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VOTE FOR THE COMMON GOOD.

Every qualified voter who has a spark of civic patriotism should not fail to-day to cast his ballot in favor of the power bylaw. It is a duty he owes himself and his fellow-citizens, whose cause is involved in the issue now submitted. The agencies that are flooding Toronto with frantic appeals to turn down the power policy of the provincial government are not in the game from public motives or for the public good. They are simply the hands open or unopened of the electric ring, who are this morning trembling in their shoes in fear that the bylaw will receive the imprimatur of the citizens.

Electors who have sized up the situation for themselves and who are free from personal bias cannot but recognize that an overwhelming weight of argument has been offered in favor of the bylaw. Indeed, no serious attempt has been made to meet the contention that before the city council can negotiate on equal terms with the Toronto Electric Light Company the citizens must unequivocally declare themselves resolved, in default of a fair and reasonable arrangement, to have a municipal distributing plant established. Without authority to do that the city will be no better off than it has been, and its efforts to secure cheap electric light and power will be equally ineffectual.

Let the voters remember that if the Electric Light Company had been thrown out as willing as it now professes to be to enter into negotiations with the city, there was nothing whatever to prevent it. But the game the electric ring was playing did not permit of this. Its one object has been to prevent consummation of the government's power policy by securing either withdrawal or defeat of the bylaw. Filled in the first, it has concentrated its efforts on the second, conscious that the affirmative vote of the electors will deprive it of the advantage it has hitherto enjoyed. There is no public man of standing and independence who has not advised, in the strongest possible way, that the bylaw should be carried. The opponents of the bylaw are the electric ring, its subject companies and their multitudinous hirelings. Those who vote for the bylaw vote for the common good—those who vote against it ally themselves with the monopolists that seek to sew up the city for private profit.

SECOND CHAMBERS IN EUROPE.

In connection with the proposed reform of the house of lords, the house of commons in July last ordered a return showing the manner in which second chambers are constituted in other European countries, particularly those into which the hereditary principle enters. A White Paper recently issued by the foreign office in pursuance of that order contains a number of reports made by British representatives abroad respecting the composition and functions of second or upper chambers, and it is curious to notice that while Britain leads Europe—Switzerland excepted—in the democratic character of its constitution, it is alone in the almost exclusively hereditary basis of its second chamber. But the limitation or elimination of the hereditary principle does not apparently relieve the relations between the two houses. In all countries there have been and are disputes and in not a few a prolonged struggle over a matter long ago settled in British communities—the command of the national exchequer.

In Austria the upper house consists of from 248 to 268 members, and of these not less than 150 or more than 170 must be like peers, nominated by the emperor, who have distinguished themselves in politics, art, science, or rendered any signal service to church or state. There have been practically no friction between the two houses. In case of disagreement, a joint committee is formed.

As to Hungary, the upper chamber consists of hereditary peers, members who sit by right of office (including Roman Catholic, Greek Church and Protestant bishops), and those who sit by right of royal appointment. There have been no recent disputes between the two chambers. Cabinet ministers have seats in both houses.

The Belgian Senate is elected by the people as to 53 members, 27 members being returned by the county councils. Any disputes that have arisen have been settled by compromise and the exercise of common sense.

In Denmark the second chamber of 66 members consists of 54 members elected for eight years, and 12 members nominated by the king for life.

The King of Italy appoints for life as senators men proposed by his ministers and selected from 21 categories. The senators now number 241. There have been disputes, but never a conflict between the two chambers.

The Netherlands upper house consists of 59 members elected by the provincial states.

In Prussia the upper house consists of hereditary peers, elected representatives of the lesser landowners and ecclesiastical chapters, representatives of the universities and larger towns and life peers nominated by the king.

The Swedish upper chamber is elected by the county and municipal councils.

AT OSGOOD HALL

Write issued at Osgood Hall. A. McDougall & Co. have issued a writ against M. Krystal of Toronto, to recover \$22.12, upon the balance of an account for merchandise sold.

Three promissory notes amounting in all to \$2098.42, are the cause of an action begun by the Trusts and Guarantee Co. against John Ferguson.

Abraham Charwinaky of Toronto is claiming \$2000 damages from S. Teperman, for alleged defamation and slander to goods.

Peter Ryan is asking the court to have an account taken of the partnership dealings between himself and Joseph Ruse of Calgary, and David J. Johnston of Toronto, and also to have the affairs of the partnership wound up.

John H. Vivian has been made defendant in an action brought by the Bank of Hamilton to recover \$387.78, on certain overdue promissory notes.

H. S. Laycock of Halleybury has taken proceedings against Frank M. Perry of Toronto, to recover \$252.60, for certain services rendered.

A QUARTER CENTURY OF "THE MESSIAH"

Notable Incidents of the 25th Rendition of This Famous Oratorio.

The 25th rendition of the Messiah under the direction of Dr. F. H. Torrington in Massey Hall on Monday evening last, was marked by several notable and distinctive events. The large audience assembled is worthy of note—a compliment to the musical talent of Professor Torrington and his fine body of musicians. The solo singing of Mr. E. C. Towse of Chicago and Mrs. Shanna Cunningham of New York, and none the less that of our own local artists, Mrs. Grace Carter-Merry, and Mr. H. Ruthven McDonald, were outstanding features of the program. The presence of His Worship Mayor Coatsworth towards the close of the performance and his presentation to Professor Torrington on behalf of the city council of an illuminated address, expressive of the appreciation of Toronto citizens for this father of music, was a happy break in the program. Then followed the presentation of a second address and a handsome easy chair, by Mr. E. W. Schuch, on behalf of the musicians of Toronto. This was something that is likely to be forgotten by Professor Torrington. In no small measure, holding a first place in the eyes of the audience, who watched one feature follow another in the program, was the splendid assistance given to the whole program from start to finish, the use of a fine concert grand piano of Heintzman & Co. The pianist of the evening was Miss Dollie Blair, who did creditable work on the very capable piano—one that is ever the choice of leading artists, not alone in Toronto, but in the various musical centres of the Dominion.

NOT DOMINION RADIATOR CO.

Regrettable Confusion of Names Which Might Lead to Harm.

A regrettable error in the legal reports of yesterday confused the name of the Dominion Radiator Company with that of the Canada Radiator Company, in the report of proceedings to enforce a guarantee in favor of the Canada Radiator Company. The World hastens to retract and apologize for the mistake. The Dominion Radiator Company, Limited, is one of the most widely and favorably known and solidly established industries in the country, but the substitution of the word "Dominion" for the word "Canada" in the report is a mistake which might give rise to inferences and impressions that would be altogether unjust to an industry which holds the high position of the Dominion Radiator Company, Limited. The World regrets that the name of the Dominion Radiator Company, Limited, should have been dragged into a report of litigation which involved the affairs of another industry.

TO PREVENT ADULTERATION.

The executive of the Ontario Retail Hardware Merchants' Association decided yesterday to hold a convention in Toronto, Feb. 11 to 14. It was decided to ask the manufacturers of paints and leads to plainly label their products as to quality, so as to prevent adulteration.

Gough Bros. Clearing Sale. Commencing on Thursday morning Messrs. Gough Bros. inaugurate one of the biggest and most important clearing sales that have ever taken place in this city.

Over \$50,000 worth of goods must be cleared in a few weeks. There will be a single item in the big stock that will escape the determination of the firm to reduce in price. Clothing, gent's furnishings, boots and shoes, furs, etc., must all go. There is no help for it, says the manager. The stock is double what it should be in January, and the money is better to use than stock, even at half its value. Every day from now on will see extraordinary price cuts, and no man or woman can afford to miss the great opportunities this mammoth sale offers. On Thursday morning the great event will start. See advertisement in another column.

The National Life Assurance Company of Canada.

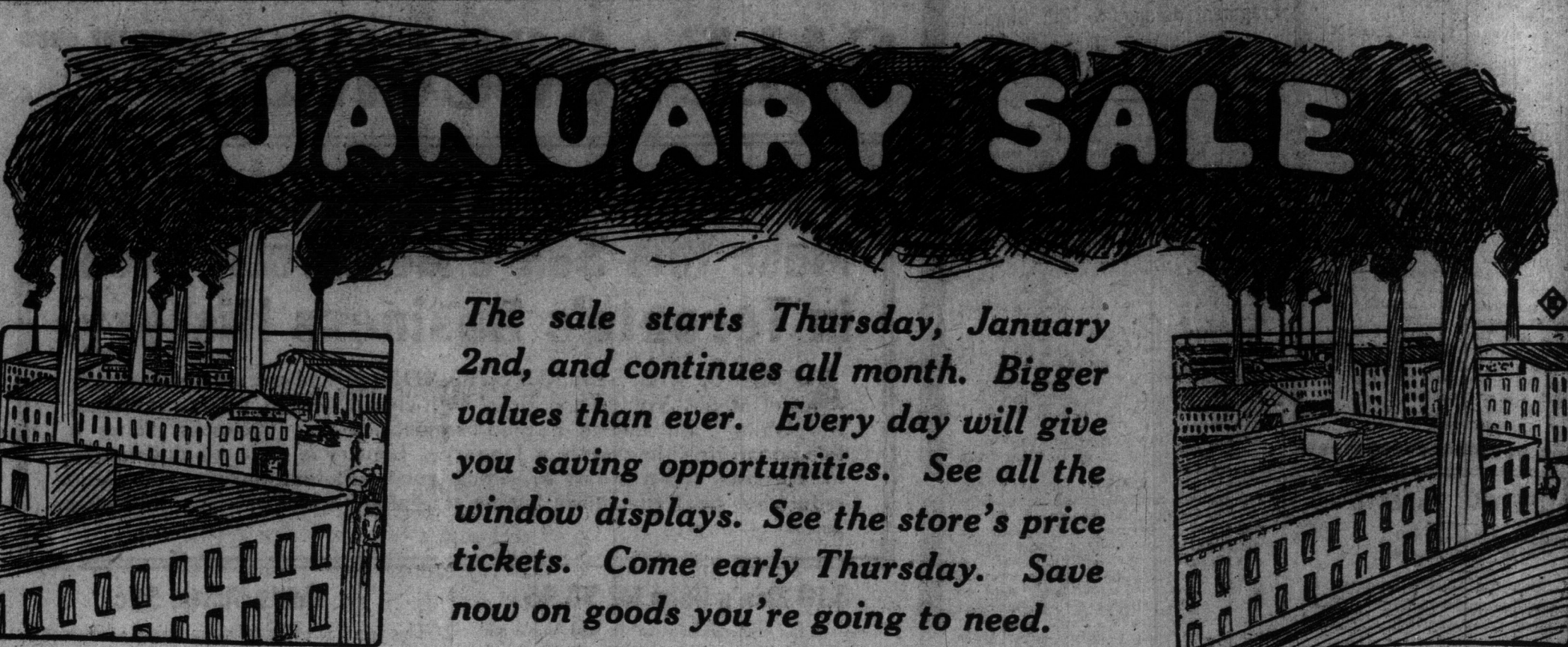
The year 1907 was a prosperous one for the National Life Assurance Company of Canada. The business written was over \$2,100,000 (two million one hundred thousand dollars), the largest business in the history of the company. Business in force is about \$7,000,000. The assets now amount to \$900,000. The interest earnings more than paid all death claims, and not a dollar of death claims approved was unpaid. No interest or principal on any of their investments was unpaid or overdue.

The Druce Case.

LONDON, Dec. 31.—George Hollamby Druce and counsel, prosecution in the Druce case, were in conference to-day to discuss the situation and a possible course of future action. A decision was postponed until next Saturday, when the reports of those present at the opening of the grave of T. C. Druce will be considered.

Nothing but Salt—and such Salt! You will find no other so delicate in flavour, so pure as WINDSOR TABLE SALT.

EATON'S DAILY STORE NEWS



The sale starts Thursday, January 2nd, and continues all month. Bigger values than ever. Every day will give you saving opportunities. See all the window displays. See the store's price tickets. Come early Thursday. Save now on goods you're going to need.

Happy New Year To You TO-DAY --New Year's Day--The Store Will Not be Opened

Linens and Cottons Swing Into Line

This section, one of the departments that organized the January Sale, takes upon itself the pleasure of offering extraordinary values for the first day of the sale, that things may go with a swing and a rush.

And every housewife should heed the warning that present market prices give. We know that the piles of linens and cottons that go into this "keep busy" January Sale, cost us considerably less when ordered last February, than they would have done to-day, or last month, or six months ago.

And we've cut them to a price that no thoughtful woman will ignore. Everyone of these first day's offerings is a truly sensational one—any woman will readily see this who cares to examine. We've marked the quantities, too—some will probably go with a rush, so it is wise on this great opening day to shop at 8 o'clock, isn't it? And these are but few from many you'll be guided to by the price tickets.

GLASS TOWELLING.

5,000 yards red or blue checked tea or glass towelling, even weave, 18 inches wide, just imagine; per yard, January sale price, 4 1/2. No mail or phone orders taken.

ALL-LINEN TOWELS.

900 pairs bleached Huck Towels, warranted every strand from linen, hemmed ends, that kind that dry well, size 18x36 inches; reduced to, per pair, January sale price, 20.

TABLE LINEN.

600 yards, full bleached, satin damask Table Linen, splendid range of patterns, grass bleached, 72 inches

WHITE COTTON.

200 yards full bleached English longcloth, firm, even weave, soft, fine finish for needles, for ladies' wear, 36 inches wide; January sale price, per yard, 3.

PILLOW COTTON.

1,100 yards full bleached, heavy, plain English Pillow Cotton, superior quality and finish, 42 inches wide, very special. January sale price, per yard, 12.

BLEACHED SHEETING.

1,500 yards full bleached Sheeting, pure finished cloth, plain weave, 72 inches wide. January sale price, per yard, 20.

BED SPREADS.

300 only, full bleached Canadian crocheted Bed Spreads, hemmed ready for use, large size. January sale price, each, 38.

Main Floor, Albert St.

Scotch Wool Fingering

A special weight for socks and mitts of out-door workers, soft and warm. None wears better or gives more comfort. In black, grey, white and fawn, per lb. 75.

Main Floor, James St.

Mourning Hats

During January we make a specialty of mourning millinery; large variety, close prices.

In Lisse, Beau de Sole and Gros Grain Silks, with black flowers, mourning ribbons, sprays, black jet ornaments, clever, handsome, exclusive Eaton creations, at January sale price. Each 4.25.

Beaver Flops Priced to Go.

All fresh stock, 6 in. brim, square or round crowns of high quality. Navy, myrtle, carise, brown, black and white, lovely things, but we've too many of them. They go Thursday at January sale price, 1.98.

Second Floor, Yonge St.

Printed Linoleums, 4 Yards Wide, 29c Yard

Big lot of left-overs. Some slightly imperfect. Floral, block and tile. Medium and light colors. Well seasoned. About 1,500 yards in all. One of the best buying inducements you were ever offered. Want to clear the lot in an hour. Come early. January sale price, square yard 29.

Fifth Floor, Queen St.

Men's Fur-lined Coats

Only 9, but everyone a big money saver and comfort giver, not to mention the dressiness and long service. Tailored from the very best fast dyed beaver cloth, in the most reliable way and in latest style, loose and long. Lined with selected Canadian muskrat, and has handsome high storm collar of Canadian otter. January sale price, each 65.00.

The Food Section

Blue Seal Brand Family Flour, 1/2 bags each, 59.
Imported French Prunes, 4 1/2 lbs. for 25.
Maconachie's Preserved Bloaters or Klipper Herring, 2 tins for 25.
Finest Rolled Oats, per stone, 43.
Finest Canned Tomatoes, 3 tins for 25.
(Only six tins to a customer.)

Egg-O-See Breakfast Cereal, 3 boxes each, 25.

Spanish Onions, 8 lbs. for 25.

3,000 lbs. Fresh Dairy Butter, per lb., 27.

1,000 lbs. only, Round Steak, per lb., 10.

1,000 lbs. Sirloin Roast of Beef, per lb., 11 to 12 1/2.

Men's Overcoats Less than Half Price

Two hundred and fifty, popular long Chesterfield style, winter weight materials, black meltons and chevrons, Oxford grey chevrons, neat dark tweeds, self or velvet collar, all sizes. Now who needs a new Overcoat? January sale price, each 33.95.



Less to Pay for Boys' Clothing

Dollars to Save and Clothing Worth Saving On

Two-piece Suits—The new plain double breasted style with belt in loops. All-wool English tweeds. Sizes 24 to 28. Fine suits they are—but big selling has broken the ranks. January sale price, 2.65.

Fancy Overcoats—Front trimmed with frogs and buttons; velvet collar; material navy blue frieze. Sizes 21 to 24. January sale price, 2.98.

Main Floor, Queen St.

THE T. EATON CO. LIMITED

Oriental Laces at Half and Less

Regular stock (a few slightly soiled) at a rush price, for a big start to the New Year's business. Dozens of pretty patterns in cream, ecru and white, 3 to 8 inches wide. All to clear at, January sale price, per yard 12 1/2.

Lace Embroidered Coat Sets

Odd lines marked away down for clearance. Embroidered cotton and linen sets, in heavy patterns, white only. Fine guipure Lace Sets, very dainty pattern, beige Irish effect, in cream or ivory.

Linen Sets, with embroidered dots and scalloped edges, some with heavy embroidered pattern. January sale price, per set 19.

Main Floor, Centre.

Big Saving for Saving Men

Underwear—Priced for quick selling Thursday, plain knit, soft finish, Scotch wool, and the elastic ribbed kind, blue grey shade. Sizes 34 to 42. Shirts and drawers. January sale price, each 37.

Colored Shirts, negligee or laundered bosom, separate or attached link cuffs, latest patterns, in light blue and black and white effects. Sizes 14 to 17 1/2. January sale price, 47.

Flannel and Drill Working Shirts, collar attached, the flannels are fine Ceylon, plain grey and heavy tweed effects, drill, black and white stripe, 14 to 16 1/2. January sale price, 39.

Main Floor, Queen St.

January Sale of Whitewear

Corset Covers—Low round neck, lace edge on neck and arms, back trimmed with two clusters of narrow tucks, one row of lace insertion, full front, with three rows of lace insertion and two clusters of tucks across front, draw string at waist, sizes 32 to 42 inches, January Sale Price 37.

Gowns—Made of fine cotton, square Mother Hubbard yoke of solid tucking, finished with frill of fine embroidery, neck and sleeves with embroidery, lengths 58, 58 and 60 in. January Sale Price 75.

Skirts—Made of good cotton, deep umbrella flounce of fine lawn, finished with six narrow tucks and wide frill of skirting embroidery, dust

frill, lengths 38, 40 and 42 in. January Sale Price 59.

Drawers—Made of fine cotton, wide umbrella frill of lawn, finished with a cluster of five fine tucks and frill of fine embroidery, sizes 25 and 27 inches, open and closed styles, January Sale Price 39.

Corset Covers—Made of good cotton, with low round neck, finished with lace edge, arms also with lace, full front, with six rows of lace insertion, draw strings at waist, sizes 32 to 42 inches, bust measure, January Sale Price 25.

Gowns—Made of good cotton, low round neck, slip over style, elbow sleeves, neck and sleeves finished

with lace edging, length 58, 58 and 60 inches, January Sale Price 57.

Drawers—Made of good cotton, umbrella frill finished with two half-inch hemstitched tucks and hemstitched hem, lengths 25 and 27 inches, open and closed styles, January Sale Price 15.

Skirts—Made of fine cotton, with extra deep flounce of lawn trimmed with six rows of torchon insertion with frill of lawn to give extra fullness, finished with frill of lawn and frill of lace, dust frill, lengths 38, 40 and 42 in. January Sale Price 119.

Second Floor, Centre.

Books: Cloth Bound

Starting off the January sale with a whirlwind book value. Good titles, interesting stories, good cloth bound books. January sale price, each 10.

Stationery, too. Large package finest white linen. Notepaper, 5 quires. Good weight and texture. January sale price, package 15.

Envelopes to match above. Per bundle 5.

Main Floor, James St.

Give the Boy a Watch

While they are at this price. Nickel case and good reliable movement, guaranteed for one year. January sale 89.

Main Floor, Yonge St.

59c a Pair for Lace Curtains

Nottingham Lace Curtains, 50 to 54 inches wide, 3 1/2 yards long, white or ivory. These curtains are manufactured from selected Egyptian cotton, finished with Colbert edge, insuring lasting wear, a good range of new and artistic designs to choose from, especially suitable for bedroom, dining room, or sitting room windows. January sale price, a pair 59.

Third Floor, Yonge St.

The Basement Has Big Interest For You

Three hundred 10-piece Toilet Sets. Extra strong material with hard smooth glaze. Rich floral design, heavy gold stippling on edges; embossed. January Sale price, set 2.09.

Fancy China Oatmeal Sets, plates, vases and figures. January Sale price, each 19.

1,000 Cups and Saucers; very fine china, in Japanese design. January Sale price, each 3.

Granite Lipped Saucepans—Hold three pints. Graniteware. Sale price 11.

Granite Water Pails, hold nine quarts. Graniteware sale price, 35.

Cannot promise to fill mail or phone orders for these two—they are for earliest comers.

Japanese Matting: leather capped corners. Linen lining, with inside pocket. Brass lock and clasps, 24 and 26 inches long. January sale price 275.

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