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SPECIAL SALE ON TUESDAY...

We invite you to come to our store on Tuesday. We mention a few exceptionally good lines, and you will find in addition to these chances to save money in every section of the store.

ROLLER TOWELLING

Pure Linen Roller Towelling with red borders, extra special, per yard, 5c.

Knitted kitchen cloths, 22 in. square, extra special, 3 for 10c.

MEN'S TIES.

In Four-in-Hand and Knot Styles, in light and dark colors, reg. price 25c., on sale to-night and Monday, at 15c.

BOYS' BRACES.

All sizes, extra special, at 8c., 10c. and 12 1/2c.

LADIES' MERCERIZED SATEN UNDERSKIRTS

Full accordion pleated flounce. See Window display. Regular price \$1.50, on sale very special, at 98c.

LADIES' HOSE.

Extra full fashioned Hermsdorf dye, guaranteed fast black, one of the greatest hosiery bargains we have ever offered, special at 12 1/2c.

LADIES' FINE PERCALE DRESSING JACKETS

In very neat designs, made of fine American Percale, fast colors, very special, at 50c.

FINE SCOTCH DIMITY GORD MUSLINS

In very dainty designs, for Children's Dresses, Ladies' Waists, Dressing Sacques, etc., very special at 12 1/2c and 10c.

LAOE CURTAINS.

Special showing of 10 designs in 3 and 3 1/2 yds. long, plain spot and floral designs, extraordinary at per pair, \$1.00.

PURE WHITE BASKET CLOTH

for Waists, soft, finest, regular price 16c., on sale, very special at 12 1/2c.

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Back and front trimmed with 8 rows tucking, front also trimmed with 2 rows insertion, all sizes, on sale, very special, at 75c.

LADIES' GLOVES.

Superfine Silkette Gloves, 2 dome fasteners, in colors Black, White, Cream and Grey, very special at 25c.

GREAT SALE READY-TO-WEAR TRIMMED MILLINERY.

Don't forget Our Millinery Sale, the finest New York Outing Hats as well as trimmed goods at very special prices.

Thos. Stone & Son.

There's Nothing
...to Take its Place...



It is Built on COMFORT GIVING LINES... A Shoe That Always GIVES SATISFACTION...

Our price to you in Welt or Turn \$4.00

Made by a special patented process owned by its manufacturers. Provides a live wool cushion felt next to inner sole, which makes an elastic surface for the sensitive part of the foot to rest upon. The pad is a register of cold and heat, and absorbs moisture, increasing the blood circulation and keeps the feet dry, comfortable and warm.

TURRILL, THE SHOE MAN.

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THE MEN OF THE OLD GUARD

Stalwarts Who Manned the Kent Battalion Many Years Ago.

Record of Commissioned Officers—Predecessors of Today's Fine Regiment.

Major Weir has the old Government militia book in which the first record of the establishment of the 24th Kent Battalion appears. The book was issued on the 1st of March, 1867. The 24th Kent Battalion was organized in 1866, and consisted of eight companies. Prior to that time, there were a number of individual companies in the county.

No. 1 Company was organized in 1863, at a meeting held in the old Royal Exchange Hotel. The officers of the old 24th Kent Battalion and date of organization of each company is here given:—

Lieut.-Colonel—David Smith.
Major—A. B. Baxter and Arch. McKellar, M. P.
No. 1 Company, Chatham, Dec. 26, '62.
Captain—Simon M. Smith.
Lieut.—John W. Lewis.
Ensign—Jas. C. Weir.
No. 2 Company, Chatham, January 10, '63.
Capt.—Rufus Stephenson.
Lieut.—H. G. Reed.
Ensign—James R. Richardson.
No. 3 Company, Blenheim, January 30, '63.
Capt.—John McMichael.
Lieut.—John K. Morris.
Ensign—Conrad Rowe.
No. 4 Company, Morpeth, August 17, '66.
Capt.—John Duck.
Lieut.—Chas. H. Mason.
Ensign—Hiram Cornwall.
No. 5 Company, Florence, August 17, '66.
Capt.—Harvey Morris.
Lieut.—W. J. Graham.
Ensign—John Gray.
No. 6 Company, Dawn Mills, August 31, '66.
Capt.—Nathan C. Kerby.
Lieut.—Bryan Lloyd.
Ensign—S. C. Taylor.
No. 7 Company, East Tilbury, August 17, '66.
Capt.—Matthew Martin.
Lieut.—David Smith.
Ensign—John A. McGregor.
No. 8 Company, Bothwell, Dec. 14, '66.
Capt.—John Walker.
Lieut.—Rich. Chambers.
Ensign—Thos. W. Dyas.
Paymaster—J. J. Thompson, Adjutant.
Quartermaster—Jas. G. Sheriff.
Surgeon—Chas. J. S. Askin, M. D.

SETTLEMENT TO-DAY.

MONTREAL LONGSHOREMEN AGREE ON TERMS.

Allowed Union Button—Conditions at the Docks—A Laborer Killed by a Fall.

Montreal, May 11.—The strike is practically settled. No doubt terms will be agreed to-day. As a result of meetings of the longshoremen and shippers Saturday, and a subsequent conference, which continued late between the representatives of the two parties, a basis of agreement was prepared. Some of the shippers, it is understood, are not adverse to granting the men the right of wearing union buttons or to establish the labor bureau, and if the shippers as a body can be got to agree to this there is no doubt that the men will decide to return to work. Mr. Robert Bickerdike has made strenuous efforts to bring the parties to the difficulty together. The Allan Liner-Bavarian cleared yesterday, and the Dominion Liner Canada sailed this morning. The C. P. R. Lake Erie and the Allan Liner Ionian arrived today. The shipping men claim that a number of the union men are returning to work, and that work on the wharves is making good progress.

The following is the basis which it is expected the strike will be settled upon—the proposal will be considered by the men to-morrow, and if ratified will mean a settlement. Union or non-union men not to be discriminated against by the foremen. Men receive the right to wear union buttons. Workmen molesting others to be discharged, whether union or non-union. Employers retain the right to employ men according to merit. Union leaders will not be permitted to visit men working. Old employees to receive first consideration. Representatives of men to have right to submit grievances before steamship companies. Increase scale of wages agreed upon previously, agreement to be for year 1903. Abolition of labor bureau.

Two dock laborers from Liverpool, Horace and Jeremiah Egan, fell down the hold of the steamer Monterey on Saturday night, and Jeremiah was killed. The men were amongst the batch brought over to replace the strikers. They were big, strong men and good workers. Whilst walking along the deck they failed to notice an open hatch, and fell to the bottom of the hold. Jeremiah fell on his head and was killed instantly. His brother was badly hurt, but will recover.

LATE HON. DAVID MILLS.

Interment to Take Place at Palmyra Cemetery.

Ottawa, May 11.—The arrangements for the interment of the remains of the Hon. David Mills are now complete. Service will be conducted at the house at 8 o'clock this evening by Rev. A. A. Cameron, after which the body will be conveyed to the Union Station for transportation to Ridgeway. The Government car "Montreal" has been placed at the service of Mrs. Mills for the purpose. At Toronto the Grand Trunk Railway will take charge of the body, and from London it will be transported on the Michigan Central Railway to Ridgeway. From there the final journey to the cemetery will be made by road on Wednesday morning. Rev. Mr. Walker will conduct the burial service at the grave side. The body of the deceased Judge is now lying in state at the family residence on Congression street. A floral wreath from the Judges of the Supreme Court stands at the head of the coffin, and at the foot reposes a floral anchor sent by the Press Gallery.

Numerous messages of sympathy have been received by Mrs. Mills. The Governor-General wired as follows:—

"It is with the deepest regret that we have heard the sad news of your distinguished husband's death. Please accept from myself and Lady Minto our most heartfelt sympathy in your sorrow. (Signed) Minto."

Messages were also received from Hon. Geo. W. Ross, Sir A. C. Pelletier and Mrs. Pelletier, Mr. and Mrs. Arch Campbell, Mr. W. M. Walker, London; Mr. D. M. Tait, St. Thomas; Mr. J. Sampson, Windsor; Mr. J. K. Stewart, Toronto; Senator Kerr, Cobourg; Mr. James H. Coyne, St. Thomas; Mr. G. R. Pattullo, Woodstock; Mr. R. C. Macfie, Mr. Alex. Stuart and Senator Coffey, London; Mr. and Mrs. George Stephens, Chatham; Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Barron, John C. Elliott, Glenora; Mr. J. A. Walker, Chatham; Miss Carmichael, Nova Scotia.

Miss Mills, daughter of the deceased Judge, was on her way to Mexico, but was intercepted at Chicago by the death of her father. The other children are Mr. David Mills, Port Arthur; Mr. Blake Mills, Palmyra; Mr. Walter Mills, barrister, Ridgeway; Mrs. Fraser of Chapin, Mexico, and Mrs. Watts of Chihuahua, Mexico. Miss McCully, a niece of the deceased gentleman, is staying with Mrs. Mills and has been a great comfort to her.

STATUE OF OLIVER MOWAT.

Will be Placed in Queen's Park at Toronto.

Toronto, May 11.—It is understood that steps will be at once taken by the Ontario Government toward the erection of a monument to the memory of the late Sir Oliver Mowat. It is proposed to ask the House to pass a preliminary vote of at least \$5,000 this session and the bronze will probably be ordered soon after. Next year will be time enough to purchase the pedestal. It is intended to make the statue a full-size heroic figure, and to place it on the east side of the main walk leading to the Parliament buildings in a corresponding position to that of Hon. George Brown. The addition of this monument will add to the historic interest of Queen's Park, which already contains memories to the Veterans of 1866, the Veterans of 1885, Queen Victoria, George Brown and Sir John A. Macdonald, with a monument to Governor Simcoe, now being made ready for a place on the east side, to be unveiled on the 27th.

TWO HUNDRED KILLED.

Reported Destruction of Moslem Mosque.

Vienna, May 11.—A mosque at Kintpril, in which two hundred Moslems had assembled, was, according to a despatch to The Die Zeitung from Sofia, Bulgaria, blown up with dynamite May 2. The worshippers were buried in the ruins. The perpetrator of the outrage, a man named Popow, committed suicide by shooting. A paper found in one of his pockets discovered him as a member of the "Macedonian Knights of Death."

THE AUSTRALIAN STRIKE.

Lines Tampered With and Engines Derailed—Government Firm.

Melbourne, Victoria, May 11.—Railroad strike reports show that the railroad lines have been tampered with, causing the derailing of engines. A strong force of police is held in readiness for eventualities. The street car service has been greatly interrupted. A splendid reception was given to Premier Irvine at the Mayor's luncheon to-day. Mr. Irvine said the Government had left nothing undone to avert a calamity, and come what may, the community never will allow the control of its property to pass into the hands of a section of the people.

JOAQUIN MILLER DEAD.

The Well-known Poet Expired Suddenly at His Home.

Oakland, Cal., May 11.—Joaquin Miller, the "poet of the Sierras," died here suddenly to-night.

GREAT FIRE AT OTTAWA.

A THOUSAND PEOPLE ARE HOMELESS.

Origin Said to be Incendiary—A Suspect Arrested—The District Was Part of That Burned Over in 1900—Water Pressure Was Very Poor and no Explosives Were Available With Which to Destroy Houses.

Ottawa, May 11.—The fire which cut a wide swath through the City of Ottawa yesterday was not particularly destructive from a monetary point of view. As many dollars could easily be lost in one small block in a great city. What renders the conflagration particularly deplorable is that some two hundred homes were led into its insatiable jaws, and one thousand souls are dependent on their friends and neighbors for a place whereon to lay their heads.

Many of the humble houses consumed are said to have been uninsured, as the companies demand special premiums on such risks. If it be true that the fire was started by the man whom the Ottawa police have in custody, it is pitiable to reflect on the widespread loss which an ill-conditioned wretch is capable of occasioning.

The fire started near the St. Louis dam, in one of Mr. J. R. Booth's lumber yards. The alarm was turned in about 3:40 in the afternoon, and so rapid was the march of flame that by 7 o'clock it had left a hundred acres of desolation in its wake.

John White, a firebug, is blamed for the deed and is now in custody at the police station. Ten years ago White was sent down for seven years for arson. Since his release he has been closely watched, and it is alleged that he was actually seen to start the flames. In a less orderly community a man's arrest on such a charge would have been followed by a speedy lynching.

The conflagration started at about 3:40 o'clock, but it was preceded by a minor outbreak which awakened the residents of the district to the perils which confronted them. The first alarm occurred at about 12:30. Flames had broken out in a wooden building sheathed with tin which contained a hay-pressing machine. It was surrounded with lumber and only needed a spark to convert it into a raging furnace. People coming out from church saw a vast column of smoke pouring up into the sky, and pressed towards the spot to learn the cause, their thoughts recurring to the great fire of April, 1900. But the brigade were promptly on the scene, and in an hour and a half the flames were extinguished and only a few smouldering ashes and charred sticks marked the site of the building where hay had been pressed for consumption in South Africa.

The residents of the district, who had swarmed out in hundreds to watch the flames, returned to their mid-day meal satisfied that all danger was past. A couple of hours later witnessed the comfortable houses of these people licked up by a roaring, devastating torrent of flame that consumed everything standing in its way. This second outbreak originated in a corner of the lumber piled on the south of the Sparks estate near the junction of the Parry Sound and the C. P. R. railway tracks. The flames, fanned by the high breeze, ran across a vacant lot and seized upon a house on Pine street. From this point it travelled in a southerly direction across Preston, Anderson, Rochester and Willow streets to Division street.

The streets so obliterated, wholly or partially, were Pine, Poplar, Anderson, Eccles, Somerset, Spruce, Elm, Maple and Albert. It was a pitiable sight to see the occupants of these houses abandoning their homes to the flames. In some cases they were able to save their furniture, and the thoroughfares radiating from the fire-swept area were choked with teams loaded down with furniture and household goods of all kinds. There seemed to be no lack of conveyances. Heavy drays, light expresses and buggies and livery rigs were pressed into the service, and as fast as these were loaded they moved away to distant points of safety. The

ashes were one to some description, the shouts and cries of workers as they rushed to and fro bearing the contents of dwellings, or stores, the roaring and crackling of the flames, the concussion of falling walls and roofs, and the howling of the hurricane as it drove the flames before it in an inferno of fury. The black smoke as it rushed towards the sky assumed all sorts of distorted shapes and spread out in sable streamers, myriads of sparks and burning embers darting hither and thither.

The brigade for a long time seemed helpless to stem the torrent of the flames. About 4 o'clock the valves on one of the chief mains leading from the pump house broke, and for forty minutes or an hour the supply of water was practically shut off. It was repaired in hot haste, but precious moments had been wasted. The lumber north of Somerset street, on what is known as the north half of the Sparks estate, helped to create a veritable volcano of flame. It extended right down to Wellington street and the Richmond road, and at one point the piles ran in front of Martin & Warrack's flour mill. The employees of the mill, led by the two partners, worked like Trojans to save the mill. They had only a single hose and it was a long and weary struggle. The heat was so intense as to be almost unbearable.

City Assessment Commissioner Pratt estimates that at least 150 buildings were burned. Half were wooden structures, and the remainder either brick veneered or of solid brick. He thinks most of them were insured, as the people had profited by the lesson of the previous fire. As far as can be learned the total loss is about \$600,000, of which amount \$150,000 would probably represent ten million feet of lumber destroyed. The houses and contents, however, perhaps, aggregate \$450,000.

LAND GRANT SOLD.

Canadian Northern Disposes of 3,000,000 Acres.

Winnipeg, May 11.—A despatch from St. Paul confirms the purchase by Col. A. D. Davidson of Duluth, Minn., and associates, of the entire land grant of the Canadian Northern Railway, exceeding three million acres, the consideration being twelve million dollars. Among the parties interested are—Col. A. B. Davidson, A. D. McRae and Geo. C. Howe, Duluth; A. R. Davidson, Little Falls, Minn.; D. P. McDonald, Fort Qu'Appelle, N.W.T.; A. J. Adamson, Rosthern, N.W.T.; F. C. Kenaston, George F. Piper, W. D. Douglass, Minneapolis, Minn.

The Manitoba & Saskatchewan Valley Land Co., Limited, with a capital of five million dollars, will be organized at once, with offices in Canada, the United States and England, for the purpose of colonization and settlement.

Girl's Strap Slippers..

A large variety of Girl's Strap Slippers has been put into stock at prices from

50c. to \$1.00, sizes 3 to 7 1/2

75c. to \$1.25, sizes 8 to 10 1/2

\$1 and \$1.25, sizes 11 to 2

These are the best we have ever offered for the money.

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If There is Gas on your street why not get a Famous Gas Range installed in your home and be ready to do cooking in comfort during the coming hot days. The 1903 range has the "Star" Burner with flame spreader. It's a gas saver. See range in operation in the Ark, and at the city gas office ask for names of parties using "The Famous" gas range in the city; also best lines of oil and gasoline stoves. Prices from 90c up to \$10 each. Best goods at low prices.

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