LETTERS

THAMES RIVER FISHERIES.

To the Editor of The Planet: A few days ago I saw in your columns a report made to the Government by fishermen at the mouth of the Thames River in which they

ernment by fishermen at the mouth of the Thames River in which they assert that bass do not frequent the waters of this river in any numbers; that the only fish are mullets, suckers, German carp, and other such soft, coarse grained fish.

Now, Mr. Editor, I know this river from its head waters in Perth, Waterloo and Oxford counties to its outlet at Lake St. Clair, and from that knowledge I have decided that that report must have been sent to the Government by the direct descendants of Ananias and Saphira, or else are ignorant of past conditions, for if there is any river in Ontario in which bass, white, gree and black, and pike and pickerel congregated in shoals, it was in our River Thames before these Canadian-Yankee fishermen were permitted to exterminate them, by the connivance of an unprincipled gang of venial politicians. I have seen brook trout in this river's clear spring, head waters: I have caught bass near the London and Port Stanley Railway bridge; I have caught them at Komoka; I have caught them at Komoka; I have caught them at Komoka; I have caught

as half a dozen at one shot, the heavy bullet striking the water with such a jar that it stunned all that were near by. In those days there were fish for everyone from one end of this river to the other. Now all is changed; some Canadian-Yankee fishermen catch them at the mouth of the river and send them to U. S. cities; to save appearances a few measily specimens are brought to Chatham and offered for sale at "diamond" prices—not to be bought by the poor.

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If any fish get up the river it must have slid through the mesh of the nets, its mates have gone to New

welfare. W. K. MERRIFIELD.

January 24, 1907.

DISTRICT

On the 21st inst., to the wife of D. W. Kett, Tilbury, a daughter.
The Ladies Aid of the Methodist church will hold a valentine social on the evening of Feb. 14.

Menary and Laird, merchant tailors, have leased the laundry building adjoining Stewart's bank, and until possession can be secured, have moved into the old Business College, adjoining Dr. Mills' offices.

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Rev. John Morrison, of Comber, will give his well known lecture, "That Boy," in the Methodist church on Thursday evening next, 31st inst.

The post office was entered on Wednesday night from the near window, and ransacked, the only thing miss-

Nurses' & Mothers' Treasure

Makes Baby Strong Restores the little organs to perfect health. Gives sound sleep, without resort to opium or other injurious drugs. At drugstar, 25c. 6 bottles \$1.25. National Drug & Chemical Co. Ltd., Montreal

ing being a registered parcel addressed to C. H. Mallory, the other registered mail and stamps being at Post master Bartley's home.
St. Francis R. C. church is being wired for the introduction of elec-

CAMDEN TOWNSHIP,

satisfaction in the Red school, which is her first school.

Miss May Everitt, of Magna Villa, is visiting at her brother's, Mr. D. A. Everitt, of the 12th concession.

Mr. Chas. Pumfrey, our new councillor, has every appearance of a good one. He says he will wave the palm leaf.

Wm. Huff, who is treasurer for the Cornel Red Company is gretting along.

Gravel Bed Company, is getting along first class.

TORTURING SCIATICA

A Severe Case Cured by Dr. Willia

mond" prices—not to be bought by the poor.

If any fish get up the river it must have slid through the mesh of the nets, its mates have gone to New York.

It is just as Caleb Wheeler says, the politicians have exploited these fisheries for votes. All the people up the river do not count.

If people would only look at questions from the standpoint of the general welfare, instead of being led around by the nose by political shisters who have shout as much regard for them as they have for the fish, they would have looked after, their own interests and prevented this ruin of the River Thames fisheries.

For many long years the people kept in power at Toronto a party-of-politicians, not statesmen, who cared for nothing but office for themselves, and place for the political crooks who had the people by the nose.

There is a different tot governing there now; it is our duty to see that they do not get into the same un principled political net.

Politically, although classed as a Conservative, I am Independant. My political principles are the welfare of the people should be the whole law; and that no article of human necesity, which nature supplies practically prepared for human uses, should ever be sold or surrendend, to be the exclusive property of any, man or set of men, but should be held in control by the Government for the benefit of the whole people. Coal is a natural product which is an absolute necessity and should be, and when they know, then demand them, and they can soon compel the politicians to stand in line on public welfare.

January 24, 1907. ams Pink Pills proved. I think I used the pills about four, or five months before I was completely cured, but though that was two years ago I have not since had the slightest return of sciatica. I think Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are a marvellous medicine and odes my wife who used them as n blood builder. She says they have.

no equal, and never wearies of
praising them to her friends."

Good blood is the secret of health

-Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, the secret

TILBURY

Tilbury, Jan. 25.—Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Warnock returned to their home in North Dakota this week, after a three months' visit with the former's parents here, Mr. and Mrs. S. Warnock.

On the 21st inst. to the control of the c

ing Dr. Mills' offices.

A moving picture and song program will be given in Anderson Hall Monday, Jan. 28.

Wm. C. Cowley has leased the woodworking shop of Thos. Cox, and with his father-in-law will operate the same.

Miss Eva Stewart left yesterday on a visit with friends in Chatham.

Word was received here on Wednesday of the sudden death at Pontiac, Mich., of Mrs. Wm. Davidson (nee Miss Estey, of Quinn), who was well and favorably known here.

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Mr. Charles Shaw is packed up to move.

COUNCIL HOLD NIGHT SESSION . . January Clearance Sale Bargains . .

Reports Form Principal Business Of Last Night's Meeting

PARLIAMENT

FRIDAY EVENING. The Council held a special session Friday evening. The Warden occupied the chair.

Camden seems to be pretty well satisfied with its present council.

Everything seems to be very quiet, owing to no snow.

John Ross, our famous coon and fox hunter, went out the other day and caught 4 rabbits.

Camden is very anxious now about a telephone.

Mr. Dick Tiffin has taken a trip to Pontiac. The major part of the evening was

were permitted to exterminate them, by the connivance of an unprincipled gang of venial politicians. I have seen brook troat in this river's clear spring, head waters: I have caught them at Komoka; I have caught them along in Ekfrid Township, also near Battle Hill in Mosa Township, and from Wardsville to Gardiner's Mill (now Cashmere). Ask S. F. Gardiner if he has not seen bass and other fish so packed below the mill dam there that they seemed to form a solid mass.

In those days, the farmers along the river fished with round dip nets in spring, and either gave fish, or sold them for a song, to their less fortunate neighbors.

In those days the pike went up every little creek, and I have shot dozens of them. I have got as many as half a dozen at one shot, the heavy bullet striking the water with such a jar that it stunned all that were near by. In those days there were near by

Toronto in the interests of education in this county, and that the Harrison Hall committee be requested to provide suitable accommodation in building for the Public School inspectors and Examining Board. — Adayted.

Mr. Peter Crawford read the report of the Committee of Petitions and Legislation, which stated that the committee had carefully considered the motions referred to them and recommended that the motion by Mr. W. C. Crawford and Mr. McLarty, asking that all municipalities be compelled to employ chartered auditors, and the motion of Mr. ed auditors, and the motion of Mr. McLarty and Mr. Peets, that municipalities be given power to have their accounts audited at any time, provided they have a by-law passed to that effect, be adopted, and that the Solicitor prepare a petition, which the Clerk and Warden are hereby authorized to sign, and forwarded to the Legislature;—Adopts

Mr. Buchanan read the report of the Roads and Bridges committee, re-commending that such grants as were made in 1905 and 1906 for roads and bridges, but not paid, but continued, on the same conditions as originally granted.

That the claim of the Council of Tibury East for half the unforseen expenses of the Jeannette's Creek bridge be granted and that the same be paid on production of vouchers satisfactory to the chairman of the

committee.

That all grants for roads or bridges introduced at this session be laid over until the June session.—Adopted. Mr. Peter Haggart reported that

Mr. Peter Haggart reported that the account of Walker and Reeve, referred to his committee with power, from the December session of 1906, had been adjusted and reduced to the even \$100, and hereby order the account to be paid.—Adopted.

It was moved by Mr. McLarty, seconded by Mr. Brien, that as the statute provides that the Board of Management of the House of Refuge should be appointed by by-law, and Management of the House of Refuge should be appointed by by-law, and that the Warden shall be a member thereof, the resolution of this Council appointing a committee of the House of Refuge be and the same is hereby repealed in so far as the appointed of said committee is concerned.

ed.-Carried. ed.—Carried.

The Council was addressed by Mr.
Taylor on the plugging of oil wells.
His remarks may be dealt with later.
The by-law to amend by-law number 716 was given its first reading.
The Council then adjourned to meet Saturday morning at ten o'clock.

SPORT

Thursday night was practice night for the City League hockey teams. The bankers were on for practice from six o'clock till seven. The Tammany Heehers and Defiance Iron Works teams held a practice game from seven o'clock till eight. The Drug Clerks and Stars held their practice after ten o'clock. The Chippewas were not on the ice Thursday night. They were on Wednesday night with the Stars.

The first game of the City League will be played off to-night, after the skating, between the Stars and Defiance Iron Works. If the weather remains cold, the second game of the League will be played off Monday night between the Drug Clerks and Tammany Heelers.

The best people of a town are generally to be found in the ceme

Circum tances fo not make the only conditions in life,

No mat'er how matter-of-fact one may be, there will come a time when the conditions cause a drifting toward the sentimental.

The linger of suspicion has few

COMBINATIONS \$1.25 A SUIT—Ladies' fide natural Combination Suits, pure soft un-hrinkable quelity, assorted sizes, Sa'e Price...\$1.25 BLANKET BARGAINS-\$1 Flannelette Blankets for a pair 83c " \$1,25 " " "\$1,05 # \$1 50

MORE RIB CASHMERE HOSE 19c pair -25 dozen ladies' rib cashmere Lose, as orted 1ibs, reg. valee, 25c to 35c pair, Sale Price.....

NORE WRAPPERS at 98c-6 dezen stylish finnelette wrappers, made with flounce ruffles, braid trimmed and lined wait, good range patterns, regular \$1.25, Sale Price.

50c HANDKERCHIEFS 23c EACH—10 doz. fine fancy Handker-chiefs in fine linen and Swiss lawn hemstitched embroideries and lace trimmed, slightly mussed, reg. value 35c t > 50 each, Sale Price......

LADIES' UNDERWEAR-Penman's Natural Wool Drawers and Vests in all sizes, regular \$1.25 a garment, Sale Price

\$3.25 Full Double Bed Size White Wool BLANKETS, Sale Price \$2.68 MILLINERY (truly a line to buy)—Your pick of any hat in our stock
Half Price and Less ODD WAISTS and sizes in sateen flannelette and all wool flannels, black and colors, regular up to \$1.25 each, Sale Price......48c LADIES' \$5.50 SKIRTS \$3.48—Latest styles in tweeds and plain cloths, tailor made, regular up to \$6.00 each, Sale Price...... \$1.75 UNDERSKIRTS 98c—Black sateen and colored morreens, choice styles, regular \$1.25, \$1 50 and \$1.75 each, Sale Price. roc TOWELLINGS 8c YD .-- Pure linen bleached crash, 17 in. wide,

11c BLEACHED COTTON 8½c yd., fine soft cambric finish, full yard wide, the kind you pay 12½c for in other stores, Sale Price......8½c

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For To-night and Monday!

... The Northway

LIMITED.

THE STAGE

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

At the Brisco Opera House-Thurston Opera Co.-Jan. 26.

ALL NEXT WEEK.

Morris' moving pictures, also in-troducing illustrated songs and spe-cialties by the Bebout Children. These ciafties by the Bebout Children. These clever little people have made a decided hit in Detroit, and will be seen every afternoon and night in coon songs, buck and wing dancing, baton swinging and other specialties. The songs and pictures are all new and will be changed nightly.

Chatham people should appreciate the efforts of Mr. Morris to provide for them a new and novel entertainment. This class of show is very popular in the States, and we predict an instantaneous success here for the enterprise.

Having trouble with the salt? Gets damp and hardens? Then you are not using WINDSOR TABLE SALT. It never cakes.

Mr. Bryce's Arrival.
Washington, Jan. 25.—The embassy is informed that James Bryce, the newly-appointed British ambassador to the United States, will arrive about Feb. 13.

Model Insurance Law, Washington, Jan. 25.—President Roosevelt yesterday sent to Congress a message favoring a model insurance law in the District of Columbia.

ITCH, Mange, Prairie Scratches and every form of contagious Itch on humans or animals cured in 30 minutes by Wolford's Sanitary Lo-

True merit is like a river — the deeper it is the less noise it makes. when its troubles began. We do too much talking and too

ship

Notice is hereby given that the firm of Agar & Neff, until this date carrying on business as furriers in the City of Chatham, has been this day dissolved. All debts of the firm will be paid by Mr. Neff, who is continuing the husiness, and all accounts owing to the firm are payable to him. Dated January 12th, 1907.

W. J. AGAR,

JOSEPH NEFF.

Witness: J. G. KERR.

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John H. Oldershaw

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HOW LINCOLN WON:

A Bad Looking Legal Case That Was Saved by Frankness.

The lawyer whose honesty is proved has the confidence of the judge and jury. A story of Abraham Lincoln is an illustration. He was appointed to defend one charged with murder. The crime was a brutal one, the evidence entirely circumstantial, the accused a stranger. Feeling was high and against the friendless defendant. On the trial Lincoln drew from the witnesses full statements of what they saw and knew. There was no effort to confuse, no attempt to place before the jury the facts other than they were. In the argument, after calling attention to the fact that there was no direct testimo stances and, after conceding that this and that seemed to point to defend-ant's guilt, closed by saying that he had reflected much on the case, and, while it seemed probable that defendant was guilty, he was not sure and, looking the jury straight in the face, said, "Are you?" The defendant was

acquitted, and afterward the real criminal was detected and punished. How different would have been the conduct of many lawyers! Some would have striven to lead the judge into technical errors with a view to an appeal to a higher court. Others would have become hoarse in denunciation of witnesses, decrying the lack of positive testimony and the marvelous virtue of a reasonable doubt. The simple, straightforward way of Lincoln, backed by the confidence of the jury, won.

-D. J. Brewer in Atlantic.

A MONKEY'S ROLES.

Package and a Dog.

On the travels of a monkey from Genoa to Heidelberg an amusing farce might be written. A German gentle-man brought from southwest Africa a tiny monkey weighing barely a couple of pounds. From Tanga to Genoa all went well with the lilliputian animal. It was a favorite with every one

Brought under the notice of the Genoese custom house authorities, it was promptly deprived of its identity. It Notice of Dissolution of Partner- bird, and as a bird, on which 28 cents was charged, it was conveyed to the Swiss frontier, where at a stroke of the custom house officer's wand it was transformed into a cat at the increased assessment of \$1.56 and borne by train to Zurich.

On its arrival there it ceased as cat to exist and became a mere pack age, an item of luggage that was conveyed to Constance for the nominal

sum of 16 cents.
Still as luggage, though metamor phosed from a package into a hand bag, it went on its way to Stuttgart, where a great honor awaited it, It was on payment of \$2.04 exalted into a dog, and it was as a dog that it ended its journey at the university town of Heldelberg.—Stray Stories.

BOORBINDING

Orders for Bookbinding should be 'eft at this office. It is surprising how nice a volume can be made of those magazines, even though they are somewhat soiled from much handling. Books, Magazines or Periodicals bound or rebound in any style at very reasonable prices. Blank books, such as journals, ledgers, day hooks, with any kind of suling, made it are. Planer Ospice Charles

The things we can afford are generally the things we don't want.

WANTED-Chamber maid and wait-

WANTED-Two dining room girls. Apply at Hotel Merrill.

WANTED-Good general servant three in family; another servant kept. Mrs. A. H. Martens, 150 Walmer Road, Toronto.

ANVASSERS WANTED - Experience unnecessary, with our goods and our instructions. Alfred Tyler, 355-7 Clarence St., London.

FOR SALE OR TO RENT

FOR SALE-Stoves for sale at the

O RENT-Pleasant furnished room, in private family, furnace heat, bath, etc. Apply W., Box 746, Chatham.

HOUSES TO RENT-1 we houses to rent on Grant St. Houses have just been rebuilt and are being pa-pered throughout. Apply to Thos Soullard. Victoria Block.

FOR SALE-Moderate sized nouse with modern improvements, for sale, on Victoria Ave., at a bag-gain. Apply to Thos. Scullard or Planet Office.

FOR SALE—Desirable lot on Victoria avenue, for sale, next to the resi-dence of W: R. Landon. Apply to Thos. Scullard or The Planet Of RESIDENCE AND LOTS FOR SALE

-Will sell my house and lots on the corner of Lacroix and Harvey streets, either separately or en bloc. Terms, \$1,000 cash, balance to suit purchaser. W. S. Marshall.

FARM FOR SALE,-to acres of choice

Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to Monday, 28th of January, 1907, for about forty tons of furnace coal, part to be delivered at the Collegiate Institute and part at McKeough School. Tenders to state quality and price.

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Other railways crossed by or crossing or connecting with the petitioner's railway; and to be declared a railway; a

THOS. C. MACNABB, ecretary-Treasurer Board of Educa-

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ASSIGNEE'S SALE!

ed in a certain Assignment made for the benefit of Credi ors by William F. Bellamy to John R. Gemmill, E.-q., Assignee, which will be produced at the time and place of sale, there will be offered for sale by Public Auc-

Tuesday, the 29th day of January, '07 at the hour of one o'clock in the afternoon, on the undermentioned premises by Mr. C. J. Moore, Auctioneer, the following goods and chattels:—

chattels:—

I gray mare II years old, I bay horse I2
years old, I bay mare II years uld, I bay
colt I year old, 6 steers coming 3 years old, 4
cows 5 years old, 3 steers 2 years old, I
heifer 3 years old, I gray horse 9 years old, I
heat,
Chatold, I toher bay colt I year old, 2 heifers coming
years old, 3 cows 8 years old, I bull 2 years
old, I traction engine, 20 horse power, I
separator, stacker and feeder, I corn husker.

Also, the South-west half of Lot number Eight in the Sixth Concession of the Township of Dover East, in the County of Kent, con-

Terms of Sale-Cash. For further particulars and conditions of I. R. GEMMILL.

Or to W. F. SMITH,

NOTICE

Dated the 14th day of January,

Terms, \$1,000 cash, balance to suit purchaser. W. S. Marshall.

ARM FOR SALE,—to acres of choice land in the Township of Harwich, lot 16, concession 5, good frame dwelling, storey and a half; first class outpuildings, barn 36 x 56 x 24, shed and stable 30 x 60 x 22; artesian well; good orchard of choice fruit. Apply on premises, Geo. E. Jordan, Chatham P. O.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada during its present Session, for an Act to amend the charter of The Hamilton Radial Electric Railway Company—incorporated by an Act of the Legislative Assembly of the Extension of its line of railway from Mimico to some point within the limits of the City of Toronto, for authority to purchase, lease or amalfruit. Apply on premises. Geo. E. Jordan, Chatham P. O.

GOOD FARMS FOR SALE—Prices right—150 acres, part lot 24, 7th concession, Dover, owned by Grant Bros.; 96 acres, corner 5th concession and Baldoon Road, Dover, owned by Lucian King; 100 acres part lot 3, 17th concession, Chatham Township, known as the Robert Hasting estate; also several other farms for sale. Money to loan. Henry Dagleau.

FARM FOR SALE—North-west half Lot 1, fourth concession, Township of Harwich, R. T. S., one hundred acres, more or less, in a good state of cultivation; barn 80x40; good drive barn and granary; good frame dwelling house; three good wells of water; one artesian well; fruit of all kinds; well located for dairy, one mile outside city limits, on townline between Harwich and Raleigh, For particulars, apply to G. W. Kelly, Queen St., south of Faig Grounds, or address G. W. Kelly, Eox 615, Chatham, Ont.

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