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REMNANTS

Remnants on Sale To-Morrow as Low as One-Half Original Prices

Remnants of Dress Goods

Prints and Gingham
Wrappettes and Shakers
Sheetings and Cottonades

Short ends frequently contain just what you want. If you find what you want the price is cut in two. The opportunity is worth looking after.

50c. Waistings for 39c

We place on sale to-morrow a very pretty collection of French Flannels, Printed Satin Cloths and Orvola Flannels in dark, medium and light colors, suitable for waists for immediate wear, regular price 50c. 39c and 60c. a yard, on sale for

Taffeta Neck Ribbons at 20 Cents

We have just taken out of bond the first shipment of Spring Ribbons. A very special purchase of No. 40 pure silk finish Taffeta Neck Ribbon in Black, White, Cream, Pink, Sky, Cardinal, Rose and Navy, reg. value 35c. a yard, on sale very special at 20c

THOS. STONE & SON

PUBLIC NOTICE !

Genuine Gas Coke

From actual tests is found to contain as many heat units per ton, as the best quality of Anthracite Coal. At the reduced price now in effect, Gas Coke costs about two-thirds as much.

Moral: Use Genuine Gas Coke for furnace, range, grate or stove, and save money.

Chatham Gas Company, Limited.

Have You Taken Advantage of the Special Sale

OF GRANITE WARE AT "THE ARK"

In order to give everyone an opportunity to secure some of the bargains, the Sale will be continued during Next week.

See Our Window and Bargain Counters

SPOT CASH

H. MACAULAY Phone 159

OUR ADVERTISEMENTS PAY.

BYE-ELECTIONS FEB. 28

Whitney Cabinet's First Act Was to Issue Writ.

Mr. Gagey interviews the Premier-Minister from Manitoulin Received in Most Gracious Fashion By the Ministers-Moribund Appointments of Ross Government Will Likely Be Cancelled-Where Will Ministers Reside?

Toronto, Feb. 10.-Bye-elections to fill the vacancies in the Legislature caused by the acceptance of office by the Ministers holding portfolios will be held on Feb. 28, nominations one week earlier. The writs were issued yesterday afternoon. This was the first official act of the new Cabinet. A Cabinet Council will be held today.

New Ministers Reside?

Early yesterday morning the staffs of the various departments gathered to prepare for the reception of their new chiefs. The Ministers arrived about 10 and several of them embraced the earliest opportunity of getting acquainted with those who will labor under their direction. There was a full meeting of the new Cabinet, which broke up before 1 o'clock.

After the meeting the Premier received the press in his own room, which is the former occupied by Hon. J. M. Gibson and announced to them the date of the bye-elections. This was all the news he had for the public. The Cabinet lunched in the building and the afternoon was devoted to the reception of visitors, of whom there were a great many, most of them calling merely to tender their congratulations. One of the late cabinet was R. R. Gagey, who was closeted with the Premier for some time. The man from Manitoulin had met the Premier and other Cabinet Ministers in the morning at the Queen's Hotel. He was received by them in the most gracious manner.

More Room Needed.

It was announced that all the Ministers are to have offices in the Parliament buildings. Rooms are now being fitted up for the three Ministers without portfolio, in the west end, as well as one for Hon. Dr. Pyne, Minister of Education. Dr. Pyne will spend his forenoons among his department clerks at the Normal School and his afternoons at the Parliament buildings. The rooms occupied by Mr. Hargrave, who has been appointed Minister of the Interior, will have sleeping apartments in the building, the rooms occupied by the old Ministers being required for offices.

Hon. J. S. Hendrie, Hon. Adam Beck and Hon. W. A. Willoughby left for their homes yesterday afternoon, and will not be present at today's Cabinet meeting.

Speaker-to-Be Meets Press.

Mr. St. John, who on the opening of the Legislature will be elected Speaker, met representatives of all the newspapers in the morning and asked their views respecting improvements to the press gallery. The gallery is difficult of access and another stairway is absolutely necessary. The provincial architect was called in consultation, and will report today. It is fully expected that the wishes of the press will be met.

Appointments of Old Ministry.

Announcement was made yesterday that the late Government, before going out of business made a number of appointments. Robert Emmett English, son of the late John English, will succeed his father as chief turnkey of the Toronto Jail; William McLeod of Orillia, was appointed sheriff of Simcoe County; to succeed the late Charles Drury; Matthew Martin was appointed jailer at Chatham, and George Bush of Clinton Township, will become jailer at St. Catharines. These late appointments have caused a good deal of dissatisfaction, and it is probable that the majority of the appointees will be required to step aside. The Orders-in-Council bear date of Jan. 31, but reached the assistant secretary on Feb. 7. It is probable that the appointments were dated back.

Railway Taxation.

The Railway Taxation Commission, consisting of H. J. Pettypiece, ex-M.P.P.; Prof. Shortt of Queen's University, and Judge Bell of Chatham, met in the Parliament Buildings yesterday to complete their report. Mr. Pettypiece, the chairman, called upon Premier Whitney and was instructed to go on with the report just as it there had been no change of Government. The Commission have spent some months investigating the methods of obtaining Government funds from railway corporations, in a number of the states of the neighboring republic, and will make their report to the Legislature.

Hon. Nelson Monteith, Minister of Agriculture, has promised to preside at the annual meeting of the Fair Association, which will be held in Victoria Hall on Tuesday next.

Where Will They Reside?

Most of the new ministers have not yet decided on their place of residence. Hon. W. J. Hanna proposes to continue to reside at Sarnia. He has an extensive law practice there and has capable associates who will look after his business in his absence. Hon. Dr. Reaume will reside at Windsor, and some of the other ministers may not take houses in Toronto. The Premier will doubtless remove his family to Toronto, but he

has been so engrossed with the affairs of state since he came here that he has not given the matter any consideration. Hon. Dr. Pyne proposes to relinquish his practice, but will continue as registrar of the Medical Council.

Salary For Mr. Ross.

The Whitney Cabinet has decided to give the leader of the Opposition a salary equal to that received by a Cabinet Minister. He will also be provided with a secretary at the expense of the country.

A GOOD MAN

John Handysides has returned from Windsor, where he has been spending a few days. He says the Windsor Council were very much disappointed when Fire Chief Pritchard, of Chatham, withdrew his application for a similar position in Windsor, which is now vacant. The increase in salary which was given him by the Council Monday evening, induced Mr. Pritchard to remain in Chatham. The Windsor Council, when they could not secure Mr. Pritchard, decided to leave their appointment open and receive other applications.

McCOIG'S UNCLE GETS FIRST JOB

Post Mortem Appointment Over Sheriff's Head Made Since the Election and Dated Back

Wallaceburg Man Thrown Down and Mr. Gemmill Snubbed-New Government Now to Take Action

The morning papers to-day announced that the defunct Ross Government had appointed Matthew Martin, uncle of Arch. B. McCoig, M. P. P., jailer at Chatham. The order in council making the appointment reached the assistant secretary only yesterday, yet it was dated back to January 31-a very peculiar and uneasy circumstance. It is perhaps needless to say that this appointment came as a surprise to the Chatham people, and especially to the residents of Wallaceburg. It is a well known fact that Sheriff Gemmill recommended Miles McCarron, of Wallaceburg, and has never made any other appointment. So that Colonel Matthew Martin, uncle of Archie McCoig, M. P. P., was deliberately appointed over the sheriff's head. This course is not in accordance with the statute and will not stand.

It is much to be feared that the Government may retaliate for these postmortem actions and undo some appointments made when the Ross Government was really in power so as to even things up a bit.

The Sheriff was out of the city this morning and his deputy, C. E. Beeston, refused to give any statement in the absence of the Sheriff.

From our own Correspondent.

Toronto, Feb. 10.-Regarding your enquiry re appointment of Martin as Kent's jailer, said appointment was made since the election and in spite of recommendation of Sheriff Gemmill prior to the election in favor of McCarron. So far as is known here the appointment was changed-after the election without the Sheriff's knowledge or sanction and directly over his recommendation of McCarron-in favor of Matthew Martin, who is a relative of West Kent's member-elect McCoig.

It is not likely, however, that the appointment will hold. The irregular and suspicious character of its making will cause investigation. Assurance has been given this afternoon that the Attorney-General (Premier Whitney) will look into the matter, when the facts of the strange cancellation of the Sheriff's nominee and the appointment without his knowledge of a relative of the member-elect are laid before him officially.

HERB BUSY

West Kent's Energetic Member Takes a Lively Interest in His Constituency.

In the Dominion House H. S. Clements, M. P., West Kent, asked what revenue was collected at the outport of Coatesworth. Mr. Patterson replied that the collections amounted to \$17. The salary of the customs officer was \$400. Mr. Clements suggested that the outport be changed to Wheatley or Romney, either of which would be a better location for preventative officer.

U.S. DRAW BACK PLAN

W. F. Maclean Warns Government-Favors Export Duties.

Questions Answered in the House of Commons-Some Interesting Facts Concerning Railways and Railway Projects-Mr. Fisher's Fruit Package Bill Discussed in Committee-Private Bills Committee Passes Ottawa Electric Bill.

Ottawa, Feb. 10.-U. S. Attorney-General Moody's far-reaching decision on the question of drawbacks was brought to the attention of the House yesterday by W. F. Maclean. The drawback decision is in effect that raw and partially manufactured materials of every sort and description are now at the disposal of American manufacturers engaged in the export trade. Mr. Maclean echoed the opinion of Le Canada of Montreal, that Mr. Moody's decision means an economic revolution. As a cure for the evil he advocated export duties. He said: "I say the time has come when we, as Canadians, especially since we have embarked upon the N.P., ought to keep our own markets for our own manufacturers, and our own work for our own people. We may be forced by reason of this new policy in the United States to adopt and extensively to adopt the principle of export duties. The principle has been applied with marvelous success in the Province of Ontario with regard to saw logs."

Mr. Blair to Sir Wilfrid.

A copy of the telegram in which Hon. A. G. Blair announced the resignation of the chairmanship of the Railway Commission to Sir Wilfrid Laurier was laid on the table of the House yesterday. It is dated Oct. 18, 1904.

Free Mail Delivery.

Mr. Wilson asked what was the total cost of free mail delivery in towns and cities in Canada, where such system is utilized.

The Postmaster-General supplied the following figures: Salaries of letter carriers, \$415,241; uniforms, etc., \$17,253; conveyances for delivering letters from stations, \$10,252; a total of \$432,748. The Department keeps no record of the number of letters, newspapers, parcels, etc., so delivered, and the Postmaster-General was not willing to make an estimate.

Mr. Roche was informed that the Grand Trunk Pacific Co. has not proposed or submitted to the Government any plan of the route of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway west of Winnipeg.

The Minister of Justice explained to Mr. Lake the various steps taken to obtain an authoritative interpretation of the meaning of the Canadian Pacific Railway contract, in relation to the exemption of the lands of that company from taxation in the Northwest Territories. The case is now in the Supreme Court of Canada, and a decision is expected in a couple of weeks.

Mr. Lake was also informed that there have been sold of school lands in Alberta 304 acres, Assiniboia 143,431 acres, Saskatchewan 237 acres. The price obtained in Alberta was \$19 per acre, in Assiniboia the highest price was \$37.50 per acre, and the lowest price \$7.20 per acre. The Saskatchewan lands brought a low price of \$107 per acre, while the lowest price was \$40 per acre. The average price in Alberta was \$19 per acre, in Assiniboia \$6.69, and in Saskatchewan \$86.54.

Re Safety of Ships.

The House went into Committee on Mr. Sinclair's bill to amend the act respecting the safety of ships. The bill enables ships to carry during winter navigation lumber between the main and shelter decks. This is now forbidden by existing law. The various clauses of the bill were passed, but the bill will be held over till it is approved by the Board of Trade of England.

E. M. McDonald, Pictou, N.S., introduced a bill respecting the Grand Trunk Railway. The purpose of the bill is to authorize the Grand Trunk Railway Co. to acquire bonds and preference and common shares of the Canada Atlantic Railway Co., and hold the same either by themselves as a company or in the name of trustees, also to provide that the company may guarantee the payment of the principal and interest of the bonds so acquired and to be held by them, not exceeding the sum of \$3,292,200 sterling.

Mr. McDonald introduced another bill respecting the Canada Atlantic Railway. This bill proposes to repeal section 8 of chapter 90 of 1903, to empower the company to issue bonds to the amount of \$3,292,000 sterling, to be secured by mortgage on the company's property. Both bills were read a first time.

Mr. Fisher's Resolution.

Mr. Fisher moved the House into Committee to consider a resolution respecting the packing and sale of certain staple commodities. The resolution provides that:

(1.) When apples are packed in Canada for export for sale by the box, they shall be packed in good and strong boxes of seasoned wood, the inside dimensions of which shall not be less than ten inches in depth, 11 inches in width and 20 inches in length, representing as near as possible 2,200 cubic inches.

(2.) Every person who offers or

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Valentines

That time honored day, celebrated in different manners from the time of Valentinus of Terin in the dark ages down to our own times, has a greater hold on the masses today than ever before. Thanks to the postal service, we can now send greetings to our friends from one end of the world to the other.

You must not be behind the times. Send a Valentine to your lover and if you have no lover, send one to a friend, a little remembrance that will be appreciated.

Our stock of these beautiful love tokens is complete, priced from 1c to \$1.00. We can suit the most fastidious.

We have all kinds of ugly ones, too.

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