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THEM....THEY ARE FRESH FROM
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The new stock of Embroideries and Insertions in Cambric, Muslin and Nainsook are here ready for your inspection. The patterns this season are unusually good; words fail to convey an idea of their beauty. The better way is for you to come in and see them. Prices range from special **1.00** values at 5c. per yard up to

See the display in window to-night, and better still come in and examine the quality and see the extra fine values we show.

IMPORTANT
NEWS FOR MENCONCERNING THE GREAT MID-
WINTER CLEARANCE SALE

We place on the Bargain Counter TO-DAY

18 Dozen Men's and Boys'
...Gloves...Consisting of Regular
75c. 1.00 and 1.25 LinesLined English Cape
Silk Lined Swede
Lined Kid
Your Choice
48c and 88cUNQUESTIONABLY the greatest of all sales of the kind.
Notwithstanding that this is only the last week in January.C. Austin & Co.
The Leading and Reliable ClothiersCHATHAM'S
BOARD OF TRADE

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Before leaving the chair, however, he asked that James Fleming, of the Walker Produce Company, be heard for a cold storage plant.

Mr. Fleming spoke at considerable length, explaining the scheme fully and showing how it would benefit the city. It is proposed to build a plant worth \$30,000. Mr. Walker asks the city for a loan of \$25,000 without interest, to be paid back by annual payments extending over 20 years, exemption from taxation and free water.

Mr. Landon thought that the township should do something towards bonusing a concern of this kind.

The matter was laid over until another meeting, when more members of the Board are present.

Moved by Morton and Turner, that a committee be appointed to draft a resolution of thanks to Mr. Tarte for his visit to Chatham. Carried.

A vote of thanks was also passed to Thomas Scullard, for his efficient services as secretary during Mr. Landon's absence in the summer.

A number of the members took occasion to express their regret at the approaching departure of G. E. Schofield, Mr. Schofield has been a valuable citizen during the time he has been here and a most energetic member of the Board of Trade.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—F. F. Quinn.
Vice-Pres.—Will Hadley.

Secy-Treas.—W. R. Landon.
Council—Messrs. Campbell, Stevens, J. F. McKeough, Macleachlan, Austin, J. D. Westman, Macleachlan, J. Piggett, G. W. Cowan and J. S. Turner.

A vote of thanks was passed to J. Piggett, the retiring president, for his very valuable services during the time he has been president of the Board. He made a very fitting reply, after which the Board adjourned.

MORPETH.

Richard Bury, who has been in Michigan for several years, is home on a visit to his relations.

John Smith fractured his right arm one day last week while felling a tree.

The remains of Mrs. Thos. Ridley, formerly of Clearville, but more recently of Morpeth, were interred in Trinity Church cemetery on the 23rd inst. Mrs. Ridley was a sister of Mr. Charles Atkinson, of Chatham.

Mr. and Mrs. John Parker returned to Detroit to-day after spending a fortnight with relatives in the village and vicinity.

The remains of the late Wm. Harrison, son of the late Robert Harrison, of the lake shore, were brought here from the west and interred in Smith's cemetery on Wednesday, 21st.

Mrs. John Brown, an old resident of Scotland, is lying very ill at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. (Dr.) Quackenbush, Hinchinbrook, and there are no hopes of her recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Richardson, of Renwick, Iowa, celebrated their golden wedding on the 31st of Dec, 1902. Mr. and Mrs. Richardson were formerly well known residents of this locality.

A very enjoyable oyster supper was given by the A. O. U. W. in their hall on Thursday evening of last week.

Mrs. John Armstrong, near Palmyra, is on a prolonged visit to her son, Mr. Charles Armstrong, Kan-kakee, Ill.

Anniversary service in connection with St. John's church was held on Sunday, 19th inst. Rev. Jno. Downie, of Toronto, formerly of this parish, preached a very impressive sermon. On Monday evening a social was held in the A. O. U. W. hall, when a very enjoyable evening was spent. The special feature of the program was the music on the harp and violin by Mr. and Mrs. Parker, of Detroit.

McGill University, Montreal, protests against the Marconi wireless station being erected on the mountains top, as it would damage the physical laboratories of the college.

The National Review says there can be no doubt as to the truth of its story that the German Emperor, in the presence of an American yacht, made offensive remarks regarding the King.

The smallpox outbreak in the vicinity of Drumbo consisted of three cases, but it is now considered by the local authorities to be under control. There is a new case in Bayham Township, in Elgin County.

It is understood that Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann have secured control of the Nova Scotia Central Railway, a line 74 miles in extent, which runs from Middleton to Lunenburg, N.S. The road has a charter for an extension to the Bay of Fundy.

SILICATE BRICK
Public notice is given that I have acquired the exclusive right to manufacture and sell, within the Province of Ontario, Silicate Brick, made out of sand lime and other materials, mixed and pressed under the invention and process of O. Hugo Anderson, for which Letters Patent for Canada were granted on 10th December, 1901, under No. 74067. Companies have been formed at Montreal, Sydney and Ottawa, to operate under this Patent. The works at Sydney and Montreal will be turning out brick in February, and at Ottawa in April next.

I am prepared to sell rights under the above Patent in Ontario and solicit correspondence.

Any person infringing these Patents Rights will be prosecuted. Address D. O'CONNOR, K. C., 25 Sparks St., Ottawa.

Men who feel they are not appreciated always place the cause to the jealousy of others.

TRUE.
"I hear that he married an actress."
"All men do."

VERY HOPEFUL
He's a hopeful soul.
"Yes, indeed! He was just saying to-day that he'd done more hoping and less realizing than any one he knew."

Minard's Liniment for Rheumatism.

TO RUIN A BUSINESS.
Painters in Schenectady Threaten a Boycott.

Schenectady, N.Y., Jan. 31.—Painters' Local Union, No. 62, has served notice of its boycott against the firm of Shafer & Barry, employers of Militiamen Potter, accompanied with the intimation that unless the firm relents and discharges Potter, every effort will be made to ruin its business. Contracts upon which the firm has bid will be transferred to other contractors, as allied trades unionists are not permitted to work on jobs that are handled in part by firms under the trades assembly ban. The boycott, according to the business agent in charge, will be prosecuted rigidly.

Favor Sunday Saloons.
New York, Jan. 30.—The Grand Jury for January, which was discharged to-day, filed a presentment endorsing the measure now before the State Legislature, to allow saloons to be open on Sunday, from 1 o'clock in the afternoon to 11 o'clock at night.

SULTAN PREFERS WAR.
Rumored Action by Austria and Russia.

London, Jan. 31.—The publication of a French yellow book, detailing the efforts made by France and Russia during the past year to induce Turkey to institute reforms in Macedonia, which resulted in the tour through the Balkans of Count Lamsdorff, and in the Austro-Russian agreement regarding press reforms in Turkey, is held to point to the fact that an acute phase of the Balkan question has arisen. The rumors that Austria is preparing a squadron at her naval port of Pola, the passage of the Russian torpedo-boats through the Dardanelles into the Black Sea, and other incidents, are being recalled, while the official denials of mobilization rumors issued by the Austrian Government are received with skepticism. There have been lately several reports of hasty purchases of war material by Roumania, the Balkan States and Turkey.

Reports are current in Odessa that Austria and Russia have agreed upon a joint naval coercion of Turkey in the coming spring to enforce the restoration of Macedonia. According to Prof. Hambury, who is supposed to be well informed as to the views entertained at Yildiz Kiosk, the Sultan, believing that the intention is to wrest Macedonia from the Turkish Empire, would prefer the risks of war to acquiescing in these European demands.

The drift of European comment is that, although there is no immediate danger, the situation is causing diplomatists the keenest anxiety.

Constantinople, Jan. 30.—A detachment of Turkish troops has defeated a strong band of Macedonians near Lake Ochrida, Albania.

The Russian Embassy is actively occupied with preparing for presentation to the Porte the Austro-Russian scheme for the improvement of Macedonia.

Odessa, Jan. 31.—Event in Macedonia are being keenly watched by the Russian military authorities. Orders have been given to the commissariat to be prepared for eventualities.

LIBEL CHARGE

It is Apparently Hanging Over the Heads of Several Scores of Citizens—Startling Discovery.

Cupid Martin, a colored man, has been circulating a petition to the effect that (through fraud and fraudulent transactions the trustees of the Wilberforce Institute had beaten him out of his land. Martin was quite successful in securing signatures to his petition and when he reached O. L. Lewis' office he had nearly a hundred signatures, including a number of the leading business men.

After reading over the petition Mr. Lewis refused to sign it. He says that everyone whose signature is upon the petition is personally liable for criminal libel.

Houston, Stone & Scane, solicitors for the Wilberforce Institute, have received instructions to look into the matter, and it is probable that they will take action against those who have signed the petition.

HAS RESIGNED.
W. E. C. Workmen, who for the past year has presided at the organ in the First Presbyterian Church, has tendered his resignation, which, it is understood, is to take effect a week from to-morrow. Mr. Workmen has large music classes in Ridgetown and is establishing a studio over Snell's Fair in this city.

A LAST LETTER
In reply to The Planet representative Matthew Wilson, K. C., said:

"Yes, I know Judge McDougall and mourn his loss as that of one of my warmest personal friends; the soul of honor and of great ability. There lies a letter marked 'personal' with post mark of 28th inst. at St. Catharines—the last letter he wrote—and there is the telegram to me from Toronto on the morning of 29th that the good Judge is gone. I find both together as I enter my office, but as yet lack the courage to open the letter. All Canada mourns his loss."

FINE LECTURE
Gilbert Smith lectured last evening at the C. C. L., taking as his subject, "A trip through the prehistoric world." This was the third number in the C. C. L. star course. Mr. Smith's lecture was illustrated by 100 splendid limelight views. He stated that America was the oldest continent in the world and this fact was of great interest to Kent County as oil belonged to the earliest formations, and this product of the earth was now making millionaires in Chatham, at least in prospect. Authorities differed as to the origin of oil. Some claimed that it resulted from deposits of decayed remains of animals, others that the oil came from vegetable deposits, but all authorities agreed that the petroleum was of organic origin. The Mastodon lived before the ice age. One of these prehistoric monsters was found in Kent County. It was interesting to note the evolutions of animals. The frog traced its ancestors back to an animal some feet in length. The horse needn't be proud, as it was descended from a little animal like a fox.

Miss Lucy McKellar gave a very pleasing solo and, being encored, responded with "Within a mile of Edinboro' town."

Miss Ada Ross sang in exquisite voice a Ducky Lullaby. W. H. Brackin was the accompanist.

THE SPIRIT OF WINTER.
The Spirit of Winter is with us, making its presence known in many different ways—sometimes by cheery sunshine and glistening snows, and sometimes by driving winds and blinding storms. To many people it seems to take a delight in making bad things worse, for rheumatism twists harder, twinges sharper, catarrh becomes more annoying, and the many symptoms of scrofula are developed and aggravated. There is not much poetry in this, but there is truth, and it is a wonder that more people don't get rid of these ailments. The medicine that cures them—Hood's Sarsaparilla—is easily obtained and there is abundant proof that its cures are radical and permanent.

Angry Mother—Now, Bobby, don't let me speak to you again!

Bobby, helplessly.—How can I prevent you, mamma?

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PROBABILITIES.
Special to The Planet.

Toronto, Jan. 31.—10 a. m.—Fair and cold to-day. Sunday, local snow falls.

The following figures were registered to-day at seven a. m. at Turner's weather bureau:

Thermometer 20.
Highest yesterday 24.
Lowest yesterday 18.
Direction of wind, west.

Local Briefs

Beat Richards' Bread.
Miss Complin, of London, is visiting her cousins, the Misses Ball, Victoria Ave.

Matthew Wilson, K. C., and N. H. Stevens, Jan. 31.—London on Monday attend a meeting of the directors of the Northern Life Insurance Co.

Little Chellis B. Sheldrick, the husband of the young agent of the Philadelphia Saturday Post, who has been laid up with sickness for the past week, is now able to be about again.

A. R. Crow has received 17 cars of hard coal since the 16th of the month. Mr. Crow has not raised his price and is selling coal at \$7.50 a ton against \$8.50 being charged by the other dealers.

Matthew Wilson, K. C., has returned from Toronto, where he argued in appeal Scott vs. Buck, and reduced the amount of the mortgage in question by several hundred dollars.

Alexander Black, of Atlin, is visiting his niece, Mrs. G. N. Conbar, St. Clair street, this city. Mr. Black has been in British Columbia mining for the past 31 years. He will return to Atlin about the 1st of March.

The regular meeting of Wellington Lodge, No. 46, A. F. & A. M. G. R. C. will be held in Masonic Hall, Fifth St., next Monday evening. The program for the evening will consist of general business, ballot and conferring degrees. Visiting brethren cordially invited to attend.

The directors of the Chatham Binder Twine Company met in the company's office yesterday to consider the present situation of the company. Reports which were received showed that the preference stock is selling gradually. There is still, however, a lot to be sold.

When a woman feels she has been slighted it is better not to contradict her.

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