

Muslin and Gingham Show

The crocuses peep their heads above the grass in early spring, so with these Muslins and Gingham; they are the early comers.

If you dislike the cold weather, it's spring here. The heat from the furnace is a substitute for the heat from the sun. But better yet, the early arrivals of new spring fabrics are excellent substitutes for early spring flowers.

Ginghams

We have the choicest collection of Ginghams that ever entered here. That is saying considerable, but we're going to say more. We learn on good authority that the demand will exceed the supply. We would suggest that you make your selections early. The prices per yard

8c, 10c and 12 1-2c

Muslins

Come and feast your eyes on these. You are perhaps not ready to buy these yet, but do not forget that although they are for sale you are not urged to buy them. This is a show of Muslins and other wash fabrics and you should avail yourself of this opportunity to get posted on what promises to be correct for the spring and summer 1912.

WILLIAM FOREMAN & CO.

TILBURY

Feb. 14—Mrs. Sloan, of Chatham, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Poole. Frank Hall returned yesterday from the Soo.

The W. C. T. U. meets to-morrow at the home of Mrs. J. S. Richardson, at 3:30 p. m.

Miss M. E. Richardson, of Montreal, is visiting relatives here.

The entertainment by C. L. Burgdierfer, a Michigan humorist, under the auspices of the public library, was fairly well attended. Misses Cowan and McLaughlin gave well rendered instrumental, and J. L. Hill a couple of solos. The receipts were \$30.

D. J. McAlpine, M. C. R. night operator, has been transferred to Niagara Junction and is succeeded by D. Hoy.

Farmers Institute will meet here to-morrow.

DRESDEN

Feb. 14—Miss Walker of Detroit, is the guest of Mrs. Forshee, Sydenham street.

Miss Lily Dowdell, of Dutton, is the guest of Mrs. G. B. Rush.

Mrs. Martin entertained a number of friends last evening.

Mrs. S. Crothers, of Wallaceburg, was the guest of Mrs. S. Shaw yesterday.

A meeting is to be held in Christ Church this evening to consider the advisability of selling the church and grounds. A full attendance of members is requested.

Wm. Harris has purchased the lot on Lindsay street owned by L. Stephens.

A small consignment of new books has been placed on the shelves of the public library.

Mr. Dunn visited Dresden yesterday in the interests of the Canning Co.

NURSES RECEIVE HIGH HONORS

Graduating Exercises of Public General Hospital Held Last Evening.

Diplomas Were Awarded to the Successful Candidates—Large Crowd Present.

The managers of the Public General Hospital have great reason to feel gratified at the splendid interest taken in the work of that institution as evidenced by the large audience which attended the graduating exercises of the nurses held in the William St. Baptist Church Sunday School hall last evening. Long before the time of starting the room was well filled by friends of the graduating nurses and people in general who are interested in hospital work.

The Public General Hospital is well deserving of the interest which was so prominently exhibited last evening. It has now been established for over nine years and during that time it has been rapidly increasing in worth each year. Since its foundation about 2,400 people have been treated in it which will give a fair idea of the immense importance of the work. Chatham should indeed be proud of such a noble institution, and should contribute towards its management even more liberally than they have done in the past.

While Mr. Malcolmson and a few other gentlemen were the chief in the establishing of the hospital, it should not be forgotten that the Ladies' Assisting Society have been very largely instrumental in making it a success. These ladies, who have worked so diligently and well should be very highly complimented, and have great reason to feel very proud of the success which has crowned their efforts.

The graduating exercises of last evening were under the direction of these ladies. Those in charge were: Reception Committee—Mrs. S. T. Martin, Pres. Mrs. W. R. Landon, Sec'y; Mrs. N. H. Stevens, and Mrs. James Banning.

Program Committee—Mrs. Geo. G. Taylor, Mrs. Kingsmill, and Mrs. W. A. Thrasher, Sec'y.

Platform Committee—Mrs. S. Glenn, Mrs. G. Merritt and Mrs. Dunn.

Ushers—Mr. J. K. Collart, E. Holmes and I. King.

The program was opened with prayer by Rev. R. McCosh, which was followed by a short chairman's address by H. Malcolmson, the father of the institution. He expressed his pleasure at being present to participate in the third of these graduating exercises, and wished also to publicly thank T. L. Pardo, M. P. F., for a check for \$250.00 donated to the hospital. He also took occasion to thank the ladies for their efficient help. "I would rather have," said he, "the co-operation of two women than two dozen men." He also thanked those who had subscribed to the help of the hospital, and for the co-operation of the churches of the city.

Those who occupied seats on the platform were: M. Campbell, Judge Houston, Rev. Dr. Battley, Rev. J. J. Ross, Rev. Dr. Hannon, Dr. McKeough, Rev. R. McCosh, S. E. Gardiner and Dr. Duncan.

Dr. McKeough and Duncan gave two excellent addresses during the evening—Dr. McKeough to the ladies who were graduating and Dr. Duncan on his trip to Mexico. In part Dr. McKeough said:

"It is a matter of deep pleasure for me to be here to participate in such a function as this. I must take this opportunity to thank the Ladies' Assisting Society with warm appreciation and admiration for the noble and magnificent work they have done in erecting the Nurses' Home."

"These young ladies who are before you to-night have graduated after three years of hard work and are now fit to take their position in the world and accept the duties of their high office. I must be allowed to compliment them and assure them of the sympathy and support of the physicians of the city."

"All attainment is the result of effort, and in order to be fitted as a nurse you have to go through a lot of hard work. Nursing may be called one of the fine arts. There is no profession which is more honorable or which should command more respect and esteem. A nurse, and I am sure that the present graduates are up to that standard, should be all that is angelic. She must possess all of the charms of her sex and should be gentle, sympathetic, cheerful and courageous and possessed of infinite patience and boundless tact. The hands are not the only instruments to be cultivated, but the spirit, head and heart must also be trained. Those who are now holding respectable positions in Canada and the United States."

"If I were asked to mention two of the qualities of the girls before you this evening, I would say sweetness of temper and cheerfulness. I hope they will long continue with the same success that they are enjoying to-day."

After the doctor's speech the diplomas were awarded to the three graduates—Miss St. John, of St. Marys; Miss Forbes, of Jeannette's Creek, and Miss Stacey, of St. Thomas. After the diplomas were awarded, the graduates were presented with a number of bouquets, the gifts of their friends.

Dr. Duncan gave a splendid address. He dwelt chiefly on the curative quality of the climate of New Mexico for tuberculosis, and concluded by saying that with the use of "Hospital tents" this disease can receive successful outdoor treatment in Chatham. He hoped that this matter would receive the consideration of the General Hospital managers. He had spoken to Dr. W. R. Hall and Mr. Malcolmson and they were heartily in favor of it.

The other numbers on the program

were:—

Instrumental Solo—Miss Mary Brackin.

Vocal Solo—Mrs. Milton Bogart.

Vocal Solo—Miss Edith Dolsen.

Instrumental Solo—Miss F. Bogart.

Vocal Solo—Miss Ada Ross.

Vocal Solo—W. H. Brackin.

At the conclusion of the evening the ladies who took part were invited to the residence of Mrs. S. Glenn, where light refreshments were served.

FRIED ONIONS

Indirectly Caused the Death of the World's Greatest General.

It is a matter of history that Napoleon was a gourmand, an inordinate lover of the good things of the table, and history further records that his favorite dish was fried onions; his death from cancer of stomach it is claimed also, was probably caused from his excessive indulgence of this fondness for the odorous vegetable.

The onion is undoubtedly a wholesome article of food, in fact, has many medicinal qualities of value, but it would be difficult to find a more indigestible article than fried onions, but the onion doesn't stand alone in this respect. Any article of food that is not thoroughly digested becomes a source of disease and discomfort whether it be fried onions or beef steak.

The reason why any wholesome food is not promptly digested is because the stomach lacks some important element of digestion, some stomachs



lack pepsin, others are deficient in gastric juice, still others lack hydrochloric acid.

The one thing necessary to do in any case of poor digestion, is to supply these elements of digestion which the stomach lacks, and nothing does this so thoroughly and safely as Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.

Dr. Richardson, in writing a thesis on treatment of dyspepsia and indigestion, closes his remarks by saying, "for those suffering from acid dyspepsia, shown by sour, watery risings, or for flatulent dyspepsia, as shown by gas on stomach, causing heart trouble and difficult breathing as well as for all other forms of stomach trouble, the safe treatment is to take one or two of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets after each meal. I advise them because they contain no harmful drugs, but are composed of valuable digestive, which act promptly upon the food eaten. I never knew a case of indigestion or even chronic dyspepsia which Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets would not reach."

Cheap cathartic medicines, claiming to cure dyspepsia and indigestion can have no effect whatever in actively digesting the food, and to call any cathartic medicine a cure for indigestion is a misnomer.

Every druggist in the United States and Canada sells Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, and they are not only the safest and most successful, but the most scientific of any treatment for indigestion and stomach troubles.

Theatrical

The La Dell Concert Company at the Grand to-night.

Of the many nice things which have been said of the coming production of the La Dell Concert Company perhaps none was more to the point and certainly none could be more complimentary than that of Lord Landwin when he visited the La Dell Theatre in New York during one of Miss La Dell's engagements. "Of the many concert companies that I have witnessed at home and in this country as well as in many parts of the world, I can call to mind one that possessed such talented artists as the La Dell Concert Company possess."

Reserve Friday, Feb. 21st inst. for a delightful evening with Reeves-Smith and his excellent company in "The Tyranny of Tears."

Speaking of the performance, the Toronto World says:

"Charming in perhaps the best word to describe it, and it loses none of its excellence as presented by Mr. Reeves-Smith and his most capable support. The great charm about it is its extreme naturalness. It is a story of real life, told as if in real life, with a moral that is as beautiful as it is wholesome."

An easy-going author with a wife who at the least provocation flies to woman's refuge—tears—gradually establishes a despotism over him and his affairs which he at last determines must be broken. As most authors do, he has a secretary. She is pretty, too, and being observant, sees the true state of things and secretly writes the poor fellow. Very indelicately, to be sure, she kisses his photograph, and is awakened to a scene of her position when she hears the crash of a tea cup and sees the beautiful woman gasping in anger and dismay. Of course, she must leave. At once! But that is what she won't do, unless her employer insists. And he, having made up his mind to secure the broken record, is determined just how matters really stand, decides that his secretary shall not go, even when it comes to the alternative of having his wife go home to her father. Of course, it all comes right in the end.

... The ... Overcoat Sale

We are clearing out all winter overcoats and ulsters. Selling every sort of top-garment regardless of its value to clear the decks for spring.

The great point about this clearance is its sweeping entirety. Not an overcoat in our big, varied stock must be carried with us over the threshold of spring. Not a winter top-coat of any sort must linger here when winter needs are done. Already spring plans are uppermost in the store—factory busy on spring garments—buyer hotfoot after freshest things in vernal furnishings.

But in actual fact there's a big slice of winter to come yet. Weeks of solid everyday wear before you hang the old overcoat away—and meanwhile it's likely getting shabby. Never was there such a chance to renovate without feeling the cost.

Overcoats embodying the swellest ideas and best materials of the season; put together in the famous T. & D. way; very moderately priced to begin with, and now selling at

ALL THE WAY UP TO 1-2 Off

Come to-morrow for the garments are not standing still. Splendid choosing yet, but sizes will soon run out in some lines.

Blue and black beaver overcoats, including our best makes with fur-trimmed linings.	Thoroughly swell cheviot coats in the newest styles—Raglan and loose Chesterfields.
\$5.00 sorts for.....\$4.00	\$7 sorts for.....\$5.00
\$7 and \$8 sorts for.....\$5.50	\$10 sorts for.....\$7.00
\$10 sorts for.....\$7.00	\$12 sorts for.....\$8.00
\$12 sorts for.....\$8.00	
Black and brown frieze ulsters, weather-proof and handsome, with big storm collars and tab fastenings and heavy tweed lining.	Men's pea jackets, boys and youths' overcoats, ulsters and pea jackets, all sharply cut to send them out at once.
\$5 sorts for.....\$3.75	
\$7 and \$8.50 sorts.....\$5.00	
\$9 and \$10 sorts.....\$7.00	

Thornton & Douglas

APPEARANCES

IF YOU WANT to make a presentable appearance at home or abroad you need the services of a good reliable tailor. Every man has a peculiarity of his own which, unless taken into consideration, his clothes cannot possibly fit him.

MORLEY & CO. - The Leading Tailors

when the Tyrant is shown how in her blindness of jealousy and selfishness she has almost wrecked her home, and announces a resolve to hereafter cultivate all wisely ideals.

COURT MCGREGOR, No. 6, I. O. F.

Court McGregor, No. 6, I. O. F., held a large and well attended meeting in their lodge room last evening, Thursday, Feb. 13th. About 100 members were present, including several new members from the Companion Court. Considerable business was done; several applications for membership were brought up.

The Order in this city is in a flourishing condition, as well as the Companion Court. Ladies wishing to join the Companion Court would find it to their advantage to ascertain from the officers, or from Bro. Wanda, the organizer, particulars re joining the Order. The Companions are giving an "At Home" in the lodge room on Thursday, Feb. 27th, at which all members of Court McGregor, No. 6, are invited to be present, as there will be a great treat in store for them.

Court McGregor, No. 6, has almost an entirely new set of officers, and

Coal and Wood

Lehigh and Scranton Coal, Virginia Splint Coal for domestic use, Smithing Coal, Hard and Soft Wood in all lengths. All are of the best quality and at lowest prices. Delivered promptly to any part of the city.

J. Gilbert & Co.,

Office and Yards, William Street, near G. T. N. Crossing.

are carrying on their work well. They have a first class degree team at work and making great progress. Brothers that are not attending lodge very often are missing much at their own attendance. Let us all turn out on Feb. 27th and give the Companions a great send off, in this their first "At Home."

Children Cry for CASTORIA.

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A Prosperous Year's Business

The Chatham Loan and Savings Company's Annual Meeting.

THE TWENTIETH GRATIFYING ANNUAL STATEMENT.

The Twenty-first General Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of the Company was held on Wednesday, the 12th inst. in the Company's Office. Present, His Honor Judge Bell, N. H. Stevens, Wm. Bell, A. Macfarlane, H. Malcolmson, J. A. Walker, K. C. W. G. Richards, James Gardiner, Malthev Wilson, K. C. and S. F. Gardiner.

THE TWENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT

—of the Directors of—

The Chatham Loan and Savings Company

To the Shareholders,—

The Directors, in submitting the Twentieth Annual Report, congratulate the Shareholders upon the continued progress of the Company's business.

Although there was a keen competition for loans and a consequent lower rate of interest obtainable, the net earnings are larger than any previous year, from which two half-yearly dividends at the rate of six per cent per annum have been paid to the Shareholders and an addition made to the Reserve Fund of \$2,700. The Re-

serve Fund now amounts to \$28,500. The continuance of the general prosperity of the country has enabled borrowers to make repayments of mortgages and interest with satisfactory promptness.

A substantial increase is shown in loans on Mortgages, Deposits and Debentures.

The annexed Financial statement and Auditors' Report contains a full statement of the affairs of the Company.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. BELL, President.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

LIABILITIES	ASSETS
Deposits.....\$418,787 36	Mortgages.....\$69,506 98
Debentures.....32,977 05	Office Premises.....10,600 00
Capital Stock Paid Up.....26,795 48	Office Furniture and Fixtures.....216 30
Reserve Fund.....\$25,800 00	Cash in Bank.....\$31,992 92
Added December 31, 1901.....\$2,700 00	Cash on Hand and Checks.....4,517 69
\$2,700 00	\$25,800 00
\$745,540 89	\$745,540 89

S. F. GARDINER, Manager.

Chatham, January 21st, 1902.

To the President and Directors of The Chatham Loan and Savings Co.:

We, having made a careful audit of the books of the Chatham Loan and Savings Company up to December 31st, 1901, do certify that we have found

His Honor Judge Bell, the President, on moving the adoption of the report, called attention to the successful year's business, as shown especially in lending more money on mortgages than in any previous year, thereby producing a marked increase in the earnings. The progress of the company was decidedly satisfactory.

N. H. Stevens, Esq., the Vice-President, in seconding the resolution referred to the general prosperity that has characterized this western country as contributing largely to the expanding business of the company, and he hoped the shareholders would use their influence in further promoting the company's business by secur-

ing loans on land mortgage security. After complimentary remarks on the management of the company's business by other shareholders, the report was unanimously adopted and Messrs. J. R. Gemmill and G. D. Ross were elected auditors for the ensuing year.

The retiring Directors, Judge Bell, N. H. Stevens, James Gardiner, H. Malcolmson, Dr. T. K. Holmes, J. E. Thomas and Wm. Bell were unanimously re-elected for the ensuing year.

At a subsequent meeting of the Board Judge Bell was re-elected President and N. H. Stevens Vice-President.

G. D. ROSS,

J. R. GEMMILL,

Auditors.