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NOTICE

To facilitate the handling of our largely increased business, we have added to our present premises the large block adjoining us, lately occupied by the "Home Furniture and Carpet Co.," thereby giving us 17,000 square feet additional, and making our floor space now three times as great as formerly. The two immense floors running from Yonge street, 228 feet, almost to Victoria street, to say nothing of the ground floor and basement. We have trebled our stock, and are now displaying the largest and most up-to-date line of cheap and medium grade housefurnishings in the city—bar none.

MONDAY'S BIG SPECIALS IN

CARPETS

$17.50 Tapestry Rugs for $12.85

50 only Tapestry Rugs 3 x 3, extra heavy quality, all new designs and colorings, regular value $17.50. Special **12.85**

$20.00 Rug, Oriental Rug for $9.85

6 only Oriental Rugs, balance of stock, 6 ft. x 15 ft. true Oriental effects, very heavy, regular value $20. Special.. **9.85**

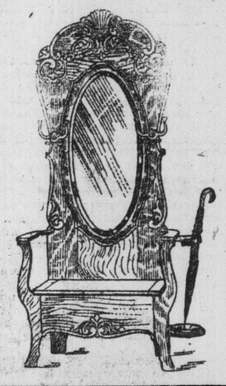
500 yards Tapestry Carpets, good heavy quality scroll and conventional designs, all new shades, regular value 86c. Special..... **.69**

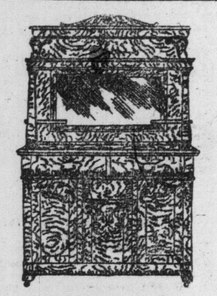
300 yards best quality Brussels Carpets in fawns, greens and crimsons, new designs, regular value $1.50 per yard. Special **1.10**

HALL RACKS

Hall Racks, golden oak finish, handsomely carved and polished, 16 x 20-inch mirror in back, box seat, regular $13.00, for **8.90**

Hall Racks, solid quarter-cut oak, similar to cut, hand carved and polished, 28x40-inch mirror, large box seat and umbrella rack, regular price $28.50. Monday, special **19.90**





SIDEBOARDS

Sideboards, solid oak, very massive, heavily carved back with 16x28 mirror, 24x48-inch case, three drawers, one lined for cutlery, double cupboard, regular price $32.00. Monday, special **22.90**

Large Buffet, quarter-cut oak finish, colonial design, has two cutlery drawers, with shaped fronts, full width linen drawer and large china cupboard, with leaded glass doors, regular $33.75. Monday, special **23.50**

Buffet, very neat and attractive, Early English finish, 3 drawers and large lattice door cupboard, hammered brass trimmings, 18x40-inch bevel mirror, regular $34.50. Monday for **25.90**

This very Neat, Solid Oak Chiffonier, with a 16x20 inch shaped mirror Reg. $18.00 Monday 12.90

PARLOR GOODS REDUCED

$65.00 Parlor Suite—5 Pieces—$45.00

Parlor Suites, 3 pieces, mahogany finished frames, upholstered in fine silks, crush plush; reg. $24. Monday special **18.85**

Parlor Suites, 5 pieces, mahogany finished frames, upholstered in fine Belgian velours, plush banded; regular $28.00. Monday special **19.90**

Parlor Cabinets, very pretty polished mahogany, carved, oval shaped mirror in back; reg. $15.00. Monday special. **9.90**

Roman Chairs, neat and ornamental, mahogany frames, upholstered in fine velours, with spring seat; regular $5.00. Monday special **3.95**

Combination Dresser for the spare bedroom; golden oak finish, large shaped mirror Reg. $15.00 Monday $9.90

Princess Dresser Quarter-cut oak or mahogany finish, 14 x 24-in. mirror. Regular value $12.50, Monday for $8.45

Dressers and Stands, mahogany finish, two large drawers, 14x24-inch bevel plate mirror in carved frame, large washstand to match, regular $17.00. Monday, special .. **11.95**

Dressers and Stands, quarter-cut oak finish, shaped front, with three large drawers, oval mirror, 22x28-inches, in carved frame, washstand to match, regular $25.00. Monday, special **18.90**

Princess Dresser, solid quarter-cut oak, two drawer case with swell front, 18x40-inch oval shaped mirror, with plain round frame, regular $23.50. Monday, special **19.90**

A Few Snaps in BEDDING

Iron Beds, all widths, green or white enamel, heavy posts and fillers, with brass knobs, regular $3.75. Monday, special.. **2.90**

Iron Beds, 3 ft. 6-in. and 4 ft. 6-in. widths, green or white enamel, brass trimmings, double top rail, heavy ohills, extension foot, regular $7.00. Monday, special ... **4.90**

$8.00 CRIBS $4.90

Iron Cribs, 2 ft. 6-in. x 4 ft. 6-in., white, baby blue and pink enamel, drop sides, good spring attached, regular value $8.00. Monday, special **4.90**

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PARKS DEPT. ENQUIRY TO RESUME THURSDAY

Judge Winchester Will Then Speed the Investigation Thru to an End.

The enquiry into the civic parks department has been again adjourned, with Thursday morning next the appointed time for resumption.

But there will be no further delays. Judge Winchester has wearied of the constant puttings-off, and, as he announced Saturday, he will carry the investigation thru to a finish.

But for the absence of T. C. Robinette the enquiry would have continued on Saturday, as Judge Winchester considered that W. C. Hall, counsel for E. H. Carter, caretaker of Riverdale Park, who asked adjournment, had no legal status since no charge had been made against his client.

When the court opened at 10.45 a.m., Mr. Raney, for the city, was about to bring witnesses forward, when Mr. Hall interjected that he had applied for an adjournment on Thursday, and had obtained Mr. Raney's consent. This the latter denied.

Mr. Hall, replying to the judge's statement that he had no status, insisted that there were charges in the affidavit and in the evidence. The judge rejoined that he was very anxious to go on so as to be able to report to city council this year. W. W. Vickers, counsel for Commissioner Chambers, intimated that he, too, was anxious for the report, but asserted it was not proper to proceed with other charges until the Anderson charges had been disposed of. Moreover, it was important that Mr. Robinette should hear every word of the evidence.

Judge Winchester returned that, in future, he would brook no delays, and that, after adjournment to Thursday next at 10 a.m., he would go right ahead, giving the enquiry precedence over the sessions.

Mr. Hall asked whether any finding would be made regarding Carter, since there was no charge against the caretaker.

"I won't tell you what I will do. As a matter of law, there is no charge against Carter," replied His Honor. He added that he would give an opportunity for a reply in the case of all who were involved. Mr. Hall remarked that he thought Mr. Carter was so involved, with which opinion the court agreed.

An amusing by-play occurred at the conclusion of the sitting when Mr. Vickers remarked that it was consideration for the judge which had caused the defence to request so many delays. "Yes, I recognize your feeling for me, in fact, you would have preferred another man to take this investigation," to which Mr. Vickers replied, "Yes, surely."

C.P.R. AND N.Y.C.

May Be Working Together For the Boston and Maine.

MONTREAL, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—In the absence of authoritative statements from either Sir Thomas Shaughnessy or D. McNicoll, who are the persons best qualified to speak as to the Canadian Pacific policy, and the only persons who, by their positions, are entitled to make such a pronouncement, there is a belief in official circles that there is a good foundation for the report that the C.P.R. is associated with one of the offers which President Mellen admits to have been received for the New Haven shares in the Boston & Maine.

Whatever the actual position of the Canadian road in the matter may be, it is there there can be no doubt that there is a perfect understanding between it and the New York Central, which may possibly be the purchasing medium.

The visit of half a dozen leading official of the New York Central and their conference with Vice-President McNicoll and Fourth Vice-President Bosworth and others is looked upon as significant.

ANGLO-FRENCH AGREEMENT

Goes Into Effect Jan. 1 to Prevent Fiscal Frauds.

PARIS, Dec. 14.—The Anglo-French agreement, which, an official note published yesterday morning said had been signed with "a great neighboring power," with the object of facilitating the repression of the fiscal frauds in connection with succession duties and, if later it was deemed necessary, in connection with the income tax, was signed in London, Nov. 15, and was published in The Official Journal to-day. It goes into effect Jan. 1.

The agreement consists of six articles and provides that the British fiscal authorities shall forward copies of all documents relating to property in the United Kingdom of deceased persons domiciled in France to the French officials, and that the French officials shall do likewise concerning the property of persons dying in Great Brisain, within four months after their death.

APPRECIATE THE FIREMEN.

Chief Thompson has received the following letter from B. & H. B. Kent, Yonge-street:—"We enclose you a cheque herewith, for fifty dollars in appreciation of yours and your men's services in protecting our valuable stock from damage by water on the morning of December 12, when the upper storeys of our building were on fire.

"Kindly place cheque to the credit of the Firemen's Benefit Fund, and oblige."

Fence to Protect Children.

The Grand Trunk Railway authorities have notified the city engineer that the erection of a wooden fence along the south side of their right-of-way from South Parkdale to Swansea was to protect the children living along the side of the tracks from injury. The railway company does not approve of a wire fence.

PROF. RUFF

A Candidate in the Excelsior Roller Rink's Popularity Voting Contest.

Automobiles Should Stop.

In opening a branch at Toronto for the handling of its "Russell" automobiles, the Canada Cycle & Motor Co., Limited, is adding another link to the chain of depots in Ontario, where the "Russell" owner can have his wants looked after.

Their Ottawa garage building is conceded to be the best in the province. In Hamilton the "Russell" agents, the Automobile Company, Limited, have the finest equipped and most centrally located garage premises in Western Ontario. The Brantford Garage Company also conduct an up-to-date "Russell" depot where tourists will find a complete line of supplies.

The Toronto branch manager, Mr. C. M. Ricketts, extends a cordial invitation to the host of "Russell" owners to call and see the new depot at 20 and 22 West Adelaide-street, opposite the Grand Opera House. 67

JOY LINE BOUGHT OUT.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 14.—The filing of documents in the Customs House to-day made public the fact that the Joy Steamship Company has formally passed to the control of the United States Transportation Company, which is incorporated in this state and which it is understood is owned by the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company.

The transaction is thought to involve about a million dollars.

Conversats Are Costly.

KINGSTON, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—It is said that owing to the heavy expense in connection with the yearly conversazione at Queen's and the deficits occuring, last night's may be the last of the functions.

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LIQUIDATOR APPOINTED.

After some lively discusion, in which W. H. Blake, K.C., J. Burke Simpson, J. Russell Snow, W. R. P. Parker and Gideon Grant took a prominent part, it was decided by the official referee, J. A. McAndrews, to appoint E. R. C. Clarkson as permanent liquidator of the Stark Telephone, Light and Power Company.

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AFRAID TO LEAVE JAIL.

Convict, After 47 Years in Prison, Scared of New York.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Forty-seven years a convict and now a free man, Franz Hoffman, in years of service the oldest prisoner in New York State, is afraid to leave Sing Sing prison and come to this city, where he fears he may be run over or lost. Hoffman has heard of elevated railroads and subways and of the new and strange things to be found in New York and the thought of it all frightened him so that he begged to remain in prison until next week, when a keeper will accompany him here. Hoffman was convicted of murder in the second degree 47 years ago.

Want Cleanly Polling Booths.

KINGSTON, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—The city council is making an effort to secure a fair measure of decency in the polling booths this year. Some of the deputies in the past made their booths objectionable to certain electors, especially women, by smoking and spitting. To prevent the evil, great care is being exercised in the selection of deputies, who can be depended to act becomingly in the respects complained of.

Still President.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The report in circulation that President Delano of the Wabash Railroad has resigned, or is about to resign, was officially denied to-day at the office of the company in this city.