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## Underwear For Fall And Winter

These cool mornings and evenings, demand heavier Underwear—Such as Natural Wool, Merino, or light weight Fleece, even a nice medium weight Silk would feel quite comfortable.

We have in stock now, all weights, best qualities and prices. Medium weight Natural Wool Underwear 75c a garment, pure all wool Natural fall weight \$1.00. Extra fine brown Natural Wool, at \$1.25. Vellastic Ribbed Fleece, silk finish 75c, medium weight. Dark grey or black, heavy Molekin Novelty Sanitary Fleece 75c. Woolnap, extra heavy, all wool, at \$1.00. Elastic Ribb, heavy wool, at 75c. Elastic Ribb extra heavy, guaranteed all wool, unshrinkable, \$1.00. Cotton fleece lined, Underwear, all colors at 50c, and many other lines too numerous to mention. All sizes 32 to 46.

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Grand Opera

## A CLEAN-UP BARGAIN SALE

25 per cent. reduction on all Baby Carriages, Co-Carts, Refrigerators, Blue Flame Oil Stoves, Hammocks, Lawn Mowers.

They must go; we want the room. Come and get a bargain.

WESTMAN BROS. Big... Hardware

## SEEKS REST IN DEADLY DRUG

Pathetic Suicide of a Ridgetown Girl Who Sought Employment in Detroit

Was Discouraged and Had Only Money Enough to Purchase the Poison

Detroit, Sept. 29.—Discouraged, footsore and heartick because of her failure to obtain employment, Blanche Haines, twenty-one years old, who came to Detroit three weeks ago from her home in Ridgetown, committed suicide here to-day by swallowing enough arsenic to kill a dozen men.

With her last ten cent piece she purchased the poison at a drug store late last night, and a few hours later was unconscious, dying at three o'clock this morning.

When Miss Haines came to Detroit she went to stay with Mrs. David Ford, of Fort St. West, an old friend of her family. Miss Haines met with no success in her efforts to procure employment. For fourteen days she walked the streets, but met only rebuffs at every turn.

GIRL WAS DESPERATE. Last night she came home tired, discouraged and desperate. With 14 cents in her purse she started for a nearby drug store shortly before nine o'clock. She wanted the arsenic to kill rats she told the clerk and he handed out the poison without a word.

Early this morning Mrs. Ford was aroused by groans from Miss Haines' room, and rushing in she found the girl in convulsions.

Dr. F. L. Blanchard was hastily called, and though he worked assiduously over her was unable to save her life.

Her last words were: "Tell mother I love her."

The girl's parents have been notified, and the body will be shipped to Ridgetown.

## GOOD WORK

Arthur Bedford Developed and Drove Irene D. Who Broke Peninsular Track Record

Chairman John H. Glassford, of the Speed committee of the Peninsular Fair, calls The Planet's attention to the fact that it was Arthur Bedford, who so successfully drove Irene D. to the new track record on Thursday.

"Mr. Bedford," declared Mr. Glassford heartily, "deserves all the credit for the development and training of Irene D. He drove her in all her winning races and a better could not have been found. It is to his credit that the track record was beaten." Mr. Bedford is one of the Maple City's most popular and capable horsemen and The Planet joins his many friends in heartfelt congratulations.

## GOLDEN WEDDING

Mrs. and Mrs. Paul Gerber, of Harwich, Celebrate Their 50th Anniversary

A very pleasant and enjoyable golden wedding anniversary was celebrated on Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gerber on the 3rd concession, Harwich. Mr. and Mrs. Gerber, who are both in the best of health, have had a pleasant and profitable life, and on the occasion of their golden wedding day their family and friends gathered together to celebrate the event which they did in grand style.

There were about 30 grandchildren present, and among the other guests were the following children of the happy old couple: Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Gerber, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gerber, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gerber, Mr. and Mrs. John Gerber, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Zimmer, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Zimmer, Mr. and Mrs. Valentine Zimmer, Mr. and Mrs. Paul and Henry Gerber. Two honored guests were Mr. and Mrs. Valentine Zimmer, Sr., who celebrated their golden anniversary just a week ago. Many useful and beautiful presents were received. Mr. Gerber is 50 years of age and Mrs. Gerber is 75. They both thoroughly enjoyed the reunion.

After an elaborate wedding supper had been partaken of a number of young folks from the vicinity arrived and prolonged the festivities with a dance, which lasted until the wee sma' hours of the morning.

## EXECUT SCHOOL BOARDS, DECREE OF CITY COUNCIL

Public School and Collegiate Institute Representatives Wiped out of Corporate Existence—Mayor Cowan and Ald. Austin Carry Through Their Project—Chatham to Elect Board of Education Next January—Ald. King Questions Position of County

Any real, live, strenuous battle to the death which may have been contemplated between his worship Mayor Cowan and the Public School Board will now have to be pulled off in fairly short order, as the School Board will be unable to supply targets and firing line for him much longer. In three short months the Board will give up the ghost—not, alas, one of those passive, peaceful, pleasant passings to a well-merited reward with a popular verdict as good and faithful servants; but because they were urged—urged at the sharp and deadly point of the stiletto, wielded with the death-dealing accuracy and skill by the battle-scarred and fearless swordsmen who occupies the civic executive chair.

Accompanying the Public School Board cortege will be the sombre procession of the C. C. I. representatives who will fraternize with their confreres at the death. Execut omnes! "Carried unanimously." Yes; there was a trace of a triumphant smile on his worship's face and a stentorian and satisfied emphasis in his voice as he sealed the decree that united his corporate foes in death. And he smiled graciously towards Ald. Austin, the sponsor of the motion that did the deed.

All the members of Council were present at the special session last night when Ald. Austin introduced the motion to do away with the Public and High School Boards and form in lieu thereof a Board of Education to be elected by the city at large next January.

Only one point of force had been urged against the proposition, he pointed out. This was the matter to which The Planet recently called attention, as to the complications which might arise over county representation. To clear up the matter, Ald. Austin had written to the Minister of Education, and his deputy, John Miller, had replied that if the city desired to adopt the act there would cease to be county representation.

He then wrote asking what position county pupils would be in and learned that the county was still liable to pay for them and the matter of adjusting rates would be in the hands of the Board of Education and the County Council.

At the present time, said Ald. Austin, dissatisfaction with the county was felt on the C. C. I. Board and case was going before the judge. It was quite apparent, too, that the accommodation at the C. C. I. was inadequate and the use of the assembly room was only consented to temporarily by the Inspector. The city would have to build an addition to which the county wouldn't contribute a cent, and their pupils are coming in while they only pay 80 per cent. of their actual cost, the city paying 20 per cent. of the cost of county pupils.

Ald. King said that without county representation on the Board would not trouble result with the county? Would they still be responsible for their share of maintenance? Would it not cause unpleasant complications? Would the county not feel that they were unfairly dealt with in having no representative on the Board? Was there any chance of trouble or lawsuit?

Ald. Austin—No more trouble than they are having now. The city solicitor has been asked to enter action and he has been holding off in the hope that some settlement may be arrived at. The new Board of Education will say whether they are willing to take county pupils at a fair price or not. The city is now paying 20 per cent. of the cost of each county pupil. We say, we want you to pay your fair share.

The Mayor—This has been a bone of contention for some time and they are now on the verge of a lawsuit. City Solicitor Wilson has been persuading the Board not to get into a lawsuit and litigation, and holding them back.

Ald. Edmondson—There is no conflict regarding separate school representation, I understand, and the city has the right to pass legislation in their own interests. It will be easier to dictate terms to the county under a Board of Education.

Ald. Potter—I believe it to be in the interests of the city to form a Board of Education, but I think we should do our best to keep on good terms with the county. I do not want to see any trouble or complication. We can better work together for mutual benefit.

Ald. Austin—For every \$2 maintenance the city pays \$1.20 and the county 80c. I do not think that fair or right.

Ald. King asked that the act be read, which was done by the city clerk.

Ald. King—Can we apply this act? Are we not in a High School district, which is specifically excluded?

City Clerk—No, this is not a High School district, it applies to towns.

## FINANCIAL BREAKDOWN

Real Reason Why Japan Made Peace at Portsmouth.

Fear That Rice and Cereal Crops Were Doomed to Failure and the Unexpected Costliness of the War Worked in Favor of the Settlement With Russia—Hard Times With Six Months More of War.

Tokio, Sept. 30.—Notwithstanding the silence of the Government, the real fact is disclosed that Japan made peace at Portsmouth in fear of a financial breakdown. The war proved more costly than had been calculated, and the rice and cereal crops seemed doomed to failure. Instead of sunlight and warmth during the month of August, when the crops ripen, there was continuous rain and exceedingly cold weather. While some improvement may still be in store, it is certain that the rice crop promises to be from fifteen to twenty per cent. below the average and far below last year's crop, when it was marvellously large. Six months more of war would have meant very hard times for the masses of the people are very poor and rice is their bread and meat.

Should Have Taken All. Tokio, Sept. 30.—Lieut.-Gen. Hara-guchi, commander-in-chief of the Japanese military forces on Sakhalin Island, accompanied by his staff, arrived at the Ueno Railroad station yesterday morning. The general said: "We are sorry that only one-half of the island has been taken, but that was no fault of yours," a statement which created much merriment.

## CHIEF OF CZAR'S CABINET.

New Post Said To Be In Store For Peacemaker Witte.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 30.—M. Witte left St. Petersburg at noon by boat to meet Emperor Nicholas, who, with his family, is prolonging his yachting trip in the Finnish Gulf. M. Witte had not expected when he arrived here to be received in audience until the Emperor's return to Peterhof, but Thursday evening he received the Imperial command to come yesterday to Bjorko on board a vessel which was sent for him. His Majesty desiring to hear immediately from his envoy's lips an account of his important and successful mission.

It has been reported that M. Witte will be made a count and receive the order of St. Andrew, but a more substantial honor may be his nomination to the post of chief of the Cabinet of Ministers, the details of which are now being elaborated, and which would make him the first subject in the realm, with the right of naming all the Ministers except the court and war Ministers.

## THREE ACCIDENTS

Automobiles Cause Considerable Excitement in the City Yesterday and To-Day

There were two automobile accidents in the city yesterday and one to-day, but in no case was any serious damage done.

Yesterday afternoon about five o'clock a dog was run down by a machine near the Rankin House. The little animal, a water spaniel, received a broken leg and was later on shot and relieved from its suffering.

The other accident yesterday also happened in the afternoon. One of the Maple City chaffeurs was engaged in turning his machine around when the noise frightened a horse which was standing near. The motorist immediately stopped his machine but the horse made a dash and ran into a telegraph pole. In the buggy was a woman, an invalid. She escaped without any injury, largely through the prompt and courteous action of Ald. O'Keefe, who sprang from the auto to her assistance, although she was thoroughly frightened.

The other one happened this morning about ten o'clock, when another machine ran into a buggy on King street. There was a lady in the buggy and she also received a thorough nervous shock. In no case can any blame be attached to the owners of the automobiles, and in each case the drivers acted in a gentlemanly way in trying to undo the damage that had been accidentally done.

## WELCOME HOME

Last evening the William street Baptist church was the scene of a bright and most enjoyable occasion. The members and friends turned out in large numbers to greet Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt on their return from a long summer holiday in the British Isles. After devotional exercises a short program was entered upon, Judge Houston being chairman. Miss Barassin gave two eloquent numbers, which were well received. Mr. Phelps and the Misses Nevills and Swan contributed instrumental numbers in good style. Mrs. J. E. Oldershaw and Mr. Heave were well received in two vocal numbers and the choir gave a chorus. The chairman gave a hearty address of welcome to the pastor and his wife, to which Rev. Mr. Hoyt responded in fitting terms. Refreshments were then served and an enjoyable evening ended.

Fly from pleasure that bites tomorrow.

## Remnants of Wall Papers

Now on Sale at  
Our Store...

We have spent the last month in going through our stock and have our remnant of spring stock in shape for sale at one half regular price. Papers for Bedrooms, Parlors, Sitting Rooms, Dining Rooms, Halls, Libraries, Kitchens, in fact every room in the house. These Remnants are not old stock, but bright new up-to-date goods, and when you get them at one half our regular price it's like giving them away.

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