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Our **Sterling Hat** for Spring is about the smartest thing ever designed for the finishing touch of a well dressed young man. It is new in design, becoming to the wearer, genteel and refined, possessing an air of quality. No good dresser turns it down. It strikes every young man's fancy and is the college favorite.

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### PROBABILITIES

Special per G. N. W.

Toronto, Feb. 24—11 a. m.—Strong northwesterly winds, fair and cold; snow flurries, Thursday, westerly winds, fair and cold.

### THE LOCAL BUDGET

Blankets, robes and coats, at Patersons.

George A. Taylor is confined to his home through illness.

Miss Bert Cassidy, of Windsor, is visiting in the city.

Mrs. Cheff, of Big Point, has returned from visiting friends in Windsor.

R. M. Thompson, of Blenheim, is in the city today on legal business.

Mrs. Carroll, Head Street, is very low in St. Joseph's Hospital.

Allie Drake, of the Lake Erie, Walkerville, is in the city today, on business.

The new asbestos fire proof curtain is being placed in the Grand Opera House to-day.

Business Officer James McGregor is looking for the person who tortured a dog on Sixth St. yesterday.

Three young men paid \$350 each into the city coffers for creating a disturbance on King St. the other night.

W. M. Drader's North Chatham mill started full blast yesterday, making copious supplies, with a shift of about 65 hands.

Best of Last evening, between Park St. Methodist Church and Hilliard St., a ladies' gold watch. Finder please return to this office.

The funeral of the late Mr. Roberts, who was accidentally killed in Essex, will take place to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock, to the Maple Leaf Cemetery.

Rev. and Mrs. McNaird, who have been conducting revival services in Dresden, are in the city. Mr. McNaird was formerly Methodist minister at Tisbury. They are attending the local revivals.

The funeral of the late John Henderson, whose death was announced in yesterday's Planet, will take place to-morrow to the Maple Leaf Cemetery. Deceased was 54 years and 11 months old, and was a member of the Workmen, Foresters and Maccabees.

Mrs. W. J. Bennett and three children arrived from Toronto yesterday. Mr. Bennett has secured a position as foreman in the Hadley Co's factory. The family will reside in the Milner house, next to Fred Wood's grocery, Head St.

### FOR SALE

Three acres of land, with new house, containing double parlors with sliding door between, dining room, three bedrooms, kitchen, pantry and large store room, veranda, etc. Small stable, for sale cheap.

Two story frame house in good location, containing double parlors, dining room, kitchen, pantry, three bedrooms and hall. Brick foundation, woodwork oil finish. Lot 50 by 122. Price right.

**DUNN & MERRITT,**  
Fifth Street, 1st Door Off King Street  
Phone 295.

### SALE OF

## Chamois Vests.

This week we are selling off the balance of our stock of Chamois Vests and Chest Protectors at a discount of 25%.

**A. I. McCall & Co., Ltd.**

DRUGGISTS AND OPTICIANS

Corner King and Fifth Streets.

## NOW KOREA IS ANNEXED

Japanese Victorious in a Fierce Engagement at Port Arthur.

Four Japanese Cruisers and two Transports Sunk—Japanese Warship Retaken Covered with Glory.

Special to The Planet.

Paris, Feb. 24.—A special bulletin has just arrived creating a profound sensation.

The Japanese to-day dethroned the Emperor of Korea and annexed the country to Japan. This is from Port Arthur Russian headquarters and is authentic.

Another Russian despatch from Port Arthur (authentic) announces a fierce engagement this morning. Four Japanese cruisers and two transports were sunk and the loss suffered by the Russians was heavy.

The attack was repulsed after fierce fighting.

The Japanese warship Retaken, which took part in the first attack, carried herself off in glory.

## DISTRICT DOINGS

### BLenheim

Feb. 24.—The lecture entitled Our Heritage in the West, given in the Methodist church, school room, on Monday evening by Rev. Dr. John McDougall, was very interesting and instructive. The reverend gentleman was very eloquent in his praise of the great Northwest. He with his father, the Rev. Geo. McDougall, was one of the pioneer missionaries of that great land. Dr. McDougall has been associated with the church work there since 1860. He thought it one of the finest lands for producing wheat, cattle, minerals and all kinds of coal. The attendance was very small owing to the dangerous condition of the streets.

E. J. VanVelsco left yesterday for Chicago, Ill.

Mr. W. E. Stanley, of Gordon, McKay, Toronto, and W. Earley, of E. B. Scott & Co., London, were in town on business yesterday.

The Mull Social Club held a ball at the assembly rooms over Watson & McGee's store at Mull last evening.

A very enjoyable time was spent by all. Finlay's orchestra furnished the music.

Mrs. H. B. Marshall has returned from Chatham, where she has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Thomas Grimes.

Mrs. Asa Putnam is very sick.

Mrs. Haggart is also confined to the house with an attack of grippe.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ogilvie have returned from Port Colborne. Mr. Ogilvie is in very poor health. They expect to move to town in the spring.

**THE EVILS OF CONSTIPATION ARE**

Well known and the next best thing is to know a reliable cure. Mrs. W. Eddies, of Stony Mountain, Man., says: "Dr. Hamilton's Pills are just the thing. They go right to work at once. I use only Dr. Hamilton's Pills." Price 25c. per box.

### DRESDEN

Feb. 24.—O. B. Orms, of Detroit, was a Dresden visitor on Monday. Arthur C. Smith, of the Standard office, returned Friday night from a few days visit with his brother, H. W. Smith, of Arkansas. While there he took part in a minstrel show, being the star and man of the performance.

Joseph Wells, of Detroit, was in town yesterday, re-arranging old acquaintances.

Hugh Boyle, of Ridgeway, visited Dresden friends yesterday.

O. W. Bekowski, of Wallaceburg, spent yesterday with friends in town.

The anniversary services of the Methodist church will be held on March 6th. Special sermons will be preached morning and evening by former pastor, Rev. Jos. Galloway, of Watford. On Monday evening, Feb. 24th, an entertainment will be given in the church, for which first class talent from Chatham and Thamesville has been engaged.

Mr. Herbert Downer, of North Branch, Mich., who has been the guest of his cousin, Miss Mabel Leonard, left for his home yesterday morning.

The wife of Joseph Carroll, who has been seriously ill for some time past, died yesterday morning. Besides her husband she leaves a family of four small children to mourn her loss. The bereaved husband has the sympathy of the entire community.

W. H. Willson visited relatives in Florence Sunday and Monday. On his return he was accompanied by Mrs. Willson and children, who had been visiting there for the previous week.

Miss Thornton, of Chatham, and Mrs. Grills, of London, spent yesterday with Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Thornton.

H. M. Carscallen was a Chatham visitor on Monday.

County Commissioner S. P. Sturge was a Maple City visitor on Monday.

The average man doesn't care what you think of him as long as you don't say it.

## SATCHEL OF THE SATELLITE

I am expecting a big flood when the river breaks up.

Silence is golden, speech is silver. Maple City Aldermen kindly note.

I had heard that houses were scarce in this city but I never knew that matters were so bad that 18 persons and two dogs had to live in one small room.

Harry Clarke has got something up his sleeve. It's a whole company of artists. Harry must have a regular Japanese costume sleep.

A few years ago the Board of Health condemned several houses as unfit for human habitation. The assessors say that there is more of this work for the Board of Health to do.

## THE STAGE

"All the world's a stage and all the men and women merely players."

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

At the Chatham Grand:—Harry Clarke's Vaudeville Co'y—Thursday, Feb. 25.

George Grossmith—March 1.

Harry Clarke's high class Vaudeville Company will be at the Grand to-morrow evening, and should be greeted with a splendid house.

The genial stage manager of Robin Hood knows his energy and powers bank on him to "deliver the goods."

His program includes twelve excellent numbers and concludes with a charming society comedy sketch, "Ambition," with Mr. Clarke in the leading role.

Another feature of the production which will interest Chathamites will be the first appearance of the popular Burney Weldon in a professional company.

The reserve seat plan is now open at Brancos.

Lever's T-Z (Wine Head) Disinfectant Soap Powder is a boon to any home. It disinfects and cleans at the same time.

**DIED.**

CARROLL—At St. Joseph's Hospital, Wednesday, Feb. 24, Mrs. James Carroll, aged 74 years.

The funeral will take place from St. Joseph's church on Friday, at 9.30 a. m., to St. Anthony's cemetery.

**WANTED.**

GOOD COOK WANTED—High wages. Apply Aberdeen Hotel.

GIRL WANTED—At the C. P. R. Hotel. Apply at once.

WANTED—Girl for general housework. Highest wages paid. Apply to Mrs. John Waddell, Water St.

AGENTS WANTED—For the best selling medicine on earth. Can make \$12 to \$15 per week. For particulars, address, Prof. Hill, Best Liniment Co., Chatham, Box 399, 2c.

WANTED—To rent, house with all modern conveniences; immediate occupation. Apply to A. T. Shannon, or G. P. Schofield, Standard Bank of Canada.

WANTED—Men wanted to learn barber trade; only eight weeks required by our system of constant practice; tools furnished; diplomas given. Full tuition \$25. Call or write, Detroit Barber College, Woodward avenue, Detroit, Mich.

A YOUNG MAN—With ambition, looking for an agency, with chance of establishing himself in a permanent business of his own, will do well to send a P. C. to Cooper, Drawer 531, London, Ont.

TO RENT—Brick Dwelling, eight rooms, modern conveniences; lot and a half; eleven fruit trees; fine lawn. West side of Joseph street. Apply at A. T. Shannon, or G. P. Schofield, Standard Bank of Canada.

FARM FOR SALE—North east half of lot 16, Front concession, Township of Harwich, 133 acres. All cleared, clay loam, two good sized frame houses. Large frame barn and cattle shed; stable and drive. Barn combined; granary and implement house. Buildings all in good repair; about five acres of orchard; artesian well; windmill and pump; three other wells. Price \$8,000.00. Apply on the premises to Mrs. John J. Walrath, or to W. P. Smith, barrister and solicitor, Chatham, Ont.

## OUT PRICES

—ON ALL OUR—  
China and Parlor Lamps

Reductions of 20c. and 25 per cent. Our stock must be reduced. Nice, clean up-to-date goods. No odd stock whatever. Our loss is your gain. Come early and get bargains. You will profit by our loss.

**GRAY'S CHINA HALL,**

King Street,  
Opp. Merchants Bank.

## YOUNG'S

Our stock is fresh and well assorted. Let us have your order.

### POTATOES

How is your supply holding out. Now is the time to buy. We have a large quantity of first class, dry, free from frost potatoes and will sell you any quantity from a peck up. Try ours and see what good potatoes are like.

### VEGETABLES

Good Hard Cabbage, Choice Carrots, Frost Cured Parsnips, Spanish Onions.

### BISCUIT

Christies' Soda, Butter Crackers, Oyster Crackers, all fresh.

A Ginger Snap for 10c that is really worth 15c.

Christies' Spiced Jam, Christies' Fig Bar, Christies' Animal Biscuit, Christies' Assorted Sandwich, Christies' Jam Jams, Christies' Coconut Bar, Christies' Graham Wafers, Christies' Cheese Wafers.

## Geo. A. Young

OUR GROCER. PHONE 151

### GRAND OPERA HOUSE

Thursday, Feb. 25th

## Harry Clarke's

(Stage Manager of Robin Hood)

High-Class Vaudeville Co'y.

—Starting—

Jessie Cree, Queenie Wright, Louis McPhee, Morey the Mysterious, LaBelle Azetta, and others.

Prices: 25c, 35c, 50c.

### GRAND OPERA HOUSE

Tuesday, Mar. 1, 1904.

"It was laugh, laugh, laugh," Boston Globe.

The Greatest of English Entertainers

George Grossmith

Prices: 5c, 15c, 25c, 50c, 75c.

PLAN AT BRANCOS.

## M'KAY'S RESTAURANT AND LUNCH ROOMS.

### OPEN DAY AND NIGHT

With all the delicacies of the season. If in need of an appetizer give us a call. A full line of

### Confectionery and Home Bakery in Connection

Oysters in Any Style.

Lunches, put up at short notice and delivered within reasonable distance.

**Willard McKay,**

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Pineapples,

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**NORTHWOOD'S**

Up-to-date Millinery.

**C. Austin & Co.**

Fashionable Dressmaking.

## THE DRESS GOODS EXHIBITION

Visitors to our Dress Goods Department on the first floor will be shown the finest exhibition of Dress Goods and Silks ever shown in the store. New shipments have been opened up and you may now see such a range of exclusive suitings, evening fabrics, etc., as was never gathered here before. The tweed suitings in their host of weaves and color combinations are an exhibition in themselves. So much to see and talk about.

Pebble, granite and oatmeal suitings, in handsome shades of navy, browns, greens and blacks, made from the finest Botany wools, rich soft finish and correct weight, prices 50c, 60c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.25.

French twine cloth, a pretty sheer weave, very effective, worn over silk of self or contrasting shades, the correct fabric for reception gowns and evening wear, in black, cream and dainty shades of navy, royal, fawn, champagne and grey, prices from 50c to \$1.25 per yard.

Cheviots—A splendid suiting for spring in black, navy, blue and brown, guaranteed all pure wool and thoroughly shrunken, will make a serviceable tailored suit or separate skirt, prices 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.25.

Extra special in colors, Canadian tweeds, all wool goods, new spring shades and heavy weight, for suits and separate skirts, shades in grey, brown, navy and green, with fancy stripe and flake, price \$1.00 and \$1.25.

## MONEY-SAVING OPPORTUNITIES

Sheetings, Cottons, Linens, Bed Spreads, Prints, Aprons, Gingham, etc., etc. : : : : :

In Many Cases 25 per cent. less than present mill prices.

### PRINTS—

Heavy or fine makes in light and dark fancies, lilacs, pinks, reds, seals, cardinals, antlines, regatta stripes and small spots, extra value. The present mill prices for this cloth is \$1.25 a yard; our price per yard

Durban Drill for boys' wash suits, girls' school garments and ladies' shirt waist suits, navy ground with small spots and fancy stripes, regular 150 values, per yard

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### COTTONS—

Queen's cambric, an extra fine bleached cotton for ladies' fine undersuits, linen finish, 36 inches wide, regular 12-12c value, for 10c.

The best bleached cotton in Canada for the money.

The Empire sheeting cloth, snow white, soft make, even yarn, full 3rd wide, regular 12-12c value, 10c yard.

Fine English cambrics and long cloths from 12-12c to 20c yard.

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