

St. Mary's Departmental Store.

Saturday, Jan. 20

COTTON.

Spring is not far away and you will be thinking of grey and white Cotton for your future wants. We have placed our well assorted stock at your disposal for prices which are extremely low. Are you in need? Of course you are. You always need Cotton.

LUSTRE WAISTS.

A snap on Lustre Waists, newest styles, all sizes, colors are brown, blue, black and grey.
Reg. \$1.80, Saturday \$1.50
Reg. 1.75, Saturday 1.40
Reg. 1.50, Saturday 1.10
Reg. 1.35, Saturday 1.00

LADIES' COATS.

A few of those stylish Coats yet remain. We are determined to clear them out at any price. Here's your chance to secure a stylish garment at a low price.

FURS.

Ladies', Gent's and Children's Furs—the few that remain are offered at striking reductions.

DRESS GOODS.

A lot of Fancy Lustre and Voiles, bought at a low price and offered at great bargain. You'll need to be early as quantities are small. Note the prices:

LUSTRE.

Reg. 40c, Sat. 25c.
Reg. 55c, Sat. 37c.
Reg. 75c, Sat. 49c.

VOILE.

Reg. 65c, Sat. 43c.
All-wool Suitings in blue, black and green mixed, reg. \$1.45, Sat. 79c

LADIES' COATINGS.

A very fine piece of heavy Erg Fish Beaver, splendid for ladies and children, red and black only. Splendid value at \$1.50, unusual value 89c.

WINTER GLOVES.

Ladies' and Children's Wool Mitts and Gloves in white, black and blue and red, to be offered at a price to interest you.

HOSIERY.

We have picked out a lot of odd makes of ladies' and children's Wool and Cashmere Hosiery. The price we have put on them will move them quickly and greatly interest you.

REMNANTS.

Great Wrapperette, Print and Shaker bargains on our remnant counter.

SHAKER FLANNEL.

We are offering the balance of our Strip-d Shaker in light and dark to clear.

Reg.	Sat.	Reg.	Sat.
16c.	12c.	10c.	8c.
15c.	12c.	9c.	7c.
14c.	11c.	8c.	6c.

HEWSON TWEED.

A few pieces of Hewson Tweed for ladies' wear, at a great bargain.
Reg. \$1.35, Sat. \$1.00
Reg. \$1.50, Sat. \$1.10

10c, 15c and 25c TABLES.

Up to us we have almost everything you can think of on our special bargain tables at 10c, 15c and 25c. Lots of things you want and can save money on.

BOOTS AND SHOES.

A great chance to buy Skating Boots, Men's Hockey black and tan, reg. \$1.85, Sat. \$1.49
Boys' black Hockey, reg. \$1.65, Sat. \$1.39

Ladies' warm wool lined Dongola Kid B. s. reg. \$2.00 and \$2.25, Sat. \$1.39 and \$1.73

Mens' warm wool lined Dongola Kid B. s. suitable for skating, reg. \$1.75, Sat. \$1.29

The balance of our Felt Boots at very low prices.

STOCK TAKING SALE IN FEBRUARY.

There are so many lines for you to choose from that there are bound to be many bargains you can take advantage of.
Don't forget what is in store for you.

McCALL'S N. Y. PATTERNS.

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ST. MARY'S, N. B.

Chestnut says

His "PERFECT" EMULSION of Cod Liver Oil will do anything that any Emulsion will do. Large bottles 35 cents and 75 cents.

Good Goods

... AT ...

Right Prices

F. E. BLACKMER.

290 Queen st., opposite Officers' Quarters.

BIRMINGHAM FOR JOSEPH.

Great Triumph for the Fiscal Reformer in his Home Constituencies, Conan Doyle Eminent Novelist Defeated.

London, Jan. 19.—(Special)—The Daily Mail discussing the political situation says:

"When the survivors of the unionist wreck, re-assemble in the House of Commons they will look upon a scene never hitherto witnessed in that assembly. They will find the 'first club in Europe' gone, and as a sequence the first business house will have taken its place."

Other changes the Daily Mail notes are the great reduction in the power of the railroad magnates and similar interests which hitherto have been overrepresented.

The Morning Post says: "Birmingham has begun the work of reconstruction. Joseph Chamberlain has proved beyond question that the British people demand from every one who submits himself to their choice a definite expression of convictions."

CHAMBERLAIN CARRIES BIRMINGHAM.

Birmingham, Jan. 17.—Birmingham today remained true to Joseph Chamberlain, electing all of his candidates in the seven divisions and, except in the case of Sir John Stone, by large majorities. Sir John Stone's defeat in the east division was expected by the Unionists themselves, and hence his retention of the seat by a majority of only a few hundred is regarded as satisfactory.

Immense crowds stood for hours in city hall square awaiting the results. When the figures were presented there was tremendous cheering, particularly when it was announced that Sir John Stone had been re-elected.

Mr. Chamberlain himself did not come to the city hall tonight, but received the returns at his home. His majority was five thousand.

London, Jan. 17.—The most prominent feature of today's election returns is the wholly unexpected stand made by Birmingham. Not only were all of Joseph Chamberlain's seven candidates returned, but Mr. Chamberlain himself secured a majority of 5,000 while the ma-

majority of the others averaged 3,000.

The outcome at Birmingham affords a striking contrast. While Mr. Balfour stands discredited as a leader, with his supporters all swallowed up and himself angrily criticized from his own side, Mr. Chamberlain issues from the contest with flying colors.

It is too late for the results at Birmingham to have any great effect on the campaign as a whole. London has gone distinctly liberal, no less than twelve seats showing liberal gains. While the total gains of the liberals for today number twenty-two, the unionists have made one solitary gain, Viscount Castlereagh having wrested the seat from the liberals at Maidstone. Portsmouth, which had previously been represented by two unionists, today elected two liberals and this despite the fact that a fifth candidate, a laborite, threatened to split the liberal vote.

The laborite, however, came third with a very large vote, the unionists being at the bottom of the list. The members already elected are distributed as follows:

Liberals.....	167
Unionists.....	73
Laborites.....	31
Nationalists.....	50

Of the twenty-three London seats polled today sixteen were won by the liberals, twelve of them being net gains.

Among the striking personalities in today's elections were Sydney D. Buxton, postmaster general, and Dr. Thos. James MacNamara, the well known writer on educational subjects who were elected by enormous majorities for the Poplar division of the Tower Hamlets and the north division of Camberwell, respectively, and John Henniker Heaton, Earl Percy, Sir William Evans Gordon, Evelyn Cecil, Jesse Collings, Viscount Morpeth, Sir W. S. Robson and the Hon. Ivor Churchill Guest, who retained their seats.

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, who ran in the unionist interest for Hawick, Roxburghshire, Scotland, has been defeated.

THAT HERESY CHARGE.

Rev. Mr. Horseman Has Resigned and His Case is Referred to a Clerical Committee.

Toronto, Jan. 19.—(Special)—Rev. Oliver G. Horseman, pastor of the Walmer Road Baptist church, who has been accused of holding views not in accordance with the accepted notions of his congregation, presented a statement of his beliefs and tendered his resignation at the church meeting last night. The matter was referred to a committee of Baptist clergymen belonging to the congrega-

tion to report back to the congregation. The statement of Rev. Mr. Horseman is that he holds to views on Biblical interpretation, theory and evolution, and the doctrines of atonement, total depravity, the infallibility of the Bible, of regeneration and the incarnation, which are now taught in practically all the leading theological seminaries and colleges.

GILDERSLEEVE DEAD.

Prominent Kingstonian Passed Away after Filling High Positions.

Kingston, Ont., Jan. 18.—(Special)—One of Kingston's distinguished sons, Charles F. Gildersleeve, passed away early this morning, after an illness of two weeks. Mr. Gildersleeve is survived by a wife, one son, Harry H., manager of the Northern Navigation company, Collingwood, and one daughter, Mrs. (Colonel) Rivers, of Ottawa.

Since retiring as general manager of the Richelieu and Ontario Navigation company, two years ago, Mr. Gildersleeve has resided at Kingston, his old home, and looked after the interests of the Bay of Quinte and Lake Ontario Navigation company, of which he was president.

MANITOBA LEGISLATION.

Winnipeg, Jan. 19.—(Special)—The government has decided to introduce legislation providing for a government and municipal ownership of telephones, and a bill, which has been drawn up will probably come before the house this week.

A bill will also be introduced to provide for inspection by government officials of Building and Loan Companies doing business in the province, and Insurance companies will also come under the operation of the same law.

CONTRACT AWARDED.

Ottawa, Jan. 19.—(Special)—The Government today awarded to the Allans the contract to carry the British mails for five years from August next.

After certain conditions have been complied with, the contract may be extended five years more, making ten years in all.

ELECTED AUDITOR.

The contest for the position of auditor of the municipality of York, between Mr. H. F. McLeod and Mr. R. B. Hanson, ended at the council meeting this afternoon. Mr. McLeod being chosen by a vote of 16 to 12; The vote was taken by ballot.

Mr. F. St. John Bliss was re-elected Sec'y. Treas.

SAILING FOR HOME.

Montreal, Jan. 19.—(Special)—The Marchioness of Donegal will sail from New York for Liverpool on February 3.

Kind Gentleman (to small boy who has fallen down)—I don't like to see little boys cry.

Small boy (crying louder)—Don't you? Well, there's a candy store across the street.

A little two year old tot was warming her feet in front of the grate, and her little pet dog was playing with her toes. Suddenly she looked and said: "Papa, the dog is biting the finger nails on my toes."

THE CITY COUNCIL.

Resolutions Adopted Urging Government to Afford Passage on Highway Bridge for Street Car Traffic.

The city council held a special meeting Wednesday afternoon and adopted a resolution strongly recommending the government to build the highway bridge of sufficient strength to carry street railway traffic. The meeting also appointed a committee to meet with the board of trade and take steps to encourage the establishment of new industries here.

Mayor McNally presided, and the aldermen present were: Messrs. Barbour, Randolph, Everett, Chestnut, McKenzie, Hanlon and Mitchell.

The mayor read the notice calling the meeting, which stated that it was to take steps to bring to the attention of the government that the superstructure of the Fredericton highway bridge be such as to allow the traffic of a street railway.

Ald. Randolph, in a few appropriate words, stated the great desirability of all to have a street railway and moved the following resolution, which was seconded by Ald. Mitchell:

"Whereas, the government of the province is engaged in the construction of a highway bridge over the St. John river at Fredericton; and

"Whereas, there is a strong probability that in the near future a passage for electric cars between Fredericton and the town and villages on the opposite side of the river may be needed;

"Therefore, resolved, that this city council would respectfully call the attention of the government of the province to the desirability and importance of building this bridge of sufficient size and strength to accommodate such traffic; and

"Further Resolved, that a committee of this council be appointed to

present the above resolution to the government."

Ald. Barbour thought that the fullest action should be given to the resolution. He felt that everybody desired that the bridge should be constructed to allow for the building of a railway. He wished in the strongest manner to endorse the lines of the resolution.

Ald. Chestnut added that he wished to add his endorsement to the remarks already made and said that when the matter was brought to the attention of the government he believed the latter would certainly have the superstructure made as required.

Ald. Everett said that he fully agreed with all that had been said and with other members of the board wished to join in supporting the resolution.

The resolution was passed unanimously and His Worship appointed as a committee Alds. Randolph, Mitchell and Hanlon, to act with himself in presenting the resolution to the government.

His Worship stated that he had been requested by the board of trade to ask the council to appoint a committee from that body to consider as to the best ways and means to hold out inducements for establishing of industrial enterprises in this city.

Ald. Everett moved that His Worship appoint such a committee. He thought the step was a wise one and that all should join in using their best endeavors to encourage the establishing industries.

Ald. Hanlon seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously without further comment.

Ald. Everett, Ald. Edwards and Ald. Stockford were appointed such committee.

A HORRIBLE CRIME.

Demented Farmer Murdered His Whole Family of Seven, Burned Their Home and Committed Suicide.

Pembroke, N. H., Jan. 18.—What the authorities consider as the most appalling tragedy ever recorded in New Hampshire, was enacted in North Pembroke yesterday.

Following the destruction of the farm buildings of Chas. F. Ayer and the disappearance of seven members of Ayer's household yesterday forenoon, and the suicide of Ayer late in the afternoon at the home of his sister in the town of Chichester, six miles distant, the announcement was made last night by Thos. F. Clifford county solicitor of Merrimack Co., that there was little doubt that the seven persons had been murdered and the farm house set on fire.

The theory of the county authorities is that Ayer was the murderer, but up to a late hour they had been unable to find any evidence to indicate the methods employed to wipe out the family.

Whether the victims were shot or killed by other means, cannot be told until the medical referee has made an examination of the remains of the victims. Up to a late hour, but two of the charred fragments of the victims had been recovered, although persons who visited the scene of the fire thought they observed two other trunks in the blazing ruins.

The victims of the tragedy were:

Chas. F. Ayer, aged 43, killed himself by shooting.

Mrs. Addie Ayer, his wife.

Mrs. Isaac Lakeman, Ayer's mother-in-law.

Flossie Ayer, aged 12.

Alfred Ayer, aged 10.

Bernice Ayer, aged 6.

Andrew Ayer, aged 4; and a girl baby, all children of the Ayers.

County Solicitor Clifford after investigating the fire as far as was possible last night, stated that Ayer had undoubtedly murdered the entire family and later set fire to the house.

The fire occurred about nine o'clock in the forenoon. Before the flames were noticed by neighbors, who lived some distance from the farm, Ayer drove to the farm of his sister, Mrs. George Bailey, who lives on the Northwood turnpike in the town of Chichester, about six miles northeast of his home. Ayer arrived at his sister's house just after 10 o'clock and had dinner. He remained at Mrs. Bailey's place during the afternoon. At four o'clock William Fowler, one of Ayer's nearest neighbors, went to the Bailey place and informed Ayer that his buildings had been burned. Ayer manifested some agitation but made no statement as to what he would do. Instead, he drew a revolver and pointing it at his right temple, fired, and fell unconscious. As soon as the members of the household recovered from the shock they sent for a physician but nothing could be done to save the man's life and he expired last night.

Ayer had not been held in high esteem by his neighbors since he moved to North Pembroke from Epsom, about three years ago. Ayer's father-in-law, Isaac Lakeman died just before his removal. The Lakemans had occupied the farm for many years. Thw Ayer family had not been in prosperous circumstances in Epsom, and Mrs. Lakeman, who was administratrix of the estate, invited him to live with her and take charge of the farm. Subsequently the property was sold to Lafayette Lakeman for \$2,300. Lafayette, however, had not taken possession of the place.

Ayer, it appears, did not favor the change and is said to have urged his mother-in-law before the sale to divide the property among her children.

Soon after his marriage to Mrs. Lakeman's daughter, Ayer found himself in straitened circumstances and was obliged to rely on his wife's relatives for support. He was a well educated man, and possessed many talents, but he soon engaged in any regular occupation. Since his removal to North Pembroke he had received aid from the town. His children were unable to attend school regularly on account of a lack of clothing.

One of the theories advanced is that the sale of the property and the dispute concerning it led to the tragedy, but a number of the townspeople are of the opinion that Ayer became suddenly demented and killed the whole family.

It was learned at a late hour last night that when Ayer arrived at the home of Mrs. George Bailey his sister, he said to her husband: "It's all up with me, George."

When Bailey asked his brother-in-law what he meant Ayer replied:

"Oh, I had trouble." He refused to make an explanation. The Baileys say that his manner was somewhat strange from the time of his arrival up to the receipt of the news by the family of the fire. After Ayer shot himself he remained in an unconscious condition until his death which occurred about 9 o'clock last night.

THE STOCK MARKET.

Montreal, Jan. 18.—(Special)—The stock market quotations to-day were as follows:

Dominion Coal, 78, 78½, 80½.
Dominion Iron & Steel, 27½, 27½, 28.
Dominion Iron and Steel, pfd., 76½, 77, 78.
N. S. Steel pfd. 70, 70½, 72.
C. P. R. 173, 175, 176.
Twin City, 119.
Montreal Power, 89½, 90, 90.
Rich and Ontario Navigation 75½, 75½, 75.