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WHITLAW REID ROBBED

Thieves Carry Off Jewelry of Former Ambassador to Britain.

[Canadian Press.]

San Francisco, Feb. 9.—Whitlaw Reid, United States ambassador to Great Britain, who is spending a vacation at the estate of his late father-in-law, D. O. Mills, near here, was robbed of valuable jewelry Tuesday night. Footprints in the garden and through the house indicate that the robber climbed to the second floor by a back window, and made his way to a bedroom occupied recently by Mrs. Reid. Finding Mr. Reid's room empty he went to the ambassador's sleeping apartments, and was rewarded with much valuable loot, including a Swiss watch worth $500, eleven stick pins most of them set with rubies and pearls, and a pair of gold cuff buttons. The raid was evidently hurried, for jewelry of greater value was left.

STEAMERS ARRIVED.

New York, Feb 8—Belgenland, Liverpool, Carpathia.
Cherbourg, Prinzessin Grant.
Gibraltar—Martha Washington, Sandy Hook, Canada.
New York, Feb 9—Arrived—Noordam, Southampton.

OUTRAGES ON FOREIGNERS.

St. Louis, Feb 9.—Outrages perpetrated upon Italian miners at Flat River, Missouri, reached Lake Shore yesterday, when the home of Rocco Monkingman was dynamited, under the impression that they were Italians, and promise to develop into complications. In a riot last Monday one man was killed. Thirty refugees called on Alessandro Roselli, Italian consular agent, last night and demanded protection, relating tales of abuse from other workmen in the Lead Belt. Consular Agent Brolotti said he had asked Governor Hadley for protection for the miners, but had received no response to his request. He declared that if protection were not forthcoming he would appeal to the Italian embassy at Washington.

JOAQUIN COSTA DEAD.

Madrid, Feb. 8.—Joaquin Costa, the Republican leader and publicist, died today.

"SLEEPLESSNESS."

Thousands of people all over this land toss night after night on a sleepless pillow. The eyes do not close in the refreshing slumber that comes to those whose heart and nerves are right.

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TO AID CHARITY

Flowers Sold in Belgium on Birthday of Queen.

Brussels, Feb. 9.—Elizabeth, Queen of the Belgians, is continually doing the most beautiful things to endear herself to her people.

One of the darkest stains on Leopold's reign was that known as the "Congo atrocities." One of the chief efforts of King Albert is to show an honest intention to remove that stain. In their effort the queen plays a charming second.

The occasion of her last birthday was made "Rose Day," and the sale of the queen's birthday roses realized $20,000, which was handed over to the tuberculosis relief fund.

The queen has now issued a royal official proclamation in which she announces that it is her royal pleasure that on her next birthday the celebrations shall be substituted for the roses, that all the money raised from the sale of these blossoms shall be devoted to the fund for combatting the sleeping sickness in the Congo.

MAPLETON.

Mapleton, Feb. 8.—Miss Lulu Newell, of Glencolin, has been the guest of Miss Pearl Brooks.

Rev. A. Jamieson of Martinsburg, Ohio, will occupy the pulpit of the Church of Christ next Sunday, Feb. 12, at both services, 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m.

Mrs. Smith, of Hagersville, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Thomas Martindale.

A meeting of the East Elgin Farmers' Institute was held at the schoolhouse on Tuesday afternoon last. Dr. Brown, of Aylmer, acted as chairman, and also gave a good talk on "Stock." Excellent addresses were also given by Messrs. Shephard of Kent County, and Shearer, of Oxford County, on "Hogs." The attendance was quite large.

Mr. and Mrs. Nesbitt, of Glencolin, have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Wismer.

The Christian Endeavor Society of the Church of Christ will hold a social evening on Friday next at the church.

Mr. and Mrs. James Knickerbocker and niece, Miss Wooley, of Kansas city, Kansas, are visiting relatives here.

Miss Mollie Legg, of Aylmer, is visiting relatives here.

BALLYMOTE.

The annual meeting of the Ballymote cheese factory was held on Monday afternoon. Although one of the worst storms of the season was raging there was a full number of patrons present.

The audited statements presented showed an increase over last year of eleven tons of cheese. The average price of cheese for the season was very satisfactory. The representatives of three of the leading banks of London were present looking for the factory's financial business.

WALLACEBURG.

Wallaceburg, Feb. 8.—A very pretty wedding took place this morning in the Roman Catholic Church, when Miss Harriet Goodreau, niece of Mrs. Wm. Boulton, became the wife of Mr. J. Tuscany. Miss Jennetta Goureau, of Detroit, was bridesmaid, while Mr. A. Tuscany, of Windsor, supported the groom. The bride was dressed in white marquisette over white satin, with picture hat and carried a bouquet of white roses and lily of the valley. The bridesmaid was dressed in pink silk, and carried a bouquet of pink carnations. After the ceremony the wedding breakfast was served at the home of Mr. Wm. Boulton, at which Misses Elsie Forbes, M. Boulton and Bessie Bourne assisted. The groom's gift to the bride was a pearl necklace, which she wore. The happy couple left on the 3:15 car for Toronto. On their return home they will take up their residence in the Stonehouse apartments.

Mr. T. Holston has purchased the dwelling owned by Mrs. Woolliner, and will move into it soon.

Miss Bessie McDonald entertained her friends to a thimble party on Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. W. McRae entertained the Original Euchre Club on Tuesday evening. Mrs. (Dr.) Campbell won the club's prize, Mrs. Jarvis the visitor's prize, and Miss Lelia Whitebread the lone-hand prize.

Mr. Will McDonald, an old Wallaceburg boy, called on friends in town on Wednesday. He is now employed on the Northern Pacific Railway in the West.

Mr. Chas. Chubb is suffering from la grippe.

Mrs. W. R. McKay, of London, is visiting Mrs. D. C. McDonald.

Mr. Penhale, of St. Thomas, spent Wednesday in town.

Mrs. (Dr.) Herd spent Wednesday in Sombra.

BOTHWELL.

Bothwell, Feb. 8.—A grand masquerade skating carnival was given on the ice rink on Monday evening last. The prizes were won by the following:

Ladies—First prize, a parlor rocker, won by Miss Nellie Marcus, "An Indian Maid"; second prize, an oil painting, won by Miss Luella Holmes, "A Girl of the Seventeenth Century."

Gentlemen—First prize, cash, $5, won by James and Frank McRae, "An Elephant"; second prize, oak rocker, won by O. E. Whyte, "Seventeenth Century Knight."

Girls under 17—First prize, an umbrella stand, won by Miss Bessie Frost, "Winter"; second prize, a Jardinere stand, won by Aileen Atcheson, "A Butterfly."

Boys under 17 Years—First prize, a rocker, won by James Johnston, "An Umbrella Repairer"; second prize, a hockey stick, won by Harold McLeod, "A Brownie."

Best Clown—Season ticket, Charlie Cross.

AYLMER.

Aylmer, Feb. 8.—An exciting runaway occurred here on Tuesday night about 10 o'clock, when a horse hitched to a cutter in which two men were seated, came dashing north from John street, and when opposite Peter Zaff's repair shop the cutter upset, throwing the occupants out and scattering the robes, seats, etc., in all directions. The men received a bad shaking up, but otherwise no damage was done. The dash of the cutter was splintered badly, where the horse's heels struck it.

The Maccabees held a box social in the Marshall Hall last evening, followed by a dance, a most enjoyable time being spent by all present.

The Travel Club met in the public library on Tuesday, and spent a very interesting afternoon.

Mrs. (Dr.) Fear entertained a large number of her friends on Tuesday evening in honor of her guest, Mrs. Roberts, of Seaforth.

Joseph Pocock, of London, was an Aylmer visitor yesterday.

Miss Addie Palmer is recovering from her recent severe illness.

Mrs. W. J. Mann still continues to be quite ill.

Dr. Miller expects to move his office shortly from the Charlton Block into the Nalin Block, opposite the I. O. O. F. lodge rooms.

John Huxley, of Toronto, spent yesterday in Aylmer.

TILLSONBURG.

Tillsonburg, Feb. 8.—A large crowd of interested spectators witnessed the game of hockey between the bankers of Brantford and the local bankers at Electric rink last night. Although the visitin team played a good game, they were outplayed by the local players and were practically defeated in the first half. Brantford scored the first goal, but this was quickly followed by nine goals on the Tillsonburg side, so that at half-time the score stood 9 to 1. During the second half Brantford made three winning shots, and Tillsonburg six, and the score at the finish was 15 to 4. The visitors were tendered a banquet at the Arlington after the game.

Miss Ray Willsie, of London, who has been the guest of Mrs. A. M. Hare for the past few weeks, returned to her home today.

Mr. Wm. Ford, of Corinth, spent Wednesday in town on business.

Mr. Wm. Martin was a Waterford visitor on Tuesday.

Mr. A. Yarby, of Lindsay, is spending a few days in town.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Sypher have returned to their home at Morden, Man., after a visit with friends here.

THORNDALE.

On Thursday, Feb. 2, the Thorndale branch of the Women's Institute held a thoroughly enjoyable meeting at the home of Mrs. W. Gee.

The programme included pianoforte selections by Miss Ruth Harding and Miss Angus, a visitor from Pottersburg, and a song by Miss Rhea Gee.

The president of the branch, Mrs. James Woods, and Miss Emma Harding gave an interesting and instructive demonstration of icing. Mrs. Thos. Ramsay read a paper on "The Home Atmosphere, How to Create and Preserve It."

Mrs. Charles Fell of Thorndale, will be the hostess at the March meeting.

MAN AND MONEY GONE

Fred Krutsberger, an Employee of Wm. Davies Company at Montreal

Montreal, Feb. 9.—Fred. Krutsberger, branch manager of the Fleury street store of the Wm. Davies Co., has left the city, taking with him $85 of the firm's money. It is supposed. The store was closed as usual on Saturday night but on Monday morning when the cashier arrived it was discovered that the combination had been tampered with, and it was impossible to open the safe. It was then decided to await the arrival of Mr. Krutsberger, the manager. The manager failed to appear and the head office was notified. A search revealed the fact that he had left the city on Sunday morning. Since then he has not been seen.

An expert was put to work on the safe, and discovered that the plate had been removed from the front of the safe and the combination smashed after which the door was closed and the plate replaced, making it impossible to drill the door before it could be opened.

Krutsberger is believed to have gone to Chicago. He left his wife and child in Montreal.

KAISER HAS A COLD

Berlin, Feb. 9.—It was officially announced today that the cold from which Emperor William is suffering was taking an ordinary course and that his majesty would remain in his rooms for several days.

His indisposition made it impossible for the Emperor to attend the court ball at the palace last night, and he also cancelled the arrangements for the military ceremony which was to have taken place today in connection with the entry of his sixth son, Prince Joachim, into the army.

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GRADUALLY ABOLISHING THE BOUNTY SYSTEM

Hon. Mr. Fielding's Reply to the Morrisburg Tin Plate Deputation.

Ottawa, Feb. 8.—In a statement, in reply to a Morrisburg deputation, asking for a bounty of $5 a ton for five years on sheet steel manufactured in Canada, Hon. Mr. Fielding intimated this afternoon that the policy of the Government was now directed towards getting rid of the bounty system rather than towards any further extension of bounties. While not definitely refusing the request of the deputation, the tenor of his reply was not very encouraging, and, in view of the request of the Dominion Iron and Steel Company for the further extension for one year of the bounties on wire rods, which expire on the 31st of March next, his remarks have special significance, as indicating that the request is not likely to be granted.

The Morrisburg deputation numbered about 150 residents of that town, representing the Canada Sheet Steel Company, with a capital investment of some $400,000. It is at present the only Canadian company manufacturing sheet steel and galvanized iron. The deputation, which was headed by Messrs. Andrew Broder, M.P., W. B. Lawson, Liberal candidate for Dundas at the last general election; Ralph Gibson, reeve of Morrisburg, and E. E. Cline, superintendent of the company, urged upon the Minister of Finance that in view of the fact that the present protective duty of five per cent. ad valorem, equivalent to about $2.75 per ton, on the products of the company, would be entirely removed under the reciprocity agreement with the United States, there should be substituted a bounty of $5 a ton for the next five years, so as to enable the industry to become firmly established. It was pointed out that the company now employs about 180 men, and that the granting of a bounty would stimulate the establishment of similar industries in Canada. On the present output of the company the proposed bounty would total about $50,000 per year and there would be no increase in the prices charged to Canadian consumers. It was stated that, with a little further encouragement, the company would be able to successfully compete with United States factories, and a number of allied industries would doubtless be established in Morrisburg, where cheap power was available.

Mr. Fielding said in reply that while the request would receive very careful consideration from the Government, it must be noted that they had been obliged to refuse a previous request for increased protection of the sheet steel industry, because its product was the raw material of other manufactures. "You come to us at a time," he said, "when we are not desirous of extending our bounties, but are rather engaged in the noble effort to get rid of them. Some of the iron and steel bounties have already expired, and there is in the minds of a number of members of parliament a strong hostility to bounties of any kind."

COUNCIL AIMS

(Continued From Page One.)

out they will not be less than $50,000 for this year.

The fire department will cost some more. The salary increases granted at the December meeting of the council will make $2,000 difference, probably more. However, the committee will not have so great an expenditure this year as formerly, and may be able to save this amount of money in their regular estimates.

Issuing Debentures.

Much depends on the attitude of the Legislature towards the request of the council for the power to issue debentures in the sum of $10,000 to purchase a fire engine. If the council had to raise this money out of the general rate, there would be some difference in the calculation, but from what can be learned, there will be no difficult about this question.

To offset the increases in the estimates, there is the fact that the debenture debt will be decreased considerably. In fact, the city will have to pay approximately $4,500 less on local improvements this year as compared with last.

This reduction will help somewhat, and will assist the finance minister in bringing down the tax rate to a reasonable rate.

Niagara Power.

Of course, in this the council are going on the assumption that the electrical department will at least split even on the year. This is a problem, however, and the aldermen, of course, are in no position to figure accurately on that matter.

The water commissioners are hopeful that they will at least break even. They are calculating that the interest and sinking fund on the transmission line for the year will be applied to capital account for at least three years.

If this is the case, the commissioners will have less than $100,000 to raise to make the project break even.

This they calculate can be done, but many people are doubtful. The city will pay $30,000 for street lighting. Four hundred horsepower will be used at Springbank and the Horton street plant to pump water. This will make an additional revenue of $10,000.

The city lighting will add probably $5,000 more to this bill, leaving about $55,000 to be raised from customers.

May Be a Shortage.

In any event, the Niagara power shortage cannot run over a mill on the dollar. It is claimed, and the council would even then be able to strike a rate at less than last year, 27½ mills.

"We want to bring the rate down if possible," said Ald. Eckert. "We certainly can do so, provided we have to meet no overdraft on account of Niagara power. If they break even, we will be all right."

THE MANITOBA HOUSE

Many Important Questions To Be Considered by the Legislature.

Winnipeg, Feb. 9.—The thirteenth Legislature of Manitoba opened today. The great questions to be considered are the regulation of the liquor traffic and extension of the system of public ownership of grain elevators and telephones. The speech from the throne expresses regret that no progress has been made in settlement of provincial boundaries; refers to the Government acquiring grain elevators, promises extensions to the Government system of telephones, announces scheme of good roads development and a move for higher education and larger grab for educational purposes.

NORTHERN LIFE STEADILY PROGRESSES

The Fourteenth Annual Report Shows Company To Be in Flourishing Condition.

The fourteenth annual meeting of the Northern Life Assurance Company shows that company to be in a very strong and progressive position. A larger volume of business was transacted during the past year than ever before, the amount of insurance written and revived being $1,488,965.

The statement shows the assets of the company to be $1,435,882 34. After providing for the necessary insurance reserve, and for all other obligations, there is a surplus of $32,602 56, on the year's business.

During the past year the sum of $118,915 27 was added to the reserve for the benefit of policyholders; $46,956 55 was paid in death claims, and for surrenders, etc., and the dividends paid totalled $29,943 04.

On the whole the growth of the company's business has been most satisfactory and its continued and uninterrupted progress stamps it as one of the most stable and reliable institutions in the Dominion.

SOME NEW PAPERS

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meetings $80, Alex. Fraser, J. Watson, three meetings, $75; John Watson, five meetings, and expenses, $126; A. S. Lowns, four meetings and expenses, $96; A. S. Lowns, eight meetings, $20, and expenses, $192.

"I see one curious thing about this," said Col. Denison, as he counted over the last list of meetings. "Mr. Lowns was paid for attending. "There are only seven meetings instead of eight, and he should have got but $168, and not $192. This was not done very accurately."

John Ferguson's checks for attending meetings, going to Brockville and Stratford, on the bank's business, amounted to $193.

Then another exhibit was put in which showed that for attending the provisional directors' meetings, J. Gallagher (deceased), got $78 50; J. Watson, $75; A. S. Lowns, Alex. Fraser and J. Ferguson, $70 each.

Another exhibit read:

"Moved by Alex. Fraser and seconded by Dr. Ferguson, that the following accounts be paid: A. S. Lown, $10; Dr. Ferguson, $10; A. Fraser, $10; J. Gallagher, $26 10, and J. Watson, $25. Signed A. S. Lown, Chairman."

Travers in the Box.

Then Travers, ex-manager, was put in the box to give evidence. Speaking of the agreement by which the provisional directors were to get $20,000 for their services, Travers said that they got $10,000, and were to get $10,000 more if the permanent directors passed on this. They did not get the second $10,000, but had to be satisfied with sums of from $100 to $300.

Travers told Mr. Corley he was first connected with the provisional directors on March 12, 1906. They had agreed to sell the capital stock in two months. He was to have a salary of $5,000 a year with a pension of $1,500 if not engaged after five years. The expenses of the bank, if not exceeding $16,000, were to be paid out of the funds of the bank. Later Inspector Duncan produced a resolution which stated that $44,000 had been spent that way. The agreement to pay the provisional directors $10,000 was changed later to $1,500. At some of the meetings Dr. Ferguson and Mr. Watson were not present. Travers admitted that money had to be borrowed to pay these accounts. He never saw much of Mr. Watson, but the other members of the provisional directors were present most of the time.

Committed for Trial.

Mr. Corley asked Travers what truth there was in the report that the meeting at which the permanent directors were elected was held an hour before schedule time.

"No. We started at the proper time, but a number of the directors came late," said Travers.

Travers also said that the business done before they arrived was not gone over again. Today Inspector Duncan located another document in which the provisional directors handed over the bank in supposed good shape, with $479,200 bona fide subscribed shares and $256,000 in the Government treasury.

To Mr. Rose, Travers said that there was some trouble getting subscriptions, as they came in slowly. For the sale of stock commission had to be paid.

The four provisional directors were then committed for trial.

Summons for Mr. Stratton.

Hon. James R. Stratton is summoned to appear on Friday, Feb. 17, charged that he did confederate and agree together to obtain by false representations, deceit and fraud, from or through the treasury board of the Dominion of Canada the certificate required in order to enable the bank to open for business under provision of the bank act to the detriment of the public.

He is also charged that he did accept, receive, or take in pledge, notes of Farmers' Bank of Canada, from W. R. Travers, vice-president and general manager of the said Farmers' Bank.

So far, the amount hypothecated is found to be $58,000.

DECLARATION OF LONDON

Will Not Be Ratified Until After Imperial Conference.

[Canadian Press.]

London, Feb. 9.—Premier Asquith gave assurance in the House of Commons today that nothing would be done by the Government towards the ratification of the "declaration of London," the International agreement governing prizes in naval warfare, until views on the subject had been exchanged with the colonial premiers at the imperial conference.

NEW EMBASSIES.

Washington, Feb. 8.—After a ten years' struggle, the House has passed a bill providing for the purchase and construction of American embassies, legations and consular buildings abroad. The Senate, with on several occasions in the past has adopted similar bills, is expected to ratify the action of the House.

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LADY WARWICK DID NOT BABBLE

Says She Knew Nothing of the Tranby Croft Scandal.

NEVER VISITED THERE

Declares the American Yellow Press Have For Years Misrepresented Her.

[Canadian Press.]

New York, Feb. 9.—The Herald today prints the following special cable from London:

Lady Warwick, in a letter to the Times, recalling her experience with scandalmongers, says:

"Twenty-one years ago, at a Doncaster race party, occurred what was termed 'The Tranby Croft Scandal.' The American press, without exception, published my portrait beneath the heading, 'The Babbling Brook'—my father-in-law being then alive—accusing me of having at his house party revealed the facts of the scandal to the public, and saying that but for my indiscretion this affair might have been kept secret.

Was Never There.

"I have never been at Tranby Croft in my life. At the time this party was held, I, with all the members of my family, was in Scotland at the deathbed of my stepfather. The subsequent funeral and our deep mourning prevented me for a long time from joining in any social gathering, so that I was among the last to hear of what at that time s.t society a-going.

"Nevertheless, American newspapers persisted in this story whenever my name was mentioned, and when written to they replied that the facts had been sent to them by their correspondent in London, a lady moving in the best of society.

"From time to time during the 21 years that this story had been printed, and when in New York three years ago, my having managed to elude an interviewer, did not prevent the reappearance of the inevitable portrait and the inevitable tale.

"In course of time, if my ordinary notice is mentioned in the American press, I have no doubt the latest edition of a story for which there was not even a foundation will figure for the last time."

GHOULS BREAK INTO TOMB OF AMERICAN MILLIONAIRE

Mausoleum of Rich Erie Man and Friend of Late Grover Cleveland Desecrated.

[Canadian Press.]

Erie, Pa., Feb. 9.—Body-snatching that may equal the daring ghouls who stirred the country more than a quarter of a century ago, when the body of A. T. Stewart, New York's pioneer merchant, was stolen, has stirred this section of Pennsylvania in indignation at its daring, as nothing has since the sensational kidnapping which occurred in this vicinity a few years ago.

The mausoleum of one of the most prominent families of this section of the state was desecrated some time between Monday and yesterday. The body is missing from the vault of the late Congressman W. L. Scott. The police have been notified of the crime, which was discovered by two women walking through the Erie cemetery. The family was immediately notified, and a watch was placed in the cemetery at midnight, after all assurances were made that the missing body was not in the vicinity.

Body Held for Ransom.

While the police have been informed of the grave-robbing, no name is attached to the missing body by them. The first information to the public came from the family, but again no name is given. It is known, however, that the body taken by the ghouls is that of Mrs. McCollum, a sister-in-law of the late Mr. Scott. The police believe the body is being held for ransom, and that the vandals also intended to carry away the bodies of the millionaire and his wife.

A year ago Mrs. Chas. H. Strong, who is a daughter of Mr. Scott, was stormed with Black Hand letters demanding $10,000, with the alternative of having their summer home west of this city, blown to atoms. The perpetrators were subsequently apprehended, and are now in the Western Penitentiary, serving out sentences following conviction in the courts.

Mrs. McCollum was a member of a prominent family of Philadelphia, and her maiden name was Tracy.

STEAMERS ARRIVED.

New York, Feb. 9.—Arrived: Caronia, from Havre.

Cape Race, Nfld., Feb. 9.—Steamer Tunisian, from Liverpool for St. John, N. B., by wireless communication with the Marconi station here when 174 miles southeast, at 6:30 a.m. Steamer California, Glasgow and Moville, for New York, in wireless communication with the Marconi station here when 125 miles east. Steamer Corsican, Liverpool for Boston, in wireless communication with the Marconi station here when 125 miles east.

Dublin, Feb. 9.—Arrived: Bengore Head, from St. John, N. B.

Halifax, N. S., Feb. 9.—Sailed: Ultonia, for Liverpool; Tunisian, for Liverpool; Corsican, for Boston. Steamer Bengore Head, from St. John, N. B., arrived at Halifax Friday evening.

CHINA'S SCHOOL CAUCUS.

Washington, Feb. 9.—The proportion of the population of China attending school is one-fifth of one per cent, according to statistics which have been forwarded to the state department from the United States consul at Amoy. The total number of public schools of all grades in the empire is 35,000, with 64,000 instructors, and 850,000 pupils. The consul estimated the total population of China at 400,000,000, and he says that there is one primary school for every [illegible] people.

CANCEL POLICIES.

Laredo, Mex., Feb. 9.—Announcement is made today that three insurance companies doing an extensive business in Mexico would cancel all of their policies in the republic because of the present uprising.

Great February Cutlery Sale

Twenty per cent reduction on all CARVING SETS.

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Teaspoons, regular $1.25, now, per dozen 89c

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Tablespoons, regular $3.00, now, per dozen $2 37

Dessert and Table Forks same price as Spoons.

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