NO GAS FOR CITY, PLEAS MADE IN VAIN AT BUFFALO

Mains Laid Likely to Remain Empty, According to Report

HAMILTON COMES FIRST

Took Supply Years Ago and Company Is Under Obligation to Serve It.

London will not get a supply of natural gas, according to reports received here today.

Although the city made arrangements some time ago for a supply, no gas has been forthcoming, and the indications are that none will come.

The agreements were made with the Southern Ontario Gas Company for a daily supply of two million feet, to be supplied the McClary Company, Beattie Bros., and others. The price was to be about 21 cents at the city limits.

Have No Gas Left.

Shortly after the agreements were drawn up, the company notified the utilities commission that it would be impossible to furnish the supply. Hamilton had made additional demands for a supply, and there was not sufficient for both places. Hamilton took the opportunity some years ago of getting the supply, when London voted a proposition down, and the company feels that it is morally bound to give Hamilton industries all the gas they need.

No Luck at Buffalo.

As a result, it appears London will not get a supply. Several deputations have gone to Buffalo recently to urge the company to give gas here, but without success.

"It certainly does not look as if we will get a supply," said General-Manager Buchanan of the utilities commission today.

KIDDIES CLIMBING ON FLOATING DOCK FLIRT WITH DEATH

A Four-Year-Old Boy Causes Shudders at Port Stanley.

COULD THEY BE SAVED?

Possibility of Drowning Apparent As Children Play Over Deep Water.

Fish were biting well at Port Stanley on Wednesday evening, and the lighthouse pier had a long line of anglers on either side. One fisherman had contributed to his own comfort by taking along a camp stool and setting it up at a perilous angle on the westward slope to the deep water.

visitors to the pier, in search of cooling visitors to the pier, in search of coolinig breezes, among these several young children. The placid waters looked innocent and kind, and doubtless this was the reason that a number of little tots were allowed to play along the very edge of the pier, one small boy, not possibly more than four, climbing back and forth with other children onto a floating dock in dangerously deep waters.

When a guardian called out from a distance in a threatening tone: "If your father caught you doing that," then proceeded with an interrupted conversation, it didn't have any special effect on the daring youngsters.

"What would you do if you fell in?" was asked by a stranger of one little laddie, who persisted in flirting with a bad ducking at the best.

"Thwim out," he promptly replied.

"Can you swim?" was the next question put to him.

"Sure, I could," he said; "I didn't ever, but I'd just go like daddy does." And he took such a lunge over the lake that the heart of the stranger scarcely recovered all evening from the the somersault of that moment.

One onlooker who berated criminal carelessness in taking children to such dangerous places and allowing them to run about as they pleased commented: "But it isn't likely a child could drown here with so many men within call. At the same time, how many of those men could swim to the extent of rescuing anybody else, or dive to bring up a little form that had gone down for the last time?"

One remark overhead was this: "Surely there are enough safe places for children to play along this big beach without letting them risk their lives like that."

GRIFFITHS—ANDERSON.

A quiet wedding was solemnized in the First Methodist Church on Wednesday by Rev. Richard Whiting, B.A., pastor of the Dominion Methodist Church, Westmount, Montreal, and formerly of the First Methodist Church, London, assisted by Rev. N. D. Drew, the contracting parties being Miss Ada Anderson, only daughter of the late Peter Anderson, and niece of the late Murray Anderson, first mayor of the city of London, and N. J. Griffith.

THREATENS ADVANCE IN SPEEDING FINES

"Every day I see the law against speeding broken, and the fines in this court will certainly be increased unless drivers take heed," said Magistrate Graydon in police court today as he imposed a fine of $5 and costs on Fred S. Onn, 155 Tecumseh avenue, a clerk in a local store.

Patrolman Tomlin testified that Onn had driven between Dufferin and Princess on Sunday evening at a speed of 31 miles an hour.

Melville Onn was found guilty for the second time in three weeks of driving his motorcycle on the Wharncliffe road at a speed greater than the law allows. According to the patrolman he got over the ground at 32 miles an hour on Thursday evening last. He likewise paid in $5 and costs.

Fred W. Luney, for allowing his car to stand without lights between dusk and dawn, was fined $2 and costs.

One drunk, who pleaded as an excuse that he had to drink whisky in order to stand the hot weather, was assessed the usual amount, $10 and costs.

FINED FOR LIFTING WIFE OF ANOTHER MAN INTO BUGGY

Fred Westover Didn't Think Lady Was Married.

SKIRTS WERE SO SHORT

You Can't Always Tell by Length of Them, Is Magistrate's Comment.

Claiming that Fred Westover, an 18-year-old member of the A. M. C., had picked her up in his arms and placed her in a buggy on Sunday night, much against her own will, Mrs. Mildred Bougs, a young married woman, had Westover and a companion named Hughie Boyle, summoned to court today on an assault charge.

Westover was found guilty and fined $5 and costs, but Boyle was acquitted, as the evidence did not show that he had done any more than render slight assistance by taking hold of the complainant's hand.

A Determined Wooer.

The testimony of Mrs. Bougs, whose husband is connected with one of the units at Carling Heights, was to the effect that young Westover had first asked her to go for a drive with her sister, but she had declined. He then gathered her up in his arms, a la Douglas Fairbanks, and before she realized what had happened, was in the buggy and being driven away.

Emily Brooks, Douglas Brimson and Alfred Turner corroborated the evidence of Mrs. Bougs, but as the latter had made no outcry, they did not interfere.

Led Her to Buggy.

Westover, in his defence, denied he had used the tactics attributed to him, but claimed he had led the complainant by the hand to the buggy, and had then lifted her in.

"Didn't you know that this young woman was married?" asked the magistrate.

"No, I didn't think she was married, because she was wearing short dresses," replied Westover.

"As you grow older, you will find out that it isn't wise to be guided by the shortness of the dresses," said the magistrate. "Styles have changed since your grandmother's day."

PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. T. A. Wilkinson of New York is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Ellwood, John street.

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Miss Nellie Tutt is visiting friends in Brantford.

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Mrs. R. M. Graham has been the guest of Rev. S. and Mrs. Robinson, St. John's rectory, Strathroy.

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Misn Jean Belton, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Belton, formerly of London, is visiting Mrs. Duncan Ross, Strathroy.

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Mrs. Hunter of Ottawa and Mrs. Hutchinson, a former Londoner, are the guests of Mrs. Duncan Ross.

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Rev. Carl Beacon of the Niagara district, will take up his residence in the city. He is a brother of Mrs. J. B. Heritage and a minister of the Methodist church.

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Lady Beck will reopen Hyman Hall on Wednesday, August 1, and the active work of the Red Cross will be resumed.

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Miss S. O. Graydon is visiting Mrs. Marshall Graydon, Orchard Beach, Port Stanley.

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Mrs. Clinger, first vice-regent of the Overseas Chapter, I. O. D. E., will spend the month of August at Grand Bend.

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Mrs. F. E. Tobias has received a cable from her daughter, Miss Ethel Tobias, a nursing sister in France, that she is returning home. Miss Tobias has spent three years nursing in France.

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Mr. J. A. Rose of the Hobbs Hardware Company is holidaying at Watford and Glencoe.

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Mrs. J. S. Niven is visiting in Toronto.

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Mrs. Sarah Coulson and daughter Elsie are the guests of Mrs. W. H. Coulson, Piccadilly street.

NOMINATION BLANK

GOOD FOR 5,000 VOTES

Nominate Yourself or a Friend.

PRIZE CONTEST DEPARTMENT OF THE ADVERTISER:
Dundas Street, London.

Gentlemen,—I hereby nominate as a candidate in your Automobile Prize Contest:

Name .....

Address .....

Nominated by .....

Address .....

NOTE—Only one nomination blank will be accepted for any one candidate.

LONDON NURSE WHO DIED BY DROWNING

Advertiser Illustrations

MISS EDITH NICOL, daughter of Mr. John Nicol, 347 William street, who lost her life at Shawinigan Falls, near Montreal.

DROWNED DAUGHTER BROUGHT HOME ON HIS 74TH BIRTHDAY

Saddest Anniversary in Long Life of Mr. John Nicol.

POPULAR, EFFICIENT GIRL

Doctor Attempted To Save Life, But Was Weak Because of Illness.

Although two of the best swimmers in the district were within a few feet of Miss Ethel Nicol of London when she was drowned at Shawinigan Falls, near Montreal, Tuesday they were not aware of the mishap in time to make efforts to save her.

The remains were brought to the city last night, the occasion of her father's 74th birthday. They were accompanied by Miss Ethel Corby, a nurse, who related the details of the tragedy to the family.

Had to Relax Hold.

Miss Nicol was bathing with three doctors. Two of the doctors, considered expert swimmers, made their way around to the opposite side of the pier near which the four had entered the water. While they were there the tragedy occurred. The remaining doctor made a gallant attempt to save Miss Nicol's life, but being in a weakened condition through a long illness, he was forced to relax his hold after he had reached her. He was completely exhausted, and had to be brought to the shore by the other swimmers.

Miss Nicol was not recovered until an hour and a half later, and although she had been in the water for that length of time attempts were made to revive her, but were unsuccessful. She was taken to a Montreal hospital, where still further efforts to restore animation also failed.

Was a Good Swimmer.

The cause of the accident is unknown. Miss Nicol was an able swimmer, Miss Corby states that the young woman was asphyxiated as she went down the second time.

Miss Nicol was the daughter of John Nicol, 347 Willian street, and the funeral will be he'd from that address on Saturday. Interment will take place at Woodland Cemetery.

She was one of the most popular and efficient nurses of the corps at the hospital where she was engaged, and had a wide circle of friends in this city.

PHOTO SHOWS HER HUSBAND IN HUN PRISONERS' CAMP

Mrs. D. Saunders Receives Group Picture From Germany

TWO BROTHERS TAKEN

Overwhelmed by Germans While Fighting—Three Joined the 33rd.

A photo has been received in the city by Mrs. D. Saunders, 270 Dundas street, showing a collection of allied prisoners at a German prison camp, her husband being one of the number.

Corp. D. Saunders was one of three brothers, all of whom enlisted with the 33rd Battalion. He was in many of the larger engagements prior to June 2nd, when he and his brother Charles were taken by the Germans in a battle in which the Canadians were outnumbered five to one.

Corp. D. Saunders is at Quedlinburg, Germany, while Charles is still at another camp to where he was transferred immediately after taken a prisoner.

The third brother, Pte. Harry Saunders went over with the first draft of the 33rd, and was returned several months ago. He is stationed at Carling Heights doing duty as a bayonet instructor.

All three came from Otterville, Oxford County, where the parents still reside.

LEAVCES SERVICE.

Major F. B. Eaton, Canadian Permanent Army Service Corps, has vacated the appointment of assistant director of supplies and transport of this district, effective February 21, 1917, it is announced in district orders today.

Prov. Lieut. R. L. Henry, 31st Regiment (Essex Fusiliers), and Lieut. H. C. Mason, 26th Regiment (Middlesex Light Infantry), have been seconded, and Prov. Lieut. D. McCrorie, 28th (Perth) Regiment, has been retired.

Lieut.-Col. William Spittal, 7th Regiment, and Lieut. E. S. Detwiler, 6th Battery, C. F. A., have been granted leave of absence, the former from July 21 to August 2, and the latter from August 4 to August 19, both with permission to travel abroad.

ARE YOU GOING TO LADY JEAN'S SHADOW PARTY?

Will Not Be a "Spooky" Affair But Just First Social Gathering.

EXPLAINS FUNERAL RITES

Lady Jean Says She Always Sees Spirit of Departed Standing Over Grave.

The first social evening of the Church of Scientific Research, established some months ago in Sherwood Hall by Lady Jean Hooper, is being held this evening. The woman-pastor announces this will be a "shadow party."

Each lady of the congregation has been asked to bring lunch enough for two. The shadows of the ladies in turn will be thrown on a screen, and the men will bid on them. With the "shadows" the highest bidder in each case gets the original and the supper she has brought.

Lady Jean Hooper announced today that she has been quite encouraged by the interest manifested in what she has come to teach in London in regard to psychic phenomena notwithstanding the criticisms that have been made. She expects in the near future to ordain an assistant. Up to the present time the only sacrament she has administered has been that of baptism, though, as an ordained minister of a chartered church she has the right to perform marriage ceremonies.

How Funerals Are Held.

"What about funeral services? Have you conducted any?" she was asked today by The Advertiser.

"Not here," she replied, "but in other places. We sprinkle flowers in the grave and on the casket as a symbol of the continuity of life. We simply speak of the body that is being laid in the grave as an overcoat which has been laid aside, and emphasize the fact that the real personality is there, as much alive as anyone else present. I can always see the spirit of the departed leaning over the grave, watching its own funeral. That may seem a strange thing to you. It doesn't to me, and to us who know and understand. The spirit hovers around the material body for three days after it passes out. It is probable that a subconscious understanding of this truth has made it the custom to keep bodies for three days after death before burial."

The Spirits Understand.

"Do the spirits, then, know and understand what is going on at their own funerals?" was the next question asked of the medium.

"To be sure," replied Lady Jean emphatically. "Frequently spirits are very anxious to come back and to communicate with friends or give messages. It is sometimes owing to their great anxiety and nervousness that it is very difficult to materialize them. A case which always comes prominently to my mind is that of a master mechanic of a big American railroad who lived in St. Louis. He had been a spiritualist before his death and he made nineteen efforts to be materialized by Mrs. Clara Sawyer before he had success. He spoke to an engineer friend who was present at the seance. The engineer said, 'How am I to know it is really you, Tom?'

"'You were at my funeral and you were a pall-bearer, weren't you?' [illegible] the materialized spirit.

"'Yes,' came the answer.

"'Do you remember what was said at the funeral?' The engineer did, and was convinced as the exact words were repeated and incidents related. When the dead man's wife had taken the priest in to look at the remains, the words of the reverend man were, 'Another Mason gone to hell.'

Not a Materializing Medium.

"Mrs. Sawyer," continued Lady Jean, "was the materializing medium with whom Sir Oliver Lodge and Mr. Crooks tried experiments in Boston in 1889. She was the only materializing medium in America whom I have known or known of, upon whose authenticity I would stake my life. Am I a materializing medium? No, indeed, and I would give anything if I were. There isn't one medium in 500 who is a materializing medium. The real, materializing medium is usually very fleshy, because the flesh of the medium is taken to build up the materialization. Chemists and sculptors of the spirit world are present to perform the task. In this connection it must be understood that there are two kinds of materialization, one in which the spirit body appears, visible, but intangible; the other, a real material body for the time being. The body doesn't come back cold, but warm and full of life.

"On the occasion when Sir Oliver Lodge and Mr. Crooks tried the experiments with Mrs. Sawyer in Boston, every precaution was taken to make fake a scientific impossibility. She was put in an iron cage, and after the materialization, of which photographs were taken, were over, there were deep bars all down her arms, made by the bars of the cage when her flesh passed through for the materialization.

"I have a number of spirit photographs which have been taken, and you know, it is an axiom that the camera cannot lie.

Met Mother's Spirit.

"Medium though I was, I was profoundly skeptical about a materializing medium in America until I had an experience with Mrs. Sawyer in St. Louis, when, accompanied by my husband, I went to a seance on invitation of an old gentleman, Professor Wilkinson. A number of spirits had been materialized, among them Professor Wilkinson's daughter. I hadn't known her, so I couldn't be sure whether it was a fake or not. But I was convinced when my own name was called out, and I was asked to go up to the cabinet and meet a spirit that wanted to materialize for me. It was my mother, and she put out both her hands and took mine. She always had a stiff finger, and it was this that struck me more than anything else in the materialization. 'Have you a stiff finger in the spirit world, mother?' I asked her.

"'No, my child,' she replied, 'but had I not had a stiff finger when I came to you, you would not have believed.' She then wished to be introduced to the others present, and recognized a woman and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Townsend, who had lived at our house in England. She suddenly dematerialized as she stood and talked to my husband and me."

RIDOUT ST. CHURCH HAS FINE SUCCESS AT GARDEN PARTY

The garden party last night in connection with Ridout Street Methodist Church was a fine success. Though rain fell up-town, there was none in the south, and the grounds were in perfect condition. They were lighted beautifully with dozens of Chinese lanterns and electric lights, also decorated with many flags. The ice cream booths did a rushing business. Every one was all sold out at the close. There was a fine crowd.

The program of music and readings was much enjoyed. The pastor, Rev. J. E. Holmes, introduced Mayor Stevenson as the chairman of the evening, and said the mayor had always been a good friend of Ridout Street Church. During the evening the mayor spoke of the success of the effort made in the city for increasing food production, and felt that the many gardens were a credit to the citizens. Those taking part in the program were: Corp. White, Reginald Hudson, Mrs. Eva Metcalf, Miss Myra Jones; readings, Miss Jennie Metcalf; accompanists, Mrs. R. Court and Mr. Reginald Hudson. All were thanked at the close. Ridout Street people are grateful to Mr. Flexster for the use of his grounds.

SMALLMAN & INGRAM

THE WEATHER
FINE AND DECIDEDLY WARM.

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REGROUPING AND PRICING FOR FINAL CLEARANCE SATURDAY

Stocktaking is now in its final staging for listing next week, and the balance of all sale lots and odds and ends will be regrouped and repriced for quick clearance Saturday, the last Saturday before inventory. Many lots in quantities not sufficient to advertise will be found on the sale tables tomorrow at prices that will interest you, and a most profitable day's shopping may be put in here Saturday as all sale goods are seasonable summer merchandise and wearing apparel. Tomorrow will be a day of opportunities.

THREE SPECIALS SATURDAY AT CANDY COUNTER.

Riley's Creamy Bits, separately wrapped ..... 38c lb.
Jelly Cubes, fresh ..... 20c lb.
Maple Peanut Patties ..... 30c lb.

Children's Summer Sleepers

White bar muslin, with pink or blue stripe; sizes for ages 2 and 3 years. Price 39c

Also Rompers of Japanese Cotton Crepe, pink and sky only; ages 1 to 3 years. Price 69c

INFANTS' WEAR SECTION.

July Cotton Sale

High Grade Sheeting, bleached, 80 inches wide, British make, for extra large beds. Special ..... 65c yard

Bleached Sheeting, 70 inches wide, an exceptionally strong sheeting for every-day use, pure white, English make. Price 50c yard, or 40 yard bolt for $19.00.

Spero Longcloth, splendid cotton for hard use, snow white, full 36 inches wide. Special ..... 20c yard

Factory Cotton, one bale only, extra clean finish, 40 inches wide, good weight. Special ..... 17c yard

Crepe Kimonos, $1.39

5 dozen Cotton Crepe Kimonos, back, front and sleeves embroidered, full style, loose sleeve, girdle of self, made in sky, pink or helio; sizes 34 to 44. Special $1.39

LADIES' OUTING SKIRTS, $1.39.

5 dozen White Jean Outing Skirts four-gored models, fastening through with pearl buttons, belt, patch pockets, with button trimmed overlap; bands 24 to 30; lengths 36 to 40. Special $1.39

Ladies' Gowns, 98c

10 dozen Ladies' Slipover Gowns, made of splendid quality white cotton, trimmed with pretty embroidery and lace insertions. Lengths 56, 58 and 60. Special 98c

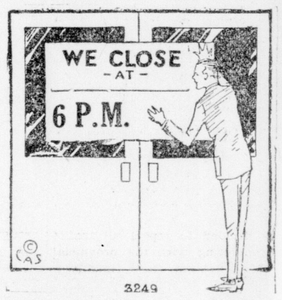
SUMMER VESTS, 3 FOR 25c.

Low neck, sleeveless, with narrow shoulder strap, fine ribbed cotton, 25 dozen, in size 36 only. To clear Saturday. Special ..... 3 for 25c

SECOND FLOOR.

AT NOTION COUNTER.

The Ideal Skirt or Trouser Hanger ..... 10c, 3 for 25c
The Setwell, nickel-plated folding coat hanger ..... 2 for 25c
The Setwell Skirt and Trouser Hanger. Special ..... 5c each
Excellent English Make Wire Hair Pin, crimped, 2 inches, 2½ inches and 3 inches ..... 3 packages, 5c
The Simple Collar Support, washable and removable ..... 5c card
Small Bone Hair Pins, crimped, 12 on card ..... 10c card
Real Human Hair Nets, fit like a cap, no pins required, all shades ..... 2 for 25c
The Motor Hair Net, with elastic, all shades ..... 5c each
Child's Ribbon Holder and Hair Clasp ..... 10c each



AT TOILET COUNTER.

Odorono, for excessive perspiration 25c bottle
Roman Talcum, carnation and violet 10c tin
Mennen's Borated and Violet Talcum 15c tin
Minty's Jack Rose, a perfect rose odor 25c tin
Taylor's Valley Violet, most refreshing ..... 25c tin
Mentholatum for sunburn or windburn, 25c

Saturday Linen Sale Specials

Take advantage of these July sale prices Saturday. Bath Towels about one-third off and Roller Toweling at less than wholesale price. Quantities are limited and the values extraordinary.

18x44-INCH WHITE BATH TOWELS, 23c EACH.

Fifteen dozen only Heavy Two-Ply Twisted-Yarn Bath Towels in superior quality hemmed ends, all white. Saturday special ..... 23c each

22x42 WHITE BATH TOWELS, SATURDAY 39c EACH.

Ten dozen only Extra Heavy Quality and Large Size Towels, merely a little yellow in bleach, but none the worse for wearing and drying, an exceptionally good buy. Saturday only ..... 39c each

17-INCH ROLLER TOWELING, SATURDAY 8 YARDS FOR $1.00.

Do not miss at least one dollar's worth of this Heavy Roller Toweling. We shall sell Saturday 300 yards only at ..... 8 yards for $1.00

SEE WINDOW DISPLAY.

SPECIAL SATURDAY MORNING IN THE BASEMENT.

40 Market Baskets, good quality, in four sizes. At about one-third off Saturday ..... 15c, 19c and 29c
Twelve dozen Glass Tumblers at ..... 5c each

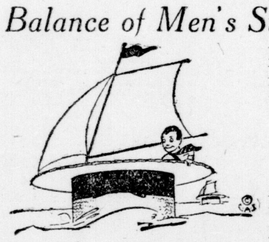
JELLY GLASSES WITH LIDS AT 49c DOZEN.

About 15 Dozen Best Quality Jelly Glasses, with lids. Special at ..... 49c per dozen

Men's Summer Clothing and Furnishings Are Foremost In This Great Stocktaking Clearance

And men are realizing this week that there must be no delay, as the hot weather is here, coming just in time for men to profit by our pre-inventory sales, which cannot be delayed, even though the weather forces our hand. And price is not alone the important factor—value, which means good fabrics, good tailoring and good style. You will find suits in these two lots for the conservative and ultra-smart dresser—styles that offer more than two season's stability.

Balance of Men's Straw Hats To Go at a Big Reduction Saturday



Every hat at stocktaking prices—sailors, Sennit Straws and Panamas. These hats are all the very latest styles and all are high grade quality; not a poor hat in the lot; mostly all sizes represented. Don't fail to look these over on Saturday. One-third off and more.

Men's Silk Caps, 98c

A choice lot of Men's Silk Caps in light or dark grey and mixed patterns, just the cap for motoring, light, cool and durable; sizes 6⅞ to 7¼. Stocktaking price Saturday ..... 98c each

PALM BEACH SUITS, $10.95

Taking stock, we find many odd lines of these extra-quality Palm Beach Suits, and we have grouped about 39 suits for quick clearance Saturday morning. The shades are greys, tans and palm beach cloth, finely tailored and made to fit. These are worth in most cases double the price asked. All sizes represented in one shade or another. Price Saturday ..... $10.95 suit

Men's Three-Piece Summer Suits, $15.00

Another stocktaking bargain for Saturday—a special table of Men's Three-Piece Summer Suits in browns, grey checks, fancy blues and mixed shades. These are priced at a big reduction for Saturday; sizes 33 to 44. Stocktaking sale price ..... $15.00 suit

AFTERNOON TEA SPECIALS.

Sliced Tomatoes and Lettuce with Mayonnaise 15c
Lemon Jelly, with Whipped Cream 10c

SMALLMAN & INGRAM LIMITED

AFTERNOON TEA SPECIALS.

Tearoom Club Sandwich 25c
Cold Sliced Tongue, Bread Rolls with Butter, Cup of Tea or Coffee 25c