THE CHARLOTTETOWN HERALD would marry, and give a Protestant heir to the English throne. On the THE WONDERFUL FLOWER OF WOXINDON An Historical Romance of the Times of Queen Elizabeth. BY REV. JOSEPH SPILLMAN, S. J. PUBLISHED BY PERMISSION OF B. HERDER, ST. LOUIS, MO. (Reproduced from the Montreal True Witness.)

(CHAPTER IX.-Continued.) quiescence, which rose to my lips, Topcliffe immediately retired, made a formal speech of thanks to while Walsingham, turning to us, my benefactor, and begged him to said in his excuse that the fellow had allow me a couple of days to conhis good points, and was a useful sider the matter, lest my inexperiservant of Her Majesty in the prose-jenced shoulders were fit to bear the every lover of justice must rejoice to cution of the Jesuits and secular burden of so great an honor and priests sent by the Pope into our responsibility. Walsingham combut I could not believe that the Procountry, and who were the cause of mended me for my modesty, and al the severity which the Queen, bade me return within a week's time who was the most merciful of rulers, to let him know my decision. had of late years exercised towards As he finished speaking, the clock Cathelies. (I bethought myself of had struck half-past ten. He rose

the hundreds who were put to death, and bade us farewell, shaking hands and of the terrible penalties inflicted with us in the most cordial manner. by law, long before Persons and As we were leaving the rocm, Compion, who were the first Jesuits he added playfully : "Upon secwho came over, landed on our shores. ond thoughts, Mr. Babington, I But of course I kept these thoughts think my suggestion that you should to myself.) "It would be greatly go to Court was rather ill-advised. to the interest of you Oatholics," It might occasion jealousies and continued Walsingham, not to assist intrigues, or even bloody duale, if a and harbor as you do these emmis- new star arose to outshine Sir Walter saries of the Pope, whom our gra- Raleigh, who won her Majesty's cious Queen cannot but regard as her favor at the cost of his cloak, not deadly enemy, since the publication half so grand a one, by the bye, as of the Ball of deposition, that most that which you are wearing. So foolish act on the part of the usually you had better beware how you wise Curia. The coming of these launch your gallant bark on to such men is naturally a cause of great stormy seas. "Au revoir," dear sirs, irritation to Her Majesty, the more and think of old Walsingham, who so because of the extreme indulgence is not as bad as he is painted, as one which she has shown for some years of your best friends. What was I past, by commuting the sentence of going to say? Oh, the two little death, passed on some hundred Beliamys had better be sent to you, Jesuits and seminary priests, into Mr. Windsor; you will be so good that of perpetual exile." as to see that they reach Woxindon

Much might have been said in in safety. I believe you live in this answer to these assertions of Wal- neighborhood ?" singham's, which he uttered in a "Olose by - next door to the

grave, sententious manner. Moving Anchor on the Strand." his head slowly from side to side, he "That is all right: Pooley can

shook his finger at me and said : take the children to you, or perhaps "Yes, my good Windsor, there may my nephew St. Barbe had better go. be some truth in what that villain Once more good day to you !" So Topcliffe declared, that you had a saying, with a polite bow, which we hand in helping the Jesuit Edmund, returned, he went back into his of whom we are in search, to escape. cabinet. Believe me, it is with the best intentions that I warn you to abstain CHAPTER X. from meddling in such matters for

other hand, there was almost a certainty that the captive Queen of Scots would ascend the throne after all, and this was reason enough why Walsingham should incline more and more to the side of the Catholics. In fact, they thought he would THAT'S THE SPOT not be sorely displeased, if Mary Stuart were to escape from captivity, Right in the small of the back. if only to spite Lord Burghley. Do you ever get a pain there? If so, do you know what it means Of course we drank in all this in-It is a Backache. formation eagerly, as it afforded us

A sure sign of Kidney Trouble. a clue to Walsingham's unexpected Don't neglect it. Stop it in time. friendliness. Then it was that Bab-If you don't, serious Kidney Troubles are sure to follow. ington was on the eve of revealing all our schemes. I was only just DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS in time to prevent this, by administering to him, as I have said, a cure Backache, Lame Back, Diabetes, Dropsy and all Kidney and Bladder vigorous kick, I then remarked that

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testant party would tolerate a Oathc lic soverign upon the throne. In

that case it would be seen how pati room, announcing that two young gentlemen with a young lady and a ently the Catholics had borne the little boy were below, asking for us. heavy yoke, in contradistinction to the Puritans, who would soon rise in 'They have come," Babington exarms against a " papist" Queen. limed, and he and I ran down stairs. Our guests laughed, and said, pos-Right enough, the little Bellamys sibly some fanatic might draw the

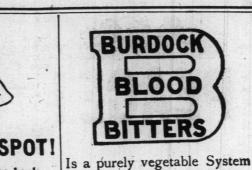
were there, crying and laughing for sword in his zeal for the Lord, but the majority of the people would joy when they saw Babington and take their beads again and go quietly me again. The boy threw himself into Babington's arms, and Mistress to Mass.

Anne behaved very graciously to-"In this respect," observed Pooly, "we are far more politic than wards him, whom she looked upon you Romanists. Just as Lord Burgh- as an old friend. Robert Pooley had ley, then Sir William Cecil, used to come with them, and another young serve Mass piously in the days of man, very quiet and demure looking, Queen Mary the Catholic, so now-a- whom I felt as one I would much days, he and Walshingham and thou. sooner trust than Pooley, who was sands more would go to mass again almost cringing in his civility. This young man was introduced to us as at the Oueen's command. If you Mr. St Barbe, Walsingham's nephew, were a little more time-serving, you now known to us as our worthy would fare much better, and do Brother Anselm, whom I saw for the your religion better service, than first time on that 22nd of April in by bearing fines and imprisonment. the year of grace 1586, under very not to speak of worse penalties, pleasant circumstance, since by his that are always hanging over your uncle's orders he was bringing the heads.'

children to us, safe and sound out Such was the gist of our conversation, as we sat over our sack in of prison.

I invited the whole party to come the private parlor into which our host of the "Anchor" had shown us. We up stairs to my room, and as soon as the first greetings and congratu. shook hands on parting, Robert Pooley been especially friendly. lations were over, I hastened to dis-Babington made ar appointment patch Barbara to the "Anchor" Inn, to procure the best luncheon that was with him to go for a row on the, to be had, and to fetch from a French Thames that afternoon.

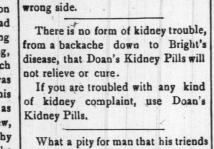
pastry cook's in Fleetstreet, some When at length we reached home, toothsome cakes for desert, such as Tichbourne was waiting impatiently ladies and children love. I was acto hear how we had fared. When we told him of Walsingham's great cor- customed to find Barbara rather contrary, when there was a question of diality, he was by no means as much



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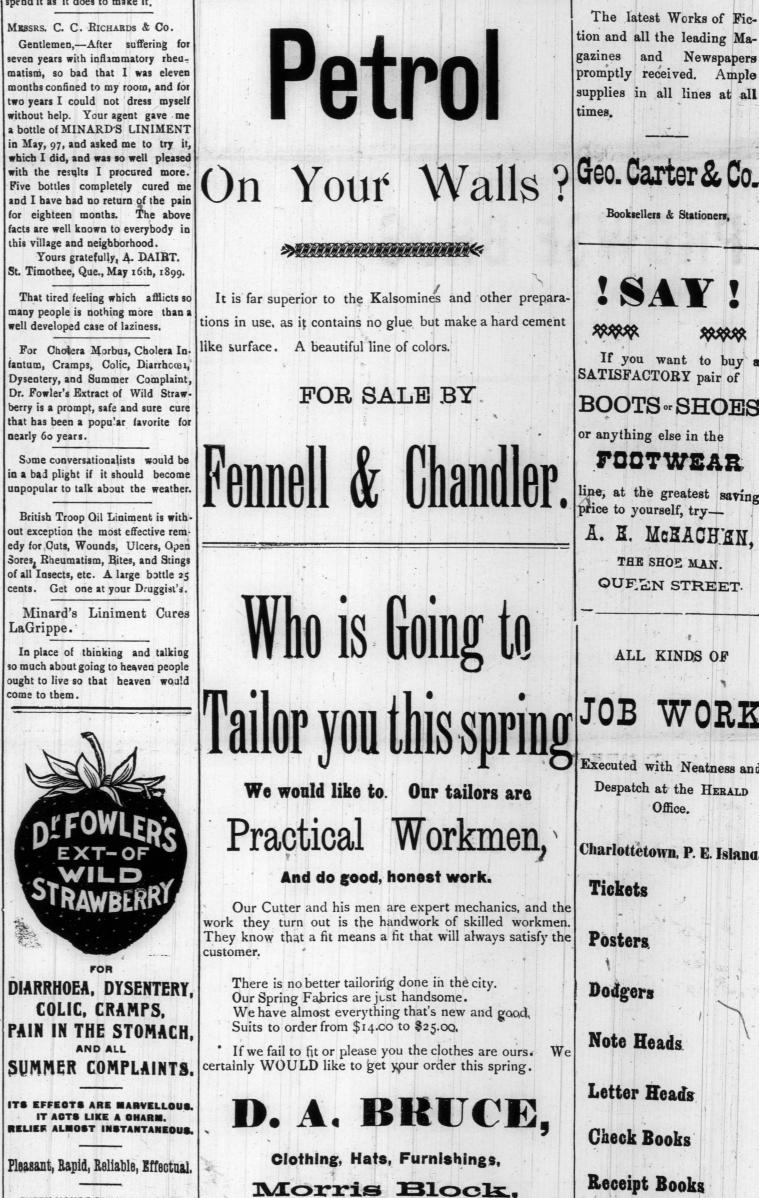
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I thank thim for his proof of this of such good sense and good feeling, good will, and rose to go, saying we never did I think that I should find had already trespassed too much on one." In fact he was so boisterous his valuable time. But he begged in his rejoicing, that some of the us to stay a few minutes longer, as clerks came out of the office to see he could not consider his time otherwhat the noise was about. I put my wise than well spent in the endeavor to disabuse the minds of two young him away, but he would not be men of talent and rank of their pre-judices, especially those that related in research to any of the second drink to Her Majesty's proceedings. "To join us at the Anchor, and drink Walsington's health in a bottle of prove my sincerity," he continued, canary. "my dear Mr. Windsor, I may per-

There was a little whispering hans be able to help you rise in your between Pooley and the clerks, then profession. We have recently rehe and two others, Thomas Philipps ceived information from Chartley-mind I speak to you in the strictest and Arthur Gregory by name, said they would be happy to accompany confidence that the health of the us. We were to know enough and unfortunate Queen of Scots is anytoo much of those two young men thing but satisfactory. Her rheulater on; I took an aversion to them matic pains are worse; she cannot from the very first, especially to sleep at night, and suffers from irri-Philipps, a red-haired fellow with tability and depression. Poor woman! This is not to be wondered sharp, ferrety eyes, and a countenat, after eighteen years of confine- ance strongly marked by the smallment, and the bad things she has pox. All three were quite young, heard about her royal son at Edin- scarcely older than ourselves, and burg. Of course liberty would be knew how to keep up a pleasant the only real cure for her ailments, conversation, so that before many and it is not my fault that she is glasses of canary had been drunk, deprived of this boon. In fact, I we had become better friends than addressed a memorial to the Queen, considerations of prudence would setting forth in full the reasons why have allowed. In the cxuberance she ought to release her Sister of of the high spirits Babington appear-Scotland. Thre is"—and as he spoke he drew a somewhat bulky document disclose his projects to from under some papers on his draw him. I was obliged to admontable—"there it is, if you care to ish him by treading on his foot see it for yourselves, but please under the table, not to say what an hour later he would have wished to remember that this is a state secret. Unfortunately, I must acknowledge recall.

Finding that Babington's lips rap that the arguments of my respected colleague, Lord Burghley, had more over with their master's praise, our weight than mine, and the Privy three guests took their cue, and said Council is still of opinion, that it is all they could in his favour, and necessary for the public welfare to how it certainly was not his fault keep Mary Stuart as a prisoner of that Catholics were so hardly dealt state. So nothing more can be with. They declared Lord Burghley done. However, I shall see that she was to blame for that ; as for Walis treated with all possible humanity. singham, he had for some time, past I proposed to send a skilled physician been striving to form a party in Partant an post ?" to her, but she declines my offer, liament, to bring about a repeal of because the man was not a Catholic, the more stringent laws against Cathoand she was afraid his drugs might lics. It was all through him that the be too strong for her. A person in Queen had pardoned so many priests, her position naturally becomes and the execution of the two semisomewhat suspicious. Now it has nary priests, two days since, had just occurred to me that the post of been entirely Lord Burgbley's doing. physician to the Queen of Scots It was obvious that so astute a poliwould be very suitable for our young tician as Walsingham would be friend here, Mr. Windsor, not only desirous to stand well with the Cathoon account of his lineage and learn- lic aristocracy, because each year ing, but because he is unfortunately made it less probable that Elizabeth

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(begging his pardon) a stubuorn Catholic. What do you say to this proposal, Doctor ?" It will readily be imagined how

my heart leaped at this offer, so and people agree that Scott's Emulattractive and unsuspecting ! Babsion of cod-liver oil is the best thing ington nudged me with his elbow, to to take for "don't feel well and urge me to accept at orce, as it was don't know why," especially babies evident that any presence at Chart -they like it-men and women ley would be most advantageous for our project. The movement did not don't mind it, but babies actually escape Walsingham's notice, and a enjoy it,

slight smile passed over his counten-ance. I suppressed the hasty ac-

ratified as we had been. He entertaining any of my comrades thought it was all assumed in order but on this occasion, against her to deceive and entrap us. This made wont, she ran off quiet willingly, on Babington very angry, and I had hearing that the two children had hard work to prevent a quarrel be. been shut up all night in Newgate ween the two. Tichbourne held to for conscience sake, for she was a his opinion, and said : "Believe me, staunch Catholic, and a kind old soul at heart. Walsingham is an old fox, and an

enemy more to be dreaded than (To be continued.)

Burghley, who in some respects is a more-honorable man, though it would Keep the Balance Up.

not be easy to find his equal in guile

and perfidy." It has been truthfully said that any "You are a bird of ill omen," andisturbance of the even balance of swered Babington, "shutting your health causes serious trouble. Noeyes to the light of day. What body can be too careful to keep this could be more honorable than the balance up. When people begin to

whole of Walsingham's behaviour tolose appetite, or to get tired easily, wards us ? If he had suspected us the least imprudence brings on sick of being conspirators, would he have ness, weakness or debility. The systalked in so candid and frank a mantem needs a tonic, craves it, and er ? If he had had any misgivings should not be denied it; and the best regard to our schemes, would be tonic of which we have any knowledge have offered Windsor the post of is Hood's Sarsaparilla. What this body-physician to the Queen of Scots, medicine has done in keeping healthy thus admitting us to free intercourse people healthy, in keeping up the even with the prisoner, and smoothing balance of health, gives it the same the way most delightfully for ber distinction as a preventive that it

enjoys as a cure. Its early use has " Or rather laying a hidden snare illustrated the wisdom of the old for us," continued Tichbourne. " The saying that a stitch in time saves nine. sherman sets the weir-basket wide Take Hood's for appetite, strength open, the trout swims in and finds and endurance. imself caught."

"You always were and always will Minard's Liniment the be the most terrible sceptic I ever best Hair Restorer. knew," rejoined Babington impatient-

y. "And you Windsor, are far too There are plenty of men who are victims of misplaced confidence-in themselves.

have accepted Walsingham's offer at Burdock Blood Bitters is a purely once, and expressed yourselves as vegetable combination, that in a safe deeply indebtedly to him !" and natural manner acts directly

"I believe," answered Tichbourne upon the Bowels, Liver, Kidneys that Windsor's hesitation was the and Blood, cleansing the entire syswisest thing either of you did this tem of all impurities, foul humors

morning. Walsingham very probably and obstractions that poison the only made this extraordinary proposblood and create disease. al as a test, and to have closed with

eagerly would only have been to It is not the sunshine of one day but of many that brought out the

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"To offer any one a post and to lestine him for it are different things." Tichbourne answered. " Walsingham has its own ways and means of rendering the acceptance of it impracticable. He may attach impossible conditions to it; he must sub mit it to the Privy Council, perchance to the Queen, for approval, and that may be withheld ; he may-"

confirm his suspicions."

slow and cautious. With such ways

as yours no bold enterprise could

ves be carried out. You should

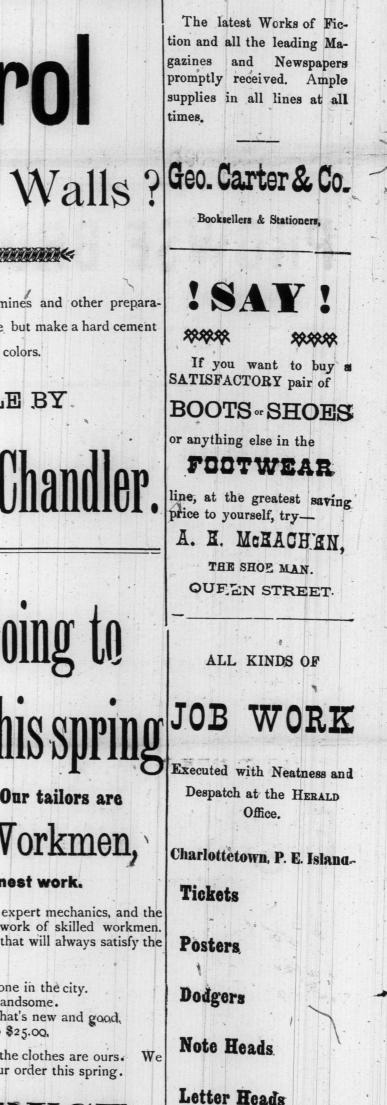
rescue ?"

Here Babington interrupted him again, saying he would hear no "What if Windsor accepts more. the day after to-morrow?" he ask-



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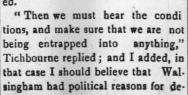
months confined to my room, and for two years I could not dress myself without help. Your agent gave me a bottle of MINARD'S LINIMENT in May, 97, and asked me to try it, which I did, and was so well pleased and I have had no return of the pain for eighteen months. The above facts are well known to everybody in this village and neighborhood. St. Timothee, Que., May 16th, 1899.



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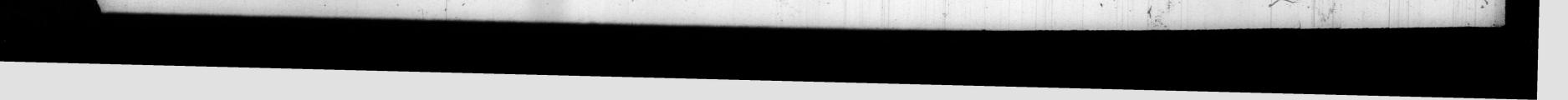
sing Mary S:uart to be set at liberty, and he was making a tool of us. At this juncture our housekeeper, old this juncture our housekeeper, old

scorr a source and strate and the source our housekeeper, old Barbara came burriedly into the

"His suspicions !" Babington reflowers. torted. "I tell you he has no sus picions. If he had, would he have destined one of us to fill so impor-Burns, etc. HAVE yeu been smok ing a good deal lately and feel an occasional twinge of pain roundyourheart? Are you short of breath, nerves unhinged, sensa-tion of pins and needles going through your

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