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Natural Canadian Mink Muffs, Empire and pillow shapes, 3, 4 and 5 stripes, regular $50, for **$27.75**

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Natural Canadian Mink Muffs, large pillow shape, extra quality, 4, 5 and 6 stripes, regular $60, for **$34.75**

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TWO ARMIES FIGHTING IN TEMPERANCE BATTLE

How a Tennessee Orator Described Them to Massey Hall Audience Yesterday.

The speaker at the afternoon and evening meetings of the Canadian Temperance League at Massey Hall yesterday was the Rev. Geo. R. Stuart of Tennessee, who was for sixteen years associate of the late Rev. Sam Jones. He had an important part in the battle for prohibition that had terminated so successfully in the Southern States, and the speaker made reference to this great victory on taking his feet.

People, he said, raised the cry there, as they would here, that temperance measures meant putting men out of business. He wondered if it ever occurred to the liquor sellers how many men they, by the nature of their business, put out of business. It was easily ten to one.

Mr. Stuart described the two armies fighting the temperance battle. At the head of the liquor army was the Liquor Dealers' Association, which was organized to delay legislation, to render ineffective the voice of the people, and to perpetuate the liquor traffic by any means. Then came the brewers and distillers, who would do anything to make money. Next came the saloon-keepers and bartenders, who were worse than highway robbers, and after them followed gamblers, horse-racers, prize-fighters, anarchists, prostitutes, drunken bums, criminals, wardheelers, the illiterate foreigners, and the businessmen who said that they stood for the saloon for purely business reasons.

The temperance army was headed by the ministers of the Gospel who were followed by temperance organizations, great philanthropists, educationists, spiritual church members, good mothers and wives, great statesmen and the little children.

"In which procession," he asked, "would a man take his wife? Will you vote for the people you won't march with?"

"The opportunities God gives everybody to be somebody" was the subject of Mr. Stuart's address in the evening. There were too many no-account people and too many young men without ambition.

"Whenever you fill the place you are in so that it won't hold you, God will find a bigger place for you. Most people are looking for a big place to put a little fellow in. More little men are looking for a big place than you could shake a stick at. There are lots of big jobs looking for men."

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BACKED SEVENTY BANKS.

"Morgan and I Did," Says John D. Rockefeller.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Jan. 25.—John D. Rockefeller and Senator Ben Tillman were principals in a lively verbal set-to during the former's trip to this city. Senator Tillman boarded the train in South Carolina, and was introduced to Rockefeller by a railroad official. Hard times, the money situation, railroads and Roosevelt were discussed, and the Oil King was not enthusiastic about Roosevelt.

"I think," said Rockefeller, "that Roosevelt made a grave mistake. If he knew abuses existed and he wanted to correct them, he could have gone about it without causing all this agitation and feeling of distrust.

"Now, you might not know it, but Morgan and myself stood behind something like seventy banks in New York during the panic. Now, that was a pretty nice thing for two such very, very bad men to do, wasn't it? Think of the thousands of depositors we helped by standing by these banks. But I hope the people will see after awhile that this agitation only hurts them. I can get along all right."

Senator Tillman seemed deely interested in Rockefeller's remarks, and when he reached his station bade the Oil King a warm good-by. As Tillman left, Rockefeller turned to Mrs. Rockefeller and said: "Well, mother, we're only eleven miles from our vacation, and I'll be mighty glad when we get there."

LOST LIFE WHILE HUNTING.

Fred Doan of Inwood Succumbs From Shot in Knee.

INWOOD, Ont., Jan. 25.—Fred Doan, laborer, 25 years of age, went hunting yesterday and did not come home. A searching party found him dead in the woods this morning, shot in the right knee. He leaves a wife and two small children.

York County and Suburbs

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WM. DOUGLAS DEAD EGLINTON MOURNS

Resident There Since 1855—Was Prominent in Orange Circles—Special Train to Woodbridge.

NORTH TORONTO, Jan. 26.—One of the oldest settlers in Eglinton passed away early this morning, in the person of William Douglas, after an illness of about four months. Deceased was in his 74th year, and had been a continuous resident in Eglinton since May, 1855. He was born on York-stret, Toronto, on April 28, 1834, of north of Ireland parents, and on his marriege to Eliza Gillespie, in May, 1855, took up his home at Eglinton, almost opposite the present town hall, where he conducted his business of a wheelwright until the time of his death.

The late Mr. Douglas was widely known thru the province owing to his long association with the Orange Order. He became a member of the order by initiation into York Lodge, No. 375, 57 years ago. On removal to Eglinton he became affiliated with Eglinton L. O. L. 279. For three years he was grand lecturer of the provincial grand lodge, and participated in the 12th of July celebrations on no less than 53 occasions.

In his private life he was unostentatious, and thereby made many strong personal friendships. The late N. C. Wallace was among those who claimed the closest intimacy with him.

Outside of his lodge associations he took a deep interest in fire preventions. In his early life he was a valued member of the Toronto volunteer fire brigade, belonging to Phoenix Company No. 6, of that organization. When North Toronto was incorporated he was made chief of the volunteer brigade, and served in that capacity until he became incapacitated.

With the formation of a branch of the I. O. F. in the town he became a charter member of that lodge.

On May 10, 1905, he and his wife, who survives him, celebrated their golden wedding. The surviving children are William J. Douglas (town clerk, North Toronto); Samuel J. Douglas (Douglas & Radcliffe, paper merchants of Toronto and Winnipeg); Edgar R. Douglas (customs department, Ottawa), and Mrs. R. J. Bulmer, Eglinton.

In politics he was a staunch Conservative. He was a member of the Methodist body and long attendant of the Davisville Church.

The funeral will take place on Tuesday next, to Mount Pleasant Cemetery, and will be conducted by the Eglinton Orange Lodge and members of sister lodges.

The North Toronto Hockey Club labored under difficulties on Saturday evening. The program for the evening was "social skating," for which purpose the club had a brass band engaged. Instead of having the rink illuminated with six electric arc lamps, the town and rink were shrouded in darkness and the club had to have recourse to lanterns. However disappointing the situation was, the club attracted large crowds of skaters and the rink was as full as it possibly could be, which, no doubt, netted the club a handsome reward for their enterprise.

Since the Ratepayers' Association has been organized in town there has been a public meeting held in the town hall every Saturday evening, and a profitable time has been spent by those who attended. Last Saturday evening, however, there was no public meeting and the citizens missed it very much. Next Saturday evening, however, a public meeting will be held in the town hall, and questions of interest will be discussed, such as the proposed fire limit in town and the exclusion of manufacturing enterprises from the fire limit, etc.

The parlor social to be given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Kirby, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Eglinton Methodist Church to-morrow (Monday) evening, promises to be a great success. A first-class program of musical and literary selections has been prepared for the occasion. Refreshments will be served.

Rev. T. W. Powell, rector of St. Clement's Church, is organizing a confirmation class, and the first meeting of the expectant candidates will be held in the chapel of the church on Thursday evening next.

The junior classes of St. Clement's Day School will be treated to a sleigh ride to-morrow (Monday) evening.

The senior North Toronto Hockey Club will play a match on the Eglinton Rink to-morrow (Monday) evening, against the Simcoes of the Northern City League.

Mr. J. Fisher, wife of Mayor Fisher, had the misfortune of falling on the ice yesterday, spraining her left wrist severely. First was thought that her arm was broken, but fortunately it was not.

EAST TORONTO.

EAST TORONTO, Jan. 26.—The Kingston-road car service was well maintained to-day, the big snowstorm not causing much delay. The sweepers were out early to clear the tracks, but there was not much drifting.

The pupils of Principal Brownlee's room of Kimberley-avenue public school had a merry sleigh ride Friday night. The route was from the school house, Gerrard-street, Main-street, Danforth-avenue, Broadview-avenue, Queen-street, Kingston-road, Lyall and Kimberley-avenues back to the school, where refreshments were served by the girls, the boys having provided for the sleigh ride. Games were indulged in and an evening of enjoyment was spent that will probably be remembered by every boy and girl there until the end of their lives. During the ride an incident occurred of which the pupils feel proud. A gang of hoodlums began pelting the pupils with snowballs when a detachment of the bigger boys sallied forth from the sleigh and put the enemy to rout.

An adjourned meeting of the town council will be held to-morrow night. It is not likely that Deputy Reeve Brown's notice of motion re license reduction will be taken up until the next regular meeting.

Miss Maud Caswell will dance at the band concert Wednesday night at the Y.M.C.A. Geo. Clark, tenor; W. J. Armstrong, baritone; Chester Myers, cellist; A. G. Randall, Canada's premier basso; Mr. Laurie and Chas. J. McReath, comic humorists, and Miss Westlake, accompanist, will also take part. Plan for reserved seats is now open at the hall. The boys have been working hard to make this a success and they are deserving of the hearty support and encouragement of the whole town. By your attendance you will not only have a good evening's amusement, but you will help to swell the uniform fund of the band. It will be the best program ever offered in this town.

TORONTO JUNCTION.

TORONTO JUNCTION, Jan. 26.—Just after arriving at 6 o'clock to-night in the C.P.R. stores department, where he is employed at nights, George Thos. Baine sank to the floor and died in less than 10 minutes. He had just time to greet some of his fellow employes when he complained of not feeling well, and a few minutes later said: "Send for a doctor, I'm dying," and dropped to the floor. Dr. Clendenan was immediately summoned, but on his arrival found the poor fellow to be beyond medical aid. Death was due to heart failure. The body was then removed to Wm. Speers' undertaking rooms. The suddenness of the whole affair came as a shock to the employes of the department, as the man was dead almost before some of them had heard that anything was wrong. Deceased was 47 years of age, a member of the Sons of England, and a resident of Scarlett Plains, where he and his wife kept a grocery store. He is survived by his widow and a family of several children. The funeral will take place on Wednesday, but the final arrangements have not yet been completed.

At a meeting of the management and property committees of the school board, which was held on Saturday evening, a recommendation was made to the board that Mr. Hancock, assistant master at Carlton School, be paid the sum of $60 for past services during the fall term of 1907, and $80 per month during the present term of 1908, while acting as principal in the place of Principal Jewett, who, on account of a prolonged illness following an attack of typhoid fever, has been allowed six months' leave of absence. The salary of Principal Jewett is $900 per annum, and Mr. Hancock, whose salary is $500 per annum, felt that while he is acting as principal he should receive the principal's salary. His suggestion did not meet with the favor of the committee, Trustee Wadsworth pointing out that such an arrangement would be contrary to the rules and regulations of the board. Secretary Harris informed the board that Mr. Hancock expected a bonus for his services. Trustee Williams thought that if Mr. Hancock was doing the work as competently as Mr. Jewett he should receive the same salary. After some discussion the abovementioned recommendation was made.

Several members of the committees found fault with the caretaker of St. Clair-avenue School for not being on the premises during the noon hour, and also for not being at the school to open it in the morning. Principal Colvin explained that he himself opened the school at 8.45 a.m. The committee thought the school should be opened at about 8.15 a.m. for the convenience of children who get there early.

A bell will be purchased for St. Clair-avenue School.

The committees recommended the appointment of Miss Laura E. Nixon to the occasional staff. Miss Nixon holds a second-class professional certificate and senior teachers' certificate. Her experience, however, has been limited to rural schools.

After the promotion examinations, which take place this week, a number of pupils who were taken some two years ago from Carlton School to relieve the over-crowding there and placed at Western-avenue will be transferred back again to Carlton.

The new room in the portable school at St. Clair-avenue will be opened on Feb. 1.

Wednesday afternoon of this week has been chosen by the board for their bi-annual inspection of the schools.

The organization of the new Presbyterian Church at Runnymede has been completed, and the first communion was held to-night. At a meeting on Friday evening there were received into the communion of the church twenty-seven members on profession of faith and thirty by certificate. These form the charter members, as they may be called, of the new congregation. The organization service was conducted by Rev. Alfred Gandier, pastor of St. James' Square Church, Toronto, assisted by three members of his session, Rev. Dr. R. Douglas Fraser and Messrs. Wallace Anderson and George Laidlaw. It will be remembered that this church at Runnymede was established about thirteen months ago by St. James' Square Church, with B. B. Weatherall, a student at Knox College, as missionary-in-charge. Meetings were held in the schoolhouse at first, but the parent congregation has built a neat and commodious church, costing $5000, which was opened early in December. The primary scheme for the formation of the new church was given valuable assistance by Rev. Dr. Pidgeon, who was well aware that many Presbyterians in the western parts of the town found Victoria Church too far distant to allow them to be active church members.

There was a record attendance at the Ravina Park Skating Rink Saturday night, over 900 being present.

George Davidge of No. 1 firehall is laid up with tonsilitis at his home on Humberside-avenue.

George L. Stewart, chief immigration agent of Toronto, has purchased, thru G. H. Webb, house No. 108 South Keele-street, from Archie McGill. The price paid was $3700. Mr. Stewart will become a resident of the town at once.

Mrs. Florence Annie Rowntree, wife of Josiah Rowntree, Weston-road Farm, died this morning at Grace Hospital, Toronto, in her 34th year. The funeral, and also that of her infant child, will take place from her late residence on Tuesday at 2 p.m. to the Rowntree family burying ground.

There are fifty-four cars of stock in the Union Stock Yards for to-morrow's market.

The new board of works will hold their first meeting of the year to-morrow evening.

A grand fancy dress carnival will be held at Ravina Skating Rink Tuesday evening. Special band in attendance.

WOODBRIDGE.

The funeral of the late T. F. Wallace will take place this afternoon to Christ Church Cemetery.

A special C.P.R. train will leave the Union Station, Toronto, at 1 o'clock for the convenience of those who wish to attend the funeral, returning immediately after the ceremonies.

DOVERCOURT.

Annexation with the city will be discussed at a meeting at Bartlett-avenue Schoolhouse, Dovercourt, to-night.

HIGHLAND AND LOWLAND.

"Burns Nicht" is Duly and Pleasantly Celebrated.

Altho this society has been barely a year in existence, its celebration of the natal day of "the immortal bard" was marked by a large and enthusiastic gathering of members and friends in the I.O.O.F. Hall, College-street, on Saturday evening. The president, Mr. D. Martin McRae, was supported on the platform by Rev. P. M. Macdonald of Cowan-avenue Presbyterian Church, Messrs. Ald. McGhie, Joseph Tait, Wm. Campbell, McKinnon, McLaughlin, Carruthers and J. Cowan, secretary. The secretary read the greetings of the society to kindred societies, after which "There Was a Lad" was sung by Miss Flora McIvor Craig. Rev. R. M. Macdonald then delivered an able and eloquent oration on Burns. After tracing briefly the life of the poet, he spoke on the poetry, piety and pity, and reconstructive genius of Burns, and declared that the principles enunciated by him were embedded in the constitution of the great American republic. Messrs. Alexander MacGregor, Joseph Tait and J. Russell also spoke briefly. A feature of the splendid program was the rendering of "Tam o'Shanter" in a style which it would be impossible to surpass by Mr. Carruthers, who has lately arrived in this city from Dumfries. Songs, readings and juvenile dancing, in which Miss Flora McIvor Craig, Mrs. Macdonald, Mr. Carruthers, Gray Brothers Quartet, Mrs. A. Farquhar, Misses Nisbet, Gordon and Gilray brothers took part, made up a splendid program. Miss Annie MacKay acting as pianist, and Messrs. Murray and Ross pipers. At the close of the meeting refreshments were served by the ladies of the society and dancing engaged in by the younger folks. The singing of "Auld Lang Syne" brought a thoroly fitting and enjoyable celebration to a close.

MR. BLAKELEY'S RECITAL.

Large Audience to Enjoy Shakespeare in Music.

Arthur Blakeley's organ recital in Sherbourne-street Methodist Church on Saturday afternoon was from a unique program arranged by Mr. Blakeley himself, and entitled "Shakespeare in Music." The numbers were: Mendelssohn's overture to "Midsummer Night's Dream" (1826); Jules Massenet's "Romeo et Juliette," from the Fifth Orchestral Suite; "The Shepherd's Dance," composed by Edward German for the incidental music of Irving's production of "Henry VIII."; Mendelssohn's Nocturne and Wedding March, from "Midsummer Night's Dream" (1843); a new composition by William Hayden, "Serenade Egyptienne," for "Antony and Cleopatra," the weird harmonies and oriental touches of which made it a most attractive number; Verdi's "In Windsor Forest," from "Falstaff" (1893), and Nicolai's Overture from "Merry Wives of Windsor." A very interesting number was Dr. Arne's "The Tempest," composed in 1746 for David Garrick, and which Mr. Blakeley appropriately rendered on an old spinet.

The church was filled with an appreciative audience. The next recital, in February, will be "An Hour With Wagner."

WILL LIVE IN BROOKLINE.

Mrs. Eddy Travels to New Home by Special Train.

CONCORD, N.H., Jan. 26.—Mrs. Mary M. Baker Eddy, founder and head of the First Church of Christian Scientists, to-day left her home, Pleasant View, in this city, and by a circuitous route in a special train went to Chestnut Hill, Brookline, to a house recently purchased by the Christian Science denomination.

Mrs. Eddy was accompanied by her secretary, Calvin A. Frye, Archibald McLennan, one of the trustees for Mrs. Eddy's property; Rev. Irving C. Tomlinson, a Christian Science "reader," and a dozen other men and women of Christian Science belief. Mrs. Eddy left in a special train consisting of an engine and three cars over the Boston & Maine Railroad. Her train was preceded by a light engine, and another engine followed after a brief interval.

Mrs. Eddy will take up her residence in Brookline permanently.

DUST AUTO'S ENEMY.

NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—M. Jules Jusserand, the French Ambassador, speaking to the toast, "France, the mother of the automobile," at the annual banquet of the Automobile Club of America last night, declared that the greatest problem to-day that faced the automobilist and one that must be solved, was dust. Ambassador Jusserand said:

"The art has no greater enemy, than dust. Dust spoils the pleasure of all who use the road, spoils the machine, spoils the crops, nd the growing animosity in certain provinces against automobilists has no greater cause. Certain it is that gardens and orchards bordering much frequented roads, have lost all value, owing to the dust which prevents the plants from breathing and kills them. The problem must be solved; dust must be done away with."

Passing of Gen. Heger.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—The war department was yesterday advised of the death in New York City of Brig.-Gen. Anthony Heger, U.S.A., retired, aged 79 years. Gen. Heger was a native of Austria and was a veteran of the civil war.

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AN OPEN LETTER TO THE EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION.

James Somerville, second vice-president of the International Association of Machinists, writes:

What I am about to say may come as a surprise to those of you who are deluding yourselves or nursing the hope that the machinists in Toronto will eventually give up the nine-hour fight.

During the past three weeks of quiet observation and conversation with individual members of the Employers' Association, I have been able to arrive at certain conclusions, and the time being opportune, I believe a declaration from the strikers' side may remove a few misconceptions and possibly some misunderstandings resultant therefrom.

I wish first to congratulate you on your organization. You cannot expect me to agree with the principles for which it stands, but we give you credit for sinking individual differences in support of a common desire. Your purpose in first creating a condition of swamping the labor market, and then taking advantage of men's necessity to force them into shaming their manhood, while not so creditable, is certainly in line with your declared policy.

You in your turn credit the machinists' strike as partly responsible for the Canadian Shipbuilding Company going out of business in Toronto. Very good. Has organized labor lost anything by transferring the control of the plant out of the hands of Mr. Angstrom into those of Mr. A. Berg & Sons? We think not.

Why do you suppose concerted opposition by the local tenderers, to the nine-hour clause in the pumping engine contract, is going to force the controllers' hands? Even in their anxiety to retain the work in the city, can you conceive of the city council awarding a quarter of a million dollar contract to a firm engaged in a fight to a finish with the organized machinists, backed by public opinion?

Let us understand one another, and let the public understand, who can be trusted to place the responsibility where it belongs. You say it is a fight to a finish between the Employers' Association and the organized machinists. So be it. We accept the challenge, after having exhausted all honorable means to an amicable settlement. When the city fathers let the pumping contract, let them do so with their eyes open, and if under the circumstances the contract goes out of the city, the responsibility will not rest on them.

Many factors enter into the success or failure of manufacturing firms, but there is always the last straw. Between 30 and 40 of the independent machinery firms have already agreed to the nine-hour day, and the machinists are going to establish the shorter workday for the machinists' trade thruout the city, even if it has to come thru the failure and reorganization of the 20 odd firms federated in your Employers' Association.

We will not hazard a comparison of the relative position of the opposing force in this the eighth month of the strike, but I can assure you of this, the men have nothing worse to look forward to than they have undergone. They can continue as many months longer on the same basis. How about you? It is generally recognized how you over-reached yourself in an anxious effort to meet a factitious demand for mechanics, and when the present situation is relieved, you will find it a more difficult matter to entice machinists across the water with fairy tales, than you have experienced any time heretofore.

The strike-breaker, so made thru dire necessity and force of man-made circumstances, will want to get out where he can hold up his head just as soon as business picks up, and what then?

My duties take me out of the city much of the time, but I will see to it that the reputation of the macninists for tenacity of purpose will not suffer in this instance.

Some of your members have shown a disposition to settle, but the majority is against them, and while we harbor no ill-will, the fight is to the finish and—well, we welcome the finish.

Royal Miniatures Stolen.

LONDON, Jan. 25.—Three valuabl miniatures of the Duchess of Fife, th Queen of Norway and Princess Victoria, all belonging to Queen Alexandra, have been stolen by burglars from the studio of an engraver in London t which they had been sent for reproduction.

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