

The Planet.

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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27, '05.

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

The degrading and intolerant conditions in the teaching profession seem at last to be working their own cure, and the pedagogical drudges who have been on a lower industrial plane than the ditcher or washerwoman, are likely to come to some of their own.

Teachers are scarce, due to the ever-increasing openings for more lucrative employment, with rapid advancement, and the fact is creating alarm in rural districts, where many schoolhouses are locked up because teachers cannot be obtained. Male teachers are almost all driven from the profession, probably not exceeding ten per cent. of those employed, and even women are finding much better opportunities in other vocations.

But while commerce has absorbed a great many teachers, another cause of the dearth has been the demand for teachers in the new northwest provinces, where salaries and opportunities for advancement are much better than in Ontario. The result is a material increase in the salaries offered in Ontario, although the average wage is still far below what it should be. Penurious School Boards have been compelled to slacken their purse-strings, and the prospects are that to induce teachers to remain in the profession they will be driven to still more painful pecuniary sacrifices.

Before the Model school in this city closed this week over half of the 25 graduates, of whom only five were men, had obtained situations at salaries generally of \$500 for men and \$400 for women, at least a hundred dollars better than last year. At Chatham the conditions were even more cheering. Out of 32 graduates 29 had secured positions in the vicinity at much greater salaries than were ever paid before.

This lively demand for mere apprentices at advanced remuneration is a hopeful sign, from the salary standpoint, although it indicates that education must be suffering from the rapid depletion of experienced teachers. However, with conditions leading up to greater permanency in the profession, even this evil will in time adjust itself, and the quality of the work will steadily improve because a better class of men and women will enter the ranks than have been offering themselves.

After all, the low status of the teacher and the resulting poor quality of the work done, were beyond legislative remedy. Supply and demand is the ultimate regulator in any sphere of endeavor. — Windsor Record.

THE STAGE

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

At The Grand—
The Lighthouse Robbery—Dec. 29.
(Supplied to The Planet by Press Agents).

THE LIGHTHOUSE ROBBERY.
The quaint, charming play, "The Lighthouse Robbery," which resembles "Shore Acres," with a dash of the "Old Homestead," will delight patrons of the theatre who thoroughly enjoy a wholesome play. The atmosphere of the sea and the fine types of New England are almost perfectly reproduced, as the play is founded upon actual facts, which occurred in 1875, the truth going to prove that truth is often stranger than fiction.

A splendidly balanced company and fine scenic production guaranteed.

At The Grand Opera House on Friday, December 29th.

ZONE CENTRE.

Beautiful weather.
Nomination will be held in Zone Town Hall, Friday, December 22.
Mr. Fred Leverton, of Clearville, spent a few days last week with his friends here.

Mrs. John McAllister, of Brown City, Mich., is the guest of her mother, Mrs. John Timney.
Mrs. M. Deew is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Joshua Lidster.
Mr. Samuel Rush is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Geo. Morrison, Cambridge.

Reverend Arthur Greene will seek reelection for 1906.
The trustees of our school have engaged Mr. R. Ellison, of Bathurst, for 1906.

Revere A. W. Greene, Treasurer G. E. Lidster and Clerk H. Osborne spent Saturday making out the financial statement for the Township of Zone.

NOT A "PATENT MEDICINE."

Scott's Emulsion is not a "patent medicine." It has no secret ingredients. Your doctor can, no doubt, tell you as much about it as we could. We have merely perfected the method of blending the Norwegian cod liver oil, hypophosphites of lime and soda and glycerine. As one grocer will blend coffee better than another so we have succeeded in making Scott's Emulsion a little better than any other cod liver oil preparation. There's no "patent" and the only secret is the secret of knowing how, with the perfected mechanical means at hand to do it. Get Scott's and you get the perfect emulsion. It's the greatest thing in the world for regaining strength and flesh lost through wasting.

SCOTT & BOWNE, Toronto, Ont.

The Local Budget

Skates sharpened at Brisco's.

Mrs. Shillington and family spent Christmas in Blenheim.

Tom Richardson, of Sarnia spent Christmas at his home here.

Mrs. J. G. McLean is the guest of Mrs. Eva C. Brewer, Detroit.

Jasper Wilson has gone to Leamington, where he will spend a week's vacation.

Miss Ethel Sandison has returned from Leamington, where she spent Christmas.

Dr. and Mrs. Will Kerr, of Bay City, Mich., spent Christmas with relatives in the Maple City.

Nice Barred Holly Wreaths, 10c, with American Beauty Ribbon 25c, at the Victoria Ave. Green Houses.

Order early, as supply is limited.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wicks, Dresden, left for London on Saturday to visit their daughter, Mrs. James Duffin, for Christmas.

Remember the entertainment and Christmas tree in Christ Church S. Hall to-night at 8 o'clock. Santa Claus will be there. Admission 10 cents.

Geo. Ryan, who is now Divisional Freight Agent of the Great Northern Railway, with headquarters at St. Paul, is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Llydian Ave. Ald. W. H. Westman has ordered the lights on the two bridges placed higher so that the windbreaks will not prevent the light from shining on the footpath.

Died, in Walla Walla, Wash., December 27th, R. Emeline Everett, aged 72 years and 9 months, the wife of the late M. M. Cornwall, formerly of Kent County, Ont.

Invitations are out for the marriage of Mary Elizabeth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Mason, 6th Con., Dover, to Mr. Oscar Horn, youngest son of R. A. Horn, 10th Con., Raleigh, to take place Jan. 1st, 1906.

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Election Cards

For Alderman.

Chatham, Ont.,

12th Dec., 1905.

To the Ratepayers
of Chatham—

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—

I am a candidate for the position of Alderman for the year 1906. If you approve of my actions in Council during the past year I would respectfully ask for your vote and influence at the coming Election. I do not intend making any personal canvass as I believe where there is no question at issue between the candidates that the Electors should be free to vote for the men they think will serve the city best.

Wishing you the compliments of the season, I remain,

Yours sincerely,
CHAS. AUSTIN

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:
I am a candidate for the office of Alderman for 1906, and respectfully ask for your vote and influence.

Yours faithfully,
THOMAS SCULLARD.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for the position of Alderman for the coming year of 1906 and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

If elected I will be my earnest endeavor to render to our city and its good people earnest and efficient service to the best of my ability.

Wishing you the compliments of the season, I remain,

Yours faithfully,
J. W. CARSWELL.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for the position of Alderman for the coming year of 1906 and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

As I am unable to make any extensive personal canvass I take this opportunity of respectfully soliciting your support.

Yours faithfully,
L. E. TILLSON.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

At the solicitation of a number of ratepayers, I am a candidate for a seat at the Council Board for the ensuing year. I have always been a resident of Chatham, and I trust my course as a citizen in the past will justify you in giving me your support and influence.

Yours respectfully,
EDWIN C. RADLEY.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for the position of Alderman for the coming year, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence, and I thank you for support in the past. Wishing you the compliments of the season, I am,

Yours respectfully,
J. E. AINSWORTH.

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Ladies and Gentlemen:
I am a candidate for the position of Alderman for the year 1906, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

JOHN EDMONDSON.

TO THE RATEPAYERS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for Alderman for 1906 and shall appreciate your support and influence.

I have had three years experience at the Council Board and it again elected will exercise my best judgment in the city's interests.

Respectfully yours,
W. M. STONE.

Your obedient servant,
JAMES N. MASSEY.

Grocer.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Your support and influence is respectfully solicited for a seat at the Council Board for next year. If elected I promise to give strict attention to the duties of the office.

Wishing you a happy New Year, I am,

Your obedient servant,
JAMES N. MASSEY.

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TO THE RATEPAYERS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Being a nominee for the office of Alderman for the year 1906, I respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

If elected I will endeavor to serve the interests of the ratepayers to the best of my ability.

Wishing you the compliments of the season, I remain,

Yours respectfully,
EDWIN E. WING.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for the position of Alderman for 1906 and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

I regret that I shall be unable to make a personal canvass, but am quite content to leave the matter in your hands. If you deem me worthy of the honor I shall appreciate it and devote my energies wholeheartedly to your service.

Wishing you a happy New Year.

Sincerely yours,
A. C. TRUDELL.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am again a candidate for Alderman and respectfully solicit your vote and influence. Permit me also to take this occasion to thank you for your past confidence, and I trust that my actions as your representative have been such as to merit its renewal. I shall sincerely appreciate your support, the more because I am unable to make a full personal canvass.

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