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FIRST COUNTER is Purse, Brushes, Combs, Mirrors, Fancy Goods and Sundries.

SECOND COUNTER, CUTLERY—Carving Sets, Steel Knives and Forks (and Plated Goods—Knives, Forks, Spoons, Etc. Games, Books, Stationery, Etc.

THIRD COUNTER, Brushes, Soaps, Frays and Sundries.

FOURTH COUNTER, 25c. Goods, Skates, Granite-ware, Tinware, Etc. To the left and down the centre of First Flat is Fancy Mirrors and Sets, Fancy China, Vases, Jardiniere, Berry Sets, Odd Pieces, Cups and Saucers, Fancy Plates, Glassware, Dolls, Doll's Furniture, Toys, Games, Etc. 5c. and 10c. Counters, Crockery, Glassware, Lamps, Chimneys, Burners, Tinware, Baskets, Sleighs, Etc.

In the Rear Room you will find the "Famous" Stoves and Ranges nicely arranged. A few choice Stoves and Ranges to be rushed off quick. See them.

SECOND FLAT, Dinner Sets, Tea Sets, Toilet Sets, White China for decorating. Our special Lamp Room is well filled with Banquet, Reception, Library, Table and Hall Lamps, Globes and Shades.

You will find things useful and ornamental and lots to please the little folks at "The Ark." Come quick and get first choice and the very best of attention. Lowest and one price only.

H. Macaulay, 89 King St.

Theatrical

"KIDNAPPED."

To-morrow Night—Barney Gilmore, who will appear here shortly as Mr. Dooley, the detective, in his new play, "Kidnapped in New York," is of commanding stature, young, strong, and a graceful and forceful actor, and is also possessed of a remarkably fine voice. The company that will support Mr. Gilmore is spoken of as being a very meritorious one. New and elaborate scenery has been painted for the production. The attraction is booked for the Grand Opera House Saturday night. The sale of seats for this engagement is now open.

"THE DESERTER."

Ten cents an hour—that's the charged that was made last evening at the Opera House. For three solid hours a packed house was held attentive while "Sherman's" Castle Square Stock Company put on the five act drama—"The Deserter." Between every act the curtain rung up on special features. Everyone of the specialty artists made a hit, and this feature alone was well worth the popular admission price. R. B. Milloy is a capital German comedian. Fred Carleton as a silly boy, and Ermani, the dancing girl, are both good features. Ermani has improved on her dances as seen here a few years ago and is entitled to rank as one of the leading specialist theatrical dancers on the Canadian stage. A series of moving pictures contributed to the entertainment. The story of The Deserter is a strong and exceedingly interesting one, and was well told. It is a guarantee that the company is above the ordinary ten, twenty and thirty cent class, and will satisfy every demand that can be made on a popular priced company. —News-Record.

The above company will appear here all next week in a carefully selected repertoire. Seat sale opens to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

DISTRICT DOINGS.

DRESDEN

Dec. 12.—We regret to learn that Miss Ida Murch, for a number of years one of the most popular teachers in the public school, has been called to the position of the staff. Miss Murch will be greatly missed by a large number of friends in both church and social circles.

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Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Scarf attended the Scotch concert in Chatham Wednesday night.

Miss Maggie Stewart is visiting Mrs. McMacken in Ridgeway.

The pupils of the Zwart school are preparing for a Christmas entertainment.

Miss Josephine Landeau has been re-engaged in R. C. S. No. 6, Tilbury

North, for 1903, and her salary has been increased from \$300 to \$340.

J. W. Laird has been attending the County Court in Chatham as juror this week.

Miss Rice, who has been visiting Miss Belle Wilson, left for her home in Ridgeway to-day.

Henry Prendergast, of Tilbury North, left this week for Onaway, Mich.

W. A. Clark and George Powell have leased the rink for the coming skating season.

L. Currier left this week to take a position in an electric power house in Chicago.

The Presbyterian S. S. Christmas entertainment will be held on the 23rd inst.

The ladies of the Women's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church are this week sending a large box of clothing and also a box of fruit to the Deaconess Home, Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Johnson returned on Wednesday from a three weeks' visit with relatives in Port Rowan.

A business meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held on Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Jacobs.

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Miss A. Dupuy entertained a number of her friends to a pedro party last evening at her home. A very pleasant time was spent.

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WORLD OF SPORT

THE TURF

Tommy Burns is again right at himself on the race track. Yesterday he secured a first and two seconds at San Francisco.

INDOOR BASEBALL

A game will likely be played between the sergeants and corporals this evening at the drill shed at eight o'clock.

FOOTBALL

The Windsor association football team will journey to Chatham to-morrow to play the final game with Darrell for the Peninsular league championship. Darrell took the first game of the finals at Walkerville last Saturday, and if they succeed in defeating or playing a tie game with Windsor Saturday they win the Walker trophy.—Detroit Free Press.

The Darrell team will be stronger to-morrow than last Saturday, and seem to be quite confident of victory. The game, although likely the final game, will be played here to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. It will have to be fast in order that the players keep themselves warm.

VETERANS MEET

Old Soldiers Decide to have their Land Grants Located by Themselves.

A meeting of the veterans of the Peninsular War was held last night in the Old Town Hall in connection with the land grants the veterans are to receive for their services. The lands they are to receive are in New Ontario and each man is to receive 160 acres. The meeting last night was well attended. Those present being: Capt. Smith, Major Reid, Lieut. Nelson, Lieut. Richardson, Orl. Sergt. Turner, Sergt. Cornhill, Sergt. C. Brian, Sergt. H. Westmore, Corp. I. Taylor, Corp. Berube, Pte. J. M. Northwood, Pte. J. B. Stringer, Pte. T. Stanton, Pte. Tyron, 20c; Pte. H. Garrett, 27th Batt.; Corp. Jas. Embrey, 16th Inf.; Pte. Jno. Young, No. 3 Amherstburg; Pte. T. Richardson, Bugler W. Quinn, R. C. Rifles; Jas. McMahon, R. C. Rifles; P. E. Dean, Alex. Cedar, Anthony St. Pierre, Wm. Clements, Vital Ouellette, Joe. Tucker, Chas. LeFrancis, and J. W. Bessy, 27th Batt.

An invitation was extended to all other veterans of the War who are in this district, no matter in what part they served, to affiliate with the local society.

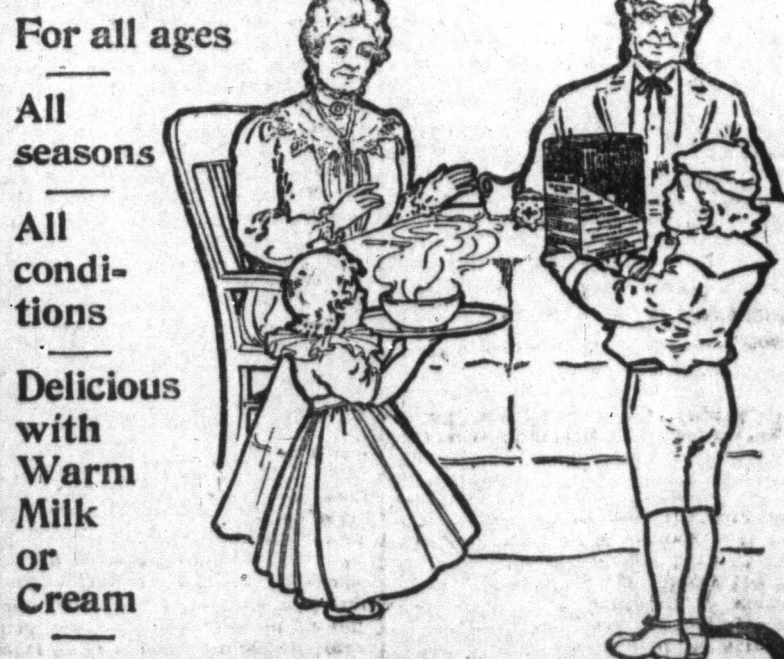
It was the unanimous decision of the veterans that they should not allow the associations to find their lands for them.

In consequence of this decision another meeting will be held on Feb. 11th, 1903, when two delegates will be chosen to go up to the country and select the lands.

The meeting adjourned.

"USED BY ROYALTY"

Mr. T. H. Estabrooks secured an excellent advertisement for Red Rose Tea when it was selected for the use of T. R. H. the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York during their recent visit. Its selection is a guarantee of its superior quality. Red Rose Tea is sold by a number of our leading grocers.



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Contains all the virtue of the whole wheat thoroughly cooked, scientifically combined with diastase of barley (the life of the grain).

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Appetizing, wholesome, malted wheat flakes.

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Most of our Christmas stock is ready now, and will be on the shelves in a few days.

Never did we show so many acceptable and original gift articles in the line of

Men's and Boys' Furnishings...

From now on you'll find our window and fixture displays full of fertile suggestions in the Christmas way.

If you are in doubt as to the best gift for a man friend don't hesitate to come in and consult with us. That's one of the things the store is here for.

Everything for boys down to the five year old.

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Arriving Daily

GIFT giving is always a pleasure, but choosing gifts is always perplexing. However we've a multitude of beautiful and reasonably priced gifts that make the choosing easy and pleasurable. Our summer trade having exceeded our fondest hopes, it became necessary to enlarge our salesroom.

Our salesman, silent but attentive, displays our attractive goods most charmingly. Space will not allow to enumerate in detail the attractions which may gladden the hearts of our friends. We are displaying hundreds of pretty and useful gifts in sterling silver and our show cases glisten with hundreds of gift suggestions in the way of gold jewelry for man or maid.

Come One, Come All, and make Purchases that will gladden the Recipients of these Gifts.

A. A. JORDAN

SIGN OF BIG CLOCK.

LETTER BOX

INFANT BAPTISM.

To the Editor of The Planet:

The letter explaining the doctrine of Infant Baptism, and the proofs from Holy Scripture for the same, as published in last evening's Planet, was written by the Catholic Record, of London, Ont., and the proof of this letter was communicated to The Planet.

ONE WHO KNOWS.

ELECTION CARDS

TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for Alderman for 1903, and if elected, I will continue to take the same active interest in the welfare of our Maple City, as I have done during the past.

Wishing you the compliments of the

season, soliciting your vote and influence, faithfully yours,

E. A. MOUNTER.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

To the 650 good, sensible people who voted for me for alderman last election, without in a single instance being solicited, canvassed or button-holed, I return my most sincere thanks and respect. I am again in the field for 1903, and I ask those who supported me last year to repeat the good act this year, when the former vote will be doubled by my own personal canvass. If elected, I shall have my weather-eye upon the Smart-Alecks who study their own little interests instead of the people's.

A chieftain among ye taking notes, and faith he'll print it." I shall advocate the gradual yearly improvement of our principal streets; the collection of garbage and its destruction by the city; the establishment of a great oil refinery in Chatham by the Raleigh oil magnates; a liberal but stringent concession to our bicyclists; fair wages and reasonable hours to our workmen and laborers, and the thorough numbering of the city houses.

GEO. G. MARTIN

Dec. 10th, 1902.

IT MUST BE TRUE EVERYBODY SAYS SO

The Bazaar and China Hall has the finest assortment of

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The popular prices are sustaining our reputation and finds us busy every day. It's a fact, as you know, that Chinaware has charms such as no other goods has for Presentation purposes. Leave your order this week for that :

Dinner or Tea Set in "Elite" Limoges China

and make sure of getting it in time for Christmas. New Goods arriving all the time.

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JAMES E. GRAY