

UMBRELLA ROOFS.

SELF OPENING



SELF CLOSING

The best covers you ever raised are our Umbrellas.
The rainy season may begin at any time now.
Some of us have an Umbrella to-day and none to-morrow.
These Umbrellas of ours are easy to lose, but easy to pay for.
We have a splendid value in a Self-opening Umbrella at \$1.00.
Cover is mercerized and waterproof, handle, a neat crook, rib construction, strong.
We have Umbrellas as high as \$5.00 or so.

BLACK CATS.

The Black Cat Hosiery has its headquarters here. Stockings for boy and girl. Some pretty Half Hose for men.

OAK HALL,

C. H. Thomas & Co., Brotherhood Goods.

CHESTNUT SAYS:

Moths will get at your Winter Clothes if you don't keep them out with some of our packing requisites. We have everything of this kind.



We always have a very large assortment of

RINGS

To select from. Have you seen the beautiful line that we are showing this year?

F. E. BLACKMER

BOMBS FOR THE CZAR.

Man Disguised as Cossack Colonel
Obtained Entrance to Palace.

HE HAD BOMBS WITH HIM AND WAS
ARRESTED.

Japs and Russians Fought Fiercely on
Tuesday.

AND LATTER LOST TWO HUNDRED MEN.

New York, April 6.—(Special)—A S. Petersburg despatch to the Times says: "All St. Petersburg is talking about the arrest at Tsarskoe Selo of a stranger disguised as a colonel of the Cossacks, who entered the palace Monday, the day on which the Czar receives officers on duty during the week.

Discrepancies in the stranger's accoutrements aroused suspicion, he was arrested and two small bombs were found upon him.

The daughter of General Leontieff has been arrested here. Her rooms were searched and two bombs found under her bed.

Tokio, April 6.—The Imperial army headquarters reporting today, says "Part of our Kai Yuan force engaged in driving the enemy, occupied Kuyauha, three miles north-

east of Mienhuachich on the afternoon of April 4.

On the afternoon of April 3, the enemy with mounted artillery and machine guns advanced south from the direction of Tawo on the Feng Huan road, and on the morning of April 4, opened a bombardment on Chinchetum.

A large force of infantry advanced from the vicinity of the main road, and two other columns detoured to cover both our flanks.

They approached within four hundred metres of our positions where at six o'clock in the evening we entirely repulsed them.

Our casualties were twenty-seven men wounded.

The enemy's loss uncertain, but is estimated at over two hundred killed and wounded.

MUNICIPAL TELEPHONE SERVICE.

Bill to Establish One in St. John Before Municipalities
Committee.

MR. WHITEHEAD THINKS CITY SHOULD BUY OUT RIGHTS OF EXISTING COMPANY.

The municipalities committee met this morning and had before it the bill to authorize the city of St. John to establish a telephone service.

Ald. McRae spoke in favor of the bill and said the people of St. John were in favor of it. To test the matter they sent a man round to see how many subscribers could be got for a city telephone system, and a thousand people agreed to take it for ten years. They had looked into the matter and found that they could establish a first class automatic system with subways for the wires with a capacity of 4,000 telephones for \$170,000. The city of St. John in asking the right to establish a telephone system, was asking no more than had been given to private companies, which had a right to establish competitive system in St. John.

Hon. Mr. Tweedie said he was in favor of municipalities enjoying such franchises, but where a municipal system was established should there not be some provision made for buying out the existing system for the corporation having no taxes to pay would have a great advantage.

Ald. McRae—If we were applying for an exclusive charter that might be so. But there is not a single case where a municipality has been required to buy out an existing telephone system.

Hon. Mr. Pugsley—I think there is a very wide distinction between a telephone system and a water system, as the former is so easily erected. Would it not be rather hard on a city that it should be debarred from putting in a telephone system of its own?

Ald. McRae—The present connection has the long distance connection which gives it a great advantage.

Hon. Mr. Tweedie—I think some provision should be made for acquiring the present system because you are going in with a strong hand. I do not want to be understood as

against the city, for I think that cities ought to enjoy such franchises.

Mr. Whitehead addressed the committee on behalf of the committee. He said he was not opposed to competition but he thought if the city took hold of this matter they should buy out the existing system. He related the history of the Telephone Companies in St. John and stated that the present companies had made very large expenditures there and had now an up to date system, which was in every way satisfactory. They had recently spent \$120,000 in St. John in establishing an entirely new plant. He thought there was no reason why the city of St. John should go into the telephone business any more than into the sugar business.

Mr. Hazen as a stockholder of the company argued against the bill and said that the people of St. John did not want it. He quoted figures to show that St. John was getting a cheaper telephone service than any other city of the same size in Canada. The people of St. John would be very unwilling to permit the common council to issue another \$250,000 worth of bonds to establish a telephone system. He said this as a St. John tax payer. The debt of the city was large enough already and it was now proposed to expend a half million dollars in extending their water system, to Lock Lomond.

Ald. McRae in reply said that the citizens of St. John did not regard the present system as efficient and thought the rates too high. As to whether the common council had the citizens behind them in the matter the election which is to take place on the 18th of this month will show that.

The committees are now considering privately the several St. John bills.

THE PETROLEUM INDUSTRY.

Important Meeting of the N. B. Company at Moncton—
Increased Capital Probable.

Moncton, April 6.—(Special)—An important meeting of the stockholders of the New Brunswick Petroleum Company is being held here today.

One of the questions under consideration is whether more capital can be raised to prosecute work in the

old district.

It is said that an English syndicate is willing to invest a large amount of money in the enterprise, and if this is done the company expect a great development of their property.

SLAPPED ON INJUNCTION.

Harkins Company Run up Against a Snag in St. John.

St. John, April 6.—(Special)—W. S. Harkins was to have played Merely Mary Ann at the Opera House this evening, but the American copy-righters put an injunction on him this morning, through Weldon and McLean.

Mr. Harkins claims that the piece

is not copyrighted in Canada. He will not produce the piece to-night, but has engaged a lawyer and will fight.

(The Harkins Company is advertised to produce Merely Mary Ann at the Opera House here Monday evening.)

THE STOCK MARKET.

C. P. R. Takes a Jump of Three
Points Since Yesterday.

Montreal, April 6.—(Special)—The stock quotations this morning were:

Dominion Coal, 83½, 83½, 83½.

Dominion Iron and Steel, 24, 23½, 23.

Dominion Iron and Steel, pfd, 71½, 69½, 72.

Nova Scotia Steel, 66½, 66, 65½.

C. P. R., 153, 153½, 153½.

Twin City, 119½, 120, 120.

Montreal Power, 91½, 91½, 91½.

Rich. and Ontario Navigation, 74½.

SHERIFFS UNDERPAID.

Delegation Wait on Government and
Ask for Better Terms.

A deputation representing the High Sheriffs of the province waited upon the local government last night, and urged that steps be taken to provide them with better remuneration. It was pointed out that changes in the laws pertaining to courts, along with the falling off in business brought about by good times, had made it impossible for the sheriffs to live on the fees derived from the office. They asked that the government provide them with a fixed salary and also make an increase in the amount of the fees.

Those composing the delegation were Sheriff Tibbitts of Andover, Sheriff Sterling of York, Sheriff McQueen of Westmorland, Sheriff Holden of Sunbury, and Deputy Sheriff Freeze of Kings.

The attorney general and the premier admitted that the sheriffs had made out a good case, and promised that it would receive the earnest attention of the government at an early day.

FATAL ACCIDENT.

Engine Struck Rock Rolled Over and
Instantly Killed Engineer.

Golden, B. C., April 6.—(Special.) A west bound freight struck a large rock that had fallen on the track in Kicking Horse Canon, near Golden.

The engine turned over and crushed Engineer Little of Revelstoke, killing him instantly.

SHOULD BE DONE.

Montreal, April 6.—(Special)—It is rumored here today that the Vatican will recall Mgr. Sbaretti, the papal ablegate in Canada, for his interference in political questions at Ottawa.

WEATHER PROBS.

Toronto, April 6.—(Special)—Strong southeast and southerly winds, with occasional rain; Friday, fair, southwest and west winds.

FIRE AT YORK MILLS.

Dwelling House of Alfred Embleton
Entirely Destroyed.

The dwelling house of Alfred Embleton, at York Mills, Parish of Manners Sutton, was totally destroyed by fire on Monday afternoon.

A barn adjoining was saved with much difficulty, and most of the household goods were saved.

The loss will amount to about four hundred dollars.

The fire is said to have been caused by a defective flue.

POLICE COURT.

One drunk forfeited a deposit of five dollars at the police court this morning.

Misses Ethel and Marion Emerson, daughters of Hon. H. R. Emerson, are visiting friends in Moncton.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Movements of People in Whom Our Readers are Interested.

Mrs. T. G. Loggie has returned from a pleasant visit with her friend Mrs. John Pittblado, of Montreal, formerly of this city.

Mr. Cortland A. Robinson, son of Mr. J. Delancy Robinson, of this city, has been transferred from the head office of the Bank of B. N. A., Montreal, to the bank's agency at Rosthern, N. W. T.

Mr. D. J. McLaughlin of St. John, is among the guests to the city today.