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...WE WILL KEEP TRADE...

## Humming This Month

The month of May was the largest in the history of this big store, and we have determined to make June one better. Every department will contribute its share of specials, so that you may look for intensely interesting items in this space every day.

### These For Thursday.

#### Sale of Skirts on Thursday.

Ladies' Walking Skirts made of medium weight twill serge, in Oxford grey, with invisible stripes, flounce trimmed with clusters of 4 tucks and 2 satin bands, 6 rows stitching around bottom, a stylish dress, neat perfect fitting skirt, reg. price \$3.75, on sale Thursday at \$2.48.

#### Summer Corsets.

Ladies' Summer Corsets made of net and fine Batiste, in short, medium and long wrists, straight front, all sizes, special value at per pair, 75c and 50c

#### Men's Hemstitched Cambric Handkerchiefs for 5c.

Men's full sized cambric handkerchiefs, hemstitched, on sale extra special on Thursday at each 5 Cents.

#### Sale of Men's Shirts, Thursday

Men's fine colored Cambric Shirts, stiff and soft fronts, in all the new colorings, stripes and fancy figures, warranted fast colors, reg. price \$1 and \$1.25, on sale Thursday extra special at 89 Cents.

#### Black Silk Grenadines.

One of the most correct fabrics for summer dress, in striped silk Grenadines. We have them in the most dainty and elaborate designs, all pure silk, no cotton mixtures, colors are guaranteed and material will be absolutely satisfactory, 46 in. wide at \$1.75, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$3, \$1.50

#### For Ladies' Walking Skirts

56 in. wide, all wool, homespun, in dark and light greys, black, navy, etc., correct weight for unlined walking skirts, special value at 75c and \$1.00.

## Thos. Stone & Son, IMPORTERS.



Yes, Sir, we have just the shoes you want for "The good old Summer time." Linen and Canvas Shoes in high and low cut are "it" this summer.

**Golf Shoes, Tennis Shoes, Yachting Shoes, Shoes for Outing** and all kinds of summer sport. All the snappy styles are here.

**Tennis Shoes 50c to \$1.25.**  
**White Canvas Shoes, \$1.25 to \$3.**

**Turrill, THE SHOE MAN.**  
REPAIRING DONE AT THE STORE.

WE ARE AFTER YOUR BUSINESS WITH  
**Right Goods and Right Prices.**

EVERYTHING FOR THE WARM WEATHER  
**Lawn Mowers, Lawn Hose, Oil Stoves, Refrigerators, Ice Cream Freezers,**  
In fact everything you will need for the coming summer. A call solicited.

**JAS. A. KING** HARDWARE and IMPLEMENTS  
Morton's Old Stand. King St., Chatham.

### AMES AND CO. SUSPEND.

TROUBLE HAD BEEN FORE-  
SEEN BY FINANCIERS.

A Slump in Stocks—No Statement of the Firm's Position for Some Days—Mr. Ames Resigns Presidency of Metropolitan Bank.

Toronto, June 3.—"Owing to the continuous declines in the securities market we have found it necessary to suspend payment, and would ask the indulgence of our friends for a few days, until we can prepare a statement of our affairs and consider what is best to be done under the circumstances."

("Signed) A. E. Ames & Co."

This announcement, posted on the locked doors of the broking and banking firm of A. E. Ames & Company, 18 King street east, yesterday just before noon, told with startling suddenness of the suspension of a financial firm which among the general public was believed to be one of the strongest and soundest in the city. In financial circles, and among the financial houses which were more intimately connected with the business of A. E. Ames & Company the event was not so unexpected, especially in view of the extraordinary, and in the opinion of many uncalculated, depreciation in the values of some of the securities of which A. E. Ames & Company were known to be large holders. How far-reaching the effect of the suspension may be it is impossible to forecast now, but it is expected that strong financial interests will stand behind Ames & Company till the market rallies and the securities which the firm holds are again placed on a reasonable basis.

The liabilities of the firm will no doubt reach up into the millions, but no reliable estimate can at the present time be made, and as yet no statement has been made by Mr. Ames, the senior partner of the firm. The firm consisted of A. E. Ames, H. R. Tudhope, E. D. Fraser and A. E. Wallace of St. Thomas, the latter being admitted into partnership only a short time ago.

A. E. Ames & Co. were heavily interested in a number of Canadian and American securities which have been heavily pounded for months. Among them were Dominion Steel, Dominion Coal, C. P. R. Steel, Twin City, Consolidated Lake Superior, Soo, etc., and a comparative statement of the highest figures less than a year ago with yesterday's shows what a blow it was.

	1902.	Open.	Low.	Close.
C. P. R.	145 1/2	129 1/2	117 1/2	121 1/2
Dominion Coal	148	83	78	78
Dominion Steel	78 1/2	15	12 1/2	12 1/2
do pref.	104	40	...	...
Lake Superior	34 1/2	...	...	...
Twin City	128	...	67 1/2	68

These were some of the leading stocks in which they were interested, but after the morning's break the offerings were fairly well absorbed, and the market closed in a much better state. They also floated the W. A. Rogers Co., Limited, the Carter-Crume Co., Limited, the City Dairy Co., Limited, and other successful enterprises. Besides doing a general Canadian broking business, they have agents in New York, Boston and London, England. At all general points they have done a lot of trading on behalf of speculative and investment clients. At the opening of the afternoon session of the Toronto Stock Exchange a motion was passed to close up the deals of A. E. Ames & Co. at the closing prices of the stocks, according to the rules of the Exchange. It is understood that the Bank of Montreal has announced its willingness to take over all the Twin City stock held by the firm. Notwithstanding the break in prices and impending calls for margins, the banks and money lenders were generous, and did not call in any loans.

The following official announcement was made last evening over the signature of R. H. Warden, president, and F. W. Baird, General Manager, of the Metropolitan Bank:—"Mr. A. E. Ames has resigned the Presidency of the Metropolitan Bank and Dr. R. H. Warden has been elected President in his stead, and Mr. S. J. Moore has been elected Vice-President."

"In view of the suspension of the firm of Messrs. A. E. Ames & Company, the directors think it well to state that the firm is indebted to the Metropolitan Bank in only the sum of \$50,000, which is so amply secured that the bank cannot possibly suffer any loss on the account. Mr. Ames personally has no account with nor is he indebted to the bank."

### JOINT HIGH COMMISSION.

Hope Abandoned in Washington of Reassembly.

Washington, June 3.—Hope of the reassembling of the Joint High Commission has been abandoned. A few months ago everything presaged a meeting of the joint commission in Canada just after the adjournment of the Canadian Parliament. Mr. Chamberlain's speech in the British Parliament holding out hope for preferential treatment for British imports is said to be largely responsible for the attitude of Canada, which now shows no desire to consider reciprocity with the United States.

### TREADGOLD CONCESSION.

Judge Britton's Appointment Criticized—Preferential Tariff Frauds.

Ottawa, June 3.—The Treadgold concession again formed the subject of a spirited debate in the House yesterday upon a motion to adjourn, offered by Mr. Casgrain (Montmorency), who objected to the appointment of Mr. Justice Britton on the commission issued to inquire into the effect of this and other concessions upon the mining interests of the Yukon. The Premier explained the purpose for which the commission was issued, and emphasized the fact that Parliamentary practice required members of the Opposition, if they wanted to have an investigation into rumors affecting a member of the Government, to take the responsibility of making charges. Further satisfactory progress was made in committee on Hon. Mr. Blair's bill to amend the railway act, and this evening several hours were spent in the discussion of the estimates of the Minister of Customs.

Mr. Harty introduced a bill respecting Queen's University. Mr. Taylor introduced a bill to incorporate the Canadian Telephone & Telegraph Co. This evening the House went into Committee of Supply, and consideration of the estimates of the Customs Department was resumed.

Mr. A. E. Kemp complained that the Government had no real check against continental goods coming in under the preference tariff, inasmuch as under the amended regulations the invoices may be signed by a clerk, who was probably signing a hundred each day, and was not paying special attention to the contents of the invoice. Mr. Kemp instanced a case where some years ago a Toronto merchant purchased a line of dress goods as British manufacture, which were identified by the merchant's son as the very goods which were turned out in a French city where he had been working. Mr. Kemp said he believed many continental goods came in as British goods under the preferential tariff. The customs officials knew that this was being done, and that the country was being swindled out of its revenue by these methods. With the German tariff the temptation to swindle would be greater than ever.

Hon. Mr. Patterson, in reply, stated that the Government certainly did not desire to allow imports to evade payment of the proper duty. He enumerated the methods adopted by the department to prevent the revenue from being defrauded, and pointed out that if the man who sold the goods to the Canadian importer made a false declaration as to the origin of the goods he could not collect payment for them.

### FOUR VESSELS FOUNDERED.

Great Havoc Caused by the Big Storm at Valparaiso.

Santiago de Chili, June 3.—A great storm occurred yesterday at Valparaiso. Four vessels foundered in the bay, the esplanade was destroyed, and great damage was done to the floating docks. There are some fears regarding the safety of the Pacific Steam Navigation Company's steamer Arequipa, which during a lull in the storm left port to pass the gale outside the harbor, and has not since been heard of.

### KILLED AT A CROSSING.

Mr. William Adams of Sundridge Thrown Sixty Feet.

Sundridge, June 3.—About 7 o'clock last evening as Mr. William Adams, a well-to-do and highly respected farmer, was driving across the railway track here, a train, consisting of engine and one car, crashed into the waggon, breaking it into kindling wood and throwing Mr. Adams about sixty or seventy feet. When picked up Mr. Adams' life was extinct.

### HANGED TOGETHER.

Were Convicted of Killing the Captain and Six Other Members of the Crew.

Liverpool, June 3.—Gustave Rau, a German, and William Smith, an American seaman of the British bark Veronica, owned by a St. John, N.B., firm, who were sentenced to death May 14, after having been convicted of murdering Capt. Shaw and six other members of the Veronica's crew, several of whom were from New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, were hanged here simultaneously. Rau protested his innocence on the scaffold.

### THE CROPS DESTROYED.

A Hundred Miles of River Valley Submerged.

Lincoln Centre, Kan., June 3.—The Saline River is from two to five miles in width, and crops in this valley are completely destroyed for a distance of at least a hundred miles. In Lincoln County alone the loss may exceed a million dollars. Lincoln Centre is submerged, and it was only with the greatest difficulty the residents were rescued.

### Left \$40,000 and No Will.

London, Ont., June 2.—(Special).—It is learned that John McNeil of Carleton Place, a farmer who lived alone in an old log cabin on the eighth concession, left an estate valued at about \$40,000. He had \$21,000 in various banks, \$8,000 in landed estate and nearly \$7,000 in cash was found in his cabin after his death. McNeil left no will, and his wealth goes to nephews in Carleton and Strathroy.

### "CAP" SULLIVAN.

HIS PARTNER WAS A CROWN LANDS CLERK.

Taylor Now Suspended—Received Half the Profits of Shannon Deal—E. R. Wood Produces Sullivan's Accounts, and Sullivan Produces the Checks.

Toronto, June 3.—Captain John Sullivan appeared before the Public Accounts Committee yesterday, but his examination came near the end of the sitting, was not concluded, and he will be called again to-day. The main feature of his evidence was to the effect that T. C. Taylor, accountant of the woods and forest branch of the Crown Lands Department, had been his partner in the Shannon deal, had paid Grant the first \$50 for it, when it stood in Shannon's name, and that he (Taylor) had received \$40,000 of the profits. Also the adjournment of the committee. Hon. Mr. Davis, Commissioner of Crown Lands, stated that in view of that evidence, Taylor would be suspended at once. Capt. Sullivan's other evidence was more of the nature of identifying checks. Mr. E. R. Wood, Manager of the Central Canada Loan & Savings Company, gave evidence respecting Sullivan's accounts, and Mr. Thomas Charlton produced the check given to Sullivan. Patrick McDermott of South River said he offered Frank Sullivan \$4,300 for the Rutherford limit last April, and would have offered \$7,000 if he had thought he would not have another chance to bid.

There was a full attendance of the committee, with many other members of the House, including Mr. Gage, and many outsiders.

Hon. Mr. Latchford presented a motion for the appearance of Mr. T. E. Brough, Manager of the Dominion Bank, to produce the account of Theodore C. Taylor.

It was now almost 1 o'clock, but Col. Matheson insisted that Cap. Sullivan be called, since they had him there. He was examined by Mr. Lucas respecting the various checks which had been produced. Mr. Wood's examination by Mr. McEvoy, his solicitor. He testified that the \$2,000 he drew on September 6 was cashed by Theodore C. Taylor, clerk in the Crown Lands Department. Taylor had put up the \$200 which had purchased the Killarney limit, and was to share equally in the profits. The \$2,000 was actually in the profits. The \$4,500 note of Charlton's, which he had discounted for \$4,000, was the \$4,500 note of Taylor's share of the \$4,500 check after expenses had been deducted. It was Mr. Nihan of St. Catharines who had discounted the note. He had taken Taylor into partnership with him because they were old friends. Witnesses didn't have any instructions from Shannon, and Shannon had turned the Killarney limit over to him before July.

Sullivan's examination will continue at 10 o'clock to-day. Messrs. George Cole, Killarney, C. H. Burns, bookkeeper for Charlton Bros., W. Cannon of Killarney, and F. J. Sullivan will be asked to appear. Information will also be asked regarding the Second limit.

### MURDERER'S CONFESSION.

Aided His Brother to Kill Their Father.

Frederick, Md., June 3.—Samuel Betts died at Meyersville from a pistol shot wound inflicted by himself, and just before dying he confessed that he and his brother, Josiah Betts, murdered their father, Samuel Betts, seventeen years ago, presumably to inherit \$5,000 which he had accumulated. The father was found dead, and it has always been the theory that he killed himself. Betts also confessed that he participated in the murder of Walter Long and secretly buried the body seven years ago. Long mysteriously disappeared at that time, and his disappearance has been a neighborhood mystery ever since.

### REV. WM. EWAN'S DEATH.

An Alliston Minister Suddenly Called Last Evening.

Alliston, June 2.—Death came very suddenly to the Rev. Wm. Ewan this evening. He was partaking of his evening meal when he fell back and expired. Rev. Mr. Ewan was a retired Methodist minister and a resident of this town for a number of years.

### MINERS MAY STRIKE.

More Trouble Brewing in Pennsylvania.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., June 2.—Another dark strike cloud has loomed upon the horizon of the anthracite coal region. The Executive boards of the United Mine Workers, in session here to-day, endorsed the selection of their three district Presidents on the Board of Conciliation, authorized by the strike commission, and if these members are not recognized by the operators, which action may come, the Executive board is contemplating calling a convention of mine workers to declare a general suspension of work until their members are given recognition.

### JAMAICA AND CANADA.

Negotiations For a Fortnightly Steamship Service Between the Two Countries.

Kingston, Jamaica, June 2.—Colonial Secretary Oliver left here to-day for Boston. Thence he will go to Ottawa in order to negotiate with the Dominion Government and the Canadian Pacific Railroad for the establishment of a fortnightly steamship service between Jamaica and St. John, New Brunswick.

### 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 12

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

DOROTHY DODD LADIES' SHOES.

PEACE & CO. Sole Agents.

EVERYTHING FOR THE BATH

Sponges, 25c to \$2.00

Sponge Bags, 25c, 30c and 35c

Bath Mitts, per pair, 25c and 50c

Bath Brushes and Loofah.

"Fairy" a floating bath soap, 95c

White Castile Soap, with wash rag.

Ed. T. Jones, East End Drug Store.



### SATURDAY

We will sell 10 Dozen Enamelled Tea and Coffee Pots. The regular price is 35c. and 40 cents, your choice on Saturday for

25 CENTS.

Sale commences at 9 a.m. See them in The Ark Window. Cash only

H. MACAULAY.