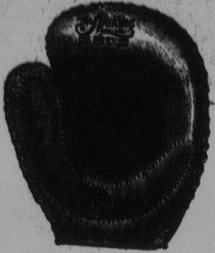


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Is one of our strongest lines and this store is gaining in popularity each day, our Boys' Clothing trade has grown to such proportions that we have found it necessary to arrange with the factories so as to have new lines shipped to us each week and in this way we will always have a full stock of thoroughly new and up-to-date goods.

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BOYS' 2-PIECE SUITS at 75c., \$1.10, \$1.65, \$1.85, \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.35, \$2.65, \$3.00, \$3.25, \$3.50, \$4.00 and up.
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J. N. HARVEY, Men's and Boys' Clothier, 199 Union Street, St. John.

CHINA AND THE BIBLE.

A Remarkable Movement Now in Progress in the Flowery Kingdom.

NEW YORK, May 20.—The Rev. John R. Hykes, agent of the American Bible Society in Shanghai, China, has submitted a report to the society on the condition and the outlook in China. Dr. Hykes says the question of a re-occurrence of the recent troubles in China depends on whether the government of the empire wants another outbreak. If it does the uprising will take place and in the manner prescribed.

As a result of an edict directing that the sons of Manchus and Mongolians shall be chosen to go abroad and study, there has been an unheard of demand for foreign books, Scriptures included. One government college has applied for a grant for fifty Bibles for the use of its students, and old scholars are scattered over the world in the government service in the capacity of translators, interpreters and teachers of English.

"One of the signs of the times," says Dr. Hykes, "is a remarkable movement on the part of some of the highest officials in the land to make a re-translation or revision of the Bible with the view of putting it into what they consider a more worthy literary form. This work is now in progress with imperial sanction. The officials hope thus to acquaint the official class with the contents of the Bible and remove their prejudice against it and thereby against Christians and Christianity. We issued more Bibles in the last three months of this year than would have been ample stock for eight years a decade ago."

IS IT PEACE?

Rumor in London That Boer Delegates Vote That Way.

LONDON, May 20.—Business on the stock exchange was very buoyant this afternoon owing to reports of the receipt of a private telegram announcing that the Boer conference at Vereeniging had voted in favor of peace on the best terms procurable by a delegation to be sent to Pretoria to confer with Lord Kitchener and Lord Milner, the British high commissioner.

A STRIKE ENDED

ST. PAUL, Minn., May 20.—The strike which has been on in the building trades since early in the month was practically settled last night and the men will go back to work. The builders' exchange announced yesterday that they would put into effect a new scale giving the carpenters a raise of 7-1/2 cents per hour. Bricklayers are to get an advance of five cents an hour, and the demands of the hoisting engineers are granted. The exchange announced that these terms would apply to all wage-workers, whether union or non-union, and do not involve recognition of the trades and labor union.

THEIR PAY RAISED

(Special to the Star.)
TORONTO, May 20.—The conference between the G. T. B. officials and the telegraphers concluded last evening, a satisfactory agreement being reached. The minimum monthly scale for telegraph agents is raised \$2 and for relieving agents \$5. Overtime is increased from 15 to 20 cents an hour and an increase of \$1.50 per month is granted to agents on branch lines who work overtime to meet trains.

THE GAULOIS ARRIVES

BALTIMORE, M. D., May 20.—The French cruiser Gaulois, accompanied by the battleships Kearsage and Alabama and the cruiser Olympia, passed in Cape Henry at 7 o'clock this morning.

HAPPY CIVIC SERVANTS.

ST. PAUL, Minn., May 20.—The state board of control has advanced the salaries of all state employees ten per cent. The additional cost to the state will exceed \$40,000 per annum.

BRIEFS BY WIRE.

NEW YORK, May 20.—The Count and Countess de Rochambeau and their party left New York for Washington today.

THE HAGUE, May 20.—Queen Wilhelmina is now able to leave her bed for a short time each day.

PERSONAL.

Miss Jennie Gough of St. Martine, is visiting friends in the city for a few days.

Miss Alice Hogan of Calais is visiting friends in the city.

W. W. Shaughnessy and Miss Shaughnessy of St. Stephen are guests of their brother, Dr. Shaughnessy, Princess street.

W. S. Fisher went to Yarmouth yesterday.

Maurice Kinnear of Sussex, who was formerly of the Bank of Nova Scotia staff here and who has recently been in Montreal, has been transferred to the Winnipeg branch. Mr. Kinnear was in the city yesterday on his way to his home in Sussex, where he will spend a day or two before going west.

The funeral of the late George P. Thomas took place this afternoon at half-past two o'clock from his late home, 34 St. Patrick street. Services were conducted at the house and grave by the Rev. T. J. Deinet and the body was interred in Fernhill.

HASTINGS, Ont., May 19.—Rev. O. L. Adam, pastor of the Methodist church here, died suddenly today.

A FAIR START.

Cuba Sets Out on Her Independent Career Today.

What Has Been Accomplished Under American Rule Since the War.

HAVANA, May 20.—The transfer of the control of Cuba from the United States took place at noon today. This city was magnificently decorated with arches, and seemed buried under a forest of waving banners. The streets swarmed with people and great enthusiasm prevailed.

NEW YORK, May 20.—In a despatch from Havana the World publishes, over the signature of General Leonard Wood, a review of the work accomplished during the American regime in the island, the government of which will be handed over to the Cubans.

Public order, says the article, is perfect throughout the island. Cuba is free from all contagious diseases, and its death rate compares favorably with that of the United States. An efficient and well equipped school system has been established. The hospitals, charities and jails have been re-organized, re-built and re-equipped. During the last year 25 per cent. of the total revenues of the island went into public education. Schools have been constructed at the rate of more than two a day for the past year. The light-houses have been rebuilt and re-equipped and two first-class lights have just been completed on the Colorado reef. The ports and harbors have been fully supplied with boats and launches for harbor patrol work and a fleet of revenue cutters built and the service fully organized and equipped. The same is true of the custom house quarantine and immigration service has been established. The courts have been re-organized and re-equipped. Free schools for typewriting and stenography have been opened.

A new law of public works has been written on the lines followed by the United States government. Cities like Santiago and Havana have undergone a reconstruction. The payment of public officials is practically on the same system as is employed by the United States government. In short, Cuba is turned over in a well-ordered, healthy condition, and the government will find all departments well equipped and in good running order.

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PERSIAN BLACK SATEEN UNDERSKIRTS AT \$1.87, regular price \$2.60 at Dykeman's.
R. K. Y. CLUB.

The yachting season will be formally opened on Saturday next, the 24th inst., when the first excursion of the club will take place. The following official programme has been issued:
Flashship Scionda, May 20th, 1902.

General Orders, No. 1.—Saturday, May 24th, having been selected for the first cruise of the season the fleet will rendezvous at the club house on that date not later than 8.30 a. m.

At nine o'clock, on signal of one gun from the flagship, the fleet will dress ship, and the flag at the club house will be mast-headed.

At 9.15 the fleet followed by the fleet will proceed for a cruise up the river and anchor at some convenient place during the afternoon, as ordered by signal from the flagship.

At sundown one gun will be fired from the flagship, when all yachts will lower their signals and hoist anchor lights.

At 8 p. m. the members of the club and their friends will be received on board the flagship.

The fleet will return to Millidgeville on Sunday evening.

By order of
THE COMMODORE,
ROBERT S. RITCHIE,
Fleet Captain.

There are now only six or eight yachts of the R. K. Y. Club on the rails at Millidgeville, and these will all be run into the water this week. On Sunday several of the boats were out for trial spins after having been fitted for the season's work. The others are being cleaned and painted and the whole fleet will be in readiness for a cruise on the 24th inst. At present quite a few yachts are at Rothesay, others at Drury Cove, and the rest at the club house.

TODAY'S EVENTS.

W. S. Harkins in "A Temperance Town" at Opera House tonight.

City Cornet Band bazaar in St. Andrew's Rink.

Miss Baillie's concert at York Theatre tonight.

Meeting St. Andrew's Brotherhood in St. Mary's Church school house at 8 p. m.

Public Reception of New Pastor at Leinster St. Baptist Church tonight.

Meeting of Court La Tour, No. 125, I. O. F., at 8 p. m. in Forester's Hall.

Action on Rev. W. W. Rainnie's resignation. Tea and sale at Trinity church.

THE CORONATION CONTINGENT
(Special to the Star.)
OTTAWA, May 20.—Major Cockburn, V. C., has agreed to resign his commission on the coronation contingent owing to ill health. Major Forrester, R. C. D., Toronto, has been appointed to the vacancy thus created.

There was some disturbance created in the Opera House last night by a young fellow named Mahoney. The police were called in and prevented disorder while the offender was being ejected.

John Martin of Water street, and James Driscoll of King Square have been reported for selling liquor, the former without a license and the latter during prohibited hours. Both cases are being heard before the magistrate this afternoon.

ST. PIERRE.

Mount Pelee Still Active—A Tidal Wave Destroys Houses

ST. THOMAS, D. W. I., May 20.—At six o'clock this morning heavy detonations were heard from the southeast (in the direction in which Martinique lies) surpassing those of May 7.

FORT DE FRANCE, Island of Martinique, May 20.—A severe inundation at Basse Point on the northeast coast of this island, at 2 o'clock this morning, swept away twenty houses. Fifty other buildings were damaged by the flowing mud, which has swept over the Valle de la Riviere (Valley of the River). There was no loss of life.

Basse Point having been evacuated several days ago. Access to the ruins of St. Pierre is still impossible. The United States cruiser Cincinnati and the United States special steamer Potomac, which left here yesterday for St. Pierre in another attempt to recover the bodies of the United States and British consuls and their families, have not been able to land their searching parties owing to the intense clouds of cinders sweeping over the stricken town.

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ANOTHER BISCUIT COMBINE.

CHICAGO, May 20.—Independent biscuit companies throughout the country will soon be combined in a giant rival to the National Biscuit Company, probably under the name of the Union Biscuit Company, says the Inter-Ocean. Several of the largest independent concerns have already entered into an agreement to unite, and steps now being taken by the officers of the Union Biscuit Company of St. Louis are designed to amalgamate most of the 150 independent companies into one corporation.

LOUBET IN RUSSIA

CRONSTADT, Russia, May 20.—The French squadron escorting the armored cruiser Monealm, having President Loubet on board, was sighted at about 8 o'clock this morning, slowly picking its way through the great blocks of ice still encumbering the lower channel. The weather was extremely cold and it was raining intermittently. The port was elaborately decorated. Welcoming motes were to be seen everywhere. Great crowds assembled on the quays and they mingled there cheers with the salutes from the ships and forts.

The war and Casarwitch, with other dignitaries, boarded the Monealm and warmly welcomed President Loubet.

SHOT WIFE AND SELF

WAVERLY, Tenn., May 20.—A. E. Justice shot and killed his wife and then himself yesterday at their home near here. Mrs. Justice was a daughter of the late A. M. Waddell, a well-known citizen of Louisville, Ky. Recently Mrs. Justice brought suit for divorce. Since the suit was filed Justice has excluded himself from the home. Yesterday he secreted himself in a chicken house, knowing his wife's habit of going there to feed the chickens. When she appeared the tragedy occurred.

DULUTH STORM-SWEPT

DULUTH, Minn., May 20.—A wind storm of great violence visited Duluth last evening. Several people were injured. The wind played havoc in the lumber districts, where thousands of feet of sawed lumber were overturned, and on Minnesota Point, numerous trees were blown down. The shipping in the harbor was blown about. Many valuable records of the United States government engineer's office were destroyed by a flood of water.

COMMITTED SUICIDE

NEW YORK, May 20.—Mrs. Annie Stetsel, 40 years old, and her niece Jennie Stetsel, 17 years old, were found dead from gas asphyxiation in their room in a boarding house in Brooklyn today. Two gas burners in the room were turned on. On a piece of paper lying on a table was written the address of Mrs. Stetsel's father. No reason is known why the two women should have wished to kill themselves.

BACK TO QUEBEC

(Special to the Star.)
QUEBEC, May 20.—Col. Gaylor and Capt. Greene, arrived in Quebec this morning at 3 o'clock by special train from Montreal. They came in custody of Governor Vallee of Montreal jail, and on their arrival were taken to their old quarters in Chateau Frontenac.

THE COAL STRIKE

WILKESBARRE, Pa., May 20.—The Wyoming Valley is very quiet this morning, and a steady rain is falling. Strike headquarters are now well established here. President Mitchell was busy with his correspondence. He had no news to give and said that nothing had happened to in any way change the present situation.

A DRUNKEN MURDERER

NYACK, N. Y., May 20.—Herman Coates shot and killed Lewis Hull and fatally wounded Mrs. Hull last night, at the home of the Hulls, where Coates had been invited to take supper. Coates, who had been drinking, escaped. It is supposed he fled to New Jersey. No cause is known for the shooting.

Robert Brown has been reported by Officer Merrick for using profane language on Main street on the night of the 17th inst.



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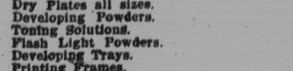


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