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## OUR "SPRING OPENING"

is being continued for the balance of this week for the benefit of those who have not yet seen our exhibit.

### MILLINERY

We feel sure we were right in our judgment of what was wanted in millinery, and we have just received an overwhelming endorsement of our opinion. Everyone is agreed that this has been the finest show we have ever made. Tuesday was the formal "Opening Day," but the interest will be sustained all week.

### LADIES' SUITS

All have been astonished at the stage of perfection reached in the making of these suits. We are showing this spring. Everybody can be suited in this department, with the advantage of not having to wait for tailor's fittings, appointments, etc., etc. These suits are splendid in every way, and sell from \$18 to \$50.

### LADIES' COATS

We have received great praise for our stock of Ladies' Dress and Service Coats. These comprise all the latest features of leading designers, and, even if not waiting to buy, are well worth seeing.

### DRESS FABRICS

Everything in demand is what we are showing here. We are specially strong on Fine Cloths and Silk Fabrics and Mixtures, in exclusive one-piece lengths.

### LADIES' SUIT AND GOWN-MAKING

Our success in the making-up of Ladies' Suits and Gowns is so well known that we need hardly mention it. We would sound a note of warning against procrastination in placing orders, while invariably leads to disappointment in delivery—ORDER NOW.

### SILKS

Our reputation for Staple Silks of all kinds needs no comment. There is a strong demand this season for novelty weaves, prominent amongst them being the rough woven Oriental Silks. We have a grand stock of these and other novelties.

### WASH FABRICS

These are melting under the onslaught like snow in the sunshine. Evidences are that we will be short on some lines of wash goods, and no chance to renew our supply. Inspect these now before the prettiest patterns are all snapped up.

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### OBITUARY.

At ESSEX, Ont., C. M. Caughill, tax collector, aged 65, died at KINGSVILLE, Ont., Rev. Canon Matthews, aged 69.

At TORONTO—Thomas Callaghan, clerk in the educational department, and for about 20 years in the civil service.

At SOUTHWATER, Eng.—Robt. E. Bryce, son of J. D. Bryce of Toronto, and son-in-law of J. S. Playfair.

At TORONTO JUNCTION—Samuel E. Jewett, principal of Carlton school, aged 62.

At ATLANTIC CITY—Edward A. Dore of New York, one of the foremost constitutional lawyers in the state.

At KINCARDINE—Mrs. Frank Selery, mother of Dr. A. Selery of Henrich.

At BROCKVILLE—John Simpson, ex-railroad contractor, aged 74.

### CANADIAN CLUB.

Secretary Mackie of the Canadian Club last evening received a telegram from Hon. G. W. Ross accepting an invitation to be the speaker at next Monday's luncheon.

Rejected the Amendment.  
OTTAWA, March 10.—(Special.)—Sir Wilfrid Laurier to-night rejected an amendment by Dr. Reid that tenders should be placed in safe custody under seal. A lengthy debate resulted.

IF MEN WERE SERPENTS  
It is said the woods would be full of female snake charmers. Perhaps so. But there is no perhaps when you apply "Putnam's" to a sore corn. It cures quickly. For sure relief use only Putnam's Corn and Wart Extractor.

## THE WEATHER

METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE, Toronto, March 10.—(8 p.m.)—Mild weather has prevailed to-day, from Alberta to Ontario, with temperatures generally above 40 in the western provinces, and reaching a maximum of 50 at Medicine Hat. In Quebec and Maritime Provinces it has been cold.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 28 below-2; Atlin, 20-25; Port Simpson, 40-44; Victoria, 40-45; Vancouver, 48-57; Kamloops, 35-50; Edmonton, 34-50; Battleford, 26-44; Prince Albert, 24-47; Calgary, 34-50; Regina, 15-42; Winnipeg, 8-38; Parry Sound, 6 below-24; Toronto, 15-27; Ottawa, 1 below-18; Montreal, 2-18; Quebec, 3 below-14; St. John, zero-18; Halifax, 3-24.

Probabilities.  
Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Fresh southerly and westerly winds; fair and mild.  
Ottawa Valley and Upper St. Lawrence—Fresh southerly winds; fair and milder.  
Lower St. Lawrence and Gulf—Westerly and southerly winds; fair and a little milder.  
Maritime—Westerly and southerly winds; fair and a little milder.  
Lake Superior—Fresh winds; cloudy and milder.  
Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta—Fair and mild.

### THE BAROMETER.

Time.	Ther.	Bar.	Wind.
8 a.m.	15	30.24	8 N.W.
11 a.m.	16	30.24	8 N.W.
2 p.m.	16	30.24	12 N.W.
5 p.m.	17	30.24	12 N.W.
8 p.m.	17	30.24	12 N.W.

Mean of day, 20; difference from average, 8 below; highest, 27; lowest, 12; snow, 0.

### STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.

March 10.	At	From
Philadelphia.	London	Boston
L. Michigan.	London	St. John
Zealand.	London	Antwerp
L. Champlain.	St. John	Liverpool
Weishman.	Liverpool	Portland

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### BIRTHS.

GOLDMAN—At 100 Walmer-road, on 10th inst., to Mr. and Mrs. C. E. A. Goldman, a daughter.

HONEYFORD—Tuesday, March 10th, to Mr. and Mrs. John Honeyford, at 42 Aberdeen-avenue, a son. Both doing well.

### DEATHS.

BAIN—At 2 Lowndes-place, New York, N.Y., March 8th, 1908, Duncan Bain, dearly beloved husband of Eva Graham Bain, and son-in-law of W. J. Graham of 102 Baldwin-street, Toronto, and youngest son of James Bain, sr., of Kew Beach, Ontario.

FUNERAL Wednesday, March 11th, 1908, at 2:30 p.m., from the chapel of H. Rankin's undertaking establishment, 477 Queen-street West, Toronto, to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

CALLAGHAN—On Monday, March 9th, 1908, at his late residence, 18 Gloucester-street, Toronto, C. E. A. Callaghan, an educational department, in his 52nd year.

FUNERAL Thursday, March 12th, 1908, at 8 a.m., from the above address to St. Basil's Church, thence to St. Michael's Cemetery.

JEWITT—Suddenly, at his late residence, 60 Kingsley-avenue, Toronto Junction, on Tuesday, March 10th, 1908, Samuel E. Jewitt, principal Carlton School, and dearly beloved husband of May Beatrice Jewitt.

FUNERAL service conducted by Victoria Masonic Lodge, on Friday afternoon, March 11th, 1908, at 2:30 p.m., from the late residence to Davenport Methodist Church, thence to Prospect Cemetery.

KYLE—At her parents' residence, March 10th, Aretta Kyle, widow of the late Lem Kyle, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Boswell, 186 Bathurst-street.

FUNERAL Thursday, at 2:30 p.m., from the residence of her son-in-law (Mr. A. G. Watson), 50 Carlton-street, on Monday, March 9th, 1908, Louise Walker, widow of the late William Walker, and daughter of the late William Gooderham, sr., in her 8th year.

FUNERAL (private) on Wednesday, the 11th, at 2:30 o'clock, interment in the Woodlawn Cemetery. Please omit flowers.

WILSON—At Scarboro Village, Janet Wilson, widow of the late Thomas Wilson, aged 83 years.

FUNERAL Thursday, 12th inst., at 2 p.m., to St. Andrew's Cemetery.

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### Good Lenten Resolutions.

It is very noticeable the number of letters from town who have sworn off all intoxicating beverages for this Lenten season, and to fill the natural wish for an invigorator felt by these gentlemen nothing is better than clear, sparkling, radnor water, fresh from the spring in the foothills of the grand Laurentian Mountains. Order a supply of radnor and you will not feel so keenly the wish for your usual "noggin" of Scotch or rye.

### H. R. Ranks, Undertaker, Main 2581.

Only Preamble Passed.  
OTTAWA, March 10.—The preamble of the Niagara, St. Catharines and Toronto Railway bill was carried this morning. The promoters refused to accept amendments protecting the rights of Toronto, and the bill got no further.

### Premier Robinson Denies.

MONTREAL, March 10.—(Special.)—Hon. C. W. Robinson, who returned from Ottawa to-day denies that there is anything in the alleged deal whereby the ex-premier was to run for the commons.

### Prince Rupert Contract.

MONTREAL, March 10.—(Special.)—It is reported here this evening that Foley Bros. & Stewart have been awarded the contract to build the Grand Trunk Pacific 100 miles from Prince Rupert, eastward.

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With minimum trouble and cost biscuit, cake and pastry are made fresh, clean and greatly superior to the ready-made, dry, found-in-the-shop variety.

### ST. ANDREW'S ENTERTAIN.

Distinguished Brethren From London Exemplify Third Degree.

About 150 members of St. John's Lodge No. 209, A. F. and A. M., London, Ont., headed by W.M. John H. Wilson, paid a fraternal visit to St. Andrew's Lodge in the Temple Building last evening.

With full musical and electrical effect the third degree was conferred in a manner which brought forth the highest commendation from the Toronto brethren present by the following officers of the visiting lodge: W. Bro. John H. Wilson, W.M.; W. Bro. C. H. Flirth, I.P.M.; Bro. H. L. Smith, S.W.; D. H. Bowen, J.W.; E. E. Davis, Chaplain; W. D. Taylor, orator; W. Bro. John Graham, treasurer; Bro. Jas. E. Keenleyside, secretary; Jared Knight, S.D.; A. E. Santo, J.D.; Fred Palmer, I.G.T.; P. Elliott, D. of C.; P. E. Harley, S.S.; O. W. T. Fuller, J.S.; John Henderson, Tyler. Other brethren assisting in the work were: W. Bro. W. J. Smith, Mrs. J. A. Smith, O. W. Fuller, B. Smith, J. Steeles, J. McKenney, V. Smith, G. J. Lepp, J. Connor, C. F. Steven, W. O'Dell, A. Carter, F. Palmer, W. Stewart, T. McKee, and F. Harley.

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### ANSWERS POWER CRITICS

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If he would consider a proposition to take over the company.

"My reply was 'No,'" stated Mr. Whitney. The government had accepted of the continued progress of the City of Toronto. One of the things I fail to understand is the reference to Toronto," added the premier. The provincial treasurer had been present at the interview, and as showing the attitude of Mr. St. Aubyn towards the government.

Mr. Whitney submitted a letter from him, which said:

"While respecting the government's policy not to favor the acquisition in the public interests of the power plant and transmission line of the Electric Development Company, I am glad to be in a position to inform those whom I represent, that, as a result of our conversation yesterday, any proposals which may be submitted with a view of finding a solution to the embarrassing situation in which the company finds itself, will be welcomed by yourself and your colleagues."

"I am in a position to say now that Mr. St. Aubyn was never interviewed on the subject, who asked these questions. Mr. Whitney assured the house he had since had no communication with Mr. St. Aubyn, director of the Electric Development Company. The City of Toronto never was mentioned by Mr. St. Aubyn in this connection."

Financial Considerations.  
The financial side of the question was taken up by Mr. Whitney. The contract with the Ontario Power Co. was one obstacle, but a still greater one was the assumption of a responsibility of \$15,000,000 or \$20,000,000 for a plant which could only be operated in the eastern territory of the province, and which would be sold to the Ontario Power Co. A perusal of the contract entered into by the previous government, and the Ontario Power Co., and last night's statement, especially of the latter, would perhaps help them.

"I do not know the reasons," said Mr. Whitney, "which caused these gentlemen to place themselves at the absolute mercy of a few speculators. I will not deal with that question to-day, but I intend to return to it when he might discuss why the Ross government had 'prevented the province from developing power at the Falls' (Applause)."

Three provisions in three agreements with three companies absolutely prohibited the government generating power. Even if they had made an arrangement with one company, this would have prevented the others from doing so.

He wished to recall one very strange and ominous fact. Instead of the agreements with the electric companies having been ratified by the government, power was given to the lieutenant-governor in council to do so. He had himself been a contractor, but he had been voted down. After having served its purpose, and the last available horse power in the province, the Ross government had struck out the section behind their backs, which they had concealed their secret dealings with the future contractors.

Chickens Have Come Home.  
"I may remind the hon. gentlemen of the old proverb that chickens come home to roost. These gentlemen are not at all to blame, but they are confronted by the consequences of their fathers' policy, which will not be forgotten by the people of the province."

## INCREASES OF SALARIES IN CIVIL SERVICE

Some Questions in the Legislature—Mr. Matheson Defends.

When the legislature went into committee of supply last evening the votes for civil government aggregating \$537,546 were passed with the exception of that for the attorney-general's department, which was allowed to stand over on account of the railway board. These votes consist chiefly of salaries and expenses.

"Whither are we drifting?" enquired Mr. Harcourt rhetorically as he enumerated the jumps in the cost of civil government. This year the increase was \$74,000. Last year it was \$53,000. In four years the increase was 46 per cent. in amount. The civil service had been starved and although salaries had been increased many men had left. The opening of the northern country and the administration of justice accounted for large sums.

Explaining an item of cash hire, Hon. Dr. Pyre explained it was partly his own cash hire, but chiefly for funerals. "Surely the whole parliament buildings are not riding on the street cars every day in the year. We ought to be able to get some idea of the aggregate amount payable to the Toronto Railway Company," said Mr. Smith (Soo) as an item for \$158 turned up in the public works department, following on in the railway board.

"I want to give you notice. This is one of our fighting campaigns in the coming election. (Laughter.) Every item that has been spent in getting these fellows into the country will make ammunition," declared Mr. Studholme, when the opposition votes on the department of agriculture came up.

Both reports were adopted without comment. Letters were read from Premier Whitney, Prof. Tordwin, speaking in high terms of the show and wishing it continued success. Not Marshall was re-elected president. R. W. Davies first vice-president, Alfred Rogers, second vice-president, Dr. A. Young, treasurer and H. J. P. Davies, secretary.

At the tenth annual meeting of the Harness, Hunter and Saddle Horse Society held in the King Edward Hotel last evening, with President J. J. Dixon in the chair, Walter Harland Smith was re-elected honorary president, J. Dixon, president, Alfred Rogers, first vice-president, H. C. Tomlin second vice-president, H. V. P. Good, secretary-treasurer, and Dr. Young, W. E. Wellington, Thomas Hodgson, V.S., Thomas Crow, R. W. Davies, Thomas Eastman, Dr. White, James Murray, J. Stark and Thomas Rolston directors. The president, secretary, W. E. Wellington and Dr. Oile were appointed a committee to urge upon the shareholders the importance of breeding to purchase and purchase stallions, especially of the lighter