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TO-NIGHT WE COMMENCE OUR GREAT SKIRT SALE

Commencing at Seven O'clock To-Night we place on sale fifty elegant Dress Skirts in a variety of styles, and in sizes to fit most any lady. Stock-taking is now in progress, and we intend counting the cash for these instead of the goods, so that if you bring a small amount of cash here To-Night or Monday you can carry away a very fine Skirt.

Regular \$5.00, Sale Price \$3.50
Ladies Grey Zebeline Skirt, tucked; a very new and elegant style, dressy and neat, regular \$5.00; to-night and on Monday at \$3.50

Regular \$7.50, Sale Price \$5.00
Ladies Seven Gore Skirt, made of handsome flake material, black and white, strictly the newest in every particular. Regular \$7.50, to-night and on Monday at \$5.00

Regular \$3.85, Sale Price \$2.25
Ladies' Fine Dress Skirt, five gore with satin bands, corded; the equal of this bargain has never been offered regular \$3.85, to-night and on Monday at \$2.25

Regular \$5.00, Sale Price \$3.50
Ladies' Nae Gore Skirt, made of grey and black flake, self strappings and buttons, regular price \$5.00 to-night and on Monday at \$3.50

Regular \$6.50, Sale Price \$4.75.

An elegant line of Pretty Skirts, made of handsome flake and Goods with Broadcloth Strappings, regular \$6.50, sale price \$4.75.

THOS. STONE & SON.

Maccabee Minstrels.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE

Thursday-Friday, Jan. 21 and 22



A reporter of The Planet dropped into the Old Town Hall last evening to hear the Maccabee Minstrels rehearse for their performance at the Grand Opera House on next Thursday and Friday nights. The rehearsal was a first class entertainment in itself and from the showing made by the participants in the first part last night it is safe to predict that the show scheduled for Jan. 21 and 22 will surpass any home talent minstrel performance ever given in the city, particularly in its musical features. The olio section of the show is in process of preparation concurrently with the first part and from all accounts is making equally satisfactory progress. So there is every reason to anticipate a performance that will be well worth the price of admission when the Maccabee make their appearance in public on the date announced for the amusement "event of the season." The reserve seat sale opens at Bristol's on Tuesday Jan. 19th.

SIZING 'EM UP

No one would suspect City Engineer E. B. Jones of taking any interest in the fair sex, but of late the city engineer has been observing the Maple City maidens whom he has met and, as a result, has classified the young ladies. The profile girl is the one with the fine head of hair, who turns head away so you get a glimpse of a very fine profile as you pass. The bashful girl who always looks down when she passes you. The girl who seeks admiration is the one who seeks admiration is the one who looks pretty and shakes her head and herself to attract attention. The confident girl is the one who looks you straight in the eye and demands admiration. The demure girl is the one who keeps her head down, but shyly lifts her eyes to see if you are admiring her. Then there are the ordinary girls who do not attract any attention and would never be noticed in a crowd. These, of course, are Windsor, St. Thomas and London visitors.

THE BLACK

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it all.

THIRTY PEOPLE HURT.

G.T.R. TRAIN STRUCK STREET CAR IN DETROIT.

The Injuries of Seven People Are Serious, and Some of Them May Die.

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 16.—An east-bound Michigan line avenue car, carrying a heavy load of passengers, hurrying home at the close of the day, was struck by a Grand Trunk passenger train last night at Gratiot avenue and Dequindre street. More than 30 people were injured, the heavy double track car being carried 200 feet down the track from the point of collision and being almost demolished. Seven of the injured were conveyed to hospitals and 27 were taken to their homes. No one was killed. Those most seriously injured are: E. K. Rudd, Miss Christina Reifel, arm broken, may be internally injured; Henry Opificius, two ribs broken, internally injured, serious; Miss C. Adams, injured internally, may die; Miss Gertrude Mitchell, rib broken, serious internal injuries; Leonard Mitchell, serious internal injuries.

THE TARIFF COMMISSION.

Mr. Chamberlain's Address at the First Meeting.

London, Jan. 16.—Mr. Joseph Chamberlain presided at the first meeting of the tariff commission, which assembled here yesterday. Mr. Chamberlain in a speech drew a parallel from what the United States and Germany had accomplished under protective tariffs, and denied that any tariff could be framed here which, as its opponents alleged, would make the rich richer and the poor poorer. The United States under protection had reached prosperity unequalled in the world. "In no other country was wealth so evenly distributed, while there was no country in the world where such a large proportion of the population was on the verge of hunger and distress as in Great Britain. Mr. Chamberlain said the object of the commission was not to formulate tariff laws, but to investigate and inquire into the causes. All that had thus far been decided was that the policy adopted so many years ago required reform.

At the conclusion of Mr. Chamberlain's speech the commission discussed a general method of procedure. On Mr. Chamberlain's motion, Mr. Pease was unanimously elected Vice-Chairman. A general purpose committee was then adopted. It includes among its members Charles Booth, Sir Vincent Caillard, Frederick L. Harris, M.P., Sir Alexander Henderson, Sir Robert Herbert, Sir Alfred Jones and Alfred Moseley, the two last named being respectively Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the committee.

Future meetings of the committee will be held on Wednesday and Thursday of each week.

FRANCE'S THREAT TO POPE.

Must Approve of the Appointment of Archbishops.

Rome, Jan. 16.—The French Government has presented the Vatican with a note in the nature of an ultimatum regarding the appointment of Bishops to five vacant French sees, substantially saying that either the Pope must approve the selections of the French Government or they will be announced officially without the approbation of the Holy See. In addition, the Papal Nuncio will be asked to leave Paris, and the clergy will be forbidden to collect Peters' pence in the churches, but the concordat will not be denounced. The rumor that the Pope had decided to approve the appointments is incorrect. The Vatican hopes to be able to continue the negotiations.

THE NOORDLAND ARRIVES.

Reaches Philadelphia Six Days Overdue, With All Well on Board.

Philadelphia, Jan. 16.—The steamer Noordland, which was due to arrive from Liverpool on Sunday last, and which on January 13th the captain of the British steamship Cornishman reported having fallen in with on January 3rd in a disabled condition, arrived yesterday.

BELONGED TO MICHIGAN.

Mistake in Identifying Brakeman Killed at London.

London, Ont., Jan. 16.—The G. T. R. brakeman killed here on the 8th inst., supposed to be L. W. Johnston of Sarnia Tunnel, was really Leonard Wallace of Lapeer, Mich. The body had been claimed by a young lady of Forest, and the remains were about to be forwarded for interment there when a message was received from Lapeer.

A sleighing party of young people, of this city, spent an enjoyable time last evening at the residence of Miss Pansy Terry, Dover Tp.

AN OLD FRIEND OF THE PLANET

Subscriber to this Great Home Journal for the Past 48 Years

Interesting Interview with Wm. Hamill—How he First Subscribed for the Paper

William Hamill, Murray street, one of the most respected residents of this city, has been a resident of this county for the past fifty years, and he enjoys the distinction of being a Planet subscriber for 48 years continuously. Mr. Hamill, although a man 80 years of age, is still wide awake and takes a great interest in public affairs. He is one of the most intelligent old men in the county, and it is a pleasure to be able to sit down and converse with him. A Planet reporter had this pleasure the other day and during the conversation, Mr. Hamill gave some very interesting facts concerning his past life.

He was born in the north of Ireland, just 80 years ago, and when he was a small boy he sailed from Belfast with his parents. They settled down near Brockville, where Mr. Hamill learned farming as a boy. They lived there for six years when they moved to Kent and settled down in Harwich, near Charing Cross.

After his father's death, William, the son, continued to farm, on the old homestead, and he worked hard for 53 years. At the end of that time he considered he had amassed sufficient of this world's goods, so he retired from the farm, and took up his residence on Murray street in this city, where he had lived ever since. That was 13 years ago, and Mr. Hamill is yet enjoying life in good health. Fifty-two years ago Mr. Hamill married Miss Hannah Conn, of Dunwich township, near the Talbot settlement. Mrs. Hamill is still alive, enjoying life with her husband and a more happy, pleasant, homelike couple are not to be found in the world.

Mr. and Mrs. Hamill had eight children, six of whom are alive today. They are Meredith, who farms near Blenheim, William John, who since Mr. Hamill's retirement has managed the farm, but who is now coming to town to live with his parents; Mrs. Edwin Tait, of Bradford, Penn.; Mrs. Sydney White, of Charing Cross; Mrs. E. O. Turner of Sarnia, and Mrs. (Rev.) A. H. Going, of London.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Hamill are Methodists in religion, and, queer to say, all of their children are Methodists, and all chose Methodist life partners. "I remember when I subscribed for The Planet," said Mr. Hamill, "I was living on the farm, and had gone to Blenheim to attend a meeting of the town lodge. There were 80 present at the meeting, and the late Mr. Rufus Stephenson, then proprietor of The Planet, came to our meeting, and we all subscribed for his paper. I have taken The Planet ever since and during that time I have always paid a year in advance. The latest I ever paid my subscription any year was the 15th of January.

Mr. Hamill has been a lifelong Conservative. He is a broadminded man and one whose opinion is respected by all who know him. When asked why he had been a Conservative all his life he said:—

"Well, in my early days I was favorably to the Conservatives. I liked their policy and believed they had the best interests of the country at heart. And"—he put in conclusively and with much earnestness, "I have never felt that I was mistaken in my first impressions."

GRIT ROW

Hon. Mr. Latchford Enters Suit Against Ottawa Free Press and D'Arcy Scott for Libel.

Ottawa, Jan. 15.—Hon. F. R. Latchford, Minister of Public Works, Ontario, has issued writs for alleged libel against the Ottawa Free Press and D'Arcy Scott, son of the Minister of State, recently defeated for the Mayoralty. The libel is said to be contained in a red hot article published in the Catholic Register, charging Mr. Latchford with trying to compass Scott's defeat by means of the Fenian cry in Upper Town, and the anti-French cry in Lower Town.

"This has been a great winter for sleighing," remarked an old resident of The Planet this morning. "I can't remember when the roads have been so good in over 30 years. We have had nearly a month of steady sleighing."

Chas. McGulgan, Cedar Springs, the well-known breeder of short horns, has a number of choice pedigreed cattle for sale.

Minard's Liniment—Lumberman's Friend.

BIG FIRE IN CALGARY.

LOSS NEARLY THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS.

The Norman Block, Owned by Senator Loughheed, and Several Stores Destroyed—Brussels Suffers Heavy Loss—Other Fires.

Calgary, Jan. 16.—The most disastrous fire that has occurred in Calgary in some years started last night at 12:30 in the furnace room of the Norman Block. The whole block was completely gutted. The fire seems to have originated below Robertson's clothing store and Glanville's retail dry goods store. At first it did not seem to gain rapidly, but by 1:30 flames began to pour out at the windows. By 2 o'clock the roof had given way and a burst of flame lit up a large volume of smoke rising from the building. At 2:30 a stream was brought to bear upon two storeys from the neighboring block, and kept the flames from spreading to the east. The fire seemed to have done its worst when it broke out at 4 o'clock in Sale's clothing store to the west of Glanville's. Then the flames spread with great rapidity to Kerr & Terrell's store and D. J. Young & Co.'s book store, which burned with such fury and heat that the windows were cracked on the opposite side of the street. The Normandie Theatre, occupying the greater part of the top of the Norman block, which was to have been used for the first time for the firm's concert, was completely destroyed. It was built to seat 800 people. The estimated damage to stocks and buildings is \$200,000. It is intended to commence rebuilding the block almost at once.

The sufferers are as follows:—Norman block, valued at \$50,000, owned by Senator Loughheed; J. A. Glanville's dry goods store, completely destroyed, \$30,000; Wm. Robertson's clothing store, completely destroyed, damage \$25,000; Sale's clothing store, completely destroyed, \$12,000; Kerr & Terrell, grocery store, \$8,000; D. J. Young & Co., book and music store, \$15,000; new Normandie Theatre, owned by Senator Loughheed, which was to have been opened next Tuesday night, was completely destroyed. It was very richly furnished. Above the stores were office buildings.

MR. HEATON RESIGNS.

General Manager in Canada of the Guardian.

Montreal, Jan. 16.—Mr. E. P. Heaton, General Manager of the Guardian Assurance Company in Canada, handed his resignation to the London General Managers, Mr. R. R. Kelton, and it was accepted. Mr. Kelton is in Montreal, and he will shortly appoint a successor to Mr. Heaton. The resignation of the General Manager was the outcome of a difference of opinion regarding certain investments, and an assignment of Mr. Heaton's property to the company was made at the same time to an extent covering the company's losses. Mr. Heaton invested the Guardian's funds heavily, but he claims, in good faith, in Canadian and American securities, in the shrinkage of which the company lost considerable sums. Mr. Heaton says he made these investments in his capacity as Manager, believing them for the best interests of the company. His term of office as General Manager began eight years ago.

OUR WHEAT TOO HIGH.

apan Contenting Himself With a Cheaper Grade

Winnipeg, Jan. 16.—Mr. S. Tamura of Kobe, Japan, who has been in the city for a few days on a commercial mission, on being asked as to the truth of the report that he had closed a contract for half a million bushels of wheat for shipment to Japan, expressed his regret that he was unable to confirm it, and added: "I came to Winnipeg with the intention of purchasing some Canadian agricultural products, but, on account of prevailing prices being too high, I have been unable to do anything. I have had some communication by cable with Japan regarding the matter, and have been informed that, owing to the high prices here, orders have been placed for a large amount of Pacific coast wheat, which is now going forward, prices there being cheaper. The price of Canadian flour is also too high for the Japan market, and it seems to me that I will have to wait until I can get a suitable price on Canadian wheat and flour for our market."

TO FLOOD THE MINE.

No Other Way of Conquering the Fire.

Halifax, Jan. 16.—The management of the burning Joggins mine have decided to flood the mine. The fire is located about 150 feet from the bottom of the mine, and water will have to be put in up to this point. This will take from five to six days. The report of scarcity of coal for the railway is unfounded, as there are three mines in close proximity to their road. Besides, they can at any time secure sufficient coal from their own works to supply their engines. A double shift of men will be put on at the 2,500 feet level, so that little time will be lost by the men.

BLACK FOR ROBERTS.

Mr. Lugin Applies For the Captain's Arrest.

Victoria, B.C., Jan. 16.—Application was made at the Coroner's inquiry into the Clallam disaster for warrants for the arrest of Captain Roberts and others held responsible for the wreck, on charges of manslaughter. Mr. C. H. Lugin, representing the Dominion Government, said that sufficient evidence had been secured to show criminal negligence, and he would apply to the Provincial Government, on behalf of the Dominion Government, seeking the arrest of the captain and any others held to be responsible.

Evidence was given this morning by Richard Griffiths, one of the crew of the Clallam, that one of the seams took the strain from its box and was hauling it to half-mast, up side down, when Capt. Roberts ordered him to take it down and put it up right side up, as if nothing was the matter. About that time a steamer, which witness took to be a collier, passed about three miles away. Captain Roberts saw that he was wrong, and about ten minutes later allowed the sailor to put up the flag in a reversed position. Griffiths gave a clear statement of the happenings in connection with the disaster. He said Captain Roberts was much excited, and told of a conversation when the boats were being lowered, when Captain Roberts had told witness that he (witness) would be drowned. Witness replied that if he was he would not be the only one. Griffiths had no hope that the boats would live and advised the crew not to go into them. He said no steps were taken to rescue those in the water after the first boat capsized, though they were alongside the steamer. There were no rockets or blue fires or other signals on board, so far as he knew. The rudder was known not to be in good condition, and the steamer would not steer well. Griffiths thought of cutting the line when the tug Holyoke was towing, as the steamer was foundering, but not being ordered to do so, and as he had been told that the captain could shoot any one not obeying orders in such a time, he did not. He told of clambering over the steamer's side when she turned on the side washed off. He saw the whole starboard side break away and expose the ribs and knees. Then the stay carried away and he went into the water. He was picked up, after floating on a pilot house, by the tug Holyoke. The passengers and crew had all asked the captain and mate to put them on the Holyoke when the tug first came.

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Another Session of Parliament.

Ottawa, Jan. 16.—The following official statement was given out tonight:—The Government has been engaged for some days in considering certain modifications which have been asked by the Grand Trunk Railway Company to the contract entered into last session. The Government, by the time opinion that such modifications must be submitted to and discussed by Parliament, and therefore it is the intention of the Prime Minister to advise His Excellency to call a session at an early day.

MUSIC AT M'GILL.

Workman Residence Given by Lord Strathcona For Conservatory.

Montreal, Jan. 16.—Lord Strathcona has placed the Workman residence at the disposal of the governors of McGill University, to be used as a conservatory of music in connection with the faculty of arts. Mr. Charles A. E. Harris is to be organizing director; Miss Lichtenstein, a well-known local musician, musical director.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Chicago heavy drivers won their demand for union recognition.

Mr. B. O. Lott was nominated by the Liberals of West Hastings for the Commons.

After Mr. C. N. Smith and Dr. Currie had spoken the Legislature adjourned until Monday.

John Easton, who attempted to strangle his wife near Brantford, has been sent to the insane asylum.

West Middlesex Conservatives offered the Parliamentary nomination to Mr. Robert Lucas, who will consider it.

The man found frozen to death at Toronto Junction was Joseph E. Noyes, who had been employed at the Heydon House.

The Red Star liner Noordland arrived at Philadelphia five days overdue, having been delayed owing to a break in her machinery.

The Opposition have taken a very cheerful view of their prospects and have decided to grant no pairs during the session.

It is reported that a serious battle has taken place between the Government troops and the insurgents in Uruguay, the latter losing heavily.

Mr. Jeffery Hale of Brantford goes to London, Ont., to manage the Bank of Commerce branch, and several other changes in the bank's staff are reported.

THE KING'S HEALTH.

Rumor Regarding Throat Affection Started Upon Unconfirmed Report.

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Sulman's Beehive

King and Sixth Streets, Opp. Garner House

WANTS A DIVORCE.

Duke Philip of Orleans Wants Dissolution of His Marriage.

Vienna, Jan. 16.—The Allgemaine Zeitung says that Duke Philip of Orleans is seeking a divorce, and that he has petitioned the Curia for a dispensation to enable him to marry the daughter of a great Austrian noble. The paper asserts that the Duke consulted the leading members of the royalist party last summer and informed them of his intentions, giving as a reason that his present union was childless and that he desired to continue the royal line. The Royalists endeavored to dissuade him from taking such action, and pointed out to him that his divorce and remarriage would scandalize Catholic circles in France, the chief supporters of the Royalist cause. It at first appeared that the Duke acquiesced in the wishes of his followers, but he now renews his request to the Curia, urging the nullification of his marriage on the ground that he was forced into the union. The lady whom the Duke desired to marry is said to be the Princess Clementine, daughter of Pauline, Princess de Metternich-Sandor. The report has caused a sensation in Court circles, and the course attributed to the Duke is severely condemned.

DEAN KILROY'S FUNERAL.

An Immense Gathering at Stratford—Bishop McEvay Speaks.

Stratford, Jan. 16.—The funeral of the late Very Rev. Dean Kilroy took place yesterday, and was one of the largest ever seen in the city. Protestant and Catholic alike paying respect to the memory of the deceased. The pall-bearers were: Dr. Devlin, Jas. O'Loane, E. O'Flaherty, John Way, J. B. Caplaine, M. Kennedy, M. Conway and John Goettler. The following priests acted as honorary pall-bearers: Vicar General Muemmen, Fathers Aylward, Brennan, Kennedy, Kilroy, Downey, Forster and Quinlan. There was no funeral oration, at the request of the deceased, Bishop McEvay delivering a brief address.

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