

## PERE MARQUETTE

Leaves Chatham for—  
 South and P. M. West, 8.25 a. m.  
 M. C. R. West, 9.00 a. m.  
 South and P. M. West, 4.10, and  
 to London.  
 South and P. M. East, 6.15.  
 Arrive at Chatham from—  
 East, 9.40 a. m.  
 West, 10.30 a. m.  
 East, 6.30 p. m.  
 Walkerville, 7.35 p. m.  
 From the North—  
 Arrive from Sarnia 9.00 a. m.; 6.15  
 p. m.  
 For Sarnia, 9.40 a. m.; 6.30 p. m.

## CANADIAN PACIFIC.

WEST.  
 No. 3—Daily 12.35 a. m. for Detroit, Chicago  
 St. Louis and all points West and South.  
 No. 5—Daily 1.15 p. m. for Detroit, Chicago, St.  
 Louis and all points West and South.  
 EAST.  
 No. 4—Daily 2.55 a. m. for London, Woodstock,  
 Galt, Toronto, Montreal and all points North  
 East and West.  
 No. 6—Daily 4.15 p. m. for London, Woodstock,  
 Galt, Toronto, Montreal and all points North  
 East and West.  
 No. 10—(Daily except Sunday) 6.45 a. m. for  
 London, Woodstock, Galt, Toronto and all point  
 North and East.

## GRAND TRUNK

EAST BOUND—  
 Mail train, 8.37 a. m., daily except  
 Sunday.  
 Mixed, 12.40 p. m., daily except Sun-  
 day.  
 Express, 2 p. m., daily.  
 International Limited, 5.18 p. m.  
 daily.  
 Express, 9 p. m., daily except Sun-  
 day.  
 WEST BOUND—  
 Acad., 8.30 a. m., daily except Sun-  
 day.  
 Express, 12.53 p. m., daily.  
 Mail, 4.18 p. m., daily except Sun-  
 day.  
 International Limited, 9.24 p. m.,  
 daily.  
 Mixed, 2.30 p. m.

## THE WABASH SYSTEM

Wabash trains leave Chatham:  
 WEST BOUND.  
 No. 1—7.12 a. m. for Detroit, Chi-  
 cago and St. Louis.  
 No. 3—1.04 p. m., solid train for St.  
 Louis.  
 No. 13—1.20 p. m., for Detroit and  
 Chicago.  
 No. 5—9.38 p. m., solid train for  
 Detroit and Chicago.  
 No. 9—1.10 a. m., fast mail for St.  
 Louis and Kansas City.  
 EAST BOUND.  
 No. 2—1.05 p. m., for St. Thomas,  
 Tilsonburg, Simcoe, Buffalo, New  
 York and Boston.  
 No. 4—11.57 p. m., fast train for St.  
 Thomas, Buffalo, New York and Bos-  
 ton.  
 No. 6—2.02 a. m., for St. Thomas,  
 Niagara Falls and Buffalo.  
 No. 8—3.07 p. m., fast mail for St.  
 Thomas, Buffalo and New York.

## WABASH

SPECIAL LOW RATE  
ONE WAY  
COLONIST TICKETS

ON SALE DAILY

September 1st to October 31st

From all Wabash Stations to  
 California, Oregon, Idaho, Montana,  
 Washington, British Columbia,  
 Utah, Mexico and other Pacific  
 Coast Points.

Tickets good going via all direct  
 routes, and should lead over the  
 Wabash, the short and true route  
 to all Western Points.

For full particulars see Wabash  
 Agents, or J. A. Richardson, District  
 Passenger Agent, Toronto and St.  
 Thomas.

W. E. RISPIN, City Pass. Ag't. J. C.  
 PRICHARD, Depot Agent.

## GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM

## HUNTERS' EXCURSIONS, SINGLE FARE

Now in effect to points in Temagami,  
 Mattawa to Port Arthur, and all points  
 on Georgian Bay via N. N. Co., and to  
 certain points in Quebec, New  
 Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Nfld.

OCT. 24TH TO NOV. 5TH

Tickets will be sold at single fare  
 for round trip to the following ter-  
 minals:

Muskoka Lakes Penetang  
 Lake of Bays Midland  
 Macnetawan River Lakefield

Madawaska to Depot Harbor; Ar-  
 gyle to Coboonk; Lindsay to Hall-  
 buryton; Sharbot Lake via Kingston  
 Jet and Kingston and Pembroke Bay.  
 All points Severn to North Bay in-  
 clusive, St. Ste. Marie via Nor.  
 Nav. Co.

All tickets good until Dec. 7th or  
 until close of navigation, if earlier,  
 to points reached by steamer lines.

Full information and tickets may be  
 obtained from: J. J. City Agent,  
 115 King Street; Mr. J. D. Pritchard,  
 Depot Agent, or write J. D.  
 McDonald, D. P. A., Union Station,  
 Toronto, Ont.

## BAXTER DISTRICT

Has just received  
 THE LARGEST SHIPMENT  
 of  
**BULBS**  
 which has ever come into  
 WESTERN ONTARIO  
 and there are more to follow

CHAS. W. BAXTER,  
 Phone 370 Adelaide Street

How often people wish they knew  
 how to tell which which should  
 be made known.

## HARMLESS SNAKES.

They Are Valuable as Aids to the  
 Agriculturist.

It is not generally known that the  
 preservation of harmless snakes is as  
 important as the destruction of the  
 hosts of pests met with in farming and  
 in market gardening.

The national records contain his-  
 tories of the total or partial extirpation  
 of many animals which are useful  
 or beautiful or both.

Yet there are few animals more use-  
 ful in one way than snakes. If human-  
 ity alone prevented the killing of harm-  
 less snakes, how can we justify it  
 when they are proved to be useful  
 to us? Consider the economic relation  
 of a snake to an ear of corn or a row  
 of potatoes. Snakes live almost en-  
 tirely upon creatures which are de-  
 structive to growing things—that is,  
 they eat literally millions of insects,  
 small mammals and worms. Especial-  
 ly are potato bugs, worms, flies, bee-  
 tles, maggots, ants, grubs, grasshoppers,  
 locusts and the larvae of these the  
 food of most of our snakes.

Of considerably over eighty differ-  
 ent kinds of snakes found throughout  
 the United States and exclusive of the  
 rattlesnakes and moccasins there are  
 but two which can be termed danger-  
 ous. We exclude the rattlesnakes and  
 the moccasins because all are large,  
 easily recognized forms, which cannot  
 be confused with harmless kinds. Liv-  
 ing in water, the moccasins are not of  
 ten troublesome to farming regions and  
 are confined to the south from North  
 Carolina around the Gulf coast and  
 the Florida peninsula and along the  
 southern Mississippi, living in swamps.  
 The two really poisonous snakes  
 which might be mistaken for harm-  
 less ones are the copperhead and the  
 coral snake.

Of the two the copperhead only  
 needs our attention. This truly poi-  
 sonous snake is slender and has few  
 features to distinguish it from harm-  
 less milk snakes. It is found usually  
 in rocky hills or stone piles, old cellars  
 being a favorite spot. But it should  
 not be greatly feared, for unless at-  
 tacked or stepped on it will not bite,  
 and it is seldom found where there is  
 cultivation of the ground in progress.

The Ruling Passion.  
 A celebrated musical critic was mar-  
 ried in church some years ago, and  
 after the ceremony, as the wedding  
 procession marched down the aisle, the  
 organist played the wedding march  
 from "Lohengrin." When near the  
 door, the bridegroom stopped in the  
 march and addressed the wondering  
 assembly thus:

"I know I am committing a breach  
 of etiquette as well as propriety in  
 doing this, but I am not to blame. It  
 is my mental organization which has  
 become ineffably sensitive by reason  
 of the critical nature of my duties."

Then he drew from the pocket of his  
 dress coat a well thumbed copy of the  
 score of "Lohengrin." Opening it at  
 the march, he went over to the organist  
 and said:

"What offended my ear was the fact  
 that in the seventeenth bar of the de-  
 capo passage you flatted my badly,  
 and in the andante movement you  
 shurred the appoggiatura. Now," put-  
 ting his finger upon the passage, "let  
 us try that again."

Once more the organ pealed forth,  
 and this time the player, conscious  
 that the great critic was listening to  
 him, accomplished his duty with credit  
 to himself and to the great satisfac-  
 tion of the critic—London Standard.

The Sick Chinaman.  
 Perhaps nowhere in the world is  
 family affection stronger than among  
 the Chinese, yet their method of deal-  
 ing with the sick is pitiable to the  
 more enlightened world. When a fa-  
 vorite son falls ill his life depends  
 largely upon a package of joss sticks.  
 The grieving father seeks a joss house,  
 procures a handful of these sticks, and  
 taking them home, lights them. He  
 shakes them gently. Soon one falls.  
 Is it lighted? Eagerly the father  
 watches it. Will it burn to the end  
 or go out? If it is entirely consumed  
 the son will survive; if it goes out he  
 will die. It goes out!

The Chinaman reasons thus: His son  
 was chased by a devil and when the  
 devil touched him he became ill. The  
 devil, demonstrated by means of the  
 joss sticks that his son must die. Had  
 the joss sticks burned to the end it  
 would have signified the future recov-  
 ery of the patient. Joss men would  
 have been called in, a most fearful  
 din would have followed, and the de-  
 vil and all his lower limbs would have  
 been driven away.

The man who feels that the world  
 owes him a living generally lets  
 some other fellow to go and collect  
 it.

## CANADIAN PACIFIC

Change in Time  
Oct. 13th

On Sunday next the follow-  
 ing changes in time of leav-  
 ing Chatham will go into  
 effect—

No. 10

Now leaves at 8.45 a. m., will  
 leave at 7 a. m.

All other trains remain  
 the same.

E. Fremlin, O.P.A., Chatham,  
 cor. King and Fifth Streets;  
 G. B. Foster, D.P.A., Toronto.

## DISTRICT

## BLENHEIM

Blenheim, Oct. 10.—A very inter-  
 esting and happy event took place  
 yesterday, October 9, at the resi-  
 dence of Mayor C. D. Rowe, Harwich,  
 when two of his daughters, the  
 Misses Carrie and Margaret, were  
 united in marriage to two brothers,  
 the Messrs. John and Robert For-  
 syth, of Eberts (Miss Carrie being  
 married to Robert and Miss Mar-  
 garet to John). The wedding was  
 quite private, there being present  
 only the immediate families of the  
 contracting parties. The brides, who  
 were dressed alike, looked charming.  
 After the ceremony, which was per-  
 formed by the Rev. Geo. McQuillan,  
 the late rector of Trinity church,  
 Blenheim, all present adjourned to  
 the dining room, where a sumptuous  
 repast was partaken of. Later in  
 the evening the double wedding party  
 left for their new homes at Eberts  
 amid the congratulations and good  
 wishes of their friends and rela-  
 tives.

The Blenheim band is supplying  
 the music at the Fair in Blenheim  
 to-day.  
 Miss Lida Ridley, of Ridgetown,  
 is visiting friends in Blenheim at  
 present.

Mr. Hugh Spakman, of Exeter, is  
 the guest of his brother, Mr. Ed.  
 Spakman, Blenheim.

Miss L. Robinson, of Ottawa, is  
 the guest of her uncle and aunt,  
 Major and Mrs. E. D. Rowe, Har-  
 wich.

A sudden though short electrical  
 storm passed over Blenheim last  
 night. The lightning was extremely  
 sharp while it lasted.

A full house is expected at the  
 Opera House to-night to witness the  
 comedy drama, "The Turn of the  
 Tide," which is to be presented by  
 the Blenheim Dramatic Club.

Dr. W. B. Gerow, of Cleveland,  
 formerly a well known and respec-  
 ted resident of Blenheim, was mar-  
 ried recently to Miss Jennie Maude  
 Atwater, of Cleveland. His many  
 friends in Blenheim join in wishing  
 him well.

The evangelistic campaign to be  
 held in the Baptist, Methodist and  
 Presbyterian churches in Blenheim  
 during the present month by the  
 Rev. Walter Russell, B. A., of North  
 Dakota, will commence next Sunday,  
 October 13.

Wm. Murray, who is in the em-  
 ploy of Mr. W. D. Samson, while  
 putting up, roughing yesterday on  
 a building in town, had the misfor-  
 tune to fall, and his hip is badly  
 injured. Medical aid was secured as  
 soon as possible, but he will be laid  
 up for some time to come. The lad-  
 der on which he was standing slipped,  
 thereby causing the accident.

## EAST BRANCH.

The farmers are rather disappoint-  
 ed in their potato crop. The yield  
 is far below expectations.

Seeding is over with and the farm-  
 ers are engaged corn cutting and  
 apple picking.

D. Shaw will have a sale on Thurs-  
 day.

Mr. Waters, of Tupperville, has  
 rented the Shaw homestead and will  
 move in this month.

The rain on Friday prevented a  
 number from taking in Wallaceburg  
 Fair.

A great many from here attended  
 the Epworth League convention in  
 Wallaceburg last week.

Rev. Dr. Stanley Shaw's many  
 friends on the Branch are pleased  
 to learn of his success, and hope  
 his career in the future may be  
 crowned with success.

Some from here attended the  
 chicken social at Calvin recently and  
 report a good time.

Friends from Hamilton enjoyed a  
 pleasant visit with Mr. and Mrs. J.  
 N. McCoy recently.

John Richardson and wife took in  
 Wilkesport Fair.

The McCrory brothers purchased  
 a new McCormick corn binder from  
 J. Skinner, Wallaceburg.

Theodore Seward attended Wilkes-  
 port Fair.

Mr. Smith, of Toronto, is packing  
 a large amount of apples through  
 this part for shipment to the West.

Those who have sugar beets are  
 commencing to harvest their crop.

We are pleased to note from an  
 item in The Chatham Planet that  
 Kent County has a better yield of  
 harvest and fruit this season than  
 any other county in Ontario.

John McIntyre, of Sombra, has en-  
 gaged with Murray McCrory for the  
 fall months.

A large number from here attend-  
 ed the funeral of the late George  
 Frye in Wallaceburg on Wednesday.  
 George was one of our old East  
 Branch boys, having spent his school  
 and boyhood days in our midst.

Miss Hattie Lynch, of Dresden, was  
 the guest of her sister, Mrs. Fred.  
 Teeter, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Irvin, of Chat-  
 ham Township, were guests of Mr.  
 and Mrs. Hugh Allen on Friday  
 evening.

Rev. Mr. Armstrong, of Charing  
 Cross, called on friends here while  
 attending the E. L. convention in  
 Wallaceburg last week.

Little Vera Cofel, daughter of Mr.  
 and Mrs. Harry Cofel, had the mis-  
 fortune to have her nose broken  
 while at play during noon hour in  
 the absence of the teacher.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Kellet were the  
 guests of her sister, Miss Hattie Mc-  
 Crory, on Sunday.

The promises made under the in-  
 fluence of enthusiasm are forgotten  
 almost without an effort to fulfill  
 them.

Some people never seem to enjoy  
 themselves unless they are keeping  
 other people from doing the same  
 thing.

## A SHORT HISTORY

A Serious Case of Chronic Catarrh  
 Gradually Overcome By Peruna.

## A REMARKABLE CASE.



MR. ARTHUR TREMBLAY, 8 St.  
 James street, Mont Pleasant, Que.,  
 Can., writes:

"About three years ago, catarrh in  
 its most serious form assailed me.

"I consulted a specialist who pre-  
 scribed medicines as constitutional  
 treatment and a liquid to use locally.

"This gave me relief for a time, but  
 soon afterwards the disease returned.

"I was then suffering very much, my  
 appetite had left me and I was growing  
 weaker.

"I had frequently read pamphlets re-  
 garding the cures made by Peruna,  
 and although somewhat dubious as to  
 its doing me any good, I decided to try  
 a few bottles.

"I had not taken Peruna for more than  
 two weeks before a marked improve-  
 ment was perceptible.

"As I continued taking the remedy,  
 the disease gradually disappeared and  
 in a few months I was entirely rid of  
 the nauseous malady."

From Port Arthur.

Port Arthur, Oct. 10.—The first ship-  
 ment of pig iron to the east from Port  
 Arthur was made yesterday. The  
 steamer Edmonston was chartered and  
 she went to the Atikokan Iron Co.'s  
 dock to load the cargo of pig iron for  
 Toronto.

J. J. O'Connor, who chartered the  
 boat, points out that this is the be-  
 ginning of a new business in Canada.  
 In fact, it is so new that there is not  
 an eastern tariff for the carrying of  
 pig iron fixed by any steamboat  
 company.

Mr. O'Connor stated that from this  
 on there would be an almost contin-  
 uous trade between Toronto and other  
 manufacturing points in the east and  
 the local furnace.

Arm Chopped Off.

Smith's Falls, Oct. 10.—O. H.  
 Charles Smith, a Kelley Township  
 farmer, met with a terrible acci-  
 dent yesterday afternoon while operat-  
 ing a corn-cutter on a farm a couple of miles  
 from town. He was feeding the cut-  
 ter and his left arm was drawn into  
 it, and chopped off just below the  
 elbow. The hand and part of the arm  
 dropped into the machine.

Words of Praise

For the several ingredients of which Dr.  
 Pierce's medicines are composed, as given  
 by leaders in all the several schools of  
 medicine, should have far more weight  
 than any amount of non-professional tes-  
 timony. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription  
 has this badge of honor on every  
 bottle-wrapper, in a full list of all its in-  
 gredients printed in plain English.

If you are an invalid woman and suffer  
 from frequent headache, backache, gnaw-  
 ing distress in stomach, periodical pains  
 disagreeable, catarrhal, pelvic drain,  
 dragging down distress in lower abdomen  
 or pelvic, perhaps dark spots or specks  
 dancing before the eyes, faint spells and  
 kindred symptoms caused by female weak-  
 ness, or derangement of the feminine  
 organs, you can do no better than take  
 Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription.

The hospital, surgeon's knife and operat-  
 ing table may be avoided by the timely  
 use of "Favorite Prescription" in such  
 cases. Thereby the obnoxious examina-  
 tion and treatment of the family  
 physician can be avoided and a thorough  
 course of successful treatment carried out  
 in the privacy of the home. "Favorite  
 Prescription" is composed of the very best  
 native medicinal roots known to medical  
 science for the cure of woman's peculiar  
 ailments, contains no alcohol and no  
 harmful or habit-forming drugs.

Do not expect too much from "Favorite  
 Prescription." It will not perform mira-  
 cles; it will not dissolve or cure tumors.  
 No medicine will. It will do as much to  
 establish vigorous health in most weak-  
 nesses and ailments peculiarly incident to  
 women as any medicine can. It must be  
 given a fair chance by perseverance in its  
 use for a reasonable length of time.

You can't afford to accept a secret pro-  
 posal as a substitute for this remedy of  
 known composition.

Sick women are invited to consult Dr.  
 Pierce by letter, free. All correspond-  
 ence is guarded as sacredly secret and  
 womanly confidences are protected by  
 professional privacy. Address Dr. E. V.  
 Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets the best  
 laxative and regulator of the bowels.  
 They invigorate stomach, liver and  
 bowels. One a laxative; two or three a  
 cathartic. Easy to take as candy.

\$70,000 Fire in Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, Man., Oct. 10.—At seven  
 o'clock yesterday morning the four-  
 story building of the Winnipeg Paint  
 and Glass Co., manufacturers and  
 jobbers, was destroyed, being a total  
 loss. The building was valued at  
 \$70,000, and the stock at \$100,000, fully  
 insured.

Furriers' Strike Over.

New York, Oct. 10.—The strike of  
 the furriers ended on Tuesday, when  
 5,000 men returned to work. The men  
 wanted closed shop conditions. About  
 1,000 of the men gained their point.

## DISASTERS IN CANADA.

List of Calamities in Recent Years Is  
 Long and Terrible.

When the Quebec bridge disaster  
 was followed closely by the calamitous  
 railway wreck at the Horseshoe  
 curve on the C. P. R. near Caledon  
 Mountain, a remark commonly heard  
 on the street was: "I wonder what  
 the third tragedy will be." Many had  
 for the moment actually forgotten the  
 collapse of the store building in London,  
 a tragic occurrence ranking as a  
 great disaster, which had shocked the  
 whole country less than two months  
 before. This seems to bear out the  
 following comment from The Toronto  
 Mail and Empire, in a special article  
 on the subject:

It seems reasonable to assume at  
 this date, that none of these terrible  
 accidents fall into the category of un-  
 avoidable events. Human carelessness  
 or human carelessness was responsible  
 for some links in the chain of  
 destruction; and hence we are very  
 properly warned against the spirit of  
 the times to sacrifice everything to  
 speed, a word which in this con-  
 nection, something more than a rhyme  
 for greed.

Some Earlier Disasters.

Nevertheless, it is within the power  
 of thousands of citizens to recollect  
 earlier disasters, not less calamitous  
 than those of the present summer, and  
 everyone whose memory carries him  
 back so far will testify to the fact  
 that a calamity which a generation  
 ago would have convulsed the country  
 now provokes but perfunctory inter-  
 est. We are becoming blasé, and are  
 able to bear with great composure  
 news of catastrophes that do not per-  
 sonally concern us. In a month from  
 now, many of us will be unable to re-  
 member whether it was the bridge  
 over the Tay or over the St. Lawrence  
 that suddenly crashed to anni-  
 hilation. Other horrors, here or else-  
 where, will have crowded the inci-  
 dent aside, to be displaced in their  
 turn.

Desjardins Canal Tragedy.

For many years the horror of the  
 Desjardins Canal tragedy of 1884 in-  
 gered in the public mind, and this  
 calamity still ranks with the most  
 terrible of Canadian railroad disas-  
 ters. Seventy lives were lost by a  
 train from Toronto to Hamilton plung-  
 ing through an open drawbridge.  
 Eight years later ninety people were  
 killed at Beccol, Quebec, where the  
 bridge had been drawn aside for the  
 passage of some boats, just at the  
 moment a train dashed up to the  
 gap. In 1865, as recalled by The  
 Montreal Gazette, the boiler of a ferry-  
 boat plying between Montreal and  
 Longueuil exploded, killing thirty-five  
 persons and injuring many more.

Another heartrending tragedy was  
 the destruction of the steamboat  
 Montreal.

In 1888 occurred the Cornwall  
 bridge disaster, which had some fea-  
 tures in common with the Quebec  
 tragedy, although the loss of life was  
 not so great.

An accident for which it would be  
 more difficult to hold human negli-  
 gence responsible than in the cases  
 mentioned was the breaking away of  
 a large portion of the Citadel rock  
 at Quebec, some eighteen years ago.  
 September rains had loosened the  
 earth about the mass of rock, and  
 without a moment's warning it broke  
 away, and rolled down the declivity,  
 overwhelming the houses in its path,  
 and crushing to death forty persons.

The Mimico train disaster was much  
 nearer home, and made an indelible  
 mark on the minds of the thou-  
 sands of Toronto people who remem-  
 bered it.

Montreal School Horror.

There was also the terrible Queen's  
 Birthday disaster of an excursion  
 steamer at London a few years ago.  
 The Hochelaga school horror touched  
 the hearts of thousands grown accus-  
 tomed to the daily chronicle of bat-  
 tle, murder and sudden death which  
 it is the province of the newspaper  
 to report.

All these disasters have occurred  
 in the past half century, and they  
 form a truly awful record of de-  
 struction and suffering. Calamities of  
 still greater scope could be included  
 by going back still further in our his-  
 tory. There were the New Brunswick  
 fire of 1825, the Quebec fires of 1845  
 and 1846, the Montreal fires of 1765,  
 and 1803, 1862 and 1876; the St. John  
 fire of the following year. There was  
 when 35