

The Oak Hall Mid-Summer Sale of Men's, Young Men's and Boys' Clothing and Furnishings Will Be Continued All This Week.

THIS IS THE GREATEST BARGAIN EVENT OF THE YEAR!

Our Mid-Summer Sale has been started with a rush—with a lot of eager buyers that reminds one of a holiday throng. Why? Because the good people of this good city and county have learned that Oak Hall values are right at all times, and when we announce a **GENUINE REDUCTION SALE**, such as started last Thursday, the response is always by crowds. We'll save you thousands of dollars during this Sale, and you'll help us to clear our stocks and thus make room for the Autumn Goods, which are even now beginning to arrive. Everybody in this store is bent upon keeping up the phenomenal record all this week.

HERE'S SOME OF THE THINGS YOU SAVE ON:

MEN'S CLOTHING.

\$5.00 FANCY TWEED SUITS REDUCED TO	\$4.20
7.50 FANCY TWEED SUITS REDUCED TO	5.15
10.00 FANCY TWEED SUITS REDUCED TO	7.55
12.00 FANCY TWEED SUITS REDUCED TO	8.25
15.00 FANCY TWEED SUITS REDUCED TO	10.55
5.00 RAINCOATS REDUCED TO	5.25
12.00 RAINCOATS REDUCED TO	9.45

A LOT OF MEN'S BLUE AND BLACK SUITS, in broken sizes, marked very low to clear.
\$5.00 Suits now \$4.00.
\$10.00 Suits now \$7.50.
A FEW BROKEN SIZES IN MEN'S RAINCOATS, reduced in price—a substantial saving at each figure.
\$5.95 for \$10.00 ones; \$7.90 for \$12.00 ones; \$9.85 for \$15.00 ones.

BOYS' CLOTHING

2-PIECE SUITS THAT WERE \$2.00, now	\$1.65
2-PIECE SUITS THAT WERE \$4.00, now	3.55
2-PIECE SUITS THAT WERE \$3.50, now	2.75
2-PIECE SUITS THAT WERE \$5.00, now	3.95
2-PIECE SUITS THAT WERE \$8.00, now	6.45

REPEATED OVERCOATS AT GREAT REDUCTIONS.
WASHABLE SUITS REDUCED ONE-THIRD AND LESS.

VERY SPECIAL BARGAINS

A LOT OF BOYS' NORFOLK SUITS, regular price, \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3.00. Very special sale price \$1.50.
Being manufacturers our regular prices are at all times 25 to 30 per cent. lower than those of other stores.
Resisting this in mind you can see that the savings are really very much larger than appear on the surface.
NO GOODS ON APPROVAL DURING THIS SALE. Sale ends Saturday, July 25.

MEN'S FURNISHINGS.

NATURAL WOOL SHIRTS AND DRAWERS, regular price, 75c, 85c, per garment. Sale Price	50c
BALDRICIAN SHIRTS AND DRAWERS, regular price, 90c, per garment. Sale Price	60c
NEGLECTED SHIRTS, regular price, 50c, 60c, Sale Price	25c
NEGLECTED SHIRTS, regular price, \$1.25, \$1.50, Sale Price	75c
WORKINGMEN'S SHIRTS, regular price, 50c, 60c, Sale Price	37c
BLACK AND TAN CASHMERE HOSE, regular price, 35c, per pair. Sale Price	25c
ALL HATS AND CAPS AT SALE PRICES.	
TRUNKS AND BAGS GREATLY REDUCED.	

A Man and a Maid

By OELIA MYROVER ROBINSON.

"If one could only eat ancient portraits or old china or mahogany furniture! But, unfortunately, the choicest of these is not to be had. One's defunct ancestors might prove indigestible."

"I don't see how you can!" Mrs. Belknap turned a pathetic, red-eyed face to her younger sister. "It is no season, for jesting. Do you realize, Elizabeth, she drew her damp, lace-bordered handkerchief from her face and threw her hand out tragically, 'do you realize that we are facing starvation?'"

"That I do realize it, my speech has just shown, but I don't think we are facing it very bravely. It is now nearly two months since—since—she broke off hopelessly, as her sister turned from her and sank into a chair, burying her face in her hands and sobbing convulsively.

The younger girl rose and went over and knelt down beside her.

LYDIA E. PINKHAM'S VEGETABLE COMPOUND



No other medicine for Woman's ills in the world has received such endorsement as has Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from native roots and herbs.

No other medicine has such a record of success for woman's ills as this. It is the standard remedy for female ills, inflammation, ulceration, and consequent Spinal Weakness.

It has relieved more cases of Backache and Local Weakness than any other one remedy. It dissolves and expels tumors in an early stage of development.

Irregularities and periodic pains, Weakness of the Stomach, Indigestion, Bloating, Nervous Prostration, Headache, General Debility, quickly yield to it; also deranged organs, causing pain, dragging sensations and backache. Under all circumstances it acts in harmony with the female system.

It removes that wearing feeling, extreme lassitude, "don't care" and "want-to-be-left-alone" feeling, excitability, irritability, nervousness, dizziness, faintness, sleeplessness, flatulency, melancholy or the "blues." These are indications of Female Disorders, which this medicine overcomes as well as slight derangement of the kidneys of either sex.

Women who are sick and want to get well should refuse to accept any substitute for Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"Anna," she said, piteously, "if only you would not give way so! Oh, don't you suppose that I suffer too? It isn't easy to laugh when one's heart is breaking, but it is better and easier to laugh than to cry."

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"What can we do?" asked Mrs. Belknap, helplessly.

"If I were a magician, I should marry you," said Mrs. Belknap, helplessly.

"You are so pretty, Elizabeth," said Mrs. Belknap, helplessly.

"You don't see why I don't captivate Colonel Hemstead or some other eligible old young man? After all my seasons and my many advantages, it is strange that I should be an old maid, isn't it? But I am, and we must make the best of it."

"You are so strange, Elizabeth," said her sister, plaintively.

"You must have married anybody—anybody, and yet—"

"And yet, I have married nobody. I am not so sure that I could have married anybody, but I am sure that I have reached the time of life when one's years are a reproach. I am twenty-eight and I shouldn't wonder if I am growing gray."

"Cray! You never were so beautiful in your life as you are now."

"Your personalities are delightfully contrasting, Anna; but this isn't discussing the question of bread and meat. We are two lone women, thrown on the world, and, unfortunately, as rich in pride as we are poor in pocket. Now if you will be sensible, Anna, and try to listen quietly, and help me a little will tell you my plans; for I have not been altogether idle during the month and have formed some plans for our future."

"I am listening," said Anna resignedly.

But Miss Belknap did not proceed at once to divulge her plans. She sat for some moments in silence, and when, at last, she looked up at Mrs. Belknap, there was a hot flush on her face. She ran her hand into the bosom of her gown and drew out a scrap of paper, which she threw to her sister.

"Anna read that," she said.

"What on earth, Elizabeth? It is an advertisement for a maid and signed Lucia Pemberton. Can it be our Mrs. Pemberton?"

"It can be and is; it is our Mrs. Pemberton; and she wants a maid!"

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"Oh, Anna! Must all our conversa-

tions end in a flood of tears?" cried Elizabeth despairingly. "Can't you see it is providential? It is the only thing the very only thing that I can do. Even you can see that I am cut out for it. Listen, dear," she put her hands on her sister's shoulders and laughed down in the tear-stained faces. "It isn't at all though it were here in Lexington, where I am known. No one need be the wiser. If I am to earn our bread and butter, I must do it honestly, and this is the one thing that I believe I can do. You know you always said I could do your hair better than Nason herself, and I am a genius where clothes are concerned; you know I am. I have always had the most unbounded curiosity to see this stranger of the family purple and plate. No one will ever know, and it will mean daily bread for us both; for I shall be able to save nearly all my salary, and—she broke off rather helplessly.

"And support me in idleness," said her sister bitterly.

"Well, it won't be very luxurious idleness, I'm afraid; but I think it will be enough. And as for supporting you—for how many years have I been dependent on your bounty, I wonder? You must let me do it, Anna."

"Elizabeth, I'd rather sell all the furniture and the portraits."

"Well, you shall not sell them," declared Elizabeth, with decision. "Not so long as I have my hands to work and save them; and, my dear, it is too late to deplore it, because I am already engaged."

"Oh! Elizabeth!"

Elizabeth's lips trembled, and she laid her hand on her sister's, pleadingly.

"Help me to be strong, Anna," she said.

"Has Pido his hair, Lisa?"

"Yes, ma'am," said the maid, respectfully.

"Have you fed the gold-fish?"

"Yes, ma'am."

"And the canaries?"

"Yes, ma'am."

"And did you find time to do my lace?"

"Yes, ma'am."

"For heaven's sake don't ma'am me again!" cried Mrs. Pemberton. "One would think you didn't know how to use your tongue. But I warrant you can wag it fast enough when you've a mind."

"But I thought—"

"You aren't paid to think; you are employed to do your duty and behave like a rational human being. When I wish you to talk, you are to talk; and when I wish you to hold your tongue, you are to hold it. Do you understand?"

"Yes, ma'am," said the maid, demurely.

Mrs. Pemberton took off her spectacles, rubbed them, and then put them on again and looked at the girl with something like a smile lurking in her sharp eyes.

"Do you know how to read?"

"Yes, ma'am."

The old lady bounced in her chair. "If you use those two over-worked words again, Lisa, I shall box your ears!"

The girl bit her lips, and her cheeks flushed. "I don't know how else to answer in the affirmative, ma'am," she said.

"You are as bad as a poll parrot. Here, if you haven't anything else to do, you may read to me; my eyes are tired. But don't swallow your words, and don't mumble, and don't read those noisy papyrus read. No, I don't want that noisy papyrus read. Whoever wrote it had much better been sewing wool. It is a disgrace to the American people. An historical romance! Historical! Fiddlesticks! Here, read me the newspaper. The newspaper and the Bible are enough for any Christian woman to read. There, child, what are you waiting for? Why don't you go on with your reading?"

At the end of an hour Mrs. Pemberton interrupted in the middle of a sentence.

"There! that's dry enough, heaven knows. That will do. You read very well. Do you know how to write?"

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FINE SEASON FOR SUMMER RESORTS

Present One Will Equal if Not Eclipse Any Previous Season

MANY FOR QUEBEC

MONCTON, July 19.—With a fortnight remaining before it shall have reached its height, and having already provided rest and recreation for thousands of the earlier vacationists, the New-England summer season of 1908 promises to equal, if not eclipse, any previous season. The influx of sojourners to the many and varied resorts in New England has been as great as in previous years during the opening month, but additional facilities, provided by the transportation companies in exchange of previous years, and crowded conditions of the season, have given the impression to many that the season had started as successfully as usual. Reports from the centres of accommodation for the summer visitors, however, may be relied upon to give the true situation, and these show a most successful season thus far, with the prospect of a still more successful latter half, indicated by the large number of bookings for the remainder of July, the month of August and early September. A longer season than usual appears to be demanded by the tourist patronage this year, many calling for accommodations in late September and some extending even into October, although the latter are few.

IMPROVED OF LATE

The widespread business depression, affecting as it did all those classes from which the hotel patronage was drawn, appeared to offer no hope of even an average season, as month after month passed by without appreciable recovery. During the last few weeks in which they might manifest improvement, however, the situation did improve and the proprietors of resorts and hostilities were able to lay their plans for the accommodation of a greater volume of tourists and sojourners.

It had been expected also that the great centennial celebration which opens in Quebec this week would detract a large number of persons from the attractions of New England, but this also has increased the travel through the six New England states and correspondingly benefited the pockets of those interested in the accommodation of tourists. Many also who are making the trip will stop over on their return at the various resorts, returning through New England to their homes in other parts of the country.

FALLS FROM TRAIN

MONCTON, July 19.—While No. 33 train Maritime express was passing through Campbellton early this morning J. H. Sadler, a passenger, fainted and fell from the rear of the train, striking his head on the rail. A severe scalp wound was inflicted, but the injuries are not thought to be serious. Sadler was held at Campbellton for medical treatment, but is expected to be all right in a few days.

CANADA'S PROGRESS FOUND IN REPORTS

Annual Consular Reports on the Dominion Published in Washington

BIG INCREASE

WASHINGTON, July 19.—Canadian progress is outlined in the introduction of the annual series of consular reports on the Dominion just published by the department of commerce and labor. The total trade for the calendar year, 1907, according to Canadian statistics, was \$560,160,000, of which \$372,825,000 were imports and \$187,335,000 exports. The increase in imports over previous year was \$52,753,000 and in exports \$1,449,000. The United States exports to Canada in the calendar year goods to the value of \$222,582,000, which was an increase of \$28,455,000 over the previous year. The increase was maintained in the face of the preferential tariff, which gives the United Kingdom almost complete exemption from duty in the customs duties. The imports from the United Kingdom were \$36,840,000, an increase of \$1,294,000 over the previous year. Exports to the United Kingdom decreased \$8,435,000.

Capital from the United States has been invested in Canada in one hundred and fifty important industries since 1897. The immigration from the United States during 1907 was 58,000 and the estimated property brought by these immigrants was \$48,000,000. The mineral production in 1907 was \$80,183,000, an increase of \$1,183,000 over 1906. The wheat crop now averages approximately 100,000,000 bushels annually.

In 1907, fifteen hundred miles of railway were constructed and the total mileage in operation at the beginning of the present year was a little short of twenty-eight thousand.

Substantially all the importations of electrical apparatus are from the United States, but the United States only supplies twelve per cent. of the textile imports. The importation of woollen goods from the United Kingdom increased from \$1,000,000 in 1900 to \$21,000,000 in 1907. Coincidentally, the number of Canadian woolen mills declined from 157 to 103.

LAZOR NOTE

Among the thousands who are returning to work along now are some billions of grip gisms.

DROWNED IN LAKE IN SIGHT OF WIFE

WEIRS, N. H., July 19.—Walter D. Martin of Malden, Mass., who has been spending the summer with his wife and two children on Pine Island, in Lake Winnepesaukee, was drowned in the lake this noon while rowing in front of his cottage and within sight of his wife.

Mr. Martin started out in a row boat for a row on the lake, his wife watching him from the piazza of their cottage. When, about fifty feet from shore the boat capsized. Mrs. Martin says her husband sank and then she collapsed.

Mr. Martin was a graduate of Boston street and was president of the Malden Common Council, having served three years in that body.

STUART DESERTS ST. STEPHEN WIFE

BOSTON, Mass., July 19.—Because Mrs. Geo. H. Stuart of St. Stephen, N. B., complained to the Somerville, Mass., authorities that her husband was living there with an affinity, Stuart is now under \$800 bonds awaiting the action of the grand jury. The pair were arrested in their apartments on a warrant sworn out by the St. Stephen woman, who said she was Stuart's deserted wife and charging also that he had neglected to support her.

Stuart pleaded guilty and the alleged affinity, Miss Mary H. David, now tells a story of a mock marriage ceremony through which she had been with Stuart, which she supposed to be genuine. The David woman declares Stuart told her that was his first marriage and says her first intuition that he had another wife was when the arrest came.

Miss David said she went to Providence, R. I., with Stuart several years ago and that a ceremony was performed there and that they then took up their residence in Somerville. She has been in a state of collapse since the arrest. Judge Wentworth of the Somerville court said yesterday that he felt constrained to believe the David woman's story and that she was guilty of intentional wrong-doing and the statutory charge against her was dropped.

DATE OF PICNIC WAS ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY

Official announcement was made in the Cathedral yesterday that the Bishop's picnic would be held on the church grounds at Torriburn on Tuesday, Aug. 4. The various committees held a preparatory meeting in St. Anne's chapel yesterday afternoon. Another meeting takes place on Wednesday evening in St. Vincent de Paul hall, Waterloo street. It is intended to make this year's picnic surpass all other years, and many thousands are expected to attend.

Three special trains, composed of a very large number of cars and two engines, will carry the picnicers to the grounds. The morning train will leave at 9 o'clock, to which the children will march, headed by the City Band. Other trains will leave at noon and 2:30 o'clock. The return to the city will be by special trains at 4:30, 6 and 8 p. m.

FALLS FIFTY FEET

BAR HARBOR, Me., July 19.—Daniel Harvey, a sailor on the schooner P. G. French, lying at Northeast Harbor, fell from the binnacle's chair fifty feet to the deck of the steamer today, causing his death. The schooner was bound from Fredericton, N. B., to New Bedford, Mass. Harvey was a Scotchman, fifty years old. He had no relatives in this country.

JOHN McCREARITY DEAD

The death took place at Exopus, N. Y., yesterday of John J. McCrearity, after a long illness. A wife, two sons and one daughter survive. The sons, George and John, are here with Mrs. Corkey on Brussels street. Two sisters, Mrs. James Stanton of Maine and Mrs. Patrick McKinnery of Haymarket Square also survive.

The late Mr. McCrearity was born about 26 years ago at Golden Grove, Me. He was a member of the Maine State Steamship Company. Later he was in business for himself in Baltimore. He was the father of Mrs. Corkey, by whom he has two sons. The funeral will be held on Wednesday in Baltimore.

DIARRHOEA

There is no need of anyone suffering long with this disease, for to effect a quick cure it is only necessary to take a few doses of

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy

In fact, in most cases one dose is sufficient. It never fails and can be relied upon in the most severe and dangerous cases. It is equally valuable for children and is the means of saving the lives of many children each year. In the world's history no medicine has ever met with greater success.

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