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SATCHEL -:- SATELLITE

George G. Taylor may not be all that his name implies but his work

George G. Martin, if elected, will add materially to the duration of the council meetings.

Again, despite the cold weather the Crows sit on the fence waiting for the long green to grow.

Bill Needam decided not to seek municipal honors. He was afraid of the bills connected therwith and didn't need'em.

I said once that G. G. Taylor might run third place. I have refused to play him for place and now bank on him for favorite.

The city might sell that rail wood which the ladies of the Home refuse to a life preserver manufactory. It might make good cork. Some 15 citizens are seeking elec-

tion to the council. Those whose cards appear in The Planet are worthy of your consideration.

No, I hardly think that the ladies of the Home will quit using gas in that institution just because they have some 30 cords of wood that is light enough for anything.

The city fuel yard only shows a deficit of \$11 on paper, but what will be the deficit now that the ladies of the home refuse to pry for that rail wood.

I move that the next time the city ouncil decides to run a woodyard that they get the water commissioners to finance the undertakings. I'll bet there wouldn't be any \$11 deficit then.

the sea is not in it with the march for the mayoraltee. The southerners got their Ph'l. them but some men will get their fill before this contest is over.

The march of Phil. Sherman

That Fuel committee didn't do so awful bad in finencing the city woodyard. They were only \$11 short. they had got a little "le ven" freen the water commissioners they might have come out ahead.

********* heatrical

POPULARITY OF "CASTE."

It is said on learned dramatic authority that since the first production of "Caste" nearly half a century ago, more productions of the comedy have been made than of ony other play. There is not an amat ... club in the country which at some time or other has not attempted a presentation of Rober son's parkling work. In London, revivals of "Caste" are made season after season. No person's rdamatic education is complete who has no twitnessed a performance of the comedy. An excellent opportunity will be given to thise who have not seen it when a notable revival of the play will be given at the Grand Opera House, on Saturday, January 0th, 1903. The company, which in-cludes several players who have starred in their own product ons, is headed by Mary Scott, Robert V. Ferguson, Countess de Castlevecchio, Wm. Hazeltine, William A. Evans, Lawrence Griffich and Sadie Handy. ++++++++++++++++++++

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LETTER BOX

THE MAYORALTY.

Editor Planet:

Mr. Editor,-As a citizen and ratepayer of the city I feel that the city papers are not doing their duty, by the city, in refraining from discussing and opening up the columns of the papers for fair discussion of municipal questions. The papers may finel some delicacy in opening up demonstrated this. You have spok-their columns in view of the attempt- en out against all who opposed you ed onslaughts by the alleged "Fair but let me tell you, Mr. Pretentious Pluy," and its editor and publisher, what let me assure you, Mr. Editor, you have admitted to do. that it is false modesty. In all the personal attacks that have been made upon your devoted heads, the public, as I have seen it, have smiled, kindly, knowing the why and the wherefore.

"A pretentious man by token of his pretentiousness is a Charlatan," so writes Mr. Holland in his letter to the Joneses,

Mr. Cowan's conduct of his camand his venture the "Fair Play," as he sees it, has stamped him as a "Pretentious man by token of his pretentiousness," a "Jones," a "Charlatan" of the highest type. We have had a fair council, during the past two years, an active Mayor, a council alive in its duties. They have as a body done very good work. We have an active Board of Trade, which have certainly not been asleep. Yet all, individually and collectively sink into insignificance when the pretentious man takes down his gun. For any man in the council, or Board of Trade, or in any other municipal body, to mention an industry, for either of the city papers to even breathe the name of an industry, likely to come to Chatham, is treason, and Un-Fair Play to the pre-tentious man; and calls forth a pro-test in withering sureasm (if you didn't know where it came from) which forever silences the unlucky victim. Well, sir, I may come in for my share in next week's issue, but I believe I will survive the vials of wrath that will be poured out.

During the past two years we have had added two important industries to our city, "The Dowsley Works and the Wheel Works." Both have been assisted or bonused by the city and none regret it. All believe that they have come to stay and will, no doubt, benefit the city, and the "Pretentious man" claims credit for bringing them. He forgets that the Wm. Gray Co., The Robert Milner Co., The Martin Co., all manufacturers of vehicles, were the promoters of both concers, that the new concerns are a compliment to those works above mentioned, and that working together the one factory filling in with the other the whole will bring much credit to the city. The "Pretentious man" I believe supported both and deserves credit for it. The same as any other person

who did it.

A Bolt and Nut factory makes application to the city and the "Preentious man" heralds this as some thing new. He fathers it in the council, he supports what is asked and everything goes swimmingly along until the passing of the by-law, when he tries to knife his pet by saying, "It is not legal to pass by-laws in this manner." Many manulaws in this manner." Many manufacturing concerns in this city have been granted these privileges and they are all illegal. This sudden change of front came as a surprise to many who did not know the work-ings of the scheme for election to

ings of the scheme the Mayor's chair. members of the Gray factory, of the Taylor Co., of the Piggott Co., were opposing his canvass for the Mayoralty. These were the comerns who had benefitted by these illegal bylaws, and at once the "Pretentious man" got down his gun, sharpened his axe, and an onslaught was made

upon these companies. They were opposing him, their taxes should be increased for ever daring to exer-

Come, Mr. Pretentious man, tell the ratepayers how you so "bold and ag-gressive, one able and courageous enough to talk out in meeting," "mayor but will stand to his guns, "a mayor who is up-to-date, alive and random who is up-to-date, alive and progree ve," and all the rest ad nausaum, tell the ratepayers why you slept during your aldermanic career and allowed all these evils to exist, "these illegal by-laws" to stand that you now complain of. Tell them how Wallaceburg and Dresden, recently villages accurred each a heat magar villages, secured each a beet sugar factory, while Chataam, the city, has the privilege of seeing tons of beets hauled through its streets and shipped to these places? Why not have one of these lfactories here? Tell us, Mr. Pretentious man what you were doing for the last six years? Tell us while on the finance committee and generally while in the council you were not able to produce the twenty mill rate you now speak of? Tell us and read from the minutes of the council how you voted for payment of these printing bills, for the by-laws of the Chaplin and Dowsley works, and no one ever heard of your objection until now? And tell us what "Fair Play" could do it for?

Tell us when and where you objected in the ecouncil to the Dom'nion Paving Co. employing its own teams and men, during the past sumi-mer, and why you "Pretentious man" "able and courageous to talk out in meetings," did not move a resolution that none other than the vitrified brick made by Cornhill, Jordan and Fielder should be used? That none other than the labor of citizens should be employed? Tell us why "Fair Play" should be printed in Blenhe m when Baxter and Shea are open for such job printing? Tell us why, when McKeough introduced your "alleged stock in trade for canvassing resolution," for the dismissal of the city engineer and appointment of Carswell, you voted just exactly the same as Mr. McKeough, for the resolution introduced? Tell us why you did not introduce an amendment to this so-called do ble barrelled re-solution asking only for the dismissal of the engineer? Or tell us, did you want him retained? Tell us why all these little personailties against all or every citizen who cannot see his or her way to support you, against the McKeough Family, Dr. Holmes, Piggo s, Grays, Taylors, "Plinet," "News and others.

Every man or family may have their little eccentricities. Perhaps your family may have theirs. Why par-ade them? You are bold and aggressive in a physical manner; you have man, you will be judged by what you have don, and what The electorate have smiled at the froth dished up to them each week. A man pretentious and bombastic the pubic cannot tolerate and your day of

reckoning will come on January 5th, You personally now attack so many and are so aggressive in your man-ner, that it would be an ill day for the city of Chatham if a Council were elected of your calibre. We have been fairly free of law suits for a year or two, but with such a fighter, bold and aggressive as you say you are, am personally afraid that you wifatten some of the city lawyer. instead of a twenty mill rate we will

have a thirty mill rate. No, Mr. Pretentious Man, you won't do. As an alderman, one of the nine, you did fairly well; but as one over nine you are not the man.

The citizens want a man steadier than you, a deeper thinker, a man who is careful as well as progressive. McKeough, a ratepayer who pays upon a large assessment and is cautious in his personal affairs will see that a lower tax rate is kept than you will, It is to his interest and, therefore, the interest of the public. He has supported every industry that you have, and has done just as much towards the welfare of the town as you have; but modesty-a virtue that is foreign to you-dictates silence.

McKeough has never shirked a duty in the public interest, while you and your friends have endeavored at the beginning of each year to pick soft places to lie in, and shuffling for committees with no responsibility. Mr. Cowan, you will not do for May-

or of the City of Chatham for 1903. Yours respectfully, A CITIZEN AND RATEPAYER.

WORLD OF SPORT ****

THE HUNT

SWIMS LAKE TO SAVE STAG FROM HOUNDS.

Richmond, Va., December 29,-By the bravery of "Jack" Talley, a young farmer, a stag was saved from the fangs of an angry pack of hounds and the Deep Run Hunt Club, composed of Richmond's society set, was giva diversion not anticipated when the chase was arranged.

A stag, wild and vigorous, was leased from the club's enclosure, and a chase began that lasted for six miles The deer, finding that the fleet pack was gaining upon him, headed for Lakeside and plunged into the deep lake. The hounds followed him in full cry, and then began a water race that the hunt club watched with breathless interest.

The deer swam vigorously for the further shore, but foot by foot the the Mayor's chair.

The "Pretentious man" had been canvassing, in the meantime he had found out, that some of the individual pursued and pursuers when Talley,



RAPID RISE OF AN INVESTMENT STOCK

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Price of EASTERN CONSOLIDATED OIL CO.'S STOCK Goes to Par-\$1.00 a Share, with the New Year-This is the Company that has Paid 27 per Cent. on the Investment in 13 Months Oversubscription of 50c. Allottment Seems Probable.

Another sensational chapter in the istory of the Eastern Consolidated Oil Co., is opened.
For more than a year now this com

pany has figured conspicuously in the financial news of the day. This stock, which was put on the narket at 25 cents a share, advanced

raipely to 50 cents, and in the past 13 nonchs has actually paid 27 per cent. dividends on the investment It is now positively known that the stock will go to par (1.00 a share) on January 3, just three days hence A SPLENDID PROPOSITION.

The rapid rise of the Eastern Consolidated Oil Co. is due to two causes firs , the natural physical oil wealth of he company's oil properties, and, second, careful and conservative business management. The result is a success which is making rich men out of the

It is in fact a splendid investment proposition from a business point of view. It is safe because it has actual assets, rich oil land and producing oil wells.

It is a rich investment because its enormous oil production gives it large revenues and makes possible the gen-erous dividends which have already been paid for over a year.

PRICE OF STOCK ADVANCES 100% The present allotment of stock selling at 50c a share is almost exhaust-

On January 3 the price will advance to par-\$1.00 a share. The officers of the company make the positive statement that after 12 o'clock midnight, next Saturday n'ght he Eastern Consolidated Oil Co. will sell no more of its stock at 50c. On and after that time the price will be

PAYS RICH DIVIDENDS. Thirteen months ago, the Eastern Consolidated Oil Co. rejoiced its stockholders by declaring a 2% dividend on the investment for the month. Since that time this company has

paid 27% in dividends on the invest-Since that time the stock has doub led in value, and will double again in three days. An investment of \$1,000 made 13 months ago has paid \$270 in dividends, and is now worth \$2,000 in consequence of the advance in price.

That same investment will be worth

\$4,000 on next Saturday night when the price advances. The original investors have already doubled their money, but they took all the risks. Those who invest this week take no risks whatever and are certain to double their money in three days!

FORTUNES MADE IN OIL. In no other class of safe investments can the investor realize such large profits as in ail. Compare the returns from real estate, from loans on mort-gages, from banks or from any industrial proposition with the 27% on the investment paid by the Eastern Consolidated Oil Co., in 13 months.

The Standard Oil Co. declared divis dends amounting to 45% during the past year! The Standard Oil Co.'s stock is quoted at nearly \$700 a share. The Eastern Consolidated Oil Co's sotck sells at 50 cents a share for three days longer.

There is no other investment on the market that offers anything like so large returns.

PROPERTIES AND OIL WELLS. The Eastern Consolidated Oil Co has over 21,000 acres of rich oil lands. About 1200 acres are in Ohio, consist-ing o foil leases on 18 farms and con-

taining 107 producing oil wells. The oil is sold to the Standard O'l Co. with a cash settlement each month. Ten acres in the heart of the rich Kern River district in California, owned outright and paid for, has four big producing wells. Also 19,000 acres in Santa Barbara, Cal., upon which development work has begun

ENORMOUS OIL PRODUCTION. Some two months ago, when drilling was begun on the Kern River property, the superintendent promised a production of 50,000 barrels monthly rom, this tract alone when ten wells should have been finished.

He is more than keeping his pronise. With four wells down in Kern River the production has already in-creased at the rate of about 30,000 parrels monthly-with room for six more wells! WILL BUILD BIG REFINERY.

The company is now receiving bids and estimates for the construction of modern oil refinery on its property in Kern River.
This fact alone shows that the com

pany has attained a marked success and has come to stay. While the profit on oil as a natural product is large, refined oil sells in California for about eight times as much as crude oil.

This refinery will largely increase the company's revenue, for, besides refining their own oil, they can refine for other wells at a good profit. STANDS HIGH WITH INVESTORS During the past month or six weeks fully 80% of the present stockholders have increased their holdings in anti-

cipation of the rise in price. For the small investor who has only \$25, \$50 or \$100 to put in it offers an unheard of opportunity. Such an op-portunity to realize over 2% a month in dividends and to double the sum invested in a few days comes to the big capitalists sometimes, but seldon indeed to the small investor. INTERVIEW WITH THE FISCAL AGENTS.

In an interview with C. B. Heydon & Co., rooms 401 and 402 Manning Chambers Building, 72 Queen street west, corner Queen and Terauley streets, Court House Square, Toronto, Ont., who are the only authorized fiscal agents for the sale of stock in the Eastern Consolidated Oil Co., this firm expressed the utmost gratification at the successful financier-

ing of this company.

They declared that in their 12 years' business experience as bankers and brokers they had never handled a stock that compared with the Eastern Consolidated Oil Co. as a rich paying and at the same time safe investment, and that it was with real regret that they were terminating their connection with the sale of the 50c. allotment.

"Will the stock be oversubscribed?" was asked. "Yes, it is quite probable; but in that case we shall fill the subscriptions in the order of time in which they are received. The money will be promptly returned to those whose orders are received too late." Moral, act promptly and send in your orders early. Orders bearing postmark of Jan. 3 will be accepted.

C. B. HEYDON & CO., fully dressed, threw himself into the Rooms 401 and 402 Manning Chambers Building,

fully dressed, threw himself the the lear icy waters and swam between the deer and his angry followers.

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