

COMPULSARY SALE.

Stock Must be sold.

Too much Stock, New Goods coming in which must be paid for, Stock must be turned into cash, thats all.

Prices have been cut with that end in view, away below cost in many instances.

Some lines are limited in quantity so its best to be early.

Store Closed

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY in order to ticket goods and get ready generally for the

Grand Opening

SATURDAY, FEB. 17th, AT 9 O'CLOCK.
SALE CLOSES SATURDAY, MARCH 3rd.

In order to accommodate our customers we have arranged for a

FREE BUSS

To leave Oak Hall every hour, returning, leave St. Mary's each half-hour.

Parcels and customers will be delivered at desired destination.

First Free Buss leaves Oak Hall SATURDAY (FEB. 17th,) at 9 O'CLOCK.

See Handbills for Prices.

St. Mary's Departmental Store.

S. Herbert Logan, Manager, - St. Mary's, N. B.

Gillette Safety Razors

PRICE \$5.00

EXTRA BLADES—price 60 cents a package. Just received.

C. Fred. Chestnut,

APOTHECARY,

Queen st., - - - F'ton, N. B.

Good Goods

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Right Prices

F. E. BLACKMER.

290 Queen st., opposite Officers' Quarters.

MUCH LAMENTED DEATH.

Dr. Hand, Woodstock's Most Prominent Physician Succumbed to Blood Poisoning--His Career.

Woodstock, Feb. 10.—(Special).—Dr. W. N. Hand died today at 8.10 a. m., after nearly three weeks' illness from blood poisoning. Dr. William N. Hand was aged 43, and was son of Richard Hand, of Plymouth, Carleton Co. He studied at the U. N. B., and graduated at the Philadelphia Medical College. He married Miss Boyd, daughter of

Dr. Boyd, of Linneus Me. He was a former chairman of the School Board, and a member of the hospital board, and a prominent Mason and golf club member. Dr. Hand was a strong Liberal, and was looked upon as a sure candidate for the legislature in the next election. He will be given a Masonic funeral on Monday afternoon.

LAUNCH OF THE DREADNAUGHT.

Most Formidable Battleship ever Built Formally sent to her Native Element by King Edward.

Portsmouth, England, Feb. 10.—(Special).—The Dreadnaught, the largest and most powerful battleship in the world, which will cost when finished \$7,500,000, was launched here today by King Edward. Work was commenced October 2nd, 1905. Dreadnaughts, which is an experiment, resulting from observations in the Russo-Japanese war, will be rushed to completion within a year.

She will throw, with unparalleled force, twice as much metal as any warship afloat, while her armor will some assert, resist torpedoes at the usual battle range.

The details of construction are kept secret, and not an item of the design is revealed.

She will have a displacement 18,500 tons, instead of four 12 inch guns, throwing 8.50 shells, she will have a ten of a new type, with a muzzle energy of 49,568 as compared with 33,622 of guns carried by

warships of the Majestic class and increase in power of 50 per cent.

She will be able to discharge every minute, ten projectiles weighing 8,500 pounds, with sufficient velocity to send them 25 miles, or penetrate about 16 inches of the hardest armor at two miles. She will carry no smaller weapon than the great 12 inch pieces, except 18 3 inch quick firers for repelling torpedo craft.

The Dreadnaught will cost ten per cent. per ton less than recent British battleships, and will be the first to be driven by turbines, with four propellers, which should make her the fastest of her class afloat.

A naval expert says: "Nothing so devastating as this concentrated destruction has ever been conceived in the brain of man. It is impossible to picture the result of one minute's well directed fire at an enemy's ships. The time is not far distant when the British ensign will fly over fleets and squadrons of Dreadnaughts."

Called to Westmount.

Rev. Dr. Gates Will Leave St. John Church.

St. John, Feb. 10.—(Special).—Rev. Dr. G. O. Gates, pastor of German street Baptist Church, will announce tomorrow his decision to accept a call to the pastorate of Westmount, Baptist Church, Montreal.

Dr. Gates has been pastor of German street Church for 19 years with the exception of about two years in Windsor.

He is recognized as the leading Baptist minister of the city, if not in the province, and will be greatly missed.

MONTREAL EXPLOSION.

Dancers at a Ball Startled by the Results--the Damage.

Montreal, Feb. 10.—(Special).—By the explosion of a boiler of the heating apparatus in Stanfold block, St. Catherine's St., early this morning, nearly every window in the building was blown out, and much damage was done to the plaster. The ball of the Scottish Dragoons was in progress in King's Hall, and had to be stopped.

The dancers to the number of 200, remained remarkably cool while the crashing of plate glass, and the crumbling of plaster went on.

DR. CHRISTIE'S FUNERAL.

St. John, Feb. 10.—(Special).—Funeral of the late Ald. Christie was held this afternoon and was very largely attended.

The city council this morning passed resolutions expressive of the public loss and resolved to attend the funeral in a body.

The Medical Society and Oddfellows also walked. The service was at St. Luke's church.

THE STOCK MARKET.

Montreal, Feb. 10.—(Special).—The stock market quotations today were as follows:

Dominion Coal, 86½, 84, 84.

Dominion Iron & Steel, 34, 33½, 33.

Dominion Iron and Steel, pfd., 78½, 78, 77.

Nova Scotia Steel, pfd., 72, 71½, 71.

Canadian Pacific Railroad, 175½, 175, 174½.

Twin City, 119, 118, 118½.

Montreal Power, 93½, 93½, 93½.

Rich. & Ontario Navigation, 83½, 83½, 83½.

CHILDREN'S CARNIVAL.

Last Night's Event at the Arctic Rink Was a Success.

The school children's carnival at the Arctic rink last evening attracted a fair sized crowd of spectators and proved very interesting. There were a great many little skaters on the ice and some very unique and creditable costumes were shown, which made the task of the judges a somewhat difficult one.

The prizes offered for the handsomest and most original costumes were awarded as follows:

Best General Prize—"His Master's Voice," Miss Edith McMurray, 85, York street. School.—1st, Village Blacksmith, Archie and Morris Williams.

2nd.—Moving out of town, Walter, Charlie and Jennie Fleet.

Charlotte Street School.—1st, Organ Grinder, Sterling Limerick.

2nd.—Lady Bowler, Louise Sterling.

Regent Street School.—1st, Organ Grinder, Chris Colwell.

2nd.—Minstrel Boy, Charles Barry.

Model School.—1st—Pocahontas, Gladys Hodgson.

2nd.—Millinery Opening, Eva Venness.

Special Prize—Sloyd School, Walter Kitchen.

CLERGYMAN ACQUITTED

Winnipeg, Feb. 10.—(Special).—Rev. Father Blazowski, who has been on trial on a charge of misappropriating the funds of the Independent Polish Catholic Church, was acquitted yesterday. The charge was the result of political intrigue and religious jealousies.

MARYSVILLE NEWS

Feb. 10.—The residence of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Lint presented a very gay scene last Thursday evening, the occasion being an entertainment and social under the auspices of the Mission Band of the United Baptist church. There was a large crowd present and a very enjoyable evening spent by all.

The first part of the evening was taken up by an excellent programme, the feature of which was an address on Missions by Mr. D. H. Simpson. During the evening refreshments were served.

THE O'BRIEN BRIDGE.

Chief Commissioner LaBelle has given orders to have the O'Brien bridge over the Southwest Miramichi River in the Parish of Nelson, Northumberland, thoroughly repaired. This structure was lately examined and found to be in fair condition for a structure twenty years old.

NEW INDUSTRIES WANTED.

Two Propositions Heard at Joint Meeting of City Council and Board of Trade.

HELD IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

Prospect Bright For Securing Whelpley Skate Company.

MR. GREGORY TO FORM COMPANY TO REBUILD WEST END MILL.

Two important propositions, looking to the establishment of new industries in Fredericton, were submitted to a joint meeting of the city council and board of trade on Friday afternoon. Mr. F. W. Whelpley of the Whelpley Skate and Manufacturing Company, was heard in regard to the removal of the company's plant from Greenwich to Fredericton, and Mr. A. J. Gregory, K. C., asked for a loan to enable a company to rebuild the west end saw mill. Both propositions were referred to a joint committee of the city council and the board of trade to investigate and report thereon.

Those present at the meeting were President Weddall, John Palmer, Coun. W. L. McFarlane, F. B. Edgecombe, Ald. Randolph, Ald. Chestnut, J. H. Barry, K. C., J. D. Phinney, K. C., A. J. Gregory, K. C., A. H. F. Randolph, Ald. Barbour, Ald. Everett and G. W. Hodge.

On motion of James S. Neill, President Weddall was called to the chair, and J. H. Barry, K. C., was named as secretary.

Mr. Barry read a petition from the Whelpley Skate and Manufacturing Company, in which they stated that they had buildings and plant at Greenwich, valued at \$13,000. Owing to the lack of shipping facilities, which made reshipment to St. John necessary, they had decided to remove to another part of the province. The business was founded 12 years ago, and had built up a large trade, which extended to all parts of Canada. They were willing to locate in Fredericton, providing the city would grant a free site, exemption from taxation and free water for a term of years, and make the company a loan of \$5000, to be paid back in ten annual instalments without interest, and to be secured by a first mortgage on the company's property. If the concessions are granted the company will be prepared to erect buildings and plant at a cost of \$20,000, and give steady employment to twenty-five skilful mechanics.

Mr. Neill said he had handled the Whelpley skates for a number of years and had found them very satisfactory. They were superior to the American skate and equally good as the skate produced by the Starr Manufacturing Company of Halifax. The company already enjoyed a good trade throughout the Dominion and had no trouble in securing orders. He felt sure that Mr. Whelpley would be willing to give any information to the meeting.

Mr. Whelpley, on being introduced, said that he did not care to make a speech on the subject, but would be glad to give any information about

Mr. Neill said that, as one of the business of the company, members of the board of trade, he was willing to offer Mr. Whelpley or any other manufacturer every inducement to locate in Fredericton. Mr. Palmer, on being asked for his views, thought that the best plan would be to refer Mr. Whelpley's petition to a committee. He, for one, thought that Fredericton could not have too many manufacturers. While the city council was applying for legislation to encourage new industries, he thought it would be well to also get the right to produce electric power. This course was pursued in other towns. If the city would obtain the right to sell electrical power at \$25 per thousand, he would be willing to pay \$1,200 per year for such a service. Mr. Palmer closed by moving that the matter be referred to a joint committee of the board of trade and the city council.

Ald. Chestnut seconded Mr. Palmer's motion. Mr. Neill wanted to hear an expression of opinion on the subject from the gentlemen present.

Mr. Palmer's motion was put to the meeting and carried unanimously. The mayor said that an application had been received from Mr. A. J. Gregory, K. C., on behalf of local capitalists, in regard to the rebuilding of the west end saw mill, on the Estey site. He noticed that Mr. Gregory was present and felt sure that the council would be glad to hear his proposition.

Mr. Gregory, on being called upon, briefly addressed the meeting. He did not represent a syndicate of local capitalists as had been stated, but appeared for himself and other citizens who were anxious to see a mill

built on the Estey site. He felt that the loss of the Estey mill and the Aberdeen mill had been a serious blow to the prosperity of the city. With the idea that an industry should be established on the Estey site he had approached a leading citizen in regard to the forming of a company. It was felt that as the last mill had not been a financial success that some encouragement should be given to any company rebuilding on the site. The mill site was owned by Senator Thompson and had been under lease at the rate of \$450 a year. He (Gregory) had obtained an assignment of this lease from the executors of the Estey estate, and subsequently he had been granted an option on the property at \$7800. He thought it not unreasonable that the city should be willing to make a loan of \$7,000 without interest to a company rebuilding on the site, and also grant free water and exemption from taxation and a lease of the two small city lots adjoining. The property was at present yielding no revenue to the city, and he maintained that the only burden that would be placed on the ratepayers by accepting his proposition, would be the interest on the loan. The company would be willing to give the city a first mortgage on the property as security, and also an assignment of the insurance. If the city accepted the proposition, Mr. Gregory felt that he could form a company with a paid up capital of \$40,000, which would undertake to build and operate a mill on the Estey site. This would mean the re-establishment of an industry that would give employment to about sixty hands. He was not putting up any bluff, but felt certain that he would be able to carry out the undertaking if reasonable concessions were granted.

Ald. Barbour said that he would like to hear the expression of opinion from the gentlemen present, as their views would largely influence the council. The only question to his mind in the second application was whether or not Mr. Gregory's proposed industry would be considered a competitive one.

Mr. Gregory replied that there was very little competition for the local trade in the milling business. Better prices could be obtained for lumber by shipping it away than could be obtained in the local market. He had it from a member of the Scott Lumber Company that local orders were filled largely as a matter of accommodation.

Mr. Palmer said that the destruction by fire of the Estey and Aberdeen mills had been a serious loss to the city. He would like to see the Whelpley factory brought to Fredericton.

Mr. Gregory said that in regard to the mill proposition, it was simply a matter of having some of the logs that came down the city manufactured in Fredericton instead of St. John.

Mr. A. H. F. Randolph was in favor of giving liberal encouragement to new industries here and he hoped that they would be able to agree on terms with the Whelpley Company. Mr. Edgecombe hoped that an arrangement would be made whereby the city would secure both industries. He thought that it might be worth while for the city to acquire the Estey mill site and allow the two industries to locate on the same.

Mr. Hodge was inclined to favor both propositions, but thought that they should be given careful consideration.

Mr. Phinney said that, broadly speaking, he was opposed to the subsidizing of new industries except in special cases. The Whelpley concern would bring an industry to Fredericton that would not compete with existing industries. This did not apply to Mr. Gregory, but he, (Phinney), would not feel like opposing it on that account.

Coun. McFarlane of Douglas, was in favor of offering liberal encouragement to new industries. He considered Fredericton will be adopted for manufacturing industries, and it had good shipping facilities. The freight rates to the west from Fredericton were good. His firm was wagon to points in Ontario and Quebec as cheaply as they could ship them to N. B. points. He thought

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