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White Goods Sale

Our Muslin Underwear Department is still claiming the greatest share of our attention. This is our month for white wear selling and we want it to eclipse last year by one half. To help on the interest in this department we have put these goods at such prices as these:—

Embroidered Drawers, made of fine cotton, trimmed with cluster of 3 tucks and frill, special at 25c.

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A MEDIUM Tells about the Spirit World.

He Says Their's is a Religion
Itself.

AND BASED UPON THE SCRIPTURE
"JESUS HIMSELF WAS A
GREAT MEDIUM, HE
DECLARES.

"Like any other religion," said G. G. Griffin, the spiritualist, of whose seances all the town is talking, "spiritualism, at once a religion and a science, is based upon the Bible. Opening the Bible at I. Corinthians the medium read the opening verses of chapter II. "Now, concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I would not have you ignorant. And there are diversities of gifts, but the same spirit. And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh all in all. But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal. For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit; to another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; now I have that gift to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues."

Proceeding from this point Mr. Griffin stated that his wife had, under control, the gift of tongues, speaking French, Spanish, several Indian dialects and other languages of which she was entirely ignorant.

"To do as we would be done by is a fundamental law of spiritualism; we know that we must work out our own salvation and this is where we differ from the orthodox churches. Life is probation and when we throw up this body we keep on progressing. We enter a state of light or darkness according as we live in this life. Orthodox will not admit that there is progression after death, and yet they say that Jesus Christ descended into hell, and that the reason of his going among those in darkness was to uplift them to the light. We simply teach that everything is done by natural laws. You are a spirit encased in a body. That spirit never dies; and if a man goes out, by natural laws, through the change called death, why can he not be the same law return?"

Mr. Griffin then turned his attention briefly to thought. Brain, he said, cannot create thought. Knowing this, what is more natural than to suppose our spirit friends are here trying to throw their thoughts into our brain.

PRETTY STEEP FIGURES.
"In the United States there are between sixteen and seventeen million spiritualists outside of the church, and many more who do not avow themselves, as spiritualism is not a popular religion. We have five cities in the city of Detroit and four in Cincinnati. We have regularly ordained ministers and hold over fifty camp meetings during the warm weather. Now, in 16,000,000 people there must be some clever, thinking men, some smart minds. If you believe in spiritualism—if you believe that the dead mother or father, sister or brother can see you and know everything you do—you are bound to be a better man. Preachers of orthodox are down on spiritualism; but take spiritualism away from this book the Bible and there is nothing left but history. Preachers tell us that God is Spirit and that we are part of God; that God never changes. And they say, 'believe that the man who established these immutable laws was the one to break them.'"

IS NOT A VENTRILOQUIST.
"Ventriloquism and mesmerism are looked upon by many as the forces at work to produce what they consider phenomena; and I would like to be as good a ventriloquist and mesmerist as they give me credit with being."

Mr. Griffin then stated that from several of the seven spheres in the spirit world he and Mrs. Griffin had had spirits come to them for guidance upon the road to proper progression. Others had come to them and asked to be prayed for.

"The Bible says that there are spirits ascending and descending to and from the throne of grace trying to uplift fallen spirits."
"Spiritualism does away with the fear of a burning hell and of a fiery lake. It is drifting more and more away from this dogma which makes God appear unconquerably cruel and unjust. How could we be happy on the other side if we knew that father, mother, sister or brother was down there in a burning hell? Is it not more natural to suppose that he can come back if we want to?"

mon more than a good spiritualist. And no beggar is ever turned away empty-handed from a spiritualist's door, charity being one of the foremost principles of spiritualism. We who reach up to higher intelligences for help also reach down to help others."

Mr. Griffin, who was born in Norfolk county, Ontario, will hold developing classes in Chatham if suitable rooms can be secured. He and Mrs. Griffin, a natural clairvoyant, have developed twenty-seven media and are developing others here. No one, says Mr. Griffin, but has some latent spiritual family capable of development.

CAN'T AFFORD IT

The City is too Hard up Just at Present

To Give \$100 to the Indian Famine Fund—Have Our Own Poor.

At last night's council meeting, Ald. Sulman moved, seconded by Ald. McPhie, that to show our sympathy with the famine sufferers in India, \$100 be granted to the Indian relief fund.

The mayor said we had much distress in our own town he could not see how we could send \$100—how we dare send \$100 to the Indian relief fund. He said he knew families in Chatham who were to-day suffering for the actual necessities of life, and were without fuel. He believed, England, wealthy as she was, ought to be able to relieve these people.

Ald. Bray agreed with the mayor. The churches had taken the matter up and a good deal of money was already being sent out of the country. Ald. O'Keefe opposed the motion. The money could very well be spent in Chatham.

Ald. Carpenter thought it would have been better to have sounded the council before bringing the matter up, but now it had been brought up it would lower the city to throw out the motion.

Ald. Blight and Ald. Lewis opposed the grant, as unnecessary, the churches having actively taken up the work. Still Ald. Lewis admitted it would lower the city to refuse to vote such a sum after all.

Ald. Sulman said if Chatham gave nothing it would stand alone among the other cities of the dominion. Montreal had given \$25,000, Toronto \$4,000 and Winnipeg \$2,000. If there were people in Chatham as badly off as the mayor said, it was mostly their own fault.

The mayor—Not so. You come with me after the council is over and I'll show them to you.
Ald. Sulman—Perhaps they are like the man who came to me the other day and said they hadn't a bit in the house. I offered him an order for a roast of beef, but he refused it. He wanted a turkey.
Ald. McPhie pointed to the smallness of the grant, and said if wasn't sent the money would not go to the poor of Chatham. It would simply remain in city treasury.
To let the council down easy, the following amendment was then suggested and carried:
"That in view of the subscriptions in the banks and collections in the churches, it is not deemed necessary for this council to make any action."

LAD OVER. Expected Fight Over Coyle

Did not Materialize at the Council.

FIRE AND LIGHT COMMITTEE WILL TAKE MORE EVIDENCE DURING THE NEXT TWO WEEKS.

Ald. Smith, chairman of the fire and light committee reported to the council last night the suspension of Watchman Coyle for drunkenness and the subsequent investigation into the affair. All the evidence was not taken, the committee decided to ask for fuller powers from the council. He moved that the matter be referred back for the committee to thoroughly investigate and report.

Ald. Weaver—I would like to ask Ald. Smith if there is anything more than that Mr. Coyle was intoxicated that night, against him?
Ald. Smith—I do not care to anticipate the report of the committee by answering the question.
Ald. Weaver—But I would like an answer.

Ald. Smith—I know you would, but this is not the time to give it. I have no right until the committee investigates the case to answer any questions of any kind, and I'm not going to. Ald. Weaver—I simply ask to have that question answered.
Ald. Smith—Then I decline to answer it.
The mayor said Ald. Smith was right. Ald. Weaver had no business to ask such a question.
The mayor ruled that Ald. Weaver had a perfect right to ask the question.

Ald. Weaver—Of course I have. The mayor—And Ald. Smith has a perfect right to decline to answer it. (Laughter).
Ald. Smith said the preliminary investigation was simply held to justify Chief Jacques' course in suspending the watchman.
The mayor said Mrs. Coyle was present and expected to be heard. But in view of the postponement that would not be expedient.

Ald. Bray urged the committee to expedite affairs.
Ald. O'Keefe claimed the committee should have acted in the first place and brought in a final report. He wanted a ruling of the council so that if there was a repetition of such an affair they would know what to do.
Ald. Carpenter claimed the committee had no power to act in such a matter until they were empowered to do so by resolution of the council.

Ald. Bray upheld this view, and the mayor sustained it.
The matter then went back to the committee for a full investigation, the committee to report at the next meeting of council.

STREET OBSTRUCTION.
Several Parties said to be Breaking the By-law.
R. T. Phillips asked the council last night for leave to occasionally occupy a small section of the side of the street near his mill in North Chatham. The mayor and Ald. Smith urged that Mr. Phillips be granted the concession. Other mills, lumber yards and ice houses now used the streets whenever they wanted to.
Ald. Carpenter said we might as well rescind the by-law. If, as his worship alleged, a number of others were occupying the streets, the by-law was simply useless. If we knocked the by-law out altogether we would know what to do.
I must say I agree with Ald. Carpenter," said Ald. Blight. He had had no less than three complaints last week, he said, of street obstruction.
Ald. Lewis said if damage resulted from obstructions the city was liable. Because three or four people were already breaking the by-law it did not follow that another man should be allowed to do the same. All should be made to observe the by-law.
The mayor said what seemed peculiar to him was that Phillips should be singled out and brought up in the police court, while the Blonnes, Hads, Piggothe and others could obstruct the streets when they liked and nothing was said about it. He suggested the committee of works consider the matter and make some suggestion as to whether it would be wise to amend the by-law or not. This was agreed to.

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