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nouncement**

On Monday evening next all the members of the big Robin Hood company are earnestly requested to assemble at the Standard Bank auditorium at eight o'clock sharp. Considerable work and special arrangements in connection with the production will be gone over preparatory to the work of rehearsal.

Colonel J. B. Rankin will also be present and is billed to make an important announcement of special interest to everyone taking part. A very short time now remains before the presentation and several propositions are to be discussed with the young ladies and gentlemen who are so successfully devoting their time and talents to this magnificent opera.

The patrons and patronesses are cordially invited to the Monday night rehearsal.

## TIME FOR ACTION

"It's a wonder to me," remarked Contractor Geo. Fielder to The Planet this afternoon, "that there isn't a long casualty list these days, with so many young boys and girls jumping on and off bob-sleighs and cutters. I suppose some boy or girl will have to be killed or badly injured before there is any action taken by the proper authorities. I think it is the duty of the police force to keep the children from this dangerous practice. It is not only exceedingly hazardous for the children, but is very annoying for people out driving who have to be so watchful at all times lest they run over the youngsters. Something should be done and done immediately."

## ORDERS FROM JAPAN

**Horses and Army Supplies to be Purchased in Canada.**

Vancouver, Jan. 9.—Despite telegraphic assurances of expected peace Japan is undoubtedly energetically completing war preparations. Several heavy orders have this week been received by Victoria and Vancouver wholesalers for flour, canned meats and special army biscuits. The latter, arrived Empress of Japan had also as a passenger S. Okamura, whose mission is to collect and ship within sixty days from two to three thousand horses suitable for cavalry or artillery service, and seasoned to cold and exposure. Mr. Okamura is accompanied by several veterinarians, and goes to-morrow to Calgary, which he will make his Canadian collection base. Agents were despatched to-day to Montana and Oregon, with instructions to secure all suitable animals, the contractors of the White Pass winter stage line being especially appealed to. The theory that a Manchurian campaign is contemplated is largely strengthened by the class of horses demanded.

## TWENTY MEN KILLED.

**Result of Dynamite Explosion at Guadalajara.**

Mexico, Jan. 9.—At the Los Laureles mines, west of Guadalajara, a large number of boxes of dynamite stored in a powder house exploded, killing twenty men and injuring forty others. The detonations were heard many miles away, and an American mine-owner working in his mine three miles away was killed by a falling rock that had been jarred by the concussion.

Pa, what's a leading woman? Any married woman, my son.

## Chamois Vests

During this cold weather you can have solid comfort by wearing one of our Chamois Vests. Prices from **\$1.50 to \$3.00** each. **Chest Protectors**, from **25c to \$1.75** each.

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## CONTRADICTORY REPORTS.

**Stories of Russia's Attitude Regarding Korea.**

London, Jan. 9.—The Times correspondent at Odessa says the statement that Russia is prepared to agree to a Japanese protectorate over Korea, Japan admitting the Russian protectorate over Manchuria, is semi-officially denied. Russia has not the slightest intention of brooking Japanese dictation regarding Manchuria, while the most she is willing to concede Japan in Korea is the elimination of a sphere of influence while maintaining Korea's sovereign rights.

London, Jan. 9.—The correspondent of The Times at Berlin says the St. Petersburg correspondent of The Cologne Gazette is assured that the answer of Russia to the Japanese note is expressed in the most categorical terms as regards Korea, but as regards Manchuria it continues to maintain the position which Russia all along adopted. Stress continues to be laid in Berlin upon the Russian view, as expounded by the German press, that the occupation of southern Korea by Japan would not be regarded by Russia as a casus belli. On the contrary, Russia course in northern Korea.

## A WARNING NOTE.

**C. P. R. Notice to the Lumber Combine.**

Winnipeg, Jan. 9.—The announcement by Vice-President Whyte of the Canadian Pacific Railway that the railway company had under consideration the erection of big sawmills, provided the members of the alleged lumber combine did not reduce prices to fair profits, excited much comment here. In his interview Mr. Whyte said:—"Just now there are many dealers that own sawmills and retail dealers who are doing everything possible to keep up high prices for lumber and encompass a retail business with restrictions which cannot be bent to influence the market. There is a possibility that there is a combine among mill-owners, as is claimed, but it appears to me that there is an arrangement with the Retail Dealers' Association by which that association dictates as to the number of retail lumber yards and their location, the number thereby practically controls the market and fixes the selling price at whatever they may wish. The point to be made is that the lumber combine is a very serious condition of affairs. Mr. Whyte continued, when we consider how it affects the settlement. Next to the Government in Manitoba and the Territories, the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. are the largest land-owners, and therefore the development of the country may, therefore, be easily understood. The company also own in their hand grants the British Columbia Southern, the Columbia & Kootenay and the Columbia & Western Railway. Large big sawmills are being established in the southern British Columbia, and by establishing their own sawmills and selling lumber through their retail agents, are in a position to put this necessary commodity on the market at a very low figure."

"It is simply a warning note," concluded Mr. Whyte.

## HER FATHER AN ITALIAN.

**New Discoveries Have Been Made Regarding Joan of Arc.**

Rome, Jan. 9.—Documents have been found tending to prove that Joan of Arc was the daughter of an Italian, who was descended from the Ghislieri family. This family came from Constantinople in 1413 and settled in Bologna. After the estates of Ferrante Ghislieri had been usurped by Giovanni Bentivoglio, he emigrated to France in 1407, where he had three children, one of whom was Joan. The documents say that it is difficult to ascertain the truth because Ferrante Ghislieri, after his arrival in France, changed his name to d'Arc.

## A LIVELY ELECTION.

**Several Men Were Shot and the Ballots Burned.**

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 9.—The result of yesterday's city election is still in doubt. "Late developments show that the election was signalized by the most irregular and riotous scenes connected with any local political contest of recent years. In the Ninth Ward the ballot-box was stolen, the ballots burned, and two men were shot, one seriously. Gross irregularities are alleged in the Fourth and Fifth Wards and many shooting and cutting affrays are reported from all parts of the city."

## THE TRADE OF BRITAIN.

**Immense Increases During the Last Year.**

London, Jan. 9.—The December statement of the Board of Trade shows increases of \$20,745,000 in imports and \$20,200,000 in exports. The total of trade for the year, adding exports and imports, reached the huge sum of \$4,516,768,205, or \$125,000,000 above the previous record. Taking exports alone, the total, \$1,802,235,000, is \$56,042,683 better than in 1902, the previous highest. Manufactures alone account for \$36,772,100 of the increase. In imports the heaviest increase is in food, amounting to \$40,510,000. Raw materials came next, with \$22,560,000, and then manufactured articles, \$20,895,000.

## William Durell Killed.

Toronto, Jan. 9.—William Durell, a French-Canadian, eighty-three years old, was run down and killed yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock at the corner of Jarvis street and Wilton avenue by a horse and cutter, driven by the police say, Peter Milne of Don P.O., one of the best-known farmers in that district. The old man was on his way home after purchasing some meat, and was crossing over the street when Milne drove north. The shaft of the sleigh struck the old man on the side of the head, and he was thrown violently forward on his face. When picked up Durell was breathing his last. Policeman Baines communicated with Chief-Coroner A. J. Johnson, and the body was taken to the home of George Saunders, at 379 Ontario street. An inquest will be opened at noon to-day by Coroner J. M. Cotton.

## A DESPERATE PRISONER.

**He Failed to Escape and Killed Himself.**

Trenton, N. J., Jan. 8.—Charles Brooks, an inmate of the New Jersey State Prison, is dead, Keeper John Fitzgerald has a bullet in his hip and Wm. J. Harney, a deputy keeper, is suffering from scalp wounds as the result of Brooks' attempt to escape from the institution. Fitzgerald is expected to recover, and Harney's condition is not thought to be serious, although he was knocked unconscious by a blow on the head with an iron bar used by Brooks. Brooks was polishing his bars, when he turned on Harney and struck the keeper over the head several times. Harney was made unconscious, and Brooks, taking the deputy's revolver, started for the centre of the prison. Brooks shot Keeper Fitzgerald, and a number of shots were fired at Brooks by other keepers. He was finally overpowered, and on the way to his cell informed the keepers that he had been wounded. Later the principal keeper ordered that Brooks be taken to the prison hospital. When the cell door was opened Brooks was found hanging from a window bar by his suspenders, and was dead. He was serving a twenty-year sentence for burglary.

## BLAME THE DIVES.

**Licensed Victuallers of Montreal on the Drink Evil.**

Montreal, Jan. 9.—The Licensed Victuallers' Association of Montreal, in answer to the recent appeal of Archbishop Bruchesi to the Police Committee for better enforcement of the laws relating to the liquor traffic, lay the blame for the many evils resulting therefrom on the illegal sale of liquors in cities and rural municipalities. It is claimed that licensed vendors do not sell more than one-eighth of the liquor consumed. Licensed vendors are doing their best to get the Government to enforce the law in that respect, but with indifferent success.

## LOW-CUT GOWNS.

**Pope Said to Have Expressed Indirect Disapproval of Them.**

Rome, Jan. 9.—The members of the "Black Society," an organization composed of the faithful of the Holy See, are much disturbed over the announcement that the Pope has written to the Portuguese Ambassador expressing the desire that the ladies should not wear low cut gowns at receptions attended by Cardinals and other prelates.

## TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Mr. W. H. Lindsay dropped dead at London while shovelling snow.

The re-count in the Cornwall Mayoralty leaves Mr. Lalonde's majority at one.

The Chinese Government complains that Chinamen are not fairly treated in the British colonies.

Lieut.-Col. Fred. M. Macdonald, one of the most prominent barristers of St. Catharines, is dead.

The funeral of Fire Chief Roe took place at London yesterday and was one of the largest ever seen in the city.

The new C. P. R. shops at Montreal will be named the Angus shops, as a compliment to Mr. R. B. Angus.

Winnipeg Liberals nominated Mr. D. W. Bole for the Commons, and East Grey Conservatives nominated Dr. Sproule, M.P.

G. T. R. Brakeman J. W. Johnston was found dying on top of a car at London. It is supposed he struck an overhead bridge.

January New Year's Number Four-Track News—An interesting Magazine. Only 5 cents, any Newsdealer.

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

**LEAD MADE ELASTIC BY LIQUID AIR.**

While liquid air has not proven itself the wonderful power which it was claimed to be at the start, it has found other fields in which its usefulness cannot be questioned, and, instead of driving machinery, it has come to be used in the treatment of certain diseases. It is still the subject of a great deal of experiment in the laboratory, and has recently been used in connection with that new wonder, radium, serving to prove new theories in regard to the latter. The lay mind, will, however, probably be more interested in the action of liquid air on two substances much more common than radium, namely, lead and rubber. When the latter is immersed in liquid air it loses its elasticity and becomes brittle, and if dropped to the floor breaks like glass. Drop a ball of lead into the liquid air and it acquires all the elasticity which the rubber has lost, and will bound on the floor like the rubber in its normal state.—Courier Journal.

Hon. C. H. Macintosh, ex-Lieutenant-Governor of the Northwest Territories, has received the Conservative nomination for the Commons in Kootenay.

Ernest Fromm was killed and his wife seriously injured by a dynamite explosion in his house Thursday.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

**HOUSE WANTED**—In good repair, having about six rooms, with modern conveniences preferred. Apply to J. Evans, Box 455, Chatham.

**TEACHER WANTED**—For S. S. No. 22, D. C. C. I. Duties to commence February 1st, 1904. Applications, stating qualifications and salary, to be addressed to W. H. Babcock, Secretary-Treasurer, Dresden.

## Clearing Sale

**of Men's and Women's Fancy and Felt Slippers**

We commence this week to clear out the following:

Men's Fancy Velvet Slippers, all sizes, 6-10, \$1.00 for 50c  
Men's Fine Alligator, tan and black, sizes 6-10, \$1.00 for 50c  
Boys' Fine Alligator, sizes 1-5, regular 75c, for 40c  
Women's Fancy Felt, sizes 3-7, reg. \$1.50 for 1.00  
Women's Fancy Felt, \$1 for 75c

Many others reduced accordingly. ....

## TURRILL

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## Fish-Fresh-Fish.

What you can get from Young's that you cannot get from any other grocer in the city.

British Columbia Salmon, fresh. We can give you any quantity.

Manitoba White Fish, fresh. 1 lb. 10c. Very fine.

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See Herring, fresh. Buy and try.

Ciscoes, Bloaters, Finnan Haddys. Everything the best.

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## THE MARKETS

There was a very poor market this morning—one of the smallest markets Chatham has seen for some time. The dairy sheds were practically empty before the morning was over. There were a couple of dozen eggs offered at 25 cents a dozen, and they sold rapidly. A few geese were sold at from 75 to 90 cents each; and butter, which was the chief feature, sold at 19 and 20 cents a pound. Vegetables were in the usual small supply at unchanged prices.

Following is the price list:—

**IN THE SEEDS.**  
Butter, per lb., 19c to 20c.  
Eggs, per dozen, 25c.  
Geese, each, 75c to 90c.

**VEGETABLES.**  
Apples, per peck, 15c to 20c.  
Potatoes, per peck, 20c to 25c.  
Cabbages, each, 3c to 5c.  
Squash, 3c to 5c.  
Pumpkins, 10c.  
Onions, 25c peck.  
Savory, 5c bunch.  
Celery, three bunches for 10c.

**CHICAGO MARKETS**  
Reported by F. B. Proctor, Broker Northwood Block, Chatham, Jan. 9, 1904.

Wheat—  
May..... 86-6 87 85-6 86  
July..... 82-1 82-2 81-6 81-3  
Corn—  
May..... 47-1 47-3 46-6 46-7  
July..... 46-4 46-5 46-1 46-2  
Oats—  
May..... 39-3 39-4 39-1 39-3  
July..... 38-2 38-2 38-6 38-6  
Pork  
Jan..... 1250  
May..... 1310 1312 1280 1280  
Lard  
Jan..... 657 657 657 657  
May..... 680 680 680 680  
Ribs  
Jan..... 625 625 625 625  
May..... 660 662 660 662

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**THE NORTHWOOD COMPANY.**

Up-to-date Millinery. **C. Austin & Co.** Fashionable Dressmaking.

## Austin's January Glove Sale, \$1.25 = for 79 Cents.

In going through our glove stock we find we have too many mocha gloves and rather than take stock of them we are going to give you an opportunity to buy \$1.25 gloves for 79c. They are Trefonse make, some silk lined but the majority unlined. There are all sizes and just the correct glove for this time of the year.

**Sale Starts Saturday Night.**

## WALKING SKIRTS.

Exactly the skirts needed to-day. The popular length that just stays off the ground; skirts that practical women wear every day. Good styles, perfect in every way. Grouped at the following prices for quick selling.

<b>At \$3.00</b> Walking Skirts of Navy, Grey, Brown or Cadet Homespun, 7 gore, very pretty flare, nicely trimmed with braid.	<b>At \$4.00</b> Of Black or Navy Broadcloth, 9 gore, alternate gores, trimmed with crossed straps and buttons.
<b>At \$4.00</b> Of Tweed, Covert Cloth, Cheviot or Frieze, 7 and 9 gore styles, trimmed with strapping, buttons and stitching.	<b>At \$5.00</b> Of Black and White or Blue and White, 9 gore, alternate gores trimmed with small stitched straps of plain cloth.

## Bargains in Remnants

In going through our stock during stock-taking, we have picked out all our short ends of Dress Goods and placed them on our bargain table at greatly reduced prices.

Remnants of Black and Colored Lustres.  
Remnants of Heavy Dress Goods.  
Remnants of Black and Colored Dress Goods.  
Remnants of Flake Goods.  
Remnants of Serges.  
Remnants of Venetians.  
Remnants of Ladies' Cloth.

## Clothing Dept.

## Chatham's Greatest Overcoat Value-....Giving Event

IS NOW IN PROGRESS.

Our great January pre-inventory overcoat sale is now in full swing. Many of the offerings are better than first announced. In going through our overcoat stock this week we've brought to light here and there odd lots of seasonable garments that will not be counted during stock-taking and for this reason prices have been reduced to the quick selling point.

## Well Timed Economy for Men and Boys on Winter Overcoats

Perhaps the idea of getting a fine new stylish winter overcoat, and having \$3.00 to \$5.00 in the operation, may appeal to some men, for their sakes as well as ours.

**\$15 to \$18 Overcoats, \$12.50.**—Black and Oxford Cheviots and fancy stripe and novelty pattern coats, long full swagger garments, small groups of some of the best selling overcoats of the season, all sizes somewhere or another, \$12.50 each, reduced from \$15 to \$18.  
**\$12 to \$13.50 Overcoats, \$10.**—Also a 50 of the season's most popular coats, the Austin's tailor-made garments, dark oxford mixtures, 46 to 50 inch length Raglanettes, stylish, full of comfort and wear, full range of sizes, 34 to 44.  
**\$10 to \$12 Overcoats, \$7.50.**—Made from all wool cheviots and plain beavers, in the long full Raglanettes styles and three-quarter dress lengths, in plain blue oxford grey and black cheviots, the season's best sellers at a bargain.  
**\$6 to \$7.50 Overcoats, \$4.95.**—An opportunity to buy a stylish overcoat at little cost, long full Raglanettes in dark Oxford cheviots and plain black beavers in the three-quarter lengths, \$5.00 to \$7.50 were their former prices, now \$4.95.  
**\$5.00 Boys' Raglanettes, \$3.95.**—The stylish long coat for boys in plain blacks and Oxford greys and pattern tweeds, full range of sizes for ages 8 to 15 years, buy one for next season, a good investment.

**C. Austin & Company**