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Saturday Night And Monday.....

Bargain List

Here are bargains the like of which you cannot find any place else, and as the supply in every case is limited we would advise you to select early as possible.

Embroidery and Insertion

Wide and narrow, some of the prettiest of this season's patterns among them, reg. price 20c and 25c, on sale To-night and Monday at 12½c

Ladies' Print Shirt Waists

In all the leading colors, sizes 32 to 40, made of first-class washable prints, reg. price 50c to \$1, your choice To-night and Monday..... 25c

Crystal Corded Silk

One piece only, in white, reg. price 50c To-night and Monday at per yd..... 25c

Muslins

In all colors, 20c and 25c per yard, To-night and Monday 6½c

Ladies' Fancy Hose

In black and white and other colors, reg. price 25c, your choice To-night and Monday at..... 17c

Satin Stripe Grass Linen

One of the most elegant materials manufactured for evening dress, etc., reg. price \$1.50, To-night and Monday at..... 95c

Raw Silks

Our regular 25c raw silk, To-night and Monday at..... 21c

English Silks

4 pieces, in nice colorings, reg. price 25c, To-night and Monday per yard..... 13c

Thomas Stone & Son

Thresher's Supplies

Oils, Beltings

And Hardware of all descriptions, at Lowest Prices.

John A. Morton Hardware Merchant

THERE IS NOTHING LIKE AN

IRON BED

No crevices as hiding places for pests and no wooden slats to be continually falling down. White enamelled and brass mounted. Comfort in their very looks and easily kept clean. Costs very little more than ramshackle wooden bedsteads that do not last a quarter as long.

Hugh McDonald

Dealer in Furniture, Upholstering and Carpets. Opposite the Garner House.

A WISE IDEA

To get your old carpet manufactured into beautiful durable rugs, at prices that are right. Call and see samples. Factory opposite Pigott & Son's lumber office in J. & J. Oldershaw's block.

THE CHATHAM RUG FACTORY. Phone 85c.

CHANGES IN GERMAN NAVY.

Berlin, August 22.—Admiral von Diederichs has resigned his post as chief of staff of the navy. He has been succeeded by Vice-Admiral Ruechel. Admiral von Diederichs is the officer who as vice-admiral was in command of the German squadron of five cruisers in Manila Bay at the time Commander, now admiral, Dewey was operating against the Spaniards.

BELTS STUDDED WITH MONEY

Suspected Gypsies Held up for Explanations in New York.

Picturesque Servants Detained as Immigrants had More Than \$35,000.

New York, August 22.—Elias J. Ivanovich, with his wife and eight children, from Serbia, were held over night by the immigration authorities at Ellis Island and this in spite of the fact that he has with him \$25,000 in gold coin and \$10,000 worth of jewelry. It was suspected they were gypsies, and until they could prove their good intent in coming to this country it was decided to look into their story. When it was seen that they were possessed of wealth that fairly took the breath from the examiners' apoplexy were in order.

Elias, the head of the family, is about 50 years old. He is more than six feet tall, and with his impressive bearing and picturesque attire could well pass for a picture of the ideal bandit. About his waist, beneath a Persian lamb coat, he wears a belt containing Spanish doubloons three deep. His watch chain is of massive silver studded with turquoises of large size.

No less gaudily attired was his oldest son, who likewise wore gold earrings nearly two inches long, and in the ears of his pretty daughter were large pearls.

CORNER STONE

Initial Function of the New Library Building Will be in Charge of Mayor.

A special meeting of the Library Board was held last evening with Chairman Thibodeau and Messrs. Scullard, Throby, Sheldrick, Smith, Davis, and Charteris present. The corner stone for the new library, was the principal point of discussion and the meeting was short.

It was moved by Chairman Thibodeau and seconded by Mr. Smith, that the architect's suggestion that there be two corner stones, one on each side of the entrance, be accepted.—Carried.

The north one—the most prominent one—to be inscribed: "Through the munificence of Andrew Carnegie."

Architect Wilson, had also suggested that the names of the present board be inscribed on the other stone, but their modesty would not allow them to do so, and only the date will be put on it. The ceremony will only be for the north stone, at which the Mayor will preside, and it was left with Chairman Thibodeau and Messrs. Scullard and Davis to look after the ceremony.

On motion of Messrs. Sheldrick and Sheldrick the architect was authorized to further engravings at the new building, the cost not to exceed \$15.

Meeting adjourned.

IMPORTANT DECISION

Drainage Referee J. B. Rankin has handed down his decision in the drainage suit of Camden vs. Dresden and the Township of Chatham. This was as appeal from the report, plans, assessment and estimate of W. G. McGeorge upon the repair of that part of the Henson drain within the town of Dresden and crossing what is called the River road. The locality was inspected by the drainage referee and representatives of the parties in November last and again in May last.

The contention of Camden was that the washout across the River road was a matter of non-repair of the highway and had nothing whatever to do with the drainage work. The contention of Dresden, on the other hand, was that drainage work rendered necessary the original bridge or culvert over the drain, that there was no creek or watercourse of any kind in the line of the drain so as to make a bridge necessary for the use of the highway and, as the outlet of the drain was covered for about 21 rods from the river, that part across the road could not be considered in any way separate from the drain. The evidence of several engineers was taken and Drainage Referee J. B. Rankin has now made his report, in which he holds that the work to be done is part of the drain and not part of the road. That the town of Dresden has ample power to undertake the work and assess it. That the plan proposed by Mr. McGeorge is a permanent character and should be carried out in order to make the road safe for the travelling public. The appeal of the Township of Camden is dismissed with costs. Mr. Wilson, K. C. and Geo. E. Weir for Camden, J. W. Sharpe for Dresden, and J. S. Fraser for Chatham Township.

The Blenheim lacrosse team drove to Thamesville on Wednesday, and played their last league game with the Thamesville team. The Kegs won out easily, by a score of 4 to 0. They do not speak very highly of the treatment accorded them at Thamesville.

CANADA VS. U. S.

London, Aug. 22.—The Paris Journal says Sir Wilfrid Laurier, being asked why Canada did not join the United States, replied:—

"We should disappear." "French Canada would disappear much more quickly in that gigantic furnace than in the flood of Anglo-Saxon immigration. All who love the French language ought to wish for us to remain Canadians." "Besides," concluded the Canadian Premier, "there is nothing nowadays to foreshadow such a change."

MANY MATTERS

They Were Discussed at the Civic Board of Works Meeting Last Night.

A meeting of the Board of Works was held last evening in Harrison Hall with Chairman McKeough and Aldermen Mounteer and Waddell, City Engineer McNabb and City Solicitor Matthew Wilson present.

Different sections of the contract for the William and Sixth streets pavements were discussed and adjusted. The contract is to be signed to-day by Mr. VanVlack, president of the Dominion Paving Co. When the account of J. & J. Oldershaw, which had been referred, was being passed the engineer said, "We have a lot of trouble with J. & J. Oldershaw; they never have any work and just order it from their firms after we order it from them and sometimes they can get it right away and sometimes they can not. In the meantime the contractors have had the ground ready for the pipe when we order it and in our agreement with them we said we would supply them with the pipe and I have had to go on several occasions to J. & J. Oldershaw for what we want."

Chairman McKeough said he thought the engineer ought to write J. & J. Oldershaw concerning the matter.

The engineer was instructed to get out plans for Hilliard street sewer and have the contractors notified. The engineer brought up the subject of shed for the tools and machines of the city.

Ald. Mounteer said it was a very important matter and a site for it should be obtained.

Chairman McKeough thought the west end of Colborne street would make the best place for it, but the engineer thought it would not be large enough.

Chairman McKeough said they had not money enough to build it this year.

Engineer—Well, the machinery is just losing about 15 per cent. of its value yearly.

Ald. Waddell asked when the sewer was going to be used on Stanley avenue.

Engineer—Just when it's turn comes.

Ald. Waddell—I'd like to see a light steam power to pull the scraper. I think the steam roller damages the crossings too much.

The engineer replied that light steam power could not be had, as all the traction engines were in use in the country and the steam roller does twice as much work as two teams of horses and does it better.

TIE ON TRACK

Woodstock Small boy Arrested on the Serious Charge of Train Wrecking.

Woodstock, Ont., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—Edward Hennecker, a 15-year-old boy whose home is in Bright, is in jail here, charged with attempting to wreck a G. T. R. train last Monday night.

That night as a freight train was going west on the Buffalo and Goderich division in the darkness it ran into a railroad tie, which had been placed across the tracks. The force with which the pilot struck the heavy tie broke it in two, and threw the pieces on each side of the track, otherwise there might have been a serious wreck. Chief Detective Day, of the G. T. R., went to Bright to investigate the case, with the result that he came to Woodstock yesterday and swore out a warrant against the lad Hennecker, who was employed by a farmer near Bright. Officers from this city arrested him last night. He denied his guilt, though Detective Day says he had the whole thing to him. The lad is small for his age, and does not look as if he could lift a railroad tie.

NOTHING DEFINITELY DECIDED.

Montreal, Aug. 22.—A high official of the Allan Line stated this morning that nothing had been definitely decided regarding the ports of call for the South African ships. The ports will probably alternate, Cape Town being always the first stopping place. There will be no sailings to Delagoa Bay, as freight to the interior from there is much higher for outside products than for those of Portuguese East Africa.

Calling stations will be fixed later. The last ship from Montreal will be on Nov. 18. The next boat will be the Furness liner, from St. John or Halifax, Dec. 18.

Band Concert at Port Lambton on Monday night!

FOUR MOUNTAIN CLIMBERS KILLED.

Grandevail, Switzerland, Aug. 22.—The bodies of two Londoners named Fearon and these of two guides, who started Aug. 19 to ascend the Wetterhorn, and who did not return, have been found by a search party near the summit of the mountains. Two of the party were apparently killed by lightning and two met their deaths by fall. The two Fearons killed were the Rev. R. B. Fearon and H. C. D. Fearon, and inspector of factories.

Minard's Lament—Lumberman's Friend.

CONFUSED AND CONTRADICTORY

Are Telegrams About the Boer Generals—No Dissensions Among the Latter.

Have Been Trying to Avoid Anti-British Demonstrations—Kruger's Prestige lost.

ALL-YEAR PORT

Necessary in Order to Compete With the Morgan Combination—Many Wrecks.

London, Aug. 22.—The Brussels correspondent of the Times says that the telegrams from Holland have been confused and contradictory, but that it is plain that the Boer generals have done everything in their power to avoid arousing anti-British demonstrations, and that all reports regarding their future so-called "political programme" are premature. The rumors that Kruger reproached the generals are not credited in Brussels, and the reports of dissensions between the generals and their colleagues are unconfirmed.

The loss of prestige by Kruger and his party, says the correspondent, is shown by their lack of interest in their doing on the part of the Belgian press. Serious opinion does not assign to Leyds any status in the future political developments of South Africa.

CHAMBERLAIN TO SPEAK.

London, Aug. 22.—The Times Paris correspondent says that The Times correspondent says that the Boer generals' decision to return to London immediately shows that they expect from Chamberlain a positive statement as to when autonomy will be granted.

GIGANTIC TRUST

Movement on Foot to Organize One With a Capital Some \$25,000,000.

Louisville, Ky., Aug. 22.—The Times to-day says: "Chas. D. Gates, president and general manager of the Turner, Day and Woolworth Hardware Company, has just returned from New York, where he conferred with capitalists who are promoting a \$25,000,000 trust to take in all the axe manufacturing, handle manufacturing and grindstone manufacturing in this country and Canada, the plans to be operated under one management. Plans for the formation of the trust have been perfected and arrangements have already been made to take over the larger plants, though the deal may not be finally consummated for several months. Men of great wealth are interested in the project, which is to be financed by a big New York Trust Company. An offer of \$1,000,000 has been made for the Turner, Day & Woolworth plant, but Mr. Gates refused to discuss the matter further than to state:—'Yours truly, a deal is on.' A proposition has been made to this company, but as for discussing the matter in detail or its probable outcome, I cannot do so."

Despite the unwillingness of Mr. Gates to talk, it is stated on good authority that matters have so far progressed that options have been given on most of the plants desired."

Two Fires in a Building AT SALT.

Galt, Ont., Aug. 22.—The fire brigade was called out last night about 11 o'clock to put out a fire in the shoe store of Wm. Hall, in the McTavie Block, on Main street. A coal oil lamp carried by Mrs. John Boyd, who occupied the two upper flats as a dwelling, exploded, setting fire to some empty paper boxes, which threatened a serious conflagration, but was put out before much damage was done.

Mrs. Boyd's clothing caught fire, and one of her hands was badly blistered. About two o'clock this morning large volumes of smoke were seen issuing from the upper story of the same building, and the firemen found a more serious fire making headway in the building. Mr. and Mrs. Boyd were aroused from sleep in a stupefied condition from fumes of smoke in their bedroom, and rescued with ladders. The building did not suffer much from the fire, and is fully insured in the Gore District Mutual. Hall's stock will be completely ruined by smoke and water. Insurance \$3,000, divided among the Waterloo Mutual and Canadian and Ottawa.

MAKES MILLIONS

In one Turnover Schwab Clears an Immense Pile—Some Big Figures.

Pittsburg, Aug. 22.—According to stories in banking circles, for the payment of \$7,500,000 in cash to J. P. Morgan & Co., Schwab secured control of the Bethlehem Steel Co., and turned it over to the shipbuilding company for \$10,000,000 of the latter company, \$8,000,000 of its preferred stock and \$2,000,000 of its common stock.

In other words, the United States Shipbuilding Company is reported to have paid to Schwab securities having a par value of \$25,000,000 for a property for which Schwab paid \$7,500,000 in cash.

FROM HUGH JOHN

Geo. G. Martin is in receipt of a letter from his old friend the Hon. Hugh John Macdonald, K. C., Winnipeg. Mr. Macdonald leaves this week for Kingussie, Badenoch, Scotland, where his mother and Mr. Martin were born. Mr. Martin's and Hugh John's mother played and romped together as young girls. The narrow river Spey divided Kinross and Ballylilly the latter estate being that of Capt. Clark the father of Hugh John's mother, and now the property of the family of Sir David Brewster, who are near kinsmen of Hugh John. Hugh John writes that he had the pleasure of meeting ex-Mayor T. A. Smith at Winnipeg, and that he was greatly impressed with the wide and enlightened grasp held by the ex-mayor on commercial and political questions, and that West Kent made a great mistake in not sending Mr. Smith to Dominion parliament, and hopes this error will be rectified next time. The ex-mayor also wrote Mr. Martin from Brandon.

REDUCED MAJORITY

London, Aug. 22.—H. W. Forster (Conservative) has been re-elected to the parliamentary vacancy in the Sevenoaks division of Kent, caused by his appointment to the Lord Commissionership of the Treasury. His majority was 891 votes over the Liberal candidate, Beaumont Morice. The contest centered on the Education Bill.

(At the last election in the west, or Sevenoaks, division of Kent, Mr. Forster defeated his Liberal opponent by 4,812 votes.)

PERSIAN SHAH COMING SOON

Oriental Despot has Decided to Visit the United States.

Wants to Learn American Methods and buy Some Yankee Machinery.

Pittsburg, August 22.—A London cable to the Dispatch says: The Shah of Persia, whose person reflects the scene of oriental splendor, has decided to shed the light of his countenance upon a country governed by the people. He has practically decided to visit the United States in spite of his dislike of the ocean voyage. The Shah, in an interview granted to the Dispatch correspondent, expressed his admiration for the system of government of the United States of America. Republicanism is a word of which his oriental majesty has just begun to learn the meaning. In his realm he says to his grand vizier:—

"So-and-so dies at sunrise." And So-and-so realizes that he has come into a different atmosphere. The flunkey who incurs his displeasure is protected by the constitution. The constitution is a game his oriental majesty has never played. Hence, he looks forward to his visit to America with an emotion akin to awe.

His Persian majesty yesterday received Henry White, the American charge d'affaires, at Marlborough House. His Persian majesty desires to be progressive and expressed his wish to become familiar with American methods in manufactures—especially that of steel, in which he is particularly interested. He says American steel makes the best swords and bayonets, and these arguments are used extensively in his dominion. It is the Shah's intention to buy American locomotives for his railroads and Westinghouse gas engines for his power houses. He has become acquainted with the possibilities of these machines during his visit to France and England, where they are held to be the models of mechanical construction.

A LEGACY FROM CECIL RHODES

London, Aug. 22.—The Essex County Cricket says it hears that Cecil Rhodes bequeathed to the Countess of Warwick lands in South Africa which have been sold for \$1,000,000.

The Earl and Countess of Warwick have an estate in Essex (Easton Lodge, Dunmow), which may account for local paper obtaining this item of news. The Countess, who years ago was referred to as "Babbling Brooke," and who was well known as Lady Brooke, the famous beauty, founded Brooke House, at Reading, for the training of women, and some time ago added to it a colonial department, in which women are taught cooking, housewifery, laundry work and dress-making. Some time before the death of Cecil Rhodes the Countess published an article on "Training girls for the Transvaal" in which she directly appealed to Andrew Carnegie for aid in the work. At the time the provisions of Mr. Rhodes' will were made public it was reported that he left a large sum of money to the Earl and Countess of Warwick, because the Countess, more than all other English women, best personified British imperialism from a feminine point of view; but the report was denied by an inscription from Mr. Rhodes, who was familiar with the contents of the will.

A BIG CAPTURE

William Leacock, John Milner and Detective McGregor went to the mouth of the river fishing yesterday. While Leacock and Milner were trolling they hooked a huge something. They thought at first it was Charlie Williams' sea serpent. When they got it in the boat, they discovered that it was a big fish. They got it into the rowboat. John Milner sat on the head and William Leacock sat on the tail. The fish made a violent effort with its tail and swished William overboard. Detective McGregor was called to admire the wonder, but he made the pair feel bad when he told them their capture was only a big dent fish. It was a large one, and weighed 40 pounds.

MAN ESCAPED

The man Ephraim Adair, of Blenheim, wanted on the charge of attempted rape, is still at large. Constable Grant and another constable went to arrest the fellow. A constable went to each door, but Adair left these houses by the window. He had proved before that he was a good runner, when he escaped at the Eau, and he again eluded the constable by fleetness of foot.

Judge Houston says that unless some way is found to pay constables sufficient to make them anxious to keep their prisoners, such escapes will be frequent. This is the second man who has escaped the constables this week and strange to say the men were wanted on similar charges.