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SUNDAY FUNERALS.

Sunday is the clergyman's busy day. Many pastors preach twice, besides teaching a Bible class and conducting one or more auxiliary services. No wonder the Ministerial Association objects to Sunday funerals. They mean the crowding of fresh duty on the clergyman on the very day that he has the least time to spare for extra work.

But Sunday is for the general public the most convenient day for funerals. To most of those who wish to pay "the last tribute of respect" by their attendance, it is more convenient to do so on Sunday than on any other day. That is the reason why funerals are so often unduly hastened or delayed in order that they may take place on Sunday.

A pastor hesitates to refuse requests from families in his congregation to officiate at funerals on Sunday, for a refusal would be likely to be misunderstood, would cause pain and probably give offence. Therefore other Sunday work is put aside in order that the pastor may perform a duty which in many cases he secretly resents as unnecessary and unreasonable.

Is it not practicable to make some arrangement by which Sunday funerals could be held and yet the busy pastors relieved of the necessity of attending them when it is inconvenient to do so? Why not appoint a cemetery chaplain whose duty it would be to officiate at all funerals in the cemetery when no other clergyman is present? The selection of a form of funeral service should present little or no difficulty, for there are no essential differences in the funeral rituals of the Protestant churches. All are modelled on the beautiful and impressive service of the Anglican church.

With an official chaplain always on duty city pastors could with good reason decline to interfere with their regular Sunday duties in order to officiate at funerals.—Hamilton Herald.

THE STAGE

"All the world's a stage
and all the men
and women merely players."

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

At The Grand—
Devil's Auction—Jan. 15.
Queen of the Convicts—Jan. 18.

(Supplied to The Planet by Press Agents.)

Charles H. Yale's "Everlasting Devil's Auction," one of the most enduring and beautiful spectacles, will be the attraction at the Grand tonight. The patrons of the Grand Opera House ought to know the play by heart this time, since it comes with the regularity of the seasons, and it is one of the wonderful features of the show that the better the people know it, the better they like it. There is but one "Devil's Auction," and this, the twenty-fourth edition, is the crowning triumph of its career.

A MELODRAMATIC MASTERPIECE

In the way of a dramatic feast, Theodore Kramer's new and original melodrama, "Queen of the Convicts," is pronounced strong and appetizing meat, plentifully spiced throughout four acts and eleven scenes with clean comedy and cute fun.

The title is appropriate, as suggesting the incidents of devoted but impulsive and credulous love, apostasy, villainy, reckless passion, base treachery and heartless deception upon which it is founded, and the constantly deepening shadows of which are lightened by interspersed laughter, and finally dissipated by the confusion and punishment of crime, and the triumph of truth and justice.

The box office testifies to the fact that in "Queen of the Convicts," Manager F. H. Briscoe has added another big hit to his long score of theatrical successes.

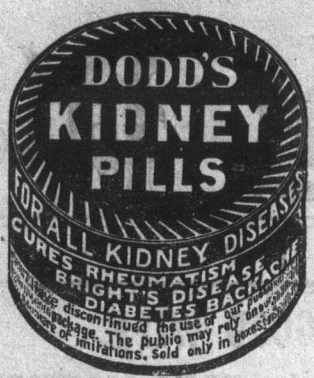
This attraction will appear at the Grand on Thursday, January 18th. Prices 25, 35, 50 and 75 cents.

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the West Kent Agricultural Society will be held on Wednesday afternoon at one o'clock.

The directors will hold their annual meeting in the morning, when the reports of the year will be received. This society has had a very prosperous year. After all expenses have been paid there is still a surplus in the bank of \$500. Much credit is due the directors and the capable secretary for this splendid showing.

An artist can always paint his wife if she doesn't paint herself.



Local Briefs

Skates sharpened at Briscoe's.
Mrs. O. L. Lewis has returned from Petrolia.

Miss Anna Faubert has returned from a trip in the west.
O. K. Watson, of Ridgetown, was in the city on Saturday.

E. L. Wedge, of Blenheim, was a visitor in the city on Saturday.
Rev. J. W. Hodgins exchanged pulpits yesterday with Rev. J. F. Parke, of Amherstburg.

Excelsior Paint will give you what you desire—a nice, glossy finish. Try it. Drew & McCallum.

Roger Hutchinson, school teacher, of Stewart, spent Saturday at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Boulton, of Wallaceburg, were Chatham visitors on Saturday.

Mrs. James A. Ferguson, of North Buxton, who has been visiting her cousin, Mrs. H. J. Nordmeyer, of St. Louis, Mo., has returned home.

The design work turned out by the Victoria Ave. Green Houses always pleases, as particular attention is paid to that part of the business. Ernest Richards, of Rothwell, who obtained high honors at the C. B. C. business examinations last year, has secured a position on the teaching staff of the College. His duties commenced this morning.

The Tilbury council has decided to transfer its banking account from the Canadian Bank of Commerce in this city to the Merchants Bank of Canada, Tilbury, for the better convenience of the ratepayers.

Miss Isabella A. McLennan, who spent six months visiting her cousin, Mrs. James A. Ferguson, of North Buxton, has returned to spend a month with her sister, Mrs. H. J. Nordmeyer, of St. Louis, Mo., before sailing for Australia.

The District Court of the Ancient Order of Foresters will be held in this city on Tuesday, Feb. 6th. The session will last two or three days. Wm. Henry Clements, of Dover, is District Chief Ranger, and the Courts in his jurisdiction are: Sarnia, Petrolia, Dover and this city.

J. W. Shackleton was in Dover on Friday receiving the completed work on the First Concession mechanical drain, the machinery for which was furnished by Park Bros. of this city. This is the new pumping scheme which will drain about 600 acres of land. The work cost \$1,000 and was engineered by Mr. Shackleton. Everything was found to be in first class shape and complete in every detail.

A Trite Saying.

It is a trite saying that no man is stronger than his stomach. Dr. Pierce's "Discovery" strengthens the stomach—puts it in shape to make pure, rich blood—helps the liver and kidneys to expel the poisons from the body and thus cures both liver and kidney troubles. If you take this natural blood purifier and tonic, you will assist your system in manufacturing each day a pint of rich, red blood, that is invigorating to the brain and nerves. The weak, nervous, run-down, debilitated condition which so many people suffer from, is usually the effect of poisons in the blood; it is often indicated by pimples or boils appearing on the skin, the face becomes thin and the feelings "blue." Dr. Pierce's "Discovery" cures all blood tumors as well as being a tonic that makes one vigorous, strong and forceful. It is the only medicine put up for sale through druggists for like purposes that contains neither alcohol, nor harmful habit-forming drugs, and the only one every ingredient of which has the professional endorsement of the leading medical writers of this country. Some of these endorsements are published in a little book of extracts from standard medical works, and will be sent to any address free, on receipt of request therefor by letter or postal card, addressed to Dr. R. C. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y. It tells just what Dr. Pierce's medicines are made of. The "Words of Praise" for the several ingredients of which Dr. Pierce's medicines are composed, by leaders in all the several schools of medical practice, and recommending them for the cure of the diseases for which the "Golden Medical Discovery" is advised, should have far more weight with the sick and afflicted than any amount of the so-called "testimonials" so conspicuously flaunted before the public by those who are afraid to let the ingredients of which their medicines are composed be known. Bear in mind that the "Golden Medical Discovery" has THE BADGE OF HONESTY on every bottle wrapper, in a full list of its ingredients. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure constipation, invigorate the liver and regulate stomach and bowels.

Dr. Pierce's great thousand-page illustrated Common Sense Medical Adviser will be sent free, paper-bound, for 31 one-cent stamps, or cloth-bound for 50 stamps. Address Dr. Pierce as above.

Even the optician is averse to making a spectacle of himself.

DR. OVENS, M. D.
L. R. C. P., Etc., London, England
SURGEON, OCUKIST, SPECIALIST
Diseases: Eye, Ear and Nose treated and Glasses fitted properly. Will be at Dr. J. F. Parke's Drug Store, Chatham. Next Date of visit, Monday, January 22.

The marriage tie is too often a slip knot.

Theory brings a satisfying feeling until fact faces it.

THINK WELL
OF CHATHAM

Detroit Paper Discusses
Maple City's Fine Hockey
Club

Tilbury Also a Dark Horse—A Very
Interesting Competition

The Detroit Free Press of to-day says:—
The Border Hockey League season opened last week when two games were played. In the first game of the season here, D. A. C., on poor ice, which marred the beauty of the game greatly, defeated the fast aggregation from Chatham, Ont., by the score of 3 goals to 2. Essex met Amherstburg at the latter town in a very unsatisfactory contest, which resulted in a protested tie, 3 points each side, play being discontinued several minutes before time in the second half. The game will have to be played again at some later date, and will not count in the league series.

As yet, Tilbury, the remaining league team, has not been seen in action, so it is hard to get a line on the playing abilities of the respective teams. It is planned to take a bunch of D. A. C. rooters across the border to-morrow evening, as Tilbury is a very patriotic town and there is generally something doing with a hockey game on. This will, perhaps, be the most critical game for the locals this year. Tilbury always had a pretty fair team, and even when last town was in the O. H. A., playing the fastest teams in the province, it was rare that a defeat was suffered on home ice. Every player knows the rink and ice thoroughly, and the fact that it is scarcely more than third regulation size, handicaps a visiting team greatly.

Captain Bruce Richardson, of the Tilbury team, in a conversation the other day stated that the team would be weaker than last year. He even hinted that Tilbury hadn't a look in against Chatham or D. A. C., but the talk appeared more as a flint than anything else. Tilbury generally has the team when it comes time to line up.

DOPE ON THE BORDER LEAGUE.

That Chatham aggregation will bear watching in the future. They are heavier than the locals and equally as fast, their fault being principally inferior shooting, which, of course, will improve with practice. They were at a disadvantage here on account of the soft condition of the ice, which always tells against a heavy team. They have a fast forward line, and a pretty good defense. Grace in goal showed excellent judgment and saved his net on many occasions, as shots that looked like ties. A few games on good ice will put the Chatham team in condition for most anything in the league. There is one thing certain and that is that D. A. C. will have to play with the locals go to Chatham, as they are a game lot of boys over there.

Essex and Amherstburg are well matched, though how either would compare with the other league teams is a mere conjecture. The Amherstburg line-up is the same, practically, as that of last year. At that time a local team, including several players of the present D. A. C. organization, gave Amherstburg a sound trouncing, both at the McDougall avenue rink and on their home ice. D. A. C. is much stronger than the Detroit team of last year, and unless Amherstburg has improved greatly, the locals should have little fear of either of these towns.

If weather conditions are favorable from now on, the D. A. C. team will be kept pretty busy, a couple of exhibition games a week, besides the league series, are planned. Friday night the Marlboroughs will be at the D. A. C. They are a local organization of considerable ability and promise to furnish a lively competition.

LOCAL SKATERS SHOULD WAKE UP.

While it is perhaps unfair to make criticisms in view of the poor showing the weather man has made this season, it is nevertheless discouraging to note the indifference with which local skaters look on their opportunities. President Kealey, of the D. A. C., at an enormous expense, has fitted out the finest open air rink in the middle west, probably the greatest ice area west of Montreal. The ice was in good condition last week, but the attendances were poor. The whole D. A. C. athletic field is one great rink, well lighted and provided with every convenience possible. There is a large warming room where skaters may be adjusted, cloak and check rooms, apparatus for sharpening skates and every appliance of an up-to-date rink. With proper weather, there is little reason that the rink should not be well patronized.

Members of the D. A. C. team are requested to report at the club house at eight o'clock this evening.

BOARD OF THANKS

I desire to publicly express my thanks to all our friends and neighbors for their kind assistance to my late husband during his illness, and for their great kindness and assistance to myself and children in our late bereavement.

MRS. ARTHUR ROY.

The marriage tie is too often a slip knot.

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The Northway Co., Ltd. Seven Stores The Northway Co., Ltd.

JANUARY CLEARANCE SALE

BLANKETS—

Full bed size, clean pure yarns—
\$3.00 white wool blankets at \$2.48.
\$4.00 white wool blankets at \$3.48.
\$5.00 white wool blankets at \$4.48.
\$6.00 Scotch wool blankets at \$4.90.
\$7.00 Scotch wool blankets at \$5.90.

GREAT FUR BARGAINS—

Every fur piece in stock clearing at Sale Prices.

50c AND 75c WAISTINGS 36c YARD

Printed all wool French flannels, all wool fancy satin cloths, printed French cashmires, in handsome designs, regular 50c, 65c, and 75c yard, Sale Price 36c.

75c WASH SILKS AT 49c YARD—
Rich quality Ivory Habutai silk, 27 inches wide, the regular 75c grade, Sale Price 49c.

LADIES' \$2.00 WAISTS \$1.19—
4 dozen stylish waists in cream and colored lustrous, Panama cloths, etc., prettily made and trimmed, sizes 32 to 42, regular \$1.50 to \$2.00 each, Sale Price \$1.19.

FRENCH FLANNEL WAISTS

98c.—
Fine, pure wool French flannel, in plain colors, prettily made, regular \$2.00 to \$2.50, clearing at Sale Price 98c.

MILLINERY BARGAINS.

Everything in Ladies' and Children's Millinery, clearing at half price, and in many instances Quarter Price.

BARGAINS FOR MEN

SHIRTS—
75c and 90c fine colored shirts. Sale Price 49c.
75c and \$1.00 white shirts. Sale Price 49c.
Men's \$1.00 heavy wool top shirts. Sale Price 69c.

Men's 40c Pure Irish Linen Handkerchiefs. Sale Price 19c.

Men's 25c Pure Linen Handkerchiefs. Sale Price 15c.

Men's 15c Linen Handkerchiefs.

Sale Price 10c.
Men's Heavy Wool Sox, a pair, Sale Price 12-1-2c.

Men's Fine, Pure Cashmere Sox. Sale Price 25c.

Men's 50c Ties, five styles. Sale Price 25c.

Men's 25c Ties, assorted styles. Sale Price 12-1-2c.

Men's \$1.00 Neck Mufflers. Sale Price 50c.

Men's 50c Scotch Knit Shirts and Drawers, each. Sale Price 19c.

Men's Ribbed Scotch Worsted Sox (black). Sale Price 19c.

MEN'S AND BOYS' CLOTHING.

The best values in the city. Before you buy get our Sale Price.

Which has been... Dividends Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

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