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### Births, Marriages and Deaths

**DIED.**

**BUCK**—In Northville, Feb. 15th, Mr. Buck, father of John Buck, of the T. H. Taylor Co. Deceased leaves two daughters, Mrs. R. Park, Detroit, and Mrs. Will Ambler, of Northville, with whom he made his home; also a sister, Mrs. John Dolson, city.

**PRITCHARD**—On Friday, Feb. 17th, 1906, at the residence of her son Noah, Mrs. Emma Pritchard, aged 69 years.

Funeral will take place Sunday afternoon at 1.30 from the residence of Noah Pritchard to the Victoria avenue Methodist church and thence to the Maple Leaf cemetery.

### PROBABILITIES.

Special per G. N. W.  
Toronto, Feb. 17.—11 a. m.—Fresh to strong westerly winds with light snow falls, but mostly fair and moderately cold. Saturday, fair and moderately cold with less wind.

The following figures were registered to-day at 7 a. m. at Turner's weather bureau.  
**THERMOMETER.**  
Highest yesterday, 20.  
Lowest during night, 19.  
This morning, 20.  
Barometer, 29.16.  
Direction of wind, south.

### THE LOCAL BUDGET

Band at the Skating Rink to-night!  
Miss Morris, of Austin's, is confined to her home through illness.  
Warren Martin is in Jericho, near Merlin, this week, conducting evangelistic services.

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Thomas Rayment, Forest street, is quite seriously ill.  
John Parvis, of Blenheim, was in the city yesterday.

Geo. Buchner, of St. Thomas, spent yesterday in the city.  
James Tooley, of Dresden, was a Chatham visitor yesterday.  
D. A. Leitch, of Ridgeway, spent yesterday with his Chatham friends.  
Ex-Warden Thomas Robinson was in the city to-day on his way home from London.

Do not forget the Annual Concert at No. 1, Harwich, to-night. Only one mile from town.  
Robert McGarvin, of Philadelphia, son of Michael McGarvin, is spending a few days with his parents.  
The Dover-Chatham townline is badly drifted. Near Chatham the farmers got out and dug a path through the drifts.

Miss Irwin and Thompson's Bible Class was entertained to a sleigh-ride party by the officers of the Park St. Sunday School.

\$12.50, 15.00 and 17.50 Suits and Overcoats for \$10 at the 2 T's

The Christ Church choir boys hockey team play against the "Victorians" at the rink to-night at seven o'clock. There will be skating afterwards.

An event of interest to shoppers will be the sale at Austin's, March 24th and 25th, under the auspices of the Assn. of the Society of the Public General Hospital.

The Independent Order of Foresters, Court McGregor, suffered defeat at the hands of the Royal Arcanums, by a close score, in carpet ball, on Wednesday evening.

Miss Alice Stevenson, of Toronto, has been engaged as head dress-maker in Austin's and arrived here to-day. Miss Burgess, of London, is assistant manager of the dressmaking department.

Dr. Kingsley Holmes attended the auto show in Detroit yesterday. He says that it is a big show, but several machines are not represented, owing to lack of room.

Humane Officer James McGregor is investigating the case of Cook, who was arrested for stealing coal. It appears that not only are the members of Cook's family starving, as he admitted in the Police Court, but his horses are starving, too. The humane officer found no hay or straw and just a few ears of corn in his stable.

### CHATHAM WON

The Chatham Curling Club defeated the Glencoe Club in a very exciting contest by one shot. Dr. R. V. Bray's rink was up 12, and Dr. Cornell's rink had one shot to the good. The Rev. Mr. MacGillivray's rink was down 12 shots. The ice was in good condition and the visitors had a good time even if they did get beaten.

### Princess On Her Mule.

Florence, Feb. 16.—The affairs of the Countess Montignose, former wife of King Frederick Augustus of Saxony, took a dramatic turn yesterday. For some time the Countess has suspected that her German nurse, Mahote, was planning to abduct the little Princess Anna Monica Pia, and place her in the care of her father, the King. Yesterday, under the pretext that the German Consul was waiting to see the nurse at the gate of the villa, where the Countess is residing, the latter led Mahote to the gate. Then quickly pushing the nurse outside and closing and locking the gate, the Countess cried, "Go to your master, spy." Entering the house, the Countess ordered all of Mahote's belongings thrown out of the window to the street. The nurse protested against her ejection, but unavailingly.

### Canadian Physician's Death.

Kingston, Feb. 16.—The death from spinal meningitis is reported from New York of Dr. Sidney E. Tyner. He was ill for four days. The disease is epidemic in the metropolis. He left here a few weeks ago to take a position in the Orthopedic Hospital. The body will be brought here for burial.

### New Power Development.

Fenelon Falls, Feb. 16.—The new electric lighting and power plant built by the town at a cost of \$30,000 is now in running order, the preliminary test a few days ago having been entirely successful.

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### ASSASSINATED

Special to The Planet.

London, Feb. 17.—A despatch to Reuters' Telegram Co. from St. Petersburg says a telephone message from Moscow states that the Grand Duke Sergius was assassinated this morning when driving towards the Kremlin and near the Court of Justice.

His carriage was followed by another vehicle containing two men. A bomb was thrown beneath the grand duke's carriage, there was a violent explosion, the carriage was shattered and the grand duke was killed.

The assassins were arrested. One of them was wounded dangerously. Several students have been taken into custody.

### A NEW LIGHT

The Property Committee of the City Council met yesterday afternoon. Chairman Westman and Ald. Potter were present, but Ald. Edmondson was not able to attend. It was decided to recommend that Mr. Herman receive an increase of \$5 a month in his salary. Mr. Herman is the fireman at the electric light station.

It was also decided to advise that an electric light be placed on Queen St., near Indian Creek. This light is needed, owing to the dangerous condition of this place during the spring freshets. The other light on Queen St. will be moved to Mercer St.

The Bell Telephone service was taken up and discussed.

### Will Welcome Hanna.

Sarnia, Feb. 17.—The citizens of Sarnia are preparing to give Hon. W. J. Hanna a reception on Tuesday night next. Receptions will be held in the Boys' Brigade Hall and the town hall at 8.30, and will be preceded by a monster torchlight procession and accompanying fireworks.

### Police Chief Suspended.

San Francisco, Feb. 17.—As a result of the recent scandals in the police department in connection with gambling in the Chinese quarter, Chief of Police Winter has been suspended from duty on charges of incompetency and neglect of duty.

### Said Not to Be Smugglers.

Albany, Feb. 17.—The indictments against George Morris and William Anderson of Burke, New York, charging them with smuggling Chinamen across the Canadian border, were dismissed yesterday in the United States Court.

### Recognize Colonial Riflemen.

London, Feb. 17.—(C.A.P.)—One hundred guineas have been given from the City of London's funds to the National Rifle Association for a special prize to colonial volunteers at the Bisley meeting.

### To Stop Sale of Cigarettes.

Albany, N.Y., Feb. 17.—A bill prohibiting the sale and manufacture of cigarettes was introduced in the Assembly yesterday. The penalty is not less than \$50 or more than \$1,000 fine.

### THE GREAT POPULAR RAILROAD.

It has been loosely stated that corporations have no souls—a premise based no doubt upon the tendency of some corporations to eliminate the personal element so far as possible from their management. Nevertheless, the railway corporation has just as pronounced an individuality as the average business man.

There are railway corporations which incur the dislike of the general public apparently for psychological reasons. Their rolling stock may be in excellent condition and their time schedules well carried out, and yet owing to a certain atmosphere associated with the management, the road will be distinctly unpopular.

The New York Central Railroad is one of the happy exceptions. With a magnificent roadbed and a thoroughly modern train service, they would seem to have kept faith with their patrons in every way; but there is a disposition on the part of the management to go a little further than the contract actually calls for, by placing special comforts and courtesies at the disposal of their patrons, which makes this road a favorite with all who can arrange to utilize its service.—From the Monthly Cyclopaedia of Practical Medicine.

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18 " " " " " " " " " " " " " 3.50 and 4.00, " 2.99	
24 pairs Men's Patent Colt Lace Shoes, stamped \$4.50 and \$5.00, now \$3.25	
30 " " " " " " " " " " " " " 5.00, " 4.00	
12 " " " " " " " " " " " " " 3.00 and 3.50, " 1.99	
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### DISTRICT DOINGS

#### BLENHEIM

Feb. 17.—The following resolution was passed at a special meeting of the Town Council, "That the town solicitor attend the next meeting of the East Kent License Commissioners on behalf of the town and to use his best endeavors to have licenses granted forthwith to the several hotels in town."

The annual organization meeting of the Blenheim fire department was held last week. The officers of the previous year were re-elected.

Chief—L. F. Johnson.  
Sub Chief—Geo. West.  
Foreman second branch—S. Burk.  
Captain hook and ladder—O. Wiliston.

Secretary—J. M. Denholm.  
Treasurer—G. H. Myland.  
Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Boushall entertained about seventy guests at the Opera House on Tuesday evening, a guessing contest, progressive euchre and dancing being the amusements of the evening.

The bachelors of Blenheim are issuing invitations for an assembly to take place on Thursday, March 2nd. Finney's orchestra will be in attendance.

Miss Bacon entertained on Wednesday evening.  
Feb. 7, at Bowmanville, the wife of Mr. J. F. Thompson, M. A., of a son.

Homer Robertson left this week for Dutton, where he has accepted a situation in a tailoring establishment there.

Miss Gertrude Johnson left yesterday for Tilbury to visit her brother. Miss Mabel Colborne, of Bridgen, has accepted a position in Messrs. T. B. Shilling's store.

Born, on Tuesday, Feb. 14th, at Erieau, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Vester, a son.

C. N. Greenwood, of Stratford, was here last week completing the arrangement of the dissolution of partnership of Greenwood Bros. Hereafter the business will be carried on by W. R. Greenwood.

The Baptist congregation here have extended a call to Mr. Geo. McLean, of Courtwright, who will take charge here on Sunday, March 12.

Miss Jessie Denholm has taken a situation in a millinery establishment at London.

Mr. A. H. Campbell, electrician at the power house, has resigned his position, he refusing to accept the reduced salary the council voted.

### BOOKBINDING.

Orders for bookbinding should be left at this office. It is surprising how nice a volume can be made of these magazines, even though they are somewhat soiled from much handling. Books, magazines or periodicals bound or rebound in any style at very reasonable prices. Blank books, such as journals, ledgers, day books, with any kind of ruling, made to order. All work warranted first class.

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### 10 Dozen Unlaundered Shirts

We have just passed into stock a full range of sizes of a very special line of UNLAUNDERED SHIRTS, extra quality Cambric. Linen bosom and bands, continuous seams and cushion neck band, comfortable short bosom—Sizes 12½ to 18½, extra special value at 50 cents

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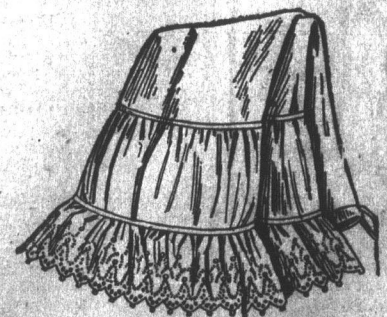
### Our Dressmaking Rooms Re-opened

To-day we open up our Dressmaking Department. This year we have secured the services of **Miss Stephenson, of Guelph**, who comes to us with excellent recommendations as a FIRST-CLASS MODISTE. All work will be guaranteed and prices will be as moderate as will be consistent with first-class work.

### Skirt Department

Our Special SKIRT DEPARTMENT is now ready to execute your Spring orders.

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