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Combined with the purest materials, that makes our Baking Powder so good. You can be sure of getting the very best baking powder here, and getting the same all the time.

25c a Pound,

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QUEBEC MAPLE SYRUP,

35c, 65c.

MAPLE SUGAR,

13c.

COMB HONEY,

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CANNED PEACHES,

20c. and 30c.

CANNED PLUMS,

20c.

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I am selling a line of

BELT BUCKLES AT
\$1.00That are Probably the Prettiest
Ever Brought to the Town.

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Issues of Marriage Licenses.

PROMPT
SERVICE

If you require anything in a hurry don't fail to call on us for it. We take great pains to see that our store service is satisfactory in every way and we shall be very grateful to have you tell us of anything that does not appear to you to be just right.

We lay great stress on courteous treatment and we feel sure that we are correct when we tell you that nowhere else can you receive more courteous attention than here.

We aim to have what you want, when you want it and at the right price. Then we know that a trial order is sure to bring a steady customer.

We shall be very glad to have your trade, whether it be large or small.

J. C. WANLESS,

THE UP-TO-DATE HARDWARE MAN

High Grade Gas
Engine Cylinder Oil

Especially compounded for use on Marine and Stationary Gasoline Engines and Automobiles. Has high fire test and viscosity and will not carbonize.

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W. W. SCANE.

Thames St. Phone 147

LOOK!

Cottage for Sale, stands on high brick foundation and has wide verandah, city water, sewer, etc., price \$300.
Good House and Lot on Lorne Avenue, bath, gas, electric lights, etc. House in A condition.
Several Houses to Rent, \$5.00 to \$12.00 per month.

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Real Estate and Insurance
Fifth St., Next Harrison Hall
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Quail on Toast is the best 5 cent Cigar in the market - made by O'Brien Bros.

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Workingman's Outfitters
MAKE TO YOUR MEASURE
Suits, Pants & Fancy
Vests.

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Opp. Rankin House

Open Evenings

TO-NIGHT

Western City Lodge, I. O. O. F., at 8.

Sons of England, in their hall, at 8 o'clock.

Christ Church Young People's Society at 8.

Holy Trinity Church, lecture hall at 8.

Quarterly Official Board of Park St. Methodist Church, at 8.

Retail Merchants' Association in Public Library auditorium, at 8.

Young People's Society, in lecture hall, William St. Baptist Church, at 8 o'clock.

LOCAL

Briscoe's bicycle livery and repairs. Don't forget the Lady Foresters pedro, Tuesday, May 14th.

All the cream but no street dust is in the Maple City Creamery bottled milk.

Miss Carrie Guttridge and Miss Bert Smith spent yesterday in Blenheim.

Order bottled milk, cream and bottled buttermilk from the Maple City Creamery.

Remember the Lantern Views in Christ Church S. S. Hall. Silver collection. Monday, 8 p.m.

The Misses Yula and Mayme Burgess, of Wallaceburg, are visiting Miss Lulu Mounter.

Large, handsome lilacs 25c; magnificent spruces 25c, at Victoria Avenue Green Houses. All plants delivered.

The Advisory Board of the Children's Aid Society are holding their regular meeting in Harrison Hall this afternoon.

Moths will not touch furs after my treatment; simple, easy, cheap. Circular descriptive on application. C. O. De Linke, 260 King street, London, Canada.

Fred. A. Munro and Chas. Holmes have received word that they have passed their first year examinations at the school of Practical Science with first class honors.

COOPER'S
BOOK STOREWALL
PAPERS

ANOTHER LOT OF

Choice American
Wall Papers.FINE COLORS,
LOW PRICES

Wire Racks for Pictures and Post Cards—a new supply just arrived. Good quality and cheap.

500 New Books—the best authors, low prices.

Mrs. Dennison's Toronto Ladies' Cook Book, 75c.

R. Cooper

Jahnke & Hinnegan

Funeral Directors and Embalmers
King St. East, four doors east of Market
Latest Appliances
Open Day and Night Phone 14

Paul Fauber, spent yesterday in Wallaceburg.

Skirt Makers wanted at once at the New York Cloak Store.

D. M. McNicol, of Grand Rapids, spent Sunday in the city.

Leslie Webster, of McKeough avenue, spent Sunday in Newbury.

Steve Anquetil, of Detroit, is spending a few days in the city.

See the cream in the Maple City Creamery BOTTLED Milk. See our advt.

Wm Kerr, of Campbell avenue, is receiving the congratulations of his many friends over the birth of a bouncing baby boy.

J. R. Longmore, secretary of the West Kent Farmers Institute, has been advised by the Department of Agriculture that Prof. R. Harcourt will attend the annual meeting to be held in this city on Thursday, June 6th, which will be held in the afternoon in Harrison Hall at 2.30.

A meeting will also be held at Kent Bridge on Wednesday, 5th prox.

In view of the fact that there are a great number of Old Country people arriving in the city just now, a citizen suggested this morning that there should be some arrangements made to meet these people and make them feel at home.

As it is at present, these strangers in a strange land are dumped off the train without any knowledge or direction as to where they will find their destination.

A little kindness shown emigrants when they arrive first would go a long way towards making them feel that they are welcome in this land of plenty.

MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP

Some Projects That Have Failed—Costly Experiments in Lighting

Among recent municipal ownership failures may be enumerated:—

Muncie, Indiana, plant abandoned and bonds not paid off.

La Grange, Illinois, plant sold to a company.

Elgin, Illinois, municipal costs so high that contract was let to company.

Jonesboro, Indiana, plant turned over to bondholders.

Alexandria, Virginia, plant leased to a company for thirty years.

Ashtabula, Ohio, \$88,000 plant depreciated \$50,000 in fourteen years, advertised for sale.

Brunswick, Missouri, plant sold for thirty-five cents on the dollar, city taking pay in light and water.

Casselton, North Dakota, plant sold for two-fifths cost.

Siloam Springs, Arkansas, \$30,000 plant leased for \$600 a year.

Fort, Indiana, Council Investigating Committee found are lamps cost \$200 a year, and advised that the city abandon the business and sell the plant.

Linton, Indiana, plant leased for five years.

Hamilton, Ohio, gas plant shut down and State examining reported deplorable financial conditions and abnormal costs, due to faulty construction in electric light plant.

Bloomington, Illinois, increase from \$50 to \$65 in yearly cost of are lamps in ten years, although cost should have been less.

Easton, Pennsylvania, Mayor favors letting a private contract if city cannot maintain better service, and business men petition for such a contract.

Lakewood, Ohio, expert accountant found cost of are lamps about double the price offered by a private company.

In Massachusetts, according to the 1905 report of the commissioners, 24 of the 56 private electric light and power companies in the State paid no dividends; one paid a dividend of 2 per cent.; one a dividend of 4 per cent.; one a dividend of 3.5 per cent.; four a dividend of 5 per cent.; eleven a dividend of 6 per cent.; three a dividend of 7 per cent.; eight a dividend of 8 per cent.; one a dividend of 9 per cent.; and two paid dividends of 10 per cent.

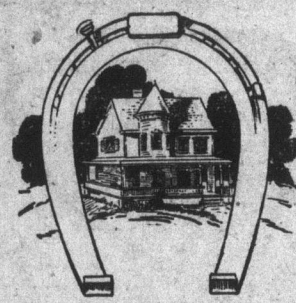
In some States with some kinds of corporations these statistics on dividends would give little indication of the per cent. of earnings on the actual investment, because of the common practice of issuing watered stock for which but a small per cent. of the face value has been paid.

In Massachusetts, however, where securities for many years past have been issued only upon approval of the commission, to pay for actual improvements in a plant, these figures can safely be accepted as indicating very nearly the true state of affairs.

This statement as to dividends, of course, does not show what earnings may be put back into the property in the shape of new construction and extensions. In this latter connection it is of interest to note that the combined balance sheets of the Massachusetts companies show a surplus of 10.76 per cent. on the entire capital stock in the 1905 report, but this is less than the surplus showed the year previous.

These figures simply demonstrate what is known to every well-informed man in the business, namely, that electric light companies, when well managed and if in sufficiently large towns, can be reasonably expected to pay the usual prevailing rate of interest on investment, and in some cases a little more than that, but that there are plenty of companies which, either for the lack of good management or for some local reason, are earning practically nothing.

There is certainly nothing in these figures to indicate that enormous profits are to be pocketed by taxpayers as a result of a municipal electric light plant.—N. Y. World.



IT'S A LUCKY STRIKE

when you've made up your mind to own a bit of

Real Estate

of your own. You're a lucky fellow to get a word of advice as to where to buy. Many a real estate offer looks worth while, at first, and pans out "no good" later on. Let us help you hit the right spot. Our experience is yours for the asking.

Don't look at your future home through a horse-shoe when we'll lend our experienced eyes to see it with.

Good, comfortable home, with modern conveniences, situated close to Gray's factory. Will sell at a bargain, if sold at once.

We also have half a dozen good homes, over the creek, for sale, ranging in price from \$700 to \$2,000. Call at the office and see our lists.

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Office over A. L. McCall & Co's Drug Store
Cor. King and Fifth Sts.
Phone 154.

LETTERS

A "FARE" PROPOSAL.

To the Editor of The Planet:

I saw in Friday's Planet that the directors of the City of Chatham have decided to increase their rates for the present season. Last year they charged the same rate to the mouth of the river as to Detroit, and I would suggest that this year this fare be put at 50 cents for the round trip.

READER.

AUCTION SALE OF HOUSE
HOLD FURNITURE

Andrew Thomson has received instructions from J. C. England to sell his household effects at his residence on Lorne Avenue, third house from Lacroix street, on Thursday, May 16, commencing at one o'clock, consisting of the following:

Parlor furniture, one fine couch, several centre tables, three fancy oak rockers, jardineer stand, one fine oak secretary and book case combined, one ottoman, two large Smyrna rugs, parlor carpet, parlor curtains, lace curtains, several jardineers and plants, oak easel, one fine extension table, one fine sideboard, one set dining chairs, cane seats; an air tight heating stove, twenty yards of linoleum, bed couch, hall rack, pictures and curtains, fine lot of dishes and glassware, a very nice brass and iron bedsteads, mattress and springs; a chiffonier, one fancy rocker, bedroom carpet, one toilet set, two more brass and iron bedsteads, mattress and springs; two dressers and two commodes, bedroom carpet, one screen, writing table, a fine lot of bedding, a coal and wood range, kitchen table, kitchen utensils, lawn mower, washing machine, wringer, milk pail, milk cans, two creamers, tubs, one kitchen cabinet, one refrigerator, fine lot of fruit jars, churn, gas stove and oven, garden utensils, two fine milk cows, young, giving a good flow of milk.

The above furniture, etc., is all in first class order, and should command the attention of parties in need of same.

The cows are Durham breed. Remember day and date, Thursday, May 16, at one o'clock sharp.

J. C. ENGLAND, ESQ., Proprietor.

ANDREW THOMSON, Auctioneer.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed bids and separate tenders will be received by the proprietor or at the office of the undersigned, up till 7 p. m., Wednesday, May 22, 1907, for all trades to erect a pressed brick and stone residence, for O. L. Lewis, Esq., Wellington street.

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. No tender will be considered after above date.

J. L. WILSON & SON, Architects.

O. L. LEWIS, Proprietor.

The Gordon Store's
MAY SALE OF LADIES' MUSLIN UNDERWEAR.

WE are never content with our past success in Special Sales, but always make more strenuous efforts for greater success. Our present offerings of dainty, beautifully trimmed, and exquisitely made and fashioned Undermuslins, priced specially at their lowest for this event, will prove the best underwear sale this season.

Gowns

Cambrie gowns, embroidered, trimmed with lace, high and low necks, reg. prices 75c, 85c, 90c, for 65c.

Cambrie, special value, lace and embroidery embellished, reg. value \$1.25, on sale 85c.

Cambrie, square yokes, insertion and embroidered and tucked, our \$1 for 75c.

Cambrie gowns, fine quality, V yokes, embroidered, &c., \$1.35 values for 95c.

Nainsook, low and high necks, nice embroidery trimmed, specials for this sale, were \$1.50 now 1.15.

Nainsook, fine gowns with fine laces and embroidery, fancy trimmed, reg. price \$2.25, 2.50 and 2.75, at our May sale, price 1.75.

Nainsook and fine mull gowns, charming laces and embroidery yokes, values \$3 and 3.30. May sale for 2.50.

Nainsook, finest in stock, all descriptions, fair prices, \$4, 4.50 to 6.00. Your choice of the lot for \$3.50.

Extra size matrons gowns, special priced for this May sale \$1 and 1.35.

Misses' and Children's Gowns, trimmed with lace and insertion, sizes 3, 5, 7, 9 and 10 years, May sale price 60c.

Misses' Gowns, finely trimmed with insertion, etc., sizes for 12, 14 and 16, at 65c.

Children's gowns, yokes tucked and embroidered, sizes 3, 5, 7 and 9 years, at 75c.

Infants Night Gowns, all samples, no two alike, sold at cost and under, May sale \$1.69, 2.49, 3.98, 4.98.

Infants Skirts, all samples, sold at cost price and less, this May sale 45c to 52c.

White Petticoats.

Muslin skirts, fine materials, trimmed with torchon lace and insertion, \$1 value, May sale at 75c.

Muslin Skirts, tucked and embroidered, a May sale special at 80c.

Cambrie Skirts, trimmed with rows of lace insertion and tucks, our reg. \$1.35 for this sale 1.10.

Muslin trimmed, with fine laces and embroidery, \$1.75 skirts for 1.35.

Finest weaves of cambrie and Nainsook, fine fancy lace and lace trimmed flounces, reg. \$2.50, 2.75, and 3.00. Your choice this May sale at 2.00.

Exquisite Skirts in all respects, special spring sale \$5 and 6.00 skirts for 4.50, 7.50 and 9.00 skirts for 5.50, and 10.00 and 12.00 skirts at 9.00.

Long Chemises.

Combinations with corset covers or petticoats attached, beautifully trimmed with rich lace and embroidery, May prices 75c, 98c, \$1.29, 1.49, 1.79 and 2.24. These are all samples; no two alike.

Children's White Skirts

Muslin skirts, sizes 3, 5, 7, 9 and 10 years, May sale prices, 36c, 42c, and 50c.

Three styles children's and misses' skirts; 1st, trimmed with muslin and tucked full, 2nd, with fine lace and lace trim; 3rd, with fine embroidery; sizes for 7, 9, 10, 12, 14, 16. Sale 50c to 75c.

Children's White Dresses

Dainty makes, beautiful fine embroidery, lace and insertion trim, many styles samples, no two alike. Note prices, 39c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, 1.50, 2.00, 2.75 to 5.25.

Kabo Corsets

We are agents at Chatham for this celebrated corset, one of the very best manufactured; we carry fifteen styles of this one, make and fit guaranteed, and sell them at less than United States prices.

Corset Covers

Cambrie covers, tight-fitting or marselette, embroidery trim, 25c.

Cambrie in variety of 50c styles, nice trimming with lace; on sale 39c.

Out-sized extra specials, embroidery trim Priced for our May sale, 50c.

All-over embroidery covers, straps and lace insertion trimming. May sale, 36c.

Cambrie extra fine insertion and lace, reg. 75c and 85c covers, for May, 60c.

Specials reduced for this sale, \$1.25 and 1.35.

Drawers

Muslin drawers, plain hemstitched and tucked; a May sale special at 25c.

Muslin, with fancy hemstitching and lace insertion trimming. May sale, 36c.

Muslin, with torchon embroidery trimming, a regular 50c.; on sale, 39c.

Out-sized for weighty folk; 50c and 75c. Nainsook and Cambrie, trimmed with fine lace and embroidery, 85c drawers for 65c.

Nainsook, extra fine \$1.25 drawers, 85c. Cambrie drawers, supreme samples, at first cost and less for this sale. \$1.50 for 1.00, 2.00 for 1.25, and 3.00 for 2.00.

Misses' and Children's Drawers

Children's plain tucked and filled, 25c. Children's, trimmed with lace and embroidery, sizes 3, 5, 7 and 10 years at 45c.

Children's black satin drawers, all sizes.

Corsets

Special fine white coutille 2-bone supporters, and batiste girdle corsets for summer at 50c.

Long hip fine French batiste corsets, summer weight, four supporters, reg. 1.00, on sale 75c.

A \$2.50 corset, fine French coutille, ribbed and lace trimmed, and supporters, special May price, 1.75.

ALL LEADING LINES

E. & T. and D. & A. CORSETS.

Such Price Inducements Are Doubly Attractive by Reason of
Rarity.

WM. GORDON

GRAND MASQUERADE

-AT-

TECUMSEH ROLLER RINK,

ON TUESDAY EVENING, MAY 14th

Prizes:—

A PAIR OF ROLLER SKATES will be given for the best Fancy Dress, and a Pair will be given for the Best Character.

BAND IN ATTENDANCE

PRICES AS USUAL.

S-T-O-P

If you saw a \$5.00 bill on the sidewalk you would stop and pick it up.

Well, we think you will see where you can save money if you read our ad.

Broken Sweet Biscuits, 5c. per lb.

Broken Soda, 4c. per lb.

8 Bars Morton's Grand Soap, 25c.

20c. Bottles Tomato Catsup, 17c.

2 Packages Force for 25c.

Maple Syrup, 15c. per pint.

Table Syrup, 50c. per gal.

8 lbs. Washing Soda, 5c.

22 lbs. Bright Yellow Sugar, \$1.

7-lb. Pails Jam, 87c.