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Linen Flurry

Every lady can appreciate a bargain in Linens. Every lady accustomed to shopping knows the value of linens to a nicety, and it is to this knowledge that we especially appeal in our Thanksgiving Linen Sale.

A Saving of 50 per cent on Napkins and Table Linen is worth consideration, and for Friday and Saturday we offer you this saving.

Every piece of Bleached Table Linen we offer you, during this Sale, is absolutely pure linen and grass bleached, they are all 2 yards wide, and all of the very newest designs, on sale at these prices:—

65c Values for	50c	75c Values for	64c
\$1.25 Values for	80c	\$1.15 Values for	78c
\$1.35 Values for	82c	\$1.50 Values for	95c
\$1.65 Values for	\$1.00	\$1.75 Values for	\$1.18

Napkins

Mill seconds and over-productions in pure linen, full sized bleached napkins, assorted designs, on sale at these prices:—

\$4.00 napkins for	\$2.50
\$5.00 napkins for	\$2.90
\$6.00 napkins for	\$3.25

Towels

Come in and see the immense variety of Irish linen towels, we offer you special during the sale at 12 1-2c each.

22x44 extra large fringed huck towel, very special at	12 1-2c
29x38 extra fine hemmed huck towel, bordered, very special at	12 1-2c
18x56 fine hemstitched huck towel, very dressy, extra special at	12 1-2c
18x38 fine and heavy white Turkish towel, fringed, very special at	12 1-2c
20x40 extra heavy Turkish bath towel, linen shade with red stripes, very special value at	12 1-2c

Towelings

We bought our towelings in the best markets of the world. We bought them before the last sharp advance in prices. We have now the best assortment and best values ever in this store in roller towelings, dish towelings, glass towelings and fine huck towelings.

18 inch pure linen Hygienic crash roller, in plain and with red border, very special values at a yard 10c.

18 inch fine bleached Huck towel, extra wide and fine, washes nicely and free from lint, very special at 12 1-2c.

24 inch wide fine check glass cloth, the best value in the trade, at 10c.

22 inch wide fine soft linen glass cloth, extra wide and fine, washes nicely and free from lint, very special at 10c.

24 inch wide fine heavy crash roller, extra value, pure linen 14c.

24 inch wide fine pure linen bleached linen huck towel, extra value at 25c.

24 inch wide fancy Huck towel with damask designs, very special at 50c.

BUGLE BAND'S BIG MINSTRELS

A First Class Performance At the Grand Last Evening—A Good House.

Holly Sheppard Shows Chatham How to Produce an Excellent Minstrel Show—Repeated To-Night.

The Bugle Band Minstrel show, held at the Grand last evening, was a huge success. Holly Sheppard, the minstrel producer from Bay City, has every reason to feel proud of his show. There was a good attendance and the applause throughout was very great.

Mr. Sheppard is a wonder when it comes to putting on an amateur minstrel show. He is in a class by himself. He says that this is one of the best he has ever put on, and it is far ahead of the most of the professional minstrel shows which are travelling the country.

The house was performed by A. I. McCall & Co., and as the people entered they could easily believe that they were in a hot bed of roses. The show opened with a good chorus, "Glorious High Ball," introducing the ballad singers and the comedians, and closing with the entire company. The applause started as soon as the curtain went up and continued during the entire performance.

J. W. Plewes was the interloper and he made a capital one. He ran the first part, and the audience were well satisfied with his management. This first part consisted of ballads, and songs, and jokes, and the audience was kept in peals of laughter throughout the whole part. Every song was encored.

"Johnnie Morgan" was well sung by Art Hutchison and Dan Robertson made a hit with his end song, "Hannah." Sam Mains, the funny comedian, sang "Alexander" in a way which took the house down. Reg Pleasence, in "My Heart is Yours Alone," was heard to good advantage. The song suits his voice, and he sang it well. Matt Douglas followed with "Gone, Gone, Gone," and Harold McDonald sang in good style "An Old Sweetheart of Mine." Harold is a young singer, but he has an excellent voice and gives promise of becoming one of Chatham's best.

Will Chrysler, who is a popular end-man in Chatham, sang "Hannah, Won't You Open That Door?" in a manner that pleased and he was warmly applauded. "My Irish Canary" was sung by John LaFrancis. John has a good voice and he sings remarkably well. The song was a pretty one and he made a great hit. Harry Massey broke all records in his song, "Good-bye, Eliza Jane." He was repeatedly encored. Holly Sheppard ended the first part with his song, "Any Rags." He was forced to respond to a curtain call.

One feature of the first part was the ginger displayed by the performers and singers. Ginger is Holly Sheppard's name, and he never fails to fill his chorus full of it. There was a snap in the singing and every act followed on in good, quick succession.

The olio was just as good as the first part. It opened with the tinkers' chorus from Robin Hood. This act was recalled several times. The tinkers were J. W. Wilson, W. Tackaberry, John R. Smith, J. W. Plewes, Harry Massey, Will Smith and Alf. Wrigley.

Chrysler and Sheppard came on in a double act called Travesty, in a Corte. This was very enjoyable and they were forced to respond to an encore.

The Indian specialty, consisting of a song, "Big Chief," by Matt Douglas and his band, Joe Tilt, Alf Moffatt, Tom Poole, Sam Maine, Steve Anquetil and Ed Lampman was well received.

Then came an original act introducing J. W. Wilson in a new song, "Glory," assisted by Will Smith, Frank Ross, M. P. Sheldon, John R. Smith, W. Tackaberry, J. W. Plewes, H. W. Anderson and R. W. Angus. This made a great hit and was recalled several times.

Dave Corkram entertained the audience with a couple of comic songs and then came the back Florn Dora which was also a great hit. Those who took part in it were Maidens Will Chrysler, Reg Pleasence, Matt Douglas, Alex. Moffatt, Dan Robertson, John LaFrancis and their partners, Harry Massey, Joe Brady, Sam Maine, Tom Poole, Lige Maine and Joe Tilt.

The whole show was indeed a great success and the Bugle Band have every reason to feel proud of it. It will be repeated to-night.

The following are the names of the company: A. Moffatt, J. Brady, J. Smith, W. Smith, F. Ross, A. Morrell, W. Head, W. Farby, M. Primeau, Poole, G. Poole, A. Darling, Geo. Ward, Geo. Johns, A. Hutchison, A. Wrigley, W. Tackaberry, B. Shillington, G. Humphrey, L. Maine, Geo. Lee, S. Anquetil, Jos. Tilt, J. Pierott, A. Cockran, E. Lampman, S. Turner, M. Sheldon, R. W. Angus, H. W. Anderson, J. W. Wilson, H. McDonald, J. LaFrancis, R. Pleasence.

Have you read "The City of Dreadful Night" on page 2? Don't miss it. Seats go on sale to-morrow for Geo. Klint's \$10,000.00 scenic production of "On the Bridge at Midnight," which plays at the Grand Opera House Monday next.

ROYAL TIME AT BLENHEIM

Liberal - Conservatives of that Town Will Hold Big Demonstration To-morrow Night.

Special Train From Chatham—Addresses, Torchlight Procession and Banquet.

The Liberal-Conservatives of Blenheim are not to be out-done in celebrating the recent victory at the polls. Arrangements have been made by them for a monster demonstration to be held in the Blenheim Opera House to-morrow night, followed by an immense torchlight procession and banquet.

In order that the Chatham Liberal-Conservatives may have a chance of participating, a special train has been chartered and will leave the C. P. R. station at 7 p. m. sharp, accompanied by the Regimental Band, and returning about 11 o'clock.

Mr. Clements urgently requests that every Chatham Liberal-Conservative will turn out and assist in making the Blenheim demonstration a rousing success.

NEW ARMORY TO BE BUILT

Contract Has Been Awarded to George A. Proctor, of Sarnia, at About \$60,000.

Good Work of the Late Member in This Matter Appreciated—Results Come at Last.

Ottawa, Nov. 9.—The contract for a drill hall and armories at Chatham has been awarded to George A. Proctor, of Sarnia. The price is about \$60,000.

This is good news and means that, at last, the new armories are an assured fact. The Government had been so slow in this matter that many had come to the conclusion that the whole enterprise threatened to become an election scheme. It is very satisfactory to note that they meant business after all.

It is about three years since the new armories were first taken up by Hon. J. Israel Tarte, the Minister of Public Works. His retirement shortly after delayed any immediate action, but both Messrs. Stephens and Clancy, then members for Kent, pushed the matter with the present good results. Mr. Rankin and the officials were also instrumental in securing action.

If the building is now proceeded with the long delay will be forgiven and much credit heartily accorded Mr. Stephens for his efforts in the matter. When a man does a good deed for his constituency he should receive credit for it and, in this matter, the late member for Kent is deserving of the thanks of his constituents.

RECEPTION

The Friends and Workers of Herbert S. Clements Enjoy an At Home.

A reception to the friends and workers of Mr. H. S. Clements, M. P., was given by the new member at his home last evening. There were no special invitations issued and everyone who wished to go was welcome.

There were about 100 present and a jolly good time was spent by everyone. There were songs and music of all kinds. Solos were given by Geo. Gant and others.

Light refreshments were served and a pleasant and social time was certainly enjoyed.

A number of speeches brought the happy gathering to a close. They were made by Dr. Hall, Dr. Thornton, Mr. Cherry, Mr. Pike, Mr. Sulman, Mr. Day, Mr. Arnold and Mr. Dunn. Mr. Clements wishes it understood that not only last night, but on every night he is always at home to his friends of West Kent.

DR. REAUME THE COMING MAN

Windsor, Nov. 9.—The annual meeting of the North Essex Conservative Association has been called for November 19th, at Windsor. A candidate for the local Legislature will be selected at that time. Dr. J. O. Reaume will be the choice of the convention. The North Essex Liberals have not yet decided on a date for their convention, but when it is called there will be no lack of candidates. Dr. J. McGee, of Windsor; William Price, of Maidstone; Severne, of Belle River, and Ernest Girardeau, of Sandwich, likely will be in the field.

BIG FIRE AT DRADER'S

The Large Saw and Stave Mill on the River Burned to the Ground.

Loss to Mr. Drader About \$25,000—Half Covered by Insurance—Good Work by the Firemen.

The heaviest fire that has visited Chatham in years occurred last night, when Drader's hoop and stave mill was completely destroyed and burned to the ground, incurring a loss to Mr. Drader of between twenty and twenty-five thousand dollars.

The fire started from a spark from the smokestack and first caught on the heading mill. There is a watchman at the mill who keeps the fire in the furnaces all night. He had just got through firing up when the spark fell and ignited the roof of the heading mill.

The building, which was a frame one, was as dry as matchwood and was a mark for a fire. The whole building seemed to go up in a blaze at once. The watchman at once commenced to blow his whistle and the noise attracted P. C. Peter Dezelia, who was on night duty. About the same time he saw the reflection in the sky and pulled box 14. This was at twenty minutes to one when the firemen were called out. They responded promptly and were soon at the fire with streams of water playing on the flames but they were unable to save the building as there was a strong wind blowing and the flames had gained considerable headway before the firemen got there.

They were, however, able to save the surrounding buildings that had not caught fire before they got there and they put forth all of their energy in this direction.

It was a pretty sight but an expensive one to Mr. Drader. There was a big crowd of spectators present to watch the flames and it was indeed an awful sight. The whole building was one mass of flames and lit up the whole city. Daniel Jordan, who lives down the river, woke up and thought it was daylight and was surprised that the morning had come so soon. Fortunately the wind was in the right direction and blew towards the river or the flames would have spread farther in spite of the many efforts of the firemen. Several times the wind veered around for a short time and things looked pretty serious for the wagon works, but not for long. M. Landon, manager of the wagon works, was on the ground and was an anxious man several times, but owing to the splendid work of the firemen the flames were confined to the one building.

Four lines of hose, comprising in all about 1,900 feet, was in use and they were kept busy all the time. Adjoining the mill are large piles of logs and staves and several times both the staves and the logs caught fire but each time the flames were promptly extinguished. The sparks from the flames were thrown and carried by the wind as far over as Victoria avenue, but fortunately the heavy frost on the buildings extinguished them before they could start a flame. Once the roof of one of the smaller buildings adjoining, and some distance from the fire, caught, but it did not gain any headway. The fire brigade from the wagon works were on hand early and did valuable work in helping to check the fire.

The heading mill was completely destroyed with all the machinery, as also was the dry kiln and the stave mill. The machinery in the hoop and stave mill and the boiler and engine were saved.

The firemen worked all night on the fire and half of them returned to the hall at three o'clock and the rest at six o'clock.

When the firemen returned from the fire they found an excellent lunch awaiting them, the gift of Alex. Eberts of the Garner House. The firemen appreciated this gift.

Wm. M. Drader, when interviewed this morning, said: "The loss will be about twenty or twenty-five thousand dollars. It is about half covered by insurance. I got the building about seven years ago from D. R. VanAllen and I had it overhauled then. I think I will rebuild again, but things are very unsettled yet and I have not decided what I will do."

Death of Ex-Judge Clark.

Toronto, Nov. 10.—The death took place yesterday at Cobourg of George McKenzie Clark, K. C., for many years judge in the County Court of Northumberland and Durham. He resigned in 1887 to become solicitor for the C.P.R., which position he vacated three years ago. Deceased was 65 years of age, having been born in Belleville, April 14, 1828. He was educated at Upper Canada College, called to the bar in 1850, and practiced his profession at Cobourg. Mr. Clark served on many great commissions of inquiry.

The wonderful scenic effects and the splendor of the stage settings of George Klint's \$10,000.00 production of "On the Bridge at Midnight," have excited universal commendation wherever the play has been seen. It is a most remarkable production, marvellously staged. The story of the play is entrancingly interesting and admirably portrayed by a competent company. This company play the Grand on Monday, next. Seats on sale to-morrow. Prices 25c, 35c, 50c and 75c.

Playing Cards

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