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Ladies' Stain  
Less Black  
Hose  
12 1-2c.

## Have You Seen the HATS

FOREMAN'S

Are offering at ridiculously low prices.

Many ladies, yes, dozens of ladies have bought these hats during the last three days for garden hats, hats to wear on the beach, and some have bought them for children's school hats at each 5c and 25c

Every one of this season's untrimmed shapes has been marked to clear at 5c

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THE DOMINION FISHERIES COMMISSION

LISTENS TO DEPUTATIONS

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cents per pound, and mullet 4 to 5c. Sauger are the most valuable of the coast fish. A two and one-half inch mesh is used for the pot of the hook-nets. This lets the pound pickerel through on the average. Two pound pickerel can get through a three and one-half inch mesh, and nothing over a pound sauger can get through the present net. The weight of the average pickerel caught is 4 pounds. If we were to use a large mesh it would have the effect of killing the fish, and this would kill them. We have no gill nets here. We catch a few undersized fish, but we let them all go

afterwards, as we can't sell them legally. The law is well observed. The amount of fish returned to the water out of a day's lift would be about 25 pounds to a ton or a half-ton lift.

There are no white fish in Lake St. Clair. Pickerel are on the increase, and have been increasing for the past six or seven years. The reason is that there is more feed for them now. The drains and outlets produce the feed. The coarse fish do not prey on the pickerel, and they have no enemies in the water. They will continue to increase if they are not all caught off. There are no bass in the Thames between Chatham and Lake St. Clair. After

May 15 a few might be caught, but we never put our nets in after April 15. We were forbidden to fish in the river this year, through representations made by a delegation from London and Chatham, who claimed that we were destroying the game fish. It is a hardship on us to be deprived of the privilege of fishing for coarse fish below Chatham, and I think we should be allowed to use the hook net from Sept. 1 till May 1. Under the present regulations, we have to fish one-half mile away from the mouth of the river. I would suggest that the season be changed to open on Sept. 1.

Commissioner Burns—This will be carefully inquired into. I do not know of any reason why the close season should be such a long one, and I have never been told of any reason.

Theodore Peltier, fisheries inspector from Louisville to the light-house gave much the same evidence as Mr. Bagnall. He said the law was well observed by the local fishermen, and there were no prosecutions. A number of cases of fish had been wrongfully seized, the officials who made the seizure mistaking sauger for pickerel. Mr. Peltier gave some sworn statistics, as follows:

There are 51 sets of hook nets in my inspectorate, and 11 licensed fishermen. The hook nets are set in from 6 to 14 feet of water, and are lifted sometimes daily and sometimes once a week. I don't know any reason why the close season should extend from April 15 till Oct. 1, nor do I know any reason why the fishermen should be restricted from fishing in the river. The game fishermen have no just cause for complaint.

B. Taylor, sworn, said in part: I formerly fished on the river, but for some reason or other my seines have been taken away, and there is now no seine fishing allowed in the river. I now fish down at the lake, using a 150 foot seine net, with a two inch mesh. We catch sheepshead, saugers, mullet, carp, shiners and pickerel. We are now allowed to fish from April 15 to Oct. 1. The only reason for this that I have heard of is that it is to protect the pickerel when they are coming up to spawn. I sell all the fish I catch. Last season I caught from 5 to 8 tons of soft fish, and perhaps a ton of pickerel. I pay \$10 each year for my license. My district was formerly 150 feet along the river. There was no "ground" on the opposite bank. I never found any bass in the river, and I never saw a bass come up. There were formerly 15 seines between Chatham and the lake.

James Hamilton, sworn, said in part: I was formerly a fisherman on the river between Chatham and the lighthouse for ten years. I fished on Lake St. Clair for about 30 years, using drag nets and seines. I use a 4 inch mesh. I fished in the river in 1906, but I couldn't say off-hand what my catch was, as I haven't my book here.

Commissioner Burns—Would it be six tons in a season.

Mr. Hamilton—I think it would. About one-quarter of these were pickerel. They were caught going up stream. Most of the pickerel are caught in the spring of the year before April 15. The pickerel stay in Lake Erie during the winter months. I own five hook nets, for which I pay a license of five dollars each. The whole five nets would take up about 550 yards if stretched out in a straight line. I couldn't say just what an average catch would be, but I have lifted a ton in a week. I don't know why the close season should extend from April 15 till October 1. I have caught a few bass with the hook. They were all green bass. I am using a five inch mesh. We can't take them to the river. I have both seine and hook nets, and I catch about as many fish with one as the other. I don't know what my total catch was last year, but it might be 15 tons. About one-quarter of this catch was hard fish. My market is in New York, where I ship direct. It pays best to ship to New York. I would not want to fish if I had to sell in Canada. No white fish are caught unless at Belle River. I consider it a hardship that we are not allowed to catch pickerel under 15 inches, as the 15 inch pickerel is a number one fish. The principal fishing station is at present at St. Clair river. There was formerly one at Sarnia, where a catch worth \$1,000 was made in one haul. If we didn't catch the pickerel they would get too thick. We get as high as 35 cents per pound for pickerel, but the average is 10 cents per pound.

On Commissioner Burns inquiring if there were any others who wished to be heard, Caleb Wheeler, of the Fish and Game Protective Association, replied that the Association would be in a position to give evidence this afternoon. They had not their statements prepared yesterday. A meeting of the Association was held last night for this purpose.

Before adjourning, the Commissioners announced that it was their intention to visit some of the fishing grounds while here. They will be taken out to the lake in a gasoline launch during their stay here.

MIDSUMMER SALE H. W. Ball &amp; Co MIDSUMMER SALE

## Three Days of Wonderful Bargains

We will make Thursday, Friday and Saturday, three of the busiest days in the history of this store. The object of the big price sacrifices is simply to stir up business to greater achievements than ever. Prices do not stand in our way, we must have business and the only way is to offer goods at such prices that will compel you to buy.

### WASH GOODS, LINENS AND STAPLES

#### MUSLINS

75 lengths of fine imported dress muslins, a great number of them are in dress patterns, the colors are beautifully blended on white and cream grounds, dark and light tones. These fabrics are the choicest of the choice, worth 50c to 75c yd., sale price 25c a yard.

#### MUSLINS

A general clearance of high-class dress muslins, consisting of dotted Swiss, batiste, voile, etc., a splendid assortment of patterns and shadings, checks, stripes and smaller designs, regular 25c & 35c, sale price 15c a yd.

#### BED SPREADS

\$1.25 large size honey-comb spreads, some of them are just a little soiled, they are manufacturer's "seconds", would be worth in the regular way \$1.25, sale price 79c each.

#### SHIRTING

8 pieces English Shirting, good heavy weight and warranted colors, stripes and checks, regular price 12½c yd., sale price 8c yd.

#### TOWELLING

10 pieces of pure linen glass towellings, checks and plain blue and white and red and white, fine wire thread and good weight, regular 10c value, sale price 7c yd.

#### TABLE LINENS

5 pieces of ¾ bleached linen, good wide width and warranted pure linen, good value at 50c, sale price 34c yd.

#### SWABS

25 dozen swabs—mostly used for dish cloths, we have rather too many in stock, so down goes the price, regular 50c dozen, sale price 33c a dozen.

#### TOWELS

9 dozen crash towels, extra large size, with red centre and border, regular value 29c each, sale price 18c each.

#### IRISH LINENS

Another shipment of mill ends of Irish Linens, in lengths from ½ yd. to 4½ yds., they are worth from 65c to 75c a yard, sale price 25c yd.

### HOSIERY, CORSETS AND UNDERWEAR

#### HOSE

10 dozen ladies' knit lace hose, fine summer weight, in white and black, warranted fast colors, sizes 8½, 9, 9½, 10, regular 38c, sale price 25c per pair.

#### HOSE

18 dozen ladies' cashmere hose, plain and ribbed, warranted pure wool and fast black, sizes 8½, 9, 9½, 10, regular 25c & 35c, sale price 17c—3 pair for 50c.

#### CORSETS

5 dozen ladies' corsets, very newest styles, long front, medium bust, long hip with supporters attached, perfect fitting, a full range of sizes 18 to 30, regular value \$1, sale price 69c.

#### LACE

90 pieces of fine torchon lace and insertion, beautiful new designs, from 1 to 4 in. wide, worth from 8c to 15c a yard, this is the greatest lace special of this season, sale price 5c a yard.

#### Laces and Embroideries

#### EMBROIDERIES

1000 yards of choice embroidery, fine muslin and cambric, well worked edges and new neat patterns, 5 to 12 in. wide, worth 15 to 25c a yard, sale price 9c a yard.

#### BOYS' BELTS

25 dozen Boys' Buster Brown Belts, a good quality, of leather and splendid shades, brown, tan, navy, green, red, black and white, all sizes, regular 25c, sale price 15c each.

### WHITEWEAR

#### UNDERSKIRTS

98 beautiful white undershirts, made of fine cambric, flare flounce, embroidery panel and dust frill, well made and trimmed, regular values \$1.75 and \$2, sale price \$1.98.

#### LAWN WAISTS

5 dozen ladies' fine white lawn waist, embroidery and lace trimmed, allover lace fronts, short and long sleeves, 5 different styles, sizes 32 to 42, regular price \$1.75 & \$2, sale price \$1.10.

#### DRAWERS

6 dozen ladies' drawers, made of fine cambric, torchon lace and embroidery frills, regular 65c, sale price 39c.

Numerous other cut-prices in Suits, Skirts and Coats—for lack of space we are unable to specify.

**H. W. BALL & CO.,**  
King Street, Chatham

## Your're Going Away, of Course, And You Need a Trunk

There is no reason in the world why you should not take advantage of our **BIG SALE**, and save a little money while you are buying it, and at the same time get the best value obtainable.

We think when you read these prices that you will agree with us that here's the place to come for a bargain in

### Trunks, Suit Cases, Club Bags, Etc.

Iron covered Trunks, 28 inches, with single tray and hat box complete, from **\$1.68** up.

Canvas covered Trunks, 28 inches, with single tray and hat box complete, from **\$2.48** up.

Suit Cases, all sizes and kinds, from **\$1.25** up.

Ladies' and Gentlemen's Club Bags from 75c up.

Positively all at Manufacturers Prices.

Drop in and have a look at them anyway. Will be glad to have you.

**J. L. CAMPBELL,**

Opp. Standard Bank.

The Bargain Giver