

London Advertiser

Women Do Most

Of the Shopping.

They Are Great Readers of the ADVERTISER.

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Leading Russian Financiers Have a Grievance Against Germany and Great Britain.

THIS IS THE PLACE.

Brussels, June 26.—The Government will send an officer to Canada this year to buy horses for remounts and the artillery.

A MARCHIONESS DIES.

London, June 26.—The Dowager Marchioness of Lansdowne died at Perth last night. She was Baroness Nairn in her own right.

DUMAS' MARRIAGE.

Paris, June 26.—The civil marriage ceremony of M. Alexandre Dumas and Mme. Reine de Blumers was performed in this city this afternoon.

EXPLOSION ON THE LUCANIA.

Liverpool, June 26.—An explosion occurred in the coal bunkers of the Cunard steamship Lucania today. Four men were injured. The vessel was not damaged.

ANOTHER WAR EXPECTED.

London, June 26.—A dispatch from Shanghai says high officials in Shanghai confidently expect that war will ensue between Russia and Japan over the situation in Korea within three months.

THEIR ONLY POLICY.

London, June 26.—Speaking at Ardwick today Mr. Balfour declared that the only policy of the new Government was to dissolve Parliament and other policy or purpose would be the Unionists have accepted office.

FATAL COLLISION AT SEA.

London, June 26.—The steamer Penzance, of Plymouth, came into collision with the yacht Scotia, of Plymouth, in the Channel yesterday and sunk her. The owner of the Scotia and one of her crew were drowned.

THE COLOR LINE AT SEA.

London, June 26.—Truth declares that the Cunard Steamship Company ought not to be allowed to carry the mails any longer, if it be true, as alleged, that the Methodist bishop, Fraser, was refused a first-class ticket by the New York office of that company on account of his color.

INTERNATIONAL RAILWAY CONGRESS.

London, June 26.—The Prince of Wales shortly after 3 o'clock this afternoon formally opened the International Railway Congress in the Imperial Institute, Kensington. There were present 800 delegates from all parts of the world.

THE NEWFOUNDLAND LOAN.

London, June 26.—The banking house of Glyn, Murrays & Co. on Monday solicited tenders for £500,000 4 per cent bonds on behalf of contractors of loan for the Newfoundland Government. The minimum price offered was 98 1/2, and the aggregate applications amounted to £4,864,075. The average price obtained was 99 1/8.

WHAT BRITAIN HAS DONE.

Cologne, June 26.—The Gazette's correspondent at St. Petersburg asserts that the leading Russian financiers are furiously angry at the action of Germany in supporting England in inducing China to refuse to accept Russia's loan proposals in their present form. China's non-acceptance of the proposals involves the withdrawal of her recent concessions to Russia in connection with the Siberian railway.

NUMEROUS DEATHS FROM LIGHTNING.

London, June 26.—Violent thunder storms prevailed in England and Ireland today. A tramway depot at Hull was struck by lightning, set on fire and destroyed. Lightning also struck a tree adjacent to the royal pavilion at the agricultural show at Darlington. A number of persons had sought refuge under the tree from the rain. Two of them were killed, and three injured. The Duke and Duchess of York had just departed from the pavilion when the bolt fell. A number of deaths caused by lightning are reported from other places.

BUSY MARRIAGE DAY IN LONDON.

London, June 26.—Today has been the busiest marriage day of the London season. The Earl of Carnarvon was married to Miss Almira Wombwell, a niece of Sir George Wombwell; Lord Teynham wedded Miss Mabel Wilkin-son, daughter of Col. Green Wilkin-son; Mr. Vincent Corbett, of the British Legation at Copenhagen, took to wife Miss Mabel Stuart, daughter of Lord Arlington; Capt. Richard B. Calvin, esq., son of Lady Gwendoline, daughter of the Earl of Strathbrooke, and Mr. Geo. H. Peake became the husband of Miss Evelyn Dundas, niece of the Marquis of Zetland.

DECLINE IN COTTON GOODS.

Manchester, June 26.—The Guardian, in its commercial article, says: Most of the principal business sections are much depressed, and few buyers have the courage to purchase unless remarkable low prices are accepted. Producers are now willing to accept fig-

ures which recently they firmly refused to consider. The loss of confidence is apparently due to the steadily increasing weakness of cotton, and the scarcity of workable foreign demand. The unsettled feeling arising from the political crisis will probably further dislocate trade, and especially in the event of an election, and the excuse is offered by buyers for not entering into fresh business. Yarns are depressed and lower and business moderate.

THE NEW COLONIAL SECRETARY.
London, June 26.—The Canadian Gazette, treating of the composition of the new Ministry, as far as is known, says: Apart from the politics, we hope that Mr. Chamberlain's tenure in the Colonial Office will be prolonged. There is something piquant in this most interesting figure in English public life appearing in control of the colonial empire. We can hardly imagine that Chamberlain would hesitate to give Canada self-government, and in the matter of copyright we are sure that he will keep a close watch upon colonial interests in which the United States are concerned. His strong personality should enable him to cast aside the traditional policy of the office and to stand in the way of a vigorous administration of colonial affairs.

NOTES OF DEFIANCE.

London, June 26.—The National Liberal Federation will issue a manifesto declaring that the Government was compelled to resign upon a snatch vote, following an unprecedented attack upon the honor of one of the most able and most popular of Ministers. The Liberal Ministry, it adds, by its series of legislative and administrative triumphs, justified its title to be considered one of the most energetic governments yet seen. The great reforms it carried through the House of Commons would have been law if they had not been thwarted by an irresponsible oligarchy. The House of Lords rejected the Home Rule and Employers' Liability Bills. These, with the Welsh Disestablishment, the Irish Land, the abolition of plural voting and the local vote bills are today demanded by the interests of the whole nation; but the most important matter is the Leeds resolution, declaring that when the two Houses of Parliament come into conflict, the will of the Representative Chamber shall prevail.

Mr. Chamberlain today issued an address to his constituents in West Birmingham. His tenor is similar to that of Mr. Balfour's address. He emphasizes the necessity of dissolving Parliament at the earliest time possible. He says that the policy of the new Government cannot be suitably discussed until after the dissolution, but he declares that the Unionists are absolutely agreed, if the elections place them in power, to lay aside the wild projects of constitutional change and destructive legislation forming the staple proposals of the last Government, and to devote their principal attention to constructive measures and social reforms. At the same time they will be prepared to maintain the defensive resources of the empire, and to seek by all legitimate means to extend Britain's influence and commerce in the vast regions under the British flag. Mr. Chamberlain will make no further address to the electors previous to his nomination.

HUXLEY GETTING WORSE.

London, June 27.—The condition of Prof. Thomas Henry Huxley is worse. He is weaker today.

THE BERING SEA BILL.

London, June 27.—In the House of Lords today the royal assent was given to the Bering Sea Bill, and it thus becomes law.

A BATTLE OF FLOWERS.

Kiel, June 27.—The boats of a number of warships in the harbor, including the British and American ships, took part in the battle of flowers last night. The boats were formed in a procession, which included many fancy craft. As they passed the Imperial yacht, Hohenzollern, the Emperor, who stood upon the main deck, pelted the boats with flowers.

"COME OVER AND HELP US."

Berlin, June 27.—The Tagblatt publishes an appeal from the European colonists at Iskanderun, in Northern Syria, asking the western powers to protect them against the Moslem mountaineers, who are daily pillaging them and menacing their lives. The Vossische Zeitung says the Macedonian question is certainly coming to confront European diplomats since the cry against oppression in that country has been successful.

WHAT VESSEL WENT DOWN?

London, June 27.—The tug Albert Victor, returning to Weymouth, reports that twelve miles southwest of Portland Bill, in the English Channel, she passed through miles of floating barrels, boxes, loose oil and wreckage. A carved mahogany stanchion, four feet long, and a quantity of wreckage have come ashore at Godnor. It is presumed that the vessel to which the wreckage and floating cargo belonged was sunk in collision with some other ship.

THE POPE AND CHURCH UNITY.

Rome, June 27.—Cardinal Gibbons will leave Rome on July 1. He will first visit Holland, and arrive in Paris on July 20. After a brief stay in Paris he will return to Baltimore. The cardinal expresses himself as delighted with his reception by the Pope, who, besides discussing questions relating to the church in America, explained to the cardinal that it was his firm intention to pursue the work which he had begun with the object of accomplishing a unity of churches and a unity of faith. His Holiness showed the cardinal a number of documents upon the subject of church unity.

SUICIDE AT BERLIN.

Berlin, June 26.—A. M. Patterson, commercial traveler, of Morefield, committed suicide at the Grand Central Hotel this afternoon by taking morphine. It was noticed that he was drinking heavily.

PREMIER MOWAT'S HEALTH.

Toronto, June 27.—Mr. S. T. Basto received a letter from Sir Oliver Mowat yesterday which stated that the Premier's health is improving. He is at present in Leamington, in the south of England, and expects soon to go to Scotland, where he will visit friends.

TOO MUCH "OLD FLAG" BUSINESS.

Ottawa, June 26.—S. Seoguin, a messenger in the employ of the Agricultural Department, was arrested today for stealing \$100 worth of flags, the property of the Public Works Department, used in the celebration of the Winter Carnival. The flags were missed at the time, and the committee had to make good the amount. Today Seoguin went into a store to dispose of them and was afterwards arrested.

Late Canadian News.

Bishop's College Celebrating Its Jubilee—Elgin Patrons' Picnic.

Monday, Sept. 16, next, is the date for the trial of the Kingston petition and cross-petition.

A Halifax, N. S., dispatch says the 25th anniversary of his Lordship's Right Rev. John Cameron was celebrated there yesterday. He was made the recipient of a purse of \$20,000.

Tuesday was a gala day with the Patrons of West Elgin. All parts of the riding were represented at the demonstration held at Whitesides, on the shore of Lake Erie, about a mile west of Tyroconnel.

Bishop's College, at Lennoxville, is holding jubilee all this week, having passed the half-century mark as an institution. Lord Aberdeen and Lieut.-Gov. Chapleau are each to receive the degree of D. C. L. from the college today (Thursday).

Dr. W. H. Withrow, who has served the Methodist Church of Canada for many years as secretary of the Sunday School Board and editor of the Sunday School publications, resigns the secretaryship to devote his whole time to the editorial work of his department. Dr. Withrow starts this week on a trip to Europe, to be away about ten weeks.

DASTARDLY DOINGS.

A Leading Buffaloian Captured by Crooks.

And Chained in a Cellar Without Food, for 46 Hours.

Buffalo, N. Y., June 27.—Octavius O. Cottle, the well-known lawyer, of this city, was kidnapped on Monday morning. He was lured to a vacant house at 36 Bayne street, where he was overpowered by two men, who bound and gagged him, and at the points of revolvers and daggers compelled him to write a letter to his wife directing her to deliver over \$2,500 to messenger to secure his liberation. As Mrs. Cottle was arranging to carry out the instructions, she was advised not to do so. Meanwhile the captive was kept chained in the cellar with one of the daring of the morning on guard over him. The fellow went away on Tuesday afternoon, and after several hours of persistent, desperate labor the lawyer managed to break his chain. He succeeded in attracting the attention of a policeman. Then, after 46 hours of imprisonment in a dirty underground room, without food or sleep, he regained his liberty.

BINDER TWINE.

Protest from the President of the Farmers' Company.

Brantford, June 26.—The Toronto World publishes a report from Ottawa giving an account of a discussion in the Commons regarding binder twine. In the course of the discussion the statement is made that the Farmers' Binder Twine Company, of Brantford, are endeavoring to induce the Government to induce them to raise the price of binder twine manufactured at Kingston Penitentiary, and to enter into a combine to keep up the price. The president of the Farmers' Binder Twine Company, Mr. Joseph Stratford, stated emphatically that no combine or understanding to his knowledge exists or was contemplated, desiring to require the Government to do so. However, in making a further statement that he had protested that convict labor twine was aggressive as against the existing manufacturers, as it was sold at a lower price than the quality to his and other companies better brands, which is positively not so, and that all his company wanted at the hands of Government was a fair field and no favor, as the Farmers' Binder Twine Company had its honest debts to pay. Mr. Stratford further stated that some time ago he represented to the Government that old American twines being brought freely into the market to the detriment of Canadian manufacturers, and desired that the customs appraisal on this twine in entering it should be made as large as possible, and no good would come of being allowed in competition to the splendid new twines made by the Canadian manufacturers, and that the factory that he stood at the head of, consisting of thousands of farmers as stockholders, was neither political nor aggressive against any Government.

EPWORTH LEAGUES.

International Conference Begun at Chattanooga.

Chattanooga, Tenn., June 27.—Delegates from thirty States in the Union from Maine to California and from other Christian countries have arrived to attend the international conference of all Epworth Leagues which convened in this city today. There will be fully 15,000 delegates in attendance by noon today. It is estimated that the full attendance will be about 25,000. The exercises will be held in a tent which has a seating capacity of about 10,000. Addresses of welcome were delivered on behalf of the city of Chattanooga by Mayor George S. Ochs, and for Tennessee Methodism by Rev. J. P. McFerrin, D.D., of this city. Many of the most noted Methodists of the United States and Canada and many other Christian countries, will deliver addresses and participate in the exercises.

Steamship Arrivals.

Ship	From
June 26.	
Havel	New York
Aurania	New York
Paris	New York
Aurania	New York
Lake Ontario	Montreal
Mexico	Montreal
Leamington	Montreal
Alvina	Montreal
Merrimac	Montreal

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Dramatists in France get 12 per cent of the gross receipts of each play, and are allowed tickets to the value of 100 francs for every performance of such plays as they have written.

SHOWERS OF STONES.

Remarkable Occurrences in Middlesex County.

Great Excitement in Dorchester Township.

H. Taylor, writing from Mossley, Dorchester township, says: "I beg to inform you of a strange occurrence which I am told by reliable authority is taking place here and causing great excitement. Since last Friday stones from the size of a marble up to three or four inches long are falling in and near one particular bush. Some are quite warm, others moist, with sand stuck to them. They have also been found to move several yards from the place they fell. Some knots and limbs have likewise been dropping from the trees. The stones are described as falling lightly. Business having prevented me from being able to go to the place and investigate it personally, I give it as I just picked it up passing through the village. If it is any kind of a practical joke or fish story, there are a great many deceived, as all the neighborhood are flocking to the scene."

Another report says that "on Friday Mr. John Strathdee, a well-known farmer, was working in his woods in company with James Holt, a laborer, when a shower of stones began to fall. The stones were of all dimensions, from a pebble to the size of a bowl. One of the stones alighted on Mr. Strathdee's head, but he was not injured, owing to the shower not continuing long, but at intervals since the strange occurrence has been repeated. Yesterday a lot more stones fell. The showers are confined mostly to the woods, but some have fallen close to Mr. Strathdee's barn. The stones are mostly of a flinty nature."

Live News in a Line.

The dividend of the Hudson Bay Company for the year ending with March is 12 shillings per share.

Samples of Canadian cider have attracted attention at Bristol, England, and a demand is likely to be developed.

Vessels from Grand Bank, Nfld., have landed extraordinary large catches of codfish, and the mackerel fishermen have been doing fairly well.

Prince Frederick, Crown Prince of Denmark, has arrived in London, where he is the guest of the Prince and Princess of Wales. The latter is his sister.

At New Haven, Conn., on Wednesday 555 Yale seniors received their diplomas at the final commencement exercises of the college, which completes its 155th year.

A cyclone swept over Callahan county, Kan., last night. It visited the town of Baird, the county seat, and a number of houses were demolished.

The town of Blair, Mo., was visited by an adjoining paragon, killing a young man named May.

Game is disappearing in Michigan. Coal is down to \$4 50 in Hamilton.

Admiral Da Gama, the Brazilian rebel, committed suicide.

The bakers' strike in Cleveland is ended. The union men win.

The insurgents are getting ahead in Cuba. They are sacking many towns.

Rev. John Young was inducted into the pastorate of St. John's Presbyterian Church, Hamilton.

Carrie Scott, Denver, Col., got \$10,000 for breach of promise of marriage from H. E. Sims, of Galveston, Tex.

Cuban revolutionists will choose a President in New York city on July 10. Thomas Estrada Palma, Pleasant Valley, N. Y., is the favorite.

At Berlin, Lieberich Von Kotzer and Ezerov Von Schroeder have each been sentenced to three months imprisonment in a fortress for dueling.

Mr. Holland, general manager of the Ontario Bank, has resigned, and Mr. Charles McGill, manager of the bank at Toronto, has been appointed his successor.

At Milwaukee, Judge Jenkins has issued an order directing the receivers of the Northern Pacific Railroad to begin suit against Henry Villard to recover \$500,000.

At Rome, Deputy Cavalotti has deposited in the office of public prosecutor a statement of his charges against Premier Crispi. His action is ascribed to the failure of the charges in the Chambers.

The steamer Balcarres Brook, which sailed from Shields, Eng., for Buenos Ayres with a cargo of coal, has been burned at sea. The captain and crew escaped in the ship's boat to the northern coast of Brazil.

ALMA COLLEGE GRADUATES.

The Largest Class Ever Sent Out from the Institution.

St. Thomas, Ont., June 26.—The graduating class at the Alma Ladies' College this year was the largest in the history of the institution, and was as follows: Mistress of liberal arts, Miss Harriet A. A. Leech, Varna; mistress of English literature, Misses Mary Bell Bond, Seaford; Mary L. Austin, Toledo, Ohio; Elvira W. Shepherd, Muncey; Mary E. R. Rowland, St. Catharines.

In music, piano—Misses Annie E. Barracough, Ingersoll; G. M. Maude, St. Thomas; Sarah B. Kelly, Detroit; Rena A. Harvie, Gravenhurst; Mary A. Gilbert, Shedd; Isabella M. Spencer, St. Thomas; Mary L. Austin, Toledo.

In fine arts—Misses Ada Bell McKerrall, Chatham; Lizzie M. Elson, St. Thomas; Frankie Norton, London.

In elocution—Misses Emma G. Schooley, Sparta; Irene Hitchcock, Sparta; Florence Alderson, Ingersoll; Bessie I. Dunkley, Chatham; Catherine E. Parsons, Toledo, Ohio; Laura C. Williams, Exeter; Mrs. Kate L. Rice, St. Thomas.

Besides these, the following took full primary teachers' certificates at the Education Department examinations in art—Miss Ada B. McKerrall, Florence Sharp, Minnie Wickett, Nellie McComb, Hallie Vansickle. Full advanced teachers' certificates—Elizabeth Elson, Ada B. McKerrall.

Rev. Dr. Williams, M. chell, president of the London Methodist Conference, delivered a thoughtful address on "School work is life work." Regrets were received from the Minister of Education and Mr. Hart A. Massey, of Toronto, at being unable to be present.

Camels are perhaps the only animals that cannot swim. Immediately after entering water they turn on their backs and are drowned.

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Spring has come and gone, the house cleaning time has passed, and the joyous summer season is upon us. Our statements about the wonderful values we are offering in CARPETS, HOUSE - FURNISHINGS, CURTAINS, WINDOW SHADES, HOSIERY, COTTONS, DRESS GOODS and light MILLINERY have been fully verified. The people of London have shown their appreciation of our business-like dealing by favoring us with a most profitable season. - We extend our thanks for their patronage, and at the same time feel confident that in dealing with us they were spending their money to the very best advantage for themselves. But, however great was the value we gave you for your money at the beginning of the year, nothing ever shown in this city can equal the phenomenal

Bargains

We are offering now at the close of the spring season. To us storage room is more value than our scanty profits. Our buyer has completed his American tour and is now on his way to the European markets. In a few short days the new goods will begin to arrive and we MUST HAVE ROOM. For this reason we have made some absurd reductions in all our departments. Limited space prevents that we give a complete list. Note the following lines picked at random from our numerous departments:

Heavy Union Carpet, yard wide, reduced to 25c a yard, Black Durable Silk Sunshades, reduced to 50c each. 42 patterns New Dress Goods, reduced from 65c to 32c a yard.

7 patterns Wool Dress Fabrics, reduced from 15c to 7c a yard.

33-Inch Fast Color Prints, reduced from 12c to 8c a yard. 200 pieces All Color Silk Ribbons, reduced to 5c a yard. Men's Extra Fine Summer Underwear, reduced from \$1 50 to 90c suit.

56-Inch All Linen Table Damask, reduced from 25c to 17c a yard.

24-Inch Fancy Blouse Silks, reduced from 45c to 25c a yard.

Girls' Tan and Fawn Seamless Hose, reduced from 40c to 15c pair.

Such will suffice as an earnest of what bargains we are really offering. As for other lines of seasonable goods

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