

SYMPTOMS YOU CAN RELY ON

Some Sure-Pop Ways of Qualifying for Rest and Recuperation in Some Secluded and Sequestered Sanitarium.

"I'm thinking about getting to work after one of those horticultural prizes Mayor McKeough is offering this year," said the stalwart Captain Fred. B. Stevens most seriously.

"Another of those spells," commented Walter Scane sotto voce, as he deftly dropped the lid of his left eye. "I know the symptoms. They show themselves with the earliest advent of spring weather."

But there are other signs of mental 1000s sometimes visible at this time of the year. For instance:—

To take your friends over to Tecumseh Park to see the Tecumseh monument erected by the Macaulay Club.

To invite acquaintances to take in the Chatham Old Boys' Reunion this summer.

To expect a Banner employe to have ready money the day before—or after—pay day.

To try to solve one of Blue Robin John Lee's jokes.

To attempt to drive around the city in less than three days at the present season of the year.

To tell the boss you've got the spring fever when it's a germ of laziness you're encouraging.

To ask Mr. Kelly, Queen St., to sign a petition for a pavement from Indian Creek to the G. T. R.

To request W. B. Wells not to object to the football boys playing on Tecumseh Park.

To exhort James Fleming not to complain at the treatment the Tennis Club has received at the hands of the City Council.

To suggest to George G. Martin that he is not a public orator.

To insinuate that Ald. A. B. Mc-

Coig will not be premier of the Dominion some day.

To accept a loan from W. J. Martin.

To credit anything that appears in the Banner.

To tell a pupil of the Central school that J. W. Flewes isn't the whole thing.

To take a ride over the Queen St. pavement.

To expect the "ad" of an oil company promoter to contain even half the truth.

To expect Chief Holmes to be hard-hearted with any criminal.

To try to prevent County Court Clerk James Holmes making sarcastic flips and cracking jokes at somebody else's expense.

To hope to escape the watchful gaze of the Humane Officer, when you are warm under the collar.

To expect Major Coogan to use "force" in arresting a man. You eat that.

To imagine that J. W. Webb and City Treasurer Fleming would give up bowling.

To expect ex-Ald. John Liddy to move a vote of thanks to the Lake Erie.

To hope for a dividend on your Binder Twine stock.

To seek for a local lodge that T. A. Smith is not a member of.

To look for a man in North Chatham that Thos. Martin doesn't know the politics of.

And Finally—To look elsewhere for the honest and authoritative local news you read in the columns of the G. H. J.

District Dashes

Thamesville is having a revival of the old oil boom.—Thamesville Herald.

J. A. Moore, of Chatham, was a Blenheim visitor yesterday.—Blenheim Tribune.

Mrs. Peters is visiting her sister, Mrs. F. Boushall, at Chatham, this week.—Blenheim Tribune.

Misses Anna and Nellie Stover, of Chatham, are guests at P. T. Barry's.—Wallaceburg Herald-Record.

Miss Belle Cameron, of Chatham, was the guest of Mrs. W. Parsons on Sunday.—Ridgetown Dominion.

Miss Mary Steel, of Chatham, is visiting relatives in this place for a few days.—Ridgetown Dominion.

Hugh McGlinn, a student from Chatham, was struck by a car and badly injured at Toronto.—Ridgetown Dominion.

Drilling is going on night and day at the oil well being put down about a mile and a half east of town on the Straubel farm.—Leamington Post.

L. J. Rycraft is in Chatham to-day on legal business in connection with the case of the Union Trust Co. vs. Saddington.—Ridgetown Dominion.

The annual meeting of the Dresden Lawn Bowling Club will be held to-morrow, Friday evening, at 8 o'clock in the office of Drs. Wiley.—Dresden Standard.

Mr. Wm. M. Kennedy, son of D. Kennedy, M. C. B. agent, who has been in the Chatham office of the G. M. W. Telegraph Co. for the past year, has accepted a position in an office at London and will begin his duties about May 1st.—Leamington Post.

Albert Ridley, who has spent the past two or three months at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ridley, Ridley, Ont., has left again for the Kitchik. He went to Detroit on Monday and after a few days' visit there will leave for Dawson City.—Blenheim Tribune.

Dr. Geo. E. Rycraft, who will be known as the Boy Mayor of Petoskey, Mich., is the youngest man who has sat in the mayor's chair in the history of that city. The doctor is a Canadian by birth, having first seen the light of day at Havigate, Kent County.—Glencoe Transcript.

N. H. Beattie, well known throughout this district, met with a very serious accident on Tuesday last, through the upsetting of a load of hay at the market scales. He had accompanied Mr. Pool to town, riding upon the stand. In driving upon the scales the load in some manner overturned, throwing Mr. Beattie against a pile of lumber. On examination by the physician it was found that he had sustained a fracture of the thigh bone of the right leg. Since the accident he has been kept in the fire hall, and the committee are now considering what action in regard to taking care of him will be taken. The

physician, Dr. Mitchell, states that it may be a couple of years before he will be able to do any work.—Wallaceburg Herald-Record.

E. Peltier, of Chatham, purchased the River House property from Messrs. Rankin and Trotter and will at once begin the erection of a modern hotel building. Plans for the building to cost between \$15,000 and \$20,000 are now being prepared, and as soon as completed work will be commenced. A long lease of the building has been taken by Mr. T. Bourassa, of Chatham.—Dresden Standard.

The Lacrosse Club ball held in the Opera House on Monday evening, proved to be one of the most enjoyable and successful social events of the season. The hall was tastefully decorated for the occasion, and the music was furnished by the London harpers. Guests were present from Chatham, Sarnia, Sombra, Dresden and other towns.—Wallaceburg Herald-Record.

On Friday last a couple of young men walking west on the L.E. & D. R.R. tracks found a man in the cattle guard pit at the first crossing, where he had evidently fallen. They got him out and took him to the house of Samuel Lynn, where he remained until Monday, when the authorities sent him to Chatham hospital. Dr. W. D. Wiley was summoned and visited the unfortunate man, who could not speak English at all.—Dresden Standard.

GIVEN UP TO DIE

Mrs. John F. Sillars had Dyspepsia for Seven Years—Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets Cured Her.

Spring fever is a name often given to a stagnant stomach. When you have walked too much your legs ache and you know it is time to rest them. When your arms ache you know it is time to rest them. Use your stomach in the same way. When it is tired rest it.

The stomach supplies the body with heat. Its work is doubled during the cold weather. With the coming of spring it is tired and worn. It needs to be rested and toned up. It needs Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets. They rest the stomach by doing its work. They digest the food themselves. They thus bring the stomach to its normal state of activity and health, and that means renewed energy in all parts of the body.

Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets are a natural remedy and sure relief of all stomach ailments. Those who have used them are enthusiastic in their praise. Take Mrs. John F. Sillars, of Western Bay, Newfoundland, for example. She writes:

"I have been cured of Dyspepsia by Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets. For seven years I suffered. I could not eat without suffering intense agony but had been given up to die before using them. I tried doctors but they gave me no permanent relief. Then I started to use Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets. From the first they gave me relief, and after the use of five boxes I was well and strong."

Hoax—"That fellow over there claims to be an actor."

Joax—"He doesn't look like one."

Hoax—"He doesn't act like one, either."

SMART COLORS.

Gray and Blue Popular in Paris. Heavy White Goods.

The craze for black and white is increasing instead of abating. Rough serges, cream cloths, zibelines and beavers are tremendously in demand. The vivid green we have admired for so long has given place to other tones. Purples and mauves are gaining ground and will have a longer run of popularity than the new claret red. Gray is always a favorite shade in Paris. The deep blue note of color



COSTUME OF BLUE CHERVOIL.
which has been so conspicuous in Paris for some time has not yet disappeared, but its popularity is a matter of days. Parisians are proverbially fickle in the matter of color, though for day wear they are faithful to browns and grays. Pastel shades are again coming into favor and they are very beautiful.

The picture shows an up to date costume of blue chervil.

JUDIC CHOLLET.

USEFUL BARGAINS.

Coats Long and Short—Odd Lengths of Silk and Their Uses.

The long cloth and bengaline coats, lined with silk and trimmed with lace and strappings, are useful for day and evening wear, if selected in gray or neutral tints, and the prices are invariably reduced at this time of the year.

Smart little sack coats in black or fawn are useful for spring wear, particularly those of an ornamental type which are handy to slip over a dark gown. Tucked and plaited goods make



COFFEE COAT OF BROCADE AND LACE.

Pretty fronts, yokes and frills for sleeves, and a little coffee coat is quite easy to produce and requires only two and a quarter or even two yards of tucked net or chiffon if completed by deep frills of lace or plaited chiffon.

Remnants of velvet are useful for trimmings, millinery or a bolero, and from one and a half to two yards is a desirable length.

A silk petticoat requires six yards to make close at the top or with a full flounce finished with two bias gathered frills or quite fussy trimmings seven to eight yards of silk.

The illustration shows a coffee coat of brocade and lace.

JUDIC CHOLLET.

Preocious German Children.

Herr A. Boer, a well known German schoolmaster, has recently published some interesting statistics regarding the practice of smoking among German school children. Taking his own school as a general example, he found that in the lower classes, consisting of boys from five to seven years old, nine pupils habitually smoked pipes and cigars. In the two higher classes—boys between seven and ten years old—eleven smokers were found, and in the two highest classes—boys between ten and thirteen—nine used tobacco. In other words, exactly half of the boys in his school between the ages of five and thirteen were smokers.

Fashion's Fancies

PONGEE POINTERS.

Pongee petticoats are delightfully light weight.

For underwear light weights are chosen.

Fontainebleau pongee is a name given the heaviest Shantung, which is used for coats.

Any real pongee wears "forever," especially the heavy weave which men wear in the Philippines. English army officers are also given to this luxury. It costs \$1.50 in the 20-inch width.

All weights are used for dresses, according to the cut and the wear for which they are intended.

Gold cloth is one of the heavy new domestic weaves in pongee color.

Twine laces answer for pongee as well as for linen.

Dotted red or green Liberty satin is effectively used to strap pongee dresses.

Briar stitch braids in lace effect serve to trim or to hold breadths together.

Pongee coats are seen in every length from the abbreviated coffee coat to the trailing carriage coat.

FINISHING TOUCHES.

Little rambler roses in shades from red to white figure in millinery.

A beautiful blonde may revel in the possibilities of pale blue combined with the most delicate hydrangea and lilac shades.

Moss hair is used to advantage on some hats.

Burnt shades are a great vogue in millinery.

Linen neckwear embroidered in bead effect is distinguished.

Lace or fine linen collar and cuff sets are delightfully dainty.

Fancy collars and revers in cotton, silk or lace come ready to put on.

An imported black chip stiff hat shows the upturned back in fluted arrangement of blue silk.

A castor colored veil in elaborate Tuxedo mesh is becoming to some, and admirable if it harmonizes with the rest of the toilette.

Handkerchief stocks are dainty affairs that show a plaited stole effect.

Lost neck pieces be not flat enough they are formed of heavy lace, the chiffon frills being at the edge.

MILLINERY POEMS.

In straws fine glistening, horse-hairlike braids are most in favor.

Though plateau hats and the lowest crowned spheroides are sold in any number, hats with "real" crowns are promised.

Those who feel in love with the whole hats of raffia will be delighted with the broad applique made of this modest stuff. The colors are exquisite.

Straw teardrops are the latest in "dingle-dangles." They figure in a straw embroidered on tulle.

Some lace hats, as well as those of straw, show square crowns.

Straw toques in deeply seamed shell effect are attractive.

Outside straw and small flowers, tulle and lace, are the prevailing materials in hat building.

More than ever there are lovely bonnets for women "who are no longer young."

Horsehoe crowns are very attractive in bonnet shapes.

Spanish turban shapes are still liked.

In stiff hats the rolling brim sailor is one of the very best shapes.

BITS OF FEMINITY.

Coarse canvas will be very popular and will be used for smart little coats, as well as gowns.

Fringes are stylish trimming. Their ends are very long, the knotted part at the top very small, so that more of the dangle is gained.

The high girle is a pronounced feature upon a majority of the recently imported gowns. It is folded upon a carefully fitted lining.

Delaines are to have it all their own way this summer, and they are wonderfully pretty in plain colors with tiny spots and with natural colored floral effects.

Many of the new hats show two and sometimes three colors of straw. One of the new turbans in cream and black straw had the entirely new style turned-up brim of cream-colored straw, spotted and hemmed with black straw, two bands of black straw trimming the cream-colored straw crown.

BLUE VELVET DAISIES.

Among the show of Easter flowers one novelty calls for remark. To be sure, it did not figure among the potted plants. The new flower is the Blue Velvet Daisy, and sooth to say, it is a thing of beauty. Although tanists and pre-Raphaelite purists may object to the want of truth in

thus misrepresenting nature, there are few prettier examples of artificial flowers than these blue marguerites which adorn a picture hat of blue Malines net. It has also an arrangement of black velvet ribbon loops, drawn here and there around the crown.

SIX SHOULDER TUCKS.

The 1903 model for summer shirt-waists is arranged to give the fulness where it is desirable to the figure. This allows six small tucks on each shoulder pointing away from the middle. The tuck nearest the throat measures eight inches long, the others are a little shorter as the shoulder seam descends toward the arm size. The tucks are released from their folds below, and this fulness continues all the way down the blouse front. Instead of a single pouch to the lower part of the blouse, the fulness is draped in twelve folds here corresponding to the six tucks above. The folds are inverted half a dozen on each side of the central box pleat. The shirt has a plain French back with only a little fulness, and this is at the waist. The maker has provided tailor-made shirt sleeves, which are gathered at the wrist into a square strap cuff, which fastens with link sleeve buttons.

Sorrows humanize our race. Tears are the showers that fertilize this world. And memory of things precious keepeth warm the heart that once did hold them.

It is a mistake to consider as wasted the power that is devoted to the help of others. That is the only part of our power which is really saved.

BUILDERS' MATERIAL

Of all kinds always on hand. Our stock of LUMBER, LATH, SHINGLES, DOORS and SASH is complete. We expect a large cargo of CEDAR POSTS this week. This is the first consignment of 40,000 posts.

We carry a complete line of BUILDERS' HARDWARE, PAINTS, OILS and GLASS.

Give us a call. Phone 52.

Blonde LUMBER MANUFACTURING CO. Builders and Contractors

NOTICE

No person with a house or other building over one story high should be without a good ladder. You should have them for

FIRE PROTECTION. CLEANING OUT EAVE-TROUGHS. PAINTING. CLEANING WINDOWS, &c. Call and inspect the Famous WAGGONER EXTENSION LADDER. For sale by

Office King St. T. O. O'Rourke Opp P.O. Chatham

A CHANCE FOR CLEVER PEOPLE

It should be easy for people who drink delicious Blue Ribbon Red Label Tea to say something that will induce their friends to try it.

\$545.00 in Cash Prizes

Twenty-five cash prizes will be awarded in order of merit to those sending in the best advertisements for Blue Ribbon Red Label Tea.

First Prize	- - - -	\$200.00
Second Prize	- - - -	100.00
Third Prize	- - - -	40.00
4th to 13th Prizes, \$10.00 each	- - - -	100.00
14th to 25th, \$5.00 each	- - - -	60.00
		\$500.00

In addition, beginning with the week ending April 4, a special weekly prize of \$5.00 will be given to the one sending in the best advertisement during that week, making for the nine weeks \$45.00 in special prizes, or a grand total of thirty-four cash prizes, \$545.

CONDITIONS

- 1st. No professional ad. writer, nor anyone connected directly or indirectly with the Blue Ribbon Tea Company may compete.
- 2nd. Advertisements must not contain more than 50 words, and shorter ones are preferable.
- 3rd. One of the cards used in packing Blue Ribbon Red Label Tea—there are two in each package—must be enclosed with each batch of advertisements sent.
- 4th. The competition closes June 1, 1903, and all competing advertisements must reach one of the following addresses on or before that date.

Blue Ribbon Tea Co., Winnipeg, Man.
Blue Ribbon Tea Co., Toronto, Ont.
Blue Ribbon Tea Co., Vancouver, B.C.

- 5th. No person shall be awarded more than one of the main prizes, but may also take one or more weekly prizes.
- 6th. In case of a tie, decision will be based on all the advertisements submitted by the competitors in question.

Mr. H. M. E. Evans, of the Winnipeg Telegram, has kindly consented to judge the advertisements and award prizes.

All advertisements that fail to win a prize, but which are good enough to be accepted for publication will be paid for at the rate of \$1.00 each.

Unless expressly requested to the contrary, we will consider ourselves at liberty to publish the names of prize winners.

A good advertisement should be truthful and contain an idea brightly and forcibly expressed. A bona fide signed letter with address and date from one who has tested the tea, is a good form. An advertisement for an article of food should not associate with it, even by contrast, any unpleasant idea. The best advertisement is the one that will induce the most people to try the article advertised.

Seek your Inspiration in a Cup of Blue Ribbon Red Label Tea and the Money is yours.

Before Buying Your New Carpets

SEE OUR SELECTION OF

Scotch Carpets & Rugs

The designs and colors cannot fail to please, and the low prices will surprise you.

Axminster which surpass in beauty and value anything ever shown in Chatham before \$1.30 and \$1.50 per yd.
Brussels, 5 frame, in Oriental and floral designs, surprisingly good values, \$1.15 per yd.
Rugs in all size, \$1.65, \$2.25, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00, \$4.50.

We show also other good makes of
Brussels at 80c., 90c., \$1.00
Tapestries at 40c., 50c., 55c., 60c., 75c.
Wools, 2 ply and 3 ply, at 60c., \$1.00
Unions at 25c., 35c., 40c.

All Carpets over 50c. per yard made and laid without extra charge.

H. McDONALD & CO., FURNITURE and CARPETS.