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Change of Business Sale

There never was a sale in Chatham inaugurated under such successful conditions as this sale of ours. The stock must be reduced to meet the requirements of the impending business change, and reasonable people know that prices must be reduced in proportion. Customers are finding everything just exactly as represented in our circulars and advertisements. All reduced prices are marked in plain figures in red ink—you can see for yourself and seeing is believing. Very many reduced lines are already beginning to be cleared out so our advice to you is to shop early.

Dress Goods

Without reserve every piece of dress goods in our store, black and colored is reduced in price. What a saving is here represented for you!

Every dress good in good dark effects, reg. price 50¢ a yd., sale price 35¢

Every imaginable shade in fine Henrietta, 46 in. wide, reg. price 50¢ a yd., special sale price 35¢

Fancy black serge, all wool, reg. price 50¢ a yard, sale price 35¢

Heavy black storm serge all wool guaranteed for wear, reg. price 50¢ a yd., special sale price 35¢

Heavy all-wool canvas cloth in black and navy, 44 inches wide, reg. price 75¢, special sale price 45¢

Men's Furnishings

We do not appeal directly to the men, but when we do it is a very strong appeal, and one it is hard to resist. We will be disappointed if we do not see a crowd of men in to see these goods:

W. G. & R. best white laundered shirts, reg. price \$1 each, sale price 75¢

Four-in-hand and knotted silk ties, reg. 25¢ each, sale price 15¢

Four-in-hand, very handsome silk ties, reg. 50¢ each, sale price 35¢

All-wool shirts and drawers, heavy winter weight, reg. \$1 a suit, special sale price per suit 85¢

Heavy towels, guaranteed all-wool, reg. \$1 a yard, sale price 75¢

This sale gives you an opportunity to buy high-class dry goods cheaper than they have ever been offered in Chatham. No old shop worn stuff is being shovled at you, but new, fresh, entirely up-to-date goods. We confidently await your inspection.

THOMAS STONE

..He Who Stands in His Own Light..

Holds ever in His Pocket
A Poverty Stricken Purse.

We don't mean to say that you'll grow rich or poor, by buying or not buying our overcoats from us while this CLEARING SALE LASTS. We do say—and say it with as much emphasis as printer's ink can put into it—that you are doing yourself an injustice, that you are actually standing in your own light by refusing to see whether we can or can't do better by you on the overcoat question than "the others." With these few words, brethren, we'll refer you to our phenomenal prices:

Men's Overcoats

Imported Kerseys, Carrs, Meltons, Silk lined and in the latest fashionable styles, regular value \$15.50, clearing sale price.....\$14

Imported Kerseys and Meltons, black worsted linings, very nobby garments, regular value \$15.50, clearing sale price.....\$13

Fine, beautifully tailored Meltons, in brown and fawn tweed linings, regular value \$15.50, clearing sale price.....\$10

A good all-wool Melton, blue or black, velvet collar, overcoat, regular value \$7.50, clearing price.....\$6.00

Men's Ulsters

The very finest imported Shetlands made and trimmed in the best possible manner, good value at \$15.00, clearing sale price.....\$11.00

Black and Oxford mixed Frelons, fine blue and black chinillas, worsted lining, silk sleeve lining, regular value \$15.50, clearing price.....\$7.50

Broken sizes in Frelons and Chin-chill Ulsters made and trimmed in first class manner, regular value \$10 and \$12, clearing sale price.....\$7.50

Greatest opportunity ever offered! Frelon Ulsters in black, grey mixed, and brown, also fawn, best of quality and trimmings, sold everywhere for \$10.00, clearing sale price.....\$6.50

See our \$6.50 Ulster for.....\$5.00

Ridley & Co. 46 King Street

REMOVAL!

E. M. Coyne Tailor
Has removed his workshop over the Post Office Book Store, where he will be pleased to have his old customers call and see him.

Save Your Dollars

By calling at the sign of the big clock, I have 15 pairs of

Grain Leather Boots

I am selling at the astonishing low price of

\$1.75

a pair. These cannot be purchased anywhere else less than \$2.50. Don't forget the place—the sign of the big clock, in front of the market. Shoes neatly repaired.

JORDAN'S

A GOOD SUIT OR OVERCOAT

MADE TO YOUR ORDER FOR

\$8.00

WITH GOOD TRIMMINGS, FIT AND WORKMANSHIP.

F. GARNER TORONTO'S PRACTICAL TAILOR Market square, Chatham

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Deals With Many Subjects.

WORRIED OVER THE CURRENCY PROBLEM—NO INTERVENTION IN CUBA—ANNEXATION OF HAWAII.

Washington, December 7.—President McKinley's annual message to Congress was read yesterday. The message started out by saying that the currency question was the most pressing. The project of putting the nation's finances on a sound basis might seem difficult, but when it was recalled that a national interest-bearing debt of \$2,332,331,000 in 1880 had been reduced to \$685,037,100 in 1895, showed that it could be done.

"With the honorable example of the past before us we ought not to hesitate to enter upon a currency revision which will make our demand obligations less onerous to the Government and relieve our financial laws from ambiguity and doubt.

There are many plans proposed as a remedy for the evil. Before we can find the true remedy we must appreciate the real evil. It is not that our currency of every kind is not good, for every dollar of it is good—good because the Government's pledge is out to keep it so.

THE EVIL.

of the present system is found in the great cost to the Government of maintaining the parity of our different forms of money, that is, keeping all of them at par with gold. Nobody is obliged to redeem in gold but the Government.

Something must be done to stop the periodical drain on the nation's gold reserve, and the message urges "that when any of the United States notes are presented for redemption in gold and are redeemed in gold, such notes shall be kept and set apart and only sold off in exchange for gold."

"I recommend that the issue of National Bank notes be restricted to the denomination of ten dollars and upwards. If this suggestion I have here-in made shall have the approval of Congress then I would recommend that National Banks be required to redeem their notes in gold."

NO INTERFERENCE.

Regarding the Cuban question the message says that the Spanish Government has assured the United States

that it is anxious to end the war in Cuba, and with that object in putting into effect all the promised reforms and doing everything possible to pacify Cuba.

Spain, as a consequence, suggests that she be left free to conduct her own military operations, and that the United States proceed to enforce the strictest neutrality on her own part.

Of the United States, on the part of the U. S., says the President, there remain only—Recognition of the insurgents as belligerents; recognition of the independence of Cuba; neutral intervention to end the war by imposing a rational compromise between the contestants; and intervention in favor of one or the other party.

Spain, says the message, stands committed to a policy of humanity and reform. Weyler has been removed and the policy which inflamed the American mind reversed. It was only right that she should be given a chance to fairly try her new policy. If it succeeded, well and good. "If not," concluded the paragraph, "the exigency of further and other action by the United States will remain to be taken. When that time comes that action will be determined by the same indistinguishable right and duty. It will be faced without misgiving or hesitancy."

TO ANNEX HAWAII.

In the matter of the annexation of Hawaii all that remained to do was for the U. S. Senate to ratify the treaty with those islands, and the president believed it should be ratified. Japan had been given satisfactory assurances in the matter.

The value of the Nicaraguan Canal is touched upon, and future recommendations foreshadowed.

The failure of the bimetallic commission is practically admitted.

Reciprocity negotiations are proceeding with several European and American governments, with hopeful prospects.

The result of the negotiations with Canada and Great Britain relative to the Behring sea dispute resulted in "an agreement of important facts connected with the conditions of the seal herd, heretofore in dispute, which should place beyond controversy the duty of the governments concerned to adopt measures without delay for the preservation and restoration of the herd. Negotiations to this end are now in progress the result of which I hope, to report Congress at an early date."

International arbitration treaties, the president says shall have his constant encouragement.

The present naval force, says the message, while not as large as that of other powers, is ample, and the vessels are the best of each type. Better dry dock accommodations, however, is wanted on both coasts.

The message concludes with a recommendation for energetic measures towards the extension of civil authority in Alaska and Yukon in view of the great rush there.

GREAT BIKE RACE

Waller has a Big Lead but is Working Hard.

The Canadian Riders so far are Pretty well Down in the List.

New York Dec. 7.—(2 a. m.)—In the great six-day bicycle race there were 40 starters. Before the first 24 hours was over, 15 had dropped out. Two Canadians are riding, McLeod and Davidson. At the end of the first 24 hours Waller had covered 483 miles 3 laps, beating Hale's 24-hour record, made last year, by 57 miles 3 laps.

The score at 2 a. m. was: Waller, 483.8; Stephens, 489.8; Revierre, 480.6; Schinnerer, 483; Miller, 479.8; Moore, 455.1; Pierce, 445.8; Rice, 447.8; Reading, 451.5; Golden, 420.2; Elkos, 425.1; Hicks, 395.7; Enterman, 407.1; Ashinger, 395.2; Hale, 391.2; Barnaby, 342.7; King, 332.8; Cannon, 356.3; McLeod, 245.1; Smith, 284.3; Julius, 310.5; Maurion, 287.8; Beacom, 280.4; Gray, 287.7; Johnson, 290.1; Blakeslee, 267.

Waller has only been off the track 43 minutes so far.

A PECULIAR CHARGE.

City Official Charged with Unlawfully Removing Landmarks.

Wm. Whitebread was charged that he "did wilfully and unlawfully remove a landmark or monument at the intersection of Cross and Raleigh streets in the City of Chatham to mark the limits of the said streets and of the lots adjoining the same, said Whitebread not being a landowner."

Similar charges were preferred in connection with the marking at the intersections of William and Queen streets, Harvey and Raleigh streets, and Wellington and Adelaide streets.

J. B. Rankin for the accused elected to be tried by jury and asked for an adjournment until after the next council meeting. Wm. Douglas, Q. C., is conducting the prosecution.

PLANET AGENCIES.

The Planet may be purchased at the following agencies: Cooper's book store, King street. Holmes' book store, King street. R. C. Burt's drug store, King street. A. L. Savage's shoe store, William street.

As a result of the Dreyfus discussion in the French chamber, a duel with pistols has been arranged between Joseph Reinboch, Republican, and M. Millerand, socialist.

Telegraph News.

WHAT IS GOING ON HERE, THERE AND EVERYWHERE.

Boston fish dealers want the government to admit Canadian fish free of duty.

Hon. A. S. Hardy has been selected as the Liberal candidate for South Brant.

Mr. Fr. Delbroux, Monroe, Mich., 80 years of age, has been a priest for over 52 years.

The legislature yesterday just sat long enough to receive a number of temperance petitions.

The Kalifa, of Khartoum wants to submit to Great Britain provided he is granted hereditary power over Kordofan and Darfur.

Miss Butler, Supt. of the Purity Branch of the W. C. T. U., threatens to resign unless Lady Henry Somerset's proposals to regulate vice in India be repudiated.

Prof. W. F. Zimmerman, recently director of the choir of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Lansing, Mich., sues his mother-in-law for \$30,000 for alienation of his wife's affections.

Phiscator, the Baroda gold king, has agreed to assist U. S. Secretary of War Alger, in getting provisions to the Klondike. An expedition under his direction will set out about March 1.

Rev. Hugh Johnston, formerly of Toronto, whose church in Washington, President McKinley attends, took as the theme of his thanksgiving sermon, "Rum, Soejiban and Jeuitism." President McKinley, as a result, will not now attend so often.

THE HALL WAS CROWDED.

Those who have not as yet attended the lectures delivered at Northwood's hall by Professor Alexander during the past week have missed a rare treat. Last night the hall was again filled to the doors and scores of people stood through the entire evening.

Who are our benefactors? was the subject of the lecture which was the best of those yet given, and fairly sparkled with wit. To-night the subject will be Social Fads, and to-morrow night, "The Training of Children." At the close of which the professor will select from among the little folks present some half a dozen boys and girls as subjects for the public character delineations. After the summing and contrasting their different organizations he will tell them what they are best fitted for in order to ensure success in life. The blindfold character delineations last night were particularly interesting. Among the subjects on the stage were Arthur Richardson and Robt. O'Hara and the professor's accurate and racy description of the two men was hugely enjoyed by the audience.

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- Made-to-order
- At such
- A discount
- That
- Your license
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Gold and Silversmiths
The New Jewelers, Chatham
We repair meticulously
Quick and cheap!

THE BRIBERY CASE

Defence Decline to Plead one way or the Other.

Because they Allege the Information Disclosed no Offence—Examination Set for Monday.

It was a municipal morning at the Police court to day, and among the lawyers present were Wm. Douglas, Q. C., J. B. Rankin, Q. C., Lewis, G. B. Douglas and Ward Stanworth.

The charge against Ald. Wm. Blight was first preferred as stated in yesterday's Planet.

Ald. Lewis, for the defendant entered no plea. "I submit," he added, that the information does not disclose any offence, inasmuch as it does not disclose an inducement for him to vote at any meeting of the council or committees thereof, as it is not showed that it was before the council at all."

The judge decided to take the evidence, noting the objection.

The case was then enlarged till Monday.

The case is one for the county court and Monday's session will be merely the preliminary examination. G. B. Douglas is conducting the prosecution. The minimum penalty for an offence of the description alleged is one month's imprisonment and \$100 fine. The maximum penalty is two years imprisonment and \$1,000 fine.

LOOKS LIKE A WRECK.

Large Quantities of Timber Coming Ashore at Kingsville.

Mr. N. W. Special to The Planet.) Kingsville, Dec. 7.—The south wind is bringing in new square plus timber. The beach is covered and the whole bay in front of here is jammed full. The timber apparently is for use in building piers, some pieces being sixty feet long. Some boat has evidently lost a whole cargo in the recent storm. Custom officers are securing the timber.

XMAS CARDS

More beautiful than ever have arrived
AT KENNY'S
BOOKLETS, CARDS, CALENDERS
FOR CHRISTMAS

BUY THE BEST Refuse the Rest

When we say we have the best
MEN'S \$3.00 SHOE

We mean every word we say. Shoes we claim will give you as much wear as any shoe you can buy so matter at what price.

Goodyear Welt Process
Which speaks for itself. A call solicited.

Peace Your Shoe Man

WHITE SHOE STORE
"The Ark"

CHATHAM'S GREATEST STORE

Is Ready For Christmas.

We're ready in advance with a wide range of

HOLIDAY GOODS

Ready after months of careful planning, building on a larger trade and bigger success than in any former year.

The store is full of useful things full of pretty things, full of surprises, full of what nobody expects full of what everybody expects, and full of everything you require.

No store in Chatham is able to make the display that we have. This year greater and grander than ever.

Your Christmas buying will be done best while stocks are full and most varied. We have gathered the best of everything from every source and are as never before prepared to satisfy the demand of holiday shoppers.

The choicest things will go first, as a matter of course and sensible people will buy early.

Kindly come before the Christmas rush.

H. Macaulay
89 King St.

LOW PRICES SPOT CASH

...Boa Bargains...

AT BURRIS'

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| Children's White Lamb Boas | 12 1/2 cents |
| Children's White Lamb Boas | 15 cents |
| Misses' White Wool Boas, 36 inches long | 20 cents |
| Misses' White Wool Boas, 36 inches long | 25 cents |
| White Wool Boas, 42 inches long | 30 cents |
| White Wool Boas, 42 inches long | 37 1/2 cents |
| White Wool Boas, 48 inches long | 40 cents |
| White Wool Boas, 48 inches long | 45 cents |
| Feather Boas, 27 inches long | 12 1/2 cents |
| Feather Boas, 27 inches long | 20 cents |
| Feather Boas, 54 inches long | 35 cents |
| Feather Boas, 54 inches long | 50 cents |
| Mink Boas with head and tail | \$1.00 |
| Mink Boas with head and tail | \$1.25 |

These are SPECIAL PRICES for To-morrow