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MILITANCY IS
FAST GOING MAD

Latest Outrages of the Suffragettes Wrecking the Votes For Women Movement.

By Oliver Stanton.

LONDON, March 15.—A new and sinister phase in the history of the militant has now been entered upon. Either the bomb incident must lead to further criminal acts of a grave nature, or it must demonstrate to the militant suffragettes themselves how futile—worse than futile—such methods are.

The breaking-up of political meetings was bad enough, raids on the houses of commons were worse; but they were regarded with more or less tolerance by the mass of the public. Now it looks as if we were in for a period of anarchy which will simply irritate the ordinary citizen beyond endurance. It is all very well for Mrs. Pankhurst and Mrs. Drummond to assert that they are out simply to annoy and poster cabinet ministers, and have no hope or intention of endangering human life, but bombs are arguments and annoyances which cannot be dismissed in that offhand way. Besides, if Mrs. Drummond were anxious for anyone to attach importance to her postulations she should be more guarded in her exultation when anything more than ordinarily disquieting occurs. First to state that human life is sacred and then clap one's hands at an action which might possibly have killed a dozen men, speaks too much of hypocrisy.

Greater World Craving. And the worst of it is that this kind of thing becomes a disease. It creates a morbid craving for excitement and risk in the minds of those who indulge in it, and, if once the militant partisans who have pledged themselves for "active service" are blessed (?) with a few successes in such enterprises, all the pious admonitions and smirking warnings of their leaders will not keep them in check.

Apart from all this, however, the matter is of deepest moment to the cause itself. The demand for votes for women is based upon the principle that, as women are equally responsible with men for creating the wealth, prosperity, and happiness of the nation, they should have an equal share in the administration of government. In short, it is the fundamental principle of democracy. Rightly or wrongly, the majority of men do not believe that, or, if they do, the matter does not strike them as being important enough to worry about. I believe they are wrong. I believe it is a serious matter to any nation when one sex, because of its sex, is kept from exercising thought and power on national problems. But there it is. Men have the power to give or withhold the franchise to women, and they choose to withhold it.

Ministers Scapegoats. Liberal cabinet ministers have been made the scapegoats for this. They have been alternately cursed, taunted and ridiculed. But why? I have no word for Liberals, cabinet ministers or otherwise, but I think the movement has been unjust in blaming them for not giving women the vote. As a matter of fact I would like to see the present government defeated at once. In my opinion it is the worst government we have had for a long, long time, but not because of its attitude on the question of votes for women. And the electorate means the common man, whom one member of the cabinet, or in the theatre, or at meeting, or in the street, or at the kind of functions, political or otherwise.

No suffragettes realize all there is yet before them? Think of the hundreds and hundreds of thousands of women who are frankly indifferent. Think of the enormous number who are opposed. Here is the field for propaganda. Once convince the women of the necessity for the parliamentary franchise and there will be little to fear from either men voters or members of the government. The individual woman will tackle the individual man and do it far more effectively than the W. S. P. U. members, with all their waste of energy, can ever hope to do.

But it will not be done by either threats or violence—petty or serious. "I think it's grand," remarked Mrs. Drummond with enthusiasm; it shows the determination of women. When Mr. Lloyd George learns that his house has been wrecked he will "toughen" it. Will he? Perhaps he will. But the seriousness of the situation will not affect Lloyd George overmuch. The serious part of the business is now it will affect the cause Mrs. Drummond professes to serve.

BIG CARNIVAL AT THE BIG RIVERDALE ROLLER RINK TOMORROW NIGHT.

Of all the carnivals held in Toronto, especially among the roller skaters, it goes without repeating, the big Riverdale roller rink leads. This popular rink always gives the most valuable prizes, and this year, at the big St. Patrick's carnival, Monday night, there will be no less than 17 valuable prizes given to those in costume. Among the leading prizes given this year there is a handsome diamond ring and a beautiful eight-day clock; also a solid leather handbag; and also a solid leather suitcase. There will be plenty of music, no less than 21 band numbers. Altogether, this promises to be "one great, big night of wholesome fun for the young folks."

This rink has engaged new managers for the floor; the rules are the strictest of any rink in America; and yet they cater to the masses at popular prices, and get the ways have an enjoyable time at the big Riverdale rink, which is conceded one of the few large, high-class rinks of the world.

Church's 900th Anniversary.

The church of St. Alfege, Greenwich, is celebrating its 900th anniversary, and at a thanksgiving service recently the preacher was the Archbishop of Canterbury.

The honorary governors who will visit the Toronto general hospital during the week commencing March 16, are: Sir Edmund Osler, M. P., and Col. Sir Henry M. Pelham.

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We are extending the special sale of these famous machines until Monday night, whereby you can secure one at the reduced prices, and pay for it on easier-than-usual terms. An opportunity that comes seldom.



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Sale of Mission Furniture

Wherein we offer you choice at Liberally Reduced Prices from Thousands of Dollars worth of Sample Pieces and Discontinued Patterns picked up by Our Buyers on their Annual Spring trip.

We have had many of these "Mission Furniture Sales" in past years, but none of them gave promise of so much success as the one we are ready to conduct next week, for never have we begun with so many splendid pieces, and never have we bought so favorably, allowing us to make prices more attractive than ever. In explanation of these sales we should tell you that each season the makers cut out of their catalogues some of the patterns of the previous season, substituting for them other patterns that the designers have brought out. Not that the discontinued ones are in any way inferior, but that they must give way to the newer creations in order to maintain newness and freshness in the various lines.

Settee at \$18.00

48 inches long, fumed oak, spring seat in Spanish leather. Regular price \$25.00. Arm Chair to match at \$9.95. Regular price \$12.50. Rocker to match at \$9.75. Regular price \$13.50.

Library Table at \$11.75

24 x 42 inch top, fumed oak, magazine shelves. Regular price \$16.00.

Smokers Stand at \$5.75

In fumed oak, lock door with brass ash trays, etc. Regular price \$7.75.

Tabourette at \$4.95

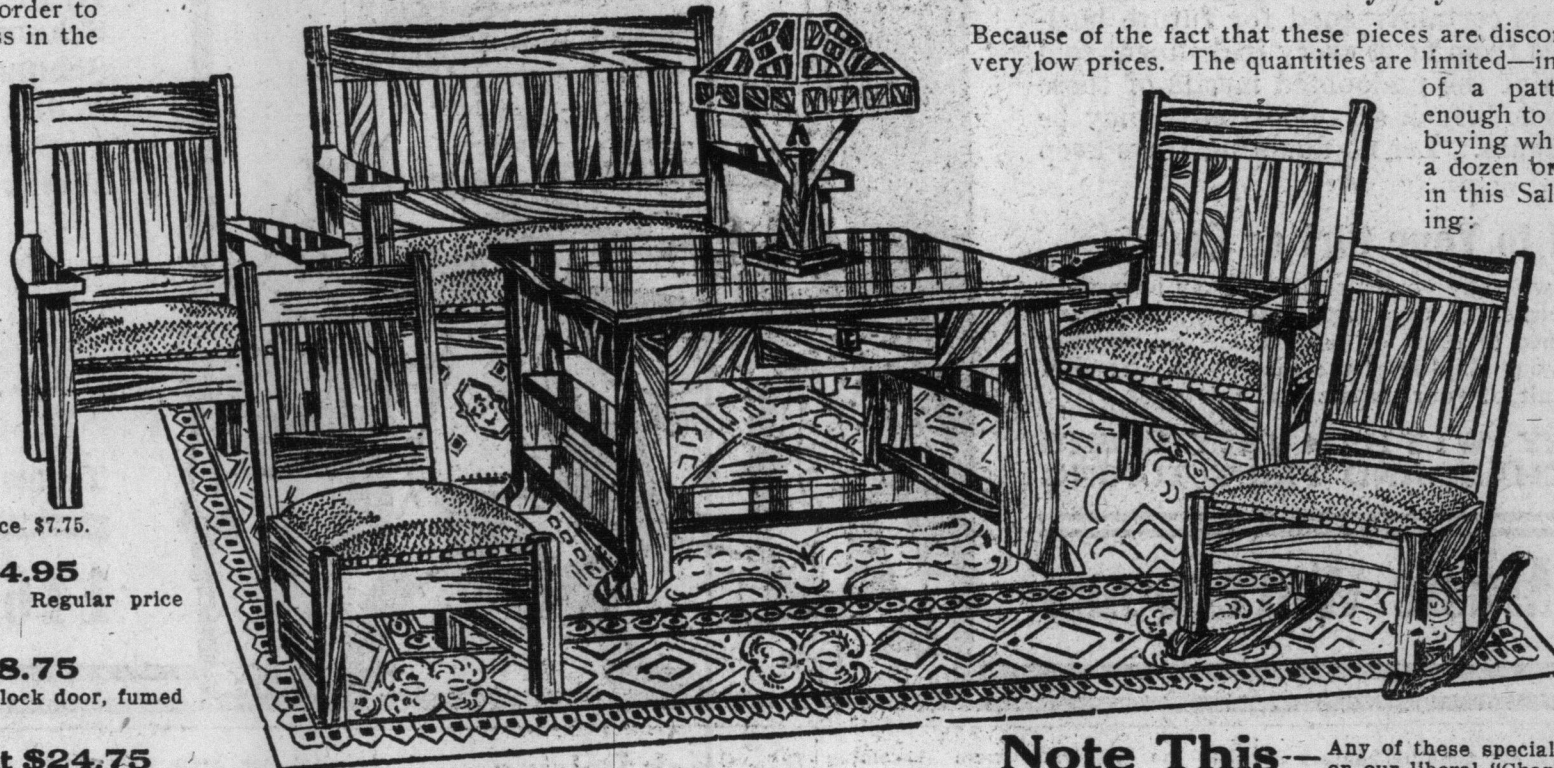
In quarter-cut oak, fumed finish. Regular price \$7.25.

Collarette at \$18.75

Revolving decanter holder, double lock door, fumed oak. Regular price \$27.00.

High Back Rocker at \$24.75

Fumed oak, in Spanish leather, spring seat and pad back. Regular price \$35.00.



Because of the fact that these pieces are discontinued, they are sold to us at very low prices. The quantities are limited—in most cases not more than one of a pattern—but the variety is big enough to provide excellent choosing and buying while the Sale lasts. We give you a dozen or more examples of the pricing in this Sale, which starts Monday morning:

Secretary at \$12.95

In fumed oak, large drawer, with book shelf below. Regular price \$17.50.

Club Card Table at \$16.95

36-inch round top, with card drawers and smokers' shelves. Regular price \$23.00.

Music Cabinet at \$8.95

In fumed oak, lock door. Regular price \$12.00.

Easy Chair at \$34.75

Loose cushions, in No. 1 Spanish leather. Regular price \$47.00.

Note This—Any of these special pieces in the sale may be bought on our liberal "Charge Account" plan. No advance in cost is made to the sale prices for this privilege.

More Money-saving Hints of Our Preparations for a Big and Busy Day Here Monday:—

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For Dainty New Lace

Curtains

Nottingham Lace, neat floral and scroll designs, durable quality, extra well made and finished, elegant edges, plain or figured centres, white or ivory, 48 inches wide by 3 to 3 1/2 yards long. Regularly priced up to \$4.75 per pair. Monday, per pair **3.49**

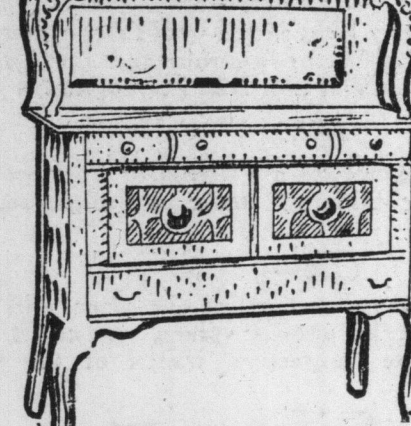
Swiss Curtains, genuine Irish points, floral and conventional designs, applied on fine quality nets, plain or sprayed centres, white, ivory or two-tones, 50 inches wide by 3 to 3 1/2 yards long. Regularly \$7.00 per pair. Special on Monday at, per pair **3.95**



Save as Much as \$14.10 Monday

on a Nice

Buffet

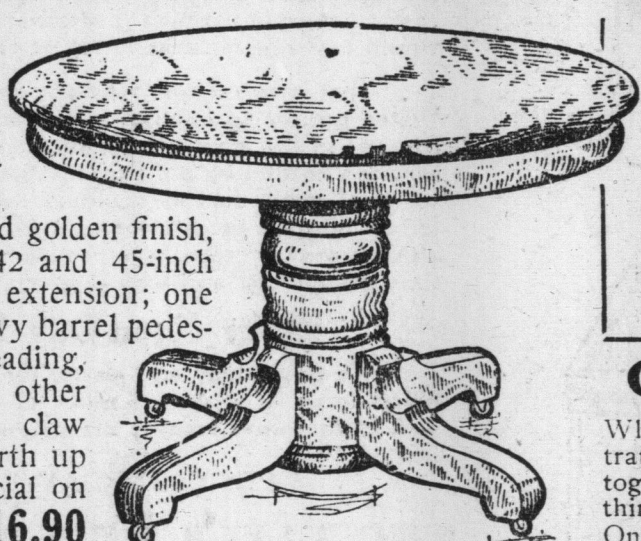


Choice of half a dozen designs, in selected quartered oak, fumed and golden finish, 48-inch cases; one design has two swell front cutlery drawers, one lined, full length linen drawer, large double cupboard, best quality locks and wooden trimmings; full length heavy British plate glass; other designs with shaped French legs, claw feet. Regularly worth up to \$48. Monday your choice at **33.90**

Pedestal Tables

\$16.90

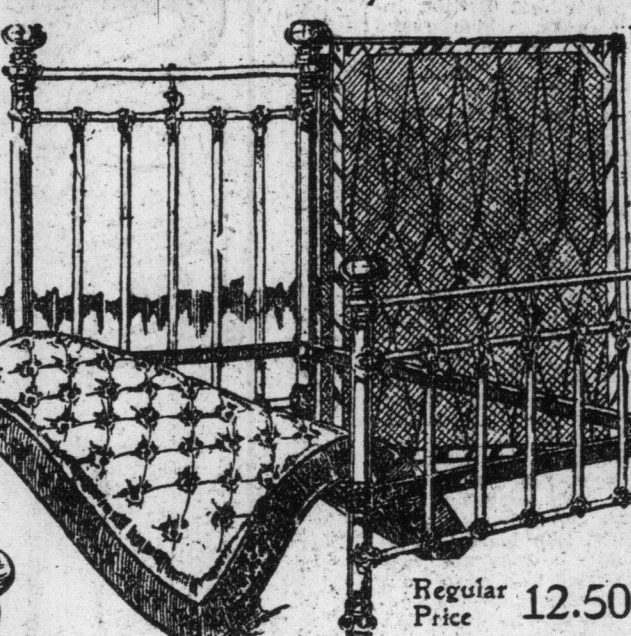
Made of selected quartered oak, fumed and golden finish, two designs, 42 and 45-inch tops, full 6 ft. extension; one design has heavy barrel pedestal, with spreading, colonial feet; other design with claw feet. Reg. worth up to \$24. Special on Monday at. **16.90**



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Bed Spring and
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In choice polished quarter-cut golden oak or mahogany, with choice of oval or shaped British bevel mirrors supported by neatly shaped standards, full serpentine fronts, containing 4 long and 2 small drawers, best quality lock to each, wood or brass trimmings, easy running drawer guides, exceptionally well finished with choice stock used throughout. Regular price range up to \$32.50. Your choice Monday for. **21.65**



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