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In to-morrow's issue of THE PLANET we will announce our SPRING MILLINERY OPENING. At present we are showing a choice collection of New Ready-to-wear Hats in every new shape for Spring.

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At a loss for words. It seems impossible to describe the beauty of the New Fabrics for Spring. Never was this stock so varied, never before we have weaves so handsome, and colorings so rich that a personal visit is necessary to form a correct opinion of what we are showing in this bright dress goods section.

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Beautiful Voiles in rich colorings, fine even weave, at per yard, \$1.00, and Blacks at 75c., 85c., \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50.
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Your Hair Perhaps your mother had thin hair, but that is no reason why you must go through life with half-starved hair. If you want long, thick, dark and heavy hair, feed it with Ayer's Hair Vigor.

QUEEN ST. PETITION

The Bittulthie Pavement Company are circulating a petition among the Queen St. property owners. The Bittulthie pavement is what the Board of Works and mayor went to London to see and they were quite favorably impressed with it.

W. Potter who also saw the London pavement says its all right as far as the can tell. He has a sample of the material at his store. It is solid and very heavy. "One good feature about it," said Mr. Potter, "is that it is noiseless, where a brick pavement is noisy, besides the Bittulthie does not cost as much as brick."

A representative of the firm will be in the city for a few days working it up.

WANTED.

FOR SALE—Second hand piano. Apply at The Planet Office.

WANTED—A boy of about sixteen to learn the baking trade. Apply to J. Waterhouse, Park street.

WANTED—Competent men to appoint agents, whole or spare time. Commission paid. Apply John Doyle, Drawer 531, London.

FOR SALE OR TO RENT.

TO RENT—Office room, ground floor, central locality. Address Box 159.

SPRINTER WANTED—Young man to work on advertisements. Apply at this office.

FOR SALE—6 1-2 acres planted into 46 lots on Poplar and Sandys Sts., Chatham, cheap. Apply to J. A. Walker, Barrister, King street.

FARM FOR SALE OR RENT—Part N. E. 1-2 Lot No. 3, Con. 2, Camden Township, 65 acres. Apply to J. A. Walker, Barrister, King street.

FOR SALE—A few desirable houses and lots in the city; also a few good farms at low prices and easy terms of payment. Apply to J. A. Walker, Barrister, King street.

HOUSES FOR SALE—Three houses on Grant St., and house and lot on Victoria Ave. For particulars, apply to Thos. Scullard, Victoria Block, or at this office.

FARM FOR SALE—Or to rent—Possession at once; 100 acres; 4 miles from Wallaceburg; good house, barn and stable and plenty of water. Will exchange for a smaller farm. For particulars apply to or address T. Bourassa, Chatham, Ont.

FOR SALE OR TO RENT—House, formerly occupied by Mrs. Wemp, Wellington St. West. Suitable for boarding house or for any family requiring house with plenty of rooms. Modern conveniences. Apply to W. E. Rispin, 115 King St.

FOR SALE OR RENT—The store and dwelling on corner of Queen and School streets, opposite the new library; Central school on one side, Separate school on other side. A fine stand for business. Reason for selling bad health. For particulars enquire in store from Wm. Brown.

DESIRABLE RESIDENCE FOR SALE—Large, white brick residence and seven acres of land, including orchard, stable and small frame dwelling house, formerly occupied by the late Mrs. John E. Brooke, on Park Ave., being part of lot 2, concession 2, Township of Harwich, just outside the corporation limits; low taxes; the house contains eleven rooms with large basement and attic and would make a desirable residence for a retired farmer or a market gardener. Will be sold cheap and on reasonable terms. For further particulars apply to Edwin Bell, Barrister, Fifth St., Chatham.

Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper.

TARIFF CHANGES WANTED.

MANUFACTURERS' DEPUTATION AT OTTAWA.

A Generous Revision of the Tariff Asked for—Mr. Fielding Objects to Secret Schedules—His Reply.

Ottawa, March 20.—At the Parliament buildings yesterday a hearing was given by the Premier and the Ministers of Finance and Customs to the representatives of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, which, with 1,218 members, representing over four hundred millions of invested capital, is an organization of very great influence.

Mr. Cyrus Birge of Hamilton, the President, presented the plea of the members for an immediate and general revision of the tariff. The Premier was present for a time, but was forced to leave early. Mr. Birge offered a tariff in confidence embodying the views of the manufacturers. He said that the association was not in politics, but desired to advance its own interests, and that of Canada. He freely admitted that Canada was prospering, as it never did before, but while not a pessimist, there were evidences that hard times were at hand. There was no immediate danger, while the home demand taxed to the utmost the capabilities of the manufacturers in the United States and Germany, but when the domestic demand fell off, Canada would be deluged with the surplus products of those countries at low prices. The present was, therefore, regarded as an opportune time to take advantage of the situation, and prevent, as far as possible, the trouble that was bound to occur in the United States. The work of harmonizing the various interests in the Manufacturers' Association had been heavy, and was not yet completed. They had succeeded to a degree which was almost marvellous, if not unanimous, and they were prepared to give the Government in confidence the schedules embodying their recommendations respecting the tariff when completed.

Mr. Fielding—Why in confidence? Mr. Birge—For this reason, Mr. Fielding; we assume that it has never been the practice of the Government to state what changes it proposes to make.

Mr. Fielding—You are not speaking of what we propose, but what you propose. Why should you propose it in confidence?

Mr. Birge—We have not completed the schedules as yet, and the feeling of the association, for whom I am speaking, was that the Government would desire to use the information confidentially for their own purposes.

Mr. Fielding—I can tell you at once that is a mistake. The Government desire to have the information and to use it, but they prefer to have it publicly, so that the world at large may know what is proposed.

Mr. Birge said the schedules were not completed, but they could be finished in a very short time.

Mr. Fielding—It was the word "confidence" I objected to, because I did not see why we should receive it in that way.

Mr. Birge—The association feel it should be received in confidence because we may as well speak frankly—there is perhaps, from tradition or otherwise, a section of the public that is still wedded to old ideas, old free-trade ideas, and it is hard to get away from them.

Mr. Fielding—Then you should try to educate them.

Mr. Birge replied that the association was now conducting an educational campaign. The manufacturers, perhaps, would not be insisting upon the information which they had prepared being used in confidence if they could be assured that it would be accorded fair consideration in publication.

Mr. Fielding—We all have to submit to criticism. We have to take the good with the bad.

Young, which, it was announced, had been adopted unanimously at a meeting in Toronto on March 12, dealt as follows with the tariff:—

"For some time past we have urged that in the interests of Canada her tariff question should be removed entirely from politics, and be viewed as a national business problem. As time passes, and the tariff wars of nations multiply, we are more than ever convinced that in this we are correct; and we believe it to be the duty of the Government of the day, irrespective of any party watchword or tradition, to immediately adopt that policy which will best defend the interests of our citizens, and not only secure for Canada the development of her vast resources, but preserve and foster within our borders those great industries which provide industrial opportunities for her people. In recommending an immediate and general revision of the tariff this is our sole purpose, and we believe we need no other."

Mr. Fielding observed that it was not necessary to state that on an occasion of this kind Ministers were almost wholly listeners, and did not undertake to express to any extent their views. The Ministers were impressed with the importance of the delegation and the large interests represented, and would give their representations full consideration. If there was one thing he regretted, it was that they had not been sufficiently specific in their statements. The manufacturers had been for eighteen months engaged in endeavoring to reconcile various interests, and had not yet completed their task. This showed that the framing of the tariff was not an easy matter. He and other members of the Government had received letters from individual manufacturers which expressed the fear that as a result of the movement duties were going to be imposed which would be a burden to them. If the manufacturers could hand in their suggestions they would be valuable, as showing the relations of one industry to another, but the views of the manufacturers here, as well as of those who were not represented, must be subject to public criticism. The political deputation might be pro-

posing something which was not satisfactory to other manufacturers; indeed, as he had said, he held letters to this effect. He regretted the disposition of the manufacturers to give the Government information only in confidence, and he was unable to agree with the reasons they had advanced in support of this. There might, as had been said, be some people who held old-fashioned views, but people had a right to be wrong if they so chose. Mr. Fielding thought no harm would result from frank and free discussion, and the manufacturers themselves would surely recognize this.

Before the deputation withdrew there was some informal discussion upon the question as to whether the schedules should be made public, and it was announced that the Executive would take the matter into consideration.

SHE ESCAPED THE KNIFE

Ten Months of Peace After Dreadful Suffering.

Operations are becoming a fad; every young man, as soon as he is graduated from a medical college, considers himself capable of undertaking the most serious and complicated surgical work, and hundreds of lives are sacrificed annually to this mad frenzy of incompetent men, to rush into work which should only be undertaken as a last resort, and then only by the most experienced and careful surgeons.

It is a pleasure, in view of these facts, to read the following letter from a woman who has been saved from one of these dangerous operations. "I know I should have informed you long ago regarding my case of piles and the good done me, and I believe I am cured. Last December I sent for your book. I have never been bothered since then, and before I had suffered for the last eleven years, and at the time I wrote I had given birth to a child, and they came down with the delivery of the child by the hand of a doctor who did not get them since I had them and that makes it ten months and past now. Thanking you again and wishing you abundant success, I remain, Mrs. S. Hodgson, 105 W. 11th St., Des Moines, Iowa."

Pyramid Pile Cure is sold by druggists for fifty cents a package, or will be mailed to any address upon receipt of price, by Pyramid Drug Co., Marshall, Mich. Write this firm for little book describing the cause and cure of piles.

THE IRISH LAND BILL.

London, March 20.—There are persistent and apparently well-grounded rumors of Cabinet dissensions over the Irish land bill. It is asserted that Mr. Chamberlain is opposed to making large treasury grants for covering the balance between the landlords' selling price and what the tenants think they can afford to pay. If there be truth in the reports which have come to me from Irish landlords, a Government crisis cannot be long deferred. Premier Balfour could hardly hope to carry the land bill, even with the help of the solid Nationalist vote, if Mr. Chamberlain were unwilling to identify himself with the measure, nor could Mr. Wyndham expect to satisfy either the landlords or John Redmond's followers if Mr. Chamberlain were insisting upon cutting down the grant. It is probable that the rumors now in the air of the break-up of the Cabinet reflect the feeling of panic among supporters of the Government caused by the Rye bye-election.

Mr. Chamberlain must have sanctioned the principle of the Irish land bill before he started for South Africa, and those who know him well do not consider him capable of deserting Premier Balfour, or riding for a fall. His enemies will not be convinced of his good faith, but his friends are confident that he will support the Irish land bill, and be content with settling the South African questions as Secretary of the Colonies.

THE GAMEY CHARGES STILL.

Opposition Threaten to Use Up All Next Week.

Toronto, March 20.—Interest has waned in the long debate in the Legislature on the motion to refer the Gamey charges to a commission. The galleries yesterday were not so crowded, and the speeches, while far from uninteresting, lacked the zest which accompanies an attack on a new subject. The indications point to a discussion lasting well into next week, if not to the end, by which time the Opposition, who are doing most of the talking, will have exhausted both their speakers and their ammunition. Yesterday Mr. Henry Carscallen presented the Conservative arguments in a speech of an hour's duration. Mr. Sam Clarke followed for the Government. The last speaker of the day was Mr. W. J. Hanna, of whom the Conservatives expect so much, and who did not conclude his speech.

Jewels Stolen From a Church.

Vienna, March 19.—Jewels valued at \$10,000, embellishing a venerated painting above the altar of St. Stephen's Cathedral, were stolen during the night.

AGAIN THE HAT

PERHAPS we have said too little about our new **Spring Hats**. Still they are selling in generous numbers, for especially our leaders will sell themselves, nine times out of ten.

And the sun is coming out brighter each day, putting the gray into, and bringing the grime out of the old one, and it looks worse to others than it does to you.

All the very Latest American and English Styles in Stiff and Soft Hats are arrayed for your choosing. Come now while the stocks are at their best. Surely there's something here for you. No use trying, you can't brush that gray look out of the old one.

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