

GENTS' FURNISHINGS.

The head of our firm has just obtained for our exclusive use in Canada the Blaine Suspender. This great American invention combines a hygienic brace, giving a strong stimulus to a jaded financial condition, with a chest protector. Our late financial manager, who suffers from a weak chest, having tried it, says he cannot do without it. Our Mr. Carling, who is now off the road, says his brothers in the States have found it a specific for the complaint known as Carling's Ail. Among other novelties in our gents' furnishing departments are the South Wentworth and Kings Co. ties, the Pan-Anglican Federation ties, the Imperial ties and the Twelve-in-hand (our own make). We have a lot of half-hose-annaks opened out on March 5th; an uncomfortably heavy lot of C.P.R. Stockings, and some cheap but effective cuffs for all who have no political influence. Our staple lines of shirts are worth inspection—that known as the Bloody was entirely cleared out by March 5th, but we have others equally good on occasion.

LADIES' WEAR AND FURS.

In Ladies' wear and fancy goods our new stock is unsurpassed. In trimmings—well, our reputation in the trimming line is too well known to require statement. There is plenty of bustle about our establishment, and our corsets are the best in use. Even our rival's admit that our Stays are remarkable. The B. & C. are nothing to them—either for length or style. We have cloaks for all purposes—some very taking ones for dark figures and for wear in a hunt for Place and Power. The new patent elastic garment—the invention of our senior partner—was tried in all weathers in a recent campaign, and it has worked so well apparently that it is now being patented in the United States. In fur styles we have a good many novelties. We made use of the Beaver extensively in the season just closed; and though Seals are now scarce, our English agent, Mr. Marquis Salisbury, is arranging for a fresh supply for our special use. Trimmed goods, in which the opossum and fox play a prominent part, have sold well with us lately, and we have made large use of circulars lined with ermine.

The Newest political Shades. Selection of American ideas almost Unrestricted; while we have The Cream of the English Market.

JOHN A. MACDONALD & CO.,

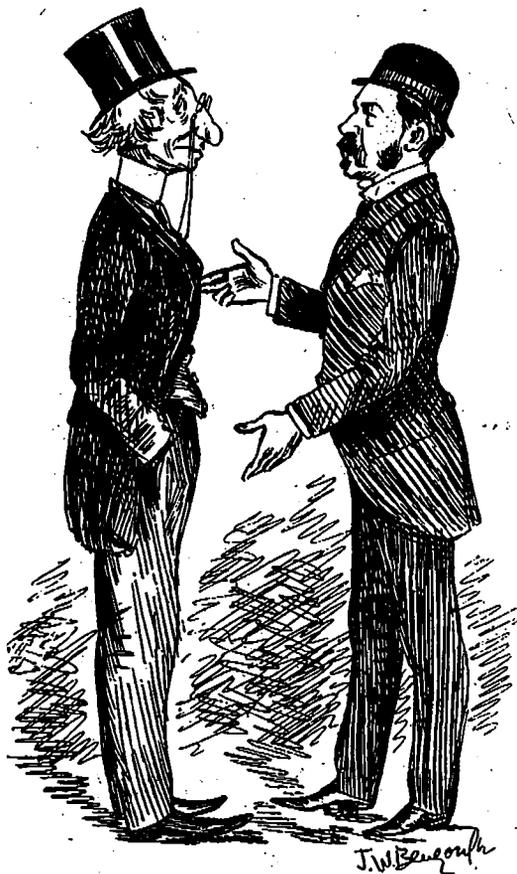
Wholesale and Retail Dealers in Very Dry Goods,
PARLIAMENT HILL, OTTAWA.

WHEN THEY SHINE.

GOOD OLD PARTY—"Is it true that you small boys like green apples?"
SMALL BOY—"Yep; but yeh'd orter see us when we get hold of ripe ones."

A LITTLE LEARNING.

YONGE STREET CONDUCTOR—"What street did you say, ma'am?"
PASSENGER—"Caesar Street."
CONDUCTOR—"There ain't no Caesar Street on this route; it's Czar Street, you mean. You've got your geography mixed; it's Rooshian, not Roman."



THE ONE CONSIDERATION.

* MCCARTHY—"I hear you purpose paying the expenses of a reference of the Manitoba bills to the Supreme Court. I warn you that if you adopt such a course the people will be much put out!"

SIR JOHN—"That doesn't matter so long as we are not much put out!"

A SPRING CIRCULAR.

GRIP has been favored with a copy of the spring circular which follows:

JOHN A. MACDONALD & CO.,

OTTAWA.

In opening out our new stock, we beg to thank our numerous customers and the public for their liberal conservative patronage, and to express our appreciation of the support which has enabled us to distance all competitors. In spite of the keenest competition and all the tricks of the trade adopted by a rival concern whom we will not name, we have had a larger turn-over than all our rivals combined.

Having made unusually heavy importations of foreign goods, we are now preparing to open out our new stock, with the finest assortment of American and English novelties ever shown in this town.

* They besought the Government to submit the legality and constitutionality of that Act to the courts—they offered to pay the costs if the Government would do this—but the Government declined to accede to the request. I say that this same class of people will feel much hurt and aggravated, much put out, if the same Government, without regard to their sentiments and feelings, are unwise enough, I say, to pay the expenses out of the taxes of the people of this country to test the legality of the bill which has been passed by the Province of Manitoba. (Loud cheers.)—McCarthy at Collingwood.