

Mid-Week Reductions AT J. M. THOMSON'S

NEXT TO BOOMER'S. 179 DUNDAS STREET

Ladies' and Children's Furnishing Store

To our customers and friends: Kindly note that we specialize—Hosiery and Underwear for Ladies and Children, Gloves, Corsets and Whitewear of all kinds—in fact, all the ready-to-wear lines for ladies and children. A few very attractive lines and prices for Wednesday and Thursday selling.

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Kimono Special this week at 50c, 75c and \$1.00. Nice, attractive patterns.

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Just a small quantity of odds and ends. Regular 50c to \$1.00. On sale at 25c per pair.

FASCINATORS

Hand-Made Fascinators, our regular 50c and 65c line; all fresh, new goods, in pink, sky, black and white. On sale again Wednesday and Thursday, 39c.

FURS

Nice, smart Fur Sets for Christmas gifts, at from \$3 to \$5 less than the regular price. Our furs are going out fast at these prices. Secure yours before the best are gone.

We Are Out For Your Business

Our running expenses are light. Our buying powers are the best. We are satisfied with small profits. Compare our prices. You will be agreeably surprised.

Christmas Umbrellas and Parasols at Cut Prices.

J. M. THOMSON
179 Dundas St. Next to Boomer's

PEOPLE WILL VOTE ON MIDLAND PLEBISCITE

Council Last Night Decided to
Take a Poll on the
Question.

A plebiscite, not a bylaw, will be voted on in January next on the proposition to guarantee the bonds of the North Midland Railway to the extent of \$200,000. That action was definitely decided on by the council last night. A deputation from the directors of the company, consisting of Mr. William Scarlett, R. Southam and T. H. Luscombe, were present and urged that a bylaw be presented to the people. On the advice of the city solicitor, however, the council decided to take a plebiscite. There was a keen debate on the subject.

Mr. T. H. Luscombe explained the attitude of the company. They were properly organized according to the law governing such matters, and were in a legal position to do business. Stock had been subscribed, and a cash deposit made in a bank as required. According to the railway act, they were in a position to appear before municipalities to ask for aid.

Asked for Bylaw.
"Everything so far as the company is concerned is in order," he declared. "I think it would be better to submit a bylaw. If a plebiscite is favorably received by the people, the council could pass a bylaw which would have to be ratified by the Legislative Assembly. It would be given much sooner if a bylaw were submitted."

Mr. Luscombe pointed out the advantages of such a traction road to the city. He declared that the line would greatly benefit the merchants and citizens.

Good for Each Other.
"London is just as good to the railway as the railway is to London," commented Ald. Richter. "Your proposed road covers a district already served by a steam road, and I doubt if it would be as valuable as some seem to think."

In response to a question by Ald. Richter, Mr. Luscombe declared that the total subscribed towards the road was \$2,800.

That is the weakness of the proposition, declared Ald. Richter. "Imagine financing a million and a quarter-dollar proposition with but \$2,800 subscribed. No financial institution in London would agree to such a thing."

Financing of the Road.
"The road will be financed by selling bonds," explained Mr. Luscombe. "The money subscribed is merely for organization purposes, and was not intended to finance the scheme. We could not raise the money in London or in Ontario by stock subscriptions. The only method is by issuing bonds."

"It does not make any difference if there were but 38 cents subscribed," commented Ald. Eckert. "The road would be there, and would be a benefit to the city of London."

Mr. Luscombe pointed out that if the municipalities guaranteed the bonds it would be an easy matter to

finance the proposition in England. The city would be absolutely safeguarded as they would have the road, and that could always be realized on. "It would be better to give the company \$100,000 outright, than guarantee the bonds of \$200,000," said Ald. Richter.

In answer to a question Mr. Luscombe declared that they were not acting for other companies. "We are acting on our own responsibility," he declared. "We are not stool pigeons. Even if we were, it would not alter the proposition."

Mr. William Scarlett, the president, explained that the board of directors, ran the company. They decided matters of policy, and they were responsible. "We are known to you all, and I can say that so long as I have anything to do with the company it will be run squarely and above board," he said. "We have nothing to hide and we come with a straight proposition. The citizens have a chance to express themselves fairly on the proposition."

He pointed out that the traction company had developed its own trade road. It won a great benefit to London, and the North Midland would be just as beneficial, he predicted.

Mayor Explains.
Mayor Beattie explained that on the advice of the city solicitor it was decided to recommend a plebiscite rather than a bylaw. Mr. Meredith thought the time too short to obtain all the information necessary to prepare a bylaw and draft an agreement that would safeguard the interests of the city.

**PRESBYTERY TALKS
CALL TO MR. HOSIE**

Chesley Pastor to Go to the London Junction Congregation.

At a meeting of the London Presbytery, held in First Presbyterian Church, last evening, a call to Rev. John Hosie, of Chesley, was presented by Interim Moderator Rev. W. Moffat of London Junction. Rev. Mr. Hosie is a former member of the London Presbytery, and is at present in charge of the parishes of Gillis Hill and Salem. The pulpit of St. George's has been vacant for a period of nearly six months, and the congregation was unanimous in extending the call. The stipend will be \$800, with free use of the manse, and four weeks' holidays. This matter was discussed by the Presbytery, as this is below the minimum, and it was proposed that a grant of \$50 be added to the minister's stipend, and as soon as the congregation were able to bring it up to at least the minimum. Mr. G. Cairncross, Mr. G. Angus and Mr. White, representing the session, the board of managers, and the congregation of St. George's, were present, and stated that every effort was being made by the congregation to raise the amount to the minimum, and it was likely that before very long it would be realized. The Presbytery then sustained the call on these conditions.

The call was telegraphed to the Bruce Presbytery, which meets today, and they will likely hold a special meeting in a week or so to consider it. The induction will probably take place before the new year if Mr. Hosie accepts. Rev. John Smith, of Hamilton Road Presbyterian Church, will preach in St. George's until the induction of a new minister.

Some matters of minor importance were dealt with by the Presbytery, and a report of home missions was given by Rev. James Rollins. The meeting was adjourned until 2:30 this morning, and will continue until this afternoon.

GORHAM SMILES AT DEATH PENALTY

Peterborough Man Sentenced To
Be Hanged on January
31.

Peterboro, Dec. 5.—James Gorham, who was found guilty of having murdered his mother in May last, at the fall assizes here in October, was sentenced this morning by Chancellor Sir John Boyd to be hanged on Jan. 31. Chancellor Boyd arrived here at half-past eleven and drove immediately to the court house.

Without the usual custom of donning a black cap, his lordship passed sentence. In doing so he stated that, when the verdict was returned, he had hoped that the department of justice would interfere, and that the usual sentence would be changed to imprisonment.

The prisoner was apparently unaffected, as he walked back to his cell with a broad smile on his face.

KNIGHT ENGINE FOR THE KAISER

German Emperor Has Ordered
Mercedes and Panhard Cars
With Knight Motors.

The latest honor for the Knight Motor announced by the automobile trade press is an order placed by Kaiser William, Emperor of Germany, for two new cars for spring delivery, equipped with this famous engine. Emperor William has been driving a Knight motor for a year past, and has been so well pleased with it that he has decided to use it in 1911. Practically all the crowned heads of Europe are now said to be using the engine with the sliding valves.

The Panhard in France, and the Mercedes car in Germany are attracting attention in European circles by the vigorous way they are getting after the Knight motor business. This is considered a very striking performance, when the size of the cylinders is considered, but it is in line with the certified performances of the Knight-Daimler engines in their well-remembered tests by the Royal Automobile Club.

The Mercedes makers, who control the motor in Germany, are out with their Knight engine model, and are preparing for a heavy business. Their exhibit was a feature of London's recent Auto Show at Olympia. At this show also the Daimler Company, of England, exhibited all models with Knight motors, the Minerva Company, of Belgium, exhibited its exclusively, the Panhard Company showed their first Knight engine model, and showed two models.

TUSCAN LODGE ELECTS

Worshipful Master Elected and Members Hold a Banquet.

At the annual election of officers of Tuscan Lodge, No. 195, A. F. and A. M., held last night, Bro. W. H. Abbott was unanimously selected as worshipful master for the coming year.

The full list of officers for the coming year is as follows: I. P. M., Wor. Bro. Alex. Gillen; W. M., Bro. W. H. Abbott; S. W., Bro. C. A. Whitman; J. W., Bro. G. N. Weekes; S. D., Bro. Dr. C. H. Reason; J. D., Bro. W. M. Govenlock; treasurer, W. Wor. Bro. W. Allen Young; secretary, Bro. T. C. Wright; chaplain, Wor. Bro. Dr. Ziegler; I. G., Bro. A. N. Udy; auditors, Wor. Bro. C. B. Edwards, Bro. H. I. Young; representative to Masonic building committee, Wor. Bro. J. B. McKillop.

A hearty vote of thanks was tendered Right Wor. Bro. A. B. Greer and Right Wor. Bro. T. G. Davis for their services as scrutineers.

After the election of officers, the first degree was exemplified in excellent style.

On the adjournment of the lodge a banquet was held. Wor. Bro. Alex. Gillen presided, and short speeches were given by Right Wor. Bro. J. W. Wallace, Wor. Bro. U. A. Buchner, Wor. Bro. Alex. Gillen, Wor. Bro. W. H. Abbott, Bro. R. E. Davis, F. E. Harley, J. H. Fowler, W. Miller, G. R. Medland, C. A. Whitman, J. Peacock, Dr. Harry T. Reason, and others.

Cannot Injure Silver.

Many cleaning preparations contain injurious chemicals. Wonder-Shine is guaranteed not to injure silver, gold or plated ware. Ask your jeweller for it.

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Mrs. Robinson Collette, Rogersville, N.B., writes: "I am now enjoying the best of health after having used your Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills. I was troubled with a weak heart and was afraid to draw a long breath for the pain it would cause me. I could not sleep at night, and it was impossible for me to walk ten yards without resting myself. I cannot speak too highly of your Heart and Nerve Pills, for they are the greatest pill I have ever used and I can recommend them to all sufferers."

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Little attention is paid to the slight weakness of the heart, for the simple reason that one thinks it will right itself, but there is where the mistake is made. It is only when a violent shock comes that the weakness of the heart becomes apparent.

On the first sign of any weakness of the heart or nerves, flagging energy or physical breakdowns, the use of Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills will soon produce a quick and permanent cure.

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Shop Early. There Are Two Parts to the Day Baby's First Christmas

The coronation of the new King is a small function compared to the celebration of the first Christmas of the new ruler in the home, how he is remembered, while only able to sit up and take notice and wonder what it all means—and how his first Christmas is remembered. While the amount of money laid out on baby's Christmas gifts may not be so great, yet there is more thought and careful study given to the selection of the dainty little articles which are prepared for his comfort and amusement than is given to any other member of the family. We offer a few suggestions which may be helpful in deciding your selections. If ordered by mail state number.

Baby's Coat

Infant's Short Cream Cashmere Coat, piped around edge with narrow pale blue cord fastened with pale blue ribbons. Mail order No. 141. Price 50c
Infant's Cream Wool Coat, edged with pale blue, pink or cream. No. 315. Special, each 48c
Another dainty style, edged with sky, pink or cream silk edging, fastened with taffeta bow. No. 314x. Price 65c
Also other lines at, each 85c, \$1.00 and \$1.50

Baby Outfits

Infants' Sets, including coat and booties; coat made with crochet silk yoke, booties with silk edging. Mail order No. 445. At, per set \$1.50
Also a very dainty set, including bonnet, booties and coat; coat made with crochet silk yoke, bonnet with crochet silk covering and booties to match. Mail order No. 395. At, set, \$3.50

Second Floor.

Infants' Underwear

Fine White All-Wool Vests, buttoned front, long sleeves, priced according to size 35c to 60c
Same style in silk and wool, in all sizes. At, each 75c
Infants' All-Wool Bands, buttoned on shoulder, all sizes 35c
Infants' Union and Silk-and-Wool Bands. At, each, 25c and 50c
Infants' Union Vests, buttoned front, long sleeves, all sizes 25c
Infants' Union Ruben Vests, long sleeves 25c
Infants' Rubber Diapers 50c
Infants' Vests, Ruben; or button front. Special to clear at, each 19c

Main Floor.

Besides the above-mentioned articles of wearing apparel you will find in this store everything for the baby—bonnets, mitts, stockings, boots, booties, furs, and Toy Town full of funny things for his amusement. Come here, if looking for suggestions.

Dainty Tea Aprons, 25c to \$1.25



A neat style, made of fine lawn, trimmed around edge with narrow hemstitched frill. Mail order No. 309. Price 25c
Dainty Little Swiss Muslin Apron, edged with frill set with one row val, insertion and lace edge. Only three dozen in this lot. Mail order No. 83. Price, each 35c
A pretty style, made of Fine Checked Muslin, trimmed around edge with lace-edged frill and narrow lace insertion, wide ties. Mail order No. 342. Price, each 45c
Also pretty Spot Muslin design, round style, trimmed with lace-edged frill, and pocket. No. 355. Price, each 50c
Other styles at, each, 65c, 75c, 85c and \$1.25

Second Floor.

Gifts of Linen

Among all the beautiful and attractive articles that are arrayed to tempt the giver at this time of the year, none are more admired or appreciated than those of LINEN, especially Linen of the sort handled by this store. What the sterling stamp is to silver and the karat on fine gold, the Smallman & Ingram label represents on Linen.

Fine Sets

Dainty, elegant, durable, crisp and fresh from the best mills of the world and designed to please the most cultured classes. Sets consist of one cloth and one dozen napkins to match, and range from \$3.60 to \$48.00 per set.

NONE BUT PURE LINEN.

Hand-Embroidered Bed Spreads, Etc

It's pretty well known throughout Canada that we are specialists in this character of goods. Anything hand-embroidered is well done here at prices that are surprisingly low.

Linen Hand-Embroidered Spreads \$10.00 up
Linen Hand-Embroidered Sheets \$7.00 up
Also some dainty Embroidered Pillow Cases and Shams.

Another New Thing in Linens

The continued popularity of the Round Dining Table has brought out many handsome effects in circular designs in Damask Tablecloths. We show a large range of these with Napkins to match. But it is not imperative that you buy a square cloth (even with a round design), for a round table now, as the latest novelties come cut round, with daintily scalloped edges. Even newer yet are the choice designs we have just opened up, with scalloped edges and handsome hand-embroidered centrepieces embroidered on damask cloths. Two-yards cloths at \$8.50, 2 1/4-yard cloths \$10. Napkins in same damask design as above at, per dozen \$3.50

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COATS FOR MEN.
\$7.50 to \$10.00, for \$4.95