

## ...SOCIETY...

Mrs. Helen Atkinson is visiting in Detroit.

Mrs. J. M. Park entertained a few of the young girls to a high tea on Tuesday evening.

Miss Belle Somerville has returned from a six months' visit with friends in Winnipeg, Man.

Mrs. Archie Campbell, of Toronto Junction, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. N. H. Stevens.

Judge and Mrs. Bell and Miss Margaret left this week for Australia. Miss Bell will remain in Chatham.

Mrs. James returned to her home in Toronto this week after a pleasant visit with Mrs. F. D. Laurie.

Mr. and Mrs. Will A. Stevens have returned from Washington and are now established in their new home on Hilliard street.

Mrs. Helen Thomas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Thomas, has returned from a couple of months' visit with friends in Montreal, Quebec, Ottawa and Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Trudell entertained about fifty of their friends Thursday evening. Cards furnished a pleasant pastime till luncheon and then the guests danced to the strains of excellent music.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Park, Queen street, entertained a number of their friends Thursday evening to a card party. The house was prettily decorated and the guests spent a very enjoyable evening.

Mrs. Chas. Dunn, Dover street, gave a Valentine high tea on Tuesday afternoon in honor of Miss Landon, of London. The rooms were daintily decorated with appropriate emblems of the day, red hearts, cupid and arrows. Mrs. Landon is always a charming hostess and under her care everybody always has a pleasant time. This was one of those bright social functions exclusively appreciated by the ladies.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Glenn, Park street, entertained a large number of their Maple City friends on Wednesday night. This was one of the largest social events of the season. Amongst the out of town guests were Mrs. Archie Campbell, Toronto Junction, and Miss Landon, of London.

The evening was pleasantly spent playing eight-hand euchre. Mrs. J. T. O'Keefe, Mrs. J. G. Ritchard, Mr. McGregor and W. G. Richards carried off the honors. Miss Susan Taylor and Miss Nan Eastley assisted the host and hostess in entertaining.

The officers and members of the Hya Yaka Club gave their third annual dance in the Temple Building last night, says the Mail-Enterprise. The windows were covered with curtains of fan-like draperies of the Dental College colors in a most artistic manner. A first-class orchestra played on the platform and everything went off exceedingly well, so that it should be considered the trouble taken by the Executive to entertain their guests. Among those present were Miss Richards, Chatham, attired in pale blue and lace, Miss Aggie Tilt and Duncan Robertson.

The Ladies Assisting Society of the Public General Hospital will take charge of the Austin Store next Friday and Saturday and will conduct the business of the store in the way the ladies would do if they owned the store. The proceeds will be in aid of the Maternity Ward of the Public General Hospital. There will be a dining room in connection with the store and an orchestra will furnish music. A real pianist has been secured and the lady visitors may have their hands read if they so desire. The following are the ladies who will assist at the sale:

Mrs. McKay and Phil more to oversee dining room.

Refreshment room—Mesdames J. H. Bogart, P. G. Scott, McGregor, Bell, Heath, Stephenson, McKend, T. K. Holmes, Dunn, Young, Dennis, and Miss Kingston.

Floor walkers—Mesdames Gardiner, Martin, Stegman, N. H. Stevens, Glover and handkerchiefs—Mesdames Willard, Merritt, W. J. Merritt.

Silks and dress goods—Mesdames Innes, Riepin, Glenn, W. A. Hadley, Staple department—Mesdames Austin, Gray, Draper, Pilkey, Duncan, Charles Hadley, Kingmill, Ribbons—Mrs. Landon.

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Corsets—Mrs. E. R. Smith.

Gentle furnishings—Mesdames Jos. Hadley, Scane, and Mrs. Crow.

Carpets and curtains—Mesdames Lewis, Oldershaw.

Ladies' white underwear—Mesdames Mosley, Bogart, H. Smith.

Embroideries—Mesdames Geo. Merritt, Oldershaw.

Furniture department—Mrs. Fleming.

Parcel counter—Mesdames Cobble-dick, F. Smith, Campbell.

Hosiery and underwear—Mrs. Weir.

Cash—Mrs. Pritchard, Mrs. McKenough.

## District Dashes

P. H. O'Keefe, formerly editor of the Bathwell Times, has signed to pitch for the Hartford, Conn., baseball club next season.

Mrs. H. D. Smith, Mrs. H. N. Gil-les, and Mrs. W. E. Gundy came over from Chatham to attend the Methodist anniversary tea and entertainment Monday evening. — Ridgetown Dominion.

Mr. W. A. Keith, son of Mr. Robt. Keith, was appointed Treasurer of Tilbury West by the council on Saturday. Mr. Keith is a young man, a native of the township, and every-body wishes him well. — Comber Herald.

We have received a very interesting letter from Rev. C. A. MacLennan, B. A., of Norwood, a MacLennan, a pastor of the Presbyterian church here. The reverend gentleman is doing good work in Norwood. — Comber Herald.

Mrs. Selma F. Baird writes from Detroit that she has been granted a divorce, by Judge Donovan, from Geo. A. Baird, for desertion, extreme cruelty and non-support. — Ridgetown Dominion.

Mr. and Mrs. Baird formerly lived in this city, occupying a residence on Lansdowne avenue.

The Rodney Casket Company, of Rodney village, has just been formed with a capital of \$35,000. Mr. Wilbur Scane, son of O. E. Scane, of this town, is the manager. Mr. Scane has had considerable experience in the casket business. He was once the manager of the Ridgetown casket factory. — Ridgetown Dominion.

Wm. Jackson, M.P., occupies a seat in the back row on the opposition side of the House. He has not a desk mate. A. B. Ingram, M.P., sits in the third row with R. Blain, of Peel. Owing to the overcrowded state of the Government benches, Mr. Schell, of South Oxford, is seated with a number of other members on the opposition side. Mr. Gordon, of East Kent, sits on the last row on the Government side.

DEATH OF JOHN DUCK.  
John Duck died at his home in Morpeth last night.

The news of Mr. Duck's death reached town this morning and was received with universal regret.

Mr. Duck, who was within a few days of his eightieth birthday, was one of the oldest and most highly respected citizens of Kent County and had filled with credit many positions of honor and trust. He served many years in the Howard and Kent County Council as Reeve and Warden. He was a member of the Church of England, a Liberal in politics, and a member of the A. F. & A. M. He leaves a widow, two sons and one daughter, viz., Henry F., George, and Mrs. Rose Duck. — Ridgetown Dominion.

NEW MEAT MARKET  
Was Opened on Saturday Last Jan. 14th, King St. West, Next To Dr. Ty's Recent Office.

We wish to call the attention of the meat eaters of Chatham to the fact that we are prepared to furnish a superior quality of fresh and cured meats at very reasonable prices, as we raise and cure our live stock on our farms in Devon. We middle profits to pay. Direct from the farm to the consumer.

We will also keep in stock a first class line of canned goods, consisting of corn, peas, tomatoes, pork and beans, garden, canned salmon, bottled pickles and a special line of teas, which will surprise you how we sell such fine goods at such low prices.

Headquarters for home, lard, bologna, and pork sausage, the very best always in stock.

Call and see us over if you can't wait to buy. We will be pleased to make your acquaintance.

GEO. STACEY & CO.,  
Late of Port Hope,  
Telephone 391.

Schoolboy Humor.  
Etc. is a sign used to make believe you know more than you do.

The equator is a imaginary line running around the center of the earth. The nebula is like a horse, only striped and used to illustrate the letter Z.

A vacuum is nothing but a box. — Definitions by London School Children.

That Was Different.  
Mrs. Little—What a beautiful world it must have been when there were only Adam and Eve in it! There was nobody to say nasty things about them. Mrs. Tattle—But, then, they had nobody to talk about. Mrs. Little—Well, I guess, after all, the world has improved since their time.



## POOR BENSON.

He's Sorry Now That He Mentioned the Ham at All.

Mr. Benson declares that hereafter he is going to tell the straight truth, no matter how badly it may hurt the other fellow. That is a form of cruelty from which Benson hitherto has thoughtfully refrained. His wife has benefited most frequently by his considerate repression of facts. Indeed so careful has Benson always been of her feelings that he has not only withheld facts, but even has been known to substitute a positive untruth just to keep her from feeling badly. That was what he did just before she went to Boston. The morning she went away Mrs. Benson took Benson into the kitchen and showed him the ice box.

"I know," she said, "how you dislike eating in restaurants, so I have left enough provisions cooked to last you for several days. Here are cakes, preserved fruits, and a boiled ham. You can make your own coffee and by boiling potatoes whenever you feel hungry for them you will be spared the horror of restaurant fare for at least a week."

Benson surveyed his well stocked commissariat with pangs of incipient dyspepsia. The prospect of dining alone on cold viands and boiled potatoes offered but few more attractions than a course in public eating houses, but his habitual regard for Mrs. Benson's feelings prevented his saying so.

On the contrary, he thanked her effusively for her tender thoughtfulness. "That ham," said he, "looks particularly fine. I am anxious to get at it now. I shan't step a foot inside of a restaurant so long as there is a scrap of it left."

Mrs. Benson beamed with the happiness of the well doer whose deeds of kindness are appreciated by the recipient. "I thought you would like it," she said.

The next day when writing from Boston Mrs. Benson appended a postscript to her six page letter.

"How is the ham?" she asked.

In reply to this query Benson wrote: "The ham is delicious. I eat it for breakfast and for dinner. Yesterday I happened to be in this neighborhood at lunch time, and will you believe me—I couldn't bear to go down town again without a bite of that ham, so I came in and had a snack. You were a trump to leave me so well provided for."

In her next letter Mrs. Benson asked, "Have you any ham left?"

The forward Benson forwarded to Boston daily bulletins of the state of the ham market. For the most part this information was conveyed in letters and postal cards, but on the tenth day he rushed into telegraphic activity. That morning he had dumped four-fifths of the ham into the garbage can, so he wired, with a strict regard for truth.

"The ham is gone."

On the twelfth day after Mrs. Benson's departure Benson received an express package from Boston. Wonderingly he paid the charges of 75 cents and wonderingly he unwrapped the box.

"For the love of heaven!" groaned Benson, and resolved thenceforward to state valiantly by the truth.

Mrs. Benson had sent him another ham.

Just Like A Woman.  
Mrs. Scribner (impressively)—What ever you do, never marry a newspaper man.

School Chum—Why not?

"I married one, and I know. Every night my husband brings me a big bundle of newspapers from all over the country, and they almost drive me crazy."

"The newspapers?"

"Indeed they do. They are just crammed with the most astonishing bargains in stores a thousand miles away."

A Light Reason.  
"Why are you so happy, old man?"

"Pay raised?"

"None."

"Wife away?"

"None."

"On your vacation?"

"None."

"Then why so joyful?"

"I just got my gas bill and it's only half what I expected." — Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A Lucky Find.  
Bugs—My! Won't these matches make nice firewood?

Papa Spoiled It.  
She—After all, George, I think a public wedding would be better.

He—And give up the elopement?

She—Yes. You see, papa has refused to lend us his automobile—so what's the use? — Judge.

## Specials for To-Night and Monday

## LADIES' COATS—

A few lines in all wool frieze and mixtures, regular prices up to \$8.00 each, clearing at \$2.89 and \$3.48.

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Handsome styles, in kersey, frieze, beaver and fancy mixtures, regular \$8, \$10 and \$12 each, marked for quick clearing at \$3.95.

## FUR RUFFS—

Scarfs, boas, collars, capelines, etc., the biggest values you have seen this season.

## LADIES' FUR COATS—

All our \$23 black Astrachan coats for \$18.90.

All our \$35 and \$37.50 Astrachan coats for \$29.90.

All our \$35 Greenland Seal coats for \$28.90.

All our \$50 Russian Lamb coats for \$39.90.

\$50 Bear Seal coats, Sable trimmed, for \$39.90.

\$2.00, \$2.25 AND \$2.50 UNDER-SKIRTS AT \$1.39 EACH—

60 dozen ladies' rich quality mercerized satana underskirts, handsome styles, sold regular up to \$2.50 each, clearing Saturday at \$1.39.

STRIPE SHAKER FLANNELS AT 4c YARD—

600 yards stripe shaker flannels, good range of patterns, fast colors, Saturday a yard 4c.

LADIES' \$2.50 GOLF COATS AT \$2 EACH—

Fine quality, pure wool, plain and fancy knit, latest styles, colors navy, cardinal, white, brown and black, regular \$2.50, Saturday \$2.00.

LADIES' FUR CAPES—

A few long lengths left—Regular \$10.00 capes at \$6.90.

Regular \$11.50 capes at \$7.00.

Regular \$14.50 capes at \$9.90.

MILL ENDS OF TOWELLINGS—

800 yards mill ends of towellings, crabs and tea towellings of every description, in lengths of 1 yard to 10 yards each, clearing at over One-Third Off.

90c DRESSING SACQUES 63c—

18 only fine flannelette dressing sacques and kimono, pretty styles, prettily trimmed, regular price up to 90c each, Saturday 63c.

LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S UNDERWEAR—

A big clearing sale in these lines Saturday.

BLACK FRENCH TAFFETA SILK 36c YARD—

Rich, pure quality, best dye and finish, an extra good 50c silk; Saturday 36c.

10c COTTON AT 8c YARD—

20 pieces extra quality unbleached cotton, full 36 inches wide, fine, even weave, clean finish, a special 10c cotton; sale price 8c.

WHITE COTTON AT 10c YARD—

45 inches wide, circular pillow cotton, full 36 inches wide, fine, even thread, firm weave, regular 12-12 value; sale price 10c.

PILLOW COTTON 11c YARD—

40 inches wide, pure bleach, fine, even thread, firm weave, regular 14c value; sale price 11c.

44 INCH PILLOW COTTON 14c A YARD—

Extra quality, pure, soft finish, regular 18c value; sale price 14c.

PILLOW COTTONS 17c YARD—

45 inches wide, circular pillow cotton, regular 22c value; sale price 17c.

BLEACHED SEETING 19c YARD—

Full two yards wide, even, round thread, firm weave, regular 25c a yard; sale price 19c.

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## NO MUD IN OURS! WELL, RICHARDSON &amp; CO'S IMPROVED BUTTER COLOR

Gives the True Golden June Tint that Guarantees Prize Butter. The Largest and Best Creameries and Dairies in the World Use It.

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WANTED—Good white cotton rags are wanted at The Planet Office.

HELP WANTED, MALE—Circulars and sample distributors wanted everywhere. No canvassing. Good pay. Co-operative Adv. Co., N. Y.

A CHRISTIAN man wanted in unoccupied territory, to sell full line of articles of daily consumption to consumers, at wholesale prices. Cooper, Drawer 531, London.

WANTED—The Canada Foundry Co., Limited, are open to make an agreement for a year's employment for a certain number of lathe, boring mill, planer, and slotter hands; also fitters and erectors; tool-makers and brass finishers; steady and reliable. Apply, stating qualifications and giving references to Employment Bureau, Canada Foundry Co., Limited, 14

FOR SALE OR TO RENT.

FENCE FOR SALE—In good state of preservation. Apply to Thomas Scallard, Victoria Avenue.

TYPEWRITER FOR SALE—In good condition and will be sold cheap, as it has been replaced by a larger machine. Apply to A. H. Patterson, Hardware Merchant, King St.

ROOMS FOR RENT—Good location, near the centre of the city, on King Street; furnished or unfurnished. Apply to Box 511, or telephone 369.

HOUSE FOR SALE—I am anxious to sell my home on St. Clair street before I leave the city. House modern in every way. Will sell at a bargain. Dr. Ty.

FOR SALE—First class dwelling house, with all modern improvements, corner Victoria Avenue and Belkirk street, with garden and stable attached, \$300 less than assessed price. Apply to Houston & Stone, Chatham.

HOUSE FOR SALE—A brick house containing 12 rooms, with all modern conveniences, 15 acres of good land; stable and shed; just outside the city limits. One of the most comfortable houses and best locations in the county. Apply to John Y. Liddy, on the premises, or at Sheldon's Cigar Store.

FARM FOR SALE—North east half of Lot 10 Front concession, Township of Hurwich, 128 acres. All cleared, clay loam, two good sized frame houses. Large frame barn and cattle shed; stable and driveway combined; granary and implement house. Buildings all in good repair; about five acres of orchard; artesian well, windmill and pump; three other well Price \$5,000.00. Apply on the premises to Mrs. John J. Walrath, or to W. F. Smith, barrister and solicitor, Chatham, Ont.

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