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Births, Marriages and Deaths

MARRIED.

SCHOLFIELD-SKEY—On Dec. 30th at Holy Trinity Church, by the Rev. Beverly Smith, rector, assisted by the Rev. R. McCosh, of Christ Church, George Percival Scholfield, manager of the Standard Bank, Chatham, to Florence Ethel Skey, daughter of the late Frederick Skey, of this city.

PROBABILITIES.

Special per G. N. W.
Toronto, Jan. 2.—11 a. m.—Fresh to strong northeasterly to north-westerly winds; very cold, with light snowfalls. Sunday, temperature much below zero, generally.

THE LOGAL BUDGET

Barton Raddeick spent yesterday at his old home here.

Vote for Marshall for Trustee in Ward 4.

William Pool, of Wallaceburg, was in town over New Year's day.

Miss Lillian Patterson has resigned her position with the Bell Telephone Co.

George Mitchell, of Toronto, is visiting his parents and friends in the city.

The new rink will be open to-night for skaters; good music and good ice. Adults 25c, children 15c.

The Misses Mills, Elizabeth street, are confined to the house through illness.

Mort Sheldon, of Detroit, an old Chatham boy, is spending a couple of days at his home here.

Herbert Bamaden, of Perth, is visiting his friends, W. H. James, Lorne avenue. He is on his way to Detroit.

The regular meeting of Wellington Lodge, No. 46, A. F. & A. M., will be held next Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Hughes, of Brantford, spent New Year's day with friends in the Maple City.

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E. J. Buzzard, of Bluewater, and W. H. Buzzard, of Port Huron, Mich., were guests at the Runkin House yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hughes, of Brantford, spent yesterday with the former's sister, Mrs. Ingalls, St. Clair street.

Give Lost—Ladies' fur lined gloves, at the skating rink last night. A reward will be paid by returning it to this office.

Having been urged by his friends, L. J. Marshall has consented to remain in the field for Trustee honors in Ward 4. He publicly solicits the votes of the electors in that ward.

The electors of Ward 4 should not forget that L. J. Marshall is seeking municipal honors in the Trustee contest and if elected he will do his best to further the interests of the ratepayers of that ward.

not forget on Monday next that Marshall is a candidate for Trustee in Ward 4. He has consented to remain in the field, and will do his best to serve the people of that Ward.

City Engineer E. B. Jones is making a test of the new heating of the county buildings to-day. Mr. Jones found one of the thermometers in the building correct according to the Government thermometer at W. W. Turner's drug store, and is correcting the remaining ones, some of which differ as much as 15 degrees.

The Canada Business College will open on Monday next with a large number of old and new pupils. Last year the attendance was the largest in the history of the college and Principal McLachlan is looking for as large a number this year. Several pupils from a distance have arrived in the city and have been placed in desirable boarding houses.

Dr. Geo. T. McKeough, for some years past one of the associate editors of the Canadian Medical and Surgical Journal, has been invited to attend the banquet at the editor's staff at the King Edward Hotel in Toronto on Thursday evening next, when he will respond to the toast of the associate editors. Dr. McKeough is one of the most valued contributors to the discussion of medical science, and is, withal, a delightful and entertaining post prandial speaker.

SPECIAL SALE OF

Ebony Goods

Following our usual custom we shall during this week sell the balance of our Ebony Goods at a discount of 10 per cent. This includes Ebony Brushes, Mirrors, Manicure Sets, etc.

A. I. McCall & Co., Ltd.,
Cor. King and Fifth Sts. Druggists.

CRUSHING FINLAND.

Another Example of the Ways of Russia.

London, Jan. 2.—A Russian correspondent of The Times says that by an order of the Czar in April last year the control of the elections in the Finnish provinces was given to the Governors so as to prevent the election of those hostile to the new state of affairs. This order was reinforced on December 17 with another which practically deprives Finland of municipal and commercial self-government. It authorizes the Governors among other things to remove objectionable persons from office and appoint successors to them.

THE FIRE RECORD.

Blaze in Quebec—Loss Placed at \$30,000.

Quebec, Jan. 2.—A big fire last night caused damage to the extent of \$30,000, partially covered by insurance. About 9 o'clock fire was discovered in the large block on St. Peter street, occupied by Dr. Ed. Morin, wholesale druggist, and McCall & Sheehy, wholesale dry goods. It started in the upper story, occupied as a drug factory by Dr. Morin, and in three hours the whole building, with its contents, was destroyed. Dr. Morin had a stock valued at \$40,000, and insurance to the amount of \$25,000. McCall & Sheehy's stock was valued at \$100,000, with insurance to the amount of \$30,000, divided in different companies. The building was valued at \$30,000, and belonged to the nuns of La Congregation Notre Dame. Loss on the building is covered by insurance.

ANOTHER REVOLUTION.

New Republic of Panama May Have Trouble.

New York, Jan. 2.—A despatch from Washington to The New York Herald says: "Another revolution on the Isthmus, this time against the Government of the new republic of Panama, is a possibility that has been discussed here for two days. On the surface, everything is quiet, pending the arrival of the United States Government answer to the Colombian note of protest, filed by Gen. Rafael Reyes, the Colombian special envoy, but the Government is closely watching conditions in Panama for signs of possible intrigue. If a revolution within a revolution develops, it is likely to come about the time the constitutional convention is called to meet on Jan. 20."

THE CHICAGO HORROR.

Nineteen Theatres Are Closed as Unsafe.

Chicago, Jan. 2.—As a result of an investigation made by Mayor Harrison's orders, nineteen theatres and museums were ordered closed, some of them being among the leading theatres and playhouses of the city. The principal reason was because these houses did not have asbestos curtains, every one being burlap or linen. It is generally held that had the asbestos curtain of the Iroquois worked properly the loss of life would have been much smaller. Other defects as to exits, etc. were noted, in some of the houses, and these will have to be remedied. The latest, and it is believed, the most correct list of the dead totals 52.

The following additional dead have been identified:—Melba Alexander (8 years old), Margaret Brennan, Otto Berry (Battle Creek, Mich.), Kate Buddeke, Mrs. M. Boggs, Grace Bowman, Esther Burnside, H. Banner (Burlington, Iowa), Mrs. E. Coogan, Byron Decker, Mrs. Mary Donohue, Mrs. W. A. Dotte, Grace Dawson, Rosa Ester, Mrs. J. G. Eberstein, Rose Elkan, Otto Helms, Amy Holst (aged 7), Minnie Kurlay (Logansport, Ind., 5 years old), John Kawalewski, Frances Lehman, Eugene Ludwig, McLaughlin (nephew of Dr. Gussulius), Mabel A. Morris (aged 17 years), Mrs. Emilia Mueller (Milwaukee), Josephine Mulholland, Elsie Moyers, Dr. Albert J. Paakey, Mrs. Wm. Palmer, Mrs. L. M. Rimes, E. Rimes (to years), T. Roberts, Mrs. A. N. Siegfert, Myrtle Sabad, Andrew Schneider, Ada Simpson, Mrs. James Schneider, James N. Taylor, Mrs. Carrie Wilber, Irma Westwood, Alice Winton, Mrs. Mary Wernish, Howard Williams.

A BERLIN SCANDAL.

Crown Prince and an American Opera Singer.

Berlin, Jan. 2.—For the second time in one short fortnight official and court society is again in a ferment over what is now generally conceded to be the infatuation of the Crown Prince Frederick William for Miss Geraldine Farrar, the beautiful American opera singer. The report has just been revived as a subject of heated society gossip by the assault a few days ago on Herr Kon, editor of Die Welt Am Montag by Miss Farrar's father. Last week newspapers of the capital began to comment upon the rumour of the Crown Prince's infatuation. As a method of denying it, and attempting to prove its absurdity, articles were published containing the most insulting libels upon Miss Farrar's character. Die Welt Am Montag distinguished itself by its glib and obscene screeds. Miss Farrar's father, Dr. Farrar, is a former baseball player of renown, and he determined to avenge his daughter in the old-fashioned way. Forcing his way into Herr Kon's residence, he dragged him out of bed and kicked him about the apartment until he begged for mercy. Kon finally agreed to retract all of his libellous allegations in the next issue of his paper. He failed to keep his promise, however, and the story of the chastisement became public property yesterday, when Mr. Farrar announced he would appeal to Emperor William unless Kon printed a full and public apology.

ROBBED AND SHOT.

Daring Attack on a Brantford Moulder.

Brantford, Jan. 2.—Last night Abraham George, an Armenian moulder in the employ of the Pratt-Letchworth Company, was assaulted on Market street shortly after 11 o'clock. He was walking in company with another Armenian, whose name the police will not divulge, when an unknown party accosted him. George refused to comply with the stranger's demand that he hand over his watch and money, whereupon his assailant drew a revolver and threw him. He robbed him of his watch. In the struggle which followed the stranger shot George in the knee, and the two escaped. The bullet was extracted. The two men are still at large.

THE PROGRESS OF CHINA.

Increase in Trade Despite the Many Drawbacks.

London, Jan. 2.—The correspondent of The Times at Peking, reviewing the year in China, says there have been no great changes. The court is unchanged, showing no indication of reform, which is, indeed, impossible under the dowager Empress, as she is now advised. The internal condition of the country has improved, and general tranquillity is satisfactory. Trade, despite increased taxation, the rapacity of the central Government, and political uncertainties, is better than in 1902. The country has had no difficulty in settling its financial obligations, but still refuses to sign the gold indemnity bonds. The waterways have seen a great increase in steam traffic, electric lights are coming more into use in the interior, there is a large sale of translations of foreign literature, and the native press shows increasing knowledge of foreign affairs. Japan is everywhere developing her commercial intercourse with China, and the Japanese are now the principal instructors in China, and there is a steady movement of Chinese students to Japan. Railway construction has made considerable progress during the year, notably on the Franco-Belgian line from Peking to Hankow.

WHAT OF THE OPEN DOOR.

Berlin Paper Refers to Pledge Given to United States.

Berlin, Jan. 1.—The Frankfurter Zeitung, which has been one of the most steadfast friends of the United States among the German press, expresses mild surprise that the east Asia policy of the United States has lately grown so passive. The interests involved, there, the paper says, concern not merely the Philippines, but may have far-reaching effects on the United States itself. It asks: "Can the United States afford to see one power acquire a predominant position in the far east which is utterly hostile to the open door?" What is the home of Secretary of State Hay's treaty with China, guaranteeing an open door? It has been whittled down to such a degree that it is scarcely mentioned now-a-days. "We can only conclude that the Washington authorities are not yet accustomed to the new role in world's politics, and vacillate between harsh and almost masterly seizure of opportunities and unstable backing and filling."

GEN. WEYLER TO EXPLAIN.

Will Tell Why He Did Not Land in United States.

London, Jan. 1.—General Weyler will shortly publish a book entitled "My Military and Political Campaign in Cuba." Two chapters will be headed "My Project for Landing in United States Territory" and "Reasons Why I Was Obligated to Abandon the Project."

KICKED BY A HORSE.

Alex. McKee of Corunna Dying When Found.

Corunna, Jan. 1.—Alex. McKee of this place, aged forty, a farmer, was kicked in the breast by one of his horses in the stable at 10 o'clock last night, where he lay in a dying condition until found by his wife at 1 o'clock this morning. The unfortunate man was removed to the house and medical aid procured, but he died at 2 o'clock.

A HUSBAND'S MAD DEED.

Tried to Kill His Wife and Then Committed Suicide.

New York, Jan. 1.—After attempting to murder his wife, Mary, by cutting her throat, Chas. Diable killed himself by cutting the arteries of his right arm and his throat. The woman will probably die. Diable, a gardener, had been out of work and drinking heavily, and the crime was the culmination of a series of quarrels.

TELEGRAPH BREVITIES.

Mr. James Stark, the Paisley miller, died yesterday.

A case of smallpox is reported near Midway, East Bruce.

Col. Matheson, M.P.P., is making good progress towards recovery.

Mr. John W. Henderson of Kingston died suddenly while visiting his son at Hamilton.

F. B. Correll, operator on the Yukon telegraph line at Pike River, accidentally shot himself and is dead.

Fred Thompson of Ottawa, a member of the ordinance corps, was arrested for appearing in public without his uniform.

Lord Strathcona, as Canadian High Commissioner, gave every employee in his London office a New Year's present of £100.

Clearing Sale

of Men's and Women's Fancy and Felt Slippers

We commence this week to clear out the following:

Women's Fancy Velvet Slippers, all sizes, 6-4, \$1.00 for 500
Men's Fine Alligator, tan and black, sizes 6-10, \$1.00 for 500
Boys' Fine Alligator, sizes 1-5, regular 75c, for 500
Women's Fancy Felt, sizes 3-7, reg. \$1.50 for 1,000
Women's Fancy Felt, \$1 for 750

Many others reduced accordingly.

TURRILL
The Shoe Man

RINK OPENED

The Chatham Curlers Hold a Successful Tournament Yesterday.

The new curling and skating rink which has been in the course of erection during the past two months, was very successfully opened yesterday morning, afternoon and evening. The morning and afternoon was taken up with curling, between six rinks, three chosen by the president and three by the vice-president. W. D. Sheldon, the vice-president, won out by a good majority. Robert Gray did not play himself in order to give the younger curlers a chance to enjoy the first curling of the season. This act was greatly appreciated by the younger members. The rinks were skipped by the following gentlemen:—
President—J. W. E. Rispin, lost;
2, J. L. Bray, lost; 3, W. G. Richards, won.
Vice-President—J. W. E. Rispin, lost;
1, W. D. Sheldon, won; 2, J. B. Rankin, lost.

The new curlers are showing up well. There are now about 50 members of the club, and it is expected that the number will soon swell to 75 or 100.
There is no reason why Chatham should not have a good curling rink. Among the old players who are again in the game are such men as Dr. Bray, W. D. Sheldon, W. E. Rispin, W. G. Richards, Dr. Cornell, D. A. Hutchison, Wm. Gordon, Geo. Fielder, J. M. Pike, John McCole, Archie McCole, and others. Chatham has always had a good curling reputation, and the names of such magnificent players as Walter Bray, Jno. Graves, G. P. Scholfield, J. E. Johnson, J. D. Lamont, the late Wm. Young and Chas. Atkinson will long be remembered with the early days of curling in Chatham.

The officers of the club are:—
President—Robert Gray.
Vice-president—W. D. Sheldon.
Secretary—J. G. Kerr.
Directors—Dr. Cornell and Wm. Gordon.

Curling committee—J. M. Pike, chairman and Messrs. W. Merritt, John McCole, L. E. Tillson, and J. W. Aitken.

Last evening about 200 skaters enjoyed a couple of hours of excellent skating. The rink presented a very animated appearance with its well lighted ice, and merry music from the ex-18-gimbal band. Two comfortably warm rooms were provided just inside the entrance, where the pleasure seekers could keep warm and put on and take off their skates.

It is the intention of the club to build a lean-to, to the present rink next year and confine the curling to the two new rinks thus made and to use the present rink for skating alone.

NEW RINK

A meeting of the Executive committee of the local Skating and Curling Rink was held on Thursday evening last. J. M. Pike was appointed chairman of the committee, which consists of L. E. Tillson, W. E. Merritt, J. M. McCole, J. W. Aitken and J. M. Pike. This committee is in charge of the arrangements of matches and to looking after the ice. An ice committee consisting of Messrs. Tillson and McCole was appointed.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

WANTED—Chore boy, Apply to J. W. White.

GOOD GENERAL SERVANT WANTED—Apply to Mrs. L. B. Northwood, William Street.

RANKIN & SCULLARD—Barristers and Solicitors, Victoria Block, Chatham, Ont. J. B. Rankin, K. C., Thos. Scullard.

Stuffed Dates

Glazed Nuts

Navel Oranges

Oysters Daily by Express.

The Northwood Company,

Up-to-date Millinery. **C. Austin & Co.** Fashionable Dressmaking.

Black Petticoats and Flannelette Underwear

The petticoats of black sateen are made in a wide variety of attractive styles, and they are serviceable as well as good looking. As to prices \$1.00 to \$3.50 gives some idea of the range.

At \$1.00.—Of Heavy Black Sateen with deep flounce, finished with narrow frills or pleats.
At \$1.25.—with sixteen inch pleating, black, sizes 6-10, \$1.00 for 500
At \$1.50.—Extra wide skirt, with deep flounce and finished with 2 ruffles and narrow bands.
At \$1.50.—Of fine quality black sateen, deep flounce, is finished with five small frills and cording.
At \$1.75.—Of Heavy Black Sateen, with 10 inch accordion pleated flounce, finished with 3 small ruffles and cording.
At \$2.75.—Of very fine English Mercerized Sateen, with deep flounce and pleating.

Flannelette Underwear for Women and Children.

At 50c.—Women's Gowns, of Striped Flannelette, colors, pink, blue and grey.
At \$1.00.—Flannelette Gowns, plain colors, pink, blue and white, made with double yoke, finished around neck, sleeves and down the front with ruffle.
Children's Flannelette Drawers, pink, blue and grey stripes:
Size 1—2 pairs for 25c.
Size 2—15c pair.
Size 3—17c pair.
Size 4 and 5—19c pr.
At 25c.—Ladies' Drawers of Striped Flannelette.
At 50c.—Ladies' Drawers of Heavy Twilled Flannelette.

Carpet Dept. News.

Before inventory we are making special efforts to stimulate late buying among needed lines, apt to be overlooked during the holiday shopping.

- 1st.—**RUGS**.—25 only English velvet rugs, size 24x54 ins, during this week only. **\$1.00**
- 2nd.—**CARPETS**.—200 yds Brussel Carpet, reg. 85c value, this week. **62c**
- 3rd.—**CARPETS**.—250 yd Tapestry Carpets, reg. 50c value, this week. **42c**
- 4th.—**BATH MATS**.—2 dozen Cork Felt Bath Mats, size 20x28 ins, only. **25c**
- 5th.—**MATTING**.—300 yds Japanese Matting, worth up to 22c per yd, this week. **15c**
- 6th.—**LINOLUMS**.—Genuine Scotch Linoleum, 12 ft. wide, regular 50c value, this week at only. **42c**

Clothing Department



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Worth your attention—bargains that are brimful of value. Come and judge for yourself—we do not fear the result. We have faith in our goods and prices, also in the judgment of the public we have catered to so successfully for several years past.

BARGAIN NO. 1—MENS' SCOTCH KNIT WOOL UNDERWEAR
BARGAIN—Plain Scotch Knit Wool Heather Mix, good full garments, stamped unshrinkable, sateen facings, pearl buttons, value at 65c each Saturday 48c.

BARGAIN NO. 2—BOYS' HEAVY WINTER UNDERWEAR BARGAIN—In odd pieces, Shirts and Drawers, in Fleeced-lined, Wool and Union, values regular up to 40c. Placed on sale Saturday at 25c.

BARGAIN NO. 3—BOYS' 50c GLOVES AND MITTS BARGAIN, Suede and Kid Mitts and Gloves, lined, regular value at 50c, on sale Saturday at 25c.

BARGAIN NO. 4—BOYS' \$3.00 AND \$3.50 STORM REEFER BARGAIN, made from Heavy All Wool Frieze, plain grey shade, also Heavy Black and Blue Curly, big storm collars, heavy tweed linings, lots of pockets, big values at \$3.00 to \$3.50, Saturday at \$2.50.

BARGAIN NO. 5—MENS' \$1.75 FINE ALL WOOL TWEED PANT BARGAIN—Fine All Wool Tweeds, dark and medium shadings, nice patterns, Grey and Brown effects, good winter weights, Saturday \$1.48.

BARGAIN NO. 6—MENS' STORM REEFER BARGAIN—made from Heavy All Wool Frieze, dark Grey, neat Check, heavy lining, storm collar with belt, buttoned close to neck, a No. 1 working coat, with warmth, all sizes, special \$3.00.

C. Austin & Co.