretoria correspondent of the Daily Mail sends to-day a despatch of the most hopeful character. 'The next six weeks,' he says, 'will see a resumption of active campaigning. Lord Kitchener will renew his sweeping movements. He has an army of 250,000 efficient troops, including 60,000 mounted men, with a good supply of horses, 40,000 having been secured in the Cape Colony alone. The army is in good spirits, and Lord Kitchener is satisfied with the progress of events, slow though it seems.

Pony De Wet, a member of the Cape Assembly, has been sentenced at Barkley west, by the treason court to imprisonment for three years, with a fine of one thousand pounds for seditious speeches.

Colonel Crabbe surprised a Boer laager at Sand Drift this morning. The enemy fled to the hills, abandoning 800 horses, besides arms and equipment. This commando is probably

that which was reported to be making northwest of Colesberg towards Saxony some days ago.

General Dartnell found a force of Boers under Elmet, Grobelaar and Henderson holding a strong position at Smaldeal, and after some fighting forced them to retire east, leaving five dead and several wounded on the field. Ten prisoners were taken, and all the enemy's wagons and carts, and several thousand cattle and sheep were captured. The British loss was one man wounded.

BOER BRUTALITY.

The announcement in the Johannesburg Gazette that the regular service of passenger trains between the Transvaal and Natal is suspended until further notice comes as no surprise at the present juncture. At this moment we are experiencing guerrilla warfare to the fullest extent. Numerous instances of the maltreatment and shooting of black women and children are continually reported, with confirmatory details. The enemy for the most part is now conducting warfare in a spirit totally alien to the dictates of civilization, and must inevitably forfeit the consideration which has characterized our conduct of the campaign hitherto.

A New Zealand trooper who was with the Kimberley column followed some Boers into the bush, where he was surrounded, captured, and disarmed, except for a revolver he had left in charge of two Boers. Watching his opportunity, the New Zealander shot one Boer dead and wounded another. The sound of the firing brought back the other Boers, who killed the trooper on the spot.

Midland farmers assert that ninety Boers were killed in the recent engagement at Jansenville. It is said that this is the most crushing blow the Boer invaders have yet received.

SIR OLIVER INDULGES IN FULSOME FLATTERY

In Proroguing the Legislature—Warmly Approves of all the Questionable Legislation That has been Passed During the Session.

Toronto, April 16.—The Ontario Legislature was prorogued at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Sir Oliver Mowat, the Lieutenant-Governor, who was received by a guard of honor of 100 men from the 48th Highlanders, read the speech from the throne, which was as follows:—

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen, of the Legislative Assembly.

In dismissing you from the arduous labors of the session, I have to thank you for the attention given to the public duties imposed upon you and for the valuable legislation which I have just sanctioned.

I cordially approve of the measures for connecting the railway system of Ontario by means of the Manitoulin & North Shore Railway with the unsettled districts lying to the east of Lake Superior, the effect of which, I trust, will be to add greatly to the productive area of a hitherto unoccupied part of the public domain. I have assented with much pleasure to the act respecting the University of Toronto. The changes made in the organization of the university, and the assistance granted for the maintenance and extension of the departments which bear upon the industry of the province will, I am confident, add materially to the usefulness of the university and to its claims upon the continued confidence of the people.

The acts, also, for amending and consolidating the laws respecting public and high schools have my hearty approval.

Your efforts to facilitate transportation throughout the province by simplifying the machinery for the abolition of tolls and granting \$1,000,000 for the improvement of public highways are, I believe, in the public interest. It is of great importance to the farmers of the province that they should be able to reach at all seasons of the year the markets at which they dispose of their produce with reasonable comfort and as cheaply as possible. The advantages which these measures afford will, I trust, prove satisfactory.

The measure for the encouragement of the manufacture of beet root sugar deserves public favor. The establishment of a new industry so closely connected with advanced methods of agriculture and with the activities of rural life cannot fail to improve the condition of that important class of the province who depend for their subsistence upon the profits to be made from the cultivation of the soil. I notice with much satisfaction the recognition, so well deserved, which is given to the volunteers who served in

South Africa, as well as to the volunteers of Ontario who served on the frontier in 1886 and 1870. The grant of 100 acres of land to each of the volunteers and their families is, I believe, a wise appropriation from the public domain, and will, I am sure, be appreciated by those to whom it is given, and at the same time be a tribute to the patriotism of the men who risked their lives in the interests of the Empire and the province.

The amendments made to the municipal and assessment acts, for improving and rendering more effective the government and powers of municipal corporations, and to other statute laws of the province, with a view to improving the administration of justice, will be to the material advantage of the country.

I note that the private legislation of the session indicates as usual the increasing wants of our people. These measures, some of which are of a very important character, bear evidence of having received careful consideration. I thank you for the liberal appropriation of money made for the public service. The supplies which you have granted will be expended with economy and in the public interest.

NEW YORK'S TWIN EVILS

The Pastors say That the Gambling Going on is One

While the Low Birth Rate is the Other—G. m. b. i. g. winning Gives to the Churches.

New York, April 16.—Too much gambling in society and too few children are the twin evils that are attracting the attention of the pastors of fashionable New York congregations, says the Evening World. Many of these ministers are recent additions to the religious and fashionable life of New York, and they declare that the conditions that they have encountered here appal them. The ministers have been counselling with each other, exchanging confidences and experiences, and trying to devise means of correcting the conditions which they say prevail. They have not decided what they will do, but they have declared that they will not begin any public crusade and they will not refer to the subjects in sermons. When a score of ministers who care for flocks that live up and down Madison, Fifth, West End and Amsterdam avenues

Heavy Soled Shoes for Ladies

Are becoming more popular every day. Even in Oxford Ties they are very largely worn.

We have a splendid range of these goods, two of the best sellers are our Oxford Tie Extension Soles, sizes 2½ to 7, at \$1.50, and a better line at \$2.00.

Our range of Turn Sole Oxfords, Southern Ties and Trilby Buttons Shoes is very complete.

Peaces' New Store

The first Shoe Store West of
The Market.
TRUNKS AND VALISES.

began to talk over their troubles in conference, they found that all had the same stories to tell. Gambling among the members of their flocks, they said, was entirely too common, and the play was often for extremely high stakes. Many instances were told showing how young men had lost much larger sums than they could afford, and had often been compelled to borrow small sums for railroad fares or temporary expenses from their hostesses. One of the ministers who attended the conference—"It is my personal opinion that a good deal of the money put on the plates in such liberal amounts on Easter Sunday came easy at the gambling table, or if it did not, these large gifts were made in many instances as balms to supposed guilty consciences. It is a very easy form of imaginary self-denial, this giving of money by people who have plenty, instead of personal service and to atone for dissipation. I am no longer young, and have seen conditions in many cities, but I never imagined conditions existing anywhere so bad as were described at our informal talk, and that by men who related what they knew beyond doubt to be true."

THE FISHING WAS GOOD.

Ald. Liddy says he never saw a larger crowd fishing Sunday than he saw yesterday fishing for cannon balls above Pikeville. The excitement also was intense and the sporting dogs of one man got so excited that it killed one of Mr. Bennett's thoroughbred chickens. After some discussion the owner of the dog donated to the owner of the chicken and walked away.

Ald. Liddy says that a large number of cannon balls were fished up. The men were working from daylight till dark. The fishers were driving a good trade selling the balls at 25c each.

POPULATION DECREASING

According to the Assessor's
Figures in the County of
Kent.

The Showing in the Various Municipalities—A Mistake May Have
Been Made in Chatham
Township.

County Clerk Fleming this morning forwarded to the Government the statement of the county's population as shown by the assessment rolls. As compared with last year a decrease is shown, largely resultant from the figures for Chatham township, where it is felt some mistake may have occurred. The figures are as follows:—

	1901.	1900.
Camden	2,523	2,488
Chatham	5,039	5,067
Dover	4,234	4,145
Harwich	4,503	4,503
Howard	3,528	3,528
Orford	2,544	2,586
Raleigh	4,499	4,525
Romey	1,850	1,880
Tilbury East	3,329	3,303
Zona	1,198	1,287
Blenheim	1,075	1,082
Bathwell	839	924
Bredon	1,584	1,633
Ridgeway	2,298	2,195
Wallaceburg	2,861	2,888
Thamesville	893	842
Tilbury	1,052	1,046
	41,946	44,712

SOCIAL EVENING.

The Young People's Society of Christ Church held a very successful social evening last night. The program was as follows:—
Solo—Miss Gertrude Somerville.
Cornet Solo—Mr. Allie Philip.
Recitation—Miss Belle Baxter.
Solo—E. J. Forsythe.
Instrumental Duet—Misses May Taylor and Allison McLean.
Solo—Miss Bell Stewart.
Instrumental Duet—Misses Scott.
J. W. Shackleton officiating as chairman. During the evening refreshments were served by the ladies.