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Thanksgiving
Linen Sale

Thos. Stone
& Son . . .

MILLINERY SPECIALS SATURDAY

Too much stock is the only excuse our department can offer for this sale. We have too many FELT SHAPES, and too many BIRDS and WINGS, so they go on SALE TO-MORROW at these prices. Felt Shapes in Brown, Navy, Castor, and every wanted color, ready to trim, good styles, excellent quality, immense variety, regular prices \$1.00 to \$1.75 each, on sale Saturday for 50c.

The Birds and Wings are divided into two lots. Both lots contain many choice ones which, of course, will go first. Black, White and all colors are represented in both lots; regular prices are 75c. to 2.50 each, on Saturday your choice of two assortments at 25c and 50c.

THANKSGIVING LINEN SALE

COMFORTER BARGAINS—

A late delivery of Comforters results to your advantage to-morrow. Come and see them.

60 x 72 Comforters, with coverings of fine American Sikoliene in pretty designs and good colorings, guaranteed pure filling, reg. value \$1.50, on sale for \$1.35.

66 x 72 Comforters, well filled and in excellent designs of coverings, reg. value \$1.75 each, on sale for \$1.50.

A very choice selection of Comforters, covered with silkolines, chintz and satens, in a splendid variety of pretty designs, special value at \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.25.

TOWEL OFFERING

18 x 36 fine Linen Huck Towel, hemstitched at both ends, half bleached, but will bleach beautifully, extra fine appearance, very special value during our Thanksgiving Linen Sale, at 12 1/2c each.

35c DRESS CLOTHS FOR 25c

Made to sell for 35c, late delivery, must be sold at once, that's the history of this offering. 40 in. wide costume cloth, fine broadcloth finish, guaranteed for wear and appearance, splendid for tailor suits, separate skirts and girls' dresses, good weight, in shades of Black, Brown, Navy, Fawn, Cardinal, Bright Navy, Mid Grey and Oxford, regular price 35c a yd, on sale at 25c.

40 in. wide guaranteed all wool Dress Serge, good weight and fine bright finish, in excellent shades of Navy, Brown, Cardinal, Myrtle, Fawn and Black, correct for girls' and ladies' dresses and skirts, reg. 35c yd, Saturday at 25c.

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Just Received an Elegant Line of Brown Cheviot Suitings

The very latest shades

Call and secure one before they are all gone.

ALBERT SHELDRICK

Tailor and Woollen Merchant
King St. near Garner House

GREAT CLOAK SALE

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

AT THE

Urban Store

PRIMEAU and RICHARDSON

Mrs. Deepdigger—You never said a word about our wedding anniversary last Tuesday—not a word.

Prof. Deepdigger—My dear, how can you expect me to take any interest in anything so ridiculously recent?

\$2.50 CANARY FREE!

Send Bird Seed and get a lovely singing canary free by sending us 25c Bird Seed, plus postage and handling charges. If dealer has no seed, send 50c for 25c seed. Address: COTTAM BIRD SEED, 10 St. Louis, Mo.

BLENHEIM'S ROYAL RECEPTION TO KENT'S NEW MEMBER

Magnificent Demonstration in Honor of Herbert S. Clements—Excellent Banquet, Enthusiastic Parade and Splendid Meeting—The Whole Town En Fete—Mayor Henry's Welcome—Mr. Clements Speaks.

Never in the history of Kent has such a unanimous and enthusiastic reception been given to any man as the magnificent celebration held at Blenheim last evening for Herbert S. Clements, M. P. Mr. Clements must indeed have been a proud and happy man as he gazed over the large throng of people who crowded the streets of the town, velling themselves hoarse and cheering for the young man who so nobly redeemed West Kent in the past Dominion elections. The Blenheim people are proud of their new M. P., and well they may be for they performed their part nobly in assisting so materially in his election.

This celebration was prepared by the Liberal-Conservatives of Blenheim and South Harwich and was held as a means of showing their enthusiasm and joy at Mr. Clements' election. Mr. Clements was invited a couple of days ago and Messrs. Geo. Heyward, J. M. Pike, S. B. Arnold, and Dr. Thornton at once engaged a special train from Chatham and offered tickets for sale. The tickets sold rapidly as the Liberal-Conservatives of Chatham were just as anxious as the Blenheim friends to celebrate the event, which may be called the turning point in the political story of Kent.

The train left the C. P. R. depot at half past seven o'clock and an enormous crowd was waiting for it. The Regiment Band was in attendance and tended to liven matters up considerably. They marched down King Street to the depot and also furnished excellent music during the proceedings at Blenheim. It was not necessary to erect any enthusiasm and while the procession in Blenheim was in progress the band at times could hardly be heard owing to the loud cheering and velling of the immense crowd which lined the main streets on both sides.

CHATHAM'S DELEGATION.

Among those noticed on the train were J. M. Pike, B. E. Branchard, Geo. S. Heyward, M. D. Fraser, A. Ledouche, C. Dunn, R. Knight, W. G. Coupland, R. A. Crothers, Braxton, F. Bennett, J. C. Stewart, E. W. Moore, Geo. Rudling, D. McLeod, E. Kemmerville, F. Slocombe, Geo. Fielder, G. D. Huff, Jas. Jenkins, S. Johnson, H. M. Murray, G. B. Brooks, C. A. Rumble, C. F. Smith, F. G. Boushall, H. K. LeQue, L. E. Tillson, and Ex-Ald. Henry Weaver and many others. Upon arriving at the Blenheim station the Chatham crowd was met by the reception Committee, composed of Dr. Story, President, James McVitt, Sec.-Treas., F. Suitor, Ed. Biggers, Norman Clements and C. F. Gibson, and headed by the 24th Regiment Band and a carriage in which were seated Mr. Clements, Mrs. Clements, Mrs. Pike, Mrs. Arnold, and some of the Conservative workers.

SPLENDID BANQUET.

The procession marched from the station to the Opera House, where an excellent banquet had been prepared by E. J. Buzzard, proprietor of the Erie House. This banquet was served from six o'clock until eight, and the room was crowded with visitors during all that time. It was an excellent spread, possibly the finest that has ever been put up in Blenheim. Orlo Coburn, pianist, furnished the music.

When the Chatham crowd arrived the guests were invited to the banquet by Dr. Story. Seated around the guests' table were Mr. and Mrs. Clements, Dr. and Mrs. Story, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Arnold, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Pike, Dr. Thornton, George S. Heyward and A. Crow, W. C. White and Everett Toll, of Blenheim, Mayor Henry, of Blenheim, B. W. Willson, of Ridgeway, and Michael Arnold, of Blenheim, father of S. B. Arnold.

The large Opera House, where the banquet and speeches were held, was very beautifully and tastefully decorated with flags, bunting, etc. A large picture of Mr. Clements was hung at the front, all decorated with the Union Jack and the national colors. Another large picture of Mr.

Clements was hung at the rear of the hall, decorated in a similar manner. As Mr. and Mrs. Clements appeared on the platform at the Blenheim station they were greeted with three hearty cheers and more, and from that time on until they left at 12 o'clock the cheering was continued. On entering the banquet hall they were again given three rousing cheers which made the Opera House fairly ring. The young member was a busy man acknowledging congratulations and shaking hands with his hosts of friends.

TORCHLIGHT PROCESSION.

After the banquet an immense torchlight procession was formed, headed by the Regiment Band and a carriage, in which were seated Dr. Story, Geo. S. Heyward, J. M. Pike and Mrs. Pike, Mrs. Clements and Mr. Clements. The procession was an enormous one and a wild one. It was the most enthusiastic procession that Blenheim has ever seen. After passing the most important streets of the town the procession rounded up at the Opera House again and the speaking was commenced.

When Mr. Clements entered the hall, the house was already well filled with people and he was cheered as he reached the platform, where he bowed his acknowledgments. Wm. Featham was master of ceremonies, while Dr. Story acted as chairman of the evening. The ladies who occupied seats on the platform were Miss Tishbourne, Mrs. Arnold, Mrs. Pike, Mrs. Clements and Mrs. Story. Seated behind them were Herbert S. Clements, Dr. Thornton, Dr. W. R. Hall, Geo. S. Heyward, Rev. R. Holden, Robt. Day, B. W. Willson, Mayor Henry, J. M. Pike, S. B. Arnold and others.

CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME.

Dr. Story opened the meeting with a short chairman's address. "I am pleased to see so many of the town of Blenheim and such a grand representation from Chatham," said he. "It shows that we all have the kindest feeling towards our new member, Mr. Clements.—Cheers. We are full of enthusiasm and the good things of the banquet. In Blenheim, things of the town, we could not be without anything else.—Laughter. We all welcome Mr. and Mrs. Clements to Blenheim and hope we may meet them both on many similar occasions."—Applause.

THE MAYOR'S GREETING.

Mayor Wm. Henry, of Blenheim, was the next speaker. He welcomed the visitors as mayor of the town. "I feel right at home among the Conservatives of Blenheim and Chatham, and I hope they will feel right at home amongst us," said he. "On behalf of the town, I welcome Mr. and Mrs. Clements to their present visit. Mr. Clements has won a splendid victory and should be proud of it. We are proud of him."

KENT'S POPULAR PRESIDENT.

Dr. A. W. Thornton was the next speaker. He made an excellent address. The doctor is an orator of exceptional ability and he never fails to meet with an enthusiastic reception.

"I wish to thank the committee for the splendid banquet I have enjoyed," said he, "and also for the invitation to be present and address you. I congratulate the committee and the people of Blenheim on the magnificent success which has crowned their efforts. You should feel proud of this demonstration. I see the smile on your faces that won't wear off and that looks good enough for me. The people of to-day have in them a large amount of hero worship. A few days ago the name of Dundonald was enough to arouse enthusiasm in any meeting. Shortly before the names of Roberts, Baden Powell, Buller and White would cause similar enthusiasm. To-night in Kent there is one name at the mention of which will call forth cheers and applause and that is the name of the man who so proudly redeemed this constituency—Mr. Herbert S. Clements.—Applause and cheers. He is a young man and deserves great credit for his excellent work. He has no way duty to perform and I know he will perform it."—Applause.

Dr. Thornton closed his excellent address by referring to the Provincial elections, which he expected would come on shortly and urged that the good work commenced would be continued and that the Ross Government would be defeated and that two men from the Kents behind J. P. Whitney would help along the progress and uprightness we have not had for 32 years.

The doctor was greeted with a hearty round of applause as he resumed his seat.

THEY MISSED PHIL.

A letter of regret at his forced absence was read from P. H. Bowyer, editor of the Ridgeway Dominion. His absence was much regretted. Mr. Story—We all like to hear Dr. Continued on 5th page.

A PEOPLE'S CONVENTION

Conservative Executive to Make Announcement Monday.

Date Will Likely Be Fixed For November 24, the Day Following the Liberal Convention in Toronto—What Is in the Air Regarding the Probable Policy to Be Formulated For the Information of Liberal and Conservative M.P.'s.

Toronto, Nov. 12.—The Liberal-Conservative of Ontario will hold a convention in this city on Nov. 24, if the opinion expressed at a meeting of prominent Conservatives at the Albany Club last night holds good. The idea of calling a convention of Liberal-Conservatives has been in the air for some time, but had received added force and has been projected into the arena of practical political tactics since Premier Ross issued his call to the Liberals of the Province. The announcement as given out by J. W. St. John, M.P.P., a member of the executive of the party, is both brief and vague. He says a convention will be held and that a public announcement may be expected on Monday. So much is sure.

The General Opinion.

Several prominent members of the party were canvassed last night, when it was known the convention had been called. None desired to be quoted in regard to the policy the party would decide on, or the best time at which to hold the convention. But it was ascertained from a source, hitherto found wholly reliable, that the general and best opinion of the leaders of the party is that the gathering should be called for the day after the Liberal convention, that is, Nov. 24. And this will likely be the convention date.

A Convention of the People.

In speaking of the composition of the convention, one Conservative said: "This gathering will be unique in the history of party conventions. It will be a convention of the people. Every polling subdivision in the Province will have the privilege and the right of being represented and heard in the convention. It will not be a convention of party hacks and party leaders, but a convention of the whole people. And this in my mind is a long step forward in party politics. What the party needs more than anything else, if it needs anything, is to take the people into its confidence, listen to the confidence of the people and formulate a policy that appeals first, last and always to the people and their best interests."

Ross Government Corruption.

It is freely said that the Conservative party believes the main question before the people of the province to-day is the corruption of the Ross Government. That is the great issue that divides the two parties. This will be dealt with at the convention and also in a letter from the executive of the party that may be made public next week. What position the party will take in the matter will be decided by the whole convention.

Public Ownership.

It is understood that the Conservatives are prepared to rise or fall on at least two propositions that have grown immensely in public favor during the past few years, viz., public ownership of public utilities and the nationalization of railways. It is claimed that the party in Ontario is already on record in regard to these, and that that record will be reinforced by further declarations in public and before the convention.

Civil Service Reform.

Civil service reform will be pressed on the party by at least one member of the executive, as a logical remedy for corruption such as has shamed the regime of the Ross Administration.

In short, the Liberal-Conservatives of Ontario aim by the calling of the convention Nov. 24 to formulate a progressive policy in accord with the views of the people and to have a final rally of the party to express condemnation of the corruption of the Ross Government.

In Good Fighting Trim.

It was stated last night that the Liberal-Conservative party was never in better fighting trim. It has promises of allegiance from many who hitherto have been lukewarm, and men of standing have intimated their intention of sacrificing much in order to see the Ross Government ousted. The next few days will be full of political import.

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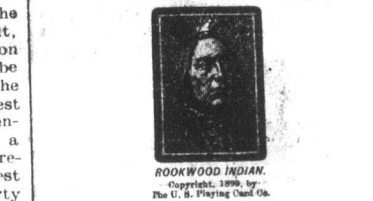
London, Nov. 12.—In the recount of the ballots for the Hon. C. S. Hyman and William Gray, at the recent election, two of the four wards of the city had been completed when an adjournment was made at 1.30 yesterday. The net result so far as that Mr. Hyman's majority of 23 is reduced by one, while several doubtful votes are reserved. The court sat again during the afternoon and concluded that Hyman's majority is 22. Several doubtful ballots are yet to be adjudicated upon.

MEET TO-NIGHT

The Liberal-Conservatives of City Polling Sub-division No. 14, will meet this evening at eight o'clock in the offices of Mr. W. K. Merrifield. Every worker is cordially invited to be present as matters of importance will be discussed. Let there be a large turnout. There is work ahead.

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