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THE RELIABLE STORE Thomas Stone & Son THE RELIABLE STORE

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Our great Mid-Summer Sale swings along with a big harvest of bargains for the careful buyer. We have been looking forward and preparing for weeks for our Annual Mid-Summer Sale and have been snapping up every good thing the jobbers have offered in the way of summer bargains.

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## RAINS CAUSE MUCH DAMAGE

Heavy Losses In Pennsylvania Ohio and Virginia

Many Lives Lost—Families Driven From Their Homes

Pittsburg, Pa., July 19.—The loss of several lives and great monetary damage has resulted from heavy rains throughout Western Pennsylvania, Eastern Ohio and West Virginia during the last 24 hours. The rivers and mountain streams are out of their banks, live stock have been drowned, bridges and buildings washed away, railroad tracks swept off or undermined, trolley systems demolished, electric light plants put out of commission, and hundreds of families compelled to abandon their homes and take refuge on higher ground.

About this city the rivers have risen over six feet in ten hours. Reports from above the city say that recurring storms during the past 48 hours have resulted in a precipitation of from 3 to 4 inches, which, being at the head waters, when they reach this city, may cause some damage unlooked for at this time of the year.

The interior of West Virginia has sustained heavy damage. Miles of track of the Western Maryland, and the coal and iron railroads in Lackore and Barbour counties have been washed away. The service on these roads is said to be at a standstill. The Dry Fork and Baltimore & Ohio railroads are under water for many miles, and no trains can be operated. In the Tygart Valley, the towns of Grafton, Bowlesburg and Tunnelton are almost submerged; the property damage amounting to nearly a quarter of a million dollars.

At McCombs, W. Va., the home of Mrs. Mary Ballard was wrecked by the high water, and three young children of Mrs. Ballard were drowned. The bodies were washed away.

Lives Lost.  
Baltimore, July 19.—A special to The News from Grafton, W. Va., says that from three to five lives have been lost and half a million dollars damage is the result of a cloudburst and heavy storm Wednesday between Grafton and Tunnelton. Among the dead are Claudius Wolfe of Evansville and Frank Gibbons of Newburg.

Damage by Cloudburst.  
Charlestown, W. Va., July 19.—More than half a million dollars damage resulted from cloudbursts, storms and floods Wednesday night at Newburg, and along the Cheat River valley in Preston County and this vicinity.

Houses were washed away, the main line of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad is out of commission, and telegraph and telephone wires are all down. Much damage has been done to property along the Monongahela River, at Fairmont, Kingwood and Evansville.

The sudden rise in the Monongahela River wrecked the new bridge between Monaca, Pa., and Charlestown. The loss is estimated at \$100,000.

## SOCIAL AT KENT BRIDGE

The Ice Cream Social given by the Ladies Aid of Knox Church, on the beautiful lawn of Mr. G. R. Langford, Tuesday evening, was a decided success in every way. Large crowds were present from Chatham, Thamesville and the surrounding country, and, after doing ample justice at the tables, tastefully arranged on the spacious tennis courts, all enjoyed an excellent program, presided over by the pastor, Rev. A. W. Hare. The following array of artists would do credit to a Massey Hall program, and, needless to say, charmed the most critical in Kent Bridge.

Program.  
Violin Solo—Mr. Everard Gordon, Chairman's Address.  
Solo, with violin and piano accompaniment, Miss Laura McDonald.

Reading—Miss Maggie Campbell.  
Solo—Mr. Chas. Weldon.  
Solo—Miss Gertrude Potter.  
Speech—Mr. Sherman Everett.  
Instrumental—Mr. Geo. Watt.  
Solo—Miss McPherson.  
Reading—Miss Ada Arnold.  
Solo—Mr. C. Langford.  
Instrumental—Mr. Gordon.  
Solo—Mr. Weldon.  
Violin selection—Mr. Gordon.  
The proceeds, free of expenses, amounted to \$50.

## BOY SHOTS MOTHER

Moncton, N.B., July 19.—Shot by a revolver in the hands of her five-year-old son, Mrs. Sanford Anderson of Edgett's Landing will die.  
Mrs. Anderson, who was in delicate state of health, was sitting at a desk, in which her husband kept a loaded revolver. In securing writing material, she left the drawer containing the revolver open, and her little son took the weapon out.

His mother turned and saw him. As she reached to take the little fellow pulled the trigger and the bullet entered his mother's abdomen.

## TWO OF LONDON'S INJURED IN VERY SERIOUS CONDITION

Victims Of Recent Calamity Are Buried—Crystal Hall To Be Razed—Citizens Still Excited Over Disaster

London, Ont., July 19.—Interest in the Dundas street catastrophe has now been transferred to the injured in Victoria Hospital, one or two of whom are reported to be in a very critical condition. Inquirers yesterday were informed that John Loney, who sustained a fracture of the skull, was in a comatose state, and, although it is not thought that he is beyond hope, his condition is such to give rise to the gravest fears. A telegram made to rouse him have so far proved unsuccessful, and to all questions he replies in a kind of murmur, "I don't know." A change for the worse was also noted in the case of Miss May Hardingham. She is suffering considerable pain, and the doctors are afraid of internal developments. Mrs. Peters, too, has not yet passed the critical stage. She is still feeling the effects of the shock, but it is hoped that once these have passed away she will make a rapid recovery. Miss Peters is progressing satisfactorily, and Ethel Earl, Libbie Smith and James Clugson and all doing well. Percy Robinson, it is expected, will be able to leave the hospital in a day or two.

A feeling of insecurity. That someone blundered is still the feeling of the community. There is even talk of criminal responsibility. As a result of the disaster has been to draw attention to the condition of other buildings in the city. The fact is that the people have been badly scared, and many gave credit to the story circulated Wednesday that there

## MR. SULMAN ELECTED TO IMPORTANT POSITION

Detroit, July 19.—D. P. Markey, of Port Huron, who has been Supreme Commander of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of the World for the past three years, was returned to that office Wednesday, when the Supreme Tent, holding its triennial convention in the Cadillac Hotel, elected officers. L. E. Sisler, of Port Huron, was re-elected to the office of Supreme Recorder.

The other officers are: M. E. Elkin, of Lexington, Ky., Supreme Lieutenant and Commander; George W. Miller, Chicago, Supreme Sergeant; C. K. Haver, Kansas City, Kas., Supreme Master-at-Arms; J. B. Showalter, Parkersburg, W. Va., Supreme First Master of the Guard; George W. Sulman, Chatham, Ont., Supreme Second Master of the Guard; S. C. Ward, Augusta, Me., Supreme Sentinel; R. A. Neison, Supreme Picket; James F. Downer, Chicago, Ill., Supreme Dragon; W. E. Blaney, Pittsburg; S. W. Truslar, Camlachie, Ont.; R. B. Anderson, St. Louis; L. E. Sisler, Port Huron.

## DEATH OF AN OLD RESIDENT

There passed away this morning at one o'clock, Mr. Thomas H. Baxter, in his 77th year. Mr. Baxter has been living with his daughter, Mrs. Earl Kimmerly, on Colborne street, where, after a lingering illness, he died. He had only been confined to his bed a few weeks, but has been quite a sufferer for some years.

Mr. Baxter was born in England, and came to this country with his parents and one sister, Mrs. C. G. Charteris, in 1834. He has been quite a traveler, going to California, also to Australia and New Zealand. He came here in the early 50's, where he spent some time, and again went to California in 1864 in company with his brother, Victor B. Baxter, Wm. Richardson, of Victoria, B. C., and Clark Shepley, who died there in 1865. In 1866 Mr. Baxter and his brother, William B., returned to Chatham. Mr. Baxter again went to California a few years ago, and from there to the town of Nanaimo, British Columbia, in which place he remained for about two years, when he returned home and engaged with the S. Hadley Company, in whose employ he was until about a year ago, when he retired from active work.

Mr. Baxter leaves to mourn his loss four daughters and one son. The daughters are, Mrs. Edward Smith, Harwich; Mrs. Wm. Heddle, of Edmonton, Alta.; Mrs. Fred G. Y. Charteris, River Road, Chatham Twp., and Mrs. Earl Kimmerly, of this city. His only son, Herman B. Glazier, of C. T. Thompson, of Victoria, B. C., the deceased, was Mrs. C. G. Charteris, Mrs. H. G. Reed, and Wm. B. Baxter, of this city; Henry H. Baxter, of Buffalo, and James H. Baxter, of New Rockford, North Dakota.

Mr. Baxter was a highly respected resident of this city, and will be missed by a great number of sorrowing friends and residents. The Planet extends sympathy to the bereaved family in their sad hour of affliction.

The funeral will take place from the residence of his son-in-law, Mr. Earl Kimmerly, Colborne St., on Sunday afternoon at three o'clock, to Maple Leaf Cemetery.

were no fewer than fifty buildings in the town that were absolutely unsafe. Mr. Graydon, the city engineer, describes the story as about forty-nine degrees exaggerated. One or two buildings, he said, had recently received his attention, and in these cases he had given warning to the parties concerned.

A satisfactory development was the announcement by the City Engineer that the remaining portion of Crystal Hall would be demolished. This was the result of a conference held with Mr. W. J. Reid, the proprietor of the store, and others interested, yesterday morning, and it will have the effect of removing what was obviously a serious danger. Mr. Reid, who was out of town when the disaster occurred, stated that he also had cautioned those making the alterations against doing anything that would in any way injure the building.

Searching operations having ceased, there was nothing to be seen on Dundas street yesterday forenoon, but the yawning gap, extending some 60 or 70 feet, and piles of debris which have still to be removed.

Funerals Yesterday Afternoon.  
The funerals of all the victims but one took place in the afternoon. Miss Clara Mullins' remains will be interred to-day. Messages of condolence have been received by Mayor Judd from, among others, Mayor Coatsworth, Toronto, and Hon. Adam Beck.

## TILBURY OIL FIRM IS IN TROUBLE

Ann Arbor, Mich., July 18.—Recently a bill was filed in the Circuit Court here in which about a dozen prominent university professors and about thirty Ann Arbor people were included, asking for an order of appointment for an oil firm at Tilbury, Ont. The amount taken out of Ann Arbor was about \$15,000.00. Theodore Mast was the complainant, but it was understood that the Ann Arbor parties were interested.

Now George H. Purchase, of Detroit, who was one of the promoters of the company, comes forward and says that the investors were not trimmed and that if anybody represented to Mr. Mast that the well would give a flowage of oil, he would give a day it was the truth. He makes a general denial in his answer and says that the original owner received the full amount he represented to the investors that it would cost.

However, Prof. John R. Reed, who has been appointed receiver by the Court, has been empowered to borrow \$15,000.00 to pay off the judgment outstanding, and it looks like a fight to the finish to see who will get control of the property.

## MR. DERCK PRESENTED

Mr. Andrew Derck, an old employee of the Chatham Wagon Works, was kindly remembered by the employers and employees on his leaving to take up his residence in Hamilton, Ohio. Mr. Derck was taken by surprise last evening on leaving his work to find himself confronted at the office door by the management and workmen, when Stewart Lamont, on behalf of the company and employees, addressed him, and said that the management and his fellow workmen had learned with regret of his departure for Ohio, the home of his birth, and assured him that his leaving was regretted by all. Mr. Derck has worked here faithfully for the last twenty-five years in the interest of this company. He has seen its progress and growth. He has seen it enlarge from a small plant till it covers vast acres. Its production and output is found, wherever you find civilization and progress. The Chatham wagon rolls upon the highways of every nation. This success is due to the good management and the skilled workmanship of the employees. Mr. Derck has contributed his share of faithful service. All regret your departure. He was asked to accept an accompanying sum of money as a token of the esteem in which he is held. He has been a faithful employee, a good mechanic, a good citizen of Chatham, and all join in wishing him success in his future home. Mr. Derck thanked them for the kind expression and the gift, and referred to the many happy and pleasant years spent at the Wagon Works, and spoke in the highest terms of the kind treatment he had always received at the hands of both the management and his fellow workers. He left with regret, but advised his old shop mates to stand by the Wagon Works and the management, who had long and faithfully stood by him. All joined heartily in singing, "For He is a Jolly Good Fellow."

Whom can we accuse, but ourselves for what we suffer!

## WOULD KILL JAPANESE

Inflammatory Posters In Seoul Call For Death Of Officials

Emperor Leaves Throne And Is Too Worried To Eat Or Sleep

Seoul, July 19.—The Cabinet Ministers, including the newly-appointed Household Minister, have resigned. It is reported that the Emperor was very angry at his Ministers on account of their having advised him to abdicate. He said to them that he occupied the throne by right inherited from his ancestors, and that his subjects had no authority to advise his dethronement, much less to do so with the support of foreigners.

Placards were posted yesterday in one of the thoroughfares calling for the death of all Japanese officials in Seoul. The Ministers are strongly guarded, and every precaution has been taken to prevent riots and attacks upon officials. The Emperor is reported to be too worried to take food or to sleep, but this report is considered to be one of his usual manoeuvres to enlist the sympathy of his people.

The Emperor's loss of loyal adherence of a large portion of his subjects will, it is believed, result in the gradual development of his policy to always play one Minister or faction against another so as to prevent the concentration of power in any single body. The Emperor himself is constantly distrustful of all about him, and haunted with the fear of an attempt on his life.

The Il Ching Hoi, a progressive association, claiming a membership of over a million, is now openly hostile to the Emperor, and it is doubtful even if the few now standing by him will continue their support until the last.

Tokio, July 19.—A despatch from Seoul says that the Emperor conveyed the elder statesmen at 1 o'clock yesterday morning. The Cabinet Ministers waited in an adjoining room while the Emperor conferred with the elder statesmen.

After a two hours' conference His Majesty finally yielded and made up his mind to abdicate.

It was decided to hold abdication ceremonies at 10 o'clock this morning.

Much unrest prevails about the palace and at another place a crowd of 2,000 is assembled. A portion of this crowd assaulted the office of The Daily Kokumin, but the mob was dispersed before heavy damage was inflicted.

Laurier Arrives Home.  
Quebec, July 19.—The Empress of Britain, with Sir Wilfrid Laurier on board, reached Quebec at 10 o'clock last night.

A number of steamers went down the river as far as Grosse Ile to meet the Empress, but the big liner was coming along at a very rapid gait. She did not stop but came right through.

Sir Wilfrid was taken off at the harbor and landed at the King's Wharf. A very large crowd were assembled on the wharf and along the route, and the Premier was given a great ovation all along the route up to the Chateau Frontenac.

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**1 Day More**  
OF  
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Owing to the fact that some of our customers were turned away last Saturday without being waited upon. We are going to repeat our Enamelware Sale.

**Saturday, July 20th**

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Prices: 17c, 19c, 22c, 33c, 79c.

Those who bought last year know the excellent value we give. Those who did not come and get an idea of what a bargain in hair brushes is. We have 5000 to sell and we want to sell them all in ten days.

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## Tearing Things Loose

Commencing Saturday

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