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# THE DAILY MAIL.

**WEATHER REPORT.**  
Toronto (midnight)—Fresh winds, mostly southwesterly; a few local showers of snow or rain, but mostly fair and milder.

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## Opposition Score Off Government Debating Supply. Point Out That The Estimates Provide For Unnecessary And Extravagant Expenditure In All Departments.

The House spent the whole of the afternoon yesterday discussing the estimates.  
Mr. Kent dealt with the Auditor General's Report and the various expenditures which had been made under Section 33 (b), contending that the Government were arrogating to themselves power under that section which it did not give them, and to which the Auditor General objected. He referred to some special votes for general purposes, and increases in salary, and also dealt with some matters in connection with his district.  
Mr. F. J. Morris advocated an increase in the allocation for main line roads, contending that the vote was most inadequate to keep the public thoroughfares in decent condition.  
Mr. Clift agreed with this contention, and also supported the position taken by Mr. Kent in connection with the Audit Act. He dealt generally with the various increases that had been made during the year, which he held was a bad practice.

**In Committee**  
When the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to resume the further consideration of the estimates, Mr. Clift took the floor and spoke for half an hour.  
Mr. Clapp then spoke and delivered a startling speech, which was the longest he ever delivered and it was one of the rarest happenings in the House in former sessions to hear Mr. Clapp speak. Since the Leader of the Opposition and the F.P.U. members have shown that every man is expected to do his duty, Mr. Clapp has shown new life and is taking as lively a part in the proceedings of the House as any member of it.  
He emphatically condemned the action of the Government in dismissing the mail courier at Griquet, Bonne Bay and Cow Head. He spoke strongly in favor of increased grants for local and special roads, and put up a splendid fight in defence of the right of electoral members to administer the public affairs of their districts.

**Favored Municipal Boards**  
Mr. Coaker followed Mr. Clapp and in a half hour's speech appealed to the Government along the line of the F.P.U. resolutions, to pass a law establishing municipal boards for outports, which would expend all public moneys including local road grants, special grants, marine grants and the charity grants. Grants under \$1,000 for special and marine works should go to those municipal boards.  
He made such a winning appeal that the Premier said he would get a decision from the Government at once and inform the House.  
Mr. Coaker again referred to the hospital rumors, and asked for a commission of investigation. He spoke in high terms of the ability of Dr. Keegan and stated he had no reason to think the Dr. had not done his duty faithfully.

**Ferry for Goose Bay**  
He spoke of the ferry for Goose Bay, which the people had asked for two years ago. He described the beauties of Goose Bay, the agricultural advantages of the locality, the splendid surroundings, the taste of the inhabitants who had laid out the settlement so attractively. He asked for a grant of say \$500 a year to provide for a motor ferry to call at all the settlements in the Bay daily connecting with Brooklyn.  
Mr. Coaker strongly backed up Mr. Clapp's observations respecting the dismissal of couriers in St. Barbe District, and he appealed for control over district affairs by those elected by the free will of the people. He stated that Union Councils were determined to have nothing to do with grants that were sent to heelers of defeated candidates.

**Promised Couriers**  
He spoke of the dismissal of mail couriers at Jamestown and Pinchard's

Island, who had to give way to heelers after years of faithful service to the public.  
The Premier replied and said he would investigate those cases, as they

### MEXICANS READY TO JOIN BATTLE.

**Rebel Movement Has Become More Active and its Troops Now Face the Forces of the Government.—Big Fight Expected at Any Time.**  
Mexico City, Feb. 3.—Federal troops are being rushed from Saltillo to San Luis Potosi, Torreon, to assist in its defence. General Velasco, in command there, is said to have 5,000 men. A force under General Orozco, has checked the advance of the rebels from Durango.  
General Blauquet, War Minister, is authority for the statement that the Federal force sent to the southwest which has been sent north, is expected to hold back Villa's men. The rebel movement in the State of Oaxaca is becoming more active. A fifth regiment was despatched from here last night to that section of the country.  
Jose Luis Requena and Pedro Villar, who were recently arrested in connection with alleged plotting against the Government, and later were released, leave Mexico on Thursday.

### REBELS DEFEAT THE FEDERALS.

**Government Troops are in Full Retreat and the Rebels are Now Threatening to Renew the Attack on the City of Tampico.**  
Vera Cruz, Feb. 3.—The American consul at Tampico reports by wires that the rebels attacked and defeated the Federals of the city.  
The Federals retreated south.  
It is believed the rebels are in strong force, and intend to renew the attack on Tampico.

### LORD STRATHCONA'S NUMEROUS LEGACIES AMOUNT TO \$250,000

Royal Victoria College, Montreal, gets One Million Dollars.—Five Hundred Thousand Each to Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal, and to Yale University, U.S.A.  
London, Feb. 3.—The following legacies left by Lord Strathcona, have been made public:—\$1,000,000 to the Royal Victoria College, Montreal, after the reduction of any payment made during his lifetime, in addition to the College Buildings and site provided by him; \$500,000 to the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal; \$500,000 to Yale University; \$100,000 to Kingston University, Ontario, Extension Fund; \$60,000 to the Presbyterian College, Montreal; \$50,000 to St. John's College, Cambridge, in addition to \$50,000 given in his lifetime; \$50,000 to Leachon Hospital, Ferres, where he was born; \$50,000 to the Church of Scotland Infirm Ministers' Fund; \$25,000 to Aberdeen University for a Chair of Agriculture; \$10,000 to the Streatham, (London), Home for Incurables; and \$10,000 to London University College.

had not been approved of by the Governor-in-Council.  
Mr. Bennett, the Colonial Secretary, also replied, justifying what had been done, which again brought Mr. Coaker to his feet in protest, and he clearly showed that Mr. Bennett was wrong. Mr. Bennett had to agree to the correction set up by Mr. Coaker.  
Mr. Halfyard followed Mr. Coaker,

**SPOT CASH SALE.**

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### SPECIAL PURCHASES

**SPOT CASH SALE.**

We offer at astoundingly low prices, owing to the advantageous terms on which we secured, nearly **\$20,000 WORTH OF DRY GOODS**  
We have at present ready the following items in **OUR CENTRAL SHOWROOMS TO-DAY**  
Articles in Women's and Children's wear, and it will be only necessary for the most ill-informed as to quality and values to see these offerings to be convinced that there are **MANY UNDER HALF PRICE.**

**Marvellous Corset Cover Bargains.**  
Values such as these purchases include seldom or never offered. Not reduced because of old stock.  
Charming confections of lace and embroidery trimmed, worth best and smartest designs; fresh clean goods.  
32 Corset Covers, lace and embroidery trimmed, worth 40c., for, each . . . . . **25c.**  
29 Corset Covers, lace and embroidery trimmed, worth 50c., for, each . . . . . **30c.**  
14 Corset Covers, lace and embroidery trimmed, worth 80c., for, each . . . . . **40c.**  
5 Corset Covers, lace and embroidery trimmed, worth 90c., for, each . . . . . **50c.**

**DAINTY UNDERSKIRT BARGAINS.**  
Mostly American make and designs; latest cut; fresh and new fine soft muslin with charming embroidered designs, etc. **SEE THEM.**  
22 White Embroidered Skirts. Worth \$1.25, for, each . . . . . **70c.**  
15 White Embroidered Skirts. Worth \$1.50, for, each . . . . . **85c.**  
23 White Embroidered Skirts. Worth \$1.80, for, each . . . . . **1.00**  
16 White Embroidered Skirts. Worth \$2.00, for, each . . . . . **1.25**  
8 White Embroidered Skirts. Worth \$2.30, for, each . . . . . **1.50**  
11 White Embroidered Skirts. Worth \$2.50, for, each . . . . . **1.75**  
5 Black Sateen Embroidered Flounce. Worth \$1.00, for, each . . . . . **75c.**  
7 Black Schriensed. Worth \$3.20, for each . . . . . **1.95**  
4 Black Schriensed. Worth \$1.65, for, each . . . . . **1.15**

**UNUSUAL KNICKER BARGAINS.**  
Values such as these are seldom or never offered, and owing to the extraordinary values, would advise early purchases.  
27 White Knickers, Nainsook body with fine lace and embroidery for trimming, worth 60c., for . . . . . **30c.**  
7 White Knickers, Nainsook body, with fine lace and embroidery for trimming, worth 70c., for . . . . . **40c.**  
6 White Knickers, porous knit, lace trimmed, knee length, worth 35c., for . . . . . **25c.**

**GIRLS' CLOTHING BARGAINS.**  
We cannot impress sufficiently the importance of an early inspection of the following items. It cannot but strike one that the opportunity is for the early purchaser, the values being such that they will be snapped up on sight.  
**Girls' Dresses.**  
Smartly trimmed wash goods in cottons, zephyrs, gingham, white and fancy muslin, oatmeal cloths, basket cloths, etc. Will fit girls from 3 years to 10 years of age . . . . . **40c.**

**Ladies' Night Dress Bargain.**  
Beautifully fine muslin and lawn muslin and embroidery trimmed garments at almost half price  
22 Ladies' White Nightdresses, latest designs in lace and embroidery trimming, worth \$1.50, for, each . . . . . **85c.**  
9 Ladies' White Nightdresses, latest designs in lace and embroidery trimming, worth \$2.20 for, each . . . . . **1.30**  
10 Ladies' White Nightdresses, latest designs in lace and embroidery trimming, worth \$2.40, for, each . . . . . **1.40**

**LADIES' COSTUME BARGAIN.**  
Marvellous values, up-to-date styles, we offer **7 Ladies' Costumes**  
In Navy, Serge and Tweed worth \$4.50 to \$5.50 for . . . . . **\$2.75**  
We cannot charge or send on approbation, Sale Goods

**LADIES' KNICKER BARGAINS.**  
Less than half price is the greater part of this offer.  
Ladies Sateen Knickers, colored and black, worth \$1.20 for . . . . . **75c.**  
Ladies' Sateen Knickers, colored and black, worth \$1.60, for . . . . . **1.00**  
Ladies' Silk Moire and Serge Knickers in plain and fancy colors, cream and black, worth \$2.50 to \$4.50, for . . . . . **1.50**

**GIRLS' DRESS BARGAINS.**  
Well made stylish dresses; will stand wear and tear; in white and fancy; strongly sewn and carefully finished. Will fit girls from 4 to 11 year of age . . . . . **75c.**  
11 Childs' Navy Reefer Coats. Worth \$1.40 to \$3.20 for . . . . . **75c. to 1.95** according to size.  
14 Childs' Cream Bear Coats. Worth \$3.20 for . . . . . **1.70**

**Ladies' Blouse Bargains.**  
It affords us great pleasure to be able to offer such remarkable values in White, Black and Colored Blouses. The most of these have never been out of their boxes, and there is every approved style to be found amongst them.  
Prices are as follows:  
**35c. 45c. 50c. 75c. 95c.**  
You will find almost every material and style. The regular of these blouses would be from 60c. to \$1.75 each.

**FURS.**  
There is nothing to equal these values we are now offering in Ladies' Fine Fur Goods. The most of this lot is marked **Far Below Half Price.**  
It embraces nearly every kind of fur in the various styles of fur neckwear, of Collars, Throwovers, Grips, etc.  
Prices range from **15c. to \$5.00**  
Regular values were from \$1.00 to \$20.00 in black, brown, white, etc.

**Lace Bureau Scarves, worth 50 to 60c. now . . . . . 30c.**  
**Lace Bureau Scarves, worth 65c. to \$1.00, now . . . . . 45c.**

**Cushion Covers, worth 18c., now . . . . . 10c.**  
**Table Centres, worth 70c. to \$1.00, now . . . . . 40c.**

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making a strong appeal for increased grants for the main roads in Fogo District, and for increase in the salaries of ferrymen. He took the Government to task for allowing defeated candidates to take full control of district affairs, thus outraging the wishes of the people.  
Mr. Jennings followed and occupied fifteen minutes in showing up the waste in providing salaries for useless officials and censured the Minister of Customs for terming the Northern men as "illiterate, ignorant and cullage."  
He spoke well and his address was becoming interesting when the time for adjournment arrived and the Chairman asked that the Committee rise and sit to-morrow, when Mr. Jennings will resume his remarks.  
The proceedings yesterday placed another feather in the cap of the Opposition, and the speeches made were just as interesting as on the previous day. The visitors seemed delighted with the efforts of the Opposition members, and especially those delivered by the Union Party.  
Mr. Coaker is rapidly forging ahead, and is becoming a debater of no mean order and shows he knows as much of every subject coming up (Continued on page 4.)