

Practical Millinery

COUPLED

With Elegance, Art and Style

Such Millinery is on exhibit in our Millinery show room this week. If you have not seen our display we cordially invite you to visit this store this week. If you have seen it before, come again, that you may see it thoroughly. You'll find courteous sales ladies ready to show you through and ready to explain the styles to you.

A Dress Goods Exhibit

That is without doubt the finest we ever attempted, never have we had such a complete range of Dress Fabrics, in prices ranging from per yd., 50c to \$1.00, and nowhere will you find such values as we offer at these prices. At \$1.00 and upward, never have we shown such an elegant array.

WM. FOREMAN & CO,
IMPORTERS.

AMUSEMENTS

GRAND OPERA HOUSE

MONDAY, MARCH 27

V. H. SCHAFER

PRESENTS

Otis B. Thayer

With the original New York Com-

pany in a special scenic produc-

tion of

The beautiful Comedy Drama

Sweet Clover

Prices, 25, 35, 50, 75, \$1.00.

Seats go on sale Thursday.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE

SATY, MARCH 25

MATINEE AND EVENING

MR. JOHN DAVIDSON

PRESENTS

Hooligan's Troubles.

ably assisted by a strong bunch

of jesters and merry makers.

Matinee Prices—Children 10c

and adults, 25c.

Night—25c, 35c, and 50c.

Seats now on sale.

NEW FRUIT STORE.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

Abraham Jakoor

Will open a Wholesale and Retail

Fruit Store, Next to the Rankin

House in the store lately occupied

by Mr. Tilt, where on

Saturday, March 25, 1905,

will be found a choice assortment of

FRUITS OF ALL KINDS.

Also Confectionery, Tobacco

and Cigars. Parties requiring

any of the above at Wholesale or re-

tail will find it to their advantage to

give Mr. Jakoor a call or telephone

445.

Mineral Baths

Chatham, Dec. 18, 1901.

To CHATHAM MINERAL WATER CO.

For some years I was so badly used up with rheumatism in my hip and leg that I could not walk without suffering severe pain and finally got so bad that I was confined to my bed. I tried almost every kind of patent medicines beside consulting physicians, but obtained no relief. At last I was persuaded to try the mineral water and used it in liberal quantities. From the first I felt a decided change for the better, and now I can say I have entirely recovered. I cannot recommend the mineral water too highly and am pleased to such a magnificent establishment erected for the treatment of cases like mine.

ROBERT BLACK,

Chatham, Ont.

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BEN-HUR

The Grandest Spectacle of the Century to be Staged in Detroit.

Towering triumphantly as the most massive and picturesque as well as the most impressive dramatic spectacle in the history of the world, "Ben-Hur" will seek new honors at the Detroit Opera House the week of March 27th. Never before in the history of Detroit amusements has an announcement of a theatrical production created such a sensation, for it means something new to the public to see a dramatic spectacle on the colossal scale of the present production. The scenic settings to be used are those which marked the World's Fair run in St. Louis this past summer, and the engagement now being played at the Big Chicago Auditorium. They were imported

SHORT SESSION

City Council Held Business Meeting Last Evening—The Radial Road By-Law.

The Council acted with despatch last night and, after a quick twenty-minute session, adjourned. During that 20 minutes, however, they passed a by-law granting partial exemption from taxes to the electric railroad, and also passed a number of accounts. Ald. Austin moved that Assessor Gonne be granted \$50 on account. Carried. Ald. Ainsworth presented an application from Thomas Kime, for the position of Inspector. Referred to Board of Works. Ald. Potter presented a request from Jane E. Douglas for permission to sell a lot in Maple Leaf Cem-

THE KING EDWARD

Splendid New Grocery Store Opened Opposite Fifth St Bridge—Messrs Bartlett & Northwood, the New Firm.

The King Edward is the newest grocery business in the city, and it will always be found keeping up the standard that its name requires.

Messrs. George Bartlett and Harry Northwood, the proprietors, are both well known young men of this city. Mr. Bartlett has spent the better part of his life in the grocery trade and understands it thoroughly. Both members of the firm are graduates of the Macdonald store. When last week they purchased the Bon Marche grocery from Chas. Dunn everyone predicted success.

The King Edward is one of the best and brightest establishments of the kind in the city, and its appearance is such as to appeal to the thrifty housewife. The King Edward, the new store, with the new name and the new firm, will always be found giving close attention to business, and prompt delivery will be a feature.

Mr. Bartlett assures the public that any child can stop in the store and be assured of receiving just as careful attention as the mother or father would. The stock is bright and up-to-date, and the King Edward is equipped to meet all the requirements of the modern grocery trade.

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WORLD OF SPORT

LAURUSSE

CLUB RE-ORGANIZED.

The many lovers and supporters of Canada's national game will be delighted to learn that Chatham will have a fast Intermediate lacrosse team this year.

A very enthusiastic meeting of lacrosse supporters was held in the Garner House parlors last evening, when the Tecumseh lacrosse club was re-organized for the coming season.

Among those who were present were: Messrs. P. S. Coate, Geo. Heyward, W. Stone, Walter Piggott, J. McCoig, Stringer, E. B. Northwood, Joseph Tilt, F. H. Brisco, Fred Taylor, Striker, Beag, Jacques, Fleming, W. J. Young, Grace, Elliot, Angus, Stewart, Alexander, W. Shillington, B. Shillington, Oldershaw, W. Leitch, Fred Cowan and others. The following officers were elected:

Hon. Past Presidents—Arthur Richardson and Robt. Gray.
Hon. Pres.—John McCoig.
Hon. Vice-Pres.—Mayor Cowan.
Treas.—Geo. Massey.
Vice-Pres.—F. D. Laurie.
Sec'y.—W. J. Young.
Finance Com.—Jos. Tilt, Hy. Northwood, P. S. Coate, W. Stone and Geo. Heyward.
Playing Manager—F. Grace.
Rep. to C. L. A.—W. J. Young.
Executive—Massey, Laurie, Young and Piggott.

Patrons—H. S. Clements, M. P. A. B. McCoig, M. P. P., Geo. Stephens, ex-M. P. T. L. Pardo, ex-M. P. P. T. A. Smith, Dr. Hall, N. H. Stevens, S. M. Glenn, J. Watt, Wm. Ball, Rev. A. H. MacGillivray, John Piggott, W. S. Hadley, W. E. Merritt, J. D. O'Keefe, J. S. Turner, H. D. Smith, W. E. Rispin, S. Stephenson, A. C. Woodward and J. M. Rice. It was decided to enter the intermediate class, the same as last year, and to engage and sign players at once. The finance committee was instructed to get out at once for subscriptions. It was not decided what arrangements would be made for securing grounds to play on. It is expected that St. Thomas, London and Windsor will be in the same district as Chatham.

PARK ST. THURCH

MUSIC TO-MORROW

MORNING.

Anthem, "The Homeland."

Tenor Solo.

Theme—The Second Table of the Covenant.

EVENING.

Anthem, "Now the Day is Over."

Ladies' quartette, "Oh Day of Rest and Gladness."

Theme—Parent and Child.

FAMOUS PEOPLE

BY FANNIE M. LOTHROP



ARTHUR J. BALFOUR

The Evolution of a Prime Minister

The Prime Minister of Great Britain, Arthur James Balfour, is a strange paradox. A power in politics, he cares nothing for the game; with little or no ambition, he has risen to a position second only to that of the King; of a dreamy, philosophic temperament, he has proved himself a man of instant action in every emergency.

He was born in 1848 in Scotland, the son of a wealthy Scotchman, and Lady Cecil, sister of the late Lord Salisbury. At Eton and Cambridge he won no medals for special brilliancy, and no microscopic examination revealed a germ of future greatness. He was a member of "The Souls," a society of enthusiasts vainly seeking the "ultimate" among the list of life's unattainables. When twenty-six he entered Parliament, and was pored and cynical, taking neither himself nor his work seriously; a spectator of life rather than a struggler. As the weak member of "The Fourth Party," he was the good-natured butt of the House and was usually summed up by his fellows as "clever but hopelessly lazy."

In 1880, to the amusement of England, Salisbury, his uncle, named him the successor of Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, Chief Secretary for Ireland. This post that had brought the snow of age to the heads of strong men and had even killed some of them in the fierce days of the "Land League," was given to this young, gentle, easy-going individual. The Irish members smiled knowingly and rubbed their hands in the glow of anticipation—but it was all premature. Daniel was surely thrown into the lion's den, but the lions had not reckoned on the marvellous transformation.

The indolent, careless manner of Balfour suddenly fell from him as if it were a magic mantle. He stood before them a man of keen judgment, iron will, vigorous and virile force, and a master in executive power. He braved all his taunts, their threats, their insolence, and their abuse until they became tired. They were like fiery bullets that hit him but did not hurt him. His firmness, liberality and good sense at last won his enemies.

From one high position to another he rose without any seeming effort. His present honors fell at his feet in 1902. Balfour is a man of deep religious spirit, sweet and gentle in nature, serious and serene in temperament, simple and unaffected, seemingly unconscious of his strength, a philosopher, turned statesman, and so sensitized to the great realities of life as to be unmindful of many things that absorb the whole life of smaller men.

Based according to Act of the Parliament of Canada, in the year 1904, by W. C. Mack, at the Department of Agriculture.

from the Drury Lane Theatre, London, for this season's tour of the play.

"Ben-Hur" is a wonderful spectacle. All who have seen it agree that nothing more beautiful, inspiring, spiritual and edifying than "The Healing of the Lepers," in the last act has ever been offered on the stage of the American theatre. At this point, this great play is most truly and in a very high sense "religious." Here the stage seems to have consecrated itself and all its resources to the service of Christianity, and there is nothing that is not reverent, beautiful and altogether fitting in its service. This scene and the widely advertised chariot race, in the act preceding, are the great special features of the play which give it much of its wonderful value and extraordinary power.

If the American drama had done absolutely nothing worthy in its long career but this; had its fame to rest solely upon this one noble product of Messrs. Klaw & Erlanger, it has justified its existence; for in this at least, it has shown that the stage may be given over to uses wholly worthy, highly commendable and which cannot fail to exert the greatest possible blessing on mankind—that of bringing home with immense force and dignity, the eternal truth and verity of the birth into the world of Jesus, the Saviour of mankind.

To every man, no matter what his conditions, "Ben-Hur" has its appeal. It appeals to the deep-grained, firm-rooted religious feeling in the human heart and brings back with great directness, the simple lessons and divine truths that every man born in a Christian land learned at his mother's knees.

The biggest sins are the ones for which we have no appetites.

No man is a fool who realizes his own folly.

Those whom neglected coughs have killed were once as healthy and robust as you. Don't follow in their paths of neglect. Take

Shiloh's

Consumption

Cure The Lung Tonic

right now. It is guaranteed to cure. It has cured many thousands.

Prepared by S. C. Wells & Co., 503

25c. No. 11, LeRoy, N. Y., Toronto, Can.

ALL FIGURES

May be improved by clothes, but not by ALL clothes.

The improving kinds are here and at the right figure.

Sack Suits, both single and double breasted, in more patterns than you will see in two ordinary stores.

We have just received from our work rooms some remarkably clever productions in Spring garments.

The style, the trim, the general "make up" are almost perfect.

We are more than enthusiastic about these garments and would like a chance to show them to you.

Suits \$10.00 to \$18.00.

THORNTON & DOUGLAS LIMITED.

The Letter-Box

Editor Chatham Planet,

Chatham, Ont.,

Dear Sir,—A few days ago there

appeared in the Chatham press an

article copied from the Detroit Tri-

bune, which I believe was inspired

by the enemies of asphalt block.

When I read it I was inclined to

pay very little attention to it, but

after learning that it had been

copied in nearly all the papers of

Western Ontario, I felt it my duty

to take steps to have it contradicted.

Of course the people here in Windsor

know the pavement referred to as

Ouellette avenue was not manufac-

tured by our company. They also

know that the report as it appeared

in the paper was greatly exaggerated,

and that it had been down double

the time stated in the article. I en-

close some testimonials from resi-

dents of Windsor who formerly resided

in Chatham, and are well known

and thoroughly reliable.

Yours truly,

R. BANGHAM.

Windsor, March 24, 1905.

Women do not bid for compliments,

but they know how to lead up to them.

The coin of vantage is all right

if you can convert it into cash.

DISTRICT DOINGS.

TILBURY

March 25.—A strapping six-foot

beggar with his arm in a sling and

a breath on him like a distillery,

made the rounds of the village on

Wednesday with such good success

that he celebrated the event by get-

ting good and drunk and looting in

the livery stable for the night. He

was arrested by Constable Well-

wood, held in the lock-up all night,

and yesterday was sentenced to 10

days or 30 days in Chatham jail. He

chose the latter. On his begging ex-

pedition he got quite abusive when

his victims refused to "cough up"

to assist in paying his fare to a St.

Thomas hospital for treatment. An

examination, however, showed there

was nothing wrong with his arm,

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Whosoever serves his country well

has no need of ancestors.

Royal Baking Powder

45 CENTS a pound can

AT ALL GROCERS

25 cents a half pound can

Royal Baking Powder is made from pure grape cream of tartar; is absolutely pure; has received the highest praise from all authorities on food at home and abroad, is used daily in millions of homes throughout the world.

Royal Baking Powder is the most economical thing in the kitchen.

PAINT YOUR NEW HOUSE WITH S. W. P.

WESTMAN BROS. have just received the largest shipment ever brought to the city. If you want good paint have it mentioned in your specification.

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