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AIR.

Mr. John M. Farthings and Miss Wood are in New York this week attending the millinery openings and making selections of fashionable MILLINERY and specialties in FANCY DRY GOODS for the spring trade. Next week they return by way of Toronto, going also to Montreal to attend the openings in these cities which take place. during that week. We are in receipt of large consignments of

SPRING

From Manchester, per S. S. Germanic, and from Old London, per S. S., City of Paris. By extensive research and careful selection at great manufacturing centres, the sure result will be a collection of fashionable and seasonable goods, far beyond the large successes that have marked our past. What we are doing is getting the best and most worthy Goods for you, and giving you a wider and better range than you are accustomed to seeing. We are now offering a big drive in

Featherbone Corsets

The manufacturer made us an offer of a lot three times larger than we usually carry in stock, and the inducement was so strong that we took him up at his offer, and we give you the benefit of it. The regular price of this Corset is \$1.00; we have put them on sale at 69 cents. This Featherbone Corset is shapely, comfortable and elegant. We would recommend an early inspection, for seeing is believing.

Black Dress Goods

Quality counts in our display. We offer exclusive designs in exceedingly beautiful styles, with a certain assurance of standard quality and honest worth. Come and see, if only to see.

Laces and Embroideries

You will be sure to appreciate our efforts to make these seasonable lines especially attractive. In our splendid assortment you will find that we have discounted our past efforts at

every point of comparison. The patterns, qualities and values will ensure quick selling.

In odd lots of Winter Goods we offer special inducements. In some lines we have cut the price one half. You should avail yourself of this money-saving opportunity.

3 FARTHINGS.

There's Grip Medicine in A Good Overcoat

Offerings are unreasonably cheap because we are bound to clear

All winter you may have been content with your old Overcoat, because the price of a new Garment was too high. Next winter you will have the same story, and still stick to the old worn and shabby Garment, running chances of taking cold and injuring your health.

We have a good assortment of stylish, wellmade Overcoats in stock that we are bound to clear out. You can afford to keep them for next year's wear, for they will be stylish and up-to-date then, but there are many cold days to come yet this winter, and you will need them. Come in and pick out your grip medicine

Our Great Shoe Sale Still Continues

You get your money's worth every time you buy footwear at this store.

Wet Weather Philosophy

We'll have rains in March, and then look out for "sloppy" weather. Everybody will need shoes that will shed water, and solid Rubbers that protect the feet. We have prepared for this, and have a full assortment of both. Men's good Rubbers, 55c; the best, 75c; cash Women's good Rubbers, 35 & 40c; best, 50c; cash New Spring Goods arriving every day. The finest stock of Boots and Shoes in this section of the country.

Christie & Caron

STRAFFORDVILLE

The Rev. L. W. Wickett, of London, is the guest of J. G. Pauling, while assisting in the services here.

The Misses Harris, of Calton, were the guests of Miss Anna Belle Stratton

Miss Leach and Euet Mabee, of Guysboro, have been visiting Mrs. T. Mabee of this place.

Miss Annie Graham has returned to Aylmer, after visiting her sister, Mrs. E. Morrison, for some time.

Mr. B. Fanning, of London, who has been visiting his parents north of the village for a few days, has returned home.

Mr. Fleet Pauling lost a good horse on Saturday night from inflamation.

Mr. J. E. Fanning purchased a new team last week. He intends moving on J. G. Pauling's farm in Richmond this month Mr. E. Morrison is the proud

sessor of a new Cleveland wheel. Mr. S. Murphy is quite ill.

Miss Cubban is ill at her uncle's, Mr. Wm. Weaver, of Vienna. Edwin Spencer is teaching in her place.

RICHMOND

Cottage prayer meetings have been started in the village. The first meeting was held on Tuesday at Mrs.

Mr. W. Simons, who has given up farming, left on Saturday to fill a position in Toronto.

The Reading Circle, which was discontinued during the special services, was held last Thursday at the home of Mr. Jas. Procunier. The subject for consideration for next meeting is "How Canada became a British Colony," by E. J. Moore, and Tennyson's 'Coming of Arthur," by Mrs. E. Hatch.

Miss B. Doan is spending a few weeks with friends and relatives at Langton and points east.

Ninety Per Cent

Of the people are afflicted with some form of humor, and this causes a variety of diseases. The reason why Hood's Sarsaparilla fact that it effectually expells the humor, Scrofula, salt rheum, boils and all eruptions are permantly cured by this great medicine.

Hood's Pills are the best family cathartic and liver tonic, Gentle, reliable, snre.

Toronto, Feb. 25.—At the seventh annual meeting of the Hackney Horse Society the reports showed that during the past year 32 pedigrees have been recorded and 16 fees paid. There is \$165.51 in the

past year 52 pedigrees have been recorded and 16 fees paid. There is \$165.51 in the treasury.

The officers elected were as follows: President, H. N. Crossley, Tononto; first vice-president, John Macdonald, Toronto; second vice-president, Robert Graham, Claremont. Vice-Presidents for the Provinces—Ontario, A. C. Ramsay, Hamilton; Quebec, James A. Cochrane, Hillhurst; Alberta, A. M. Rawlinson, Calgary, Alta.; Manitoba, Mr. McMillan, Brandon; New Brunswick, J. R. Frink, St. John, N.B. Silver medals were accepted from the English Hackney Society for Canadian bred stock. The sum of \$25 was voted to the Spring Horse Show for the best Hackney stallion of any age, and \$25 for the best mare of any age, sired by a registered Hackney stallion, both classes to be shown on the line.

At Parry Sound the 7-year-old son of John Chappel got hold of his mother's scissors and was running when he tripped and fell on the points. The two points sunk about an inch into the fiesh, leaving two nasty gashes. The child becarrevey weak from the loss of blood.

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By an ice boat collision on Saturday night William Holtham, a 16-year-old son of George Holtham, Hamilton, was thrown upon his head on the ice, and from the injury thus received he died in less than two hours. D. Wark, ir., and E. Law were slightly injured. No person on either boat saw the approach of the other, it being dark at the time.

UNCLASSIFIED.

Rev. B. B. Keefer is suing the Dominion Council of Royal Templars for \$110, alleged to be due him as salary while editor of The Templar.

The Privy Council has refused Joseph H. Leduc permission to appeal from the decision of the Supreme Court of Canada in the Three Rivers election contest.

By playing "Yankee Doodle" three times at the Kansas City great new auditorium, Sousa's band saved a panie in the 25,000 audience that had been frightened by an imaginary cry of fire.

frightened by an imaginary cry of fire. By the time the Klondike mosquito gets to work this year a few cargoes of beer will reach that country. Adolphus Busch of St. Louis has made arrangements to send beer to the Klondike by the ship load.

Charles Devine got a verdict in the Supreme Court, Brooklyn, on Friday for \$25,000 against the Brooklyn City Railroad Company. As the result of an accident Devine's backbone was shortened one and one-quarter inches.

A beat from a scaling steamer Pelican.

A boat from a sealing steamer Pelican, at Trinity Bay, out seal hunting, was driven off by contrary winds and exposed to the storm all Friday night. Of the six men in the boat, two perished and four others were dangerously frost bitten.

The Privy Council has dismissed the appeal of the Grand Trunk Railroad of Canada and has affirmed the judgment of the Supreme Court of Canada awarding \$2,500 damages to Mr. Washington, a yardman, who was injured at Hamilton, Out. in Languar, 1896. Ont., in January, 1896

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There is a strong native rumor at
Peshawur that the Ameer of Afghanistan, Abdur Rahman Khan, is dead. The
Indian Government has not received any
news tending to confirm this report, but
it is thought quite probable that such information would come more speedily
through native channels.

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Lord James of Hereford has introduced a Government bill in the House of Lords which provides that every money lender must be registered, and must do business solely in his own name. In cases where the interest exceeds ten per cent., or when the incidental charges are excessive the courts may reopen the transaction and give judgment in accordance with all the risks and ofrcumstances of the case.

THE HOBSON KISS.

Hobson ought to stop all this talk by marrying the girl.—New York Sun.

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Now that the girls have begun kissing Hobson, it is high time for him to hurry to the front.—Boston Globe.

Beware, take care, Hobson! There is more peril in promiscuous kissing than there is in dynamite, and its victims are more numerous.—Boston Herald.

If Lleutenant Hobson is wise he will lose no time in sinking another Merrimae between himself and the impressionable American girl.—Chicago Times-Herald.

Having shown an admiring world how he could handle anything nautical from a collier to a cruiser, Hobson has now demonstrated how gallantly he can handle a "smack"—whether it be nautical or mere-'smack''-whether it be nautical or mere ly naughty.-Philadelphia Record.

Lots of girls named Grace are as awk

Probably the reason a woman always onfides a secret to another is because she

onfides a secret to another is because she safraid she may die and there will be no one else to tell it.—Chicago News.

'Schenk's Theory—The Determination of Sex;' the Werner company, \$1.25.
This is a lengthy exposition of the fact that littlegirls are made of sugar and spice and all that's nice. The author-proves this without a doubt.—Pick Me Up.

Hood's Sarsaparilla never disappoints. It may be taken for impure and impoverished blood with perfect confidence that it will

Change of Business.

To the general public : Having purchased Mr. Aikenhead's inter-

est in the grocery business lately carried on under the firm name of Tibbitts & Aiken. head, I shall be glad to have a continuance of the very liberal patronage which has been given to the old firm, and to see all my old friends a, any time, whether they wish any goods or not. It is my intention to devote my whole time and attention to the business in order to give customers the very best goods on the market at the lowest possible prices. Thanking you once more for past cures when all others fail is found in the favors, and soliciting a continuance of your patronage, I remain

Yours sincerely B. TIBBITTS.

Smoke "Touka", the only 10c, package high grade unxture on the market, at J. G.

THE BUSY CORNER

Aylmer's Cheapest Store

--- New Spring Goods

If there is one thing that will limber up the sewing machine sooner than another, it is bright, new spring goods. February and March are the grea Cotton Goods months For the benefit of early buyers we arranged for early deliveries. A visit to our Staple Department will bring on a real industrious fit. You will find complete stocks, exclusive patterns, and very special values in the following lines. in the following lines.

Prints, 5c, 7c, 8c, 9c, 10c, 11c. and 12½c. Ginghams, 5c, 6c, 9c, 10c, 11c, 12½c, 18c, 25c. Cretonnes, 9c, 10c, 13c, 14c, 20c, 25c. Spot Muslins, 12½, 15c, 20c, 25c.
White Organdies, 12½c, 20c, and 25c. Lonsdale Cambrics, 10c, 12½c, and 15c. Bleached Cottons, 4c, 5c, 6c, 7½c, 8c, 9c, 10c. Unbleached Cotton, 3c, 3½c, 5c. and 6½c. Unbleached Sheeting, 15c, 17½c, 20c. Bleached Sheeting, 17½c, 20c. 25c. Pillow Cottons, 10c, 12½c, 14c, 20c. Flannelettes, 3c, 5c, 6c, 9c, 10c. Shirtings, 5c, 8c, 10c. 11c, 12½c. Cottonades, 12½c, 18c, 20c, 22c, 25c Denims, 15c. and 20c. Ticking, 10c, 13c, 15c, 18c, 20c, and 25c. Towelling, 5c., 6c., 7c, 8c., 10c. and 12c.

EMBROIDERIES.

Direct to us from the makers in St. Gaul, Switzerland. You have no middleman's profits to pay for here Patterns are new, assortment large, and values very special. Prices range from 2½c. to \$1.00 per yard.

We passed into stock this week our first shipment of new Valencienne's Laces. Soft finished 2c., 3c., 4c. and 5c. Soft finished, handsome Goods, values right beyond question, at

1-4 OFF CLOTHING SALE

Will be continued until the new Spring Clothing arrive

THE BUSY CORNER shows each season the fullest assortment of seasonable Dry Goods. No old Goods are given shelf room. No credit losses for cash customers to pay. These are two reasons why our Goods and prices keep

Simpson & Case

Dry Goods Importers and Clothiers.

Spring Approaches

Your wants in every department of the house and business are making themselves manifest. We want to supply your

Hardware Wants

and can do so in a way that you will receive the best quality of Goods at the best possible prices. That is the money saving way. Our stock of general Hardware is unequalled in this section of the country, while our prices are better than the best.

WRIGHT & ALLEN

Agents for Happy Thought Ranges-

Wanted a Change!

This is the time when people generally begin to want something "different" to est. We are meeting this natural craving in a great variety of ways. A glance over our shelves will likely detect just the delicacy that appeals to your flagging appetite.

HAM AND BREAKFAST BACON

Evaporated Fruits

These Goods get better every season—more like fresh fruit in color and taste. We have a variety of the best-liked kinds, priced as

...Jas. Heiter