

# FIRE SALVAGE SALE OF THE STOCK OF FIRE OUR NORTH BAY STORE

Our store in North Bay was destroyed by fire on April 29. A portion of the stock was destroyed, but the greater part was saved with but slight damage. No other premises were available, and no building could be secured in which to store the stock, which had to be temporarily stored in boxcars. This necessitated bringing the goods to London for disposal.

**This Entire Stock of Carpets, Rugs, Furniture, Linoleum, Curtains, Draperies and Wall Papers To Be Sold in Ten Days Regardless of Cost**

## 55c Linoleums, 32c Yard

Cork Linoleums, in block and tile and floral designs, two and four yards wide. Regular price, 55c per yard. Practically undamaged. Sale price, per yard..... **32c**

## 25c Oilcloths, 17c Yard

One yard, one-and-a-half and two-yard widths, in floral and block patterns. Regular price, 25c. Very slightly damaged. Sale price, per yard..... **17c**

## \$50 Parlor Suites, \$30

Three and Five Piece Parlor Suites, covered in silk and silk velour. These are being polished and are absolutely perfect. Only four of these in all to be sold at, the set..... **\$30.00**

## Mahogany Parlor Chairs and Rockers

**Below Factory Prices. Some at Half Price**  
One Mahogany Rocker, regular \$15, for..... **\$7.50**  
One Mahogany Rocker, regular \$13.50, for..... **\$7.00**  
One Mahogany Chair, regular \$12, for..... **\$8.25**  
Others in proportion.

## 1 Lot of Jute Rugs, Less Than Half Price

\$3 Rugs for..... **\$1.39** \$7 Rugs for..... **\$2.95**  
\$4 Rugs for..... **\$1.98** \$12 Rugs for..... **\$5.15**  
Damaged by water.

## Brass and Iron Beds at Almost Half Price

A lot of new Iron and Brass Beds, just a few weeks out of the factory. Some are unmarked, others slightly scratched.

One Brass Bed, 4 feet 6 inches, regular \$55, for..... **\$31.50**  
One Brass Bed, 4 feet 6 inches, regular \$45, for..... **\$26.00**  
One Brass Bed, 4 feet 6 inches, regular \$35, for..... **\$21.50**  
One Iron Bed, 4 feet 6 inches, regular \$18, for..... **\$10.00**  
One Iron Bed, 4 feet 6 inches, regular \$15, for..... **\$7.00**  
One Iron Bed, 4 feet 6 inches, regular \$12, for..... **\$6.50**  
One Iron Bed, 4 feet 6 inches, regular \$10, for..... **\$5.50**  
Others at proportionate reductions.

## 70c and 85c Tapestry Carpets, 47c Yard

English Tapestry Carpets, with borders and some with stair carpets to match, in a great variety of patterns and colorings. Regular prices 70c to 85c. To be sold at, per yard..... **47c**

## \$1.25 and \$1.40 Brussels Carpet 97c

ENGLISH BODY BRUSSELS, fine designs and colorings, for parlor, hall, dining-room or bedroom. Regular \$1.25 to \$1.40. To be sold at, per yard..... **97c**  
THESE CARPETS ARE PRACTICALLY UNDAMAGED.

12 French Wilton Rugs, regular \$12.50, for..... **\$7.75**  
19 Japanese Rugs, regular \$4, for..... **\$2.25**  
14 Union Rugs, regular \$7, for..... **\$3.78**  
19 Union Rugs, regular \$8, for..... **\$4.35**  
21 Wool Rugs, regular \$15, for..... **\$9.98**

## \$35 and \$40 Axminster Rugs for \$21.50

17 Fine Axminster and Wilton Rugs, in room sizes. Some slightly marked, others partially damaged by water, others as good as new, for, each..... **\$21.50**  
A few somewhat soiled, each..... **\$19.00**

## \$25 and \$22.50 Brussels Rugs \$14.75

12 only Fine Brussels Rugs. To all intents these rugs are as good as new. Room sizes in green, fawn, blue and red. At, each..... **\$14.75**

## \$45 Auszra Rugs at Half Price

4 only Reversible Auszra Rugs, water damage only, which is hardly noticeable. At half price. Each..... **\$22.50**

## \$1.85 and \$2.00 Axminster Carpets, \$1.29 Yd.

Templeton's Imperial and Crossley's Genesee Axminsters, in drawing and Oriental designs. Some are slightly watermarked, others are perfect. Regular prices \$1.85 to \$2.00. To be sold at..... **\$1.23**

## Oriental Room Rugs at Your Own Price

1 Calcutta. Regular \$42.50, for..... **\$23.90**  
1 Mirzapore. Regular \$37.50, for..... **\$22.75**  
1 Lahore. Regular \$60.00, for..... **\$33.90**  
24 others at like reductions.

1 lot of CHAIRS and ROCKERS, varnish damaged by water. Regular prices 75c and \$3.00 each. Sale price, each..... **39c**

**SALE BEGAN (THIS) WEDNESDAY MORNING AT 9 O'CLOCK**  
**No Reasonable Offer Refused for Any Damaged Stock**  
**A. SCREATION & CO.**  
**400 Pairs Lace Curtains at Less Than Half-Price**

## COMMISSION WENT TO WRONG PLACE

Marine Department Official Says That They Secured Wrong Information.

Ottawa, May 12.—The inquiry into the conscience of the marine department was resumed this morning before Judge Cassels. Col. Anderson, chief engineer, being placed on the stand and Mr. Watson continuing the questioning. Col. Anderson stated that large orders were purchased by tender and contract. The smaller ones were generally from the patronage list. When tenders were called he reported the lowest tender to the deputy minister and on his report the contract was entered. He could recall no case where the deputy minister had acted upon his report.

Mr. Watson lost little time in getting back to the differences between Col. Anderson and Mr. J. F. Fraser, the commissioner of lightships.

Mr. Watson—"You said yesterday there was a lack of confidence on your part toward Mr. Fraser."

Col. Anderson—"There is."

"Is that lack of confidence in Mr. Fraser due to want of integrity on his part?"

"Rather to lack of experience."

"Is there not some part of that feeling due to lack of confidence in his integrity?"

"That is only a suspicion."

"Is there any one else about whom you have such a feeling?"

Undue Influence.

"I have no proofs. My feelings in regard to Mr. Fraser run back to the change in the department, and to the fact that Mr. Fraser can apparently get his own way and have his recommendations for lights and buoys carried out no matter how expensive, or in my opinion, unnecessary. This naturally has given me the opinion that he has an undue influence in the department."

"Does that feeling extend to the deputy minister?"

"If it does it was merely because the relations between Mr. Fraser and the deputy were always so cordial. I hesitate to mention these suspicions because they are all due to impressions and the whole thing is so invaluable as to be incapable of proofs."

"Does this condition exist today?"

"No, Mr. Fraser has been suspended, the minister having probably come to the same suspicion as myself."

The Report.

The commission's report was taken up and Mr. Watson read the charges against the engineering branch of the

marine department. Col. Anderson declared that in most cases the commissioners had come to unwarranted conclusions, owing to failure to go to the bottom of the matters they discussed. For instance, the commission sneered at a \$700 steamboat trip to save \$50 worth of scaffolding. Col. Anderson said there was nothing in this, as no such trip was made and none contemplated.

It was quite customary to have the tender for a lighthouse or other building furnished plans. The commissioners commented on this unfavorably, but Col. Anderson said the leading railroads of Canada got work done this way. Col. Anderson declared that Mr. Wallberg had done good work for his department at reasonable rates and he saw no justification for the criticism of the commission on his part.

Where Commission Blundered.

Col. Anderson declared that if the commissioners had consulted the proper heads about the cases they commented on adversely they would have reached proper and satisfactory explanations. He thought the commissioners had in most cases come to conclusions without a proper understanding of the facts.

Col. Anderson stated numbers of sound-making devices were obtained from the Canadian Fog Signal Company, of Toronto, and his branch of the department purchased fog signals from the company, and he had reason to believe paid \$4,000 for apparatus which cost the manufacturer \$400. This was due to the fact the company had the best device, and the Government wanted the best. It was patented, and could only be obtained from this company. The price was about the same as that paid in England for similar sound-making devices. The Government was the company's only customer.

Judge Cassels said that if a company charged an unreasonable price for an article its patent would become void. However, that was a recent decision. The inquiry was adjourned at 1 o'clock.

## TAFT HOLDS MICHIGAN

Delegation Instructed to Go to Convention for Him Undivided.

Grand Rapids, Mich., May 12.—Michigan's delegation to the Republican national convention was today instructed by the state Republican convention "to cast an undivided vote of the whole state in favor of the nomination of Secretary Taft."

The resolutions indorse President Roosevelt and his administration.

## JUDGE LATCHFORD NOW.

Toronto, May 12.—Hon. E. R. Latchford this morning ascended the bench in Osgoode Hall and took his place in the divisional court. Chancellor Boyd and Mr. Justice Riddell were the other members of the court.

Mr. H. M. Mowat, K. C., was first to congratulate the newly-appointed judge.

The works of the late Augustus St. Gardens, the sculptor, are to be exhibited in the Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York City.

## A STRONG STANDARD BEARER

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The last nominee was called upon to address the meeting first. He congratulated the Liberals in the show-up at this convention, but stated he could not accept the nomination. He urged every Liberal to do his duty.

Thos. H. Cook was pleased to see so many Liberals present, but was unable to be the Liberal standard-bearer. He felt sure that if the Liberals would work faithfully, there would be no need to fear the result.

James Peat, of Petrolia, was not a candidate, but expressed confidence in the Liberal leader, the Hon. A. G. MacKay.

A. Weir thanked the convention for putting his name in nomination, but would have to decline, but promised his faithful support to the choice of the convention.

James Smith, warden of the county, was well received, and promised to put forth his best efforts for the Liberal candidate.

Mr. Milne Criticizes.

David Milne, who was the choice of the convention held here some time ago, but was unable through business and personal reasons to accept, was given a hearty reception. He felt that had he been in a position to run he would have been successful in redeeming West Lambton. He criticized the railway guarantee bond, the Whitney gerrymander, and the La Rose mining deal. He asked the support of the gathering for the candidate.

Chas. Jenkins, of Petrolia, was the next speaker, but had decided not to be a candidate. He was warmly received.

John Cowan thanked the audience for the nomination. Mr. Cowan dealt with the temperance question and said that it was a most important subject and would have to be dealt with fairly and squarely. Mr. Cowan felt that the Liberals would be victorious in the coming campaign if the supporters would put forth their best efforts to that end.

The Nominee.

Robert I. Towers, the choice of the convention, was given a most flattering reception.

He congratulated the fine gathering present, and felt confident that the Liberal standard would float over West Lambton in the coming fight. He expressed his regret that Mr. Milne was unable to accept the nomination tendered to him in January.

The record of the Whitney Government for the past few years spoke for itself. They had made a failure of the trust reposed in them by the people and showed that they were unable to rule wisely and well. He promised to put forth his very best efforts in the coming contest and asked for the support of the electors of West Lambton. He resumed his seat, with cheers from the gathering.

F. F. Pardee, M. P., the popular member for West Lambton, was received with cheers. He congratulated the electors of West Lambton on their representative turnout, and could see the fighting spirit in each and every one. He asked for the support of Mr. Towers.

Dr. Fairbank congratulated the convention on the choice they had made, and expressed confidence in the lead-

ership of Hon. A. G. MacKay, and of the result of the coming elections.

A Standing Vote.

The chairman called for a standing vote and three cheers were given for the candidate.

Mr. Towers thanked them, and would endeavor to bring back West Lambton to the Liberal fold. He asked that all work faithfully to obtain that end. He hoped the election would be conducted in a manly way, and not stoop to any discreditable tactics to secure his election, and felt sure of the result.

Mr. R. I. Towers, the candidate, is a popular young barrister of the firm of Cowan & Towers, of this town, and is well liked by all. It is confidently hoped and expected he will be victorious in the coming election. The Liberals are well organized and enthusiastic and are confident of victory.

## SELLING YORK LOAN LAND

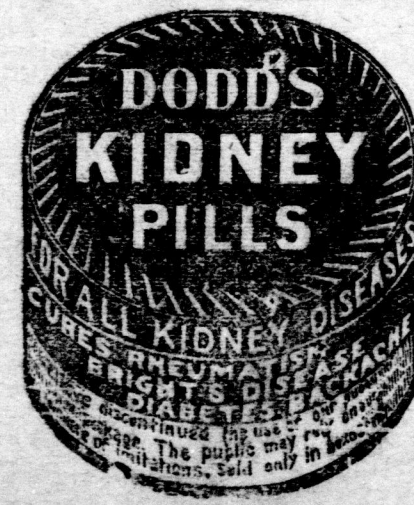
Defunct Company Put Nine Miles of Street Frontage on Market.

Toronto, May 12.—Gradually the York Loan land, the principal asset of the defunct company, is being sold off, but the greatest part of it is yet to be disposed of. Eighteen months ago this land was put on sale, and at the time there were nine tactics of street frontages to be sold. All the property south of Howard Park avenue, west of Roncesvalles, and also a large portion of the land east of the latter street, and north of Howard Park avenue, belonged to the company. The property was bounded on the west by Keele street.

Up to the present time there has been about \$300,000 worth sold, nearly a million dollars worth remaining. An official of the company is of the opinion that it will be five years before this land will be cleared out to purchasers.

New streets are being opened, and a whole new neighborhood is planned. Most of the land sold is east of Roncesvalles, and a great deal of it contains houses. There are only three of the York Loan houses to be sold.

From the work done it is easily seen what a task the winding up and settling of the affairs of the company will be, and many who have been im-



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patient for a settlement, are coming to find out that they will wait a long time before they will get what they expect out of the wreck.

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MONTREAL TO LIVERPOOL.

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Victorian sails Friday, May 22, 9 a.m.  
Corcoran sails Friday, May 29, 3:30 a.m.  
Virginia sails Friday, June 5, 9 a.m.  
MONTREAL TO GLASGOW.  
Ionian sails Saturday, May 15, 9 a.m.  
Gramplan sails Saturday, May 23, 9 a.m.  
Hesperian sails Saturday, May 30, 9 a.m.  
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Tickets Good for Sixty Days.

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AT VERY LOW RATES  
TO THE NORTHWEST

Via North Bay, May 26. Via Sarnia and Northern Navigation Company. Steamer leaves Sarnia 3:30 p.m., May 27.

Full information from any Grand Trunk ticket agent.

## TRAVELERS' GUIDE

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.  
SARNIA TUNNEL TO SUSPENSION BRIDGE AND TORONTO.

Arrive from the east—\*3:50 a.m., 10:56 a.m., \*11:12 a.m., \*11:23 a.m., \*6:25 p.m., \*7:48 p.m., 10 p.m.  
Arrive from the west—\*12:09 a.m., \*3:15 a.m., \*11:12 a.m., 1:10 p.m., \*4:10 p.m., \*6:25 p.m.  
Depart for the east—\*12:14 a.m., \*2:20 a.m., 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., \*11:23 a.m., 2:05 p.m., \*4:25 p.m., \*6:53 p.m. (Eastern Flyer).  
The trains leaving at 7:30 a.m. and 2:05 p.m. stop at all stations.  
Depart for the west—\*3:55 a.m., 7:40 a.m., \*11:18 a.m., \*11:35 a.m., 1:40 p.m., \*8:05 p.m.  
The 7:40 a.m. and the 1:40 p.m. trains stop at all stations.

## LONDON AND WINDSOR.

Arrive—10:40 a.m., \*4 p.m., \*6:50 p.m. (Eastern Flyer), 11 p.m.  
Depart—6:35 a.m., 11:27 a.m., 2:24 p.m., \*7:55 p.m. (International Limited).

## STRAITFORD BRANCH.

Arrive—\*3:15 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 6:35 p.m., 11:10 p.m.  
Depart—6:10 a.m., 11 a.m., 2:50 p.m., 6 p.m.

## LONDON, HURON AND BRUCE.

Arrive—10 a.m., 6:10 p.m.  
Depart—8:30 a.m., 4:50 p.m.  
Trains marked thus \* run daily. Those not so marked run daily except Sunday.

## PERE MARQUETTE RAILWAY.

Depart—6:40 a.m., \*6:50 a.m., 9:45 a.m., 2:30 p.m., \*3:40 p.m., 17:35 p.m.  
Arrive—8:45 a.m., \*12:15 p.m., 1:54 p.m., 4:40 p.m., \*8:20 p.m., 11:30 p.m.  
\*To and from Walkerville, without change. Trains not \*marked to Port Stanley. †Between London and St. Thomas only.

## MICHIGAN CENTRAL RAILWAY.

Arrive—6:55 a.m., 11:10 a.m., 5:10 p.m., 9:50 p.m.  
Depart—7:15 a.m., 2:20 p.m., 6:35 p.m., \*10:25 p.m.

## CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

Arrive—From the east \*11:30 a.m., 8 p.m., \*11 p.m. From the west—\*4:30 a.m., \*8:20 a.m., \*5:20 p.m.  
Depart—For the east—\*4:40 a.m., 8:43 a.m., \*6:28 p.m. For the west—\*11:38 a.m., \*\*8:10 p.m., \*11:10 p.m.  
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