

JOHN CATTO & SON Millinery

Of every kind, adapted and designed to the particular requirements of face, costume or other detail, involving special treatment to produce the best results.

Spring Suits

Our buyer has just returned from a visit to New York, where he succeeded in securing a lot of high-class suits for Easter.

Prices Range \$20 to \$60

New Dress Fabrics

Amongst this season's choice fabrics will be found a great variety of single costume lengths—richly shaded, these added to our strong showing of Chambrays, Madras Zephyrs, Plain Crepes, Printed Muslins, French Delaines, Challies, Cambres, etc., etc.

New Wash Goods

Just to hand, immense range of beautiful color Check Gingham, also Shantung Zephyrs in many pretty shades. These added to our strong showing of Chambrays, Madras Zephyrs, Plain Crepes, Printed Muslins, French Delaines, Challies, Cambres, etc., etc.

Linens and Housefurnishings

White most of the attention is just now centred on matters of dress. The Linen and Housefurnishings departments have determined not to be overlooked.

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55 TO 61 KING STREET EAST, TORONTO.

SAYS HE'S CHARLIE ROSS

Brakeman Advances Solution of Old Germantown Mystery.

PITTSBURGH, March 29.—William Grant Eyster, of McKean-Rocks, a suburb, formerly a coal miner at Shamokin, now a brakeman on the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie railroad, said to-night that he believed he was the Charlie Ross kidnapped from Germantown, Penn., thirty-five years ago, and never recovered.

He said he learned early in life that he was the child of his supposed parents, and that many things they did led him to believe that he was every respect with the description of Charlie, even to moles on his body. Memories of his early home, he says, agree with descriptions of the Ross home.

His foster parents, who lived at Shamokin, are dead, and he has no evidence of his identity, and is not making any effort to prove his connection with the famous case, "dreading the notoriety it would give him."

SPRING SEEDING FINISHED.

LETHBRIDGE, March 29.—(Special.)—A. L. Foster, one of the largest farmers in the district, completed his seeding on Saturday. He has several hundred acres of spring wheat in, making over fourteen hundred of both winter and spring wheat. Seeding is going on in full swing all over Southern Alberta.

Lunch counters and dining room for business men. B. Sullivan, 246.

INDIANS DISPERSED.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., March 29.—Crazy Snake's band of belligerent Indians was surrounded by deputy sheriffs this afternoon near Crazy Snake's home, and a lively battle ensued. More than 200 shots were fired, and one Indian was killed. Eight Indians were captured and the remainder fled in small groups with the deputies in pursuit.

Police Stop Protest Meeting.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., March 29.—A public meeting held in this city today to discuss the Balkan question, at which Prof. Paul Milobek, editor of the Constitutional Democrat and Federal Redditor, member of the domain from St. Petersburg, were the principal speakers, was stopped by the police on account of the policy of Foreign Minister Iswolsky.

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THE WEATHER

METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE, Toronto, March 29.—(8 p.m.)—Snow and rain have fallen 10-day in Quebec, and showers have occurred in the eastern portion of the Maritime Provinces; elsewhere in Canada the weather has been generally fair, but some light local snowfalls have occurred in Eastern Manitoba.

Probabilities. Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay.—West to North winds, generally fair, a few local snow flurries, not much change in temperature.

Upper Lakes and St. Lawrence Bay.—West to North winds, generally fair, a few local snow flurries, not much change in temperature.

Ontario Valley and Upper St. Lawrence Bay.—West to North winds, generally fair, a few local snow flurries, not much change in temperature.

Atlantic and Gulf.—North to West winds, clearing; not much change in temperature.

Maritime.—Westerly and northwesterly winds; fair; stationary or a little lower temperature.

Lake Superior.—Fair; a little lower temperature.

Northwest and Saskatchewan.—Fair; not much change in temperature.

Alberta.—Fair and mild.

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TO-DAY IN TORONTO.

March 30. Lenten sermons—Church of the Holy Trinity, 12:30; St. James' Cathedral, 1:30; St. Margaret's Church, 2:30; Presbyterian W. M. S., annual meeting, Old St. Andrew's, 4; Catholic, St. Ignace, 7:30; Woman's Art Gallery, 4:15; St. John's Presbyterian Church, Meeting of Home Reductionists, 8.

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bore the aspect of hiring someone else to do something that we ought to do ourselves. That seemed to Mr. Foster to be a basic objection. We must have a naval force of our own, he declared.

The beginning must be small and he would like to see a start made now. This naval force must be constant and free co-operation with the mother country and the imperial force. We were absolutely bare of the skill, the training and the power to put our own vessel upon our own coast.

The first Canadian vessel must be built in Britain and manned entirely by British officers and seamen. He believed that the mighty commerce of Canada could be carried by Canadian vessels, but to do it we must build steel vessels. Some of our sailing ships are being built on our coast, where the war vessels of the mother country might also be built.

In the "Penguin," Mr. Foster's regular school alongside our volunteers and Britain paid all the bills and in addition an indemnity for damages caused by the invaders. Our liberties were guarded, our commerce protected; we were insured in the greatest guarantee company in the world, John Bull and Co., who had given us an indemnity of \$100,000,000 for the year 1908.

In conclusion Mr. Foster said: "Today perils stand at the gateway. It is not for me to say how great it is, but I can't brush it aside. Today it oppresses itself upon the statesman of the old country; to-day it appeals to Australia, until public subscriptions are taken and the government is being urged to do even more than we do today to meet the emergency; to-day little New Zealand comes out, even one Dreadnaught officer, and to-day Canada faces that position of peril that emergency."

"Let me say to my right hon. friend that if, after careful consideration, he proposes to this parliament the means for meeting that emergency adequately, now, as I said before, whether it be the gift of a Dreadnaught or the gift of money to this country, this side of the house will stand beside him and stand for Canada in supporting this measure."

Sir Wilfrid's Reply. Sir Wilfrid Laurier congratulated Mr. Foster on the boldness of his speech and his temperate and moderate manner. The only objection to his speech was the indefinite conclusions. As to the declaration of independence, he should no longer delay in assuming his share of the financial responsibility of defending the coast line and sea routes. Sir Wilfrid said that the reputation that Canada had been remiss in her duty in providing for her own defence. "This was surprising in view of the fact that Canada had been in touch with anyone, and occupying an isolation position had been at peace with her nearest neighbor for nearly 100 years."

If Canada had been remiss in her duty to the empire, Sir Wilfrid was not aware of it. "Canada was not a subject of the empire, but a daughter nation of the empire, realized the rights and duties involved in that proud title."

"It is his duty to carry out every duty which is imposed by the British Empire. He believed that if the British navy were swept from the seas Canada would be in no danger of attack."

Mr. Borden stated that it was not enough to say that we would go as far as the regulation of the imperial conference committed us. The debate was continued by Warburton (Montgomery) and Curry (N. Simcoe). Mr. Borden pointed out that the mother country should be held to the obligation of maintaining a fleet in these waters, leaving a balance against Great Britain, since these obligations were imposed New Zealand had increased her contribution and left Britain free with regard to the disposal of her ships.

The resolution as amended by the leaders was accepted and carried at 11:45.

Germany Makes the Page. On the basis of a superior British navy, which would be a difficult thing for the German Government to put before the people.

"The Germans," said the secretary, "view their program as one made for their own needs and one which has no effect upon the world. Their idea is that if we built fifty Dreadnaughts, or a hundred, they would not build more than the number already decided. They would not build less. We have no difficulty in accepting this point of view, but we must be clear in our own minds that our own program is not a reflection upon the German program, but a reflection upon the European situation which might lead to a change in the German program."

Germany had given verbal, but explicit assurances, continued Sir Edward, that she did not intend to accelerate her naval program, and would have no intention of Dreadnaughts by the end of 1912.

THREATENED ROOSEVELT.

Demented Italian Started For Upper Deck, But Was Restrained.

NEW YORK, March 29.—Giuseppe Tosti, a stevedore passenger on the Hamburg, is the man who threatened ex-President Roosevelt, according to a special despatch from Horta to The World.

The incident happened soon after the Hamburg was losing sight of America. Then Tosti broke from his companions in the steerage and started for the upper deck where Mr. Roosevelt was standing with his son, Kermit.

"He has let the minkie away my child," Tosti is said to have shouted in English. "Now he shall pay for it."

Sailors seized Tosti, quickly mastered him, carried him below and by the captain's orders, put him in front. The ship's doctor now must taste the food offered to Tosti before he will eat it.

GOVT. AS A TRADE UNION

Such is Portent of Winston Churchill's Bill in House of Commons.

A London cable says: Winston Churchill has introduced in the house of commons the trade boards bill, which is an advanced scheme of social reconstruction and amounts to the government machinery trade boards. These include such industries as the tailoring trade, cardboard and box-making and the ready-made blouse trade.

In these and certain others, a minimum wage standard will be fixed by machinery trade boards. Wage rates will be regulated both for home and factory workers by central and district trade boards, composed of employers, employees, workmen and workwomen. Within six months of the fixing of the minimum rate by the central board they will become obligatory, but first a "whitelist" of employers, who will be published on request of the board, will be published. Only such employers will be eligible for government contracts, and after six months the board will enforce the rates laid down by the board.

DAMAGE DONE BY RATS

British M.P. Who Would Do Away With Them, Estimates It at \$75,000,000.

A London cable says: Rats are more numerous and aggressive in England than ever before, according to Sir James Crichton Browne, who spoke on this subject at the first annual meeting of the Society for the extermination of rats in London. He calculates that there is one rat to every acre of land in England and Wales, each rat doing damage at the rate of a pound a year. This figure is probably short of the mark.

Sir Charles McLaren told the members of the society that at their request he introduced a bill in parliament last week for the extermination of rats. It was received by the House of Commons, but he believed the publicity given it would be helpful to the society.

SHOT DEAD IN ELEVATOR

Pinkerton Detective Kills Elevator Man in Hand Fight.

NEW YORK, March 29.—Frederick Johnson, 32 years of age, an elevator man in an apartment house at No. 615 Fifth-avenue, was shot and killed to-night by Joseph Parise, a Pinkerton detective, during a hand to hand struggle in a running elevator. Parise was arrested for entering a flat which Parise had been watching. Parise had shot off the light and is in Flower Hospital.

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Canadian General Electric Company, Limited

Annual Report of the Board of Directors

For the Year Ended 31st December, 1908

Directors: W. R. Brock, President; H. P. Dwight, First Vice-President; Fredrick Johnson, Second Vice-President and General Manager; H. G. Nicholls, Assistant General Manager and Secretary; H. M. C. Cox, Treasurer; J. R. Jaffray, Chairman of the Board; J. K. Rieff, K.C., Chairman of the Finance Committee; W. D. Matthews, Chairman of the Audit Committee; James Ross, Chairman of the Legal Committee.

Solicitors—Kerr, Davidson, Patterson and McFarland. Bankers—Canadian Bank of Commerce. Stock Transfer Agents—National Trust Co., Toronto; Canadian Bank of Commerce, London, England.

Submitted to the Shareholders at the Annual General Meeting, held at the Offices of the Company, in Toronto, on Monday, 29th March, 1909.

Your Directors have pleasure in submitting to the Shareholders the Balance Sheet of the Company as upon the 31st day of December, 1908, the combined Statement of Profit and Loss for the year, and the Certificate of Messrs. Price, Waterhouse & Co., Chartered Accountants, and the Certificate of Messrs. Price, Waterhouse & Co., Chartered Accountants, and the Certificate of Messrs. Price, Waterhouse & Co., Chartered Accountants, and the Certificate of Messrs. Price, Waterhouse & Co., Chartered Accountants.

The past year has been one of world-wide industrial depression, and the Company, in common with others, has experienced the disadvantages of a general depression in the volume of business offering, and in view of the prevailing conditions of trade, it is gratifying to your Directors to be able to submit to the Shareholders so satisfactory a Financial Statement.

Profit and Loss Statement for the year ended 31st December, 1908. The Surplus Account shows a profit of \$1,000,000.00. The Balance Sheet shows a total of \$10,000,000.00. The Statement of Profit and Loss shows a profit of \$1,000,000.00. The Balance Sheet shows a total of \$10,000,000.00.

Notwithstanding the continued industrial depression, this Company has been fortunate in securing several important contracts, which added to current business, will keep us busy during the year. During the past three months we have secured more orders than during the previous six months, and as present indications point to a general improvement in trade conditions, we look forward to the future with more confidence than at any time during the preceding year.

PRICE, WATERHOUSE & CO., Chartered Accountants. 54 William Street, New York, 16th March, 1909.

Consolidated Balance Sheet, 31st December, 1908. Assets: Capital Assets—\$4,512,334.44; Real Estate and Contracts—\$3,000,211.11; Plant and Machinery—\$2,973,910.00; Investments—\$1,884,120.00; Current Assets—\$1,601.70; Cash—\$1,887,498.03; Accounts Receivable—\$2,949.17; Notes Receivable—\$1,322,737.81; Inventory of Raw Materials—\$200,248.21; Expenditure on Contracts (less collections on account)—\$3,842,052.24; Discount and Insurance Unexpired—\$11,884.12; Total—\$10,012,245.02.

LIABILITIES: Capital Liabilities—\$4,700,000.00; Capital Stock, Preferred—\$2,000,000.00; Capital Stock, Common—\$2,700,000.00; Total—\$6,700,000.00; Current Liabilities—\$3,312,245.02; Total—\$10,012,245.02.

We have audited the above Balance Sheet and certify that it is properly drawn up so as to show the true financial position of the Company on 31st December, 1908.

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Everything She Ate

SEEMED A BURDEN TO CARRY. HAD STOMACH TROUBLE FOUR YEARS.

When your food has not been properly digested, your body has not received the benefit it should. Everything she ate seemed a burden to carry. I always arose in the morning with a sickening and feverish taste in my mouth and was also troubled with seedlings in my hands and feet, which my physician said was due to the disordered state of my stomach. I tried everything that was purchasable, and also consulted two or three physicians, but had no relief for about four years. Everything I ate seemed a burden to carry. I always arose in the morning with a sickening and feverish taste in my mouth and was also troubled with seedlings in my hands and feet, which my physician said was due to the disordered state of my stomach. I tried everything that was purchasable, and also consulted two or three physicians, but had no relief for about four years.

Mrs. D. A. Francisco, Roseland, B.C., writes: "I was suffering from stomach trouble of the worst kind for about four years. Everything I ate seemed a burden to carry. I always arose in the morning with a sickening and feverish taste in my mouth and was also troubled with seedlings in my hands and feet, which my physician said was due to the disordered state of my stomach. I tried everything that was purchasable, and also consulted two or three physicians, but had no relief for about four years. Everything I ate seemed a burden to carry. I always arose in the morning with a sickening and feverish taste in my mouth and was also troubled with seedlings in my hands and feet, which my physician said was due to the disordered state of my stomach. I tried everything that was purchasable, and also consulted two or three physicians, but had no relief for about four years."

WIRELESS ON GREAT LAKES. CHICAGO, March 29.—Passenger steamers on the Great Lakes are to be equipped this season with wireless telegraph apparatus, and stations have been established to be ready by the opening of navigation at Chicago, Detroit, the Soo, Mackinaw and all the principal lake ports.

ARRESTED FOR MONTREAL POLICE. Harold G. Morris was arrested by Detective Archbold yesterday. He is a civil engineer, 50 years of age, and lives at 224 Waverley avenue, Montreal. He is charged with false pretences, and an officer has left Montreal to take him back.

8000 For Two Phans. VANCOUVER, B.C., March 29.—(Special.)—C. H. McClelland, a C.P.R. brakeman, who lost two fingers of his right hand in an accident at Revelstoke last July, was given four thousand dollars by a jury to-day.

W. H. STONE CO. UNDERTAKERS 32 CARLTON ST. N. 3755

ANOTHER HOLD UP. PITTSBURGH, Pa., March 29.—Three highwaymen are reported to have held up a passenger train at Wilson, near here, late tonight and robbed several passengers. In a battle with officers, which followed, one man is said to have been fatally shot, while the others escaped.

At the Hotels. Rev. Dr. Dickson of Galt is at the Walker House. Dr. Parker of Owen Sound is at the Rossin.

Among the guests at the King Edward are Joseph Brington, Cowanda; A. B. Rudy, E. F. Lake; T. H. and W. Rea, Chicago; W. F. Page, Leadville, Colorado; Chas. D. Walden, Winnipeg; Karl F. Muller, St. Gall; H. P. Labat, London; Rev. R. H. Steacey, Ottawa; P. F. Godenrath and wife, Vancouver.

Happer, Customs Broker, McKinnon Building, Toronto.

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