

# Two Week's Stock-Taking Sale

**S**TOCK taking this year must be finished two weeks earlier than has been our custom. This gives us only two weeks for our stocktaking sale instead of a month as usual. We are going to crowd a month's selling into these two weeks—from Saturday, December 29th to Saturday January 12, 1907. We are going to make prices on winter goods so attractive that you will want some. We cannot give you full lists. Come and see us. Sale prices mean CASH only. We cannot cut samples of sale goods or send them on approval.

## Winter Footwear

An entire clearance of Winter Footwear must be made. Note these prices.  
 Men's Elmira Felt Boots, laced or gaiters, regular \$2.50 per pair for \$1.45  
 Men's Foxed Felt Boots in laced regular \$3.00 for \$1.95  
 Men's Elmira Lined Boots, laced or gaiters, regular \$3.50 for \$2.45  
 Men's Dolge Boots, first quality, laced or gaiters, regular \$4.50 for \$3.40  
 Men's Lined Kid Boots, felt sole, regular \$4.00 for \$2.95  
 Men's One Buckle Overshoes, regular \$1.65 and \$1.85 for \$1.35  
 Men's Two Buckle Overshoes, regular \$2.25 for \$1.85  
 Women's Elmira Felt Boots, laced or button, regular \$2.00 for \$1.45  
 Women's Lined Elmira Boots, laced or button, regular \$2.75 for \$1.90  
 Women's Lined Kid Boots with felt sole, regular \$3.50 for \$2.60  
 \$4.00 for \$3.05  
 \$4.50 for \$3.30

## Special

50 pairs Women's Felt Romeo slippers leather sole, black or red, regular \$1.00 for \$0.85

## Slaughter of Men's Fur Coats

You never had a chance to buy high grade fur at these prices before.  
 \$25.00 fur lined coats, Hampshire lining \$18.75  
 \$40.00 Marmot lined coats, Persian collar \$31.50  
 \$60.00 Irish Freeze Coat, coon collar, rat lining \$39.00  
 \$85.00 Black Beaver Coat, Persian collar, rat lining \$48.00  
 \$75.00 Black Beaver Coat, Otter collar, rat lining \$57.00  
 \$110 Black Beaver Coat, extra otter collar, black rat lining \$79.00  
 \$125 Black Beaver Coat, prime otter collar, black rat lining \$99.00  
 Prime coon coats at very low prices.  
 \$90.00 coats for \$71.00  
 \$75.00 coats for \$56.00  
 \$70.00 coats for \$52.00  
 Brown Lamb Coats, regular \$22.50 for \$15.00  
 Brown Galf Coats, regular \$25.00 for \$17.50  
 Black dog coats, regular \$28.00 for \$17.50



## Sheep Lined Coats

About forty of these in different grades.  
 \$6.50 Duck Coat, sheep lining and collar, fy front \$4.60  
 \$9.00 sheep lined coat, harness snap fasteners \$6.50  
 \$4.50 sheep lined coat, cord collar \$3.95

## Men's Overcoats.

About fifty Men's Cloth Overcoats to be cleared. All new goods.  
 \$8.00 coats for \$5.25  
 \$10.00 coats for \$6.75  
 \$12.00 coats for \$7.75  
 \$16.00 coats for \$11.00  
 \$18.00 and \$12.00 coats for \$13.25

## Youths Coats

About 25 stylish coats for boys and young men.  
 \$8.00 coats for \$4.00  
 \$7.00 coats for \$3.25  
 \$8.00 coats for \$5.75  
 \$10.00 coats for \$6.75

## Child's Overcoats

Fancy coats in sizes from 3 to 8 years.  
 \$5.00 coats \$3.65  
 \$6.00 coats \$4.00  
 \$7.00 coats \$4.90



## Ladies Cloth Coats

Every one new. Only about twenty-five.  
 Brown checked tweed \$12.00 for \$8.50  
 Black and white checks, velvet collars, \$11.00 for \$8.00  
 Grey and white check \$12.00 for \$8.50  
 Large grey and white overcheck \$16.50 for \$12.00  
 Fancy Grey Check, regular \$20.00 for \$14.50  
 Black Newmarket coats, \$29.50 for \$17.00  
 Come early for these.

## A LOT OF MISSES AND CHILDREN'S COATS AT VERY SPECIAL PRICES.

15 pieces black and colored dress goods, regular 40c a yard at \$25  
 20 pieces plain and fancy dress goods, regular 90c and 60c \$37 1/2  
 Plain homespun in black, navy and myrtle, 85c for \$62 1/2  
 Fancy mix tweeds, 54 inches wide, regular 95c for \$62 1/2  
 Regular \$1.00 quality for \$67 1/2

## COSTUME LENGTHS.

About Fifty Yards of These. Six Yards Each.  
 \$5.50 and \$8.00 costumes \$4.00  
 \$7.50 and \$8.00 costumes \$5.00  
 \$8.50 and \$9.00 costumes \$6.00  
 \$12.00 and \$14.00 costumes \$9.50  
 \$12.00 and \$14.00 costumes \$9.00



## Ladies Furs

3 Wallaby Jackets, regular \$27.50 for \$20.50  
 2 Wool Teal Jackets, \$35.00 for \$26.50  
 Astrachan Jackets, \$35.00 quality for \$27.00  
 \$45.00 quality for \$32.00  
 Near Seal Jackets with Sable trimmings, regular \$47.50 for \$35.00  
 Ruffs, Collars, Bows and Stoles, share in the big cut in prices.  
 \$3.00 qualities for \$3.65  
 \$6.00 qualities for \$4.00  
 \$7.50 qualities for \$5.25  
 \$10.00—\$11.00 for \$7.25  
 \$16.00—\$18.00 for \$12.25  
 \$25.00—\$27.50 for \$19.50

## Ladies Tweed Suits

The price of these should tempt you. Only six of them.  
 Brown Mix Tweed Suit, size 34. Regular \$25.00 for \$16.75  
 Oxford Mix Tweed Suit, size 38. Regular \$30.00 for \$21.00  
 Light Grey Mix Tweed Suit. Norfolk Coat, \$23.00 for \$16.50  
 Black Cheviot Suit, size 36. Regular \$25.00 for \$16.75  
 Black Cheviot Suit, size 38. Regular \$27.50 for \$19.50  
 Goy Worsted Suit, size 36. Regular \$35.00 for \$24.00



## Men's Suits

We are putting our whole stock over 500—of men's high grade suits in the cut list. Here is an extra good chance to save on a suit.  
 \$8.00 men's suit \$4.00  
 \$7.00 and \$7.50 \$5.25  
 \$9.00 and \$10.00 \$6.85  
 \$12.00 \$8.15  
 \$15.00 and \$16.00 for \$11.25  
 \$18.00 and \$20.00 coats for \$13.25  
 \$30.00 and \$22.00 for \$15.25

# PASSENGERS ON STRATHCONA HAD THRILLING ESCAPE

Burning Vessel Beached Just in Time to Save Wholesale Loss of Life by Fire or Drowning—Cargo Which Consisted of Christmas Goods, Was Totally Destroyed—Steamer Insured for \$35,000

**HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 23**—Passengers of the coasting steamer Strathcona, which left Halifax Saturday morning loaded down with freight for eastern ports, had a thrilling escape from death by fire or drowning last night. Fire broke out in the hold of the steamer at 8 o'clock when she was two miles off Port Dufferin, fifty miles east of Halifax. The night was dark and foggy.

The fire gained headway with great rapidity and in a very short time was beyond control. Nothing remained, with the limited appliances for suppressing the flames, but to run for the shore, and the burning steamer was run at full speed for land and beached, but not a minute too soon, for by this time the fire had made so much headway that had it not been for help from shore, many passengers would have perished. As it was everyone was saved, some, however, losing all their belongings and coming ashore in their night clothes. The Strathcona is insured for about half her value, or \$35,000. The ship was burned to the water's edge and the whole cargo was destroyed. There were thirty-five passengers on board and the crew numbered fourteen.

## NIGHT JOURNEY THROUGH THE AIR

Balloons Travel 420 Miles at Maximum Height of Between 5,000 and 6,000 Feet.

Details of the record-breaking balloon trip on November 27 of Leslie Buckland and Percival Spencer, when they covered 420 miles in sixteen hours, are printed in the London Times. The account is by Mr. Spencer. The start, he says, was made at 3.30 p.m. on Tuesday from the grounds of the Wandsworth and Putney Gas Company, and the descent was effected at Navy, a village near the Lake of Geneva, on the following morning at 7.30. A brisk breeze was blowing from the west-northwest, which necessitated considerable care and ample assistance in order to secure a safe start with sufficient margin of lifting power to rise clear of the surrounding strata. The balloon rose splendidly with 25 ballast bags, each containing nearly 90 pounds weight of sand, equal in the aggregate, to a ton surplus, in addition to the weight of Mr. Buckland and himself. The balloon was hung on the deck and the equipment which carried the ballast bags hung outside all round the car in readiness to be hauled in by a pulley tackle when required. The remaining five were in the car. This was of wicker, comfortably upholstered inside, measured 3 1/2 feet and 3 feet 6 inches in depth, and was supported by ten ropes to a circular hoop, thus forming practically an open-air room of the above dimensions and 8 feet high. It had basket work lockers which carried the food and drink and formed with their padded tops, the seats.

A quarter of an hour after the start they had risen to a height of 3,500 feet, and the Crystal Palace was underneath. The balloon continued to rise slowly while Hayes Gasworks, Sevenoaks, and Tunbridge were passed until a height of about 5,000 to 5,900 feet was reached. This proved to be the maximum throughout the journey, the balloon rising and falling intermittently but never reaching a greater altitude. By noting the time of passing Tunbridge, twenty minutes past four they were enabled to accurately gauge the speed of the balloon, which was thirty miles per hour. The direction of their course was marked out on their map, and as darkness closed in they were unable to distinguish any objects on the earth, and continued to rely rather upon their chart and their watches than upon their eyesight to know their whereabouts.

**Intense Darkness.**  
 At about half past four the moon disappeared and the darkness became intense. Clouds formed over the hilly country, and the dew on the balloon fell in large drops into the car. "All view of the earth was now shut out. Occasionally the humble of a distant moving train was heard, now the musical chiming of church clocks as they struck the hours, then the barking of a dog, the crowing of cocks, sounds that seemed so near that on one occasion I shouted downwards through the clouds. The day dawned at 7.30. First a silver lining to the highest clouds, then lightness slowly peeping over the whole. At 7 o'clock we touched the valve and the balloon slowly descended through the clouds. A most picturesque valley came into sight, a winding river running through it, with villages along its banks, a wood lay near us from which a volume of white smoke from a recently lighted wood fire ascended slowly and lazily, and in the air a pleasing invitation to us to return to earth." The valve was again slightly opened, the trail rope glided over the ground, and in the absence of all wind, the balloon, settled on the ground tranquilly. No anchor was needed, and the car remained where it touched the earth.

## DEVLIN AND BALL WILL HAVE IT OUT

Were Nominated Saturday, Liberal and Conservative Candidates Respectively for Nicolet.

**MONTREAL, Dec. 23**—Chas. R. Devlin, Liberal, and George K. Ball, Conservative, were nominated Saturday for the French Nicolet constituency. A lively meeting followed the nomination, Hon. Mr. Brodeur and Hon. Mr. Lemieux leading for the Government side, and Mr. Monk for the Opposition.

The fight promises to be a keen one. The constituency is largely French, and the Government candidate is an Irish-Canadian, but he speaks both languages fluently. Conservatives are waging the fight on race lines, but the Liberals are confident that Hon. Mr. Lemieux is strong enough in the riding to hold the seat for the Government. Mr. Ball, the Conservative candidate, sat for the constituency until he was defeated by Hon. Mr. Lemieux at the last general election.

## COMMISSION APPOINTED

Americans and Cubans To Revise Cuba's Laws.

**NEW YORK, Dec. 23**—A Havana despatch says that Gov. Magooon today signed a decree appointing a commission of Americans and Cubans to review the municipal, electoral and judicial laws. A new party is being formed to boom Gen. Garcia, Velez, for president.

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