

## AMATITE MINERAL SURFACED READY ROOFING

If you had a sample of Amatite in your hand you would see in an instant why it needs no painting or coating to keep it waterproof.

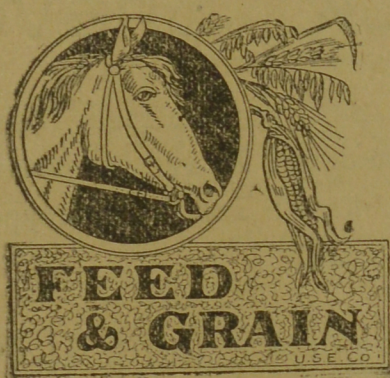
has a rough surface of REAL MINERAL MATTER on the weather side. It is evident to anyone that it is no more necessary to paint such a surface than it is necessary to paint a stone wall. Stone needs no paint neither does AMATITE. It is strong enough in itself to bear the brunt of rain and wind and sun without a protective coat of paint. Amatite will last for many years without any care whatever.

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Fredericton's Big Hardware Store



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are prepared to make up Overcoats, Suits and Pants in the LATEST STYLES.

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### STANGER & HARRISON,

535, Queen Street.

1st N. B.

### Hewson Tweeds

Make a fine business suit, and are sure to give every satisfaction. I have a fine line of these Tweeds in stock, and am always pleased to show goods. PRICES ALWAYS RIGHT.

Get one of Page's Odorless Moth Proof Bags and protect your Furs. 2 sizes always on hand. Call and see them.

JAS. R. HOWIE, 150 Queen St

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Drive Bridge Counters

AT

THE HERALD OFFICE

## WAS CLEVER SWINDLER

NOTORIOUS THIEF DIES IN LONDON HUNGRY AND PENNILESS.

Was Once Successful and Wealthy—Carried Out Some Colossal Frauds—Found Dupes in All Walks of Life—Posed as Landed Proprietor—Served Term of Fourteen Years in Prison.

One of the most notorious, unscrupulous, and successful swindlers of modern times has died, hungry and penniless, in a London lodging-house. Few men have made money more easily than did Richard Kenyon Benham, and few have left more victims in their wake than he did. He found dupes in all walks of life, from the modest investor of a few shillings to the Cabinet Ministers.

Benham was the son of a solicitor's clerk, and first came into public notice in 1878, when he founded a high-class club in suburban London, which has since become a fashionable resort. When starting the club he obtained large quantities of goods by fraud, representing that he was a landed proprietor of great wealth.

Then he went to Brussels with \$750, which he had obtained from a bank manager on the pretence that he was anxious to procure certain deeds. In the Belgian capital a habit of uttering fictitious checks led to his arrest, and the discovery that certain leases which he held of property in Piccadilly and Charing Cross were forgeries.

In 1884 he established a bank at Charing Cross, which he called the "Western Bank of London," and, although this institution did not keep its doors open more than about ten months, Richard Benham was able to use it as a means of swindling many people in different parts of the country.

Two years later Benham commenced a series of frauds on the London and General Bank, which lasted seven years, and ended in the institution losing \$245,000, and for this he was sent to fourteen years' penal servitude in 1893, his brother Alfred being sentenced to five years' hard labor. Of this money \$220,000 was obtained by means of a forged will. This purported to be executed by his father, Mark Benjamin Benham, and under it Richard was to come into property worth more than \$500,000.

From time to time Benham was pressed to prove the will, but he made several excuses, and finally alleged that the document had been lost off the Underground Railway.

When the London and General Bank made inquiries into these matters it was discovered that Mark Benham, Benham's father, who was said to have left all this money, had not a sixpence in the world when he died. For some years before his death he had occupied an office jointly with a solicitor, who, having no business himself, lent his name to other people.

Benham's frauds on the London and General Bank hastened the downfall of that institution, and added to the general ruin and loss which was inflicted on the hapless victims of the Liberator Companies.

All through the frauds Benham had a country house at Tunbridge Wells. There he obtained \$10,000 from a Mr. Roley. He established a volunteer fire brigade in the town, to which he presented a manual fire engine and a complete outfit of uniforms, etc. None of these, however, were paid for.

Benham's plausible way and a lavish display of bogus documents deceived even men of long experience. The late Mr. Mundella, who was vice-president of the Council for Education in Mr. Gladstone's Government of 1880 and subsequently President of the Board of Trade, was completely deceived by his "tall talk," and the Minister's innocent association with an enterprise in which Benham was connected wrecked (in 1894) his political career. After making in the House of Commons a pathetic explanation of his position, Mr. Mundella resigned office.

Benham secured money time and again simply by boasting of friendships with dukes and royal personages that were purely imaginary.

One day he went to Victoria Station

to meet his sister-in-law, who had come from America. As he alighted from his hired brougham he met a wealthy City man with whom he had a slight acquaintance.

"Just the man I wanted to see," said Benham. "I am meeting the Duchess of Albany, and am letting her have \$25,000. Now, I have only \$20,000 ready. If I take Her Royal Highness into the Grosvenor Hotel can you get me the other five thousand? I don't care a toss about the commission, as I am about to lend the Duke of Connaught \$150,000."

The City man found the money, and Benham handed over \$1,000, saying that was the commission, and he would give it all to his friend. The latter lost his \$4,000, and apparently did not proceed against Benham for fear of ridicule.

On one occasion Benham asked a man whom he intended to victimize to take a sum of \$950 to the bank. The man complied, and naturally looked at the pass-book, where he saw Benham credited with \$10,000. Benham had prepared for the man's inquisitiveness by adding a note to the figures.

At Christmas, 1906, Benham walked into the London Trading Bank, engaged the manager in conversation, and said he intended to make the clerks a present of ten guineas. He put down the money, but borrowed \$50 from the manager and \$50 from the secretary. The loans were never repaid.

Quite recently Benham started the Lincoln's Inn Bank in Carey street, and at the time of his death detectives were at his heels in connection with its affairs.

Benham married a lady of means, out of her fortune, and they did not live together, although, as the lady explained at the inquest, they were not legally separated.

#### The Flirt's Fate.

She watched the gallants come and go. She flirted so with every beau. Now, when she'd have one come and stay. They merely come—and go.

#### A Keen Retort.

"I am at a loss what to say," shrieked the angry Mrs. Bakstalker. "Your loss is my gain," muttered her unhappy husband—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

#### Query.

"Say," asked the lad of ten who had a most inquiring mind. "Who is it loses all the fault? That other people find?"

—Catholic Standard and Times.

#### The New Woman's National Game.

"Why did the umpress call the game in the third inning?"

"One of the playeresses told her her hat wasn't on straight."—New York Press.

#### Happy Adam.

Adam never drove a horse. That talked upon a railroad track. And, furthermore, Eve never wore a waist that buttoned down the back.

—Kansas City Times.

#### Overheard at the Circus.

"The armless wonder has one bad habit."

"What is that?"

"Biting his finger nails."—Judge.

#### After the Quarrel.

Kind Old Gentleman—Why have you had trouble with this poor little boy? Johnny Eastside (humbly)—No trouble at all, mister. I done him up with one hand.

You know most people either too well or not well enough to trust them.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

#### Watches.

Watches are adjusted to heat and cold by being allowed to stand first in a room heated with dry heat to 120 degrees and then in cold storage, being regulated after each treatment.

#### A Lac of Rupees.

A lac of rupees means 100,000 rupees. As the rupee varies in value, there is no fixed sum equivalent to a lac. At the nominal value of a rupee, 50 cents, a lac would mean \$50,000.

## ANOTHER COLLAPSE

Muckraker Crockett Signally Failed in His Effort to Blacken Government re MacCoun Transaction.

OTTAWA, June 24.—The transaction at Quebec was once more taken up and the witness again showed that on this transaction involving \$75,000 his profit was only \$317, he having taken all risks, having to pay freight to Quebec, etc.

It is once more in evidence brought out by Mr. A. K. McLean, that MacCoun's quotations to the departments for goods, are prices given him by firms, whose agent he is and that these firms quite frequently quote prices to departments direct allowing him commission on the sales. The sales made through himself or direct by firms to Government were equally as cheap to latter. He was not a middleman, but a manufacturer's agent.

When concluding his examination MacCoun said he had other statements as to profits that he was prepared to put in if committee desired. He did not want to be paraded around as a get-rich-quick man which some "scurrilous yellow eggs" (naming an evening paper in Toronto and papers in Halifax, Calgary, and St. John) were trying to make him appear.

The thing has got to such a pass and he was being so caricatured that he had been compelled to change his hat.

Finally he was informed that the committee was through with him.

"Am I honourably discharged?" he said as he left the stand.

## DISASTROUS STORM HOW ARE YOUR NERVES?

Ontario Washout Wrecked Train with Loss of Life.

TORONTO, June 24.—Monday night's storm did much damage in western Ontario. John Patterson of Yarmouth Centre, foreman on the Michigan Central Railway, was reading a paper in front of his house when struck by lightning and killed. The Grand Trunk station at Berlin, a handsome new building, was badly damaged by fire, being struck by lightning. The second story and telegraph and business offices were gutted. Owing to the lights all going out the firemen were seriously handicapped. The loss is between \$12,000 and \$15,000.

### ENGINEER IS DEAD.

A terrific cloud burst accompanied the storm and caused a wreck on the Southamptons line of the Grand Trunk about three and a half miles south of Mildmay. Engineer Alward is dead. Fireman O'Keeler and Baggageman Bondy are badly injured, and a hundred and twenty odd passengers were given a severe shaking up. The wrecked train left Toronto at 4.15 Monday afternoon, and about eight o'clock encountered the storm. Adjoining the scene of the accident is an extensive farm sloping upward from the railway tracks. There the cloud burst occurred and the volume of water swept down the ploughed fields like a river gone mad. There was nothing to impede its progress except the fence along the track, and this was swept away and carried beyond the rails. The rushing water undermined the line, and washed away the ballast for about twenty-five feet. As a result the tracks sank and were completely buried in sand and water. So speedy was the action of the rushing water that when the searchlight flashed upon the sunken rails the engineer was unable to bring the train to a stop. With a bound it left the track, dragging after it two coaches and the baggage car. The engineer stuck to his post and paid his life as a penalty for his devotion to duty. Alward was found dead beneath the engine. When he saw what was about to happen he called to Fireman O'Keeler to jump, which he did, escaping with a shaking up and bruises. Two coaches, in which 120 passengers were seated, followed after the engine and left the rails. Fortunately they did not upset and the passengers escaped with a bad shaking up.

## P. E. I. ELECTIONS

Liberals Making Active Preparations for Next Local Campaign.

CHARLOTTETOWN, June 24.—Activity is developing among Liberals in preparation for the coming local campaign yesterday at Centreville Hon. S. E. Reid and Capt. Joseph Reid, the present representatives, were renominated for the fourth district of Prince County. Capt. Reid was nominated for the Summerside district last week but his old constituents of the fourth ward let him go and he is staying by them.

At Bradel Bone Hon. Matthew Smith, the present member and John E. Sinclair were nominated for the first district of Queens.

The conventions had a full representation of delegates.

Of all the discomforts of life, says Marmaduke, in London Truth, the worst is—woman. Before marriage woman is all bait, after, all hook.

## THE PERFECTION OF WOMANHOOD.

Who does not envy and admire a lovely woman? The secret of her loveliness, of her perfection, is health. She sleeps well, eats well, digests well—intricate functions are vigorous and regular. Of all woman's remedies, Ferrozone is the best; it vitalizes the functions upon which health depends—makes the purest, richest blood, gives perfect complexion and lots of vigor. Every girl and woman who seeks health, vitality, looks—let her get Ferrozone today. Fifty cent boxes at all dealers.

## PICTORIAL POSTCARDS

100 Assorted English, Scotch, and Irish View for 1 shilling 6 pence.

1000 Assorted Scotch, English and Irish View, Actresses, Songs, Animal, Lover and Comic Cards for 15 shillings.

English and Continental Actresses, hand tinted and Glossy Photographs, 15 shillings per gross.

Christmas and New Year Cards, well Assorted parcel. 100 Cards for 5 shillings. Value 1d, 2d, 3d, 4d and 6d each, 500 Cards for 20 shillings.

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