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OLD COINS. Defaced and worn silver coins are no longer taken by traders.

What shall then be done with these coins that are no longer current?

How shall traders protect themselves from loss on the silver they have?

There is in circulation in Canada a vast quantity of silver coin which has not reached the uncurrent stage.

The time must come when every coin issued this year will cease to be acceptable.

When that day comes must it all be sold at the price of old silver?

If so it is absolutely certain that Canadian coins issued by the government last year to the people of Canada,

and representing an investment by the holders of \$395,000, will be sold for less than \$300,000.

The people who have these coins on the fatal day will lose over half a million dollars.

It does not matter that these coins become defaced at different times and in different hands.

The loss is not thereby made less. If a gold coin becomes worn and is not acceptable it can be sold for old gold at its full cost less the mere loss in weight by wear.

The coin could be beaten out of shape without materially decreasing its value.

Take it to the royal mint and a fresh coin will be given in its place.

That is because a gold coin contains its full value of metal.

But the silver coin is three-fifths token. The value never was in it.

Last year the government of Canada caused to be made silver coins of the face value of \$395,295.

Material, manufacture, expressage and all expenditure connected with the operation cost about \$395,000.

It was a legitimate profit or seigniorage, but it should not involve a loss on the innocent holders.

That coin should either be good no matter how much it is worn, by legitimate means, or else it should be accepted by the government with no further depreciation than the percentage of loss in weight.

That is to say, the government which gives out this silver coin at two and a half times its value as silver.

The other day a trader sold old silver coins of the face value of twenty-five dollars.

He received a little over eight dollars, suffering a loss of seventeen dollars.

New coins of the same face value would cost the government ready for delivery in this country about ten dollars.

The real depreciation was only two dollars. Yet the government made fifteen dollars out of the transaction and the trader lost seventeen.

The case in respect to copper coinage is still stronger. Old copper coins must be sold to the junk dealer for about one-eighth of the face value.

They never had in them more than one-sixth of their face value in metal.

All the rest of the price was flat value given by the government stamp.

Last year the government made \$33,000 profit out of \$50,000 worth of copper coins.

THE STAKELESS NEWSPAPER MAN.

Alderman Macrae has set a new standard for newspaper writers, which is would appear from his remarks in Council is only reached by the members of the Globe staff.

These are "citizens with a large stake in the community and therefore interested in its welfare."

The unfortunate editors or reporters who have not yet been able to accumulate a large stake are not supposed to care whether the city where they and their families live goes to the dogs or not.

Our equable Alderman might allow the young newspaper men at least a little time to acquire their stake.

Even Senator Ellis and their stake. Alderman Macrae is trying to get money enough to qualify, they may console themselves with the reflection that the writers on the London Times are not all large owners of real estate.

LET US GO DOWN TO THE SEA. Let us go down to the sea, ere the noisy day be over.

Let us go down to the sea, and strip us of care and of toil. There are graves in the heart of man that only the sea can cover.

There are deeds in the life of man to be shown as the deep sea spool. Earth, the mother, hath balm for her world-stained sons and daughters.

Earth, the mother hath balm for her coldest hearts and sad. Time cannot curb nor deny God's bountiful boon of waters.

Let us down to the sea, my soul, let us down to the sea and be glad. —Virginia Woodward Cloud.

SATURDAY SERMONETTE. A PARABLE. "We must not make a scare-crow of the law."

Setting it up to fear the birds of prey. And let it keep one shape till custom make it.

Their perch, and not their terror." —Shakespeare. A sheep was slain by a wolf—at least that was the supposition—for ears that were not dead heard the cry of the dying sheep.

And the snarl of the angry wolf. Eyes that could see saw that the wolf was innocent, but he was not to do again, and that he would always feel badly whenever he saw any of the relatives of the slain sheep.

And that would be his parents and their neighbors. A man kicked his wife to death. The jury acquitted him of the murder because he was drunk when he killed her.

His wife and child had been wounded. The wolf was young and strong and so the sheep died.

The jury brought in a true bill against the wolf for "sheep-slaughter." Tried for sheep-slaughter, the jury brought in a verdict of "not guilty" and the wolf was acquitted after being told that he was innocent, but he was not to do it again, and that he would always feel badly whenever he saw any of the relatives of the slain sheep.

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THE STAR'S CIRCULATION BUILDERS.

The Star is a newspaper first, last and all the time. It pleases all whose hands it reaches.

Once people read this they don't want any other St. John evening journal.

Its circulation is increasing with gratifying rapidity, largely on its intrinsic merits, but more particularly through the keen business instinct of the newsboys, who recognize in the Star a fast and sure seller.

These "Circulation Builders" constitute the medium through which the

Star reaches the reading public. They are bright, active and pushing fellows, and no matter how large their daily sales, they are constantly reaching out for new patrons.

The youngest of the Star's carrier boys, whose portrait appears herewith is Willie Monahan, of 43 Peters street, only seven years of age, whose district comprises Peters, Colburn, Carleton and Sewell streets.

Willie has a big list of customers, but he is ambitious to place a copy of the Star, even of the Sunday, in every house on his route, and to that end will, the first of next week commence a personal canvass of the neighborhood.

He would be bought there, and in their representative a cordial reception. Subscribe for the Star now, and you will never regret it. Willie will undertake to take it to your door, and in his residence with regularity and despatch.

TOOK HIM FOR A PREACHER. They were from the country, it was plain to see, and they were very much in love. They had come here to be married, and they were in a hurry to get well. But they didn't know where to go nor the modus operandi requisite. However, they did know where their parents sent their mail orders for goods, and to this particular department store they wandered. They knew that almost anything under the sun could be bought there, and in their useless minds marriages were made there as well as clothes and tooth-picks, elephants and baby food.

And so it was that they strayed in the "Walnut street door."

Every one knows the imposing presence which greets visitors at this particular place in this particular shop. Him they laid eyes upon, and his long coat, flower, and generally pompous air sealed his fate.

"He's him," said the groom in prospect. "I knowed we'd find him hyar."

The bride-to-be blushed. "Ast him," she cooed. The two clasped hands and swung into the parlour.

"We're ready now," said they. "What for?" asked the unbending individual.

"For th' ceremony," was the reply. "Third counter to the left, upstairs; take the elevator," began the man of pomposity. Then he caught himself. "What ceremony?" he asked.

"Why, we wanter get married," said the man, while the little crowd that had gathered looked on and grinned.

"Ain't you the marryer?" The gentleman of manner blushed as red as his carnation. For the first time in his career he was off his dignity. He showed them the door and directed the way to the court house. Then he went upstairs till the laugh died away.—Kansas City Journal.

WEST SIDE ENTERTAINMENT. A highly successful and very enjoyable entertainment was given in St. Patrick's hall, Carleton, last evening, and drew an audience which filled the hall.

The proceeds will go toward the building fund of the Church of the Assumption.

The programme was as follows: March... Drum Corps. Solo—Maid from Nicobar. Miss L. Fitzgerald. Solo—Route-on-Train. Miss D. Tobin. Solo—Maid from Nicobar. Miss L. Fitzgerald. Solo—Who Will Buy My Roses Red. Miss F. Alde. Dialogue—Goddess of Liberty. Solo—Instrumental. Miss M. Sweeney. Recitation. Miss A. Egerton. The Blind Girl at the Grave of Her Mother. Miss A. Lane. Solo—St. Agnes' Eve. Miss C. Hourie. The First To Deum. Recitative and Musical. Misses J. McKenna, A. Egerton, S. Gallagher. In the dialogue the young ladies were: Agriculture, Miss A. Egerton; science, Miss T. Fitzgerald; painting, Miss J. McKenna; sculpture, Miss C. Laray; music, Miss M. Sweeney; printing, Miss H. Doherty; mining, Miss S. Gallagher; religion, Miss C. Hourie.

Magistrate—What's this man charged with? Officer—Ay ye mane phwat's he loaded with, yer Honor. O' think 'tis mostly whiskey an' the lolk o' thot—Philadelphia Press.

DOWLING BROTHERS, 95 and 101 KING STREET.

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Ladies' Silk Neckwear, Underpriced. Fifty dozen Ladies' Stock collars and bows, goods worth up to 60c., now all one special price, 25c. Stock Collars with Tabs, Bows, Fagoting Stitches, Lace Trimmed, Corded with Ruche Tops, Silk Embroidered and Silk Port Hole Collars, all the latest shapes; a large variety to choose from at 25c. each.

Ladies' Belts, Special, 35c. In this lot are Belts worth up to 80c. each. Colors: Brown and Green, Green and Brown, Black, White and Cardinal. Your choice 35c. each.

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Ladies' Cashmere Hose only 22c. Pair For Saturday.

Men's Fine Regatta Shirts, only 55c. each, pretty patterns, fast colors. Call and get one. Ladies' up-to-date styles in Corsets at 49c., 75c. pair, the very best makes and a great bargain at these prices.

Print Sale at 60c. yard. All fast colors and new patterns. Only five hundred yards in this lot. Pins, Needles and Elastics at clearing prices. All new stock and marked at bargain prices. A small lot of Children's Winter Drawers, all sizes, at only 20c. pair. Ten yards of Grey Cotton, one yard wide, for 45c.

LOCAL NEWS. Victoria Section of the Temple of Honor celebrated its birthday last evening. The programme rendered was a good one, and was followed by refreshments of a mild character.

INCREASE IN RATES. New Transatlantic Passenger Schedule Goes Into Effect Today.

To-day the new rates for trans-Atlantic passages to and from Canada go into effect. The rate previously has been unusually low. An increase of \$1.50 was made on steamer tickets and \$2.50 extra is now charged to second-cabin passengers.

The following is the schedule: Second cabin outward... \$37.50. Steerage to British ports... 25.00. Steerage to Scandinavian ports... 30.00. Steerage to Stockholm and Finnish ports... 32.00. Steerage from British ports... 27.50. Steerage from Scandinavian ports... 31.00. Steerage from Stockholm and Finnish ports... 24.00. Steerage from Antwerp... 31.50.

Carpenters, masons, plumbers, tin-smiths, engineers, moulders, railway men, in fact all workers in factory and foundry and mill, are specially requested to remember that thirty cents will buy one pound of tiger Indo-Ceylon tea.

You can always tell it by the blue and white package, its purity and its strength.

BIRTHS. SHOREY—At Montreal, on the 16th of January, 1905, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Albert K. Shorey.

MARRIAGES. GAINES-McLAY—At Moore's Mills, Jan 18th, by the Rev. Gordon Dickie, James W. Gaines and Irene McLAY, both of Lawrence, N.B.

DEATHS. BARON—In this city, on Jan. 20th, Annie Louise, eldest daughter of the late William H. Barson, aged 27 years and seven months. Funeral from her late residence, 225 Carmarthen street, on Monday, the 23rd inst., at 2:30 o'clock. ORAM—In this city, January 19th, Daniel E. Oram, aged 55 years, leaving a wife, three sons and two daughters to mourn their loss. Funeral on Sunday from his late residence, 164 Metcalfe street at 2:30 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances are invited to attend.

Funeral Directing and Embalming. Lady Mortician in Attendance day and night.

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You will be sure to get it if you let us fit you with a pair of our Women's Kid Bais, at \$1.50 a pair, or a pair of extra heavy Kid Bais, with kid lining (regular \$2.50 boot) for \$2.00 a pair.

FELT BOOTS, FELT SHOES, FELT SLIPPERS, AT COST TO CLEAR.

SANBORN'S SHOE STORE, 339 Main St.

Five Extra Good Value Lines FOR ROUGH WEATHER.

CARDIGAN JACKETS—Men's size, \$1.15 each. Large men's, \$1.35. Extra large, \$1.50 each. Men's Eloffie Tweed Pants, \$1.75 pair. Men's Fleece Lined Top Shirts, 75c. each. Men's Wind-proof Blue Drill Shirts, 75c. each. Men's Wool Lined Bronco Mitts, 50c. pair.

Cor. of Waterloo and Brussels Sts. CARLETON'S.

Look! This is the place to buy Good Oranges, 15c. per doz.; good Prunes, 3 lbs. for 25c.; a good Black Tea, 25c. per lb.; 5 lbs. for \$1.00. Best American Oil, 22c. per gal. 5 gal. for \$1.00. 8 Bars Happy Hand Soap for 25c. at

H. R. COLEMAN'S STORE, Corner WALL and PARADISE ROW. Phone 571

FURNITURE FOR THE DINING ROOM AT BARGAIN PRICES.

SIDEBOARDS in Elm, Golden Oak Finish, 29 x 46 in. top, 14 x 24 in. Bevel mirror, three drawers, two small and one large, and large double cupboard, only \$11.50. EXTENSION TABLES in Elm, Golden Oak Finish, five legs, 6 ft. long and 3 ft. 4 in. wide, well made and a good design, only \$6.50. SIX DINING CHAIRS to match, strongly made and good design, only \$3.50.

Here is your chance to get a new Dining room fit out for only \$21.50.

N. A. Hornbrook & Co., Mill St. 15

L. O. F. FUNERAL NOTICE. ANNUAL MEETING I

The annual general meeting of the shareholders of Jas. Fender & Co., Ltd. will be held at the office of the company, Charlotte street (extension), in the City of Saint John, N. B., on Wednesday, first day of February, 1905, at three o'clock, p. m., for the election of Directors, and such other business as may legally come before such meeting.

H. RUSSELL STURDEBE, Secretary. W. A. ERB, R. S.