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AT OSGOODE HALL.

Mayor Macdonald's Libel Suit Before Justice Ferguson—John Dryden is Safe.

The suit of Mayor Macdonald against the Sheppard Publishing Company is giving rise to much argument between opposing counsel, every step which either party takes being strongly opposed by the other. Yesterday, Mr. Bradford, for the Mayor, appeared before Mr. Justice Ferguson to apply for an order striking out the particulars of defence, on the ground that they were "scandalous, embarrassing and irrelevant." The court told him to go to the Master-in-Chambers with his motion. The master, however, on being applied to, declined to listen to him, saying he had no authority to grant the desired relief. Mr. Bradford will now have another try before the Judge-in-Chambers.

Judge Finkle's Suit.

The suit of Judge Finkle of Woodstock against R. S. Schell, in connection with the Brantford Gas Works, is to go to the Supreme Court. Judge Finkle has so far been successful, altho the Court of Appeal has given Mr. Schell much of the relief he counter-claimed for.

Dryden Holds His Seat.

The protest of Hon. John Dryden's election in South Ontario has been abandoned. The deposit of $1000 paid into court has been withdrawn.

The Court of Appeal will sit on Friday, the 26th inst., at 11 a.m., when the argument in Kempffer v. Conerty will be heard.

The suit of Alexander Patrick Fraser, accountant, against the City of Toronto for $1000 damages, was yesterday set down for trial at the forthcoming non-jury sittings. The plaintiff claims the above amount as compensation for injuries received by falling on a slippery sidewalk last February on Sheridan-avenue. He claims the city is responsible thru its negligence.

BUT THEY FOUND NOTHING.

Elizabethport Banking Company Opened the Box Held by Mrs. Hart All to No Purpose.

New York, Oct. 23.—Attorneys for the Elizabethport Banking Company have opened the safe deposit box in the Bank of New Amsterdam, formerly held by Mrs. Annie Hart, but assigned to the bank last week, and supposed to contain valuables bought with the money stolen by William Schrieber, the defaulting clerk. The lawyers refuse to say just what the contents of the box are, but they say there was nothing connected even remotely with Schrieber's defalcations, nor anything which might furnish a clue to his present whereabouts.

A Five Per Cent. Stock.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Carter-Crume Company, Limited, held yesterday afternoon a dividend of 1¼ per cent., out of the profits for the year, ended Sept. 30, 1900, was declared upon the common stock of the company, making the total distribution on the common stock 5 per cent. for the year.

Make it Free.

Editor World: When a testimonial is presented to anyone, the subscribers are usually asked to be present. In the case of the proposed presentation of medals to the home-coming soldiers, the public are invited to pay 25c or 50c each to get into Massey Hall to witness the presentation. Now, as the city taxpayers are furnishing the money to purchase those medals, I think the presentation should be held in the Armories, and be free to all. I hope the committee will take this view of the case and thus give the poor man and his family an opportunity of seeing their returning heroes receive a well-merited honor. Citizen.

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STILL ON LIGHT QUESTION

Controllers Spent Another Day in Seeking Information as to Where They Are At.

NO HACKS FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

Suit Against the Toronto Railway Company as Entered Will Be Called Off.

The Board of Control, or at least the eloquent section of it, talked itself dry again yesterday on the subject of the street lighting tenders. The meeting was not called for the consideration of the tenders at all, but for general business. However, the fascination of the experts' report seized upon Ald. Spence and Sheppard, and in a little while the Mayor also was in it.

As Mr. Pearson, with smooth and gentle tread, entered the room, the Mayor informed him that the board had had enough light to last a few days and did not intend to take up the subject.

Pearson May Come Down.

Ald. Spence, however, asked Mr. Pearson to say whether or not his decision to refuse General Thayer gas except for 1000 lamps held.

Mr. Pearson: I have discussed that matter since, and it is possible that we might be able to make an arrangement with them for 600.

Ald. Sheppard: The report of the expert showed that the Consumers' Gas Company have been furnishing much less candle power than was called for under their contract. I think that matter should be referred to the Solicitor's Department, with instructions to report to this board what rights we have under the contract to make the Gas Company refund.

Mr. Pearson: And I am prepared to refer you to the report of the Government Inspector in our office, which shows that the law requires only 16 candles, and that the average report for several months past has been over 20.

Ald. Sheppard: The experts' report shows 13. The discrepancy would therefore appear to be between the experts and the Government report.

Mr. Pearson: It would seem to be so.

A Question of Lamps.

Ald. Frame: The idea of the board seems to be to make 600 lamps go as far as the 1000 now in use. That means taking a large number of lamps, and when you attempt to do that you will get yourself into trouble, as people will naturally object to having the lamps taken from before their doors.

Ald. Spence said the experience of the secretary of the Fire Department was that people did not wish lights before their doors.

Ald. Sheppard: You will find that exaldermen at all events have lights before their doors, or very near.

Ald. Bowman: The citizens feel a great interest in this contract. If it is proposed to take a new light, the people will expect us to know exactly what satisfaction that light has given somewhere else under city contract. Some members of this board appear to be afraid to suggest going to see these lights, and are going it blind. I for one will not vote one way or the other without seeing the light in actual operation.

Ald. Frame: We are losing more time on this than the Board of Control of last year lost on electing the fire chief. They made themselves ridiculous, and I am afraid for us.

The Number of Lights.

Ald. Spence made a long speech, backing up a request that Mr. Pearson report on the cost of gas for 400 lamps. These would be his new lamps. The alderman desired to get a price on 400, 500, 600 and 700 lamps.

Ald. Sheppard: I move from 100 lights up.

Ald. Spence: Four hundred.

Ald. Sheppard: One hundred.

The Mayor: Children! Children!

Ald. Sheppard: Well, poppa, what do you think? Ald. Spence is practically asking for new tenders from the Gas Company. Is it fair?

Ald. Spence: Then I move that all the tenderers be asked to report on the lower number of lights from 400 up.

Ald. Sheppard: And I don't think we have any power to make such a request of the tenderers.

Ald. Spence: If that is so, I will move at once to have new tenders called for.

It was finally decided to ask the tenderers without prejudice to figure on 400 lamps.

Simply Wasting Time.

Ald. Bowman: This meeting was called for general business. Nothing has been done so far than wrangling across the table and wasting time. Are we going on with the business for which we were called? If not, I do not see the utility of sitting here.

Ald. Spence and Sheppard entered into a long debate as to whether the secretary of the fire department alone, or the experts associated with the secretary, should report on the number of new lights that would be required to replace the lights in use under the present contract. Ald. Sheppard favored the secretary alone.

Ald. Bowman was also in favor of calling in the services of the secretary alone. The experts had got the board into all this tangle, and it was the general opinion that the board knew less now than before they had the experts' report.

Sheppard, Bowman and Frame voted in favor of the secretary alone, and excluding the experts.

Ald. Spence and the Mayor voted the other way.

That Street Railway Suit.

Ald. Spence asked the Mayor to call a special meeting of Council at the request of the board, in order to have the suit against the Street Railway, which is set down for Monday, stopped.

Ald. Sheppard was anxious to stop the injunction of the court against the 100 cars.

Ald. Frame thought the whole suit should be withdrawn.

The Mayor agreed to call a special meeting of Council before Monday.

No Right to Hack Hire.

Mr. S. H. Blake had written the following letter to School Trustee Davis, who transmitted it to the Board of Control with a protest against the payment of the account in question:

"Dear Sir,—I have considered the question which you have referred to me. The facts as I understand them are as follows: Some of those interested in the celebration of Labor Day asked the presence of the members of the Toronto Public School Board in their demonstration. Some members of the board attended. Hacks were employed by these members, and an item of $17 for such charge has been introduced into the accounts of the board, and they propose to pay this sum of money and charge it to the expenses of the Toronto Public schools. I am of the opinion that the trustees have no right to make such charge. The act empowers them in a certain defined manner to raise money for certain specific purposes. It does not include any such matter as that in question. This item, not being found in the matters that the board can charge to this fund as trustees, they are making the charge without any warrant. It was not incumbent on them as members of the board to have attended this demonstration. It was no part of their defined duty to do so. If they had attended it they would not have done it in hacks. They might have walked. To my mind each member of the board might just as well have charged for a new hat or a new pair of boots as being, according to his notion, something fitting in the attendance at such a function. Or the trustees might as well have charged for luncheon, as it might have been inconvenient to take this meal in the usual course, because of their attendance at the demonstration in question. I think the true solution of such matters is to have an auditor who will take up and deal with these questions, not only by passing items because there happens to be a voucher for them, but who will, with each voucher, look at the authority that the board has for making such payments or charges. It seems to me that, as the Toronto Public School Board procures the money from the city, it stands in a position very different from that occupied by the body that itself supplies and deals with the money. Here there is another body interested in the disbursement of the money, which they have to supply, and, therefore, the auditor occupies the position of one who should be able to assure the city, who supplies the money, that all disbursements that are charged are rightfully made. A case very analogous to this arose in England last month. There one of the boards which had to perform somewhat similar functions, working for eight hours, charged their lunches against the funds which they handled as trustees. At the close of the year, when the auditor went over the accounts, he disallowed all these items. There is no doubt that the lunches were eaten and were paid for, but he considered that these were items which the trustees had no right to charge against the trust moneys. I think the proper mode of dealing with the item in question would be to let it be passed upon by the auditor, who should be given to understand that the production of a voucher is not the warrant for a payment made, but that he must look behind that and see whether the expenditure was one authorized by the trust or not.

S. H. Blake.

Cost of the Letter.

Ald. Sheppard: I bet that letter cost more than the hacks.

Ald. Spence: Who audits the School Board accounts?

Ald. Sheppard: The city auditors.

The Mayor: I will find out.

Ald. Sheppard quickly found out that the auditing is done by the city auditors and the matter then dropped out of sight.

Alex. Gillies' Civic Pay.

The following letter was read:

Gentlemen,—I take the liberty of writing you for the purpose of drawing your attention to a few facts in connection with the leave of absence granted to my husband, Alexander Gillies, foreman blacksmith, by the head of his department, for the purpose of serving in the "Strathcona Horse" in South Africa. My husband applied for leave of absence on the understanding that full pay would be allowed him during his absence. After his departure from Toronto your body saw fit to take the matter up, and very much to my surprise reduced his full pay to one-half. This left me unable to carry out the wishes of my husband while absent from me helping to defend and uphold the rights of the Empire. I ask that the back pay be granted to me, so that I will be in a position to carry out my husband's wishes and instructions during the time he is away.

Mrs. Alex. Gillies.

Nothing was done with the letter.

Walmer-Road Must Pay.

With regard to the Walmer-road granolithic sidewalks, the City Solicitor wrote: "The City Engineer is not in the same position as a contractor, but is doing the work under the direction of the Council for the cheapest price at which he can have it performed, making, of course, no profit out of the transaction. This being the case, I do not see how the city can be held responsible if the work costs more or less than his tender, so long as the work is honestly performed by the Engineer, and the work which he performs is within his recommendation as to material, curbing, etc., and if the actual cost is less than the estimate for the work which was originally submitted to the Council and Court of Revision. I do not think the City Council is in the position of an insurance company, guaranteeing that the work will not cost more or less than the Engineer's tender. The fact of it costing more than his tender is not, in my opinion, a sufficient reason for the city to be held responsible for the excess."

Bradford Must Pay.

City Solicitor Caswell wrote with regard to Robert Bradford of 595 Parliament-street, who had appeared before the Court of Revision and asked that the taxes for 1900 should be cancelled on the grounds of extreme poverty. The taxes to the amount of $38.27 were struck off. The solicitor thought that the taxes for 1895 and 1898, in arrears, might also be struck off.

Ald. Bowman said Mr. Bradford was in the wine business, his property was unencumbered and he was well able to pay his taxes. He had known him pay as much as $1700 for grapes.

Ald. Frame: He manufactures the Royal Dominion Wine and good stuff it is, too.

Mr. Bradford will pay his taxes or give the Board of Control the reason why.

Weighing of Coal.

The Mayor signified that he intended to withdraw his bylaw for the free and compulsory weighing of coal. The reason was that it would require a very large number of scales with which the city is not now supplied and which it has no money to supply.

The City Solicitor submitted a new clause for Island leases, binding the lessee not to exhibit advertisements other than of the legitimate business carried on in the demised premises.

That $300 Grant.

Coroner Young's letter, with regard to the drowning of Lee Priest at the slip foot of York-street, was read. The Life Saving Station had been closed since the 7th of July, and the coroner wished to be informed how far the station had been subsidized by the city.

The Mayor: These people drew $300 after the 7th July.

S. Wicks of the Life Saving Station, who had applied for the grant, said, in reply to Ald. Sheppard, that the station was open till Oct. 15.

Ald. Sheppard: How many men had you there between July 7 and Oct. 15?

Mr. Wicks: Four or five a day.

Ald. Sheppard: All the time?

Mr. Wicks: All the time.

Ald. Sheppard: It is very peculiar then that the coroner reports it closed on the 7th July.

Mr. Hicks said one life saving station on the Bay was no use. Five or six would be needed. There was friction and jealousy over the grant the station had received.

Nothing was done.

City Hall Machinery.

The Sub-committee of the Property Committee investigating the condition of the City Hall machinery met yesterday with Ald. Sheppard in the chair.

All the expert reports already handed in were read over.

Ald. Urquhart: What have we to show the present condition of the apparatus?

To get at this the committee decided to call witnesses.

Architect Lennox was the first. He said the original estimate for the City Hall machinery was $80,000. It had been increased to $180,000. After the contracts were entered into it was not Mr. Lennox's practice to give written orders to the contractors. Most of them were verbal over the telephone.

Ald. Urquhart: Have you any record of those orders?

Mr. Lennox: I have a certain record which I could make from my books.

Ald. Urquhart: Are you ready to supply us with that record?

Mr. Lennox: I don't know that I am. It might get me into a mess with the contractors. Some contracts were sublet, such as the marble work, the ventilation and thermostats. The heat was turned on in the building for the first time during the winter of '96-'97.

Ald. Spence: You have a memorandum of the changes made by you in the plans and specifications. Will you send us this?

Mr. Lennox: I don't know that I will. I think I have made up my mind that I won't, so you need not ask me.

Ald. Spence: I would like the secretary to take note of the fact that Mr. Lennox refuses the committee information as to the changes made.

Mr. Lennox: Until I am making out the final account.

In further questions by Ald. Spence, Mr. Lennox said he had heard no rumors of any break in the pumps before the present year. There were no breaks before this year.

Ald. Spence: Did you make enquiry to find out whether Mr. Dixon was an engineer competent for the work that he undertook?

Mr. Lennox: He was competent for the temporary work at the time. His appointment was to take charge of the machinery for a year. I appointed him for that; but thru wirepulling of the aldermen no appointment was made.

Ald. Spence: I think there is very little use in our going on.

Mr. Lennox threw the responsibility for Mr. Dixon's appointment on the Board of Control, which acted upon the recommendation of Mr. Pink, of whom the Board of Control had a very high opinion. The only thing he had to complain of about Mr. Dixon was his laziness in looking after the thermostats.

Ald. Sheppard: Outside of that did you think him competent to look after his business?

Mr. Lennox: I think he was competent, but he did not apply himself.

Ald. Spence: Were you satisfied with him?

Mr. Lennox: I can't say that I was exactly.

Ald. Spence: Did you make any complaint to the Board of Control?

Mr. Lennox: Nothing more than you heard when I was catechized at the Board of Control.

Ald. Spence: What men in the engine room complained about him?

Mr. Lennox: I won't tell you.

Ald. Sheppard: It is a matter whether you give it to us or to the courts.

Mr. Lennox: Then you had better go to the courts.

Ald. Denison: I don't think there is any use in trying to drive Mr. Lennox.

Mr. Lennox: When a man comes to me and gives me confidential information I would swamp the city rather than break faith. So you had better go to the courts.

Ald. Spence: What were the complaints?

Mr. Lennox: I took no note of them. Many of them were told me on the street and I made my own investigation.

Ald. Denison: Did you ever ask for the removal of any of these men?

Mr. Lennox: I did not.

Ald. Sheppard: But you told the Board of Control that they were not quite satisfactory.

Mr. Lennox: I did.

Would Not Charge the Contractor.

Mr. Lennox also said he certainly would not make the contractor pay for the pump that is broken down at present. He had not been consulted about it. He intended to see the new parts going in.

Ald. Spence: I think we had better ask the Council to instruct Mr. Lennox to make an examination of the break in the pump at once.

Ald. Spence: Have you any idea how the pump was broken?

Mr. Lennox: I am told overpressure. It might be caused by the neglect of someone put in charge of the pump.

Talking about the finishing of the steam heating contract, a number of questions were put by Ald. Spence, looking to the closing up of the contract with a few radiators that are not now set in place.

Mr. Lennox: You seem to be always wanting to jump upon the steam heating contractor for some purpose.

Ald. Spence: I want to protest against this indiscriminate denunciation of members of the Council. I don't care about it myself, but it has gone too far on the part of servants of the Corporation.

Ald. Sheppard: I have expressed my opinion about it already.

Mr. Wright (Bennett & Wright) told the committee that Mr. Dixon had reported the injury to the pump to him. He could not say what the time was, whether last year or this year. But he examined the cylinder and found a very small crack.

Mr. Dixon said he himself was in charge of the pump when the crack appeared in the cylinder. It was on the 10th or 12th of March of the present year.

Said Dixon Was a Good Man.

Mr. Wright said he had not recommended Mr. Dixon to Mr. Lennox, but had given the architect his opinion that Mr. Dixon was a good man. He had sized Mr. Dixon up after asking him a few questions. Except for Mr. Dixon's want of personal experience with this plant as a new plant, Mr. Wright thought Mr. Dixon able to run a plant satisfactorily.

Mr. Wright had heard a street rumor that the boilers were to be blown up in the air deliberately. Mr. Coatsworth was concerned about this rumor and Mr. Wright had told him he did not believe it.

The cause of the injury to the boiler was the accumulation of oil. The fault would rest upon the man in charge. It must have been the result of carelessness.

Mr. Wright said there was a practice of persons, either by the employ of the city or outsiders, fiddling with the thermostats and putting them out of order. Last week a man was caught on the court house side with a penknife trying to make something out of the instrument.

The committee adjourned till Tuesday next.

Sir Oliver's Great Scheme.

Sir Oliver Mowat has an elaborate scheme on foot to honor the soldiers returning from South Africa. He sent his secretary, Commander Law, down to the City Hall yesterday to see that his contemplated arrangements will not interfere with the plans of the joint committee of the Reception Committee and the colonels of the local regiments. The committee was unable to see that there would be any overlapping or friction. The idea of the Lieutenant-Governor is to invite to dinner at Government House the officers who are returning. The lavishness of this hospitality will be understood when the fact is mentioned that there are only three officers in the party. It would not strain the resources of Government House for the occasion to invite all the Toronto soldiers, officers and men alike; with their wives and sweethearts, and let the people understand that there is some democratic spirit alive in the country.

Ald. Cox had not fully prepared his plan of decoration to lay before the committee. He was allowed a little more time with it, as there is still plenty of time to spare.

The committee decided to request that the provincial Government would illuminate the Parliament Buildings and Government House. The city will illuminate the City Hall and the citizens will be requested to illuminate their houses as far as possible.

Col. Vidal wrote from Ottawa to say that the Deputy Minister of Militia had arranged for the Toronto men among the returning soldiers to come west by the C.P.R. The other western men will travel by the G.T.R.

The Route of the Procession.

In view of this information, the committee decided the route of the procession as follows, on the motion of Ald. Graham: Disembarking at North Toronto, marching down Yonge to King, along King west to Simcoe, thence to Adelaide-street and along that street east to Bay, thence to Queen and University-avenue to the Armouries.

This route will take in all the big places that will decorate extensively, and allow for the erection of a temporary arch at University-avenue.

Garbage Disposal.

The committee on garbage disposal met yesterday afternoon. Mr. Coatsworth and Street Commissioner Jones reported, recommending the construction of another crematory in the west end, at a cost of $10,000. The waterworks dock was considered the most desirable location.

In view of the fact that the city has a contract with the street railway company to carry the stuff at a cost of 15c a ton, and that garbage must ultimately be burned outside the city altogether,

Ald. Lamb suggested that a large crematory be constructed at Ashbridge's Bay, and have electric cars to transport it from different parts of the city during the night. The ashes could be utilized to fill up the Bay.

The Eaton Assessment.

Accountant Sterling of the City Treasurer's Department appeared in Judge McDougall's court yesterday and said he should have better access to the books of the T. Eaton Company before the hearing of the assessment appeal comes on. Mr. S. H. Blake, for the company, said this would be oppressive inquisition.

It was decided that Mr. Sterling and Mr. Cross shall investigate the Eaton personality, Judge McDougall will be consulted if difficulties should arise.

The appeal will be heard on Saturday.

The Court of Revision made further reductions in the assessment of Ward 6 yesterday, to the amount of $5800.

D. C. Dixon is willing to present a fawn to the Zoo.

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News of a Notable Purchase of Women's and Children's Fine Flannelette Underwear.

Never in the history of our merchandising have we met with an event which equalled in importance this purchase of women's and children's superior quality Flannelette Underwear; nearly ten thousand garments, including Gowns, Skirts, Drawers, Corset Covers for women and Gowns and Drawers for children, make up the total of the remarkable offering, and they're all new, spick and span, just as the makers boxed them for delivery from the factory. To acquaint you with the cause of our being able to place these goods on sale at half price and less, we may say that the manufacturers accepted a contract to make up several thousand garments for one of the largest wholesale merchandising concerns in Canada, and one which controls almost the bulk of Canada's output of flannelette made-up wear. After a portion of the goods were warehoused, the examiners found in some cases that a different trimming was used to that contracted for, and in consequence refused to pass the goods. A member of the firm of manufacturers came to us direct with a proposition that we take over the goods and hand them a cheque for half the value—mind you, half the manufacturer's prices—not half the prices that the wholesaler would have asked. We appreciated to its fullest extent the extraordinary opportunity and closed the transaction. That's the story put as briefly as possible. A word more before entering into descriptions. The difference between what our customers would pay regular and what they can buy at because of this offering, when the bulk is sold, will total the extraordinary sum of nearly three thousand five hundred dollars ($3500.00.) A most remarkable chance, is it not? Following are press notices which appeared in yesterday's papers referring to this event:

Half the Regular Price.

Messrs. W. A. Murray & Co., Limited, thru the president, Mr. John Drynan, have brought about a remarkable purchase of women's and children's flannelette underwear from Montreal manufacturers. The purchase is said to reach a total of almost ten thousand garments, consisting of gowns, robes, corset-covers, and drawers. The intention is to place the goods on sale Thursday next in the firm's large basement, where everything will be conveniently laid out on special tables for customers to choose from. Messrs. Murray & Co. intimate that in no case will anything be marked above half regular price.—From The Mail and Empire.

A Big Purchase.

What is considered one of the largest purchases ever made in one line of goods has been completed by Mr. John Drynan, president of W. A. Murray & Co., Limited, and consists of almost ten thousand flannelette garments for women's and children's wear. This purchase clears the entire stock of a prominent Montreal manufacturing concern well-known to the trade for the very high character of their goods. The circumstances which brought about the transaction will be announced by Messrs. W. A. Murray & Co. in their advertisement to-morrow, as well as the prices at which the public can buy. This will make a most interesting event for the ladies, coming, as it does, at a season when such goods are most needed.—From The World.

Murray's Big Purchase.

Mr. John Drynan, president of the W. A. Murray Company, Limited, with a characteristic fondness for big purchases, has accomplished another important deal in closing out a Montreal manufacturing concern's stock of women's and children's flannelette underwear. The purchase totals nearly ten thousand pieces, and is considered the largest ever made in one line of goods. It is the firm's intention to place this immense purchase on sale Thursday next, when their customers will have an opportunity of buying at half the manufacturers' prices. Messrs. Murray & Company advise the ladies to refer for particulars to their advertisement, which will appear in to-morrow's paper.—From The Globe.

Following are descriptions of the different lines—on sale in the Basement, Thursday:

WOMEN'S GOWNS.

Women's Fancy Striped Flannelette Night Gowns, of excellent heavy quality cloth, made with double yoke, back and front, frill around neck and sleeves, pearl buttons, gowns are full length, these are excellent 75c value, on sale Thursday in the basement, each ..... .35

Women's Fancy Stripe Flannelette gowns, also in pink, blue and white, fancy flannelette gowns, soft twilled cloth, double yoke, back and front, the fancy stripes have turn-down collar and double frill down front, the plain colors and white have turn down-collar, frilled sleeves and finished with silk bindings, these are splendid dollar value, on sale Thursday, in the basement, each ..... .50

Women's Handsomely Patterned Flannelette gowns, with turn-down collar, trimmed with flannelette embroidery and finished with silk binding, also plain pink, blue and white soft twill flannelette gowns, yokes tucked, hemstitched and trimmed with flannelette embroidery, also fancy feather-stitching, regular $1.50 qualities, on sale Thursday, basement ..... .75

WOMEN'S UNDERSKIRTS.

Women's Fancy Striped Flannelette Underskirts, also plain colors, in light and dark, made on fine cambric yokes, deep frill at bottom, regular 75c, on sale Thursday, basement, each ..... .35

Women's Fancy and Plain Pink, Blue White and Dark Colored Flannelette Skirts, made on fine cambric yoke, deep frill, edged with fine flannelette embroidery, regular $1, on sale Thursday, basement ..... .50

Women's Plain Soft Twilled Flannelette Underskirts, in shades of pink, blue and white, made on yoke of fine cambric, deep, plain or scalloped frill, edged with deep lace, regular $1.50 quality, on sale Thursday, basement, each ..... .75

WOMEN'S DRAWERS.

Women's Fancy Stripe and Plain Colored Flannelette Drawers, loose or knicker style, frilled, on sale Thursday, basement, pair ..... .15

Women's Fine Quality Twilled Flannelette Drawers, made on fine cambric bands, shades of pink, blue and white, knicker style, with deep frill and elastics, worth 50c, on sale Thursday, basement, pair ..... .25

Women's Soft Twilled Flannelette Drawers, in plain shades, of pink, blue, scarlet and white, knicker and loose style, with three tucks, deep frill and embroidery trimming, regular 75c, on sale Thursday, basement, pair ..... .35

Women's Plain Pink, Blue, Scarlet and White Flannelette Drawers, loose and knicker style, three tucks, deep frill, edged with deep flannelette embroidery, regular $1, on sale Thursday, basement, pair ..... .50

CORSET COVERS.

Women's Corset Covers, in plain shades, pink, blue and white, neck trimmed with flannelette embroidery, on sale Thursday in the basement, each ..... .15

Women's Plain Pink, Blue and White Splendidly Made Corset Covers, embroidery trimming and finish, with featherstitching, pearl buttons, regular 50c, on sale Thursday, each ..... .25

GIRLS' [illegible]

To Fit all ages [illegible] 16 Years.

Girls' Fancy Stripe and Plain Colored Fine Flannelette Gowns, also in plain white made of soft twill flannelette, double yokes, back and front, frill around neck and sleeves, also down front, regular 50c, on sale Thursday in the basement, each ..... .25

Girls' Plain Colored Soft Twilled Flannelette Gowns, shades of pink and blue, also white, trimmed prettily with flannelette embroidery, regular 75c, on sale Thursday, basement ..... .35

Girls' Elegantly Made Soft Twilled Flannelette Gowns, shades of pink and blue, also white, double yokes, front and back trimmed with fine flannelette embroidery, regular value $1, on sale Thursday in the basement, each ..... .45

GIRLS' DRAWERS.

Girls' Fine Flannelette Drawers, soft twill, shades of pink, blue, white and scarlet, fine cambric bands, knicker style, frilled, on sale Thursday in the basement, each ..... .15

Girls' Fine Colored Flannelette Drawers, made of soft twilled cloth, shades of pink, sky and scarlet, also white, knicker style, deep frill, edged with embroidery, elastics, regular 50c, on sale Thursday, basement ..... .25

Out-of-Town Customers.

Our Mail Order Department will reserve a reasonable quantity of each of the above lines to fill letter orders that reach us the day of sale. Out-of-town customers should endeavor to get their orders here by first mail. If they do so, it will insure them a better choice.

W. A. MURRAY & CO., LIMITED, 17 TO 27 KING ST. EA ST 10 TO 14 COLBORNE ST., TORONTO, ONT.

13.50

The Wonderful Figure!!

This custom-tailoring sensation has totally eclipsed all records. Right in the nick of time—at the very outset and at the threshold of winter—we have offered to make to order a Blue or Black All-wool Long Fibre Beaver Overcoat for 13.50, finished, sewn, shaped just as superbly perfect as the coat we charged 18.00 last week for, for which we will charge 18.00 next week. This offer expires Saturday night.

We will send samples and self-measurement forms to any address on request. If you cannot come, write.

Philip Jamieson, The Rounded Corner, YONGE-QUEEN STS.

Stop! Investors! and Consider the Zinc Question!

Zinc is a base metal and its uses are very many, but the most important point is the fact that there is no such thing as scrap zinc. Once used it is never returned to the melting pot, being in this respect different from copper, lead, iron and the precious metals. Hence largly springs the perpetual demand for the metal. With the varied uses of zinc, it is highly probable that the supply will not exceed the demand, even though new mines be discovered.

Joplin, Mo., is the home of the zinc industry of the United States, and in a decade a small railway station has become one of the most flourishing mining cities of the United States.

In 1873 the value of the ore produced in Joplin was $8,640. In 1899 the value of the output was $6,313,750. Now compare this with the output of Zinc ore for one year at Rossport, Ontario, which was 70,000. It can readily be seen that this district could with development on the same large scale as Joplin produce over $50,000,000 in the same or less time.

This is what Mr. Meyers, who examined the Zenith mine for the Belgian Syndicate, says: "When I concluded my visit to these deposits I received the impression that I had put my hand on the reserves of the zinc blendes of the world. There is enough here to supply the entire market for a number of years."

Mr. E. Hindman, the representative of the Matthewson & Hegeler Zinc Co. of La Salle, Ill., says: "In all my experience I never saw such a solid, compact body of zinc ore, nor do I believe that evidences of such massive deposits of ore are to be found in any place in the known world."

In view of all this can anyone wonder that American capitalists and zinc operators are looking for investment in the zinc fields of Ontario? Why then allow the best of our vast deposits of zinc to be controlled by Americans, who have amassed wealth by zinc mining, when you can buy stock in the Black Jack Zinc Syndicate, Limited, the owners of a property adjoining the famous Zenith zinc mine at Rossport, Ontario? The capitalization of this syndicate is $100,000, divided into 400,000 shares of a par value of 25c each. The stock offered at 12½c per share carries a cumulative preference dividend of 12 per cent. If you desire to purchase any of this stock, order at once, as only a small block will be sold. Address, Secretary,

BLACK JACK ZINC SYNDICATE, Limited,

52 Yonge St., Toronto, Ontario, for Stock or Further Information.

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