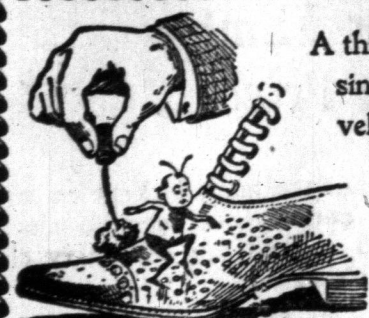


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## HOME CLEANING.

A knight rode forth from the town—ship bright. Where he long had ruled so well, where his justice, his strength, and his love of right. The humblest folk could tell. "I am tired of ruling a town," said he. And his banner bright unfurled; "The world is longing for liberty, I must go and free the world."

The knight rode forth, and he strove and fought. For the people's liberty; But his fighting and striving all came to naught.

And a humbled man was he. "Alas!" said the knight, "this a sad, sad world."

And I cannot ease its pain; So he hid him back with his banner furled, To rule in the town again.

To the town he rode, but no town he found. For, since he'd ridden away, The traitors within and the foes around Had pillaged and plundered, and burned to the ground.

The town once so happy and gay, "Alas!" said the knight, "for the day so drear, I rode out with flag unfurled; Had I been content as a ruler here, I had helped to rule the world."

—Albert E. Ball.

## LOCAL BRIEFS

Cyrus Malott has sold his farm on the Tilbury West and Merse roads to Mr. Lundy, of the 10th Con. of Merse.

A large range of coal, wood and gas stoves, Mortons hardware store. George Elliott, of Fresno, Cal., has cleared \$5,000 off his fruit farm this season. This has been a great year for the fruit growers of California.

"Happy Thought" stoves for wood or coal, are the most economical, and are for sale only at John A. Morton's hardware store.

E. Gagne, late of Peltier's Hotel, Tilbury, has purchased the Royal Hotel, Chevalier, from E. Janisse, for which he has paid the sum of \$3,300, and took possession last Friday.

Samuel Champagne, Butte city, Mont., is visiting relatives in Tilbury. He is the son of the late William Champagne, who lived on the farm at Stoney Point. He will probably remain a year.

Remember Chaplain Lane's lecture in the First Presbyterian Church Monday, even-  
ing, Dec. 10th.

The Morpeth Public school will hold an entertainment and Christmas tree on Friday, Dec. 21. An excellent program is being prepared, including a drama to be given by members of the school. Miss Jessie Taylor, of Chatham, will sing.

The following from the Chatham Binger will be news to Ridgeway people: "The new town hall." Perhaps it means the purchasing of the new town hall. The new town hall, which took place last spring—Ridgeway Binger.

Lieut. Col. Rankin will occupy the chair Monday evening, Dec. 10th, when Chaplain Lane will lecture on the war in South Africa.

Essex county had a policy on the life of the late county treasurer for \$2,500, in the Equitable of New York. It is now estimated to be worth \$3,000 to \$3,500. The policy was assigned to the late treasurer, and the county has been since paying about \$146 a year premium.

Wanted—Our pipe and tea lead, at once. The Planet.

Comber School is engaging another teacher, an English teacher, for the continuation class. This will make five teachers for our school. Mr. Jones is authority for the statement that the action of the Comber school board to hire a second teacher for the continuation class is the first case of the kind on record in Ontario.

—Comber Herald.

Mr. Jno. Cooper will sing Rule Britannia Monday evening, Dec. 10th, at Chaplain Lane's lecture in the First Presbyterian Church.

On Saturday William Turner, Jr., near Ridgeway, while assisting to shed corn with one of the shedders, his right hand caught between the rollers and the flesh peeled off the fingers from the third joint down. He was in the act of removing a large stalk of corn when the machine suddenly started and, catching his mitt, dragged the hand in. It was necessary to stop the machine and remove some bolts before the hand could be freed.

Chaplain Lane's lecture on the "War in South Africa" in the First Presbyterian church on Monday evening, Dec. 10, promises to be a most interesting one. Ladies have been disposed of a number of tickets. The lecturer comes highly endorsed by Lieut. Governor Jones of U. S.

**DIED ON HIS WAY HOME.**

John A. Taylor, who had been journeying through California, England, and Australia, for some time in hopes of shaking off that dread disease—consumption—died at Chicago Monday afternoon on his way home to Comber from California. He was being accompanied home by his sister Mrs. Ed. Elliot, of Fresno, Cal. A telegram was received early in the day asking Thomas Taylor to meet the C. P. R. midnight train as Mrs. Elliot and her brother would arrive by that train. This telegram was followed by another two hours afterwards announcing Mr. Taylor's death shortly after reaching Chicago.

**A RIG SHOTS OFF A REVOLVER.**

A few nights ago Robt. Payne was in front of his house when a rig drove up, halted, shot off a revolver and drove away. The bullet went past Mr. Payne, however, and struck the house four feet from the ground. Upon following the rig Mr. Payne was surprised to find that it went to his next door neighbors, and that John Hurley fired the shot. Hurley said he shot at a dog which was by his horses nose. As the ground was white with snow and Mr. Payne could neither see nor hear a dog, Hurley must be a bad shot and will in future save scaring people and expense for himself by leaving his revolver at home.

—Fert Lambton correspondent of the Wainwright News. This is the first time on record that a rig drove up, halted, and shot off a revolver.

## WAS IT HAUNTED?

BY BARRY PAIN.

My name is James Leonardus Stokes. To this I might append certain letters—diacriticals of academic distinctions, but—and I say it with all modesty—it may be enough to refer to my work, my studies of primitive peoples, and more especially my tract on the "Origin of the Aleutians." My controversy on this point with Professor Pumpernickel of Heidelberg may be remembered. It attracted some attention in the learned world at the time.

Some months ago I was in London for the purpose of research at the museum.

During my stay I saw for the first time a typewriter and was greatly impressed with its usefulness. My own handwriting is perhaps a little illegible to those who are not used to it. Indeed I have always supposed that this is the reason for the omission of several communications that I have made from time to time to the editor of The Times newspaper.

My wife has also taken this view. I now purchased a typewriter to prevent such accidents in future. It was a second-hand machine. I have since found out that it came from the office of The Merry Jest, a weekly paper of which I am given to understand—a humorous character. It is important to notice this in view of the extraordinary incident that I am about to relate. For the rest the machine was excellent in condition, the paper which originally owned it only having been in existence for six weeks.

With six lessons and a few months' practice I found that I was practically master of the machine. I will not say that I was able to type any extravagant number of words in a minute, and indeed accuracy rather than rapidity has always been my aim, but I was able to transcribe my manuscript at a pace that satisfied my needs. I made a point of typing everything, even signing my letters in the typed character. My usual signature is particularly illegible. To alter it would possibly occasion trouble at my bank; to leave it as it is means that editors neglect contributions from my pen which they would be glad to use if they only had the usual assurance as to their bona fides.

For some weeks I found nothing abnormal or worthy of remark about the machine. It did at first seem to have a tendency to print one line on the top of another, but there the fault was probably in the operator. Its manifestations of a preternatural order only commenced shortly after the return of my boy Charles from his tutor's. Charles is at present being prepared for the army by the Rev. William Dodersey, who receives a limited number of pupils. Curiously enough, he has not inherited even in a small degree his father's love of learning. He has, moreover, a tendency to turn everything into idle jest—a tendency which I deplore and find absolutely unacceptable. Neither his mother nor I suffer in the least in this way.

One day I sat at my typewriter and began to transcribe an article on "The Early Civilization of the Chinese" which I had intended for publication. The article began as follows:

"Before entering upon a full consideration of the subject indicated in the title of this article one preface must be made. It is this."

I had typed so far when I happened to notice through the window that the work had got out, and I left my work to speak to the gardener about it. While in the garden I thought I heard the typewriter clicking, but dismissed the idea as an illusion. However, I found on my return to my room that my article had been mysteriously continued as follows:

"Hearing so much about the capabilities of Billy Smiles of Wainsworth, I understood it would be glad to meet him any night with three weeks' notice if any gent will give a purse."

I was unable myself to find any sense in this, but Charles, who was now in the house, said that it looked like a prizefighter's challenge. But how did it get there? Is it possible that the machine was operated in some mysterious manner by the personality of its original owner? Beir the editor of a humorous paper, he might, if in telepathic sympathy with the machine, find pleasure in introducing incongruous matter into a learned and dignified article. In this, however, I could not believe. The story here is particularly poor and should be changed for a better quality. In that case I think it would be advisable to have recourse to it about 11 in the morning, thus making a pleasant change from your rotten quadratics." I was also made to say that I thought not enough time was given to golf and that I was sorry the girls in the neighborhood were not prettier.

This was excessively shocking to me, and I wrote to Mr. Dodersey at once to say so. But in this case again there seems to me to be an attempt at humor—attempt—and I cannot help remembering that the former owner of my typewriter was the editor of a humorous paper.

Are any similar instances on record? The point seems to me to be worth examination.—Black and White.

**A Different Matter.**

Tom—I paid a visit to Miss Sweetie's house yesterday and found her old man at home.

Kick you out? What did the old bear do?

Tom—Oh, no! He was very polite. Asked me to call again.

Diek—You don't mean it? Why, he never lets any one call on his daughter.

Tom—I wasn't calling on her. I was trying to collect a bill the old man owes the firm.—Philadelphia Press.

## The Pen in the Hand is worth two in the Mind.

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## ANOTHER SUGGESTION

Mr. Hamilton Proposes a Donegan Ward in St. Joseph's Hospital.

To The Planet.—There seems to be a general wish among the citizens to perpetuate the memory of the late Donegan who laid down his life so gloriously for the Empire in South Africa. The first idea was to erect a monument in Tecumseh Park, the objection being its expense, for while \$4,000 or \$5,000 is over the limit, since the cost is to be reckoned not by the material but by the brains and standing of the sculptor and the fountain on the handstand cost in the neighborhood of \$400. Anything less than a first-class statue, would only make us a laughing stock in visitors eyes. A fountain on a large scale near the point in the park has been suggested as a scheme with the additional advantage of adding a public ornament to which the council could contribute. Then there is Alderman McKeough's plan of a memorial window in St. Joseph's Church. Ex-Alderman O'Keefe's project of a monument somewhere on St. Joseph's Church grounds, say facing Queen street, would have the advantage that it would be seen winter and summer by the general public, whereas during the winter months, the park is deserted except by those who are compelled to use it as a short cut to and from their homes. Possibly the Minister of Militia may cause a brass mural tablet to be erected in the new armory of the 24th regiment, to Donegan's memory.

Allow me to make a suggestion. Why not establish a "Donegan" ward or bed in St. Joseph's Hospital in memory of the deceased, same to be public but to be the prerogative use of members of the re-organized 24th regiment? This would combine sentiment and respect with utility and benevolence. Yours truly,

W. E. H.  
Chatham, Dec. 4, 1900.

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