

Tales About Town

HIS NEW HAT

A good story is told on the proprietor of one of our Maple City gent's furnishing stores, which will bear repeating.

The man who manages this up-to-date establishment is known as a very smooth gent, in fact, when it comes down to selling hats he is hard to beat. One reason why he always has an up-to-date stock, is because he has an enviable knack of getting rid of his old goods, but on this occasion he was badly "taken in at his own game," as it were.

A short, stout, and somewhat elderly gentleman, evidently hailing from the rural districts, walked into the store the other day and wanted to try on some hats.

They were all brought down immediately, and a large number of them were tried on. Everything suited, and the man could not decide which one to take.

"This man is evidently a mark," thought the wily salesman, "now is my chance to get rid of some of my old stock."

Suddenly he espied a brown Fedora lying on the counter, evidently made in about the year '60. Here was his chance.

"Now, here is a nice hat," he said, picking up the Fedora and something it off nicely with his coat sleeve. "This is a style which will be very popular this year. It is something real new and up-to-date."

"Can it really be possible?" said the surprised and evidently well pleased customer. "Yes," said the delighted salesman, "we just got in three cases of them last week. Try it on and see how it fits."

"That hat was made for you," exclaimed the smooth dealer rubbing his hands and putting on one of his blandest smiles. "How does it fit?"

"It fits splendidly," said the farmer "but do you really think it is all right?" as he viewed himself in the long mirror.

"All right!" was the reply, "why, you couldn't get a better one." "Very well," said the man quietly, as



When You Eat

Do you have a feeling of undue fullness in the stomach, belchings, or sour or bitter risings? These are but a few of the symptoms of the diseased stomach. The worst thing which can be done for the stomach in such a case is to take some tablet or powder which merely gives temporary relief from discomfort. The best thing to do is to begin the cure of the disease by beginning the use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It cures diseases of the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition. It makes the "weak" stomach strong, and puts the body in a condition of vigorous health.

"I was troubled a long time with dyspepsia, torpid liver, and constipation," writes Mrs. Julia E. Deal, of Oswego, Ireland Co., N. C. "Could scarcely eat anything at all; would have attacks of pain something like colic, and sometimes it seemed as though I could not live. I wrote to Dr. R. V. Pierce, stating my condition, and in a few days received a kind letter of advice, telling me to use Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. I took four bottles, and one vial of Dr. Pierce's Pellets, and now I can eat anything, and I don't hurt me. I have not been in bed a day since I took your 'Golden Medical Discovery,' and I have not since felt any symptoms of disease. I have not taken any medicine in twelve months."

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure constipation.

money. He had spent all he had and was now struggling along trying to make a living. That man, if he had stayed on the farm could, by this time, have been a comparatively rich man. "There was another case that came to my mind recently, that of a farmer near Tilbury. He was the same kind of a man. He had great ideas of high life and luxury in the city and as a result he became dissatisfied with farm life.

"I held a mortgage on his farm and one year when his crops were particularly poor he became discouraged. He, of course, thought all he had to do was to move to the city

That is his hobby and from a boy he has made a deep study of wild birds, flowers, animals, insects, etc., and has found a distinct pleasure in so doing. If you want to know anything about the habits of birds, seasons of flowers, or in fact anything pertaining to nature, ask Casper and he will tell you. He has something to show for his labors, too, and has one of the finest collections of birds' eggs in Ontario. He, however, was not like the ordinary egg hunter, and made it a point of never taking more than one egg from a single nest, and never collecting more than one egg of each kind. He has always been an earnest supporter of protection for birds, and never fails to voice his opinions when he deems it necessary.

"Now that our birds are commencing to come again for the summer," he said this morning, "we should take stringent measures to protect them. You know we do not have as many birds as we used to have. Why I remember when you could not take a walk in the spring time but you could hear birds of all kinds singing on every side, and it was a real pleasure for anyone who can enjoy nature. You hardly ever find that now, and simply because we have not properly protected our birds.

"You take a walk through the city and you will find small boys with air guns, and sling-shots, running around and shooting at every bird they see. I think the boy with the sling-shot is a very dangerous factor towards destroying the birds. This should surely not be allowed, and these young offenders should be warned, and if they continue they should be severely prosecuted.

"This excessive robbing of nests should not be allowed. You will see young boys climbing trees and destroying nests, for no other reason than the pleasure they find in so doing. Everything can be carried to excess and we should enforce the law which prohibits the destroying of birds and their eggs."

Theatrical

THE LYCEUM COURSE.

Mr. J. Williams Macy, the eminent humorist and buffo-basso, who gives an entertainment at the Grand tomorrow night, has a world wide reputation, having appeared in nearly all the countries of the world. There is a great treat in store for those who attend. The program is full of interest and consists of humor, song and story. This recital is given as the fifth number of the Lyceum course. Already a large number of seats are taken which is a good assurance that the theatre will be packed.

GRAND OPERA IN ENGLISH.

Probably one of the most important announcements that the management will be able to make for the remainder of this season will be the appearance at that house for Saturday evening, March 22nd, of the Boston Lyric English Grand Opera Company. The company, although in existence for the past eight years, has never played in Canada except at Toronto, or has Grand Opera been given at the Grand, and the coming of the Boston Lyric is of interest for theatre goers will have the opportunity to witness Grand Opera at no higher prices than one pays for Opera Comique. The Boston Lyric Company, which is strictly an American organization throughout, is planning a tour of Canada, the Hawaiian Islands, Cuba, the Philippines, and Mexico, where it is believed that a fertile field is before them. All of the principals, of which a double cast is carried, are said to have excellent foreign training. Among whom are Bertha Davis, a Boston Lyric Soprano of great ability; Della Nivens, formerly with the Metropolitan English Grand Opera Company; and John J. Raffael and George Chapman, baritone; S. F. Vernon, tenor; Frank Maslin, bass; a splendid chorus and augmented orchestra under the direction of Mr. Joseph Tressi. The repertoire embraces "Il Trovatore," "The Bohemian Girl," "Carmen," "Martha" and "Faust." Each opera will be sung in English and costumed traditionally correct. The advance sale indicates large audiences at each performance. The citizens of Chatham can and will appreciate good opera, and good performances are promised by the Boston Lyric Opera Co.



THIS MAN CARRIES WITH HIM A GOOSE. CAN YOU FIND IT?

he started for the door, "if this one is all right, I don't think I will buy a new one."

The shopkeeper looked aghast. It turned out that the hat he had been trying to sell was the one the farmer had worn when he entered the store. Since then he always takes a good look at a man's old hat before he proceeds to sell him a new one.

COUNTRY VS. CITY

"It beats me how so many of our country young men are so terribly anxious to leave the farm and come into the city," said a local financier. Add Tales about town.

who was in a thoughtful mood the other day. "Some people can't see when they are well off. The city looks very inviting to country young men—and old men too—but when they move into town and get into competition with men who are used to city life from boyhood they soon find out their mistake but invariably they do the finding out when it is too late.

"I remember one instance of a farmer in Dover Township. He owned a good farm and, while not growing very rich, he was a prosperous well-to-do man and was each year laying up a few dollars for a rainy day. "Money, however, was not coming in as fast as he could wish and he finally decided to sell his farm and come into the city. He had heard a lot about city life and how easy it was to make money, and he was anxious to be in the swim with the rest.

"Well, he sold his farm, stock, and implements, and realized therefrom over \$1,500. I advised him then to pack up and start right out for the Northwest, as he was a good farmer and I felt that he could make money at it. But he didn't go. He came here to Chatham but failed to get work. The other day he was up to my office trying to borrow some

where he could make money hand over fist.

"He rented his farm and moved into town. After he got settled down, however, he saw that it was not such an easy matter to make money as he thought, and this same man was also up to my office borrowing money. There is no doubt in my mind that he will yet lose his farm unless he soon falls into the way of living in a city."

PROTECT THE BIRDS

There is no man in the city who is a fonder lover of nature and all its beauty than is Casper Schwemler.

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is Uric Acid in the blood. Unhealthy kidneys are the cause of the acid being there. If the kidneys acted as they should they would strain the Uric Acid out of the system and rheumatism wouldn't occur. Rheumatism is a Kidney Disease. Dodd's Kidney Pills have made a great part of their reputation curing Rheumatism. So get at the cause of those fearful shooting pains and stiff, aching joints. There is but one sure way—

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Spanish Lyrics and Poetesses

Spaniards may have many traits to criticize, said a gentleman who recently returned from touring in Spain, but in the matter of politeness they are above reproach. This man left Leville on foot after a stay of a week, and was overtaken by the landlord of the hotel where he was staying. The innkeeper rode alongside of his guest for nearly an hour before he found courage to make known his business. "If the senor and God please," he began, apologetically, "I made a mistake in his bill yesterday."

"How?" I inquired. "I forgot to make a charge for his candles to light him to bed!" "But it was moonlight and I had no candles." "Then, senor, with the help of God, I forgot to charge you with the moonlight." The charge amounted to two cents in American money, and he had hired an ass and ridden twenty miles to collect it. I was amused and astonished. Then I accused him of being a robber, and offered him a cent to settle the bill. He worked up a beautiful smile and held out his hand. "I will take it with thanks, senor," he said, "and God will bless you for an honest man!"



For the Little Ones

Be Careful in the use of Cough Medicines for Children's Coughs and Colds.

Many analyses of cheap cough mixtures and cough and throat lozenges have clearly proven that a large proportion of them contain opiates.

The temporary relief which these cheap medicines often give in coughs and colds, especially with the little children, is because the opiate, by destroying the nerve sensation, the irritation in the throat, which causes the cough, is temporarily removed, but the real cause of the cold is not in any way removed by the opiate and will promptly return.

The best thing to use to remove the catarrhal secretion which causes the cold, the hoarseness and irritating cough, is a new preparation composed of antiseptics like Eucalyptol, Red Gum of Eucalyptus tree, Blood Root, etc., under name of Stuart's Catarrh Tablets, which contain no opiate, cocaine or poisonous drug of any sort.

A mother living in Charleston, Mass., the happy possessor of four children, writes: "Every fall and winter I have laid in a stock of cough medicines, croup mixtures, and throat remedies for my little children, for somehow or other they never seemed to be free from colds, croup or sore throat.

"This fall I made a change in the usual program. I had myself been cured of an obstinate catarrh, from which I had suffered for years, by Stuart's Catarrh Tablets, and as they were pleasant to take I determined to try them with my children. Our family physician told me he knew them to be perfectly safe and nothing better could be taken. So I gave them to the children and have continued to do so ever since, whenever there is the least sign of croup or sore throat, and I no longer dread the approach of cold weather as I once did.

"Stuart's Catarrh Tablets not only cured me of chronic nasal and throat catarrh, but

they have saved me many an anxious night with my little ones."

Mr. A. R. Fernbank of Columbus, Ohio, says: "I suffered so many winters from Catarrh that I took it as a matter of course, and that nothing would cure it except a change of climate, which my business affairs would not permit me to take.

"My nostrils were almost always clogged up, and I had to breathe through the mouth, causing an inflamed, irritated throat. The thought of eating breakfast often nauseated me and the catarrh gradually getting into my stomach, took away my appetite and digestion.

"My druggist advised me to try a 50 cent box of Stuart's Catarrh Tablets, because he said he had so many customers who had been cured of catarrh by the use of these tablets, and he felt he could honestly recommend them. I took his advice and used several boxes with results that surprised and delighted me.

"I always keep a box of Stuart's Catarrh Tablets in the house and the whole family use them freely on the first appearance of a cough or cold in the head.

"With our children we think there is nothing so safe and reliable as Stuart's Catarrh Tablets to ward off croup and colds, and with older people I have known of cases where the hearing had been seriously impaired by chronic catarrh cured entirely by this new remedy."

People who have used sprays, inhalers, salves, and washes for catarrh and have found how useless they are, will be agreeably surprised at the results following the use of a pleasant internal remedy in tablet form. Druggists everywhere admit that Stuart's Tablets, which they sell at 50 cents per package, is the safest, most effective and popular of all catarrh remedies.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed tenders will be received until noon, 18th inst., for the erection of brick store on King street, including fitting hot air heating, plumbing, galvanized iron work, etc.

Plans, specifications and details can be seen at the office of T. J. Rutely, architect. The lowest not any tender not necessarily accepted. Tenders to be addressed to J. F. & W. E. McKEOUGH, Chatham, and left at the architect's office.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed tenders will be received until noon, the 20th of March, for the erection of Woodburn Sarven Wheel Co. for the several works, including rubble stone, brick work, concrete, carpenter work, gravel roof, plumbing, painting, galvanized iron, metal skylights, etc.

Plans and specifications can be seen at the office of architect, tenders to be addressed to Wm. Chaplin, Esq., marked tenders, and left at the architect's office. The lowest not any tender not necessarily accepted.

T. J. RUTELY, Architect, Chatham.

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Two vacant lots, each 60 feet front, by 104 feet. House, 8 rooms, lot 60 feet by 208 feet, \$1,000.

Farm in Howard, 32 1-2 acres, house, stable and orchard, \$1,000. Farm in Chatham Township, 110 acres. All cleared. Good house, barn, stables and sheds, \$5,700.00. Will trade for 25 or 50 acre farm, part payment.

Farm in Township of Raleigh, 50 acres. All cleared. Good houses and barn, \$3,750.

Farm in Township of Chatham, 98 acres. All cleared. New frame house, large barn, stable, granary and drive house and other buildings, \$7,500.

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