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New Muslins

In spite of the cool weather we have been getting in case after case of the latest New York Muslins as they appear on the market. And we have just taken out of bond a late shipment of American Organ-dies and Dimities, in popular sky, pink and linen shades, at prices lower than we have previously secured them. Come in to-night and see them.

Specials for To-night

200 yds. Black Cambric Dress Lining, somewhat wrinkled owing to having been used for draping, reg. 6c, on sale.....	3c
Men's fancy stripe fast color Cotton Socks, in new stripes, reg. 25c per pair, to-night.....	14c
10 pieces American Figured Muslins, in shades of linen, sky, pink and royal blue, reg. 12 1/2c to 20c a yard, on sale for.....	8c
Ladies' Elbow Length Colored Silk Gloves, in pink, sky, blue, on sale special at per pair.....	36c
Ladies' Hemstitched Embroidered Handkerchiefs, extra fine lawn, reg. 18c each, on sale 2 for.....	25c
Scalloped Edge White Cambric Embroidered Handkerchiefs, reg. 12 1/2c each, on sale for.....	6c
1 piece All-over White Lawn tucking, 20 in. wide, reg. \$1.50 per yd., to-night for 25c	
Men's Working Shirts, made of navy and black duck and indigo shirting, in stripes, spots and checks, regular value 50c each, to-night for.....	34c
40 in. wide Skirting Embroidery, with black lawn, and white on black lawn, regular price \$1.50 per yard, on sale for.....	50c

Millinery

We offer you exceptional values To-night in ready-to-wear and trimmed millinery. Any hat you buy now you will save about a half.

Muslin Bonnets for children, at just exactly half price.

Thomas Stone & Son

Geo. Stephens & Douglas

Buy a...

Massey-Harris

Binder
Mower
Rake
or
Tedder

And you get the best Machine in the world. Sold by

Geo. Stephens & Douglas

General Hardware and Implement Merchants.

P. S. A splendid Map of Western Ontario given away with every purchase of "Our Superior" Binder Twine. No other twine at the price on the market works so satisfactorily.

Hammocks

Fast color Hammocks, \$1 to \$5. All colors and prices. Hammock Hooks.

Lawn and Garden Hose,

Sprinklers, Nozzles, Hose Menders, Hose Bands, Lawn Rollers, Lawn Rakes, Grass Edgers, Etc

Ice Cream Freezers

Makes ice cream in four minutes.

Screen Doors Window Screens

Morton's Hardware Store

STILL SPLENDID PROGRESS IN THE KING'S CONDITION

Passed Another Good day and has made Substantial Gains—Bulletin Received With Cheers by Crowd Outside Buckingham Palace.

London, June 27.—"It's the best yet," was the popular comment with which the bulletin posted at Buckingham Palace at eleven o'clock to-night was greeted. A small crowd waited before the Palace until the bulletin was brought out, and when the good news became known there were cries of "Hear, hear," and cheers. Lord Chamberlain, the acting Lord Chamberlain, drove up to the Palace just as the bulletin was issued, and he expressed his keen pleasure at the doctor's report of the King's condition. After learning the contents of the bulletin the crowd at the Palace quickly dispersed, and the rejoicing which was already apparent in the crowded streets increased in keeping with the terms of the latest report.

THE BULLETIN.

The eleven o'clock bulletin was as follows:—"His Majesty's condition is in all respects satisfactory. The King has had a comfortable day and has made substantial progress.—Trevor, Laking, Barlow."

READS AND CONVERSES.

From an authoritative source the Associated Press learns that the King reads and converses continually with the Queen and the Prince and Princess of Wales. All that the doctors insist upon is that he shall not be worried by matters requiring careful weighing. The Government officials expect possibly within a week to fix the approximate date of the coronation, which will probably occur early in the autumn.

IMPROVEMENT MAINTAINED.

London, Saturday, June 28.—King Edward's improvement has been maintained at one o'clock this morning.

CONFIDENT HOPEFULNESS.

King Edward's calmness, cheerfulness and pluck are considered most favorable auguries for a speedy recovery, and the messages of the Queen, Alexandra and Sir Francis Knollys, the King's private secretary, in reply to expressions of solicitude and the statements of persons most familiar with the situation, all bear out the confident hopefulness which prevails to-day.

SURE AND STEADY.

The Daily Mail this morning says that all King Edward's functions are working admirably. The drainage pipe has not yet been removed, says the paper, but the general progress is very sure and steady.

THE U. S. EMBASSY.

Washington, June 27.—Acting Secretary of State Hill received the following cablegram to-day from Whitehall, London, head of the embassy of the United States to the coronation:—"London, June 26.—Took leave of Lord Lansdowne to-day, and after formal leave of the Prince of Wales shall close special embassy. Lord Lansdowne expresses warm appreciation of President's speech at Harvard, and general American sympathy shown in this time of trouble. The feeling about the King to-day is distinctly hopeful."

TO BE RECEIVED BY QUEEN. London, June 27.—In spite of the arrangements made for closing the special United States embassy after Mr. Reid's audience of the Prince of Wales to-day, it has been decided that the flag shall remain flying to-morrow, owing to the receipt of an official intimation that Queen Alexandra will personally receive Mr. and Mrs. Reid.

SAT LATE

Library Board Spent Considerable Time in Discussing Building Specifications.

A special meeting of the Library Board was held last evening with Chairman J. U. Thibodeau, S. M. Smith, J. W. Humphrey, A. Sheldrick, Dr. Charteris, I. L. Davis, Thos. Seaward and Architect J. L. Wilson present.

The donation of a book called "Literature of American History," presented by a Canadian residing in New York, was received.

Mr. Wilson said he had the specifications, with the exception of the heating, lighting, plumbing and slating, ready.

The specifications were then read and discussed, and in several features were changed and fixed.

The architects, Mr. Wilson & Son, were engaged to oversee the work of the building, either one of the said gentlemen to be at the building.

The secretary was instructed to advertise for tenders in the Planet and the Banner, tenders to be in by Friday, July 18. The add. will be seen in another column of to-day's paper.

The specifications were long and the Board didn't get away until about eleven o'clock.

DINED HIM

Drill Instructor Sergeant Farnsworth who has been in the city for past two months instructing the local regiment, left yesterday for his home in London. On Thursday evening the sergeants of the regiment banqueted him at the mess rooms. The Colonel and Major being out of the city, the adjutant, Wm. Mowbray, made Sergeant Farnsworth a very complimentary address on his work here and gave him on behalf of the regiment a purse of \$25.

Sergeant Farnsworth replied saying he was much surprised at receiving the purse. He continued saying he had never been anywhere where he had been treated better, and that the sergeants were about the smartest and best he ever handled.

Lieutenant Coltart presented the Sergeant on behalf of the awkward squad of 7 a. m., a beautiful pair of gold cuff links.

The Sergeant-Major, George Embrey then invited all to partake of the brilliant repast. Col-Sergeant Lew. Reid and Sergeant A. Moffatt, R. Hutchison, and S. A. Mercer, were waiters, while E. Harold Rankin was caterer.

E. B. Moore, proprietor of the Erieau grocery and post office, was in the city to-day. Postmaster Moore came into the city to-day to take out his official papers and he is now a lawful postmaster of His Majesty King Edward VII.

HOME OF FRIENDLESS

The Ladies of the Home for the Friendless met yesterday (Friday) afternoon in Harrison Hall. There were present Misses Stevens, Ferguson, Gardiner, Tinsman, McDonald, Laird, McDonald, and Misses Ryan and Kingston.

The following accounts were submitted and passed—

Home accounts—D. Brennan, \$13. 10. Matron, \$17.80. H. McDonald, \$3.75. Mrs. Barr, \$4.00. W. Terry, \$5.00. Banner-News, 75 cents.

N. Murray, \$3.75. Walker Egg & Produce Co., \$1.14. St. Joseph's Hospital \$12.87. S. Jahnke \$3.50.

Ward account—Ward 5.—Wm. Sharp, \$3. The visiting committee for July will be Mrs. McDonald and Mrs. Laird, Mrs. Stevens and Mrs. Kingston.

The ladies desire to express their appreciation of the following donations—Literature, by Miss Kingston. Literature by Mrs. Laird. Literature by Mrs. S. F. Gardiner. \$4.00 by the grand jury.

E. M. McDONALD, Cor-Secretary.

CLOSE SHAVE

Chatham Lady Experiences a Narrow Escape at City Railroad Crossing.

Mrs. Thos. Brady, of Richmond St., narrowly escaped instant death yesterday afternoon about 4.30 o'clock.

Mrs. Brady was driving her little pony, which almost every person in the city knows, up St. George street toward Park, and was on the south side of the track by the Dowdley Works and could not see the incoming west-bound express train. The pony's head was within a foot and a half of the track when the train rushed by at full speed, without, as Mrs. Brady states, blowing a whistle or ringing a bell. The little horse turned into the place between the fence and the train, but the noise of it frightened him so that he pranced around and ran away, throwing Mrs. Brady out.

The unfortunate lady was taken to her residence on Richmond street and Dr. Holmes was called. He found that no bones were broken, but she sustained many bruises about the face and body and was badly shaken up.

The crossing is a very dangerous one on account of the buildings hiding the view east and also the noise of the factory makes it almost impossible to hear anything else. The railroad company should provide protection.

CANADIANS WILL WAIT

London, June 27.—To-morrow the Canadian troops will visit the fleet assembled off Spithead and other festivities will be enjoyed early next week.

There is now a probability that the Canadian coronation contingent will remain in England until the arrival of Viscount Kitchener, whose return to England is expected shortly.

The Canadian troops at Alexandra Palace are keenly disappointed at the postponement of the coronation festivities. H. R. H. the Prince of Wales will inspect the colonial contingent on Tuesday in Hyde Park.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier and the other ministers are conferring with Mr. Chamberlain to-day preliminary to the formal conference on Monday.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier will visit the continent three weeks hence, and probably return to Canada in September.

TILL ROBBED

Maple City Creamery was Entered Last Night and Rifled of Small Change.

C. E. Lister, of the Maple City Creamery, had a little surprise awaiting him when he walked down to his office this morning.

As he entered the door he noticed a number of burnt matches lying about on the floor, but was greatly surprised to see a large pile of cigar ashes on his private desk.

He next examined the cash drawer, and here the mystery was explained. About \$10 in small money was missing.

At the end of each month Mr. Lister pays his customers, who provide him with milk. This month, some of them were a little slow in coming for their pay, so their money was left for them, wrapped in envelopes, locked up in the cash drawer.

The robbery must have been committed by some one who knew when Mr. Lister paid out his money, and who had seen the envelopes in the drawer.

Entrance to the building was obtained by breaking one of the windows in the rear. After they got in, the robbers evidently proceeded to the office and enjoyed a cool smoke while they picked the lock. They opened the envelope and took all of the bills they could find. They also took this month's statement. One peculiar circumstance which shows that the robbers were "old hands," at the business is that they left all of the coppers and change. They evidently used the matches to light them in their work.

Mr. Lister notified the police this morning, and Chief Holmes is now investigating the matter.

COAL FAMINE

Probability That the Maple City Will Experience a Shortage in Fuel.

"Chatham will soon be in the midst of a coal famine," said General Agent Tillson, of the Lake Erie to the Planet this morning. "Soft coal is very scarce, and our company are supplying coal to only those with whom we have contracts. Others desiring to purchase coal will have to take their chances at a considerable increase in price."

The reason of this scarcity of coal is the great coal miners strike. The Virginia mine is at present shut down. It is expected that the trouble will be settled by July 17th. The coal question will be very serious from now till the 17th. If the trouble with the miners is not settled then it will be more serious.

At present it is simply out of the question for any coal dealer to obtain coal. The Lake Erie, however, have a good supply on hand and are thereby able to fill all orders which have been contracted for. A number of Chatham's industries will feel the effects of this scarcity of coal. One firm which has a limited amount of coal on hand, applied to the Lake Erie for a couple of carloads, but the latter were forced to refuse the order. It is indeed a fortunate thing that the Lake Erie were given the contract for furnishing coal for the water works.

Had the contract been given to one of the others, the probability is that they would be without coal.

Hard coal dealers are remaining very quiet and are selling no more coal than they can possibly help. By holding it they will be able to get a far better price, as the famine progresses.

"It is not a question of price," said Mr. Tillson. "It is a question of getting it at any price."

Misses Myrtle and Mildred Carwell, of Bay City, Mich., are spending a month's vacation with their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Carwell, and also their grandparents, Park avenue.

ENTOMBED MAN REACHED AND IS STILL LIVING

Both of His Feet Firmly Held in Bricks and Earth—Quicksand Running and Work of Rescue Rendered More Difficult and Dangerous than Ever.

Paris, Ont., June 27.—The hours go by, each of which it was hoped would bring the release of Joshua Sandford from the awful position which he has occupied for 84 hours, sixty feet in the earth, and still that end has not been accomplished.

Since the cave in of the well on Tuesday afternoon, which entombed the young well-digger, the work has been prosecuted with all vigor possible, and for the last 48 hours the men engaged in the work have been in close proximity to Sandford's place of confinement.

The plan adopted to effect his release was by digging another well within a few feet of the other, then penetrating the old well by a cross tunnel. All day long—indeed since two o'clock in the morning—John Carnie, of this place, has been at the bottom of the tunnel, in imminent danger to himself, working interminably to save the life which has clung to its thread so long against such fearful odds.

About three o'clock this afternoon on penetrating the wall of the old well from the tunnel in which his rescuers were working, the face of the man was discovered. He was lying on his side, his face ashy pale, mouth open, and uttering incoherently and his mind wandering.

With the advent of fresh air he quickly revived and was soon able to converse with his rescuers. A small quantity of hot water and milk was administered by the physicians, and he gained strength remarkably fast. This stimulant was given a second time, when an attempt was made to bring him through the tunnel to the new well.

It was then discovered that his feet were firmly held in bricks and earth and this fact fell like a thunderbolt upon the entire crowd. Their hopes had seemed almost realized, but now they were face to face with the greatest difficulty connected with the dramatic affair.

To crawl through into the old well and remove the bricks from his feet, even if it had been possible, meant almost certain death to both prisoner and rescuer, by letting tons of debris down directly upon them.

An attempt was made to pull his feet out, but proved unsuccessful, and at present (midnight) his chances seem smaller than at any time during the day. The treacherous quicksand is running almost like water into the cell, and required almost the entire attention of the worker to keep the poor fellow from being smothered.

Nothing whatever is known as to Sandford's terrible experience. He is not in a condition to talk much, and what he does say is, as it naturally would be, in regard to his present condition, and the best methods of procedure to effect his release.

Hundreds of people have been on the scene all day, and the crowd was swelled to thousands as evening set in. All speak in undertones, and their looks depict their intense anxiety and crushed hopes.

The whole event is little short of the miraculous. How the young man has survived through 84 hours of such terrible experience and through the double cave-in which were thought by his comrades must have brought sudden death to the unfortunate man, may never be known. Even should his life be spared, it is extremely doubtful if he will be able to give any information which will be an explanation of his escape.

W. O. T. U.

The W. O. T. U. held their regular meeting on Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Hannah, the president, in the chair. Bible reading, testimony and prayer occupied the first half hour. "We must not forget that the W. O. T. U. was born of prayer," the president said. "Perhaps in these days of 'strenuous living' we do forget, sometimes, the spirit which dominated those women called 'the praying band of Hillsboro,' who knelt in saloons and on street corners to pray till saloon after saloon closed their doors and in a large number of towns and villages in Ohio the liquor traffic was swept away. 'Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit,' saith the Lord of Hosts."

The treasurer's report was read and adopted and the treasurer authorized to pay bill for flowers which had been read. Resolved to forward \$5.00 to the county union at the same sum to our missionary who is doing such good work in Algoma.

A letter was read from the Provincial superintendent of work among sailors, and a committee was appointed to assist the local superintendent in collecting and arranging suitable literature to place on boats.

A communication was read from the secretary of the Prohibition Alliance, and it was resolved that, if possible, the Union will send a delegate to the convention which will be held in Toronto on July 29th.

It was agreed to have the next regular meeting on Thursday afternoon July 3rd, at the home of Mrs. A. J. Wilson, William street.

HE JUMPED

Mr. Bagnall Acted Just in Time to Save Himself From a Nasty Smash-up.

John Bagnall, of Jeannette's Creek, is in the city to-day. He is going around on a crutch and cane as a result of a runaway accident on Thursday morning last. He was driving a very wild team and lost control of them. He jumped out of the rig, badly spraining his ankle, but breaking no bones.

"If I had remained in that rig for another minute I would have been killed," said Mr. Bagnall, "as the team ran into a large elm tree, breaking the wagon all to smash. The horses were unhurt, but stripped of their harness."

Mr. Bagnall has not received particulars of his uncle's death in Montana. He was supposed to have been shot out there for his money.

N. H. Stevens, President of the Canada Flour Mills Co., has made a comendrum. It isn't often that Mr. Stevens enters the realm of the humorist, but he has done so this time. At the request of his daughter-in-law he devised the following original comendrum.—"What is it that is just enough for one, a little too much for two, and altogether too much for three?" Mr. Stevens offers a barrel of flour for all who guess this comendrum at a reduction of 25c a barrel.

BAD FIRE

It Destroyed the Irving Residence on Harvey St.—Cause Not Known.

One of the biggest fires which has visited Chatham for some time occurred last night on Harvey St., in the house owned by Henry Allinor and tenanted by John Irving, blacksmith. The cause of the fire is unknown, but it is supposed the building caught from the kitchen stove.

Mr. Irving was out at the race course exercising his race horse. His daughter was heating some water on the stove with which Mr. Irving intended to bathe the horse when he returned home.

Miss Irving was the first to notice the fire. She was sitting on the veranda when the flames burst through the kitchen window. This was about half-past seven o'clock. She at once ran to the fire alarm box the corner of Harvey and West streets and called out the brigade.

Two lines of hose were laid, but the fire had gained considerable headway before the alarm had been sent in. The flames were not extinguished until the back part of the house was completely destroyed. The front part of the building, however, was not badly damaged. The total loss will be about \$350.

RIG MISSING

A. L. Paupet, of the firm of Weston & Paupet, liveryman, of Dresden, is in the city to-day looking for a missing animal.

According to Mr. Paupet's story a carpenter who has been working on the Dresden Sugar beet factory, giving his name as Bartlett, of Chatham, engaged a rig on Sunday to drive to this city, returning to Dresden Sunday night, and has not shown up since.

Mr. Paupet has learned since that the man put up at the Idlewild Hotel, but left there Tuesday night and has again evidently disappeared. Mr. Paupet is getting very anxious to know the whereabouts of his horse and rig.

HOW IT READS

The information laid against Andrew Harris on the charge of assault reads on the official document a little out of the ordinary.

The casual reader of the document would judge from the wording of the information, that if a person were crippled then they couldn't go home contrary to the by-law, but must go home in accordance with it. The following is the wording of the information:—"That Andrew Harris did use grossly insulting language towards her, this complaint, to wit:—"

"—I will cripple you so you cannot get home contrary to the by-law of the City of Chatham."