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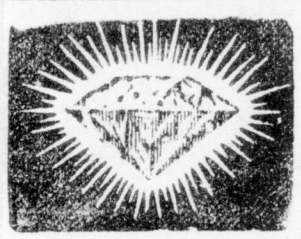
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BALANCE OF \$499 GOES TO WESTERN FAIR BOARD

Annual Meeting of London Agricultural
Society Last Night.

At the annual meeting of the London
District Agricultural Society, held last
evening in the Western Fair offices,
the report presented by Secretary-
Treasurer A. M. Hunt showed a bal-
ance of \$499.22. This will be paid over
to the Western Fair Association.

Officers were elected as follows:
President, R. A. Carothers; first vice-
president, John Pringle; second vice-
president, T. H. Smallman; third vice-
president, George Hooper; secretary-
treasurer, A. M. Hunt; directors, T. E.
Robson, W. E. Robinson, W. E. Robinson,
J. W. Hunter, Finlay Marshall, F. C.
Hooper and William Moore.

Representatives to the Western Fair
are the president, vice-presidents, T. E.
Robson, W. E. Robinson, W. E. Robinson,
J. W. Hunter, Finlay Marshall, F. C.
Hooper, T. McMurphy.

J. C. Trebilcock and H. Tozer were
elected auditors.

GIVING IN EASIEST WAY

Dean Guthrie, the Scottish divine,
who won so great a name for piety
and works in the '40s, unwittingly fur-
nished a text which can be used with
telling effect by the canvassers for the
Canadian Patriotic Fund, who will soon
be on the warpath to secure the six mil-
lion dollars which Ontario promised in
1917 to meet the obligations assumed
by the fund to the dependents of On-
tario's soldiers. Addressing a meeting
on the duty of contributing to the
manne fund of the Free Church of Scot-
land, Mr. Guthrie said:
"I am rich only in children and if
anyone asked me tonight to pay down
a hundred pounds, he might just as well
tell me to fly. But if I were given five
years to pay it in, that would be a dif-
ferent matter. I should only need to
go home and consult my wife as to
what things we could do without."
The average man in Ontario who
today, faced by the Patriotic Fund ap-
peal, goes home and consults his wife as
to what they can do without, is certain
to find little difficulty in making a sub-
stantial monthly contribution to the
fund.

QUALITY STORE

Every article sold in this store is
fresh and of the best quality. You
can save a great deal of money by
buying your groceries at this store,
and taking prompt advantage of our
specials.

COFFEE

For genuine coffee satisfaction,
our Special Blend has no equal.
45c per pound.

SPECIAL

20-pound bag Sugar, each ... \$1.65
4-pound bag, each ... 50c
SOLID MEAT OYSTERS,
75c per quart.

Try this store for good Breakfast
Bacon. Sliced, 34c per pound.

BUTTER

Choice Creamery Butter, lb. ... 48c
Choice Dairy Butter, lb. ... 42c

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our prompt attention.

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EFFICIENCY TESTS FOR BOYS DEMONSTRATED

Father and Son Banquet Last Night

A "father and son" banquet was held
at the St. James Anglican Sunday
school room last evening in connection
with the Canadian standard efficiency
tests for boys.

The attendance was large, and in al-
most every instance the boy was ac-
companied by the father.
The work of the boys' clubs in con-
nection with the efficiency tests and the
object of the efficiency tests was out-
lined in detail by Secretary Davis, of
the Y. M. C. A., who also took a deep
interest in the movement since its in-
ception.

He explained that the objects aimed
at by the formation of boys' clubs was
to create a spirit of democracy among
the boys so that they would be in a
position to solve life's problems them-
selves to a great extent. The object of
the tests for efficiency are fourfold de-
velopment. First, the intellectual side,
by pointing out what is best to read
and study; second, physical develop-
ment by all kinds of exercises, games
and healthy play, outdoor sports to
develop the body; third, the religious
part of the test to be developed by a
study of the Bible, and fourth, the
social development by having the boys
get together in all kinds of games and
at social gatherings.

Following the talk by Secretary
Davis, he demonstrated the tests on
one of the boys, who showed a high
percentage in all phases of the tests.

THREE LONDONERS ARE DUE HERE ON SUNDAY

Several From the District In Party
Now on Way.

Three Londoners who are con-
tained in a list of returned men who
are expected to arrive in this city on
Sunday at 11:15, via the C.P.R. These
men arrived at St. John on the Scan-
dianavian on January 13.
H. E. Copeland, 35 Kensington
avenue; A. E. Croston, Dufferin
avenue, and R. W. Wray, 84 Bruce
street, are the London men.

Other members of the party are:
S. E. Neary, Guelph; J. Slater, Guelph;
W. Berriman, Anglesea, Goderich; H.
MacKenzie, Plattsville; W. Robotham,
Woodstock; W. B. Sinclair, Warton,
and W. J. Varney, Galt.

PHOTOPLAY NEWS

AT THE LYRIC.
The ignominious fate of Zoraida,
beautiful creature of Rex Ingram's
fancy, who won men's love and then
fitted them, will serve as a lesson to
flirtatious maidens when "Black
Orchids" is displayed in Bluebird
photoplay at the Lyric Theatre on
Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, with
Cleo Madison playing the leading role.
There is a tense and tragic interest in
the progress of Zoraida's heartless
treatment of the man who loved her.
There is a great and purposeful mis-
sion in this gripping photoplay.

INTEREST GROWS

Dr. Zell Hunt is presenting a start-
ling picture of psychic features at the
Lyric this week, preceded by a big pro-
gram of photo-drama and comedy.
Fun predominated last night, and Dr.
Hunt kept the audience in an uproar of
merriment. Tonight there will be ques-
tions and answers, and more sensa-
tions are in store. The doors open at
8:45. One show only tonight at the
Lyric.

MANY HUNTERS WILL VISIT YELLOWHEAD PASS IN 1917.

Grand Trunk Pacific officials pre-
dict that the season of 1917 will see a
very large increase in the number of
American sportsmen hunting in the
Yellowhead Pass region of the Canadian
Rockies. Splendid heads were obtained
last year by the sportsmen who ac-
cidentally from Jasper. The Mackie party of New
York bagged nine deer, four black,
three grizzly, two brown, while the G.
D. Kirkpatrick party from Washington
bagged three grizzly and six black bear.
The big horn sheep and goats are
among the trophies which are a fea-
ture of hunting in the Yellowhead,
magnificent specimens having been ob-
tained by the last hunting party out.

PETERS SERVICE IS AT YOUR SERVICE

Saturday's Cake Feature:

Swiss Roll
15c Each

A light sponge cake with
marshmallow icing, sprinkled
with toasted cocoanut.

Candy Feature:

PEANUT PATIES—Maple
cream stuffed with peanuts.
Regular 25c. Saturday 15c lb.
Afternoon Tea at Peters has
become a regular affair with
many London young people.

Peters, London

ASKING COUNCIL TO SHOULDER OVERDRAFT FROM CITY HOSPITAL

Mayor Says There Should
Be More Economical
Management.

CHAIRMAN RE-ELECTED

Figures Show a Deficit at
Institution of About
\$7,600.

At the inaugural meeting of the
hospital trust held yesterday afternoon,
Lieut.-Col. W. M. Gartshore was re-
elected chairman by a unanimous vote.
His name was proposed by E. C.
Mitchell.

"I think the city of London is most
fortunate in having a man of such
splendid capacity as Col. Gartshore as
chairman of the trust," said Mr.
Mitchell. "There have been many
splendid men chairmen of this body,
but none of them have put more en-
ergy, more capacity, more zeal, into
the work of managing the hospital than
Col. Gartshore."

Col. Gartshore thanked the trust for
its kindness in electing him to the
office of chairman. He had no desire
to hold the honor in perpetuity, but
he had been asked to accept, and he
had consented.

He gave a short resume of the work
of the year, and explained the deficit
of \$7,600.

Annual Statement.

"In connection with the annual state-
ment of the hospital for the past year,
you will observe that the income for
1916 exceeded that of the previous year
by \$4,400," said Col. Gartshore, but
I regret to say that owing to unfor-
seen conditions our expenses increased
considerably and we have an apparent
deficit for the year in round numbers
of about \$7,600. This is altogether due
to the increased cost of supplies, as you
will notice by the following com-
parison: The excess cost in meat,
\$1,088; butter and eggs \$1,565; flour,
etc. \$232; milk, \$778; potatoes, \$1,631;
groceries, \$1,214; furnishing supplies,
\$2,474; repairs, extraordinary, \$2,209;
total, \$11,203—and taking the deficit
this year into consideration I would
like you not to lose sight of the fact
that we had a surplus of about \$4,000
last year, which we did not draw.

May Go Higher.

"The probabilities are that commodi-
ties will be still higher in 1917, and to
provide for that, together with the in-
crease in the cost of private and
semi-private rooms in London are less
than in any city of its importance in
Canada and the United States, so far
as I have been able to ascertain.

"Accommodation was provided the
Canadian Hospitals' Commission by re-
turning to them for the benefit of re-
turned soldiers the contagious build-
ings. For patients suffering from in-
fectious diseases we have constructed
suitable additions to the hospital on
the grounds, the cost of which was
borne by an appropriation from the
Hospitals' Commission, the Patriotic
Fund and private subscriptions, at a
total expenditure of about \$20,000, added
to the hospital fund. This is a heavy
expense to the city.

"The annual report for 1916 was, after
many delays, printed and distributed.
This gave much interesting informa-
tion, including an interesting account
of the history of the hospital, and will
form a good basis for subsequent re-
ports, which can be prepared with less
difficulty.

More Room Needed.

"The demand for accommodation is
such that further additions will have
to be made as soon as funds are avail-
able; it is to be hoped that charitable
disposed citizens rise to the occasion
in this respect.

"I desire to testify to the satisfactory
manner in which Mr. Heard, Miss
Stanley, the nursing staff, house sur-
geons and household staff have at-
tended to their varied duties, and the
hearty co-operation displayed between
the varied services in connection with
the hospital."

It was decided to send Col. Gart-
shore and Superintendent T. H. Fisher
to the council to ask for a grant to
make up the deficit. They will attend
at the next meeting of the council.
Mayor Stevenson thought that there
should be a more economical manage-
ment of the hospital.

The council will be notified that a
number of indigents are housed in the
hospital, and the request will be made
that they be placed in some other
institution.

"The care of these patients costs
the city a lot of money each year," said
Mr. Mitchell. "They could be looked
after just as well and much more
cheaply elsewhere."

Favors Development.

The inspector of medical colleges
recommended a greater development of
outdoor and maternity cases at Vic-
toria Hospital in its work in connection
with the Western Medical College.
This matter will be gone into thor-
oughly.

A dividend of \$400, the half-yearly
returns on the stock left Victoria Hos-
pital in the Smallman & Inman Com-
pany by the late J. E. Smallman, was
acknowledged.

Superintendent Heard reported that
during the month of December, 281
patients had been admitted—77 males,
121 females and 83 children. During
the same period, 270 had been dis-
charged—70 males, 121 females and 79
children. There were 20 deaths and
25 births. The number of patients re-
ceiving treatment on December 31 was
208. The number who received treat-
ment at the outdoor department was
137 for the month. The cash receipts
were \$4,328.26. Christmas donations
were received from Sir Adam Beck,
St. Andrew's Outlook Mission, Mrs.
Murphy of the 7th Regiment Chapter,
I.O.D.E., Mrs. John Mayer, Dr. and
Mrs. Beck, Dr. and Mrs. Meek and
Dr. and Mrs. Tillman.

ASKS CO-OPERATION TO RELIEVE CONGESTION

In connection with its campaign to
relieve freight congestion and provide
the best possible facilities for moving
the produce of the country, the Grand
Trunk car service department has is-
sued for the use of agents all over the
system, adhesive tags which are be-
ing placed upon all letters sent to
shippers of freight. These tags carry
the following message:
"Important! Business requires all
concerned to keep cars moving. Help
us to help you. Kindly load or unload
cars immediately regardless of free time
limit. This will help our car supply
and help you. Let's help each other.
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Half-pint 20c.

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NINE IN FIELD NOW FOR COUNTY WARDENSHIP

Race for the Position Growing Keener
Every Day.

With nine aspirants in the field for
the county wardenship the interest in
the selection grows more interesting
each day.

Among those in the field are men
who have had many years' experi-
ence in county affairs and some who
are new to the game.

The history of Middlesex County
since 1850 shows that seventeen war-
dens afterwards became members of
parliament.

The office has apparently been a
stepping stone to higher honors, and
perhaps it is with this end in view so
many are aspiring to the wardenship.
The first wardens of the county was
William Niles, who held the office
from 1850 to 1852.

Following Warden Niles in suc-
cession were: John Seathred, ex-M.P.,
1853-1854; Halcroft Church, 1855;
Thomas Moyle, 1856; Robert Craig,
1857; Thomas Moyle, 1858; Benjamin
Cook, 1859; A. Campbell, 1860-1862;
Christopher Combs, 1863; M. S.
Ayers, 1864; John H. Munro, 1865;
Malcolm Campbell, 1866; Robert
Draney, 1867; Thomas Moyle, 1868;
Thomas Routledge, 1869-1870; Richard
Tooley, ex-M.P., 1871; John Wat-
worth, ex-M.P., 1872-1873; Lionel
Shipley, 1874; John Waters, ex-M.P.,
1875; Jas. Armstrong, ex-M.P., 1876;
John Levis, 1877; Alexander McKen-
zie, 1878; James Gilmour, ex-M.P.,
1879; John Morgan, 1880; Jas. Arm-
strong, ex-M.P., 1881; Jos. H. Mar-
shall, ex-M.P., 1882; D. M. Cameron,
ex-M.P., 1883; W. D. Stanley, 1884;
Malcolm McCuan, ex-M.P., 1885;
Benj. Waterworth, 1886; Lawrence
Cleveland, 1887; Simon McLeod, 1888;
Robert Boston, ex-M.P., 1889; W. H.
Taylor, ex-M.P., 1890; Thomas E.
Robson, ex-M.P., 1891; Charles C.
Hodgins, M.P., 1892; Thomas Duf-
fin, 1893; W. S. Calvert, M.P., 1894;
J. A. Leitch, 1895; W. L. Corbett,
1896; Dugald Leitch, 1897; Peter Elson,
M.P., 1898; Henry Hardy, 1899; James
Murray, 1900; Trafford Campbell, 1901;
George B. Campbell, 1902; J. P. Grigg,
1903; George W. Neely, M.P., 1904;
S. M. Piper, 1905; N. A. Gamble,
1906; James H. Hodgins, 1907; Donald
D. Graham, 1908; S. R. Gillis, 1909;
D. S. Camp, 1910; D. H. Moss,
1911; Joseph Buttery, 1912; D. H.
Hodgins, 1913; L. L. McTaggart, 1914;
John Morgan, 1915; T. G. Turnbull,
1916.

The personnel of the first county

Purdom's Annual January Sale

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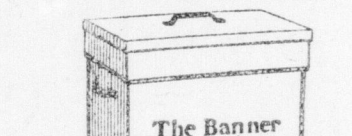
HORSE BRUSHES.

10 dozen Horse Brushes,
worth 40c each. At .23c



CANVAS GLOVES.

Price 13c pair, 2 pairs 25c

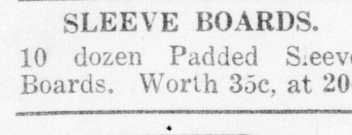


SAVE YOUR COAL.

This Ash Sifter will do it.
Try one. Price ... \$2.50
Others 25c up

SLEEVE BOARDS.

10 dozen Padded Sleeve
Boards. Worth 35c, at 20c

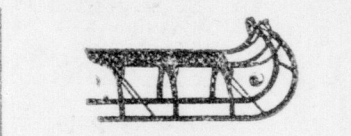


IRONING BOARDS.

Will fold up. All nicely
finished. Price ... \$2.00

WIZARD FURNITURE POLISH.

50 dozen 25c size bottles
at 15c each



HAND SLEIGHS.

For boys and girls. Price
..... 25c up
Kiddo Steel Runner, Price
..... \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75 each



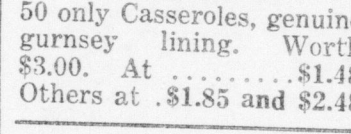
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Price 90c each



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50 only Casseroles, genuine
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4-Loaf \$2.75
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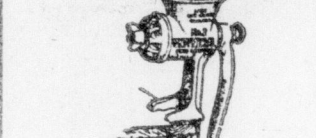
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Triangle 75c, \$1.25
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Polish 25c to \$3.00

