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Local Briefs

Wanted—A good press feeder at this office, at once.
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Mrs. Peter Deszila will leave for Chicago tomorrow on a visit to her sister, who is seriously ill.
J. R. Gilleland returned to his home in St. Catharines to-day. He is quite recovered, but is not yet strong.
One of the sugar beet scows landed on the Canada Flour Mills Co.'s dock when the water went down. George Cassidy, who has the scow in charge, spent 7 1-2 hours getting the boat off the dock, Friday.
Driller Richard McGaffey was in the city to-day. He is finishing the well at Essex, which the late Mr. Robertson, of this city was drilling when he met his death. His widow is completing the contract with the M. C. R.
So far, only one case has been entered for trial at the County Court Sittings, which open here on Monday, April 4th, before His Honor Judge Bell. The case is that of Schmidt vs. Crow. Wilson & Co. for plaintiff, Lewis and Richards contra.

Ike Bechard has cleared the ice from his fishing ground, back of the hospital, and is having considerable success. He is getting 2 bushels of fish to a haul and four hauls to the hour. The catch consists mainly of pickerel, as pike haven't started to run yet.

County Clerk J. C. Fleming has received his first returns of unpaid taxes from the treasurer of the municipalities of the county. A. D. Mitton, treasurer of Howard, is the first one to make returns. His report shows a balance of \$13.56 to be collected.

License Inspector William A. Mills and F. C. Tom Groves visited the city hotels Saturday night. The visit was not announced in the papers, neither was a messenger sent on before. Suspicious circumstances were noticed in connection with several hotel hotels, but only one was caught with the goods.

N. H. Stevens has returned from a business trip to Ottawa, Quebec and Toronto. He called on Sir Wilfred Laurier and had a nice little chat with him. The premier is looking well, and in talking over trade conditions, he showed that he had a clear understanding and a definite opinion of the needs of the country. Mr. Stevens also called on some of the other ministers.

Subscription list for the concert to be given in the Grand Opera House, March 25th, by Mr. Frank S. Wellman, assisted by Mr. Harold Jarvis, tenor, Detroit, and Miss Carrie Estelle Williams, soprano, of Detroit, will be found at McCall's drug store and at Stone, the Hatter. All subscription lists close to-morrow night. Plans open to subscribers at Briscoe's Wednesday morning.

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CHATHAM and DRESDEN.

A. B. Cowan, of Cowan & Co., Galt, is in the city to-day on business.
H. Pelette, Grey street, has returned from Florida, where he has been spending the winter.
Mrs. F. M. Bedford, Adelaide street, who has been very ill for the past two weeks, is not much improved.

David Young, of Morpeth, an aged inmate of the House of Refuge, passed away yesterday morning, aged 80 years. Mr. Young has been in the House of Refuge almost continuously ever since the institution was established.

Dentist Ludlow, whose card appears in our columns this week, wishes us to inform the public that he has had an office in Dresden for about four months, coming as he did from Petroska about the close of last November. While prepared to supply any dental requirements at all times, his specialties are comfortably filling sets of teeth that give the face the appearance possessed ten or fifteen years ago, before any teeth were lost, with all full or partial permanent ones that may be required. In no other office in Canada is this obtainable. When ordering teeth a wax plate is made and with the patient's assistance he decides for length of teeth and the future appearance of the lip and cheek that may be deemed necessary. All full plates, on which none but America's choicest teeth are ever used, will cost, for a few months, \$6.75; partial ones in proportion. No whitening the tops of teeth to make a fit ever permitted, nor is any ever necessary in his office. All fillings but gold 50c., except with children of 14 years and under, whose teeth are never fully hardened, their cost 40c. with him.

Wallaceburg, Ont., March 20.—A dwelling occupied by George Gray, and owned by Mrs. D. B. McDonald, situated on Wellington street, was burned at an early hour yesterday morning. The inmates were awakened by the smoke and made their escape out of the second-story windows. The house and contents are a total loss. Adjoining buildings were badly scorched, but through the efforts of the firemen were saved. The loss on buildings and contents is about \$1,800, covered by insurance.

Rev. J. W. Hoyt, who has been pastor of Victoria avenue Baptist church for a little over five years, has decided to accept the call to the pastorate of the Baptist church in Chatham. This decision he announced to his Board of Deacons this morning, but he did not make any reference to the matter in his sermon. He will formally hand in his resignation on Wednesday evening, and will probably leave for his new field some time in April. His salary at Victoria avenue church is \$1,000. At Chatham it will be \$1,200. Since Mr. Hoyt came to his present charge the membership has increased by 300.—Hamilton correspondent to the Globe.

ESCAPED FROM UPPER WINDOWS

Mr. P. D. McKellar, who has been looking carefully into the matter of pavements, furnishes the Planet with the following interesting statement concerning the relative cost of brick and asphalt block:
On 100 foot front brick at \$3.06 per foot front \$306.00.
Ten equal instalments \$30.60.
First year's interest \$15.30.
Total \$45.90.
On 100 foot front asphalt block at \$3.83 per foot front \$383.00.
Fifteen equal instalments \$25.53.
First year's interest \$19.15.
Total \$44.68.
Tenth year in favor of block \$1.32.
Average cost for block for last five years \$29.90.
But as block is three feet wider than brick the owner would be paying during last five years for the extra three feet only.

COMING IN APRIL

When Spencer boarded.
Among the stories told of Herbert Spencer some time ago was one relating to his boarding house experiences. His doctor had advised him that solitary meals were not good for him, and he went to a boarding house but did not stay. The "pleasant lady" who sat next to him and who was to engage him in light and cheerful talk was a sad disappointment. A friend asked her how she liked the boarding house. Could she recommend it? "Oh, yes, I think I can," she replied. "But there is a Mr. Spencer, who thinks he knows about science and philosophy. I have to correct him every night!" One of Spencer's peculiarities was to carry about two little plugs in his pocket, and whenever conversation around him became annoying he took them out and put them in his ears.—London Chronicle.

PAVEMENT FIGURES

Even the married man can't serve two masters.
A good intention clothes itself with power.
Rascality has its limit, stupidity has not.

SOME SCOUT SKIRMISHES

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south on March 11 after searching Amur Bay. Since Vice Admiral Makaroff's arrival at Port Arthur, he adds, the Russian defensive tactics have been more active, and their torpedo boat destroyers more alert and enterprising.

A FIERCE CONFLICT.
Describing the fight between the Russian and Japanese torpedo boats, the correspondent confirms the story of the fierceness of the contest. The vessels were so close that the Russians threw charges of explosives on the bridge of the Japanese torpedo boat destroyer. These, however, failed to detonate. The vessels engaged were more or less damaged.
The Japanese losses were six killed and eight wounded. That the Russians were defeated in spite of their superior numbers, is due to the better shooting of the Japanese, and the fact that the Russian vessels were armed with three-pounders, while the Japanese ships had six-pounders.

NEW ORGANIST

The Music committee of the Park St. Methodist Church, consisting of Mayor McKeough, chairman, and G. W. Cowan and Dr. A. W. Thornton, met this morning in Dr. Thornton's office to consider the applications received for the position of organist of the church, which became vacant by the regretted resignation of Miss Lillian Pratt.

After careful consideration of the applications submitted, the committee unanimously decided to engage Miss Flossie Bogart, her duties to commence after Easter tide.
Miss Bogart is one of the Maple City's most artistic and accomplished musicians. For the past year she has filled the position of organist in Christ Church with marked ability and success, and the well-deserved popularity and esteem in which she is held by the church and congregation is a tribute to her ability and worth. As organist of the Park St. Church Miss Bogart will prove a capable successor to the brilliant and talented Miss Pratt.

SOUTHERN TRIP

Frank Mount, of Peter Cunningham's hardware establishment, has returned from a few months' trip to California and New Mexico, looking in the best of health.

Frank left Chatham in the middle of December, spent a month in California, calling at San Francisco, Los Angeles and Santa Cruz. At Santa Cruz he saw Thos. Brady, first cousin of Thos. Brady, of this city, and a former teacher of this county.
At New Mexico Frank visited Rev. Father Herbert, formerly the very popular young priest of the local parish. Father Herbert is in the best of health and, like his new station first rate.
"It seems funny indeed," said Frank to a Planet reporter this afternoon, "to be up here wearing an overcoat, while less than four weeks ago I was out fishing in shirtsleeves with a great big Mexican straw hat on."
New Mexico is a fine country and I like it very much. I saw Will Walsh in New Mexico. Will was formerly of the Drs. Rutherford office here."

Frank has decided to have work started about next week on a fine new \$10,000 residence on the old homestead.

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CHICAGO MARKETS

Reported by F. B. Proctor, Broker, Northwood Block, Chatham, March 21, 1904.

| Wheat | OPEN | HIGH | LOW | CLOSE |
|-------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| May (old) | 92 1/2 | 93 1/2 | 91 | 92 |
| July (new) | 87 1/2 | 87 1/2 | 85 1/2 | 86 1/2 |
| Sept. (new 80 1/2) | 81 | 79 1/2 | 80 1/2 | |
| Corn | | | | |
| May | 52 1/2 | 53 | 51 1/2 | 52 1/2 |
| July | 50 1/2 | 50 1/2 | 49 1/2 | 50 1/2 |
| Sept. | 50 1/2 | 50 1/2 | 49 | 49 1/2 |
| Oats | | | | |
| May | 40 | 40 1/2 | 39 1/2 | 40 |
| July | 38 1/2 | 39 | 38 1/2 | 38 1/2 |
| Sept. | 38 1/2 | 38 1/2 | 37 1/2 | 38 1/2 |
| Flour | | | | |
| May | 1320 | 1322 | 1285 | 1312 |
| July | 1340 | 1345 | 1300 | 1333 |
| Lard | | | | |
| May | 685 | 697 | 682 | 692 |
| July | 710 | 712 | 702 | 710 |
| Ribs | | | | |
| May | 690 | 690 | 680 | 675 |
| July | 692 | 687 | 680 | 692 |

YOUNG'S

- FISH**
Fresh Manitoba White Fish.
Fresh Finnan Haddy.
Smoked Yarmouth Bloater.
Skinned and Boned Codfish.
New Labrador Herring.
- MEATS**
Fresh Tenderloin.
Fresh Frankfort Sausage.
Fresh Bologna Sausage.
Cooked Pig's Feet, Pickled.
English B. Bacon.
Cooked Ham.
Sliced Ham to Fry.
Boned Hams, about 10 to 12 pounds.
- VEGETABLES**
Choice Home Grown Potatoes.
Choice Imported Potatoes.
Choice Home Grown Onions.
Celery
Cabbage.
Parsnips
Carrots.

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Fashion's Favorites in Dress Goods

Our display of Dress Goods is full of fascination for women, as it contains all the latest and newest Dress Fabrics, many of which are shown by us exclusively in Chatham.
These are some of the materials out of which Dame Fashion is cutting her most fashionable gowns for Spring: Flake, Broadcloths, Fancy Mohairs, Panama Canvas, Basket, Canvas Suitings, Fancy Voiles, Lanark Tweeds.
DRESS TRIMMINGS—This year bids fair to surpass all previous records in the quantity of Dress Trimmings used. We have prepared for all your wants by an immensely large and attractive range in Fancy Braids, Gimps, etc., and also including some specially choice lines in Laces.

THE NEW WASH GOODS.

Whatever else may overlook an opening day don't miss the Wash Goods Section. This year our collection of Wash Goods eclipses all past efforts, which is saying a good deal as for several years it has been conceded by the ladies who are competent to judge that our Wash Goods Stock has no equal in the city. This year the verdict has been intensified, so come early, as already some of the choice lines are disappearing and in the present condition of the cotton market present values can't be repeated.

Walking Skirts.

Irrespective of weather, this is to be pre-eminently a walking skirt season. That is to say, a compromise between the skirts in dress length and short ankle length, will be the most favored. And just now, such sensible skirts for city streets are particularly useful. Wide choice in materials, ample variety of attractive styles—in weights perfectly comfortable for present wear.

- At \$2.00—Of brown or myrtle meltonette, 7 gore flare, silk stitched, welted seams and some are trimmed with strap-pings. These are regular \$2.25 and \$2.50 styles.
- At \$2.75—Of cheviot, black or grey, 7 gore flare, welted seams, deep stitched facing, in lengths from 35 to 44 inches.
- At \$1.50—Of navy or grey with flake of white finished with stitching and side gores, trimmed with straps and large buttons.
- At \$4.50—Of fine all wool, light grey homespun, strapped over hips, giving deep yoke effect, finished at bottom with stitching.
- At \$5.00—Of black all wool cheviot, 7 gore flare, 3 wide folds from the trimmings across the side gores with shaped straps on seams.
- We will make to your measurement at the prices quoted, any of our regular lines.

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Are increasing in demand each season, and we have provided accordingly an immense range including all standard sizes and weaves.

- Tapestry Rugs**
Bright and inexpensive, three to four patterns, in the following sizes:
3 yards by 3 yards, \$6.75.
3 yards by 3 1-2 yards, \$8.50.
3 yards by 4 yards, \$10.00.
3 1-2 yards by 4 yards, \$11.50.
4 yards by 4 yards, \$12.75.
- Brussels Rugs**
Have all the good features of Brussels weaving, in three designs, sizes:
3 yards by 3 1-2 yards, at \$14.00.
3 3-4 yards by 4 yards, at \$20.00.
3 3-4 yards by 4 1-2 yards, at \$22.50.
3 3-4 yards by 5 yards, at \$25.00.
- All Wool and Wool Filled Rugs**
Splendid weaving, in best quality of yarns and nice reverse, size:
2 1-2 yards by 3 yards, from \$5.00 to \$11.50 each.
3 yards by 3 yards, from \$5.00 to \$11.50 each.
3 yards by 3 1-2 yards, from \$5.00 to \$11.50 each.
3 yards by 4 yards, from \$5.00 to \$11.50 each.
3 1-2 yards by 4 yards, from \$5.00 to \$11.50 each.
- Union Ingrain Rugs**
Are reversible and good to wear, in sizes—
8 yards by 3 yards for \$5.00.
3 yards by 3 1-2 yards for \$5.75.
3 yards by 4 yards, \$6.50.
3 1-2 yards by 4 yards, \$7.50.
- Axminster Rugs, Wilton Rugs and Samarra Rugs**
Are here in a choice range of all needed sizes and priced from \$5.50 up to \$19.00 each.
- Rug Mat Patterns.**
We have placed in stock a quantity of Jute Mats, flowered and set patterns, to be used for foundations, in sizes, viz—
18 inches by 36 inches for 15c each.
24 inches by 48 inches for 20c each.
30 inches by 60 inches for 25c each.
36 inches by 72 inches for 45c each.

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