

## Easier Housecleaning

Save your strength this spring by letting borax, ammonia salt soda, etc., aid you in your housecleaning. We have the right quality in such things and furnish the goods at lowest prices. You'll need insecticides, disinfectants, and germicides also to make the spring upheaval what it should be. We have the best in these.

**A. HIGINBOTHAM,**  
DRUGGIST

Nearly opp. the Post Office, Lindsay.

## The Weekly Post

WILSON & WILSON, Proprietors.

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### PURCHASING PUBLIC SUPPLIES.

This is a question that interests us all, and we are the people who pay the piper. It has given rise to more so-called scandals, than almost any other phase of public expenditure. We do not agree by any means that everything that is brought up in this way, whether done by Grit or Tory is wrong, because some people, especially when on the opposite side, seem to have very hazy ideas about what profit people ought to make out of a government. We noticed that Mr. Borden, in discussing the matter the other day, was very much at sea as to the best way purchasing should be done. He cited the C. P. R. as an example, but Sir Wilfrid Laurier showed in a few words that it would be impossible for any government to do things the same as a corporation, or a mercantile house. If the C. P. R. is a snap in rails, or anything else they need, they buy it at once, without any fuss, but if the government or any one for them were to attempt anything of that kind, it would give rise to any amount of scandal. Fancy Bennett, of Simcoe, getting hold of a purchase like that? The fact that money was saved would cut no ice with him - he would argue, as if the whole amount was a steel. It can be seen that any Government is handicapped in a measure, in the purchasing of supplies. With responsible government, it would be impossible to hand the work over to purchasing agents, as recommended by the Civil Service Commission. We must ever look to the minister of any department, and make him responsible for anything and everything that is done in that department. This is the genius of our form of government, and even if the price comes high, we doubt if anyone is willing to give over any responsibility to irresponsible parties. As long as the seller is not getting an exorbitant profit, we fail to see why fault should be found with them for making money out of the government. We have heard of people who have teetered for public works or supplies, and lost money, some of them have been ruined. Surely that is not right? It seems to us that any people through its government should be willing, to at least see that those who serve them do not do so at a loss. We have heard of purchasing agents for large railways, being "taken in," and virtually "sold," and these men are supposed to be the cutest of their sex. We agree, that if there is collusion between government and seller, to the detriment of the people, someone ought to suffer. It only goes to show that the best results after all, are to be had, when everybody acts honestly, no matter what the system may be. If a man or men start out to beat anyone, whether government or individual, it is pretty hard to stop them at the first or second transaction, but even they come to find out, that honesty is the best policy.

### EDITORIAL NOTES.

The people of Cobalt are not feeling very kindly toward the Ontario Government for bidding the town and district of revenue, while doing nothing by the way of aiding it to secure fire protection, water service, and that sort of thing.



# You'll Save Money by Buying Your Floor-Coverings and Draperies Here

☐ We could move our Floor-Covering Department into a separate building, run it independently of our store, and it would stand just as it does now, supreme among all other Floor-Covering and Drapery stores in this locality.

☐ But (here's the vital point) we couldn't begin to quote prices as low as we do under present conditions. Simply because operating expenses would be greater.

☐ Besides our great buying and power standing as a store of many stores procures for us additional discounts which we couldn't receive under the supposed conditions.

☐ While the question of price is important we haven't allowed it to blind us on other important points. We carry a great quantity of Carpets, Rugs, Lace Curtains, Curtain Materials and Draperies, and provide a wonderful variety in order to make the choosing more satisfactory.

☐ Now that the new patterns and designs have arrived you will do well to make an early choice. Come before the cream of the various assortments have been selected by first comers.

☐ We give you details of some interesting offerings.

## Lace Curtains

Buy New Curtains at these Saving Prices

These are Nottingham Lace Curtains, from the best manufacturer's, and are full sized, strong durable nets, and all new designs. We advise you to make an early selection.

### THREE SPECIALS

White Lace Curtains, in dainty patterns and good borders, edges are all locked stitched. These come 3 and 3½ yards long, **\$1.00**

White Lace Curtains, in swell designs, handsome borders, finished with locked stitching on both sides and ends, plain and figured centres, lengths 3 and 3½ yards. Per pair **\$1.50**

White Lace Curtains, of fine wash nets, with floral, conventional and plain centres, all finished with rich looking borders with fast edges, lengths 3 and 3½ yards. Per pair **\$2.00**

Lace Curtains 50c to \$15.00 per pair.

In this sale we offer you white Lace Net Bed Sets at these very special prices: \$3.50, \$4.50 and \$5.00.

## Curtain Stretchers

We keep in stock Gilray's Curtain Stretchers. Once used in your cleaning you'll not want to be without them.

## Silkalines

A choice lot of Silkalines in a very large range of patterns, very sheer materials for drapes and filling in screens.

## Best Carpets

Splendid Carpets at Quick Selling Prices

There's a good reason why we offer these Carpets at such low prices. It's this: Our Carpet stock is overloaded and we must make a big hole in it quickly.

Tapestry Carpets, an unlimited range to select from, we have new designs and colors are the best. These come in two widths. The 1½ yard width at \$1.00 and the ¾ yard widths per yard **50c**

Wool Carpets, made in a range of patterns for most any room. These are 36 inch widths and are in colors of green, blue, red and fawns. We warrant them to give good wear. Per yard **70c**

Brussels Carpets, in a range of Colors and new designs, most of these have borders to match and some with a three-quarter stair. Per yard **98c**

We are open to give you ideas and estimates in furnishing your house. We sew and lay Carpets to your order.

## Tapestry Squares

These Squares are imported and are woven in most cases in two pieces, the Corners have no seams. We have the cream of several maker's output and the patterns and colorings are very fine. You'll do well to consider us when thinking of purchasing. Sizes 2½ x 3 yards to 4 x 4 yards.

Sizes 2½ x 3 yds.	3 x 3 yds.	3 x 3½ yds.
Prices <b>\$7.00</b>	<b>\$9.00</b>	<b>\$10.00</b>
3½ x 3½ yds.	3½ x 4 yds.	4 x 4 yds.
<b>\$12.00</b>	<b>\$15.00</b>	<b>\$16.50</b>

## Brussels Squares

High-grade English Brussels Squares. These come in very rich looking patterns and are woven in stripes without any corner seams. The colorings are crimson, browns, blues, fawns and greens. Sizes come 2½ x 3 yards to 3½ x 4½ yards.

Sizes 2½ x 3 yds.	3 x 3 yds.	3 x 3½ yds.
Prices <b>\$12.00</b>	<b>\$15.00</b>	<b>\$16.00</b>
3 x 4 yds.	3½ x 4 yds.	3½ x 4½ yds.
<b>\$18.00</b>	<b>\$25.00</b>	<b>\$28.00</b>

## Door Mats

If you're in need of a small rug, this stock can supply you. We've got a much larger selection than usual and the prices are as low as ever. We will just mention prices for Smyrna.

18 x 36 inches at 75c,	\$1.00 and \$1.50
30 x 60 inches at	\$2.00 and \$4.00
36 x 72 inches at	\$3.00

## Curtain Materials

White Curtain Muslins, with frill down one side, these are 27 inches wide. They come in spots, conventional and floral patterns. Per yard **20c**

White Curtain Muslins, made without frill, in assorted spot designs only, they are 30 in. wide and are very much in demand for kitchen and bedroom curtains. Per yard **12 1-2c**

White Bobbinette, with borders and insertion and frills of lace. These come in plain and point de espirote nets. Width is 30 inches. Per yard **25c**

Scotch Madras Muslin in very rich looking oriental designs and colors. We have a very select range for draping and window screens, widths run 26 to 50 inches. Prices per yard 25c to **\$1.00**

## Wilton Squares

These Wilton Squares are made of a very fine wool, and they give many year's wear, the pile is very deep and no sound is heard when walking on them. They are woven in strips and have no corner seams.

Sizes 3 x 3 yds.	3 x 3½ yds.	3 x 4 yds.
Prices <b>\$18.00</b>	<b>\$20.00</b>	<b>\$35.00</b>

## Axminster Squares

These Axminster Squares are imported from Austria from the best known makers of Europe, woven all in one piece and in very choice designs and colorings. We make you some very special offers for this lot.

Sizes 6½ x 9½ feet	7½ x 10½ feet
Prices <b>\$15.00</b>	<b>\$20.00</b>
8½ feet x 11½ feet	10 feet by 13 feet
<b>\$25.00</b>	<b>\$35.00</b>

## Carpet Remnants

A lot of ends of Carpets and Borders, from one to ten yards in length. These we offer at greatly reduced prices.

## Axminster Mats

Here's a lot of Mats sent out to us from James Templeton and Co. The yarn in them was made to use in their best quality of mats, but they got no orders for as many colors as they had yarn, and so to clear out the neglected lots they made up Axminster Mats in hit and miss patterns.

Sizes 27 x 46 inches	27 x 64 inches
<b>\$1.50</b>	<b>\$2.50</b>

## Tapestry Coverings

Buy your Coverings here. We have the largest variety of these materials in Lindsay. Direct importations from France, England and the United States.

Brocade smooth faced Coverings, in cardinal, olive, blue and golden brown grounds, with raised broche patterns. The width is 50 inches. Per yard **50c**

Hard finished Tapestry Coverings, in rich dark blue, crimson and green grounds, with broche designs and oriental colors. Width 52 inches. Per yard **\$1.00**

Plain colored American Denims, in all the art shades of blues, greens, browns and reds. These are 36 inches wide and can be used for wall and floor coverings, also for curtains. Per yard **33c**

## Window Shades

Leave Your Order for Shades Here

A very special offering in Window Shades greets your eye in this column. These are special numbers made here in our own workshop.

Opaque Window Shades of good quality, mounted on Hartshorn rollers, size 3 x 6 feet, trimmed with a lace 8 inches wide. These are in cream and greens. Each complete only **55c**

Opaque Window Shades, in white and colors, size 3 x 6 feet, mounted on extra good rollers, trimmed with lace or insertion only at 50c. With lace and insertion, each complete **75c**

50 odd Opaque Shades, in different colors, all trimmed with lace or insertion, size 3 x 6 feet, ranging in price 50c to 85c. Each complete **35c**

We make to order all kinds of house or shop Window Shades. Material used is best and we mount them on best Hartshorn rollers. Try us.

## Brass Rods

We have just received a full range of Newell's latest patents in brass extension Rods, extend from 3 to 5 feet, and are from the sash to curtain size around.

## Heavy Curtains

Heavy Curtains in Tapestry, Chenille and Velour, a very rich looking lot to make your house look homelike.

## Best Linoleums

Here's Low Priced Floor Coverings

Linoleums imported by us from the great British makers, all well seasoned and clear printings. YOU'LL GET YOUR MONEY'S WORTH IN THIS LOT.

Good quality of Linoleums, in a number of floral and block patterns, these are all seasoned and well printed. We have them 4 yards wide at 39c per square yard, and 2 yards wide at **35c**

Extra heavy Inlaid Linoleums, Scotch and English makes. These are made so that the pattern is through to the back and cannot wear off. The width is 2 yards. Per square yard **85c**

OILCLOTH REMNANTS—We have a number of short ends of floor Oilcloths, 1, 1½ and 2 yards wide. We make you a special offer on this lot. Per square yard **19c**

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