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EXPANSION SALE

Great Clearance of LINOLEUMS

Inlaid Linoleums at a sq. yd. 80c
Four yd. wide Linoleums at a yd. 48c

When in Glasgow our buyer made a special purchase in Linoleums. In conjunction with other members of the syndicate we cleared an immense stock lot of inlaid and printed linoleums. We have just taken out of bond our delivery of this purchase and now have a splendid assortment to offer you at the above prices. The regular value of these goods is 90 and 60c

Expansion Sale of Lace Curtains

The syndicate place an order for 25,000 pairs of lace curtains; more than any wholesale house in Canada would buy at one time. We by this means secure a special discount, and can offer you better values than any other house in the trade. In addition to this, for our great sale we have taken leading lines and marked them this way—

\$1.50 lace curtains for.....\$1.12
\$1.75 lace curtains for.....\$1.35
\$2.00 lace curtains for.....\$1.48
\$2.25 lace curtains for.....\$1.59
\$2.75 lace curtains for.....\$2.10

Expansion Sale of Floor Oilcloths

3 excellent designs in floral and block effects, standard quality, 2 yds wide, suitable for rooms or for putting under stoves, on sale very special at per square yard

Expansion Sale of Art Squares

A good opportunity to carpet a bedroom, dining room, or sitting room. Every rug mentioned is pure wool with the exception of the lowest priced quality. They are at the lowest prices—

3 yds by 3 1-2 yds, \$9.00 rug for \$6.25
3 yds by 3 yds, \$7.00 rug for \$4.75
3 yds by 4 yds, \$10.50 rug for \$8.50
3 yds by 3 yds, \$7.50 rug for \$5.25
3 yds by 3 1-2 yds, \$10.00 rug for \$7.65

Expansion Sale of Hemp Carpets

Good hemp carpets are not quite so effective in appearance as cheap unions or tapestries but they will out wear them. We have three excellent designs in hemp carpets, floral and stripes, 33 in wide, extra heavy quality, very serviceable, regular price 25c a yd, on sale for

18c Jute carpet for 14c

Expansion Sale of RIBBONS

50 pieces of Satin Duchesse, Lousine and Fancy stripe Neck Ribbons, No. 60 width, in such plain colors as navy, brown, pink, sky, white, cream, black, fawn, reseda, Nile, helio, and a large collection of pretty fancy stripes, regular value 25c and 35c a yd., on sale very special at 15c a yd.

Expansion Sale of STAPLES

17 inch wide pure linen crash roller, red border, regular 10c, expansion sale price at

64 inch wide pure linen tabling, unbleached, in handsome floral design, regular 65c, expansion sale special

8 1-2c
Linen huck towels, fringed and bordered, regular value 10c each, expansion sale special at three for

59c
62 inch wide pure linen tabling, unbleached, in neat polka spot design, regular 60c, expansion sale special

25c
36 inch wide fine English bleached cotton, Horrockses, regular price 14c yard, expansion sale special

53c
72 inch wide pure linen bleached tabling, in elegant floral design, regular 65c a yard, expansion sale special

12 1-2c
Honey comb bed spreads, full double bed size, knotted fringe all around, fine soft finish, regular value now \$1.25, expansion sale special

50c
72 inch wide pure linen bleached tabling, in new designs, regular 75c a yard, expansion sale price

66c

Ladies Suits and Capes

Ten only ladies' suits, with Eaton coats, short coats and long coats, with new skirts, made up in good styles of medium and dark color tweeds, regular value \$17.00 and \$18.00, expansion sale price

\$8.75
Ladies' black capes, medium weight for fall wear, nicely trimmed around neck and front with black satin ribbon, regular price \$4.50 and \$5.00, expansion sale price

\$2.75

Thos. Stone & Son

A GRAVE SITUATION

It will be a source of satisfaction to the friends of Mr. Stephens in both parties to read in to-day's issue his emphatic signed denial of the Dover bribery charges. No one wants to do the late member for Kent an injustice, but, if he be guilty of the serious moral misdemeanor charged against him, even his friends must admit that his usefulness as their parliamentary representative is definitely at an end.

Mr. Stephens' denial is satisfactory in so far as it goes,—but he must see, and his friends must see, that it cannot be allowed to rest at that. He must continue the preparation of the "absolute and conclusive proof," to which he alludes, to an immediate culmination—and it must be of that complete and unequivocal character which will thoroughly satisfy the good people of the constituency he seeks to represent. There must be no generality, no elasticity, no uncertainty, about this serious matter. A dozen "emphatic denials" are no good unless backed by the clearest and most thorough, definite and convincing proof. The charges are preferred by two representative and respected Kent county gentlemen—men whose word is valued, whose integrity has never been questioned; men, too, who are not in any sense strong party politicians—and unless the reply to them is adequate and convincing, Mr. Stephens had better relinquish the candidacy of his party at once and give them time to call another convention to nominate his successor.

Until the proof that he declares he is preparing is given to the people and until it is accepted by them, neither Mr. Stephens nor his party can be in a position to ask a single vote for him. The Liberal campaign in this constituency is necessarily at a standstill, as it is totally impossible for the honorable men of the party to speak or work to secure the suffrages of upright men for a candidate resting under so grave a charge preferred by reliable men.

Mr. Stephens in dictating his statement to The Planet for publication yesterday said he had no stock in the proposed railroad project that he desired Dover to bonus to the extent of \$75,000.00, nor had he any interest "other than that of any public-spirited citizen." It was an unwise assertion to make and is not likely to strengthen Mr. Stephens' position. The Dominion Statute granting the charter to this railroad (3 Edward VII., Chapter 105, section 1, assented to Aug. 13, 1903) shows that Mr. Stephens was the first-named of those to whom the charter was granted and is a director of the corporation. Mr. Stephens must not be allowed to make such statements and general denials that the facts do not warrant. He must go about his vindication in a clear, straight-forward, above-board and definite manner. He must give his proof to the people and have it accepted by them, or promptly relinquish all claim to their support and suffrage.

SERIOUS THING

Tilbury Voters Profoundly Impressed with the Dover Charge of Bribery—Splendid Conservative Rally.

From The Planet Correspondent.
Tilbury, Oct. 11.—A splendid meeting was held here last night in the interests of H. S. Clements and Lewis Wigle.

Notwithstanding the wet weather, Anderson Hall was well filled to hear the public questions discussed. Reeve Crawford occupied the chair and called and called on Mr. Clements, Mr. Wigle, Sol. White, of Windsor, and Sidney Coatsworth, of Romney, all of whom were given an attentive and enthusiastic hearing. Mr. Clements' exposure of Mr. Stephens' attempt to bribe the members of Dover Council in the interests of \$75,000 bonus to an electric railway, in which he was interested, was the feature of the meeting, and made a most profound impression upon his hearers.

The Grand Trunk Pacific Railway bargain was ably discussed, as well as the violation of every promise that had been made by the Liberal party while in opposition.

Mrs. Deepdigger—You never said a word about our wedding anniversary last Tuesday—not a word.
Prof. Deepdigger—My dear, how can you expect me to take any interest in anything so ridiculously recent.

STEPHENS ISSUES DENIAL OF DOVER BRIBERY CHARGES

Says He is Preparing Proof of Their Falsity—President Stone of the Liberal Executive Declines to Make any Statement at Present—Stephens Has Not Yet Thrown Up the Candidacy—What Will Be the Outcome?

The serious bribery charges preferred against George Stephens by Reeve Purser and Councillor Boyer, of the Dover Council, at the Pain Court meeting on Saturday evening have created a profound impression throughout the entire community.

The opinion is general among the best men of both parties that The Planet's position, as expressed yesterday, is the only possible one to take in so grave a matter, viz., that the charges must be completely and irrevocably refuted and Mr. Stephens vindicated, or that gentleman must forthwith withdraw from the candidacy for parliamentary representative for West Kent.

It is understood that the executive of the Liberal party held a long and anxious meeting with Mr. Stephens last night. The proceedings were of course, a strictly private character, but it is said that considerable plain speaking was indulged in and there were many heart-burnings and ruffled finer feelings.

This morning The Planet interviewed Captain Fred. Stone, president of the Liberal Association, and asked him if the party proposed taking any steps towards asking Mr. Stephens to relinquish the candidacy, or, otherwise, of probing the charges to the bottom and refuting them before

asking the men of Dover Township and the electors of West Kent to extend to him their franchise. "I cannot answer that at present," replied Captain Stone, "for that would be simply disclosing our plans. But I may say that we expect to completely disprove the charges and will be pleased to give The Planet a statement then."

"When may we secure that statement for the people?" was asked. "Just as soon as possible," replied Capt. Stone. "We will give you something concerning the matter, if possible, for to-day's paper."

Later in the morning President Stone sent the following type-written statement to The Planet:—

Through your columns I wish to state to the electors and to the public generally, in the most emphatic way, that I am absolutely free from any approach to wrongdoing in connection with the matters referred to in the charges made by Messrs. Purser and Bowyer at the Pain Court meeting Saturday night. I am preparing to absolutely and conclusively prove the falsehood of these charges, and will give this proof to the public at the earliest possible moment.

GEORGE STEPHENS.
Chatham, Oct. 11, 1904.

28 KILLED, 60 INJURED

Head-On Collision On Missouri Pacific Railway.

Passenger Train Hit By Freight Whose Conductor Dosed While Disaster Came—Forward Passenger Coach Was Tossed, and It Was Here That the Sacrifice of Life Occurred—Coroner's Jury Seeking to Fix Responsibility.

Warrensburg, Mo., Oct. 11.—Twenty-eight persons were killed and 60 injured by a head-on collision of Missouri Pacific trains, three miles east of Warrensburg, yesterday. The trains were the second section of a passenger train from Wichita for St. Louis, and an extra freight train.

Most of the dead were residents of Missouri and Kansas, as are the injured. The passenger train, consisting of two day coaches, a Pullman and a caboose, was loaded with World's Fair excursionists from Southeastern Kansas and Southwestern Missouri. The Wichita passenger train had been cut in two at Pleasant Hill on account of the heavy load, and a locomotive attached to the front car, without a baggage car as a buffer.

Freight Met Second Section.

The extra freight had been sidetracked at Montserrat for the first section of the Wichita train, which carried signals that a second section was following. A local passenger train passed and the freight crew took the local for the second section of the Wichita train and pulled out of the side-track. Three miles west the freight met the second section.

The impact telescoped the tender of the passenger locomotive and the front car, which was full of passengers, and it was here that the sacrifice of life took place. The passenger conductor, E. L. Barnes, ran all the way to Warrensburg to report the wreck. Every physician in Warrensburg and hundreds of citizens hastened to the wreck to assist the wounded. Twenty persons were killed outright and seven died within a few hours. The dead were placed on flat cars and brought to Warrensburg.

A coroner's jury is now seeking to fix the responsibility for the wreck. The conductor of the freight train says he was dozing while his train was at Montserrat, and when the local train passed Engineer Horton believed it was the second section of the Wichita train, and thinking the track clear, pulled out on the main line.

Stabbed in the Neck.

Peterboro, Oct. 11.—At the noted Italian house on Bethune street, Sunday afternoon, a number of Italians had congregated. A fight occurred, and as a result one of the inmates was stabbed in the neck. His wounds were dressed, but the police have not captured their man.

Morley Sails On Friday.

London, Oct. 11.—(C. A. P.)—Rt. Hon. John Morley, M.P., sails for New York per the SS: Celtic on Friday, and is expected to proceed at once to Canada.

If some people had their way everybody else would get out of it.

CHILDREN'S AID

The Advisory Board of the Children's Aid Society met in the offices of County Clerk Jonas Gosnell. Mrs. W. D. Sheldon, Mrs. Fred Goodland, Mrs. Frazer, Mrs. William Young, Mrs. Malcolmson, Mrs. Taff, Mrs. Brady, and Mrs. H. D. Smith and Messrs. J. W. Plewes, D. S. Patterson, Baxter and Dr. R. V. Bray.

The executive officer, Dr. R. V. Bray, presented his report for the month of September. It was as follows—visits 8, letters written 8, cases investigated 2, embracing 3, children interviewed 9, children changed in homes 1. The report was adopted.

It was reported concerning the boys with sore eyes that they were progressing favorably. The following committee was appointed to wait on the police commissioners, in reference to the appointment of a truant officer—Mrs. Fred Goodland, Mrs. Frazer, Mrs. Sheldon and D. S. Patterson, and J. W. Plewes.

Account amounting to \$4.75 were ordered paid.

Donations of \$1 from Mrs. Young and \$5 from the I. O. O. F., were acknowledged.

The delegates to the London convention, Mrs. Goodland, Mrs. Sheldon, and Dr. R. V. Bray, gave reports of the meeting in London.

THEY SQUABBLED

Neighbors on Pine Street Air Their Troubles in the Police Court—Some Results of a General Engagement.

"Do unto the other fellow what he's trying to do unto me and do it first," remarked Judge Houston this morning at the police court as he quoted from David Harnum. John Mowers was in the witness box in connection with the assault charge preferred by Mrs. Mowers against Frank Baxter. Mr. Mowers said that the defendant had remarked to witness son, "Tell your old father to come out on the street and I'll smash his face."

Mowers said he promptly went out on the street but never at all expected to fight. Such a thing was apparently very far from his mind. Judge Houston couldn't quite appreciate the witness' feelings. The Court rather thought that Mowers went out with the intention of doing unto the other fellow what he wanted to do to him and to do it first. Witness went out and got a smash in the eye. The evidence was pretty much contradictory but the facts of the case seemed to be that John Mowers and Frank Baxter are neighbors on Pine street. Blake Mowers, a lad of twelve, was kicking up a noise in their own yard and to this Mr. Baxter objected. He asked the boy to stop, and the lad's father interfered. Then Baxter and Mowers had a wordy difference which ended in a general invitation to settle the matter on the street. Both hastened out and then a general engagement ensued in which father and son were opposed to Frank Baxter. He was getting away pretty well with it when Mrs. Mowers came to the rescue. She received a nasty blow in the face and then Frank got away. After hearing all the evidence Judge Houston dismissed the charge, each party to pay their own costs. O. L. Lewis defended Frank Baxter.

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Candle Shades in Yellow, Red, Green and Pink at prices from 15c to 25c Each.

Candles in all colors, 5c. to 10c. Each.

Candle Sticks in Black Iron, 15c Each or 2 for 25c.

You know the trouble it is to these goods when you want them in a hurry. Why not buy now when you can get just what you want? Then you know the worry is over and you have the goods.

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We repair all kinds of shoes

We repair them far better than most shoe stores do.

This is easy to say and easy to prove.

Hunt up any old pair of worn out shoes you have at home—bring them to us—we'll make them as good, or nearly as good, as new.

This is only possible by the perfect equipment of our repair shop.

Let us "make one pair of shoes new" and we'll convince and convert you.

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