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Men's Navy Blue Serge Suits, double breasted, good linings and thoroughly well made, all sizes from 36 up..... 3.75

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We have positively every line of Men's Fine Worsted or Tweed Trousers that could possibly be desired from the smallest to the largest sizes. All alterations we make free of charge, prices 75c, 90, $1.00, 1.25, 1.50, 1.65, 1.75, 2.00, 2 25, 2.50, 2.60, 2.75, 2.85, $3, $3.50.

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The Ontario Government's good roads bill has been withdrawn and will not likely be brought up again in its present form. The reason assigned is that it is a complicated question, owing to the fact that there are forty toll roads in the province and these form a stumbling block which, in order to get over, requires more extended consideration.

Admiral Dewey is now out for the presidency of the United States. This fact would seem rather to contradict the claims for extreme modesty which were made in the gentleman's behalf after the battle of Manilla. He was then represented as an old sea dog who cared for nothing but the smell of powder and salt sea breezes, and mortally afraid of the newspaper interviewer. His nature appears to have changed very materially.

The county council of Dufferin sent a message of condolence to Lord Dufferin upon the recent death of his son in South Africa. Lord Dufferin, in his grateful reply, said that "No words could convey an adequate idea of the gratitude and enthusiasm which the devotion of Canada to our common empire has given birth to on this side of the water." Great Britain has herself been astonished at the unanimous enthusiasm signified to-day throughout her colonies.

The war summary for the past week may be given in a very few words. Lord Roberts yet remains at Bloemfontein, but is sending few official despatches, and such as are sent through from different points are somewhat contradictory. A small British detachment at Wepener, south-east of Bloemfontein, was besieged for a week past by the Boers, who, however, are now reported to have withdrawn. Roberts is apparently awaiting a full supply of horses, which are now arriving at the Cape in great numbers. Buller is inactive in Natal. The siege of Mafeking is not yet reported as having been raised.

Town Line A. and E.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Mrs. Johnston of Huntsvill, who has been on an extended visit with her sister Mrs. Heath, returned home last week.

Mr. G. Hutchinson, jr., lost a fine young horse a short time ago with inflamation.

Mr. J. M. Davis had a successful wood bee week before last with a party for the young people at night.

Mr. J. Brown has the timber on the on the ground to replace his barn, burn't down a short time ago.

The Hutchinson boys had a wood bee last week which was a decided success.

Mr. J. Wyville is hired with Mr. C. Carson for the summer.

India Famine Fund.

Mr. Wm. Strain has undertaken the task of collecting donations for the India famine fund and begs to acknowledge through The Advance this week the following sums which he has received:

Dr. Christoe	$5 00
W. Clayton	1 00
Wm. Strain	50
Rev. Jos. Ward	1 00
Peter Holman	50
A Friend	25
Robert Colquit	50
John Heard	50
Wm. Henderson	25
W. J. White	50
A. S. Vandusen	50
M. Richardson	1 00
A Friend	25
A. Dyson	50
W. Barnhouse	50
W. A. Armstrong	1 00
W. H. Thurston	1 00
J. W. Bell	50
G. Mitchell	1 00
A Friend	25
A Friend	25
E. W. Ritchie	25
W. F. Hickling	50
W. Moore	25
M. Wilson	25
A. M. Gibson	50
D. McTavish	1 00
Rev. Mr. Thom	1 00
Mr. Cole	50
Sandy Stewart	25
Isaac Sinclair	50
Widow's Mite	05
Total	$21 80

Born

PEARSON—In Artemesia, on Monday, April 9, to Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Pearson, a daughter.

WILSON—On Friday, 13th inst., to Mr. and Mrs. Mark Wilson, a son.

The Collingwood Bulletin says:—The continued northerly wind of Sunday and Monday produced one of the most remarkable ice shoves seen on the southern shore of Georgian Bay. It extended along the greater part of the southwestern shore, and in many places, notably beyond the old Heu and Chickens and outside of the Nottawasaga light house, towered up to a considerable height, apparently from thirty to forty feet. In the bright sunlight the sparkling piles of ice presented a beautiful appearance, and in the evening looked like great fleecy clouds lying against the horizon.

War Items

A Cape Town despatch says nearly 3000 horses have been landed there since April 13, which indicates that every effort is being put forth to remedy the great defect in the British organization.

Frederick Villiers, the veteran war correspondent, who has arrived at Southampton from the front, said he believed that the worst of the war was over, but that guerilla warfare would continue for some time.

A Brussels despatch says a rumor has been circulated by a Dutch official that nine of the signatory powers to the Hague peace conference contemplate urging intervention between Great Britain and the South African republics.

Two sheep belonging to Wm. Hartley, who lives west of Shelburne, turned up one day last week after they were given up for lost. It appears they had gone to Thos. Bates' farm in Amaranth and were feeding at an old straw stack about six feet high and partly undermined. A big storm came up and the stack was covered over with snow, which was drifted and piled in so hard the sheep could not get out. The sheep were discovered last week, after being confined for forty days, without anything to eat but frozen straw. The animals were living and will recover all right.—Shelburne Free Press.

Mr. James Frazer of the Toronto Line, south of Arnott, last Thursday delivered three three-year old steers to Messrs. McConvey, the combined weight of which was 4,400 lbs, and for which he received 5 cents a pound or a total of $220 One of the steers weighed 1,525 lbs. and the other two averaged 1,437½ lbs each. Mr Frazer is one of the best feeders in this part of the country and every year turns out a few bunches of cattle which bring him the top price of the export market.—News.

NOTICE to CREDITORS

In the matter of the Estate of James H. Allen, late of the Township of Artemesia in the County of Grey, farmer, deceased.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the revised statutes of Ontario, 1897, Chapter 129, Section 36, that all Creditors and others having claims against the estate of the said James H. Allen, who died on or about the third day of November, A.D. 1899, are required on or before the 21st day of of May, 1900, to send by post prepaid to R. J. Sproule and Richard Allen, Fleshterton, the executors of the Last Will and Testament of the said deceased their full name and address and particulars of their claims, if any, held by them; and further take notice that after such last mentioned date the said executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have notice, and that the said executors will not be liable for the said assets or of any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claims notice shall not have been received by them of such distribution.

ROBT. J. SPROULE and RICHARD ALLEN, Executors

Dated this 17th, day of April, 1900.

NEW GROCERY

I have opened out a full line of new groceries in Wrights old store, opposite Armstrong's jewellery, and will keep in stock everything usually kept in an up-to-date grocery. Specialties in their season. Tobaccos, Cigars, candies, spices, canned goods of every discription, smoked finan haddies, soaps—including the celebrated Sapolio. I have a prime soap at six bars for 25c. Pickles, toothpicks, and, as the auctioneers say, many other articles too numerous to mention—all fresh and choice.

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F. A. BUNT

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Eggs taken same as cash.

M. Richardson & Co.

Flesherton - Dundalk

Spring Millinery

All that's new and bright and stylish in Seasonable Millinery finds a place in our show Rooms, and a selection (at a moderate price) to meet the individual taste of every customer is possible in our wide and varied assortment.

Novelties and Specialties in Ladies' Ready-to-Wear Hats

House Furnishings

Prospective buyers of House furnishings will find we have made special preparations for their wants this season.

Our assortment of New Carpets, New Oilcloths, New Art Muslins and New Lace Curtains is very complete and we present a good choice at different prices in every line.

CARPETS!

Tapestries—28c, 35c, 40c, 50c, 55, 60c, 65c, 70c, 75c, 85c per yard

Unions and Wools, 36 inches wide—30c, 35c, 40c, 45c, 75c, 90c.

Hemps—13c, 15c, 16c, 22c, 35c per yard.

Stair Carpets—13c, 18c, 22c, 55c, per yard.

OIL CLOTHS

New Patterns—From 25c, to 40c, square yard

ART MUSLINS

Handsome Colorings—From 6 to 15c per yd. Imported Nottingham

LACE CURTAINS

New Designs and Artistic Patterns—25c, 40c, 50c, 75c, $1.00, $1.40, $1.50, $2.25 per pair.

No matter whether you buy the low priced or the better qualities we mention, the value in every case is the same—the best procurable—and that's a fact worth remembering.

Hardware Depart.

House Renovating Time!

New Season's Wall Papers

The arrival of supplementary orders gives our customers over 6000 Rolls to select from—all new and handsome—matched Ceilings, Borders and Hanging—Prices from 4 cts.

New Window Shades *From 25c. complete*

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EVERY ONE TO HIS TRADE. Our business is selling Paint.

We know what to look for and what to look out for. It's likely you don't. That's where we'll help you. We've experimented; our experience will save your trouble and annoyance. When we tell you

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Our business course is just what is needed by young men and women starting out in life. Send for catalogue and College Journal which contain letters from successful students.

C. A. Fleming, Prin.

Spring Term begins April 17th.

Vicinity Chips

Characteristics of the Past Week Carefully Culled for the Curious.

Dry wood and brick for sale. Apply J. H. Heard.

New stock of watches just in at J. F. VanDusen's.

A. S. VanDusen is still lending money at 4½ per cent straight.

FOR SALE—Good, sound, young mare. Apply to R. P. Legate & Co., Ceylon.

Old newspapers for sale at this office—any quantity up to one ton—at 1c per lb.

New cuckoo clocks and many other varieties to choose from at J. F. VanDusen's.

Mr. Robert Richardson has purchased Mr. Jos. McCormack's property on Sydenham street.

If you want your carpet done in a workmanlike manner call at Henderson's, opposite the Presbyterian church.

To rent—Lots 68-69, Con. 3, N. D. R., Artemesia, large clearing, good buildings. Apply to W. J. Bellamy, Flesherton.

There was good skating on the rink Good Friday and the pastime was thoroughly enjoyed by numbers of villagers.

For the best cream separator on earth see the De Lavell, (Disk Bowl Machine) on exhibition at the So-Ho Foundry, Ceylon.

M. Richardson & Co., F. T. Hill & Co. and McFarladd & Co. have each seasonable announcements in their advertising space this week.

Judging from the small quantity of maple syrup offered on the market here either the season must be a poor one or few people are making.

4½ per cent private money loaned on easy terms of repayment by Geo. Ruth erford, Shelburne. Expenses low. Communications receive prompt attention.

For the benefit of her out-of town customers Mrs. Trimble has made arrangements to take produce in exchange for millinery. Ladies out of town should note this new departure.

The Pulls, who were here last week under the auspices of the band, gave an extra evening's entertainment on Thursday evening. They were greeted with good houses on every occasion, and were popular to the last.

An auction sale of farm stock, implements and household furniture will be held on lots 12 and 13, con. 2 N. D. R., Artemesia, on Saturday, April 21, the property of Mr. Hugh McFayden. D McCormack, auctioneer.

Mr. W. H. Heard returned from Toronto on Monday after completing arrangements to handle a large variety of bicycles. Do not forget that he sells wheels from thirty dollars up and on easy terms. Call and get particulars.

Dr. Thomas Cullen, formerly of the University of Toronto, where he took his bachelor's degree for medical studies, has been appointed associate professor of gynecology at Johns Hopkins University Dr. Cullen recently declined a call to the chair of gynecology in Yale University. Dr Cullen is a nephew of Johnston and Andrew Cullen of this place and son of the late Rev Thomas Cullen, who died in London a few years ago.

Sproule, Crossley & Co. have just opened a fresh stock of new garden seeds, onions, oranges, lemons, and a full stock of fresh groceries, stationery and confectionery, which they are selling cheap. A call respectfully solicited.

It used to be so easy in the happy days of yore, for the man who kept a grocery or a modest dry goods store, to sit out in front and whittle and talk politics and crops, for the folks who did the buying then took pains to find the shops. But things are very different in these modern business days—keeping store is different; people, too, have different ways—and the man who is in business must let people understand what he sells and where he sells it, if he doesn't want to strand. He must tell folks what he is doing—tell them candidly and clearly in a style that isn't meek, what he has to sell, his prices, the location of his store, for they've quite got over buying as they did in days o yore.

Personals

Mrs. J. W. Henderson of Toronto was an Easter holiday visitor with friends in town.

Mrs. W. H. Thurston visited with friends in Owen Sound over Easter.

Mrs. Leffler of Gladstone, Michigan, spent Easter with her sister, Mrs. W. A. Armstrong.

Among the Easter visitors were: E. F. Armstrong, Miss Clara and Mr. Fred Scrain, Owen Sound Collegiate; and Miss Evelina Smith, Eugenia, at Mr. Jos. Smith's.

Mr. Frank Van Dusen visited Chatsworth friends on Sunday.

Mrs. J. W. Whitby of Markdale is the guest of her sister, Mrs Malcolm Beaton.

Mrs. Evas Gaodin, who has spent the winter with Owen Sound friends, returned to Flesherton on Tuesday and will make her abode for some time with her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Thurston.

Among those who visited the Queen City for Easter holidays were: A. M. Gibson, F. Bont, Dr. E. K. Murray, G. Mitchell, F. Sheppard, Miss Katie Bentham and Mrs. W. P. Crossley.

Mr. Robert Wright of Hagersville is spending Easter holidays with his parents.

Mrs. T. Aikenhead, Toronto, is the guest this week of her mother, Mrs. J. W. Armstrong.

Mr. Jos. McCormack, who has been living in Seaforth during the winter, returned here last week and will remain for some time, working up the remnant of his cooper stock.

In Stock at the Medical Hall

Common Red, Mammoth, Alfalfa and Alsike Clover Seed.

Timothy Seed, Orchard Grass, Rape Seed.

Turnip Seed—Jumbo, Carter's Improved, Half's, Bangholm, White Globe, etc., and Steel's Selected.

Gate Post Mangel, Mammoth Yellow Mangel, Improved White and Yellow Long Carrot.

Cabbage seed in bulk, and a full variety of Garden Seed.

Dutch Sets and Potato Onions—first come first served, for orders cannot be refilled. All cheap for cash.

Easter Services.

The services in each of the churches on Sunday partook of the character of the day. At the Presbyterian church the choir rendered three choice anthems in a very pleasing manner, in fact the music at this church was extra good There were, however, no floral decorations. The sermon was upon the appropriate topic of the resurrection.

At the Methodist church in the evening a radical departure was made from the ordinary program when various texts were read by members of the audience illustrative of the great event commemorated by this day. The choir rendered a number of musical selections at intervals. Dr. Christoe was the speaker on this occasion, and told the story of the crucifixion and resurrection with much feeling and in good language. The pulpit had only a few flowers by way of decoration, but the symbolic flower, the lily, was conspicuous by its absence. Just why our lovers of flowers do not grow more lilies is a question we cannot answer, but fact remains that lily growing has never been a popular amusement with our ladies, consequently none were available for decorative purposes.

Among the Milliners

The spring millinery openings were held last week and were visited by large numbers of the fair sex, who had placed before them a bewildering assortment of the most beautiful creations that the milliner's art can devise. Our reporter took a stroll through the rooms and came home loaded down with notes, but we have been obliged to confine his extravagant laudation to the following matter-of-fact descriptions:

AT M. RICHARDSON & CO'S

Among the many and varied things shown for spring in this establishment the turbans, both large and small, are quite the correct thing, though there are large hats also shown. Flowers and foliage are in abundance. A fancy just now is bunches of grapes and berries, but roses and all large flowers are the favorites. No glaring colors are shown this season; all are soft and subdued. The Reseda green, old pink, and the soft, light colors shading into the darker and richer shades.

A very handsome turban was made of pastel green silk, the brim draped with Battenberg lace. The crown was prettily draped in silk and finished with a large bunch of foliage.

Another turban was of black sequin with large rosettes of black chiffon and fringed scarf carelessly knotted at the side.

Decidedly stylish was a large white leghorn trimmed with two white demi-plumes and large pink and crimson roses.

A chic little bonnet had the small crown of shirred mauve chiffon and the brim of pretty sequin straw trimmed with large rosettes of black chiffon and chiffon ties.

Very much admired was a large black hat, flaring off the face, made of tucked chiffon, and trimmed with two large black plumes and folds of chiffon caught with jet buckles; drape tie of chiffon.

Several pretty children's hats were trimmed with large fluffy rosettes and ties. One particularly pretty child's hat was of white leghorn trimmed with Liberty satin and fillies of the valley.

It is needless to add that the entire display, as usual, was a decided success and did great credit to Miss Rankin and her assistants.

AT MRS. TRIMBLE'S

Mrs. Trimble has this year had her rooms enlarged and the former limited space has given place to a large and airy show room where her deft workmanship can be satisfactorily exhibited. We will attempt a description of a few of the more noteworthy things, but it will be merely a cold description and a look over the various dainty constructions is absolutely necessary in order to form a correct idea of their attractions.

The first we will mention has the shape rolling off face, covered in black net with yellow tucked chiffon, tucks closely laid together, while to the front stands an elegant bunch of birds of paradise os preys and a bunch of heavy black ostrich tips. Bowed to the back of these is black velvet ribbon, extended in long streamers, these being caught at the back with a new colored brilliant buckle and dart, the whole effect being extremely chaste and rich, and yet sufficiently modest.

Another of an entirely different character is a cream leghorn caught up high on left side and prevailing droop, trimmed in a tucked silk scarf in heliotrope and cream, cut in what is known as fish tail ends at the back. To the right stands a handsome bunch of heliotrope roses, while trailing on brim at the back is a second bunch. A bunch of cream ribbon with handsome brilliant buckle and black velvet loops trim the bande u at left and complete the hat.

A pretty turban rolls up at sides and is trimmed in knots or puffs of tucked torquois chiffon, graced by sprays of tintel foliage. Around the brim is a new netting in torquois ribbed with silver gilt. From centre of crown to right side of rim extends a band of black silk velvet ribbon bearing at intervals cut steel buckles. At the left side is a bunch of new netting and a bit of black velvet and buckle, making a very pretty creation.

A very rich made hat is in all black done in rosettes. Still another delicate hat is made in pastelle tints, soft shading, trimmed in large double-tiered rosettes and a cash of foliage, with a little touch of black and buckles.

Added to these we will mention one more distinctive creation in a violet turban trimmed with large rosettes of black with violet centre, above all arising a bunch or heliotrope, and black ospreys. Around the brim is wound a drape of black fancy net.

Something entirely new in shape and decoration is a compact hat with tightly drawn tucked white chiffon and black sequin brim. The crown is composed of black silk velvet and sequin ornaments, while a bow and ends of black fall over the hair at back. This hat is popular in Toronto.

The draped scarf effect in trimming with fringe falling on the hair is still popular.

The new draperies and new Japanese netting should be seen.

Mrs. William Lowe expired suddenly while attending Easter Monday services in St. Mary's Church, Owen Sound.

To Rent and For Sale

To Rent—At reasonable price, the comfortable dwelling lately occupied by Mrs. W. R. Fiesher. Also for sale cheap and on easy terms a one good brick dwelling, also one good frame dwelling in Flesherton. Apply to R. J. Sproule, Flesherton.

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Because they positively cure all diseases brought on by impoverished blood, such as heart trouble, nervousness, rheumatism, dyspepsia, etc.

ALSO

Because they induce sound, healthy sleep, and restore VIM, VIGOUR, and VITALITY to the body.

ALSO

Because their use enables the system to successfully resist attacks of colds and the inseparable results, viz., lung and kidney troubles, a fact of especial importance at this season of the year.

50 cents per box. Five boxes $2.00. All druggists, or Sam Williams & Co., Toronto, Ont.

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We have received a very large supply of the *Latest Styles and Novelties*

In Summer Footwear—Not the common-place productions that lack everything but cheapness. Our aim is to give satisfaction

Give us a Trial

Wm. Clayton, - - Flesherton

T. J. SHEPPARD

FLESHERTON

—We are this week making a—

GRAND DISPLAY

—OF—

New Spring Goods

In Every Department

Ladies, we have this week opened our New Spring Shirt Waists. We are carrying this Spring a much larger stock and our prices are low. These goods we bought at a bargain and we are selling at a bargain, prices from 50c to $2.00.

Silk and Satin Department—In this department we have now the finest assortment we ever showed, a beautiful variety for Ladies' Waists.

We also opened this week a lot of Ladies' ready to wear skirts in all colors. The prices range from $1 to $5.

Don't forget that this season we have added Millinery to our store and shall carry a full stock of Ladies Trimmed Hats. We cordially invite every lady to call and view our selection.

Wall Papers—Bear in mind that we are carrying a very large stock of wall papers. We never carried such a variety and the pattern, quality and price are the best and lowest.

T. J. SHEPPARD

Flesherton, Ont.

The New Store

Our Spring Dress Good, Silks, Prints, Linens, Lace Curtains, Shirtings, Tickings, Cottonade are ready for inspection. Now we are living in a progressive time, and never before was there such a stock shown in this part of the country. The goods being brought months ago, and expences are nothing comared with other places so it is a sure gurantee that we can save you money.

500 yards of fance checque Print in different color per yard 5c.

250 cards of Prints in pink strips and Blue with polka a regular 10c. 7½cts.

Our 50c. Corset is a dandy, five clasps and made of a very heavy material.

SHIRTINGS

24 inch Shirting in Blue, red and dark checque 5cts. a yard.

29 inch Shirting would be good value at 12½ in checque yard 10c.

31 inch Oxford Fancy Shirting 12½.

31 inch Dark Indigo Blue 14c.

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