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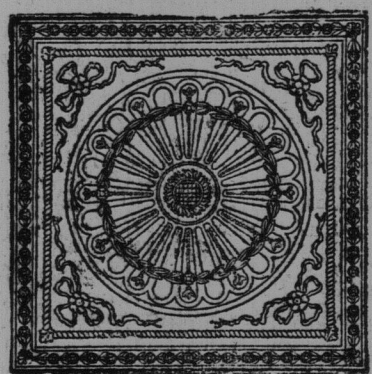
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No Sulphur to Choke. No Time to Wait.
ONLY 5 CENTS FOR A LARGE BOX. 3 BOXES FOR 12 CENTS.



Metallic Ceilings!

We supply and fit up this ceiling in all styles and designs.
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Repairing promptly attended to.

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Just open—a large assortment of these Hats of the very latest patterns and at very low prices. It will pay you to see our window display.

A lot of Bargains in Ladies' Sailors.

Regular Prices, 75c., \$1.00, \$1.25.

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**Fresh Meats and Poultry,
NEW CABBAGE, LETTUCE, RADISHES, CELERY,
HENRY EGGS, CHEESE, VEGETABLES, ETC.
CREAMERY BUTTER, MAPLE SYRUP.**

Tel. 1078. **WETMORE'S, City Market.**

St. John, N. B., May 13, 1904.

SUITS \$3.95, PANTS \$1.98, SUITS \$5.00.

From the selling we are doing here, one would think that all the clothing buying is done in this Store. Those Special

Suits at \$3.95 and \$5.00, and Pants \$1.98.

Have created a stir seldom seen around a Clothing Store

Men's Suits, other prices \$2.98 to \$15.00.
Reliable Goods Only Our Motto.

**J. N. HARVEY, Tailoring & Clothing,
193 & 201 Union St.**

BUNCO MAN IDENTIFIED.

He is Hurd Blair of Nova Scotia, a Man With a Bad Record—
Examination Today.

The man who was arrested on a charge of buncoing Capt. John E. Porter out of \$500, and who gave his name as Hurd Blair Henderson to the police, and as McKenna to Capt. Porter, has been identified to the satisfaction of Deputy Chief Jenkins. The man turns out to be Blair Hurd, a Nova Scotian, who is supposed to be mixed up in several crooked deals in different parts of that province. The Nova Scotia authorities have been communicated with concerning Hurd's past record.

A careful search of Hurd's office in the Imperial building was made yesterday afternoon under the direction of the deputy chief, with the result that the officer met with a number of surprises. A desk was found to be equipped with apparatus which would permit of the latest bunco methods, where the substitution of a fake package can be made for the real article. In the desk was found a fake package of bills, with a good note on the top and bottom and the rest being plain slips of paper.

Further inquiries made concerning Hurd's operations have satisfied the police that he is a faker of the first water. They know of one instance where Hurd approached a certain well known citizen and offered to sell him \$2,000 in bogus money for five hundred dollars.

The preliminary examination will commence this afternoon and promises to be very interesting. It is understood that Hurd says he never saw Capt. Porter till confronted with him in the guard room and that the captain's statement re the sale of the lot is childish.

\$300,000,000 FOR HARD COAL

That's What Pennsylvania Coal Mines Produced Last Year—
518 Miners Lost Their Lives

HARRISBURG, Pa., May 13.—The advance figure of the annual report of James B. Roderick, chief of the U. S. department of mines of 1903, relating to the anthracite coal trade of Pennsylvania shows a total production for the year of \$7,000,000 tons. This output is valued at \$125,000,000. The mines and \$300,000,000 at the points of distribution. In the anthracite region of the state, which produced 85 per cent of the anthracite coal in the U. S., there were 518 fatal accidents and 1,135 non-fatal accidents. Coal mines employed in and about all the mines and they worked an average of 211 days in the year. In all they produced 11,701,175 kgs of coal and \$3,317,422 pounds of dynamite. The number of horses and mules in use was 16,573.

BALLOON EXPLODED—MANY HURT.

PARIS, May 13.—A balloon belonging to the well-known aeronaut, Captain Surcouf, came down in the Place aux Dames last night as the wind drove it into the narrow entrance of the street. A moment later it came in contact with the side of a house. A flame issued from the envelope and then a violent explosion followed, the sheets of flame from the balloons penetrated open windows of the building. Eight occupants of the house were burnt or otherwise injured, two were killed. The explosion caused a panic among the crowd watching the descent and a number of persons received slight injuries.

NEW MEN FOR MONTREAL.

BUFFALO, N. Y., May 13.—The Courier this morning says, that Billy Milligan has been released by Manager MacGraw, of the New York Giants, who was corroborated late last night. Milligan, however, does not come to Buffalo with catcher McGraw, of Detroit. The message from the Courier's staff correspondent with the Buffalo club in Newark, in answer to a query regarding the terms of sale said: Manager Stillingham knows only the mere fact that Montreal has bought Milligan and Pitcher McGraw of Detroit.

TRADE IS PICKING UP.

NEW YORK, May 13.—Special despatches to the International Mercantile agency indicate that general trade is picking up throughout the west and south. Eastern business has also been stimulated, except in the New England states, where the depression incident to the rather general shutting down of cotton mills is having marked effect. Most of the improvement is ascribed to more reasonable weather and general belief that underlying conditions are sound with prospects of good fall orders.

A SEASONED RUSTIC.

The young daughter of a prominent New York financier, who had passed most of her years either in the city or at the large summer resorts, recently paid her first visit to a real country home. She was anxious to show that she was not altogether ignorant of rural conditions, and when a dish of honey was set before her on the breakfast table she saw her opportunity. "Ah," she observed, carelessly, "I see you keep a bee."—Harper's Weekly.

DEATHS.

PRICE—On May 13th, after a short illness, Robert, the second son of Joseph and Jane Price, in the eighth year of his age. Notice of funeral hereafter.

PORT OF ST. JOHN.

Quintine—Barge No. 2, Saller, from Parramatta.
Cleared.
Coastwise—Kerr, for Parramatta; steamer Deaver, Stevens, for Melbourne.

JAP WARSHIP BLOWN UP WHILE REMOVING MINES.

Torpedo Boat No. 48 Is Japan's First Naval Loss—Report That Russians Have Been Defeated With Heavy Loss.

TOKIO, May 13.—A p. m.—The Japanese torpedo boat No. 48 was destroyed while removing mines from Kori Bay, north of Taitanwan (Port Dalm) yesterday. Seven men were killed and seven wounded. This is the first warship Japan has lost in the war.

NEW CHWANG, May 12.—(Noon).—The Russians deny the report circulated in London that a fight has occurred near Wafung Tien in which the Russians were defeated with great loss. No confirmation of the rumor is obtainable from other sources.

RUSSIANS WANT A CONSTITUTION

ROME, May 13.—A secret report received from St. Petersburg depicts the position of Russia as becoming most serious as regards the preservation of the present institutions, the military failures in the Far East having strengthened the opinion that the evils are due to the present organization of the country, in which a change is necessary. The hope is expressed that the emperor will be induced to grant the country a constitution, in which event, it is asserted, the enthusiasm of the people will become so great as to render it possible to raise an army and collect the means necessary to defeat Japan. Otherwise, the report says, it is believed all the efforts made at St. Petersburg will remain futile, as before the war in the Far East, Russia will be obliged to face a latent if not an open revolutionary movement at St. Petersburg, on May 13th, has been proved to have no foundation in fact. On the contrary, according to an investigation made by the military authorities at the request of the minister of foreign affairs, if there was any violation of the laws upon the occasion mentioned, the guilt must be charged to the Russians themselves, and not to the Japanese. The officers in command of the Japanese column advancing on Poland re-

CHEITLEY MAY RECOVER.

The Frederician Assaulter in Jail
Awaiting Result—Body Found
in the River Among Logs

(Special to the Star.)
FREDERICKTON, N. B., May 13.—Fred Cheitley accused of assaulting one Andrew Cheitley was brought before the police magistrate this morning and remanded to jail till Monday next to await developments in Cheitley's condition. Dr. McNally reported some improvement in the injured man this morning and hopes to pull him through. If he recovers Cheitley will be prosecuted for assault with intent to do bodily harm.

Employees of the Room Company this morning found the decomposed body of a man floating in the limits of Douglas boom. Coroner McNally was sent for and has gone up the river to view the body. When discovered the body was lying among the logs and had evidently floated down with the logs. No information as to the identity had been received up to noon.

Donald Fraser & Son received a wire this morning from Tobique stating that their Odell Brook drive of five millions would be in the corporation limits tomorrow.

THE COST OF LIVING.

(Wall Street Journal.)
General prosperity—that is, the greatest good of the greatest number, in the material sense, as civilization is constituted today—is probably best served by moderate prices for commodities such as food, fuel, clothing and shelter. The prices of these commodities are still higher, and the inference is that they must come down before we can have a period of genuine widespread prosperity. They have a considerable distance to fall before they get back to even the average of the ten years 1890 to 1899. Happily, progress is being made in that direction at present, and it may be more rapid before the year ends.

THE FIRST UMBRELLAS.

(Harper's Weekly.)
Those who suppose that the umbrella is a modern contrivance will be surprised to learn that umbrellas may be found sculptured on some of the Egyptian monuments and on the Nineveh ruins. That umbrellas bearing a close resemblance to those of today were in use long before the Christian era is shown by their representation in the designs of ancient Greek vases. The umbrellas made its first appearance in London about the middle of

the 18th century, when one Jonas Hanway, it is said, thus protected himself from the weather at the cost of much ridicule.

AN EARLY NEMESIS.

(Music and Drama.)
Ned Harrigan was contrasting his own stage-coach trip to the Pacific coast with the special-train luxury of the Weber-Felds company, that has been so extensively advertised. "Things were very different for theatrical wanderers in the sixties," said Mr. Harrigan. "Once by stage from one small town to another near San Francisco I sat outside with the driver. The man who occupied the box seat on the other side of him asked:

"Say Bill, did you see that show last night?"

"If I should say I did," was the reply of the driver, "and if ever I got hold of the troupe that gave that show I'd blow them full of holes. They wasn't worth shucks."

"Say Bill, continued my companion on the box, 'do you mean to say you don't know you've got them show folks inside this trip?'"

"No, I don't," replied the driver suddenly pulling up.

"He jumped from the box," continued Mr. Harrigan, "and threw open the door of the coach. 'Now all you folks git out,' he roared, 'every one of ye. It's eight miles to the next town, and you've got to tramp it. You won't suffer any more'n you made me suffer last night.'"

"I thought he was going to overlook me, but the other fellows in the company took care of that. I got down and walked with the others, and it was the longest eight miles I ever tramped. But Bill was not to be appeased. For no money would he let us ride any further in his coach. Furthermore he saw to it that the story was well told in the hotel bar-room before we got there."

THE CAT'S CLEANLINESS.
The most fastidious mammals in whatever of the toilet are to be found among the members of the cat family, as all must have noticed in domestic tabbies. The rough tongue makes an excellent brush, while the sharp claws on occasion employed by way of combs, all these invaluable aids to cleanliness and smartness possessing the further advantage of always being at hand when required. No other animal known is so careful regarding its offal, every particle of which is covered with earth—one of the best disinfectants known.

A healthy cat is not only clean but finical, not to say vain about her (or his) personal appearance. And moral degeneration in pussy is accompanied by neglect of personal grooming. That the dog is as dirty as a pig may be instantly confessed. He was the first animal to be domesticated, and long association with man has perhaps had to do with his carelessness in the matter.

A woman makes trouble for herself having children, but it keeps her out of lots of other trouble.

BRIBERY BY WHOLESALE.

Thousands of Dollars Paid by New York Police-men, Firemen and Officials for Jobs.

NEW YORK, May 13.—An investigation has been made of a strong box taken from the home of Emil Sonner, who is undergoing a short sentence on his conviction of having accepted money from seekers for jobs on the police and fire department of this city. In the box, it is stated, were found the names of over 500 members of the fire department said by Sonner to have procured appointments or promotion by paying money to him and his confederates. Receipts were among the other papers, including one for \$10,000 alleged to have been paid by a member of the fire department for his promotion to one of the highest positions in that department, which he holds today. This man will be examined as also will a physician, who is undergoing a short sentence on his conviction of having accepted money from seekers for jobs on the police and fire department of this city. 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