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Cool Fabrics for Summer Wear

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Linen Crash
Duck Suiting
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About 25 pieces, in nice colorings, including many extra fine Scotch, French and American designs, worth 25c and 30c yard, your choice at.....12c yd

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Some very pretty ones among them, in blue and pink stripes, with white all over lace or embroidery, your choice at.....HALF PRICE

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For Children's dresses, Ladies' light wrappers, aprons, shirt waists, etc., full yard wide, regular price 10c yd., your choice at.....6c yd

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American Percales, full yard wide, in the newest designs for shirt waists, etc., regular price 17c, your choice at.....12c yd

A FEW CASES OF AUTUMN HOMESPUN SUITING OPENED TO-DAY

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66 inch Homespuns, in greens, browns, grays and blacks, at.....\$1.25 and \$1.35 yd
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54 inches wide, in grays, browns, blues, elegant finish, extra fine cloth, special at.....\$1.25 yd

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A man will find

everything in furnishings in this complete shop of ours; he'll not only find what he wants, but find it right. First in fashion, first in quality, first in variety is always true at The 2 T's. We believe in the superiority of our furnishing department, and you'll believe in it, too, if you make its acquaintance. For your vacation wear we've every necessary article.

Negligee Shirts

New arrivals of the past week are beauties—all new designs and colorings. Some were intended by the makers for next year's business—you'll find 'em in every line. They're all perfect fitting shirts—that's the only kind that guarantees comfort and that's our kind. Don't care what your wants in Negligee Shirts are we can fill them. The 50c line is full and at \$1 we have the biggest lot in the city; others at \$1.25 and \$1.50.

Underwear

We are very, very particular about fitting a man perfectly in underwear—a perfect fit is necessary for comfort these summer days.

Balbriggans at 50c a garment and silk at \$1.00 are the two extremes—at prices between we've wool, silk and lisle, in fact every kind of good underwear.

Belt. Fancy Hosiery. Gait Hose.

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There's not another store in town makes a finer display. These handsome designs in blue, red and white Rumchun la silk four-in-hands are quite the correct scarf now for negligee wear—a great and exclusive variety of them—50c is their selling price.

Washable string ties, 15c and 25c.
Silk string ties, 25c and 50c.

The 2 T's = **Slater Shoe Agents**

JOHN NORTHWAY & CO. "THE BUSY STORE" JOHN NORTHWAY & CO.

New Dress Goods Overture

The curtain is still up on the Dress Goods event, but the new goods are in active rehearsal behind the scenes. Some are in sight. To-morrow (Thursday) we will be ready. Rich novelties, extra fine wools and silks and wools, the handsomest collection that ever graced our store, master makers of the most famous French, English and German loom artists. They will be easy to see to sell, easy to buy.

CURTAIN RAISERS

3 pos. only, Bicycle Suitings, in reseda, fawn and gray, 42 in. wide, fine firm finish, worth 60c, special at.....**39c**
10 pos. Black and Navy Serges, in cashmere, twill, Victoria twill and storm serge, 44 to 46 in. wide, worth 60c to 65c, very special.....**48c**
7 pos. All-wool French Poplin, black and newest spring shades, 42 in. wide, special.....**39c**
Fine Ways, 44 in. All-wool French Tweeds, for suits and dresses, natty styles, special at.....**65c**
15 pos. New Lustres, Brilliantines, Fancy Figures, Matalasse, Crepons, Etc., all at reduced prices, 32c, 36c, 48c and.....**58c**
20 pos. New All-wool Covert Amazons, in black including all the new pearl gray, drab, pastel, mode and chocolate shades, 44, 48 and 50 in. wide, at 60c, 75c, \$1.00 and.....**\$1.25**

3 pos. Fine Silk Mixtures, in pearl gray, Nile green and kedet blue, 46 in. wide, worth 65c, special at.....**39c**
3 pos. only, Bicycle Suitings, 40 in. wide, in fawn mixed, gray mixed and brown mixed, good firm cloth, special at.....**19c**
Sheppard's Plaids, in blue and white, black and white, brown and white and coust and white, 42 in., good firm finish, worth 40c, special at.....**25c**
5 pos. only, Light Tweed Dress Goods, 42 in. wide, worth 20c, choice to clear at.....**9c**
8 pos. Plain and Fancy Figured Lustres, good silk finish, lovely goods, 42 in. wide, worth 35c, special at.....**23c**

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DETROIT.

KILLED BY AN AXE

An Old Man's Wedding Stopped by a Frigate

His Son Says He Fell on the Tripement but the Authorities Doubt the Story.

London, Ontario, July 25.—The village of Arva, about four miles north of this city, is the scene of a mysterious tragedy, which may yet prove a case of murder. About three weeks ago a middle-aged farmer named Joseph Sifton, who lived at lot 16, concession 5, London township, on the Proof Line road, was said to have been killed by a fall from the gable end of his barn. His only son, Gerald Sifton, a man about 30 years of age, is the only authority for the nature of the alleged accident, and his story is that about eight o'clock in the morning he was knocking some boards off the gable end of the barn under his father's directions, who was in the yard below.

The old man did not like the way the boards were coming off, and taking an axe climbed up the inside of the barn to finish the job himself. At the first blow on the beam the son says his father lost his balance and fell to the ground, a distance of 25 feet. The axe in some manner fell with him, and inflicted injuries on his head which proved fatal in a few hours, the victim never regaining consciousness. The hired boy, who was in the other end of the barn, did not see the accident, but heard his son shout, and came out to find the old man lying on the ground with the axe under his head. Dr. McNeill, of Arva, was summoned, but could do nothing for the injured man, and in regular course the burial certificate was given, and the remains laid away in the family plot at Arva.

ALLEGED THREATS.

The more tragic part of the story is yet to be told. The old man met his death on his wedding day, he having all arrangements made to enter the matrimonial state for the third time in his life. The bride of his choice was a young girl by the name of Mary McFarlane, who was many years the junior of her affianced. The wedding on the night previous, and the statement is made by quite a number that he approved the marriage would never take place as long as he was alive to prevent it. Although an only child, it is alleged that he never got along well with his father, and on this account it was thought but natural that he should be harsh in his remarks as to the wedding.

These outspoken remarks, together with the fact that the marriage would probably bring other claimants for the old man's fortune, have caused the relatives and others to somewhat doubt the story of the tragedy, and High Constable McLeod was asked to make an investigation. After two or three days' quiet work he notified the Attorney-General's department, and Monday Inspector John Murray, in charge of the case, Inspector Murray, Constable McLeod, and Stenographer Co., of London, went out to Arva Monday and took the depositions of a number of witnesses taken into custody.

The dead man, Joseph Sifton, was a well-known man, whose previous matrimonial ventures did not bring him happiness. His second wife was separated from him for a number of years before her death, which took place in a tragic manner, she being burned to death at her son's home, at Port Stanley. The old man owned nearly 700 acres of land, two hundred of which he had given to his son Gerald. The balance was to be given to his son, but it is said this will was to have been changed when the proposed marriage took place.

Orders for bookbinding should be left at The Planet Office. It is surprising how nice a volume can be made of magazines, even though they are somewhat soiled from much handling. Books, magazines, or periodicals bound or rebound in any style at very reasonable prices.

HELD AS HOSTAGES

British Believe That is the Status of Peking Foreigners.

London, July 25.—One month to the day has elapsed since Sir Robert Hart, director of the Chinese maritime customs, smuggled out of Peking the last piece of news that appeals authoritatively to Europe, and apparently the only method by which the Chinese court can vindicate its veracity here is to transmit another autograph message from some equally authoritative source. Admittedly the Tsung li yamen (Chinese foreign office) possesses facilities to set all doubts at rest.

Li Hung Chang's reported statement to the effect that, while the foreigners are alive, they would be killed immediately if the allied forces neared Peking is regarded by those who credit the reported survival of the foreigners as an indication that the ministers are held as hostages and that their lives will be made the subject of negotiations by the Chinese. Hence Li Hung Chang's anxiety to keep the powers from Peking as long as possible.

FROM SIR CLAUDE

A Message Has Been Received Dated July 4.

But London Still Believes in the Story of the Massacre.

London, July 25.—The Foreign Office has received a despatch from the British Consul at Tien Tsin, dated Saturday, July 21, stating that he had just received a letter from Sir Claude MacDonald, the British minister at Peking, dated July 4th, appealing for relief. There were enough provisions at the legation to last a fortnight, the letter said, but the garrison was unequal to the task of holding out against a determined attack for many days. There had been 44 deaths and about double that number wounded. The foreign office, thinks the despatch does not affect the main question of the reported massacre of members of the legations at Peking.

STILL BELIEVE IN A MASSACRE.

London, July 25, 4 a. m.—Sir Claude MacDonald's message, dated July 4, appealing for relief, is regarded in London as only a prelude to the absolute confirmation of the massacre. This is the opinion also of the Japanese minister here. The newspapers suggest that the British ministers' despatch was held back and released at the same time as Mr. Conger's undated message. Although the British and foreigners are working harmoniously, the question of means of communication between Peking and Taku give evidence of jealousies between the powers, and other despatches from Tien Tsin show that the language difficulty has been hampering the military operations. A despatch, dated July 14, and from Tien Tsin, describing the fighting, says: "Col. Lepaut mistook the road, and was nearly isolated. Gen. Dorwood, on a premature report from the Japanese commandant, that the city had been entered, ordered a general advance, which proved a costly occurrence. Much valuable time was lost and the messengers between Gen. Fukushima and Gen. Dorwood did not understand each other's language."

The Tien Tsin correspondent of the Daily Mail says that when the Chinese regulars saw the Boxers, who led the attack, being killed, they began to retreat. He asserts that the admirals have decided that it would be useless to move toward Peking without at least 60,000 men.

MAKES ONE WEARY

To Read of Admirals in Chinese Waters Haggling Over Salutes.

London, July 25.—The Globe's naval correspondent at Taku writes: "Admiral Kempff has raised a storm in the seas on the salute question. He is second in command of the station, and thus entitled to eleven guns as rear admiral, and this was recently given him by the Endymion at Yokohama. He claimed thirteen guns, stating that no American admiral got eleven guns, their values being:—Full admiral, 17, vice-admiral 15, rear admiral 13. To his protest Rear-Admiral Kempff was informed that the captain of the Endymion would give him as many guns as he wanted, if there was sufficient powder on the ship, but until they published their regulations we had to go by ours. The Orlando (British armored cruiser) arriving at Taku knew nothing of this squabble, and rubbed it in by saluting the Chinese rear-admiral with thirteen guns, then the Russian rear-admiral with thirteen, and then the United States rear admiral with eleven. Whether the distance made it difficult for them to distinguish the number, or a delicate hint was intended, the Newark had the good taste to return thirteen."

COST OF KILLING A CAT.

Sarola Observer:—His Honor Judge MacWatt has handed down his decision in the Brigden cat case in effect, sustaining the appeal against the magistrate's decision, awarding the original complainant in the case, J. Armstrong, \$50 for a cat killed by defendant, Collier. His Honor sustained the conviction of Collier for cruelty in killing the cat and approved of the fine imposed and awarded, but considered the damages awarded, \$50, as excessive, reducing the amount to \$10, cost of magistrate's court and appeal to be paid by appellant, Collier. Hanna & Barnham for appellant; E. Meredith, London, for Kittymaster & Gard, for respondent.

LONDON EN FETE.

Big Bowling Tournament Obtains a Large and Representative Entry List.

The Maple City Rinks Both Won Yesterday—S. J. Sutherland Re-elected as Chief Officer.

The annual tournament of the Western Ontario Lawn Bowling Association was begun on the grounds of the London Bowling Club at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Nearly one hundred bowlers from outside points are in attendance, and all that is required to make the tourney a great success is fine weather. Clinton, Petrolia, Chatham, Dresden, Blenheim, Seaford, Stratford, Mitchell, Paris, Toronto and Woodstock are among the places represented. The prizes this year are much superior to those offered in the past, including four gold medals, donated by Mr. J. S. Sutherland, of Chatham, honorary president of the association, for the winners of the trophy, and the contests will accordingly be keenly contested. A large number of ladies were present yesterday afternoon, and evinced quite an interest in the play. Bowling was begun at 2 o'clock with the preliminary round of the trophy match, and there was no less than 32 rinks, or 128 bowlers, on the sixteen greens—the largest number in the history of the association.

Both Chatham rinks were successful in winning the primary events as follows:

Trophy Match—Preliminary Round.

London, John Henderson, skip 18.

Geo Sutherland, D.A. Hutchinson, skip 18.

Dr. English, J.S. Black, skip 18.

T Alexander, skip 9. N.H. Stevens, skip 18.

Goderich—D.S. Strachan (skip) defeated Chatham—D.J. O'Keefe, R.G. Fleming.

W.A. Thrasher, J. Sowerby (skip).

The annual meeting of the association was held in the Tecumseh House in the evening, many of the bowlers being present. After confirmation of the minutes of the preceding meeting and the passing of the accounts, the applications of the following clubs for affiliation were accepted:—Detroit, Petrolia, Stratford, Toronto (Canada) and Harrison. Upon motion it was decided to hold the next tournament in 1901 in this city, the date to be fixed by the executive committee, to conflict as little as possible with other tournaments. The following officers were elected:

Honorary President—S. J. Sutherland, Chatham, re-elected.

Patron—D.W. Kern, Woodstock.

Chaplain—Rev John F. Kerrin, Mitchell.

President—John Ransome, Clinton.

First Vice-President—R.L. Gossell, Blenheim.

Second Vice-President—J. McMichael, Seaford, re-elected.

Secretary—J. Mattinson, London.

Auditor—J.S. McDougall and J.H. Brown, London.

On motion of A.S. Wignmore, seconded by D.W. Kern, a hearty vote of thanks was tendered to the retiring secretary-treasurer and to J.S. McDougall for the good work done by them in the interests of the association.

A hearty vote of thanks was tendered to the retiring president, Col. Macbeth, for very efficient services rendered the association, and a hearty vote was tendered to Mr. S. J. Sutherland, the honorary president of the association, for donating the four gold medals as prizes for the winners of the trophy at this year's tournament.

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You have constant headaches, are nervous and sleepless at night and feel tired in the morning? Your blood isn't carrying the right materials. Begin taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, the great blood enricher, and you will soon realize a change. You will feel better and stronger, will relish your food and enjoy refreshing sleep.

Nausea, indigestion are cured by Hood's Pills.

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Men's Washing Flannel Pants, \$2.75, at The 2 T's.

Don't Cook the Cook!

BUT BUY YOUR

SUMMER STOVES

—AT—

"The Ark"

Blue Flame Coal Oil Stoves, 2 burners, \$7.00 (Economical and easy to operate)

Famous Gas Ranges, \$15.00 (Once tried, always used)

Tin Tea Kettles, 15c, 25c and 30c

Clover Leaf Saucepans, something new, enamelled, per set, \$1 and \$1.35

Heavy Tin, per set, \$1.50

3 burner Coal Oil Stoves, \$1.25

1 burner Coal Oil Stoves, .60c

ASK TO SEE THE

Erieau Ice Box

The Planet,

DAILY AND WEEKLY
Chatham, Ont.

JUDGES WITH SINECURES.

The Huntingdon Gleaner, a Liberal paper, published in Quebec, does not waste any tears over the fact that the Senate threw out the Quebec bill to appoint more judges. During the course of some comments on the subject it says:

"In the debate in the House of Commons last week on the bill to appoint three more judges for this province Mr. Casgrain demonstrated that there were now more judges than there were work for, and as he had been for several years attorney-general for Quebec he spoke with authority. He stated that there were 31 judges of whom 16 reside outside of Montreal and Quebec, yet ever half the legal business of the province is done in these two cities. He showed that during 1959-60 judges had only 234 contested cases among them, an average of less than 30 apiece. One of the rural judges, Simon, declared that he had only 45 cases last year which had not occupied his time for one month out of the twelve. He wanted more work to do for he was getting rusty. Another judge said his difficulty was to fill out his time, and added that a judge to administer justice soundly must be kept reasonably busy; if he is not, his mind and his energy are sure to suffer and in the long run litigants are the losers. Judge Belanger last year had only 20 superior court contested cases before him, not enough, according to the Hon. Mr. Casgrain, to occupy him a month."

SOME OF BLAIR'S PECULIAR CANAL TRANSACTIONS.

Among the last votes of the session were certain canal estimates, which led to some interesting disclosures. There was a vote of \$22,000 to pay a contractor for an old claim which the late government refused to acknowledge, and which Mr. Blair seems to have settled privately.

The Stewart claim on the Soulages Canal contract is assuming large proportions. Stewart had a contract when the change of government took place, and Mr. Blair concluded that he would not get the work done by the end of 1958. So he cancelled the contract and gave it to others who agreed to complete it in that time. Mr. Blair's contractors have not yet completed the work and will not have it done until December, or two years later than the time insisted on when the contract was taken from Mr. Stewart. But if no gain was made in point of time, there was a heavy loss in cost. Mr. Blair gave the new contractors \$70,000 more for the work than Stewart was to have. Then he confiscated a stone quarry, owned by Stewart, and gave the stone to the new contractor free of cost. Stewart sued the contractor for damages, and Mr. Blair engaged Mr. Blake's firm to defend the case. After the government lawyers had performed services for which Mr. Blair paid them over one thousand dollars, they advised a settlement, which was accomplished at a total cost to the government of \$36,000, so far as the returns are down. Stewart has other claims in court, or in progress of settlement, which are much larger than these.

Then there is a cement story in connection with this canal. Mr. Rigg bought between 20,000 and 30,000 barrels of cement from some gentlemen, who seem to have had a pull. It was for use on a part of the canal which the government was constructing. The engineer in charge had reported that this kind of cement was not suitable, and that Portland cement should be used. He was, however, ordered to put in the article furnished to him, and he obeyed orders. The result was that the work so constructed had to be torn down. Not only was the money paid for the cement wasted, but the country had to pay for building and tearing down the structure. Fortunately, some 20,000 barrels of the cement had not been used. This was piled on the beach somewhere, and is there yet, a complete loss. The cement deal seems to have cost the government \$20,000 for goods and probably \$10,000 in wasted work.

Added to these losses is one said to be \$100,000 through the premature watering of the canal. The minister was last year smitten with a desire to proclaim to the world that the St. Lawrence canal was completed. He invited a party and made a sort of triumphal picnic excursion, where everybody was well fed and liquored, and all praised the minister. When it was all over it was found that the canal banks had caved in or fallen out, and that the damages through the too hasty celebration were about one hundred thousand dollars.

Complaint is made that disreputable people who use bad language make a resort of Tecumseh Park in the evenings, with the result that respectable people are beginning to avoid it, especially on Saturday night. The police, if possible, should make one or two examples of the loquacious element as a warning to the rest.

"He That is Warm Thinks All So."

Thousands are "cold" in that they do not understand the glow of health. This implies disordered kidneys, liver, bowels, blood or brain. Hood's Sarsaparilla gives all who take it the warmth of perfect health. Get Hood's because

Hood's Sarsaparilla
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The Stratford Beacon tells its readers that free corn is a blessing because it gives the farmers cheap feed for their hogs. But what does it do for the corn-growers of Kent and Essex?

Sir Oliver Mowat attained his four-score on Sunday. Canadians of all ranks and political faiths, will rejoice in his ripe age and unite in wishing him great light in his eventide.

The Hamilton Herald, having learned that the Canadian patriotic fund has reached over \$315,000, remarks: "It might be well to let the general public know what has been, is being and will be done with the money." This is a very reasonable suggestion.

The officials who have had to deal with the case of the principal of the Central school have done nothing but their duty. They have performed that duty, unpleasant as it was, in a firm, conscientious and fearless manner. By so doing they have put themselves in such a position that we believe they can now act magnanimously in meeting the general prayer of the citizens for leniency without the risk of being blamed for undue leniency or of pursuing a course injurious to the welfare of the schools of the city.

Industrial Canada directs attention to the fact that canvassers are soliciting advertisements for an International directory published in London, Eng., in which Canadian and United States manufacturers are all classed under the one heading of American and Colonial Industries, and very properly remarks: "It certainly behooves Canadian manufacturers to protest against Canadian industries being classed under American headings, and they should see that our industries receive proper national recognition before they assist any directory by advertisements or subscription."

ANOTHER SIGN OF AN ELECTION.

Montreal Gazette.
Sir Wilfrid Laurier, according to report, will stay at Ottawa much of the summer attending to the duties of his office. This is another sign that the elections are in the air. Ordinarily July and August do not provide so much quiet time for the prime minister's presence at the capital. Arranging for the elections will.

WHAT THE SIGNAL-HINTS AT.

Ottawa Citizen.
The Godefrich Signal does not think J. J. Foy, Q. C., was offered the judgeship upon his merits. It says: "To hear the Tory newspapers talk about J. J. Foy, one would imagine that he was an eminent statesman—a political Warwick, so to speak. As a matter of fact, Mr. Foy is a nice gentleman, a pink shirt waist and five o'clock variety, who is held on to tenaciously by the Ontario opposition so that he may give tone to the outfit. As a politician he is not in it with Bagges, Curran, and the Rev. Andy Macdonald." Does the Signal think it was a case of the government using a judgeship for an improper purpose?

FLABBERGASTS OLD-FASHIONED LIBERALS.

Grandell Sun.
We must confess that in view of the economy plank in the Ottawa Liberal platform, the Dominion estimates for next year nearly take away our breath. \$49,088,319.85 for the main estimates brought down in March, \$7,244,135 supplementary estimates last week in June and \$3,493,200 railway subsidies brought down last Thursday make an all the magnificent showing so far of \$59,825,626. Now, that isn't a satisfactory rate of progress for the go-ahead Tory, we don't know what is. But it utterly flabbergasts the old-fashioned Liberals.

LANGUID

children are sick children. Their inactivity and sober faces are not in keeping with robust childhood. They lack vitality and resistive power, and are very susceptible to colds and contagious diseases.

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THIS AND THAT.

"Electricity is a funny force," said the observant motorman. "Last night nearly all the current was suddenly off from the wires in the barn, and after a minute, came on again. Soon an order like that of an over cooked dinner filled the power house. On examination, two chickens were found roasting to death on the main wire. For hours the feathered pair had rested in safety on separate wires. The minute Chanticleer reached across to Bidy, on an opposite wire, a deadly current was forced through their bodies."—Philadelphia Record.

The recent death of a member of a Sedalia, Mo., firm disclosed the fact that for thirty years the firm had kept no account books. It did a strictly cash business, and divided the day's receipts each night, share and share alike. When a bill of goods was purchased, each member of the firm paid one-half of the money, carried in his pocket.

In Newton, Mass., the other day, a man's \$5 bill was blown out of his hand, and he could find it nowhere. A friend cut a piece of paper just the size of the bill and liberated it in the place where the man had lost his money. The paper blew down the street and around into an alley, and there the man found the \$5 bill.

A collapsible fly proof dish cover has been designed, which has a central vertical hoop, with pivoted hoops on either side, which swing into a horizontal position to pull the netting which covers the frames down into place around the dish, folding against the central hoop when not in use.

On its great Siberian railroad Russia sells fourth-class tickets from any point in Russia to any of 114 stations in Siberia for two roubles or a little more than 50 cents. Transportation is given, practically, to encourage emigration to Siberia.

Flourace Nightingale, who is now over 80 years old, wrote the other day to the nurses of the Cape of Good Hope Red Cross society expressing a regret that she was chained to her room by sickness and could not go to nurse the sick.

The Hindoo system is remarkably complex. Every act of life is a religious act, controlled by the laws of Hindooism. Their very lives depend upon keeping up the system, and they will fight to the death to do it.

In a New Jersey town a man has declined a nomination for alderman because all the other members of the Common Council are Germans and German is the language spoken at the meetings.

Viennese telephone girls are required to change their clothing and wear a uniform when on duty, in order that the dust which they bring in from the streets will not interfere with the instruments.

Statistics of the Massachusetts hospitals for the insane for twenty years show that permanent recoveries cannot be expected in more than 18 per cent of those committed for the first time.

By a complicated process a carbide of gold has been prepared recently by two American chemists. It is made as a yellow flocculent precipitate, which when dry explodes violently.

One hundred years ago it was considered a wonderful achievement to make ten men to manufacture 45,000 pins in a day. Now three men make 5,500,000 pins in the same time.

In his state clothes, including the crown, the sultan of Johore wears diamonds worth \$12,000,000. His collar, his epaulettes, his girdle, his cuffs, sparkle with precious stones.

In Germany 1,087,938 acres were seeded to sugar beets last year. The yield was about eleven and a quarter tons to the acre, and the sugar results 12.7 per cent.

The government owns many thousands of acres of land in New Mexico that have never been taken up. It is the finest country in the world for stock-raising.

"Gnat fever" is the new scientific name for malaria, since it has been shown that it is through mosquitoes that the disease is conveyed to human beings.

There has been found a whale with a harpoon in its body which, by its mark, showed that it must have been hurled at the whale at least 36 years ago.

Delagoa bay is the finest natural harbor in South Africa. It has a length of nearly 70 miles from north to south, and a width varying from 15 to 25 miles.

Among the 153,000 inhabitants which the last census gave to New Mexico, there were 20,000 Indians and 50,000 Mexicans.

Minnesota's schools cost about \$5,000,000 annually, and this is one-third of the money raised by taxes in the State.

A raften shows that during 1899, 41, 22 natives emigrated from Ireland, nearly 9,000 more than in the preceding year.

Scandinavians are numerous in New Zealand, and Germans in South Australia.

JAPANESE "COPS."
If the American policemen were required to perform the same services as those of Japan it is probable that they would not show their present plump condition.

Japan has a police force modelled somewhat after the French system. In various places throughout Tokyo there are small detachments, which are something like sentry boxes, but larger. Three men are attached to each box daily. One remains inside, resting, while another stands at the door, and the third patrols a beat and returns at regular intervals to the box. Stations are changed every eight hours. After twenty-four hours' work the three policemen are given the same length of time to rest, and three other men are sent to the box.

During their "off" days the men are employed in taking census, making reports regarding the condition of streets, bridges, embankments, drains and cemeteries.

They also report weddings, births, deaths, theatrical performances and the presence of suspicious people.



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CITY FIRE ALARM.

LOCATION OF BOXES.

- No. 12—Corner Third and Wellington streets.
- No. 13—Corner William and Wellington streets.
- No. 14—Thames street, foot of Fifth street bridge.
- No. 15—Corner Thames and Head streets.
- No. 16—Corner of Baldou and Head streets.
- No. 21—Corner of Selkirk street and Victoria Ave.
- No. 23—Corner Colborne and William streets.
- No. 24—Corner Colborne and Prince streets.
- No. 25—Corner of Stanley Ave. and Prince streets.
- No. 26—Corner King and Princess streets.
- No. 31—Corner of Prince and Park streets.
- No. 32—Corner of Grey and Queen streets.
- No. 34—Cor Park avenue and Queen street.
- No. 35—Corner of Harvey and West streets.
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Toronto, July 25.—Moderate to
fresh northerly to westerly winds, fine.
Thursday, fresh north-westerly winds, fine
and moderately warm.

LOCAL BRIEFS

Dr. Carson has returned to the city
much improved in health.Thos. French, who was recently in-
jured in Park's foundry, is doing well.
The average cost of maintaining
each prisoner in Elgin county jail is
\$3.50 cents.Help Wanted.—Hustling lady or gen-
tleman as traveller. Good salary. Ad-
dress, H. W. Planet, Chatham.Mrs. W. F. Lowe and children, of
Northfield, Miss., are visiting Mrs.
Rich. Lowe, Park ave.Mrs. Frickleton and Mrs. Griez and
son, of St. Paul, are visiting at the
residence of Mrs. Rich. Lowe, Park
ave.There was no police court session
this morning. Judge Houston is much
improved in health and has gone to
the country to recuperate.Mrs. Stephen Smith, who recently
underwent an operation at St. Joseph's
Hospital, returned to her home on
Park St. today, quite recovered.The following provincial appoint-
ment has been gazetted:—Jeffrey
Sutherland, of Leamington, to be an
associate coroner for Essex county.Commodore J. W. Mann, of this city,
left this afternoon for the Eu, where
he will sail his handsome new boat,
the Abou, in the regatta races there
to-day. Mr. Mann's skill as a sailor
is universally recognised and his suc-
cess is confidently looked for.Ald. Fleming, chairman of the civic
property committee, this morning
drew the attention of the mayor to
the fact that the Lake Erie, in putting
in their new spur, are crossing Prince
St., and advised that the work be stop-
ped. His worship said he would look
into the matter.JURISDICTION DISPUTE.
In the suit of Mr. Jas. Dickinson,
editor of the Windsor World, whose
wife was drowned on the Scotsman,
against the Dominion Steamship Com-
pany, the company raises the point
that the suit cannot be tried in On-
tario, because the accident did not
happen in Ontario. Registrar Holm-
sted ruled that in order to facilitate
the motion the question of jurisdic-
tion might be tried before the case,
which is set down for Sandwich in
September. The steamship company
appealed against this ruling at To-
ronto yesterday, and the appeal was
granted by Chief Justice Meredith.
The question of jurisdiction will come
up at the trial in September.

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DRUGGISTS

OPTICIANS

W. H. Martin, Buffalo, is in the city.
James Greenwood, of Blenheim, is
in the city to-day on business.Jos. Mounie, of Port Lambton, a former
student at the Business College, is visiting
friends in this city.George Malcolmson, formerly residing in
New York, in the employ of Sutherland-
Lanes Co., has returned to this city.Magistrates Phin and Jardine at Heepeler
decided that an additional bar erected for
the extra business of Dominion Day was not
an infraction of the license act.The congregation of St. Andrew's church,
Stratford, have extended a practically
unanimous call to W. J. Knox, a clever
graduate of Knox College, Toronto.Rev. Dr. McCall has received an import-
ant communication from the Minister of
Education relative to the Central school
case. It amply deserves the telegram already
sent. It will be laid before the County
Board of Examiners at their meeting to-
morrow.Capt. James Corrigan, of Cleve-
land, has issued a statement to the
effect that he will give a liberal re-
ward for the recovery of the bodies of
the Misses Ida and Jane Corrigan, who
were lost on the yacht Leger in Lake
Erie on July 7th.The carrier pigeon which W. R. Baxter
caught recently in the storeroom of H. G.
Reed, and which was announced through
the columns of the Planet, belonged to a
gentleman in Windsor, to whom it has been
forwarded. This person let two go from
Chatham with a message, but they being
young never left the city. The other pigeon
is around some of the coops here.

JAPS WERE THE HEROES.

Some Interesting Gossip About
the Tientsin Fight.Tientsin, July 14, via Chefoo, July
nnd Shanghai, July 24.—The 9th
United States Infantry entered the
fight at Tientsin with 430 men. An in-
complete list of casualties shows 18
killed, 75 wounded and two missing.
The marines had four killed and 18
wounded.The total losses of the allies were
about 800. The British lost 50. The
Japanese estimate their killed at 50
and wounded at 250. The Russians es-
timated their casualties at 150. All
day long the work of bringing in the
dead and wounded was continued.The Japanese were the heroes of the
battle. Their fighting was remarkably
brave, and was praised by all their col-
leagues. When some of the foreign officers
counselled retreat last night the Japanese
General said:—"When my men move it will
be forward."This morning they charged the
breaches in the wall made by the artil-
lery, and fought hand to hand in the
streets. Their conduct after the fight
was equally good, as they refrained from
looting, while some of the Euro-
pean soldiers were having an orgie.
Dead Chinamen cover the walls and
streets of Tientsin.Fifty guns were captured. The place
was full of munitions of war. Many fires
have been started, and most of the city will
probably be burned. The Chinese are re-
treating towards Pekin.

TELEGRAPH NEWS.

Daniel Darmach of Grey County was
killed by a C. P. R. train near Rat
Portage.A one-eyed man, named McIntyre,
fell into the Grand River near Elora,
and was drowned.John B. Borden, G. T. R. switchman
at Oshawa, was instantly killed by a
freight motor on the Oshawa Railway.
It is reported that a number of
ston mills in England will be closed
temporarily owing to the disturbances
in China.Major-General O'Grady, the new
commander of the Canadian militia,
will reach Ottawa on Monday.Many cases of enteric fever and smallpox
are reported at Nome Harbor, Alaska, and
the question of sanitation has assumed a
serious phase, owing to the stampede of
miners to that place.Militia orders contain provisions for a
battalion of Infantry for Toronto,
and authorize the addition of about 2,000
men to the military strength of the Domini-
on.

LINE IS ALL CLEAR AGAIN.

London, July 25.—An official despatch,
received here from Cape Town to-day, dated
Monday, July 23, says:—"The railway
northward is now cleared of Boers. The
line is slightly damaged, but will soon be
clear. Capt. Fowler proceeds to-morrow to
repair the telegraph."

ASSESSMENT APPEALS.

Appeals from the Court of Revision were
heard before Judge Bell yesterday from the
Robertson of Innes estate, Jno. R. Ronald,
of Brussels, on property approaching Fifth
St. bridge, and the J. W. T. Telegraph Co.
Edwin Bell and C. F. W. Atkinson ap-
peared for the appellants and J. G. Kerr for the
City. Judgment was reserved.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

	Opp.	High	Low	Close
Wheat—July...	748	749	751	748
Sept....	754	755	748	758
Corn—Aug....	38 3/4	38 3/4	37 3/4	37 3/4
Sept....	38 1/2	38 1/2	37 1/2	37 1/2
Oats—Aug....	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2
Sept....	23 1/2	23 1/2	22 1/2	23
Pork—July...	11.85	11.90	11.70	11.77
Lard—July...	6.75	6.75	6.72	6.75
Ribs July...	6.90	6.95	6.90	6.90

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ALL DEPENDS ON THE LAW.

It is stated that, according to the school
regulations, all the county board of examiners
have to do with the case of Principal
T. C. Smith is to approve or disapprove of
his suspension by the inspector of city
schools. As the offence for which he was
suspended was admitted and as the Minister
of Education has stated that Dr. Mc-
Call's course was the proper one, the board
can hardly come to any other decision than
to endorse his action. This, of course, will
make the suspension final. If this view of
the law be correct the board of examiners
possess no alternative or pardoning power
and therefore can give no effect to the peti-
tion of the citizens for clemency. The
friends who have interested themselves in
Mr. Smith's case would do well to have the
law looked into by legal experts so that if
there be any question in this matter, it
can be explained to the board of examiners
with an appeal to them to
adopt it. The board will meet to-morrow
and anything that can be done must be
done quickly, if it is to be of any effect.

ELECTIONS COMMISSION.

It Will Not Likely Sit Before Fall—
No Reports Likely This
Year.Toronto, July 27.—The Royal Electoral
Commission to enquire into corrupt prac-
tices in elections probably will not sit any
year before fall, and certainly will not be
able to report before the general election,
if it comes off this year. The first meeting
was called yesterday at Osgoode Hall, but
Chancellor Boyd received a telegram an-
nouncing that the counsel were not ready
and the meeting was postponed indefinitely.
It is stated that not a single complaint has
been received as yet by the council regarding
improper practices.

MAY BE FAKERS.

Alleged Canadian Invalid Soldiers
From South Africa in Want
In London.London, July 25.—Four invalided Cana-
dians from South Africa, now in this city,
completely lack the means to pay for lodg-
ings, and as a result have to sleep out in
Hyde Park. This morning two had not
sufficient money to buy their breakfast.The Prince and Princess of Wales inspec-
ted thirty-five Canadian invalids at the
Golden Hill Convalescent Home at Hamp-
stead this morning. Maj. Thompson intro-
duced each invalid to the Prince, who en-
quired about their health and wounds, and
hoped all would soon be better. He took
great interest in the French-Canadian in-
valids.

CONSERVATIVE MEETINGS.

Preparations Under way to Hold Great
Picnics in September—Hugh John
Will Speak.Toronto, July 25.—The Conservative
organizers are making preparations for
a series of political picnics to be
held in September, patterned after
those of 1877-78, which contributed so
materially to the return of the
National Policy Government. Three
picnics have already been arranged
for, and will be addressed by Sir
Charles Tupper, Hon. G. E. Foster
and Hon. Hugh John Macdonald. One
will be on an island in the Detroit
River, near Windsor, and will, it is
expected, attract many thousands of
people from Elgin, Lambton and
Essex counties. A second will be at
Coburg for Northumberland, Durham
and Peterboro, and a third at Barrie
for the Simcoes and Cardwell.

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