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LADIES' MISSES' and CHILDREN'S JACKETS AT ONE HALF-PRICE

Just the naggiest assortment of Jackets you would want to look at, and when you think of buying them at One-Half Prices, makes you feel like getting out your pocket-book. Don't you think? Here they go.

20 Children's Jackets worth from \$2.75 to \$5.00, your choice of them at Half-Price.

Ladies' and Misses' regular	\$5.00	Jackets at	\$2.50
Ladies' " " "	\$8.00	" " "	4.00
Ladies' " " "	10.00	" " "	5.00
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Ladies' " " "	15.00	" " "	7.50
Ladies' " " "	20.00	" " "	10.00

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35 only Ladies' Outing Hats, Ready-to-wear, choice goods, worth regular from \$2.00 to \$3.75, your choice while they last at 75c.

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Some of the choicest of the season's goods, made up in our own workrooms, worth regular from \$5.00 to \$20.00, your choice at Half-Price.

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Have You Tasted Gold Medal Coffee?

The demonstrations by Miss Hendershot, of

EBY - BLAIN'S GOLD MEDAL COFFEE

As Made in the Celebrated

Eby - Blain's Quick Coffee Pot,

Have attracted wide interest.

Miss Hendershot will continue these demonstrations throughout next week at the store of **GEORGE HEYWARD**. No housekeeper in Chatham or vicinity should miss these demonstrations.

Be sure to call at Mr Heyward's Store and taste this delicious coffee as made by simple but excellent process.

Reduction in Gas Coke... FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY

To introduce the use of Gas Coke in the home of every fuel user in Chatham, Gas Coke will be Reduced to 10c. per Bushel for Natural Size, and 12 1-2c. per Bushel for Crushed Size, for orders received in January.

A full cart load of 30 Bushel Natural Size or Crushed Size delivered for \$3.25 or \$3.75 respectively.

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Smaller quantities, from one bushel up, will be sold at the above prices at the Works.

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CANADIANS ON CANADA.

Contributors to Special Edition of London Financial News-Sunday Express—Must Give Us Favors.

London, Jan. 23.—(C. A. P.)—The Financial News' twentieth anniversary number contains articles by prominent Canadians. H. S. Scott attributes Canadian trade expansion largely to the natural resources of the Dominion and the prominent position she has taken since the Diamond Jubilee. He finds Canada's trade unsettled touching the trade policy, but is hopeful that her political destiny lies along lines advantageous to the Empire and the colonies.

The Hon. Mr. Blair writes of the great part that will be played by the new transcontinental line. Populating the districts about the Great Lakes would require five or six through railways.

D. R. Wilkie, dwelling on the banking system, says that the magnificent Canadian prosperity has only been possible through the assistance of Canadian chartered banks. It is a remarkable fact that the deposits for the past eight years have more than doubled.

Professor Ashley, speaking in a London institution yesterday, said unless Canadian farmers are given British favors, Canada would listen to American overtures. The lecturer had not unbounded faith in the preferential plan, but it was the only chance left. He recognized the risk of friction over preferential negotiations among small British statesmen.

When Will Britain Wake Up? Kinlock Cooke says the Prince of Wales' memorable speech at Guildhall will never be fulfilled until the establishment of a department of emigration in Downing street.

Sir John's Appointment. Sir John Anderson, secretary of the Colonial Premiers' Conference in 1897, and a member of the Duke of York's staff while on his tour of Greater Britain, has been appointed Governor of the Malay States.

MURDEROUS ASSAULT. Young Man in London Strikes Woman With Iron Bolt. London, Jan. 23.—A murderous assault was made on Mrs. Parker, an aged lady who keeps a small grocery at the corner of Colborne and Simcoe streets, this city, yesterday. A young man whose name is thought to be Brooks, stepped into the store and asked for a plug of tobacco, and when Mrs. Parker turned to get it he dealt her a heavy blow on the back of the head with a large iron bolt.

When she turned around and faced him he struck her another blow on the forehead. At this he seemed to become frightened and ran out of the store. His motive for committing the deed was evidently theft, as Mrs. Parker lives alone and is thought to have a little money stored away. Mrs. Parker's condition is serious. She showed wonderful courage, having dragged herself to the door and called for help. The police were notified and have a good description of the young man, and hope to locate him soon.

PAUL KRUGER DYING. Aged Ex-President of Transvaal Passing Away at the Hague. The Hague, Jan. 23.—"Oom Paul" is dying. His memory gone, his 80 years pressing heavily on his whitened head, his steps feeble, his passion for outdoor life gone, the man who almost brought Great Britain to her knees and staggered mankind in South Africa cannot live much longer.

His friends are fearing and prepared for the worst, and would not be surprised at any moment to hear that the man who was once President of the South African Republic, had gone to join his fallen companions and his dead wife. The change in his condition began about a week ago. Oom Paul now has somebody with him every hour of the day and night. He is tired of life.

DIED OF STARVATION. Hubbard of "Goring" Lost Life in Wilds of Labrador. Quebec, Jan. 23.—Word was received here yesterday from Chateau Bay, on the Labrador coast, that a courier had arrived there the day before from Northwest River with the information that Mr. Hubbard of the exploring party sent out by the "Goring" of New York had died from starvation in the wilds of Labrador on the 18th October last, and that the remains were on their way to Quebec by dog train with the other members of the expedition, which expected to reach Chateau Bay some time in March. Northwest River is several hundred miles below Chateau Bay.

Mr. Creelman Appointed. Toronto, Jan. 23.—At a session of the Cabinet yesterday afternoon, G. C. Creelman, superintendent of Farmers' Institutes, was appointed president of the Ontario Agricultural College at Guelph. The salary is \$2,000 a year and a free residence.

The opening chapters of our new story, "Case 113," will be found in tonight's Planet. Start at the beginning. You will enjoy it.

PEN "POETRY" TO BACHELOR MAIDS

Maple City Youths Express Their Leap-Year Sentiments in Souful Song.

Fair Hostesses Inspire Poetical Fervor and Literary Genius in Fortunate Recipients of their Invitations.

The bachelor maids of Chatham will give a dance in the I. O. O. F. Auditorium on Tuesday night, Jan. 26th. They sent out invitations to all the young men and these requests to be present were written in poetry. The gallant youths of this city could do no less than reply in verse. Some of the replies are here given, but don't examine the poems too carefully as the boys are not just too used to writing verses. For obvious reasons the names are withheld with a view not to nipping blossoming genius in the bud but for kindness sake. The public may, of course, figure out the authors for themselves.

THE INVITATION.

Know ye, the bachelor maids in Chatham's bound, Have waited long for Leap Year to come round, And thus enjoy their privilege and their pleasure To gather in their friends to tread a measure.

So mark you well, at place and time recited, At hour precise, you are most cordially invited To join in dance and chase dull care away, Responders tout suite Monsieur s'il vous plait.

THE ANSWERS.

Ken ye bonnie lassies o' Chatham town, O' wondrous beauty and great renown, That it will give the greatest pleasure To ——— the Soot to tread with ye a measure. So at the time and place you name Your Scotch friend you will find the same.

And if a dance you have to spare, Just mark it down for him w' care.

Will ——— to the bachelor maids Presents his best respects, And tho' his hair is not in braids, He pleases there expects. Now if this verse is very bad, Don't send him to the bench, For that would make him very sad, He can't speak any French.

Mr. and Mrs. ———, of Chatham town, Have decided to don their best new gown For the festive dance of the bachelor maid, And forget that they are now old and said; And dance into the wee sma' hours, And enjoy themselves to the best of their powers.

Mr. ——— with pleasure accepts Your kind invitation, On Tuesday to join in the jollification; I'll be there, never fear, at the stroke of the hour, For I'm rather dread being a lovely wall flower.

Mr. ——— accepts with very much pleasure, With the bachelor maids to tread a measure, So with laughter and mirth and many a jest He'll do his utmost to stay with the rest, And if not on hand at the appointed hour, Tis 'cause "Harry's" afraid of being a wall flower.

Bill Smack accepts with many thanks and pleasure, The "Bachelor Maids" request to tread a measure On Tuesday night, the twenty-sixth of Jan, To enjoy a dance as only Smackie can.

Blank, Blank, the well known Satellite, Will be with you on Tuesday night; At the waltz and the lancers he's an adept, But for Heaven's sake, cut out that two step.

Please pardon P. S. added here, For the simple reason that much I fear That newspaper men who seek renown May scatter my ode about the town; So seldom my fancy takes a flight, Lock up the poem of the Satellite.

Mr. and Mrs. ——— consider it a pleasure, To be among the favored ones just asked to tread a measure With Chatham's bright and happy fair, "The Bachelor Maids" may each be there— And cupid in the midst of all, Be carry out "The Leap Year Ball."

With thanks, Dear Maids, and due

appreciation, Let me accept your kindly invitation, "To join in dance and chase dull care away," With you on your selected Leap Year day.

Among the most beautiful flowers, That may grace your dancing hall, Will be one of Long Bill Anchored to the wall.

To Chatham's maids I gladly pen this note, Acknowledging your kindness and forethought, To be in line and lightly tread a measure I'd travel twice as far, had I the leisure. Tho' snows be deep and winds howl o'er the wold, Tho' trains be late or stalled out on the cold, I'll be on hand—excuse my late reply! I've just got over gripper. Sore malady!

To the handsome bachelor maids, to-day, Hec. ——— writes to have his say; Your invitation he accepts with pleasure, For next Tuesday Eve, to tread a measure.

To bachelor maids of Chatham, greeting, To pass the hours—sure to be fleeting January twenty-sixth in Auditorium Hall, Monsieur ——— hopes to tend your ball; And else it be that something then do ail Will sure be present—never fail.

Thank you, ye witty maids of Maple City, For your kind, pretty, and thoughtful ditty; And know ye, that this sixteenth day of leap year Monsieur ——— accepte avec beaucoup de plaisir.

W. ——— is pleased to say, That he'll be present on the day, And 'twill give him greatest pleasure With bachelor maids to tread a measure.

You will find him at the hour With his chaperon, a blooming wall flower.

Mr. ——— is struck with fear, But will appear to girls so dear, On Tuesday Eve, of this leap year. Now please! do not let me shed a tear, At this, the dance of my career.

Oh, ye merry maids of Chatham, Mr. ——— thanks you all, And on Tuesday night he hopes to dance.

At your merry Leap Year Ball, Know ye, I accept with pleasure The invitation to tread a measure; With charming maids in fair bowers, But whatever be the fate of H. C. ——— a wall flower.

This heart hath felt a throb of joy, Incited by your "bid" so coy. Acceptance glad, I humbly send To you, sweet girls, man's dearest friend.

And may each maid and honored swain Glad hearts! inspired by Ziekle's strain, Living! long remember and cherish dear This "The Event," of a merry Leap Year.

O, maidens dear, O Chatham's fair, O light of our eyes, O woman rare, O Daughters of Eve—could ——— dare From thy sweet presence himself to tear, When thy dear faces and tender glances Are thrilling unworthy man through dreamy dances! But, oh! maidens all—how are the chances! Nay! nay! I were a churl, to refuse the whirl, Of dainty feet and muses' spell— Of sunshine hair and raven tresses— Of rustling silk and satin dresses— Of eyes of blue, of eyes of brown— Of sparkling eyes and eyes of down— Of whispered nothings—of accents sweet! Ye gods! man deserves not such a treat! So, to graceful waltz and two-step stride, At beauty's bower I will abide. But maidens sweet, I pray thee all, Do not leave me a picture on memory's wall.

OLEBRATED BIRTHDAY

Captain George Stranger, King St. West, celebrated his 89th birthday last Saturday. The Captain is still hale and hearty and does considerable work. The Captain when told the other day he was good for another ten years, said he could not tell when he would be called away, but he hoped to be useful till the end. He has been a great sailor in his day and has seen many hardships. His memory is almost perfect, and he remembers every incident of interest from Chatham's foundation.

City Property for Sale. Twelve-roomed House for sale, with basement and furnace. For further particulars apply at once to P. O. Box 598, Chatham.

BEES BETTER THAN EVER

Maccabees Minstrels Present Second Performance to Enthusiastic Audience.

The Show was Even Better Last Night Than Thursday—Ballet Held After Performance.

Although the crowd was not as large last night, as on Thursday night—doubtless owing to the weather conditions—nevertheless the Maccabees minstrel show was even better than the night before. There were no changes in the program, but the actors seemed right at home on the stage, and took their parts with evident ease.

Everything was better, the songs had even more vim, the dances more vigor and the show went off with a smoothness to be envied by any professional troupe.

After the performance last evening adjournment of the entire company was made to Northwood's restaurant, where a pleasing array of good things was done ample justice to.

Speeches and songs were in order, and a general good time for a couple of hours, was spent. All enjoyed the treat, which was a splendid finale for a few weeks' steady work in minstrelsy, which is far from easy work.

Neither side came out as well as they had anticipated, but think had the weather been fine, they would have doubled the receipts. As it was, the producer, Mr. Shepard, and the Maccabees came out fairly well. Each made about \$100.

The Maccabees appreciated the efforts of the pleasing young pianist, Miss Anna Dork, and presented her with a small purse of gold coins.

Mr. Shepard and Miss Dork left this morning for Port Huron, where rehearsals will begin at once for a minstrel show to be put on there. Mr. Shepard has produced six shows so far this season and intends putting on four more before the end of the season.

It was almost decided last evening to have Mr. Shepard here at the time of the convention in May next, and have him put on another minstrel show.

KING HENRY AT THE GRAND

Excellent Musical and Historic Program Provided for Friday Evening.

Ladies Guild and Macaulay Club Have Combined on the Event—Genuine Treat in Store.

A very delightful musical, literary and dramatic treat is in store for Chathamites in the production at the Grand next Friday evening under the joint auspices of the Macaulay Club and the Ladies' Guild of Christ Church.

The programs, which have just been issued from the press, disclose a delightful artistic menu. The first part of the program will be presided over by his worship Mayor McKeough and includes excellent vocal selections by G. A. Nichols, tenor, and M. Oppenheimer, basso, both of Detroit, who hold enviable reputations as popular and talented vocalists. The best local talent has also been secured in Miss Lucy McKellar, soprano; Miss Florence Stephenson, contralto; Miss Pearl White, mezzo-soprano, and Miss Yerna Heyward, soprano. Miss Flossie Bogart will also contribute an instrumental.

Prof. A. M. Straub, of Detroit, the well-known maestro, has kindly consented to act as accompanist for the evening.

The second part of the program will comprise the presentation by the Macaulay Club, under the direction of Mr. J. S. Lane, of the two scenes from the third act of Shakespeare's King Henry VIII. The production will be prefaced by a short resume of the opening acts of the play by Ald. Thomas Soullard.

Those who witnessed the successful presentation of the Trial Scene from The Merchant of Venice by the Club last year will appreciate the possibilities in the scenes selected for Friday's production.

Henry VIII. will be handsomely and historically costumed throughout by Brummer & Co., of Detroit; and special stage settings, and lighting effects are being introduced. Orville B. Cragg, of Detroit, who contributed so much to the success of last year, will be present to stage the production and superintend the "making up."

The scenes to be presented represent the banishment of Queen Katherine, the plot of the nobles and the fall of Wolsey. The Macaulay Club has been fortunate in securing the assistance and co-operation of a number of talented Maple City young

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ladies for this east, which has already been published. The whole production is under the business management of Mr. Harry Collins and promises to be a decidedly enjoyable one.

NOTHING DOING

The Joint Committees of City and County Arrive at No Decision—Adjourned Until Tuesday Noon.

The members of the Finance Committee of the City Council—Mayor McKeough, and Aldermen Marshall and Soullard, met with the special committee or the County Council, consisting of Messrs. Sifton, Grant and Haggart. The Warden was absent from the County Committee and Ald. Tye from the City. County Treasurer Fleming and City Clerk Merritt were also present.

The meeting was for the adjustment of the administration of justice accounts, opened shortly after two o'clock and adjournment was made at 5:30, until Tuesday, at 12 o'clock. The committees are no further ahead now than at the last meeting with the exception, probably, that the Mayor and Ald. Marshall expressed themselves as decided that the resolution made by Ald. Marshall and seconded by councillor Peter Haggart will be carried or the matter will be settled by arbitration.

The resolution was based on the recommendation of Auditor Macpherson, son's report, with some slight modifications. The county representatives seemed to think that Mr. Macpherson should show his figures on which he formed his basis of settlement.

Mr. Haggart said he had seconded the resolution of Mr. Marshall before he really understood it. He did not wish to make a division in the committee. Mr. Marshall said he would allow the seconder to withdraw.

Councillor Grant said he thought no one of the joint committee thoroughly understood the matter in hand and he would favor the motion of Ald. Soullard to have Mr. Macpherson give his figures.

Mr. Marshall said he thought Mr. Macpherson had given his figures. The Mayor—The city was perfectly willing to allow the agreement of last year to continue, but the county wanted a change. In consequence, Mr. Macpherson was called in and asked to make an equitable adjustment. Now it is either the acceptance of the report with Mr. Marshall's amendments, or arbitration.