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64 in. Unbleached Tabling, double-damask, all pure linen, extra value at per yd.	45c	64 Unbleached double Damask Tabling, all pure linen, A One value, at per yd.	50c
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QUAINT CABINETS for QUAINT TREASURES

If you feel your collection of Curios, Bric-a-Brac, etc., is worthy a home to itself, come in and look at our

CABINETS AND CHINA CLOSETS.

We show a well selected line of Cabinets of charming shape, fine workmanship and finish.

We do not forget music lovers, but have on sale for their benefit a good stock of

MUSIC CABINETS—Price List.

Parlor Cabinets, Mahogany—\$11.75, \$15.00, \$17.00, \$30.00, \$35.00, \$52.00.
China Cabinets, Golden Oak—\$13.00, \$15.00, \$18.00, \$21.00, \$46.00.
Music Cabinets, Mahogany—\$5.00, \$7.50, \$8.50, \$12.00, \$17.00.

McDONALD & CO.

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral

If your doctor says this is the best cough medicine you can take, then take it. We are willing to leave it with him.

SATCHEL --

OF THE SATELLITE

Wait for the Big Show and give it a Big Show.

Are you counting the days till Dunsmuir night?

Er W. A. Mills does his duty, Irish back will think this is a prohibition show.

I would like to know who wanted that chairmanship of the Board of Works, anyway.

All is not lost that comes to the Mills, sometimes it's the office of License Inspector.

The Ontario government is very shaky when they are in such a hurry to make appointments.

The most fashionable thing in head-wear just now is Rob'n Hood. This is fashionable for Monday and Thursday evenings.

I wonder what W. M. S. E. E. P. P. McEn, J. W., etc., think of the License Inspector appointment. Well they work as faithfully this year!

No, Dear Alright Yes, Halls' escape from Hamilton Jail isn't in it with the escape of Robin Hood from Nottingham Jail on Dundonald night.

Mr. Martin says that the Labor Union should put the tragedy of Caesar upon the bill boards, with the Al-German as Great Caesar, and the Labor candidates as Cassius and Brutus, this right hand friends, but his first hand assigns.

Any irregularity on the part of The Planet carrier boys will be immediately remedied by calling at the office or phoning 53a.

WORLD OF SPORT

HOCKEY

ESSEX COMING SATURDAY NIGHT

The local hockey team has arranged a game here on Saturday night with the team of Essex. The Essex team plays at Tilbury on Friday night and comes right on here.

The local club has arranged with the curlers to have the rink. The club is also trying to arrange a game with Walkerville for next week.

"The D & L" Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil taken in cases of general debility and loss of appetite, is sure to give the best of results. It restores health and gives renewed vitality.

WIDE AWAKE

People, when looking for Dinner, Tea or Chamber Sets, seek the store where they are positive, they are receiving the greatest value. Many persons purchasing from us have proved to their satisfaction that our prices for China, Lamps and Glassware are the lowest in the city, as we are clearing all out very near the cost price. Lots yet to choose from. Come and buy your goods from us. Remember it is a genuine clearing out sale. Everything in the Crockery Line goes.

GROCERIES.

8 lbs. Best Rolled Oats, 25c.
6 lbs. Tapioca, 25c.
Maple Syrup, Imp. at, 20c.
Fresh Ground Coffee, 15c. per lb.
7 lbs. Rolled Wheat, 25c.
Sunlight Baking Powder, 10c. 1-lb. tins.
Corn Starch, 7c. per package.
Pickles, 10c. per bottle.
Great values in teas and coffees.

John McConnell,

Phone 190. - Park St.

RECEDE OR FIGHT.

JAPAN DETERMINED ON PROMPT RESORT TO ARMS.

Asks China to Preserve Strict Neutrality—War Believed to be Inevitable, and May Come at Any Moment.

London, Jan. 12.—The Times has the following from its correspondent at Peking:—The Chinese Minister at Tokio telegraphs to Prince Ching, the head of the Board of Foreign Affairs, to-day that at the request of the Japanese Foreign Office he makes the following communication:—"The second Russian reply to the Japanese proposals has been received at Tokio. It is unfavorable, and cannot be accepted by Japan, which, unless Russia recedes, will be compelled to promptly resort to arms. In view of such an eventuality, Japan urges and expects China to maintain the strictest neutrality, to preserve order throughout the empire, to guard foreigners resident in the interior, and to take special care to preserve order in the provinces of Shantung and Yunnan (where the Germans and French respectively claim to have preponderating influence), lest the foreign powers seize the pretext of disorder and make aggressive moves therein." The despatch has deeply impressed the Chinese, who now believe that war is inevitable. Orders for guns, small arms and ammunition to the amount of twelve hundred thousand taels were recently placed in Japan by Viceroy Yuanshikai. A considerable consignment of machine guns and smokeless ammunition is due to arrive at Changhai to-day.

The ratification of the commercial treaty between China and Japan was exchanged this afternoon.

Berlin, Jan. 12.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of The Lokai Anzeiger gives a much more serious view of the far eastern situation than has hitherto emanated from that capital.

The correspondent says those in official circles entertain a greater conviction than they have heretofore allowed to become known, and he suspects that the utterances of the press have been optimistically colored to conceal official disquiet.

Recently Count Lamsdorff, the Foreign Minister, Gen. Kurpatov, the Minister of War, and M. Avaya, Chairman of the Committee on East Asiatic Affairs, assembled to draw up a communication which will soon be published in The Government Messenger. This communication will give the complete story of the negotiations with Japan, including the latest developments.

The correspondent says:—"The czar wishes, as he told Count Lamsdorff, that the whole truth be given to the public. He is personally against war, and refuses to believe that it will come. He hopes to convince Japan that Russia's wishes are reasonable and must be respected. Accordingly the communication chiefly embraces five points:—

"First—Japan will get various concessions in Corea.
"Second—In south Corea the Japan can act not only in their economic interests, but they can adopt strategic measures, corresponding with these interests.
"Third—Russia allows Japan full commercial freedom of action in north Corea, but Japan must not permanently occupy fortified towns either to the north or south, and neither on the coast nor in the interior.
"Fourth—A neutral zone of fifty kilometres broad is to be created between Corea and Manchuria along the Yalu and Tumen Rivers, in which neither Russia nor Japan can establish fortified positions; also that the strait between Japan and Corea shall be neutral, thus giving free ingress and egress to Russian vessels.
"Fifth—In reference to Manchuria, Russia accepts no conditions, but declares that she is ready to permit Japan and other powers to represent their interests, embracing the 'open door' for Mukden and Newchwang."

The czar personally edited and corrected the above points of the communication.

London, Jan. 12.—Premier Balfour, speaking at Manchester last night, referring to the far eastern situation, said: "No one can contemplate hostilities between two great civilized countries without feelings of misgiving and depression." Premier Balfour added that Great Britain would carry out to the fullest extent all her treaty obligations.

Mr. St. John Brodrick, Secretary for India, speaking at Guilford, said he hoped war would be averted. The Government, he said, would do its utmost to promote a peaceful solution of the difficulties, but that if its effort failed Great Britain would seek to localize the effect of the conflict.

Premier Balfour's guarded statement is commented on by this morning's newspapers as an intimation of the intention of the Government to accomplish support to Japan in the event of circumstances arising which would call into action the Anglo-Japanese treaty.

FIRE IN A COAL MINE.

Canada Coal Company's Property in a Blaze.

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 12.—Fire broke out last night in the Canada Coal & Railway Company's mines at Joggins, causing great excitement in that vicinity. It is confined to one section and damage may not be very serious. The fire is 200 feet below the surface. Several horses were suffocated.

UPON MURDER CASE.

True Bill Against Fanny McGarvey at London Assizes.

London, Ont., Jan. 12.—The Grand Jury yesterday returned a true bill against Fanny McGarvey for the murder of her uncle, Patrick Upton, at Strathroy, last October.

ONE THOUSAND KILLED.

CRUSHING DEFEAT OF THE MAD MULLAH'S FORCES.

Two British Officers Killed and Nine Wounded—Dervishes Could Not Face British Fire.

London, Jan. 12.—The War Office last night gave out the following despatch, which has been received from Major-General Egerton, commanding the Somaliland expeditionary force, and which is dated from Jidballi, Somaliland, January 11:

"Advanced this morning eleven miles to Jidballi. First brigade commanded by Manning, second under Faskin, and mounted troops under Kenna. Total strength of the regulars, 2,200; irregulars, 1,000. Jidballi held by 5,000 Dervishes. Mounted troops enveloped enemy's right and infantry advanced within 750 yards of his position. Dervishes advanced, but were unable to face frontal fire, coupled with flank attack. Enemy broke and fled, and was pursued ten miles. Dervishes killed estimated at 1,000, mostly in the pursuit. Many prisoners and 400 rifles taken.

"I regret to report that two officers of regulars were killed, and nine officers wounded; five of the rank and file wounded; of native troops, seven killed and sixteen wounded. Of irregulars, two killed and two wounded. Am inclined to think this the Mullah's main force. The Mullah himself was not present, but was expected at Jidballi to-day."

Major-General Egerton's force is camped to-night two miles beyond Jidballi.

A later despatch from G. N. Egerton says that one officer, Captain Lister, is missing. Captain Lister is Lord Ribblesdale's son and heir.

UNSEAWORTHY BOAT.

The Ill-fated Clallam Said to Have Leaked.

Victoria, Jan. 12.—So great is the indignation in this city over the collapse in only a moderately rough sea of the Clallam, a vessel which had not been in commission a year, that the Board of Trade council held a hurried meeting and waited on Senator Templeman in a body with the request that the Dominion Government order an investigation into the matter, and that Mr. C. H. Lugin, whose son-in-law, N. P. Shaw, perished in the wreck, watch proceedings at the inquest.

The C. P. R. will also be approached and petitioned to place on the run their fine new craft, Princess Beatrice, which was built here during the summer, and which is stout enough for ocean work. This is the first storm in which the vessel was ever tested, and public opinion seems unanimous that the wreck only illustrated her total unfitness for ordinary demands on ferry boats.

No. 1 life-boat of the steamer "Clallam," which was picked up here above, when the boat was launched from the sinking steamer the plug was removed. Examination shows that water must have come in through the open plug-hole. She did not capsize, as two iron rowlocks, unfastened, were found in the boat, together with a gold watch and a purse containing \$41, belonging to Millie Murdoch of Seattle.

Bodies that were unidentified have been shown to be Minnie Murdoch, Seattle, and Mrs. Hattie Moore of San Juan Island.

WHTAKER WRIGHT ON TRIAL

Wrecker of London & Globe Corporation Faces Court.

London, Jan. 12.—The trial of Whitaker Wright, the company promoter, on the charge of making and circulating false statements of accounts while director of the London & Globe Corporation, was commenced in the King's Bench division of the High Court of Justice before Justice Bigham and a special jury. The court was crowded. The trial is expected to last a week or longer if Wright goes into the witness-box. Wright was arrested in New York March 15 and extradited.

TO EXCLUDE THE CHINESE.

New Zealand Premier Invites Colonies to Co-operate.

Wellington, New Zealand, Jan. 12.—Premier Seddon has invited the Premiers of Australia, Canada, Cape Colony and Natal, to unite in protesting to the Imperial Government against the introduction of Chinese labor in the Rand mines, Transvaal Colony, South Africa.

BRIbery AT MILWAUKEE.

Several Aldermen and Civic Officials Are Now Under Indictment.

Milwaukee, Wis., Jan. 12.—The Grand Jury have returned indictments against the following:—Chas. J. Cooke, ex-Alderman; Wm. Oker-shauser, ex-Alderman; Wm. Murphy, Alderman; Arthur A. McCormick, Alderman; Peter J. Meade, ex-supervisor; Charles Bottenberg, supervisor; Hans Stoffel, a private citizen. The Aldermen and ex-Aldermen are charged with soliciting bribes, and the supervisor and ex-supervisors with taking bribes. Stoffel is charged with bribery.

H. R. Emerson for the Cabinet.

Ottawa, Jan. 11.—Hon. H. R. Emerson is on his way to the capital to be sworn in as a member of the Cabinet. The presumption is, but upon this point there is no official information, that he will be given the Department of Railways and Canals.

OVERCOATS SALE

Big Reductions.

While it is yet midwinter we have decided to inaugurate a sale of up-to-date, stylish overcoats that will eclipse anything of the kind that we have ever attempted.

Our entire stock of mens, youths and boys' overcoats will be placed on sale at astonishing reductions. This is not a clearing of broken lots and fag ends, but every overcoat in the store is on the reduction list, not one reserved. There are dozens and dozens of the most stylish and up-to-date garments to choose from, including Raglanettes, Chesterfields and the popular Prince Henry with the half belt, and many other styles that have held sway this season.

The following list will give you some small idea of the reductions, but we invite you to come in and see that we are doing as we say:—

REDUCED PRICES.

Mens black and blue Beaver, single breasted, fly front overcoats, with velvet collars and good strong linings, three-quarter length, all sizes, regular price \$5.00, sale price \$3.95.

Mens fancy chevrot Raglanette overcoats, vertical pockets, velvet collars, medium long, very stylish, regular price \$8.00, sale price \$5.75.

Mens fancy chevrot Raglanette overcoats, with velvet lined vertical pockets, silk velvet collars, extra good linings, an extra bargain, sizes 36 to 40, regular price \$12.00, sale price \$6.50.

Four only, fancy chevrot Raglanette overcoats, with vertical, velvet lined pockets, silk velvet collars, splendid linings, and cut the correct length, size 33, 34, 37 and 38. This is a sample of the cuts on broken lots, regular price \$12.00, sale price \$4.95.

Mens plain gray, twilled and fancy striped chevrot overcoats, three splendid lines of coats that have been leaders with us this season, cut loose, roomy and extra long, with vertical, velvet lined pockets and silk velvet collars, regular price \$10.00, sale price \$7.50.

Mens fine dark gray chevrot overcoats, cut from the new Raglanette pattern, correct collar, pockets and lapels, regular price \$13.00, sale price \$10.00.

Mens fancy striped, gray chevrot overcoats, cut in the new Chesterfield style, strap velvet collar with narrow lapels, velvet lined cross pockets and beautifully lined with extra fine quality of farmers' satin, sizes 35 to 40. One of the most swaggar coats in the stock, regular price \$15.00, sale price \$10.00.

The Prince Henry, a very stylish garment made from dark fancy checked back overcoat, silk lined yoke, velvet lined vertical bellows pockets, and made with a half belt. This has been one of the leading styles in New York, sizes 33 to 38, regular price \$14.00, sale price \$10.00.

Mens fine, dark gray Montenac overcoats, dressy and luxurious, three quarter length, cut from the gentlemanly Chesterfield pattern, cuff on sleeve, regular pockets and extra quality of lining, regular price \$15.00, sale price \$12.00.

Mens extra fine, fancy chevrot overcoats, with silk lined yokes and bellows pockets, one of the most stylish and up-to-date over garments shown this season, all sizes, regular price \$17.00, sale price \$12.00.

Prices quoted above are for almost complete lines. Where there are odd coats or broken lots the reductions are greater. All boys and youths' coats are similarly reduced.

First choice is always the best, and while to-day there are plenty of coats it is safe to wager that these prices will create a great clearance during the next few days. You have nothing to gain and all to lose by delay.

Thornton & Douglas, LIMITED.

ON THE FRIAR

Burney Weldon Tells a Good one on Himself—How he Spent Two Good Dollars

Burney Weldon, the clever comedian who is killed to take the part of Friar Tuck, in the opera Robin Hood, likes to tell of an experience he had in chicken raising a couple of years ago.

"Two years ago," says Burney, "I thought I'd like to raise game chickens so I could take little trips to Detroit like the other Maple City sports. I bought a cock and half a dozen hens, but I got no eggs. I fed those hens oyster shell and corn and mixed their feed but still I got no eggs. The chickens were vigorous and healthy but my visions of Detroit began to fade.

"To remedy this state of affairs, I answered an advertisement in an agricultural magazine. This advertisement said that for two dollars an infallible way to make hens lay would be communicated. I saved up the two bucks and forwarded them in postage stamps and in due course I received the advertiser's reply. It was a printed slip that read:—

"To make hens lay—Tie a stout string around the hen's body, lay the bird on her side on a board, and fasten the string underneath. If it is thought desirable, a pillow may be placed under the hen's head."

ODD DISHES At Gray's China Hall

MEAT DISHES—plain and decorated—15c. to \$1.50.
CUPS, without saucers—plain white, colored and gold lined, doz. 60c, doz. \$1.50.
ODD PARTS to Match Toilet Sets—Ewers, Basins, Chambers, Soap Dishes, etc., 25c. to \$1.00.
GLASS TUMBLERS—3c, 5c, 6c, 7c, 8c—large variety to choose from.
ODD PLATES to match anything almost that you may have—5c, 7c, 8c, 10c, and 15c.
ODD BOWLS and VEGETABLE DISHES—10c. to 25c.
ODD JUGS in many sizes, colors and shapes—5c, 10c, 15c, 20c, 25c.
All sizes LAMP BURNERS and CHIMNEYS at very lowest prices.

GRAY'S CHINA HALL,

King Street, Opp. Merchants Bank.

THE STAGE

"All the world's a stage and all the men and women merely players."

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

At the Chatham Grand:—
Marks Bros.—Jan. 4-16.
Ritchie Co.—Jan. 25.
A Thoroughbred Tramp—Jan. 27.

HIS MOTHER'S VINDICATION.

Marks Bros. played "His Mother's Vindication" last evening to a well crowded house, and they seemed to thoroughly delight the audience.

ing lady of the company, made a decided hit as Faith Farnum.

The specialties were capital, as usual.

USHERS' BENEFIT.

The bill to-night is "The Pride of the Army," and is said to be one of the strongest the company carries. It will be put on as the Ushers' Benefit.

Matthew Douglas, drum major of the 24th Regiment, will sing at to-night's performance.

For Drunkenness and the Keeley Drug using Cure

Over 300,000 CURES