

A General Clean-Up of Hats
—AT—
THE 2 T'S STORE
—ON—
Saturday, Feb. 28th.

Twenty Dozen Black and Colored Stiff Hats, odd sizes, will be cleared
For 89c. Each Think of the ... Price ...
Regular prices were \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00. Over a hundred different styles to pick from, also five dozen FEDORAS will be cleared for the same price. See Window. Getting ready for Spring Goods—must have room—so come early and get a bargain. Remember the price, only **89 cents** for your choice. Hats will be laid out on tables, so you can get your choice of them all.

THE 2 T's, - Slater Shoe Agents GARNER BLOOK.

G. W. CORNELL
DENTIST

Corner Sixth and King Street
Over the Bee Hive.
Phone 317.

PROBABILITIES

Special per G. N. W.
Toronto, Feb. 27—10 a. m.—Rain to-night and colder to-morrow.

The following figures were registered to-day at seven a. m. at Turner's weather bureau:
Thermometer 34.
Highest yesterday 43.
Lowest yesterday 25.
Direction of wind, southeast.

THE LOCAL BUDGET.

Dr. W. H. Tye is laid up with the grip.
Walter Piggott left this afternoon for Galt.

Work on Piggott & Sons' new mills is progressing rapidly.

89c. Derby Hat Sale at The 2 T's Saturday. See window.

J. W. Campbell, of Tilbury East, is a Maple City guest to-day.

T. L. Cochrane, Wabash travelling freight agent, is in the city to-day.

M. Primrose, Chatham's veteran blacksmith, aged 88 years, is very ill.

W. H. Willson and Dr. J. I. Wiley, of Dresden, are registered at the Garner House to-day.

James Marshall, of Queen street, had the misfortune to severely lacerate his finger while cutting meat yesterday.

Those attending the Football Minstrel show on Monday are requested to take the programs they receive to-day with them.

Good Girl for general housework, small family, modern conveniences. Apply to Mrs. A. H. VonGanten, Cor. Barry and Centre streets.

Black and colored stiff hats worth \$2.00 to \$3.00, not the very latest styles, but good fair shapes, Saturday 89c. at The 2 T's.

Charles Haystead, the old-time favorite, who, with his wife, "Josie Mills," has appeared in the Grand Opera House upon several occasions, is in the city on business.

Rev. W. H. Butt received word on Monday morning from J. C. Nethercott, announcing the death of Mrs. Myers, beloved wife of Rev. Peter Myers, of South Woodside, on Sunday, Feb. 22nd, 1903. Death was due to brain trouble.—Comber Herald.

The wedding took place on Tuesday evening of Miss Mary Ann McKellar, of Dover Township, to George J. Lovell, of Park Bros. Rev. J. J. Ross performed the ceremony at the manse. The happy young couple will live on Lansdowne avenue.

Aubrey Milner, of Milner's carriage works, returned last evening from a trip to Ridgeway. He says the small-pox excitement out there is intense. The Arlington Hotel is still under quarantine. The other hotels are disinfected. A new case broke out the other day in a house opposite the Queen's Hotel.

Some of the local butchers are contemplating bringing a car of dressed beef in here from Toronto each week, as they say it will be much cheaper than buying from the local farmers at the prices charged. The farmers are charging four cents per pound for ordinary butcher's beef when the export cattle brings only four and one-half cents. The butchers will bring the farmers to their senses by bringing the beef in from outside.

EMULSION OF COD LIVER OIL

is probably more prescribed for lung troubles than any other remedy. This fact has prompted us to be extremely careful in the manufacture of our 'Perfect' Emulsion. If you have to take Emulsion, try one bottle of this Emulsion and we think you will find it one of the best on the market.

A. I. McCALL & Co., Limited
16 King, or Corner King and Fifth Sts. DRUGGISTS & OPTICIANS

WANTS INFORMATION

Chief of Police John Holmes has received a communication from John McWilliam, of the Toronto Railway Company, Toronto. Mr. McWilliam wants to know if the late James McGarry, whose sad death was chronicled last week, was James McGarry, formerly of Croghan Co., Roscommon, Ireland. Mr. McWilliam was a school mate of James McGarry, of Croghan Co., and he is looking for tidings of his old chum.

FIRST ROBIN

The first robin of the season has been seen. Not a lone, single, individual robin was sighted, but there were six of them, which proves conclusively that spring is here. Daniel Jordan, this morning, saw six of these pretty, red-breasted harbingers of spring. Mr. Jordan was fortunate in seeing a remarkable sight. It is not everyone who can boast of seeing six robins on February 27th. After all, this but goes to prove that Chatham's climate is the mildest and finest in Canada.

A BIG RUSH

The plan for the Football Minstrels—the local production billed at the Grand next Monday evening—opened with a big rush at the Central Drug Store this morning. Over an hour before the time of opening the store was crowded, and by eleven o'clock Mr. Gunn, who was in charge of the plan, reported that over 500 reserves had been taken, with the rush still continuing. The staff of the store are to be congratulated on the excellent manner in which they handled the exceptional demand.

MASONIC GATHERING

Wellington Lodge, No. 46, and Parthenon Lodge, No. 267, A. F. & A. M., G. R. C., are holding a Lodge of Instruction to-day. Visitors are present from all of the surrounding district, including Windsor, Alvington and other places. M. W. Bro. J. E. Harding, of Lindsay, Grand Master, is present and is the guest of the occasion.

LOOK!

2 story BRICK HOUSE FOR SALE—Hall, double parlors, large dining room with arch and sliding doors between each, library or bedroom. Upstairs—Hall, 3 bedrooms, large bathroom with all fittings in. Small cellar, woodshed, city water, sink, etc. House finished throughout in hardwood (oiled). Lot 100x200, planted with all kinds of fruit.

DUNN & MERRITT,
BOX 52 PHONE 295
Fifth St., 1st Door from King.

WORLD OF SPORT

THE GUN

Very good weather attended the gun club shoots yesterday afternoon for the championship medal and the London & Lancashire trophies, the shooting was fairly good.

The London & Lancashire trophy—

| YDS. | BIRDS | SHOOT |
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| Joseph Oldershaw | 16 | 22 20 |
| Black Bass | 19 | 21 19 |
| J. Labombarbe | 15 | 21 19 |
| J. Moore | 17 | 19 18 |
| J. W. Aitken | 16 | 19 18 |
| Dr. Fraser | 15 | 14 15 |
| Wm. Boyd | 24 | 13 15 |
| Wm. Paulucci | 15 | 11 15 |
| W. J. Bennett | 18 | 8 15 |

CHAMPIONSHIP MEDAL.
All at 16 yards—J. Moore 22, Black Bass 22, J. Labombarbe 19, Jos. Oldershaw 18, Wm. Boyd 16, Dr. Fraser 16, J. W. Aitken 13, Reg. Richardson 13, W. J. Bennett 11, W. Paulucci 6.

FINE ORCHESTRA

By an oversight, the names of the orchestra were inadvertently omitted from the Football Minstrels program. The full orchestra will play throughout, and the fact that it is under the leadership of H. C. Philp is sufficient guarantee of its excellence.

GREAT TEA DRINKERS.

The Maritime Province people use about six pounds of tea per head to an average family. They are also said to be good judges of tea, and this must be a strong recommendation for Red Rose, which is the principal Tea used.

Glady's, the four-year-old daughter of William Bulmer, found a box of tablets which she supposed were candies. Each one contained a very small quantity of arsenic, but she ate forty of them, enough to kill her. Prompt medical attention was given her, and there is a chance that she will recover.—Comber Herald.

A WISE IDEA

To get your old carpet manufactured into beautiful, durable rugs at prices that are right. Call and see samples. Factory opposite Piggott & Sons lumber office in J. & J. Oldershaw's block.

THE CHATHAM RUG FACTORY.
Phone 85.

Nell—I would rather be clever than pretty.
Bell—Um—yes; but a woman is seldom clever enough to get a seat in crowded car unless she is pretty.

SAY!

Are You a Judge? Good

- Maple Syrup, try ours at 25c. quart.
- Big Spanish Onions, 3c. pound.
- 8 pounds best Buckwheat Flour 25c.
- Mixed Biscuits, 9c. pound.
- Jam, by the pail, 7c. pound.
- Oranges, 20c. dozen.
- 6 pounds English Rice, 25c.
- 4 pounds new Prunes, 25c.

CROCKERY

- 10 piece Chamber Sets, \$2.00
- 44 piece Tea Sets, 2.90
- 97 piece Dinner Sets, 5.50

Large assortment of China, Lamps and Glassware, just the thing for wedding presents, at a reduced price.

John McConnell
Phone 190 Park St. East

QUEER MEXICAN CUSTOMS.
A Convenient Manner of Performing a Dreaded Society Duty.

Some of the Mexican customs save much trouble. You are invited out to dine. On rising from the table you thank your hosts for their hospitality, and thus is your dreaded dinner all accomplished. Now, this is most civilized and amazingly convenient. No Mexican arises from the table without expressing his thanks for the hospitality extended to him, and always this is done with old fashioned grace of speech. The poorest man you have at table, perhaps, a humble ranchero, would not forget this little act of thanks, not for his life.

A man of rough exterior will sit down to meat with you, and, though he may mix up his forks and brandish a fork in the air along with his knife as he talks, he will observe many graceful customs, offering whatever is passed to him to a lady at his elbow and if he gets a tidbit insist on his neighbor sharing it. In country places your host in true Moorish fashion will put a choice morsel in your mouth. At bottom Mexican etiquette is Moorish and many of the most familiar articles of food hark back for their origin to the Arabs. Especially is this so in the matter of sweetmeats, and the famous alondigas, meat balls of small size with a stuffing of eggs and sometimes of spices, are Moorish for a thousand years. On the tables of the well to do the desert is a matter of wonder and shows the Arabian taste for sweets. Sometimes half a dozen delicious preserves will be seen. The people have a very sweet tooth.

Living on \$300 a Year.

In saying that a workman and his family could live on \$300 a year and save money, Prof. Clark, of Northwestern University, makes the error of seeming to imply that mere living is enough, says The Chicago Daily News. A little happiness and a comfort or so to serve as a palliative to the crude and useless task of living are commonly eliminated from the calculations of the wise theorists who think out a simple regimen for the man with a large family and a small income. It is true that economy is a joyous thing in itself under most conditions, but the pinch of poverty is not conducive to economy. It is the poor who have to buy wastefully. The hod of coal is for sale only at an exorbitant price. The ill-nourished body is in poor condition to resist the craving for a glass of liquor. The cramped rooms in the congested tenement of the crowded quarter of the city breed disease and the doctor and the druggist have to be paid if the workman is to retain his self-respect.

Let us teach economy by example, not by theories spoken from the platform or by figures on a lecture blackboard. These serve merely to embitter the workman who has felt the clutch of poverty in some time of closed workshops and open soup-houses. It is quite true that wastefulness is a sin of which most Americans of all grades of life are guilty. There is a great field for missionary work in the way of spreading the gospel of economy and independence. But the missionary must show how to economize by economizing, not by telling his theories, if he wishes to accomplish a good work.

How to Tell the Age of Fish.

The scales of fish as an index of age was the subject of an exhibit by the Marine Biological Association at a recent conversation of the Royal Society. The scales of many fish show a series of parallel eccentric lines, which indicate successive periods of growth. They have been found to be more widely separated in that part of the scale found during warm weather, and the resulting alternation of the two series gives rise to the appearance of annual rings which indicate the age of the fish in years. The results of J. Stuart Thompson's investigations indicate that it is possible to determine the age of individual fishes of many species with considerable precision.

The rarest feeling that ever lights a human face is the contentment of a loving soul.

Dressmakers Apprentices—Apply to Miss Morrison. **C. AUSTIN & CO** Chatham's Greatest Store.

CHILDREN'S TAMS.

We have just received a fine assortment of Children's Cloth and Velvet Tams in Black, Navy Blue and Cardinal.

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| Children's Navy Blue Cloth Tam, trimmed with gold braid and fancy ornament. Price..... 25c | Children's Navy Blue Velvet Tam, nicely trimmed with ribbon. Price. 50c |
| Children's Navy Blue Cloth Tams, trimmed with ribbon. Price..... 35c | Children's Navy Blue Velvet Tam, trimmed with white pique and white braid. Price..... 50c |

HOSIERY.

To make room for our Spring Hosiery we have placed on our bargain counter a splendid lot of Heavy Ribbed Hose in sizes from 5 to 10.

Children's heavy ribbed hose in sizes 5, 6, 8, 9 and 7, worth 25c. and 25c., to clear at..... 15c

Children's heavy ribbed hose, extra good quality, in sizes 7, 8, 9, 9 1/2 and 10, worth 35c., to clear at..... 25c

In the Clothing Department, Saturday, Feb. 28th

SEE EAST SHOW WINDOW.

Stop, Look, Listen!

SEE EAST SHOW WINDOW.



A FOUR DAYS' SPECIAL SALE OF MEN'S AND YOUTHS' SUITS,

Regular \$10.00, \$9.00 and \$7.50 lines go on sale Saturday morning at 8 o'clock

Your Choice **\$5.00** Your Choice

DESCRIPTION—These are odd sizes, ranging from 33 to 42, of the best selling lines this season, but can give you your size from some one of the lines. They are made from honest All Wool Tweeds, Serges and Chevots, single and double breasted styles of coats, in ONE HUNDRED and FIFTEEN SUITS to select from.

NOTE—This sale good only the following days—Feb. 28th, March 2nd, 3rd and 4th.

5 cases of New **SPRING HATS** just opened this ...week...

Our Special Christy's Celebrated Best English Wool Hats, in our **98c** special

Blacks, Pearls, Slate, Steel, Browns. The hat that always sells—full staple shape Fedora.

The New K-O-H-I-N-O-O-R. Our Special **\$1.50**

A very nobby Fedora in Black, Pearls and Slates. Our special **\$1.50**
A genuine fur, beautiful quality.

CARPETS FOR SPRING.

Are you intending to Carpet your Parlor, Sitting or Dining Rooms this Spring? If you are, then the carpet question is of special importance to you, but where to supply your particular wants is the next question. FIRST—You demand reliability. This house never misrepresents, and the standard of our stock is set high, none but the best producers' goods find room on our shelves. SECOND—'Tis variety. We are showing this season the most comprehensive range of floor coverings ever shown in the West, a wide choice of every dependable weave is here for your inspection. THIRD—Last and always a most important factor—PRICE. If you appreciate the spending power of your dollars, we recommend a close scrutiny of our prices and feel confident (quality considered) of a favorable result. You're invited to inspect our carpet offerings

- English Balmoral Carpets with borders to match, new patterns and colorings, a good weaver at 75c. per yard.
- English Velvet Carpet, an exceedingly rich, heavy pile, with borders to match, the choicest designs and colorings, at our special price of \$1.15 per yard.
- English Tapestry Carpet, a magnificent assortment of new patterns and pretty shadings, at from 75c. 80c., 50c., 40c., 35c. and 25c.
- INGRAINS are here in every grade, in standard 1 yard width, with reversible designs, novelty patterns and new color schemes, at 60c., 50c., 40c., 35c. and 25c. per yard.
- English Wilton Carpet, finest quality, spring patterns and colorings, with border to match, at \$1.40.
- English 4-Frame Brussels, with 1/2 and 5-8 yard borders to match, a carpet with a reputation, select patterns, at \$1.00.
- English 5-Frame Brussels, best quality, new Oriental and floral designs, rich colorings, a carpet sure to give satisfaction, at our economical price of \$1.20 per yard.
- All Wool 2-ply Carpets, best Canadian weaving, clean scoured yarn, soft pretty patterns at 75c. and 65c.
- 3-Ply All Wool Carpets, four new patterns of this dependable weave, best quality, woven of clean wool yarn, at \$1.00 yard.
- ALSO, 3-ply wool filled Cotton Warp a 85c. per yard.
- Remnants of Carpet, about 50 short lengths suitable for small rooms or halls, that we have marked to 1-3 to 1/2 off.

C. Austin & Co.

The Leading and Reliable Clothiers