

## SOCIETY

Miss Eberts is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Wescott, in Kingsville.

Mrs. D. S. Paterson and son Murray are visiting in St. Thomas.

Mr. K. McBeth left this week on a couple of weeks' holiday trip.

Miss Jean Ross, of Toronto, is the guest of her uncle, Dr. J. H. and Mrs. Duncan.

Miss Marguerite Douglas, of Dunbar, Ont., is the guest of Miss Ila Stevens.

Mr. F. O. Harrison, of the Standard Bank staff, returns to-morrow from his vacation.

Miss Kathleen O'Hara, of Toronto, is the guest of Mrs. James Fleming, King St. West.

Mr. Montgomery, of the Bank of Montreal staff, has returned from a very pleasant excursion.

Mrs. Falls gave a charming little tea last Monday for Chatham's society who are summering at the Eau.

Miss Edith Holmes, King St. West, returns to-morrow from a visit to her friend, Miss McPhillips, of Windsor.

Mr. and Mrs. Wescott, of Kingsville, who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Phil. Coate, returned home on Thursday.

Miss Mary Shannon and her guest, Miss Helen Wallace, and Miss Lucy McKelvey have returned from Erie Beach, where they have been spending a week.

## A SAD CASE

Mrs. Roxanna Webb, the aged colored woman who entered the County House of Refuge about three months ago, has returned to her relatives in town and says she will not go back to the Home. Her complaint is that she was not treated well by the other inmates in the House. She is in the meantime a burden on her relatives, who are in a position to make extra provision for her and they are at a loss to know where to send her. The authorities are looking into the case. This is the woman who, it will be remembered, was found lying senseless near the Maple Leaf Laundry on Murray street. She was left with a good farm free from debt and it is said that excessive interest on loans made on mortgages soon landed the farm in the money lender's possession.

## WERE SUCCESSFUL

Frank Richardson and Claude Brundage returned from Pittsburgh last Thursday night, where they have been representing Chatham on the combined Detroit, Cleveland and Chatham team, which has been playing in the Pittsburgh cricket tourney this week. Both report the best of times. The combined team came out of the fray with two wins and a loss, defeating Chicago and Pittsburgh and losing to Zingari. The latter has also the same record and has to play the combined team for the trophy which was in competition. The match will be pulled off later in the season.

Pittsburg subscribed \$1,500 to entertain the visiting cricketers and, according to the reports of the boys, they spent it all. There was a smoker, a ball and a general good time. There is talk of getting a combined team to go to Chicago in September to compete in a tournament being held there.

## THE CIVIC RATE

In conversation with civic officials yesterday morning The Planet learned that the rate for the current year will, probably, be in the neighborhood of 28 mills. Ald. Marshall will report the exact figure at the next regular Council meeting. There seems to be some difficulty in ascertaining whether there is a floating debt which will have to be met. The auditor has reported there is one, and the treasurer says there is not. This, also, will have to be settled before the rate can be struck.

The tracks of the electric road, near the corner of Wellington and Raleigh streets, are fully four inches below the level of the street. This is exceedingly dangerous and should be attended to.

Of course, the Banner is entirely wrong in its report of the bridge trouble, when it says the differences between the city and the company are settled. The trouble is merely deferred. But of course we can't spend our time pointing out these inaccuracies. Life is too short.

## \$200 DAMAGES

A case of considerable interest affecting the rights of farmers and railway companies was tried at the County Court at London last week. Dugald Black, a farmer of the Township of Elfrid, sued the C. P. R. for damages for the loss of two colts which got out of his yard owing to the bars getting down, and got over the cattle guard of the defendant company and were killed on their track. His Honor charged the jury that the company were liable unless it were shown that the colts got out through the negligence or wilful act or omission of the plaintiff or his agent. The jury answered all the questions submitted to them in favor of the plaintiff and assessed the damages at \$200.

## BABY'S OWN TABLETS

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## District Dashes

Mr. Con. E. Shea, of Chatham, and Mr. Chas. A. Faber, of Chicago, drove out from Chatham on Wednesday last and visited for a few hours at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Gernay. Mr. Faber is not new in these parts for a score of years.—Merlin Mirror.

Seated in a pew in the Ontario street church on Sunday morning last were three sisters whose average age is 81 years. They were: Mrs. Plumsteel, Sr., 83, Mrs. A. D. Wiltzie, 81, Mrs. Robert Barber, Seaforth, 79. They are bright, cheerful and active and beloved by their families and a host of friends. It is likely that a like incident occurred in any church in the Dominion last Sunday.—Clinton News-Record.

A report brought here by a traveler from Ruthven is to the effect that Rev. J. C. Reid, of Cottageville, of this circuit, is dead in Chicago, as a result of hydrophobia. Dr. Oliver telephoned Ruthven to ascertain confirmation of the report and although Ruthven people are sanguine of the report, yet it is generally believed to be true. Mr. Reid was bitten by a dog, as were also two other persons of Ruthven. Mr. Reid was removed to a hospital in Chicago for treatment and is reported to have died while under treatment. Merlin confidently hopes that the report is not true.—Merlin Mirror.

## CHAMBERLAIN'S COLIC, CHOLERA AND DIARRHOEA REMEDY—THE BEST IN EXISTENCE.

T. M. Wood, manager of the White County News, Beebe, Ark., is a representative southern business man, who does not hesitate in expressing his good opinion of a well known remedy. He says, "It gives me pleasure to recommend Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera, and Diarrhoea Remedy, having used it myself and in my family with the best results. In fact, I believe it to be the best remedy of the kind in existence." Sold by All Druggists.

French Freighter Ashore. Guernsey, Channel Islands, July 28.—A large French freight steamer went ashore yesterday on the west coast of this island. It is believed that the vessel, the name of which is not known, will be a total wreck. There was no loss of life. There was a fog.

Sheep Held For Double Duty. Helena, Montana, July 24.—Two thousand five hundred head of sheep that strayed across the Canadian border for better grass have been seized by the Canadian Mounted Police and are held for double duty. The duty amounts to \$3.100.

## BUY IT NOW.

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Rev. J. P. McQuarrie, of Valetta, leaves on Monday next for a month's vacation. He will take the lake route from Detroit to Niagara Falls, and from there go on to Muskoka to while away the time among the rocks, lakes and pleasant scenery.—Merlin Mirror.

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## The Letter-Box

## NOT AN EMPLOYEE.

To the Editor of The Planet: Re fat man's race, P. M. Picnic. In your report of 24th inst. you say the authorities refused to let me run on the grounds that I was a professional and you very ably defended me in that view of the case. I desire the public to know that the ground of barring me was that the race was confined to employees only of the Pere Marquette Railway Co. I was invited to run by Mr. A. Skirving, referee.

Yours truly, J. W. WHITE.

## NOT FOR PUBLICATION.

The Planet does not believe that "Civis" intended his letter for publication and we have accordingly returned it. The Planet's letter box is open to all reasonable discussions of the public acts or statements of any citizen, but is not for dealing in personal matters. Our correspondent undoubtedly has the right to differ from the position of Ald. Austin or Dr. Thornton and to express his views thereon—and such correspondence is desired, but The Planet cannot allow itself to be the medium for anything further. We trust our correspondent, whom we hold in esteem, will understand this position and the resultant return of his communication.—Editor Planet.

## AN INQUISITIVE READER.

Editor of The Planet: Mr. Editor, I want to ask a question that I think many ratepayers would like to have answered. If Chatham goes in for long and expensive lawing, what proportion of the law costs will Dr. Thornton pay?

## TAXPAYER.

## WHERE THE REPORT ERRED.

To the Editor of The Planet: Dear Sir,—Before proceeding to show that my letter of yesterday was fully warranted let me make one correction. In the letter, as published, one little word is left out that makes a world of difference in my attitude toward you. I think if you look up the M.S., you will find I wrote in reference to yourself "I do not think you are a party to such misrepresentations and therefore respectfully request you, etc., etc." In the letter as published the word "not" is left out and does unfairness to me as well as yourself. I have no copy of my M.S. but if the word "not" is not there I meant to be. My idea was that you had not given sanction to what the stenographic report shows to be incorrect and unfair and I therefore requested you to make amends.

Now, sir, I wish to state that the stenographic report is absolutely correct and, therefore, does me justice; and I thank you for publishing it verbatim. But the official report and that published in your paper differ widely. The difference is very material. The stenographic report makes me state that I WOULD NOT SWEAR that I could detect the difference in odor between port and cherry wine; your report makes me "without wavering" swear that I could. Again, your report makes me state I could do so as to get; the official gives the very opposite. Does the difference not strike you, Mr. Editor? I consider that any intelligent person, who has handled or drunk the different classes of liquor in the eyes of right-minded persons, your paper's report makes me swear that I did not, what I could not swear, and what would not be believed if I did swear to it.

Furthermore, I must still maintain that your paper's report showed much bias. I cannot say whether the reporter was prejudiced, but what he wrote is manifestly one-sided; and I leave it to your readers to judge. If he had no interest in the affair why did he not report the facts in reference to the appeal, on both sides, and leave them with the people. Court cases should be reported in the spirit as well as in the letter of fairness and correctness. The case in question, I hold, was not so reported. If your reporter made the mistakes unwittingly and without knowledge of decorum in such cases, represented unfairly, let him admit it, and, under the circumstances, do what a gentleman would; if he meant to do as he did, and as many of your readers here interpret his action, I request you respectfully to see that he does what would be only fair under the circumstances. I claim no privilege, I ask for no favor. I am willing to accord even the opponents of sobriety and temperance the fullest and fairest hearing. But I ask for fair play, not so much for myself as on behalf of the cause of law, righteousness and temperance, that I earnestly seek to uphold and represent, however feeble it may be carried out.

With the request for a little space for the above, and thanking you in anticipation, I remain, Yours for fair play, GEO. GILMORE.

Blenheim, Ont., July 27th, 1905.

Should Christians smoke? This is one of the topics for discussion at Methodist conferences this year. It is reasonably certain that some self-styled Christians will smoke in the sweet by and by.—Kansas City Journal.

Work hard, play hard, but let it be fair play and honest work.

He who loves his home is never an absentee in spirit.

## SPECIALS FOR To-Night AND Monday

\$4.50, \$5 AND \$6 CLOTH SKIRTS AT \$2.98—Sample skirts in fine Vienna Coverts, Tweeds, etc., in black and colors, latest cut, regular up to \$6 each, SATURDAY PRICE \$2.98.

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CHILDREN'S COLORED CASHMERE HOSE 15c PAIR—Colors red, white and black, fine pure wool Cashmere Hose, sizes 4 to 6 inches, regular 25c pair, SATURDAY PRICE 15c.

35c FLOOR OIL CLOTHS 25c—Extra heavy firm quality, 1 yard, 1 1/4 and 1 1/2 yards wide, good range patterns, our regular 35c quality, SATURDAY PRICE 25c.

YARD WIDE BLACK TAFFETA SILK \$1.00 YARD—Colors red, white and black, fine pure wool Cashmere Hose, sizes 4 to 6 inches, regular 25c pair, SATURDAY PRICE 15c.

\$3.00 TABLE CLOTHS AT \$1.89 EACH—Fine Double Damask Cloth, pure grass bleached, size 2 yards by 21-2 yards, choice designs, regular value \$3.00 each, SATURDAY PRICE \$1.89.

Wash Goods at Less Than Half-Price

SEE THESE—1246 yards fine Muslins, Swisses, Lawns, Dimities, Zephyrs, Voiles, etc., choice patterns, fast colors, sold regular at 15c, 18c and 20c yard, SATURDAY PRICE 9c.

20c, 25c, 35c AND 40c GOODS AT 13c YARD—All our finest wash dress materials in pure Linen Suitings, Mercerised Suitings, Linen Toile Suitings, Lace Stripe Muslins, French Printed Organdies, Linen Crash Suitings, Flaked Suitings, real Irish Dimities, etc., all new designs, fast colorings, usually sold at 20c, 25c, 35c and 40c yard, SATURDAY PRICE 13c.

MUSLINS AND PRINTS AT 5c YD.—Several hundred yards dress muslins and prints, in fast colors, worth 7c and 8c yard, SATURDAY PRICE 5c.

\$7.50 LUSTRE SUITS AT \$4.90—16 only ladies' Mohair Lustre shirt-waist suits, rich silky quality, colors brown, navy and black, made with pleated skirt, regular \$7.50 value, SATURDAY PRICE \$4.90.

\$1.50 BLACK UNDERSKIRTS 98c—10 dozen rich black satana underskirts, made with flounce, ruffles, pleating, tucks, etc., assorted lengths, regular \$1.50 value, SATURDAY PRICE 98c.

\$2.00 LINEN CLOTHS AT \$1.48—Fine, pure satin finish, all linen Table Cloths, 2 yards square, choice patterns, regular \$2.00 each, SATURDAY PRICE \$1.48.

MILL ENDS TABLE LINENS—627 yards bleached and unbleached Table Linens, in lengths of 1 yard to 4 1/2 yards each, all qualities from 25c, a yard up to \$2.00 a yard; clearing Saturday at a little over HALF PRICE.

MILL ENDS OF TOWELLINGS—Scotch Crash, Barnaby Crash, Irish Crash, Huek and Granite Towellings, 17 inches to 23 inches wide, in lengths of 1 yard to 10 yards each; clearing Saturday at almost HALF PRICE.

50c STRAW HATS AT 25c EACH—5 dozen Men's and Boys' Straw Hats, fine braids, assorted styles, regular 40c, 50c and 75c each; clearing at 25c.

25c FLOOR MATTINGS 17c YARD—17 pieces fine China and Japan Mattings in new reversible patterns and colorings, fine grades, regular 25c yard, SATURDAY PRICE 17c.

20c SILK RIBBONS AT 12 1/2c YARD—655 yards fine, rich quality, Taffeta Silk and Satin Ribbons, in almost every wanted color, regular 20c yard, SATURDAY PRICE 12 1/2c.

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## DISTRICT DOINGS. BLENHEIM

July 29.—Miss Tuckett, of Ridge-town, has taken a position in E. G. Thompson's store.

Mrs. W. Mogg, 3rd concession, who has been suffering from rheumatism for some time, has again come to the Hotel Santa for treatment.

Mrs. Charles Vivian and Mrs. T. Johns have returned from visiting Mrs. A. N. Shotwell, Mt. Clemens, Mich.

A large number from here expect to take in the excursion to Niagara Falls on Thursday next.

During the electrical storm yesterday afternoon the barn on Duncan McMillan's farm, on the Centre Line, was struck by lightning and totally destroyed by fire.

The members of the novice rink of bowlers returned last evening. Although not successful in winning, they report an excellent time. R. L. Gosnell's rink also was unsuccessful.

R. L. Gosnell and W. C. White are still in the run in the double contest. Mr. and Mrs. W. Wiley leave on Monday for a visit to Emerson, Manitoba, via boat to Fort William. They expect to be gone two months.

Mrs. Ambrose Moore, St. Thomas, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. Burke.

Misses Mary Buck and Odella Phair are visiting friends in Detroit. T. G. McCallum lost a horse this week by impaling itself on the fence in the pasture field.

Miss Sterling, Kent Bridge, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. John Graham.

SURE TO BE A FAILURE. Oh, John! exclaimed Mrs. House, keep! I'm sure our dinner party to night will be a horrible failure. What's the matter? asked her husband. The cook quarreled with her beau this morning.

NOTICE Notice is hereby given that it is the intention of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada at the expiration of four weeks from the first publication of this notice, to apply to the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada, under Section 175 of the Railway Act, 1903, for authority to construct a branch line or siding extending from a point on its line south of Park street, Chatham, across Park street and Duke street, and along the Grand Trunk Railway Company's property to a point north of Duke street, near the premises of the Chatham Bent Good Company, as shown upon a plan profile and book of reference deposited in the Registry Office for the County of Kent on the 24th July, 1905.

Dated this 27th day of July, A. D. 1905. W. H. BIGGAR, General Solicitor Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada.

## THE BISSELL

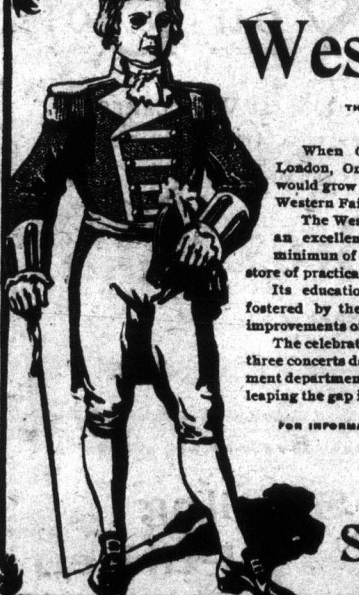
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