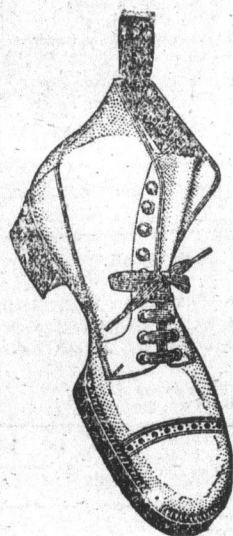


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LOCAL

Mrs. Wickens leaves this afternoon for Vancouver.

S. P. Stringer, of Dresden, was in the city yesterday.

Mylish M. Carron, of Wallaceburg, is in the city to-day on business.

Mr. Dupuy, of the Bank of Montreal, spent yesterday in Wallaceburg.

Miss Rhoda Draper, of Dresden, is spending a few days with her brother on West street.

Lyle Waylett, who has been taking a commercial course in the Canada Business College, graduated from that institution on Friday, with first class honors.

Wonderland! — A free entertainment of illustrated songs and moving pictures will be given to the children and ladies of the city tomorrow (Tuesday) from 2 to 5:30 p. m.

Hear the yarn spinners at St. Andrew's school room Friday, March 22 next.

The judge and jury will decide who is the funniest man in town Friday next, March 22, St. Andrew's school room.

Come and see who gets the silk socks given by the Hospital "March" Club for the funniest man in town.

Mr. John Burton, of Goldfield, Nevada, who has been visiting relatives in the Maple City, left for his home on Saturday evening.

Lost, on Sunday night, a gold necklace, with pendant set with amethyst, between Grant street and Park street church via Victoria avenue, Fifth street bridge and Centre street, or between Grant street and G. T. R. station via of King and William. A reward will be offered by returning to this office.

JAM AT THE SIDING

The river commenced to jam below Prairie Siding at noon to-day, and at three o'clock this afternoon, it was still jamming. If this jam, which is about half a mile below the Siding, is not soon broken up, another bad flood may be the result.

The river started to break up Saturday night, and Sunday at noon was running clear up as far as the Aberdeen bridge. This morning and afternoon, though running free, the stream has been quite full of floating logs.

If the jam below the Siding is broken up, the danger of a spring flood this year is passed.

A receipt for money paid is not legally conclusive.

The voluble talker occasionally gives out a gem of thought.

OATMEAL SOAP

5c. A CAKE

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SCARLE BLOCK

BURNED BY GAS

Mr. Jesse Savage, of the Defiance Iron Works, had the misfortune to be severely burned in a gas explosion on Saturday night at 8:15.

One of the burners in one room went out, and the gas continued to escape. Mr. Savage, smelling the presence of gas, opened a door leading to the room, thus allowing the gas to rush out. A light was burning in one room and immediately came in contact with the gas, making a powerful explosion. Several large iron girders were shifted, windows shattered, and a severe shaking up resulted.

Mr. Savage had his hands and face badly burned. Dr. J. W. Rutherford was immediately called and dressed the painful burns. He was taken to his home on Park Ave.

ATLANTIC EXPRESS WRECKED.

Five Persons Severely Injured, Two Perhaps Fatally.

Durand, Mich., March 18.—The Atlantic express, on the Grand Trunk Railway, due here at 5:55 a. m., from Chicago, en route to Port Huron and the east, and running late, ran into an open switch at Bancroft, five miles from here, Saturday, and struck a freight train.

Five persons were severely injured, two of them perhaps fatally. Engineer A. F. Schram and Fireman Frank Cowan, both of Battle Creek, Mich., were killed.

DeWane and Mrs. D. Sheek and Miss Ruth Sheek of Lansing, her daughter, were severely scalded, but are not thought to be fatally hurt. A number of other passengers received minor injuries, but were able to proceed east on a later train.

Three Warehouses Burned In Fire.

London, March 18.—Three big warehouses in the Finsbury district, London's busiest industrial centre, were destroyed by fire yesterday morning, causing damage to the amount of about \$1,000,000.

Starting in Featherstone street, in the premises of Cox & Co., hat manufacturers, the flames, fanned by a strong wind, jumped the street and enveloped the establishment of the Maxine Co., wood turners, and spread to the adjoining warehouse of Green & Co., shoe manufacturers. Owing to the strength of the wind, it appeared for a time as though the whole block of adjoining property would be devastated, but after three hours' hard work the firemen gained control of the situation.

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