

Wm. Foreman & Co
Importers.

Silks for Gifts

There is not a lady in the land that would not appreciate a gift of silk whether it be a waist or dress length. We always prepare for a good business in silks at Christmas. This season we have gathered in some of the rarest and most exclusive silks that have ever entered here, and in staple lines our stock is well assorted.

An Exquisite Stock of Waist Silks

Colored Taffeta in White, Cardinal, Reseda, Tuscan, Browns, Fawns, Castors, Pinks, Blues, Navy, very special at per yd. 75c

Colored Louise Silks in rich shades of Greys, Blues, Helio and White for waists at per yd. \$1.00

New Lasso Silks for rich Gowns or Waists, at per yard 50c and 75c

Peau de Soie in Black, for Gowns at per yard, \$1.25, \$1.35, 1.50, 1.65 and 1.75

Peau de Chene in a complete range of shades, per yd. 60c

Lace and Sequence Collars Ideal Gifts

We just passed into stock a magnificent range of Collars in Lace and Sequence. They are well worth a visit to this store to see.

Lace Collars \$1.50, \$1.90, \$2.00 and \$2.75.

Sequence Collars 75c, \$1.10 and \$5.00.

WM. FOREMAN & CO.



FOR BUSY CHRISTMAS

Shoppers come to our store. Come early, and get the pick of our great showing of Christmas wear.

Christmas Slippers
Christmas Loggins
Christmas Overalls
Christmas Boots.

How can you please any member of the family better than coming to the Boston Shoe Store.

J. L. CAMPBELL,

North Side King St., Chatham.

Boston Shoe Store.

COATS....

Furs, Robes, Coats, Gloves.
Fur Coats at surprising prices.

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and upwards. Fur coats for less than tailor made cloth coats. Calf coats, Astrachan collars, Russian Calf coats, dark and rich. Australian coon coat, Siberian Wild cat coats, Boys' and Men's Mitts, Gloves, etc.

GEO. STEPHENS & CO

Ayer's Hair Vigor

Sold for sixty years. You must know about it. It must have merit. Must be good. Ask any of your neighbors.

Chatham's Millinery Store.

Some Big Reductions for

The CHRISTMAS TRADE

Untrimmed Hats worth \$1.25 selling for 50c.

Ribbons worth from 90c. to \$1.25, selling for 60c.

Ribbons worth from 60c. to 90c., selling for 35c.

Ribbons worth from 35c. to 55c., selling for 25c.

C. A. COOKSLEY, KING ST., CHATHAM.

All reading notices or local announcements must be received at this office not later than noon of the day on which it is desired that they appear in The Planet.

Robin's Quaver Nesting Place.

Conductor McKnight and Brakeman Joe Smith of Stratford have discovered a robin's nest underneath a passenger coach of the Grand Trunk Railway. This coach leaves Stratford at 4 p.m., and returns from Port Dover at 10 a.m., and stays on the Stratford siding until the hour of departure. The robin finds the car each morning and leaves the tracks as the hour for departure arrives. On the first investigation the nest was discovered under the platform on the drawbar and was only in a partially finished state, but recent investigations show that the nest was not only finished, but that four eggs had been laid in it. The bird is being anxiously watched by the train crew, to see whether she completes the set of five and sets on them while the train is in motion.

Ask for Binard's and take no other.

COMING TO CANADA.

LARGE PARTIES OF IMMIGRANTS FROM BRITAIN.

Pord Wolsley Has Joined the Doleful Prophets—Arranging For Emigration of Factory Hands.

London, Dec. 10.—A large number of farmers will leave Yorkshire in April for Manitoba. Another Yorkshire party will follow shortly after, and others will leave Wiltshire, Lancashire, and various Scottish centres for different parts of Canada. The parties comprise, in addition to agriculturists, mechanics and artisans who are unable to find work in Britain or who are tempted by better wages in Canada. Most of the emigrants are going out under the auspices of the Canadian Government emigration offices. The emigration to Canada last year was 60,000 out of a total of 250,000 from England. The Express, referring to the Yorkshire movement, says: They are the pick of our people; they will have the pangs of homesickness, but their children will have the love of England mixed with bitter hatred of English history and politics.

A meeting of the British Women's Emigration Association was held yesterday to consider the best means of drafting suitable factory workers for Canada in response to definite offers from Montreal, Toronto and Hamilton.

Lord Wolsley has written a letter saying that unless Mr. Chamberlain's plans are adopted Britain will soon lose the colonies.

Mr. Chamberlain was asked by the Glasgow Co-operative Defence Association for his opinion regarding the embargo on Canadian cattle. He replied that the question was one for the Board of Agriculture, but he would be glad to have it removed if there were no danger to British cattle.

A correspondent of The Farmer and Stock Breeder, replying to Lord Onslow, opposes free Canadian corn. He says: "Canada contains less of our kinsmen than the United States. The natives of the United Kingdom in Canada number only 400,000, and the proportion is diminishing."

FARLEY PLEADED GUILTY.

Walking Delegate Gets a Year for Perjury.

New York, Dec. 10.—Henry Farley, walking delegate of the Painters' Union, who committed perjury in connection with the trial of Samuel J. Parks, pleaded guilty in Court of General Sessions, and was sentenced to not less than one year, nor more than two years in State's prison.

REACHED SPACE LIMIT.

Accommodation Must be Enlarged or Show Divided.

Guelph, Dec. 10.—The Winter Fair has once more broken its own best record. The crowds of happy visitors exceeded the most liberal expectations. The magnificent place which the fair fills in the agricultural world of Ontario was shown by the phenomenal attendance, and its standing as the centre from which radiates far and intensely the latest developments of agricultural science was shown by the densely-packed lecture-room. Its place as the centre of the new agriculture was never better demonstrated. The streams of sleighs and the overburdened trains filled the city with visitors. And this afternoon it was impossible to move through the fair building except in the slow current of interested sightseers. Every aisle, the judging arena, the lecture room, the vast poultry department, the dairy stable, even the incinerator, was everywhere filled with people. The happy partnership of farm life, referred to by Miss Van Rensselaer, was everywhere of husband and wife, and swags and sweethearts of the stock show. The fair's money-making was whatever the future may bring, today's crowds indicate that popular interest has at least reached the limit of the accommodation now provided, and the close relationship which the fair bears to the new development of Ontario agriculture suggests that the idea will grow, and if the Guelph fair be not doubled or quadrupled its plan will be multiplied in many other parts of Ontario. The main idea of education has found judgment in the farmers' minds and must displace the old idea that the fairs are only to amuse. Many of the visitors are delegates to farmers' institutes, and these will be the means of diffusing the information offered to-day among tens of thousands of those who will directly benefit.

BURGULARS PLEAD GUILTY.

"Foxy" Smith, Martin and Waterous Sentenced.

Cornwall, Dec. 10.—Charles Wilson, alias Charles Smith, better known as "Foxy" Smith; John Martin, alias Yates, and Frank Waterous, the Winchester burglars, were before Judge O'Reilly yesterday. All pleaded guilty to the charges of burglary and the latter also pleaded guilty to carrying unlawful explosives. Mr. George Stiles, counsel for Waterous, stated that this prisoner's confession and the information he had given had been of great assistance to the Crown in bringing the others to justice. He would have been a Crown witness if necessary. Judge O'Reilly sentenced Waterous to three years in Kingston penitentiary, while the others were given four years each. A similar sentence was given on each charge, but the terms are to run concurrently.

U. S. Presbyterian Mission Board.

New York, Dec. 8.—The Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church has elected the Rev. George Alexander, D.D., President of the board, to succeed the Rev. John D. Wells, D.D., lately deceased, who had been for forty-nine years a member of the board, and for nineteen years its President. Dr. Alexander is pastor of the University Place Presbyterian Church, New York City, and a member of the board of directors of the Princeton Theological Seminary.

Shoemen to Arbitrate.

Quebec, Dec. 3.—The shoemen have decided to refer the matter of the location of the shoe factories to the board of arbitration, and it is expected that the board will order the opening of the factories before taking the matter up.

THE OLD RELIABLE



Absolutely Pure
THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE

STARVING THOUSANDS.

Correspondent Discovers Much Misery in Toronto.

Toronto, Dec. 10.—Considerable indignation is expressed in business circles at statements which have appeared in the English press, to the effect that recent British immigrants have had difficulty in securing work and have experienced great hardships in Toronto.

The London immigration bureau yesterday cabled to the head offices of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association here that Mr. Phillips Thompson of this city had some correspondence in London papers stating that a thousand destitute and homeless immigrants from the old land were tramping the streets in search of work and in a starving condition, and the letters were also said to contain the information that these immigrants were enduring terrible sufferings through their privations, and were endeavoring to secure transportation back to the old land to escape the rigors of the winter here.

These facts were manifested in a cable sent to London at the instance of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association yesterday afternoon. The cable began as follows:

"Statement of Phillips Thompson that thousand starving immigrants are tramping streets and endeavoring to secure transportation from Canada absolutely false."

Further contradiction of the story will be made by mail.

Keep Mearns' Liniment in the House.

Reliable Silverware

For Table Use....

Let us show you some of our new patterns in Roger Bros.' best goods. For suitable WEDDING GIFTS nothing is nicer than our Roger Bros.' berry spoons, cool meat forks, jelly Slices or pie knives. These can be mailed at small expense.

E. Jordan

SWALLOWED THE RAILWAY.

Newly-formed Russian Lake Covers the Line.

London, Dec. 10.—A Russian correspondent of The Times says: "A curious thing has befallen the new Orenburg-Tashkent Railway, which, if completed, would shorten the distance and lessen the difficulties of transporting troops to the Afghan frontier and the Pamirs, and cut down the railway line between the heart of Russia and the Chinese frontier by 2,000 miles. Apparently reliable information is to the effect that the northern half of this railway has been submerged by a newly-formed lake stretching for fourteen miles. The lake is said to be thirty miles wide and 50 feet deep. The formation of the lake is due to the overflow of the Syr Darya, or, perhaps, to one of those displacements common to central Asian rivers, especially in great depressions of the Ural-Caspian basin. It is now said that the road runs for over three hundred miles through a zone subject to inundations. This defect in the projected route of the road was pointed out two years ago, and the Ministry was advised to change the route. The Novoe Vremya severely criticizes the Ministry for neglecting to profit by this advice, and says the blunder has already caused a loss of 200,000,000 roubles."

TO RESIST THE BRITISH.

Russians Said to be Building Forts in Tibet.

London, Dec. 10.—The London Daily Mail's correspondent says it is reported by the Chinese representative in Tibet that the Russians are building two forts and are preparing to resist the British expedition. The locality in which these forts are being built is not definitely known.

DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

National Committee to Meet in Washington on January 12th.

Washington, Dec. 10.—James K. Jones, Chairman of the Democratic National Committee, has issued a call for the committee to meet at the Shoreham Hotel, in this city, Tuesday, January 12, at 10 o'clock, upon the time and place of holding the Democratic National Convention.

ILL-TREATED THEIR TEACHER

Tied to a Hog Trough and Thrown Into a Pond.

Sullivan, Ind., Dec. 10.—Miss Eileen Sinclair, the 19-year-old teacher of the Parks School in this county, who was overpowered by her unruly pupils here yesterday, tied to a hog trough and placed for two hours in a pond of icy water, only her head being above the surface, swore out warrants for assault and battery against six children to-day.

TO FIGHT COLOMBIA.

United States Army and Navy Are Prepared.

Washington, Dec. 10.—Gen. Reyes, the special representative of Colombia, who came to urge that Colombia be not prevented in abdicating the Panama revolution, and that her sovereignty over Panama be not violated, was told by President Roosevelt that the United States had determined to maintain the independence of the new republic of Panama against all comers.

Although the statement heretofore has been denied, it is learned that the Army Department has taken notice of the repeated reports that Colombian troops were assembling at different points with the avowed purpose of making a hostile demonstration against Panama, and has perfected all military plans to repel such an invasion. The navy is ready to co-operate to the fullest possible extent.

Countess of Stratford Married.

London, Dec. 9.—Cara, dowager Countess of Stratford (formerly Mrs. Samuel J. Colgate of New York) and M. T. Kennard were married to-day at St. George's Church, Hanover square, in this city.

An Heroic Mother.

Elmira, N. Y., Dec. 9.—Mrs. William Campbell, a negro, went three times into her burning home to-day, and, with clothing in flames and her hair burning, each time carried a child to safety.

TELEGRAPH BREVITIES.

The body of the late Herbert Spencer will be cremated.

John H. Browning has been appointed United States, Immigrant Inspector at Windsor.

At Ottawa James C. Dorion, a plumber, fell off a roof and died at the Protestant Hospital.

It is reported that Russians are building forts in Tibet to assist in checking the British advance.

Mr. E. P. Stevens has been nominated by the Conservatives to oppose Hon. Sydney Fisher in Bromo, Que.

The Moscow correspondent of The Times says Russia fears a general Armenian revolt in the Caucasus.

The safe of the Imperial Canning Company at Kingsville was wrecked with dynamite. The thieves got nothing.

Another daughter of Elias Mohn of Stratford is down with typhoid fever, and the parents still refuse to call a physician.

At the annual banquet of the London Old Boys' Association, President McCann was presented with a gold watch and chain.

C. J. Altman was acquitted of the charge of malicious damage in the Brockville hat factory and is suing his former partners.

The Fort Frances power matter has been settled and the Backus syndicate will proceed at once to erect their power plant, reservoir and dam. The plant is to be on the Canadian side.

New Mufflers....

We made a fortunate purchase last week, direct from the makers of a big lot of

WAY'S WOOLLEN MUFFLERS,

and can give you much better value than has been usual in these goods before this season. The assortment is large and there is almost every color you can think of. They are warm, comfortable and correct. You are strictly out of it with one. They are priced from

25c. to \$1.25

Come in and look them over. We have all the other kinds of mufflers as well.

THORNTON & DOUGLAS, LIMITED...

Special Showing of Parlor Lamps

Gray's China Hall

Every lamp this year's latest production. All colors are burnt on. Every burner is guaranteed. Best assortment west of London. Prices from 75 cents to \$12.00.

J. E. GRAY, KING ST.

MY VALET.

will open his place of business, Room 2, McCall Block, on

Monday, December 7.

Don't Pay

High prices for your China lamps, dinner or tea sets; see our goods, get the prices; this ensures us the sales. The goods are extra fine quality, very pretty, large assortment to choose from. Bought expressly for the Xmas trade.

GROCERIES.

If you need these goods here are our prices—

4 lbs Mix Candy 25c
Mixed Nuts 15c per lb.
Cream Candy 10c per lb
3 lbs. Selected Raisins 25c.
" best Cleaned Currants 25c
Lemon, Citron and Orange Peel, mixed, 20c a lb.
Mince Meat 10c. a lb.
7 lbs Best Rolled Oats 25c
2 lbs Pure Lard, 25c.
New Dates 7c lb.

John McConnell,

Phone 190, - Park St.



We have already gotten our boxes out and they are being filled with fine assortments of candies for Christmas gifts. We sell

Boxes of Sweetness

from 15c. to \$2.00 per pound. A box of Algreth's Assorted Chocolates would be a nice gift. Then we have the regular Christmas candies from 10c to 40c. per pound, and all the usual candies are here. We'll mix them to suit

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Garner House Block.

and Our Richmond & Queen

For Drunkenness

and

Keeley Drug using

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