To-Night and Monday ALTERATION SALE BARGAINS.

Ladies' Handkerchiefs

dies' hemstitched fine lawn hand-hiefs, with lace corners, reg. price nd Sc, alteration sale price, Ladies' fine pure linen and lawn hand-erchiefs, fancy embroidery, reg. price lc, alteration sale price,

Ladies' embroidery hemstitched hand-kerchiefs, reg. price 25c, alteration sale

Carpets and Housefurnishing Departments.

No houserkeeper or intending house-keeper can afford to miss this sale, which is far the most interesting of its kind ever held.

Silk Waists. Your choice of 50 ladies' silk waists, tucked, hemstitched and preftily trimmed in shades of white, pink, cream, blue, grey and red, make of extra fine quality of taffets and process and red, make or same fata and pongee.

Regular price 5 and \$6 at \$3.18

4.25 and \$4.50 at \$2.98.

Children's Cambric Night

In sizes 2uitable for children up to 14 or 15 years, nicely trimmed with embroidery, reg price 75c and 85c, alteration sale price,

Millinery.

Your choice of any hat, bonnet bunch of flowers in the store at 1 price.

Children's Hats and Caps Children's Cloth Tams and Peak Caps in lors navy, white and red, alteration sale

Hosiery.

Boys' Ribbed Hosiery, job line, good heavy quality, reg price 25c, your choice while they last at per pair Sizes 7 to 10.

Ladies Balbriggan Hose, reg price 25c and 40c, alteration sale price per pair Children's Ribbed Cotton Hose with wool soles, reg 40c quality at Regular 25c quality at

Fancy Laces.

Laces in white and cream in most all widths, and a variety of patterns, alteration sale prices:

Regular 12½c quality at 10c

"15c quality at 15c

"20c quality at 15c

"25c quality at 20c.

25 per cent. off all Black Laces during the Alteration Sale.

Parasols.

All fancy parasols in combination shades of grey, pink, navy, light blue, black and white, worth from \$1 to \$4.50, alteration sale price, your choice at Half-Price.

† off all Black Parasols during the Alteration Sale.

Ladies' Vests.

Ladies' White Balbriggan Vests, without sleeves, reg. price 75c, alterawithout steeves, reg. price 750, atteration sale price,
Ladies extra fine Diamond Vests, §
sleeves, light grey, reg. price 35c, alteration sale price, each,
Ladies Black Cotton Vests, reg price

25c, alteration sale price, Children's Rubin's Vests in sizes 3 and 4, reg. price 60c, alteration sale

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20°/_s Reduction

Refrig rators, Blue Tlame Oil

Stoves, Ice Cream Frezers,

Hammocks. -!- Sereen Joors,

and other lineral, immer goods

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Wife Well

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Election.

WHOLESALE BRIBERY. extised in Shrepsbury, Engand,

fullion, Eng., Agu. r.—The Shrews-miseribery scandal reached its final Chatherteay. During the inquiry

just telectors in Castle Fields Ward four en guilty of bribery out of 770 good otted, and as a result of the in-

6 doz. four-in-hand ties, assorted colors, reg price 25c, sale price

CHATHAM WILL EXTEND A RIGHT ROYAL WELCOME

Pleasing Program Arranged for Port Huron Visitors-Splendid Sports-A Fat Man's Race-Dr Musson's

Morning Work-out

zens, among whom were Frank Mal-

on, W. A. Hadley, W. R. Landon, Jas. Anderson, Ald. A. B. McCoig, Fire

Anderson, Ald. A. B. McCoig, Fire Chief Pritchard, A. C. Woodward, C. Austin, Ald. W. T. Piggott, John W. White, and others.

Afterman Piggott appointed chairman and W. G. Coupland secretary.

The chairman opened the meeting with a short address on what had already been done in regard to the entertainment of the guests. The Port Ruron excursion on Thursday next would, he said, consist of about 2,000 people, mostly merchants and

Port Huron excursion on Thursday next would, he said, consist of about 2,000 people, mostly merchants and manufacturiers and their families and friends. The local baseball team was getting on a game with the Port Huron ball team for the morning. The aldermen of the Maple City would play the aldermen of Port Huron in the forepart of the afternson and frank Babcock, of the lacrosse club, was arranging a game of lacrosse with St. Thomas or London. The local Maccabees were arranging to enterfain a number of the visitors who are "Bees." The ex-Regimental Band has agreed to meet the exursionists at the train and escort them to Tecumsch Park when they arrive a 9.30 in the morning. Mayor McKeough will read an address of welcome immediately upon the arrival at the Park.

welcome immediately upon the arrival at the Park. The chairman said he was open for any other suggestions. J. W. White was heard—"The en-tertainment won't be a success with-out a fat man's race and other run-ning sports in general.

out a lat mans trace and other run-ning sports in general. As you know I have challenged Dr. Mussen, but I don't think be intends to accept, al-though I hear to-day that he is out now every morning training before breakhast. You'll have to have some running races."

C. Matin abgreated that commit-

running races.

C. Sustin erggested that commit-tes be appointed—one on finance, a second for the reception of our guests,

AN IMPRUDENT MINISTER.

BARLE OF BEDFORD.

Charges Failed.

colmson, Thos. Scullard, J. H. Clarke, John Northwood, Ald. John Edmond-

drafted:

and a third for the sports of the day. This met with decided approval and the following committees were

chard.
"Well, how will this be?" queried Ald. Archie McCoig. "The chairman of the C. C. I. Board, Mr. White, won't be able to participate in the fat man's race if he's on the Sports committee."

ommittee."
Mr. McCoig's ruling caused an expression of worriment on Mr. White's countenance, but he was relieved when Ald. McCoig's ruling was overruled.

Chief Pritchest and the intental and the countenance.

ruled.

Chief Pritchard said he intended to decorate the half for the occasion as best he could and at certain times of the day give exhibitions of hitching up the horses.

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Secretary W. R. Landon, of the Board of Trade, proposed that a subscription list be opened right at the meeting. The proposal was highly approved of and the subscriptions started to come in. The expenses of the reception and games will be covered by private subscriptions and the city.

by private subscriptions and the city coffers will not be touched. The business men and others of the city will be canvassed on a basis of a dollar

don. It is hoped that his state of health will improve in time for him for act as one of the counsel for Canada when the Alaska tribunal assembles, but the fear is expressed that he may have to resign the position. It is hinted that the eminent lawyer is suffering from heart trouble. promises to be a big day in Chatham. Maple Cityites will give their Yankee ort Huron visitors a right royal eception to our beautiful little city. LOTS OF MUSIC ed by a small but representative body of Chatham's most enterprising citi-

Maple City will be Specially Favored in Band Concerts this Summer.

HON, EDWARD BLAKE ML.

May Not be Able to Act in the Alaska Case.

Ottawa, Aug. 1. — The Government have been informed that Hon.

Edward Blake is seriously ill in Lon-

ion. It is hoped that his state o

Peninsular Band to Perform and ask Council for Grant -Fine Colored Organiza-

Chatham is promised much music his season. In addition to the weekly oncerts promised by the ex-Regimental Band, the Peninsular Band, a local organization of clever colored musi-cians purpose favoring the citizens. The Peninsular Band are preparing a proposition similar to that of the ex-Regimental Band. They purpose petitioning the City Council for a grant, in consideration for which they will offer to put on a bond concert in Tecumsch Park every Tuesday even-ing when the ex-Regimentals are at the Eau.

the Eau.

The Peninsular Band is composed of a coterie of energetic and clever young colored men. They have, with commendable enterprise, built up a very promising band, and purchased their instruments and music without soliciting the citizens for a cent.

They are desirous of securing new uniforms and are now working with this end in view.

uniforms and are now working with this end in view.

"I trust the City Council will deal as generously with us as they have with the other band," said a Peninsular player. "We have not heretofore asked for a cent and have been self-sustaining. But we are perfactly willing to put on a band concert every week on the Park and earn our new uniforms and equipment in the ery week on the Park and earn one uniforms and equipment in the civic grant, for this purpose."

The Peninsular Band will make its first public spacetrue is cartison and the company of the baseline and the last scalabeation.

Monday next at the big be held in this city.

The Two Nova Scotian Companies Are to be Divided.

Montreal, Aug. 1. - The directors pany and the Dominion Coal Com peny have decided to cancel the existing lease, and to conduct the two com panies in future as separate and dis-tinct concerns. This decision was reached yesterday, after a meeting last-ing four days, and demanding the closest attention of most of the direc-tors. At 6 o'clock the following offi-cial announcement was handed out:— "The Boards of Directors of the Do-minion Iron & Steel Company and Do-minion Coal Company have agreed in the two companies shall be cancelled, and are calling meetings of their re-spective shareholders to authorize an agreement carrying out the same. The particulars will be communicated to the shareholders by circular immedi-ately." Directors of th

agreement carrying out the same. The particulars will be communicated to the shareholders by circular immediately."

To mir at a leading director of the two companies made the following sept official explanation:—The separation of the two companies will be benefield to both. The chief reason for the Steel Company giving up the lease one of finance. It needs capitals to complete its finishing mills, which could not obtain, and at the same time first the capital necessary to carry on se coal business. It has more than \$2,000,000 invested in the latter department, which will now be released, and was, besides, committed to capital expenditure on the coal property, chiefly in completing the great works at Dominion No. 2 mine, which will cost, in all, approximately \$2,000,000 from their commencement, some three years ago, to their completion at the end of this year.

This capital expenditure will bring in an ample return in the years to come, and if the Steel Company were so situated financially that it could now take care of these expenditures and provide for the requirements for the completion of its own mills, separation would be neither advisable nor necessary. "The Coal Company, which is financially very strong, can develop the foal property without being hampered for want of capital, and those interested in that company are naturally pleased for resume the management of their own property and the undivided enjoyment of its assured earnings.

"The Steel Company has, through this arrangement, been able to make provision for the completion of its plant by the crection of finishing mills, which will turn out its product in a readily marketable form, with the advantage of Government bounties for the present, and a distinct hope of suitable tariff protection in the near future."

TACK FACTORY BURNED.

FINDING AGAINST REV. D. Hamilton, Aug. 1. - The Ontario

Charge of Violation of Marriage Contract Held to be Sustained-Some Cornwall, Aug. 1.-The trial court of the Methodist Church, Montreal Conference, which was appointed to deal with the charges brought against the Rev. D. Earle of Bedford, but fermerly of Delta, Ont., has now completed its labors. It was held that, while there was no evidence of improper conduct, his frequent travelling with a young lady was imprudent. The charge of cruelty to his wile and volation of the marriage contract was sustained, inasmuch as the foregoing was sufficient to give reasonable causact je dousy to Mrs. Earle. The charges of hugging and kissing the young lady and being party to file persecution of Mrs. Earle, on a charge of improper conduct in the Indian Territory, with a view to securing a divorce, were not sustained. Mrs. Earle and Dr. Morgan, who were traveling in the Indian Territory, were sentenced to jail—she for ten months and he for two years. On account of representations made to the Government, she was released about three weeks ago, and came here to give evidence. completed its labors. It was held that,

FOR POSTAL FRAUDS. Indictments Returned Against Nine
U. S. Officials,

Washington, Aug. 1.-The Federal Grand Jury; which has been considering evidence growing out of the post-office investigation, vesterday returned andictments against the following — Angust W. Machen, formerly General Superintendent of Free Delivery; John T. Cupper, Mayor of Lockhaven, Pa.; Wm. C. Long of this etty; William Gordon Crawford, also of this city; George E. Lorenz and Martha J. Lorenz, his wife, of Toledo, Ohio; Maurice Unkel of New York city; Thomas W. McGregor, formerly chief of the supply division of the rural free delivery service, and Leopold J. Stern of Baltimore. With the exception of Crawford, all of the above are indicted for conspiracy. The indictment against Crawford is for presenting a false claim against the Government.

be canvassed on a basis of a transact a man.

W. A. Hadley moved, seconded by Ald. McCoig, that the members of the Port Huron committees be asked to wear badges so they can easily be distinguished, the local committees to do the same. The motion carried.

All the committees will meet at the City Council Chambers on Monday night next to report progress and transact necessary business.

A Serious Early Morning Fire at

Tack Company's factory, Queen street north, was completely destroyed by fire early yesterday. The fir ebroke cut about 3 o'clock, while some wiredrawers were at work in the building. It started in the blueing-room, at the front of the top story, and it finished only when everything within the thick brick walls had been destroyed. The origin of the blaze is not known, but it is supposed it was caused, in some origin of the blaze is not known, but it is supposed it was caused, in some manner, by the furnace on the third floor. The firemen were seriously handicapped by a lack of water pressure. So low was the pressure that a stream could scarcely be sent to the ceiling of the second story. The best the fire department could do was to prevent the flames from spreading to the small frame houses in the near neighborhood. This they succeeded in Joing, thanks to the wind blowing directly from the west. The Ontario Tack Company's loss was complete. Only the bare walls, which enclosed all sorts of machinery and stock, hopelessly twisted and mixed up, are left. The frame office, on the north of the factory building proper, escaped, and also a building in the rear of the brick structure, including the engine and boiler house. The loss is roughly estimated at about \$40,000 or \$45,000. The insurance amounted to \$20,409. The insurance amounted to \$20,409. The insurance amounted to \$20,409. The insurance on the stock and machinery was \$15,409, as follows: Millers & Manufacturers' \$7,750, Gore Mutual \$5,160, Waterloo Mutual \$2,583. The ansurance on the building, \$5,000, was held by the Perth Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES

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la Prairie plains.

The C. P. R. steamer Lake Manitoba is still aground off Longueuil.

Reports from Manitoba say the wheat crop there will be lighter than at first expected.

John Johnston, 18 years of age, of Toronto, was drowned in the Moon River, Muskoka.

A skeleton, supposed to be that of roung woman, was found on the bar usar Highland Creek.

BURIED IN THE SAN Workingmen Almost Suffocat

Woodstock, Aug. 1.—A sandban ave way at the Rapson sandpit, on street yesterday, and William Mill street yesterday, and William Pell, a teamster, was buried beneath the feet of earth. When his companions rescued him life was almost extinct, but after working over him for some time he showed signs of returning consciousness and soon recovered. Three other men narrowly escaped a similar experience, their heads alone emaining uncovered. emaining uncovered.

CHARGED WITH MURDER.

TWO YOUNG MEN UNDER AR-REST AT HULL

drafted:
Finance—John M. McCoig, Walter
T. Piggott, W. W. Scane, John Edmondson and C. Austin.
Reception—Mayor McKeough and
city aldermen, president W. A. Hadley and secretary W. R. Landon, of
the Board of Trade, John Piggott,
Sr., Sydney Stephenson, Geo. Massey,
A. C. Woodward, Chas. Hadley, Geo.
W. Cowan, Dr. W. R. Hall, James
Anderson, G. P. Scholffield, Dr. G. W.
Cornell, F. Malcolmson. Alleged to Have Caused Death of Man Who Resented Insult to His Anderson, G. P. Scholfield, Dr. G. W. Cornell, F. Malcolmson.
Sports—O. L. Lewis, W. W. Scane, J. C. Northwood, H. W. Anderson, S. B. Arnold, J. W. White, W. G. Coupland, A. E. Jewett, J. S. Black, Alf. Stone, F. H. Brisco, Geo. Perrin, Frank Babcock, F. D. Laurie, Max Fraser and Fire Chief "Dick" Pritchard.

Ottawa, Aug. 1 .- Michael and Moise Emery of Tetreauville, two young men, are under arrest in Hull, charged with on March 24th last. It is alleged that the dead man went to the house of the prisoners to resent some imputations upon his wife's honor, and was so seriously beaten that he died from his injuries. The matter is said to have been hushed up until last week, when High Constable Groulx went to Mrs. Guilametre's house to arrest her son for stelling apples. The widow then said to the constable: "You are in more of a hurry to arrest my son than those who have killed my husband." An investigation followed, which led to the arrest of the young men.

CANNOT AFFORD HOLIDAYS. Stock Speculations Result in Decreased Crowds at Summer Resorts.

Kingston, Aug. 1.-The falling off of tourist travel among the Thousand Islands this season is ascribed to disastrous stock speculations by United States citizens who usually come to the islands. The attendance at island

the islands. The attendance at island resorts is not up to former years.

The Minister of Education has appointed Miss Maud Camnem, a teacher on the staff of the Board of Education, to a position on the staff of the Model School at Ottawa. Miss Cannem's appointment is for one year, and the salary is \$600.

TO REDUCE CHILD LABOR.

Important Provision of Georgia Legislature.

Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 1.-The Legislature passed yesterday a vagrancy law, which, it is hoped, will greatly reduce the number of child workers in the cotton mills of the State. The provision of the law by which it is believed this of the law by which it is believed this result will be accomplished was the leading section of the child labor bill recently defeated by the Legislature.

This section provides that all persons able to work, and who, instead of working, live on the wages of their minor children, shall be considered wagrants, amenable to punishment as for a misdemeanor. During the debate it was stated that if this provision be enforced, it will reduce the number of

was stated that it this provision be en-forced, it will reduce the number, of children in the mills by one-half. It was charged by the advocates of the provision that since the cotton mill boom in Georgia hundreds of parents have put their children in the mills and have become loafers, living on the scanty earnings of the little ones.

Anthony Edwards, down the river. Raleigh, had a very narrow escapt from serious injury yesterday. He was hauling in a load of hay when he fell from the top of the load to the ground. He got off with a number of painful bruises.

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