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Convicts in and Out of Prison.

The Minister of Justice has introduced into the Senate a bill for the extension of the ticket-of-leave system to jails and reformatories, as well as penitentiaries. Last year, following the example of Great Britain, the United States and Germany, Parliament indorsed the parole system for convicts sent to penitentiaries, and the Minister of Justice having found that it works well so far as tried, now proposes that It shall be extended so as to permit the liberation of convicts on parole from other places of punishment.

At first, there was some little objection to the adoption of this system, but it arose from a misapprehension, and now only one Senator-Hon. Mr. Clemow, of Ottawa-has raised his voice against the second reading of the measure for the extension of the system. As we have shown, it has worked exceedingly well in the old country, where, according to last year's report of the commissioners of prisons, the overwhelming majority of convicts are Mberated on parole, and put on their honor to start a new and honorable Mfe, under the knowledge of the fact that if they do not do so, they will be rearrested, and not only punished for the new offense, which they have committed, but be made to serve out the sentence which was suspended while they were on parole. We can be assured that if the system had not worked well-if it had not proved for the best interests of society-it would have been long since repealed in Eng-

It is many years since it was first established, and though there was a little friction, a little harshness towards ticket-of-leave men by meddlesome officials, no one would now think of repealing the provisions of the law which have just been copied in the Dominion. We live in a humanitarian age, too, and the British people look with more kindness on the erring than in the past, and the persecution of ticket-ofleave men would not be tolerated by the authorities. The fact that it is now easier for a man who has been diberated from a place of punishment to get a new start than it was formerly, has probably something to do with the decrease in crime in Great Britain. For we all know that few things have a greater tendency to drive men to reckless wrongdoing than the belief that nobody cares for them, that they are outcasts, and that their punishment does not end when thy leave the place of their confinement.

The dissenting Senator at Ottawa argued that prisoners are too well taken some cases, as in county jails, where they are allowed to lie in idleness, to be supported by the industry of their fellows, that they are made more comfortable than is desirable in the pubhic interest, and come to regard the jail as a pleasant place of abode. That is an error that can be corrected where it exists. But to our mind there is not in this country, as yet, any too much sympathy displayed towards ex-convicts, who are anxious to get a new start. Indeed, the experience that comes to many of these men, and to some women, after their liberation, is that it is only after their liberation from prison that their punishment for wrongdoing really begins, and often becomes so severe as to lead them to the wenge of despair.

When criticised in the Senate, the other day, for doing a kindly act to a man who had been discharged on a tickea-of-leave, and who had been guilty of a grave wrong, Hon. Mr. Mills took accasion to point out how difficult it was for a person who had been in the penitentiary to get a start in leading an honest life. He adduced the case of one man who had come out of the penitentiary resolved to do what he could to atone for past deeds. This man | Five only Wrapperette Wrappers, had received employment on four different occasions, and on each he had been dismissed from the service of his employer, not because he had done any wrong, but simply because it had become known that he was an ex-convict. It is a fact that the moment it becomes known that a man has been in the penitentiary, it becomes a barrier to his obtaining employment. The trust of his fellow-men is shaken in him. They do not know how far they can repose confidence in a man who has been in jail, and they refuse to take any risk while the services of men who have always behaved themselves can be obtained.

This is a consideration which should be laid to heart by those tempted to do wrong. It is indeed no easy matter even after one has suffered the penalty called for by justice, to regain a position in society that has once been lost,

On Wednesday several cutters were tipped over by an accumulation of snow and ice at the corner of Dundas and Richmond streets. On Thursday the pile was still there. On Friday an alderman was thrown out of his sleigh, and on Saturday morning a gang of men were busy removing the obstruction. The moral is so plain that we needn't mention it.

Women who wear long, trailing gowns on the street will do well to consider the following statement from a

noted French physician. He says: "The hem of a woman's gown, when she comes in from the street, is alive with bacteria. These disease germs are distributed about over the floor, to creep into the mouths of children, or to find their way back into the air, and possibly into the systems of older people. They cannot be seen. They seek dark places, where they may live and grow. They lurk there, ready at any moment to creep into the systems of unsuspecting victims. Comsumption is a disease that is undoubtedly transmittad in this way."

The Runians, Gray, Carrie Co.

Aniversary

Now in Full Swing Sale Now in Full Swing

UR Second Anniversary Sale is now in full swing and you may depend upon it there has never been a sale equal to it in London. The following list (though good enough as far as it goes) don't begin to give an idea of what we are doing. You must visit the store and see for yourself. This sale will be conducted on strictly business principles, and the bargains are genuine. You'll say so when you see the goods and prices.

EVERYTHING EXACTLY AS ADVERTISED.

Clothing Department.

Boys' Two-Piece Suits, heavy Canadian all-wool tweed and serge, in navy, Oxford gray and brown shades, best trimmings, sizes 22 to 28; regular price \$2 50, \$2 75 and \$3. Anniversary sale price.....\$1 90 Boys' Three-Piece Suits, single-breasted coat, neat vests and knickers, well lined and trimmed, neat check patterns in brown and neat check patterns, in brown and gray and navy serge; regular price \$3 50 to \$4. Anniversary sale

price\$2 35
Men's Suits—Fine all-wool tweed suits, neat patterns, Scotch effects; fit and patterns just right; best Italian linings; all sizes, 36 to 42; our regular price was \$9 50, \$10 50 and \$11. Anniversary sale price

line stripe pants, newest patterns; cut, fit and finish in keeping with our up-to-date methods; regular price \$3 to \$3 50. Anniversary sale

Men's Furnishings.

Men's White Dress Shirts, heavy cotton, 4-ply linen bosoms, all sizes, 14 to 171/2; regular 65c and 75c. Anniversary sale price..... 50c Men's Cambric Shirts, detached cuffs, neat blue and white stripes and neat checks, Easter styles.

weight, Scotch finish, ribbed skirt. Just the kind for spring wear; regular price, 75c. The lot of 70 odd garments to clear at, each. .. 57c Fine 4-ply Linen Collars, three lar 25c and 35c, for, per pair..... 19c

Kid Gloves for 39c.

5%, 6, 6% only; were \$1, 75c, 59c; black and colors 89c Four only Flannelette Wrappers, \$2 40; finest Wrapperette, lace Full Sweep Skirts \$2 40, for\$1 75 Wrapperette Wrappers, \$1 75, for \$1 25

Seven Black and White Braid trimmed Wrapperette Wrappers, \$1 75, for\$1 25

fancy patterns, gray, blue and pink, \$1 50, for\$1 00 Seven only Print Wrappers, navy blue and fancy prints, dark colors; regular \$1 75 and \$2; anni-

Ribbons, 25c to 35c, for 15c Yard.

60 ends Fancy Ribbons, all warranted shades, 5 inches wide, pure silk stock, were 25c to 35c per yard. Anniversary sale price per yard 15c

Silk Blouses—Extra Special.

15 only Plaid Fancy Silk Blouses, all sizes; were \$3 to \$3 75 each, to clear at, each......\$1 50

Blouses, Special, 25c Each.

200 only Blouses, carried over from last season, prints, percales, etc.; were sold at 50c, 65c and 75c each. Anniversary sale price each..... 25c

Anniversary Dress Goods Specials

Twenty-five pieces Colored Dress Goods — Checks, plain and fancy figured, price 50c and 65c, Anniversary sale price.... 25c

Twenty - nine pieces Colored Dress Goods—Plain, whipcords, plaids and fancy figured goods, also fancy checked, price 50c and 75c. Anniversary sale price 35c

Thirty-six pieces Colored Dress plain homespuns, serges and fancy figured goods; also black and white; all wool goods; price 75c and 90c. Anniversary sale price

Twenty-five pieces Black Dress Goods, all wool, Priestley's small figured cloth, satin fin-ish, 44-inch, prices 75c, \$1 00, and \$1 25. Anniversary sale

Twenty pieces Black Figured Mohairs and Black Crepons, beautiful mixed designs for skirts and dresses, prices \$1 00, \$1 25 and \$1 50. Anniversary sale price 85c

Fifteen pieces Black Figured Mohairs, large and small raised designs, special for skirts, silk and mohair, prices \$1 25, \$1 50 and \$2 00. Anniversary

Ten pieces Black and Navy Serge, all wool, 42-inch, heavy twill, special for skirts and suits. Special anniversary sale prices 35c and 50c

Black Homespun Suiting, 54inch, special weight for skirt and jacket. Extra special anniversary sale price 75c

Plain Homespun Suitings, 54inch, fawn, gray and brown, Special anniversary sale price 75c

Three hundred yards Blouse Silk in stripes and checks, prices 35c and 50c. Anniversary sale

Four hundred and fifty yards Blouse Silk in taffetta checks and stripes, and Foulard stripes, prices 50c, 69c and 75c. Anniversary sale price 35c

Five hundred vards Blouse Silk. in taffetta stripes and checks, also Foulard stripes, prices 75c and 85c. Anniversary sale price 50c

Black Peau de Soie, plain, reversible, guaranteed dress silk. Prices for anniversary

sale as follows: Special 85c Peau de Soie for 75c Special \$1 Peau de Soie for 85c Special \$1 25 Peau de Soie for \$1 10

Special Black Surah Silk-Anniversary sale prices: Surah Twills, 50c for 44c Surah Twills, 75c, for 63c Surah Twills, 65c, for 55c

Staple Department

Plain Pink and Blue Flannelette; regular price 10c and 12c a yard, anniversary sale price 7c

Art Denims and Muslins: regular price 10c and 121/2c a yard, anniversary sale price 50

and up to 25c a yard, anniver-sary sale price, per yard 8c

Cretonnes and Sateens, 10c, 121/2c,

Best Standard Shirtings; regular price 12½c a yard; sale

Ten-cent Shirtings for 8c Cottonade Moleskin; regular price, 15c, for 121/c Twenty-five-cent Cottonade for 19c

Best Feather Ticking; regular 22c and 25c a yard. Anniversary sale price 15c Gray Flannels; regular 121/2c a

yard, for 8c Four pieces Fancy Shirting Flannel; regular price 25c and 30c a yard. Anniversary sale price 15c In the Linens.

Sixty-inch Half-Bleached Table Linen, good value for 32c. Sale Pure Linen Damask; regular

Table Damask; regular 55c, Finish Pure Linen Damask, worth 90c a yard, selling at 75c Sixty-eight-inch Fine Heavy Satin Finish Bleached Dam-ask, all pure linen; worth 95c

of drawn work and fringed; and fast borders; worth 35c a

worth 35c each, for 25c Ends of White Cotton, from 5 to 10 yards; regular price 10c and 121/2c a yard. Anniversary sale price 8c

One thousand six hundred and seventy yards fine even thread, factory or unbleach-ed cotton, 36 inches wide; regular price, 5c. Anniversary sale

One bale Extra Fine Gray Cotton 4½c

Two thousand six hundred yards Crum's best English Prints. 32 inches wide, light, dark and medium patterns, navy, blue, etc., 12½c, for, yard 8c Seven hundred and sixty yards

Simpson's Sateens, black grounds, with white figure and plaids, 32 inches wide; regular 12½c. Anniversary sale price, yard 8c

One thousand six hundred yards, Light Prints and Percales, light blues, grays, 32 and 36 inches wide; regular 10c and 12½c. Anniversary sale price 5½c

Forty - inch Apron Muslins, drawn edges, fancy patterns; regular 15c. Anniversary sale price 10c

Check Muslins and Satin Stripes; regular 8c, 10c and 121/2c yard. Anniversary price, to clear, yard 5c

Wrapperettes at 7½c. Worth 121/2c and 15c a yard; good designs and colors for 71/2c

Shoe Department.

Three special assorted lots, Women's and Misses' Button and Laced Boots, not all sizes of each lines, but assortment of sizes in the lot. Special Lot No. 1-75 pairs Women's and Misses' Button Boots and Women's Laced Boots, fine Don-gola, patent toe cap, medium pointed toes, hand-turn and sew-ed, flexible soles; sizes from 11 in misses' to No. 7 in Women's. Our regular price was \$1 50, \$1 75 and \$1 85. Anniversary sale price.... 986 Special Lot No. 2-38 pairs Women's Fine Dongola Kid, Sewed, Flex-ible and Turn Soles, medium Special Lot No. 8-30 pairs Men's Buff Whole-Foxed Laced Boots and Dongola Laced Boots, sewed

Hats and Caps.

soles; regular price \$1 95 and \$2.
Anniversary sale price\$1 19

Children's Tams, navy cloth, neat new shapes. Special value at25c, 35c, and 50c shapes, neat plaids and plain col-spring shapes, stiff or soft, new styles. Special at\$1 50

Tapestry Carpets.

Moving and altering our Carpet De-partment makes it twice the size. Means dust and dirt. The following special prices during

our anniversary sale: Tapestry Carpets, special 29c yard Tapestry Carpets, special 89c yard Tapestry Carpets, special 44c yard Tapestry Carpets, special.....58c yard ALL REDUCED.

Ladies' Black Cashmere Hose.

Double heels and toes, spliced

Kid Gloves, \$1, for 50c. Gray and white, 3 clasps, 5%

White and Cream Laces for 10c Yard.

pieces Fine White and Ecru Lace, 4 to 8 inches wide, choice patterns; were 12½c, 18c and 25c per yard. Anniversary sale price per yard 10c

37 pieces Fine White and Cream Lace, 2 to 5 inches wide, Valenciennes, Torchon, Dentelle and Nuntal Laces; were 8c to 15c. Anniversary sale price per yard.. 5c

Ribbons, 10c to 18c, for 5c 37 ends Plain Satin, Heavy Gros Grain and Fancy Silk Ribbons; shades of blue, ecru, brown, pink, coral. Anniversary sale price per

Children's Taped Waists 734 dozen only Children's Taped Waists, buttons for suspenders; were 25c. To clear at..... 170

High Grade Umbrellas and Parasols at \$2.50.

Fifty-seven only Ladies and Gentlemen's Parasols and Umbrellas, finest goods, fancy handles, no two alike; were \$3 50, \$4 and \$5 each; anniversary sale price, each\$2 50

Ladies' Black Cotton Hose 10c Pair.

40 dozen Ladies' Fast Black Cotton Hose, seamless feet, spliced ankles, regular 14, for sizes 8½, 9, 9½, per pair 10c 22 dozen Ladies' Black Lisle Finish Cotton Hose, double heels and feet, spliced ankles, sizes 8½, 9, 9½. Anniversary sale prices, 2

pairs for 350 Corsets, 75c, for 48c Pair. 20 dozen Steel Filled Gray Sateen Corsets, lace trimmed, double side steels, 5-clasp steels; regular 75c. Anniversary sale price per

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Leather Belts.

10 dozen Leather Belts; were 10c, 15c, 18c. Sale price each....... 5c dozen only Ladies' Leather Belts; were 15c, 18c, 25c. Sale price 37 only Leather and Fancy Belts; were 20c, 25c, 35c, 40c. Sale price 200 Royal Scribblers, to clear out at, each 1

Old Brown Windsor Soap per cake. 10 Cycling Shirt Waist Corsets, \$1.00, for 65c.

Sateen, Steel Filled, sizes 21 to 25 only, \$1 for........... 650

Super Lace Curtains.

Three and one-half yards long, at per pair\$3 50, \$4 50 to \$18 00 LACE CURTAINS. 21/2 and 3 yards long, per pair ... 3 and 3½ yards long, per pair 75c

 3½ yards long, special
 \$1 00

 3½ yards long, special
 \$1 25

 3½ yards long, special
 \$1 50

 3½ yards long, special
 \$1 50

 3½ yards long, special\$1 75 3½ yards long, special\$2 00

White Quilts.

Slightly Soiled Marseilles Quilts— \$2 50 for \$2; \$3 50 for \$2 90; \$2 for \$1 50; \$1 50 for \$1 15. 47 only extra large size Crochet Quilts, ready for use; regular \$1 25: anniversary sale price 75e

Black Luster Skirts, \$2. Nine only good quality, silesia linings, velvet bindings, 40 only; were \$3; anniversary sale price.\$2 00

Black Serge Skirts, \$2. Seven only Black Serge Skirts,

linenette lining, velvet bindings, sizes 40 and 42; were \$2 90; anniversary sale price\$2 00 Eleven only Ladies' Fawn Capes, spring weight, braided, full sweep; anniversary sale price, each 75c Two Cardinal, 4 Fawn Capes, 25 inches long, full sweep, braided; were \$4, \$4 50 and \$5; annivers-

ary sale, each\$2 50

Parasols, 5oc.

Ten dozen only Ladies' 22-inch Parasols, strong steel frames, twilled tops, celluloid and fancy wood handles; anniversary sale price 500

Parasols, \$1.00.

Fifteen dozen only Paragon frames, fine satin de chene and twilled tops, fancy handles, worth \$1 50; anniversary sale price, each\$1 00

Children's Striped Cash-

mere Hose. 51/2 to 8, were 39c to 65c pair. To

clear 250