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## LITTLE LOCALS

The Welcome Circle of King's Daughters will meet at the home of Miss A. Sutherland, cor. Ann and Oxford street, on Thursday afternoon at three o'clock.

Don't miss the Methodist choir "At Home," in the Church parlors, Friday evening at eight o'clock. Good program. Silver collection taken at the door. Everybody welcome.

The annual congregational meeting of St. Paul's Presbyterian church will be held to-night (Wednesday). Tea will be served from 6 to 8 o'clock. Everybody welcome. Important business will be transacted.

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## Humor and Philosophy

By DUNCAN M. SMITH

PERT PARAGRAPHS.

IT is not sufficient that you be bright but you have to keep working to be bright if you want to secure.

Now is the time for all good vegetarians to come to the aid of the public.

There are many people who can't be good simply because they aren't built along those lines.

While we are trying to save our money old Father Time comes along and takes away all the reason we have for wanting money.

The worst thing about mediocrity is that it generally means well.

The work of a confidence man, like beauty, is only skin deep.

There is this about a bad habit—you can take it out and give it to a friend and it will torment you more than ever.

An optimist is one who gets himself twisted out to dinner while the pessimist is roasting about the price of sirloin.

The money that a man burns doesn't drive away the chills of apprehension that come later.

If you can't get what you need, take what your enemy needs.

A bill in your pocket is much more comforting than a jack in a box.

Being able to draw upon the imagination and have imagination honor the draft is what helps fatten the bank account sometimes.

Success is a thing that often comes unexpectedly and leaves without notice.

**USE OF DRUGS DIMINISHING.** It has been stated that the expense for drugs at the Massachusetts General Hospital has been reduced 50 per cent. in ten years,—but the demand for such non-secret, reliable remedies as Vinol is largely on the increase. Our local druggist, John E. Gayer, goes so far as to guarantee Vinol for weak, run-down conditions, chronic coughs, colds and bronchitis, because one gets in Vinol a combination of the three most famous tonics, iron for the blood, the healing medicinal extracts of fresh cod livers, and the nourishing properties of beef peptone, all in a delicious native wine.

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There are thousands of Canadian soldiers who are waiting for a chance at the "Baby Killers."

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Brain must have seen his shadow to-day. Anyway six more weeks of winter may bring the ice man's harvest.

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Dereham township gave a cordial welcome to the soldiers of the Tillsonburg Company on Tuesday. In all parts of the County the Oxford Battalion is growing rapidly.

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Some day British aviators may have an opportunity of dropping bombs on Berlin. It is hardly to be expected that cowardly Bill will be there when this happens.

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Men of Ingersoll and vicinity are coming forward daily. With 151 names enrolled for the Ingersoll Company, it can be said that the recruiting campaign has been most successful.

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The Poultry Association had a successful season. This will be pleasing news to the public generally. The feather fanciers have devoted much time to the furtherance of their interests and they have done much to advertise Ingersoll and the South Riding of Oxford. They are deserving of a full measure of success. Citizens who have not yet co-operated with the Society should do so during the present year and make the coming show the best ever held here.

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Rev. W. D. Spence (Congregationalist) and Rev. W. Gaez (Methodist) of Guelph, who sought to enlist, have been refused because of physical disabilities.

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London at Sarnia.

Sarnia, Feb. 1.—In the second round game of the O.H.A. here to-night London Juniors defeated the locals by the score of six to two. At the end of the first period the score stood two to one for London, and at the end of the second period the score was a tie, but in the third period the locals went all to pieces and London scored four goals in about eight minutes.

Berlin Beat Waterloo.

Waterloo, Feb. 1.—Berlin Juniors came from behind in the last period and defeated the Waterloo Academics 7 to 6 in the fastest and most closely contested game seen in this district this season.

Seaforth and Sarnia.

Seaforth, Feb. 1.—Can Sarnia hold their four-goal lead with Seaforth? The Sarnia game between Sarnia and Seaforth on Thursday, Feb. 3, in Seaforth, is causing much interest. It is the first senior hockey ever played in Seaforth, and also for the reason that both teams in past years have been very evenly matched. Seaforth is out to win, but can they overcome the lead Sarnia secured in the first game at Sarnia? The winner plays Hamilton Rowing Club for senior group champions.

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## LURE OF THE PEARL

Long Chances Taken by Fishers For Fresh Water Gems.

ALL ARE BELIEVERS IN LUCK.

A Mussel That Holds the Coveted Prize Looks Just the Same as One That May Be Worthless, and Thousands May Be Opened in Vain.

The pearl fishermen of the Upper White river in Arkansas are the most hopeful of mortals, ever dreaming of picking from curiously shaped shells big pearls of such value as to sweep them into the realms of prosperity at one grand stroke. They are optimists and true gamblers that worship at the shrine of the goddess of luck. A thousand shells may not contain as much as a worthless slug. The next one they open may contain a rare gem worth thousands of dollars. They are ready and willing to take the chance. They may come out to the good or they may come out mosquito bitten, full of malaria, with trembling knees.

The pearl fisher of the Upper White is a true sport, as are the buyers. They are willing to take long odds in hope of pulling down a big stake. They are of the same disposition as the city man who gambles on the horses or of the miner who follows his pick underground, betting against long odds and fate that he will win.

They are optimistic and hopeful, and it is impossible to discourage them. They are believers in luck and as strong in their faith as a Quaker. Every pearl fisher has his favorite among the pearl bearing mussels. Some like the washboard, a long rough shell. Others like the niggerhead, a small round shell, black and rough. Others cling with stubborn faith to the spectacle, a long shell, shaped much like a spectacle case, while others hold to the fan-like mucket. It is only a matter of fancy, however, all are pearl bearing if they have passed through the right conditions that go to make the pearl.

The chance of finding one of these rests with luck and luck alone. For there are some 500 different kinds of fresh water mussels that bear pearls. A large majority of these are to be found in the White river. A mussel with a pearl in it looks just the same as one that has none, and it is simply a matter of opening them to determine which one carries a valuable gem.

The equipment of a White river pearl fisher ranges in value from several hundred dollars down to nothing. Really one can start in with nothing but an old knife or sharp edged instrument with which to open the shells. If a man can get the opening tool he can get the pearl. A pearl is a gem that is all that he needs to woo fortune with. He can use the knife on the bank to open the shells with, his partner gathering them from the bed of the river in shallow places, carrying them to him on the bank. You don't have to get permission, either, to go to work. Uncle Sam doesn't charge a cent. Just find a place and get busy. This applies, however, only to some unoccupied mussel bed. There is some one else at work on a bed when you arrive and he is larger than you, leave him alone. It is his by right and right of discovery, and these are two of the natural laws governing operations among the pearl fishers of the Upper White.

The pearls found on the White river are of good luster and bring fancy prices when free from flaws. They are of many shapes and sizes. The slugs are the most worthless and seldom bring over a few cents, which are slugs, but which have a fine luster, bring up as high as \$25 or \$30. True pearls, those of a definite shape—ball, oval, pearl shaped, drop or button—bring prices up to as high as \$3,000 if they possess the size, color and luster. Besides these there is the peeler. A peeler is a pearl with a rough exterior that may have a smooth interior when the rough outside covering is peeled away. Peeling is the biggest gamble in the industry. A buyer will pick up a gem for a few dollars, risk his judgment on it and peel out a gem worth several hundred. Again he may ruin it and lose all.

For the past four years, which have been extremely dry ones, pearl fishing has been general, and the mussel beds have been greatly depleted.—Washington Post.

**Studies in Orthography.** The Coed—I don't see how you can read Chaucer so readily. The spelling is so queer. The Professor of English.—I've had lots of experience while examining the sophomore papers.—New York Globe.

When Thales was asked what was most universal he answered, "Hope." For hope stays with those who have nothing else.—Epictetus.

Really Pleased, Then. "Mrs. Gadders is a woman who always wears an artificial smile." "Not always, I'm sure." "What makes you think so?" "I've seen her smile quite naturally when her sarcasm made some other woman wilt."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

His Birthright. "Does young Jiggs come by his erratic temperament naturally?" "Yes; his mother was a grand opera singer, and his father was a left handed pitcher."—Puck.

To bear is to conquer out Sarnia.—Chronicle.

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