

A BIG CHANGE.

People who visited our stores a day ago and who will call to-morrow will find a big change in our stores and management. First change we made was to transfer our Boot and Shoe Department to ground floor in our down town store, which will be very accommodating to our patrons who do not care to go upstairs for Boot and Shoes. We have taken 1-2 of the big store down stairs for the Shoe Department, and we have arranged the stock in such a way that ladies and gentlemen can come in and buy their Footwear on the quiet and high save a good high priced dealers' profit.

Second. Competent Shoe men will take change of this section and we will keep a full assorted stock of the people's demands in Shoes and Boots at our usual low prices. Those who never gave our Shoes and their low price a test on account of having to go up stairs, will please call now. We guarantee to give you better Shoe value than any other Shoe dealer in this city. It is up to you to prove our statement. A glance in our window will show you the stock we carry, and the low prices we sell at, because we buy from makers' only, and in case lots for spot cash.

NEXT STEP WE MADE

Was the removal of incompetent employees, people who do not care to show their goods and have too much to say, otherwise than business. We are placing our business under a most up-to-date system, so that we can assure all our patrons that they will be well treated and receive more value than any other Shoe dealer can afford to give. We can carry out our plans for we have the stock, stores and means to do it. People who can afford to buy for cash and to receive one hundred cents' worth for every dollar do your shopping at the most advanced business establishment.

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RENUNCIATION.

The lips we love and may not kiss,
The self we love and cast aside,
The flowery ways we choose to miss
For paths where rue and thorns abide;
The wisest eyes that see the shore,
They may not seek beyond the seas—
Ah! Life to Come, hast thou in store
A fit exchange for gifts like these?
—Margaret Ridgely Schott.

SHORE BIRDS.

A Lucubration on a Subject of Interest
by Ravenspur.

What are known as shore birds, namely, plover, sandpipers, snipe, etc., afford fine sport sometimes. Along the Atlantic coast the shore bird shooting is exceedingly good at times. Shore birds, that is many of them, are very unsuspicious; they decoy easily, and many hunters can, by imitating their various cries, often lure them within gunshot. Shore birds, as the name implies, are found along the shores of the seas, lakes, and rivers. Some species breed in favored localities in the temperate parts of the continent; many nest on the North West prairies; many more on the islands of the Arctic Ocean, and many more along the northern shores of this continent and the banks of the Mackenzie and other rivers flowing into the Arctic Ocean. I have often shot shore birds, but I have never used decoys. Of the larger species the Greater Yellowlegs, so called to distinguish it from its smaller duplicate, the Lesser Yellowlegs, and the Golden Plover are, large and handsome birds. Time and again I have lured Greater Yellowlegs to their doom merely by imitating the plaintive whistle. So easily are they called that I have whistled them into range from a distance of a quarter of a mile, and sometimes when I missed the first time I have whistled them back again. In spring and fall the flight of shore and other birds is heavy, because they are then going to and returning from their breeding-grounds in the north. I recollect one spring, somewhere around the first of May, when the northern migration was at its height, a north gale sprang up and blew for three days. Of course it stopped the migration of all kinds of birds, and the ground everywhere was literally alive with warblers and other small birds, searching for insects and seeds. Birds were everywhere, and when I took a walk up the bay shore I found the beach literally black with flocks of song-

birds, snipe and plover, unable to make headway against the gale. The birds were utterly bewildered. One evening I placed a lamp at the window, and had hardly sat down when a Magnolia Warbler flew against the glass. I caught him and a Kingbird in a few minutes, and liberated them in the morning. In a day or so the gale moderated, and during one night the motley-feathered throng all vanished.—Ravenspur.

Poets' Differences in Judging Their Art.

Among the late Aubrey de Vere's reminiscences of the poets whom he had known there is one passage so characteristic of the different tastes of great writers that it is worth recalling: "Tennyson was enthusiastic for Burns. 'Read the exquisite songs of Burns', he exclaimed. 'In shape each of them has the perfection of the berry, in light the radiance of the dewdrop. You forget for its sake those stupid things, his serious pieces!' The same day I met Wordsworth and named Burns to him. Wordsworth praised him even more vehemently than Tennyson had done, as the great genius who had brought poetry back to nature, but ended, 'Of course I refer to his serious efforts, such as "The Cotter's Saturday Night." Those foolish little amatory scraps of his one has to forget.' I told the tale to Henry Taylor one evening and his answer was, 'Burns' exquisite songs and Burns' serious efforts are to me alike tedious and disagreeable reading.' So much for the infallibility of poets in their own art."

The Work of Old Boys.

Lord Kelvin is seventy-eight years of age. Under a rule recently adopted by a western railway company he couldn't get a job in its service because he is over thirty-five. Yet he can outwork to-day three-quarters of the youngsters, to say nothing of his value as a thinker. The greatest work of our time is being done by men more than three-score years and ten.

His Last Battle.

Teacher—Now which was the Black Prince's last war? Intelligent Pupil—Please miss, the one he died in.—Judy.

A Thorough Pessimist.

"He never looks on the sunny side of life."
"Or if he does he complains of the heat."—Detroit Free Press.

Intercolonial Railway.

Tender for Branch Line of Railway.

Sealed Tenders addressed to the undersigned, and marked on the outside "Tender for Riviere Ouelle Branch," will be received until TUESDAY, the 12th day of August, 1902, for the Grading and Track Laying of a Branch Line of Railway from Riviere Ouelle Station, Kamouraska County, to St. Denis Wharf, on the St. Lawrence River, a distance of about six and a quarter miles. Plans and Specifications may be seen on and after the 28th July at the Chief Engineer's Office at Moncton, N. B., and at the Station Master's Office at Riviere Ouelle, where forms of tender may be obtained. All the conditions of the Specifications must be complied with.

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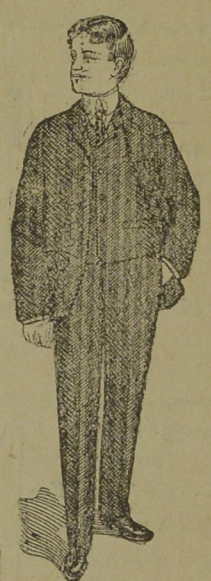
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