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50 Dozen of Men's Ties...

MUST GO...

To-Night and Monday

We are clearing out our Men's Goods and we place on sale To-night and Monday our entire stock of Men's Ties, over 50 dozen in all, at Half and Quarter off regular prices. The lot includes 10 Dozen New Ties just in before Christmas, and 21 Dozen just opened at direct from London, Eng. Newest shapes, newest colors, regular prices 25c. and 50c. each. On sale To-night and Monday

Two for 25cts.

30 Doz. Men's Collars

FOUR FOR 25 CENTS.

30 Doz. Men's Linen Collars in various shapes, all good W. G. & R. makes, sizes 14 1/2 to 17 1/2 inclusive, all perfect goods, some slightly soiled, reg. prices 15c. and 20c. each, on sale To-night and Monday at 4 for 25c.

FLANNELETTE SHIRTS—

Boys' and men's shirts made of medium color striped flannelette, sizes 12-14, 14-16, 16-18, 18-20, on sale To-night and Monday at each 14c.

Men's fine shaker flannel shirts, in very good stripes, medium colors, all sizes, regular prices 50c. and 75c. each, on sale To-night and Monday at 36c.

MEN'S COLORED SHIRTS—

Men's colored print shirts, detachable cuffs in good medium stripes, fast colors, sizes 15, 16, and 18-20, regular price \$1.00 each, on sale To-night and Monday at 40c.

Men's soft front print shirts in good pink and blue stripes, sizes 14-16, 16-18, and 18-20, regular prices 75c. and 50c. on sale To-night and Monday at 36c.

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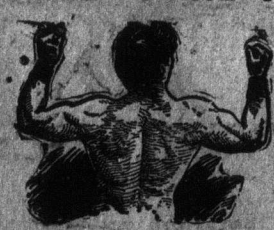
THOSE CHEAP COFFEE POTS
WENT OFF IN A RUSH....

Bargains This Week.

Triangular Stew Kettles, 35c.
Granite—3 in 1—save gas bills. Cook three things and over one gas jet.
Granite Pie Plates, heavy and large, 10c.
White Enamelled Wash Dish, 20c.
White Soap Dishes, 15c.
Wire is up. No. 9 Hard, Plain, \$2.50 spot cash.
No. 9, Crimped, \$2.85, spot cash.

GEO. STEPHENS & CO.

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Not a penny down, simply drop me a postal with your name, and I will forward you at once, one of my latest Improved High Grade Electric Belt Free. You can use it three months, then pay me if cured, and the price will be only one half of what others ask. If not cured, you return the Belt to me at my expense and Your Word Will Decide. I am willing to trust you entirely, knowing that I have the best and most perfect Belt ever invented, and nine men in ten always pay when cured.

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This modern Belt is the only one that generates a powerful therapeutic current of electricity without soaking the battery in vinegar as other belts do, and it is guaranteed never to burn. It is a certain and positive cure in all cases of Rheumatism, Varicose, Dyspepsia, Losses, Weak Back, Nervousness, Kidney, Liver and Stomach Troubles and weakness brought on by abuse and excess.

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DR. J. M. MACDONALD, 2362 St. Catherine St., Montreal, Que.

HOT FIGHT AT PORT ARTHUR

Japanese and Russia Torpedo Flotillas Engaged—Each Lost One Vessel

Part of Russia Crew Drowned and Part Made Prisoners—Another Bombardment

London, Saturday, March 12.—Although there is some confusion of dates in the official messages from the far East regarding recent attack on Port Arthur and other engagements, it would appear that no fresh action took place on Friday. A correspondent of the Daily Telegraph at Seoul describes these Japanese attacks on Port Arthur as "successful preparatory bombardments," thereby undoubtedly indicating that a greater attempt to reduce Port Arthur is imminent.

TRIBUTE TO JAPS' SUCCESS.

The official announcement from Mukden that the Russian army corps, which has arrived at Harbin, will be held there because of the landing of Japanese troops at different points and the various reports of the intentions of Japanese commanders, is an unintentional tribute from Viceroy Alexieff to Japanese extraordinary success in concealing her plan of campaign and mystifying the enemy as to her movements.

JAP DISEMBARKATION.

A Chefoo correspondent of the Daily Mail says Japanese disembarkation is proceeding at Chemulpo and points to the northward with marvelous rapidity. The correspondent calculates that up to the present 70,000 Japanese have been landed in Northern Corea.

TERRIBLY POWERFUL.

As an example of the terrible power of Japanese "Shimon" powder, a correspondent of the Standard at Tokio relates that a Russian sailor who was hurt in the naval fight off Chemulpo, has been brought to Matsuyama, Japan. The man has 100 wounds.

A CHINESE PROPOSAL.

The Tien-Tsin correspondent of the Standard reports that influential Chinese living in the United States have telegraphed the Chinese Foreign Board urging that the Emperor be made head of an army and that China join Japan against Russia. The Chinese man in question offers to raise the funds necessary for this.

MORE LANDINGS.

Refugees from New Chwang, this correspondent continues, report that the Japanese are landing at a small bay on the Liao-Tung peninsula. No further news has been received of reported Japanese movements at Feng-Wang-Cheng, but a correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, who is now at Chemulpo, intimates that the most striking developments will occur on the Liao-Tung peninsula.

A MEMORABLE DAY.

A special despatch received here from Port Arthur says: "Port Arthur was invested by sea on this day, March 10, and the day must undoubtedly be regarded as most memorable. The Japanese displayed an especially noteworthy determination in keeping up the bombardment of our fortress from Japsen boats. Long intervals elapsed between the firing of the Russian batteries, which indicated that the shells would reach the targets. The Russians did not fire one-fifth as many shells as did the Japanese. There was no panic or excitement among the civilians at Port Arthur, and troops kept cool."

HEAVY RUSSIAN LOSSES.

The Paris Matin this morning publishes a despatch from St. Petersburg which says that during a concert at Court last evening, organized by the Empress, a rumor was current that the Russians had lost heavily during the last Japanese attack on Port Arthur. Continuing the correspondent says the fact that the imperial box in the concert hall remained empty, whereas, the Empress and the Dowager Empress and other members of the Imperial family had been expected to be present at this strictly official fete, seems to give confirmation to the rumors.

A HOT SEA FIGHT.

St. Petersburg, March 11, 7.10 p. m.—The Russian torpedo boat flotilla left Port Arthur at broad daylight this morning and attacked the Japanese fleet. One Japanese torpedo boat was sunk, and one Russian torpedo boat destroyed. The Baposhchadnik was sunk. The fate of the latter's crew is not known.

LOSS ON EACH SIDE.

7.25 p. m.—Admiral Makaroff inaugurated his assumption of the command of the Russian fleet at Port Arthur by a complete change of tactics. As soon as he appeared he ordered the removal of the battleship Retvizan, which was stranded at the mouth of the harbor and barred the channel at certain stages of the tide.

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BRIGHT YOUNG BANK CLERK SUICIDES AT WALLACEBURG

Shot Himself in the Right Temple on the Steps of the School—Accounts All Right and No Reasons For Terrible Deed.

John Nightingale, junior in the Bank of Toronto, Wallaceburg, shot himself some time last night.

This morning he was missed and, on search being made, the body was found in a sitting posture on the stone steps of the school.

A bullet hole in the head gave evidence as to the cause of death, and a revolver still clutched in the lifeless hand, told how the deed had been done.

The deceased lad was only 17 years of age. He had been with the bank about two years and was always a bright, smart, energetic lad. He was well liked in the bank and a general favorite with the business men of Wallaceburg.

No reason can be assigned for the lad's rash act. His accounts are all right at the bank. It was rumored that he had left a letter at the bank explaining the reason for his rash act. The bank officials were called up this afternoon and they said that there was no truth in the report. Everyone is at a loss to understand the motive for the young man taking his own life.

Colomer Dr. Mitchell, is investigating.

J. W. Plowes, principal of the Central school, knew John Nightingale well. The boy was a former pupil of his and he gave him a letter of recommendation when he applied for the position in the bank. Mr. Plowes says that John Nightingale was one of the best pupils he ever had. He was bright, clever and energetic. He was also industrious, and paid the expenses of his education by selling papers. Both his father and mother are dead. The father was a noted Odd-fellow and was at one time shipping clerk at the glass works.

READY TO WAR WITH BRITAIN

Russia Prepared to March Against India—Suspicious of England

Germany and Russia Against an Anglo-Franco-Italian Coalition, the Latest Talk

St. Petersburg, March 11.—The Novoe Vremya says, apropos of the declaration of friendliness to Russians made in Guild Hall of London, by a former Lord Mayor, Sir Joseph Dimsdale, whose great-grandfather was surgeon to Catherine the Great: "We can scarcely attempt such an idea in view of English expectations to Tibet, and destruction that England is sending the largest type of improved cannon and rifles to her Indian frontier and of her having subsidized steamers of Canadian Pacific line and armed and warned them to be ready for immediate service."

News from a reliable source is also to hand of armaments on the frontier of Turkestan. These reports are so extraordinary that under ordinary circumstances they would be passed over as mere inventions, but it is stated on authority that cannot be questioned that Russia is fully prepared to march against India, but that it is not decided whether the advance will be made through Persia or through Pamirs.

It is further stated that if Germany and Russia stand together they have nothing to fear from any Franco-Anglo-Italian coalition.

WAS KILLED

Geo. Collins, Formerly of Chatham, Crushed to Death at Toronto.

Toronto, March 12.—George Collins, an employee of the G. T. R. was killed in the yards at the foot of Bathurst street. He was shoveling snow from the tracks and did not notice a yard engine, which was shunting, until it was too close for him to get out of its way. The unfortunate man was killed almost instantly.

Collins was about 30 years of age, and unmarried. He lived with his brother-in-law at 15 Wallace avenue.

G. Burrows, of Burrows Bros. Financial secretary of Court McGregor, I. O. F., received a telegram to-day which reads as follows:

Brother George D. Collins, killed here on eleventh inst.

F. A. COWAN.
Deceased was a member of Court McGregor, Independent Order of Foresters, having joined when working here last summer for the Dominion Paving Co. He was well liked by all who knew him.

TARTE FOR TORONTO

Toronto, March 11.—A Montreal despatch to-day quoted Le Canada as saying: "Mr. Tarte is considering an offer to run in Toronto East." Local Conservatives when this report was brought to their attention to-night were surprised. W. F. McLean, M. P., had not heard of the report. "Would Mr. Tarte be supported by the local Conservatives?" "I can't say," "Would you support him?" "I can't say as to that, I will see you later."

ROSS RETINUE MUCH MIXED

Are at Sixes and Sevens on the Licence Question—Likely to Resign Shortly

Premier Wedded to his "Banish the Bar" Scheme Despite the Liberal Caucus

Toronto, March 11.—It is stated in some quarters that Premier Ross is determined to push his proposed radical temperance measure for the closing of the bars, despite the fact that the Liberal caucus pronounced against him, and notwithstanding that the other two propositions for the extension of the local option principle, or the stiffening of the License Act are each supported by a strong contingent of the party.

A strong temperance man who is said to be rather close to the Government, said this morning that he was convinced that Mr. Ross would stick to his guns, despite all the pressure laid on him. He was of the opinion that the party was at sixes and sevens in regard to the matter. A small number of the members were warmly in favor of the Premier's "banish the bar" measure, and he had an idea that the majority of the Ministers were with their chief. But there was a strong Liberal contingent which was not ready to obey the party line, and the members forming this contingent were determined to prevent the submission of such a drastic bill to the House.

There are many members who are quite satisfied with present conditions. It was perfectly certain that some of the proposition under consideration had been definitely dropped, as yet, nor was there any likelihood that a compromise would be effected. The Premier would certainly not recede from the position he had assumed, although it was possible that the opposition of the Liberals might prevent the submission of any measure to the House.

Another gentleman who is well acquainted with the discussion in the party, said that in his opinion there would be no bill presented to the House, as it would mean the defeat of the Government, but he felt sure that immediately after the session the Premier would resign, thus precipitating a crisis and go to the country on a bar-banking platform.

The statements of these gentlemen were confirmed in a measure by Mr. Dickie, counsel for the Licensed Victuallers' Association, who said this morning that he had heard that none of the propositions made to the caucus had yet been dropped by Mr. Ross.

The Liberal members and the Ministers preserve a sphinx-like silence on the whole question.

THE AUTO FACTORY

Wm. Gray & Sons have an order for five automobiles of the latest design for local men. The machinery for their auto factory has been greatly delayed by the blockades on the railroads, but the firm expects to be in pretty good shape for running about April 15. At present there are 300 men on Gray & Sons' pay roll, and when the new department gets going there will be another hundred hands added.

The city streets, with their fine pavements, beautiful store fronts, and the splendid parks, will look more up-to-date with autos flying hither and thither.

Look up Page Six of this issue and get it on the ground floor of the new big serial story.

We don't make shoes, nor do we confine ourselves to any one factory. We use...

SPECIALISTS



That means going to this man for ladies' styles, to another for men's, still another for children's. Some makers know their business well enough to excel in all three. It makes little difference who they are, so long as qualities and money's worth are the best obtainable.

The most important parts of a shoe are what you can't see. That's why we follow our shoes from the tanning of the leather to the final polishing. It's our business to see what you can't see—our responsibility.

TURRILL

The Shoe Man

Repairing done at store.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE

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