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We wish to thank the public for their generous holiday patronage, and invite attention to our extensive stock which we are looking over as now is the time for us to do it

We are not telling you what reductions we will make you. You better come and see for yourself.

Our large stock of Boy's knee pants and caps at very flat prices in all sizes.

### D. BASSEN'S

Carleton St.,

St. George

#### "Three Days in History."

JANUARY 1.  
1782: John Martin became governor of Georgia.

1788: The Quakers of Philadelphia emancipated their slaves.

1808: British slave trade abolished.

1851: National debt of the United States amounted to \$48,000,387.

1815: First attack of the British upon New Orleans.

1829: Institution of King's College, Fredericton (now U. N. B.); Gov. Sir H. Douglas, chancellor.

1853: "Una," the first woman's rights paper appeared in Providence.

1863: Galveston recaptured by the Confederates.

1876: First issue of the Chicago Daily News.

1899: Two-cent postage came into effect in Canada.

1901: Commonwealth of Australia inaugurated at Sydney.

JANUARY 2.  
1699: Nathaniel Blackstone became governor of Maryland.

1781: Benedict Arnold invaded Virginia.

1786: First session of First General Provincial Assembly held in St. John.

1788: Georgia ratified the Federal Constitution.

1861: Frederick William IV. of Prussia died. Born Oct. 15, 1795.

1884: Thirty-one lives lost in a collision on the Grand Trunk Pacific near Toronto.

1894: Globe Theatre, Boston, destroyed by fire.

1895: Funeral services for Sir John Thompson conducted in the Cathedral of St. Mary in Halifax.

1904: Gen. James Longstreet, one of the distinguished commanders of the Confederate army, died near Gainesville, Ga. Born in South Carolina, Jan. 8, 1821.

1908: Nineteen Russians arrested for conspiring to murder the Dowager Empress.

JANUARY 3.  
1733: The Boston Gazette or Weekly Advertiser, first issued in Boston.

1777: Americans surprised and defeated the British at Princeton, N. J.

1798: Rev. Jacob Duché, who delivered the first prayer before the Continental Congress, died in Philadelphia. Born there in 1737.

1803: Douglas Jerrold, celebrated writer and friend of Dickens, born in London. Died there June 8, 1857.

1815: British frigate "Junon" captured the American privateer "Guerricere."

1825: Parliament buildings in Toronto destroyed by fire.

1832: Partridge Island lighthouse burned down.

1898: Semi-centennial of Girard College celebrated in Philadelphia.

1909: American battleship fleet reached Suez.—St. J. Globe.

#### Benefit of British Connexion.

If the Dominion Government needs money it goes to London to get it. If any of the provinces wish to make a loan they seek it in the same quarter. If railway companies need funds they borrow in London. London capital supplies money which our municipal corporations borrow and nearly every large industrial enterprise is financed in London. Here is a benefit of British connexion that each one of us feels from day to day in our pockets, where the most acute nerves of feeling enter.

Canada is almost the only country in the world where the tide of enterprise is at the flood, and it is British capital that is pressing it forward. Now and then some narrow-minded person asks what British connexion means to us. We invite such people to reflect upon the fact that this great investment of British capital in Canada has followed closely on the heels of the growth of Imperial sentiment.

#### Catarrh Cannot Be Cured

with local applications, as they can not reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quick medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in the country for years and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing Catarrh. Send for testimonials free.

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Sold by druggists, price 75c.  
Take Hall's Family Pills for Constipation.

#### USEFUL HINTS.

A raw egg, if swallowed in time, will effectually detach a fish bone in the throat.

Milk boiled in a pan which has just been rinsed with water will not readily burn.

The best way to take castor oil is to float it on milk and before and after taking it, eat a piece of lemon.

If onions are placed in water ten minutes before the peeling, they will not then cause the eyes to smart.

A pinch of borax stirred into fresh milk will keep it for some time and also prevent the cream going sour.

A medical authority says carrots, raw and cooked, are invaluable as a food, for carrots make good red blood.

An icebox may not have typhoid fever itself if it is filled with germs, but the family will, and that is expensive.

Turpentine will take dried paint from glass, and turpentine and soap will remove fresh paint from almost any fabric.

Soda and ammonia softens the water for all purposes; use soda freely to cleanse all milk vessels, and especially infants' nursing bottles.

When sweeping turkey, administer or any thick piled carpet, always brush the way of the pile, and it will look bright and fresh for years.

Silver-plated ware is kept quite bright by being merely brushed upon and polished. Metal polishes soon wear away the silver-plating.

To prevent cooking odors—fill a tin cup with vinegar and place it on the back of the stove. This will prevent the spreading of cooking odors throughout the house.

When making washing frocks, lay a piece of narrow tape on the back seam of the skirt before stitching it. This will prevent its stretching out of shape at the laundry.

When boiling a pudding in a cloth, don't forget to put a plate at the bottom of the saucepan, to prevent the sticking to the pan.

In order to preserve cut flowers, cut the stalks and put them in a vase or glass holder in water, to which you have first added a pinch of salt.

A dish of charcoal should stand in the larder all the year round. This will keep the meat sweet and fresh. Renew the charcoal from time to time.

The upper leather of old boots makes capital iron-holders, with a covering of serge or any other dress material. The leather keeps all heat from the hand.

To remove the fat from saucers, draw the sauce on to the side of the stove, put a few drops of cold water into it, and the fat can then be easily removed.

#### AN IDEAL ROADTOWN.

On the Fertile Land at the Mouth of the Mississippi River.

An attractive description of a real "roadtown" is given by Ray F. Frazer, in the World To-day. "This swamp-bound strip of land with its warm sunshine, its wonderfully rich soil, its pleasant breeze and its plain people, is a sort of land of sweet content, where life moves along the lines of least resistance with the opposite of the usual results. A little extra effort toward intensive cultivation produces a small fortune for the industrious. From a purely commercial standpoint the land is the most valuable for agriculture of any in the South. The whole thing is explained when it is said that this is a delta land, made from the Mississippi's deposits of centuries. The inundation which formerly threatened the rear end of these farms each year is no longer to be worried about since the government installed its high levee at Donaldsonville. The value of the land has increased 1,000 per cent. within the five years since the levee was built. The entire arpent farm can now be cultivated the whole year round. The average value of the farm is now about \$5,000.

"This matter of commerce also has torn away some of the picturesque bits of life which formerly made the colony interesting. Until the last year or so the colonists used their farms principally for the production of garden truck, flowers and small fruits. Potatoes, sweet potatoes, of course—and onions were the chief crops. But now sugarcane, which brings a high price on con-

tract, as soon as it is planted, fills most of the farm. A young French farmer explained that the commission men attempted to gouge the truck-gardeners when they marketed their product in New Orleans, and the sugar mill men just at this time offered the happy alternative of high prices for cane. That is why cane is the main crop. It is considered a sure income \$120 a year. The mill men cut the crop and haul it away in December, and the next year it grows again without planting. There are, however, many pear orchards and several orchards of the Louisiana sweet oranges, which make the fruit exceedingly profitable."—Exchange.

#### Is the Dismal Swamp Dismal?

The Dismal Swamp, as we fearfully know it through Mrs. Stowe's "Dred," or in the sombre lyric which Tom Moore wrote about it when he was over to the United States in 1804, is by way of becoming only another of the delightful fictions which historic accuracy is driving fast into limbo. After a country, during which time it has remained practically unchanged, two travelling companions now explore it, penetrate its black heart, and drag into the light no secret more startling than that the Dismal Swamp is not dismal at all: "It's a virgin Paradise." Walter Prichard Eaton tells in the December Harper's Magazine about tramping its thorny wilderness, paddling through tangled shadowy ditches, and being delighted at the same time by all sorts of natural beauties, among these a certain growth of cypress trees and the multiple melodies of birds. There are few such accessible spots left in America, says Mr. Eaton, and there is none more beautiful.

#### Beauty wins the Day

There is not a stenographer who is not aware that a pretty face is a commercial asset, and none appreciate this more keenly than the plain girl, says Miriam Finn, in "Success Magazine." A friend of mine, very clever, very quick and exact, with excellent references, but unfortunately, with a plain face, recently tried to secure a position by calling in response to want advertisements. At the first place she applied she found nine girls ahead of her. Each one of these girls was to take a dictation. She and one other girl took the simple business letter of about two hundred words in about a minute and a half and typed it quickly and accurately. The other eight were girls of very mediocre ability; but it was the prettiest of these, with a soft black plume on her Merry Widow hat, who got the job, for she had dimples in her face and a catching smile, an easy manner and pretty clothes.

#### She Wouldn't go so Far

They were arguing about the alleged inborn strain of deceitfulness in woman, and she retaliated by citing the instance of men deceiving their wives.

"I suppose," said he, "that you hold that a man should never deceive his wife?"

"Oh, no," she smiled back at him: "I shouldn't go so far as that. How would it be possible for the average man to get a wife if he didn't deceive her?" Dundee Advertiser.

#### South Africa's new Stamp

The new stamp for the Dominion of United South Africa has just been issued. The legend below the portrait of King George is the name of the colony printed in Dutch—a tribute to the conquered race that has not been exacted in Canada. If the abbreviation to U. S. A. becomes common it will be a blow at the almost universal name by which Uncle Sam's country is known in the postal world.

"Miss Jones isn't looking at all like herself this evening." "Oh, no—she never does."

#### Only a Very few Left

On the 25th of October, 1834, occurred the most important and gallant feat of arms of modern times, when the British Light Cavalry Brigade 670 men of all ranks, charged General Liprandi's 12,000 Russian's and left more than two thirds of their numbers on the field. In this minute analysis of that awful yet glorious event, the historical Kinglake rates Lord Cardigan, commander of the Light Brigade, as what in present day slang would be termed a "bone head." It would seem as if he put the most improbable interpretation on the ambiguous verbal orders carried to him by the unfortunate aide, Captain Nolan, from Lord Lucan, commander of all British mounted troops. Yet, can any military critic explain what it was the intention to do with Cardigan's little force, or why it was drawn up within range of the Russian batteries, for Nolan was killed by a shell almost immediately after he had delivered the order.

#### SERVIVORS OF THAT DAY

Of the people who walked this earth 56 years ago, perhaps 15,000 in every million are alive to-day; of the population of Canada, as it was at the time the news of Inkerman and Sebastopol reached here, it is impossible there are still 600 surviving; and of the 200 troops of the Light Brigade who came "back from the mouth of hell," 27 or 28 old and broken men, some crippled, paralyzed or bedridden, remain to celebrate in one way or another, the day on which they became famous.

The Saturday before the anniversary this year, twenty-one survivors were present at a benefit matinee at the Ambassadors, when \$750 was raised. On the day itself, fourteen of them dined at the Holborn Restaurant, in London. Lord Cardigan, nephew of the man who led them "right through the guns," presided and read the following Royal message:—

The King and Queen thank the survivors of the Balaklava Light Brigade for their kind message, and trust that those who are celebrating that event of undying fame will enjoy a happy anniversary.

#### TWO OF THE HEROES

The veteran of the party, Sergeant-Major Hughes, of the 13th Light Dragoons, a spare man, with upright carriage who looked well under his eighty years, had travelled all the way from Blackpool in order to be present. His cheek still bears the deep scar of a sword cut received in the mad, onward rush. "I was lucky to get nothing worse," he said, "my horse was shot under me and rolled over crushing my left leg. But that was nothing. It was not bad enough for hospital, anyway. In those days one could not get there unless one had at least a leg off!"

Another notable hero present was Mr. W. H. Pennington, of the 11th Hussars, famous as being the central figure in Lady Butler's well-known picture, "The Charge of the Light Brigade." "I sat or rather stood, to her four or five times. I had to look dazed and stunned by what I had been through, so she made me keep my mouth open. I told her that was not how I really felt, for I remember distinctly shutting my teeth very hard as I made up my mind not to bring discredit on my family, and get through it if I could."

#### Turkey and Russia.

The crowning of Nicholas may be said to complete the barrier of nationalities erected between Russia and what remains of European Turkey. It is a remarkable, indeed an ironical fact, that the only great European power which has profited largely by the wars, costly in blood and treasure, carried on against and in defence of Turkey, in the nineteenth century, is Austria-Hungary which took no part in those wars. To Austria, by the treaty of Berlin, fell Bosnia and Herzegovina, as a result of Turkey's defeat in the war of 1877. Another outcome of that war was the complete independence of Roumania,

with Prince Charles, now over 70 years of age, as king. The Roumanians had given gallant aid perhaps decisive aid to the Russians in overcoming the desperate valor of the Turks, and it was fitting that the royal crown of King Charles was made from cannon captured at Plevna. Serbia also recognized as independent, with the worthless Milan as king, as a result of Turkish defeat, Bulgaria became a principality with nominal tribute to the Porte. On October 5, 1908, Bulgaria was proclaimed a kingdom, with Prince Ferdinand as Czar, and now Montenegro practically independent, joins the royal parade. Turkey in Europe is reduced to about the limits of the old Greek empire, at the time of its destruction by the Turks in 1453. The Turkish empire, however, has far more energy, vitality and recuperative power than the effete and degenerate successors of the Constantines, and the "Sick man of Europe," as the Russian emperor Nicholas called Turkey, nearly sixty years ago, is very far from being moribund.—Henry Mann in the Columbian.

#### Postal Savings System

Started.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 3.—Following years of public agitation and discussion postal savings bank became an accomplished fact this morning with the opening of forty-six territorial banks, one in each state and territory of the Union. Three banks are of an experimental character and are intended to try out the system. The results will be closely followed by the officials of the Post Office Department to make any changes in the regulations and forms as may be deemed necessary before the system is generally introduced throughout the country.

All of the experimental banks are in post offices of the second class and in localities where the conditions are believed to be exceptionally favorable for the development of a postal savings business. Several of the offices selected are in communities inhabited by foreign-born Americans who are remitting annually considerable sums of money to their native countries by postal money orders. Much of this money, it is believed, will be kept in the United States through the medium of the postal savings banks.

#### Sea Disasters on

American Coasts

Only 54 Out of 6,661 Persons Lost Lives, Thanks to the Life Saving Service

Washington, Dec. 30.—Out of a total of 6,661 persons involved in 1,453 disasters to vessels of all classes within the scope of the United States life saving service only 54 lives were lost and but 74 vessels were completely destroyed, according to the annual report of S. L. Kimball, general superintendent of the service for the fiscal year which ended June 30 last.

Of the 1,453 vessels of all kinds which met with accidents, the life savers rendered assistance to 1,407. The net expense for maintaining the service for the year was \$2,249,476.68. The enactment of the bill passed at the last session of Congress by the Senate providing retirement pay for members of the life saving service and others of the field service, incapacitated for duty, is mentioned in the report.

John McSorely has been held for trial at Jarvis, Ont., on the charge of robbing the grave of Matthew Johnston and shipping the corpse to Montreal.

The famous Hall of Tara, which is closely identified with early Irish history is about to be sold.