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Is the highest grade Dried Beef prepared. We handle only the tender cuts, and you will find it of delicious flavor, tender and appetizing. Sliced as you want it.....

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If you have a sense of weakness and nervous exhaustion these days, it is quite sure to be due to a lack of iron in the blood.

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W. W. TURNER,
DRUGGIST.
28 King Street. Phone 221.

For Monday Repairing

Possibly you'll take advantage of the holiday to do some repairing. If so, you will surely need some hardware, possibly a few nails or a pair of hinges, or something of that kind. Let us supply your wants. We'll send your goods either to night or Monday morning.....

Nails, Hinges, Tacks, Spades, Shovels, Rakes, Hoes, Garden Trowels, Garden Seeds, Lawn Mowers, &c.

J. C. WANLESS,
4 Doors East Market.
Phone 65.

DR. A W. THORNTON
DENTIST,
has Removed to his New Office, Corner King and Fifth Streets, over A. L. McCall's Drug Store.
TELEPHONE OFFICE 164.
RESIDENCE 285.

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NO PLANET MONDAY

Monday next being a statutory holiday, there will be no issue of The Planet on that day.

THE LOCAL BUDGET

Bicycles for hire at Brisco's. tf

Gus. Bragg is visiting at his home here.

John Stover, of Park Bros., is in Romney.

Ed. Northwood is spending the day in Rodney.

Fire works at Brisco's. Open all day Monday.

Judge Houston was in Bothwell yesterday on business.

Bicycles for sale at Geo. Stephens & Co.; all prices. tf

All The Go is the latest straw hat. See them at The 2 T's.

Fishing tackle, croquet sets and sporting goods at Brisco's.

L. J. Reycraft, of Ridgetown, was in the city yesterday on legal business.

Lost!—Bunch of keys. Finder will be rewarded if returned to this office.

Mrs. N. B. Carscallen, of Dresden, is the guest of Miss Paxton, Poplar St., to-day.

D. A. Gordon and Geo. Ydiatt, of Wallaceburg, were in the city yesterday.

Wanted! Lad about 18 to learn the telephone business. Apply Bell Telephone Co.

Chief Engineer Owen McKay, of the Lake Erie, was in the city yesterday on business.

Warden Thomas Robinson, of Coatsworth, was in the city yesterday on county business.

Rev. W. H. Shaw, Cedar Springs, was the guest of W. H. Burrows, Victoria Avenue, yesterday.

R. P. Strickland, of Dresden, was in the city last evening. He left this morning for Blenheim.

Prof. A. H. Welch, D. O., F. A. I. P., the celebrated Scientific Palmist; private readings 50c. Merrill Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. McDougall and daughter Edna will spend Sunday and Monday with friends in Detroit.

Miss Gertrude Somerville will sing Kipling's "Recessional" in St. Andrew's Church to-morrow morning.

T. L. Pardo, M. P. P., of Cedar Springs, was in the city yesterday calling on his Maple City friends to-day.

Gordon Doherty, who has been ill at his home in this city city for the last eight weeks, has returned to Sarnia.

Miss Mabel Stone, Raleigh street, left this morning for St. Thomas, where she will spend a few days with friends and relatives.

Miss Blanche Moore and Miss Holmes, Victoria Avenue, left this morning for St. Thomas, where she will spend a few days.

City of Chatham will run special excursion to Detroit Monday, May 25, leaving Rankin Dock at 7.30 a. m., returning leave Detroit 4 p. m., Chatham time. Fare 50c.

Something choice! Full size dinner sets, in three colors, pink, blue and brown, price $6.00 for 97 pieces. See The Ark window for sample of goods.

Remember the sale of household furniture at the residence of the late Mrs. James Banning on Thursday next. The sale will commence as advertised.

Wanted—A good salesman wanted for selling machinery, etc., in the country; one who can speak French and English. Apply, addressing A. H. Patterson, Box 232, Chatham, Ont. 10

Special attention is called to Thos. Stone & Son's ad. on first page of this issue. They are offering special inducements for to-night and Tuesday shoppers.

Refrigerators, screen doors, ice cream freezers, lawn mowers, hose, hammocks and bicycles. Full and fresh assortment at low prices. Geo. Stephens & Co.

The household effects of the late Mrs. James Banning will be sold by public auction, corner Victoria avenue and Amelia street, on Thursday next. See advertisement.

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Mrs. Gott, Second St., is visiting in Amherstburg.

Miss T. Morrish, of Petrolea, is visiting friends here.

Mrs. John Cooper is spending a couple of days in London.

Miss May O'Rourke, of Raleigh, is visiting Ridgetown friends.

Bicycles sold on easy payments at Brisco's. Open all day Monday.

Mrs. W. H. Eberle and son Lyle, Lorne avenue, are visiting relatives in Ridgetown.

W. G. Coupland and Bert Ross left to-day for London, where they will visit at Mr. Ross' former home.

A. W. Gould, day operator at the C. P. R. station, left to-day for London, where he will spend a couple of days with friends.

Mrs. Sheldon and Miss Dorothy returned home Saturday from Los Vegas, New Mexico, where they have been spending the winter.

Miss Kathleen O'Hara will sing the soprano selection "Face to Face" as an offertory solo at Holy Trinity church service to-morrow evening.

A summons has been issued for John Curtis to appear at the police court and answer to a charge of cruelty and unnecessarily beating a horse.

Chas. Philp, Joe Armstrong and Harry Campbell, of Wallaceburg, are in the city to-day. They will play with the 24th Regiment Band at St. Thomas.

The Dresden Beet Sugar Co. are building an addition to their factory so that they can evaporate the pulp left after the sugar is extracted from the beets. This pulp will be sold to the farmers for feed.

The annual meeting of the Ladies Assisting Society of the General Hospital will be held on Tuesday, May 26th, at the residence of Miss Kingston, Thames street, at 3.30. A full attendance is requested.

Messrs. E. E. Parrott and Benj. Bothwell have opened a loan and insurance office on King street, opposite the market. These enterprising gentlemen will attend promptly to all real estate, insurance, loan or collection business. Their advertisement appears in another column.

Wanted! General Agent for the County of Kent. Kindly state age, experience, salary or commission expected. If at present employed by another Life Insurance Company, privilege to refer to this company must be granted. Apply, Superintendent, Confederation Life Association, Toronto. eod

Trotter's Trust is the best oil well that the Chatham Oil Company have so far pumped. It has pumped 40 barrels in five days. Stevens' Strike is pumping well and is considered a fairly good well. Hall's Big Hit is not the well that it was expected to be and is only producing from two to three barrels per day. The Chatham Oil Company consider that the Doyle well on the Raleigh-Harwwich Townline is a good one. A pumping rig will be moved there at once and a test made. The drilling rig of the Chatham Oil Company has been moved to the farm of Mr. Ball across the road from the Doyle well and south about four or five hundred yards.

AT THE C. C. I.

Yesterday was a specially busy and eventful day at Chatham's highest seat of learning.

At nine o'clock eighteen of the brightest and best were seated in the hall writing essays for the prizes offered by W. Mowbray, B. A., late English master. The following subjects were announced, one of which was to be chosen by each candidate: The great Northwest, its resources and development; great historical characters; Jessica, her character and motives; animals; fishing; a character sketch, real or fictitious; a short story; a summer evening scene.

At three p. m. the school assembled to hear the addresses and recitals of the competing speakers and readers for the medal and prizes offered by J. W. White, chairman of the Board of C. I. trustees, George Stephens, M. P., and T. L. Pardo, M. P. P.

R. M. Campbell, whose subject was "The claims of our Country," won Mr. White's medal for public speaking. Mr. Campbell's matter and manner were both excellent. He is gifted with a fine musical and resonant voice, and his delivery was impressive and dignified, whilest his language was polished, vigorous and ornate. John A. Lanigan spoke on Home Rule for Ireland, and H. M. Cockfield took as his subject Capital and Labor. Both did well.

In elocution, the first prize fell to Florence Dunlop, daughter of R. S. Dunlop, who recited with admirable spirit and voice a tragic story, entitled "The Roman soldier at the destruction of Herculaneum." Verna Sheldon won the second prize for her very graceful and artistic rendition of a very difficult selection, "The Sioux Chief's Daughter." Bertha Burton recited "The Fate of Virginia" and was awarded third prize. Vida Adams gave "The Last Hymn," and won the plaudits of the audience, introducing the singing parts with fine effect. Edna Carscallen, always a favorite, recited "The Engineer's Story," and the redoubtable Heber M. Cockfield concluded the contest with the time-honored "Boadicea." The judges of the afternoon were Rev. Dr. Battisby, Rev. Rural Dean McCosh, and J. W. White, chairman.

The school office was crowded during the day with applicants for the July examinations, and $5 bills were heaped upon the office table. All applications must be in on or before the 24th of May. It is encouraging to note that there is an unusually large class—some twenty in all—entering for commercial diplomas. This is a tribute to Mr. Collins' inspiring and energetic work. Besides a good class for junior leaving (second class) and matriculation examinations, there are some strong candidates for senior leaving (first class) and honor matriculation, including two Blake scholarship competitors.

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LETTER BOX

PAVEMENT COUNSEL.

To the Editor of The Planet:

It appears to me that the ratepayers of King street west will be making a very costly error if they put down a sheet asphalt pavement. The experience of Detroit should be ample warning. The cartoon in the Detroit Free Press very fully illustrates the condition of their streets using such a pavement. In the interest of the whole city, carefully investigate the matter, as its not a work for this year, but for many years to come. I think Mayor Maybury, of Detroit, condemns sheet asphalt.

T. A. SMITH.

PAVEMENT.

Walter T. Piggott, Chairman of the Industrial committee, is in receipt of the following letter:—

Mr. Walter T. Piggott, Chatham, Ontario, Canada.

Dear Sir,—Your favor of May 8th just received. We taken pleasure in giving you all the desired information in regard to our work in Montreal.

We laid a sample of Asphalt Tiles in front of the Windsor Hotel some ten or twelve years ago, and they have given perfect satisfaction ever since, and are now in fine shape. On the strength of that record we got the Street committee last summer to lay quite a large sample of our Asphalt Blocks in front of the Grand Trunk Offices on Craig St. That pavement was laid about the first of November and is in first-class condition to-day.

We can explain the Mayor's hostility to this. The present Mayor of Montreal (Cochrane) for a number of years has been closely identified with the Sicilian Asphalt Pavement Co. and has used his best efforts to prevent any Asphalt Blocks being laid in the City of Montreal, for purely personal reasons. This is well known by the public at large and is no secret. Of course the price of all our blocks delivered in Montreal, after paying a 20 per cent. duty is higher than sheet asphalt, and consequently, we do not expect to be able to ship large quantities of our Blocks from our works at Hastings-on-Hudson, N. Y., but we hope after the sample laid there has been down a year or so, that we will be able to secure contracts sufficiently large enough to warrant the erection of an Asphalt Block plant in Montreal. We have laid large quantities of Asphalt Blocks in Quebec during the past five years, and the present Mayor, Mr. Parent, is well known all over Canada as being a very upright and strictly honest man, and one of the foremost political leaders in the Province of Quebec. The City of Quebec laid Sheet Asphalt several years ago, but concluded it was too slippery, and they have been laying Asphalt Blocks exclusively for the last four or five years, though the cost has been not less than 50c. a square yard more than sheet asphalt.

We are laying large contracts in this city, amounting to about 200,000 square yards, which is mostly petitioned and paid for by property owners, in spite of the fact that our pavement costs from 25c. to 50c. a yard more than sheet asphalt.

Should you like any more information in regard to the kinds of pavement used and the wearing qualities of same, in this part of the country, we shall be glad to furnish you with such.

Respectfully,
THE HASTINGS PAVEMENT CO.,
C. G. Palmer,
Prest.

FINE UNIFORMS

J. G. Willison, the energetic and clever merchant tailor of the T. H. Taylor Company, has just completed the manufacture of a series of new military uniforms for the officers of the 24th Kent Regiment.

These uniforms are much admired. Their fit is perfect, and they are finished in splendid style. Mr. Willison and the T. H. Taylor Company are receiving many high compliments on the excellence of their uniforms. The splendid workmanship of this establishment is evidenced in the results attained.

—Languor and weakness, due to the depleted condition of the blood, are overcome by Hood's Sarsaparilla, the great vitalizer.

The Chatham Binder Twine Company Limited.

Chatham, Ont., May 18, 1903.

To the shareholders of the Chatham Binder Twine Company, Limited.

We beg to notify you that a Special General Meeting of the Shareholders of The Chatham Binder Twine Company, Limited, will be held on Wednesday, the 3rd day of June, A. D., 1903, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the Auditorium of the Oddfellows' Building, in the city of Chatham, in the County of Kent, for the purpose of passing, if thought fit, as a special resolution under the provisions of Chapter 222 of the Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1897, a resolution authorizing and requiring the said Company to be wound up.

A Statement of the affairs of the Company will be laid before the meeting and the resolution will, if approved, be submitted for confirmation, as a special resolution at a second Special General Meeting of the Company which will be subsequently convened.

A. LEVERTON, President. J. J. ROSS, Secretary-Treas.

VICTORIA DAY. ST. THOMAS, VIA L. E. & D. R. R.

Special train will leave Chatham May 23rd and 25th, at 7.05 a. m. for St. Thomas and London, returning arrive at Chatham 9.40 p. m.

Ask for Minard's and take no other.

Some Saturday Items on Sale

AT THE GORDON STORE.

Don't Miss These Prime Values and Many More Like Them.

21 pieces Navy Blue and Garnet, Black and White Serges, Polka Dots, Stripes, etc., extra wide, fit for men's, women's and children's wear, warranted colors, and will not fade, at 12½c. per yd.

50 pieces fine fancy Dimity Lawns, 10c

100 ends of 20c and 25c. Ginghams, nearly yard wide, new weaves, warranted at 12½c.

Shirting and Apron Checks, warranted fast colors, 6c., 7c., 8c., 10c, 12½c., from one yard to 40 in. wide.

Sun Umbrellas—every one a special bargain, $2.00 to 75c.

DRESS GOODS.

See our window filled with special cuts number one dress materials, all colors, in all wool Canvas Cloths, Albatros, Serges and fancy weaves, 50c. and 60c. values at 25c., 32c. and 36c. per yard. Don't Miss these.

JAPANESE WASH SILKS.

Cream and Black for Summer Waists, 36c. yard.

OUR TAILORED SUIT SALE CONTINUES.

Note the prices: $6.50, $7.50, $10.00, $10.50, $13.50, $14.50, $15.00, $16.00 and $18.00.

Suits on sale..... $4.98
" 6.98
" 9.98

GREAT TOWEL VALUES.

Two special lines Saturday, 2 for 20c. and 2 for 25c, large—linen.

A 5/4 Damask Towel, fit for stand cover, at 25c.

A bale of that Crash No. 1 Rollering just in—at 5c.

Russia and Scoured Crash—8c, 10c, 12½c

Sterling Value—White Cambrics—yard wide, just the thing for skirts and covers—a few pieces left at 8c.

MAY SALE WHITEWEAR.

A big success, especially for the buyer, who saves money and time with every purchase—Robes, Skirts, Covers, Drawers, &c

Millinery Blooming and Booming.

Order your Holiday Hat here now. ***Travelling Hats*** now in order, prevailing colors Burnt Straw and Navy. ***Bridal Hats*** a specialty. See our White June Hats with June Roses for next month. Pretty Black Chiffon Hats for dress occasions. See our White and Black Plumes.

JUNE STANDARD DESIGNER A BRIGHT NUMBER, ***10cts***

WM. GORDON

STANDARD FASHION SHEETS FOR JUNE, FREE

Auction Sale of Household Furniture.

Andrew Thomson, Jr., auctioneer, has received instructions from the executor to sell the household effects of the late Mrs. James Banning, at the residence, corner Victoria avenue and Amelia street, on Thursday, May 28th, commencing at ten o'clock a. m. sharp, consisting of the following:—One Hardman piano, fine condition; parlor suit, marble top table, parlor stands, one diavan, chenille curtains, very fine Brussels carpet, several Brussel rugs, three small parlor tables, pictures, jardinere stand, lace curtains, one oak hall rack, hall carpet (Brussel), hall lamp, stair carpet (Brussel), one Ideal Jewel coal stove, double heater, a beauty, purchased last fall; one oak extension table, seats 20 people; seven dining room chairs, oak, leather seats; one walnut sideboard; wool carpet; one fine leather upholstered chair, cost $45; one student's chair; one oak side table; one secretary; several pair lace curtains and blinds, oil cloth, several easy chairs, one Jewel Range, coal or wood, bought last fall; linoleum, one safe, several tables and chairs, one child's cot, lamps, one massive walnut bedroom suit, cost $400; mattress and springs, one Brussel carpet, bedding, feathers, pillows, one large rug, toilet sets, one walnut bedroom suit, mattress and springs, Brussel carpet, several fine clocks, large couch, lot of books, one walnut bedroom suit, mattress and springs, hall carpet, one large rug, bureau and stand, box stove and pipe, sick cabinet, china and glassware, cooking utensils, lawn hose, lawn mower, croquet set, oil stove, kitchen table, bath tub, flower pots, fruit jars, wheel barrow, and two urns for lawn purposes, and many other things that space will not permit.

This will be a fine sale, as the goods are good and many articles not mentioned here will be sold. Lunch at noon.

Remember day and date, Thursday, May 28th, at ten o'clock a. m.

J. C. FLEMING, Executor.

ANDREW THOMSON, JR., Auctioneer.

Auction Sale of Household Furniture

Andrew Thomson, Jr., auctioneer, has received instructions from Mr. J. R. Williamson to sell, without reserve, all his household effects, at his residence, St. Clair street, next door to Stark's grocery, on Tuesday, June 2nd, at one o'clock sharp, consisting of the following: Three piece parlor suit covering Wilton rug; one mahogany rocker, silk bottom; one centre table, one jardinere stand, one easel, two velvet rugs, sofa cushions, two pair chenille curtains, one pair felt curtains, eight pair lace curtains, pictures, one fancy work table, one plush arm chair, one mahogany rocker, cobble seat; one oak rocker, cobble seat; one walnut sideboard, one oak extension table, one couch, six cane seated chairs, one Favorite coal heater, nearly new; one student's upholstered chair, one book case, one oak hall rack, glass, china and silverware, one hanging lamp, one fancy globe lamp, two oak bedroom suits, mattresses and springs, one ash bedroom suit, mattress and springs, feather pillows, one feather bed, bedroom table, chamber sets, one cane rocker, parlor Brussels carpet, nearly new; Brussels stair carpet, new; wool carpet, new; tapestry carpet; oilcloth, linoleum, one cook stove, one extension table, one lounge, one rocker, six kitchen chairs, two kitchen tables, cooking utensils, 1 1-2 cords split wood, some coal, garden tools, lawn mower, and other articles too numerous to mention.

This will be a good sale to attend, as all the furniture and carpets are nearly new and in fine condition, and should command the attention of any one in need of same.

Remember day and date, Tuesday, June 2nd, at one o'clock sharp.

J. R. WILLIAMSON, Proprietor.

ANDREW THOMSON, JR., Auctioneer.

FIRE WORKS
OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.

FISHING TACKLE
A COMPLETE VARIETY.

SPORTING GOODS
A COMPLETE VARIETY.

Bicycles sold on easy payments at **BRISCO'S**

CONFERENCE CLOSED

The annual meeting of the Chatham District of the Methodist Church came to a close yesterday afternoon at five o'clock, after a most satisfactory and well attended session.

Yesterday afternoon was taken up principally with the appointing of the numerous conference committees for the coming year, as follows:—

Representative to the Stationing Committee — Rev. T. T. George, Rev. Dr. Cook alternative.

Sunday School Com. — Rev. G. H. Cobbledick and Dr. Thornton.

Epworth League Com. — Rev. W. C. Kerr, Blenheim; A. B. Carscallen, Wallaceburg.

Contingent Fund Com. — Rev. J. Noble, Louisville; R. Wright, Dresden.

Sustentation Fund Com. — Rev. Mr. Thompson, Charing Cross; J. W. Humphrey, city.

Committee to visit missions and weak circuits — Rev. S. Bond, J. Noble, J. W. Humphrey. The object of this committee is to have them become self-supporting.

Temperance, Moral Reform Com. — Rev. J. Snelh Dawn Mills, and Mr. Moire.

Com. on Memorials—Rev. E. F. Armstrong, B. A., Tupperville; J. B. Clark.

Sabbath Observance Com. — Rev. C. Clark, Dover, and Mr. Howie.

Church Property Com. — Rev. James Kennedy, Tilbury Centre, and Mr. Brown.

Com. on State of Work — Rev. Jas. Walker, Merlin; I. E. Simpson, Merlin.

Nominating Com. — Rev. S. Bond and W. H. Shaw.

The next increase in membership for the year for the district was 73.

Amount contributed for General Missions Fund, $2,058. To special emergency fund for Northwest missions was $683.50.

Disapproval was expressed at the action of the Ontario Government in laying over till next session the consideration of the temperance question.

The thanks of the meeting was extended to those who entertained the visiting members of the district.

The London Conference will this year be held at Wingham the first Thursday in June. The ministerial session two days previous to the conference. Among the speakers at the conference will be, Dr. Thornton, on Temperance, and Rev. G. H. Cobbledick on Sabbath School and Epworth League.

A SPORTSMAN'S MECCA.

There is no more delightful place in the Western Hemisphere for out-door life and perfect sport with rod and gun than the famous Muskoka Lakes region of the "Highlands of Ontario," about 100 miles north of Toronto. Canoeing is one of the many pleasures the district affords. The Grand Trunk reaches it with ease and comfort, whirling its passengers through some of the grandest scenery on earth.

Handsome, illustrated, descriptive matter sent free to any address on application to J. D. McDonald, Dist. Pass. Agent, Grand Trunk Railway, Toronto. 5

Lace Curtain Week.

We have secured a large consignment of Lace Curtains at manufacturers' cost, and will sell them this week at regular wholesale prices.

224 paris of Lace Curtains, ranging in price from 35c to $4.25.

This Week Sale Price 25c. to $3.50...

Come early and secure first choice.

Ask to see our ***White Counterpanes,*** grand values at ***75c., $1, $2*** and ***$5.***

THIBODEAU & JACQUES

Ready for Summer.

We have light weight goods that have fashion and quality. The best we could buy. Really good material, worked into ***First-class Suits*** by workmen who know how to get fashionable effects, is what you want.

MORLEY & CO.,
Tailors. King St.