

TO-DAY'S MESSAGES.

SINN FEINERS KILLED.

DUBLIN, May 5. Patrick Maloney, alleged to have been a prominent official in the "Republican Army," and Sean Duffy, leader of Sinn Fein in Dublin, are officially reported killed in a fray with the police in Tipperary.

FRENCH PAPERS PESSIMISTIC.

PARIS, May 5. Discontent with the reparations declaration of the London Conference, which newspapers have been cautiously expressing, is finally summarized by the Temps and Journal des Debats in editorials taking a dark outlook of Europe's immediate future.

A BAD POLICY.

LONDON, May 5. Answering Premier Lloyd George's reply to nine Anglican Bishops and heads of the principal Nonconformist Churches in Britain, the Bishop of Chelmsford and other Anglican Bishops, and other church leaders declare they are impressed by "what seems to us an impeccable evidence that the policy of the Government in Ireland has succeeded only in inflaming the wound that it was meant to heal. The allegations against Crown Forces is apt to leave a painful impression at home and abroad."

A HOPEFUL SIGN.

DUBLIN, May 5. The Conference to-day between Sir James Craig and Eamonn De Valera is regarded as a most hopeful sign for peace. This it is said, will not necessarily involve on De Valera's part any change in attitude, for Sinn Feiners had always expressed a willingness to meet any Irishman. In political quarters here, it is declared the move of Sir James Craig required courage, in view of the possible difficulties in Northern elections, from extreme Protestants as well as Reformers. Political leaders assert the main difficulty between Sir James and De Valera was that Sir James favored starting with Home Rule and advancing toward common action, while De Valera desired to start with unity, but was willing to accord the North of Ireland all necessary devolution.

QUITE LIKELY.

BELFAST, May 5. The Unionist "Northern Whig" says while considerable importance attaches to the meeting of Sir James Craig and Eamonn De Valera, "There is a danger that some over-enthusiast may exaggerate it."

SOUND SENTIMENT.

DUBLIN, May 5. The Freeman's Journal, in editorial comment on the Craig-De Valera meeting, says, "We trust that leaders will not easily lose touch with one another, or that two men will readily despair of success."

VILLAGE HAS BIG FIRE.

ST. BONIFACE, QUE., May 5. The picturesque little village of St. Boniface was almost wiped out to-day by a one hundred thousand dollar fire, which originated in a church and destroyed the hotel, bakery, store and four houses.

GERMANS AS POLICE.

BERLIN, May 5. An Oppel dispatch from a German source says the International Commission has decided to incorporate three thousand Germans in Pleschitz police.

CAME TO TERMS.

CHICAGO, May 5. The strike of the Job Printers ended here to-day, when employers agreed to a forty four hour week, and the men accepted four dollars and thirty five cents a week reduction.

GERMANY MUST RESPECT TREATY.

LONDON, May 5. Lloyd George argued that plan of the Supreme Council was fair and workable and the Allies had taken into account all Germany's difficulties, economical and political, and her capacity to pay also. It was useless being impatient with the attitude of France, because France was the victim of the war and entitled to reparations. There was no interest for France, which was not also the interest of the whole world to secure peace and settlement, he said, and for that reason the Treaty must be respected and accepted as the real basis of any German offer.

BRIAND SATISFIED.

PARIS, May 5. Premier Briand, on his journey from London to Paris, gave the impression of a man at peace. He returns prepared to defend the agreement as a just settlement, and one that can be defended, viewed from the point of French interests, and yet adjusted to the resources of Germany. Briand hopes Germany will accept the terms. "I have no desire to see France spend one hundred million francs monthly on the occupation of Ruhr, but nothing can prevent that except a German yes, with no ifs, thans, buts or whereases," he said. The Premier is convinced that in taking a percentage of value of exports the true solution has been found. In his last conversation, he said, but a measure of the paying



Friday and Saturday Bargains

That Will Prove Interesting--Now That Spring is Here.

New Goods are Now Flooding Our Floors With Fascination.

Soon we shall have sunny and cloudless days, with fresh zephyr breezes. Green things are already pushing up from the soil; an eternal something happening to young hearts.

The Royal Stores is prepared to meet all the demands for New Wearing Apparel and House Furnishing Goods. Nowhere in the country can better values be obtained for the same moderate outlay; that is why so many people come here for their every daily need.

Corticelli Wools.

Reg. 88c. a Slip
for 28c.

Floresine and Australian Sweater Wools, in assorted new shades, including Gilt Green, Jade, Doe, Heather, Retender, Gen-darme and Copenhagen.

Large Bolster Cases.

Made of fine grain Cotton. Cloth, sizes 16 by 53; pure white; hemmed and buttoned. Reg. \$1.40 ea. for **\$1.08**

Pillow Cases.

Strongly-made Pillow Cases of pure White Cotton; size 17 by 25; frilled and buttoned. Reg. 70c. each for **64c.**

Turkish Towels.

Heavy quality; all-white; fringed ends; size 25 by 42. Regular 95c. each for **78c.**

Sideboard Covers.

Fine Cotton Covers; Linen finished; size 18 by 54. Hemstitched and Embroidered in white. Regular \$1.65 each for **\$1.32**

Tea Cloths.

Handsome White Embroidered Cloths, with Hemstitched borders; size 23 by 32. Reg. \$1.40 each for **\$1.08**

SPRING HOSE

FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

"Two Steeples" Brand Hose in Black and Grey Cashmere of finest quality; fast dyes, seamless feet; sizes W, S, M, L, and O.S. Reg. \$3.50 a pair for **\$2.50**

Cotton Cashmere Hose.

20 dozen pairs of Women's Hose in fine quality Cotton Cashmere; sizes 3 1/2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11. Colors White and Nigger only; double heels and toes; fashioned leg. Reg. 45c. a pair for **38c.**

Child's Black Hose.

15 dozen pairs, fine ribbed, medium weight; fast Black. Sizes 5 and 6. Reg. values to 40c. a pair for **32c.** Sizes 7 and 8. Reg. values to 50c. a pair for **41c.**

Child's Tan Hose.

20 dozen pairs Tan Cotton Hose for Children; stout quality, double knees; seamless feet. Sizes 2 and 3. Reg. values to 65c. a pair for **56c.** Sizes 4 and 5. Reg. values to 75c. a pair for **64c.** Sizes 6 and 7. Reg. values to 80c. a pair for **68c.**



Women's Costumes

Newest Spring Models Reduced in Price

Splendid models in Serges and Gabardines, well lined, trimmed with silk braid and buttons; in Black and assorted colors; one or two only of each kind.

Regular \$5.00 each for **\$3.50** Regular \$6.50 each for **\$4.50** Regular \$8.00 each for **\$5.50** Regular \$9.50 each for **\$6.50** Regular \$11.00 each for **\$7.50** Regular \$12.50 each for **\$8.50** Regular \$14.00 each for **\$9.50** Regular \$15.50 each for **\$10.50** Regular \$17.00 each for **\$11.50** Regular \$18.50 each for **\$12.50** Regular \$20.00 each for **\$13.50** Regular \$21.50 each for **\$14.50** Regular \$23.00 each for **\$15.50** Regular \$24.50 each for **\$16.50** Regular \$26.00 each for **\$17.50** Regular \$27.50 each for **\$18.50** Regular \$29.00 each for **\$19.50** Regular \$30.50 each for **\$20.50** Regular \$32.00 each for **\$21.50** Regular \$33.50 each for **\$22.50** Regular \$35.00 each for **\$23.50** Regular \$36.50 each for **\$24.50** Regular \$38.00 each for **\$25.50** Regular \$39.50 each for **\$26.50** Regular \$41.00 each for **\$27.50** Regular \$42.50 each for **\$28.50** Regular \$44.00 each for **\$29.50** Regular \$45.50 each for **\$30.50** Regular \$47.00 each for **\$31.50** Regular \$48.50 each for **\$32.50** Regular \$50.00 each for **\$33.50**

Dresses

Elegantly designed Dresses in Wool Serge and Gabardine, for street and business wear; in a charming choice of the Season's Leading Styles.

Reg. \$30.00 each for **\$19.50** Reg. \$35.00 each for **\$22.50** Reg. \$40.00 each for **\$25.50** Reg. \$45.00 each for **\$28.50** Reg. \$50.00 each for **\$31.50** Reg. \$55.00 each for **\$34.50** Reg. \$60.00 each for **\$37.50** Reg. \$65.00 each for **\$40.50** Reg. \$70.00 each for **\$43.50** Reg. \$75.00 each for **\$46.50** Reg. \$80.00 each for **\$49.50** Reg. \$85.00 each for **\$52.50** Reg. \$90.00 each for **\$55.50** Reg. \$95.00 each for **\$58.50** Reg. \$100.00 each for **\$61.50** Reg. \$105.00 each for **\$64.50** Reg. \$110.00 each for **\$67.50** Reg. \$115.00 each for **\$70.50** Reg. \$120.00 each for **\$73.50** Reg. \$125.00 each for **\$76.50** Reg. \$130.00 each for **\$79.50** Reg. \$135.00 each for **\$82.50** Reg. \$140.00 each for **\$85.50** Reg. \$145.00 each for **\$88.50** Reg. \$150.00 each for **\$91.50** Reg. \$155.00 each for **\$94.50** Reg. \$160.00 each for **\$97.50** Reg. \$165.00 each for **\$100.50** Reg. \$170.00 each for 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Latest Spring Styles in serviceable House Dresses, made of high grade Linens and Zephyrs. Colors of Pink, Salmon, Blue and Grey; pretty Pique and Muslin collars; Sizes 34 to 44.

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