

## An Open Letter To Our Customers

We regret that the war has depleted our staff of young men, which has been very much felt in our King street store. This has necessitated our engaging quite a number of young ladies. We, however, were fortunate in securing young ladies who are very anxious to please, therefore, we think you will be perfectly satisfied with our service, which will improve as our sales ladies become acquainted with both our customers and our stock. We bespeak for them your kind consideration during this unavoidable situation. We can assure you we are doing our very best to secure for you the best attention possible, and hope you will appreciate it, our slogan being, as you know, "Service and Quality."

Thanking you in advance for your assistance at this time, we are,

Sincerely yours,

WATERBURY & RISING, LTD.

## BROAD COVE COAL

The First Supply We Have Had for Some Time. Limited Quantity for Immediate Delivery.

CONSUMERS COAL COMPANY, Limited



**Mercury Hosiery**  
for ladies and men

### Narrow Ankles—No Wrinkles

On account of the war, very few of the fine imported lines of hosiery are at present obtainable in Canada. But women can now obtain Canadian hosiery that is superior in finish and fit to the most luxurious pure silk, mercerized lisle, cotton and cashmere lines produced abroad.

We took advantage of the situation created by the war and installed wonderful new machines. They knit Mercury Hosiery with a narrow ankle that fits without a wrinkle, a full-fashioned shapely calf, a widened top that gives utmost freedom and comfort—and seamless from toe to top.

The more fastidious you are the more you'll revel in this elegant Mercury Hosiery. Black, white, browns, grays and the other fashionable shades.

Also Mercury Undershorts for men, women and children

MERCURY MILLS, LIMITED  
HAMILTON, CANADA

## COSTLY NEGLIGENCE BY FRENCH ENVOYS

Left Important Papers in Cab; General Removed and Lieut. Sent to Front

Paris, May 1.—The accidental loss, on Feb. 14 last, of a large bundle of highly confidential documents by two French officers, who were entrusted to bring them to the war office in Paris from Madrid, has led to the appearance of the two officers before a Paris court martial. They are Brig-General Danvignes, formerly French military attaché at Madrid, and his associate there, Lieut. de Levis Mirepoix.

The facts are very simple. The two officers during the course of the evening of their arrival in Paris took a cab and left the precious documents behind them when they got out. About midnight the same evening a young actress named Odette Florelli, who was playing at the Little Theatre des Capucines, on the Grand Boulevard, halted the same cab as it took her home and found a large roll of papers lying on the seat. She took them to the lost property office, whence they were recovered by the authorities.

The general was removed from his post in the Madrid embassy and the lieutenant sent back to the army. In view of the high rank of one of the accused, the court was composed entirely of generals. Both officers, who were accused of communicating confidential documents to a third party by negligence, were acquitted. It is significant, however, that the general escaped conviction only by a majority of votes.

## War Garden Bulletin

PRACTICAL DAILY GUIDE FOR VACANT LOT AND BACK-YARD GARDENERS EN-LISTED IN GREAT-BRITAIN PRODUCTION CAMPAIGN

Issued by the Canada Food Board in Collaboration With Experts on the Staff of the Dominion Experimental Farm

### TOOLS

The spade, hoe, garden rake, trowel and digging fork are the chief tools needed in gardening. The Dutch hoe, or what is called in the United States, the scuffle hoe, is also used but is not absolutely necessary. Narrow hoes and rakes are best for small gardens. In stiff clays use the hoe after the soil has been dug in order to break the lumps. Then the rake can be used advantageously. Every tool should be ready to use at a moment's notice. Have a place to keep them and when you are through with them are that you put them away in the proper place. Provide a box of soft grease like axle grease for rubbing over the blades of the spade and the hoe, and the working parts of the tools most frequently used. Rust wears out more tools than use and makes work more laborious. Either a hose or watering can is an essential part of the gardening equipment.

The Food Board, in conjunction with officials of the Experimental Farm, Ottawa, proposes to give the amateur gardeners of Canada a daily garden bulletin which will contain some useful hints for them to follow. It must be remembered that in some districts the season is ahead of others and this must be taken into account in following the daily bulletins.

### THEY ARE DYING FOR ENGLAND

(London Daily Chronicle.)  
The nation's heart goes out to the men facing, with wondrous courage, the enemy's crashing, scorching shells, the insidious gas, and the waves of attacking infantry. To think of these sons and brothers of ours, standing indomitable in the very gates of hell, barring the road to England with a rampart of English dead, makes our sheltered lives seem pitifully mean. Their deeds will never be forgotten. Their story will "the good man teach his son" until the end of time. The nation remembers, too, the mothers and wives and fathers waiting for news in cities and villages, in mansions and peasants' cottages. They are paying the bitterest part of the price of freedom. Yet their hearts, with all the apprehension, must be comforted by a deep, tearful pride. It is good to know that our men are such splendid men. If death comes to them, it is no mean death, but death for a great purpose—"To the Song on your bugles blow, England."

### WHY NOT WRITE TODAY?

(Chicago Tribune.)  
"The man who gets a letter from home is a 50 per cent better fighter than the man who does not. The great thing is to write—write—write. Always write cheerfully, even if you do not feel cheerful."

This is the testimony and admonition of Sir Walter Lawrence, an emissary of the British army, who is now in the United States. His words are recorded here to remind the reader to write to his relatives, friends, and acquaintances in the service.

By the time the letters arrive in France our first hundred thousand will be in the thick of the fighting.



## Our New Suits

Are Notably Stylish

WOMEN are going to spend much of their time this season in suits, for they are so attractive and always so serviceable.

The woman who is economizing will find these suits "ready" for every occasion at all times.

There is a delightful trimness to the new Eton jacket effects that is remarkably pleasing. The strictly tailored effects and the modified waist coats help to give that military note now so popular. The fabrics used are of unusual quality and are so adaptable to the new suit styles.

The colors favored are russet, sand, beige, tan, etc., and our prices for this time of the season are surprisingly low. Note especially these offerings:

Very stylish suits in light colors for summer wear. Material: Soft Tencel, Serge, Charmeuse Satin, etc.; an especially attractive display for summer wear. Some are trimmed with touches of embroidery, some new vest effects, others are smart yet simple tailored lines. \$22.50 to \$40.00

Smart Silk Suits of Taffeta, navy, Copen, black or taupe; also high-class model garments in various designs or with touches of gold colored embroidery on dark shades; simple styles with all-round belt, finished large buckles, etc. \$32.50 to \$50.00

**Daniel**

London House Head of King St.

## Manchester Robertson Allison, Limited

Stores Open at 8.30—Close at 6 o'clock Daily, Saturdays 10 p.m.

## Men's Bath and Convalescent Robes

If you wish to do something for a sick friend he will be sure to appreciate, get him one of these

### Ideal Comfort Garments

For use in hospital or home—soft, roomy and comfortable. They are shown in a great variety of colors and patterns, made from fine quality, heavy Velour Blankets with trimmings and girdles to match.

Prices \$6.00 to \$11.00

MEN'S CLOTHING DEPARTMENT



## New Lace Edge Runners and Table Covers

Muslin or Linen Centres, trimmed with fillet lace, some have lace insertion and motifs in corner. They launder nicely.

Runners—18x45 in., 50c., 75c., \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.35 each

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Runners in Linen—18x45 in., \$1.60, \$2.40 each

Runners in Linen—18x54 in., \$1.80, \$2.60 each

Runners in Linen—18x72 in., \$2.40 each

Covers in Muslin, lace edged, size 30 in., round or square, 75c., \$1.00, \$1.50, \$1.75 each

ON SALE AT FRONT COUNTER

## Pajunions as Sleeping Garments

### Are The Acme of Comfort

The new Pajunion is in reality a one-piece pyjama, which gives perfect satisfaction. In appearance very similar to the pyjama, but with improvements which make it unequalled for comfort.

There is no separating at the waist, no girdle to bind. The loop fastening at the ankle prevents the leg from slipping up. They are cut right, made right and fit right. Made of nice soft napped material, as well as a good assortment of fine Mercerized Cloths, excellent for summer wear

Men's Sizes . . \$2.25 to \$3.50 | Boys' Sizes . . . \$1.50 to \$1.75

MEN'S FURNISHINGS DEPARTMENT

## Manchester Robertson Allison, Limited

## BROWN'S BARGAIN BULLETIN

For the Balance of This Week we Will Sell Many Lines at Greatly Reduced Prices in Order to Make a Busy Week During Moving Time.

Some of These Prices may not Seem Over Cheap, But You Will Find on Comparison That They Are Lower Than You Can Buy For Elsewhere.

We Would Advise You to Buy Now Because Prices Have a Severe Upward Tendency.

20c. Bleached Cotton 15c. Yard	\$1.00 Corduroy 59c. Yard Seven Shades	\$2.50 All-Wool, 54 in. Serge Navy, Green and Black \$1.89 Yard	30c. Fancy Cotton Crepes 20c. Yard	50c. Ladies' Black and White Silk Ankle Hose (Seconds) 29c. Pair
25c. Fine Longcloth 20c. Yard	22c. Canadian Print 17c. Yard	75c. Black and White Check Dress Goods 59c. Yard	\$1.25 and \$1.50 Corsets \$1.00 Pair	50c. Boys' Extra Heavy Cotton Hose 9, 9 1/2 and 10 in. 35c. Pair
50c. Bleached Sheet 39c. Yard	30c. Best English Print 22c. Yard	75c. Popular Silk 48c. Yard Twelve Shades	75c. Print Overall Aprons 65c. Each	\$1.00 House Dress Aprons 75c. Each
25c. Scotch Gingham 18c. Yard	65c. Bleached Damask 50c. Yard	30c. Fancy Dress Vests 20c. Yard	\$1.50 Print Wrappers 80c. Each	\$1.35 Chambray House Dresses 95c. Each
25c. Ladies' Black Cotton Hose 19c. Pair	75c. Colored Velveteen 49c. Yard	50c. Ladies' Union Cashmere Hose 39c. Pair	40c. Ladies' Cotton Drawers 25c. Pair	\$1.85 Ladies' Tan, White or Black Dents' Kid Gloves \$1.50 Pair
20c. Turkish Towels 15c. Each	75c. Children's Wash Dresses 59c. Each	35c. Corset Covers 25c. Each	\$1.50 Girls' Wash Dresses \$1.00 Each	
\$1.50 Voile Blouses \$1.00 Each				

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