



Aylmer's Best Store

Our Millinery Opening.

A grand success. Crowds visited the store afternoon and evening. The verdict of all, that this "Aylmer's Best Store," is equal if not superior in Up-to-Dateness and Quality of Stocks, to stores of larger towns and cities.



A Beauty, Isn't It?

Our Jackets this fall mark a decided advance in style, elegant simplicity, and value for the money over any previous season, and we will be glad to show them to you.

Every department throughout the store is arrayed for fall business, and you will be sure of a profitable visit.

New Homespun Suitings at 85c. a yd., regular \$1 to \$1.25. Scotch Homespun, the standard make of suiting cloth and separate skirts in mid grey, light grey, Oxford brown mixture, 54in. wide, regular values \$1 to \$1.25 a yd, Special.....85c.

"Farthings for Dress Goods," never sounded so emphatically before.

3 Extra Qualities in Fine

Velour finished Henrietta has a bright, silky permanent finish, a very rich fabric for a good black dress special, 46in. wide . . 46c, 80c. \$1.

New Amazon Suitings

Amazon Suitings are very popular this season. Our showing in this line is unequalled in quality and price in all the fashionable colors, 42 and 50in. wide. Special at50 & 75c

New Black Broadcloths

Our reputation for selling good Broadcloths is well established. Nothing but the best is given space in this department. The goods are of French manufacture. Specials at \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50 & \$1.75

New Black Cheviots

Black and Navy Cheviots, 56 and 58in. wide; all pure wool, firm weave and thoroughly shrunk. The skirts can be made without lining. Special.....\$1, \$1.25 & \$1.50

Our Dollar Kid Gloves.

For One Dollar a lady can buy at this store a pair of genuine French Kid Gloves, dome fastener, in any fashionable shade; also black such as you would expect to pay \$1.25 for. In fact, most stores do get \$1.25 for the same quality. Our price is \$1 and the glove is fully guaranteed.

Fur Jackets, Caparines, Ruffs, Gauntlets, Etc.

Our Fur Stock is now complete. The last shipment arrived this week. We buy from the largest and best fur manufacturers in Canada, who guarantee their furs to us and we guarantee them to our customers. If you are thinking of buying a fur jacket, call and inspect our stock. We will explain the different grades to you. We buy in large quantities for cash, and claim and do sell better jackets for the money than you will find elsewhere.

3 FARTHINGS.

The Busy Store

The Real Bargain Store.

School Shoes That Wear

Boys and Girls make sad havoc with their shoes during the wet weather. They must be made of the best material to stand it all. We make a specialty of just such shoes. We know they will give you entire satisfaction.

Special
Lines

Boys' Rubberine Shoes....\$1.65
Youth's Rubberine Shoes....\$1.50
Girls' "Ironclad" Shoes.....\$1.50

Solid
Goods

RUBBERS

THE
GOOD
WEARING
KIND

We have put forth every effort to secure the best Rubbers in the market, in all sizes and widths, and we feel confident we have succeeded. We have the Maltese Cross Goods, the Goodyear Glove American goods, and the Canadian Rubber Co.'s goods. We have the sole local agency for the celebrated "Stub Proof" Rubber Goods.

LARGEST Clothing and Furnishing stock in the County at the LITTLE WONDER, 15 Talbot Street East.

CHRISTIE & CARON.

SOLE LOCAL AGENTS FOR
"The Slater Shoe"

A STUDY OF FACES.

THE HUMAN COUNTENANCE FROM A RACIAL POINT OF VIEW.

Caricaturists Do Little More Than Approximate Peculiarities — The American Face Is Not Distinctive In Any Sense of the Word.

"Faces present many interesting studies," said an observant citizen who had just scanned one of the comic papers, "and I have been conducting a quiet little autographic study with the human face as the basis. I have come to the conclusion that the American face is not distinctive in any sense of the word, or, if it has any distinctive feature, it is in the fact that there is no strong characteristic that would differentiate it from other faces of superior races. There is nothing that will call it up in the mind from the world's group of Caucasian faces. Yet this is not true of other white-skinned races. The English face, the Jew face, the Irish face, the Italian face, the Chinese face, the Japanese face, the French face, the Indian face and even the negro face, all these have something about them which will call up a definite picture in one's mind.

"The English face is a trifle dim in the mind's eye, and yet one may think of the high forehead and the high cheek bones. The French face is distinctive. The Italian face, while not strongly portrayed in the mind's picture, is yet definite enough. The Jew face is easily differentiated, and one may say the same of the Irish face. Memory may slightly mix for the moment the Chinese and the Japanese face, but still the line of difference is clearly marked. There is Lo, the poor Indian, whose face one may never forget. The negro face is thoroughly distinctive.

"But what shall one say of the American face? Take this comic paper I have been scanning. And, by the way, there is one curious thing about the faces which one may find in comic papers, a thing which one may call a polite slander in caricaturing. The Jew face, the Irish face and the African face are the favorites with the men who grind out the alleged comical pictorials. They always make a clownish money grabber of the Jew, a representation as unjust as the old stage portrayal of Shylock or the Jew of Malta with his cap, his red fringe of whiskers, his wig and his cringing mien. They were equally unjust to Pat, for Pat's son is nearly always a ditcher, with a pick, a pipe and his overalls, and the only justice they do him is in preserving his inimitable wit. They fail to do even so much for the Jew. In both cases the pictures show signs of having been made with the meat ax on the butcher's block, for they preserve nothing but the grotesque abnormalities of the two races. And the negro—well, he is always hanging around the hen roost.

"But these faces stand out merely as types and not as serious portrayals of the racial characteristics of the races to which they belong. They are of course suggestive of certain peculiarities which are common to all members of the races represented. But they are horrible exaggerations, for it cannot be said that they are accepted with indifference by persons who are prejudiced one way or the other.

"But I was speaking of the American face, with its lack of distinctive features. The observant citizen continued. "The American face is probably peculiar in some ways. It is peculiar in its cosmopolitanism. It is in one sense a composite face. It is international in one way, for here and there one may find the traces which suggest a relation to this, that or the other race. It may be a line or a ligament bequeathed by an early English ancestry or something suggestive of Teutonic origin or a sharp suggestion of the Frenchman's face or the Irishman's or the Italian's or the Scotchman's or some slight hint which would lead one back through the flood and tears of the ages to the sterling old forefathers who lived in foreign climes, and died under different flags and in different climes long before the Mayflower touched her bow against the soil of the new western world. Of course the American may be picked out in the crowd.

"But when one must deal with the American abstractly one can scarcely call up the American face. Uncle Sam, with his striped trousers, his sharply cut coat, his plug hat, his whiskers and his bland, good natured face, is a happy conception, yet he may never have before his eyes the matchless and indescribable cosmopolitanism of the American face. It is too unique in its likenesses and unlikenesses. The lines and ligaments, the muscular interlacings, the curves and arches of the forehead are still there, and yet they are so delicately traced to be remembered when the face has passed the memory.

"So I have reached the conclusion after these reflections that the American face is not distinctive in the sense that the mind may call it up at any time and separate it from the faces which are associated with other superior races. Among the many folk there are certain things which enable one to call up a face which is probably distinctive in its Americanism, and yet it could not be accepted as the face which would correctly and adequately represent the whole race of Americans. For instance, there is what may be popularly called the Ruben face, the face which one may find in the rural sections of the United States, the face of the agriculturist and the farmer. There is a certain type in the remote country sections which is probably peculiar to Uncle Sam's domain, and yet it would fall far short of representing the American face, just as far short as the grotesque portrayals referred to in connection with other races and other nationalities. It would only represent a small number of Americans, and while the type is thoroughly American and substantial enough in its representation, it would give no idea of the facial appearance of the vast majority of American citizens.

"Thus it would be with every other class, or one might take all the classes and make a composite picture, copying from each the characteristic that was most marked in it. Americanism, and yet the picture would fall far below a faithful portrayal of that infinite cosmopolitanism of the American face as it really is. And it would still lack that distinctiveness which would enable one to call it to mind as readily as one may call up the face of some representative of another race where the features are more strongly differentiated."

Life is too short to read the whole story, so don't criticize the book before you have read it. — Boston Herald.

THE HARPOON GUN.

A Formidable Weapon That Is Used on the Blue Whale.

To pursue the blue whale successfully a boat is required that can steam 12 knots an hour and which is furnished with a formidable weapon known as the harpoon gun.

The harpoon gun is a ponderous piece of apparatus placed on a raised platform on the prow of the whale and consists of a short, stout cannon, mounted on a broad pedestal, on which it can rotate horizontally. The gun has also a vertical motion and can be turned quickly in whatever direction the prow of the ship dominates. On the top of the gun are "sights" for aiming, just as in a rifle. Behind the stock, which is grasped in the hand when firing the gun, and beneath it the trigger. The breech is a boxlike arrangement situated just where the stock is fastened to the gun proper. The gun is loaded in the ordinary way from the muzzle, and the harpoon is tightly rammed into it. To discharge the gun a small cartridge, with a wire attached, is first put into the breech. Pressure on the trigger causes a pull on the wire, which ignites the cartridge and discharges the gun simultaneously.

The harpoon is about six feet in length and very massive. It consists essentially of three parts—the anterior conical portion, the movable barbs and the shaft. The anterior conical piece is an explosive shell filled with gunpowder and screws on to the rest of the harpoon. The explosive shell is fired with a time fuse after the harpoon is imbedded in the whale.

Behind the explosive conical piece lie the four barbs, situated at right angles to each other. These barbs are always bound down tightly together with thin rope when the harpoon is going to be discharged. As the harpoon penetrates the flesh of the whale the rope gets brushed off the barbs and in doing so pulls a wire, which sets fire to the fuse and it explodes the shell in a few seconds. The shell gets blown to pieces and makes a terrific wound in the whale's interior, and the explosion causes the four barbs to stand out so that it becomes impossible for the harpoon to be withdrawn. The rest of the harpoon consists of a long shaft with a slot in it, in which a ring moves freely with the rope attached.

If the whale is at all well hit, the harpoon gets imbedded about five feet, and unless the rope breaks the animal cannot escape. The rope, which is a very stout round tray in front of the gun, where a coil of 50 feet or so lies. It then passes backward over a pulley on to the drum of a double steam winch supplied with an immensely powerful brake.

Taken all in all the harpoon gun is about the most effective and ingenious instrument of destruction devised by the ingenuity of man! But it is only when one sees and knows the prodigious brute it is meant to destroy that one realizes that it is nevertheless none too effective. The gun is never discharged at a greater distance than 50 feet and seldom, indeed, at more than 30 from the whale. To be able to get so near requires not only very fine seamanship, but a very intimate knowledge of the habits of the animal.

CULINARY CAPERS.

Rice has a finer flavor if washed in hot water instead of cold before cooking.

A little sugar added to the sauce, soup or vegetable in which too much salt has been used will remedy the evil.

Spanish sweet peppers and onions added to beef and potato hash give variety to the dish. Serve on slices of toast with a poached egg on top of each.

An excellent salad may be made with a foundation of string beans. Cut them in short lengths, sprinkle them with chopped chives, season with salt and pepper and cover with French dressing.

A plain rice pudding, the variety that is made with milk and milk and without eggs is much improved if a cupful of almond meats, blanched and chopped very fine, is put in to be cooked with the pudding.

Onion juice improves the flavor of scrambled eggs, if onion is liked at all. Whisk a tablespoonful of butter is melting in the chafing dish add a teaspoonful of onion juice or grated onion. This quantity is sufficient for six eggs.

In cooking new peas try for variety, tossing a small onion and one or two stalks of mint in the water in which they are boiled. Take both out, of course, before serving. It will be found an unrecognized but delicious flavor has been added to the vegetable.

Does She Lose Speed by Running?

"Did you ever," asked an observant and somewhat cynical citizen, "take note of a woman running? I thought not. Well, I have, and I can tell you for a fact that a woman never runs quite as fast as she could walk. Sometimes, when women are hurrying to catch a car or something of that sort, they think they will get over the ground faster if they run; but, so far from accelerating their progress, it rather retards it. All the same, they seem to think they are going a great deal faster than they could walk, and perhaps that answers the purpose just as well. Sometimes I think they know better, but feel that they must make a bluff at speed. At any rate, when you have a good opportunity to estimate a running woman's speed just do it, and you will be convinced that I am not telling fairy stories."

What It Means to Be "Educated."

Any man is educated who is so developed and trained that, drop him where you will in the world, he is able to master his circumstances and deal with the facts of life so as to build up in himself a noble manhood and be of service to those that are about him. That is what education means; that is what it is for. Knowledge of foreign tongues, a list of historic facts concerning the past, information poured into a man's brain—these things are not education. There are learned fools!

Where Bullets Flew.

The late General Wauchope used to tell a story of two Gordon Highlanders, one of whom was going into battle for the first time. The crack of rifles was heard in front, and the bullets began to fly. The recruit, feeling that his hour had come, shouted to his mate in the first line:

"Dinna bob, Geordie! I'm ahint ye!"—London Answers.

Art.

"Is it true that Daddles has good taste in art?"

"Well, if you call choosing a few fruit pictures for his dining room good taste."

FARMERS WANT COLUMN

Advertisements inserted under this heading one cent a word for first insertion, and half a cent a word for each subsequent insertion, name and address to be counted.

Wanted—One or two horse-power engine. M. PEACOCK, Mt. Salem.

GOOD 100 ACRE FARM for sale in Yorkmouth, very favorable terms, possessing any time. Apply to J. C. Dance, Kingsmill St.

FARM FOR SALE—Apply to F. H. Orris, Springfield, Ont.

FOR SALE—Four registered Short Horn yearling Bulls. E. A. Garnham.

FOR SALE—Sweet corn stalks in shock, also two steer calves. Apply to J. J. Lamb, El Street.

FOR SALE—10 brood sows with pigs by their side. Geo. Laur, Ayr.

AGENTS WANTED—For the Life of the Late President McKinley, price only \$1.50. A magnificent portrait of President McKinley, 18 x 22 inches, will be given as a premium with each copy sold, or, if desired, a choice of nine other premium pictures, including the Duke and Duchess of York. Proceeds free, send life to pay cost of mailing. Credit given, liberal terms, freight paid. Sell our Xmas books, they are the best. A. H. HAINES COMPANY, GUELPH, ONTARIO.

MONEY TO LOAN On Real Estate. Five per cent, any amount. Mortgages purchased. A. E. HAINES, Aylmer, Ontario.

Executor's Notice to Creditors

In the matter of the estate of THOMAS McKNIGHT, late of the Town of Aylmer, in the County of Elgin, gentleman, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Chapter 129, Sec. 38, of the Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1897, and amended Acts, that all creditors and other persons having any claims or demands whatsoever against the said Thomas McKnight, deceased, who died on or about the second day of September, A.D. 1901, are required to send by post prepaid, or deliver to the undersigned solicitor for the executor of the last will and testament of the said deceased, on or before Friday, the 8th day of November, 1901, full particulars and proof of all claims (if any), which they may have against the estate and effects of the said deceased, together with their christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions, and the nature of the security (if any) held by them.

And notice is hereby further given, that after the said 8th day of November, A.D. 1901, the said executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the said estate among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice has been received (if any), which they may have against the estate and effects of the said deceased, and whose names shall not have been received prior to the time of such distribution.

JOHN A. MCCLUSLAND, Solicitor for John McCausland, Sole Executor.

Dated at St. Thomas, this 15th day of September, 1901.

FOR SALE—140 acres of good land. Fair farm buildings, about 30 acres, mostly pine, located near an incorporated village. Is offered very cheap and on easy terms. L. A. HAINES, Real Estate Broker, Brown House Block, Aylmer, Ont.

Mortgage Sale

Farm Property in the Township of Bayham County of Elgin.

UNDER and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage, which will be produced at the time of sale, and bearing date the 22nd day of February, A. D. 1893, and made by William F. Baldwin to the vendor, and default having been made in the payment of the said mortgage, there will be offered for sale by Public Auction on the premises, on THURSDAY, 22nd DAY OF OCTOBER, A.D. 1901, at two o'clock in the afternoon, that parcel of land containing 140 acres, more or less, being the north half of lot number 18, in the second concession of the said Township of Bayham, and as more fully described in the said mortgage, (with the reservation of all public roads now and out). This property being better known as the "Baldwin Farm," is very conveniently situated as to markets and only a short distance outside the limits of the Village of Vienna, at which there are good schools, churches and railway station. The said property is an extra good frame house and cellar underneath, also barns and other outbuildings. There is a good orchard and about 20 acres of pine and hardwood bush, good soil, and is known as one of the best farms in the locality.

TERMS—Ten per cent at the time of sale and the balance within thirty days thereafter, or \$1.00 of the purchase money may remain on first mortgage on the said property, with interest at five per cent per annum. The full and further conditions of sale will be read immediately before the sale. Further particulars may be obtained on application to the Vendor's Solicitor.

Dated at Aylmer, this 2nd day of October, 1901. JOHN A. MCCLUSLAND, A. E. HAINES, Auctioneer. Vendor's Solicitor

SHEEP STRAYED.

Came on the premises of the undersigned, lot 24, Talbot St. east, latter part of August, four sheep. Owner can have same by proving property and paying expenses.

JOHN HARRP.

A Good Reliable Piano

Of the eight different makes of pianos we represent, we wish to mention one in particular—the new style F. Haines, which is attracting the heartiest admiration from musicians all around us. Several of these fine pianos have been recently sold to musical people in St. Thomas, Aylmer and vicinity.

These Pianos have been sold for over sixty years in Canada, there being about 85,000 in use, and it was one of these instruments which was so much admired at Aylmer's Fair last week.

For quality sake and your pocket's sake you cannot afford to purchase a piano before seeing how well you can do with us.

"Art Piano Rooms,"

330, Talbot st., St. Thomas. The Nordheimer Piano and Music Co., 188 Dundas st., London.