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SPECIALS!

On Sale To-night
And Monday . . .

Bleached Cottons

Pure bleached even thread, yard wide cotton, put up especially for our store, in packages of 10 yards, very special value, the piece, of 10 yards for a piece

98c

Dress Goods

Our sale of Dress Goods is proving very interesting to a great many ready buyers, your choice of 50 pieces dress goods in good seasonable styles, worth 75c up to \$2.00 a yard, for

47c

Embroideries

Embroidery ends, in length 1 1/2, 2, 2 1/2, 3 up to 4 1/2 yards, various qualities, marked to clear at much reduced prices.

59c

Children's and Misses' Underwear

Children's and Misses' Combination Undersuits, in marine and Scotch wool, knee-length, worth \$1.25, \$2.00 and \$2.50 a suit, on sale for

46c

Napkins

Combined sale of manufacturers seconds, in pure linen bleached damask napkins, dinner size, values offered such as these:—

per dozen \$1.25

\$2.00 and \$2.75 values for

per dozen \$1.50

\$3.50 and \$4.50 values for

per dozen \$2.50

Lace Curtains

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Made of plain and striped shaker flannel, trimmed with ruffles and embroidery, regular price \$1.00 a garment, to-night and Monday at half price—

20c to 50c

Thomas Stone & Son

620 for the Little Folks



WE have Shoes that will delight the mother's heart, and not make a very deep hole in the father's pocket. For big and little, young and old, there's plenty here to see, to admire, to purchase and to wear.

Our Ladies
Golf Boots

REDUCED TO

\$2.50

Are special bargains. They are going fast. Call and see them.

TURRILL, The SHOE MAN

THE PROPHET

Joseph Smith, a prophet of the living God, was the main thread of argument which occupied the time of Elder R. C. Evans in his lecture last evening. A larger audience than on the previous evening greeted the Elder and a more intelligent and better behaved one has seldom listened to a public speaker in our city. The Elder seemed somewhat worn or perhaps as little tired, as he has been months on the road lecturing every day, and sometimes twice or thrice to audiences throughout Canada. It is wonderful the vitality he exhibits, and using an expression of a Stratford paper, "the Elder must have lungs like a blacksmith's bellows and throat like fine tempered brass," to stand the awful strain of preaching day and night beside doing his vast amount of ministerial work, and that without an amanuensis.

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BRITAIN RULES THE WAVES

Proud Position will be Maintained by the British Admiralty.

Forty-nine New Ships to be put into Water This Year—Others to Follow.

London, Feb. 21.—The Secretary of the Admiralty, H. C. Arnold-Forster, introduced the naval estimates for 1902-03 in the House of Commons today. They show a total of £20,255,000, as compared with £20,875,000 last year.

During the course of an accompanying statement Mr. Arnold-Forster remarked that no thinking man could have anticipated any reduction from the estimates of last year, in view of the fact that the army was engaged in a difficult conflict seven thousand miles away.

In regard to the naval reserve, the Secretary had discovered that there were legal objections to the engagement of men in Newfoundland. The movement would therefore be temporarily arrested, but legislation would be introduced legalizing the engagement of men in every part of the empire.

He also said that the progress of naval construction during the past year had been unparalleled.

The present estimates, said the Secretary, gave the government £15,000,000 for new ships, and it was intended to spend the money. No fewer than forty-nine ships would be put in the water during the present year, and next year there would be under construction sixty ships in addition to twenty-seven others that would be laid down. Besides these a large program of reconstruction would be undertaken, thereby adding greatly to the fighting power of the fleet. Guns of more formidable calibre would be mounted on many vessels and six-inch guns of the latest and most improved type would replace the 4.7 guns, which it was hoped would never come, but against which the Admiralty was in duty bound to provide.

After giving further details of the Admiralty's program the Secretary concluded with remarking that what the Admiralty was determined on was to prepare the fleet for war—a preparation for that day of God, which it was hoped would never come, but against which the Admiralty was in duty bound to provide.

WARM WELCOME

Social Gathering Extended it to Rev. Mr. Larkin Last Evening.

A very large gathering attended the social of the Ladies' Aid of the First Presbyterian Church last evening. The social was a success in every way. The event of the evening was the arrival of the Rev. Mr. Larkin, the old pastor, who was most heartily welcomed. A general, all-round shaking of hands was the result. Mr. Larkin will occupy the pulpit at both services of to-morrow.

Those who took part in the evening's program were:—Mrs. John Cooper, solos; W. H. Brackin, accompanist; Mrs. S. J. Stone, solos; Miss Taylor, solo; Miss McLean, instrumental solo; Miss Ella Smith, instrumental solo.

After the program refreshments were served.

When you want an artistic design, made with the choicest and freshest flowers, your wants can always be supplied at the Victoria Avenue Green Houses.

SUPPLIES FOR AFRICA

Ottawa, Feb. 21.—The annual report of the department of agriculture which was presented to parliament today, shows that the department had forwarded the following to South Africa: Hay, 96,228 tons; flour, 38,235 bags; oats, 56,228 bags; beef, 40,722 cases; jam, 11,748 cases. The expenditure of the war office for this was \$700,000. Before all the contracts are completed the amount will be about \$7,000,000.

The department has received an order for 15,000 long tons of hay, equal to 16,780 Canadian tons, to be shipped to South Africa during the month of March. The department has already placed the order for 10,000 tons.

London, Feb. 21.—The transport Victoria with the second section of the Third Canadian Mounted Rifles on board, arrived at Cape Town yesterday afternoon.

BOER LEADERS WRITE KRUGER

Important Communication being Transmitted by Dr. Albrecht.

Dutch Premier Denies His Government Action on its own Initiative.

Antwerp, Feb. 21.—Dr. Albrecht, who has just returned from the Transvaal, will proceed to-morrow to Utrecht to see Mr. Kruger to whom he is said to bring an important secret communication from the Boer leaders in South Africa. Dr. Albrecht predicts the long continuance of the war. He says the blockhouse system will not affect the final result. It may cost the Boers a few more men, but they will never surrender and the British will never possess the Transvaal.

KUYPER'S DENIAL.
London, Feb. 21.—A despatch from The Hague to The Times says the Standard, formerly the Journal of Premier Kuyper, denies the press interviews representing that the Dutch government acted on its own initiative and not at the instance of Boer delegates in approaching the British government.

"THE CALL"

Subject at the Special Service in Christ Church Last Night.—Good Meeting.

"The Call of Abraham" was the subject of a very interesting and practical address by Rev. Arthur Murphy in Christ Church last night. It proved to be one of the best the reverend gentleman has delivered since beginning his mission in Christ Church. Many very necessary and important lessons were taught by the missionary, lessons urgently needed in this Christian age, distinguished as it is by earnestness of thought and effort, and yet marred and weakened by much loose and what may be termed worldly Christianity. The preacher pleaded for entire consecration and showed how absolutely essential it was to the strength and spread of God's kingdom on earth. He referred to the wonderful faith of Abraham and pointed out his unhesitating obedience to the command of God, and said that the call of Abraham was emblematic of the Gospel call now ringing throughout this and other Christian lands.

The preacher pointed out two or three of the errors in judgment and conduct that Abraham had made. The first was his stay in Haran, lasting some fifteen or twenty years. He should have gone straight to Canaan, as commanded by God. During Abraham's residence in Haran he did not enjoy that sweet fellowship with God which he had had in the path of obedience; he had stood still when he should have marched on. Mr. Murphy then stated that a good many Christians had settled down in Haran, and he said of this they had lost the consecration of God's presence, they were no longer in the enjoyment of sweet and comforted with dreams and visions from Heaven during his stay in Haran. He should have hastened on the soil he pitched his tent on the sacred soil of the Promised Land. Then again, he made a mistake when he went down into Egypt, said the speaker. This step was wrong. It was an evidence of weak faith. And as it had been in Haran, so it was in Egypt, there were no revelations from God. Abraham was miserable. It was only in the path of obedience that he enjoyed the conscious presence and power of God. And so, today, if we would enter into the joy and peace of God, if we would influence others for good, we must tread the path of obedience; we must be out and out for Jesus. We are to be lights shining in a dark world, and to be such demands full surrender entire consecration.

BIG SPLIT IN LIBERAL RANKS

Party not Agreed on the Prohibition Bill—Ross Rushing it.

Will Then Hurry on the Election—Liquor men and Prohibitionists Dissatisfied.

Toronto, Feb. 21.—The Evening News says: "An impression is abroad that Premier Ross, because of certain dissension in his ranks over the Liquor Act, has determined to put the measure through as rapidly as possible, and hurry to the provinces. He is not at all anxious to have the malcontents hanging around the Parliament buildings and stirring up trouble. The longer the delay, the greater will be the discomfiture. There are those who affirm that three weeks will see the members hastening to their constituencies to make ready for the election. It is said that the Premier did not confide the Referendum Bill in its entirety to his colleagues, and that in some particulars it was as much of a surprise to the Government supporters as it was to the Conservatives.

The liquor men are dissatisfied with Mr. Ross' prohibition measure. Since the introduction of the bill the executive committee of the Ontario Licensed Victuallers' Association have had several meetings, and finally they have decided to press the Government to make changes in the bill that would make it more suitable to them. The present proportion of the vote on the referendum is unsuitable to the hotelmen, and they will make a demand that the conditions be changed, so that before prohibition is given a majority of the qualified voters will have to vote in its favor. They will further demand that a compensation clause be placed in the measure. There has been talk of changing the date of the vote on the referendum to January from October 14th. This the hotelmen will protest against. They want the referendum vote taken as soon as possible so that they may be able early in the spring to make any improvements to their houses. It is pointed out that no improvements will be made in hotels until the prohibition question has been settled.

The Ontario Conservatives who are in the city held a further conference this morning. Prohibition was discussed, as it has been at a number of private meetings which Mr. Whitney has held recently with prominent Conservatives of the province. The impression is gaining ground that the party will move the six months' hoist of the bill.

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DISASTROUS

Ridgetown Beat Chatham at Hockey by an Unmentionable Score.

Some time in the distant past Chatham possessed a hockey team, a hockey team that was not dazed by the lights of the indoor rink of Ridgetown, or any other town. But that was surely in the past.

It was in the past for this reason. A number of Chatham young men, who profess to make up a hockey team, journeyed to Ridgetown yesterday afternoon and played the team of that town—or, at least, enabled the team of that town to play with them. One of the players from here, said the score was 21 to three, but the game was not at all one-sided. This is the only game the local team has played this year, which probably accounts for the disastrous result.

The Chatham players were—but that would be telling tales.

TO HALIFAX

A Number of Maple City Young Men Will Serve in Militia.

Corporal Taylor of Wolesley barracks, London, was in the city today getting recruits for the 3rd Battalion Royal Canadian Regiment, now serving in Halifax. Corporal Taylor secured about 16 recruits here and sent them on to London this afternoon. The men will stay in London till March 7, when, with the recruits from other places, they will be sent on to Halifax. These who enlisted were:—Alfred Wrigley, Percy Hewson, Fred Leroy, Fred Barrett, William Trudell, Harry Wood, William Wonnacotte, Geo. Ward, Robert Wilcox, Joseph Labombard, Geo. Rice, Roy Burgess, Herbert Darr, Frank Simmons, Leonard Faulbert, and Edward Primeau. All these men were examined by Dr. W. H. Tye, and found to be perfectly sound.

YUKON REFORM

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 21.—Minister of Justice Fitzpatrick intimated to the commonsense today that the government would shortly consider the whole question of Canada's judicial arrangements in the Yukon territory. This is understood to mean a general reorganization of the staff of officials and possibly a rearrangement of their duties, functions and jurisdiction. Finance Minister Fielding in the commonsense today stated that the reports of Lord Strathcona's retirement as high commissioner of Canada in London and the appointment of a successor were entirely unfounded. He referred to the telegraphed statements that Sir Richard Cartwright was to succeed his lordship. He expressed the hope that Canada would long continue to enjoy the advantage of Strathcona's services in London.

DRASTIC DEED OF YOUNG MAN

Geo. Sutton Shot and Killed His Sweetheart, a Philadelphia Girl.

Their Parents Strongly Opposed Wedding on Account of Difference in Religion.

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 21.—George Sutton, eighteen years old, shot and instantly killed his sweetheart, Gertrude Goehie, 22 years old, this afternoon. The youth was a Presbyterian and the girl a member of the Roman Catholic Church. They had been lovers for about a year, but the opposition of their parents because of the difference in religion prevented their marriage.

Several days ago the girl fell and sustained injuries that caused her to remain in bed. To-day, accompanied by his mother, Sutton went to call on Miss Goehie. They were accompanied to her room by her mother, but after a few minutes the mothers withdrew to the lower floor. They had been out but a few minutes when they heard shots. When they went into the room they found the girl in the bed, blood flowing from a wound in her head and another in her breast.

Sutton did not speak, but left the room without being questioned by either woman. He walked into the street and fell before he had gone ten feet. A policeman noticed he was bleeding and sent him to University hospital. The bullet had penetrated the left lung and he will die. The girl was shot through the heart.

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FEW FACTS

Secretary Davis of Library Board Gives them Re Carnegie Offer.

"There seems to be considerable opposition to accepting the Carnegie library grant," said Secretary of the Library Board Davis to The Planet morning, "from the standpoint of sentiment. Some people seem to think that Mr. Carnegie will want the library to be named after him and will impose some humiliating conditions."

"This, however, is not the case. I wrote to some of the places in Canada where grants have been received and I have received replies from Windsor and Stratford. Both of these places say that there is no stipulation as to naming the library or building. The only conditions are that the city shall be held responsible for a yearly contribution to the library of 10 per cent. of the grant made by him and a free site for the building."

This yearly allowance will not have to be paid by the city as fines and fees, etc., connected with the library and the government grant will be included in it. Fifteen hundred dollars has been named as the amount of the yearly allowance desired. For the past five years the expenditure on the library has been on an average \$1,520 a year, so that there will be practically no difference.

"It is figured that the interest on the amount needed for purchasing a site capitalized at 4 per cent. will not amount to more than the rent which is paid yearly for the present building. Of course there will be an increase in expenditure for fuel, light and a janitor, but this will not be heavy.

In another column of this paper appears a card from President, Secretary and General Manager of the Binder Twine Factory. It is pleasing to note that the present board of directors have settled all the differences that have arisen, so amicably, and the business-like manner in which such settlements have been made reflects great credit upon the new General Manager, J. J. Ross.

Pete Browning received a severe blow over the back of the head on Saturday afternoon, November 8th. Pete said that Alfred Simmons had struck him with a rock and he swore out a warrant charging Simmons with assault. Simmons was not located by the police till last night and this morning he appeared before Judge Houston. He was remanded till Monday for trial and released on \$25 cash bail.

TERRIBLE FIRE IN NEW YORK

Avenue Hotel and Armory Practically in Ruins From the Flames.

Many Lives Lost—One Woman Leaped to the Ground and Was Fatally Hurt.

New York, Feb. 22.—Fire which broke out after midnight destroyed the 71st regiment armory between Thirty-third and Thirty-fourth street on Fourth avenue. The building occupied the entire block and was the headquarters of the 71st regiment, N. Y. N. G.; headquarters of the 5th brigade, 2nd battery, and the 1st signal corps.

The fire started on the main floor and burned upward very rapidly. Before 2 o'clock the entire building was in ruins.

A company of the 71st regiment was at drill last night and it is supposed the fire was started by the explosion of a magazine after the militiamen left the armory.

Before an alarm had been turned in the flames completely enveloped the building and when the firemen reached the scene the blaze had burst through the roof.

Shortly after 2 o'clock the walls of the armory on the Thirty-third street side fell with a tremendous crash.

The Park Avenue hotel is opposite the armory in Fourth avenue. A large quantity of powder stored in the armory has exploded. Ambulance calls were sent to Bellevue hospital, but it is not known whether anyone was injured.

The hotel caught on the third floor. The guests are all leaving, and some are being taken out by the firemen. The fire seems to be gaining headway in the hotel.

At 3:10 o'clock a woman guest jumped from the fifth story of the Park Avenue hotel. She was fatally injured.

Ambulance calls have been sent to all the hospitals in the lower section of Manhattan.

All available police reserves have been called to the scene of the fire. 3:30 a. m.—Up to this time six people have been taken out of the hotel by the firemen. It is feared that there are still others they will be unable to rescue.

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