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HOSIERY

...and...

UNDERWEAR

There is no more complete assortment of hosiery and underwear in Ontario than you will find in this store. Values were never better and prices never more in your favor. Underwear and hosiery for men, women and children at these prices.

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Children's fine union ribbed vests and drawers, all sizes, special at.....25c

Children's black union tights all sizes, priced special according to size, 25c to.....50c

Children's extra fine and heavy pleated lined vests and drawers, all sizes, priced according to size, 50c down to.....25c

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Ladies' soft finish ribbed vests and drawers, neatly finished, fine and warm, in grey and white, very special value at per garment.....25c

Ladies' elastic ribbed vests and drawers in grey and white, 3/4 wool, unshrinkable, very special at.....50c

Ladies' fine natural wool vests and drawers, unshrinkable, special at.....\$1.00

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Penman's natural wool garments for men, women and children in correct weight for winter wear at lowest prices.

Men's shirts and drawers in fleeced lined, and all wool, very special values at 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and.....\$1.50

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Our special fine union ribbed black hose in all sizes from 5 to 10 in., extra value at 20c to.....25c

Pure wool worsted hose, fine close 2-1 rib, fine bright finish, all sizes from 6 to 10 in., the best value ever offered by us at.....25c

Fine all wool plain black cashmere hose, all sizes 4 1/2 to 9 inch, very special value at 18c a pair to.....25c

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Extra fine and heavy black cashmere hose for ladies, all sizes including O. S. sizes, very special values at a pair 75c, 50c and.....40c

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CARPETS and WALL PAPERS

M'CURDY ON THE STAND

Extravagant Claim of Counsel
James M. Beck Disproved.

Witness Centre of Violent Demonstrations of Disapprobation—Would Have Been Committed If Information Refused Could Not Have Been Got Elsewhere—Buys Agitation in Favor of Policyholders Off.

New York, Oct. 18.—Testimony in the insurance investigation which was resumed yesterday after a week's adjournment of the Legislative Committee, taken because of the death last week of S. Fred Nixon, Speaker of the Assembly, was most exciting throughout the entire day, and only the repeated threats of Senator Armstrong, chairman of the committee, to clear the room, prevented violent demonstrations of disapprobation of the witness, who was Richard A. McCurdy, president of the Mutual Life Insurance Co. As it was, however, there were jeers at several periods of the day's testimony that temporarily interrupted the testimony. These came when Mr. Hughes, the counsel for the committee, asked questions that Mr. McCurdy was reluctant to answer, or evaded.

Before the witness was called James McKee, associate counsel to the committee, put in evidence for the records, a statement of the assets of the Mutual Life Insurance Co. and of the Banks of England, France and Germany. By cable James M. Beck, counsel for the Mutual Life Insurance Co., claimed last Tuesday before the committee that the assets of the Mutual Life exceeded the combined assets of the Banks of England, France and Germany. By cable the combined assets of those institutions were \$2,225,574,725, while those of the Mutual Life were \$440,978,371. Further, said Mr. McKee, he has found the salary of the president of the Bank of Germany to be \$30,000 per annum, and that of the chief governor of the Bank of England to be \$10,000. Mr. McCurdy received \$150,000 a year. He had been unable to ascertain the salary of the president of the Bank of France.

Getting at the Press.
In Mr. McCurdy's testimony yesterday it was disclosed that the Mutual Life employed a literary bureau to send out to the press of the country notices that were of benefit to the company. It came out when a voucher for the payment of \$2,500 to Joseph Howard, Jr., in 1904, was produced. McCurdy explained that Howard was a newspaper correspondent and that his professional services consisted in syndicating news stories. He paid Howard about \$2,500 a year for these services.

Witness Didn't Know.
An attempt was made to obtain from McCurdy the reason for reducing the dividends on policies as the business increased and the assets piled up. To all the questions on this matter, the witness said he was not fortified with the information required. When McCurdy would not offer the information himself, Mr. Hughes started on another line of inquiry. Later in the day, Chairman Armstrong explained that since the information desired could be obtained by another source, it was agreeable to the committee to let McCurdy remain silent. Had he, however, been directed to answer and knowing the information refused, steps would have been taken to indict him for a misdemeanor.

The Legal Expenses.
The legal expenses were again recurred to and vouchers for the payment of various sums were read. It was brought out that Wm. Barnes, Sr., of Albany, had appeared before the committee in Albany last winter and had received \$1,000 from the New York Life. Later it appeared from a letter to McCurdy from Barnes, Jr., that Barnes, Sr., received an annual retainer to the Mutual Life.

Agitation Bought Off.
A voucher in 1902 for \$10,000, payable to T. H. Bowles, was explained by McCurdy as partial settlement of a suit, Bowles, formerly general agent in Milwaukee, had brought against the company. When it came Bowles' turn to have his business taken over by the company, under the policy of the company to assume all general agencies, Bowles wrote a letter to the president, which he termed "insultation," and dismissed the writer. Later Bowles agitated a policyholders' crusade against the company, and McCurdy said the suit was settled to end the agitation.

Protection in Wisconsin.
Concerning a payment of \$5,000 to Wm. A. Fricke, a former insurance commissioner of Wisconsin, McCurdy testified that this payment was made after the receipt of a letter from Charles T. Lewis, saying that Fricke would accept a retainer "to see that the interests of the Mutual Life should come to no harm" in that state. McCurdy authorized the payment.

Mr. McCurdy will be a witness again to-day.
Italian Trackman Killed.
Niagara Falls, Ont., Oct. 18.—An Italian trackman, whose name is said to be Martini, met a horrible death on the street railway yesterday morning. A heavy construction car was backing rapidly along Portage road, with a gang of trackmen on board. Some horseplay was going on among the men, and in some way Martini tripped and fell off, right in front of the car. He was run over and badly mangled.

Coughs, Colds, Hoarseness, and other throat ailments are quickly relieved by Crescote Tablets, ten cents per box. All druggists.

ACCIDENT MAY PROVE FATAL

Herbert Russell Struck by Michigan Central Train at Charing Cross

Was Driving With His Sister When Horse Ran Away—He Now Lies in St. Joseph's Hospital in a Critical Condition

What may prove to be a fatal accident occurred yesterday afternoon at 3.30, at the Michigan Central crossing, Charing Cross, when Herbert Russell, a 14-year-old lad, was struck by a fast passenger train. His left leg was broken and he received such internal injuries that he now lies in St. Joseph's Hospital in a very critical condition.

The boy, who is the son of Henry Russell, third concession, Raleigh, was driving out from town, accompanied by his sister, who is some years his senior. On nearing the railway crossing of the Michigan Central on the Gravel road, the horse became frightened and both the occupants of the buggy jumped. Both caught the horse, but the young lady was unable to hold on. The animal dragged the boy on to the track, when it turned down the track away from the rapidly approaching train. As the horse, with the boy clinging to the bridle, got onto the east side of the track, it struck them, wedging them between the cars and the guard fence. The boy was thrown some distance, with the result above mentioned. The buggy was totally demolished, but the horse escaped injury.

Mr. Russell is a strange thing that the boy should be so badly, perhaps fatally, injured, the buggy wrecked, while the horse escaped without injury. Dr. J. W. Rathford was summoned. He found the boy's injuries of such a nature that he ordered his being brought to the hospital. The unfortunate young fellow's condition this morning is very critical.

BIG FAIR

Second Day at Ridgetown—Races a Feature—Jockey Hurt

Ridgetown, Oct. 17. The second day of the big Ridgetown Fair brought out about four thousand spectators. The exhibits in every department were splendid, and the displays of agricultural implements were away ahead of previous years.

The races were keenly contested, and were won as follows:
Mile run—King Craine, 1; Tholan 2; Dutch Frigate, 3. Glendago, Burley Bob, Hinde Prince and Kingsford also ran.

2.40 trot or pace—David K., 1; Peter Miller, 2; Dan H., 3.
In the running event Hinde Prince, who was leading in the second heat, bolted on the last corner, throwing Jockey Turner over a top buggy tied at the side of the grounds. The rider was unconscious for some time, but recovered and was able to walk about the grounds to-night.

SUDDEN DEATH

Miss Mary Ellen Doyle—A Popular Young Chatham Girl was Ill Only Three Days

A very sad and untimely death occurred at seven o'clock last evening when Mary Ellen, daughter of Thos. Doyle, 7th concession, Raleigh, passed away in St. Joseph's Hospital after only three days' illness.

The deceased young lady was for over two years bookkeeper in the hardware store of Peter Cunningham and worked until Saturday noon. Sunday morning she was removed to the hospital with a severe attack of typhoid fever, from which death resulted last night. She was in her nineteenth year.

Before entering the employ of Mr. Cunningham she was for some time a student at the Canada Business College where, by her zeal and untiring efforts, she was singularly successful and her sudden demise has come as a shock not only to her parents and relatives, but to her many friends in the city.

Besides her parents she leaves two brothers, George, of Delray, Mich., and Arthur, stenographer at the College, and two younger sisters at home to mourn her sad death.

The funeral will be held Friday morning at 8.30 from the family residence to St. Joseph's church and thence to St. Joseph's cemetery.

\$ 2,000,000

STEEL AND IRON DUTIES

Secret Movement Begun by Railways For Modification.

United States Steel Rail Manufacturers Said to Be Encouraging the Effort of the Canadian Railways in Hopes of Waxing Fat on Big Contracts to Be Let for New Construction Work—Rail Contracts Worth \$34,000,000.

New York, Oct. 18.—American steel manufacturers say that the leading Canadian railroads have begun a secret movement to have the Canadian tariff on steel and iron modified at the forthcoming session of the Canadian Parliament.

The increasing demand for iron and steel in Canada, due chiefly to the proposed tremendous development through extensions and new construction by the principal Canadian railroad systems is far beyond the productive capacity of the blast furnaces and steel mills of the Dominion.

The roads want a free hand in the purchase of steel rails, track material, bridges and structural steel and steel for small sections, hence their interest in the matter.

Naturally the leading steel interests in this country are encouraging the efforts of the Canadian roads. If a liberal modification could be secured the United States Steel Corporation and its associate steel makers would have a chance to secure the major portion of the contracts for materials for the new construction estimated at not less than \$100,000,000, and equipment contracts figured at \$75,000,000.

The rail contracts will be worth, gross, about \$34,000,000.

GOOD-BYE TO SIR WILLIAM.

Employees in Postoffice Department Bid Him Farewell.

Ottawa, Oct. 18.—At 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon Sir William Mulock said farewell to the employees of the Post-office Department, the mail service, and the Labor Department.

Sir William, leaning over his old desk, which he shared with the Premier, replied to the farewell addresses which were presented to him. The address from the Postoffice Department referred to the postal reforms which Sir William accomplished, as well as placing the Department on a self-sustaining basis.

"In our dealings with you," said the address, "we found you kindly and considerate. You have worked constantly for the betterment of the condition of the employees, not only of the Postoffice Department, but of the service at large."

CANADA'S ALIEN LAW.

Appeal From Judge Anglin's Decision Before Privy Council.

Ottawa, Oct. 18.—Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, calls next week for England to represent the Dominion Government before the Privy Council. The cases in which Mr. Lemieux will act are the appeal from Judge Anglin's decision on the alien labor law and the appeal of leading railway companies from the Federal act of last session providing that railway employees cannot covenant themselves out of the right to recover compensation for injuries sustained in their occupation.

Makes Northern Passage.

New Bedford, Mass., Oct. 18.—The whaling schooner Era arrived in port Monday from Hudson Bay. She reports that the Norwegian Arctic exploring expedition was successful in making the northwest passage. Capt. Comer, in a statement on a letter he had from Commander Amundson of the ship Gjoa, who was at that time (April 22) in King William's Land. The natives reported that the Norwegians had made the passage, and the commander himself later sent word that the Gjoa would work her way out to Behring Strait during the summer.

Not Sold to Yankee Trust.

Winnipeg, Oct. 18.—Rumors were current on the market yesterday that J. Y. Griffin & Co., the big local packing firm, had been bought out by Swift & Co. of Chicago. Mr. Griffin, however, denies the accuracy of the report, but admitted that his firm had recently sold a large block of stock to an American firm, though not to the Swifts. This statement will allay the anxiety of local men who feared that the American beef trust had gained control of the Winnipeg packing industry.

Woman Burnt to Death.

Alvinston, Ont., 18.—A sad accident occurred last evening, causing the death of Mrs. Burford, wife of Mark Burford, a farmer living about three miles west of Alvinston. Mrs. Burford was lighting a fire with coal oil when her clothing took fire, and she had rushed out into the yard, where shortly after her husband found her lying in the yard, her clothes burning and life extinct. Mrs. Burford leaves a husband, a son and two daughters.

French Visitors See King.

London, Oct. 18.—Sixty members of the Paris Municipal Council who are now guests of the London Municipal Councilors, were received in audience by King Edward in the throne-room, Buckingham Palace, yesterday. Foreign Secretary Lansdowne and Ambassador Cambon were present. The King shook hands with each visitor and exchanged a few words of greeting.

Don't talk about horse sense to the fellow who owns an automobile.

It is enough to make anybody feel appish to be called down.

ARE PREPARING RECEPTION

School Board are Using Every Means to Make Dr. Pyne's Visit a Memorable One

The Hon. Minister Will Visit Schools—Open Central School Fair and Present Plan Junior Medals

A special meeting of the Public School Board was held last evening to make arrangements for the reception to be tendered Hon. Dr. Pyne, Ontario's Minister of Education, who comes to Chatham to open the Central School Fair, and present the Plan Junior medals, which were won by the successful writers in the recent essay competition. The Minister's visit is being made a special event in Chatham and every preparation is being made to give him a royal reception.

There were present at the meeting of the Board last evening Chairman Morley and Messrs. Heyward, Paxton, Lenfestey, Robertson, McArthur and J. W. Plewes.

The following gentlemen were appointed a route committee to see that complete arrangements are made to have the Minister visit every one of Chatham's educational institutions: Mr. Heyward (chairman), Dr. McKeough, Mr. Robertson and Mr. Plewes. The following route was decided upon:

The Minister will arrive in the city at one o'clock and an hour's adjournment will be made to allow him time to have lunch. At half past two he will visit at the different schools, opening at the Central, then the Separate school, the Collegiate Institute, McKeough school and the Ursuline Academy.

The reception committee appointed consisted of the following gentlemen: W. J. Twomey, Inspector of Schools, Public School Board, J. W. Plewes, J. E. Stevens, chairman of the Separate School Board, W. G. Richards, chairman of the High School Board, S. Stephenson, Dr. J. L. Bray, H. S. Clements, Mr. J. P. L. Dwyer, M. P. P., and A. B. McKeough, M. P. P.

Several enquiries concerning the Central School Fair have been received from different outside points. Some of these letters, including one from Mr. Jarvis, manager of the Bank of Montreal, were read at the meeting. Mr. Jarvis will be invited to attend the Fair. Other places where enquiries have been made from include Barrie, St. Catharines, Petrolia and St. Thomas. There is no doubt that the Central School Fair will be one of the biggest events held in Chatham for some time, and those in charge are doing all in their power to make it a success in every way.

GOT THE MONEY

A Stranger in Chatham Visits His Brother and Incidentally Collects Outstanding Accounts for Him

A very interesting and amusing incident happened yesterday which put a local merchant in rather a peculiar and ridiculous position. A man, who is a total stranger here, at once in the city to pay a social call to his brother, who is the manager of one of Chatham's well-known and prosperous industries. There is a very strong resemblance between the two brothers, in fact, one could easily be mistaken for the other, and when the stranger walked down King St. alone yesterday morning he was surprised to meet so many people who evidently knew him and spoke to him.

He desired to make a small purchase and entered a King St. store with this end in view. He had no sooner got past the door than the merchant, who mistook the man for his brother—whom he owed a large amount of money—approached him in the most apologetic manner, and the following conversation ensued:

Merchant—Good morning, Mr. —. I am awfully sorry, but I haven't got all of the amount of that bill I owe you, but I can give you a check for part of it.

Stranger (obligingly)—Oh that's all right. Just pay me what you can.

The merchant drew out the check, thanked what he thought was his lenient creditor, and smilingly bowed him out of the store.

The stranger walked to his brother's office, explained his joke, and produced the check as proof, and, of course, the merchant was allowed in so that he could laugh, too.

The explanation of the merchant is better expressed in the words of Ed. Sandys—the stranger was "more like his brother than his brother was."

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In widths from A to E
Light or Heavy Weight
It has style—you can see it.
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It has quality—we have it made specially for us.

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