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MOTORS AND HIGHWAYS.

The Farmers' Institute discussed motors and their general obnoxiousness to all good people, who do not use them, and recommended the imposition of a special tax upon them.

First, as to the manner in which some motorists use their machines. In ninety-nine cases out of a hundred there is no real necessity of maintaining an unreasonable speed.

On the question of road maintenance a great deal more can be said than we propose to say today. That motors are destructive of the surfaces of earth or gravel roads, every one admits, and we feel safe in saying that motorists would make no objection whatever to a reasonable special tax to be devoted to the repair of highways.

THE ORCHARD OF THE EMPIRE

The Halifax Chronicle disputes British Columbia's claim to be the Orchard of the Empire, and puts forward Annapolis Valley as a rival.

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yet to be tested in a large way, but now and then one meets some one who has had a few trees growing at his home in that part of the province, and he will say that when you want the best of fruit, you will have to come to the warm sheltered valley of central British Columbia, where the summer days are longer than they are further south and the fruit ripens quickly with a delicious color and flavor.

We repeat to our good friend of the Chronicle. Come out and see for yourself. We do not promise anything finer than the Annapolis Valley is for its size, for when Nature finished with that lovely spot, she patted herself on the back with consciousness that she had done a fine piece of work. Then she came to British Columbia, where she had more elbow room, and that is why this is going to be the "Orchard of the Empire."

THE PROPOSED REVISION.

The Winnipeg Telegram calls the proposed amendment to the election law, to which reference was made yesterday, "a statutory outrage," and says that it "throws wide the doors to the most dangerous forms of electoral fraud and corruption."

The impossibility of defending the necessity creates at once the suspicion that it is intended to place the hands of the Liberal managers in the proposed change on the ground of provinces named an engine that can be used to the disadvantage of their opponents. At the last Dominion election the Liberals carried all seven seats in British Columbia on lists prepared in precisely the same manner as the existing lists have been prepared in the past.

The report of the Civil Service Commission seems likely to be a very serious bone of contention. Our despatches speak of some of the departments and officials as being hard because of reflections upon the manner in which they discharge the public business.

A SERIOUS MATTER

We print elsewhere a statement from Mr. Reginald Leake Gale, of Telkwa, Bulkley Valley. Mr. Gale will note that we have cut out of his account the part of the narrative which contains comments with which he intersperses his narrative. This has been done, because the naked facts of the case are so grave that they should be presented as a substantive without any comment.

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The President urges tariff revision, although he does not expect it before next year. He makes no specific recommendation as to the items which revision ought to be attempted, confining himself to the suggestion that a commission shall be appointed to investigate the subject.

The restriction of the power of the courts to grant injunctions, the prohibition of child labor, the revision of the tariff, the provision of stringent laws for the protection of employees.

This is a pretty large programme for a single message, and one delivered to Congress on the eve of a presidential campaign, by a man who says that he does not expect to be his own successor he has certainly marked out a large plan for the man who is.

A DANGEROUS SYMPTOM

All over the country there are idle men who will not take work because they will be compelled to go out of the "bell" of the pavement is upon them. They are not lazy, they are not idle. They simply cannot reconcile themselves to the idea of getting away from the glare of the electric light, where existence has never been taken out of the crowded and unsanitary slums of a great city and into the pure air of the country.

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Columbia built in this province has gone forward to Ottawa. It is signed by 73 of the leading business men of the city. On behalf of every other man, woman and child in the community we can say that the government may consider their names also attached to that document.

Victoria's bank clearings have a very healthy look. Just compare the increase of 21 per cent. with the changes in other cities.

Harry Orchard says he wants to be hanged. There are a good many other people who are of the same mind in regard to the self-confessed murderer.

Mr. Justice Clement has told us that the provincial regulations as to the sale of milk are ultra vires. Mr. Justice Clement seems to have a keen eye for constitutional defects.

Happy Prince Edward Island! It stands a chance of getting a tunnel to the Mainland, and it has abolished the use of motors within its borders. Perhaps the latter is done for fear that if a horse is frightened, it might jump off the island.

We were told the other day that Mexico was the "finest country in the world, and the best place to live in." It is now disclosed that it has the earthquake habit, so Vancouver island still remains in undisputed possession of that title.

Hundreds of French-Canadian families are said to be abandoning the manufacturing towns of the New England States to return to Canada. It always has seemed a mystery why any one should be willing to live in the New England States when he could come to Canada.

The Grand Trunk Railway was prosecuted for running a train on Sunday for the purpose of keeping its tracks clear of snow. The prosecution has been dropped but not because the Lord's Day Alliance saw the unreasonableness of it.

The board of directors of the Victoria Agricultural Association is showing most commendable promptitude in arranging the larger details of the new building. The Architects' plans for the new building have been chosen and the contract for the same will be awarded in a few days.

The exodus to the industrial centres of the Golden North has set in earnest. When the Princess May and her entourage were in the city, she was taken to her utmost capacity, and it is said that the scene was reminiscent of the Klondike rush.

Is it not a somewhat remarkable thing that just now the Queen Charlotte group of islands should be attracting a great amount of attention from the capitalists and the prospectors that Vancouver Island? It must be a case of "distant hills look green," surely, for on this island may be found the most fertile soil in the province.

The immigration into Canada for January and February from the United States shows an increase of 61 per cent. as compared with the corresponding months last year. This is a really remarkable showing.

A petition pointing out the desirability of having the new fishery protection cruiser for service in British Columbia.

WEILER BROS. VICTORIA, B.C. Why Not Get Your New Carpet Today? Come in and Let Us Show You Our Line

Housecleaning Helps

THE kitchen furnishing department of this establishment is displaying in the Government Street window some of its offerings in homecleaning helps. A glimpse at this window display will give you an idea of the very complete range of such helps kept by us.

Easter Flower Holders in Glass and Pottery. Long and narrow, short and broad—for lilies or roses, for pansies or violets. Yes! To suit any and all of the beauties of the floral kingdom that bloom at gladsome Eastertide.

Would you Rehabilitate the Pantry? What with new paper and paint and oil cloth in the kitchen and pantry, the battered and blackened tins look out of place in the surroundings. The spring cleaning has put some things out of joint, hasn't it?

Some Dainty New Curtain Materials are Shown on the Second Floor.

Fine Furnishings For Your Guest Chamber. In the Guest Chamber your visitor forms first impressions about your home, and first impressions "stay."

Further Reductions on Linoleums. We have decided to continue the sale of Linoleum remnants for at least a portion of this week, and have added to the few remnants left from last week some large sized pieces.

Weiler Bros. THE "FIRST" FURNITURE STORE OF THE "LAST" WEST GOVERNMENT STREET, VICTORIA, B.C.

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NOTE AND COMMENT

It is frequently charged by some rather reckless critics of the present Ottawa administration that it has not shown that disposition to economize which people have a right to expect in a government which boasts so loudly of its desire to protect the interests of the public.

In an interview given the press at Winnipeg the other day Mr. C. E. E. Usher, assistant passenger traffic manager of the E. R. W. line, expressed the opinion that the tourist traffic to the west this summer would be heavy.

At this meeting, which was held in Chicago, arrangements were made to make tourist rates for the transcontinental, terminal and the Pacific coast. That is the rates from terminal, both south and north, will be equal to corresponding points south and north on the coast.

We are very glad to observe that the press in the interior of the province has endorsed the action that has been taken with the idea of placing on a sound financial basis the project launched by the London Standard for the better advertising of Canada.

Canada is about to benefit by a most complete and far-reaching advertising scheme which has yet been devised for the benefit of any part of the British Empire. The London Standard is one of the most widely known and most influential of the great London dailies, and it has arranged to publish a weekly supplement to be called "The Standard of Empire," which will be issued every Friday and will at the outset reach a quarter of a million readers.

The Toronto News scores the Federal government for its many petty expenditures in the Maritime provinces made with no other object than to serve the interests of Liberal politicians.

"We have the right to ask that the Intercolonial Railway should be operated as a commercial highway, but we should also see that it is thoroughly equipped for through traffic, and that its local rates are so adjusted as to serve local interests, and develop local industries.

It will not occasion much surprise to be told that the experts who were appointed to pass on the methods of the alleged diamond makers of Paris have pronounced the whole business a fake.

Paris, March 19.—The experts who were appointed by the court to investigate the methods used by the electrical engineer Lemoine, who claims to be able to manufacture diamonds, reports that it is impossible to witness gems by his methods.

At Louth, a Grimsby firm was fined £1 and costs for using a traction engine with wheels that had studs projecting from the surface.

FORTY YEARS AGO

The British Colonist, Monday, March 30, 1868. Work has been commenced on the new warehouses for the Hudson Bay Company at Esquimaux.

Rev. Mr. Jenns, of Nanaimo, preached morning and evening at the Cathedral Church to large and appreciative audiences.

The Enterprise brought down on Sunday evening the Hon. Stamp Macdonald, Walkem and Pemberton and \$103,000 in treasure from Cariboo for the banks.

Novel Regatta.—A regatta, under the auspices of the officers of H.M. fleet, is arranged for Thursday next in Esquimaux Harbor.

Football.—The game of football between the Town and Fleet Clubs, on Saturday, resulted in an easy victory for the latter, who scored six to their opponents' two.

A private telegram from New Westminster on Saturday stated that the capital message will be sent down to the Court of Session today.

Wholesale Slaughter.—On Saturday morning Mr. Irvine, a farmer in Victoria, reported to the police that he had found 34 head of sheep lying dead in the field.

ABOUT PEOPLE

Sir Ralph Littler, K. C., who has just declared that motor-cars should be taxed, and the proceeds spent on the up-keep of the roads, is one of the most mis-represented men of the present day.

Cupid has been busy both in the Lower and in the Upper House since the last election and political society was much thrilled last week by the news of the engagement of one of the most brilliant of youthful Liberal stalwarts to a young lady who belongs to the house of the Tory camp.

The Marchioness of Breadalbane was recently presented with a copy of the works of Burns from the villagers of Kenmore, in recognition of her kindness in regard to the concerts for their entertainment.

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BRITISH OPINION

London Morning Post.—"Sane Imperialism" is a phrase to which Unionists have attached a very definite meaning ever since Viscount Milner resumed his public life eleven months ago.

London Daily Express.—"Socialism is the end of party, of class, of race, of property, of religion, of all." In these impressive words Lord Rosebery repeated yesterday the contention of every important journal in the country.

London Standard.—There was little to be said in Lord Rosebery's presidential address to the members of the Liberal League of the "slightly fatigued tone of passive disgust at the state of things generally which has so often marked his political utterances during the last few years."

London Daily Chronicle.—Lord Rosebery's speech to the Liberal League yesterday may be described, so far as its main theme is concerned, as an impassioned appeal on behalf of a Second Chamber as a bulwark against Socialism.

NAVAL OFFICERS NOT CONTRABAND OF WAR

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Spring Shopping Delights the Feminine Mind

Thoughts of Spring Suits bring thoughts of Spring Petticoats, indispensable to new costumes. In our new 1908 stock we have one of the finest collections of Underskirts to be found anywhere.

New Taffeta Silk Moirette Underskirts

In Black, Green, Navy, Reseda, Brown

This delightful material is the new finish in silk warp moirette, which not only has the appearance of bright silk moire, but retains its

sheeny, silky look; it rustles like silk and does not lose its rustle after being worn. It has the chic swish and rustle of very expensive taffeta silk, but is infinitely more durable; light, strong and effective, it is the ideal material for an up-to-date woman's skirt.

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condemned as a lawful prize. An action was brought against the Yangtze company, with whom she was insured originally, and the claim eventually settled by payment of 90 per cent.

COMMITTEE SELECTS ALL-ISLAND ELEVEN

Special Meeting Decides on Date of Nanaimo-Ladysmith Game

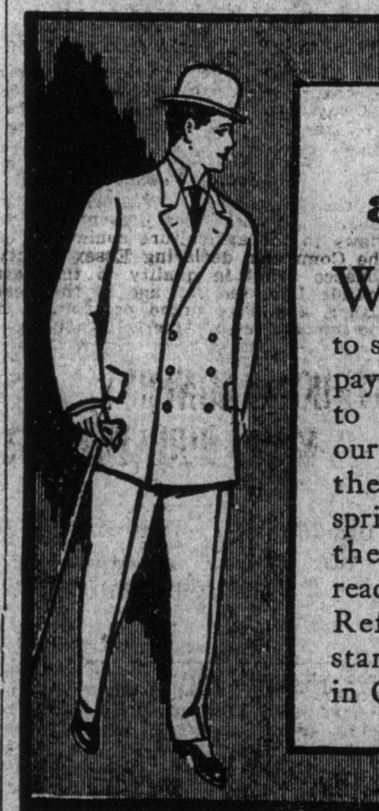
The All-Island team to meet the All-Mainland team was yesterday selected by the representative team committee at the termination of the two big games at Oak Bay and the team that has been chosen should be able to take the measure of the mainland representatives.

This is the team that will wear the Island colors: Goal, Bradshaw, Nanaimo United; Backs, Graham, Nanaimo United, and Lorimer, J. B. A. A.; Halves, McKinley, Ladysmith, Johnston, Y. M. C. A., and Harley, Nanaimo; Forwards, (r. o.) Granger, Ladysmith; Cricketers, (r. l.) Nanaimo; Centre, Adams, Ladysmith; Forwards, (r. l.) Graham, Ladysmith, Buxton, (r. o.) Esquimaux.

C. P. R. ANNOUNCES NEW ARRANGEMENT Traffic Deal With Chargeurs Reunis Line Will Be Commenced in May Next

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Our Suits at \$18 and \$20

WE advertise these lines much—for it is hard to say just what you wish to pay. And these Suits serve to illustrate our ability and our values.

Fit Reform

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VICTORIAN RECEIVES NEWS ABOUT CASTAWAY

W. J. Jeffs of this city has received a letter which states that although the search made by the U.S. cruiser Yankton, detached from Admiral Evans' fleet for that purpose, failed to find his son, the castaway, third mate of the Norwegian steamer Alexandra, Fred J. Jeffs, hope is held that a steamer which left Guayaquil to cruise around the Galapagos Islands last week, had visited the island, and that it may be that this vessel took off the marooned man.

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HEAVY BOND ISSUE BY UNION PACIFIC

Stockholders to Vote on Directors' Proposal to Raise Money. The directors by a vote declined to grant the request made by certain stockholders that the board of directors bring suit against E. H. Harriman, H. H. Rogers and James Stillman to recover profits which they were alleged to have derived from the sale of stock of the Illinois Central Railway company.

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There are now 550,000 boys on the roll of the Boys' Brigade in the United Kingdom. Six hundred of the Dart Vale Harriers have died. They are believed to have been poisoned. Thirty men engaged in a tug-of-war with an elephant at Olympia, for \$50. The men won.

Home Remedies and Household Hints

INTRODUCTIONS

SUBJECT which is of great interest to many people is the oft discussed one of introductions, of more interest per-

haps to women than to men, as it is not the custom for a girl to ask her host or hostess to introduce her partic-

ular, and might speak about it afterwards; but if a man asks to be introduced to a lady, married or single, it would not be considered in the least in-

FASHION'S FANCIES

It is decreed that striped effects shall be in first favor this season, all the newest materials being

wear generally the toilette is limp and clinging, and to obtain the necessary softness, lingerie has under-

As to the tunic draperies which are so graceful in the drawing-room, they are less successful for outdoor wear, and are not likely to become too gen-

So many cars now have some shield or cover, that it is unnecessary to envelop oneself completely in an unattractive manner. Cozy vests of padded

Notwithstanding many rumors to the contrary, the blouse still lives. Its charms are many, and the new season's blouses are particularly attractive. For

HEALTH AND BEAUTY HINTS

Comparatively little attention is ever devoted to the condition of the elbows, and yet the skin over the

To make the neck white and the skin soft, an excellent emollient which can be made at home is com-

A useful shampoo, which will cleanse the hair without making it too brittle, can be made with

A celebrated physician, on being asked "what is the exercise most conducive to health in women?"

A method of breaking up a cold in its first stage has been discovered by a French physician. A little

For those who cannot get regular holidays, the best substitute is an occasional day in bed. A

Every one loves the Jessamine blossom, that delicate white fragrant little flower which grows in clusters

of the freshly gathered and cleanly plucked flowers of Jessamine, let it stand for twelve hours in a covered vessel,

Another sweet scented flower which has valuable medicinal uses is the common violet. The violet is considered as an emollient, and by some it is

A RECHERCHE SUPPER MENU

At this time of year, even although the season of Lent has passed, and suppers are small

- Menu Consomme Chicken Salad; Lobste Mayonnaise; Sandwiches; Fruit Salad; Jelly; Syllabubs. Trifle. Walnut Wafers; Cheese Biscuits; Rolls; Claret Cup; Lemonade.

Should the refreshments be served in the middle of the evening, it would be as well to reserve the

Consomme Clean a large stock pot, or saucepan, put fifty cents' worth of fresh veal, and use bones parties up small

Chicken Salad Clean and truss a fowling boiling. Rub it over with half a lemon, and lay it up in a piece of buttered

Lobster Mayonnaise Take a tin of lobster, and cut the meat into small neat pieces. Arrange it in a pile in an extreme dish,

Sandwiches Assorted These can be made of potted meat, shrimps, etc., and both brown and white bread used for them. Make

Savory Eggs Boil six eggs hard, peel them, and keep them in cold water till wanted. Cut a small piece off the top

Fruit Salad Make a syrup by boiling together till clear one pound of lump sugar, with half a pint of water.

Lemon Jelly Peel four lemons as thinly as possible, cut them in halves and squeeze out all the juice. Put the peel

warm water, pass a cloth over it to absorb the moisture, and turn the jelly out.

Syllabubs Whisk half a pint of cream till it is thick, without being too thick. Take a little of it away to garnish

Trifle Divide half a dozen sponge cakes, spread one slice with some nice jam, such as raspberry or apricot, put

Walnut Wafers Chop a coffee cupful of walnuts, put them in a basin with the same cupful of coarse brown sugar,

Cheese Biscuits Make some water biscuits by passing one pound of white flour through a sieve, rub into it three ounces

Claret Cup Allow to one bottle of claret a wineglassful of sherry, and two teaspoonfuls of brandy, a table-spoonful

COMMENTS OF AN ONLOOKER

A critic who recently thought it worth while to publish severe attacks on women for their habit

Women as a rule refrain from criticism of men, and even among the Suffragist campaign, one cannot

The "Onlooker" wonders what is the cause of the present decay of good manners? Is it not owing

THE HOUSE BEAUTIFUL

The housekeeper who is anxious to win the praise and appreciation of her husband, and the rest of her

First of all, do not be discouraged or disheartened at the dismal aspect of the rooms—a new paper and a

white and place thereon growing plants, photograph frames and bric-a-brac. Mantelpieces, again, frequently cause much mental suffering as to their

Sometimes we do not even get a tiled hearth, and the question arises, how to tackle the white

ODDS AND ENDS

There is often a very great difficulty experienced in cleaning that delicate fabric known as Japanese

A simple method of making household soap is as follows: Put into a large iron boiling pot or copper

POETICAL CLIPPINGS

In the Cool of the Evening, In the cool of the evening, when the low sweet whisp-

commercial in sea power to discharge her will. So decla M.P., who v in the cours land and Fr Gazette. T bers, who g plause. Mr. H. C ducing Sir Exeter; Eng crier's work to his appoi Majesty's c territory ce Sir Edgar v Dutch repre toman publi of the credi embarrassm as financial ment, and f for the cou Edgar had his great (Laughter) one of those workers wh given to the T a tall, B Englishman ail air of bu easy indole power in res development tury, remark semblance bo both countr yvelopment to and the Eng linked in a p usually, inter Canada. Th severe finan lowned with more especia had noted wo had borne ho the large cor velopment as 5/6 per ce admirable c business in C ada had the market, and sist in the co Speaking pansion, Sir Rhodes, who builder, but a actor, to be 'bus wants is and at the s velop the cr In this co to correct th old and effe was today a substantial p city was her quarter of a Edgar paid Lord Cromer and perhaps of Herodotus the Nile." T upon facilitate regime the Br area by the e harage securi ter and preve the cotton cr to 6,000,000 c rose from \$37 7,000,000 acre been \$4,000,0 in a return of applause.) With rega Edgar, the ne capital value dam had now feet of wat cubic feet. T system of fo voluntary pa B Referring, cial difficulty which Lord M described as, Edgar spoke 1888, when f pull through, cided in thos continue the control of fin hands of the national com

Only Three Weeks More and Then Easter

Time flies; this is an old and very true saying, and at an important season of the year like this the time is inclined to slip around unnoticed until the important day has arrived and nothing has been done. Don't let that happen to you. Do your shopping now and in addition to having it over, you have the benefit of an early choice from a good assortment instead of having to be satisfied with almost anything at the last minute, new goods in every department for Easter trade.

Ladies' Hand Tailored Spring Suits



We have added many new suits to our stock during the last few days. The styles this season are particularly pleasing, being a radical change from those formerly worn. Smart new models, the portend to beauty, the tailored made suits have been gradually changing from the severely plain garments to the dressy ones of the present season, these possessing all the features of the best imported creations.

Ladies' Smart Tailor-made Costume, in new green and white striped effect, hip length coat, fitted back, single-breasted front, fastened with cord and buttons, threequarter length sleeve with cuff, collar and cuffs inlaid with silk and covered with cream applique, new circular cut skirt finished with three-inch bias fold. Price **\$40.00**

Ladies' Stylish Costume, in navy Venetian cloth, 27-in. coat, semi-fitting back, cutaway front, full-length sleeve with cuff, collar, cuffs and seams finished with stitching, skirt fifteen gore, with pleat at each seam and finished with three-inch bias fold. Price . . . **\$26.00**

Men's Handsome Spring Coats and Suits

What a wonderful advance there has been in the manufacture of Men's Ready-to-Wear Garments. When this branch of the business was in its infancy many men were inclined to refer with contempt to a man wearing ready-made clothing. What a difference now! The ready-to-wear business has developed into a science, and it is the man wearing a garment thus made that is the best dressed, that is easily explained by the fact that only competent operators are employed in making these garments, each working only at a part of which he is an adept worker, the combined efforts of these artists—it is no exaggeration to call them such—producing an excellence that custom work cannot excel and seldom even equal, men in Victoria know that the makes we carry are some of the best, and that our clothing can be bought with the same money-saving opportunities that mark all branches of our business.



Prices Range from **\$8.75 to \$30.00**

Garments That are Smart, Snappy, Stylish
Garments of Individuality and Exclusiveness
Garments of Superior Quality and Workmanship
Garments That Appeal to People of Taste
Garments That are Absolutely Correct

Some Very Interesting Spring Shoe Suggestions for Men and Women

Women's Ultra Spring Footwear at Low Prices

As we have the sole agency in Victoria for the Queen Quality Shoes for Women we are able to show exceedingly nice exclusive styles for fashionable footwear. These shoes are made in Rochester, New York, and for general excellence of make and superiority of style cannot be beaten. We carry a large and varied assortment of all shapes, and can fit any foot, and please the most particular. The sole agency price marked on the soles of each pair. Prices range from \$4.00 to \$5.50 per pair, in Vici Kid, Oxford Ties, Lace and Button Boots.



WOMEN'S GOLDEN BROWN CALF BLUCHER OXFORD, 5th Avenue last, military heel, welt sole, stamped, per pair . . . **\$4.00**

WOMEN'S GOLDEN BROWN CALE, Colonial Tie, with buckle, welt sole, Cuban heel, stamped, per pair **\$4.50**

WOMEN'S PATENT C O L T WHOLE FOXED BUTTON BOOT, custom made, welt sole, Cuban heel, matt kid top, stamped, per pair **\$5.50**

WOMEN'S VICI KID BLUCHER LACE BOOT, custom made, welt sole, Newport last, Cuban heel, patent tip, stamped, per pair **\$5.50**

WOMEN'S PATENT KID LACE BOOT, dull kid top, military heel, medium sole, Gem last, stamped, per pair **\$4.00**

WOMEN'S KID BALS, patent tip, Newport last, medium sole, Cuban heel, stamped, per pair **\$4.00**

WOMEN'S KID B U T T O N BOOTS, welt sole, military heel, patent tip, stamped, per pair **\$4.50**

WOMEN'S TAN CALE, circular, foxed, welt sole, Cuban heel, 5th Avenue last, stamped, per pair **\$4.50**



WOMEN'S GOLDEN BROWN VICI KID LACE BOOT, welt sole, London last, Cuban heel, stamper, per pair **\$5.50**

WOMEN'S PATENT KID BLUCHER OXFORDS, dull kid quarter, Cuban heel, light sole, stamped, per pair **\$4.00**

Newest Footwear for Men Moderately Priced

In Gentlemen's Footwear we handle a most extensive assortment, including the nicest styles of the best manufacturers. We can show lines that are not to be seen elsewhere, and styles that will commend themselves to even the most fastidious person. We also have the selling of Keith's Konqueror Shoes exclusively for this city. These shoes are made by Preston B. Keith, Campello, Mass., and have a most enviable reputation in the shoe world.



Men's Tan Russia Calf Blucher Bals, Pike last, welt sole. Per pair **\$5.50**

Men's Tan Calf 2-Buckle Oxfords, welt sole. Per pair **\$5.50**



Men's Calf Blucher Oxfords, welt sole. Per pair **\$3.50**

Men's Dongola Kid Oxfords, medium sole. Per pair **\$2.50**

Men's Calf Blucher Lace Boot, special medium sole. Per pair **\$3.00**

Men's Patent Calf Blucher Oxford, welt sole. Per pair **\$4.00**

Men's Gun Metal Oxfords, welt sole. Per pair **\$4.50**

Men's Calf Button Oxfords, hand welted. Per pair **\$5.00**



Men's Tan Kid Blucher Lace Boots, medium sole. Per pair **\$3.00**

Men's Dongola Kid Blucher Lace Boots, welt sole. Per pair **\$3.50**

The Corset as an Essential to Dress



Many do—but again, many do not—appreciate the importance of the corset in dressing. For instance, new coats and costumes require new corsets. To get the full benefit of the outside garments the figure must be in harmony with the prevailing styles. That is where the corset comes in. We have many new models, presenting the latest achievements of the best corsetiers of Europe, United States and Canada, each model designed expressly to conform with the requirements of the spring styles of dress. We handle the celebrated Royal Worcester Corset exclusively for Victoria. This corset has a world-wide reputation for general worth, and in this line it is always possible to obtain the very newest and most up-to-date models.



Still More About Our Millinery

New and exclusive millinery creations are still arriving. Our Show Rooms are a veritable garden at present. It certainly will convince anybody that spring is at hand to visit them, and they are visited every day by crowds of admiring women who wish to have their hats selected and made ready before the last minute Easter rush starts. It happens at somewhat regular intervals that the creators of hat styles seem to excel themselves in producing handsome and stylish millinery, and this season they seem to have reached the zenith of their powers in that respect. More beautiful creations would be hard to imagine, and then there is always a certain superiority and individuality about our millinery that appeals to any person wanting something a little different from the ordinary. Best come and look them over. You'll not be sorry for coming.



Stylish Dress Materials

We are adding, ever adding, to our already well-assorted stock of fine dress goods. If you intend having a dress made up before Easter give the dressmaker a chance and buy now. You will find that we can please you no matter what you may be looking for. Our range is most comprehensive, and includes all the latest and most asked-for cloths in all the new shades and colorings. Don't be afraid to ask to see them. We will be pleased to show these goods to you at any time. We mention here some excellent lines that we are offering

- at **50c**
- CREAM DELAINE, all-wool, 38 inches wide **50c**
- CREAM BEDFORD, 38 inches wide **50c**
- CREAM CREPE DE CHENE, all-wool, 38 inches . . . **50c**
- CASIMERE, fine Henriette finish, all-wool, in cardinal, dark cardinal, brown, wine, navy, sky, pink, brown and black, 40 inches wide. Per yard **50c**

\$2.25 Quality Muslin Blouses, Monday \$1.50

This is the best blouse offer of the season, and when we say that we have in mind the many excellent ones that have preceded this one, but these are a few lines that we are able for various reasons to sell much under price. They are all new goods, just opened, and at the price marked we don't expect them to stay with us very long. Descriptions of two of the styles:

LADIES' MUSLIN WAIST, made of fine soft mull, mercerized, hand embroidered in a dainty and handsome design, has cluster of fine shoulder tucks which give the fullness required, large full threequarter sleeves, with tucked cuffs and attached collar, with fine valenciennes lace, back trimmed tucking in yoke effect, size 32 to 44. This waist is a beauty. Regular \$2.25. Monday **\$1.50**

LADIES' MUSLIN WAIST, made with beautiful all-over eyelet, embroidered front trimmed with tucks, large full threequarter sleeves, with deep tucked cuffs buttoned in the back, with box pleats down centre, with four half-inch tucks on each side, a pretty design and regularly sold \$2.00. Monday **\$1.50**

Our Boys' Clothing is Sure to be of Interest

It will not do to forget the boy in buying the Spring outfits for the family, and we can certainly give you Boys' Clothing that is all right. Our goods are hard to beat for quality, and the workmanship displayed in the make-up is par excellence. They impart a tasteful dressy elegance to the boy that is bound to please both him and the parents. Then another important—at least to the parent who have to foot the bill—are the splendid wearing qualities of the goods we sell, and the exceptional values we offer for the prices asked. We are showing a beautiful range of the best garment to buy for the boy the Norfolk Suit, ranging in price from **\$2.75**

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