

## Our English Breakfast Tea

At 40c a pound

Has pleased a great many. If you are drinking black tea, we think it would please you also. If you have not tried it we would be glad to give you a sample.

OUR "MOCHA AND JAVA" COFFEE, 40c a pound.  
OUR "AMERICAN COFFEE," 35c a lb.  
OUR "BRAZIL" COFFEE, 35c a pound.  
BAKER'S COCOA, 35c and 50c a can.  
UNSWEETENED CHOCOLATE, 20c a cake.

H. Malcolmson

## Syringes

We believe that our line of Syringes is an exceptional one. Quality of goods is the highest, while assortment is unusually large.

Many Dealers show a tendency to constantly re-order the styles they have handled for years though improved designs are constantly coming out.

Our Stock is thoroughly up-to-date and our prices are surely down-to-date. You might as well have the best for your money, and you make sure of that by picking from our assortment.

## Turner & Platt

DRUGGISTS

SUCCESSORS TO R. C. BURT

## Executrix and Administrator's Sale of Desirable City Property.

There will be offered for sale at public auction by McCaig & Harrington, auctioneers, on Wednesday, the 12th day of February, 1902, at the hour of twelve o'clock, noon, at the Garner House, in the City of Chatham, the following property:

Firstly—Lot number seventeen on the southerly side of Witherspoon street, in the City of Chatham, being part of the estate of the late Matilda Lowe, and comprising a frame residence and a small frame stable.

Secondly—Lots number twenty-two, twenty-three, twenty-seven, and twenty-eight, Block "A," plan and survey of Park Lot number one on the south side of Park avenue, City of Chatham. These lots form part of the estate of Margaret Jones, deceased, having a frontage of fifty feet on Queen street and of fifty feet on Pine street, comprising a frame dwelling house and frame stable.

The properties will be offered separately, each subject to a reserve bid. Full particulars may be obtained on application to the undersigned and will be made known at the time of sale.

Dated at Chatham this sixteenth day of January, 1902.

SCANE, HOUTSON, STONE & SCANE, Solicitors for the said Executrix and Administrator respectively.

## Fresh Pork

10c a lb.

Pork Sausages

10c a lb.

Tenderloins and Frankfurts To-day.

PICKLED PORK

—AT THE—

Chatham Pork Store, Opera House Block.

Phone 240

## MISS S. HAYNE

Pupil W. H. Hewlett, Organist of Christ Church.

Teacher in

Pipe Organ, Piano and Vocal Training.

33 GRANT ST., Chatham North.

FOR SALE

Two houses with large lots, directly opposite C. P. R. Station, on King Street. Apply at (Box 445) Chatham, Ont.

## Coal and Wood

Lehigh and Scranton Coal, Virginia Splint Coal for domestic use. Smithing Coal, Hard and Soft Wood in all lengths. All are of the best qualities and at lowest prices. Delivered anywhere by any part of the city.

J. Gilbert & Co., Office and Yards, William Street, near G. T. R. Crossing.

## PROBABILITIES.

Special to The Planet.  
Toronto, Jan. 25.—10 a. m.—Fair and colder, especially at night. Sunday, winds becoming strong from the eastward, with snow setting in by evening.

The following official figures were registered at noon to-day at Burt's weather bureau:  
Barometer 29.70.  
Thermometer 23.  
Highest yesterday 33.  
Lowest yesterday 23.  
Direction of wind, west.

## Local Briefs

Eat Richards' Bread.  
W. R. Peck has returned from Toronto.

Bert Jones is spending the day in Sarina.

D. McKellar, of Blenheim, was a Chatham visitor yesterday.

A. R. McDonald, of Duart, was a guest in the city yesterday.

Mrs. Sloan, of Tilbury, called on her Maple City friends yesterday.

A. Sheldrick and W. N. Morley returned to-day from Milwaukee.

E. J. Ryall and Ed. Wigle, of Leamington, were in the city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Searff, of Tilbury, were guests in the city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Johnson, of Tilbury, were visitors in the city yesterday.

Gus Bragg, who has been visiting his parents in the city, returns to-day to Chicago.

Miss C. Merritt has returned from a week's visit with friends and relatives in Blenheim.

Miss Flo. McKellar, of Ridgeway, is the guest of her sister, Miss Lucy McKellar, Victoria avenue.

Miss Alice Birch, of Long Ave., who has been so seriously ill for the past few days, is slightly improved to-day.

Christ Church Ladies Guild have decided to hold the annual Mite Box Social Tuesday evening, February 4th. Good program, etc.

The Trusts and Guaranty Company (Limited), 14 King street west, Toronto, has been appointed administrator of the estate of the late William H. Graham, of the village of Springfield, Elgin County, who died in June, 1900. The estate consists principally of real estate, amounting to about \$5,000.

A long established Canadian Life Insurance Company has several district agencies to open in the Counties of Essex and Kent and desires the services of thoroughly competent men with or without experience. To good men liberal advances will be made on account of commission. Also, several vacancies are open for active local agents. Apply at once with particulars as to qualifications. Address, General Agent, P. O. Box 367, Chatham.

The first anniversary of St. Andrew's Church, Tilbury, will be celebrated to-morrow, when Rev. Robert McCosh, rector of Christ Church, will conduct the services and occupy the pulpit both morning and evening. Rev. T. Dobson, Tilbury, will preach in Christ Church Chatham.

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One runs less risk of being misrepresented and abused if he jumps on some poor man, in the public pay, at the rate of \$1.00 or \$1.50 per day, than when he comes into conflict with those in high office, with extravagant salaries, and wide political influence, and it is not from choice that I criticize the Police Commissioners. But as long as I occupy a place at the Council Board, I will express my opinions freely about servants, and their manner of discharging their duties, whether they be high or low, and I will not allow insinuations that I am "seeking influence," in so doing, to have any effect whatever upon my conduct.

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Yours truly,  
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## The Letter-Box

THE POLICE COMMISSION.

Chatham, Jan. 24, 1902.

To the Editor of The Planet:

Dear Sir,—I am afraid there is a wrong impression with some of my fellow-citizens as to the motive of the Council at the special meeting this week in petitioning the Legislature to give them back the power to appoint officials for ourselves to govern our police department.

Speaking for myself, I determined, upon reflection, to favor the council, considering it the most self-respecting one for the Council to adopt, as we have to remember they take the responsibility of meeting the expenses of the department—something like \$1,500 annually. If I am not mistaken, aldermen held just this view, too, and I trust we will be thought as having acted only in a self-respecting spirit and, without, prudently. With the power back in the Council's hands it does not necessarily follow they will see fit to change the complexion of the commission as composed at present.

While the Government appointments of the commission have undoubtedly been the Council's greatest respect, still they are not their appointees, and under these circumstances it is natural to feel that the Government have usurped somewhat the prerogative of the Council in this municipal question; in its application to small cities, anyway.

Yours truly,  
J. WADDELL.

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To the Editor of The Planet:

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At this point the Mayor made the statement that the Police Commissioner was the greatest force in the city. In further speaking, I said the council should, at the beginning of the year, insist on proper representation by the Mayor (the City Council) as means of representation on the police board for the reason that, for some time back, the city or council had no say in matters pertaining to the police department. All the business of the department was conducted, and an expenditure of \$1,300 made, during last year, and only one regular meeting was held, and one informal meeting, occupying less than five minutes.

The date of the first meeting being March 27th and the latter October 23rd.

These are matters that there can be no question about, as the City Clerk is clerk of the Board, and his minute book contains a record of their proceedings. At these two meetings all they did was to discuss the matter of buying pants for the policemen, at an expenditure of \$55. The Clerk's books show this.

All the rest of the business has been done, without any semblance of regularity. There never was anything said or insinuated regarding the integrity of the Commissioners. I stated plainly that if any other city or department conducted its business in the same manner, the press would certainly term such way of doing business "a hole in corner method."

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## A COLLOQUY

"What's the matter with you?"

"I've got Dyspepsia," said Benson.

"Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets," said Benson.

"Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets," repeated Benson.

"What about them?"

"They'll cure you."

"Are you sure?" asked Benson.

"Certain," replied Benson.

"Think Dodd's—what do you call em?"

"Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets," said Benson.

"Think Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets would cure me?" asked Benson.

"No doubt about it. It's the best thing in the world for Dyspepsia," said Benson.

"You don't say. Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets?"

"Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets," said Benson.

"What are they, anyhow?" asked Benson.

"Pepsin, diastase, and sugar, principally," said Benson.

"No secret about 'em, eh?" said Benson.

"You know just what you're taking when you use Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets," said Benson.

"Ever try 'em, eh?" asked Benson.

"What? Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets?" exclaimed Benson.

"Yes," said Benson.

"I should say I did," replied Benson.

"What for?" asked Benson.

"Dyspepsia," said Benson.

"I know, but what form of Dyspepsia?"

"Oh, I had 'em all," said Benson.

"Indigestion, sour stomach, gas, heartburn, headache, poor appetite, nervousness, and all the rest of 'em."

"And did you cure 'em all with Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets?" asked Benson.

"By Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets, only," replied Benson.

"Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets must be all right," said Benson.

"If you've got Dyspepsia, you want to try 'em—try 'em, that's all," said Benson.

"Yes, I will, said Benson.

## THE CHICAGO MARKET.

Through J. B. McCaig, stock broker, Northwestern's Chicago, Chatham.

Chicago, Jan. 25, 1902.

Wheat.

Dec.... 79 7/8 78 7/8

July.... 79 7/8 77 7/8

May.... 63 61 61 1/2

July.... 62 61 61 1/2

Oats.

May.... 45 44 44 1/2

July.... 39 39 39 1/2

Pork.

May.... 16 16 16 1/2

July.... 16 16 16 1/2

Lard.

May.... 9 9 9 1/2

July.... 9 9 9 1/2

Ribs.

May.... 8 8 8 1/2

July.... 8 8 8 1/2

## THE MEDICINAL PROPERTIES OF GIN.

"From the fact that juniper berries are the most powerful of all diuretics, Gin is frequently prescribed in cases of urinary organs. Its beneficial effects in such cases are most marked."—Encyclopaedia Britannica.

But to be of any medicinal value, Gin must be of absolute purity and perfectly matured. For this reason physicians when recommending the use of Gin always specify Melchers Red Cross Brand, which is the only Gin that has been thoroughly matured for years in bonded warehouses and bottled under Government supervision.

The noblest contribution which any man can make to the benefit of posterity, is that of a good character."—J. Winthrop.

When a horse picks up a nail in his foot what does the driver do? Does he whip the horse, limping, lagging animal and force him along? Not unless he wants to ruin the horse. At the first sign of lameness he jumps down, examines the foot and carefully removes the cause of the lameness. What is called "weak stomach" is like the lameness of the horse, only to be cured by removing the cause of the trouble. If you stimulate the stomach with "whisky medicine" you keep it going, but every day the condition is growing worse. A few doses sometimes of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery will put the distressed stomach and its allied organs of digestion and nutrition in perfect condition. Ninety-eight times in every hundred "Golden Medical Discovery" will cure the worst ailments originating in diseases of the stomach. It always helps. It almost always cures. To cure constipation use Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. They're sure.

The thread of our life would be dark, heaven knows! if it were not for friendship and love intertwined—Thomas Moore.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

# Gordon's Inventory Specials

Notice below some of our special inducements to customers ere we have our Annual Inventory

Ginghams and Apron Checks, warranted colors, large and small plaids, at..... 5c up  
Oxford Shirting, a special line, fast colors..... 10c  
2 cases, prime dark and light Shaker Flannels, per yd..... 5c, 8c and 10c  
6 pos. only, Fine American Outing Flannels, per yd..... 10c  
Women's Fleece Lined Vests, 50c goods, to clear at..... 30c  
Women's All-wool Combinations, former price \$1 and \$1.50, at..... 75c  
Children's and Men's All-wool Black Stockings, to clear per pair..... 10c  
Children's Merino Underwear, per suit..... 30c up  
Ladies' Dressing Suits and Jackets, Flannellette and Eiderdown..... 50c, \$1.15 and..... \$1.25  
Specials in plain figured and fancy dress goods at half price..... 12 1/2c  
5 only, Tailor-made Suits, \$14 and \$16 garments, to clear at..... \$3.75

A table of Ladies' Underskirts, your choice of \$1.50 to \$2.25 goods at..... \$1.00  
Babies' \$3.00 Buggy Rugs, to clear at..... \$1.98  
1 only, Rug \$3.50 at..... \$2.25  
Ladies' Scotch Wool Knitted Jackets and Capelines, for house wear, at each 80c and..... \$1.15  
Eiderdowns, double folds, all colors, will clear out every yard at..... 63c  
15 pair Blankets at prices that will pay you well, and Comforters at cost.  
MEN'S WEAR—For solid comfort, health and long life, try our Bargains.  
Gentlemen's Lined Kid Gloves and Mufflers at cost.  
Special Clearing Sale of Men's Underwear continues while stock taking.  
Men's Buckskin Top Shirts, double fronts and backs, all sizes..... 60c

February Designer William Gordon Standard Pattern perfect gems 10c Fashion Sheets Free