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Specials This Week in Spring Overcoats.

4 Big Bargains at \$4.97.

Lot 6035 stylish dark gray all wool spring overcoat, worth \$10, at \$4.97.

Lot 8944 fine slate colored Kersey spring overcoats, worth \$10, at \$4.97.

Lot 6176 fine silk faced light gray (all wool) spring overcoats, worth \$12, at \$4.97.

Lot 6034 fine light tan (all wool) spring overcoats, worth \$10, at \$4.97.

Many big bargains in fine suits; in hats our \$1.50 grade has been proven better than any competitors \$2 hat in the city. At \$3 we give a beautiful Knox hat. None such in Niagara County at .00. The noblest 1.50 kid gloves made, and our guarantee with the swell gloves we sell at 1.00. No getting around it, if you want stylish goods at Niagara Falls, if you want a good assortment from which to choose you must call on the leaders, Silberbergs. It is easily reckoned out that in three stores well filled, there must be three times the stock there is in one store, and prices must be lowest where \$2,000 is saved on rent, \$2,000 or more on clerk hire, and more than both of these sums together Silberbergs save buying for cash. They are the only clothing in Western New York who are so established as to divide with their customers, thousands of dollars, which they save yearly. The near-sighted easily distinguish Silberbergs as the largest, and the far-sighted easily distinguish it as the greatest clothing establishment in Niagara Falls.

Any merchant may claim, but Silberbergs alone maintain their leadership. 3 stores brimfull of new and nobby clothing at

Silberbergs,

STORE CLOSED SATURDAYS.

FATAL EXPLOSION.

Small Stock of Gunpowder Kept in a New Orleans Store Does a Great Deal of Damage.

PEOPLE BURIED IN THE DEBRIS.

At the Time of the Accident Market People Were Beginning to Gather in the Street—Drivers Hurlled From Their Wagons—Several Bodies Recovered.

NEW ORLEANS, April 5.—A terrible explosion occurred at 2 o'clock this morning in the grocery and ship chandlery of Charles Salathe, corner of Decatur and Ursuline streets, opposite the lower end of the French market, entirely demolishing that and an adjoining saloon, "The Fishermen's Exchange," and burying a number of people in the debris, which at once took fire. The number of dead is not known at this hour (8 A. M.) as the debris has not yet been thoroughly searched. At the time of the explosion the street in front of the building was beginning to fill up with market people. A number of wagons were on Decatur street, and on the sidewalks and in the markets small knots of men were getting out their goods and trading for their daily supplies. Their trade was cut short by a muffled sound that came from across the street, and as they instinctively turned expecting an explosion the walls lifted and came down with a crash on all sides. The force of the explosion was terrible. Drivers were hurled from their vehicles and the wares on the market stands were blown to the four winds. The explosion is thought to have been caused by gunpowder, 25 or 30 pounds of which was always kept on hand by Salathe for sale to hunters and fishermen who made their headquarters in the neighborhood of the French Market.

The following persons are known to have been in the two buildings at the time:

Charles J. Salathe, wife and baby and two children, Eddie, aged 10 and Lillie, aged five.

Felix Rigaud, barkeeper, an 18-year-old boy, who is missing.

Emile Boulet, proprietor of, and who slept over the saloon and who escaped.

Josh Grimald and Mike Biri, frequenters of the saloon, who are supposed to have been in there at the time.

Constantine Itrou, fruit stand keeper, French Market.

Of these, the bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Salathe, clasped in each other's arms, have been recovered, also the body of their infant.

Emile Boulet and Constantine Itrou were blown clean out into the street, but were not much injured.

The bodies of Felix Rigaud, Joseph Grimald and Mike Biri are believed to be in the ruins.

Eddie Salathe, aged 10, and Lillie, aged five, slept in a rear room over the grocery store. They were saved, somewhat bruised but not seriously hurt.

It is believed many more persons are buried in the ruins besides the list given above. The injured, so far as known, are: James Murphy, driver of a market wagon, blown from his seat and struck violently against a post; right leg severely lacerated.

Charles Reis, stallkeeper, severely injured about head.

Dave Labue, peddler, cuts on head.

Charles Albaliel, 12 years old, skull crushed.

Lilly and Eddie Salathe, slight injuries about head.

Constantine Itrou, fish dealer, head crushed.

J. Vallenti, standkeeper, fish market; caught under falling wall and sustained severe injuries about head.

Frank Albaliel, aged 12, who was sitting on a wagon in front of Fishermen's Exchange, received a severe cut on the head.

When the firemen reached the scene they found the flames creeping out from all quarters under the debris. Water was pumped on the ruins and a large force of men started to work to clear away the debris over which it was supposed the bodies lay. Archbishop Janssens and a number of his clergy were among the first on the scene.

LATER—The bodies of Michael Biri, Felix Rigaud, barkeeper, and James Edwards have been recovered from the ruins. Edwards was an oyster luggerman and supposed to have been sitting in front of the saloon when the explosion occurred. This makes six bodies so far recovered.

FOUND HANGING IN A BARN.

Suicide of Benjamin Gallinger, Farmer—Brother and Sister Reside Here.

A special from Fabius, N. Y., says: "Benjamin Gallinger, an old man 71 years of age, hung himself at his home about three miles west of this village Wednesday morning. He left the house that morning to do some work at the barn, but as he did not return after a long absence, his wife began a search for him. She went into the barn and called him by name repeatedly without receiving any answer. She was suddenly horrified to find her husband hanging by the neck from a heavy rope attached to a hook in the stairway leading to the upper story of the barn.

"She left the barn in a great fright, leaving the corpse hanging from the rope, and ran to a neighbor's to get assistance. With this aid she removed her lifeless husband to the house. No cause is attributed for the suicide. It is thought, however, that Mr. Gallinger had become despondent from a long illness from which he had been suffering. The domestic life of the couple was most happy. Mr. Gallinger leaves besides his widow, a son and three brothers and two sisters, Noah and George and Mrs. Chase of this place, and Giles Gallinger and Mrs. Kidd of Niagara Falls."

WEATHER BULLETIN.

WASHINGTON, April 5.—Forecast till 8 P. M. Saturday: For Western New York—Increasing cloudiness with showers in extreme western portion tonight, rain Saturday; warmer, brisk to high southeasterly winds.

GIFT TO LICK OBSERVATORY.

An English Philanthropist Presents It With a Three-Foot Reflecting Telescope.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 5.—A cablegram was received today by Dr. Holden, of Lick Observatory, saying that Edward Crossley, the English philanthropist and member of Parliament, had given his great three-foot reflecting telescope to Lick Observatory on condition that it be named the Crossley reflector, and that the cost of transporting it from Halifax, England, be borne by Americans. As Mr. Crossley gives the dome and all the apparatus, it will cost \$5,000 to move it.

There is a place at Lick Observatory for the big glass, as James Lick's will provided for both a refractor and a reflector, but the money provided could buy only one. With the Crossley reflector superb photographs have been taken even in the humid English atmosphere, so that much better work ought to be done in the dry air of Mount Hamilton.

CAMP FIRES BURNED ALL NIGHT.

On Shiloh's Historic Field Awaiting the Dawn of Today.

JACKSON, Tenn., April 5.—On Shiloh's historic field last night camp fires kept watch for the dawn which ushered in the longest and most unique reunion of the blue and the gray ever held on Tennessee soil. Today is the anniversary of the slight skirmishes which gave a warning of what was to come. On Saturday will be commemorated the struggle that took place upon the banks of the river with the Union lines driven to the protection of their gunboats. The old soldiers on both sides have been gathering for days and many thousands of veterans and sightseers are pouring in this morning. The recently appointed park commissioners have been on the ground since Tuesday. Senator Isham G. Harris will deliver the address of welcome today.

FREEDOM AT LAST.

FROM THE TELEPHONE MONOPOLY

Several Companies of Powerful Capital and Influence Have Combined to Become Competitors of the Bell Company—Combined Capital is \$360,000,000.

CHICAGO, April 5.—A morning paper prints the following: The finest combination of capital and political influence ever gotten together has been organized to enter the telephone field and rout the Bell monopoly by giving cheaper, and, as it is claimed, better telephones. The new enterprise is backed by the Sugar Trust, the Standard Oil Company, the Crocker interests of California and the Pullman Company interests. It has also among the men who are "in on the ground floor" some of the shrewdest capitalists of every city in the Union. Among those interested are: James S. Clarkson of Iowa, John W. Candler of Boston, Col. Conger of Ohio, Congressman Cannon of Utah, Louis Windmuller of New York, Franklin Fairbanks, ex-Governor of Vermont; General Felix Agnus of Baltimore, Charles A. Pillsbury of Minneapolis, W. J. Campbell of Illinois, who represents the Standard Oil interests; John S. Bunnells, who represents the Pullman interests, and W. W. Tracey of Springfield.

It is the combination that is behind the cosmopolitan electric ordinance which played an important part in the recent municipal election. The aggregation of capital that is involved is \$360,000,000. The company is the Standard Telephone company of New York, and the electrical devices to be used are those of Allen T. Nye. The company proposes to put in telephones all over the country at a uniform price of \$25 a year.

Town of Niagara Nominations.

In the town of Niagara the following nominations for officers have been made: For Supervisor—H. S. Tompkins, Dem.; W. W. Tompkins, Rep. For Town Clerk—W. P. Smith, Dem.; W. P. Smith, Rep. For Justice—T. Greiner, Dem.; J. Albert, Rep. For Assessor—J. Mason, Dem.; E. H. Bennett, Rep. For Commissioner of Highways—L. Geiz, Dem.; F. Brooks, Rep. For Excise Commissioner—George W. Dick, Dem.; John Meahl, Rep. For Collector—W. Myers, Dem.; L. Wagner, Rep. For Overseer of the Poor—J. Angvine, Dem.; D. Delrick, Rep. For Game Constable—A. Brenner, Dem.; H. Pleicher, Rep. For Constables—L. J. Linck, F. Walker, Geo. Greenwalt, W. Tuttle, Dem.; L. J. Linck, Albert Linck, A. Lower, W. J. Clark, Rep. For Inspectors—A. Geiz, Dem.; J. H. Jones, Rep.

Flagler H. & L. Election.

Flagler Hook & Ladder company No. 3, held their annual meeting last night at the truck house and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Captain—A. J. Walker. First Lieutenant—George Nolan. Second Lieutenant—John Lane. President—J. V. Banks. First Vice President—John Brannock. Second Vice President—Fred Cook. Recording Secretary—T. G. Morgan. Financial Secretary—A. H. Chase. Treasurer—F. A. Filly. Steward—Chris Wagner. Delegate to Executive Board—Thomas G. Morgan. Fire Police—Chief O. Young; Willner Connel, John Nolan, R. R. Chase. Auditors—R. R. Chase, Fred Cook.

Proposed New Electric Railway.

At the Railway Committee yesterday morning an act to incorporate the Toronto, Hamilton & Niagara Falls Electric Railway Company, of which the promoters are Messrs. John Elatt, H. H. Dewar, A. R. Lewis, Peter Ryan, E. A. O. Paw, Thomas Jones, S. C. Biggs and Dr. J. T. Gilmore, Toronto, and Hon. R. W. Scott, Ottawa, was passed.

Hibernian Minstrels.

The Hibernian Minstrels will hold the boards of Col's Hall Wednesday evening, April 17th, in their benefit entertainment under the auspices of Branch No. 2, C.M.H.A.

New Trustees of Oakwood.

At a recent meeting of the trustees of Oakwood cemetery, C. M. Young was elected trustee to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late S. F. Symonds.

RESCUED AT SEA.

Brave Work of the Steamer Normannia's Crew in Saving 29 Persons From the British Ship Arno.

WAS A PERILOUS UNDERTAKING

Compelled to Jump From the Sinking Ship into the Sea—Baby Thrown Overboard in a Eag—Occupied Eight Hours—Tremendous Sea—Collection Taken Up.

SOUTHAMPTON, April 5.—The steamer Normannia arrived this morning with details of the rescue of the crew of the British ship Arno in mid-ocean on March 21. The Arno, which sailed from New York March 21 for Liverpool, was sighted March 24 with a heavy list and signalling for assistance, as the ship was about to sink. The Normannia lowered a lifeboat, which was capsize in the heavy sea, but no lives were lost. A second boat was lowered and was successful in getting within 50 yards of the Arno, which was as near it as it was safe to approach, owing to the tremendous sea. There were on board the Arno 29 men and women, and one baby. A lifebuoy line was got out and all on board were rescued, though it was a perilous undertaking. All of the rescued ones were compelled to jump into the sea and be picked up by the lifeboat. The baby was put into a bag and thrown overboard and was hauled into the boat by the rescuers. The rescue occupied eight hours, during which there was great excitement on board the Normannia. The lifeboat was compelled to make four trips in order to get all the shipwrecked ones on board the steamer. The boat was commanded by the second officer. The passengers on board the Normannia took up a collection of \$500 for the crew of the lifeboat.

EXPRESS OFFICE ROBBED.

Watchman Decoyed From His Post of Duty by an Incendiary Fire.

NEWBURGH, N. Y., April 5.—Burglars visited the office of the National Express Company at Cornwall-on-Hudson at 1 o'clock this morning. They smashed the combination lock of the safe and secured \$63 in cash, and a book of money orders representing \$500 if filled out. The robbery was evidently planned with much care. The express company employed a night watchman who is a member of the local fire department. This watchman was decoyed from his duty by an incendiary fire at the school house a mile away. When he returned to his post the burglars had completed their job. The express office is located in the west end of the West Shore railroad depot, and while the burglars were at work, the railroad office was occupied by the baggage men and the night operator.

A village store also was robbed during the excitement caused by the fire.

NO RECOMMENDATIONS YET.

So Says Collector Richmond in Regard to Rumored Probable Appointments.

A statement was made yesterday, by one whom it is alleged is a reliable source, that Collector Richmond has determined to appoint Henry C. Hulshoff of Lockport as deputy collector, and cashier in place of Irving J. Atwater, son of Mayor James Atwater of Lockport, and that Mr. Hulshoff will assume his duties on Monday next. It was also stated that Edward Hinch of the town of Pendleton will on the same day assume the position of junior in the Custom building in place of William Edwards. When asked by a GAZETTE representative today concerning this statement, Mr. Richmond answered evasively that he had not made any recommendations as yet.

Daly's Match With Tom McCarthy.

Jim Daly came up from Niagara Falls yesterday to meet the representative of the Central A. C. of Bradford, Pa., to arrange the details for the match with Tom McCarthy. The Bradford Club's man will not arrive until today, and so "Bully" Madden will do the talking for Daly, who will today go to Syracuse on a short visit. Jim is not pleased with some of the talk that has recently emanated from Joe Dunlop, and he wants to have a conversation with that worthy—Buffalo Courier.

With the Knights Templar.

The regular convocation of Niagara Commandery No. 64, K. T., held last night, had increased interest given it by the fact of the official visit of Sir Arthur MacArthur of Troy, Eminent Grand Captain-General of the Grand Commandery of the State. The order of Red Cross was conferred and at the close an elaborate banquet was served.

Lewisohn's Tallest Man Dead.

A F. Chittenden of the town of Lewisohn died yesterday at his home on the Steady Creek Road. The deceased was the tallest man in that town, being six feet six inches in height. He was a member of the Masonic order. The funeral will be held tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock.

Will Address the Juniors.

Mr. Peter A. Porter will give a talk before the Junior Department of the Y. M. C. A. this evening on local history. The rooms of the association will be devoted to the Junior Association this evening.

Meeting of the "Civic Club."

The first meeting and dinner of the "Civic Club" will be held in the parlors of the Tower Hotel Thursday evening, April 11th, at 8 o'clock.

Couldn't Try His New Plow.

PARIS, Ill., April 5.—At West station last evening Thomas Coleman, aged 16, hung himself from a rafter in the barn. He had bought a new plow which he was anxious to try in breaking sod, but his mother wanted him to reform a tank about the house. He complied with her request, then went to the barn and killed himself.

TEMPLE QUARTETTE.

Their Entertainment of Last Evening One of the Best Ever Heard in This City.

A large audience greeted the Temple Quartette at Park Theater last evening, and the music loving people were given a treat by this well known company of singers.

Each number was finely rendered, and so perfect were all their selections that it would be difficult to discriminate.

In addition to the Quartette, Miss Fay Davis appeared in a number of recitations which were delightfully received by the audience and the youth, beauty and excellent intonations of the accomplished lady, places her at the head of recitacionists.

The Y. M. C. A. entertainment course has not been up to the high standard they anticipated because of their lateness in securing attractions, but last evening's entertainment was so perfect in every respect that former entertainments were forgotten in the enjoyment this one gave. The liberal applause given every member spoke only too well the appreciative spirit of the listeners.

ICE PRICES SETTLED.

The Coal Baron's Profitable Period Will Soon Give Way to the Ice Prince's Demands.

Now that spring is with us and summer not far off, the householder and busy housewife are trying to settle the coal baron's bills and getting ready to save up for the summer ice prince's prices. Ice ought to be no luxury in a city like this, where tons upon tons of splendid ice was stored last year. Notwithstanding this fact the rates for ice this coming summer are settled and the prices remain much the same. For 20 pounds daily 60 cents a week will be charged; for 40 pounds daily an even dollar will settle the weekly bill.

Of course, hotels, saloons and others, which use ice in large quantities, are given special rates.

MORTON AND PLATT.

WERE IN CONFERENCE TODAY.

Police Bills Were Not Discussed—Governor Morton Says No Mention Was Made of Charles H. Murray for the Vacant Judgeship—Early Return to New York.

ALBANY, April 6.—Mr. Thomas C. Platt was the guest of Speaker Fish last night. He came down town this morning and went immediately to the executive chamber, where he is now in conference with the Governor. A statement will be issued from the executive chamber shortly. Mr. Platt expects to leave for New York City this afternoon.

Senator Platt just before noon said he should have no statement to make to the press. He had merely had a talk with the Governor, he said. When asked if the police bills were discussed, he answered "No." He said he would not have time to pay his respects to the State officers this time, as he would start for New York at 2:35 P. M.

Among those who dropped into the Executive Chamber to chat with Mr. Platt were Senators O'Connor and Smelser and various Assemblymen. The Lieutenant Governor also saw Mr. Platt.

Governor Morton made the following statement, referring to rumors as to Mr. Platt's visit to Albany: Senator Platt called at the executive mansion on his arrival here from New York and was the only visitor at the mansion except Speaker Fish. Speaker Fish came some time after the Senator arrived and invited him to spend the night at his home. Mr. Platt accepted the invitation. No mention was made by Mr. Platt during the interview of the name of Mr. Charles H. Murray for the judgeship left vacant by the death of Judge Martine, nor was his name mentioned in that connection. Dr. Louis F. Pagn was with the Governor and Mr. Platt in the executive chamber.

FIRE COMPANY ELECTIONS.

Mayle Hose No. 5 and Active Hose No. 6 Make Choice of Officers.

Mayle Hose Company elected the following officers last night: President—Charles Flay. Vice-president—William E. Lynch. Foreman—John H. Paule. Assistant Foreman—John Broth. Secretary—Edward Ackerman. Financial Secretary—Charles Kroll. Treasurer—August Kurth. Delegate to Executive Board—T. W. Mingay. Active Hose No. 6 elected these officers last evening:

Foreman—H. Hoffman. First Assistant Foreman—H. Haegeman. Second Assistant Foreman—J. A. Weber. President—William F. Schullz. Secretary—George J. Weiler. Treasurer—R. W. Dean. Trustees—William F. Schullz, R. W. Dean, F. M. Hallett. Member of Executive Board—George J. Weiler.

Prize for Electrocuting.

ROCHESTER, April 5.—Dr. F. W. Seymour of this city, who had charge of the Lake autopsy yesterday, is an advocate of capital punishment and together with the other two Rochester physicians who attended the execution unit in declaring that electrocution is a most satisfactory method for inflicting death on convicted murderers.

Little Child's Fall to Death.

CORNING, N. Y., April 5.—The 11-month-old child of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Murray was being held in a baby carriage about the house yesterday when the child slipped off the floor, breaking its neck and killing the child instantly.

Deed of Trust For \$58,000,000.

BASKERSFIELD, Cal., April 5.—There has just been recorded in the county recorder's office here a trust deed by the Southern Pacific Company, transferring all its property, including rolling stock, to the Central Trust Company of New York. The consideration is \$58,000,000.

Reward for Train Robbers.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okl., April 5.—The Rock Island Railroad Company has offered a reward of \$1,000 each for the arrest and conviction of the Dover train robbers.