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TO-NIGHT.

"Resurrection," Grand Opera House, at 8.15.

W. K. A. S., Old Town Hall, at 8 o'clock.

"A Company drills at the drill shed at 8 o'clock.

Chatham Lodge, No. 29, I. O. O. F., Oddfellows' Temple, at 8.

Geo. Stephens, M. P., left for Ottawa yesterday.

Boy wanted for wrapping shafts. Apply Wm. Gray & Sons.

A. W. Campbell, of Duart, spent Easter Sunday in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Macdonald, of this city, were in Toronto Sunday.

The Misses Brandt, of the C. B. C., spent Easter at their home in Stratford.

Mrs. Arch. Park and Miss Lottie Thomson spent Easter Sunday in Toronto.

H. A. Eckhardt, of St. Catharines, is the guest of J. Milton Pike, of this city.

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Mrs. Burnie, of Dresden, spent Easter Sunday with Mrs. W. M. Drader, Dufferin avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dyer, St. Clair street, spent Easter Sunday with friends in Windsor.

Percy Bedford, of Walkerville, an old Chatham boy, spent Easter Sunday with friends in the city.

Miss Hanna and Miss McVitty, of the C. B. C., spent Easter Sunday at their homes in Blenheim.

Louis Keefe, Ph. M. B., of Detroit, spent Easter with his friend, Harry O'Connor, of Turner's drug store.

"Remember Christ Church Concert, Thursday, April 16th. Best local talent. Admission, 10 cents. Everybody come!"

Mrs. Andrew Heyward has instructed A. Thomson to sell all her household effects, by public auction, at her residence, Queen street, on Thursday, April 23rd. See advt. later.

A Handkerchief and Home-made Cooking Sale will be held by Christ Church Guild on Wednesday, April 15, in the store next to W. M. Stone in Garner House Block.

Ed. Burns, of Toronto, who assisted the local football club in putting their minstrel production, spent yesterday with his many Chatham friends.

Bert Perry, of the A. B. Landon Co., London, wholesale stationers, spent Sunday at his home here.

Mr. Perry is an old Chatham boy, having first started in the stationery business with J. W. Kenny.

Mrs. Benj. Rice has been making an interesting test of cream separators for the past month at a good deal of trouble to herself. After a thorough trial she has satisfied herself and has now purchased a National from Geo. Stephens & Co.

DOVER HAS LARGE CLAIMS FOR THE NEW RADIAL ROAD

A Route System Suggested that will be Advantageous to Both Township and City.—Advantages to be Gained by Its Adoption.—Promoters will Consider It.

A strong effort should be made to have the proposed electric road run through the Township of Dover. As regards railroad communication this is the most unfortunate township in the county. Every other township has direct communication with Chatham by rail. The municipalities to the south of this city are the most fortunate. Some of them are crossed by as many as three railroads.

Romey has the Lake Erie Division of the Pere Marquette; Tilbury, Raleigh and Harwich, the C. P. R.; G. T. R., M. C. R. and Lake Erie; Howard, the G. T. R., M. C. R. and Lake Erie; Orford, the M. C. R. and Lake Erie; Zone, the C. P. R. and G. T. R.; Caimden, the C. P. R.; Chatham Twp., the C. P. R. and Lake Erie; Gore of Camden, the Lake Erie; Gore of Chatham, the Lake Erie.

Dover Township alone enjoys the unpleasant distinction of not having a railroad within its confines or within several miles of its borders north of the river.

This township is one of the best settled and most prosperous in the county and, owing to lack of railroad facilities, the residents are cut off from communication with the market when the roads are bad. If a rise in the market price of farm produce takes place while the roads are bad, the Dover farmers are unable to take advantage of it unless they luckily happen to live close to the city.

The absence of a railroad in Dover reacts against Chatham to a certain extent also, because, when the farmers can't come to this city they can't patronize the merchants, and Maple City merchants lose a large amount annually from this very cause. Take last Saturday, for instance. It rained early in the morning and the roads were in a horrible state by the time the farmers were ready to go to the city, and it was only in cases of the direct necessity that the distant residents ventured a trip to Chatham.

Saturday evening Chas. Austin, of the C. Austin Co., remarked that their trade for that day had been practically nothing in comparison with other days.

"THE ONLY PEOPLE WHO CAME TO CHATHAM WERE THOSE WHO LIVED CLOSE TO THE CITY OR WERE ABLE TO COME BY RAIL," remarked Mr. Austin. "Those who live near the city are in often and their purchases were light, so that the only real good customers we had were those who came by rail."

Dover Twp. is cut off from Chatham by rail so that the Maple City merchants reaped little benefit from the large and prosperous township that lies almost at their doors. All that is needed is a good electric road to put this township in immediate and constant touch with Chatham, rain or shine. The cautious ones may argue that if the Dover farmers were in a last Saturday they will be in again and make their purchases. This is not always true, by any means.

In the first place when a farmer or his family come to town they often find that they have no money when they had no such intention when they left home. In the second place, when a man or woman is forced to go without something they have made up their minds to purchase, they find that they got along without it and so decided not to buy it or perhaps the necessity for it has passed.

The Maple City business men above all others should unite with Dover in securing a road that will run through the centre of the Township. There are in addition many other considerations. An electric road through the centre of Dover would tap the fine fishing industry that flourishes on the shores of Lake St. Clair. Mitchell's Bay is as fine a summer resort as there is. It affords excellent fishing and boating privileges combined with shade, green grass and country drives. If an electric road is built running through Dover to Mitchell's Bay, that hamlet will become such a popular watering place that it will not know itself.

Then, last of all, Chatham Township has a road that runs through the centre of that municipality and there is no need of another road so close as the one proposed along the Chatham-Dover Town Line.

The route proposed that will give the best results, serving both the interests of Dover and Chatham, is along the River Road to the Winter Line, following the Winter Line through to Mitchell's Bay and thence to Wallaceburg. This line would reach Pain Court and Big Point and would also tap the whole Township of Dover.

There is no man who has done more in the interests of Chatham and the surrounding community than N. H. Stevens, President of the Canada Flour Mills Company. Mr. Stevens has, during the time he has lived in Chatham, brought up and carried through many reforms which have proved of the greatest value both to Chatham and the surrounding towns. He is known as one of the best and most enterprising business men in Chatham, and anything he undertakes is generally carried to a successful issue. It may not be generally known that it was he who first brought up the matter of a railroad through Kent,

and who succeeded in getting the old E. & H. railroad from Saratoga to the Kent. The first letter written in connection with the forming of this railroad was written in his office in Blenheim. He came into Chatham and attended three meetings of the Chatham Board before he could interest them in his scheme. This body of men later took the matter upon the recommendation of Mr. Stevens, and he was appointed one of the provisional directors to procure the charter. This was secured and then the interest of the people dropped, and when the charter was about expiring Mr. Stevens paid out of his own pocket, out of the expense of renewing the charter. Through his untiring efforts he succeeded in getting the road put through and was a director of the company until the road was sold to the Lake Erie people. Mr. Stevens is now promoting another road. This time it is an electric road from Chatham to Wallaceburg.

"This road to Wallaceburg, which we are trying to put through," said he to The Planet, "I think will be but a commencement of a full system of electric roads, taking in Wallaceburg, Dresden, Petrolia, Thamesville, Ridgetown, Road Ban Park, Blenheim, Goderich, Appinga, then back to Charing Cross and in to Chatham with branch lines to Kingsville and Leamington. That is the route we have mapped out at present, but, of course, we must work it out gradually. I am confident that in ten years time this whole system will be completed and it will be a proud day for me when it is."

I was interviewed by another company, the other day who have plenty of backing and they are very anxious to join with us and make the proposition on a far larger scale, and completing the line heretofore described. I have taken the matter up and written to our company."

In reference to the proposed route of the road from Chatham to the "Burg Mr. Stevens said:

"The most direct line from one point to the other would seem the most profitable one for the railroad. That would mean taking St. Clair street from here direct to Wallaceburg, but owing to the fact that Dover is very thickly settled it might be just as well to take a more circuitous route, to come from Wallaceburg, turning off at the 10th concession of Dover to the Bear or Winter Line, then coming through to the River Road, then to Chatham. The latter route would be of much more benefit to the Township of Dover."

We, however, have to be guided by the decision of the directors and the engineer of our company.

"As to crossing the Chatham bridge into a flat bridge, making it much stronger, or we may think it advisable to go down on the north side of the river to Fourth St. and build a bridge there, as we are straight down past the post office corner on Queen St., as it will be necessary to cross the C. P. R. and the G. T. R. as close to the stations as possible, and to avoid danger of any fast trains on these roads."

"We want to give a city service, and in order to do this we will want to also build a track on William St. and King St. to the main line."

"All we ask is reasonable assistance from the municipalities through which the road is going. Our people have put their money in it and are willing to go ahead and build roads right away. I feel sure that our scheme will go through."

"The proposed road will be built of heavy rails and will carry any railroad freight cars, so that we will be able to move heavy freight. In the country we want to keep off the road, but in the city we want to get it to their interests to give 25 feet off the front of their lots next to the road to the company, the railroad, of course, keeping a good fence between the railway and their land. Should any farmer or business man want so that he can load his car of grain at his door, the railway will build it."

Mr. Stevens feels very confident over the success of his undertaking, and if it does, Kent County will always have two lasting monuments to his memory. Mr. Stevens' idea is to get as many people coming in from the rural districts, and what works well for Chatham will work well for the surrounding towns. Mr. Stevens should be upheld in this matter, by every citizen in Chatham and every resident of the county, and every possible assistance should be given to this company by both the city and the municipalities through which the road will be built.

Eicycles in convalescent Homes

All the principal London hospitals have convalescent homes in the country or at the sea side to which inmates from the hospital are transferred for the change of air and surroundings to complete their cure. All these institutions own bicycles for the use of the inmates who ride. The marked difference in the rapid improvement in the condition of the men who use the wheel over the rest is surprising. As one of them remarked: "The worst of this riding is that I shall be discharged very soon."

There is nothing like bicycle riding to pull a man together who has lost his grip on health. It gives every part of the body healthful exercise.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Pritchard left for Walkerville today, where they will reside. E. Pritchard has entered the employ of the L. E. & D. R. R.

Joe Robert and Alphonse Thibodeau, of the Toronto Medical College, are spending their Easter holidays at their homes in this city.

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-OPENING-

EASTER Week marks the opening of our spring sales in our Curtain Section, managed by an expert, therefore always growing, improving and satisfying. Window draperies speak of refinement in the home and nothing surpasses our spring display of these in beauty and profusion at popular prices. Note some leaders.

\$1.00 Nottingham Lace Curtains, fine mesh and dainty or larger and heavier patterns, all 3 1/2 yards long, from 4 to 5 ft. wide, new designs \$1.00
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Brussels Net Curtain, newest patterns, very chaste in stripes or plain, large or 17.00
\$3.50 small figures, 3/4 yards long, \$3.50 to \$17.00

Bobbin Net Curtains, plain or dotted, \$5.00
\$2.75 heavy laced or frilled and lace and inter-sectioned, \$2.75 to \$5.00
Renaissance Curtains, different styles, very artistic.
The Bon Femme, single curtains, for French Windows of plain or dotted net frilled top and bottom, \$4.50 to \$5.00 5.00
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MUSICAL

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There is no deep thinking plot, no special reason for the things said and done in Weary Willie Walker, but it is funny, and fun is what the public demands, and it always pleases.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

At the Chatham Grand:—
Resurrection—Tuesday, April 14th.
Y. M. L. S. Minstrels — Tuesday, April 21.
Other People's Money — Monday, May 18th.

Friday, April 24.—Athletic Bungalow Benefit, comprising the presentation by the Minstrel Club of the Trial Score from "Marchant of Venice," and excellent musical and literary program.

(Supplied to The Planet by Press Agents.)

"RESURRECTION" TO-NIGHT.

In Tolstoy's great work, "Resurrection," will be seen in this city at the Grand Opera House, April 14th. The great writer and thinker expressed himself as follows:—

"Forces are acquired always either by violence—the most common way—or by avarice, or by some huge villainy, or by chronic enviousness, as in case of trade. The better a man is the more sure he is of losing his wealth, and the worse a man the more sure he is of retaining and increasing his fortune. The common sense of the people says, 'By honest labor one cannot acquire stone palaces,' and 'By labor one becomes not a rich man, but a cripple.' So it was in ancient times, and so it is even more so, when the distribution of riches has been accomplished in the most inequitable manner. Even if one allow that, in a primitive society, a temperate and industrious man will acquire more than one who is intemperate and lazy, that is not the case in our present society. The workman who plows another man's land, who buys the indispensable necessities of life at the price demanded of him, and who labors with instruments not his own, can never acquire wealth, however temperate and industrious he may be. On the other hand, the most profligate and idle man, who creeps into the good places of the government or of wealthy people, or who becomes a usurer, or a factory owner, or a banker, or a wine merchant, or the owner of a house of debauchery, can easily acquire a fortune, as we see in thousands of cases."

No work of recent years has so stirred the literary and reading world as his latest piece, "Resurrection."

The original American production is dramatized from the original Russian manuscript, by Mr. Chas. W. Chase.

NOTICE

The Maccabees will meet on Wednesday, April 15th, at 2 o'clock, to attend the funeral of the late Sir Knight William Bowes.

G. W. SULLMAN,
R. E.
WM. COURTNEY,
Commander.

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EQUAL TO EMERGENCY

The Maple City butchers are a very shrewd lot, and when W. H. Curran joined their ranks he didn't weaken them in regard to shrewdness, as the following story will illustrate.

"I had only been in the business a short time," remarked Mr. Curran, "when a swell lady came into my shop. She was the real article, a regular lifter, toggled in silks that you could hear rustling for a block. The lady asked for French lamb chops. I was new to the business and the fashion plate personator had me beat right quick. I didn't know just what to do. There might be French chops and, as I did not care to display my ignorance, I cut two pounds of chops off near the loin, and wrapping them up, asked 70 cents for the two pounds."

"My, they are just as dear here as they are in Chicago," remarked the lady.

"Yes, we sell ordinary chops for 12-13c. a pound, but the French lamb chops are much more expensive," was my response. "The lady paid and went away satisfied."

DRESDEN

April 13.—Mrs. L. J. Reycraft, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Switzer, for the past fortnight, will return to her home in Ridgetown to-morrow.

Mr. Mann, who has been visiting in Detroit, will return home to-day.

Miss Grace Miller was in Chatham last Saturday.

Artie Smith, of Arkona, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Smith.

"IT'S GOOD TEA."

This is what the proprietor of Red Rose Tea claims for it. Some say the claim is too modest, but you may get a tip that a grocer is very often asked,—"Have you any good tea?" The word "good" in this sense is probably intended to mean "best." So perhaps Red Rose Tea is The Best Tea.

It takes a woman to penetrate the pretensions of another woman. Nothing takes a doctor's patience like having no patients to try!

The anniversary services will be held in French's Methodist Church on Sunday, 19th inst., when the Rev. Joseph Deacon, of Ridgetown, will occupy the pulpit.

It's just as well not to think of trouble until you are up against it.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE

SATURDAY, APRIL 13th.

Under the auspices of The LOCAL TRADES' UNION.

JOHN D. LENNON,

TREASURER.

WASHINGTON, D.C.,

American Federation of Labor, and others will address the meeting. Chair taken at 8 o'clock.

ALL ARE INVITED.

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Tues., April 14.

An event of much importance. The Great Tolstoy Play,

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Now playing to crowded houses in New York, London, Paris and Berlin, and exciting the curiosity of the entire world.

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Prices—25c, 35c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00. Reserved Seats now on sale.

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We have made ample preparation for an increase of business.

Our work room is very busy working overtime, but your orders will receive careful attention just the same. All you have to do is to leave us your orders, we will do the rest promptly efficiently.

Just received a new assortment of Ready to Wear Hats, \$1.25 to \$5.00.

Visit Our Dress Goods Section—all the latest weaves and colorings shown, for Gowns and Tailor Suits, at per yd, 25c to \$3

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