

SOCIETY

THE HOSPITAL DANCE:

One of the most picturesque events of the season, without doubt, was the hop which came off last Thursday night in the spacious auditorium of the Elks' Club. The evening was a huge success both in point of attendance and enjoyment. The affair was given under the auspices of the ladies of the January Club of the Public General Hospital Assisting Society, and it is a source of pleasure to learn that a neat sum was realized above the expenses, to assist the ladies in their work.

It was a charming dance, and when the hour of closing arrived, there were not many in the hall who were by any means ready to depart, and even after the last extra, they were still applauding. Finzel's orchestra, which is a great favorite for such affairs in this city, were very obliging, and did their utmost to satisfy the wishes of the happy crowd, and they succeeded admirably.

One of the prettiest features of the evening, was the presence of many of this year's charming debutantes. The younger element were there in large numbers, and their evident enjoyment of the dance lent a freshness and animation to the scene which otherwise would have been lacking. There were several naughty little girls of this "not out" class who had stolen away from formalities for the occasion, and to them it was an evening of the very greatest interest. It was noticed that, although these have not been ceremoniously introduced to the affairs of society, their presence was by no means a disappointment to the men who were seeking out the best dances. It was a matter of some amusement to many of the older people present to notice that there was one happy young "not out" who would have had to refuse even a small encore to her best young gentleman friend, had he happened on the scene very late in the evening.

When the guests entered the ball room, they were received by Mrs. Rispin, President of the January Club, and Mrs. J. C. Pritchard. Mrs. Rispin's enviable reputation as an ideal hostess, suffered no injury during the evening. She looked stunning in a beautiful and becoming gown of black lace. Mrs. Pritchard wore white, in which she appeared to exceptional advantage. Associated with these two ladies as chaperones were Mrs. D. S. Paterson, who wore black net; Mrs. Stegmann in black, handsomely jetted; Mrs. Shackleton in black with white trimmings; Mrs. O. L. Lewis in a steel colored silk; Mrs. Witherspoon in blue Princess brocade; Mrs. Williams in black and blue; Mrs. Montgomery, in an exquisite gown of white lace over white; Mrs. Mac, Gardiner, in an etamine Princess gown trimmed with pearls; Mrs. Fleming, in a green silk; Mrs. Bole, in white and black; Mrs. Gordon in white organdie; and Mrs. H. S. Clements in a stylish Princess gown of white.

Among the debutantes to whom the evening was made interesting and enjoyable was Miss Helen Rispin. It was Miss Rispin's first big dance, and her popularity and beauty were more than once commented upon. She is one of the first girls of Chatham. She was dressed in a white silk and lace effect. Miss Mary Shannon, another of this season's charming debutantes, made a very pretty and attractive appearance in white crepe de chene. Miss Kathlene Hennessey looked very pretty in a smart pink gown; Miss Ila Stephens in white, pink and rosebuds; Miss Mary McKough in a brilliant costume of white chiffon; Miss Susie Taylor in organdie; Miss Dora Campbell in a becoming blue silk; Miss Phillimore, in a graceful white net; Miss Queenie Taylor in an expensive white satin; Miss Binnie Greening in white silk; Miss Binnie Greening in white silk; Miss Gemmill in white point de

sprite and pink; Miss Bole in a green silk; Miss Rankin in white trimmed with Irish point lace; Miss Massey in a blue silk and Miss Alice Massey in a white organdie; Miss Brady in white; Miss Brooks in white; Miss Bell Smith in a handsome old rose creation; Miss Gilles in a blue voile; Miss Paterson in a black over white; Miss Flossie Butler in white lavender and organdie, and many, many others. It would be impossible to give minute and adequate descriptions of the many beautiful gowns, nor the ease and grace with which they were worn. The gentlemen were those who usually attend such functions, and to them also the dance was a most enjoyable one. The ladies under whose auspices the affair was given are to be generously complimented upon the success of the evening.

LITERARY

The April number of Journal of Modern Construction is a special Summer Cottage number, several pages being devoted to plans, etc., of beautiful cottages, ranging in price from one thousand to five thousand dollars.

A specialty is also made of window designs, a good article on The Art of Lighting the House being contributed by George W. Burridge, Architect. Roof Framing, New Methods in Construction, New Materials in Building, and Modern Fire Prevention Methods, all receive attention. There is another House Plan given, with description, contractor's bid and itemized bill of lumber and mill work. This department alone should prove of such value to architects and builders as to make The Journal of Modern Construction indispensable to them. It is published by Max L. Keith, of Minneapolis, at \$2 per annum.

Many of the magazines have been devoted space lately to The Girl who Works for Her Living. The April number of the Home Magazine takes the other side of the question, Having Money What Shall I Do? There are several papers on Gardening, that will be found both interesting and useful. Stencil Ornamentation is a comparatively new occupation, which is well described and illustrated that the novice will find no difficulty in undertaking this effective work. The latest spring fashions and millinery are discussed by good authorities. There are plenty of fascinating stories and other features which go to make up a good spring number.

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Change in United States Subscription Rates

The Planet, in common with all other newspapers of Canada, has been notified by the Postoffice department at Ottawa that on and after May 8th next, the rate of postage on papers entering the United States will be changed from one-half price for every four ounces or fraction of four ounces.

This means that single papers entering the United States will each require one-cent postage, that parcels of papers sent to one office will be four cents a pound.

In view of this, after May 8th the price of The Planet sent to the United States will be \$5 per annum. There is a reduction in the actual price of the paper of over \$1, as the postage the publishers will be obliged to pay will be \$3.12 a year on each subscription. The Weekly Planet will be \$1.50 per annum, strictly in advance.

ALWAYS A MYSTERY.

Women will always be a mystery. That's right; see the way they take to bridge, and one of the rules of the game is that you mustn't talk.

Unnecessary friction with your fellows takes from life's force, but the necessary friction adds to it.



Great Merchandise Movement

A Stock Reducing Price Reducing Event

Been to the May Sale? Yes! Well, that'll be all for you. You'll come again, not a doubt. "No", You Say! Well, that is unfortunate, mutually unfortunate, unnecessarily unfortunate, decidedly unfortunate. You don't know what you are missing, or you would not stay away--all the proverbial King's horses could not keep you away.

The Spring Goods that we haven't sold are selling now. Not making any profits to speak of, but we are selling goods, and selling them fast--that's the proper way, we believe to reduce a surplus.

You who have not been here--Sceptical, negligent or indifferent, COME! Let us prove that your welfare and well appearance can be improved and benefitted by this great Stock Reducing and Price Reducing Event.

And come before it is too late. First read these few prices for further encouragement and persuasion.

Men's 20c Merino Sox 12 1/2c

15 dozen men's medium weight grey Merino Sox, seamless double heels and toes, elastic rib tops, regular 20c value, **Sale Price 12 1/2c**

Men's Raincoats

In tweeds, coverts and paramattas, colors grey, fawn and black, clearing as follows--reg \$5 coats for **3.95**, Reg \$8.50 coats for **5.45**, Reg \$3 coats, sale price **1.50**, Reg \$4.50 coats, sale price **2.50**

Men's Suits

16 only, Men's Tweed and Serge Suits, for \$5.00 and \$10, **Sale Price \$5.45**

Patent Leather Belts 16c each

5 dozen Patent Leather Belts, dip front, with double buckles, colors black and red, reg. 25c, **Sale Price 16c**

Toilet Mats

In sets of 5, assorted sizes, fine white Swiss, prettily appliqued, regular 25c sets, **Sale Price 19c**
Regular 35c sets, " " **23c**
Regular 60c sets, " " **39c**

65c Shopping Bags 39c

Good large size, new styles, in brown and black, handsome mounted handles, reg. 65c Values, **Sale Price 39c**

65c Dresden Ribbons 29c yard

Rich heavy pure silk, 6 in. wide, in 10 choice designs and colorings, reg 65c yd., **Sale Price 29c**

20c Wash Belts 11c each

6 dozen rich white mercerized belts prettily embroidered, harness buckles, reg 20c value, **Sale Price 11c**

25c and 35c Fancy Collars 16c

5 dozen Fancy Lace Collars and Turnovers, all new styles, regular 25c and 35c each, **Sale Price 16c**

\$2 White Lawn Shirt Waists \$1.45

10 doz. fine lawn waists, latest New York styles, beautifully trimmed with embroidery insertion, tucks, lace, etc., short or long sleeves, size 32 to 42, reg. \$2.00 each, **Sale Price \$1.45**

20c Fancy Lace Collars 11c each

All new styles, lace and turnovers, reg. 20c each, **Sale Price 11c**

Percale Shirt Waist Suits \$1.89

4 doz. suits of fine quality percale, in black and white, blue and white, and pink and white checks, made with tucks and bias folds on skirt sleeve collar and front of waist, sizes 32 to 44, **Sale Price \$1.89**

White Lawn Suits \$2.69

16 only fine white lawn shirt waist suits, full pleated skirt, trimmed with 3 rows wide Swiss insertion, waist with all-over tucked front, embroidery insertion on collar and down front, sizes 32 to 42, **Sale Price \$2.69**

Percale House Dresses \$1.25 Each

Good quality percale in black and white polka dots, wide skirt with full flounce, bloused waist with lining, sizes 25 to 40, **Sale Price \$1.25**

Percale House Dresses \$1.50

Superior quality in blue with white hair line stripes, full skirt with deep flounce, bloused waist, trimmed with 6 rows braid stitching down front, stitching on collar and cuffs, cambric lined, at each, **Sale Price \$1.50**

\$1 White Cambric Gowns 68c

6 doz. ladies fine white Lonsdale cambric gowns, 3 handsome styles, trimmed with tucks, lace embroidery, ribbon insertions, and beadings, the best dollar gown in the city, **Sale Price 68c**

\$3 Gowns 1.68

3 doz. fine cambric gowns, beautifully made and trimmed, some slightly muslin but good value, reg. at \$2, 2.25, 2.50 and 3.00 each, **Sale Price 1.68**

35c and 40c Corset Covers 25c

15 dozen fine cambric covers, mangle style, some made with all-over lace insertion down front, lace on neck and arms, others embroidery trimmed, reg. 35c and 40c each, **Sale Price 25c**

New Silk Waists \$1.39

5 doz. pure silk Japan taffeta waists, washing quality, cream only, made with all-over tucked yoke, tucks on collar, cuffs and down back, sizes 32 to 42, reg. \$2 each, **Sale Price \$1.39**

\$1.25 and 1-50 Underskirts 98c

Rich black satene, made with deep flounce trimmed with tucks, ruffles, pleatings, stitching, etc., lengths 38 to 44, reg. up to \$1.50 each, **Sale Price 98c**

\$5 Silk Petticoats 3.89

Rich black French taffeta silk, cut wide with full deep flounce, trimmed with ruffles and tucks, reg. \$5, **Sale Price \$3.89**

SPORT

BASEBALL YESTERDAY.

Eastern League.
Buffalo 000001011-4
Toronto 000002014-7
First on base--Off Kinsinger 1, off Rudolph 1. Struck out--B. Kinsinger 4, Rudolph 2. Three base hit--Worrell. Two base hits--Gettman 2, Flood 2. Sacrifice hits--Gettman, McConnell, Frick. First on error--Buffalo 2, Toronto 1. Left on bases--Buffalo 8, Toronto 6. Stolen bases--Thoney, Murray. Double play--Widenski to Wood. Hit by pitcher--Kinsinger 1. Wild pitch--Kinsinger 2, Rudolph 1. Passed ball--Wood. Umpire--Owens. Time--2:07. Attendance--2500.
Rochester 001000001-2
Montreal 000100000-1
Jersey City 030001000-4
Providence 002001000-3
Baltimore 320300100-9
Newark 000000000-1
National League Results.
At New York. R.H.E.
Boston 000000100-15
New York 130000000-4
Batteries--Flaherty and Brown; Taylor and Brenahan. Umpires--Emalle and Higler.
At Cincinnati. R.H.E.
Cincinnati 100011000-3
Chicago 000000100-1
Batteries--Lyon and Schibler; Prester, Frazer and Kling. Umpire--O'Day.
At Philadelphia. R.H.E.
Philadelphia 000000000-1
Philadelphia 100002000-3
Batteries--Henley and Ritter; Sparks and Doolin. Umpire--Klem.
At Pittsburgh. R.H.E.
Pittsburgh 200100100-1
St. Louis 001010110-4
Batteries--Lynch, Phillips and Gibson; Fromme and Marshall. Umpires--Johnstone and Carpenter.
American League Scores.
At Boston. R.H.E.
New York 010000100-5
Boston 101000000-2
Batteries--Rogers, Clark and Kinsinger; Harris, Oberlin and Criger. Umpires--Hurst and Connolly.
At Cleveland. R.H.E.
Cleveland 010010010-5
St. Louis 000020100-3
Batteries--Rogers and Clark; Howell and Stephens. Umpire--O'Loughlin.
At Washington. R.H.E.
Washington 000200000-1
Philadelphia 100000000-1
Batteries--Hughes, Blankenship and Warner; Bender, Wadell, Vickers and Schreck. Umpire--Evans.
At Detroit. R.H.E.
Detroit 000000200-2
Chicago 110200000-4
Batteries--Silver and Fagner; Altrock and McFarland. Umpires--Sheridan and Stanford.

WINDSOR SALT—ought to cost more—so pure, fine, well-savoured. Goes further, too. But not a cent dearer.

DIFFERENCE OF OPINION.

Some time ago, when the present Queen of England was Princess of Wales and her children were very small, they were staying at a quiet watering-place. Once, on returning from a short sail, one of the little princesses was walking up the plank. An old sailor instinctively said: "Take care, little lady. The child drew herself up haughtily and said: "I'm not a lady, I'm a princess! The Princess Wales, who overheard the kindly injunction and the rather ill-bred reply, said quickly: "Tell the good sailor you are not a little lady yet, but you hope to be some day."—Montreal Star.

CALIFORNIA EXCURSIONS.

Via Canadian Pacific. Meeting Imperial Council, Nobles Mystic Shrine, Los Angeles, Cal., May 6th to 11th. Official route of Canadian delegates. Round trip tickets at very low rates will be sold April 27th to May 2nd and May 7th to May 15th. Final return limit July 13th, 1907. Choice of routes going and returning. Favorable stopover arrangements. Full particulars furnished on application to E. E. Remlin, City Passenger Agent, corner of King and Fifth Sts., Chatham, Ont.

FORMER CHATHAM BOY ARRANGES BIG DEAL

The Ford Manufacturing Company, one of the youngest of the Ford concerns, was yesterday acquired by the Ford Motor Company, and will in the future be consolidated with the extensive Ford interests. The Ford Manufacturing Company was incorporated in November, 1905. Its business was the manufacture of motors under contract with the parent company, as well as the making of other parts of the Ford four-cylinder runabout. The company was the infant of the Ford factories, and while its entire stock and control was vested in Mr. Ford and some of his associates in the older company, several of the shareholders in the latter were not interested in the subsidiary concern.

The deal amalgamating the extensive interests was made by James Couzens, secretary-treasurer of the Ford Motor Company, and the amount of money involved was in excess of \$500,000.

The transaction is a preliminary to the great improvements to be made during the coming year by the Fords in the plant. On the sixty acres recently acquired at Highland Park will be established, it is said, an automobile plant which will be the largest in the world and twice as big as any now in existence.—Detroit Free Press.

Secretary-Treasurer James Couzens mentioned in the above article, was formerly of this city, and was at one time a member of The Planet staff. He is a son of J. J. Couzens, the well known Colborne street coal and cement merchant. His many friends here will be pleased to learn of the success he is meeting with in the business world.

Too men men shorten their days by lengthening their nights.

Some people tell everything they know, and a lot more besides.

MARKETS

The market this morning was very small and quiet, and prices were higher if anything. The outside market especially was tight.

The bad weather outlook early this morning was apparently the cause of the slim attendance, and the farmers say that the rain last night put the roads in bad shape.

Following is the full price list:

DAIRY PRODUCE.
Butter, per lb., 25c to 30c.
Cheese, per cake, 25c.
Cabbage plants, per box, 20c.
Chickens, each, 45c to 50c.
Ducks, 30c to 40c.
Eggs, per dozen, 17c.
Geese, 50c to \$1.50.
Guinea fow, per pair, 50c.
Honey, in rack, 20c; in pail, 55c.
Headcheese, per lb., 10c.
Turkeys, 75c to \$3.50.

FRUIT AND VEGETABLES.
Apples, per peck, 20c.
Carrots, per peck, 15c.
Cucumbers, in brine, 25c to 40c 100.
Celery, per bunch, 10c.
Cabbage, 5c to 10c.
Green onions, 3 bunches for 10c.
Honey, per quart, 5c.
Lettuce, three heads for 10c.
Lard, per pound, 12c to 14c.
Marjoram, per bunch, 5c.
Mixed pickles, per bottle, 15c.
Maple syrup, per quart, 35c.
Onions, per peck, 25c to 30c.
Pap corn, per dozen, 10c.
Potatoes, per bag, \$1.
Parsnips, per peck, 15c.
Beets, per peck, 15c.
Peppers, per doz., 8c to 10c.
Pork, per pound, 9c and 10c.
Peppercorn, popped, per quart, 5c.
Rhubarb, per bunch, 20c.
Savory, per bunch, 5c.
Squash, each, 10 to 25c.
Sage, two bunches for 5c.
Tobacco, per bale, \$2.
Tobacco, per bunch, 5c.
Tomato plants, per box, 20c.
Thyme, per bunch, 5c.
Turnips, per peck, 15c.
Tobacco, 5c a hand, or per lb. 10c.
Vegetable cress, per bunch, 5c.

Water cress, per bunch, 5c.
FISH.
Herring, per pound, 8c.
Pickled, per pound, 8c.
Salmon trout, per pound, 12 to 15c.
White fish, per pound, 12 to 15c.

Nine years ago I had catarrh of the stomach and dyspepsia, which three doctors failed to even relieve. A bottle of Merrifield's Veterans' Sure Cure cured me permanently. I have been well ever since.—James Pettypiece, Northwood, Ont. Mr. Merrifield, Your Veterans' Sure Cure cured me of rheumatism of many years standing, and also of catarrh of the stomach, when I had no hope of getting better. It is the greatest of medicines.—James Ferguson, Inwood, Ont. \$1 and 50c bottles sent anywhere on receipt of price. The V. S. C. Medicine Company, Limited, Chatham, Ont.; W. K. Merrifield, Manager, Seane Block, King street.

PASTURE LAND

Between the 8th and 12th concessions, Dover East, 1,200 acres of good pasture land, well fenced and watered, \$2.00 per head for season, from May 1st to December 1st, at owner's risk.

Apply to George B. Merritt, at Big Point Club House, or to C. J. Moore, Chatham.

PASTURE LAND

The westerly part of Dover West Township is now ditched and well drained, and by this means the grass is becoming much better in quality. A limited number of cattle and horses will be taken in as pastures, and to exceed 300 on 1,000 acres. Cattle \$2.00 and horses \$3.00 per head for the season, from 1st of May to the 1st of December. Mr. B. H. Taylor is living on the place. He will take in and look after stock. All will have free access to the river and lake for water, and they will be regularly salted. All stock at owner's risk.

S. T. MARTIN.

THE STANDARD BANK OF CANADA

Head Office Toronto

JOINT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS

Deposits may be made or withdrawn by either of the two members of a household. This form of account is especially suitable for those living in the country, as either member can extend to the banking when in town. In case of death, the money may be withdrawn by the survivor without delay or cost. Write or call for further particulars.

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