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BUTTERICK PATTERNS THOMAS STONE & SON FASHION SHEETS FREE

There is Only.....One Best Place

In every town to buy Dry Goods and Carpets. Naturally, we say this store is the place. When you come to think of it we are an exceptional store. Not five retail establishments in Canada have been established as long as we. An unbroken record of gradual upbuilding and success is behind us, and to-day our name stands for "best quality" in every Kent county household. We aim to please—we are not infallible. If goods purchased are not satisfactory we do our best to make matters right with you.

Friday For Black Dress Goods

We have 10 pos. of Black Dress Goods to offer you to-morrow at away down prices. May be they have outstayed their time here; may be the patterns did not sell quite so fast as some others, but whatever the reason is they must go and the price will probably astonish you.

10 pos. Fancy Black Dress Goods, including matalassa weaves, figured poplins, crepons, etc., mostly small designs, reg. prices 75c, 85c and \$1.00, a yd., on sale Friday at per yd. 43c

Mercerized Moreen Skirtings

The newest material for Underskirts yet provided. It comes in colors black, purple, cardinal, gray and olive, the material is 38 in. wide and per yd. 75c

Carpets

We place on sale to-morrow twenty-five Art Squares in union, wool filled and all wool. You are not interested in the reason of this price cutting. What you want to know is that the goods are perfect and carry with them our commend. These are the prices:—

WOOL FILLED QUALITY—3x3 for \$6.30, was \$7.75
3x2 for \$7.10, was \$8.50
STANDARD WOOL—3x2 for \$3.60, was \$4.75
3x3 for \$4.45, was \$5.50
3x4 for \$7.85, was \$9.00
SUPER WOOL—3x3 for \$7.40, was \$8.50
3x2 for \$8.75 was \$10.50
3x4 for \$10.25, was \$12.00

Ends of Tapestry Carpet, from 4 to 14 yards in the piece, reg. price 60c, 65c, 75c and 85c a yard, on sale to-morrow to clear the entire piece at per yd. 35c and 45c

THOMAS STONE & SON Direct Importers, 78 and 80 King St.

NINETEEN HUNDRED AND ONE

The Spring Style Barrington Special Derby

has been received and is now on sale. The new style will no doubt be one of the most popular of all the new shapes for Spring. The



The Barrington Special
\$2 50

"Barrington Special" is a distinctly high grade hat—of finest material, fashioned by the most skillful hat makers, and is graceful in outline. It has a medium taper crown. The brim has a slight pitch in front and rear and a round curl. Three heights of crown. Comes in black. A better Derby you cannot buy at any price.

The 2 T's = Chatham Agents for the Barrington Hat and Slater Shoes

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There's nothing that adds more to the appearance of the room than a suitable

Parlor Suite

We have a lot of New Suites, Couches and Carpets, and they're the prettiest we've ever seen for the money.

Call and see our stock before buying.

Hugh McDonald

The House Furnisher and Upholster Opp. Garner House

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Is Headquarters for Every-thing in

House Furnishing

Cook Stoves \$12 to \$25, Dinner Sets \$8.50 to \$50, Toilet Sets \$1.25 to \$10, common Glass Lamps, complete, 20c to 50c.

A full stock of crockery in open stock, assorted colors and patterns.

Knives and Forks, \$1.25 to \$5.00 a doz., Silver Tea Spoons 75c to \$4.00 a doz., Silver Dessert Spoons \$2.50 to \$7.00 a doz.

Our stock of Fancy Chinaware is not excelled in the West. Window Shades 25c, 35c and 45c, all mounted on the best rollers, Curtain Poles 25c each, complete, brass or wood trimmings.

Everything for the kitchen that is useful and handy. Full line of tin and enamel goods.

H. Macaulay, "The Ark"

The great amount of design work done at the Victoria Avenue Green House is sufficient proof of the excellence of the work. Nothing but the best at the lowest prices. Telephone No. 181.

BOERS BADLY PUNISHED BY GEN. FRENCH AT ERMELO.

Forty Were Killed and 200 Captured—One of General Buller's Lost Guns Recovered.

London, Feb. 14.—A despatch from Durban, Natal, dated yesterday, says:—The Boer losses, when they were attacked by General French at Ermelo last week, are said to have been forty men killed and two hundred made prisoners.

A Cape Town despatch of yesterday's date says:—Piet Doret, who arrived in Cape Town yesterday to engage the Afrikaners in the peace movement, has an appointment for Friday or Saturday with Mr. Theunis, President of the Afrikaner Bond, who is coming here for the special purpose of discussing peace possibilities. Mr. Doret, on behalf of the Boer peace committee, desires the Afrikaner Bond to announce clearly that the invaders can expect no aid from the Cape Dutch, and then to send a despatch to Mr. Steyn and General Doret to endeavor to prevail upon them to surrender. He says he is confident Commandant-General Louis Botha will surrender if Steyn and Doret will do so, and the surrender will be practically without conditions.

Another death from bubonic plague

occurred in Cape Town Wednesday, and two fresh cases are officially reported.

Gen. French has recaptured a 15-pounder lost by General Buller at Colenso.

A special despatch from Cape Town says that A. D. W. Wolmerans, Boer delegate to the United States and Europe, writes from Paris strenuously urging the Boers to surrender.

REFUSED A HEARING.
London, Feb. 14.—The Chronicle says that the Speaker of the House of Commons has declined to grant the request of Messrs. Sauer and Merriman, ex-Ministers of the Cape Colony, that they be given a hearing at the bar of the House, on the ground that their request is unusual and unprecedented. They have accordingly abandoned their idea of appearing in the House to retort upon the true condition of affairs in South Africa, but they will probably present a petition to the House, besides starting a propaganda by means of public meetings throughout the country.

Messrs. Sauer and Merriman are members of an Afrikaner committee that was appointed to visit England for the purpose of informing parliament and the British people of the actual situation in South Africa.

ONTARIO'S EXPENDITURE NOW EXCEEDS \$4,000,000

Figures for the Past Year Brought Down—The Masseys Give a \$40,000 Library Building to the Agricultural College.

Toronto, Feb. 14.—In the House yesterday the public accounts were laid on the table of the House. The total receipts for 1900 were \$4,192,910.18, as against \$4,099,464 for 1899. The total expenditure was \$4,003,729.39, as against \$3,710,420 in 1899, the balance being \$209,147.51, as against \$388,074 the year before.

The chief items in the receipts are: Crown lands, \$68,861.43, a decrease; rent, \$69,714.41, a decrease; woods and forests, \$1,276,376.48, an increase; licenses, \$354,045, a decrease; law stamps, \$55,410.27; education department, \$53,298.23; provincial secretary's department, \$76,889.96; fisheries, \$85,483.85, an increase; revenue from companies, \$229,774.44, an increase; succession duties, \$226,676.51; casual revenue, \$106,072.97, a decrease; public institutions, \$85,203.50, a decrease.

The following is a comparative table of the chief items of expenditure in 1900 and 1899:—

	1900.	1899.
Civil government	\$265,347.53	\$253,013.03
Legislation	142,773.45	154,230.08
Administration of justice	427,854.72	417,211.85
Education	758,406.26	746,001.86
Public institutions	\$23,301.34	\$97,508.48
Agriculture	209,168.66	222,109.79
Repairs and maintenance	89,040.34	76,943.99
Public buildings	163,631.10	112,193.80
Public works	25,914.01	32,155.89
Colonization roads	133,926.10	690,44.09
Charges on Crown Lands	162,861.27	155,194.96
On refunds	105,960.54	50,100.67
Miscellaneous	294,008.70	142,527.36
Railway subsidies	139,389.50	125,909.18
Annuities	102,900.00	102,900.00

The estimates will be brought down on Friday, and the budget speech will be delivered Thursday of next week. The annual report on asylums brought down to-day shows that 1,152 patients were under treatment last year at London Asylum.

An announcement was made to-day of an important bequest to the On-

tario Agricultural College by the trustees of the late Hart A. Massey, of Toronto. The present offer of Trustees W. E. H. Massey and Chester D. Massey is to erect and equip a hall and library on the Agricultural College grounds at Guelph, at a cost of not less than \$40,000. The building will likely be known as the Massey Hall and Library, and will include fireproof equipment for 100,000 volumes, a reading room, an alumni hall and two or three seminar rooms. The annual report of the Ontario Agricultural College shows that the past year has been the most prosperous since the college was established, in 1874. The enrolled attendance during the year was 259 students in the college, in addition to which there were 84 students in the special dairy course.

The coming Ontario budget will, it is expected, show a slight deficit.

AN ENGINEER IS NECESSARY.

The City Cannot do Without One Says Ald. Marshall.

The Chair man of the Board of Works Says no Specific Charges of Incompetency have been Made Against the Present Engineer.

Alderman Marshall, chairman of the board of works, upon being interviewed concerning the city engineership, said: I prefer saying nothing at the present time, until after board of works meeting this evening. One thing is certain, we must have an engineer. The citizens three years ago unanimously voted that we should have a permanent engineer, and the council as servants of the people have no right to say that the city shall dispense with the services of such an officer. It is absolutely necessary to have one. Public works have been too much jumbled and muddled by not having a proper officer to superintend the works, for that which is everybody's business is nobody's business. If the council, after a thorough enquiry, concludes that J. W. Shackleton is incompetent, then we shall at once advertise for a competent man. No specific charges of incompetency have, however, been laid against Mr. Shackleton. One thing sure, however, an engineer, we must have, and I, as chairman of the board of works, do not propose that we shall drift back into the shades of long ago by dispensing with the office of city engineer. I would absolutely refuse to act on the board as chairman or have any connection with the committee in any shape or form whatsoever if that were done.

EMPRESS FREDERICK DYING.

Hamburg, Feb. 14.—The Hamburger Correspondent, a semi-official organ, confirms the statement that the disease from which Empress Frederick is suffering is becoming worse, and says that her condition is again causing serious apprehension.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

lets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box.

Chocolate candy is made as follows: One cup of brown sugar, one cup of white, one cup molasses, one cup milk, one cup chocolate, butter the size of a walnut.

BIRTHDAY PARTY.

Orvil Link, Selkirk street, celebrated his tenth birthday on Monday evening last, by entertaining a number of his friends. He received many beautiful presents. After refreshments were served there were games and music lantern views, music and dancing. The following were present:—Herb, Pritchard, Garnet Slagg, Geo. Holmes, Gordon Oldershaw, Willie Armstrong, Reg. Lambert, Ross Duncan, Vera Pritchard, Stanley Robinson, Fergus Duncan, Geo. Pritchard, Stan. Smith, and Chas. Watt. Ida Pritchard, Gladys Slagg, Irene Sauer, Christine Pritchard, Mildred Middleton, Daisy Wrigley, Hazel Zent, May Lampert, Hazel Pritchard, Grace Watt and Gladys Cook. All had an enjoyable time and the little party broke up at 11.30 o'clock.

THEY MAY BE GOBBLED UP.

Canadian Railroads in Danger of Absorption by the American Combine.

Government Urged to Buy Canadian Pacific and Grand Trunk Before Corporations do.

Ottawa, Feb. 14.—In a somewhat sensational speech delivered in the House, Mr. McLean, of York, called the attention of the government to what he claimed to be a matter of grave importance to Canada, namely, the railway situation in the United States, where, he pointed out, most of the principal roads were now in the hands of half a dozen men.

He asserted that there was immediate danger of this giant octopus absorbing the Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific roads as well. Already tractors were out locating the stock of these two Canadian lines, and they were likely at any moment to come under American control. Fifty millions, he said, would suffice to secure control of the Canadian Pacific.

To offset the peril which now menaced Canada's national highway from ocean to ocean, McLean advocated its purchase by the government, otherwise these Americans would have no difficulty in wiping, figuratively speaking, the name of Canada off the map.

John Charlton, from the ministerial side, also warned the government and urged them to give immediate attention to this question.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier deprecated the plea of urgency in having this matter brought before the house at this juncture, and succeeded in shutting off further debate upon the subject.

TO BE REVIEWED BY KING EDWARD.

Strathcona's Horse Will be Presented With Medals—All but One in Good Health.

London, Feb. 14.—King Edward will review Strathcona's Horse to-morrow (Friday) morning for the purpose of conferring the medals earned in South Africa. The Canadians will arrive in London to-day and will be allowed to view the King's procession to Parliament. They will then return to barracks and wait for the review. The officers will attend this afternoon at the War Office to get the medals, which will then be sent to Buckingham Palace. To-morrow morning the regiment will be driven to Apsley Gate, Hyde Park, from which point they will march to Buckingham Palace, accompanied by a band from the Foot Guards. On their arrival at the gardens of the palace the King will review them and present the medals. With the exception of six, who are suffering from typhoid and were landed at Gravesend, the troops are all in good health. Elaborate arrangements have been made to entertain them in London. The theatres and music halls have offered them free admission and the clubs will elect the officers honorary members. They will sail for Canada on the Numidian Feb. 25.

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