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Special Sale To-Night Commencing at 7 O'clock

Here's a list that will tempt you, and bear in mind these are not the only good things we have to offer, the most dainty American Muslins, the very newest in White Shirt Waists, all the new things you have been looking for.

Ribbons

8 pieces fancy silk neck ribbons, 4 in. to 5 in. wide, pretty designs in shades of sky, pink, rose, helio and yellow, regular price 75c a yard, on sale Saturday night for 35c.

Plain ground silk neck ribbons with self color polka dots in shades of sky, helio, rose and black, regular price 25c a yard, Saturday night for 14c.

Cushion Tops

Printed Satene and Cretonette Tops for cottage or veranda cushions, regular price 25c each, Saturday night 15c.

Floral design cretonette tops, back and front complete, regular 25c set, on Saturday night for 15c.

Ladies' Vests

Ladies' cream silk, ribbed under-vests, excellent imported qualities, on Saturday night at these prices: Reg. \$1 and \$1.25 quality for 50c.

Reg. \$2.50 quality for \$1.00

Fine bleached lisle vests for Misses of about 12 to 14 years, regular quality 75c, Saturday night for 25c.

Ladies' open Balbriggan drawers, length, regular 60c pair, for 25c.

Purses

Black leather pocket purses, with good, strong, metal clasp, on sale very special Saturday night at 3c each or 2 for 5c.

Curtains and Curtain Muslins

Dainty white swiss muslin with neat colored stripes in sky and yellow, frilled and trimmed on both edges, with lace 5 1-2 inches wide, regular price 35c and 40c a yard, Saturday for 25c.

3 1-2 yards long by 52 inches wide fine net lace curtains, in floral and fish net effects, regular \$1.00 a pair, Saturday for 75c.

White Wear

Slightly soiled but perfect ladies' night gowns, lace and embroidery trimmed, regular \$1.35, Saturday night for 85c.

Regular \$3.25, Saturday night for \$1.75.

A few odd corset covers and drawers, slightly soiled, for Half Price.

Children's Head Wear

Muslin hats and bonnets for children, a late New York shipment, daintiest creations imaginable, on sale Saturday, regular price \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.25 and \$2.65, at Half Price.

Carpets

Ends of Brussels, Tapestry and Wool carpets, up to 5 yards long, on sale at Half Price.

Sample yard ends of wool and union carpets on sale at each 21c.

Millinery

Special values in trimmed hats just out of our work room for summer wear, at \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$3.50.

BIG GUN CLUB TOURNAMENT BROUGHT TO A SUCCESSFUL CLOSE

Forest H. Conover Wins the Championship Medal and is Hoisted in Mid Air—Bates' Tribute—Some Excellent Shooting by Local Marksmen.

The closing day of the tournament of the Maple City Gun Club was a still greater success than the first day. The visiting marksmen all said that this was the finest and best managed local shoot that they had ever attended. H. D. Bates said that he had done the best shooting here that he had ever done at blue rocks. Mr. Bates won the high average prize for the best shooting on both days. Mr. Conover, of Leamington, won the gold medal for the championship of Ontario. Mr. Conover is the Ontario representative of the Dupont Powder Co. In his shooting he used Dupont powder and a Smith gun. Mr. Conover managed the shoot for the Chatham club and did it in a most satisfactory manner. When it was learned that Conover had won the championship medal, Pilon, better known as "Burn de Tar," elevated the champion and carried him around on his shoulders.

The meeting of the marksmen was a success in every way. Altogether 6,630 targets were shot at, 2,990 on the first day and 3,640 on the second day. Some \$320 was won by the contesting shooters, outside the merchandise event. Of the 55 persons shooting, 45 used Dupont powder. Bates used Hazard.

A. F. Falls brought the best financial secretary and handicapper the club ever had. Mr. Falls has few equals in juggling figures, but he gave the greatest satisfaction. This is all the more remarkable since Mr. Falls had never even saw a tournament before, let alone handle the financial end of it. Mr. Falls certainly deserves credit and commendation.

The following were the leaders in the high average contest and the targets broken out of a possible 205 were as follows: H. D. Bates, Ridgeway, 243; A. Reid, Walkerville, 239; F. H. Conover, Leamington, 234; W. A. Smith, Walkerville, 234; D. McMaekon, Highgate, 221; Wm. McDuff, 206. The sixth event, the merchandise shoot, had 55 entries, and provided lots of fun. Everybody got a prize.

SECOND DAY.

Third Event—20 birds.

First—Conover, H. Scane, Bates, Smith, C. Scane, McMaekon, 18.

Second—McLaren, J. C. V., Oldershaw, Moore, 17.

Third—Reid, McDuff, Hall, Hardy, 17.

Fourth—Walsrode, McKay, 15.

Fifth—Tristram, Laing, 14.

Outside the Money—Pilon 13, Aitkens 13.

Birds only—Labombard 11, Batchelor 12, J. W. Young 13, Goldie 17.

Fourth Event—15 targets.

First—H. Scane, Reid 15.

Second—McDuff, Bates, McLaren, Moore, 14.

Third—Smith, C. Scane, J. Oldershaw, Pilon 13.

Fourth—Conover, Walsrode, J. C. V., Hall 12.

Outside the Money—Tristram 9, McKay 10, McMaekon 8.

Birds only—T. Nicholl 10, W. S. Richards 11, Guttridge 13.

Fifth Event—10 targets.

First—J. Oldershaw, McDuff, Bates, Reid, C. Scane 10.

Second—H. Scane, McLaren, Pilon, Smith, 9.

Third—Laing, J. C. V., Conover, Hall, 8.

Fourth—Walsrode, Tristram, A. C. McKay, Moore, 7.

Outside the Money—Guttridge 6, McMaekon 5.

Birds only—W. Boyd 7, Dr. Fraser 6, Aitken 5, T. Nicholl 8, Labombard 2, Grier 7.

Sixth Event—20 targets. (Merchandise.)

First—J. Goldie, Wm. Boyd, McMaekon, 19.

Second—H. Scane, Reid, Hall, J. Oldershaw, Moore, 18.

Third—McDuff, H. D. Bates, Smith, J. C. V., C. Scane, R. Milner, 17.

Fourth—W. D. Tristram, Dr. Tye, Fox, Hutchinson, I. M. Taylor, 16.

Fifth—Wright, Wells, Guttridge, McLaren, Hardy, Laing, 15.

Sixth—Conover, W. S. Richards, D. Martin, Pilon, Aitken, A. Scane, 14.

G. P. Taylor 13, Batchelor 12, Paulucci 12, G. G. Taylor 12, Walsrode 11, McKay 11, T. Nicholl 10, J. Fabert 10, H. Westcott 10, G. Massey 10, W. J. Bennett 9, Dr. Bradley 9, John Piggott 9, Greiner 8, J. H. Gordon 8, Labombard 7, W. G. Richards 7, Fred. F. Quinn 7, W. J. Kenny 5, J. F. Falls 5, J. G. Kerowski 6, A. F. Falls 2, Dr. Musson 0.

Seventh Event—15 targets.

First—McLaren, Oldershaw, 14.

Second—Conover, H. Scane, Oldershaw, 14.

Third—McDuff, 13.

Fourth—J. C. V., Reid, McMaekon, Hall, 12.

Outside the Money—C. Scane, 9; Pilon, 11.

Birds only—W. Boyd, 11; Labombard, 6; Fraser, 10; Wells, 11; Massey, 8; Nicholl, 10; Piggott 7; Fox, 13.

Tenth Event—Miss and Out.

H. D. Bates, 21.

Conover, 20.

H. Scane, 3.

Moore, 2.

C. Wheeler, 0.

Smith, 0.

Reid, 14.

C. Scane, 2.

McMaekon, 7.

W. Hall, 2.

Quinn, 3.

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COMPLAINTS

A citizen asks where the impounder of cattle is and why he doesn't do his duty. There is a cow that daily wanders all over Stanley Ave. in the vicinity of the jail. Another citizen complains that a horse feeds daily on his lawn. For the past year J. B. Johnson has drawn \$2 per week because he holds the office of impounder. There has never been any known occasion on which the impounder has refused the weekly \$2, but the citizens who are complaining ask what proof there is that the man has ever earned his salary of \$2 per week.

IT LOOKS BAD FOR SOMEONE

Evident That Yesterday Morning's Fire Was Not Accidental.

Striking Scenes at Police Court in the Inquest Before Coroner Bray.

An inquest into the cause of the fire which occurred in Mrs. Bennett's house, Wellington street, yesterday morning, was held in the Police Station yesterday afternoon by Coroner J. L. Bray. The evidence which was given goes to show that the fire was not accidental.

Fred H. Brisco, fire insurance agent, was first called. He insured the furniture on the 22nd of November, 1901, for \$300. The business was done through Miss Jennie Marland, a friend of Miss Kerr's. He would value the furniture at \$150.

Dan McDonald, watchman at Hadden's, was the next witness sworn. He saw the fire first and sent in the alarm. He said Miss Kerr had not been in the house for some time. She was boarding with Mrs. Nevills. Miss Marland is a sister-in-law of his. She was over to see Miss Kerr at the boarding house the night previous to the fire and McDonald had seen her home about eleven o'clock. He carried a lantern with him.

Miss Kerr herself was the next witness. She stated she was in possession of the house. Miss Marland, however, did all of her business and had a key of the house. She valued her furniture and clothes at \$500. She was inclined to believe that the fire was set by tramp.

Mrs. Nevills was sworn next, but could tell nothing of importance. She did not know at what time Miss Kerr went to bed. It was very late, however. James Scott Gray, the agent for Deszelski, was next to take the stand, but was not able to throw much light on the subject.

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"It looks to me," said the coroner, "as if the fire might have been started after the place had been robbed." Miss Marland, however, did not think this. She thought all of the house was burned. One peculiar fact, however, was that nothing could be seen of a certain trunk which Miss Kerr claimed contained all of her clothes and was in the bedroom where the fire was.

A. J. Marriott's evidence, however, put an entirely different light on the matter. He works in Jamieson's grocery. He was waiting up for riggs the night before the fire, and about 12 o'clock saw Miss Marland and Miss Kerr standing on the sidewalk in front of Neville's boarding house. They parted, Miss Kerr went into the house, but Miss Marland went towards the track. When she reached the corner she saw a man with a lantern and they both went into the house which was burned. He did not see them come out.

At this point Mr. Deszelski stood up to the coroner's desk and said:—"May I ask a few questions?" He was given permission by the coroner.

"How far were you away?" he asked Marriott.

"I was sitting outside," he replied.

"How was the lady dressed?"

"In black."

"What time was it?"

"Twelve o'clock."

"Mr. McDonald then turned to the coroner."

"That is false; it was half-past eleven."

Miss Kerr then came walking from a back room and asked the coroner if she could ask the witness some questions. Miss Marland also wanted to ask some questions. They, however, were refused.

As McDonald walked from the court room he was very anxious for Officer Deszelski to arrest Marriott on the charge of perjury.

Fire Chief Pritchard then gave evidence as to the fire. Coal oil had been used to light the fire, which was scattered in three places—in a bedroom downstairs, one upstairs, and the other in a lounge in another room altogether. In this last room the top of the lounge was the only thing burning. He saw nothing of a trunk in the bedroom downstairs.

This concluded the evidence.

There will be an emergent meeting of Wellington Lodge, No. 46, A. F. & A. M. G. R. C. on Monday evening at 7.30, for the purpose of conferring degrees.

ASSEMBLED BURGHERS CHEERED FOR HIS MAJESTY, KING EDWARD

Best Possible Relations now Existing Between Britons and Boers—DeWet Asks his Colleagues to Show Britian What Good Colonists They are.

London, June 6.—Lord Kitchener, in a despatch from Pretoria, dated to-day, announced that the British commissioners in the various districts report that 1,154 Boers laid down their arms yesterday. Afterwards the commissioner addressed the Boers, who gave three hearty cheers for King Edward. The best possible relations exist between the Boers and the British, and there has been no hitch in the proceedings anywhere.

A despatch from Vrededorf Road, Orange River Colony, states that Gen. Christian De Wet, addressing the inmates of the concentration camp there, explained the circumstances leading to the termination of hostilities, and urged the burghers to do their utmost to show Great Britain what good colonists the Boers can make. The speech made a favorable impression.

VOX POPULI

Mr. Whitney Defeats the Machine by a Popular Majority of 7377.

Toronto, June 6.—While the province is awaiting the rectification of the wrongs that have been perpetrated, either in the taking or the counting of the votes at the recent election, another view of the situation presents itself, and it is one of a most startling character. An examination of the recorded majorities in last week's contest shows that Mr. Whitney beat the Ross Government by 7,377 votes. The total of the majorities cast for the various candidates was 34,913. As distributed among the elected members, those who represented the policy of Mr. Whitney scored 21,145. Those who supported Mr. Ross were awarded 13,768. This places Mr. Whitney 7,377 in the lead.

HEAVY LOSS

Defective Roofing Causes Destruction of Dry Goods Merchandise.

William Foreman, dry goods merchant, sustained a very unfortunate loss last night through the heavy rain. For some time the roof of the store has been leaking. Mr. Foreman notified the tinsmith who had put the roof on to come and attend to it. The leak, however, proved to be in a part of the roof that was not put on by the tinsmith sent for. It was, therefore, allowed to go unrepaired. The man did not report to Mr. Foreman, who was under the impression that it was repaired. As a result, in last night's rain storm the water came through the roof in torrents and did a lot of damage to the stock.

The loss will be about \$150, and in the stock, which was completely destroyed was a fine array of wash silks which have never been exhibited, also a fine line of muslins, etc. One very unfortunate loss was that of some of their finest millinery hats.

Mr. Foreman, when interviewed by The Planet, was upstairs sorting out the spoiled stock, and explained to the reporter a fine lot of wash silks which were totally destroyed and which he will be unable to sell at any price. "There are some of the goods," he said, "which we will be able to sell at prices which will have to be below the cost, but the most of the stuff we will have to throw out entirely. While no one but ourselves can be held responsible for the loss, it was undoubtedly due to part negligence on the part of the tinsmith."

The most unfortunate part of the matter is that Mr. Foreman will have to recover for the goods destroyed, as he cannot claim any insurance or hold either the landlady, Mrs. Miller, or the tinsmith responsible.

WELL DONE!

The Toronto papers published to-day a list of the successful students at the recent Toronto University exams.

G. W. Fletcher passed his final year in medicine, taking the first faculty silver medal.

Miss Jessie Houston, daughter of Judge Houston, passed her fourth year in arts, and will be admitted to the degree of B. A.

E. H. Oliver also secured his degree of B. A.

Roger Rutherford, son of Dr. J. P. Rutherford, of this city, G. W. Fletcher, of Benham, J. L. Campbell, passed their fourth and final year in medicine. Kingsley Holmes, son of Dr. T. K. Holmes, and Robert Ingram, of Ridgeway, passed their third year in medicine. Will E. Cruikshanks passed his second year in medicine.

Constable Tobias, Moraviantown, brought Samuel Stonefish in to jail last evening. Stonefish was arrested on the charge of doing grievously bodily harm to Alevolvius Lewis. The trouble all arose over Stonefish claiming that Mrs. Lewis owed him money. The woman denied. All the parties are Indians.

WILD HORSE

Was the Victim of Lightning—The Owner has Very Narrow Escape.

Wm. Lamb, lot 11, concession 8, Chatham Township, had a very narrow escape a few days ago. He was in his barn during one of the recent heavy storms, when the lightning, which was very severe, struck the building. It struck on the west gable, tearing off the whole roof. Mr. Lamb, who was in the stable end of the barn at the time, was rendered unconscious for a while by the shock. One of his horses, a very valuable animal, was at the end of the barn which was struck, and was rendered entirely deaf, and appears since to be crazy. He has been turned out into a field and runs around until he is exhausted and then falls down. Recovering his strength he jumps up and repeats the performance. He will no doubt have to be shot, which will mean a severe loss to Mr. Lamb. Mr. Lamb himself was very fortunate in escaping as easily as he did.

THE MARKETS

The market remained unchanged this morning and quite large quantities were offered for sale.

The following is the full price list:

IN THE SHEDS.
Eggs, 14c. per doz.
Butter, 15c. to 16c. per lb.
Chickens, each, 25c. to 40c.
VEGETABLES.
Rhubarb, 2 bunches for 5c.
Lettuce, per bunch, 5c.
Green onions, 2 bunches for 5c.
Radishes, 3 bunches for 5c.
Sage, a bunch, 5c.
Cauliflower, 10c. head.
Carrots, 15c. peck.
Potatoes, per bag, \$1.25 to \$1.50.
Summer savory, 5c. bunch.
Peppers, 10c. dozen.
Tomato plants, per box, 10c. to 25c.
Cabbage plants, per box, 10c. to 25c.

BINDER TWINE CO.

M. Wilson, K. C., says there will be no change in the circumstances since the judge decided the old Board are the proper directors and the only persons who have power to repeal the by-laws or to call a meeting of the shareholders. The old Board, as yet, have not decided either to call a meeting of the shareholders or repeal the by-laws, and unless some change takes place the case will have to go to trial in the usual way to enable the old Board to get possession of the books and the property of the company and to exclude the defendants from interfering. There is no likelihood of being any disturbance whatever because the defendants now know they are not the directors and have no power to do anything with the company's property, to sell anything, make any contract, cheque out any money, get any correspondence of the company or to use the company's money to pay themselves or anybody they employ. They know they can't call a meeting of shareholders or repeal any by-laws, and that the old Board are the only directors who can do so.

Meanwhile the new Board is still in possession at the factory. This afternoon they are holding a meeting at which their solicitor, Col. J. B. Rankin, K. C., is present. The old Board having failed to observe the court's direction to repeal their by-laws and call a meeting of shareholders, the injunction has elapsed and they hold that they are in a position to proceed with the business.

The anniversary of the K. O. T. M. falls on Sunday, June 15, and will be duly recognized by the local order. At 1.30 p. m. the members will assemble at the lodge room and proceed to the Maple Leaf cemetery to decorate the graves of the departed brethren. At 6.30 a church parade will be held from the lodge room to the First Presbyterian church. The 24th Regiment Band will be in attendance both afternoon and evening. This is the day which is set apart by the Supreme Test as memorial day.

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