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A Pure, Wholesome and Well Matured Spirit.

Especially suitable to those who do not like strong whisky. Being light and easily assimilable, it is highly recommended by physicians, to persons of sedentary habits, weak digestion, bilious temperament or troubled with disease of the urinary organs or bladder.

Mixed with Soda it makes a very refreshing and invigorating beverage.

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THE MOST SENSIBLE HOLIDAY PRESENTS

can be bought at HUGH McDONALD & Co's.
We keep full lines of all Furniture for
use and adornment in a house.

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| —Parlor Cabinets | —Hall Chairs |
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| —Book Cases | —Rockers |
| —Secretaries | —Couches |
| —Library Tables | —Sofas |
| —Centre Tables | —Jardiniere Stands |
- and all Staple Goods.

Our Prices Themselves sell the Goods

Hugh McDonald & Co.
FURNITURE AND CARPETS

*Blue Ribbon Ceylon Green
Tea
is now on the market.
Try it*

Put up Black Mixed & Ceylon Green

Corn Shellers, Root Pulpers AND Scales...

Quinn & Patterson have the best
assortment of these goods in
Chatham. Don't continue to
pay the high prices you have
been doing, for you can get
better value at Quinn & Pat-
terson's.

Pure Linseed Meal, Ground Oil
Cake and Condition Powders
for all kinds of animals.

Quinn & Patterson,
3 DOORS EAST OF MARKET.

MONEY TO LEND
ON LAND MORTGAGE,
ON CHATTEL MORTGAGE,
ON WORTHY.
To pay off mortgages.
To buy property.
Very lowest rate.
J. W. WHITE,
Barbier
Opp. Grand Opera House, Chatham

Money to Loan
—ON MORTGAGES—
4-1-2 and 5 per cent.
Liberal Terms and privileges to borrowers
Apply to
LEWIS & RICHARDS

HAVE \$1,304,000 ON HAND.

Expenditure For the Year Included
Large Payments For Several Special
Purposes. Yet Income Was
Not Exceeded.

Toronto, Dec. 30.—The financial
year of the Ontario Government
closes to-morrow and will show
a cash balance in the hands of about
\$1,304,000. Although the expenditure
for the year included the payment of
large sums of money for special pur-
poses, such as for railway subsidies and
annuities \$100,000, University of Toron-
to \$40,444, special vote for colonization
roads \$25,000, and an expenditure of
\$80,000 for the general election, as well
as \$40,000 for taking the vote on the
liquor act, the income for the year was
not exceeded.

DISTRICT DOINGS.

LOUISVILLE.

The people of Louisville are all en-
joying a Merry Christmas with lots
of good sleighing.

Miss Lily Merritt has returned to
her home after spending a few days
with her friends at Dawn Mills.

Mrs. James Simons and daughter
Laura are spending their vacation
with her mother, at this place.

Miss Myrtle Smith has returned to
her home after spending a few days
with friends in Thamesville.

We all enjoyed the Baptist concert
last Christmas Eve, as there was a
good program, and lots of valuable
presentations on the tree.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Floyd are spend-
ing their Christmas vacation with
friends and relatives of this place.

Miss Minnie Winter is spending a
few weeks with her cousins and
friends in Chatham.

Mrs. Alex. Crow is able to be out
again after her sickness.

Mrs. Alfred Winter, who has been in
poor health for the past few weeks,
is improving.

Byron Winter has come home after
his summer's work.

Mrs. West Whitson is spending a
few days with her friends in
Louisville.

Fred. Tobey, our school teacher, in-
tends to give us a grand Christmas
tree in the near future.

RALEIGH PLAINS.

Dec. 23.—The concert given in the
school house here last night by the
Sunday school was a very pleasant
affair. The roads were in a terrible
state and the night was very dark.

But a good audience turned out. The
committee had the building beauti-
fully decorated. The walls were ar-
tistically draped in the colors of our
national flag, and evergreens, flags,
bunting, mottoes and Chinese lanterns
which made a beautiful appearance.

Mr. John Bell called the meeting to
order and introduced J. M. Garret as
Chairman, who came to the platform
amid loud applause, and thanked the
committee and audience for their
courtesy and conducted a pleasing
program in a very acceptable man-
ner. The Fletcher orchestra, Mr.
Phipps' gramophone, and J. M. Garret's
accordion furnished the music for the
evening and the children did their part
well. Good humor and order prevail-
ed. Santa Claus was the feature of
the evening, and a pleasant evening's
entertainment that reflected much
credit on the S. S. workers and the
people in general, was brought to a
close with the usual vote of thanks
and good save the King.

Mr. John Bell is the superintendent
and Bible Class teacher.

Mrs. E. Shreve of Windsor, who has
been the guest of Mrs. A. S.
Shreve, has returned home.

Joe. Cromwell, of Lansing, is the
guest of his brother, George, at Flet-
cher.

J. G. Brown, and Mrs. Jas. Naul, of
Amherstburg, are the guests of Mr.
and Mrs. A. S. Shreve.

Mr. Walter Cromwell, who has spent
the summer in Uncle Sam's domain,
is back at his home in Fletcher.

The oil fever has reached here and
farmers are besieged with solicita-
tions of oil men, and a number of
wells are to be put down in the course
of a few weeks.

Not Even Crazy People

would scour their faces with brick-
bats, but thousands of persons do
things infinitely more foolish.
The skin of the face, though deli-
cate, is rhinoceros hide compared
with the mucous membrane of the
stomach and bowels.

Yet these sensitive organs are con-
stantly scourged with drastic inju-
ries, to their incalculable injury.

**The Cure for
Constipation**
is not a violent cathartic, but a
mild and tonic laxative—which is
another way of saying

**IRON-OX
TABLETS**

MEATS.

We carry a stock of Fresh and
Salt Meats of the best quality.
Pork and Beans &c. can.
A. D. SELVEY

No Danger.

Prof. W. Hodgson Ellis, Office
Analyst to the Dominion Govern-
ment, has proved by analysis that
"Sunlight Soap" is a pure and well-
"made soap, and has a thorough
cleansing power, without danger to
the clothing or skin."

Clothing is worn more in the wash
than in use where common soaps are
used, and the hands are liable to
eczema. Try Sunlight Soap—
Oatmeal Bar—next wash day, and
you will see Prof. Ellis is right.
No one should know better than
he.

The person who has tact in abun-
dant, and a certain softness of
tongue can work his way to fortune
with little effort.

Nature "makes all things beautiful
in their time." Every one of life's
seasons, when life moves on Nature's
lines, has its own charm and beauty.
Many women dread that period when
they must experience change of life.
They fear that face and form must
suffer by the change, and that they
may fail to please those whom they
love. The value of Doctor Pierce's
"Favorite Prescription" in this trying
woman's life lies in the fact that it
assists Nature. Its use preserves the
balance and buoyancy of the mind and
sustains the physical powers. Many
women have expressed their gratitude
for the help and comfort given by
this medicine in this crisis of their
life. Its benefits are not passing
period, but permanent and conduce to
mental happiness as well as physical strength.

Age without cheerfulness is like a
Lapland winter without the sun.

Valuable advice to Mothers

If your child comes in from play
cold, or evidences of an approaching
attack of Gripe, Sore Throat, or sick-
ness of any kind, first thing get out
your bottle of Nervine. Rub the
chest and neck with Nervine, and
give internal doses of ten drops of
Nervine in sweetened water every
two hours. This will prevent any
serious trouble. No liniment or pain
reliever equals Nervine. Nervine,
which is necessary in every house-
hold. Large bottles cost only 25c.

A man cannot live a broad life if
he runs only in one groove.

Why Father's Consumption

Bad coughs, colds and catarrh are
responsible for more consumption
than is traceable even to heredity.
Catarrh cures more quickly than
ordinary remedies, because it is the
only antiseptic yet discovered that is
volatile enough to reach the root of
the trouble in remote parts of the
lungs and bronchial tubes, and im-
pregnate every particle of the air
breathed with its healing, germ-kill-
ing vapor. Colds can't last ten min-
utes, or coughs more than thirty min-
utes when Catarrh is inhaled. It
clears nose, throat and air passages at
once, stops drooping, headache, and
irradiates catarrh from any part of
the system. Two months' treatment,
\$1.00; trial size 25c. Druggists, or N. C.
Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont.

Dr. Hamilton's Pills are Mild.

Candler looks with equal fairness on
both sides of a subject.

The Critical Time of Life

Is between the years of fifty-seven
and sixty-two. Nature's power slows
down, vitality becomes less, and the
progressive catarrh from any part of
the system. Extending old age and renewing
decreasing vigor is to take Ferrozone
after meals. Ferrozone keeps up the
appetite, and in the formation of red,
vitalizing blood, imparts clearness to
the tiring brain, force, energy and
spirits just when they are needed
most. To take Ferrozone regularly
means adding from ten to twenty
years to life. Large boxes 50c., or 6
boxes for \$2.50, at Druggists, or Pol-
son & Co., Kingston, Ont.

Dr. Hamilton's Pills are Certain.

The best way of recognizing a bene-
fit is never to forget it.

For Christmas and New Year's Hol-
idays W. E. Rispin, City Passenger
and Ticket Agent, 115 King St., will
issue special return tickets to all
points in Canada, Dec. 22nd to 25th,
also Dec. 29th and Jan. 1st, all good
to return until Jan. 5th, 1903, at fare
and one-third; and on Dec. 24th and
25th, good to return until Jan. 5th,
good going from Dec. 26th to 31st in-
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OFFICIAL STORY

The Crown Princess' Elopement Threatens—A Convent or mad House.

Berlin, Dec. 30.—King George of Sax-
ony has ordered the preparation of a
full official account of the elopement
of the Crown Princess Louise and the
circumstances leading up to it for the
Saxony people, among whom the most
fantastic stories are in circulation, to
the detriment of the royal house, and
especially with reference to the fu-
ture King. The scandal is undermin-
ing, according to some opinions, the
people's loyalty and respect for the
throne. The dynasty being Catholic
and the people Protestant, the affair
is being utilized for sectarian con-
troversy.

The King's statement doubtless will
follow the line indicated in the infor-
mations supplied to the newspapers
having court leanings published to-
day, affirm that the Crown Princess'
sole reason for eloping was her crim-
inal relations with Professor Giron,
and that documentary proofs have
been found showing that the elope-
ment had long been in preparation.
The story of the treatment on the
part of her husband, of oppressive
court ceremonial, and of her fettered
existence are classed as inventions.

The Crown Princess' own account of
the immediate cause of her flight
from Salsburg, written to an intimate
friend, probably the Princess Theres
of Bavaria, was telegraphed from
Munich this morning. It says her fa-
ther, the Grand Duke of Saxe-Weim-
ar, intended to imprison his daughter
in a lunatic asylum or in an Italian
convent. He already had consult-
ed the court physician and several
medical authorities in Vienna with
the object of obtaining certificates
warranting him in shutting her up.

Her father, the Crown Princess adds,
was giving her no time for delibera-
tion. He demanded, first, that she be
taken under guard to Dresden, to
apologize to the Crown Prince, and
that she then choose between confine-
ment in a convent or in a mad-house.
The Crown Princess asks the Bava-
rian court to use its influence with the
court at Dresden to permit her chil-
dren to choose their vocation in life
freely.

JEANNETTE'S CREEK.

Miss Forbes, trained nurse, is in
Wallaceburg.

Miss Corbett, of Florence, was a
guest of Mrs. Forbes on Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Simmons and daugh-
ter Grace, spent Christmas with re-
latives in Byfle.

Rev. Mr. Down is spending the
holidays with his parents at Byfle.

Misses Byrr, of Toronto, are guests
of their sister, Mrs. A. Garbutt.

The desks and seats of the separate
school at St. Peter's arrived this
week.

A handsome stained glass window
has been placed in St. Peter's church.

Miss Nellie Smith, of Hamilton, is
spending the holidays with her parents
here.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Oshorts, and
Manley Smith, of Detroit, were guests
of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Smith on Christ-
mas day.

Joe. Gibson is visiting his mother
in Hamilton.

Frank Hawk has moved his family
to Belle River. W. Brusco will oc-
cupy the house vacated by F. Hawk,
and Mr. LaGree moves into the house
vacated by W. Brusco.

Mr. N. Venning has purchased two
acres of land from H. Forbes. The
land lies east of the S. S. hall and
opposite F. C. Peck's store. Mr. Venning
will build in the early spring.

H. Forbes was in Wallaceburg on
Sunday, attending the funeral of the
late James Grant.

It is reported there is a case of
diphtheria in Dover.

Mr. Myers was in Sarnia last week.
Mr. Joyce is spending a week in
Hamilton.

Mrs. Cunningham, of Michigan,
spent the holidays here with her
daughter, Mr. Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Angus McIntosh were
Maple City visitors on Tuesday.

Some people seem to talk so that
they won't have to listen to other
people.

HOW'S THIS?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Re-
ward for any case of Death that
cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh
Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO.,

Toledo, O.
We, the undersigned, have known F.
J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and
believe him perfectly honorable in all
business transactions and financially
able to carry out any obligations
made by their firm.

West & Trux, Wholesale Drug-
gists, Toledo, O.

Walding, Kinnam & Marvin, Whole-
sale Druggists, Toledo, O.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken interna-
lly, acting directly upon the blood
and mucous surfaces of the system.
Testimonials sent free. Price 75c. per
bottle. Sold by all Druggists.

Hall's Family Pills are the best.

"Kittle-Well, there's one thing
about the auto. It has enabled
good many to make a noise in the
world who never were heard before."

Kittle-But it has brought them
into worse odor than before, if that
were possible.