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A SUCCESSFUL SALE

The success of our Mid-Winter Sale has become more pronounced as the public learn of the great bargains in FIRST CLASS DRY GOODS to be found at this store.

THE DRESS GOODS SALE at fifteen per cent. off regular prices will be continued for ten days more.

LADIES' COATS, in Tweeds and Black and Colored Beavers, values from \$16.90 to \$25.00, your choice \$10.00.

CHILDREN'S COATS, Teddy Bear, Cardinal Bear-Skin, Navy and Cardinal Cloth and Velvet, from \$1 upwards.

LADIES' GOLF COATS, in a great variety of colors, plain and in pretty combinations, several qualities, from \$1 upwards.

SPECIAL SALE VALUES in Flannelette Gowns, Ladies' Undervests, White Lawn Blouses, Lace Blouses in Black and Ecru.

Free Hemming on all Table Linens, Sheetings, etc.

DOWLING BROTHERS 95 and 101 King Street

A Customer's Reasonable Wish Is This Store's Pleasure. DYKEMAN'S

Sale of Ladies' Black Cashmere Stockings

These are much better than the ordinary stocking you will buy for the prices mentioned. For instance, a seamless Cashmere Stocking of winter weight, 3 sizes, sale price 20 cents a pair.

An extra heavy soft finish seamless Cashmere Stocking, at 25 cents a pair.

An English Cashmere Stocking of a very fine texture, 35 cents a pair.

A German Cashmere Stocking, extra weight and extra wearing qualities, at 40 cents a pair.

A Lianna Cashmere Stocking, very fine, purest of silk finished cashmere, at 50 cents a pair.

We have a lot of heavy Ribbed Stockings for Children, knit from purest of Scotch yarns, 25, 28 and 30 cents a pair, according to size.

F.A. DYKEMAN & CO. 55 Charlotte street

Good Furs Like Real Gems, Are Rare

The very choicest of our select showing of Furs are included in this sale, and, like other grades, are offered at a reduction of 25 Per Cent from regular prices.

Bargains You Can't Afford To Miss

J. L. THORNE & CO. Hatters and Furriers, 55 Charlotte Street

NEW SPRING CORSET MODELS

She who wishes to know what the new Spring figure will be like will wish to see these

D. & A. Models

A corset combining great comfort with perfect elegance and moderate price. Let us show you them

50c., 75c., \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.35, \$1.50

S. W. McMACKIN, 335 MAIN ST.

BARGAINS IN PIANOS AND ORGANS

Slightly used Dominion U.P. Piano, 7 1/2 Octaves. Excellent tone. Original price \$375.00, now \$135.00. Terms: \$8.00 down, and \$6.00 per month.

THE C. H. TOWNSEND PIANO CO. 53 Germain St., St. John, N. B.

LOCAL NEWS

BATTLE LINE. S. S. Hinona, Captain Bennett, bound from Norfolk for Rio Janeiro, bunkered at St. Thomas yesterday and proceeded.

LAST NIGHT'S ROBBERY. There have been practically no new developments in the robbery case in Charles street, when Miss Learmont of City Road had her purse snatched from her by a man. The police are working on the matter and hope to have it cleared up.

POLICE COURT. In the police court this morning three prisoners, charged with drunkenness, were fined 88 or two months in jail each, and one other was fined \$4 or ten days in jail. Smith Drew, aged nineteen, arrested on harassment, was before the court and was remanded.

BUSINESS NOTES. In the Royal Gazette is given notice of the formation of a partnership between John E. Sweeney and H. Bernard Ferris for the purpose of carrying on business as printers, stationers and publishers.

DEATH OF MRS. FRENCH. The death of Mrs. Mary Ann French, widow of John French, of the I. C. R., occurred last night at her home, 92 Wilmot street. Mrs. French is survived by two sons, Allan, of this city, and Arthur, of the C. P. R., Calgary, and three daughters—Mrs. Gorton of Boston, Mrs. John Smith and Mrs. Hurd of St. John. The funeral will take place on Friday afternoon from her late residence.

HALIFAX BOWLERS. It is altogether likely that a Halifax bowling team will enter the next Brunswick-Balke-Collender Inter-bowling tournament, which will be held in this city.

PRENTICE BOYS AT HOME. The members of King Edward Lodge, P. A. P. B., were at home to their friends in their hall in Guilford street last night. An excellent musical and literary programme was carried out, after which refreshments were served. The pleasant affair was well attended. The committee in charge was composed of Messrs. J. C. Rolston, A. L. Belyea, Ezekiel McLeod, M. Tapley, David Willis, Isaac McLeod, and C. M. Arnold.

HOME FROM HALIFAX. All of the members of the St. John Amateur Company presenting "Lost Paradise" in Halifax, have returned home. Those who remained over in Halifax yesterday arrived in the city early this morning. All greatly praise the Halifax people for the treatment and relations shown by the Halifax people. Miss Josephine Lynch, who played the leading role, remained in Halifax and will visit relatives there for a few weeks. At Tuesday evening's performance Miss Lynch and Miss Harney received handsome bouquets.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS CAMP. The Halifax Chronicle says—"It is understood that the Uniform Rank Knights of Pythias of the maritime provinces, are contemplating holding a camp at Moncton this year during the meeting of the Grand lodge of the maritime provinces there. There are eight companies of Uniform Rank in the maritime provinces, and it is believed that a camp along the lines of those conducted in connection with the meeting of the supreme lodge at the various cities in the United States would prove a success.

GOOD TIME AT DRIVE. The members of the Gem Theatre staff and their friends, to the number of about forty-five last evening held an enjoyable sleigh drive, going out the Marsh road about as far as Brookville. They returned to the city and drove to J.P.S. Vincent's in German street, where a tempting turkey supper was dined, full justice. Afterwards a programme of dancing gave much pleasure, as did songs by Miss Helene Andrieu. The chaperones were Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Tritts, Mrs. R. H. Winchester, and Mrs. W. Coughlin.

PROGRESS AT ST. ANDREWS. The Beacon says—"Saint John is not the only place where increased activity is noticeable in real estate. During the last five years there have been many enquiries for real estate in and about St. Andrews, chiefly for summer cottage sites.

CANADIAN ORDER FORESTERS. The following have been installed officers of Court Hiawatha, 733, I. O. F., by Robert Moore, D.D., H. C. R., assisted by Melwood Mills as high marshal:—R. D. Martin—P.G.R., W. C. Dornan—C.R., H. Holland—V.C.R., A. J. Williamson—F.S., H. C. Martin—S.S., LeBeron Wilson—Treasurer, Charles Wertz—Chaplain, Francis MacFarlane—S.W., G. W. Cummings—J.W., Arthur Woodley—S.B., L. Kee—J.B., Dr. T. Dyson Walker—Medical Examiner.

THE STEAMERS. The S. S. Sheandoah arrived in Halifax this morning from London and will leave for this port tomorrow.

WEDDINGS IN CITY. A very pretty wedding took place at the home of Mrs. Charles Morrell, 82 St. Patrick street, at eight o'clock last evening, when Rev. J. D. Wetmore united in marriage her niece Miss Jennie Dunn of North Grenville, P.E.I., and Ernest H. Morrill of the North End. The bride was attended by Miss Pearl Morrell as flower girl. The house was very prettily decorated for the occasion, and their were many friends present. Many handsome presents were received by the bride and groom. After the ceremony a delectable supper was served. Mr. and Mrs. Morrill will reside in Albert street. Vincent-Williams.

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ELECTIONS IN JUNE OR IN THE FALL

Political Gossip of the Day—Conservatives Divided Over The Question—Talk of Candidates

Now that the opening of the legislature has been announced, the next problem that confronts the local government is the date of the general elections. On this subject there are two different views in the party ranks. One section wishes to bring on the combat in June. Others of the government party are anxious to delay the elections until September at least, and probably October.

There are various reasons for this view. One is that by that time expenditures on the highway may be completed and the roads might be in better condition than in June. They figure that those who profited by the expenditure would also be in a happier frame of mind. Another argument is that the dominion parliament would not be in session in the fall and the provincial Conservative leaders would be able to draw on the dominion forces for the aid which they will very much need in their campaign.

While the different wings of the party are trying to come to an agreement with regard to the date of the elections, the local Tory organization is busy trying to figure out their slate. Of the four city members, Dr. J. P. McInerney is still ill. It is understood that if a sufficiently attractive government job can be found for the Hon. Robert Maxwell, the latter would be willing to retire from the field. In this event John E. Wilson sees an opportunity to gratify his long cherished ambition to secure a place in the cabinet, and he will be in the running. There are objections in some quarters to W. F. McInerney's re-nomination, but it was said today that he will likely run. The names of E. Grennan, Florence McCarthy, and M. E. Gaudet, have been mentioned with the chances in about the order in which they are named. It is said that L. D. Tilly is willing to accept a place on the ticket, but there is a rumor that the party bosses have their eyes on a dark horse who may be sprung on the convention.

In view of the uncertainty of their chances in the city, the party leaders are anxious that Recorder Baxter should desert the county, where he secured his election without opposition. It is understood, however, that Mr. Baxter has promised his friends in the county that he will remain on the county ticket. Whether this decision was influenced by feelings of loyalty or of discretion has not been announced.

Owing to a certain lack of harmony between the wings of the party in this constituency and disagreements over matters of patronage and other similar issues, it is the opinion that it will take some skillful maneuvering to get the party in line before the elections, whether they are fixed for June or October.

NEW COMPANIES

Large Scope in Objects of St. John Concert With Capital of \$150,000

The application for the incorporation of the Eastern Terminal Realty Co., Ltd., appears in this week's issue of the Royal Gazette. The capital stock is to be \$150,000 and the objects for which incorporation is asked include not only carrying on real estate brokerage and financial business, but also dairying, farming, orcharding, hunting, contracting construction work, dredging, manufacturing, cement making, railway construction, development of water, electric and other power and to carry on the business of general merchants. The applicants are—Albert E. Macleod, Thomas Bell, Henry P. Puddington, Donald F. Pidgeon, and W. Henry Harrison, Saint John.

Dr. Berton A. Puddington, and John J. McLean of Grand Falls, Titus J. Carter of Andover, Edgar B. Teed of Woodstock, and Daniel A. McDonald, of Antigonish, N. S., have applied for incorporation as the Victoria Construction Co., Ltd., capital \$60,000, for the purpose of carrying on business in dredging, construction, building, contracting and allied lines.

Application has been made for the incorporation of James Doyle & Son, of Moncton, to carry on a general grocery business, with a capital of \$60,000. The applicants are—A. Temple Doyle, Maurice J. Doyle, Stella Doyle, and E. Florence Doyle, all of Moncton.

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The wedding of Miss Phoebe Alice Williams and Leon Chester Vincent took place yesterday afternoon at five o'clock at the home of the officiating clergyman, Rev. J. D. Wetmore, 139 Wright street. The ceremony was performed in the presence of only intimate friends of both the bride and groom. Mr. and Mrs. Vincent will live in Charlotte street.

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WINTER PORT STEAMERS ON THE WAY TO ST. JOHN. Sheandoah, London, Jan. 27. Manchester Corporation, Manchester, Jan. 27. Corsican, Liverpool, Feb. 2. Manchester Commerce, Manchester, Feb. 2. Hesperian, Liverpool, Feb. 8.

... SPECIAL SALE OF ... Men's Separate Trousers

Our entire stock of Men's Separate Trousers which includes the fine Worsted, Tweeds and Homespuns, for dress or business wear, have been marked at exceptionally low prices. You will find these trousers perfect fitting in every respect, and ranging in sizes from 32 to 48 inch waist measure.

Look at These Prices. Table with columns for TROUSERS, prices, and corresponding values.

H. N. DeMILLE & CO., 199 to 201 Union St. Opera House Block.

ONE OF OUR NEW STYLES

Buttoned boots for men are undoubtedly fashionable and if properly made they look exceedingly well. All Slater Buttoned Shoes are made on special measurement lasts which prevent wrinkling over the instep (the great fault of most button shoes). The buttonholes are worked with silk.



Made in tan Russia calf, black gun metal calf or patent colt-skin \$5.00. The Slater Shoe Shop, 81 King Street E. G. McCOLOUGH, LTD.

We Started This Sale With Over 2,000 Pairs of Trousers

And the reduction is from prices that were already 25 per cent. below those of other stores. It's our Annual February Trousers Sale taking in every pair of Trousers in stock, bringing you the best Trousers made for less than equally good Trousers ever cost.

There are Trousers for general wear, dress-up occasions and all purposes—all made of the finest fabrics and made in a manner which insures satisfactory service from every standpoint.

Table listing various trouser styles and their prices, such as \$1.50, \$2.50, \$4.00, etc.

KING STREET COR. GERMAIN GREATER OAK HALL SCOVIL BROS. LIMITED, St. John, N. B.

ANOTHER GINGHAM PRINT BARGAIN

SEE WINDOW FRIDAY MORNING 15c. Gingham at 11c. yd. All new and dainty colorings in Blues, Pinks, Tans, Browns, Greens, Black and White, Etc., at 11c. yd. 32 inch Print at 10c. yd. regular 14c. values, all fast colors and dainty patterns.

In the new shades of Tans, Butchers Blues, Greens, Pinks, Black and White, etc., Only 1,100 yds. of the print, and 720 yds. of the Gingham. Get Your First Choice of Patterns.

FRASER FRASER & CO. 27 and 29 Charlotte St. Robert Strain, Manager.

More Special Prices on Furs!

With two months of weather to wear Furs, and reliable Furs being sold at such discounts as ours are going, no person should be without them. The past few weeks have made some depletions in our stock, but we are offering some exceptional bargains still.

Table listing fur items and prices: Pony Coats, Muskrat Coats, Marmot Stoles, Sable Fox Stoles, Black Wolf Stoles, Persian Lamb Muffs.

D. MAGEE'S SONS, Ltd. Manufacturing Furriers 63 King St