

WOODS' FAIR

NEW FRILLINGS IN BOXES, 15c

We have just opened up a nice lot of new Frillings, three frills in a box, assorted colors; splendid value. At, per box **15c**

NET VEILINGS AT 25c YARD

Something splendid in Fish Net and Sea Net Veilings; black, brown and navy shades at, per yard..... **25c**
Also a Dotted Veiling, assorted shades. Special values at, per yard **25c to 40c**

SPECIAL 10c SOAP BARGAINS FOR THURSDAY.

On Thursday we will sell 4 cakes of Savon Castile Soap for 10c, and give a 10c Waxing Pad away to every purchaser of this bargain.

TO LET PAPER ROLLS IN STOCK AGAIN.

6 rolls of Leader Toilet Paper for **25c**
3 large rolls of Selz Paper for **25c**
3 large Packages of Hytone Paper for **25c**
2 rolls of Lamtissue Antiseptic Paper for **25c**

CHALLENGE LUSTRE, for Embroidery, 3 for 10c

The Challenge Lustre is of superb quality; English made; Eastern dyes and guaranteed brightest and best for embroidery purposes. Thursday, 3 balls for **10c**

TWO SPECIALS IN OUR UNDERWEAR DEPARTMENT ON THURSDAY.

Ladies' Vests in pure white or gray; long sleeves; buttoned front; lace trimmed; shaped waist. Extra value, at **25c**

Ladies' Plush, Fleece-Lined Vests, in pure white or gray, guaranteed perfectly smooth finish and fleece; will not get rough after laundering. Usually sold for more, but our price on Thursday, each **50c**

MEN'S NECKTIES 10c EACH ON THURSDAY.

We will offer about 10 doz. Men's Ties Thursday to clear at 10c each. These are the balance of a 50-dozen lot. We made our profit on the others and will offer what is left at, each **10c**

WOODS' FAIR J. M. THOMSON

REEVE JOHN W. McDOUGALL "I'M GOING AFTER THE PRESIDENT"

Enniskillen's Popular Representative Gets a Warm Reception.

Inwood, Jan. 12.—On Thursday night (Dec. 31), many intimate friends of Mr. John W. McDougall met at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Nell McFarlane, "Braemore," to congratulate him on his re-election as reeve of Enniskillen Township for the second year. During the several years Mr. McDougall has served in the council he has by his many sterling qualities deservedly won not only the esteem of the electors of his municipality but the respect and admiration of the members of the county council, which body has found in him a worthy representative, and shown their appreciation by placing him on some of the most important committees, under whose direction large sums of the county's money has been most judiciously expended during 1908.

After three hours, spent in singing and playing at games, the company, to the number of fifty-two, sat down to a table loaded with bivalves and all the choicest eatables, prepared by the hostess and her young lady assistants. After ample justice had been done to the feast the company was called to order and an impromptu programme was given, in which many of the guests expressed their appreciation of the kindness of the host and hostess, and confidence in their reeve. In the early morning hours the happy company dispersed after singing "Auld Lang Syne," and wishing each other a happy New Year.

SEAY COMMITTED

Toronto Negro Shot His White Wife and Goes to Trial.

Toronto, Jan. 12.—Wm. Seay, the negro, who shot his wife on Dec. 23 in their home on Morse street, was committed for trial today on the charge of attempted murder. Mrs. Genevieve Seay, who is a very pretty and cultured looking white woman, told of the trouble with her husband. He had grown very strange during the past year and frequently threatened her life with a revolver. On the day of the shooting he acted so queerly that she became alarmed about his sanity. She asked her son to go for a policeman. She was sitting in the kitchen when Seay came out, and after accusing her of calling in the police, placed a revolver against her cheek and fired, the bullet lodging in her cheekbone. Her husband then ran away and she managed to crawl to a neighbor's house. Genevieve and John Van Lockum, the daughter and son of Mrs. Seay, corroborated her story. They heard the shot and scream, and saw their step-father run away from the house. The lad told how the man threatened his mother with a revolver on a former occasion.

Health

Is a stepping stone to success and wealth.

POSTUM

In place of tea or coffee is a stepping stone to health.

"THERE'S A REASON"

DEMURE MAIDEN MULCTS BROKER

Disappears Owing One Firm \$50,000 for Speculations.

MOTOR ACCIDENT A MYTH

London Tragedy Turned Into Laugh on Financiers Who Furnished Money.

London, Jan. 12.—Miss. Humbert's record has been rivalled by a young woman who for some time past has been living at the rate of \$30,000 or \$40,000 a year, speculating to the tune of thousands of pounds on the stock exchange, purchasing expensive motor cars, valuable diamond tiaras and other jewelry, hiring country houses in England, Scotland and Wales—all on the strength of her persuasive manner and the non-existent sum of \$250,000 from the late Gen. Gordon, of whom she was no relative, and whose total estate amounted to about \$11,000.

Violet Charlesworth is the girl's name. She is 25 years of age this month. Her astounding story is complicated by her mysterious disappearance, and what now appears to have been a deliberate attempt to cover up her tracks by a simulated motor accident.

In fact, for the first two or three days last week England was kept ringing with a tragical motor accident, in which the young woman lost her life by being hurled out of the car she was driving over a cliff on the coast of North Wales; it was only during the latter half of the week that the affair developed into what is one of the most remarkable stories of deception ever carried out by man or woman.

Ranks With Great Impostor. Although Violet Charlesworth's operations were not on the same colossal scale as those of "La Grande Therese," she is worthy of mention in the same category with that arch-impostor and forger.

The girl was just out of her teens when she began her career of deception, and has accomplished wonders. She is the daughter of a Stafford mechanic, and received only a boarding school education. When she grew up, however, she developed big ideas. According to her brother-in-law, a working jeweler named Coulson, who married her sister Lillian, it was Violet's influence that brought about a separation between him and his wife. Violet wanting to live on more extravagant lines than he could afford.

Public attention was first directed to the case by the fact that a girl of 25 named Violet Charlesworth, who was driving a motor car along the road in North Wales, near Conway, a week ago, had been thrown over the glass screen in front of the car on to the seashore beneath. A man, the chauffeur, and her sister Lillian were in the car at the time.

To the police superintendent who appeared on the scene soon after the accident they made the statement that Violet had gone over the cliff. The superintendent later said that he did not press them for details, as both were greatly upset. Search for the body was without avail, although it could not possibly have been carried away by the sea, the water at this point being too shallow. There were no marks on the rocks, and no traces of blood, only a Tam o' Shanter cap and an empty notebook being found.

Could Not Prove Accident.

Reporters who next day sought to give the full details of the accident could obtain no news from the chauffeur or Lillian Coulson, who was stated to be in bed ill at the handsome villa she had occupied with her sister, Violet, at St. Asph. The motor car showed no signs of the collision which was said to have caused Violet's precipitation over the cliff.

Little by little other details came out which indicated that Violet Charlesworth had planned this method of disappearance in order to escape her creditors, who were beginning to grow impatient for the money she had promised to pay when she came into her fortune this month. These creditors are said to be all over England. Violet was fond of motoring, and indulged in it to the fullest extent. She appears to have had no difficulty in obtaining a new car whenever she desired one. Recently she purchased one from a well-known firm for \$6,000, paying part in money down.

Several London jewelers have done business with her or have "been done" by her. One firm alone has supplied her with trinkets to the value of \$5,000.

Cuts a Dash in the Country. She rented an estate in Wiltshire and hired a mansion in Scotland, where she was a noticeable visitor at the Highland meeting last summer. She stayed at various times at some of the best London hotels, and in some cases paid heavy bills.

Violet is a quiet, demure little person. She gave all with whom she had dealings the impression that she was entirely guileless. Not a word was ever breathed against her character, but she seems to have exercised an unaccountable fascination upon all the men she met.

Perhaps the strangest feature of her case was her stock exchange transactions. A member of a London stock brokers' firm with whom Miss Charlesworth dealt, said:

"She owes us \$50,000 for speculation, chiefly in American rails. Four years ago she first wrote to us with an introduction which was in every way sound that she wished to speculate on a small scale. All our business was by letter or telegram. At the outset she dealt in small operations, and as she became successful her sums amounted to a good deal."

Panic Hit Her Hard. Her speculations grew larger, then her luck turned. At one time she held 1,500 shares of Union Pacific. Then the American money panic came and she was hit hard indeed. A bear speculation also failed. We had been pressing for payment, but without avail. "She was keenly businesslike, pos-

sessing a knowledge of the stock exchange that many men might envy her."

"Her eyes, of a curious reddish tinge, were her strangest feature. She could talk in a marvelous way—talk anyone around to her view. Her sister seemed to be entirely under her domination, and I believe she had her whole family under her thumb. We must have had instructions by telegram from her from nearly all the well-known hotels in England."

Remarkable Business Ability. Another stock exchange man, who has seen letters Miss Charlesworth wrote her broker, says no one can read them without being struck by the remarkable business acumen displayed; there is detailed knowledge of technicalities as regards both bills of exchange and stock exchange transactions.

Some uneasiness is felt at Lloyd's, where, it appears, policies to the value of \$75,000 have been taken out by firms which recently began to have doubts of her financial stability.

SPLENDID CANTATA IN HILL ST. CHURCH

Large Audience Witnessed Very Pleasing Entertainment.

The members of the Hill Street Methodist Church repeated their cantata given some weeks ago at the church last evening, a large crowd attending.

The cast, with the exception of a few, was the same as at the previous performance. The programme was splendid, and consisted of a number of fancy drills, solos, choruses, tableaux. Mr. Reid and Miss Ruse acted as accompanists.

The following is a list of those who took part in the programme: Mrs. Gordon Russell as Miss Canada, Dorothy Dibley, Clara York, Hattie Hulbert, Sadie Hulbert, Annie Stafford, Lillie Stewart, Mabel Shepherd, Flossie McNeill, Maggie Allan, Jennie Hall, Flossie Sanborn, Rosie Bull, Lou Hardman, Myrtle Corbin, Edna Gallup, Nettie Lewis, Vera Powe, May Jolliffe, Eric Mason, Vera Mason, Jennie Dockstator, Beattie Billings, Ella Dockstator, Olive Marshall, Ethel Neary, Edith King, Nellie Flegg, Madeline Corbin, Lillian Park, Myrtle Dockstator, Jess Kerr, Belle Fletcher, Mrs. Alice Porter, Queenie Ryckman, Cora Cory, Annie Beck, Lillie Cory, Kate Hodgson, Maudie Collins, Teresa Terry, Mabel Moore, Pearl Terry, Vera Collins, Otto Ward, Cliff Shepherd, Fred Townsend, Eva Butler, Beatrice Hardman, Norman Graham, Irene Sanborn, Nellie Norton, Eva Pritchett, Grace Norton, Myrtle Lambert, Flossie McLean, Hazel Flegg, Gladys Wonderly, Hazel Dignan, of Essex, Fred Powe, Chas. Shepherd, Edson Morrow, Wm. Hodgson, Lillian Sanborn, Roy Jolliffe, Alf. Ings, Ernie Jolliffe, Lou Shalloit, Preston Jolliffe, Earl Allan, J. McNeill, Alex. Hallman, Jack Lane, Wm. Thurston, M. Morrow, Mr. Creighton, Harold Parker, E. Hudson, Wm. Progers, Percy Gow-

THE TRUANCY ACT

Legislature May Have It Placed in Hands of School Boards.

Toronto, Jan. 13.—Some important amendments to the truancy act are being prepared for consideration at the coming session of the Legislature.

One of the changes, it is expected, will be to place the enforcement of the truancy laws under the school boards of the Province, instead of in the hands of the local police.

For some time past it has been felt that the truancy laws were pretty much of a dead letter. Only in about one-fifth of the schools has there been even an attempt to enforce them. This, it is claimed, has been partially due to the divided responsibility, and it is argued that if the school boards have power to enforce the law which they have to administer, this weakness will be largely removed. In the amendments now under consideration by officials of the education department these and other changes are likely to be made with a view to strengthening the law.

It is said that an effort will also be made to keep an eye on boys leaving school at the age of 14. It is held that in England boys drift into crime and pauperism if they are left in idleness after leaving school, and it is urged that these dangers should be averted here as far as possible. Messrs. Cliff Shepherd, Israel Pritchett, John Neary and Bert Parker. The superintendent of the Sunday school, and Mr. L. Jolliffe the assistant.

Skin Diseases.

A diseased or disfigured skin will always leave its stamp on the mind of the individual. Many people suffering from disfiguring skin diseases avoid society and lose all pride in their personal appearance. When the skin breaks out in eruptions and sores it is due entirely to an impure condition of the blood.

In all such cases Burdock Blood Bitters will quickly purify the blood and drive all the impurities out of the system.

Mr. J. J. Magee, Jr., Kimbrough, Ont., writes: "Intestines of 1906 I was troubled with a Rash that broke out all over me. It was the worst on my face and head, had a dry, scaly top, and when I would get warm it would become very itchy. I tried the doctor's medicine but it did me no good, so I then got a bottle of Burdock Blood Bitters and before it was all used the Rash was entirely gone."

Mrs. Harvey Barkhouse, Gold River, N.S., writes: "I was greatly troubled with Sores on my face and finally became so bad I had to go to the doctor about it, but he could do nothing to help me."

"I thought about Burdock Blood Bitters and decided to try a bottle. I cannot recommend B.B.B. enough, as I had not taken all the bottle before my face was cured."

For sale by all druggists and dealers.

WEATHER PROBS: Fair and Cold.

SMALLMAN AND INGRAM.

Wednesday, JAN. 13

The Whitewear Sale

For January 1909 Begins Today



And every day throughout the month will have attractive offerings. The importance of this sale increases each year, and the advance our 1909 display shows over all its predecessors is very striking. The surroundings help, too; the high, white ceiling, and the beautiful clear north light, in fact, everything seems to be fitting for this occasion. We might say that almost the entire Dundas street section is devoted to this display on the third floor today, and one solid snow-white mass of the newest and daintiest Lingerie awaits your inspection.

The exclusiveness and beauty of this display, together with lower prices than has governed for some seasons (which mean bigger values), with larger stocks, greater assortment and floor space doubled, all point to greater selling than we have ever before accomplished during the January Sale.

We recommend you to visit this department as often as you can this month, and watch our window displays, as many special lots and exclusive lines will be seen only on special quick-selling sale tables in the department.

THIRD FLOOR—TAKE ELEVATOR.

37c

On Second Floor

49c

SALE OF SCARFS AND SHAMS TOMORROW

OVER 400 PIECES—SEE RICHMOND STREET WINDOW DISPLAY.

When we use the word SALE in our headline, we know much is expected, but (as is particularly the case for this sale tomorrow) we always prepare to give more than the average customer expects.

The reason for such a sacrifice in prices is to make a clearance of all odd lines before stocktaking, as many of these cannot be matched in sets (of shams, dresser and stand scarfs), and a few are slightly soiled or mussed.

The Lot Consists of the Following Sizes

Shams—32x32, mostly scalloped edges; very little open-work.
One-Piece Shams—27x60, scalloped edge with net motifs in centre.

Scarfs—18x36, 18x45 and 18x54, mostly scalloped edges, with very little open-work. These are divided into three lots.

Qualities regularly sold up to 60c each. Your choice tomorrow for, each..... **37c**

Qualities regularly sold up to \$1.00 each. Your choice tomorrow for, each..... **49c**

23 only One-Piece Shams—Very dainty designs, with Net Motifs on muslin ground. These were sold regularly at \$1.50 each. Your choice tomorrow for, each **\$1.13**

NOTE—These will be sold at above prices while they last, but one day selling should clear the entire lot, at such unusual prices.

LINENS—SECOND FLOOR, TAKE ELEVATOR.

Store closes 6 p.m. daily. Saturday included.

SMALLMAN AND INGRAM.

Dundas and Richmond Streets.

10,000 HANDSOME WOMEN ON TRIAL

Remarkable Beauty Show in Spanish Court.

San Sebastian, Jan. 12.—The trial of the "10,000 women" case at Bilbao was attended by a large crowd. Extraordinary interest was displayed by the public, and the streets around the court house were impassable.

The women are being prosecuted for having signed an address of sympathy on behalf of Jesus Pajana, a girl who was sentenced to eight years' imprisonment for killing her faithless lover.

Senor Arana, the chief editor of the "liberal" newspaper, who was called as a witness for the prosecution, admitted that he prepared the address of sympathy at the request of three beautiful women, Senoras Paula Lafont, Concepcion Biogegain and Beatrice Santamaria.

Committees of women were then organized for the purpose of collecting signatures to the address. They secured these addresses in the public streets and by waiting at the entrances to factories where the work-women were induced to sign as they entered.

The members of the committee carried fountain pens or small ink-bottles, and thousands of signatures were secured from women who stopped in the street and wrote their names as the paper was held against a wall.

Some of the most beautiful women in Bilbao are among the defendants, and the courtroom resembled a beauty competition rather than a tribunal of justice.

The public prosecutor receives scant sympathy for his unpleasant task. It is pointed out that the imprisonment of 10,000 women is practically impossible.

THAT GOMPERS DECISION

Federation Council and Attorney Gathered to Discuss It.

Washington, Jan. 13.—Every phase of the recent decision of Judge Wright in the contempt proceedings and the appeal therefrom will be considered at a conference here today between the executive council of the American Federation of Labor and of counsel in the case, including Judge Alton B. Parker, of New York. Judge Parker arrived here at the invitation of President Gompers. The executive council's action, the position of organized labor regarding the Sherman anti-trust act, as interpreted by the supreme court of the United States, was discussed, with a view of combining the features of the Wilson and Paine bills into one measure, which would in substance, it was stated, place the labor movement in the United States in a similar position to labor in Great Britain.

A resolution was adopted recommending to the conference committee of the organization having such matters in charge the advisability of establishing a union label department of the American Federation of Labor. Consideration also was given to a suggested weekly publication, "not only in the interest of labor, but for the protection of the constitutional rights of free press and free speech."

The question of a home in this city for the American Federation of Labor, in accordance with the action of the and Mr. Gompers pointed out it would have to depend upon contributions for that purpose.

HAINS' COUNSEL CLASH

McIntyre Says State Conspired to Have Author Convicted.

Flushing, Jan. 12.—Charges that the testimony of the members of the Bay-side Yacht Club was manufactured, and that witnesses were withdrawn from the stand because their evidence was not sufficiently rehearsed, were made by Lawyer John F. McIntyre to-

day in summing up the defence in the trial of Thornton J. Hains.

Mr. McIntyre had not finished his closing address when adjournment was taken until tomorrow. Counsel spent over five hours today in following the evidence in the case, and pointing out discrepancies which the lawyer asserted showed that much of the testimony of the state had been rehearsed in an instruction school.

Mr. McIntyre declared that much of the testimony of Mrs. Wm. E. Hains, whose husband was shot and killed by Capt. Hains, was "manifestly false and that she had been taken from the witness stand when it was seen that her story had not been sufficiently rehearsed."

During the defence's closing Mr. McIntyre and Prosecutor Darrin had verbal clashes which occasionally punctuated Mr. McIntyre's dramatic recital.

Justice Crane informed Mr. McIntyre that he must conclude his address at noon tomorrow, when the state will sum up. The court said that the case must go to the jury on Thursday.

Cured Her Father's Drunkenness by a Simple Remedy.

Saves her father from a drunkard's grave. Free sample of Samaris Tactless Prescription cures his drinking and leads to a complete cure.

"It seemed hopeless to keep father from drinking, and we all felt the disgrace. I saw that I must do something to help him. I saw that you offered a free sample of your remedy and that the remedy was tasteless and could be given secretly. I determined to try it, and have been glad every day since. The full treatment, which I gave him in his bed, cured him, and I am pleased to say he never touches whiskey now. How glad I am that I wrote you and how happy we all are together. Father says that he could never have stopped drinking of his own accord."



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