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A Clearance in Furs

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SIZES 34 TO 42.

Our Regular $40 Jacket for $30
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Our Regular $30 Jacket for $22.50
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Our $22 Wombat Coat for $15
Our Bulgarian Lamb Coat for $16.50
Our $22.50 Black Dog Coat for $15
Our $18.50 Natural Dog Coat for $15.50

Caperines We have eleven left representing some of the most popular combinations of stylish furs—we mention four lines—you can judge from them of the reductions offered.

Electric Seal, Wolf, stole front. Regular $15 for 10.50
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Fur caps, Men's and Ladies' Gauntlets, Ruffs and Boas all subject to one third of Regular Prices during our Fur Clearance.

$1.25 CORSETS FOR 49C.

Eighteen pairs of Corsets, comprising odd sizes from some of the best and most reliable makes and styles—they're mostly small sizes—18, 19 and 20, but a few large sizes that are included.

The prices ranged from 75c. to $1.25 and every corset is clean and perfect in every respect.

Selling at 49c.

60c. Fleece Lined underwear for 39c.

Five dozen Men's Shirts and Drawers—fleece lined—heavy winter weights—some wool fleece—some cotton fleece—colors blue and fawn and grey in plain and striped patterns—all perfect goods—no seconds—unsoiled—not shop worn—sizes 34—42.

THE REGULAR 60c. VALUES FOR 39c.

Men's Tweed Overcoats for $2.95.

Twelve Men's Overcoats—Chesterfield style—different patterns wool tweed—some wool lined—some satin lined—good variety of sizes—just suitable for every day or rough wear, although they originally sold all the way from $5.00 to $8.00.

Selling at $2.95.

The personators in the recent Referendum vote are certainly having a sultry time. Several convictions of $100 to $400 and costs, with a year's imprisonment, have been registered against these criminals and there are more to follow. This will have the effect of putting the law before the public in a strong light, and possibly make the crime, which is becoming too frequent, more rare in future. Had the contest been one of politics it is pretty certain that the guilty ones would have escaped punishment or never have been apprehended. It took a non-political contest to point out and emphasize the heinousness of the crime.

What are politics in this country coming to, anyway? Previous to the recent election in North Grey the government papers of Owen Sound bluntly informed the electors that if they did not return a supporter of the government they could expect no favors. After the election these papers again said that North Grey would get nothing from the government—of course as a punishment for their insubordination in returning an Oppositionist. This is putting things brutally plain. But then we have heard before that postoffices and railways have been built and public works instituted for no other reason than to catch votes, not because they were needed. And yet the people grin and bear it (it is mostly grin) with the hope, probably, that the time will come for them to take a grab out of the public grab-bag. The whole system is bad—it smells, and ought to be buried deep in the political bone yard.

For Temperance Workers

To The Editor of The Advance

DEAR SIR:—Probably the greatest evil that could befall the cause of temperance would be for its workers to get the idea that the victory is to be an easy one. Some of us seem to think that all we have to do now is to ask the Legislature to pass the desired act. Legislation upon moral questions that is not blocked up by a strong and active moral force can only meet with failure in its results. It would be a great mistake for us to underrate the strength of the enemy. There's still a strong force in the country in favor of the liquor traffic and the work of temperance people is not at an end so long as this is true There is work for all time not simply by way of securing proper legislation but in winning men to true principles of temperance which can become a secure basis for effective legislation. There is not only a strong liquor party, but there is a fatal sluggishness among nominal temperance people and other interests are counted of greater importance by many. Men who will cast the ballot for prohibition will oppose a candidate who is on the wrong side of the political fence to suit their prejudice, though he is an affirmed supporter of prohibition. Some have thought it possible that the house may divide upon the question and return to the country for an election on purely temperance lines. I would not like to predict such a wild venture on the part of the government. It could only result in disaster to the party now in power. The old party prejudices would prevent many temperance people from supporting the party pledged to prohibition, on the one hand, and the liquor interest on the other would doubtless sway many hitherto supporters of the government, giving a probable victory to the present opposition. The results of the late elections justify such a conclusion. There are many places in the province in which it would be difficult to lessen intemperance by any law that might be passed and where the electors would go dead against any party that seeks to deprive them of the traffic. This does not lessen the responsibility of temperance people nor the importance of their devotion to faithful work. Let us do much solid foundation work, advancing zealously the true principles of temperance and where opportunity affords, by force of moral influence, let us seek to lessen the number of licenses and see to it that we are represented in the legislature by such men as will use every legitimate means to secure for us the desired legislation. This question is one of the most vexing to the fair minded politican, on account of the complication of forces which surround it and the multiplicity of interests which are centered in it. It is undoubtedly the most important question which confronts our law makers at the present time, and to a greater extent does the happiness of the people and the prosperity and security of the nation depend upon our attitude towards this than towards any other question of local or national politics. Temperance people, be astir.

—G. F. HURLBERT.

A Voice From Gotham

To the Editor of The Advance

DEAR SIR,—I see that you have received letters from readers of your paper who live in the far north, west and southwest, and as I am a regular subscriber and an interested reader, it occurred to me that a few lines from this quarter would not be out of place.

Every Monday night when I get home from the office The Advance is always waiting for me, and I always look forward with pleasure to the closing time on Monday, because when I take up the paper and sit down to read I seem to travel all the way back to Canada and am once more among my friends.

I have been in New York for a little over a year and like the city very much. Previous to my coming here a great many of my friends told me what a terrible place New York was. I confess that this made me somewhat nervous, but now that I am here I am competent to judge for myself. Of course, no matter where a person goes he or she is sure to find wickedness if a search is made for it, and a great many make this search and are very successful, and therefore, when the people who have never been here see the evil effects of New York life on this class they are wont to form a very poor opinion of the moral atmosphere of this great metropolis. But, on the whole, I think it would be safe to say that, taking everything into consideration, New York is not below the moral standard of the average large American, or even Canadian, city. I find that the American people are very sociable, wherever or whenever you meet them, be it in their homes or on the street, and it seems to be their special delight to make a stranger entirely at home. When it comes to business they are all shove and hustle, and their manner and mode of doing things is such that they accomplish a great deal in a short period of time.

Since coming to New York I have had a great deal to do with the German people and find them to be a good hearted people all the way through, and when a person goes into their homes, everything is done to make the visit pleasant. And the German cook, she is a person that every one should know. In the short time I have been here I have learned to swear by her the same as the Irishman does by St Patrick.

The one great question that everyone has been discussing up to the present, in this city, and in fact all the cities in the North Eastern States, is the coal situation. When the strike was on, it's effects were not felt nearly so much as they were a month or so after things were settled. The sufferings of the poorer classes in New York were something terrible. They could not get the means to buy coal and they were driven to desperation and a wooden fence was not safe in dark or daylight. Coal is still very high and the cold snap of last week has sent it soaring again. When a person wants to give an idea of the value of an article they will say "It is worth its weight in coal." This has been a very severe Jan. and Feb. Old residents say it has been the coldest weather they have experienced for a great many years.

Hoping these few remarks will not be out of place. I am very truly yours.

G. A. PLANT.

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Oats	28	to	28
Peas	70	to	70
Wheat	65	to	65
Barley	45	to	45
Butter	17	to	17
Eggs fresh	15	to	15
Pork	7 00	to	7 00
Chickens per pair	25	to	50
Ducks per pair	40	to	60
Tuckeys per lb	11	to	12
Geese per lb	8	to	8
Hay	5 00	to	5 00
Potatoes bag	57	to	75

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