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A. I. McCALL & CO., Limited, DRUGGISTS

OPERA HOUSE BLOCK.

N. B.—We move into our new store on the evening of October 30th.

PROBABILITIES.

Special per G. N. W.

Toronto, Oct. 17.—11 a. m.—South-west winds, increasing to gales; showers to-night. Friday, higher west and northwest winds, fair and becoming much cooler.

LOCAL

Isaac Shaw, of Wallaceburg, is in the city on business.

Mrs. E. Campbell, of Ridgeway, is in the city visiting friends.

Harry N. French, of Darrell, is spending a few days with friends in this city.

The Chatham Maleable Iron and Steel Company are at present preparing an order of 100 dozen hand nails for out of town dealers.

Officer James Dodson says that poll tax is coming in nicely and that he expects to have the job completed shortly.

J. M. Pike is at Prairie Siding on business to-day. He is accompanied by Engineer Alex. Baird, of Leamington.

The Chatham Real Estate Exchange has sold the properties belonging to A. J. Dunn and Matthew Wilson, K. C., situated on King St. West, to A. D. and W. H. Westman.

Dr. R. W. Bruce Smith, Provincial Inspector of Prisons and Public Charities, made his official visit to the County Jail, the Home of the Friendless, the House of Refuge and the local hospitals here yesterday.

J. L. Wilson & Son are preparing drawings for a business block of stores for J. and J. Riggs, of Windsor. The building will be built of pressed brick with cut stone trimmings. They are also preparing plans for a new residence for Mr. Geo. Bruce, of London.

John Harrington, of the Standard Bank, who for the past seven weeks has been confined to his room through an attack of typhoid fever, was able to sit up for a few hours yesterday. He is improving rapidly, and it is expected that he will soon be able to be around again.

Rubber Goods

Our Fall order of Rubber goods has just been received. This comprises a full line of Water Bottles, Bulb Syringes, Fountain Syringes, Atomizers, Etc.

Hot Water Bottles.....75c to \$1.75
Fountain Syringes.....\$1 to \$1.75
Atomizers.....50c to \$1.00
Bulb Syringes.....50c to \$1.00

(SEE OUR WINDOW)

S. F. PARK & CO., Druggists
2 Doors East of Market

Special Saturday Sale

'THE ARK'

FOR
BARGAINS

Stock must be reduced, we are crowded for room since moving from Gray's China Hall.

\$2.50 Toilet Sets for.....\$1.75
\$4.00 " " ".....\$2.75
\$5.00 " " ".....\$3.75
\$7.00 " " ".....\$5.00
\$9.00 " " ".....\$6.50
\$10.00 " " ".....\$8.00
\$15.00 " " ".....\$12.00

China Tea Sets, the best ever at special prices.

China Fruit Sets at 25 per cent. less than regular prices.

Parlor lamps, 20 per cent. off.

Nevada Silver tea spoons, doz \$1.

" " desert " " \$2

Silver Plated Knives, a doz \$2

**Buy your
Graniteware
Tinware
Crockery
China
Lamps,
Stoves,
Etc., Etc.**

GRAY'S CHINA HALL
"THE ARK" BLOCK

SENSATION AT DAWSON

Peterboro Man In Custody
Charged With Gigantic
Theft

Vancouver, Oct. 17.—A Dawson dispatch says: "George Kincaid, head foreman of the public works department in Yukon Territory, with headquarters at Dawson, arrived on Sunday in charge of the police at Selkirk, 170 miles above Dawson.

He was charged with stealing \$40,000, which mysteriously disappeared from the registered mail sack, delivered in Dawson July 29, from Fairbanks by steamer Seattle. Kincaid was placed aboard the steamer Prospector Tuesday morning on his way to Dawson and died three hours before the arrival of the boat. A vial supposed to contain poison was found in his bunk. On Monday night he was well, and ate heartily. It is believed that the man was so overcome with shame of his capture that he ended his life.

Richard L. Hall, bookkeeper of the M. and M. saloon of Dawson, a former restaurant proprietor, was arrested on Thursday on a similar charge as that on which Kincaid was held. Hall is confined in the barracks at Dawson. It is reported he has made a confession implicating a number of Dawsonites. The arrest of Hall and Kincaid has caused the biggest sensation here in years, both have been prominent Klondikers.

Kincaid is a native of Peterboro, and went to Dawson in 1898.

GREAT STORM IN EUROPE.

Many Lives Lost in Southern France and Spain.

Paris, Oct. 17.—Southern Europe is in the grasp of a tremendous storm, accompanied by torrential rains. The storm area extends from Morocco northward, over Portugal, Spain and Southern France. Warships off the African coast and the Spanish peninsula have been obliged to seek shelter. The village of Oria, Spain, was literally washed away by a cloudburst, and the River Lobregat is described as constantly claiming new victims. Many cities in France and Spain have been visited by violent storms, and some are menaced by floods.

Several fishing smacks have been capsized off Brest and their crews drowned.

AFTERMATH OF EXPLOSION.

Thirty-One Known Dead — Property Loss \$700,000.

Fontanet, Ind., Oct. 17.—The loss of a powder company in property damage is estimated at \$200,000. The property loss in Fontanet will exceed \$500,000.

An official list of the known dead and seriously injured shows 31 dead. It is believed more names will be added, increasing it to from 35 to 40, as several persons were blown to pieces.

Germany Hopes For Treaty.

Berlin, Oct. 17.—(C. A. P.)—The Neueste Nachrichten predicts that the result of the negotiations proceeding between Germany and Canada will be the conclusion of a commercial treaty, whereby Canada will concede the intermediate tariff she has already conceded to France.

The paper remarks: "We shall be obliged to tolerate the exceptionally favorable treatment Canada concedes the Mother Country."

The Morning Post reiterates that the annals of British diplomacy can hardly contain a more humiliating story than that unfolded in the Newfoundland correspondence. The Americans succeeded in obtaining the privileges they desired by simple method of declaring their intention to exercise them in any case. The Post adds that it might have been expected that Premier Bond would now realize how necessary it is that Newfoundland should join hands with Canada.

Declined the Stock.

London, Oct. 17.—The directors of the Bernardo Homes declined the 20 per cent. shares of the Bile Bean Co. which the late Senator E. C. Fulford of Brockville, Ont., directed should be allotted in the event of the company being formed, such shares to be retained by the institution as a permanent investment. The company has been formed with a capital of £100,000, but the directors compromised with the deceased's family for an unstated cash payment.

Jessie Collins, speaking at Totnes, declared it was more necessary to colonize England than Canada.

Melbourne, Aus., Oct. 17.—Premier Bent of Victoria stated it was better to live in Australia on seven shillings a day, than in Canada on 11 shillings a day, considering the disadvantages of climate.

Bradshaw Still Leads.

Prince Albert, Sask., Oct. 17.—The Court of Revision cleared up poll 3 yesterday morning by allowing one more Conservative vote and disallowing the remaining challenged ballots, the voters not appearing to prove their qualifications.

The court is now sitting on three polls. To date eight votes supported by the Liberals and three supported by Bradshaw's representative have been allowed. Bradshaw still leads.

A Youthful Incendiary.

Montreal, Oct. 17.—Samuel Austin, a nineteen-year-old boy, employed by Caverhill, Learmont & Co., was arrested Tuesday night on a charge of arson. Several fires have occurred at the firm's warehouse during the past few months, which have puzzled the firemen and the firm. Yesterday Austin pleaded guilty and was remanded for sentence.

Glory may lead only to the grave, but it makes the journey there a mighty pleasant one.

VANCOUVER SPECULATING.

Wondering If Imperial Authorities Sent Kipling to Make Enquiries.
Vancouver, Oct. 17.—Was Kipling sent to Vancouver by the Imperial government to report upon the feeling of the people in British Columbia on the question of Asiatic and Hindoo immigration?

This question is being asked here. Kipling while he asked countless questions on the subject, but never have indicated the object of his flying visit.

Among the questions Kipling asked was how people would receive a law which would permit Asiatic and Hindoo coolies to come to Canada for stated period of years, work here, and then be deported when the contract time of service expired.

This immigration plan has been used in some of Great Britain's colonies, notably South Africa.

So far as can be learned, Kipling was told the people of British Columbia would never consent to such a scheme.

SIX MONTHS FOR NOBLE.

Man Who Assaulted His Doctor Goes to Central Prison.

Toronto, Oct. 17.—Nicholas Noble, convicted of having assaulted Dr. Andrew Eadie, was sentenced to six months in the Central Prison yesterday by Judge Winchester.

A large number of petitions had been sent to the judge and the jury extended a clause for clemency, but all were ignored by his worship.

"If I cannot sentence or release prisoners according to my own judgment then I might as well step out. The crown could have charged you with attempted murder." It would have been much more many of you if you had pleaded guilty, instead of going into the box and denying the statements of reliable men.

You lost a son who was the light of your home and who showed great promise for the future, but that was no reason why you should try to take vengeance on the doctor who attended him, and who has attended your family for years.

Canada Was Represented.

London, Oct. 17.—Canada was represented for the first time at the international conference of weights and measures in Paris, where M. Pichon drew attention to the fact that the Dominion had given adhesion to the metric convention.

Sir Charles Tupper writes to The Standard from Winnipeg, pointing out, in reference to the latter's statement, that by entrusting the Franco-Canadian negotiations to Messrs. Fielding and Brodeur the Home Government had taken a great step towards Imperial unity—that in 1879 Canada was entrusted with treaty-making power in the negotiation of the Spanish treaty, and again in 1893, in the negotiation of a treaty with France.

At Sydney a great anti-tariff meeting, addressed by Hon. George Reid, in the capital of what was once a free trade state, attracted only 400 people.

Chinese Paid Head Tax.

Vancouver, B. C., Oct. 17.—Head tax to the amount of \$48,500 was paid in by ninety-seven Chinese who arrived from the Orient by the R.M.S. Empress of China, which reached port yesterday.

She brought a big list of steerage passengers, principally Chinese, there being only four Japanese passengers, and one Japanese stowaway and no Hindoos. Of the Chinese 88 were landed at Victoria, 26 of whom paid the head tax. Five hundred Chinese were landed at Vancouver, 71 of this number paid the head tax, and 154 were certificated to return to Canada free. The others were bound for United States or other countries.

Steamer Sunk in Collision.

Detroit, Oct. 17.—The wooden steamer Case of the Gilchrist fleet was sunk yesterday afternoon in a collision with the Pittsburgh Steamship Co.'s steel steamer Marika, opposite Astoria, in the Limekiln Crossing.

The crew were saved uninjured. Cross signals are said to have caused the collision.

Operators Return to Work.

San Francisco, Oct. 17.—Seven striking telegraph operators applied for their old positions with the Western Union Co. yesterday. Five of them were given employment.

Five Prisoners Shot.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 17.—Five political prisoners were shot in Hayti yesterday, according to advices received from American Minister Furman.

DR. A. A. HICKS

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Large assortment of Suits, Trousers, Hats, Overcoats and Vests.
Made to Order at Lowest Price and Fit Guaranteed.
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[That desirable 100 acres, known as the Wemp place, on the Dover Town-line.

This is one of the best 100 acres in Dover, and will be sold right.

A number of other desirable Farms and City Properties for Sale.

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The Real Estate Man
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OCT. 18

The Musical Event

Of the Season

Under The

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—OF—

Christ Church

PROGRAM :

Part 1

1. Selection — "Anne Laurie," Ladies' Quartette.
2. Reading — "An Object of Love," Mary Wilkins, Miss Verna Sheldon.
3. Solo — "Happy Song," Teresa Del Riego, Miss Minnie Thurst.
4. Violin Solo — "Cavatina," Roff, Mr. Everard Gordon.
5. Solo — "A Summer Night," Goring Thomas, Miss Florence Schwenker.
6. Reading — "L'Envoi," Kyring, (b) Moeur o' Mne, Kyring, Miss Verna Sheldon.
7. Solo — Selected, Mr. A. R. Dingman.
8. "Comme ça," G. L. ne, Miss Evelyn G. Parker.

Part 2

9. Reading — "Heavenly Thoreau," Elizabeth Stuart Phillip, Miss Verna Sheldon.
10. Solo — "A Little While," Caro Roma, Violin Obligato, Mr. Everard Gordon (by request), Miss May Pette.
11. Solo — Selected, Mr. James Trotter.
12. Solo — Selected, Miss B. K. Smith.
13. Reading — (a) A. L. baby, Paul Lawrence Dunbar, (b) Speak Up Oke an' Sprout Yourself, Miss Verna Sheldon.
14. Selection — "Good Night," Ladies' Quartette.

Admission - 25c.

Seats on Sale at

Brisco's

NEW RUGS!

The popularity of Rugs increases as their good qualities are impressed upon users by years of experience. We carry an enormous stock in a multitude of sizes, ranging from small Hearth Rugs to large Carpet Squares, but have space to mention only a few of the principal makes:—

Axminster Squares

The T. & A. Famous Parquet Squares stand in the front rank of European Rugs. We carry in stock a fine range of designs in these popular sizes—7 ft. 6 in. x 9 ft., at \$24.00; 9 ft. x 9 ft., at \$29; 9 ft. x 10 ft. 6 in. at \$34.00; 9 ft. x 12 ft., at \$39.00; 10 ft. 6 in. x 12 ft., at \$44.00; and 10 ft. 6 in. x 13 ft. 6 in., at \$49.00.

Velvet Rugs

These rich rugs at very moderate prices—9 ft. x 10 ft. 6 in., at \$19.50; 9 ft. x 12 ft., at \$22.50; and 10 ft. 6 in. x 12 ft., at \$27.50. Also an excellent Sofa Rug, 4 ft. 6 in. x 7 ft., at \$5.00. All seamless velvet.

Royal Wiltons

A splendid weave, made for hard and constant wear, in designs suitable for libraries, dining-rooms, sitting-rooms and drawing-rooms, all the popular sizes, from a 4 ft. 6 in. x 7 ft. at \$11.50 to the larger "cut size," 11 ft. 3 in. x 13 ft. 6 in., at \$48.00.

Tapestry Rugs

We can suit your taste; we can suit your purse. All sizes and prices from a 2 1-2 x 3 yards, at \$4.50, to the very finest quality, at \$48.00.

Brussels Rugs

Everyone who has had anything to do with carpets knows the excellent wearing quality of Brussels. We have a wide range of designs in all sizes, 6 ft. 9 in. x 9 ft., at \$10.75; 9 ft. x 10 ft. 6 in., at \$15.00; and 9 ft. 12 in., at \$18.50 and \$21.00.

Ingrain Rugs

A very large stock in Union and All-wool, in sizes 2 1-2 x 3 yards, 3 x 3, 3 x 3 1-2, 3 3/4, and 4 1-2 x 4.

We are showing all the New Cream and Colored

BEAR SKINS

Our range of Bear Skins for Warm Coats for the Little Folks is the largest, most varied, and most complete range it has ever been our pleasure to show. As to prices and values we have gone carefully into the matter from every point of view, and we are confident they are not excelled.

Cream Bear Skin, 50 in. wide, at prices ranging from \$1.50 to \$3.

Cream Bear Skin, with black spot, 50 inches wide, at \$2.50 per yard.

Cinnamon Bear Skin, 50 inches wide, extra fine curl, at \$3 per yard.

Black Colts Hide Bear Skin, extra fine gloss, at \$3.50 per yard.

Red Bear Skin, with black tips, 50 inches wide, at \$2.50 per yard.

BLANKET WEEK

If you have a Blanket Want better come in and see our stock this week. Prices have touched bottom for this year, and, when present stocks are sold out, will have to be advanced.

There is going to be extra selling this week and we want you to get your share.

In The Austin Men's Store

There Is No 'Better' Such Thing as

If you are willing to pay a Merchant Tailor just double the price of "Progress Brand" you get a suit that might be as good as "Progress Brand."

But, pray! Why should you pay two prices for one suit? You can't buy better tailoring or better wearing fabrics, or better styles or better fitting garments, at any price.

When it comes right down to essentials, the vital points of fine workmanship and worthy clothes, you will find Progress Brand is matchless at its price.

New styles, handsomest patterns, and most exclusive effects, are ready.



Make sure it is a Progress Brand Suit or Overcoat you buy. Look for the label that protects. It goes in to all genuine "Progress Brand" garments, and guarantees cloth, tailoring and trimming. It means satisfaction or money back. Find it before you buy.

"Progress Brand" Suits and Overcoats

If you want to see what Canada's well-dressed men are wearing see the fashions as interpreted by "Progress Brand."

OVERCOATS - \$6.00 to 25.00
SUITS - \$5.00 to 22.50

Men's and Boys'

Underwear

Right from the Maker
We are ready with the biggest and best stock and the strongest values we have ever shown in medium weight and winter underwear.

Men's Heavy Weight Union Underwear, fancy stripes, 37 1-2c.

Men's Heavy Fleece Underwear, Penman's, 50c.
Men's Plain Wool and Heavy Rib S. & D.S., 75c.
Men's Fine Natural Wool and Heavy Rib Ditto, \$1.00.

Ellis' Spring Needle Imported Wool \$1.50 to \$2.00.

Ellis' Combination Suits, \$2.50 and \$3.50.

Boys' Underwear, 25c. to \$1.00.

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Kent County's Largest Retailers