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### Walnut Maple Cream

The kind you buy at Richard's  
is delicious. If you have not  
had any of it, you should try  
it. Come in and sample it.

W. S. Richards, Kent  
Bakery

G. W. Cornell

..... Dentist

30 8th and King Sts.

Over Geo. E. Young's Grocery.

## LOCAL BRIEFS

Capt. Vick Robinson is laid up with  
an attack of lumbago.

Printer with two years' experience is  
wanted at The Planet office.

The Planet staff is indebted to C. E.  
Lester for a can of delicious butter milk.

The Victoria Avenue Epworth  
League will elect their officers to-  
night.

Ex-Ald. John Piggott was in Detroit yes-  
terday and reports the river as having risen  
six inches yesterday afternoon.

Wm. Baby, who is leaving the city, has  
instructed Andrew Thomson to sell all his  
household effects on May 7th. See adv.

The results of the spring examina-  
tions at McKenough school will be  
published in to-morrow's issue of The  
Planet.

Graham Smith and Frank Hayes  
collided while wheeling across the  
Aberdeen bridge at noon to-day,  
the latter being badly cut on the face.

Collector C. Dunlop reports that the  
Inland Revenue collections for the  
past month were \$2,073.36. In April,  
1900, they were \$1,651.82, showing an  
increase of \$421.54.

Ground has been broken for the  
new binder twine factory. The plans  
of T. J. Rutley have been accepted  
and the erection of the buildings will  
be at once proceeded with.

Col. and Mrs. Montie and son left for  
Spokane, Wash., yesterday, and they will  
not return until July 1st. During Col. Mon-  
tie's absence the will spend part of his  
time in his old home at Lewiston, Idaho,  
and will make an inspection of the mining  
property he is interested in with a number  
of local gentlemen. Mr. William Gordon,  
dry goods merchant, will perform the  
duties of American consul during his  
absence.

### A NEW OFFICE.

John H. Oldershaw, lately of the  
firm of J. & J. Oldershaw, has opened  
up an office on Wellington street,  
three doors west of Harrison Hall,  
with a full line of lime, cement, plaster,  
hair, cut stone, sewer pipe, etc.  
Mr. Oldershaw has been a resident of  
Chatham for over fifty years, having  
been born and brought up here, and  
has for several years been successful  
in business here, and would be pleased  
to have any of his old customers  
and any new ones call and see him in  
his new stand.

### DUNN & BRISCO

House to Rent, centrally located,  
double parlor, bath, gas for cooking  
and lighting. Rent reasonable.

### .. For Sale ..

House and lot, parlor, dining room,  
kitchen, pantry, three bedrooms,  
bathroom, cellar, summer kitchen,  
water works, sink, fruit trees. Lot 52  
feet by 210 feet.

Fire Insurance Money to Loan Life Insurance

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## Your Eyes

Have probably been troubling you for years perhaps, but you have  
put off having them attended to. If this be the case, you are run-  
ning a great risk. Your vision is the best sense you have. If you  
have eye troubles do not neglect them, call and have them  
thoroughly examined and if glasses are required get them without  
delay. We test eyes free and supply glasses only when absolutely  
necessary.

A. I. McCall & Co., Opticians  
and Druggists

## MORE BUILDING AT BOND EAU

The Popular Summer Resort Pro-  
mises to Have a Busy Holiday  
Season.

Additions to the number of summer  
cottages at the Eau are already being made.  
Mr. Laird, of Blenheim, is putting up a  
cottage near Shamrock Castle, the summer  
residence of Principal James Brackin, of  
McKeough school.

Miss Ryan purchased a house in Chatham  
and it was to-day moved in sections to the  
Eau, where it will be put on Miss Ryan's  
lot at the west end of the Eau.

The minds and hearts of Maple City re-  
creation seekers have already begun to  
turn Eauwards and the days will soon come  
when the busy suburban residents will be  
seen cleaning up their cottages and prepar-  
ing for a pleasant season at Chatham's  
popular summer resort, Eriean.

## MARQUIS ITO HAS RESIGNED

Opposition to Taxation Proposals so  
Great That the Ministers Were Un-  
able to Cope With it.

London, Friday, May 3. — A de-  
spatch to the Daily Express from Tur-  
kio says that the Cabinet of Marquis  
Ito has resigned, the Ministers being  
unable to cope with the opposition to  
the new taxation proposals of the  
Government.

All the other members of the Cab-  
inet likewise tendered their resigna-  
tion, with the exception of the Minis-  
ter of War, Baron Kodala. It is as-  
serted that Marquis Ito advised Em-  
peror Mutsuhito to entrust the task  
of forming a new Cabinet to Marquis  
Yamagata, whose Government resigned  
last October; but it is doubtful  
whether Marquis Yamagata will ac-  
cept the responsibility. The proba-  
bility is that Marquis Ito will re-  
constitute the Cabinet, excluding  
Viscount Vatanabe.

## EDITOR GUILTY OF CONTEMPT

Court of King's Bench. Though  
Will Not Punish Patrick  
McHugh.

Dublin, May 3. — Dunbar P. Barton, M.  
P., Attorney-General for Ireland, pre-  
sented in King's Bench Court this morning his  
case against the editor of the Freeman's  
Journal for having published articles con-  
demnatory of the prosecution of Patrick  
Aloysius McHugh, member of Parliament  
for North Leitrim and editor of the Sligo  
Champion.

Mr. McHugh protested in his paper  
against what he termed the "packing of  
juries in Sligo by the Government," and  
accused the Government of having excluded  
all Roman Catholics from the jury appointed  
to try Roman Catholic prisoners. For  
this offence Mr. McHugh is at present  
undergoing six months' imprisonment.

The Court of King's Bench held the con-  
tempt had been committed, but refused to  
imprison or fine the editor.

### CUSTOMS RETURNS.

The total outputs from this city for the  
month of April amounted to \$5,702.74,  
made up as follows:—

Chatham	\$4,704.52
Rondeau	14.18
Blenheim	494.71
Ridgetown	488.12
Romey	2.21
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,702.74</b>

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the design you sent. It was beauti-  
ful and appropriate." The Victoria  
Ave. Greenhouses receive such words  
of commendation every day. Tele-  
phone No. 181.

## DEATH FROM A BATTLESNAKE

Old Indian Remedy did not Save Am-  
herstburg Woman's Life.

Windsor, May 2. — Mrs. Louis Gron-  
din, who lived on Stony Island, near  
Amherstburg, was bitten by a huge  
rattlesnake last Tuesday, and has  
since died from the effects of the  
poison. Mrs. Grondin was picking up  
chips in her yard, when the rattler,  
who had been lying coiled up unob-  
served near by, suddenly sprang at  
her, inflicting three distinct bites on  
the left hand. Medical aid was not  
at hand and the old Indian remedy  
for snake bites was resorted to. The  
hand and arm were encased thickly in  
blue clay, while big doses of whiskey  
were administered internally. Several  
hours elapsed before a doctor could  
be procured, and meanwhile the arm  
had swollen to almost twice its nat-  
ural size. In spite of all that could  
be done, the patient was unable to  
rally from the shock, and died this  
morning.

The snake, which was killed, was  
one of the largest seen in the neigh-  
borhood for many years, and pos-  
sessed nine rattles.

## TELEGRAPH NEWS

### KIMBRELEY'S DEBT.

Cape Town, May 3. — As a result of  
the appeal to Cecil Rhodes, the De  
Beers Mining Company has promised  
to give the Kimberley Council £8,000  
annually for the next three years, for  
the purpose of liquidating the munic-  
ipal deficit.

To PRESERVE GUN CARRIAGES.  
London, May 3. — In the House of  
Commons yesterday Rt. Hon. Wil-  
liam St. John Broderick, Secretary of  
State for War, stated that the three  
gun carriages which had been used at  
Queen Victoria's funeral would be  
preserved and deposited, one in the  
Tower of London, the second in Ed-  
inburgh, and the third in Dublin.

### THE NEW BRITISH LOAN.

London, May 3. — In the House of  
Commons to-day Sir Michael Hicks-  
Beach, Chancellor of the Exchequer,  
announced that £30,000,000 of the new  
war loan had been allotted. Of this  
amount £11,000,000 was to be the  
Rothschild syndicate, £10,000,000 to J.  
P. Morgan & Co., and £9,000,000 to  
the Bank of England.

### TO VISIT AMERICA.

London, Friday, May 3. — A despatch  
to the Daily Mail from Vienna states  
that Mascagni has signed a contract  
to make a concert tour of the United  
States, which will last eight weeks. He  
will leave on October 15 with an or-  
chestra of eighty players. He will re-  
ceive £2,000 weekly.

### RUSSIA'S LOAN.

Berlin, May 3. — The Vossische Zeitung  
says that Russia has arranged with a group  
of French bankers for a loan of five hundred  
million francs. The rate of this issue has  
not been determined. The paper adds that  
this loan will not suffice for Russia's needs,  
and that consequently negotiations for a  
further loan have been opened with Amer-  
ican and British bankers.

### AWFUL FAMINE IN RUSSIA.

St. Petersburg, May 3. — Distressing  
accounts are arriving here of the situa-  
tion of the village populations  
throughout Bessarabia, especially in  
Soroki district, caused by the famine  
arising from the failure of the last  
harvest. The peasants are living on  
husks of maize boiled in water. Half  
of them are suffering with typhus fe-  
ver. They are clad in rags, have no  
furniture or other household neces-  
sities. Horses and sheep have decreased  
from fifty to sixty per cent owing to  
lack of forage. In some villages horses  
are sold at a rouble each. Elsewhere  
seventy per cent of the farmers have  
lost all their horses.

## AT THE THEATRE

The great military drama, "South  
Africa," will be the opening bill by  
the Clara Mathes New Big Comedy  
Company at the Grand Monday even-  
ing, May 6th, being the opening of  
their week's engagement. They will  
present during the engagement, be-  
sides "South Africa," "The Legion of  
Honor," "Queen of Hearts," "Just Be-  
fore Dawn," "Cinderella," "Nell  
Gwynne," and the sensation of the  
day, "Sapho," — all with special ac-  
tress, and an olio of high class refined  
Vaudeville. Popular prices, only 10,  
20 and 30 cents. Ladies admitted free  
Monday night on usual conditions.

### A BIG SCENIC PRODUCTION AT POPULAR PRICES.

Clara Mathes and her excellent  
supporting company will fill a week's  
engagement at the Grand Opera  
House, commencing Monday evening,  
May 6th, in a repertoire of new and  
popular comedies, dramas and melo-  
dramas, embracing the new and pow-  
erful military drama, a magnificent  
scenic production, "South Africa,"  
"Legion of Honor," "Queen of  
Hearts," "Nell Gwynne," "Just Be-  
fore Dawn," "Cinderella," and the sen-  
sation of the day, "Sapho." Ten  
strong vaudeville teams will fill in  
the intervals between the acts. The  
biggest and best popular priced show  
travelling. There will be a change  
of play and specialties nightly, and  
ladies will be admitted free Monday  
night if accompanied by a person  
holding a paid 50 cent ticket.

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the design you sent. It was beauti-  
ful and appropriate." The Victoria  
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## 10 Cent Specials

Five patterns in Heavy Gilt  
Wall Papers that are extra good  
value at 10c per roll have been  
good sellers with us. Colors  
are green, blue, cream and buff,  
in floral and set designs, suit-  
able for any room in the house.  
These would be 12 1/2c papers if  
bought in the regular way, but  
we saved by buying in quantity  
and are offering these papers to  
you at the special price of 10c  
per roll.

Dingman's  
Books - King St.  
Stationery - Chatham.

## KING'S BIRTHDAY ON THANKSGIVING

Premier Suggests That the Two be  
Combined in One Celebration.

Ottawa, May 3. — In the House of  
Commons yesterday the bill respect-  
ing Victoria day was read a third  
time and passed. It makes the 24th  
of May a public holiday whenever it  
falls on any day of the week other  
than Sunday, in which case the fol-  
lowing Monday will be the holiday.  
A clause was inserted making the  
day a bank holiday also.

Mr. Borden read a telegram which  
suggested that Victoria day should be  
made to fall always on the fourth  
Monday of May, but the House de-  
clined the proposition.

Mr. Rosemond asked if the present  
Sovereign's birthday would also be  
celebrated. He pointed out that it  
would come very near our present  
Thanksgiving day.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier — We might  
combine them.

Mr. Fraser — If we go on adding  
these holidays there will soon be no  
time left to work.

Mr. R. L. Borden — Does my hon.  
friend object? (Laughter.)

## EMPLOYEES OPPOSE IMPORTED LABOR

Kingsville Glass Workmen Demand  
That Only Residents of the Town  
Be Employed.

Windsor, May 2. — The employees of  
the Kingsville glass factory, to the  
number of 150, and boys, are out on  
strike, because the management im-  
ported some outside help to fill vacan-  
cies. The workmen demand that only  
Kingsville residents be employed so  
long as the work is done satisfactorily,  
while the company claim the importa-  
tions were made necessary owing to  
a scarcity of skilled labor. The fac-  
tory meanwhile is idle, but it is dis-  
cussed point to a settlement of the difficulty  
by arbitration within a day or two.

## GRAND OPERA HOUSE

One Solid Week, Commencing  
MONDAY, MAY 6TH

CLARA MATHES

NEW BIG COMEDY COMPANY

20 PERFORMERS-20

A Repertoire of New York Successes.

Elegant Special Scenery.

High-Class Vaudeville.

Monday Evening—The Great Military  
Drama

SOUTH AFRICA

Change of Play and Specialties Nightly

POPULAR PRICES—10c, 20c, 30c

LADIES FREE Monday night if accompanied by  
a paid ticket.

## A Gas Range

WHAT  
WILL IT DO?

It will cook, bake, boil, broil,  
roast, toast, simmer, stew,  
poach or fry anything and  
heat water. It will do all  
things that any other cooking  
apparatus will do. It will do  
them more quickly, more  
easily, more promptly and  
more cheaply. It will do  
away with coal, ashes, dirt,  
bother and worry.

Chatham Gas Company  
Limited

Chatham's  
Greatest Store | C. Austin & Co. | Chatham's  
Cheapest Store

## Saturday Shoppers

Will find that to-morrow we are offering some of the  
most attractive values we ever had. We are reserving  
some extra good lines for Saturday night buyers. Be  
here as promptly at seven o'clock as possible, always  
a crush later on in the evening.

## Just Twenty Minutes

Selling the list of special Curtain Bargains last Saturday night. It should take  
no longer to clear this lot.  
8 only pairs Nottingham Curtains, 3 1/2 yds. long, 54 in. wide, fine lace pat-  
terns, reg. \$2 per pair, for.....\$1.25  
12 only pairs extra fine Scotch Lace Curtains, 3 1/2 yds. long, 60 in. wide,  
plain centre, reg. \$3.75 for.....\$2.25  
This lot will not be sold before seven o'clock.

For Saturday Only

## 50c Silks For 35c a Yard

12 pcs. Lyon's dyed China Silk, 27 in. wide, dress weight, in cardinals,  
pinks, yellows, creams, cherry, cerise and mauve. A beautiful firm  
cloth and one we can thoroughly recommend for wear, extra good val-  
ue at 50c per yd. Saturday's special price per yd.....35c

For Saturday Only

## 35c Lustres For 25c a Yard

150 yards, extra bright finish Figure Lustre, 44 in. wide, wear and color  
guaranteed, small neat designs for very pretty skirts, reg. price 35c a  
yard, for Saturday only per yd.....25c

## Millinery Department

SPECIAL FOR SATURDAY—A good Bicycle Hat in white, blue, red  
and cream, also makes a good outing hat, at.....40c  
Children's Hats, trimmed with Mousseline-de-Sole and flowers, for.....\$1.25

## Staple Section

3 pcs. 32 in. Twilled Shaker Flannel, fancy stripes, nice colors, reg. 9c val-  
ue, Saturday night per yd.....5c  
1 pc. reg. 7c Linen Cravat Towelling light color, red border, 15 in. wide,  
Saturday night per yd.....5c  
2 dozen Unbleached Honeycomb Towels, 17x13 in., soft finish, Saturday  
night each.....5c  
1 pc. Turkey Red and White Tableing, 56 in. wide, choice designs, reg. 50c  
value, Saturday night.....40c

## Underskirt ... Sale

Mercerized Underskirts, black with blue, green or gold stripe, made with  
double flounce, flounce lined with muslin, reg. \$1.25 value, clearing  
price.....\$1.00  
Colored Mercerized Underskirts, 2 only, blue with silver stripe, made with  
cardinal with silver stripe, 2 only black with gold stripe, made with  
deep bias flounce and yoke band, reg. \$2.50 and \$2.65 value, clearing  
price.....\$1.50  
5 dozen Ladies' Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, hemstitched, half inch hem,  
special at each.....15c



Mother's! WE ARE DEVOTING  
another special week for the  
boys in 2 and 3 Pc. SUITS,  
odd Pants and Blouses. SEE  
EAST SHOW WINDOW. Together  
with the 2 and 3 Pc. SUITS will be the

## Middy Suits For the Little Men

### Boys' Middy 3 Pc. Suits

In plain Blue Serge, nicely trimmed  
with white braid, sailor collar,  
vests well lined and made, ages 3  
to 8 years, nobby, at.....\$2.25

### Boys' Military Middy Suits

Made from the hard twist Serge, plain  
indigo blues, trimmed with military  
braid, no sailor collar, band work  
with fleur-de-lis pattern, very pret-  
ty for ages 5 to 8 years, value \$5,  
\$4.50 and.....\$3.75

### Boys' Novelty Middy Suits

In nobby patterns checks and over-  
plaids, with sailor collar and with-  
out, handsomely trimmed, for ages  
4 to 8 years, prices run \$2.50, \$3.00  
and.....\$2.50

### Boys' Swell 3 Pc. Suits

Made from the nobby pattern Tweeds,  
all the new colorings, coat made  
perfectly plain, lapels, double  
breasted vests open in front, shield  
separate to match cloths, fancy  
vests or plain, swellest in the trade,  
ages 5 to 8 years, prices \$4, \$4.50  
and.....\$5.00

## Boys' Hats, Caps and Tams

Boys' special Blue Serge and Tweed Tackdown Caps, wearers, all sizes.....10c  
Boys' nobby Tweed and Serge, yacht, chieftain and tie top styles, the right  
kind, at.....25c  
Boys' Blue Yacht Caps, fine Venetian Cloths, rubber peaks, won't break,  
dressy, at.....50c  
Boys' Blue Tams, fancy trimmed, all sizes, special values 50c and.....25c

C. Austin & Co.