

## The Planet.

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## THE BOARD OF TRADE AND CITY COUNCIL.

In connection with the recent differences which have apparently arisen between the Board of Trade and the City Council, the following comment from the Woodstock Express on Stratford and its progress may prove a pointer to the good people of our Maple City:

"A resident of Stratford, who was in the city yesterday, gave an interesting explanation of the secret of Stratford's progress in recent years. The credit is largely due to the board of trade, which is composed of some of the most active and influential men of the city. The board is constantly on the lookout for opportunities that may be turned to the advantage of the city. The people never think of waiting for the council to act, and perhaps vainly. The people recognize that the responsibility rests with themselves. The members of the council are but their servants, and they use them as such. When somebody hears of something that may be turned to good account, the board of trade takes the matter up and investigates it. If the investigation results favorably, the people are promptly informed, and invited to take action. Petitions are promptly put in circulation, and when the will of the people is emphatically expressed in the form of a petition, the council is called upon to act, and to give effect to the people's wishes. The council has learned to know its position and its duty, and it seldom hesitates. There is no conflict between the board of trade and the council, and there can be none, for each body realizes its own peculiar duties and privileges. The board of trade does not attempt to dictate, it knows better. It appeals to the people, and the people instruct the council. The council does not seek to dictate to the board of trade; it knows better. It has its own duties to perform. And so, according to our informant, popular government of the people, by the people, for the people. There is a lesson in Stratford's experience that other people might study with profit."

## THE BIRTH RATE.

Boston Herald.

There are not many children born to do the world's work, but the burden of their maintenance and bringing up is not evenly distributed in proportion to the ability of families. Socialism will get in touch with this problem some day.

## FIGHTING JAPANESE.

Chicago Tribune.

The Japanese have certainly demonstrated that, so far as their nation goes, what was formerly supposed to be the inherent inferiority of the yellow man to the white does not exist. Whether he likes it or not, the white man will hereafter have to acknowledge that both on land and sea the Jap is his equal, man for man, when it comes to fighting.

## A LETTER FROM EDISON.

New York Post.

An old acquaintance of Edison's, seeking employment, secured a note of introduction from the inventor to the assistant general manager of the telegraph company. "My Dear—," the note ran, "this will introduce Mr. \_\_\_\_\_, who was train despatcher on the Grand Trunk when I was a young conductor—Edison." The man was so proud of it that he never presented it, for fear it might pass from his hands forever.

## LIFE A GAME OF SKILL.

R. E. Welsh, in the Presbyterian.

Let be said firmly that life is a game of skill and not a game of chance. Sir Walter Scott puts it thus in a letter—"Life is like a game of cards—our hands are alternately good or bad, and the whole seems at first glance to depend on mere chance. But it is not so, for, in the long run the skill of the player predominates over the casualities of the game." And Sir Walter Scott had a right to speak, for he knew the ups and downs of fortune. Despite the surprise and defeat of his career, he saw that skill, wisdom, industry and character are more decisive factors in the higher issues than the vagaries of fickle fortune.

## DRUNKENNESS NO EXCUSE.

London Free Press.

A man was before the police court a day or two ago for insulting a lady. He said he was too drunk to know in what he had offended. He was let off with a small fine. In Hamilton last week a man asked a lady on the street to come and drink, and on her refusal, poked a lighted cigar into one of her eyes, burning the lid and nearly destroying the sight. He was "let off with a fine." The magistrates are altogether too lenient in these matters. Men should be taught that whether drunk or sober they are to be responsible to the fullest extent for offences of the sort described. "Smash the drinker," when he drinks so as to be obnoxious, is a good motto.

## Peculiar To Itself

In what it is and what it does—containing the best blood-purifying, alterative and tonic substances and effecting the most radical and permanent cures of all humors and eruptions, relieving weak, tired, languid feelings, and building up the whole system—is true only of

## Hood's Sarsaparilla

No other medicine acts like it; no other medicine has done so much real, substantial good, no other medicine has restored health and strength at so little cost.

"I was completely run down, troubled with headaches and dizziness and pains in my back. I could not sleep and had no appetite, and medicine did not do me any good until I took Hood's Sarsaparilla which gave great relief and in a short time entirely cured me." Mrs. L. WINTERSON, Orangeville, Ontario.

Hood's Sarsaparilla promises to cure and keeps the promise.

## Addresses Wanted

Secretary Scane wants the addresses of the following old boys:—

Newcombe, William.  
Owens, Roy.  
Oldershaw, Joseph.  
Oswald, David.  
O'Neill, Michael.  
Pegley, Torrance.  
Pegley, Charles.  
Pegley, Gerald.  
Piereson, Geo.  
Pratt, Charles.  
Pillsbury, Robt.  
Parson, Charles.  
Parkinson, Wm.  
Parkinson, Thos.  
Parkinson, Walter.  
Poole, Samuel.  
Poole, Charles.  
Poole, Wm.  
Peel, Joseph.

## BLOTCHY SKINS

A Trouble Due to Impure Blood Easily Remedied.

Bad blood is the one great cause of blotchy complexion and blotchy skins. This is why you must attack the trouble through the blood with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. All blotches, boils, ulcers, pimples and paleness are the direct, unmistakable result of weak blood loaded with impurities. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills conquer the poison; they drive out all the impurities; they actually make new, rich red blood; they strike right at the root of all complexion troubles; they are a positive and permanent cure for all virulent skin diseases like eczema, scrofula, pimples and erysipelas. They give you a clear, clean soft skin, free from all blemish and full of rosy health. Mr. Matthew Cook, Lamerton, N. W. T., tells how Dr. Williams' Pink Pills cured him of erysipelas after other medicines had failed. He says: "My skin was inflamed; my flesh tender and sore; my head ached; my tongue was coated; I had chills and thought I was taking fever. I tried several medicines, but nothing helped me until I began using Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and drove the trouble from my system, and I am now in the best of health. I think these pills the best medicine in the world for blood troubles."

It is an every day record of cures like this that has given Dr. Williams' Pink Pills their world-wide prominence. They cure when other medicines fail, but you must get the genuine with the full name "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People" on the wrapper around every box. You can get these pills at all druggists, or by mail at 50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50, by writing The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

## HOME FOR FRIENDLESS

The regular meeting of the Ladies of the Home took place Monday afternoon, May 9th, at Harrison Hall. There were twelve ladies present. After the regular routine business the following accounts were ordered paid:—

Deloge & Doyle, \$4.25.  
T. W. Smythe, \$8.75.  
W. F. Cornish, \$9.50.  
G. W. Reddick, \$2.25.  
Matron, \$20.00.  
St. Joseph's Hospital, \$42.50.  
Home Account.  
Keeley Bros., \$14.35.  
H. Macdonald, \$18.35.  
T. Lapp, \$4.00.  
Mrs. Torrington, \$15.00.

## A BIG FAMILY.

New names have to be assigned every year to accommodate the Disease Family, but they all revolve around one cause—The Stomach.

The receptacle of all you eat or drink cannot help but get clogged—very few escape. How can they? Just think of what lands in the stomach during a few hours—All sorts of things—sour, sweet, acid, starchy, light, heavy, vegetable and animal; all this raw material is tumbled into the stomach without much thought as to the order of its going, every particle of which has to be worked over, digested, and converted into food for nerves, blood, brain, kidneys, liver and bowels—for every tissue, cell and fibre of the body. Sometimes the stomach is overloaded, shocked and deranged and cannot do its work properly, and right here begins the starting point of disease, as no organ now receives proper nutriment, and usually the weakest cry out their warnings. That's why a well stomach means a well body, and that's why ANTI-PILL has such a marked effect. It soothes the irritated linings of the stomach, and so acts on the mucous membrane that the necessary supply of gastric juice to secure digestion is assured—ANTI-PILL, the Great System Treatment makes a well stomach.

## LETTERS FROM

## "OLD BOYS"

Judge Houston has received the following letter from his friend Walter Matheson, a Chatham old boy:

Helena, Mont., May 4, '04.

My Dear Friend.—Before thanking you for your kindly thoughtfulness in sending me the Old Boys' invitation, let me remind you that my address is Helena and not Billings, it being 18 years since I lived in Billings. I like the tone of the invitation very much, and would be greatly delighted to join in the festivities were I able to get away. The idea of an Old Boys' Re-union has always appealed to me very strongly. I do hope, however, to make an eastern trip this fall, taking in the St. Louis Fair, going to New York, and coming back via Ontario, on which occasion I shall favor Chatham with a two day visit and have an Old Boys' Re-union of my own with you. I hope that happiness and prosperity attend you.

I am working hard as ever and doing well; have gotten over the idea of a fortune. I ran over to Butte the other day to spend a day with my brother J. D., who was there for a couple of days.

In my capacity of Canadian Government Agent I continue to send many recruits up to Alberta to swell the population of that thriving territory. I may be tempted to settle in Edmonton or Calgary some day.

Northville, May 8, 1904.

Mr. W. W. Scane,

Chatham, Ont.:

Dear Sir,—I was pleased to receive your kind invitation to come to the Old Boys' Re-union. I was in the field working when Mrs. Blackburn brought the letter out to me. As soon as I read it I said there would be one old boy and one old girl go to Chatham on the 30th of May and stay a full week. I have been looking up all the Chatham boys and girls. I could find both here and in Plymouth, and expect a nice little crowd from here to see the old town again.

Besides I looked for an invitation from Wellington Lodge, No. 46, F. & A. M., to our Northville Lodge, No. 186, F. & A. M., to pay them a visit during the week of June the first, as I feel so proud of our old town that I would be pleased to have some of my Yankee friends see it and meet some of the Chatham brothers and let them see that Canadians don't live in the back woods.

Well, Mr. Scane, I am doing all I can to get a good crowd to visit the old town, and for myself I feel as if I can hardly wait to get to be there once more and meet the old friends once more. Yours, one of the Old Boys,

C. C. BLACKBURN.

Winnipeg, May 6, 1904.

Chatham, Ont.:

Dear Scane,—Your circular "Come Home Bill Bailey" duly received, for which accept thanks. I assure you nothing will give me more pleasure than meeting with old friends with whom I spent the better part of my life.

While I have found many new friends in other cities since I left Chatham, the old friends still occupy the warmest spot in my heart.

I think it was Johnston who said—Cherish friendship in your breast. The new is good, the old is best; Make new friends, but keep the old. The new are silver, the old are gold.

I shall anxiously wait for your re-union, when doubtless the streets and avenues of the Maple City will echo and ring with the Good Old Summer Time and the "Old Town Tonight."

With kindest regards to all the Chatham old boys,

I remain, yours sincerely,

T. L. L. LEWIS.

Yale Station, New Haven, Conn.

My Dear Aitken,—Glad to hear of "The Old Boys' Re-union." Thanks for your kind invitation. I'll be there about the first of June. Hoping you success, I remain, yours sincerely,

T. DENHARDT.

## "THE DOINGS"

The Old Boys' Re-union seems from every standpoint to be a success in the celebration line in the history of the West. Every detail seems to be working right in line towards making it a huge success. The organization in itself is one of which Chatham might well be proud.

The interest now has grown out of its infancy clothes, and now the whole city of Chatham has its welfare at heart and is interested in this successful undertaking. It will have, in all probability, indirect results, which may not be apparent at the present time, but good cannot but come to the general prosperity of the City.

As an advertising medium alone, the Old Boys' Re-union is one of the most direct means of advertising the city. It reaches parties that have little sentiment and habits. In this fertile soil the seeds of prosperity cannot but grow.

Our duty from a residential standpoint has many advantages, which stand out in bold relief in its picturesque scenery. In the words of the poet:

"Nestling midst thy maple groves, and avenues between,  
Spire and home and cottage, docket in evergreen."

With Father Thames flowing peacefully through this live and enterprising city, gains "aspirant" and moves faster towards its mouth. Its extreme beauty and grandeur of its scenery is well known throughout the country. The healthy glow, else-

## Extraordinary Clothing Values.

Sweeping Reductions in Boys', Youths' and Men's Suits. The Greatest Clothing Chance of the year. No matter what kind of clothing you want or what you are prepared to pay for it we can suit you and save you from One-Third to One-Half on the piece. Make good use of this chance while it lasts—it won't last long and won't likely come again for many months. Come in and see the extraordinary values these prices represent.

Men's Suits.—In good solid wearing domestic tweeds, good range of patterns, well tailored, substantial linings, regular \$6.50 to \$8.00, clearing at \$4.90

Men's Suits.—In fine Canadian and imported pure wool tweeds, and worsteds, smart up-to-date styles, and patterns, extra well tailored, best grade linings, sizes 35 to 44 in., regular \$8.50 to \$10.00, clearing at \$6.90

Men's Suits.—Fine Scotch tweeds, English and Scotch worsteds, of many of the noblest patterns, the choicest and most stylish ready-to-wear suits your money can buy, high class linings, and workmanship, sizes 35 to 42 in., regular \$12.50, \$14.00, and \$15.00 suits, clearing during this sale at \$9.90

Men's Odd Pants.—Pure wool tweeds in good range of patterns, well shaped and sewn, regular \$1.50 to \$2.50 a pair, clearing during this sale at \$1.38

Men's Odd Pants.—In fine tweeds and imported worsteds, choice patterns, extra well made, regular \$3.00 to \$3.50, clearing at \$2.68

Boys' 2-pc. Suits.—34 only boys' 2-pc. suits, in range of natty tweeds and serges, sizes 22 to 29 in., regular \$2.75, \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$3.75, clearing at \$2.38

Boys' 3-pc. Suits.—Odd lines and sizes, regular \$4.00 each, clearing at \$2.38

Boys' 3-pc. Suits.—In fancy tweeds and serges, good range of styles, regular up to \$5.50 each, clearing at \$3.48

Young men's suits.—26 only in fine tweeds, good range of stylish patterns, sizes 30 to 35, regular \$5.00, \$6.00, \$6.50 and \$7.00 suits, clearing at \$4.68

Boys' knicker pants.—In strong Canadian tweeds, good range of patterns, made with double knees and double seats, lined throughout, regular 60c to 75c, all sizes, clearing at 50c

Boys' knicker pants.—Pure wool tweeds, corduroys and navy serge, made double knees and double seats, all sizes, clearing at 68c and 75c

Men's overalls.—5 dozen men's heavy cottoned, duck and denim overalls, well made, regular 65c to 75c a pair, sale price 48c

Men's odd vests.—4 dozen men's odd vests, regular \$1.00 to \$1.25, clearing at 88c

Men's rain coats.—18 only men's rain coats, light and dark colors, regular \$3.90 to \$5.00 each, clearing at \$3.19

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tie step, graceful vivacity and intellectuality of its women is beyond comparison. Once having visited Chatham there is an irresistible force, which holds like the scenes of one's boyhood pleasures, and which will never be forgotten by our wanderers.

## RELIEVE AT ONCE CURE COMPLETELY

What Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets Do And How They Do It—The Theory And The Proof.

"I had been a sufferer from Dyspepsia for several years. Nothing late would digest without giving me great pain, and I could not get anything to relieve me. On the advice of a friend I started to use Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets. I used only one box and I am cured."

This statement is made by Miss Lizzie Watling, dressmaker, 177 King William St., Hamilton, Ont. It and thousands of similar statements are the proof that Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets always cure Indigestion and Dyspepsia. No case has yet been heard of where they failed to effect a cure. The method on which they work is simplicity itself. They contain all the ingredients of the gastric juices the stomach must furnish to digest the food. Thus Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets practically relieve the stomach of the work of digestion. The stomach thus relieved rests and recuperates and is soon in a position to do all its own work easily and well. That's why Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets cure permanently as well as relieve.

## DISTRICT DOINGS WALLACEBURG

May 11.—The Winoona carried an excursion to Detroit yesterday under the auspices of the Knights of Pythias.

A tennis club will be organized among the Pt. Lambton resorters this summer.

Dr. Dewar, of Chatham, was a Wallaceburg visitor yesterday.

## Cure Eczema

Boils, Salt Rheum, Scrofula, and all blood diseases permanently by using

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We are in a position to furnish rope in 12 sizes, from One-Quarter Inch to One and One-Quarter Inch, also Binder Twine, 500 feet to the Pound.

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## CHATHAM STREET CARNIVAL AND OLD BOYS' RE-UNION

Chatham, Ontario.

## ONE SOLID WEEK FROM MAY 30TH TO JUNE 4TH, 1904

Send in the names of any former residents of this City or the County to

## W. W. SCANE, SECRETARY.

that literature can be sent them at once.

## FOR SALE

House and lot on the corner of Victoria Avenue and Amelia Street. The house is in good repair with modern conveniences, including both electric light and gas. There is also a good cellar, barn and fruit orchard.

The lot has 136 feet frontage on Victoria Avenue, by 285 feet on Amelia St., extending to Lydian Ave., and is the highest location in the city.

The property if desired, will be divided, making 2 lots on Victoria Avenue and 2 on Amelia Street.

Also a lot and frame house with brick foundation in good repair on Lydian Avenue.

Also lots Nos. 3 and 4, on Elizabeth Street.

Also a house and two lots on Peter Street, Bothwell, known as the R. Martin property.

Apply to J. C. Fleming, Executor of Banning Estate, at the Co. Treas. Office, Harrison Hall.

## MUSIC.

MR. E. B. ARTHUR, Organist and Choir Director of First Presbyterian Church, has opened classes for Organ, Piano and Theory. For terms apply at residence, Prince St., directly opp. Jail.

## AUCTION SALE

Valuable City Property

Victoria Avenue.

Andrew Thomson, Jr., Auctioneer, was received instructions to offer for sale, by Public Auction, on Wednesday, May 18th, 1904, at 2 o'clock p.m., on the premises, that very desirable property situated on the corner of Victoria Ave. and Forest St., extending back to Lydian Ave., the residence of the late R. B. Esq.

Upon the property is well built two and one-half frame house, brick foundation, containing ten large rooms, a bath, hot-water heating, open ing, bath rooms, marble mantel hall, lavatory, winter and kitchen, green house and a beautiful, well-swarded lawn, shrubbery and flower garden, large orchard in rear. The lot has a frontage of 158 feet on Victoria Ave., running back about to Lydian Ave.

This property will be offered in block, but if not sold will be divided.

Terms and conditions will be known on day of sale or upon application to

ANDREW THOMSON, Auctioneer