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KENT COUNTY IN THE SUGAR BELT.

The department of Agriculture has issued a special bulletin prepared by Prof. Shuttleworth, giving instructions for the cultivation of the sugar beet. Prof. Shuttleworth says among other things:—

"Sugar beets for cattle feed can be grown probably in any part of Ontario, but owing to favorable climatic conditions, they can be grown for the production of sugar more profitably in certain portions or sections than in others. A line running from Sarnia in a southeasterly direction to St. Thomas, and then curving gradually in a northeasterly direction through the counties of Norfolk and Haldimand to the city boundary of Hamilton, would locate the northern boundary of the United States theoretical beet sugar belt passing through Ontario. The section of Ontario to the south of this line, comprising Essex, Kent, Bothwell, Elgin, Welland, Lincoln, and the southern portion of Lambton, Middlesex, Norfolk, Haldimand, and Wentworth, possesses favorable climatic and, for the most part, soil conditions for the highest development of the sugar beet. It is not to be understood, however, that there are no other sections in Ontario, where sugar beets can be grown for sugar production. Temperature and length of season, both north and east are more or less influenced by the lakes; consequently, in sections where land can be cultivated for planting by the 1st of May, and where favorable beet harvesting weather can be depended upon through October and the early part of November, beets may be produced as successfully as within the above named section."

The bulletin further states that beets will grow in almost any kind of soil, but they are best cultivated in a warm, moist soil, having an open subsoil, which is naturally warm and moist. Soil capable of producing good potatoes will yield with proper cultivation paying crops of sugar beets.

HOW THE OIL OCTOPUS IS SQUEEZING BIG PROFITS OUT OF CANADA.

The following from the Toronto Globe, is commended to Mr. Campbell for use in the coal oil crusade which he is forgetting to make:

"With regard to the Standard Oil Company's \$20,000,000 dividends, the interesting question as to where the money comes from is partly answered by the price of Canadian petroleum products. In 1908 the product at Petroleum was 11,000,000 gallons of burning oil, worth \$1,100,000, or an average of ten cents per gallon, while the average price today is fifteen cents per gallon. The output of benzene, and gasoline in 1908 was 1,229,407 gallons, valued at \$120,651, an average of 9.81 cents per gallon, the present price being 17 cents per gallon. The total value of 850,863 gallons of paraffine oil was \$114,191, or an average of 13.21 cents per gallon, which price has advanced to 22 cents per gallon. The gas and fuel oil output was 6,399,298 gallons, valued at \$245,101, an average of 3.83 cents per gallon, the present selling price being seven cents per gallon. The 868,957 gallons of lubricating oils and tar were valued at \$53,479, an average of '6.15 cents per gallon, and the present price is 13.5 cents per gallon. There may be a discrepancy between the official returns of values and the selling prices in 1908, but recent advances and dividends are certainly real."

WHY THIS DECAY?

It is disappointing to find by the pessimists' returns that Chatham is going back in the matter of population. The decrease, however, is only the natural result of the stick-in-the-mud policy we are pursuing. With the pavements of its main streets in scandalous condition, and its business places in many cases looking as if they had never seen a point brush since about the time Moses crossed the Red Sea, it is no wonder outsiders are impressed with our appearance of decay and look on our city as a good place to keep away from.

The council, too, is doing nothing but marking time. It might adjourn sine die for all the business it transacts outside of endorsing the work of its officials. It initiates nothing and encourages nothing. It would not even risk a paltry \$300 or \$400 to secure a pork factory or any other concern that might be built up. Places like Walkerville, Leamington and Kingsville are forging ahead because they are enterprising. They are securing all sorts of factories. Here, with a sleepy council and half the property owners afraid to see a move made in any direction for fear of increasing our taxes a twenty-five cent piece, we are going back.

Farmers are avoiding Chatham more and more every day because its streets are worse than country roads and its market is a disgrace to any place calling itself a city. Hence the business is not being done here that might be done; there is not the

"Love and a Cough." Cannot be Hid.

It is this fact that makes the lover and his sweetheart happy, and sends the sufferer from a cough to his doctor. But there are hidden ills lurking in impure blood. "The liver is wrong," it is thought, "or the kidneys." Did it ever occur to you that the trouble is in your blood?

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amount of employment there was and people are leaving the city. We are not only losing the natural increase of population, but many more besides.

Now, the property owners, and we blame mostly those on King street for keeping the city back, can bank on this: The city's expenses will not decrease any. As the houses empty and the assessment goes down, as it will, the tax rate must increase. The only way to keep down taxes is to progress. And if we are to progress we must be prepared to spend and spend liberally. Nothing risked, nothing gained, is about the way the property owners must view matters. Property in Chatham is worth much less now than years ago. The reason of this is because the city is at a standstill because a lot of people who own property expect it to go on and increase in value without them doing anything or risking anything to help on the increase.

Well, they can rest assured it will never be worth a dollar more than it is until they do something to make it so.

The city is going back. Nobody wants property in a decaying town. The place must be made to progress. We must coax the large amount of surrounding trade back we have driven away by our close-fisted market and pavement policy. Good, solid pavements should be laid to the city limits in all directions so as to make access easier. Then no time should be lost in dealing with the market question. Next, the council might take some interest in organizing industries, even if they have to spend a few hundred dollars in doing so.

It is noticeable that the decrease in business and population started in with the no-dothing policy inaugurated by the alleged business men's council of last year. This shows how quickly municipal paralysis will spread to business.

If, with the country as prosperous as it is, a city like Chatham loses several hundreds of its population in a year, what will it lose when times are not so good?

According to the thirty-first annual report of the Registrar-General in England, in 1908 there were 225,196 deaths from cancer, or malignant disease, corresponding to a rate of 802 per million persons living of both sexes and at all ages. Among males the cancer death rate was 653 per million of that sex, and among females it was 943 per million. Cancer appears to have been more fatal both to men and among women in 1908 than in

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leaves the lungs weak and opens the door for the germs of Consumption. Don't wait until they get in, and you begin to cough. Close the door at once by healing the inflammation.

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any other year on record. The male rate was higher by 19.6 per cent and the female rate higher by 10 per cent, than the corresponding mean rates in the preceding decennium.

It is a pretty hard thing to have to admit that this city is going back, but we will never stop it tobogganing by concealing from ourselves the facts the assessors' returns show.

Rev. J. W. Johnston, of Meriden, Conn., in addressing the Methodist preachers' meeting at New York, advocated the elimination of paragraph 28 of the discipline. This is the famous amusement paragraph, which forbids members of the church to engage in card playing, dancing or theatre going. Dr. Johnston said:—"I do not wish to be understood as saying that the Methodist Episcopal church favors card playing or theatre going or dancing. I think it would be better to lay the question upon the conscience of the members rather than make it a matter of ecclesiastical law." Several speakers, who followed, approved Dr. Johnston's stand in the matter.

WHY GO TO LAW FOR THE BENEFIT OF LAWYERS?

Springfield Republican.
Mr. Carnegie and Mr. Frick have set a good example in making peace rather than fighting their way to each other's pockets through the courts. They have compromised with at least a hundred million dollars at stake. Why can't men whose differences are measured by \$50?

JUST THEIR WAY.

Two Tragedies Averred at a Critical Moment When Bad Men Met.

This is the way the affair began: A small, beetle browed man was coming down the street with two guns buckled around him and a necklace made of the teeth of grizzly bears around his neck. A rather overgrown man with blood in both eyes, same number of guns and a bowie knife in his boot leg, was going up the street. They met in front of the War Whoop saloon. "Humph!" growled the little man after looking the big man over. "Humph!" echoed the big man as he spoke over his shoulder. "Don't rub any me!" "And don't touch me!" "I know a fighter when I see one!" "And you see one right here!" "Shoo! Go!" out to shoot rabbits. "No. This ar my day for shootin' three men! Little one, don't you start no avalanche!" "And mebbe you don't want to start no cyclone!" "Humph yourself!" "All wind!" "All blow!" "What ar ye warin' them rabbits teeth fur?" "What ar ye doin' with that bread knife in yer butt-eg?" "Don't ye git me mad or I'll bury ye."

"And look out fur me about a minit before!" "Shoo!" "What's the riot yere!" demanded the City Marshal as he came out of the saloon wiping his mouth on the back of his hand. "I'm goin' to chaw him up!" shouted the big man. "He can't even chaw my ear!" howled the little man. "Say, you!" continued the marshal, as he pointed one hand up the street and the other down, "be a-gittin' to git!"

And they "humphed" at each other and got. They bumped into each other as they turned the corner in the dusk of the evening and number one jumped back and hoarsely exclaimed: "Hu! Dat's you, am it! I've bin wantin' to see you fur a good while. What 'bout dat fo' dollars you owe me?" "Fo' dollars?" asked the other. "Yes, sah, fo' dollars. Am you gwine to pay or git licked?" "Hu! If I owes you fo' dollars I kin pay it."

"When?" "Right off now, sah. Just git out de change fur a fifty-dollar bill. Can't no man say I owe him fo' dollars longer dan I kin git into my pocket. Out wid dat change, sah!" "Has you really got a fifty-dollar bill?" "Out wid dat change, I say."

"Show me dat bill." "Hu! Coon, don't you fool wid cogg wheels." "Hu! Nigger, don't you trifle wid buzz saw!" "Hu!" And then they breathed hard and glared at each other and began backing off by lightning and the angel of peace smiled as before.

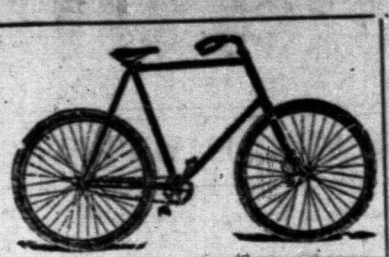
WHILE AT A PHONE

A Southern Plan was Killed by Lightning.

Birmingham, Ala., April 18.—Rev. O. B. Wilson, superintendent of the Stillman Institute at Tuscaloosa, was killed by lightning while using a telephone during a thunder storm. Dr. Wilson was a Virginian by birth and had a wide acquaintance in the southern states.

That virtue which qualifies us to bear all conditions and all events, by God's disposal incident to us, with such apprehensions and persuasions of mind, such dispositions and affections of heart, such external deportments and practices of life, as God requireth and good reason directeth.—Barrow.

The nurse, the guarantee and safeguard, of all the graces; the essential correlative of trial, and consequently, the essential constitution of the very existence of all virtue.—Canon Candler.



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TELEPHONE 20.

Action Sale of Household Furniture and Effects.

Andrew Thomson, Jr., having received instructions from Mrs. S. D. Fisher to sell all her household furniture, the same having been moved in from their residence down the river to the Oddfellows' store, situated on King Street and will be sold without reserve on

Thursday, April 26th, 1909.

at one o'clock sharp, consisting of the following:—Brussels and Axminster and Wilton carpets and rugs, one handsome oak dining room suite, sofas, onyx table and other tables, handsome odd pieces, rocking chairs, lamps, draperies, curtains, silk table covers, brass curtain poles, hall rack, hall chair, large plate mirror, four fine bedroom suites also two extra dressers, three toilet sets, one bed lounge, bedding, gas fixtures, encyclopaedia Britannica, calf bound, one good refrigerator and other articles too numerous to mention. This furniture is all of the very best. Call and see it.

Remember place and date Oddfellows' building, on Thursday, April 26th, at one o'clock sharp.

MRS. S. D. FISHER, A. THOMSON, Proprietors.

AUCTION SALE.

Highly important unserved sale of household effects and furniture by Andrew Thomson, Auctioneer, Chatham.

Under instruction from Mrs. Charles MacDonald, I will sell without reserve at her residence, Stanley Avenue, Chatham, on

Thursday, April 19th, at 1 o'clock p.m. sharp, the entire contents of the house, consisting in part of Brussels and Axminster carpets, curtains and draperies, sofas and couches, upholstered and rattan chairs, handsome marble clock set \$50, brass piano lamp and shade, water colors and other pictures, oak and rose wood tables, oak and cherry book cases, oak sideboard R. P. mirrors, solid walnut dining table, oak leather seated chairs, oak hall settee black mirrors, gasoliers and Globe's Happy Thought Range with hot water font and warm coils, glass range with hot water attachment, glass and china wear, kitchen tables and utensils, lawn mower, garden hose and other useful articles.

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Municipality of Raleigh.

Take notice that the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Township of Raleigh will meet in the Township Hall, on Monday, the 23rd day of April, 1909, at 10 a.m., as court of revision on the Dolsen-Government drain.

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Jennie Passmore, with Clara Bros. furcuses, etc., Preston, Ont.

Thos. Ouellette, in his father's lumber office, Detroit, Mich.

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TENDERS WANTED.

For the removal of a frame school house from con. 8, lot 13, to corner of con. 10, lot 12, in the township of Dover, a distance of about one and a half miles. Tenders will be received up to Tuesday, 1st May, that should be addressed to

V. CARTIER, Treas., Big Point.

Notice to Contractors.

Bulk and concrete tenders will be received by the undersigned architects and by the proprietor, Dr. R. N. Fraser, M. D., Thamesville, up till 7 o'clock p.m., Wednesday, April 25th, inst., for concrete and masonry work, tinsmithing, painting, glazing, and slating work of a brick dwelling house to be erected at Thamesville. Tenders to be addressed: Tender to Dr. R. N. Fraser, M. D., Thamesville, Ont.

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April 11th, 1909.

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