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### POSTAL DEPARTMENT TO GRANT A REBATE

#### Excess Postage Charged on Newspapers and Periodicals to be Returned

Following the change whereby the postage on newspapers sent to the United States is reduced to one cent per pound, the postal authorities have decided to rebate the excess postage, two cents per pound, on all newspapers and periodicals sent by mail from the office of publication in Canada to subscribers in the United States from May 1, 1907 to December 31, 1907.

Such is the amount contained in a circular sent out from the department at Ottawa under date, Feb. 12. Applicants for the rebate must give a detailed statement of the postage paid at the higher rate, giving data for each single issue. This must include the date of the issue, the weight of a single copy, the number of copies called and the total postage paid.

It has been determined, therefore, that on newspapers and periodicals sent by mail from the office of publication in Canada to subscribers in the United States, under subscriptions dating back to the 31st May last, a rebate of postage shall be allowed at the rate of three cents per pound, such rebate to cover the period from the 8th May to the 31st December, 1907, both days inclusive.

### ROYAL CITY AFFAIRS

New Westminster, Feb. 21.—The estimates, with the exception of those for the "Eastment" were passed by the city council at a special committee-meeting of the city council held last night behind closed doors.

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Double Track. New Westminster, Feb. 22.—Local Manager McQuarrie states that the portion of the Interurban tram line between Central Park and Cedar Court will be double-tracked this spring being started in a few days.

Joseph Phillips, aged 83, recently died at Parkside, Esquimalt, in the room in which he was born. He lived in the same house all his life.

# IS READY TO STOP SEALING

## Canada Quite Ready to Join With Nations to Stop Seal-Hunter's Work

### COMPENSATION EXPECTED

#### Senator Scott Says Pelagic Sealers Are "a Herd of Pirates"

The following Associated Press despatch from Ottawa under date of Friday is published by United States newspapers: In the senate tonight Senator Macdonald of British Columbia, asked if the government would consider the question of a fisheries modus vivendi.

Canada, said Secretary Scott, is quite ready to do her share and join with Russia, Japan and the United States in any arrangement that will protect seal life.

for general service and to carry at least four fast motor launches with each to protect the coast harbors against foreign fishermen cleaning their fish in said harbors."

### WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY AND THE DERELICTS

#### New Method of Communication Has Proved of Considerable Use to Shipping

With the introduction of metal in ship construction instead of wood, and steam in lieu of the unbought wind as a motive power on the high seas, there is a radical evolution not only in the personnel but also in the command of man over the adverse influences in navigation says Shipping.

### PLANS ARE APPROVED FOR FISHERY CRUISER

#### Will be a Slower Vessel Than Recommended by Capt. Newcombe of the Kestrel

A year and two months from the time the appropriation of \$250,000 was passed at Ottawa for the construction of a new fishery protection cruiser for patrol service in British Columbia waters R. L. Newman, the local designer, announces that the plans prepared by him for the vessel have been accepted.

Paris, Feb. 21.—The Court of Appeals has confirmed the Court of the lower court, ordering Count Boni de Castellane and Madame Anna Gueld, who secured a divorce from the count last year, jointly to pay to the sum of \$24,000 for certain jewels the count purchased from her prior to the divorce.

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his manhood had been spent in the newspaper business. He was born in Minot, Maine, in 1825, and finding farm life too hard for his frail physique, he came to Washington in 1847, making the last stages of his journey on foot for lack of funds.

### PORTUGUESE UNREST

Rumors of Plots of Various Kinds Continue to Emanate From Lisbon

Paris, Feb. 21.—A despatch received from Lisbon says the greatest uneasiness prevails in the palace and has been surrounded by troops, the entire garrison is confined to barracks and ball cartridges have been issued to the men.

### Run Down By Train

New York, Feb. 21.—Two little brothers were struck and killed today by an express train on the Harlem division of the New York Central railway, and the official newspapers affirmed that the government would use all legal means to maintain order and assure respect for the executive.

### ILLINOIS CENTRAL

Stuyvesant Fish Thinks Many Who Gave Proxies May Want to Hide the Fact

New York, Feb. 21.—Stuyvesant Fish has given out the following statement, and mailed a copy thereof to each Illinois Central stockholder: "The Hon. Farlin Q. Ball, judge of the supreme court of Cook county, Illinois, has reported to New York this delinquent to the hydrographic office, Washington, during her drift. A free use of wireless telegraphy and submarine cables may now be done to lessen the risk to the large liners, and others indirectly, from delinquent ships."

### C. S. NOYES DEAD

Veteran Newspaper Writer, of Washington, Passes Away in California

### THE LOCAL MARKETS

Retail Prices	
Royal Household, a bag	\$2.00
Lake of the Woods, a bag	\$2.00
Royal Standard	\$2.00
Purity	\$2.00
Wild Rose, per bag	\$1.75
Calgary, a bag	\$1.75
Hungarian, per bbl	\$7.75
Unbleached, a bag	\$1.70
Snowflake, per bbl	\$24.00
Mr. T's Best, per sack	\$2.00
Whole Corn, per bbl	\$7.75
Drifted Snow, per sack	\$2.00
Three Star, per sack	\$2.00

Vegetables	
Celery, two heads	25
Brussels sprouts, per dozen	30
Garlic, per lb.	6
Onions, local, per lb.	1.50 to 1.75
Sweet Potatoes, new, 5 lbs	15 to 25
Cauliflower, each	15 to 25
Chop Feed, best, per ton	38.00
Whole Corn, best, per ton	38.00
Cracked Corn, per ton	38.00

Dairy Produce	
Fresh Island, per dozen	45
Cooking, per dozen	40
Canadian, per lb.	75
Neufchatel, each	15
Cream, per each	15
Butter	35
Manitoba, per lb.	35
Best, per lb.	45
Victoria Creamery, per lb.	45
Delta Creamery, per lb.	45
Butter, cooking, per lb.	30

Fruit	
Grape Fruit, per dozen	1.00
Oranges, per dozen	25 to 50
Lemons, per dozen	30
Fish cooking, per lb.	8 to 10
Apples, local, per box	40 to 50
Malaga Grapes, per lb.	30
Fig, table, per lb.	35
Fig, table, per lb.	35
Raisins, Valencia, per lb.	15
Raisins, table, per lb.	25 to 30
Grapes, Con. per basket	1.00
Pineapples, each	50
Pears, per box	1.25 to 1.50
Cranberries, per lb.	30

Meats	
Wolnuts, per lb.	30
Braising, per lb.	30
Almonds, Jordan, per lb.	30
Almonds, California, per lb.	30
Chickens, each	15
Pecans, per lb.	30
Chestnuts, per lb.	30
Cod, salted, per lb.	10 to 12
Halibut, fresh, per lb.	8 to 10
Halibut, dressed, per lb.	6 to 8
Cod, fresh, per lb.	6 to 8
Flounders, fresh, per lb.	6 to 8
Salmon, table, white, per lb.	10 to 12
Salmon, fresh, red, per lb.	10 to 12
Salmon, smoked, per lb.	10 to 12
Oysters, Olympia, per pint	40 to 50
Oysters, Tokelau, per pint	40 to 50
Shrimps, per lb.	25 to 30
Yams, per lb.	5 to 10
Herring, kippered, per lb.	12 to 15
Finnan Haddie, per lb.	12 to 15
Beef, per lb.	3 to 10
Lamb, per lb.	15 to 20
Quarters, per lb.	15 to 20
Lamb, per quarter, hind	1.75 to 2.00
Lamb, dressed, per lb.	12 to 15
Geese, dressed, per lb.	20 to 25
Ducks, dressed, per lb.	20 to 25
Chickens, per lb.	10 to 12
Chickens, broilers, per lb.	10 to 12
Chickens, per lb.	10 to 12
Pigeons, dressed, per pair	1.00
Rabbits, dressed, each	50 to 65
Game, dressed, each	50 to 65
Hams, per lb.	20
Bacon, per lb.	25 to 30
Pork, dressed, per lb.	15 to 18

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A NAVAL BASE.

The impression appears to be gaining ground that the Admiralty will be forced by circumstances to consider the establishment of a naval base on this coast of Canada.

The approaching completion of the Panama Canal and the tremendous naval changes which are taking place in the Pacific render it imperative that we should recast our strategic dispositions, both in regard to the distribution of the fleet and the establishment of naval bases.

This is a statement of very considerable importance. We fancy that it may be taken as indicative of the opinion held in the Admiralty circles, but even if it may not be, it is unquestionably of great interest as disclosing an appreciation in influential quarters of a movement long recognized for some time by the people of British Columbia.

SOME BRITISH QUESTIONS.

Domestic questions are very much to the fore in British politics. Two of them especially are creating a good deal of discussion, and not a little anxiety among those people who deem anything which can by even indirect means be identified with Socialism.

Mr. Asquith has definitely promised an old-age pension scheme, and it will be outlined in his Budget speech. All parties favor it, they say, but in accordance with its details.

The above questions taken in connection with the problem of small land-holdings, the reviving of agriculture, improved sanitary measures for towns, the extinction of the sweated system, the question of military training, not to mention the perennial Irish question, tariff reform and the constitution of the House of Lords, make up a programme which, for variety and difficulty, cannot easily be matched. To the credit of the British people be

VICTORIA AS A GRAIN PORT

No valid reason can be given why Victoria may not become a grain shipping point, or why we cannot have flour mills here to grind the wheat produced in the western half of the prairie region.

The view of the peculiar situation existing in this province in regard to the shortage of labor for the development against the employment of Asiatics is a sentence of four words, "Pump in the whites." A good many people have a disposition to regard this suggestion as a joke, but events have shown that if the great resources of this province are to be developed on any comprehensive scale it will be necessary to take Mr. Kipling's advice.

The Chief Justice has held the Immigration Act passed at the present session of the legislature to be ultra vires that is, beyond the powers of the Dominion Parliament in regard to the Japanese treaty.

THE IMMIGRATION ACT

The announcement that the Canadian Northern has obtained power to extend its line to the Pacific Coast and has increased its capital with that object, is a piece of news of very great interest to British Columbia.

It will be recalled that when Mr. Kipling was here a short time ago, he was asked what ought to be done in

THE BUDGET SPEECH.

The Minister of Finance made his Budget speech in the House yesterday, and we present a full report of it this morning.

The province is very much to be congratulated upon the showing which the Finance Minister was able to make. It spoke volumes for the confidence in which the affairs of the country have been carried on.

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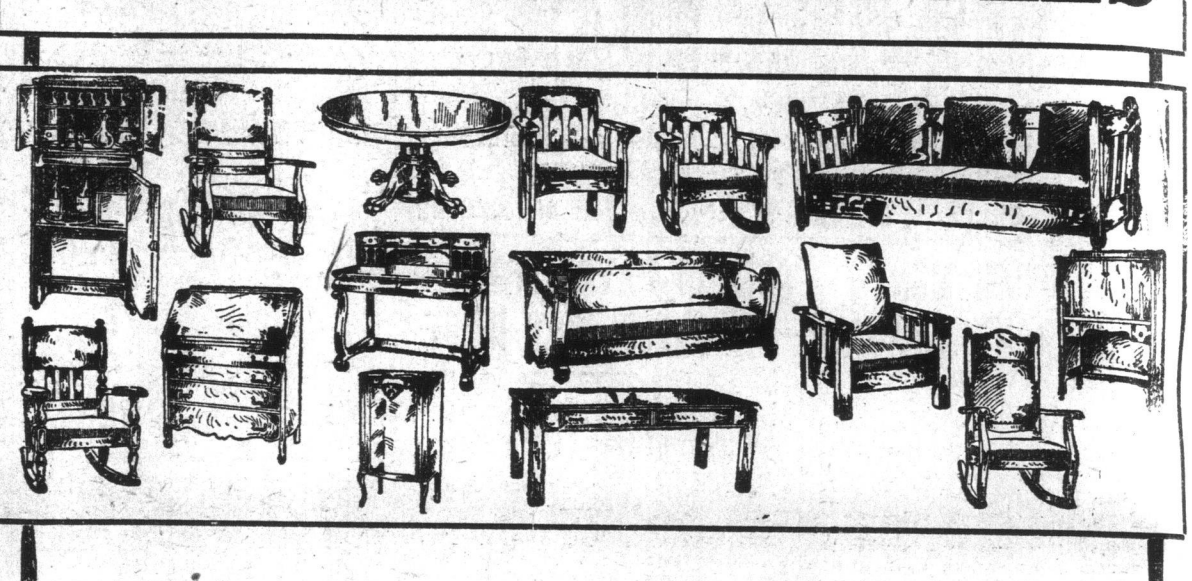
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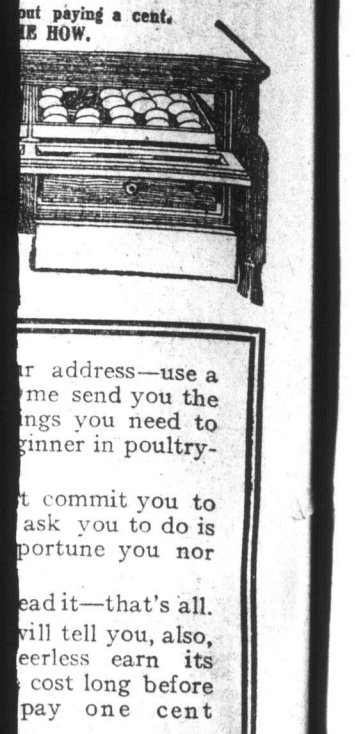












BUDGET SPEECH GIVEN YESTERDAY Hon. R. G. Tatlow Brought Down Estimates at Sitting of Legislature

SURPLUS OVER A MILLION Nearly Three-Quarters of a Million to be Expended on Roads and Trails

The budget speech was delivered by Hon. R. G. Tatlow at the sitting of the legislature yesterday, the estimate being brought down by special message.

As to a college to obtain their training. In many of the hospitals there was a great rush and often the nurses were overworked, but they did this gladly, recognizing the needs of the situation.

should not in any way deter us from doing our duty. (Hear, hear.) I suggest a day, in the case of the nurses, that shall not exceed in any event, nine hours. The period of care of this legislature should be extended for the protection of these young women.

see white men starve with a smile upon his lips. He thereupon resumed his seat. Hon. Richard McBride moved the adjournment of the house.

The estimate for land sales was \$400,000. The increase in the receipts of the last half year—the large amounts appearing on the accounts for 1907 being mostly composed of the Point Grey Estate.

The estimate for public debt, \$282,500, as against an expenditure of \$172,213 for the year ending June 30th last, was an estimate of \$110,287 for 1908. The reason for the increase is being that the parliament building loan, the 1903 loan, and the 1877 loan have been paid off, and also that except on the sinking fund there will be no other one payment on account of interest and sinking fund between July 1st and March 31st.

With general farming and dairying fairly held their own during 1907, no great progress was made in fruit raising, despite the fact that a reasonable weather prevailed in the spring. As a consequence strawberries and other small fruits suffered to some extent, but the average yield was satisfactory.

Our course these figures are far from representing the quantity of fruit grown, as the large quantities of fruit locally and much is shipped by sea, which we have no record.

earnest about fruit-growing." (Cheers) The Morning Post is equally complimentary...

Black Remarkable for Watch and pleasing flavor. The big black plug chewing tobacco.

Many other papers expressed equally favorable opinions. The Canadian Horticulturist, published in Toronto, pays a high compliment to our fruit-packer when he says...

Honorable members will agree with me in the statement that there was a universal complaint of want of farm laborers during the past season of agricultural activity.

The situation is admirably summed up in an editorial in the Western Canadian from which I quote: "Whatever is in the best interests of the lumber business is in the best interests of British Columbia..."

And consequently, Sir, I do not think that any of these people, and by no means so many of them, have arrived as some have supposed...

Now, Mr. Speaker, with these proofs of good work by the army before us, I think it is not asking too much of honorable gentlemen to oppose the side of the house to withhold their criticism of the government in this connection...

And I repeat, Sir, have we not the most complete justification for the policy upon which we have entered...

I am sure every member of this house will join with me in congratulating the business men and manufacturers of Canada generally...

prospect of relief for months to come (Hear, hear).

Lumber-Industry. With us it is true that there has been a more or less general shutting down of longer camps and sawmills...

Forest Reservation. It is confidently hoped, Sir, that our policy of forest reservation will encourage more conservative methods of cutting timber for it is natural to suppose that the holder of a license will adopt every means possible to secure the best results from year to year...

Stocks of lumber on hand west of Coast Range, 488,000,000 feet; provincial lands east of Coast Range, 260,000,000 feet; cut on Dominion lands in the railway belt, 45,000,000; cut on E. & N. railway lands, Vancouver Island, 52,000,000. Total cut, 846,000,000 feet.

Log scaling returns to hand show: Log scaled west of Coast Range, average 21,800 per month, 383,320,000; logs scaled east of Coast Range, 178,000,000. Total, 561,320,000.

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Mines of Province. With regard to the shutting down of some of the big producing mines, I need only remind you of the coke shortage early in the year, and the fall in the prices of copper and other metals...

our mining industry that in spite of these drawbacks the mineral output shows an increase over that of 1906 of over three-quarters of a per cent.

Total metalliferous mines, \$17,878,898; Coal, \$6,498,100; Coke, 1,362,000; Grand total, \$25,738,993.

Fisheries Returns. The fisheries returns for the season of 1907 will show similar results to the previous two years.

Steps Should Be Taken. It is unnecessary to go beyond Capt. Newcomb's report for arguments in favor of prompt and effective measures being taken for the preservation of our deep sea fisheries.

From the preliminary reports of the British Columbia fisheries inspectors a comparative failure of the salmon fishing in 1907 is indicated.

Now, Mr. Speaker, I am afraid that I have overmuch worried the house with a series of very dry statistics, which, however, I think will be very useful in their way.

Further Development. And I further make bold to say, Sir, in spite of all that has been said to the contrary, that the development of our resources will require many more active hands, and will make room for many more people.

Belia Coia Company. Dr. Kergin (Stevens), inquired: 1. Does the B.C. Development company continue to hold its shares in the old land, in positions of competency and comfort in this great province...

company cut timber other than pulp wood? Hon. Mr. Fulton replied as follows: 1. Yes. 2. On conditions set out in said lease...

Municipal Committee. Mr. Hayward presented the report of the municipal committee on bills 25, 26 and 27, amending the Municipal Clauses act...

Salvation Army Correspondence. Mr. Williams (Newcastle)—Will move on Monday next that an order of the house be granted for a copy of all telegrams, letters, agreements, or other documents, or communications between the government and the Salvation Army...

Accidents at Granby. The following questions will be asked on Monday next: 1. How many accidents were reported from the Granby mines during the years 1905, 1906 and 1907, respectively?

ANNOUNCEMENTS IN PROVINCIAL GAZETTE. Appointments Made and Companies Incorporated During the Past Week.

The following appointments appear in the current issue of the British Columbian Gazette: Constable Louis E. Hercher to be a deputy mining recorder in the place of Steel Mining division at Marystown...

Canadian Northern Gets Authority—Capital to be increased to \$50,000,000. Ottawa, Feb. 20.—The railway committee of the commons this morning authorized an increase in the Canadian Northern Railway capital of \$15,250,000...

York Loan Shareholders. Toronto, Feb. 20.—Shareholders of the defunct York Loan and Savings company are not likely to get more than 25 or 30 cents on the dollar.

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Miss Agnes Deans Cameron. Mr. Hawthorthwaite (Nanaimo)—Will move on Monday next that the hon. member be granted for a copy of all telegrams, letters, agreements, or other documents, or communications between the government and the Salvation Army...

As to C. M. Roberts. I was C. M. Roberts sent on behalf your department to the northern interior of British Columbia during 1907?

Francis Thurnfield Stanley, of the city of Victoria, M. D., C. M., to be a deputy coroner.

The following companies are incorporated under the terms of the Companies act: The Eastern British Columbia Lumber Company, Limited, with a capital of \$500,000...

The Canadian Trust and Investment Company, Limited, with a capital of \$25,000, to carry on a real estate business.

Mr. McCarthy Will Run. Calgary, Alta., Feb. 20.—M. S. McCarthy accepted the nomination as Conservative nomination at the convention held here today.

Cut Officer's Head Off. San Juan, Porto Rico, Feb. 20.—New England, a cutter on the American coast, ran aground, killed Walter Wecher, one of the officers of the cutter, this afternoon. The crime was committed on board the vessel Dixon...

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apparently, was a suggestion. A ten-hung thickly about low voices, they halterly unmindful of continued absence...

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For Monday we have selected some very tempting bargains from the Curtain and Carpet Department. All those desiring to brighten up the home at their Spring cleaning should not hesitate in taking advantage of the splendid savings which are to be made on the under-mentioned articles. Promptness is necessary if you wish to share in these splendid Monday offerings.

## Special Values in Brussels Squares for Monday

After taking stock we find that we have too many Brussels Squares in size 9 ft. x 9 ft., and have decided to move them out quickly on Monday and offer all squares of that size in stock at the following price reductions: See Broad Street window display. Regular price \$15.00. Special Monday at.....**\$12.00**  
Regular price \$17.00. Special Monday at.....**\$12.40**  
Regular price \$18.50. Special Monday at.....**\$14.75**

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Wool Squares, 9 ft. x 9 ft. Regular price \$11.25 and \$18.00. Special Monday at \$9.00 and.....**\$14.40**  
Wool Squares, 9 ft. x 10 ft. 6 in. Regular price \$12.99 and \$21.00. Special Monday \$10.80 and.....**\$16.80**  
Wool Squares, 9 ft. x 12 ft. Regular price \$15.00 and \$24.00. Special Monday, \$12.99 and.....**\$19.20**  
Wool Squares, size 10 ft. 6 in. x 12 ft. Regular price \$22.40. Special Monday.....**\$17.90**  
Wool Squares, size 10 ft. 6 in. x 13 ft. 6 in. Regular price \$27.50. Special Monday.....**\$22.00**

## Arch Grilles at Moderate Prices

The advent of Spring and warm weather suggests the idea of home decoration of the lighter sort, that will permit of open doors with plenty of sunshine, and we know of nothing better to suggest than an artistic setting of grille work. We are exclusive agents for the "Syracuse Line" and show a very large range in all designs, that may be adopted to any size opening. These grilles are on display in our drapery department, second floor.

## Bargains in Nottingham Lace Curtains Reg. Price \$3.50, Monday—\$1.90

Monday we are placing 25 pairs of fine quality Nottingham Lace Curtains on Special Sale. These are three and a-half yards long, by 54 inches wide. Lock stitch, cord edge and lacey design. The regular prices of them was \$3.50 per pair. Special Monday.....**\$1.90**

## Lovely New Foulard Radiums at 35c Per Yard

These are a very fine soft material, sheer and silky finish, in the very newest and latest spot and stripe effects, in light and dark colors. Specially priced at, per yard.....**35c**

## Try the Vacuum House Cleaning System

It is the most satisfactory way of cleaning your carpets. No dust or dirt flying about the house when using this method. Every particle is drawn by suction through tubes from your carpets. No furniture moving, in fact all heavy, distasteful work accompanying spring housecleaning is done away with when using

## The Vacuum House Cleaner The Up-to-date System

When thinking of doing your housecleaning phone up carpet department 1685 for full particulars and rates, but we suggest you getting your order in as early as possible owing to the season advancing.

# Special in Plain White Earthenware For Monday

That Monday will be a busy day in the Houseware section goes without saying, as we have selected a few articles which are of every day use and marked them at special prices. Some of these, as you will note, is limited, only one being sold to a customer, which gives everybody an opportunity to participate in these excellent values.

## 6-Piece Toilet Sets Special at \$1.50

TOILET SETS, in plain white earthenware, consisting of six pieces, nice glazed finish, which includes basin, ewer, covered chamber, flat soap dish and mug. Specially priced for Monday's selling at, per set.....**\$1.50**

## 10-Piece Toilet Sets Special at \$2.50

TOILET SETS, in plain white earthenware, consisting of ten pieces small wheat decoration, including basin, ewer, covered chamber, mug, tooth-brush holder and covered soap dish. Only one set will be sold to a customer. Special Monday at.....**\$2.50**

## Slop Jars Specially Priced at \$1.25

SLOP JARS, in plain white earthenware, has bent in corner and wicker handle, is especially good bargain. Regular value was \$1.75, but on Monday we are only going to sell one to a customer, at the special price of.....**\$1.25**

**Plain White Earthen Oval Bakers**

18 in. size. Regular 25c. Special Monday.....	<b>20c</b>
19 in. size. Regular 30c. Special Monday.....	<b>20c</b>
10 in. size. Regular 35c. Special Monday.....	<b>25c</b>
11 in. size. Regular 40c. Special Monday.....	<b>30c</b>
12 in. size. Regular 50c. Special Monday.....	<b>35c</b>
13 in. size. Regular 60c. Special Monday.....	<b>40c</b>

**Plain White Earthen Mixing Bowls**

5 1-2 in. size. Regular 10c. Monday special.....	<b>5c</b>
6 in. size. Regular 10c. Monday special.....	<b>5c</b>
7 to 8 in. size. Regular 15c. to 25c. Monday special.....	<b>10c</b>
9 in. size. Regular 30c. Special Monday.....	<b>10c</b>
10 in. size. Regular 35c. Special Monday.....	<b>25c</b>
11 in. size. Regular 40c. Monday special.....	<b>25c</b>

## How About a Good Range

This is the now important question with all Housewives. Every woman's desire is to have a good Range, a Range that will not only be an ornament, but a good baker. Even a man realizes the importance of this fact.

## Our Stock of Albion Stoves and Ranges

is complete in every way. Not only will they meet all requirements to the Housewife, but that are made of the best materials obtainable, while the workmanship in them is unexcelled, and we suggest that when down town to come in and inspect our large and varied stock which are always on display in the Stove Department (annex).

# First Showing of Our Beautiful New Spring Dress Goods

**Novelty Dress Patterns**  
In Fancy Satin Stripe Eolienne, in exquisite effects, in colors of browns, navys, light grey, sky, helio, reseda, and old rose.....**\$25.00**

**VENETIANS**—In light and dark cardinal, medium and dark brown, light and dark navys, myrtles and fawns, 46 in. wide, per yard.....**\$1.00**  
**POPLINS**—In navy, brown, myrtle, reseda, sage, royal, Alice fawn, drab, cardinal and grey, 58 inches wide, price, per yard.....**50c**

**New Stripe Suitings**  
A beautiful range of new Spring Stripe Suitings has just been opened up. These are in all the very newest colorings, 7 1-2 yards in length.....**\$15.00**

**SATIN CLOTH**—In champagne, rose, cardinal, helio, 42 inches wide, per yard.....**75c**  
**POPLINS**—In all colors, 44 inches wide, per yard.....**75c**  
**ALEXANDER CLOTH**—In fawns, blues, grey, brown, Copenhagen blue, etc., 46 inches wide, per yard.....**\$1.75**

**Tweed Stripe Suitings**  
Charming new Spring Suitings in the newest and most approved styles in tweed effects, of extra fine quality, 7 1-2 yards in length.....**\$10.50**

**A Splendid Line of Trunks Valises, Etc.**  
Now that the travelling season is just about to commence, a good trunk, valise or travelling bag is one of the most important items to be considered, and we wish to specially emphasize the completeness of our stock. During the past few weeks we have received many new additions from the plain, ordinary travelling trunk to the most elaborate and high-class suit cases and travelling bags, and intending travellers will find it greatly to their advantage when contemplating purchasing any one of these articles to favor us with a call. You will find prices the lowest consistent with good quality, ranging in price from \$4.00 up.

**New Importation of Japanese Wash Silks**  
We have just received and unpacked a lovely assortment of new Japanese Wash Silks. These come in many exclusive and dainty designs, and cannot be excelled for a summer wearing article. They come in brown and white spot and white and brown stripes, white and blue, pink and white, helio and white dresden effects, brown and white dresden effects, and priced at the moderate figure of, per yard.....**50c**

**Beautiful New Spring Organdy Muslins**  
The freshness, brightness of Spring is correctly reflected in our showing of beautiful, new Spring Organdy Muslins. Any lady with an eye to what is beautiful in this class of goods will instantly realize how they have gained such popular favor during the last few days. Exquisite is the only word which you can apply to such beautiful goods as these. They are in fancy stripe, checks and floral designs, in all shades, at, per yard.....**25c**

**Try Our Fine Mail Order Service**  
Out of town residents will be surprised at the satisfactory results attained by this way of shopping. Our system makes it so that you can obtain the same results as if you were attending the store personally, and if you are not already on our mailing list, why not send us your name and address. We will gladly mail on receipt of same our new spring and summer catalogue, which will give you some idea of what lines we carry, and will also be found a wonderful help as a ready reference. Remember, when any of our mail order staff is attending your needs they use the same preciseness in selecting the materials as if it were for themselves.

**Furniture Dept Bargains**  
The furniture department is a most interesting place for home furnishers these days. Our February sale, which is progressing, offers many excellent bargains in which those intending buying furniture will do well to take advantage of. Especially is this true in regard to fine dining room furniture, which are to be had at surprisingly low prices. Then, too, there are many novelty pieces in Mission furniture, besides a goodly sprinkling of high-class upholstered furniture which is of special interest. A visit to the furniture department, third floor, will readily convince you of the genuineness of these offerings.

**Beautiful New Spring Millinery Shown in Pleasing Array in Gov't. St. Window**  
Our representative display of lovely creations in exclusive Spring Millinery, which we are showing in our Government Street windows, are of that pronounced individuality and exclusive refinement that characterizes the choosing of our Millinery Management. Leading lights of the world of Millinery fashion would freely acknowledge these lovely hats as children of their genius, and well they might. Such bewitching conceptions would bear comparison with any which would come from the hands of the foremost ateliers. But these are only foreshadowings of what is coming, for never were flowers and leaves combined in more graceful styles than what is shown in these new Outing Hats. Shapes to suit all faces, and fancies, while prices are so as to fit all purses. Although we acknowledge the season not far advanced we have had frequent calls for new hats. The beautiful weather, no doubt, being responsible for this, and we cordially invite your inspection of these lovely creations at the earliest possible moment.

**Men's Fashionable Spring Head Dress**  
We have just received a very large shipment of all that is new and novel in smart head dress for men, direct from the World's most foremost manufacturers. In this showing, we wish to specially draw your attention to our stock of Stetson's Soft and Stiff Hats in all the very latest Blocks. These hats are too well known to warrant us describing them minutely, while for their wearing qualities and appearance they are unexcelled. Prices range from.....**\$4.00**

See Government Street Window Display of Nottingham Lace Curtains

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Annual Convention Union Now in at Nanaimo  
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Municipal Question by President in Annual Rep  
Nanaimo, Feb. 26.—  
The annual meeting of the B.C. Union of Municipalities was held this morning with Mayor Westminister in the chair. The meeting was held in the City Chamber and was attended by a large number of delegates from the various municipalities. The Mayor presided and the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The Mayor then presented a report on the work of the Union during the past year. He stated that the Union had been successful in securing the passage of the Municipalities Act, which will give the municipalities a greater measure of independence. He also mentioned the fact that the Union had been successful in securing the passage of the Municipalities Amendment Act, which will give the municipalities a greater measure of independence. The Mayor then presented a report on the work of the Union during the past year. He stated that the Union had been successful in securing the passage of the Municipalities Act, which will give the municipalities a greater measure of independence. He also mentioned the fact that the Union had been successful in securing the passage of the Municipalities Amendment Act, which will give the municipalities a greater measure of independence. The meeting then adjourned.