

THE HAMILTON TIMES

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AN EXTREME MEASURE.

Our contemporary, the Herald, declares that "Hon. Adam Beck's bill providing for the submission to the rate-payers of all municipal by-laws and functions, but a restriction thereof, approval of reasonable measures to protect the people against their municipal representatives would have afforded no surprise. We have always declared against municipalities being permitted, whether by action of the Council or vote of the rate-payers, to give favors or advantages to some of the people at the expense of all, or to place one at a disadvantage or cause him loss that the public may profit. We have not felt inclined to bow down and worship the men who by the accident of election to office for a year are held up by municipalities as objects of dutiful adoration. We entertained no delusions as to election by some process of mystic magic clothing them with infallibility. Perhaps it may smack of cantonment, but we have not yet been convinced that the municipal vox populi is indubitably 'the voice of God,' the ultimate of justice and wisdom—to be changed with the next whim of the passing hour. And so we are prepared to see some good in a measure that recognizes that even municipal councils are marked by frailty.

But we are far from giving this particular measure such sweeping approval as our contemporary gives it. To us, it is but one more illustration of the extremes rushed into by ambitious, but pin-headed, "statesmen," who might have succeeded admirably at the directing end of a buck saw or shovel, but who, projected into the field of politics and practical economics, become as intellectually constructive as the proverbial bull in a china shop. Without discrimination to limit contracts by councils to the current year is very crude legislation indeed, which may lead to awkwardness and expense entirely uncalled for. The measure is warranted as applied to franchises and important contracts of large amounts or for long terms. But it is conceivable that very many cases may arise in which it may obstruct and prevent transactions which might very well be disposed of by the representatives of the ratepayers, under the supervision of the Railway and Municipal Board, without the very considerable expense of taking a popular vote, and without the delay involved. Provision should be made for such cases.

But there are indications that the enclaves of this measure are intended to serve as bearers of compliments to the present council as viewed in comparison with the last one in reference to regarding the interests and will of the ratepayers. Was it prudent to thus challenge criticism?

Glance at the situation. An admitted proper provision of the municipal law is the one which forbids councils to impose debts upon the ratepayers without their consent, by-law voted upon by them. Yet at this very time the Hamilton Mayor and Council are busy getting the Provincial Government to put through a bill to set aside this statutory prohibition in protection of the ratepayers' rights, and to enable the Council, thus complimented for its great respect for the will of the ratepayers, to incur hundreds of thousands of dollars of debt and charge it against their property, without asking their permission? The case is even more flagrant. Much of the debt for which this money is wanted was illegally expended; and it has twice already been asked of the ratepayers and twice refused by them, within five months, the first time by 265 majority, and the second time by 1,086!

Let us be understood: We are not contending that the money which the Council is asking the Government to let it spend and charge to the city debt will be mis-spent. It may be well applied. But the illustration is apropos to the muck-puffed, and, we hold, crude Beck bill forbidding the most trivial contract extending over the current year to be entered into by Council without vote of the people. And it renders "odorous" the comparisons of this Council's scrupulous deference(?) to the will of the ratepayers expressed in popular vote, as compared with last year's Council's renewable one-year or five-year light and power contracts.

"MURDER WILL OUT."

A Times reader greatly interested in the inquiry into the murder mystery asks us who was the author of the saying "Murder will out," and, further, wishes us to say if we believe it.

We cannot name the author of the proverb in that literal form; but the same sentiment in varying verbal dress has been expressed by many. Shakespeare in "Hamlet," his is:

"Murder, though it have no tongue, will speak
With most miraculous organ."

Dryden puts the idea in these words:

"Murder may pass unpunished for a time,
But tardy justice will o'ertake the crime."

We might multiply illustrations to show that many authors held the view that "murder will out." As to our believing it, we must be allowed to introduce a qualification. We may accept it as the rule; but unfortunately that there are many murders that remain a mystery to human eyes is all too well known. However, society's objection to being

THE MURDERER'S SECRET.

(This masterpiece of forensic eloquence is extracted from the address of Daniel Webster to the jury in the Joseph White murder trial at Salem.)

"Against the prisoner at the bar, as an individual, I cannot have the slightest prejudice. I would not do him the smallest injury or injustice. But I do not affect to be indifferent to the discovery, and the punishment, of this deep guilt. I cheerfully share in the opprobrium, how much soever it may be, which is cast on those who feel and manifest an anxious concern, that all who had a part in planning, or a hand in executing, this deed of midnight assassination, may be brought to answer for their enormous crime, at the bar of public justice.

"The deed was executed with a degree of self-possession and steadiness equal to the wickedness with which it was planned. The circumstances, now clearly in evidence, spread out the whole scene before us. Deep sleep had fallen upon the destined victim, and on all beneath his roof—a healthful old man to whom sleep was sweet—the first sound slumbers of the night held him in their soft but strong embrace.

"The assassin enters, through the window already prepared, into an unoccupied apartment. With noiseless foot he paces the lonely hall, half lighted by the moon; he winds up the ascent of the stairs, and reaches the door of the chamber. Of this he moves the lock, by soft and continued pressure, till it turns on its hinges without noise; and he enters and beholds his victim before him.

"The room was uncommonly open to the admission of light. The face of the innocent sleeper was turned from the murderer, and the beams of the moon, resting on the gray locks of his aged temple, showed him where to strike. The fatal blow is given; and the victim passes, without a struggle, or a motion, from the repose of sleep to the repose of death!

"It is the assassin's purpose to make sure work; and he yet plies the dagger, though it was obvious that life had been destroyed by the blow of the bludgeon. He even raises the aged arm, that he may not fail in his aim at the heart, and replaces it again over the wounds of the poniard! To finish the picture, he explores the wrist for the pulse! He feels for it, and ascertains that it beats no longer. It is accomplished. The deed is done. He retreats, retraces his steps to the window, passes out through it, as he came in, and escapes. He has done the murder—no eye has seen him, no ear has heard him. The secret is his own. AND IT IS SAFE!

"Ah! gentlemen, that was a dreadful mistake, such a secret CAN BE SAFE NOWHERE! The whole creation of God has neither nook nor corner, where the guilty man can bestow it and say it is safe. Not to speak of that eye which glances through all disguises, and beholds everything as in the splendor of noon—such secrets of guilt are never safe from detection even by men. True it is, generally speaking, that 'murder will out.' True it is, that Providence hath so ordained, and doth so govern things, that those who break the great law of heaven, by shedding man's blood, seldom succeed in avoiding discovery.

"Especially in a case exciting so much attention as this, discovery must come, will come, sooner or later. A thousand eyes turn at once to explore every man, everything, every circumstance, connected with the time and place; a thousand ears catch every whisper; a thousand excited minds intensify dwell on the scene, shedding all their light, and ready to kindle the slightest circumstance into a blaze of discovery.

"Meantime the guilty soul CANNOT KEEP ITS OWN SECRET! It is false to itself; or rather it feels an irresistible impulse of conscience to be true to itself. It labors under its guilty possession, and knows not what to do with it. The human heart was not made for the residence of such an inhabitant. It finds itself preyed on by a torment, WHICH IT DARES NOT ACKNOWLEDGE TO GOD OR MAN!

"A culture is devouring it, and it can ask no assistance or sympathy, either from heaven or earth. The secret which the murderer possesses soon comes to possess him; and like the evil spirits, of which we read, it overcomes him, and leads him whithersoever it will. He feels it beating at his heart, rising to his throat, and demanding disclosure. He thinks the world sees it in his face, reads it in his eyes, and almost hears its very working in the silence of his thoughts. IT HAS BECOME HIS MASTER! It betrays his discretion, it breaks down his courage, it conquers his prudence. When suspicious from without begin to embarrass him, and the net of circumstances to entangle him, the fatal secret struggles with still greater violence to burst forth. It must be confessed, it will be confessed; THERE IS NO REFUGE FROM CONFESSION BUT SUICIDE. AND SUICIDE IS CONFESSION!"

murdered makes it keenly active in hunting down and punishing murderers. In such cases its every member becomes a detective, working for the common good. There is, too, the apparently providential provision that the most skillful and cunning of criminals are rarely able to so cover up their tracks, when they resort to the taking of human life, as to baffle justice. Even when they succeed in doing so, numerous instances are on record where the guilty secret proved too much for the breast it occupied, and remorse drove the murderer to confession or suicide.

On this page we reprint a portion of one of Daniel Webster's addresses to a jury in a somewhat celebrated murder case. It will not be without interest to our readers at this time.

WANTED—AN INSPECTOR.

The announcement that Detective Blackley has declined the license inspectorship, to which office he was appointed in succession to Inspector Birrell, whose head was demanded by the local machine, the enmity of which he seems to have earned by undesired activity in the execution of his duty, will have something like the effect of throwing a juicy bone into the party pack. Mr. Blackley knows what this office is; and he doubtless feels that its occupants will not have a bed of roses. To do his duty without fear, favor or affection, and not bring upon himself the hostility of the "men with a pull," he doubtless feels to be impossible; to palter with the situation would be to challenge severe public criticism. Blackley does not need to seek any such kettle of hot water in which to immerse himself. He simply says, "No, thank you." He is yet a comparatively young man with the road to promotion open to him. A man with the future ahead of him does not need to become the bond-slave of the interests which the party machine seeks to placate and make use of. Looking into the situation carefully, there are many who will regard Mr. Blackley's declination of the office as evidence of his shrewdness and confidence in his ability to rise in his profession by his own efforts.

Who will succeed Birrell? Doubtless the office will not go begging. It may not even be necessary to advertise for applications. But it is not unlikely that those who contemplate applying for Birrell's shoes, could, an inquiring of that gentleman, obtain, were he willing, valuable information as to the particular places where they produce very painful corns.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Great Britain is to build four more Dreadnaughts, six protected cruisers, twenty torpedo-boat destroyers and 85,000,000 worth of submarine boats.

A fatal form of gripe is said to be prevalent in London. Theatres and schools are being closed on account of it, and the death rate is showing its effects.

There will probably be no difficulty about religious teaching in the university if Hon. S. H. Blake be allowed to specify the "religion" to be taught and to select the teacher!

The Whitney Government now proposes to allow any single Minister to certify to accounts up to \$100 to be

passed by the auditor without question. That appears to be a very injudicious amendment.

The Toronto waterworks department estimates that the supply costs the city 62.5 cents a thousand gallons. The special committee says that it is being furnished to manufacturers at considerably less than that figure.

Please give the city no more of those raw deals in annexation of territory. Messrs. Aldermen. The sorely taxed people do not care to shoulder any more unequal burdens at present to enlarge our boundaries. "Play and pay" should be the rule.

Toronto Board of Control "directs" the assessment department to increase land assessments. Toronto Board of Control seems to suffer from swollen head. The question of assessment is one for the assessors, who are sworn to a certain duty.

There have been great changes since the battle of Hastings was fought in 1066. On Wednesday a sham battle is to be fought on that field at which over 500 automobiles will be used in moving the troops. This will be a practical test of the usefulness of automobiles in war operations.

Chicago has a statute which aims at prohibiting corporations from owning real estate for renting purposes. A recent ruling affects, probably \$10,000,000 worth of property. It is thought that if the Supreme Court does not change this ruling, the Legislature will amend the act.

Now Mr. Lewis, M. P., has introduced a Daylight Bill. It was read a first time, and will be considered later. His scheme is that the clock be put forward one hour during the summer months. The hired man, instead of getting up at 5, would then hustle at 4 without grumbling.

The protective idea of artificially producing scarcity and dearth is proposed to be applied by Brazil to the coffee trade. It is proposed to "eliminate" by burning between 200,000 and 300,000 bags of the product, thus having the effect of a "tax in kind." It is time the schoolmaster was abroad in Brazil.

Sir Felix Schuster, one of the leading financiers and economists of Europe, regards protection as "most vicious" as applied to Britain. His opinion is that she can retain her strength, importance, and prosperity only by safeguarding her position as the world's banker and carrier, and continuing to carry on world-wide trade with the fewest possible restrictions.

Japan has now sixteen electric railway companies with a capital of \$38,912,336. The mileage in operation is 165, with about 100 miles more under construction. There are fifteen other companies which have not yet commenced building. Their capital exceeds \$15,000,000. Evidently Japan is making progress electrically.

The amateur sleuths who have been vying in producing startling and fantastic theories of the Kinrade murder, can surely afford to give the public a rest now until the close of the inquest. The authorities are doing all that seems to be required in the circumstances. If

anybody can give them information that will help to shed light on the mystery, it will be gladly welcomed; but many of the speculations and insinuations that have been whispered about are neither helpful nor just.

The cut in prices by the Steel Trust in view of the reduction of the United States protective tariff has been quickly followed by reductions in other lines. The Steel Trust reduction was \$5 to \$6 a ton. Tin plate has now been reduced \$6 a ton. Some people who have argued all along that the tariff made no difference to the prices, are now being called upon for explanations.

D. Sutherland, ex-M. P. P. for Oxford, has been appointed director of Provincial Colonization. If Mr. Sutherland was the best qualified man in sight for the position, well and good; if he was appointed merely because he is an ex-M. P. P. and a good party man—but we cannot believe that of the Whitney Government.—Spectator.

Perish the thought! Everybody is ready to believe that Whitney regarded the fact that Sutherland was a defeated candidate and an ex-legislator as being greatly to his disadvantage in the struggle for the fact office; and they will be easily convinced, of course, that it was only with serious misgivings that he consented to his appointment. Humbug!

OUR EXCHANGES

LOTS OF SPACE.

(Toronto Mail and Empire.) Hamilton despatches alone occupy more space in the city papers these days than the news from all the other suburbs put together.

ALL WANT TO TALK.

(Toronto Star.) In discussing the Kinrade case, the difficulty is that there are 99 willing to talk like Sherlock Holmes for every one who will listen like Watson.

WHY?

(Kingston Standard.) The law presumes a prisoner innocent until he is proven guilty. Why then should the law, under the guise of justice, seek in a subtle and undermining manner, by suggestion and otherwise, to take from a woman who is merely a witness her character and reputation?

PENALTY OF MUNICIPALIZATION.

(Toronto Mail and Empire.) The Mayor is impatient to have the assessment hoisted up a peg or two more. Yet, if the extravagance continues the assessment will have to be kept very buoyant in order to aid the deception of an apparently stationary tax rate.

DOUBTFUL POLITICS.

(Kingston Whig.) So the legislature, at Hon. Mr. Beck's instigation, is going to validate, by special act, the illegal deals of the cities of Toronto and London with the Hydro-Electric commission. Is that business? Is it what the fair-minded citizen would call clean politics?

BLACKSTOCK THUNDER.

(Brookville Times.) One of the reports of the Kinrade inquest in Hamilton relates that Mr. Blackstock, the eminent lawyer, "thundered" questions at Miss Florence Kinrade apparently with the intention of getting her to make some damaging admission or slip of the tongue. It ought not to be necessary for a great lawyer to bully and brow-beat a young girl in order to get at the truth. It is not an edifying spectacle.

STRANGLE THE FRAUDS.

(Toronto Saturday Night.) Hon. Frank Cochrane, in responding to a toast at the recent meeting of the Canadian Mining Institute, held at Montreal, said that what Canada needed most in her mining industries in Cobalt and Gowganda were men and money. Why not make it a trilogy, Mr. Cochrane, and add Morals and a big M. There has been enough good Canadian-owned gold wasted in bum mining ventures in Cobalt to have developed a goodly section of the still undeveloped territory.

IN HAMILTON, TOO!

(Toronto Mail and Empire.) Upon every proposal for the increasing of the debt the ratepayers are competent to pronounce. When they are passed over and the Legislature petitioned the latter body should take it for granted that the proposed expenditure is disapproved by the ratepayers, whose rights the Legislature is expected to safeguard. The city's power of managing its own financial affairs is constantly being ignored by City Councils, and every session the authority of the Legislature is being sought for the making of additions to the city debt. The Legislature should protect the citizens against this disloyalty on the part of the men the citizens elect to attend to the municipal business.

HIGHLANDERS' PARTY.

A company, Ninety-First Highlanders, held a very enjoyable and successful theatre party and supper on Friday night. At the close of the performance the members of the company, who were accompanied by their lady friends and a number of guests, adjourned to Christopher's restaurant, where a dainty supper was partaken of. Among the guests were Col. Legie, Col. Bruce, Majors McLaren and Roberts, Capt. Dickson, Dr. McEwen, Capt. Somerville, Staff-Sergeants Smith, Andrews, McAndrews and Thomson. Captain Turnbull, commanding C company, presided, and the usual toasts were responded to. Prizes were presented for attendance and shooting. After a merry time with songs and speeches the gathering broke up after singing the national anthem and "Auld Lang Syne."

Rev. Father Hugh O'Mougenais, for many years secretary to the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Montreal, and for the past sixteen years well known as a Catholic clergyman in Rhode Island, died in Providence, R. I., on Saturday.

It was decided to hold the annual supper at an early date. The company has a large balance on hand for the ensuing year.

TUESDAY,
MARCH 16, 1909

SHEA'S

May Manton Patterns
All 10c

WOMEN'S SPRING SUITS

Hundreds of them, made of all the very best and newest style cloths, cut by the most expert whole-sale ladies' tailors in Canada; up-to-the-minute in style; blacks, browns, greens, greys, etc., etc. Special cut rates all this week.

\$15.00 Suits for \$10.95

\$18.00 Suits for \$12.50

\$22.50 Suits for \$15.00

WOMEN'S NEW SPRING COATS

New Coats, made of splendid quality of Covert Cloths, in the most stylish cuts. Coats that other stores are asking \$7.50 for, on sale here for each ... \$5.95

WOMEN'S DRESS SKIRTS—A SALE

Big purchases of Skirts have made a whole department of the biggest skirt bargains ever shown in Hamilton. A grand variety of cloths, in all the good colors, with plenty of blacks, plain gored and pleated.

On sale as follows:

\$3.50 Skirts for \$1.50

\$4.00 Skirts for \$2.50

\$5.00 Skirts for \$2.95

\$6.00 Skirts for \$3.95

\$7.50 Skirts for \$4.95

\$10.00 Skirts for \$7.50

Table Linens—A Sale

A big purchase of mill ends of Table Linens. Over a thousand pounds' weight, all now on sale at about 1/2 the price you would pay in the piece. All useful lengths.

50c Tabling for 25c

75c Tabling for 39c

\$1.00 Tabling for 59c

\$1.25 Tabling for 75c

New Oxford Shirtings

Just cleared the customs a large import shipment of our usual splendid values in fine Oxford Shirting, new designs, new colorings and better qualities than ever at the prices, per yard ... 15c, 19c and 25c

New English Print 12 1/2c

Another shipment of "Hard to Beat" Prints, in dark and light colors, 15c value for ... 12 1/2c

New Lawn Waists \$1

Hundreds of the newest and best Lawn Waists in Canada at each ... \$1.00

New Lawn Waists \$1.50

A special purchase of nearly 100 dozen of beautiful fine Lawn Waists, all sizes, beautifully embroidered and finished; worth \$2.00 and \$2.25, on sale now at each ... \$1.50

Women's Skirts at \$1

Made of Moreen and Sateen, in black and colors, worth \$1.50 to \$1.95, on sale to clear at each ... \$1.00

Women's House Dresses—A Sale

New and well-made House Dresses and Wrappers, dark and light colors, all bought in the factory at a rate on the dollar for ready cash.

\$1.00 Wrappers for 75c \$2.25 Wrappers at \$1.85
\$1.50 Wrappers for \$1.19 \$2.75 Wrappers at \$1.95
\$2.00 Wrappers for \$1.50 \$4.00 Wrappers at \$2.75

SCHOOL PAPER.

The Highfield Oracle the Latest Journalistic Venture.

The Times has been favored with a copy of the first number of "The Highfield Oracle," published by the students of the Highfield School here. This publication has an editor (R. H. Gilbert), sub-editor (M. A. Vallance), business manager (N. Y. Bartlett), and censor (C. H. Hooper). It is an eight-page little sheet, and is quite creditably gotten up, and, of course, is full of interest for the students and friends of the school. The following extracts are taken from the number:

EDITORIAL.

It is with much trepidation that the editorial staff presents this, the first issue of the Highfield Oracle, to its readers. School papers conducted by the students are common enough. We have witnessed the launching of not a few, accompanied by high hopes and much enthusiasm, and followed, almost invariably, after a year or two of precarious existence, by eclipse. It has always appeared to us that this melancholy fate was due to the fact that in the first place too much was attempted; that there was not sufficient cause for the existence of these publications, and that the enthusiasm with which they were launched was too great to justify the purposes which they were intended to serve. Again, from a monetary point of view, such papers must be self-supporting or cease to exist.

DON'T SMILE.

Two youthful bank clerks, who were "wanted" by the police, started out on the highways of the King for a Suburban land over the Hill. Each was provided with a Wheel and money enough to last a lifetime. They hoped to travel at night and to sleep daily until they reached Holland. But coming to the Rhodes being so muddy and full of Myer's, they decided to discard their wheels and proceed on foot, unfortunately for our heroes. They were not good Walker's, and their feet were not covered with too much soft leather. The cold wind Peared(d) their Boddy(s). One was the Scotchman Robinson, and the other was the son of a distinguished English carpenter. The latter, who was downed, resolved to lie down in the Hay and die, but the Scot, who was Jolley, said to him, "Don't Fear-man; cheer up." The faint-hearted one took courage, so they resumed their journey to a nearby village, where they could grant themselves a good supply at the Baker's. The meal, however, only consisted of Skelly and cake as hard as Hazel Wood. This made the Scot Riley, and caused him to remark that the meal was a Haughton(s).

They then went to the Village Inn, where they changed their Wardrobe. Each was now anxious to return home. They crossed the Fraser River by Ferrie, and after a long and severe journey they arrived at Wallaceburg, where they faced the consequences of their Evil B. Boddy.

ODE.

Thou, too, sail on, O Oracle! Sail on, O paper, strong and well! Divinities, with seething brains. With largest hopes and smallest pains. Are caught within thy magic spell! We know what master laid thy keel, What workmen wrought with nibs of steel. Who drew each letter, word and line, What pencils scribbled thy limping feet; In what a sweat and what a heat Were writ thy columns sage and fine! Fear not each sneering critic's part, 'Tis hardly worth the dull parade; Our publishing organ is paid! In spite of every kicker's roar, Sail on, O paper, breast the sea; Our nickels, dimes, are all with thee; Our hearts, our hopes, our early tears, Our "ads," triumphantly over our fears, Are all with thee—are all with thee! R. P. B.

C COMPANY ANNUAL.

The annual meeting of C Company, Thirtieth Regiment, was held in their armory, when the following officers were elected:

President—Capt. Mason.
First Vice—Lieut. Sey.
Second Vice—Lieut. McLaren.
Secretary—Corporal Patterson.
Managing Committee—Sergeant. Dumford, Pte. Warner, Pte. Barber, Pte. Pte. Chadwick, Pte. Nicholson, the Rifle Committee—Sergeant. Dumford, Ptes. Chadwick, Lemmond, Barber, Nicholson, Montgomery, Nichol and Warner. Recruiting Committee—Ptes. Hawkins, Barber, Denson, Ashbaugh, Stowe.

It was decided to hold the annual supper at an early date. The company has a large balance on hand for the ensuing year.

GREAT PURCHASE OF

New Spring Goods

At One-Third Saving

During the past few days we have been fortunate enough to make a large purchase of desirable new Spring goods at third to half of regular values. They go on sale Tuesday morning, so come to share the biggest savings yet in new Spring goods.

75c All Wool Plain Panamas 39c

All Wool English Panamas and Serges in navy, brown, black and green, 48 inches, regular 75c, sale price ... 39c yard

75c Wool Tweed Suitings 29c

New spring designs, in Tweed Suitings in light and dark colors, stylish for separate skirts, these will have a large sale, 44 inches, regular 75c, sale price ... 29c yard

\$1 Panama and Serge Suitings 49c

Extra quality all Wool Panamas and Serges, 48 and 54 inches, in navy, cream, green and brown, also all wool cream, satin stripe Flannel Suiting. Regular to \$1, sale price ... 49c

\$1.25 All Wool Venetian Cloths 69c

Extra fine quality all wool Venetian and Satin Amazon new Spring Dress Cloths, in a new variety of spring colors, regular value \$1.25, sale price 69c

40c Men's Lisle Half Hose at 23c

Stock up for summer here. Men's extra quality Cotton and Lisle Half Hose, self and natural soles, all sizes, 40c, sale price ... 23c

60c Men's Fancy Hose 44c

Men's Fancy French Lisle Half Hose, silk lace clocks, in new spring colors and designs, all sizes, regularly 60c, sale price ... 44c

40c Women's Lace Lisle Hose at 25c

Women's Black, Tan and White Lisle Hose, fancy lace ankles, stock up now for spring wear, regularly 40c, sale price ... 25c

20c Infants' Hose at 12 1/2c

Infants' Fine All-wool Cashmere Hose, in white, cardinal and black, sizes 5 to 6, regularly 20c, sale price ... 12 1/2c

25c Nurses' Cotton Galatea at 17c Yard

Best firm English quality in soft, pure finish, blue and white stripe, for nurses' galatea dresses and children's suits, regularly 25c, sale price 17c yard

10c for 7 1/2c—White English Flannelette—15c for 10c

A great purchase of fine and soft quality White English Flannelette, special for spring undergarments, extra wide makes and superior wearing qualities; 10c quality at 7 1/2c and 15c quality ... 10c

FINCH BROS., 29 and 31 King St. W.

ELEVATOR BURNED.

Fireman Badly Hurt, Others Narrowly Escape at Toronto.

Toronto, March 15.—One fireman, Rold, Faulkner, had his leg broken; several others had narrow escapes from death, and damage estimated at about \$25,000 was caused by a fire which broke out yesterday afternoon in a coal elevator at the foot of West Market street, leased by the Crown Coal Company. The elevator will be an almost total loss. The cause of the fire is a mystery, and the only conclusion that the officers of the company can arrive at is that the structure was set on fire either deliberately or by some tramps dropping a lighted match while smoking. The elevator is owned by W. A. Wilson & Son, and damaged about \$20,000, with \$18,000 insurance. The loss on the coal is uncertain. The amount stored in the two parts of the elevator was valued at \$15,000. Another coal pile, belonging to the Crown Company, has been on fire for several days, and is still burning. The damage will be about \$20,000 on this.