

ESTABLISHED 1854. JOHN GATTO & SON

Clean-up Sale

In straightening up stocks after Christmas sales, we find many odds and ends of broken lines, etc., and it is now our purpose to get about clearing these out.

Lacy Bed Spreads, Linen Embroidered Bed Spreads, Marie Antoinette Lace, and Renaissance Lace Bed Spreads

In fine assortment of patterns and all sizes, have been greatly reduced for quick clearance at \$12.00 values for \$8.00, \$20.00 values for \$15.00, \$25.00 values for \$20.00, \$50.00 values for \$40.00.

Towel Bundles. Several hundred dozen, in various assortment of patterns, comprising the heavier, medium and light towels, bundled in six towels for this sale at \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.50 to \$5.00 per bundle.

Winter Underwear. New stock of the guaranteed non-irritating "Special Service" made in all sizes of combinations, vests, drawers, etc., light, medium and heavy weights.

Black Cashmere Stockings. Ladies' full-fashioned special value, last size, pair, \$3 for \$1.00; heavier grades at 50c, 75c, 90c pair.

Blankets. All packed in separate envelopes, and in perfect condition. Good, high grade, regular standard sizes, for single, three-quarter and double beds, pink and blue borders, all singly whipped.

Cotton Sheetings and Pillow Cases. We have immense stock of Canadian and English best makes, and are in position to give absolutely right values in every width, weight, etc.

White Quilt, Honeycomb, Dimity and Satin Damask. In all sizes and a variety of new patterns, in the most reliable grades. This stock is so varied that prices are impossible to give absolutely.

Table Cloth "Drive". An immense number of 3x2 yard Table Cloths, in pure Irish linen, with weavers' slight imperfections only, in ten different patterns. Regular \$3.00 value for \$2.00 each.

JOHN GATTO & SON. 55 TO 61 KING STREET EAST, TORONTO.

CARBOLIC END LIFE. Clerk, Said to Be Short in Funds, Found Dead.

Worried by business trouble, Fred Brookhill, 40 years, a clerk employed by the law firm of Singer & Singer, in the Kent building, with whom he was said to be short a considerable sum, was found dead in his bed at 45 Cecil-street last night at 6.15, by Sidney Chesire, another roomer in the house.

PREFERENCE FOR CANADIAN PULP. WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—(Can. Press.)—American pulp and print manufacturers are bringing pressure to bear upon President Taft to induce him to refuse to yield to the demand of certain European governments for the free admission of their pulp and print paper on terms of equality with the Canadian product.

VACUUM CLEANING FOR MINES. The vacuum-cleaning of coal mines is a new idea for preventing risk from dust, to which explosions are often due. An electrical firm has devised a special mine-cleaner, which includes a jet of compressed air for raising the dust from every crevice, with a bell-mouthed suction tube behind the air-mixing, and a fan which draws the dust into a cyclone. A single electric motor drives both the fan and the air-mixing, and the dust is blown into a vessel of water. At noon in summer the apex of the monument 350 feet above the ground is shifted, by expansion of the stone, a few hundredths of an inch toward the north. High winds cause perceptible motions of the plumb, and in still weather delicate vibrations of the crust of the earth, otherwise unperceived, are registered by it.

BENT BY THE SUN. The towering Washington monument, said as it is, cannot resist the heat of the sun, poured on its southern side on a midsummer's day, without a slight motion of the stone. This motion is rendered perceptible by means of a copper wire 1/4 feet long, hanging in the centre of the structure, and carrying a plumb suspended in a vessel of water. At noon in summer the apex of the monument 350 feet above the ground is shifted, by expansion of the stone, a few hundredths of an inch toward the north. High winds cause perceptible motions of the plumb, and in still weather delicate vibrations of the crust of the earth, otherwise unperceived, are registered by it.

KILLED ACCIDENTALLY. That John E. Pickett came to his death accidentally was the verdict returned by Coroner Slinger's jury yesterday afternoon. Pickett, according to Motorman Gatward's evidence, stepped in front of a Dupont car on Friday last from behind a hydro-electric manhole cover and was thrown to the ground before the motorman had time to reverse the power. He died of a fractured skull.

THE WEATHER

OBSERVATORY, TORONTO, Dec. 28.—(5 p.m.)—Decidedly colder weather has prevailed to-day throughout Canada, with temperatures much below zero in the western provinces. The disturbance has now passed over Newfoundland.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Atlin, 18 below—6 below; Prince Rupert, 14—24; Victoria, 35—40; Vancouver, 34—38; Kamloops, 10—24; Edmonton, 24 below—24 below; Battleford, 30 below—24 below; Fines Albert, 35 below—24 below; Calgary, 30 below—10 below; Moose Jaw, 24 below—17 below; Regina, 28 below—15 below; Winnipeg, 24 below—20 below; Port Arthur, 12 below—zero; Parry Sound, zero—20; London, 4—21; Toronto, 13—25; Ottawa, 4—10; Montreal, 8—10; Quebec, 4—10; St. John, 14—24; Halifax, 18—34.

Probabilities.—Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Fair and cold. Ottawa Valley and Upper St. Lawrence—Fair and decidedly cold. Lower St. Lawrence and Gulf—Strongly and decidedly cold. Maritime—Strongly northwesterly wind and decidedly cold. Superior—Northwesterly wind and decidedly cold, but some snow flurries. All West—Continued fair and cold weather.

THE BAROMETER. Time. Ther. Bar. Wind. 8 a.m. 29.58 32 N.W. Noon 29.58 32 N.W. 2 p.m. 29.58 32 N.W. 4 p.m. 29.58 32 N.W. 8 p.m. 29.58 32 N.W. Mean of day, 21. difference from average 2 below. Highest, 25; lowest, 18; snowfall, 4.

STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS. Dec. 28 At From. Laurentine... Liverpool... New York. Man. Shipper... Liverpool... St. John. La Providence... Havre... New York.

TO-DAY IN TORONTO. Royal Alexandra-Marie Cahill in "The Opera Ball," 8.15. Princess Blanche Bates in "Nobody's Widow," 8.15. Shea's Vaudeville, 2.15 and 8.15. Grand "Love's Young Dream," 8.15.

Street Car Delays. 6.40 a.m.—Dundas car off track at Ritchie-street; west-bound Dundas cars delayed 15 minutes.

7.30 a.m.—College car off track at Ossington-avenue, 15 minutes' delay. Carlton and College car.

7.40 a.m.—Car detailed at York and Richmond-streets, 10 minutes' delay. Dundas and College car.

8 a.m.—Parliament car off track at corner of Church and Queen-streets, 10 minutes' delay. Parliament and Broad-view.

8.05 a.m.—College car off the track at Ossington-avenue, 10 minutes' delay.

8.41 p.m.—Wagon derailed on track at Bathurst-street, 10 minutes' delay. Bathurst and Dundas.

8.45 p.m.—Horse fell on track, Church and Richmond, 5 minutes' delay. Broadview.

8.45 p.m.—The street wire down on Queen and Bathurst-streets, 30 minutes' delay, eastbound Queen and Dundas.

4.40 p.m.—Rear truck of Dundas car, jumped track, 20 minutes' delay. Queen west.

BIRTHS. DICK—At 61 Yarmouth road, on Dec. 27, 1911, to Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Dick, a daughter.

DEATHS. GORE—On Thursday morning, Dec. 28, at her residence, 130 Huron street, Katherine Gore, widow of the late James Gore of Mimico.

FUNERAL SERVICE, Dec. 30, at 8.30, to St. Patrick's church, thence to Mount Hope cemetery, Buffalo, Chicago, New York papers please copy.

HUNTER—On Wednesday evening, Dec. 27, 1911, at her late residence, 564 Markham street, Ann Brody, beloved wife of James Hunter, and sister of the late Sheriff Brody of Brampton.

FUNERAL on Friday, at 3 p.m., from above address, to Prospect cemetery. Please omit flowers.

LOGAN—At Toronto, on Thursday, Dec. 28, William Logan, aged 70, of Pickering, Ont.

Interment at Markham, on Saturday morning, the 30th inst.

LONGBOTTOM—Suddenly, on Dec. 28, Margaret Longbottom, beloved wife of C. G. Longbottom, in her 63rd year.

FUNERAL from her late residence, 130 St. Patrick street, at 2.30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 30, to Mount Pleasant cemetery. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation.

NORWICK—At her late residence, 27 Bevel avenue, on Thursday, Dec. 28, 1911, Mary, widow of the late Henry Norwick, in her 63rd year.

FUNERAL Monday, Jan. 1, at 2.30 p.m., to Mount Pleasant cemetery.

WILSON—At Cleveland (Cleve) R., beloved husband of Olive E. Wilson, aged 27 years.

FUNERAL from his father-in-law's residence, 52 Oak street, on Friday, Dec. 29, at 3.30 p.m. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation.

DIAMONDS Scheuer's

90 YONGE ST. O-O-O You get more gold in a Scheuer's

Plump 18 Carat Wedding RING

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SCHEUER'S

TORONTO SHOULD CREATE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT

Would Assure Proper Planning of City's Outlying Districts—Civic Improvement Committee.

The civic improvement committee, which was created by the city council in February, 1909, has issued a report of their findings. The report says in part:

The legislature should be asked to create a metropolitan district, with the necessary machinery to put in operation the securing and laying out of new roads which shall co-ordinate with and supplement existing streets, thus forming additional arteries.

Pertinent to this question is the following quotation from the third annual report of the traffic branch of the London Board of Trade:

"The time lost daily by millions of people thru insufficient road accommodation is alone equivalent to a loss of money, which, the impossible to estimate with accuracy, must be very large. It should further be borne in mind that the longer the improvements are postponed, the more costly they will be."

Premier Yuan May Quit CALL FOR MONEY FAILS

Chinese Princes Decline To Back Losing Cause and Rebels Are Contemptuous.

PEKING, Dec. 28.—(Can. Press.)—The assembly in the palace to-day to discuss affairs connected with a settlement of the revolution, was productive of at least one dramatic incident. The dowager empress, the premier, Yuan Shi Kai, and the princes of the imperial clan were present and the debate waxed so warm that finally Yuan Shi Kai arose and offered to resign.

This, however, was refused. Premier Yuan Shi Kai explained to the princes that he could continue the government and the country, but the princes of the Yangtze only by having funds placed at his disposal. He asked 500,000 to empower him to secure money. He explained that 100,000,000 would meet the payments for the soldiers for five months, after which the south would become disunited and province after province would return to their allegiance to the throne.

Cling To Wealth. But the princes were unmoved. They pleaded lack of money, although most of them are very wealthy. None has an annual income of less than \$100,000. The dowager empress wept, and Yuan Shi Kai showed signs of distress. Then he declared that he could not desert her and the child emperor, and agreed to continue.

It is said to-night that Yuan Shi Kai intends to make another attempt to "four nation" group, of which three of the countries signified their willingness to furnish a loan three weeks ago. England declining to participate.

Premier Takes Sick Leave. PARIS, Dec. 28.—A Pekin despatch to the Paris edition of The New York Herald, says:

Disgusted at the refusal of the imperial clan to contribute to the war chest, Yuan Shi Kai to-night took sick leave. It is believed that this presages his early retirement from the premiership. He bitterly resents the bad faith of Wu Ling Fang and his party in proposing a national congress and now taking up on a rump, not a representative congress. Yuan fears that a republic means the country's dissolution and believes that the only sane solution is to fight it out, but he is handicapped by lack of money.

Triumphant Revolutionaries. SHANGHAI, Dec. 28.—An imperial edict will not be accepted by the revolutionaries, except in the most liberal form under which a republic can be established without delay, or unless it provides for the recognition of the provisional government, of which Dr. Sun Yat Sen will be elected president to-morrow at the regular convention of the Nanking conference.

The revolutionary leaders here laugh at the apparent struggle of Yuan Shi Kai, the imperial premier, to temporarily with the situation, which they declare, has completely passed out of their hands.

Harper, Customs Broker, McKinnon Building, 10 Jordan St., Toronto, ed

WOULD THE SUBWAYS PAY? THEY WOULD—THEY DO IN N. Y.

The Tube in New York Pays 14 per Cent. Gross and Over 8 per Cent. Net on Investment—In 45 Years Earnings of One Would Build Three More Completely Paid for Tubes.

"In subway matters New York City has followed a policy which, in certain particulars, is far in advance even of the Chicago settlement ordinances. The subway now in operation will become the absolute property of the city after a term of years without a penny of taxes having been levied to pay for it, outside of the current expenses of the rapid transit commission that designed it and supervised its construction. Yet even this arrangement has proved astonishingly improvident. The subway with its equipment has cost in round figures 100 millions of dollars. The city contributed its credit for somewhat more than half of this amount, while the operating company has put in the rest, for equipment and as a contribution toward the construction cost of the Brooklyn extension. The subway is now earning a little over 14 per cent. gross and about 8 1/2 per cent. net on the entire investment. The share of the capital contributed by the city is taken care of by a rental that includes interest on the city bonds plus 1 per cent. for sinking fund. Under this arrangement the city bonds can be paid off from the accumulations of the sinking fund in less than 45 years. Meantime the company is earning on its own investment the average rate for the entire capital plus the surplus profits accruing from the city's share over and above rental, making 16 or 17 per cent. in all. Here is the point. Under its lease the company is not bound to build a rod of extension or to operate a rod if built by the city. The present subway has been inhumanly overcrowded for years. The city has been hard pressed by its debt limit, and for three or four years subway construction was practically at a standstill. And yet the present subway is earning enough money so that if interest and sinking fund charges at the city's rate were allowed on the entire investment and the balance of the profits were put into a separate sinking fund and were permitted to accumulate, within 45 years not only would the present subway with the entire equipment be paid for out of earnings, but an additional fund would be accumulated sufficient to build and equip three or four more subways of equal cost without the necessity of borrowing a dollar on either public or private credit or of levying a dollar of taxes for the purpose. That would mean at least four subways fully equipped and paid for at the end of 45 years.

And this applies particularly to visitors in the city, whom we cordially welcome in our fur showrooms.

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Muekrat linings; collars of Alaska, sable and Western sable; black, blue and green broadcloth shells. Were \$75.00. Now \$60.00.

Western Sable Sets

Throw-over tie and Alexandra muff. Were \$27.00. Now \$21.50.

Blue Wolf Sets

Large stole, with head and tails; pillow muff to match. Were \$42.50. Now \$34.00.

Hudson Bay Sable Set

Countess muff and fancy stole, with natural paws and tails. Were \$700.00. Now \$550.00.

Alaska Sable Sets

Large stole, with Imperial muff to match. Were \$40.00. Now \$30.00.

Natural Mink Sets

Large pillow muff and straight two-strand stole, with tails and paws. Were \$275.00. Now \$220.00.

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AMUSEMENTS.

ROYAL ALEXANDRA. MATINEE TO-MORROW.

MARIE CAHILL IN OPERABALL. Augmented Orchestra. Prices, 50c to \$1.50.

TO-DAY IS THE DAY TO BUY YOUR SEATS MARIE DRESSLER

IN "TILLIE'S NIGHTMARE" MATS. Mon. and Sat. 50c to \$1.50. NIGHTS—50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00.

PRINCESS BLANCHE IN BATES NOBODY'S WIDOW

Next Week—Ralph Herz in Dr. De Luxe

MASSEY HALL ALL THIS WEEK. The King & Kinemacolor

Entire Command Programme as presented at Sandringham before Their Majesties KING GEORGE and QUEEN MARY. Twice To-day.

REMEMBER THE NEW YEAR'S CONCERT

MASSEY HALL, MONDAY, JAN. 1st. SPECTACULAR PROGRAM. FOUR STARS IN THE COMPANY.

Popular Prices 25c and 50c. The plan is open at Massey Hall, also at Nordheimer's Music Store. Management of Wm. Campbell. Phone N. 10.

SHEA'S THEATRE

Matinee Daily, 2:30; Evenings, 7:30, 9:00, 10:30. Week of Dec. 25.

Gus Edwards' Song Revue of 1911. Loney Haskell, Norton & Lee, Kate Watson, Frank Stafford & Co., Stenagh Bros., The Kinetograph, Ed. Blondell & Co.

GAYETY DAILY MATS. BURLESQUE & VAUDEVILLE

SAM HOWE'S LOVE MAKERS

20-DIVING GIRLS—20 Next Week—Robinson "Crusoe Girls."

GRAND OPERA HOUSE

MATS. WED 25c, 50c Fiske O'Hara

In His Latest Success Love's Young Dream

NEXT—Way Down East

STAR BURLESQUE

MOULIN ROUGE

NEXT WEEK—Kentucky Belles.

Riverdale Roller Rink

SATURDAY NIGHT NEW YEAR'S EVE

Grand March at 11.30. Come for a Big Night.

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10c Polly Prim 10c Cleaner

GOVERNMENT BY COMMISSION

A business system that will conduct the affairs of Toronto on strictly business principles is what Sir Edmund Walker recommended for this city at the board of trade's luncheon yesterday.

Sir Edmund stated that if the city was governed by a commission there would be absolutely no chance of waste, while the city's different departments would be placed under heads who would be directly responsible to the commissioner. This plan is now working with great success in Germany. Higher salaries would be required if the right man are to be secured, but the abolition of the board of control and city council would make up for this.

President Falconer, who also spoke, said that Toronto must be governed in the best interests of a large and growing city.

CREDIT TO WHOM 'TIS DUE.

The residents in the vicinity of King and St. Lawrence-streets, who opened their houses to the injured in the wreck of Sunday evening, feel very keenly the manner in which some of the papers referred to them. The papers said that the police were the first to give aid, whereas, long before the police ambulances arrived the people of the vicinity threw open the doors of their houses and rendered first aid so far as they could.

Samuel Gos of 33 King-street east, last evening said that at the time of the accident there was not a jack or a crane to be found to raise the car and that fifty men got hold of the side and raised it up while others drew the injured and dying people from underneath.