Luncheon to Lord Ampthill.

DISTINGUISHED VISITOR LEAVES FOR CANADA.

At Smithville, yesterday, the Prime Minister, Sir Richard Squires gave a luncheon in honor of Lord Ampthill, which was attended by more than one hundred guests. The festive board was spread in the spacious ball-room which had been very tastefully decorated for the occasion. The guests included His Excellency the Governor, the members of both branches of the Legislature, judges of the Supreme Court, Sir Wm. Horwood, Hon. C. M. Johnson, Rt. Hon. Sir Wm. Lloyd, Messrs. J. R. Bennett, G. R. Williams, R. W. Spry, A. G. Osmond, Dr. A. G. Allan, Reg. Harvey, Rev. Dr. C. McPherson, R. F. Goodridge, Dr. Roberts, G. M. Paddon, A. E. Carlyle, W. N. Gray, Capt. J. Nuns, Rev. E. C. Earp, Rev. Canon Smart, Dr. T. C. McLeod, P. J. Summers, K.C., Prof. D. J. Davies, C. O. N. Conroy, Capt. A. G. Allan, Reg. Harvey, Rev. Dr. Fenwick, F. C. Berteau, Major Tait, J. S. Currie, Rev. Canon Bolt, Hon. E. Watson, his Honor Frank Morris, Dr. Rendell.

An excellent menu was served. Two toasts only were honoured, His Majesty the King; and Lord Ampthill, whom the Prime Minister introduced as a "distinguished Imperialist." Lord Ampthill graciously replying referred at some length to the ties that bind the Empire. On behalf of himself and his associates he expressed appreciation of the reception given them since arriving here. When they returned to the Old Country they would always have a good word to say for Newfoundland. The luncheon terminated with the singing of the National Anthem. A photograph of the gathering was later taken in the grounds by Mr. J. C. Parsons, which will make an interesting souvenir of the occasion.

Lord Ampthill and his associates left by express to-day en route to Toronto to attend the communication of the Grand Lodge of Canada which takes place on July 18th. The Grand Lodge of New York and other grand bodies will be afficially represented at the communication in Toronto. Grand Lodge will meet in Massey Hall. There will be 2,000 delegates representing 100,000 Masons. Col. W. N. Ponton, K.C., of Belleville, who has been Grand Master for the past two years will retire and be succeeded by the present Deputy Grand Master, W. R. Dropel of Grimsby. Lord Ampthill will return to England on July 21.

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Chinese Laundry Gutted.

FIRE CAUSED BY GASOLINE EXPLOSION.

Due to the explosion of a gasoline tank the Chinese laundry on Cochrane Street, owned and operated by Kam Lung, was completely gutted by fire yesterday afternoon. The fire started near an ironing machine and within a few minutes the whole of the building fronting on Gower Streeet was a mass of flames. The Chinese occupants of the laundry had to make a hurried exit, having only sufficient time to secure their cash boxes. In the excitement there was some delay in ringing in an alarm, although the box was located only three yards from the door. The firemen from the Central and East End stations responded quickly and both the pumper and new aerial ladder were brought into service. After a little while a half dozen streams of water were brought to play upon the burning building, but it took over half an hour of strenuous work by the fire fighters. A house owned by Mr. Jas. Cole adjoining the laundry on Gower Street was badly damaged by smoke and water. Mr. Cole, however, has about $1800 insurance on his home. The residence of Mr. Charles Stranger, which adjoins the laundry on Cochrane Street, also suffered from smoke and water. Mrs. Stranger, who is not enjoying the best of health recently, received quite a shock and had to be removed to a neighbor's house. The machinery and contents of the laundry are completely destroyed and the $2,000 insurance carried will not nearly cover the loss.

Smuts Fears Another War.

CAPETOWN, South Africa.—General Smuts, speaking recently at the Union of South Africa government, defined the British Empire as a grouping of free states held together by their common allegiance on terms of freedom and equality, and operating on a basis of consultation. The famous South African leader said it was quite possible that another great European calamity might arise, and he therefore urged that the position of the British Empire be defined. The European war, he said, arose from the fact that the position of some of the great powers was not clearly defined.

Men's Dark Tan Laced Boots only $4.50 at SMALLWOOD'S.
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A Riot of Economies in These JULY CLEARANCE SALES

Lustre Skirts

A limited number only of Smart Pleated Lustre Skirts, in shades of Grey, Blue and Black. These Skirts were originally sold at $8.00

Clearance Price **$2.10**

Women's Canvas Shoes

Over 200 pairs of high grade White Canvas Shoes with Leather soles and heels, Laced and Strap styles; also Pumps with buckles. Original Price $2.50.

Clearance Price **$1.50**

For Friday and Saturday we have arranged a series of Clearance Sales in Summer Merchandise. Tremendous Price Reductions have been made on the very things you have in mind for wearing right now.

Besides the Bargains mentioned here, there are many other money-saving Chances—Odd lines and sizes that will amply repay a visit to the Store.

Bargains in Dress Fabrics

Turn those tempting Prices to lasting advantage

We offer here the smartest of the New Sport materials, the most beautiful of the Season's Fabrics, Plain, Oriental and Egyptian designs in Silk fabrics, Checks, Floral and Striped designs in Cotton materials; all marked at very low prices.

Kanton Crepe.
40 inches wide. In plain shades of Navy, Henna, Saxe and Brown. Regular $2.50 yard. Sale Price ... **$2.24**

Egyptian Crepes.
40 inches wide. Popular "King Tut" patterns in assorted beautiful color combinations, guaranteed pure Silk. Reg. $5.65 per yard. Sale Price **$4.75**

Check Ratines.
36 inches wide. Delightful large checks of Sky, Pink, Lemon and Rose on White grounds. The popular Dress fabric of the moment. Reg. $1.30 per yard. Sale Price ... **$1.18**

Cotton Ginghams.
27 inches wide. Cool and dainty Summer time materials, stripes and checks of latest colorings; guaranteed to wash well. Reg. 33c. per yard. Sale Price ... **29c.**

Figured Voiles.
38 inches wide. This popular fabric in pretty color combinations of Navy and White, Navy and Green, Saxe and White, Red and White. Reg. 35c. per yard. Sale Price ... **31c.**

Clearance Sale of Summer Hats

For the many fine days to come, you will want a supply of Hats that are smart but inexpensive. This is a wonderful opportunity to save on serviceable Hats.

Imitation Panama Hats.
For women and Misses,; very smart shapes finished with Black or colored bands.
Reg. $1.85 each. ... Sale Price ... **$1.57**
Reg. $2.00 each. ... Sale Price ... **$1.68**
Reg. $2.50 each. ... Sale Price ... **$2.10**

Genuine Panama Hats.
In two styles only. Large flop shapes and roll brim. These are all finished with Black corded ribbon band and bow.
Reg. $4.50 each. ... Sale Price ... **$3.78**
Reg. $5.25 each. ... Sale Price ... **$4.40**
Reg. $6.00 each. ... Sale Price ... **$5.10**

Women's Dressing Gowns.
In Figured Flannelettes, cut in Japanese style, collars and sleeves are faced in silk. Reg. $3.00 each **$2.65**

Women's Dressing Gowns.
In Fancy Flannelette, colors of Helio, Rose and Saxe Blue; collars and cuffs finished with wide band of silk, elastic at waist. Reg. $3.50 each. Sale Price ... **$2.95**

Smallwares

COLD & VANISHING CREAM—Ponds. Special per tube ... **35c.**
TOOTH PASTE—Luxor. Special per tube ... **30c.**
TALCUM POWDER—Palmolive. Special per tin ... **30c.**
LATHER CREAM—Replaces soap and brush for shaving. Special per tube ... **63c.**
CASTILE SOAP—Made with pure Olive Oil. Special per cake ... **17c.**
MECHANICS' SOAP PASTE—Special per tin ... **20c.**
CLOTH BRUSHES—Special each ... **33c.**
DRESSING COMBS—Strong and durable. Special each ... **25c.**
FINE TOOTH COMBS—Extra super. Special each ... **15c.**
SHOE POLISH—Lion Brand, in colors of Brown, Black, Tan, Ox Blood and White. Special per tin ... **15c.**
SHIRT BUTTONS—White; medium sizes. Special per dozen ... **8c.**

Stationery

THE MURILLO ART CRAYONS—With book for coloring. Special per Box ... **6c.**
CREPE PAPER TABLE COVERS—Blue Bird design. Special each **37c.**
MEMO BOOKS—With Black cover. Special each ... **12c.**
DENNISON'S LAWYER SEALS—Asstd. sizes. Special per Box **15c.**
POPULAR NOVELS—By Ruby M. Ayres: The Scar, The Fortune Hunter, The Remembered Kiss, The Woman Hater, A Man of His Word, The Story of an Ugly Man, Paper Roses. Special each ... **42c.**

Men's Furnishings

Big Bargains

Men's Shirts.
White Negligee Shirts, for men of all sizes, large roomy bodies, perfect fitting collar bands. Regular $2.35 each. Sale Price ... **$1.85**

Pyjama Suits.
Strongly made Cotton Pyjama Suits, coat and pants. In men's sizes, assorted strined patterns. Regular $3.50 suit. Sale Price ... **$2.28**

Soft Collars.
In White only. Mercerized Cotton and Pique fabrics, well shaped, Plain and buttoned fronts, all sizes. Special each **28c.**

Silk Lisle Socks.
Extra special values, all sizes, colors of Brown, Navy, Black and White. Special per pair ... **58c.**

Silk Socks.
Real Japanese Silk Thread Socks at a clearing price, colors of Brown, Black and White. Reg. $2.25 pair. Clearing Price ... **$1.10**

Men's Straw Hats.
Fine White Plaited Straw, smart Boater shapes, all sizes, Leather sweat bands. Reg. $1.85 each. Sale Price **$1.48**

Clearing Lines of Summer Footwear

Women's Canvas Shoes.
Over 200 pairs of White Canvas Shoes in Laced and Strap styles, low and medium heels, Leather soles, all sizes. Reg. $2.15 pair. Sale Price ... **$1.94**
A limited number with Rubber soles and heels, size 4 only. $2.50 values. Selling for ... **98c.**

Children's Sandals.
All Leather Mahogany shades, solid leather, stitched soles.
Sizes 6 to 8. Special per pair ... $1.50
Sizes 9 to 11. Special per pair ... $1.75
Sizes 12 to 2. Special per pair ... $2.00

Gauntlet Gloves.
In finely woven fabrics, colors of Grey, Fawn, White and Chamois, one strap fastener, all sizes. Regular $1.85 per pair for ... **$1.65**

Women's Silk Gloves.
Real Malanese Silk, shades of Grey, Fawn, Black and White, 2 dome fasteners, all sizes. Regular $1.35 pair. Sale Price ... **$1.22**

All-Wool Sweater Coats

Extra Special Values

All Wool Slip-Ons.
In colors of Jade, Saxe, Beaver, Honeydew and Scarlet, long sleeves, round neck, pockets and girdle; sizes 36 to 42. Regular $2.75 each. Sale Price ... **$2.45**
Another line of Slip-Ons with collar buttoned to the neck, open sleeves, large Pearl button fasteners, colors of Saxe, Grey, Honey Dew, Nigegr, Jade and Beaver. Reg. $7.00 each. Sale Price ... **$5.95**

All Wool Sweaters.

Women's Raglan Coats.
In mixed colorings of Pearl and Scarlet, Honeydew and Brown, Peacock and Pearl, neat Tuxedo collar and girdles. Reg. $7.00 each. Sale Price **$5.95**
New arrivals in smart Raglans, made of high grade materials, rubber lined, turned off reveres, neat pockets and belt, in shades of Fawn only. Reg. $14.50 each. Sale Price ... **$12.70**

Women's Gingham Dresses.
In a host of new colorings, neat check designs, finished with organdie collars and ric-rac braid. Reg. $2.60 each. Sale Price ... **$2.20**

Misses' Gingham Dresses.
Large and Fancy Check patterns in Pink, Mauve, Yellow and Red, smart Organdie collar and sash; sizes from 14 to 20 years. Reg. $6.00 each. Sale Price ... **$5.10**

Summer Hosiery at Clearing Prices

Misses' Cotton Hose.
In Black and shades of Brown, over 100 dozen pairs in all sizes, offered at a Special Price of **26c.**

White Cotton Hose.
Made of fine grade Cotton, no seams to bother you, all sizes. Special per pair **17c.**

Women's Lisle Hose.
In shades of Brown and in Black, seamless toes and heels, guaranteed fast dyes. Special per pair **65c.**

Fawn Linen Cushion Covers.
Size 24 x 24. Reg. $1.25 each for ... **$1.05**

Misses' Wool Hose.
50 doz. prs. Plain all Wool Cashmere Hose of very find quality. In shades of Brown, in two sizes only.
Size 4. Reg. 65c. pr. Special 49c.
Size 6. Reg. 45c. pr. Special 38c.
Another line of All Wool Cashmere, Jaeger brand, in shades of Brown, size 8 only, over 20 dozen pairs. Special per pair **57c.**

Fawn Linen Tea Cloths.
Size 32 x 32. Reg. $1.65 each for ... **$1.45**

Fawn Linen Sideboard Cloths.
Size 14 x 54. Reg. 90c. each for ... **78c.**

Turkish Towels.
With Colored stripes.
Size 21 x 42. Reg. 55c. each for ... **47**

The ROYAL STORES, Limited

New Stamp Issue.

BADLY DESIGNED AND PRINTED.

The new issue of postage stamps promised for so long was permitted to see the light of day on Monday, and as monuments of ugliness in stamp designing, the twelve engravures which make up the set will remain forever in stamp catalogues in marked contrast with the splendour of the issues which have gone before.

This appears to be a very stern criticism, but the least observant person who has ever taken notice of former issues can see at a glance all the ugliness or lack of anything in the designs of the new stamps.

Newfoundland has always been famed for the beauty of her postal labels, and although the last two issues have not maintained that reputation, they were far above the new issues both in design and printing. What the object of the new issue is remains doubtful, for there is nothing to commemorate this year.

The only solution to this problem seems to be that the new stamps are meant to bring to the notice of the people of Newfoundland, and the world at large, the passage through the House of the Humber Contract. This would seem to be proved by the fact that several beauty spots on the Humber River are depicted on stamps of the new issue. What one cannot understand is why portraits of the past and present Minister of Posts do not also appear.

The one point in favor of the new issue is that the stamps are of small size and are convenient for use on cheques. There are twelve values, and each value bears a different design. The one cent green, according to the label at the bottom of the central design, bears a picture of the Twin Hills, Tor's Cove. At first glance the stamp looks like nothing on earth, but after careful inspection something faintly resembling the famous beauty spot of the Southern Shore becomes visible.

The two cent stamp is a brilliant cherry red. The stamp looks like a small piece of paper which has been painted over with a lip stick, and impressed in this is a seascape, purporting to rpresent the South West Arm, Trinity.

The three cent chocolate is the best of the lot. It depicts the Bowring Park Memorial, "The Fighting Newfoundlander."

On the four cent violet, a smudgy background of hills, and a boat with its sail up in the foreground, present the designer's idea of a quiet nook in the Humber River.

But why go one? One stamp is as bad as another, and those who buy them will soon see their defects. The remainder of the issue is as follows:

Five cent, ultramarine. Coast scenery, Trinity.

Six cent, black. Upper Steadies, Humber River.

Eight cent, lilac. Quidi Vidi.

Nine cent, slate green. Caribou crossing lake.

Ten cent, purple. Humber River Canyon.

Eleven cent, olive green. Shell Bird Island.

Twelve cent, Mount Moriah.

Save us from future issues like the present one, should be the prayer of all Newfoundlanders, philatelists or otherwise.

PHILATELOS.

Wedding Bells.

CRANFORD-FEEHAN.

A very pretty wedding took place at the R. C. Cathedral when Mr. Geo. Cranford, son of the late Wm. and Mary Ann Cranford, was united in the bonds of matrimony to Miss Bride Feehan, daughter of Patrick and Mary Feehan. The officiating clergyman was the Rev. Dr. Carter. The bride wore a dress of blue crepe de chene, with hat to match, and was attended by her sister Gertie, while the groom was supported by Mr. Robert Feehan, brother of the bride. After the ceremony supper was served at the residence of the bride's parents. Th numerous friends of the bride and groom wish them many years of happiness.

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Motor Cars Collide.

Last evening about 8 o'clock a motor accident occurred at the junction of Parade Street and LeMarchant Road when a motor car driven by Mr. E. Collishaw, running from Parade Street into LeMarchant Road, collided with a car driven by Mr. S. Smith. The impact, which was very heavy, damaged the steering gear and mud guard of the latter car considerably. Mr. Collishaw's car escaped with a few scratches.

Caplin Abundant at Topsail.

Caplin in unprecedented abundance struck in at Topsail this morning. Men with seines secured four boat loads to one haul. This is the second time caplin visited Topsail this season.

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