

DOWLING BROS. The Largest Retail Distributors of Ladies' Coats, Jackets and Blouse Waists in the Maritime Provinces.

New Neckwear FOR LADIES.

We carry so many different lines of Neckwear that it is very easy for us to satisfy the most exacting person, no matter how fastidious their taste may be. If you are not already acquainted with our stock you will find that it comprises a greater variety than you'll find in most dry goods stores.

- At 25c.** Silk Corded Stocks, Silk and Lace Stocks, Silk and Chiffon Stocks, Lace Stocks with Tabs, Tabless Lace Stocks, White Lace Turnovers, White Embroidered Turnovers, White Embroidered Collars, White Embroidered Stocks, White Embroidered Tab Stocks, White Linen Stocks, White Duck Stocks, White Pique Stocks, White Embroidered Collar and Cuff Sets.
- Fancy Stock Collars** with and without Tabs, in Silk, Chiffon, Lace, Velvet, Satin, Medallion, Beaded and Ribbon Trimmings, also White Embroidered Washing Stocks, Collar and Cuff Sets, Yokes, Mistrans, &c., at 30c, 35c, 40c, 45c, 50c, 55c, 60c, 65c, 75c, 85c, 90c, \$1.00, \$1.10, \$1.25 and \$1.50 each.
- A Blanket Bargain.** Fine Soft Wool Blankets, 60 x 80 inches, only a few pairs to sell, worth \$3.35, now \$2.98 pair.

DOWLING BROTHERS,

95 and 101 King Street.

THEY ARE ALL HERE

READY FOR Inspection

The

Waterbury & Rising "Special" FOR SPRING WEAR

Beautiful Shapes, Handsome Styles, Popular Materials, THE SHOE OF THE DAY.

\$3.50, \$4.00, \$4.50, \$5.00, \$5.50.

Waterbury & Rising,

KING STREET. UNION STREET.

NEW PRINTS

The best lot we've ever shown are now ready for you. It is our constant aim to carry the nicest assortment of patterns, and our prices, while low never touch the point where quality ceases.

Prints 7c., 10c., 12c. yard.

ENGLISH PRINTS, soft finish and very wide, 14c. yard.

New Cotton Wrappers.

More cheapness never influences this store. The print used must be of wearful quality. The workmanship, style and fit of each garment must be beyond criticism. This applies to the cheapest as well as to the most expensive wrappers.

90c., \$1, \$1.10, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75 Each.

S. W. McMACKIN,

335 Main Street, North End.

ANDERSON & CO'S

Stiff and Soft Hats.

BEAUTY, STYLE AND FINISH. UP-TO-DATE IN QUALITY AND FIT.

Our stock of Spring Derbys comprises the latest American and English makes. We can suit any man's head with a hat. Anderson's name in a hat insures quality.

STIFF HATS, \$2.00 to \$3.00

ANDERSON & CO., 17 Charlotte Street.

Meat Department.

Chickens, Fowls, Ducks, Turkeys, Tender Roast Beef and Steak, Williams' Sugar Cured Hams and Bacon (acknowledged the best on the market.)

Use our 'phone, 583.

F. E. WILLIAMS CO., Ltd

Cor. Charlotte and Princess Sts.

THIS EVENING

Meeting of the Every Day Club. Harkins Company at the Opera House, in "The Black Flag." Vaudeville at Keith's Theatre. Band at Victoria Rink.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL WEATHER REPORT AT NOON. Saturday, March 2, 1907. Highest temperature during last 24 hours 28. Lowest temperature during last 24 hours 16. Temperature at noon 23. Humidity at noon 75. Barometer readings at noon (sea level and 14 miles per hour. Wind at noon—Direction southeast, velocity 14 miles per hour. Same date last year—Highest temperature, 24; lowest, 4. L. HUTCHINSON, Director.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS

Advertising readers are not inserted on this page. All reading notices whether charged at casual rate or double rate on contract. WILL APPEAR ON INSIDE OF PAGES.

LATE LOCALS

The Symphony quartet will sing tomorrow night in the Main St. Baptist church.

A very successful sale and supper was held by the ladies' aid society of Douglas avenue Christian church last evening.

The blacksmiths of the city are requested to bear in mind the meeting for the formation of a union which will be held at 7:30 tonight.

W. W. Kirkpatrick, who is succeeding J. N. Sutherland, as general freight agent of the C. P. R. on the Atlantic division, arrived in the city yesterday.

Judge Ritchie will lecture tomorrow afternoon before the Y. M. C. of St. Joseph at 4 o'clock on the subject of "Our Youth, Our Hope."

Seventeen births were reported to Registrar Jones during the present week. Eighteen were male and six female. Two marriages were recorded.

At yesterday's meeting of the St. John County W. C. T. U., Mrs. T. H. Bullock gave an interesting talk on the cigarette question.

Brussels street church—The pastor, Rev. A. B. Cobbe, will conduct services tomorrow at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. The ordinance of baptism will be administered at the close of the morning service.

At the hall No. 60 Paradise Row, (D. V.), gospel preaching on Sunday evening at 7 and Tuesday evening at 8, by Wm. Husk. Bible reading on Wednesday evening at 8. Prayer meeting Friday evening at 8. You are invited.

Mission Church, St. John Baptist—Services tomorrow, Third Sunday in Lent—Holy Eucharist (plain) at 8 a. m. Choral Litany at 10:30 followed by High Communion and sermon at 11. Choral evensong and sermon at 7 a. m. All seats free. Rev. J. M. Davenport will take the services morning and evening.

The neighbors of Henry Hibbard, of 222 Chesley street, fearing he would injure his wife, called in the police last night. Hibbard and his wife were much excited, and after the police had quieted matters down, a neighbor called upon the police a second time and asked that a physician be sent to examine Hibbard.

The Windlow-Richards case was argued in the equity court yesterday afternoon. Dr. A. O. Zarle, K. C., arguing for the plaintiff, and Dr. L. A. Curry, K. C., for the defendants. Judgment was reserved. R. W. McLellan, of Fredericton, appeared with Dr. Curry for the defendants.

St. Matthew's Presbyterian church (Douglas avenue). Pastor, Rev. H. Foster, B. D. The new pews, recently built for this church, have been placed in position. Special re-opening services Sunday, March 3rd. Pastor will preach in morning; Rev. Gordon Dickie, M. A., at evening service.

The hospital commissioners yesterday decided to notify the doctors throughout the province that a scale of fees exists for all those who enter as patients except paupers. The commissioners also adopted plans for the Owen Jones operating room. Nell Brodie yesterday explained his plans and a committee was appointed to have specifications prepared and tenders called for.

Owing to the condition of affairs on the N. B. Southern, Tuesday's Wednesday's and Thursday's mails have not arrived in St. George but they were expected this morning. Yesterday's mail arrived all right. The mails of the three days previous went to St. Stephen by the C. P. R. so that if possible a stage would be brought into use. The snow drifts, however, blocked that manner of transport.

German street United Baptist church. Rev. W. W. McMeekin, B. A., pastor. Preaching services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday school at 2:30 p. m. Men's league meets in the vestry at 12:15, noon. At the morning service the pastor will take for his subject, "Little, but Exceeding Wise," the sermon adapted especially for the Sunday school, but helpful to all, and in the evening his subject will be, "The Spirit Filled Life, its Possibility and Attainment." Mrs. P. G. Spencer and T. Dewitt Cairns will commence their engagement with the choir and will render solos.

THE KNOCKER

THE DIRTY LUDLOW.

Now that the Ludlow has recovered sufficient strength to return to the ferry route after a long sojourn in the Rodney Hospital, it is about up to Admiral Glasgow to examine her nervous system and thus determine if she could withstand the shock of a thorough cleaning. For a boat costing \$80,000, the pride of the ferry fleet apparently receives very little attention. If her brass work could be cleaned since she was launched it certainly does not show it, and in fact in general cleanliness the Ludlow is not much of an improvement on either Wun Lung or Wun Gendy.

The deckhands and employees on the Ludlow are on a par with the boat in the matter of cleanliness and appearance. The nature of their work or their salaries probably does not justify the wearing of good clothes on the boat, and the men should not be forced to pay for uniforms. Let the city uniform them and then they will look like bright, smart officials. At present strange might very easily take them for Doukhobor immigrants.

THE SIDEWALKS AGAIN.

A correspondent who signs himself "A Weary Tax Payer," writes to The Knocker under date of Thursday, as follows: "Last night the sidewalk in front of my house on St. James street was cleared of snow, but this morning it was not. Some time during the night the St. John Railway Company in clearing their tracks had shoved the snow half way across the sidewalk. Is this fair?"

To this correspondent The Knocker begs to hand a few crumbs of comfort. Cheer up brother. Your luck will probably run along like this for several winters and then get worse. But your question, "Is it fair," is not at all relevant. The Simple Simon of the St. John street department know of no such word or course as "fair" where private citizens or public sidewalks are concerned.

THE VIPER OF MILAN

A Vivid and Dramatic Novel of High Standard.

"The Viper of Milan" is a "best" novel which in "two weeks made its author famous." It has been enthusiastically received by the English critics. It is a historical novel of Italy in the fourteenth century, but the reader who expects to find the ordinary romantic story with a historical setting ending in wedding bells and triumphant processions of gallant knights and beautiful ladies has a rude shock waiting him. It is a book full of unhappy love, vehement Italian love, treachery, dark Italian treachery, and cruelly, finished Italian cruelty. There is not a glimmer of lightness even on the closing page, excepting that the prince of the empire at last meets the fate of all his victims. But good does not triumph, because there is no good man or woman left to triumph. Of the heart-wicked characters in the piece, one is dropped long before the end, and the two others blow themselves to pieces rather than be defeated. The man who promised to be the hero sold his honor, allies, and possession for love of his wife. That wife never lives to see him for she is poisoned. A dozen others meet like fate. Another is given a faithful phial, and is forced to drink, believing it to be poison. It was not poison, but the ordeal turned her to an imbecile. These instances by no means exhaust the horrors of the book. And yet the author is a young woman, Marjorie Bowen by name.

The story, despite its unpleasantness, is of the kind that drives you to your feet, including the majestic Duke of Verona, the proud d'Este, and the other Italian potentates, until all Italy lies in his power. Then in the moment of his triumph he is assassinated by his secretary. In style the book is a masterpiece of vigor, impress, and dramatic effect. It follows a climax with never a dull page intervening. There are not more than two or three speeches of over a half a dozen lines in length. Italy with its weak color and natural beauty tempts the author into only an occasional paragraph of graphic description. There is no character analysis, except such as is accomplished by deeds. From cover to cover it is a book of action, too. It is one of the best of recent novels. Its unpleasantness is justified, not only by its immediate historical setting, but perhaps by life as a whole, for the happy ending comes after all, rare in real life. But only one novelist in a hundred has the courage to admit it.

This Great Story will in a few days be begun as a Serial in the Evening Times.

THE SECOND IN COMMAND

Harkins Company at the Opera House in a Good Show.

The strength of the Harkins Co. is being daily recognized by the theatre-goers of this city who clearly manifested last evening when the Opera house was well filled by an audience who undoubtedly expressed their appreciation of the excellent presentation of "The Second in Command."

Harry English, as Major Christopher Bingham, was excellent in the difficult role of a lover, who found that his affections were reciprocated and consequently had the manliness to retire in favor of a fellow officer, Miss Sue Van Duser, as Muriel Manning, was gotten down charmingly and performed her duties in a manner that redounded greatly to her credit as an actress of a high order.

Louis Brown, Miss Kate Powers, Miss Helen Ashley, Milford Giffen and Henry Stubbs were also seen to advantage and added not a little to the success of the presentation.

The comedy melodrama, "The Black Flag" will be presented tonight, and comprising as it does, bright comedy and strong dramatic effects, it will no doubt prove a great favorite.

Mrs. Dana's Defence is being presented this afternoon.

FOR NEXT WEEK

Rev. W. Camp will be the speaker at the gospel temperance meeting in Union Hall on Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The New Brunswick Temperance Federation, St. John county branch, will meet Monday night in the W. C. T. U. hall, German street. The principal business will be the election of officers.

Rev. E. C. Jenkins, of Lealwood street Baptist church, will, tomorrow, inaugurate a series of revival meetings, which will be continued every evening during the week in that church.

Meeting of the Evangelical Alliance in St. Andrew's church Monday forenoon; Hon. R. J. Ritchie will speak on the Duty of the State to Boy Criminals.

Next Monday Miss Elsie Stanton will lecture before the Natural History Society, on Snap Shots in South America. The lecture will be illustrated with lime light views.

There will be a Burns night Tuesday next in Queen Square church school room. There will be a fine programme of songs and readings, and an address on Burns by Rev. Dr. G. M. Campbell.

Edward L. Rising has gone to the upper provinces. In Quebec he will meet with the large dealers from all parts of Canada and a visit will be made to the shoe factories in Montreal and Quebec.

MACAULAY BROTHERS & CO.

LADIES WHO CAN WEAR 5 1-2, 5 3-4 AND 6 SIZES IN

REAL KID GLOVES

Can, if they call at Macaulay Bros. & Co.'s, secure all the New Grey, Brown, Tan, Navy, Green, Black

Kid Gloves at 50 Cts. Per Pair

These Gloves all worth, and regular first-class "Trefousse," "Perrin's" and "Dent's," \$1.25, \$1.35, \$1.45 and \$1.50. Now 50 cents per pair. The question may be asked: Why sell these standard makes of Kid Gloves at 50c. a pair? The reason is, too large a stock of 5 1-2, 5 3-4 and 6. Those who can use these sizes draw the prize.

MACAULAY BROS. & CO.

SPECIAL GREY COTTONS

FOR THIS WEEK ONLY

6 1-2c. yard { Extra Clear, full width, never sold for less than 8c. yard.

7 1-2c. yard { The Famous Bengal Brand, fine clear finish, good width, regular 9c. cotton.

I. CHESTER BROWN, - - 32 and 36 KING SQUARE

JUST OPENED LADIES' SPRING COATS

THE FIRST LOT OF

In Black, Fawns, Grey and Greenish Shades, Checks, Stripes and Mottled Effects, and the Cloths are Coverts, Tweeds, Box and Broad Cloths.

NEW SHAPES, NEW STYLES, AND PERFECT FITS

Prices \$4.50, 4.75, 5.50, 6.50, 7.25 and 10.50 Each.

ROBERT STRAIN & CO., 27 and 29 Charlotte St.

TABLE GLASSWARE.

We have just received

A FULL LINE OF

Table Glassware

Latest PRES-CUT and

COLONIAL PLAIN patterns.

W. H. HAYWARD CO., LIMITED,

85, 87, 89, 91, 93 Princess St.

SNOW

SHOVELS

If your old shovel is worn out we can still supply you with

A NICE NEW ONE For 25 Cents.

W. H. THORNE & CO., Ltd.

Market Square, St. John, N. B.

Seasonable Hosiery

For WOMEN and CHILDREN

- Ladies' Black Cashmere Hose Plain and Ribbed, 25c. pair.
- Ladies' Black Cashmere Hose Plain and Ribbed, 35c., 3 for \$1.00
- Ladies' Black Cashmere Hose Plain, 40c., 45c., 55c., 65c., to \$1.05.
- Ladies' Black Cashmere Hose Ribbed, 40c., 45c., 55c., 65c. and \$1.00
- Children's Blk Cashmere Hose Plain and Ribbed, 20c. to 60c. pair.
- Boys' Heavy Wool Hose 25c., 30c., 38c., 60c. up to \$1.40 pair.
- Children's Wool Overalls White or Black. 60c. to 90c. pair.
- Ladies' and Children's Overstockings 35c. to 50c. as to size.

Kimono 12c Velours

This attractive sale is still going on in our Linen Dept. Beautiful, soft, velvety goods at one bargain price.

Sale On Until 10 Tonight

ASK TO SEE THE SOVEREIGN HOSE

Linen-Spliced Feet—Something New—Soft when Washed

Hosiery Department—Main Store

MANCHESTER ROBERTSON ALLISON, Ltd