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A YARMOUTH BLOATER

That's What Chaplain Says He Is—A Brief Sketch of the Lecturer.

Chaplain Lane, of the second South African contingent, known as the Royal Canadian Dragoons, arrived in the city yesterday about 3 o'clock. He was the guest of N. B. Stevens and, when seen yesterday afternoon, he in company with Mr. Stevens, was getting his rifle and maps ready for the lecture in the First Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Lane is a broad-shouldered, good-natured looking clergyman, but one would scarcely take him for a bright smile and hearty handshake as belonging to a staid minister. "I am a Yarmouth bloater. You have heard of them?" said the Chaplain, but seeing the look of surprise Mr. Lane explained: "I mean I was born in Yarmouth, England. I am a Methodist minister and I am pastor of a church at Paraboro, N. S. Mr. Stevens here is entirely to blame for inflicting my lectures on the public. In the early part of October I reached Quebec on my way back from South Africa, and at once took train for my home."

"On the train I fell in with Mr. Stevens, and during the trip to Nova Scotia I told him some of the incidents of our life in the Transvaal. When we were about to part, Mr. Stevens made me promise to lecture, and I told him that I regret that promise, for I have had the pleasure of telling a large number about the Canadian Mounted Regiment and what they did in South Africa. "By the way," said the Chaplain, "the Canadian Mounted Regiment is no more. When we reached Cape Town we learned that there was another C. M. R. troop, the Cape Mounted Rifles, and at the request of Lord Roberts himself the name was changed to the Royal Canadian Dragoons. "I had no idea when I promised Mr. Stevens to lecture, that I would have any success or that I would travel all over Canada for this purpose. I didn't think that the people would care for my humble way of telling things and I have been amazed at the crowded houses that have greeted me."

"In South Africa I was with the Royal Dragoons in nineteen engagements and skirmishes. I had the pleasure of shaking hands with Lord Roberts and a fine little man he is, I can assure you. I saw Kitch-

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SUNDAY PAPERS.

An Attempt to be Made to Stop Their Sale.

Information Laid Against the Vendors—Number of Purchasers to be Summoned as Witnesses.

Recently, on the agitation of the Lord's Day Alliance, considerable comment was created upon the purchase and sale of Sunday papers on Sunday in the Maple City. The police have been collecting information concerning the matter, which will be ventilated by a series of police court cases, held to place the latter part of this week. The informations are against sellers of the Sunday Detroit News-Tribune and Free Press, and a large number of purchasers will be subpoenaed as witnesses. Chief of Police Young looks upon the cases largely as those of test value.

"It does seem to me," said the officer when questioned on the matter by The Planet this morning, "that there is something faulty with the statute in this connection. If the Sunday sale of papers is to be prohibited, it should be stopped at the fountain head and not gotten at in ineffective dribbles."

"For instance," the Chief continued, "if The Planet printed a special issue on Saturday evening, say, and the copies were sold on Sunday, we would at once prosecute your journal or the Sunday sellers of it. Now, I don't think the Yankees should have any more privileges than our own newspaper. I believe in prohibiting these papers coming in rather than prosecuting the little newsboys on the street."

However, while the police think they can stop the sale of Sunday papers, the law does not cover the delivery on Sunday where the contract is made on a week-day. So those who sub-

scribe regularly will get their papers as usual, while those who pay their nickel Sunday by Sunday may have to go without.

THE CANKER WORM

Of Nepotism Alleged to Prevail in the British Army and Navy—Lord Salisbury Attacks—Mr. Chamberlain Defends Himself.

London, Dec. 11.—In the house of commons yesterday, G. C. T. Bartley, Conservative representative for Northampton, moved an amendment to the address, asking the house to express regret at the fact that Lord Salisbury had recommended so many of his own family to offices under the government. One-fifth of the cabinet ministers, Mr. Bartley said, are of the same family. Sons would obey their father and sons-in-law and nephews would yield to the same influence. Such conditions precluded an independent inquiry into the army failures in South Africa and were calculated to impair gravely the efficiency of the public service and diminish the chances of reform in the system of national defense. The same canker worm of nepotism had entered the army and navy and it was the general opinion that many of the disasters in South Africa were traceable to officers who had obtained their commissions by family influence.

BALFOUR TO THE RESCUE.
When the premier's nephew rose to reply the house was filled with expectation. Mr. Balfour said the unhappy accident of birth ought not to be a bar to public service. There was only one member of Lord Salisbury's family in the present government who was not in the past. Mr. Balfour, he added, had not shown that the appointees complained of were incapable, while the country at the recent election had shown confidence that the premier would carry out with ability and integrity his thankless, heart-breaking task.

The amendment was lost by a vote of 22 to 128.
D. Lloyd-George, radical member for Carnarvon district, brought together a series of accusations against Mr. Chamberlain first had been figuring in the newspapers and moved that no member of the government ought to have a direct or indirect interest in concerns competing for government contracts. He pointed out that the secretary of state for the colonies held 600 shares and other members of his family 67,000 shares in the Birmingham trust, which in turn was a shareholder in the Tubes Limited, making £10,000 a year out of government contracts. He asserted also that Mr. Chamberlain and his relations held shares worth £230,000 to £250,000 in Elliott's Metal Co., contractors to the admiralty, and shares valued at £250,000 in Kynochs Dynamite Co., contractors to the war office. After enumerating other companies in which the Chamberlain family, he asserted had interests, Mr. George declared he was not attacking the private character of the minister, but because "this case might be used as a precedent later to justify corruption."

DEFENDING HIMSELF.
After various speeches for and against the resolution, Mr. Chamberlain replied.
"It is my personal honor that is involved in this question," he said, "and I think it hard, after twenty-five years of life, to find the full light of parliament to have to stand up and explain that I am not a scandalous thief. These attacks are monstrous and absurd. I ask no notice of the charges during the election, although there had been a conspiracy of insinuation. I had been charged with fattening of the profits of a war I had provoked. Of all the companies mentioned I hold shares in two. My relations intend to take legal proceedings and the public will see how these abominable charges will be dealt with by the courts. My relations are all business men, and have had to make their own fortunes. I come of a family which boasts nothing of distinguished birth or inherited wealth, but has an unbroken record of nearly two centuries of unstained commercial integrity. 'Never during the whole course of my political career have I been asked to use my influence to secure pecuniary gain for myself or my relations.'"

Having made further explanations, Mr. Chamberlain exclaimed, amid ministerial cheers:
"Is it not hard to have to deal with such rubbish as this? When all is reckoned up perhaps my indirect interest in the government contracts is a few pounds, or even shillings. And yet, the house of commons is called upon to pass a solemn resolution which will not strike me but will be a humiliating ordinance for many members who do not anticipate that result."

In an eloquent peroration the colonial secretary declared that the attacks had not injured him, but had given gain to a number of private individuals. (Those who had made them, he asserted, had introduced into public life unworthy methods and had made it more difficult for honorable and sensitive men to serve the country. He was loudly cheered as he resumed his seat. His son, J. Austin Chamberlain, financial secretary to the treasury department followed with similar denials.

R. B. Haldane, Radical member for Huddersfield, and others, spoke, after which Mr. Lloyd-George's motion, which was offered as an amendment to the address, was rejected by a vote of 269 to 127.

Mr. Balfour, the government leader, then moved the closure, which was carried by 253 votes against 18; and the address to the throne was adopted by 255 votes against 23.

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LOCAL BRIEFS

Lined kid and moccasin gloves, samples, factory prices. The 2 T's.
Principal Grant at the C. C. I. on Friday, Dec. 14.

Mrs. W. T. Pegg, Rensselaer, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Shillington, Kirk street.

Capt. McLaren at his place of business, King street, will see those desiring to enlist in the 24th Regiment. 24th m.

D. R. Parquharson, of Tilbury, is in the city to-day attending the county court sessions.

"Happy Thought" stores for wood or coal, are the most economical, and are for sale only at John A. Morton's hardware store.

Full drill of the 24th Kent Regiment recruits will take place at the drill shed to-night, commencing at 7.30 sharp.

Argument on a motion in the drainage case of Chatham Township vs. Bedford, was heard before Referee Rankin this morning.

Mrs. Shillington, who was taken ill while visiting relatives near Ottawa, has so far recovered that she was able to return to her home, Kirk street, this morning.

Frank Baxter denies that he will be a candidate for school trustee in Ward 2 in the ensuing election. Mr. Baxter had intended running, but finds that he cannot spare the required time from business.

The closing exercises of McKeough school are held to take place next Thursday evening. An excellent musical program will be presented and prizes awarded. Invitations to be present are being extended to parents and friends.

All people wishing to spend Christmas with their friends in the Old Country should call on W. E. Rispin, General Public—
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CASH AND ONE PRICE

AT THE THEATRE

Mr. Cairns, of the Grand Opera House, is making the experiment on Friday evening next of bringing to the city the very highest class of theatrical attraction. "When we were Twenty-one" was produced for the first time last season by Nat C. Goodwin, who with his charming wife, Maxine Elliott, starred in it for the entire season. This year he is again playing it in the Southern, Central and Western states, and another company with William Morris as star has been formed to cover the Eastern States and Canada, appearing in all the large cities where Mr. Goodwin played the piece last year. Mr. Goodwin's idea of the play can easily be seen from the fact that he

will present it during the whole of next season in London, Eng., and the provinces.
The company which comes to Chatham on Friday is the most brilliant that has appeared here in years and should be greeted by a full house. On the patronage accorded this play will depend largely the quality of the future bookings of the house.

The scale of prices for Friday night at the Grand will be: Lower floor, first two rows parquette circle \$1.50, all other seats \$1; balcony, first two rows 75c, all other seats 50c; gallery 25c. These are the lowest prices this attraction has played to this season, and in order to make good his guarantee Mr. Cairns needs a bigger house than has had before this year.

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Looming Up And In the Near Future

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Men's Blue President Cloth Dress Overcoats, regular \$9.00, Sale Price.....	\$7.50
Men's Fine Beaver and Gray Cheviot Dress Overcoat, reg. \$12.00, Sale Price.....	\$10.00
Men's Chinchilla Dress Overcoats, regular \$10.00, Sale Price.....	\$5.50
Men's Swell Beaver and Cheviot, regular \$15.00, Sale Price.....	\$13.00
Men's Whipcord Top Coats, regular \$7.50 and \$8.50, Sale Price.....	\$6.95
Men's Whipcord Top Coats, regular \$10.00, Sale Price.....	\$7.50
Men's Herringbone Top Coats, regular \$12.00, Sale Price.....	\$10.00
Men's Herringbone Whipcord Top Coats, regular \$15.00, Sale Price.....	\$13.00

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