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A Week of Shirtwaist Selling

We have over 300 White Lawn Waists to sell and we are going to devote a week to getting them out.

No lady that we know, or ever heard of, has so many white lawn waists that she cannot grab at an opportunity to get one at a reduced price.

You are not particularly interested in WHY we are reducing them; what does interest you is the fact that they ARE reduced and that they are styled after the very latest modes of this season.

Lawn Waists

Made of Fine White Sheer India Lawn, Val. lace collar and cuffs, front trimmed with tucking, Val. lace and medallion embroidery, short sleeves, button up back, reduced to

\$1.35

Made of Fine White India Lawn, mercerized Montmelle embroidered front, short sleeves, nicely tucked, reduced to

\$1.98

Made of Fine White Sheer India Lawn, short sleeves, button back, Val. lace collar and cuffs, handsomely trimmed with fine tucking and hem stitching, three styles of elegant embroidered fronts, specially reduced to

\$2.10

Made of Fine White Dotted Muslin, tucked yoke, short sleeves, button back, Val. lace collar and cuffs, reduced to

\$1.68

Made of Fine White Lawn, long sleeves, open front, deep cuffs, hemstitched and tucked, trimmed with embroidery insertion, very special, at

\$1.00

SEE WINDOW DISPLAY.

Lawn Waists

Made of Fine White India Lawn, short frilled sleeves, Val. lace trimmed, solid embroidery front, lace collar, button up back, reduced to

\$1.75

Made of Fine White Sheer India Lawn, short sleeves, tucked back and yoke, Val. lace collar and cuffs, handsomely embroidered front, reduced to

\$1.98

Made of Finest Quality White Sheer India Lawn, short sleeves, button back, fine Val. lace collar and cuffs, trimmed with fine tucking, elegant all-over shadow embroidery front, specially reduced to

\$2.48

Made of White Indian Head Jean, "Peter Pan" style outing waist, made with yoke and short sleeves, special

\$1.50

Made of Finest White Batiste, short sleeves, "Dutch" neck, daintily trimmed with Val. lace, elegant embroidered front, very special at

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INVESTIGATION ASKED FOR

Health Authorities in Camden and Dresden Said to be Negligent

LOCAL CASES THE RESULT

The laxity of the health officials of some neighboring townships and villages is causing much anxiety to the local health department. Through this negligence on the part of outside officials the health of Chatham is gravely endangered. A repulsive form of disease has been allowed to go unchecked in certain municipalities for some time, and the local health authorities have come to the conclusion that remonstrances are in vain, and have resolved to take a practical way of putting a stop to the indifference of the out-of-town officials.

For some time it has been known that small-pox has been rampant between Florence and Dresden, and in those villages. This state of affairs has been a great menace to the city of Chatham, and Medical Health Officer Hall and Inspector Mounteer have had to exert all their vigilance watching people coming in from the vicinity of the infected districts. At times patients from these places have had to be isolated in Chatham to prevent the disease spreading here. As far as can be made out the authorities of these municipalities are doing little or nothing towards isolating patients, or preventing them from leaving their neighborhood. The local officials have been perplexed for some time as to what to do to prevent the danger of contagion. The attention of the outside authorities has been often called to the matter, but they seemingly have decided to take no notice, and they have replied with indignation several times that there was no small-pox in their districts.

M. H. O. Hall has decided that severe measures will have to be taken to deal with the local officials. He does not care to interfere with their local charges, but he tightly believes it is his duty to see that the health of Chatham is not daily endangered in this way.

The Planet has learned from an authoritative source that Dr. Hall has written to the Provincial Board of Health laying a complaint, charging the above named municipalities health authorities with gross negligence in the performance of their duties. It is likely a Government investigation into their methods will follow, and the heads of some careless officers may fall. The local health department have decided that laxity can be tolerated no longer. A couple of cases of small-pox, which are now isolated at the local isolation hospital, have been traced as having their origin in Dresden and Florence. The outcome will likely prove quite interesting for somebody. The cases, fortunately, are of a mild nature and every precaution is being taken to prevent the spreading of the disease.

A MINISTER'S TROUBLES

Methodist Divine Restricted in Performing Burial Service

ENGLISH RECTOR RULES

A local Methodist minister had rather an unusual and unpleasant experience yesterday while conducting a burial service.

The funeral, which was under his charge, took place from this city to a burying ground in the country. The short service was conducted in the city at the home of the deceased, according to the rites of the Methodist church, and the procession proceeded to an English church in the country, where the service was to be continued and concluded. The burying ground was situated just adjoining this English church.

Upon arriving at the church in question the Methodist minister was informed that he would not be allowed to preach a sermon from a text in the church, and as a result, he was just allowed to give an informal talk and was not allowed to occupy the pulpit. This, it is understood, is a rule of the English church, and in this case it was strictly adhered to.

After the short service in the church the mourners and friends repaired to the burying ground, where again the Methodist divine was restricted in conducting the last rites and was forced to leave out a considerable part of the burial ceremony.

The incident has caused considerable wonderment in some quarters, while in others it is viewed as being quite proper and in full accord with the rules of the Church of England.

MAN IS ILL, NEGLECTS DEBT, IS IMPRISONED FOR TEN DAYS

The Unfortunate Position of a Worthy Citizen Who is Arrested and Sent to Gaol for Contempt to Court—Law Should Be Altered

A rather unfortunate state of affairs was brought before the attention of the police yesterday, in a case where they unfortunately have no jurisdiction.

A man named Wm. French was sued in the Division Court some time ago for a debt of \$50. Judgment was given against him, and he was ordered to pay \$2 per month until the whole debt was paid. This would have been all right if French had had good health. He is said to be a good workman, and a steady wage-earner.

Several payments of \$2 each were paid, when French unfortunately became ill, and was unable to work. Of course, the payments then stopped, and the unfortunate man was arrested for contempt of Court, and was sent to gaol for ten days.

This imprisonment does not lessen the debt whatever, and when he gets out he will be in a worse shape than ever, all owing to his illness. When he was arrested he had a job, and was trying to catch up with the

world, as it were, and now through his imprisonment, he may lose his position, and will have to look for another one.

The injustice in the case seems to be in imprisoning a man because he was unable to pay his debts on account of illness. It is thought that the principal to whom the debt is due would not be in favor of goading the man, but unfortunately he is at present out of the city. It is, however, a question whether he would have any power in the matter or not. It is understood that the man is needy, with a family to support, and his wife and family are dependant for support until he gets out, and when he does get out his job may be filled by another man. It would seem that it would have been better for all concerned if the man had never been imprisoned. There should be some law to protect such unfortunate people.

MR. CLEMENTS' STRONG APPEAL FOR COLORED PEOPLE OF KENT

The Full Text of his Splendid Speech Made in the House—He Advocates That They Be Given Employment on Railways—Colored People Excellent Citizens

The following is the full text of I am expressing that these people should receive some consideration in the future. I care not what stripe of politics you may take into consideration in offering any of these appointments to our colored people. The Government have some very strong supporters there but I would be just as glad to lend a hand to assist in securing a recognition of these supporters of the Government as I would of supporters of the Opposition. I trust the Government will take this matter into their consideration and that with the vast number of appointments which are being made from day to day in the different departments, these people will be given some consideration. I feel it my duty as a representative of that section of the people to advocate their interests here and I trust these people will be represented as well as other nationalities in this Dominion.

Mr. Clarke—I just wish to add a few words to express my agreement with what has been said by my hon. friend from West Kent (Mr. Clements). There is no doubt that for different reasons the colored people ought to be recognized. In the first place, they have had a harder struggle than the white man in this country. They have obstacles to overcome which the white man has not. They have prejudices against them. They have not had the facilities for education which the white man has. I am very glad to be able to agree with my hon. friend in saying that wherever they have had the advantage of schools equally with the white people they have taken a very good position indeed. Within the past year I had the pleasure of being at a school entertainment where two of the brightest pupils of the whole body were colored. We ought to encourage them, so that they may become educated and take a high standing in the community. My hon. friend is quite right in saying that the colored race in Canada ought to be recognized by the Government, and given their fair share of the public positions which are open to the people of this country. Mr. Clements—I have known Dr. Shadd since I was a boy and I have the highest regard for him. He was the Conservative candidate in one of the constituencies in the Northwest and I may say that irrespective of party politics the people of our district have the highest opinion of him. I shall not say whether or not it is the fault of the Government, but I understand that notwithstanding that Dr. Shadd has one of the most extensive and best practices and is deservedly esteemed by all, the medical party distributed throughout the district, literature of the most offensive kind in order to defeat him. Had not that kind of thing been resorted to, I believe Dr. Shadd would have been elected by a large majority.

Mr. Sam. Hughes—I can add to the testimony given by my hon. friend (Mr. Clements) as to the high character of Dr. Shadd. I may state that some time ago I had the privilege of selecting lands in the Northwest for some settlers of the colored race who came from Essex, and they have made exceptionally good of thrift and industry to the whole community.

THREE MORE OIL WELLS

One Well Gushes 110 Barrels per day—Others are Promising

GAS IS VERY ABUNDANT

Excitement at present in the Tilbury oil district is at feverish height. Wonderful stories of wells which belched up tremendous quantities of oil and gas with the force of small volcanoes are being told, and tales of wealth amassed in a single day and gushers of untold promise, have set the imaginations of speculators afire. The field is now acknowledged to be one of the richest in the world.

A new well, struck on the Stephenson farm yesterday, gushed 110 barrels during the day. The oil is pouring steadily into five large tanks, and shows no signs of abating in its flow. Another new well has been struck on J. W. Smith's farm. At this well the first oil was struck at a depth of 1,300 feet, and when a depth of 1,400 feet was reached, the oil belched up through the opening. The drillers will sink to the depth of 1,435 feet, and leave the well to run at that. This is the third well struck on the Smith farm. A good paying well has also been struck on the Kerr farm.

Two representatives of the Chatham Oil Syndicate paid a visit to the Tilbury fields yesterday. They have returned wildly enthusiastic over the future of the field. Talking to a Planet reporter this morning, one of them said:

"I never saw anything like it in my life. The wildest excitement prevails, and the country is filled with speculators, who are quietly buying up everything in sight."

"I saw one well struck on the Stephenson farm yesterday. It gushed 110 barrels during the day. Gas and oil came up out of it with tremendous force, and we had to shout to each other in order to be heard above the deafening roar of the gusher. One old oil speculator wanted to wager \$1,000 that 19 more paying wells will shortly be located on this same farm."

"One American capitalist has cleared \$75,000 in two months' time in deals and leases, and the farmers in that locality have almost gone mad with excitement. The American capitalists claim that the Tilbury field is one of the richest in the world."

The Chatham Oil Syndicate has leased the Purdy farm, which is located on the 4th concession of Tilbury. The indications are so promising that the Chatham men have already had several American capitalists after them wanting to buy out their lease already. The material for the erection of the derricks is now being shipped to the fields leased by the Chatham syndicate.

Sense and Dollars

Go hand-in-hand. The affluent of to-day are those who used good common-sense yesterday and the day before. They made a point of saving something each week; and their wealth and independence grew and grew.

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3 lbs. Mixed Biscuits, 25c.
6 Bars Comfort Soap, 25c.
6 Richard's Pure Soap, 25c.
2 lbs. Coarse Jap Tea, 25c.
Wash Boards, 15c. each.
3 Packages Jelly Powder, 25c.
Fruit Jars—Pints 60c, quarts 70c., half-gallons 90c. per dozen.
1 lb. Cass Sunlight Baking Powder, 10c.
Prunes, 8c. per lb.
Good Corn Starch, 8c. a packet.

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and save dollars by purchasing your Dinner, Tea, or Chamber Sets, at our Clearing Sale. China lots left for wedding presents, birthday presents, or you can buy yourself a present for little money. The goods must go.

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