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The Largest Retail Distributors of Ladies' Coats, Skirts and Blouse Waists in the Maritime Provinces.

Dowling's Great Mid-Winter Sale

A Decisive Clearance of Women's, Misses' and Children's Coats. A Great Opportunity That You Really Cannot Afford to Miss.

\$8.00 and \$10.00 Coats and one at \$25.00, for \$4.98. A limited quantity of stylish warm Winter Coats, full length, in Black and Navy Frieze, values up to \$10.00, and one Wisteria Novelty Cloth Coat, handsomely braided \$25.00, now \$4.98.

About 25 Black Frieze and Mixed Tweed Coats, 3-4 length, and a few full length, value up to \$7.00, now \$1.95.

About 30 Imported Model Coats, rich and beautiful garments from the fashion centres of the world, in Gray, Brown and Black, values up to \$45.00, now \$10.00, \$15.00.

Children's Coats, sizes 4 years to 12, in Navy Frieze, Cardinal, Velvet and Bearskin, Teddy-Bear, etc., values up to \$7.00, now \$1.50 to \$3.90.

Our stock of Opera Coats at 25 per cent. discount.

Great bargain in Evening Dresses and Lace Waists.

DOWLING BROTHERS
95 and 101 King Street

A Customer's Reasonable Wish Is This Store's Pleasure.

DYKEMAN'S

OUR NEW Spring Dress Goods HAVE ARRIVED

The fabrics of this year's designing are of the reliable and serviceable kind.

Serges predominate, while Tweeds follow a close second, Broadcloths coming third and Venetians fourth.

We are showing an immense range of Serges at prices from 44 cents a yard for all wool materials up to \$1.50. The attractive new colorings of tan, eclipse blue, navy blue and all the leading shades are shown in each range.

The Tweeds are shown in a very large range of colorings, 46 cents a yard up to \$1.25.

Broadcloths, British make, from \$1.10 to \$2.20 a yard.

Venetians are of the reliable French make, already shrunken and sponged. Prices 60 cents, 75 cents, \$1.00, \$1.17 and \$1.35 a yard.

F.A. DYKEMAN & CO.
55 Charlotte street

Good Furs Like Real Gems, Are Rare

The very choicest of our select showing of Furs are included in this sale, and, like other grades, are offered at a reduction of 25 Per Cent from regular prices.

Bargains You Can't Afford To Miss

J. L. THORNE & CO.
Hatters and Furriers. 55 Charlotte Street

OVERALLS, JUMPERS, ETC.

are being shown here in abundance. We also have some good values to offer in Men's Pants, and below quote prices that deserve your careful attention.

Black Overalls and Jumpers, 50c., 75c., 95c. and \$1.00
Khaki Overalls, (double fronts and seat) \$1.35
Khaki Jumpers, \$1.35
Painters Overalls and Jumpers, 50c.
Men's Pants, \$1.25, \$1.45, \$1.65, \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.45

S. W. McMACKIN, 335 MAIN ST.

NOW IS THE TIME

If you are looking for a Piano for your home that will give you perfect satisfaction for all time, call and examine the choice assortment of

Heintzman & Co. Pianos

Also **Wormwith & Co. Pianos**

which we are making special prices on for a short time only.

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LOCAL NEWS

THREE ON BENCH.
In the police court this morning three prisoners charged with drunkenness were all remanded to jail.

CORSICAN ENTERTAINERS.
The Rag Time Band of the steamer Corsican gave a very delightful concert in the Seamen's Institute last night. It was largely attended. H. Walker and W. McParland also assisted with the programme.

"DO NOT OPEN UNTIL CHRISTMAS."
There is a commercial traveller's office on Prince William street, which had the above notice on his door yesterday during his absence from the city. Today that travelling man is looking for the author of such mischief, but unfortunately the guilty culprit is reported to be another "drummer" only colored.

ACCIDENT.
Albert Cox, a C. P. R. brakeman, residing in Guilford street, W. E., was injured while working on some cars at Sand Point this morning. While coupling the cars he was struck by the check by a bolt and his cheek was badly cut. He was taken to the Emergency Hospital, where he was treated by Dr. F. L. Kennedy.

PREPARING FOR THE CONGRESS.
Painters are now at work painting several of the offices in Fredericton city hall and Alderman Burchill, chairman of the city hall committee, has given orders to have the corridors and offices throughout the building cleaned up and painted so that the building will present a proper appearance when the representatives from all parts of the province meet there at the immigration congress next month.

TO REBUILD AT WOODSIDE, N. S.
John K. Schofield, N. S. Sugar Refinery, a director of the Acadia Sugar Refinery, gave out today what is considered as the first official information concerning the section of the company in the matter of rebuilding. He said that the Refinery Company had decided to rebuild at Woodside, N. S., the Woodside refinery, and plans to that end were now being prepared. The new plant is to have a capacity of 3,000 barrels a day.

GREATLY PLEASED.
A very pleasing entertainment was given in the west St. John Presbyterian church by Miss Lottie L. Tillotson of the Hawaiian Islands last evening. Miss Tillotson is a very cultured lady who has visited nearly every known country. She not only has much of vital interest to say but she has a most charming way of saying it. Every one who heard her was delighted and those who failed to hear her missed much.

TRIPLE ALLIANCE MEETINGS.
The meeting in the Brussels street U. B. church last night was well attended and the congregation listened to an able discourse by Rev. Robert Smart, assistant pastor of Kilmouth street church. The text was "I Am Not Ashamed of the Gospel of Christ for it is the Power of God unto Salvation." The speaker dealt particularly with the uplifting power of the gospel and said that no one could more truthfully assert this than the Apostle Paul himself, who had been transformed from persecutor of Christ to a preacher of His gospel, and had seen the great stream of humanity turned from sin and degradation to a life of peace and liberty.

THE STEAMERS.
The S. S. Kanawha sailed last night for London via Halifax.
The Munson liner Nancy Lee arrived this morning from Perth Amboy, N. J., with 3,000 tons of American hard coal for R. P. & W. F. Starr. She will load cargo at Sand Point for Havana. The Allan liner Hesperian is due at Halifax tonight.
The Donaldson liner Casandra sailed this morning at eleven o'clock for Glasgow. She took away thirteen cabin passengers and thirty steerage passengers. Included in her large cargo was 100,000 bushels of grain.

THE GIRLS' CLUB.
A few happy hours were spent last evening by the members of the Girls' Club in their rooms in Union street, which were gaily decorated with crimson-colored hearts in observance of St. Valentine's Day. The origin of the day and the story of the message of Valentine were explained and dwelt upon at some length. Interesting games in keeping with the day were played and refreshments served. The membership of the club is steadily on the increase, and the officers and those interested are endeavoring to make a still greater increase. All girls are cordially welcomed, and citizens are asked to show their appreciation by donations or by contributions of games or light refreshments.

DEATH OF MISS BUSTARD.
The death of Miss Ann Jane Bustard, second daughter of the late Charles and Margaret Bustard, occurred at the home of her nephew, Frank P. Napier, 130 Broad street, this morning. She was fifty years of age, and had been ill for some time. Her only sister, Mrs. Jane Napier, died last August. Miss Bustard had been a resident of this city for more than twenty years, and had many friends who will miss her death with regret. She is survived by a niece, Mrs. M. E. Wilson, of New York, and four nephews, J. H. of New York, Frank P. Napier and A. W. Bustard of this city. The funeral will take place on Friday afternoon at half past three o'clock from 130 Broad street. Services will begin at a quarter after three o'clock.

TO INTERVIEW GOVERNMENT

Moral and Social Reform Council Committee to be Heard

A delegation from the Moral and Social Reform Council is preparing to go before the local government on February 23 in session in this city to ask for some definite amendments to the liquor license act. These amendments, in some cases, are very important and far-reaching, while others of them are of lesser consequence, but nevertheless interesting. The delegation to go before the government will be composed of A. A. Wilson, K. C., J. Willard Smith, Rev. W. R. Robinson, and J. S. Armstrong. One matter is that of inspecting liquor.

WINTER PORT STEAMERS ON THE WAY TO ST. JOHN

Manchester Commerce, Manchester, Feb. 3.
Bengore Head, Fayal, Feb. 4.
Havannah, Liverpool, Feb. 8.
Rhodesian, Barbadoes, Feb. 8.
Mount Temple, Antwerp, Feb. 8.
Empress of Ireland, Liverpool, Feb. 9.

MORE DEMAND FOR THE NURSES

Annual Meeting of Victorian Order Hears of Increased Work and Falling off in Receipts From Patients

At the annual meeting of the Victorian Order of Nurses here this afternoon the following reports on the work were read: The board of management have pleasure in presenting the twelfth annual report of the St. John Branch of the Victorian Order of Nurses ending December 31, 1911. Practically during the whole of the last year there have been three nurses on the staff, previously to the permanent addition of Miss Substant in July, services of outside nurses were frequently required. An increase of \$195.30 in the salary last reflects this.

The addition to our staff was necessitated through the board entering into a contract with the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., to attend their sick industrial policy holders. This contract has proved of great benefit to both parties the order having received in fees under this branch of the work the sum of \$200.00 besides bringing our nurses in touch with a larger number of the poorer classes.

The following is a classification of the work of the year:

Number of cases nursed	412	Increase
Force number of visits during the year	4835	1511
Medical cases	124	37
Number of doctors employing nurses	48	24
Surgical cases	115	3
Gynecological cases	80	3
Obstetrical cases	98	19
Chronic cases	67	34
Number of paying patients	139	41
Metropolitan Life	84	84
Number of non-paying patients	189	35
Operations	49	9
Average hours on duty	7 1-8	previous year 6 3-4
Average hours Sunday	4 1-4	previous year 4 1-4

We may mention that out of the forty-nine night visits seven entailed the presence of a nurse the whole night. In view of the above report, giving a comparison of the work performed by the nurses with that of 1910, no comment is called for. Fees received from patients showed a falling off of \$140.95 being \$416.35 against \$557.30 for the year 1910.

Subscriptions of \$100 were also \$27 lower for the year.

In November last the board made an arrangement with their staff on the lines followed by other branches of the order whereby an allowance is granted them in lieu of the order providing them with uniforms, etc., and paying their laundry bills. In future these items will disappear from our balance sheets and a consequent increase in the salary list be shown.

A Word For The Nurses

The board wishes to express their appreciation of the work done by their nurses which has been well performed, in doing this they feel they are only expressing the general satisfaction at what they have accomplished. Their thanks are also tendered to the board of commission of the St. John General Public Hospital who continue to provide comfortable quarters for the nurses, to the city council for their financial assistance, and to the members of the order and to the medical men for their cooperation in the work of the association.

(Sgd.) J. G. FORBES, President.	
(Sgd.) C. W. HALLAMORE, Secretary-Treasurer.	
Balance Sheet as at Dec. 31, 1911	
Cash on hand at last balance	\$ 68.05
Grant from City	500.00
Subscriptions	100.00
Patients' fees	416.35
Metropolitan Life fees	350.85
Interest in Savings Bank	10.50
	\$238.84
Expenditures	
Salaries	\$1,289.00
Emergency Account	200.00
Laundry	102.25
Car tickets	107.00
Uniforms and materials	145.22
Drugs, gauze, etc.	70.00
Printing and stationery	4.25
Expressage	3.44
Stamps	2.44
Bag for nurses	16.50
V. O. N., Ottawa	50.00
Fire Insurance premium	2.50
Cash on hand	222.83
	\$2,285.84
(Sgd.) THOS. WALKER, Auditor.	

NEW WAREHOUSE OPENED

C. P. R. Begin Use of Mill Street Quarters—Names of Staff

The new freight offices of the C. P. R. in Mill street were opened this morning and the first train of freight cars pulled up alongside the warehouse doors today. The staff of clerks in the office, as had been expected, is made up largely of former members of the I. C. R. freight staff, several of whom went on duty this morning, having been transferred to the C. P. staff in the new warehouse, in charge of J. S. Clayton.

E. L. Alexander is chief clerk, and E. E. Blair, shed foreman, and the following are the names of those who have transferred from the I. C. R. freight offices: E. J. McCourt, V. A. Owens, M. E. Doherty, A. P. Poole, O. M. MacDonald and John Sharkey. It is thought possible that the staff may be further increased in a short time, but nothing will be done for a few days in this regard. No settlement has yet been arranged hearing on the reduction of staff in the I. C. R. caused by the lessening of the work, as there are several matters which still have to be considered before any action is taken.

ANOTHER GREAT GAIN

St. John bank clearings for the week ending today were \$1,403,992; corresponding week last year \$1,176,036.

SEVERELY HURT.
While working on one of the steamers Sand Point on Sunday evening John Carvell of Carleton was struck by a sling of birch flooring and quite severely hurt. He was carried home and has since been confined to his bed.

YOUR BOY SHOULD BE DRESSED AS WELL AS "DAD"

Here you will see HANDSOME FABRICS made up into STYLISH SUITS for boys, at prices that make our "QUALITY CLOTHES" the best for you to buy. You'd better take advantage of these rare bargains.

BOYS' THREE-PIECE SUITS

\$4.50 SUITS	now \$3.98	\$6.50 SUITS	now \$5.98
5.00 SUITS	now 4.25	7.00 SUITS	now 6.15
5.50 SUITS	now 4.98	7.50 SUITS	now 6.45
6.00 SUITS	now 5.15	8.00 SUITS	now 6.95



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That is a good description of the Slater Shoe and there are many reasons why. Made from the best leathers, on the most up-to-date machines, by especially selected workmen, they are sure to give long service to the wearer. Years of experience have led to the proper selection of shapes to give comfort to your feet and the Popular Prices are easy on your purse.

FOR MEN.
\$4.00 to \$6.00.

FOR WOMEN.
\$3.50 to \$5.00.

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IN OUR COTTON GOODS DISPLAY SHOWN FOR THE FIRST TIME TODAY.

To show something a little newer, a little different, a little better than others show at the same price, is our hobby in this department.

It's a hobby that's popular with men, too. Our Shirt sales prove it. We're always alert—watching for the unusual—and the snappy patterns we show for the first time during the next few days are the kind that influence men to buy whether the demand be immediate or not.

Our one dollar (\$1.00) Shirt is without exception the best Shirt in Canada for the money. They fit perfectly and the colors are absolutely fast, made from splendid fabrics having the appearance of the \$1.50 kind shown at other stores. Shirt values on up to \$2.50 each.

KING STREET COR. GERMAIN GREATER OAK HALL
SCOVIL BROS. LIMITED, St. John, N. B.

WASH GOODS

Of every description for Ladies and Children. Now is the time to buy, you get a nice choice and you have time to get your sewing done for the summer season.

GINGHAMS, at 9 cts., 12 cts. and 15 cts. yard. PRINTS, at 10 cts., 12 cts. and 15 cts. yard.
INDIAN HEADS, at 15 cts. and 18 cts.
DUCKS AND DRILLS, at 15 cts., 16 cts., 18 cts. and 22 cts. yard
FINE SATIN FINISHED FOULARDS, at 22 cts.
MULLS, in plain and fancy, at 16 cts. to 30 cts. yard
STRIPE AND SPOT SKIRTING, with border, at 18 cts.
MERCERIZED PONGEE AND ALEXANDRA CLOTH, at 22 cts. and 25 cts.
In Cream, Tan and Browns.
NURSES' CLOTH, in the dainty stripe in Butcher's Blue and White, Navy and White, Tan and White, at 15 cts. and 18 cts. yard
CHAMBRAYS AND GINGHAMS, plain colors, at 15 cts.
MUSLIN, from 10 cts. yard up to 30 cts.
VOILES in cotton, at 30 cts.

FRASER FRASER & CO.

27 and 29 Charlotte St. Robert Strain, Manager.

More Special Prices on Furs!

With two months of weather to wear Furs, and reliable Furs be sold at such discounts as ours are going, no person should be without them. The past few weeks have made some depletions in our stock, we are offering some exceptional bargains still.

Pony Coats, \$90.00	were \$125.00	Sable Fox Stoles, \$10.00	were \$14.00
Pony Coats, \$70.00	were 100.00	Black Wolf Stoles, \$15.00	were 20.00
Muskat Coats, \$78.00	were 90.00	Persian Lamb Muffs, \$11.00	were 15.00
		Marmot Stoles, \$6.00	were \$8.50

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