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OUR GREAT Dress Goods Purchase

Our dress goods specials placed on sale Saturday were greatly appreciated. It does not take an expert judge to see that they are away below regular value, and any up-to-date fashion journal will convince you that the styles are correct.

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44 in. wide fancy Bourette, Knop Flake Tweed, medium weight for stylish dresses, in the newest shades of Brown, Navy, Biscuit, Grey and Green, one of the most correct effects of the season, regular value 75c. a yard, on sale very special at 59c

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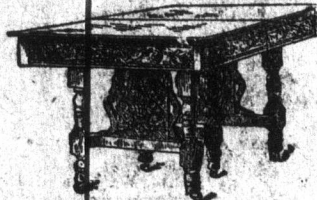
HALF AND QUARTER PRICES.

Our entire stock of Men's Four-in-Hands and Knot Ties, including the new lot just received for Spring trade, regular value 50c. and 50c. each, is now being cleared out at

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PREMIER ROSS NOT YET READY

With His Much-Talked-of License Measure—Caucus—This Morning.

Proposed Soo Legislation Hanging Fire—Chair of Forestry at Toronto University.

Toronto, March 14.—Premier Ross again confessed in the Legislature this afternoon that he was unable to say with any degree of definiteness when the temperance bill would be brought down. This admission was made in reply to a question by Mr. St. John as to when the house might expect the measure. A second caucus of Government supporters will be held to-morrow (Tuesday) forenoon, at which the proposed legislation will be again considered. The caucus will doubtless be a long and turbulent one, as the majority of the Liberal members are opposed to either of the radical measures which the Premier desires to introduce. There is a growing impression that if there is no unanimity in caucus the Premier will ignore the caucus and bring in such a measure as is in accordance with his desires.

The Government also appears to be inclined to act with no haste in regard to the proposed "Soo" legislation. Mr. Whitney asked the Premier when the Algoma Central Railway Bill would be moved for a second reading, and in reply received the answer that the second reading of the bill would not be moved this week as far as the Government seemed at present disposed. It is understood that the Government is anxious that the reorganization of the company should be completed before the bill is introduced for its second reading.

Mr. Harcourt made the rather important announcement that the Government hoped to establish a forestry chair in the University of Toronto, and a second one, if possible, at the Ontario Agricultural College. This statement was made in the course of a reply to Mr. Whitney's motion for a return of correspondence with reference to the construction of a physical laboratory for the university, and the establishment of a department of forestry in the same. Mr. Harcourt said Mr. Whitney was quite right in saying that the matter was of importance. The Government was now considering the question of accommodation for students in physics at the university. It was a considerable time since the Government was first asked to consider the question of establishing a forestry chair at the university. Dr. Mills had protested that the Guelph Agricultural College was the proper place to establish the chair, and the Minister of Agriculture had agreed with that view. "I do not say," said Mr. Harcourt, "that I share in that view. My hope is that we will have a chair in the university, and I will not regret it if we have a second one in the Agricultural College."

Mr. Whitney said the university was the proper place for the chair of forestry, but he thought it would be a good idea to have one also at Guelph. The Government had now already delayed the matter, and could not now delay too much energy in dealing with it.

Mr. Lucas introduced a bill to extend to the outside civil service the terms of the act regarding the garnishment of salaries of civil servants.

DYNAMO NEEDED

The City Council in a body visited the electric light station yesterday afternoon. That is part of it did, but the body of the Council was short several important members. In the party were Mayor McKeough, Ald. Mounteer, Ald. Piggott, Ald. Westman, Ald. Edmondson, Ald. Scullard and City Engineer Jones. They found the plant inadequate. There is, however, both room and power for another dynamo and the City Engineer was instructed to write to all the factories and get prices on dynamos, and also all general information obtainable. A meeting of the Council will then be held to discuss the matter and the advisability of purchasing. The men were found busy re-wrapping the armatures on the two dynamos, which armatures were burned out in the electrical storm last Wednesday night. Only one dynamo is in use and that is the reason that only one circuit has been lighted during the past few days.

TELLING IT TO 'EM

"The sooner the electric light system is put in the hands of a capable expert, the better it will be for the city," remarked a citizen this morning to a Planet reporter. "We pay men salaries for which we should get capable service. It has been evident for some months past that we are not getting that service, as a matter of fact everyone knows that the electric light system has been rotten. There are some lights around here that have been lit twice in the last schedule. The matter should be probed to the bottom, and at once."

MACDONALD DAY

The proposal has been made—and is meeting with enthusiastic endorsement—that the Liberal-Conservatives of this western district shall observe the anniversary of the death of Canada's greatest statesman by a magnificent memorial demonstration in this city on June 8th.

The name of John A. Macdonald must ever remain enshrined in the heart of every true and loyal Canadian—and it is particularly appropriate that the members of the Liberal-Conservative party should do honor to the memory of their revered chief.

It is proposed to observe Macdonald Day in Chatham by the holding of a mammoth memorial demonstration, in which the whole county and district will be asked to co-operate and participate.

The celebration promises to prove an epoch in the annals of the party in this district and plans are already being formulated for its consummation on a very elaborate and inspiring basis.

Among the distinguished visitors who are expected to speak upon that occasion are the two leaders, Mr. R. L. Borden and Mr. J. P. Whitney, and an excellent corte of their colleagues will also participate, including Mr. James Clancy, M. P., Hon. J. Israel Tarte, Mr. J. J. Foy, M. P., P. W. St. John, M. P., Mr. J. P. Downey, M. P., Mr. "Ned" Dunlop, M. P., the young hero of North Renfrew, and others.

A meeting of the local Liberal-Conservative workers is called for Friday evening in their rooms in the Northwood hall block building to organize and make arrangements for the big demonstration.

Every Liberal-Conservative worker is asked to be present on this occasion.

"THE CRUCIFIXION"

The Magnificent Sacred Masterpiece to be Presented by Artists in Chatham on Good Friday Evening.

A very delightful sacred musical will be held in the First Presbyterian Church on Good Friday evening, uniting the presentation of Stainer's impressive and beautiful masterpiece, "The Crucifixion," and an exceptionally brilliant and exquisite sacred concert program, both under the musical direction of E. B. Arthur, the organist and choirmaster of the church.

Chathamites are keenly appreciative of beautiful sacred music and this delightful presentation promises an entirely unique and memorable treat. Mr. Arthur is to be congratulated upon inaugurating this appropriate departure into the inspiring realms of the sacred classics.

The ladies and gentlemen assisting include many of the Maple City's best voices. The services of Marshall Pease, Detroit's incomparable tenor, and Samuel I. Slade, basso, who is universally recognized as without an equal in the Michigan metropolis, will assist in the beautiful presentation and concert. The local talent will include Mrs. John Cooper, the Maple City's popular and peerless soprano soloist of the church; Miss Edna Martin, contralto soloist; Miss Lucy McKellar, soprano; Miss Florence G. Stephenson, contralto; Mrs. Milton Bogart, contralto; J. W. Wilson, basso, and others.

No admission will be charged for this magnificent presentation, a silver collection only being asked to defray expenses.

THE LEADERSHIP

Chamberlain May Become Head of Unionist Party Should It Meet Defeat.

London, March 14.—In the lobby of the House of Commons to-night there was much comment upon the unexpected early departure from Egypt, on his return to London, of Joseph Chamberlain. Many members of the House supposed he was hurrying home in anticipation of an early dissolution of Parliament, but Right Hon. Jesse Collings, and other of Mr. Chamberlain's intimates, maintained that he would spend two or three weeks in Italy, and thus extend his holiday, as it was originally contemplated to two months.

The Chamberlain section of Parliament predict that if the Unionists are defeated in the general election, Mr. Chamberlain, and not Mr. Balfour, will be the leader of the Opposition in the next Parliament. They also talk of asking the Government in the coming budget to reimpose the shifting duty on grain.

Mr. Balfour has for several days been suffering from a severe attack of neuralgia.

MAKAROFF IS ON OFFENSIVE

Now Blocks Entrance to Pt. Arthur Harbor With Russian Fleet Outside.

Japanese Hero of Pt. Arthur Attack Honored by Mikado But Not Likely to Survive Wounds.

London, March 15.—A correspondent of the Daily Mail at Newchwang says that "after the removal of battleship Rurik, four Russian steamers—the Harbin, the Hailar, the Ninguta and the Sengari—were anchored at the mouth of the entrance to Port Arthur in proper position, and sunk, leaving only a small channel available. Vice-admiral Makaroff having previously ordered the whole fleet to remain outside with steam up, economy in coal being unnecessary."

This despatch, which is prominently displayed by the Daily Mail, and which the correspondent says is Russian information, is, if true, news of first importance, confirming the idea that Vice-admiral Makaroff will adopt the scattered naval forces or endeavor to inflict damage upon the Japanese navy. The story must, however, be viewed cautiously, the only approach to confirmation from any other quarter being in a despatch from a correspondent of the Daily Telegraph at Yankow, which merely says: "Vice-admiral Makaroff has issued orders to the effect that the saving of coal is unnecessary, but that the big gun ammunition in the forts must not be wasted. Evidently this ammunition is running short." The Daily Mail thinks that if Vice-admiral Makaroff closed the channel it was in order to prevent the ingress of Japanese torpedo boat destroyers as he did at Wei-Hai-Wei during the Chinese-Japanese war.

THE VLADIVOSTOCK SQUADRON.

It is a subject of unceasing remark and conjecture that nothing has been heard of the Vladivostock squadron, and it is beginning to be believed that it is really inside the harbor of Vladivostok.

Tokio, March 14.—Viceroy Alexieff's report stating that a Japanese torpedo boat destroyer was sunk and the cruiser Takasago heavily damaged by the shell fire of the Russians during the fourth attack on Port Arthur, is official Japanese news. The damaged Japanese torpedo boat destroyers can be repaired in one week, and it will not be necessary to dock them.

A JAPANESE HERO.

Engineer Minamimasa, the heroic officer of the torpedo boat destroyer Kasumi, has been honored for his gallantry. He has been given the Order of the Kyte, the Order of the Rising Sun, and promoted from engineer to chief engineer. The order of the Kyte is the Japanese equivalent to the British Victoria Cross. Chief Engineer Minamimasa was the first to whom the Kyte has been awarded for heroism in war. It is improbable that he survive his wounds.

RUSSIAN DEAD AND WOUNDED.

Salvors working on the Varieg at Chemulpo found the bodies of two Russian sailors. They were taken ashore and the captains of the Hata-ue and Sama conducted burial services to-day. Eight of the 23 Russians wounded who were taken to the Matsuyama Red Cross hospital are in a serious condition. Three of them lost both legs. The legs were amputated by a French surgeon, but re-amputation is now necessary. One Russian has 165 wounds from steel splinters scattered over his body. Japanese surgeons are locating them with Roentgen rays and extracting them.

MORE FROM TOGO.

A supplementary report from Vice-Admiral Togo concerning the effort made by the crews of the torpedo boat destroyers in the action off Port Arthur on the 10th inst. to rescue the crews of the disabled Russian torpedo boat destroyers, reached here to-day. Captain Shojiro Asai, commanding the flotilla of torpedo boat destroyers, states that the Japanese would have been able to rescue many more of the enemy but for the deadly fire of the shore batteries and the close approach of the Russian cruiser, Novik. The report also explains that four men rescued were not part of the crew of the Stereguschchi, as originally reported. When the Japanese rescuers reached the Stereguschchi only the dead remained on board, and it is believed the living members of the crew jumped overboard and perished. Three of the Russians rescued are engineers, and the fourth is a torpedo operator. Two of the captives were slightly wounded. They were placed aboard a Japanese battleship and were given food and medicine.

BRIBING THE BANDITS.

Trustworthy information has been received that Admiral Alexieff has offered bribes of \$15,000 to mounted bandits in Manchuria with the view of utilizing them as outposts against Japanese attacks.

CONCENTRATION OF RUSSIANS.

The Russians are concentrating at Fusan and Puchau on the West coast of the Lia-Tung Peninsula, evidently in anticipation of a Japanese landing.

WALL PAPER



We have succeeded in securing for our customers this season the choicest goods and largest assortment of wall paper in the trade, and as we do the largest wall paper business in the city, it is reasonable to suppose that we buy in the largest quantities and get the best discounts, and can therefore sell cheaper than smaller dealers. When we say we have the largest and finest stock of wall paper in the city and sell at the lowest prices, we mean it. We do not make the large claim rashly. We are absolutely sure of our ground. We can readily prove it and are always glad of the opportunity to do so. Really we think we are pardonable for boasting about our wall paper. Samples are now ready. Call and look them over. It is a pleasure for us to show the new goods; they are so beautiful.

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