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On Sale To-night

These are money saving opportunities for you to-night. Come in and see them.

Towels Pure linen white huck towels, fringed, fine bright finish, size 20 x 40, regular price 50c a pair, to-night special 39c.	Silks of the season, in lengths from 1 1/2 to 5 1/2 yards, including chevrons, serges, cloths, etc., and marked at sale clearing HALF PRICE.	Men's Hose Scotch merino hose, natural color, in sizes, 9, 9 1/2 and 10 in., regular price 25c pair, to-night 15c.
Ladies' Hose Ladies full fashioned black cashmere hose, all wool, apliced ankles, seamless feet, fast black, sizes 8 1/2, 9 and 9 1/2, regular price 45c a pair, very special to-night at 3 pairs for \$1.00.	Purses Black leather coin purses, pocket size, single clasp, very special, to-night at each, 39c.	
Remnants Remnants of black and colored dress goods, some of the choicest goods	Handkerchiefs Ladies embroidered cambric hdkfs, hem stitched and scalloped edges, very pretty design, regular value 35c and 50c, to-night for 24c.	

Thomas Stone & Son

: YOUR XMAS BUYING :

Why not do it early this year? Make the start tomorrow—it is not too far ahead to select Christmas Gifts.

Stocks are complete now—more so, than they will be after the rush is on, and you can do your shopping easier and with more comfort by not being crowded. You can do it better for the same reason, because you can plan it better. Look over today's list of suggestions from our Furnishing Department—articles men will appreciate because they can wear them—every one right in fashion and of that high quality which makes satisfaction certain. You can make no mistake when you buy where men buy.

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The most beautiful and the largest line shown by any firm in Chatham—we except none—new and attractive designs and colorings, in heavy rich silks—all exclusive with us. Four-in-Hands, Imperials, Ascots, Tecks, Puffs and Strings.

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Made of silk, wool and cashmere—exquisite colors and patterns—most of them come from England.

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Dress Protectors, \$1.50

Gloves

Of Kid, Wool, Mocha, Gray Suede, Buckskin, \$1.00 to \$3.00; a complete variety Mocha Gloves, silk lined, for theatre wear.

\$1.50

Scotch Knit and Fur Lined Gloves. We forgot nothing!

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Underwear of Silk and Balbriggan, Silk and Wool and Cotton, in fact we have everything for men, and all of the highest quality. Hosiery, plain and fancy, in silk, lisle and cotton, balbriggan and cashmere.

Suspenders—the new and beautiful Persian effects—plain ones for embroidering—fancy Oriental weaves and colorings—the best from the leading makers—priced from

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Evening Dress Shirts, \$1.50

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WILL CONVEY CONTINGENT

Two British Troopships Will be Sent out to Take Men to South Africa.

Yukon Men Anxious to go but Cannot Reach Ottawa in Time—Recruiting.

Ottawa, Dec. 6.—The Minister of Militia has received a cable from the War Office stating that two British troopships will be sent to Canada to convey to South Africa the Canadian Mounted Infantry. The Manhattan and the Range will be sent. The Manhattan is fitted up with accommodation for 17 officers, 450 men and 520 horses. The Range can accommodate 30 officers, 450 men and 200 horses. There will therefore be no crowding on the steamers, seeing that the full complement to be sent is a force of 600 in all. Colonel Evans states that the list of officers has been completed and forwarded to the War Office for approval.

The Minister of Militia and Colonel Evans are in receipt of telegrams from Dawson City asking that a number of men be taken from the Yukon. The Minister has replied that if a limited number manage to get there in time they will find places in the contingent. Col. Evans sent similar answers to some parties in Dawson who were writing him direct for places on the force. They must be here by January 1 to be sure of a place. Positions for a limited number will be kept for Yukoners. A militia order issued to-day says:—District officers commanding within whose districts are units of the permanent force, will arrange for a specially selected non-commissioned officer of such permanent corps to proceed to the principal town within their district, on dates to be fixed by the district officer commanding, for the purpose of recruiting men for the 3rd (special service) Battalion, Royal Canadian Regiment. Non-commissioned officers detailed for this duty will be allowed 50 cents per man recruited by them. Recruits will be sent to the headquarters of the district for approval and enlistment, and while there will be attached to the unit of the permanent corps for rations and quarters. When five or more have been recruited they will be forwarded to Halifax in charge of acting non-commissioned officers.

FIVE YEARS IN AN ASYLUM

Woman now Released Claims That she has Never Been Insane.

Accuses Her Sister With Having Her Incarcerated to Secure Property.

Denver Colorado, Dec. 6.—Judge Lindsey has made an order releasing Mrs. Nettie Myers from the insane ward, after having been confined in asylums of this state during the past five years. She claims that she had considerable property when the charge of insanity was brought against her, but that it has all disappeared. She has employed an attorney, and an order of court has been made directing the conservator to tell what has become of the property which was entrusted to his care.

Mrs. Meyer blames her sister, who resides at Ludington, Mich., for the persecution which she says she has undergone. "Eleven years ago," she says, "my mother died and left a small estate, part of which should have come to me, but I never got it. When I went to my sister's I endeavored to obtain my share, and soon after they saw I was going to make trouble I was taken to jail on a charge of insanity and kept there for ten weeks. "After they had kept me there for several months I was shipped back to Denver. My husband died, and I was sent to Dr. Work's asylum in Pueblo, and kept there two years. One day Dr. Work told me that I was not insane, and that if I could get the consent of my sister in Ludington, he would set me free. I knew that there was no use writing to her. They gave me great liberties at the asylum, and one night when the attendants were away at a circus I made my escape."

AN APPROPRIATE DESIGN.
Toronto Telegram.

The huckstering pawnbroking spirit of the Laurier government in connection with further help to Britain in South Africa would suggest the Union Jack with three bells rampant as the most appropriate design for a Canadian flag.

MET DEATH IN OTTAWA RIVER

Sad Fate of Daughter of Hon. A. G. Blair—Also Popular Newspaper Man.

Young Lady Broke Through Ice While Skating—Young man Also Drowned.

Ottawa, Dec. 6.—Miss Bessie, fourth daughter of the Hon. A. G. Blair, Minister of Railways and Canals, and Henry A. Harper, associate editor of the Labor Gazette, and acting Deputy Minister of Labor, were drowned to-night in the Ottawa River, about a mile from the city. They had been skating, and Harper lost his life while bravely trying to save Miss Blair and Alex. Creelman, a clerk in the Imperial Bank. The accident caused a great shock in the city. Hon. A. G. and Mrs. Blair are in Clifton Springs, N. Y. Creelman was rescued by Mr. A. N. C. Tredgold, of Dawson City, in an exhausted condition, and is now under medical treatment at his lodging house. The bodies will probably not be found until next spring.

The accident happened about dusk on the main channel of the Ottawa River, where the current is swift and the water about 35 feet deep. The Misses May and Bessie Blair, Miss Snowball, daughter of Senator Snowball, Halifax, who was a guest of the Misses Blair, Messrs. Harper, Tredgold and Creelman, were out skating, and had gone several miles down the river from the city. They were returning, Miss Bessie Blair and Creelman skating hand-in-hand ahead, Harper and Miss Snowball about forty yards behind, and Tredgold and Miss Blair, some distance further away. The ice was thin near the head of the Kettle Island, where the party were, and Miss Bessie Blair and Creelman suddenly pitched head first into a hole. Both could swim and did make a few strokes toward the ice. Creelman shouted to Harper to keep away from the water, but Harper threw off his coat and gloves and made for them. He dove in the water to help Miss Blair, and that is the last Creelman saw of him. Creelman tried to lift Miss Blair out on the ice, and in doing so sank himself. When he came up his head struck ice, and he broke his way through to clear air. Miss Blair had disappeared, and Creelman was alone in the icy water, clinging to the ice and shouting for help.

Meanwhile Miss Snowball was skating to Galineau Point to summon aid. She had time to arouse the men in the hotel, and they took whiskey, and blankets and started for the scene of the accident. Miss Snowball was skating in the direction of this river, when A. N. C. Tredgold shouted to her to look out for danger. He saw a dark object and made for it, while Creelman's cries for help could be heard more and more plainly. The dark object was brave Harper's hat, and then Creelman warned Tredgold to look out, and the latter had a rope and told Creelman to hold on. The latter said he was all right.

Meanwhile Creelman was getting his rope ready, and a native of Blais, who lived on shore, came out in a punt, and pulled Creelman out of the water. Creelman lost consciousness at Blais' house, but recovered enough to be taken to his boarding house, where doctors attended to him. He is suffering from exposure, but will recover. Creelman had probably been in the water about fifteen minutes when he was rescued by Blais.

Miss Snowball was too agitated to-night to tell a very connected story of the accident. Harper showed pure grit, and his death is lamented by all who knew him. He was a native of Blais, and about twenty-seven years old. He was master of arts in Toronto University, and had been in newspaper work in Toronto, Montreal and Ottawa, where he represented the Montreal Herald as Ottawa correspondent until his appointment as associate editor of the Labor Gazette. For the past month he has been acting Deputy Minister of Labor, in the absence of Deputy W. L. King.

Creelman, who was rescued, is a clerk in the Imperial Bank, and came here from Toronto. His brother is C. P. R. solicitor. Creelman says Miss Blair told him not to mind her, that she could swim, and she did strike out for the edge of the ice. He held her above water for some time, but at last the exposure began to tell, and the poor girl began to groan, and in the final effort to save her Creelman sank, and when he arose again Miss Blair had gone to her death.

To-night a party of friends went to the scene of the tragedy and took grappling irons and lanterns, but could not do anything. They were advised to wait until daylight in the hope that the bodies may be found near the scene of the accident, but if they have gone under the ice any distance they will probably not be found until next spring. Harper's parents are dead, but one sister lives in Blais, another in North Bay, and he has a brother a doctor in New York, and

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OF SCOTCH SONG THE QUEEN

Mrs Jessie M'Lachlan Delighted at Large Audience at the Grand.

Splendid Concert Program Presented Under the Auspices of Carlyle Camp.

"Will ye no' come back again." This sentence clearly illustrates the sentiments expressed by all of those who were so fortunate as to hear Miss Jessie M'Lachlan sing at the Grand last evening.

The occasion was that of the Scottish concert given by Camp Carlyle, Sons of Scotland, an event which has been looked forward to with interest by every music lover in the city of Chatham. The concert was extremely successful in every particular, and the large crowd that was present had no cause for regret, and should Miss M'Lachlan ever appear in Chatham again there is no doubt that it would be impossible for the Opera House to accommodate the numbers who would seek admission.

No better title could be found for Miss M'Lachlan than "The Queen of Scottish Song." Her bright and charming appearance, combined with her rich and powerful soprano voice, cannot but pronounce her a decided favorite wherever she goes. The audience, no doubt, was composed mainly of Scots, who were drawn there by their love of Scotland and Scottish songs, but Miss M'Lachlan has the power of winning the feeling and sympathy of any audience.

Those who were present, no doubt, felt that something out of the ordinary might be expected from this talented singer, but few were prepared for the glorious rendering of "Angus McDonald," which was her opening number. The audience was fairly taken by storm and she was greeted with a hurricane of applause. She was pressed for an encore after every one of her performances and she responded with a grace which was most gratifying to the audience. After her first selection she was presented with a large bouquet of flowers by a little girl, Jean M'Lachlan, dressed in Scottish garb.

Robert Buchanan, Jr., pianist, Harry M. Bennett, comic singer, and Henry McCaw, violinist, also performed with great credit to themselves and won a warm place in the hearts of the audience, as shown by their enthusiastic and repeated encores.

The concert was opened by a short speech by P. D. McKellar, a member of Camp Carlyle.

The following is the program in its entirety:—

PART I.
Piano Solo, Balmoral, Buchanan—Mr. Robt. Buchanan, Jr.
Comic Song, You're Welcome—Mr. Harry M. Bennett.
Song, Angus MacDonald—Miss Jessie M'Lachlan.
Violin Solo, Scotch Rhapsody, Op. 47, Hauser—Mr. Henry McCaw.
Comic Song, Why Don't the Band Play—Mr. Harry M. Bennett.
Song, The Dear Auld Hame—Miss Jessie M'Lachlan.

PART II.
Piano Solo, Ben Wyvis, Buchanan—Robt. Buchanan, Jr.
Comic Song, "I'm Going to be Married"—Mr. Harry M. Bennett.
Gaelic Songs—A. Bhatia; b. Mo Dhacaidh, with Clarsach or Highland harp accompaniment—Miss Jessie M'Lachlan.
Violin Solo, Caprice, Op. 314, Bohm—Mr. Henry McCaw.
Comic Song, The Lass o' Killiecrankie—Mr. Henry M. Bennett.
Songs, a. Can ye Sew Cushions; b. Wi' o Hundred Pipers—Miss Jessie M'Lachlan.
God Save the King.

ALIVE IN COFFIN

Body of Executed Murderer Shows Signs of Life When Being Buried.

Little Rock, Ark., Dec. 6.—Bud Wilson, the convict, who killed R. H. Taylor, a guard of the Yell county convict camp, last December, was hanged to-day at Danville. Twenty minutes after the trap was sprung the body was lowered into the coffin. Before the lid was placed upon the coffin the body began moving about. Wilson opened his eyes and his whole frame shivered. He was taken from the coffin by the deputies and carried up the steps to the scaffold for the purpose of hanging him again. When the platform was reached the body became rigid, remained so for a moment and then became limp. Wilson was examined carefully by the physicians, who finally pronounced him dead, death having been caused by strangulation.

T. H. Arkman, of London, Ont., fell off a C. P. R. train at Fort William and was killed.
The writ for the Parliamentary election in York, N. B., has been issued. December 28 is polling day, and the candidates are Messrs. Gibson, Liberal, and McLeod, Conservative.

TENDERED HIS RESIGNATION

County Commissioner Morrison States Raleigh Has Been Unfairly Dealt With.

The Warden, Destroyed the Paper and Mr. Morrison Will be Urged to Reconsider.

At county council to-day, when the Finance committee reported that the grant to Raleigh towards building a bridge at Jeannette's Creek be laid over, Mr. Morrison moved in amendment that it be granted, saying that other municipalities had been given grants, while Raleigh had not received a cent this year.

Mr. Morrison's amendment was voted down.

At the conclusion of the council meeting Mr. Morrison placed his resignation in the Warden's hands.

The Warden said he had too much respect for Mr. Morrison to consider his resignation, and promptly tore it up.

Speaking of the matter to The Planet, Mr. Morrison said:—The division I represent has not received a single grant this year. I am going home with a clean sheet. We pay the county rate as equalized by the judge and yet the county council are not willing to give us grants. They give grants to other municipalities for bridges, lockups and opera houses, but if Raleigh asked for a grant to help build a town hall, she wouldn't get it. Why should Ridgetown get \$87 more than their county rate in one year? Raleigh hasn't been treated fairly!

TELEGRAPH

A two-year-old girl named Kettles, left alone in the house, was burned to death at Württem.

Marconi is in Newfoundland making arrangements to establish marine signal stations on that coast.

Patrick Donovan, for thirty years gatekeeper for the G. T. R. at Humber Bay, was struck and instantly killed by a passing engine.

Velours Calf ...

Is fastly becoming a very popular leather in both

Men's and Ladies' Shoes

It is very durable—is as soft as kid and takes a very fine polish. We have one exceeding nice line in a ladies' boot, Goodyear welt shoes, American manufacture, at

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\$4.00 and \$4.50

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