

Our Spring Announcement.

It is just a little over a year ago that we started business, and during that year each month has shown a large increase in sales and new names have been constantly added to our list of customers and we learned to order on a larger scale to measure up to the requirements of our growing business, and when we gave orders to some of Canada's best factories for our spring goods we gave very large ones, and today we have a large stock of select high-class footwear made expressly for the requirements of the St. John trade. We bought a pair of boots for you, and invite your inspection. We will be open each week evening before Easter till 9 o'clock, and on Saturdays as late as 11.30 p. m.

Buy While Stock is Complete. The Gold Bond Shoe

is the standard shoe of Canada today. It has only been sold for three years, but has so appealed to the tastes of the lovers of good footwear, so satisfied the seeker of foot comfort, so demonstrated its wearing qualities that it is the shoe that is being called for by the discriminating buyer today.

See Our Patent Button Oxfords.

Button Boots, Patent Corona Coat, Facing With Bull Kid Tops

Tan goods are going to sell this season and we have bought largely of tan goods. If you have not seen our colored Blucher Balmoral you have yet to see what the most expert workman can do with the newest machine.

Prices for low shoes, \$4.00 and \$4.50. Prices for boots, \$4.00, \$4.50 and \$5.00.

For the man with the very wide foot we recommend our six wide Blucher boot, the roomiest boot manufactured.

The Gold Bond Shoe is the boot for

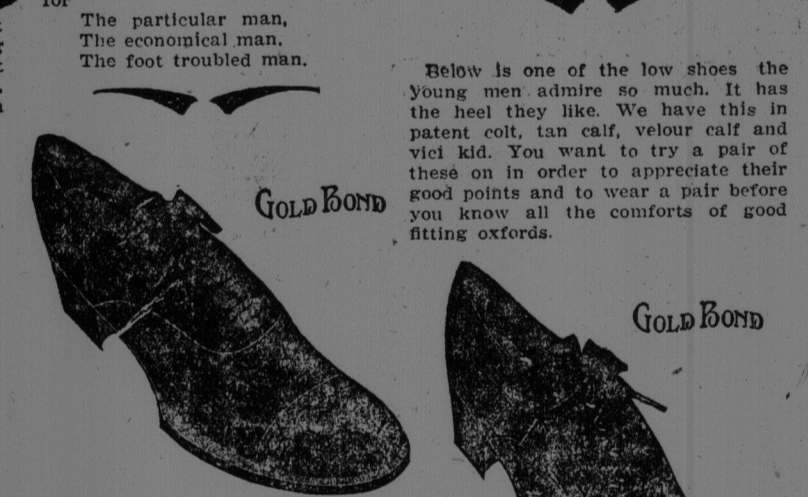
The particular man, The economical man, The foot troubled man.



Above you see the picture of a boot that the man of quiet tastes is looking for. We have this shape in patent corona coat, tan willow calf, box calf, leather lined, vic kid, velour calf, both with single and double soles.



The corner photo is taken of the oxford that is a ready seller with the man that is up to the minute in his dress.



This centre cut gives but a poor idea of the style and snap this broad, easy shoe has. This same in the boot in widths four, five and six Blucher cut or plain balmoral.

See Our Ladies' Side Laced Oxfords in Patent and Vic Leathers.

Patent Button Oxfords, four large button and calf quarter, Price \$2.75 per pair. Ladies' Vici Kid Blucher Cut Boots, G.Y. W. Price \$2.75. Ladies' Vici Kid, heavy sole walking boots, Price \$3.00. Ladies' Vici Kid, dull calf upper, dressy boot, Price \$3.00 per pair.

Ladies' Buttoned Boots, sizes 2-12 to 7, Patent Tip, Double Sole, large button, \$2.50. Ladies' Vici Kid Blucher Cut Boots, G.Y. W. 4.00. Ladies' Vici Kid, heavy sole walking boots, 3.25. Ladies' Vici Kid, dull calf upper, dressy boot, 3.00. Never before have we been in such a good position to delight the lady who wants the newest ideas of the foremost shoe experts of the day.

Rubbers are heavier than Thick Soled Boots and not nearly as dressy. Boys' Box Calf Boots, sizes 1 to 5 Goodyear Welt, Prices \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4. Boys' School Boots, sizes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, heavy soles. Prices \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.65 and \$1.75.

is a popular price for a ladies' Dongola Oxford. We have them Blucher Cuts, Plain Vamps, Patent Tips, Self Tips, and with heavy soles. Our gentlemen's boots at this price are a marvel. Never before had a man such a range to select from at this price. Some very heavy soles. See our working boot at this price.

The weather has been against us and we have not cleared out our Rubber Goods as well as we would like to, so we are making some cuts in the prices of them. These prices are only good for the rubber goods at present in the building, as we cannot replace them at this price.

Storm King Rubber Boots, sizes 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11, at \$3.75 per pair. Storm King Rubber Boots, sizes 7, 8, 9 and 10, long half soles to clear, \$4.50 per pair.

Boys' Rubbers, sizes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. Price 60c a pair. Ladies' Rubbers, sizes 2-12 to 8. Price 55c a pair.

Youth's Rubbers, sizes, 11, 12, 13, 50 cents. Girls' Rubbers, sizes 11 to 2, 50 cents.

Just the thing for this storm.

PERCY J. STEEL, Foot...Furnisher.

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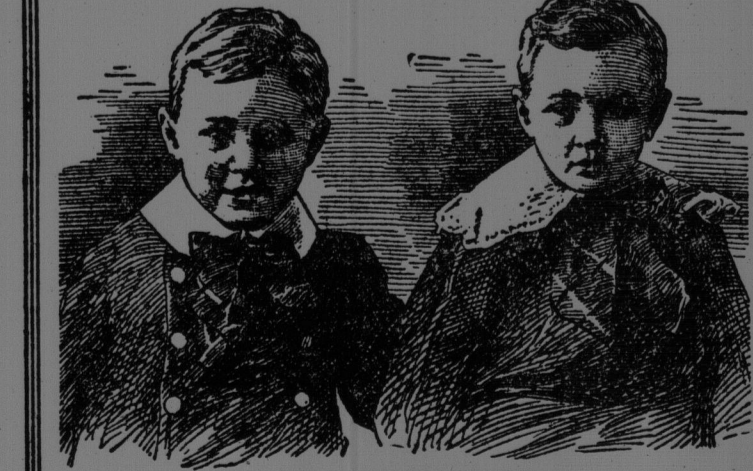
Welcoming A Wife

By LULU JOHNSTON

Copyrighted, 1908, by Associated Press. Little Miss Merrington hurried from the postoffice clutching tightly the precious letter the clerk had just handed her. She had not needed to glance at the foreign stamp to tell her that it was from Harvey Rial. The clear, bold handwriting of the address and told her that before the letter had been removed from the box in which it lay together with the local paper. There was a flush on the kindly little face not due to the spring breeze, but in the hope which had risen in her heart. Twenty years before she and Harvey Rial had been engaged to be married. A lover's quarrel and pride too stubborn to confess fault had resulted in Rial's marriage to Margaret Bond. Then Miss Merrington had settled herself uncomplainingly to a life of spinsterhood, rejoicing that her father's provision for her future did not make it necessary for her to marry in order to find a home and taking pleasure in the hundred little acts of kindness which had made "Little Miss Merrington" a village institution. All too soon Rial had discovered his error. His new idol's feet had turned to clay, Margaret's tongue was as sharp as her face was fair, and with stoic resignation, Harvey Rial had settled himself to lifelong penance for his error. The thought gave him and Miss Merrington something in common, and though neither ever alluded to the matter, there was a silent bond of companionship that was none the less sweet because it found no expression in act or word. Now, then, two years had passed since Margaret had died and Rial had taken his son to Europe in the hope that travel might benefit his health. Since then letters had come by every steamer, not the romantic epistles of youth but entertaining stories of travel infused with a tender sentiment that was implied rather than expressed. There was always the note of longing for home with a hint that he wished Miss Merrington to share home with him. The last letter had told that Ralph was well enough to return and it was probable that the letter she now softly patted in his pocket would name his date of sailing. Miss Merrington hurried into the next "front room" and with trembling fingers slit the cover. "I've told you all there is to tell about London," wrote Rial. "This is just to say that I am sailing tomorrow. We are taking a ten-day boat for the sake of the sea air, and this letter goes by one of the liners. And now for the sur-

"Ralph stopped in New York to look after a business matter," Rial explained, when greetings were over and the three were comfortably disposed in the solitary village back. "Maida was impatient to see her American home, so we pressed on." "The house looks very well, if I do say it myself," said Miss Merrington complacently. "I'm sure that Mrs. Rial will like it here." "It is a lovely town," said the girl impulsively. "I was so afraid that I should not like it." "Maida imagined that we lived on a prairie and had buffalo and Indians running about," explained Rial. "She wanted to carry a revolver in her handbag, but I talked her out of it." Miss Merrington laughed at the conceit, but her heart gave a throb as Rial leaned across to playfully pat the girl's cheek. She was glad that the arrival at the house prevented further demonstration. Maida was profuse in her praise of the place, and she would not rest content until she had explored every nook and cranny. Not until then was she ready to retire to her room and remove the signs of travel, leaving Miss Merrington free to see that the table was properly set for dinner. She had slipped out into the garden for some early flowers, and was arranging these in a vase when Rial came into the room, and with a happy laugh tilted up her dimple chin and planted a kiss upon her smiling lips. Miss Merrington started back with a little cry of pain. "Is this the way you seek to repay me?" she cried, with flashing eyes. "A new wife in the house just half an hour, and you—you kissed me!" "I could not help it, sweetheart," cried Rial. "It's so good to be back home after two years in hotels, and you are a part of that home. Will you forgive me, dear, and promise always to be a part of my home?" "I didn't say whose bride I was bringing home," he confessed. "I felt that if you cared, you would show it. Yes, I care, don't you, Dorothy?" The use of the old name broke down Miss Merrington's last barrier of reserve. Hysterically, she let him take her in his arms and it was thus that Maida found them as she came running into the room. "Now it's perfect," cried the girl with a quick appreciation of the situation. "The only thing the dear old house lacked was a mother to welcome the bride and now—"

Cured of Colds and Croup by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.



Geo. C. Bowden, of Little Rock, Ark., has used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in his family for many years, and is seldom without it in the house. He says: "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has proved a great relief to our boys in their throats and lung troubles. A few doses of it will ward off a threatened attack of croup, and a bad cold is quickly cured by its use. I take pleasure in recommending it." The prompt cures of colds and croup effected by this preparation, the fact that it can always be depended upon, is pleasant to take and contains no opium, chloroform or other objectionable drug, has made it a favorite with the parents of young children. When you have a cough or cold, try it and see for yourself what an excellent medicine it is. Price, 25 cents. Large size, 50 cents.

F. W. THOMSON DIED THIS MORNING

Had Been Inspector of Fish Many Years, and Widely Known in City.

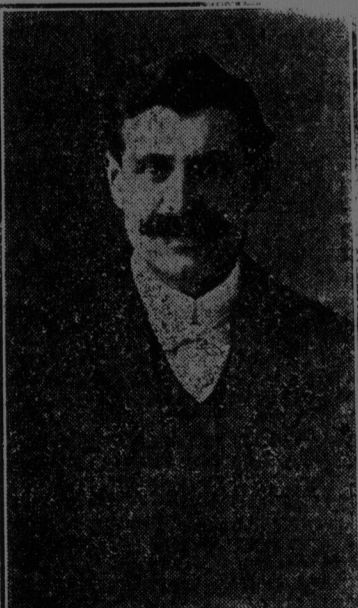
There will be general regret among the business men and citizens generally of the city, at the death of Frederick W. Thomson, for many years inspector of fish, which occurred shortly after one o'clock this morning. Mr. Thomson was one of the best known men in the city and was exceedingly popular with all classes. He was born in Maine, but spent the greater portion of his life in St. John, succeeding his father as fish inspector about thirty years ago. About a year ago Mr. Thomson became ill with valvular heart trouble, but seemed fairly well during the past summer. About five weeks ago, however, he grew worse, and had been confined to the house since that time. He leaves a widow, who is the daughter of the late Charles Caven, and five children. They are Ida May, wife of Fred C. Miles, St. John; Nettie, wife of George T. Harding of Bangor; Miss Blenda S., at home; Charles W., who has been employed with his father, and Frederick C., who is connected with Glazier & Sons. The deceased was a member of Hibernia Lodge, A. F. & A. M., and of St. John Lodge, A. O. U. W. Mrs. C. E. Calkin, Linden, Mass, is a sister, and the late C. D. Thomson, cashier of the I. C. R., Moncton, was a brother.

ADDRESS AND LOCKET FOR C. J. MILLIGAN

Thistles Regret His Departure.

Past Pres. Shaw Gets Loving Cup—J. C. Chesley, Club's New President.

The Thistle Curing Club held its annual meeting last night and besides electing officers for next season, held a most enjoyable smoker and made some presentations. The objects of the loving cup to be known in the future as the Yarmouth cup, has been given a place in the trophy-case alongside the McLean and other cups. After this part of the meeting had been completed the smoker began. Songs were sung by H. A. Allison, E. W. Bonnell, Arthur Furlong, Frank Watson, Rev. L. A. McLean, Fred Davidson, E. S. Ritchie and D. R. Willet. There were also several selections by a band trio composed of Messrs. Davidson, Fowler and Smith. The smoker broke up in the early hours of the morning.



C. J. MILLIGAN. Honored by Thistles.

The Thistles' new officers are as follows: President, J. C. Chesley; vice-president, J. W. Cameron; secretary, E. Milton Smith; treasurer, D. MacClelland; chaplain, Venerable Archdeacon Raymond.

Presentation to C. J. Milligan. The president, J. C. Chesley, made the presentation to Mr. Milligan. The latter was given a very fine gold locket on one side of which was embossed his initials and on the other the words "From the T. C. C." President Chesley also read the address.

WATCH THE STOMACH.

HAVE YOU ANY OF THESE SYMPTOMS?

If you have either variable appetite, a faint gnawing feeling at the pit of the stomach, unassisted hunger, a hoarding of food, rising and souring of food, a painful load at the pit of the stomach, choking sensations in the throat, headache and dullness of spirits, constipated bowels with alternate diarrhoea, are you gloomy and miserable?

THEN YOU ARE A DYSPYPTIC.

The cure is careful diet, slow eating, thoroughly chewing the food; avoid drinking at meals. Keep regular habits, shun stimulants, tone the digestive powers and regulate the stomach and bowels with Burdock Blood Bitters. It has cured the worst forms of dyspepsia, in over twenty-five years duration. Mrs. Geo. Parks, Cooper, Ont., was cured; she writes: "I have used Burdock Blood Bitters and find that few medicines can give such great relief in dyspepsia and stomach troubles. I was troubled for a number of years with dyspepsia and could get no relief until I tried B. B. B. It helped me right away and I think it a wonderful remedy. I would recommend it to all sufferers from dyspepsia."

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