

FIRE AND WATER



SALE OF DAMAGED READY-MADE CLOTHING

Hats, Caps and General Dry Goods.

COMMENCING TO-DAY AT THE BARGAIN CORNER

COMING TO CANADA.

Dr. D. V. Innes, Canadian immigration agent in the United States, estimates that fully 5,000 persons will remove from that country to make their homes in the Canadian North-West this year.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure you. Dec. 17 1/2 mos & dw

Skates

at cost to clear out.

Hockey

Sticks

15c, 20c

30c.

Now is your time

DODD & ROGERS

WANTS, LOSTS, FOUNDS, ETC

LOST.—A black silk muffler between Picard's Bakery and W. E. saw on's corner. Kindly leave same at bakery, corner of Great George and Euston Sts.

WANTED.—Two gentlemen or married couple can be accommodated in comfortable home of small family. Large front room, electric light, gas cooking. Within one minute of Post Office. A. B. office of this paper.

WANTED.—A girl for general housework. References required. Apply at the United States Consulate.

LOST.—Tuesday evening in this city, a Gold Watch. Finder will please leave at this office.

REMOVED.—From Jan 1, 1899. The Brick store corner Queen and Richmond Sts. lately occupied by Johnson & Johnson. Apply to Con Bros.

TO LET.—The southern half of the Late Chief Justice Palmer's House on Queen Street. Rent moderate. Electric lights etc. Rent moderate. Apply to Mrs. K. Palmer, Queen St. or H. James Palmer, Ch' Town Nov.

TO LET.—A Dwelling on Upper Euston Street. Apply to CHARLES M'GREGOR.

EDITOR'S MAIL.

OUR CITY CORPORATION ACT.

SIR.—In the Garden of Eden there was one tree placed in reserve. Outside of this beast and bird, produce of sea and soil were placed at the disposal of its occupants. Our local government planted a city corporation, but with the rule of Eden reversed. A few trees were selected and Charlottetonians were told of the fruit of these—most bitter fruit—thou shalt eat, of others slightly pleasant a taste may be thine, but to cultivate the garden and develop its capabilities can only be done under piecemeal permission secured by political intrigue and too often for political purpose. Among the bitter element we are told that we must pay out \$10,000 a year to be spent for us by a school board not of our own selection, \$1,000 for a Magistrate and \$700 for a Clerk, neither of them of our selection; about \$200,000 probably more, to be spent by Sewerage Commissioners, not of our own selection, and a sanitary officer whose salary and duties are not wholly under our volition. We are told by legislative enactment that we must provide these and other large amounts of money but here again come hampering restrictions.

You may tax a band or insurance company \$50, but no more. You may tax your incomes, provided you leave out those from interest on mortgages and official salaries, for our law protects the poor (!) You may tax the truckman living and spending his earnings amongst you, but don't dare touch the non-resident who pines the same trade in the city. You must not tax a

**MR. M. MILLER,
BENSFORT, ONT.**

Says Laxa-Liver Pills made a new man of him.

Cured him of Indigestion and Pains in the Back.

We don't make absurd or extravagant claims for Laxa-Liver Pills.

Tell you in a plain, simple way what they will do, and prove what we say by the testimony of those who have used them. We say they cure dyspepsia, indigestion and all stomach disorders, and renew the health and strength.

Mr. Melville Miller, Bensfort, Ont., corroborates this in the following statement: "I have used two bottles of Laxa-Liver Pills and I must say they made a new man out of me, after taking them for three weeks. My trouble was indigestion, heart fluttering and pains in my back. Laxa-Liver Pills have completely cured me and I think they are the best medicine in the world to set a man up."

If you take a Laxa-Liver Pill before retiring, it will work while you sleep, without a gripe or pain, and make you feel better in the morning.

These pills never sicken or weaken, and leave no bad after-effects of any kind.

bicycle nor even compel them to carry an alarm bell to warn the passing pedestrian. They may run you down at pleasure. You flee them for travelling on the sidewalk but even this you do under doubtful authority. You may elect Mayor and Councilors if you have sufficient numerical strength, if not they may buy themselves in over your heads. They can flood the electorate with whiskey on election day and purchase votes and with complete immunity from punishment.

The law of the city corporation gives you no power to prevent corruption in civic elections. If you raise your voice against such iniquity you are ruled out of court. A property qualification and a qualifying oath is demanded which prevents an honest man from holding the position. A dishonest one willing to take the oath even though unqualified may hold the seat for want of legal machinery to remove him.

If you live in Ward 5 you are gifted with three votes. In Ward 1 you are only one third of a man, for there you have only one vote. If a candidate for civic honors in Ward 3 you can canvass 150 electors and get in; if in Ward 5 you have to talk up over 1,000 electors. After you get into the council you have the prospect of uselessness, as often the Mayor's casting vote does all the business.

We claim to have an act of incorporation. Perhaps we have but, run the old thing through a haircloth sieve and see if you can find a redeeming feature. I fail to find them and our sleepy old city council are content to exist under such conditions. What sacrifices they will make for a bubble reputation! Citizens wake up and give an anti-cipate to your somnolent city rulers.

Yours,
REFORM.

THE LIBERAL LEADER.

The Right Hon. Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, G. C. B., who has been selected as the successor to Sir William Vernon Harcourt in the Liberal leadership, is a rather elderly man, having been born Sept. 7, 1836. He was born a Campbell, having assumed the additional name under the will of his maternal uncle, a Kentish gentleman of the name of Bannerman. He is a younger son, his father being the late Sir James Campbell, Stracathro, Forfarshire. His title came as recently as 1895. Educated at Glasgow University and Trinity College, Cambridge, he has been thirty years a member of parliament and always for one seat, Sterling district. He was first elected in 1868.

His first appointment came within three years and from 1871 to 1874 he was financial secretary to the war office, an administrative training ground for promising young parliamentarians. He held the same post from 1880 to 1882, and from 1882 to 1884 was secretary to the admiralty. He was next promoted to the difficult post of Chief Secretary for Ireland, holding it from 1884 to 1885. After the election of that year he was secretary of state for war in Mr. Gladstone's short administration prior to the home rule split. When the Liberals came back to power he assumed the same post, and it was on the famous cordite resolution that the government was overthrown in 1885.

Scandinavia's Enlightened Ruler.

King Oscar of Sweden and Norway, who has been obliged by ill-health to lay aside the cares of state and intrust the regency, provisionally, to Crown Prince Rudolph, is esteemed by his Swedish subjects as the most enlightened monarch of his day—and not without reason. Being a younger son, he was destined for the navy, and after his graduation from the University of Upsala as a doctor of philosophy, he entered that service. While thus engaged he took an active part in several important scientific expeditions, visiting nearly every country in the civilized world. King Oscar has been praised as an orator, and has some reputation as a poet, dramatist, and historian. Moreover, this versatile monarch is recognized as an authority on international law, and to his proficiency and judicial temperament was due his selection as umpire in the Proposed Anglo-American treaty of arbitration. It should be noted, too, that he encouraged Nansen, and gave material assistance to the latter's polar enterprises.

Politically, King Oscar has been a successful ruler. His gravity and his talent for turning aside with a good natured laugh the many slights to which he has been subjected on his annual sojourn in Norway have, alone served to make tolerable the relations between the stubbornly republican Norwegians and their sovereign. If it had been possible to reconcile the sturdy Norwican to the union with Sweden, no King could have better accomplished that end than this gifted and estimable grandson of Marshal Bernadotte. His failure proves the differences between the two Scandinavian nations to be irreconcilable—Phila telegraph Record.

THE CHILD CAN'T HELP IT.



When a child does wrong willfully, there is some reason in correcting it.

But when a little one's kidneys are weak—can't control their water at night—it's wrong to scold and punish.

Thousands of children have been whipped for wetting the bed, who simply couldn't help it. Parents are coming to understand that this is a disease that needs curing—not a "bad habit" that requires correcting, and are giving their children

DOANS KIDNEY PILLS,

which strengthen and restore the kidneys to healthy action, and prevent further trouble.

Mrs. Young, 15 Garish Street, Halifax, N.S., cured her little boy by giving him Doan's Kidney Pills. This is what she says:

"My little boy, 13 years old, has for several years been afflicted with weakness in the retention of his water, and did not seem to have any control of his urine."

"Hearing of Doan's Kidney Pills, I procured a box, and must say that they helped him wonderfully. He has now finished his second box, and I feel they have cured him. He is pleased to think he can retain his water, as it was so distressing to have the trouble of this inconvenience."

Clean Sweep Sale

You can't always get the chance of buying so cheap

But the balance of our stock of Boys' Suits will positively be closed out at half price. A few Men's Ulsters and Suits at your own price. Men's Underclothing at clearing prices.

Boots and Shoes

A lot of Ladies' Fine Dongola Boots worth from \$1.25 to \$1.85 all will go now for 75c. a pair.

A lot of Women's Strong Boots for 50 cents a pair.

- Men's Overshoes - - \$1.00
- Women's Overshoes - - .90
- Boys' Hockey Boots - 1.35
- Mens Hockey Boots 1.65

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**D. GORDON,
The Best is None too Good
For our Patrons.**

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**Bargains in Suits, Trousers and Overcoats,
Bargains in Gentlemen's Furnishings.**

Winter Goods must be cleared out to make room for Spring importations

Gordon & McLellan.
Upper Queen St. Men's Outfitters.

"ARC LIGHT OIL"

Burn it in a lamp alongside of any oil you can obtain. Be unprejudiced in your judgment and you will surely buy only "Arc Light."

The Imperial Oil Co., Ltd
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