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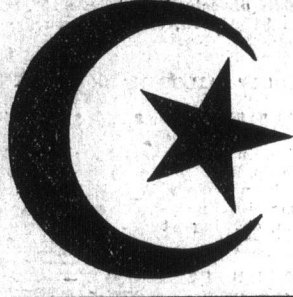
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## "NOO YOK'S" SPRING MOVIN'

The American Burg Will Be Transported to This Canadian Metropolis Shortly.

The Residents are All Coming to the Maple City's Big Old Boys' Re-Union.

Secretary W. W. Seane, of the Carnival Committee, is in receipt of the following letter:

Noo' Yok, Sunday, May 8, '04.  
Dear Walter:-  
(Below I append the names of a few of New York's most illustrious residents, who have signified their intention of being "Amongst Those Present" when the roll is called, on May 30th.

Walter Bray says he will come, if you will crown him "Queen of May." He insists on garlands.

Frank Lyle will blow out of here on the 28th, and requests that you will provide a safe landing for his "air-mob" on a "bitulithic pavement," off the coast of Tocomash Park.

Kingsley Holmes sails by the Black Diamond to-morrow morning. He goes in advance to organize a "first aid to the injured" corps. He asks me to ask "Casey" to have a special "squad of fit and able" to assist him. Charlie Henry, sixteen years absent from Chatham, will start Tuesday. If the weather is favorable he will reach Thamesville May 28th, rest on the 29th, and enter the city by way of the Mineral Baths.

Walter Kitchen will be there with the most recent creations in gentlemen's attire.

Gerald Pegley, and his twelve children, intend chartering Joe Hadley's "Snail in Distress" and will run excursions whenever there is sufficient steam up.

Henry Garrett is on the road for "Butterick" but will cut his trip on the "Bios" in an endeavor to make Chatham.

Will Blight will go by freight. The New York Central refuse to make a half-rate.

"Britt" Roach is going in search of his "dogg" - says he heard that Carl Rhotie has in "the farm."

Percy Kemp's motor-cycle will not run without "power" and he wishes Walter Seane to forward him some benzine.

Murray OH' Hara is considering the matter. He may possibly drop in for a few minutes.

"Art" Walker says, if they will have the way to Charing Cross, he will surely go.

"Tom" Brady, who has sent a wireless to King Edward, regrets a previous engagement will prevent his attending, but wishes to be kindly remembered to Messrs. Pike and Sulman. Archie MacNaughton "expresses" his regrets.

A. T. Macdonald will most assuredly be present and furthermore states if you will add a "baby show" as a headliner, that he has the "prize-winner."

Well, for the present I guess this will be about all, and wishing the "Old Boys" all success, and the girls - well we will talk that over later.

I remain,  
Yours always,

OUR NEW STORY

Commencing to-morrow, Saturday, The Planet will run a serial story by Frank Norris, entitled "Moran of the Lady Letty." This story, like all of those by Frank Norris, is of intense interest.

## GIRLS WAGE WAR

T. B. Farley is very much interested in the two maidens who last evening about seven o'clock engaged in a dispute on the Princess street bridge. The dispute was a little vicious since it included hair pulling and scratches. The two girls were about 18 and the claims of each to the affection of the same young man seemed to have a great deal to do with the scrap. The chap is said to have watched the little dispute with a keen enjoyment. The girls were strangers in that part of the city and Mr. Farley would like very much to know their names. Curiosity is his only reason, although he rather admired the girl with the golden hair.

## CHILDREN'S WEAR

White Lawn Dresses 1 to 10 years 50c. to \$5.00.  
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Yests, 5c. to 40c.  
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WELDON'S  
Next Door to Macdonald's Open Evenings

## THE CZAR WANTS TO ABDICATE

Suffering from Great Mental Depression Over Russian Reverses.

Another Report Says His Majesty Will Soon Have a Constitution and Call a Parliament.

London, May 12. - The Liverpool Post to-day asserts that report has reached London from a high quarter in St. Petersburg, that the Czar is suffering from great mental depression, and is desirous of abdicating. Ever since the beginning of the war with Japan, the Czar has suffered from melancholy, and this has increased with each fresh disaster to Russia.

## WANTS A CONSTITUTION.

Vienna, May 12. - Russian advices to-day stated that the belief is growing that the Czar will soon of his own initiative have a constitution and call a parliament. It declares that the Czar has long been considering the advisability of summoning delegates from all the provincial districts, and that Prince Uchtomsky was recently ordered to elaborate a scheme for a constitutional government.

## BLenheim IS WELL PLEASED

Rev. Mr. Gilmore Says Business is Better and the Temperance Town is Booming.

Scores One on the Men Who Were Afraid to Stand Good for Their Opinions.

To the Editor of The Planet:

Your article on Blenheim Under Prohibition, is the fairest yet published in any paper. Your representation gave both sides. In the name of the temperance people we thank you for this. Did it not occur to you, sir, as being rather strange that the business men who spoke favorably of business and other conditions were not afraid to have their names appear, while the minority, who spoke unfavorably and said the town is going to ruin, had their names withheld "for business reasons"? Is this not suggestive? If they felt they were telling the truth, why did they not come forth like men? It seems to be the policy of the liquor interests to work in the dark. Did you note, Mr. Editor, that the G. N. W. telegraph operator denied that the despatch bearing his office name ever went from Blenheim at all?

Business men say business is better than ever. On every hand you hear, "Isn't the town pleasant since the bars were closed?" No loafers around hotel corners, no blasphemy falling on the ears from the former bars; the churches are better attended, and in the Methodist, Presbyterian and Baptist churches there is not a prominent member but supports their ministers in this work, and only two or three in all that enter protest.

We are in this fight to win, sooner or later. We hold the "winning card" now. The town is better pleased than ever and the temperance side is gaining every day. Men who voted against the by-law now ask to be considered friends of the cause; and men who patronized the hotels formerly say they are done with them since they closed their doors against even their own friends.

Rev. Mr. Brown's stable accommodates 14 horses and he will give meals to any number.

If Ross has lost votes he has gained them also, and the man who will win in this riding at next election is the one, be he Grit or Tory, who will promise to stand by advanced legislation in reference to the liquor traffic.

Yours truly,  
GEO. GILMORE.  
Blenheim, Ont., May 13th, 1904.

## AN EVENING WITH MUSIC

A Delightful Concert Program Presented Under Auspices of Bugle Band.

Maple City's Best Artists Contributed and Mr. Slade Again Captured the Audience.

A very pleasing concert was held in the Opera House last evening, under the direction of the Bugle Band of the 24th Regiment. The audience was not a large one, owing to the lateness of the season, but those who were present were thoroughly appreciative and enjoyed the program throughout.

The program was an artistic one and included some of the very best talent in the Maple City. Samuel F. Slade, basso, of Detroit, was, of course, one of the favorites of the evening. He was in excellent voice and sang remarkably well. He was greeted with a hearty round of applause as he appeared, and was tendered an enthusiastic encore upon every appearance.

The local artists who took part were all cordially received. Mrs. Milton Bogart, one of Chatham's sweetest singers, appeared again after a somewhat extended absence from the public eye, and she was very graciously received. Mrs. Bogart is a popular vocalist and her many admirers were pleased to hear her again in concert. Her voice has lost none of its sweetness and power and it is to be hoped that Chatham music lovers will often have the pleasure of enjoying her artistic and delightful contributions.

Miss Florence G. Stephenson appeared to great advantage in her Song of Thanksgiving. Miss Stephenson is one of Chatham's talented young singers, who is rapidly working her way to the top among Chatham's most popular vocalists. She is even more popular each time she appears and her splendid singing marks her as a contralto of rare ability. She was accorded a hearty round of applause both before and after her song last evening, and she graciously responded to her well deserved encore.

Miss Lucy McKellar was enthusiastically received in her song, Rule Britannia. Miss McKellar sings remarkably well and is cordially welcomed whenever she appears. Her song last evening was everything that could be desired and well worthy of the encore it received.

It was a pleasure to hear Mrs. Cooper again in concert. She sang Angus McDonald in a manner in which only she can sing it. Mrs. Cooper has always been a popular singer and the appearance of her name on the program gives prestige to any concert.

Miss Gertrude Somerville sang a waltz song in a very brilliant manner and received a hearty encore. Miss Somerville is an artist of exceptional ability, with a soprano voice that is seldom equaled. Her singing is worthy of classing her with some of the greatest singers.

Miss Florence Glass appeared for the first time as an elocutionist and she won a very warm spot in the hearts of her audience. She gave two selections and well deserved the applause she received. It is to be sincerely hoped that Miss Glass will often appear on concert programs in the future.

Jasper Wilson, the popular Maple City tenor, sang The Songs of Arby, and did remarkably well. Mr. Wilson has a splendid voice and he does it well.

The 24th Regiment Band made their first appearance and were well received. They gave two selections and were heartily encored each time.

Arthur Corkran appeared in a comic song, "Dear Sing Sing," which was loudly applauded.

The delightful evening closed by a splendid unaccompanied quartette by Mrs. Cooper, Mrs. Milton Bogart and Messrs. J. W. Wilson and R. W. Angus.

It was a matter of regret that Mr. MacIntyre's number had to be omitted, owing to that gentleman having a very sore throat.

The following was the program in its entirety:-

PART I.  
March, United Empire-24th Regiment Military Band.

Solo, The Songs of Arby-Mr. Jasper Wilson.

Solo, a Song of Thanksgiving; b. Selected-Miss Florence Stephenson.

Song, Dear Sing Sing-Mr. Arthur Corkran.

Solo, Douglas Gordon-Mrs. Milton Bogart.

Solo, Rule Britannia (by special request)-Miss Lucy McKellar.

Solo, A Waltz Song (a kiss) Miss Gertrude Somerville.

Quartette, Good-Night, Gentle Folks-Mrs. John Cooper, Mrs. Milton Bogart, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Angus.



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