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DOVER COUNCIL.

dl present. Calvert Harper was heard re. claim for damages on Chatham and Dover

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Sure Sign of Spring.

People are beginning to leave their orders for papering and painting now. So be wise and don't wait until the rush is on. Come now and pick your papers and set the date for your work, and we will do the rest.

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A CHAT WITH A POET

THE STORY OF AN INTERESTING EVENING WITH LONGFELLOW.

How "Excelsior," the "Wreck of the Hesperus" and the "Old Clock on the Stair" Came to Be Written. "The Bridge" Was Born of Sorrow.

hridge at midnight"—a poem which an eminent English critic has called "the I received in return a cordial note from the poet in which he said, "If you will me it will give me pleasure to tell you the history of the poem and also of any of my poems that may interest you."

A few evenings later found me at the poet's door at his Cambridge home. He was then versing on account

was then verging on seventy years, in the fullness of his experience and the ripeness of his fame. I was shown in to a long, hall-like room, dimly lighted, in which were a broad table, antique in which were a broad table, antique furniture and a tall colonial clock. The poet was there alone. He arose to meet me and formed a striking and statuesque figure, with his kindly smile and long white hair and heard.

"And so you would like to know something about the inspiration of

some of my poems—what led me to write them?" he said when we were "Well, you are very kind.

"I will tell you first how I came to write the Psalm of Life. I was a young man then. I can recall the time. It was a bright day, and the pulse to write out my aim and purpose in the world. I wrote it for myself. I did not intend it for publication, ome months afterward I was asked for a poem by a popular magazine. I recalled my 'Psalm of Life.' I copied it and sent it to the periodical. It saw the light, took wings and flew over the world. There you may see it written

on a Japanese screen."

He pointed to a high, richly orna-Township Councils. mented screen which stood before a great fireplace. He added an anecdote which I have always regarded as a

true picture of his soul;
"When I was in England I was honored by receiving an invitation from the queen. As I was leaving the palace yard my carriage was hindered by the crowd of vehicles. There came to the door of the coach a noble looking

"Are you Professor Longfellow? he "I bowed.

Calvert Harper was feard re. claim for damages on Chatham and Dover town line.

John W. Ward, pathmaster, stated to the council that parties complained to him about logs being placed along the river road at lot 19, creating an obstruction! Mr. Ward was instructed to act in accordance with the bylaw relating to such matters.

Mr. Lewis reported re, matter of procuring a small piece of land at each end of proposed steel bridge over Bear creek. "May I ask, sir, if you wrote the 'Psaim of Life?"

"Psaim of Life?"
"I answered that I did.
"Would you be willing, sir, to take
a workingman by the hand?
"I extended my hand to him. He
clasped it, and never in my life have I An application was read from J. W. Rutherford for the position of medical health officer.

A communication was read from the Municipal World, re. matter of expending statute labor commutation received a compliment which gave me so much satisfaction.

Municipal World, re, matter of expending statute labor commutation money;

S. T. Martin was heard in connection with the matter of a road to his property in Dover West. Laid over till next meeting of council.

The auditors submitted their report and statement of receipts and expenditures for 1903.

Moved by Mr. Lewis, seconded by Mr. King, that the reeve and Mr. Hind, be a committee to investigate the grievance of Calvert Harper, re, accident on Chatham and Dover town line, and report.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Lewis, seconded by Mr. King, that the grievance of W. By Mr. Lewis, seconded by Mr. King, that the grievance of W. By Mr. Lewis, seconded by Mr. King, that the grievance of Calvert Harper, re. grade on 15th conroad leading up to the town line, be referred to Mr. Hind,—Carried.

Moved by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Lewis, that R. Cooper's account, \$15.88, be paid for stationery.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Lewis, that R. Cooper's account, \$15.88, be paid for stationery.—Carried. on much satisfaction.
"I wrote 'Excelsior,'" he continued,
"after receiving a letter full of lofty
sentiments from Charles Sumner at Washington. In one of the sentences occurred the word 'excession.' As I dropped the letter that word again caught my eye. I turned over the letter and wrote my poem. I wrote the 'Wreck of the Hesperus' because, after reading an account of the loss of a part reading an account of the loss of a part of the Gloucester fishing fleet in an autumn storm, I met the words 'Norman's woe.' I retired for the night after reading the report of the disaster, but the scene haunted me. I arose to write, and the poem came to me in

whole stanzas. "The clock in the corner of the room," he went on, "is not the one to which I refer in my 'Old Clock on the Stair." That clock stood in the country house of my father-in-law at Pittsfield, among the Berkshire hills.

The great clock in the room was beating the air in the shadows as he spoke. I could seem to hear it say:

"Toujours—jamais! Jamais—toujours!" It was these words by a French au-thor that had suggested to him the

Moved by Mr. Lewis, seconded by Mr. Hind, that \$3.57, postage account, be paid.—Carried.

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Moved by Mr. Hind, seconded by Mr. Boyer, that A. McDomell's account, \$53, be paid for surveying Pain Court creek drain and reporting thereon.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Lewis, seconded by Mr. Boyer, that A. McDonell's accept, re. collecting taxes from a person removing out of the county.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Lewis, seconded by Mr. King, that the grievance of John Q. Adams, re. putting a tile drain across the 8th con. road at lot 19, he referred to Mr. Hind with power and for report.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Lewis, seconded by Mr. Boyer, that the auditors' report and statement of receipts and expenditures of the township of Dover for 1963 be adopted, and the auditors be paid their salary, \$25 each.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Lewis, seconded by Mr. Boyer, that Alexis Hobert be appointed caretaker of the hall and sheds at a salary of \$8, for 1994.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Lewis, seconded by Mr. Hind, that the clerk get 200 copies of the auditors' report printed.—Moved by Mr. Boyer, seconded by Mr. Hind, that the clerk get 200 copies of the auditors' report printed.—Carried.

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Moved by Mr. Boyer, seconded by Mr. Hind, that the reeve and Mr. King be appointed a committee on behalf of Dover to attend to the main atter of running the free ferry over the river Thames for 1904.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Boyer, seconded by Mr. Royer, that A. McDonell's report on Pain Court creek drain be read and considered at the council meeting Feb/29th.—Carried.

J. WELSH, Clerk.

Comfort and sound sleep follow the use of Weaver's Cerate, for skin froubles, no matter how tormeating they be nor of how long standing. It soothes and cleanses. thor that had suggested to him the solemn refrain:

"Forever—never!"

"Excelsior" had been set to popular music by the Hutchinsons when the poet met one evening the minstrel family after a concert in Boston Music hall. "I have," he said, "another poem which, I will send to you." He did so. It was the first copy of the "Old Clock on the Stair." One of the family set the words to music.

"My poem entitled The Bridge," he said in effect, "was written in sorrow, which made me feel for the loneliness of others. I was a widower at the time, and I used to sometimes go over the bridge to Boston evenings to meet friends and to return near midnight by the same way. The way was silent

friends and to return near midnight by the same way. The way was silent saye here and there a belated footstep. The sea rose and fell among the wooden piers, and there was a great furnace on the Brighton hills whose fed light was reflected by the waves. It was on such a late, solitary walk that the spirit of the poem came upon me. The bridge has been greatly altered, but the place of it is the same."—Hezekiah Butterworth in American Author.

"My husband has strange ideas of

"How is that?"
"Why, he seems to think he saves money by drinking so much at the club that he has no appetite for breakfast."

Always Gets the Last Word.
"Say, pa," queried little Billy Bloo imper, "what's an echo?"
"An echo, my son," replied the ol-an, with a sigh long drawn out, "

WALLACEBURG

Feb. 10.—Mr. J W. Plewes, principal of the Central School, Chatham, and Mr. Snith and Mr. Tackaberry, were in Wallaceburg on Monday, in the interests of R bin Hood Co. There will be a special traju on Friday night and a large number will no doubt be present from this place.

Miss Lelah Taylor entertained a number of friends last evening to a progressive Flach party.

R.v. J. N. Nichol occupied the pulpit at Dover Centre, where anniversary services were held, on Sunday evening last. R.v. Mr. Clark, of the above church filled the pulpit here very acceptably.

Mrs. J. R. illy, who has been ill for a few weeks, is again able to attend to her work at the telephone office.

Miss Terhunt, of Listowael, is the guest of Mrs. Terhune, South Side.

Miss Maggie Stewart will leave tomorrow to attend the millinery openings at Toronto.

ings at Toronto.

Miss Carre Hanigan, has been spending a few days at Port Lambton, where she attended the fun rel of her grandmother, Mrs. Down.

SOUTH BUXTON.

After the recent heavy rains we have it cold again, and this country is flooded with water.

James Ross and John McGregor, of Tilbury, cattle buyers, were prospecting through R. Ileight some days ago. They are well and favorably known in these parts.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Ross, of Farmington, Mich., are visiting here.

There have been made valuable horses lost recently. D. Hickey had a valuable mare die suddenly. It was worth \$150. B iliff Dillon lost a valuable colt, which was hurt in the barn yard. James Irving lost a valuable mare; it broke its leg. Robert McKay lost a horse from natural causes.

causes.

Mrs. M. Goodison, who has been quite ill, is no better. quite ill, is no better.

J. M. Garel is sick with la grippe but hopes to recover soon.

TUPPERVILLE

A very pleasant time was spent on Friday evening last at the home of Mrs. William Brown, where about 70 friends and relatives met to congratulate his son, W. A. Brown on his safe return from South Africa, where he served a term of three years as a mounted policeman, William is very popular, and after an absence of five years his many friends are pleased to have him again in their midst. After partaking of systems and other refreshments, the evening was spent in music and games.

WABASH.

The dame at George Liberty's, on Friday evening, was largely attended. There were about 70 present. Among the guest, were Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, of London, and Mr. and Mrs. Misner, from the Northwest.

Miss Johnstone, of Dover, is the guest of Mrs. Fred Kelley.

Mrs. Wallace Burwell spent a few days last week at Croton, the guest of Mrs. John Rois.

There was quarterly meeting here in the Methodist Church on Sunday.

A load, attended the debate at Thornclifte on Friday evening.

DOVER.

The annual meetings of the Dover The arrival meetings of the Dover, Chalmer's and St. Andrew's congregations of the Presbyterian church were held during the month of January. The pastor, Rev. A. E. Neilly, B. A., presided and the various reports presented were very encouraging. There were thirty new names added to the church roll during the year. A fine brick church was built at Rehmend's, now known as new St. Andrew's. The Dover congregation made axtensive repairs as new St. Andrew's. congregation made extensive repairs on the manse, making it a comfortable and up-to-date building. A substantial increase was made in the pastor's salary at Chalmer's and there is \$150 on hand. In fact unusual progress is being made in all there is \$150 on hand. In fact un-usual progress is being made in all three charges and Mr. Neilly should be congratulated on his good work.

This is the season of the year when Scott's Emulsion does some of its best work. Fortifying the system against the ravages of winter is one of the most effective uses of Scott's Emulsion; it build's up the strength of the whole

body and puts one in a healthy, vigorous condition.

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cinity.

R. M. Mills, of Winnipeg, who has been visiting relatives here, leaves to-day for Tyrconnel.

The Rev. Gordon Ere just closed a series of successful evangelistic meet-

opening of the Methodist Church Sunday, also on Monday night, when a hot supper and good program was provided.

The snow, which has so long covered the ground, has almost disappeared, and we will soon have the good old summer time again.

The saw mills have the largest supply of logs in their yards that there has been for a long time. A busy season will be the result.

J. G. Osterhout is slowly recovering fro man attack of broughlits.

JEANNETTE'S CREEK.

At St. Peter's church on Monday,
Miss Larsh, daughter of Joseph
Larsh, Sr., was united in marriage
to Mr. Anteau. They left on the
mail train for Detroit. On their return they will reside on a farm in
Dover.
W. Venning, of Dresden, was a
guest of his brother here a few
days this week.
W. Rath, who was a student in
the G. T. R. office here a few years
ago, has returned from the Canadian N. W. and is night operator
at the diamond.

at the diamond.

The Misses Hawe entertained a number of their friends on Friday

evening.

W. Fullerton is in Chatham this week attending the funeral of his brother.

Mr. McFaggan, of Quinn, took the services in the Methodist church here last Sunday.

Miss Hamilton returned home on

Saturday from a six months visit with relatives in Toronto and Mid-

Several from here were in Chat-ham Friday evening to attend King Henry VIII. in the Opera House.

SCHOOL REPORT.

The following is a report of the standing ofd the pupils of S. S. No. 6, South, Chatham. Township, for Jan. In order of merit and attendance.

Class V.—John Stark, R.b. Henry, Rob. Bowers, Margaret Heary, Leapha Green. Honor—R. Bowers.

Class IV.—Ray Nichols, John Coltman, Burwell Coltman, Claud Coltman, Denald Henry, Tom, Ife, Evelyn Stark, Carl Bawson, Myron Moore, Fred. Bowers, Eddie Dorey, Miles See, Gertie Dorey, Rhoda Wicks. Honor—T. Ife.

Class III.—Eliza Ol'ver, Hazel Coltman, Harold See, Lestie Nichols, Lillie Edwards, Nifa Moore, Mrytle David, Honor—H. See.

Sr. II.—Eddie Bowers, Bert Edwards, Forest Wicks, John Yott, Josie Yott, Harry Coltman, Honor—E. Bowers,

It.—Oliger Yott Bartie Moore

Bowers,
Jr. I.—Oliver Yott, Bertie Moore,
Dalsy Mor, Wianie See, Kirke Milben,
Honor-W. See.
Part II.—Alvah Duddy, Alan Duddy
Class I.—Willie Nichols, Albert Edwards, Stanley Duddy, Clarence Brea-con, Harold Nichels. Honor — S.

CHARING CROSS.

The recent thaw has caused quite a lot of anxiety here to the farmers the water being so high as to be in stables and yards. Old settlers here

before.

Archie Meloche has returned home after spending a month with friends and relatives in Montreal and other points east.
Mr. Robert Haskel, of Leamington

spent Sunday with his uncle, Mr. A Wright, of the tenth con. Wm. Meloche left last week for Niagara Falls where he has secure

Niagara-Falls where he has secured a position as lineman for the G. N. W. Telegraph Co.

We are sorry to report that Mrs.

N. E. Robison is confined to her home through a serious illness.

While returning from a party the other night Mr. Frank Hunter had the misfortune to run into a snow bank, the horse throwing himself. It broke the harness so that through the aid of a few pieces of binder twine and a couple of handkerchiefs Mr. Hunter was able to drive home none worse for his night's pleasure.

On Wednesday evening last the choir of the Methodist church here spent a very pleasant evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Jenner, on the 14th concession, when they presented Mrs. Jenner with a basufful set of dishes, with a short address for her kindness shown them. Mrs. Jenner was until about a month ago the organist for the church. They also presented their past leader with a beautiful cabinet, and then all returned to their homes well satisfied with their evening's enjoyment and the kindness of their host and hostess.

D. McEachrain has been appointed school janitor for the coming year, There was no church here Sunday owing to their being so much, water in the busement that they were unable to build any fire in the furnace.

Miss Bessie O'Rourke has returned home after spending a few days with the Misses Meloche.

S. S. NO. 6, CHATHAM TP.

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The following is the report of the standing of the pupils of S. S. No. 6, North, Chatham Tp. for Jan. 1904. The average daily marks are given. Class V.—A. M. Catton 159, R. S. Cumming 155, A. Peters 132, K. N. Cumming 63.

Class IV., Sr.—H. Wilson 174, B. McNaughton, 169, R. Peters 149, F. Brooksbank 79, M. Peters 77, G. Solomon 49, E. Broadbent 4.

Class IV., Jr.—A. L. Catton 196, N. Dodman 162, H. Peters 157, A. Vincent 116, B. Lamb 100, R. Peters 89.

Class HI.—L. Cumming 132, C. M. Vandusen 131, C. Wilson 116, O. Vandusen 131, K. Vincent 111, E. Vincent and G. McDonald 110, B. Bissell 109 Wilson, 108, E. Cumming 106, A. Solowitson, 108, E. Cumming 108, A. Solowitson, 108, E. Cumming 108, A. Solowitson, 108, E. Cumming 108, A. Solowitson, 108, E.

always find it a safe rule to take a thing as it is offered, especially a job or a bargaiu. We are offering mostly all goods pertaining to winter at prices that you cannot afford to overlook, even if you do not really need the article till next winter.

Big reductions on all mens, young mens and boys' winter overcoats. 25 per cent. off all fur caps. Fur lined coats are also on the reduced list.

Here are a few sample reductions:

\$5.00 OVERCO	DATS, \$3.95	50c UNDERWI	3AR, 39C
8.00	5.95	35C "	19c.
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14 00 "	10.00	25C	15c.
15.00 "	12.00	500 NECKWE	R, 25c.
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sen 99 B. Gurrening 67, G. Dodman 66, R. Broadbent 16.
Class II.—F. bennett 85, C. Mc-Naughton 63, W. Cumming 46, N. Richardson 50,
Class I., Part II., Sr.—R. Richardson 54, K. Richardson 53, G. Broadbent 32.
Class I., Part II., Jr.—A. Richardson 103, J. Richardson 96, F. Cumming 48, B. Broadbent 29.
Part I., Sr.—H. Wilson 49, M. Cumming 41, H. Thompson 40, D. Salomon 34, C. Thompson 27, H. Cumming 19, E. Axford 10.
Part I., Jr.,—C., Vincent, R. Robson, I. Simmons.
Average attendance 39.
M. E. ROWE.
Teacher.

Ernie—No, she isn't going to marry flande after all. Ida—But they say he can quote Smerson and Browning. Ernie—Yes; but the other young ran can quote Sugar and Steel.

You can't always tell with man's wife is a blonde or briftom the color of a stray blair coat sleeve.

Money! Money