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TWO BUSY DEPARTMENTAL STORES.

We have just enough confidence in ourselves, our prices and our goods to think that once you really know us, we'll get your trade.

For Those Who Make Their Own Millinery

We've been saying so much in pictures and type about our TRIMMED HATS that some folks may have lost sight of the fact that we sell great quantities of MILLINERY MATERIALS likewise. We keep plenty of stylish Shapes and Frames, Flowers, Feathers and Birds, Plumes, Aigrettes and Wings, Quills, Ornaments, Ribbons and Braids—everything you can think of. A force of expert milliners ready to trim something to order for you on the shortest possible notice—in an hour if necessary. No exorbitant charges.

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There are points in Corset buying you think of besides price—correct form, that means a good figure, perfect fit, that means comfort and ease, are qualities worth considering when you want a corset. Our T. G. W. and BLACK SATEEN CORSETS are a shapely figure and an easy fit that you can live in with comfort. The price is only 50c pair.

Hosiery Selling Extraordinary

It is bedrock values such as these that makes this store popular. Cheap stockings are no novelty, but good stockings cheap like these in today's list are the exception. The prices we publish are but a hint. What they stand for will surprise you when you see them.

- Ladies' Heavy Wool Hose, 15c pair.
- Ladies' Fine Wool Hose, 25c pair.
- Ladies' Fine Cashmere Hose, 25c pair.
- Ladies' Fine Cashmere Hose, 25c pair.
- Ladies' Double Knitted Wool Hose, 35c pair.
- Children's Double Knitted Wool Hose, 25c pair.
- Ladies' Heavy Ribbed Wool Hose, 17c pair.
- Ladies' Very Fine Cashmere Hose, 35c, 50c.

These are all below regular prices.

Blankets!!

And such Blankets for the money. Call and see them you are sure to buy.

Read this price list and see which way the wind blows:

- 17 yards of 32-inch Flannellette for \$1.00.
- Children's Fleeced Underskirts, 17c, 20c each.
- Children's Fleeced Drawers, from 20c pair.
- Colored and Black Velveteens, special, 25c yard.
- Very fine Silk Finish Velveteen, at 50c yard.
- Large Size Black Muffs, only \$1 each.
- Wide Goat Fur, worth 35c our price 25c yard.
- Chenille Curtains, all colors, \$2.50 pair.
- Fine line of Gray Flannel, 12 1/2c; twilled and plain.

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Good results every time when you cook yourself. Buy your confectionery from us, and you'll always have the best. We deliver to all parts of the city.

JOHN FRIEND,

117 Dundas Street. J.W.

Chloroform is a positive CURE for DRUNKENNESS

It can be given without the knowledge of the patient in tea, coffee or articles of food, will effect a speedy and permanent cure, whether the patient is a moderate drinker or an alcoholic wreck. Book of particulars free to all who ask for it. Anderson & Nelles, Dundas St., London.

Modesty!

Makes thousands of women suffer in silence, rather than tell their troubles to anyone. To such Indian Women's Balm is a perfect boon. It cures all womb troubles, corrects monthly irregularities, abolishes the agonies of child-birth, makes weak women strong, and renders life worth living.

Western Ontario.

Berlin the Scene of a Brilliant Social Event.

Farmer Institute Started at Winton—No Shooting Aloud on a Rodney Farm.

Miss Silcox, Frome, a student at the Collegiate Institute, St. Thomas, is ill with diphtheria at her home.

The story that America silver was to be refused at the Windsor custom house and the banks today is denied.

The last two analyses of Windsor water cost \$145, \$190 of this going to one of Uncle Sam's microbe experts.

Ridgeway merchants are reported to be selling fresh meat at 5 cents a pound, and potatoes at 5 cents a peck.

Mr. Macfarlane, millwright, of Norwich town, has gone to take charge of extensive repairs in a mill at Bothwell.

The Dutton cattle fair on Tuesday was a decided failure, only about fifteen head being on the ground for disposal.

Stratford's new fire alarm system has just been completed. There are fourteen alarm boxes and the system cost \$2,000.

The Windsor and Walkerville teachers held their annual convention in the Cameron avenue school, Windsor, on Friday.

Ald. Durton, William Gordon and John O'Donoghue have all advanced themselves as candidates for the Stratford mayoralty.

At Chatham Edward Clouthier, of Windsor, for gambling on board the steamer City of Chatham, was fined \$20 and costs, in all \$39.50.

Mr. S. Morrow, formerly of Winton, and Mr. Joseph Kidd, of Goderich, have purchased the sawmill on Griffith's Island from Mr. John Kidd.

Duncan, J. Cameron, of Wallace town, who wrote on the evening examinations in July, has, on appeal, been granted a first class teacher's certificate.

Windsor Record: "Windsor's population should be clean. Each adult child uses 176 gallons of water a day, according to Engineer's Hall's report."

Since Rev. L. M. Randall resigned the pastorate of the West Lorne Baptist Church, there is talk of that church uniting with Rodney and the Plains.

Rodney Mercury: "No shooting aloud" is the sign that decorates a certain farm near Rodney. Whence should use noisier powder when they strike this place?"

The Stratford fire brigade passed a vote of thanks to the town council of St. Marys for their grant of \$20, made them some time ago for services rendered in connection with the burning of the National Hotel.

The death of Albert C. Stoves, father of Mrs. Justus W. Cobbe, of Norwich, took place at his residence at North Hill on Wednesday morning, in the 33rd year of his age. Deceased formerly lived at Holbrook.

Mr. Smith Cornell, of Norwich, was married on Wednesday at St. Thomas to Miss Mary Hodgins. The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. Irvine.

The bride was assisted by Miss Edith M. Peters, while Mr. Walter Jorday was groomsmen.

Mr. Duncan Brown, of Iona, was in Rodney recently, shipping the cattle which his firm (Brown Bros.) bought of Mr. A. Wismer some time ago. They had shipped a bull purchased from Mr. Charles Mistle, of Tabbot street, which weighed 1,740 pounds.

The wedding took place on Wednesday at St. Marys of Mr. F. W. Guernsey, C.E., and Miss Rose, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Sharp. The young people are two of the best known residents of the Stone Town, and their marriage was the social event of the season.

Sheriff Her, of Windsor, put up twenty of Sol White's horses for sale, but the bidding was so poor that only four were sold. The thoroughbred horse Bromock, for instance, was sold for \$50, although it brought \$250 the last time he passed through the sheriff's hands.

The Windsor Salt Company's works in Windsor were accorded exemption from taxation by the City Council, but the bidding was so poor that only four were sold. The thoroughbred horse Bromock, for instance, was sold for \$50, although it brought \$250 the last time he passed through the sheriff's hands.

The funeral took place on Wednesday from Stratford to Phillipsburg of the best known farmers of North Easthope, who died suddenly at the age of 77. When deceased came to the township of Wilmet some 50 years ago, he had only enough money to buy an axe. At his death he owned 1,300 acres, for which he paid \$52,700, and he had money besides.

The case of James Douglas against the township was tried before Judge Elliott at Alvin on Thursday, and resulted in a verdict for the plaintiff, the court allowing him \$60 damages.

This was an action for damage to crops by the flooding of the plaintiff's land, by reason of a certain culvert that was put in by the township last spring. Mr. Cowan, Samia, for the township; Mr. Cameron, London, for plaintiff.

The other day a Farmers' Institute was organized at Winton with the following officers: President, C. Swale; vice-president, J. H. Cook; Lion's Head; secretary-treasurer, P. Anderson; G. H. Stacey; Agnes; A. White; Albemarle; L. Sprague; Albemarle; H. Wilson; Eastnor; Robert; Eastnor; John; Westnor; Lindsay; and St. Edmunds; Alex. McDonald; Lindsay and St. Edmunds.

Some time ago a child of Mr. W. J.

McNally, of Walkerton, while eating an apple, got a piece of the core down the windpipe. Soon after the throat began to swell up, and the child experienced much difficulty in breathing. The doctor found it necessary to make an incision and insert a silver tube. This gave relief and shortly afterwards the obstruction came away through the opening thus made. But while the child is likely to recover, it seems to have entirely lost its voice.

Berlin's most brilliant social event of the season was the marriage on Wednesday of one of its fairest daughters, Miss Barbara Helen Livingston, third daughter of Mr. J. Livingston, M.P., to Mr. Chester E. Bricker, a rising young druggist, of Detroit. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Johnson, of Chestfield. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Carrie, and her cousin, of Listowel, Miss Louise Livingston. The groomsmen were the two brothers of the bride, Messrs. Harry and John Livingston.

Talk of War.

Denmark Said to be Fortifying in the Interest of Russia.

Spain May Pick a Quarrel With Uncle Sam.

The Roar of French Guns Alarmed the Turks.

Significant Reply of the French Ambassador to the Sultan's Protest—Divorce Wanted.

BISMARCK MAY BE COURT-MARTIALED.

London, Oct. 31.—A dispatch from Vienna says that it is positively asserted in well informed circles that should Prince Bismarck continue his disclosures of state secrets, his position will not protect him from serious consequences. It is mentioned in Berlin, the dispatch adds, to court-martial him in his capacity of general on the active list of the German army.

LI AT WORK.

London, Oct. 31.—The Standard publishes a dispatch from Berlin, which says that Li Hung Chang, who was appointed Chinese Minister of Foreign Affairs a few days ago, has taken up his permanent residence in Peking. Li Hung Chang has called to Herr Detring, commissioner of the Chinese customs, who is now on leave of absence, to hand on to him the German papers interpret this as an omen for the execution of reforms.

A SIGNIFICANT REPLY.

Constantinople, Oct. 31.—A severe panic was caused by the gun practice of the French guardship in the sea of Marmora. It caused the Turkish Government to urge upon the French embassy that the guardship should practice further away from the city.

The French ambassador, M. Cambon, replied that he regretted the alarm, but the people, he added, should be accustomed to the sound of firing.

ABDUL'S PROPOSAL.

London, Oct. 31.—A dispatch from Philippopolis, Roumelia, says that the Sultan has offered conditions to the Young Turks, with a view of obtaining a cessation of their agitation. The conditions, as the dispatch says, include amnesty and a responsible Ministry. In accordance with the proposal, the Sultan has offered to grant conditional liberty of the press. The leaders of the Young Turks regard the terms as insufficient.

DEATH OF CARDINAL HOHENLOE.

Rome, Oct. 31.—Cardinal Gustav Adolf von Hohenlohe-Schillingfurst, brother of the Chancellor of the German Empire, and archbishop of the Librarian Basilica, died here yesterday of apoplexy. Cardinal Hohenlohe was born in Germany on Feb. 28, 1825. In 1846 he went to Rome, entered the ecclesiastical academy and was consecrated a priest by Pope Pius IX. In 1866 he was created a cardinal.

WANTS A DIVORCE.

London, Oct. 31.—A petition for divorce, brought by the Countess Cowley against her husband, Henry Arthur Mornington Wellesley, third Earl Cowley, was called for hearing in the divorce division of the High Court yesterday. The divorce was sought on the ground of adultery, and the Countess alleged marital misconduct, and extreme cruelty on the part of the earl. Sir Edward Clarke, for the defense, asked a postponement of the case, as the earl was not ready to go on with his defense. For the Countess, Mr. Cowley opposed the motion for postponement, but the trial of the case was deferred to January.

SPAIN MAY QUARREL WITH UNCLE SAM.

According to advices from Washington, Spain will, undoubtedly, in the near future be compelled to find an excuse for releasing Cuba. There are well-founded rumors that the Spanish Government as a last resort, in order to settle the Cuban matter, and at the same time preserve the Bourbon dynasty, may find an excuse for picking a quarrel with this country. She could then gracefully retire from the contest by pleading that the superior power of the United States left no alternative other than to acknowledge Cuban independence. In event of collision between the United States and Spain, of course the administration could do nothing less than recognize Cuban belligerency.

TALK OF WAR.

Denmark Said to be Co-operating With Russia.

London, Oct. 31.—A dispatch to the Pall Mall Gazette from Copenhagen, relative to the enormous sums which are being expended by the Danish Government upon the fortifications of Copenhagen, says that this work is undertaken in pursuance of a secret understanding arrived at between Russia and France, by which Russia guarantees the integrity of Denmark, and that should a favorable occasion arise, Russia will insist upon part of Schleswig-Holstein being handed over to Denmark in case of a plebiscite of the inhabitants expresses the

desire of the people that this step should be taken.

On the other hand, the dispatch adds, Denmark undertakes, should Russia be engaged in war, to place at her disposal the harbors, forts and ship-building yards of Copenhagen, which, it is pointed out, as a base of operations against North Germany, are worth over 100,000 men. The dispatch further says the contents was concluded between Russia and Denmark during the Premiership of M. Estrup, who retired from the Presidency of the Danish Ministry in 1894. On the part of France and Russia, the scheme, in the event of an attack upon Germany, makes Copenhagen the point of concentration for the allied fleets and army corps, the latter of which could be landed in Germany at an unexpected point within a single night.

The Pall Mall Gazette adds: "The Government in Berlin have for a long time scented this danger; hence they expedited the completion of the Baltic North Sea Canal and made other preparations. The agreement, explaining why, though the annual budget of Denmark was a little over £1,000,000, were spent in fortifying Copenhagen, which is now provided with the best modern armaments and the latest projectiles and fort works, thus enabling Denmark to the key to the Baltic."

The Morning Post publishes a news agency dispatch from Copenhagen saying that an official denial has been given to the story published by the Pall Mall Gazette of an entente between Russia and Denmark.

Vertical Writing.

The Proposal to Authorize It in City Schools.

How the System Has Succeeded at Kingston.

Interesting Letter From a Leading Educationist.

The following letter, which has been received by School Trustee C. D. Johnston, refers to a subject which has excited a great deal of interest in this city, and is likely to occupy the attention of the Board of Education at its next meeting:

Kingston, Oct. 29, 1896.

In reply to your letter of the 23rd inst. inquiring as to the progress of the permit me to say: The reform originated on the continent of Europe, some twelve or fifteen years ago, as the result of expert investigation of the causes of the increasing prevalence of spinal curvature, and short sightedness, these physical defects being finally attributed, in a very large measure, to the sloping writing, and the required position at school and office desks.

In Germany, Austria, France, Switzerland, and Great Britain it has been steadily gaining ground since that time.

A little over four years ago it was introduced into the public schools of this city, the first place in America to adopt the reform. Since that time it has literally swept like a tidal wave over the continent, until it is now said that every progressive city school board has either adopted it or is taking it into serious consideration.

It is extensively used in every part of this Dominion, and has special authorization in at least three of the provinces. In the United States it has found, if possible, even greater favor, and is endorsed by almost every progressive educator. New York, Brooklyn, Jersey City, Chicago, Cleveland, Duluth, and innumerable small places are already teaching the upright hand. Cleveland is a somewhat remarkable case, because that city has long been regarded as the proud home of Spencerian writing, but in August last the school council decided that results had not been satisfactory, and out of fifteen series of vertical writing copy books published in the United States they selected the same system that which is authorized in Ontario. The Boston Board of Supervisors, from whom no other board of America knows more about practical school affairs, have twice unanimously recommended the adoption of vertical writing, and the use of the system taught in Ontario.

The special advantages we have found may be briefly stated as follows:

1. It is vastly more legible than the slanting hand, and the copy more than half of all that is really valuable in writing.

2. It is more hygienic, favoring a much better posture, and being much easier for the eyes of both pupils and teachers.

3. It is more easily learned, and hence more easily taught. With the slant writing, there was usually not more than from ten to twenty per cent of the pupils good writers, the rest indifferent or bad; with the vertical writing these proportions seem to be reversed. For the little children it is especially easy, many in the first and second year, in their school work writing quite as well, and with very little appearance of effort, as children did with the slant writing, in the fourth or fifth year.

4. It is more rapid, especially when legibility is taken into consideration, as well as speed. It is possible to make slanting writing legible. It is also possible to make it rapid. But it is not possible for more than one person in a thousand to make it at the same time legible and rapid. Many of the best professional penmen who have devoted years to slanting writing are now admitting that their hand breaks down and becomes an illegible scrawl under pressure for speed.

5. In this city vertical writing has had from the very first, the most enthusiastic support of business and commercial people. It is not an uncommon thing to hear of the manager of a bank or commercial house urging his assistants to learn the upright hand.

6. The opposition to it everywhere has come from persons who have spent years in acquiring all the special artifice of the slanting writing and have not carefully investigated the claims of the vertical.

7. As one of the authors of the Ontario copy books, it may be well to state that I have no financial interest in the books, and that I became identified with the movement because from the first it commended itself to me as a simple, common-sense educational reform. "R. K. ROW."

Worms cause feverishness, moaning and restlessness during sleep. Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator is pleasant and effective. If your druggist has none in stock, get him to procure it for you.

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See This Dress? Surprise Soap Washed it.

And will wash any washable material without injury to the color or material—it is harmless, yet effective.

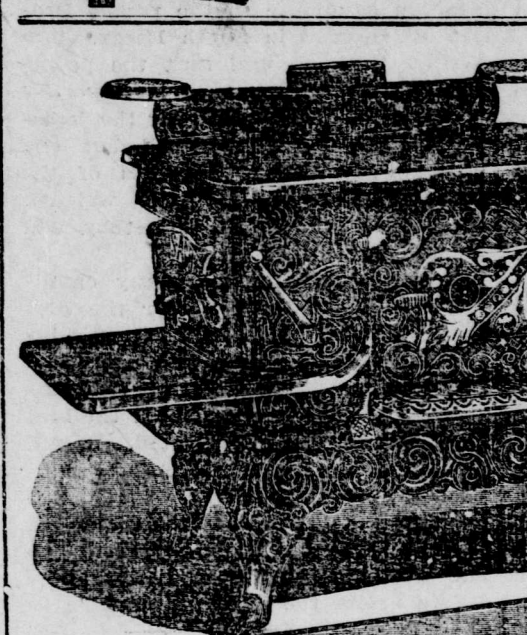
White goods are made whiter and colored goods brighter by the use of Surprise Soap.

Thousands use it. Why don't you? Use Surprise on washday for all kinds of goods without boiling or scalding.

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Householders—Note this fact: We never hear a complaint; always praise. Buck's stoves take the lead—gives the best satisfaction. Estimates given for the heating of public and private buildings.

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231 DUNDAS STREET.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Request of the Children's Aid Society Granted—South Street Sewer No Good.

The Finance Committee had little business to do last night outside of passing accounts. Mr. J. Sanders, humane inspector, sent a communication requesting that permission be granted the Children's Aid Society to use the room lately vacated by the mayor for business purposes.

Ald. Armstrong and Taylor said there had been some objection to giving the room in question to anybody, but they might have the old committee room, and also the use of any furniture other than the chairs, that remained in the engineer's old office.

Mr. Sanders thanked them, and promised to rid the room of some of the superfluous furniture.

Wm. Heaman wrote the committee, through his solicitor, saying he had paid \$144 for street watering in front of his houses at 866 and 868 Queen's avenue, and requested that the same be refunded, as there had been no street watering done there this season.

After the street had been graded, it had been neglected entirely. Laid over for investigation.

Elise Wilson's request for remission of \$8.75 taxes was filed.

A. S. Cliff's taxes, \$10.75, were remitted on the recommendation of Inspector Bell.

Mrs. Ryan, H. C. Farquhar, Edward Jackson and John Morris, South street

residents, petitioned against paying taxes for the sewer on their street, as it was not low enough to carry the water away from their cellars. They had been paying taxes for some years for a thing which was practically useless. Referred to the engineer to report upon.

Those present were Ald. Armstrong (chairman), Taylor, Powell, Geary and Secretary Pope.

SAD FOREBODINGS OF AUTUMN WEATHER

Thousands Who Dread an Attack of Catarrh as Winter's Cold Approaches—Yet Catarrh Can Be Banished Under the Magic Touch of Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder.

This is not a dogmatic statement, strong as it may seem. Leading members of Parliament, the most prominent clergymen of the Episcopal, Presbyterian, Methodist, Baptist, and Roman Catholic Churches have borne testimony to the effectiveness of this medicine. Mr. John MacEdward, the popular purser of the Canadian Pacific steamer "Arcturion," is a man who was cured of intense suffering from catarrhal troubles by the use of this medicine. Good Samaritan-like, he has ever since recommended it to any who suffer. Read off an attack of catarrh by having this medicine your hand.

Use Kur-a-Kof, the cough and cure, 25c, at Anderson & Nelles' Store.

Commerce employs 6,000,000 Germans. America has seven negro colleges.