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SATIN "ORIENTAL" (all silk), the most pronounced success in Dress Fabric of late years, in great range of shades. See these. Maltz, Apricot, Bluette, Pink, Sky, Brown (Light), Brown (mid), Black, Reseda, Helio, Greys, Bronze, Taupe, Ivory, Mole, etc.

SATIN "CHARMEUSE" (silk and wool), similar to the above, but lower price, also in splendid range of shades, including Blaque, Turquoise, Navy, Red, Fenwick, Ivory, Black, Brown, Taupe, Navy, Smoke, Elephant, Gun, powder, Havana, etc.

Wool Dress Fabrics and Silk Mixtures

In endless profusion of fashionable makes are being opened up every day.

Dressmaking

Our modistes are back in their places, and everything is ready to book your order. Don't wait till our resources are strained by the rush, but get order in early.

Lace Gowns

Grand showing of Lace Gown Patterns (shaped), in all the popular makes, Black, Ivory, White, from \$12.00 up.

New Costumes

Already to hand a nice sprinkling of NEW COSTUMES FOR SPRING. These will appeal to good taste. Look them over.

Cambic Prints

Grand range of Fine, New Cambic Prints, in very choice patterns and colorings, including chintz effects, stripes, spots, checks, etc., at 12 1/2 cents and 15 cents a yard.

New Delaines

Fine stock of New French Printed Delaines and Delaines, in specially dainty patterns, and all colors, at 10c to 50c a yard.

Art Printed Covers

Just opened a very attractive lot of Art Printed, richly printed, Table Covers and Quilts.

Italian Rugs

Handsome Striped Italian Silk Rugs for Lounges, etc., \$1.00 and \$2.00 each.

Cotton Blankets

About 100 pairs 11-4 only Grey or White Planellette Blankets, to clear, at \$1.00 pair. Regular \$1.25.

Wool Blankets

Pure Scotch Wool, thoroughly shrunken and cleaned, 60x80-inch, finished singly. Pink or Blue Border, at \$3.00 pair. Regularly \$4.00.

Ice Curtains

Sample pairs of every make, including large range of Nottinghams, RE-CLAR \$1.50 to \$2.00, CLEARING \$1.00 TO \$2.00 PAIR.

Mail Orders Carefully Filled

JOHN CATTO & SON

55 TO 61 KING STREET EAST, TORONTO.

FOR POWER DELIVERY

Fine Display of Commercial Vehicles at the Auto Show.

The commercial vehicle exhibit at the Automobile Show has proved to be one of this year's most successful features.

Representatives from well-known business houses have been giving the machines a thorough study, and, as a result, it is reported, many additions will be made this season to the list of companies using power delivery.

The commercial cars shown are Russels, manufactured by the Canada Cycle & Motor Co., Limited. They include a three-ton and one-ton truck and a delivery wagon of the latest type.

The three-ton truck is a massive affair, with tremendous power, intended for the heaviest class of work. The one-ton truck is built for the rapid handling of merchandise which does not involve so much weight.

These two machines share interest with a delivery wagon which is undoubtedly the most advanced car of the type yet seen here. As all claims for power delivery rest upon the argument of greater economy and speed, the performance of this wagon is especially interesting. Thorough tests on various kinds of delivery work have shown that it invariably does the work of two, and usually three horse-drawn wagons at a great saving in cost.

It was the general opinion at the show that the Russel machines were sure to give power delivery in Canada a great impetus.

The display of pleasure cars of this company continues to be the leading attraction. Heavy sales are reported on all the models.

Headquarters for Lenton Specialists, St. Charles, of course.

ECHO OF ELECTION.

EDMONTON, Alta., Feb. 24.—(Special.)—In the supreme court, M. A. Harpell of Wainwright v. The Chronicle Publishing Company of Stratford, the paper was mulcted \$500 for libel. During the recent Dominion election the "Chronicle" published a statement that the plaintiff was a certain notorious Mickey Harpell, and concerned in ballot-box stuffing some years ago in Ontario.

Gibbons' Toothache Gum acts as a temporary filling and stops toothache instantly. Price 10c.

Hope Still for Treaty.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—The effort of ratify the Canadian boundary treaty has taken on a new lease of life. Senator Carter of Montana has the new movement in hand. It develops that in spite of the quasi agreement in executive session, the treaty may be pushed at this session.

Have a Sleigh Drive—Call up Plan's, Main 6209, for pleasure vans and sleighs. 12 Winter-street.

THE "SAVOY."

Yonge and Adelaide Streets.

Delicious Ice Cream, Coffee, Cocoa, etc. Chocolates and Bonbons.

The Japanese Tea Room is a cozy spot for afternoon tea, luncheons, etc.

Special lunch every day for busy people.

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THE WEATHER

METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE, Toronto, Feb. 24, 2 p.m.—The disturbance which was approaching the lake region yesterday has now reached Quebec, and has in the Maritime Provinces, cold weather prevails in Manitoba and is spreading into Ontario.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 30 below—3 below; Atlin, 20 below—15 below; Vancouver, 42—45; Kamloops, 34—38; Edmonton, 6—22; Battleford, 14 below—4; Calgary, 5—44; Moose Jaw, 20—40; Regina, 12 below—10; Winnipeg, 22 below—2 below; Port Arthur, 4—10; Parry Sound, 20—42; London, 26—40; Toronto, 32—46; Ottawa, 30—42; Montreal, 32—46; Quebec, 28—36; St. John, 23—33; Halifax, 23—33.

Probabilities.

Lower lakes and Georgian Bay—strong northwesterly winds fair and cold; local snow bursts.

THE BAROMETER.

Time. Ther. Bar. Wind.

8 a.m. 41 28.86 11 N.E.

Noon 42 28.84 11 N.E.

4 p.m. 38 28.81 11 N.E.

8 p.m. 32 28.71 11 S.W.

Mean 35.75 difference from 8 p.m. 18 above; highest, 46; lowest, 31; rain, .70.

TO-DAY IN TORONTO.

Feb. 25.

Auto and Motor Boat Show, last day, St. Lawrence Arena.

Ontario Society of Artists, exhibition all day.

Ontario Land Surveyors, Parliament Buildings, 10.

Lenten Services, St. James' Cathedral, 12:30; St. Margaret's Church, 12:40.

Christian and Missionary Alliance, Zion Church, 3—5.

Dr. Samson on Government Annuities Scheme, Association Hall, 8.

Rev. J. A. Macdonald, "The Valley Jean," Metropolitan Church, 8.

Mansey Hall—Paderewski Recital, 8.

Benefit Concert for Quake Sufferers, St. George's Hall, 8.

Riverside Business Men's Association, 8.

Toronto Inter-Club Debate, Chalmers Church, 8.

Doric Lodge, A.F. & A.M., at-home, 8:30 p.m., Temple Building.

Centre and South Toronto Conservatives, Crown Life Building, 8.

STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.

Feb. 24. At. From.

Furness, New York, Glasgow.

Oceanic, New York, Liverpool.

Vanderland, New York, Antwerp.

Cretic, Boston, New York.

Lasland, New York, New York.

Oceanic, Southampton, New York.

San Giovanni, Gibraltar, New York.

Buenos Aires, New York.

Europa, Genoa, New York.

Arabic, Pirais, New York.

BIRTHS.

DAVIDGE—On Feb. 18, at 158 Gladstone-avenue, to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred David, a daughter.

LUMBERS—On February 5, to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard O. Lumbers, a son.

DEATHS.

BEATTY—At her father's residence, 215 Carlton-street, Emma, eldest daughter of Robert J. Beatty, in her 23rd year.

Funeral Friday at 2:30 p.m., to St. James' Cemetery.

LESTER—At his late residence, 127 East-Yacht-street, John Lester, in his 61st year.

Funeral from above address Thursday, Feb. 25th, at 2 p.m., to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

MARRS—On Wednesday, 24th February, 1909, at his residence, 25 Gifford-street, Toronto, Thomas, dearly beloved husband of Elizabeth Marrs.

Funeral notice to be later.

SANDHAM—At Folkestone, England, on 24th February, suddenly, General Robert Sandham, R.A.

EVERY LITTLE BIT HELPS.

Share of Toronto Organs in Government's Advertising.

OTTAWA, Feb. 24.—(Special.)—The last volume of the auditor-general's report on the government's advertising and advertising in the fiscal year ended March 31, 1908.

For advertising, \$287,167 was paid, and for printing and lithographs, \$300,413.

The Toronto Globe got \$6493 for advertising, and The Star \$4977.

OBITUARY.

General Robert Sandham, who was attached to the permanent forces of the Canadian militia, died yesterday at Folkestone, England.

General Sandham was about 72 years of age and when in Canada was stationed in Halifax and Toronto.

While in the city he met many friends and was a member of the Toronto Club and an honorary member of the Royal Canadian Yacht Club. He is survived by his wife, Maria Sandham, a daughter of the late Sir Casimir Gzowski of Toronto.

STATE DIGS UP SCANDAL MOTIVE FOR THE MURDER

Attempt to Show That Col. Cooper Was a Defaulter While an Official of County.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Feb. 24.—After a day replete with exciting incidents and interesting developments to-day's session of the trial of Colonel Duncan B. Cooper, Robin Cooper and John D. Sharp for the murder of former Senator E. W. Carmack closed with the aged, defendant, Col. Cooper, still on the stand.

The direct examination of the colonel, which began early yesterday, lasted until nearly noon to-day. Almost the first thing the state did in cross-examination was to announce that it would try to prove that Col. Cooper was a defaulter to the extent of more than \$100,000, while clerk and master of chancery of Maury County.

The state sprung another surprise. It resurrected some old legislative records concerning an investigation into the defalcation of State Treasurer Polk in the early 80's. It offered to prove that thousands of dollars of the state's money were invested by Polk with Colonel Cooper and others in a Mexican silver mine scheme, a walnut log scheme in North Carolina, and a scheme to buy the Nashville American.

Colonel Cooper admitted that there were irregularities in his office of clerk and master-in-chancery, but said they were due to bad management and poor bookkeeping and that every dollar was made good. He admitted that Polk was first partner in the ventures named, but declared that he himself never handled a dollar of the money and had no knowledge that it was taken from the state's strong box.

THE STEEL SITUATION.

Effect of the Recent Selling Policy on the Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—The Iron Age will say to-morrow. The complete reversal of the selling policy of the steel corporation has thrown the entire trade into confusion, and buyers and sellers have been groping in the dark.

Each interest is endeavoring to find its bearings and is seeking to determine what prices must be met, and whether it is wise to take a part in the struggle. Small mills are even now withdrawing completely.

Each constituent company of the steel corporation appears to adopt such course as the special circumstances surrounding it justify.

There are no facts on which to base any opinion concerning the effect of the price reductions in stimulating business. There have been no sales of consequence. Enquiries are being put out as feelers, or as a means of securing data for means for readjustment.

Recent, however, a preliminary step in a number of instances has been the demand for cancellation of such contracts. It may take some weeks before the skirmishing among buyers and sellers is over, and round tonnages are placed. It is tonnage that is wanted by the mills, and the prices will be made to bring it out.

There are some indications of a friendly spirit among some of the leading interests, so that the term "price war" should not be indiscriminately used.

It is only in a few lines of mill products that prices have been openly made. New discounts show discounts ranging from 6 to 10 per cent.

Some Present Prices.

There is little disposition to force the sale of billets, but it is probable that the price will be \$22 Pittsburgh, with \$23 for tin bars.

There is no truth in the reports that the price of steel rails has been reduced from \$28 to \$25. The opinion is expressed, however, that they may be affected by the struggle.

Steel bars are definitely and openly down to \$120, although some leading sellers decline to commit themselves beyond July 1.

So far as we can learn, no prices lower than \$10.20 Pittsburgh, have yet been named by anybody on structural material and on plates.

Hoops and bands have been reduced \$4 per ton, but while it is admitted that some sharp concessions have been made on sheets, no exact figures are available. Nor has there developed anything tangible in the matter of prices on tin plate.

Wire makers are maintaining prices for the present.

The decline in prices of finished iron and steel has discounted any possible effect of a reduction in the duties of iron and steel, upon the domestic market.

A sharp distinction must be drawn between those finished lines in which co-operation is the way, and the crude material, pig-iron, in which there has been an open market all along.

Like Old Hat.

The bulk, however, of country iron, which could only be estimated by the increase in general consumption it were not for one important consideration, and that is one which soon will loom up. We refer to the prices for lake ores for the coming season. The sellers of lake ores are few in number and are powerful, the not united, and it remains to be seen where and to what extent they will back up their steel producing interests directly or indirectly by a readjustment of prices. Some of them are makers of pig-iron and can meet the market without making any concession to outside buyers.

Coke is already so low that there is little chance that pig-iron makers could pass on to their customers economies in production thus effected.

During the past week pig-iron has been very dull in all markets and is weaker.

One of the significant developments during the past week is the announcement from Chicago that city will hereafter set a basing point in naming prices on such products as are turned out by the mills of the United States Steel Corporation in that district. This to the freight rate from Pittsburgh as an arbitrary differential. Some sort of differential will be observed. A final step is contemplated by producers at Buffalo.

The copper market is very dull and it is probable that electrolytic metal will be purchased at 12 1/2-cent reference value to attract buyers.

J. Carling Kelly of 217 Spadina-road, Toronto, has begun suit against P. D. Ross and The Ottawa Evening Journal for damages for libel.

Record Sales



It will please businessmen generally to know that we have already sold more Automobiles this season than any previous record, which is striking evidence of good times and gives promise of an unusually successful year. We never were more enthusiastic of styles and values both of

"Darracqs" and "Cadillacs"

and are satisfied we are on the right side of every comparison. Reports from the Detroit Show this week state that more "Cadillacs" are being sold than ever before, and anyone wanting the best high-grade car for the money should place the order early to make sure of delivery.

All we ask is a chance to demonstrate to your entire satisfaction what "Cadillac" quality and value really means.

HYSLOP BROS., Limited
"Darracq" and "Cadillac" Automobiles,
Shuter and Victoria Streets, Toronto.

AUSTRIA AND SERBIA

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failure of his own political experiences of late, is now inspired with a spirit of vindictiveness to make trouble for all those opposed to him. In this wave of anti-Russian sentiment M. Izvolsky is held up as having supported Serbia.

This situation naturally cannot continue long without a crisis. Intervention by one or several powers is warmly resented here. Such a procedure is considered out-of-fashion. It used to apply 100 years ago to Turkey before she obtained a constitution, but such a worn out diplomatic procedure cannot be proffered to a modern state.

Austria considers herself fully capable of carrying out her own policy and requires Russian or any other country interfering. That about sums up the situation.

Rifat Pacha, new Turkish minister of foreign affairs, is announced to arrive here Thursday. Germany stands fast and close with Austria whatever happens, while Austria will insist on an explanation from Serbia of her hostile attitude.

British Government, However, Not as Apprehensive as Some Others.

LONDON, Feb. 24.—The British government is not so apprehensive regarding the situation in the Balkans as are some of the other governments of Europe, judging from the indications in despatches received here from various continental capitals.

The foreign office of course recognizes that an undue prolongation of the tension between Austria-Hungary and Serbia is dangerous, but it is hopeful of an early relaxation in the situation.

So far as is known officially here Germany has not declined to participate in a joint action and negotiations still are going on with the view of a proffer of good offices.

Berlin Not Excited.

BERLIN, Feb. 24.—There is no reason to believe that an outbreak of war between Austria and Serbia is imminent, according to the view held in the most authoritative semi-official circles.

The alarmist reports are regarded as being much exaggerated. It is admitted, however, that the situation is not clear and will remain cloudy until those powers which like France are striving to maintain peace, make their voices heard at St. Petersburg and induce Russia to notify Belgrade that in the event of war Serbia cannot rely upon either direct or indirect Russian support.

The alarmist reports and the other powers will use their influence in peaceful support of Serbia. It is believed, depends to a great extent on their success in bringing the Serbians to a calm

attitude appropriate to the circumstances. It is not considered likely that Great Britain and Italy would object to intervene at Belgrade in conjunction with France in order to preserve peace. The real key to the situation is, for the moment, Russia's, whose decision is eagerly awaited.

TORONTO STILL SIDE-TRACKED

C. P. R. Finally Decides Not to Put Us on Thrill Line.

MONTREAL, Feb. 24.—(Special.)—Officials of the Canadian Pacific Railway have decided not to route their transcontinental trains via Toronto, instead of by way of Ottawa and North Bay, as at present.

The matter has been under serious consideration for some time, and the train service officials have looked into the pros and cons of the case very thoroughly. It has finally been decided, however, that the change would not be in the best interests of the company, and the transcontinental trains will follow their old route for the coming summer at least. The change would have meant practically cutting off Ottawa and North Bay from the transcontinental railway map.

If, however, Toronto, does not get on the mention line, the new summer arrangements of the C.P.R. will offer great advantages to the Queen City. Very close connection will be made between Toronto and Minneapolis via the Soo line at Sudbury, which will be a vast improvement over the present service.

READY TO APPROVE TREATY IF CANADA IS SATISFIED

LONDON, Feb. 24.—(C.A.P. Cable.)—The British Government has been given to understand that the United States Senate is prepared to approve the waters treaty subject to a declaration of the exact nature of the rights conceded to each side. The text of declaration has been communicated to Ottawa. It is really only an explanation of what the treaty means. If Canada signifies approval of the meaning of the treaty as defined by the declaration, the Imperial government is not likely to object.

Lunch counters and dining room for business men. E. Sullivan. 26c

BRITISH CAPITAL IN CANADA.

LONDON, Feb. 24.—(C.A.P. Cable.)—The Chronicle says that in 1908 exclusive of conversion loans nearly 130,000,000 of British capital went to Canada, and remarks it is old that tariff reformers who affect so much keenness upon colonial preference, should shed tears at the investment of British capital in colonial development.

APPROVES BILINGUAL PLAN.

MONTREAL, Feb. 24.—(Special.)—La Patrie speaks very approvingly of Mr. Johnston's bilingual movement in the Ontario Legislature, and suggests that the University of Laval establish a chair of English literature, adding that such a move would be exceedingly popular.

OTTAWA PRESSES REFUSE, TOO.

OTTAWA, Feb. 24.—In common with the Toronto Pressmen's Union, Ottawa Union No. 6, of the International Pressmen's Union, of America, has refused to pay the ten per cent. levy demanded by the parent union.

AMUSEMENTS.

PAISED BY ALL

The Shubert's Presentation of
GEO. FAWCETT

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NEXT WEEK THE SHUBERT CO. WILL Present The College Play

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Strictly 22 Attractions at Regular Prices—Evening 25c to \$1.00. Thur. Mat. 25c, 50c, 75c. Seats now selling. 45

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To-Night and Friday Evening Only Frederic Thompson announces

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NEXT WEEK ONLY MATINEE SATURDAY

CHARLES FROHMAN presents the latest and most complete variety Theatre Music. Comedy Success

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One Year SEAT SALE 4 Months in London TO-DAY New York

Company of 100—Big Beauty Chorus Augmented orchestra.

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MATS. 10-15-20-25. EVE. 10-20-25-30

PRETTY WESTERN MONTANA

Next—The Child of the Regiment.

GAYETY DAILY MATS. LADIES 10c