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Choir Leader Park St. Meth. Concert Engagements

Theodore Shea, of North Chatham. Fought for the Union.

was a Prisoner when Peace Came.

Theodore Shea, of North Chatham. is a veteran of the war between the North and South, and was an inmate of Libby prison as a prisoner of war. Mr. Shea, although well up in years, has an active memory and many stores to tell.

ies to tell.

"I belonged," said Mr. Shea recently,
"to the 101st Ohio Regiment of Infantry. I was on guard in Louisville the
day Gen. Nelson was shot by Gen. Davis. Gen. Nelson was in command of
the army division stationed at Louisville and Gen. Davis commanded the
Indiana troops. The Confederates
were in the vicinity in force and an
attack was feared. I was on guard
near the Galt House when Gen. Nelson came up riding his bob-tailed grey
mare. He was a large man and looked
well on his horse. Entering the Galt
House he fell to drinking. Gen. Davis
came riding over to get his orders. Nelson was in an ug'ly humor and began
to abuse Davis. He finally ended by
drawing his sword and striking Gen.
Davis over the cheek. This was too
much for the Indiana general and he
pulled his pistol and shot Nelson dead.
I was on the street on guard at the
time, as I stated before, and I saw
Gen. Nelson's body dragged down the
stairs. There was great excitement stairs. There was great excitement over the shooting and it was thought that Davis would be court-martialled and put to death. But the Governor of any State has the power to call his men horne. The ruler of Indiana took a hand in the proceedings and said that if anything was done to Davis In-diana would draw out from the war. This stayed proceedings against Da-vis and nothing was ever done to him.
"The battle of Prairieville, Kerman and of splendid physique, with-out the alcoholic appearance of Nelson. I had a narrow escape in this battle. I was standing loading my They used nothing but muzzle-loaders then. A cannon ball pass-ed through my arms and tore my knapsack from my shoulders. I can tell you it wrenched my back horri-bly, and I can feel the effects of that connon ball for my shoulder pains me

"Some time afterward I was captured by the Southerners at Stone River, Tenn. It was about 4 a. m. when the Confederates attacked us, and at a time when the artitlery hors-es were off wateringt Gen. Johnson was in command of the Union army. We were surrounded, but fought des perately for six days. The regiment I was in was cut off and captured. We were taken to Libby prison. This now famous prison was not anything like it has been painted. It was a large tobacco warehouse, three stories high, on the bank of the James River. The officers were kept in the basemen and the soldiers on the other floors. and the soldlers on the other Hoors. A colored man came in every morn-ing, smudged the room with tar and burned leather. Those stories about the Libby prison are all gross libels. It was kept quite clean: We had It was kept quite clean. We had nothing to lie on, however, except the floor. It was here that I had another

narrow escape from meeting death, through an accident. "One night when the guards were changing, one of them dropped the butt of his musket on the floor and it exploded. I was lying asleep on the floor above, stretched out on my back with my hands under my head. The ball passed up between my left arm end my head. Less than an inch stood between that musket ball and my brains. This was the only unpleasant incident of my stay there. I never heard a bad word from our captors and the white men who came to see us purchased cakes and tobacco for us, and never cheated us out of a cent.

"There were about 700 of us in the prison. We were let out on parole after a long confinement, as the war was drawing to a close. We were taken to City Point, Maryland, where we were kept till the war ended."

CATTLE AND HORSE FOOD. .

On page six wil' be found, Tennant & Burke's announcement of Tennant & Burke's announcement of cattle and horse food and spring seeds and grains. Their cattle food is pronounced by such persons as John Hendershott and Wm. Sheldon as being the best and most economical food they have ever used, and they strongly recommend it; their seeds are; purchased from the most reliable firms in the country and are sold at the lowest prices.

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Constipation is cured by Hood's Pills. MRS. LANGTRY IN WINDSOR.

Barred out in Detroit, Mrs. Langtry last ight gave her how, The Degenerates, at the Windsor opera house. There were, when the curtains rose, at nearly 9 o'clock apparently about 300 persons in the au-dience. At 8 15, the usual hour for the rise dience. At 8 15, the usual hour for the rise of the first curtain, the people were counted. There were 146 in "all parts" of the house. The theater is all on one floor. The prices were \$2 and \$1.50. Mrs. Langtry and her manager were disgusted. They were making arrangements to present this delectable play in Hamilton, the only Canadian city probably that might appreciate it, but after the frost in Windsor they decided Canadians had no use for the attraction and resolved to start back for New York. One man in the audience is said to have slept through the performance.

THE ROCK BAND CONCERT COM-PANY.

At the First Fresbyterian church, Monday, April 9, at 8p. m. Tickets 25c.; children, 15 cents. The most novel and artistic musical entertainment ever presented to the public. Marvellous ringing rocks, swinging harps, musical glasses, gigilera, Westminster chimes, songs and readings. Record: Six months at Crystal Palace, London, Eng.; 343 concerts in New York (20th season); 3,650 concerts in in all. Endorsed by Dr. Storrs, of Brooklyn, Bishop Vincent, of Chautauqua, Dr. F. E. Clark, of Christian Endeavor renown, D. L. Moody, and a host of others.

Prof. Mackenze's Lecture on the History of the Boer Very

Last Evening, Professor McKenzie gave a highly instructive lecture in Holy Trinity Sunday, school on the eolo parts. Mr. Scullard, who occuof the evening.

am not going to discuss the present military situation in South Africa, but rather the history of the Boer in that country under some such headings as, How did the Boer get into South Africa? How did we get into South Africa? What has brought about the terrible animosities between the two races? The literature on these subjects is very unreliable. The works of such writers as Olive Schreiner are tucky, was fought shortly after this, so highly colored that they are of lit-and Davis stood near me during the the value as authorities. Then we whole battle. He was a fine looking have the experiences of Mrs. Boomer, of London, The most accurate work on the subject is a book written by George Fields, of New Brunswick. Mr. Fitzpatrick is also an authority. SOUTH AFRICA SETTLED.

The first European to set foot in East Indies. Towards the end of the sixteenth century, the Netherlands having no adequate means of defence. In 1795, war having again broken out in Europe, England sent a force and captured Cape Colony. She held it until peace was patched up with Napoleon in 1802, during which time curity. But there was no sympathy between the two peoples. In 1802 the between the two peoples. In 1802 the English withdrew, but again finally conquered the colony in 1806. In a short time the Dutch of the cities and towns became loyal British subjects, but the Dutch farmers never did. This was partly due to the fact that the English did not protect the property of the farmers from the raids off the catives.

natives. Then, again, A HOSTILE SPIRIT was fostered by the intrigues of the missionaries of philanthropical societies, then very popular in England. These men devoted more time to polities than to religion and fed this antagonism to their own profit. By misrepresentations they made the Boer very unpopular in England and the native correspondingly popular. This made enemies of the Boers and allowed the natives to increase to enorlowed the natives to increase to enormous numbers. Had it not been for this want of foresight on the part of Great Britain we would never have had the great native wars in that

had the great native wars in that country.

Thus matters went on for about thirty years, when the dissatisfied Boers decided to leave British Dominions and seek homes elsewhere. This led to the Great Trek, and finally to the northern settlements of the Boers. The wrongs, complained of by the Boers, have since been rectified, but the Boers have a good memory, and, as they live in the past, have never forgiven the English and we are paying the debt now.

The Boers are npt a self-governing people, and consequently made no success of it. The result was that in 1877 the English Government was asked to annex the two Republics. At this time they were sadly in need of protection from the natives and had not national credit. England took them and treated them as one of her dwn colonies, but as soon as their national credit was restored and protec-

not national credit. England took them and treated them as one of her own colonies, but as soon as their national credit was restored and protection was no longer needed, the farmier element, under the leadership of Paul Kruger, rose in rebellion and endeavored to free themselves from the English Government. As in the case of the present war, England met with reverses at first. Then, as now, she had her forces all ready to retake Laings Nek and Majuba Hill, but word cume from the home Government to cease hostilities and peace was patched up. To-day Lord Roberts is doing what he was ready to do nineteen years ago. What a costly expenditure of blood and treasure would have been sived had he been allowed to do it then rather than nineteen years later. At the close of the lecture Prof. Mc-Kenzie was tendered a hearty vote of thanks.

FOR PAST ERRORS

Great Britain is new Paying Dearly in South Africa.

Interesting.

Boers. Messrs. O'Hara, Mann; Horstead and Brown sang "Soldiers of the Queen," Mr. Horstead taking the pied the chair, introduced the speaker

Prof. McKenzie, on rising, said, I

South Africa was a sailor from Portugal. E even years after he first visited these shores, another sailor from the same country rounded the cape. This led to opening up a route to the were engaged in a war with Portugal. Prior to this time they had bought all their East Indian articles of commerce from the Portugese. The war, however, led to their sending out their own ships, and untimately to their acquiring dominion over the East Indies. Cape Town was used as a stopping place for ships by both the English and the Dutch. In 1662 the first attempt at colonization. The colonists, however, were few in num-ber, and the natives made fiving there very precarious. The numbers were enlarged, however, by the addition of Photestant refugees. These were the Low Germans and French Huguenots, These three classes, the Dutch, the Low Germans and the French Huguenots. nots, formed the beginning of the present Boer nation. The language is Dutch, simplified to allow intercourse with the natives. The standard of education was, very low, consisting of being able to read the Bible, cast up and not for lawn use, he asked a rebate of accounts and fight well. The colony suffered greatly from the natives, the colonists enjoyed the greatest se-

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Some Rebates Granted-Flat Rates Asked-The Month's Financial Statement.

The regular meeting of the city water commissioners was held last evening. There were present the chairman, Br. J. L. Bray, ner W.D. Sheldon, Mayor Sm

Commissioner W.D. Sheldon, Mayor Smith, Secretary Weir and Supt. Jones
Squire F. Marx was heard on behalf of the Schoenith brewerv and asked that a special rate should be granted to this industry. Mr. Marx suggested a flat rate.
The chairman said the board would look into the petition and consider the same.
The following certified accounts were presented and passed — Coltart & Wilson \$5, T. B. Rayl & Co. \$208, George Stephens & Co. \$42.23, McColl. Bros. & Co. \$48.44, S. Hadley Co. \$3.68, Jas. Morrison Co. \$356.80, Penn. Salt Mnfy. Co. \$21.88, Park Bros. \$16.44, Sun Oil Refining Co. \$9.77, O. W. Shipman Lo. \$76.48, Chas. Simmons, \$4.65.
An application of Celester Blonde for a rebate of 96 cents, owing to removal from

An approaction of the center of the premises, was granted.

M. Wilson, Q. C., wrote concerning a meter account of \$1.70, in which, owing to the water being used for testing the pipes asked a rebate of The meter rate of Miss Noel, Riverside Terrace, was reduced in accordance with

the rate paid by the former tenants.

The Bell Telephone Co. wrote asking rates for a motor in their new building. The commission decided to suggest the put

The commission decided to suggest the put-ting in of a meter.

Geo. H. Hibbert, of the Tecumseh mill, was granted a rebate of \$4.50, owing to the destruction of the mill by fire.

On the request to grant a flat rate to the Central school, it was decided to have the superintendent meet a committee of the school board and discuss the matter with

If the matter of paying substitutes dur-ing the sickness of the engineers, the latter were instructed to pay their own substitutes and then submit the accounts to the board. The secretary's cash statement for the past month was read and received as fol-

RECEIPTS. Mar. 9-To J. B. Stringer & Co. \$ 82 72 " 15 " D. M. Martin
" 28 " R. J. Weaver
" 29 " meter sold A. H. White
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\$1216 24 The tenders for coal for the ensuing year were opened as follow: General Hocking Coal Co. \$2.95 per ton, Sunday Greek Coal Co. \$2.75 per ton, John Mann & Sons \$2.80 per ton, Walter J. Sculley \$2.70 per ton, A. W. Shipman Co. \$2.70 per ton.

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DRESDEN.

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April 6.—Rev. Mr. Jansen will conduct services in the Presbyterian Church to-morrow.

Frank Sharpe has accepted the position of book-keeper of the grain elevator owned by John Gordon.

Geo. E. Dies, of Toronto, was in town

vesterdny.

N. Loucks is repairing the interior of the Presbytertan manse.

Mrs. S. McEwen removed to London yesterday,
Miss Irving is the guest of her
ter, Mrs. E. H. Dever.

TILBURY.

April 6.-Chas. Keith, of Leamingon, is in town. Rev. Mr. McPhail is assisting in re-

vival services in Rodney this week. Architect Wilson, of Chatham, was Architect Wilson, of Chatham, was in town this week.

Miss Rose McAnally, of Thamesville, has accepted a position in Geo. Mc-Langhlin's tailor shop.

Professor Ruthven, violinist, and A. J. Pepin, pianist and baritone singer, will furnish music in W. C. Crawford's store to-morrow afternoon and even-

store to-morrow afternoon and evening.

Mrs. S. Wilson, Tilbury East, had a most successful sale of farm stock, etc., on Tuesday, which realized \$800.

Work has commenced on the new English Church here, on Prospect St.

Miss Marcella Bromby has returned to London, after a visit with Mrs.

John Morris here.

Mrs. A. Moffat, of Comber, was the guest of Mrs. W. Moffatt here yesterday.

F. C. Wrighton closed his butcher shop last week.

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The Daily Planet is on sale at John son's Drug Store.

THAMESVILLE.

April 6.—The Fleming property sold under mortgage yesterday was purchased by Messrs. Chas. and Wheeler Hubbell.

Mr. and Mrs. Drumm have taken rooms at the Bambridge house. Mrs. Drumm will receive next Tuesday and Wednesday from three to six p. m., after that on the second Tuesday in each month.

Mrs. W. J. Neely went to Toronto yesterday.

terday.

J. R. Duffus is erecting a dwelling an the old mill site, Sherman street. Mr. Duffus has shown much enterprise in the building line, in fact has erected nearly all of the houses to rent that we have.

J. R. Hambly is in St. Mary's looking up a suitable opening for a hardware busi-

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