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DO YOU REMEMBER

what Warwick said to his king when threatened with the tower? Certainly, he could afford to defy the sovereign, because the army of England was back of him. Then do you know what we say when confronted by competition? Why, defy it, of course, and go on dictating prices as usual, because the great army of buyers is back of us. Here is our edict: There is no tower as high as the quality of our goods, and no dungeon as deep as our prices are low.

Wait for Our Millinery Opening,

Wednesday, March 24.

We have some surprises for you in LADIES' SAILORS. We show a fine White Satin Straw Hat, mixed crown of fine straw, in colors of navy and white, red and white, brown and white, regular 50c goods, our price will be 25c each.

Ladies' Trimmed Sailors in black, Ladies' Mixed Straws and Ladies' Best Shapes, trimmed with velvet, regular 50c goods, for 25c each.

THESE GOODS ARE ON SALE NOW.

SPRING LACES

Just opened fresh from across the water, beautiful lines in Oriental Laces, in butter and cream; lovely lines in Valenciennes, patterns you have never seen before, something entirely new. A large variety of patterns in real Torchon Laces just in. Call and see them. We have also just opened some very fine lines in Veilings, plain and chenille spots, in white, navy, golden brown and black, at prices that will meet with your approval. Special lines in Veilings at 50 yard, all colors.

ARE YOU SAVING MONEY?

Look at this list and then come to us:
Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs 10c, 12½c, 15c.
Ladies' Silk Embroidered Handkerchiefs 7c, 10c, 12½c, 15c.
Large Size White Silk Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, 25c each.
Fine Lawn Hemstitched Handkerchiefs 6 for 25c.
Fine Colored Bordered Handkerchiefs for 29c dozen.
Colored Bordered Handkerchiefs 25c dozen.

DRESS GOODS

The greatly increased sales in our Dress Goods Department is convincing evidence that our goods are right, and that our prices are the lowest.

LINEN LAWNS

Have a character all their own in the company of summer dress fabrics. Those who have worn them once return to them again with evident pleasure. Pay a visit to our Lawn Department. We are sure you will be pleased with price, quality and width. We have always been noted for the goodness of our Lawns.

RIBBONS, RIBBONS, RIBBONS.

This is another of our strong departments wherein we excel in price and quality. All our new Ribbons are in.

In the Courts.

Ridgetown's Recent Shooting Affair Ventilated.

Joseph Hall Convicted - Alleged Blackmail Case Dismissed.

Interesting Suit Involving Alleged Raising of a Note From \$200 to \$2,200.

Chatham, Ont., March 20.—Before the county judge, the shooting affair recent Ridgetown shooting affair was ventilated. Joseph Hall was charged with shooting Patrick Harrington, alias Shannon, in the left shoulder. The wound occurred in a lively stable, with both participants somewhat the worse for liquor and Hall, drawing his revolver, shot his opponent. The theory presented by the defense was that the act was largely one of self-defense. The trouble occurred in the dark, and Hall, hearing Harrington calling for a gun, believed he was about to shoot him, and shot first. His honor, however, did not consider this view of the case, and convicted the prisoner. Sentence deferred.

The alleged blackmail case of Kerby Gregory vs. E. D. Connor, resulted in the discharge of the accused on suspended sentence. Connor was a frequent visitor of the hotel, and was alleged to have been done out of \$20 in play. He went to the hotel proprietor, saying he would inform him of the case, and was told that the case was being handled by the police. Connor was already suffering a couple of weeks' imprisonment.

ASSIZE COURTS.
Stratford, March 20.—The Spring Assizes open here Monday. Chief Justice Armour presiding. Mr. Wm. Dennis has three suits entered against insurance companies to recover the balance on the National Hotel, St. Mary's, destroyed by fire. Mrs. Lamb, whose husband was killed in the G. T. R. yards here, brings action against the company for damages. There are no criminal cases so far.

ESSEX.
Sandwich, March 20.—At the Essex Assizes in the action of Cameron and Curry against Dent et al., the jury gave a verdict against the defendants. The action arose over a promissory note for \$2,200, made by A. L. Dent and endorsed by W. C. McLeod, both of Woodstock, at which place the note was drawn, April 1, 1886. Dent came to Windsor and disposed of the note to T. W. Kee for \$2,000, and McLeod turned it over to Cameron and Curry, he says. When the case was called, McLeod claimed that the note had been assigned to him for \$200, and that it had afterwards been raised to \$2,200. Dent denied this, but the jury returned a verdict in favor of McLeod, and directed that credit be given for \$200.

BRUCE.
Walkerton, Ont., March 20.—The Bruce Spring Assizes were held here before Judge Falconbridge. Mr. M. G. Cameron, of Goderich, appeared as counsel for the plaintiff. The proceedings opened with a jury case; McKissick vs. Lawson—damages for a verdict for plaintiff is a young lawyer practicing at Chesley, Ont., and the defendant is clerk of the Division Court at the same place. In November last McKissick moved into a house that Lawson had just vacated, but when he thought he had a right to hold for another day. He refused to let McKissick move his furniture into the house on that day, and when the latter went to open the gate, Lawson, who is a big, powerful man, struck McKissick on the head with a stick. The jury brought in a verdict for the defendant, and the judge made an order against McKissick for costs.

Kur-a-Kof, for Coughs and Colds, 25c, at Anderson & Nelles' drug store.

WAS A SLAVE.

Elijah Willis, a Well-Known Colored Man, Is Gone.

Chatham, March 20.—Elijah Willis, of Detroit, died yesterday in that city at the age of 62. Mr. Willis was born a slave at Amhurst, Courthouse, Va. He was taken to Kentucky by his master, where he married over 40 years ago. His master threatened to sell him from his wife and two children, he procured their escape and sent them to Canada. Afterward he escaped himself and joined them at Chatham. On the way here he was twice captured, but succeeded in escaping. He accumulated considerable property in the Elgin settlement at Suxton, and afterwards went to Detroit, living there until his death. He left a widow in good circumstances, also a daughter and three sons.

DANCING KILLED HER.

Young New York Girl Dances Herself to Sudden Death.

New York, March 20.—Dora Dorman, 17 years old, died suddenly at her home on Thursday morning from disease caused by excessive dancing. Dr. Samuel D. Broder, so the coroner was notified, so the coroner was notified, so the coroner was notified.

RAILWAY RUMBLINGS.

The G. T. R. Reorganizing Its Freight Service—Barings of the Past Year.

The M. C. R. expects to take over the T. H. and B. Road on April 1. No announcement has yet been made as to probable changes in the tariff. The Grand Trunk Railway is reorganizing its freight service in such a manner that merchants through the province who send orders away to wholesale houses shall be able to receive supplies filling orders on the following morning, which is from 24 to 36 hours ahead of the present service. Grand Trunk Railway return of traffic for week ended March 14, 1897:

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| Passenger earnings | 1897. | 1896. |
| Freight earnings | \$8,205 | \$9,437 |
| Total | 237,920 | 233,436 |
| Increase in 1897. | \$327,125 | \$324,873 |

OH! THE MISERY.

Mrs. Galbraith, of Shelburne, Ont., Was a Great Sufferer from Indigestion, the Cause of So Many Lives—South American Nervine Released Its Hold—It Relieves in One Day.

"I was for a long time a great sufferer from indigestion. I experienced all the misery and annoyance so common to this ailment. I tried many remedies and spent a great deal of money, without receiving any permanent benefit. I was strongly recommended to try South American Nervine. I procured and used it. After using only two bottles I am pleased to testify that I am fully restored to health, and I have never had the slightest indication of a return of the trouble. I recommend it most heartily."

Learn that some people are better, sweeter than they seem.
Why will you allow a cough to lacerate your throat or lungs and run the risk of filling a consumptive's grave, when, by the timely use of Bick's Anti-Consumptive Syrup the pain can be allayed, and the danger avoided? This syrup is pleasant to the taste, and unparagoned for relieving, healing, and curing all affections of the throat and lungs, coughs, colds, bronchitis, etc., etc.

High Street.

Permission Granted to Have It Widened.

The Work to Be Paid For by Special Assessment.

O'Shea's Account Astonishes the Aldermen, Who File It.

Contractor Grant Will Soon Complete His Portion of the Sewer—Information About Section "K."

The Board of Works met last night and dealt with the business of the department with exemplary dispatch. There were present Ald. Parnell (chairman), Carothers, O'Meara, Johnston and Nutkins.

The High Street matter was again brought before the committee by Mr. George Pritchard, who represented the signers of the new petition for the widening of the street. It is asked that the work be done as a local improvement, by special assessment. The petition was certified by Assessor Grant, as sufficiently signed, and was accompanied by a letter from Solicitor T. G. Meredith to the effect that the objections to the previous scheme were avoided in this. The petition was granted.

Dan O'Shea, of Regent and Talbot streets, presented a bill for \$25, which caused much surprise. He claimed that when he put in a tender for the sale of his land to the city he was instructed to dig a large hole so that a better examination could be made. He said when the committee saw the gravel he was instructed by chairman Parnell that the corporation would purchase the land. As he expected the matter closed in a few days he did nothing with the land, and thus lost the use of it as a garden.

The chairman denied having told Mr. O'Shea anything of the kind. The engineer said Mr. O'Shea had dug the hole on his own responsibility, and the city was not called upon to pay the bill. The communication was filed. A communication was received from Mr. B. C. McLean, of Ottawa, property, 1-1-2 acres for \$700. Laid on the table for future consideration. Inspector Baker certified to the satisfactory condition of the work done on the new sewer by Contractor Grant and recommended the payment of \$3,500 40. The amount will be paid. A question as to when the contractor's time limit expired was asked. The information that March 17 was the date, but there is an extension of seven days, and the contractor will be allowed to work until the 24th. The engineer will prepare a definite statement regarding this. There is about 250 feet of the extension yet to be built.

The engineer recommended that the walls of the manholes in the Beecher street sewer be increased in thickness owing to the nature of the soil. Before tendering, the contractor want an idea of the nature of the soil in which section "K" (the next section of the sewer) will be built. The engineer, Engineer Graydon said a boring could be carried to a depth of 40 feet for \$5. The contractor would exceed \$30. He thought four borings sufficient. They will be made. Section "K" runs from the corner of Albert and Ridout to the corner of Albert and Mill streets, and can be constructed in three ways. The engineer has estimated the cost of each. One route is via Ridout to Lichfield, thence along the hill side to the center line of Mill street in this the length would be 1,555 feet, and the average depth 15 feet 6 inches. The second is via Ridout to Lichfield, thence along the hill side to the center line of John street, thence to Talbot street. The total length of this route would be 1,555 feet, and the average depth 15 feet 6 inches. The third line proposed is along Albert and Ridout streets, and the average depth would be 32 feet.

The difference between the cost of the hill side route and the one following the streets is estimated at about \$2,000. It would, however, be necessary to obtain a right of way from property owners north of Lichfield street. During the construction, the houses on Talbot and Albert streets would be required to convey materials, which would be lowered in shoots to the trench. As regards the drainage of houses on Talbot and Albert streets, neither route is the better, for it will be necessary to lay a pipe sewer for this purpose, owing to the great depth of the main on these streets.

No report was submitted with regard to the advisability of the March 4th meeting. The chairman said they were getting information about it from 40 cities.

Adjutant A. Cass, of the Salvation Army asked permission to hold Sunday day afternoon service at the Victoria Park. The request was referred to the council without recommendation.

Robert Heard, of Adelaide street, asked that the sidewalk in front of his property be raised. Laid over. The engineer was empowered to have dead trees on the city removed. Street cleaning will also be looked after.

A New Brunswick Story.

Mrs. John Drum, living in Bon Accord, N. B., says: "I have used Diamond Dyes for years, and from every color I have always had perfect results. Last summer a friend asked me to help her with some dyeing. I said I would use Diamond Dyes. Unfortunately she took some dyes from her storekeeper, and after five hours' working the dyed coat looked like one that had been out all summer to frighten crows. At last she had to get the Diamond Dyes to color the coat."

To save time and money, and to insure success, the Diamond Dyes should always be used. Do not allow your dealer to foist his poor dyes upon you. He is anxious to sell them because they pay him large profits.

Izumi Yosuka, the inventor of the jirikisha, has grown old, and applies to the Government for a pension. His invention was made in Japan, and he has a patent law. He applied for a patent as soon as the law came into force, but it could not be granted retroactive, and so he was obliged to earn his living like any licensed jirikisha man.

There is not a more dangerous class than those who are called "The Breathing Organs." Nullify this danger with Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. A plumed and acknowledged efficacy. It cures soreness and lameness when applied externally, as well as swelled neck and crick in the back, and as an inward specific, possesses most substantial claim to public confidence.

Educational Estimates

The Amount Proposed Somewhat Below That of Last Year.

Mr. Merchant in Favor of the Establishment of a Commercial School—The Attic of the Collegiate—Mr. Logan Sets Himself Right.

No. 1 committee of the Board of Education held a meeting last night to consider the estimates for the year. The only matter that seemed difficult to regulate was the unforeseen expenses, but the committee were unanimously opposed to asking a copper not really necessary. In connection with this matter, Dr. Teasdale asked Principal Merchant if there was any possibility of the attic at the Collegiate Institute being utilized for the accommodation of pupils. Mr. Merchant did not think so, unless the board saw fit to establish a commercial class at the institute. He thought commercial work could be taken out of the ward schools and a commercial class established at the Collegiate Institute second to none in Canada. With the addition of one teacher this could be done. He had thought seriously of making this change in the fall, after the entrance examinations. In a crowded room it was impossible to devote special attention to some scholars anxious to improve themselves in this respect above all others. He would advise, if they thought the change desirable, fitting up the attic in the same manner as a business college, where typewriting could be taught in connection with stenography, as the one seemed useless without the other. This would be much better than establishing a commercial school. The Collegiate classes of ratepayers would be taxed for its support, while if it were established apart from the institute the taxation for its support would be circumscribed to a certain class.

This was only a suggestion, but it was one that seemed to meet with general approval.

The estimates for the year will include none for night schools, which seem to have been a failure. These schools have been attended by a few pupils when introduced, and the attendance dwindled down to three at the close. The estimates are as follows:

HIGH SCHOOL.

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| Receipts— | |
| Balance brought forward | \$ 752 40 |
| Government grant | 1,400 00 |
| Examination fees | 600 00 |
| County grant and fees | 2,000 00 |
| Total | \$4,752 40 |
| Expenditures— | |
| Printing | \$ 500 00 |
| Examinations | 1,000 00 |
| Library and laboratory | 500 00 |
| Teachers' salaries | 20,700 00 |
| Total | \$22,700 00 |
| Nothing was expended on the library the last four years, and this year it is proposed to procure some books absolutely necessary. | |

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

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| Receipts— | |
| Government grant | \$3,700 00 |
| Government grant to inspectors | 520 00 |
| Model school fees | 120 00 |
| Kindergarten | 250 00 |
| County grant to model school | 50 00 |
| Model school fees | 120 00 |
| Kindergarten fees | 425 00 |
| Non-resident fees | 25 00 |
| Total | \$5,285 00 |
| Expenditures— | |
| Stationery | \$ 450 00 |
| Model school | 500 00 |
| Kindergarten supplies | 1,000 00 |
| Salaries | 5,900 00 |
| Substitute teachers | 500 00 |
| Indefinite expenses | 1,000 00 |
| Contingencies | 1,000 00 |
| Over-draft of 1896 account | 421 00 |
| Total | \$16,746 00 |

AMOUNT REQUIRED.

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| Public school | \$56,456 00 |
| Collegiate Institute | 17,843 00 |
| No. 2 committee | 5,239 00 |
| Total asked this year | \$79,538 00 |

Last year the council granted the Board of Education \$79,538.

Trustee Logan stated that he had not, as reported in a contemporary, expressed any opinion as to the propriety of Mr. Burdick appointing his brother temporarily to the vacant janitorship in Lorne avenue school. He said Mr. Burdick had represented the young man in charge previous to his brother's appointment as being only 16 years old, and incapable of performing the duties. For this reason Mr. Burdick asked his advice on the matter, and he had said to him, "Oh, well, if that is the case you can't be bothered running over there a dozen times a day to see if he is all right. He is old enough to be in charge of the school. He is a young man, and would be against any such proposal if introduced."

The members present were: Dr. Teasdale (chairman), Dr. Wilson, Dr. English, Greenlee, Macpherson, Logan and Johnston, and Mr. Merchant.

MAY USE THE SCHOOL.

Request of the London South Baptists Granted.

The special meeting of the Board of Education held last night was brief, and the matters for which it had been called were speedily put through. Trustee Greenlee ornamented the chair, and around the tables sat Trustees Dr. Teasdale, Dr. Wilson, Johnston, Strong, Murphy, Dr. English, Davis, Wilkins, Burdick and Macpherson.

The chairman explained that the object of the meeting was the appointment of two members from the Board of Education to act with delegates from other public bodies regarding the appointment of a committee to formulate a programme for the celebration of her Majesty's jubilee.

Dr. Wilson and W. T. Strong were named, and this met with hearty approval. The request of the South London Baptists for permission to use the Wootley road school for Sunday service and Wednesday night prayer meeting was granted on motion of Trustee Macpherson.

Trustee Wilkins then wanted to know if they would be responsible for any damage or expense. He thought the church people should pay for any damage they might burn while they occupied the building.

Trustee Macpherson said he did not think it as a matter of burning, but of transaction. The people could not go there and freeze.

Trustee Wilkins said he understood

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OF BRIGHT'S DISEASE
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There is only one absolutely sure cure for these troubles, and that is

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that the church people would be responsible, and that they would pay for any damage.

This was supplemented by a remark that they were decent people and would do what was just and right.

Dr. English wanted the years and nays taken, and the question reconsidered, but as the chairman had risen from his seat the matter had to stand.

Look the Door

Before the horse is stolen. Purify, enrich and vitalize your blood and build up your physical system before disease attacks you and serious sickness comes. Hood's Sarsaparilla will make you strong and vigorous and will expel from your blood all impurities and germs of disease. Take Hood's Sarsaparilla now.

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As an inducement to amateur riders to ride RED BIRD BICYCLES, fitted with Electric Tires, and keep this name plate



to the front of the procession in all amateur races sanctioned by the C. W. A., we offer the following prizes:

A \$500 Gold Brick to the amateur who will win three out of five of the '97 Canadian amateur championships on a Red Bird, fitted with Electric Tires.

A \$500 Gold Brick to the rider of a Red Bird, fitted with Electric Tires, who wins the most amateur races sanctioned by the C. W. A.

A \$250 Gold Brick to the rider of a Red Bird, fitted with Electric Tires, who wins the second largest number of amateur races sanctioned by the C. W. A.

This makes three gold bricks—the actual value of which is \$1,250.

It is specially requested that all wins be promptly reported, so that a correct account may be kept.

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We guarantee every garment in each particular, giving the best workmanship, and unsurpassed in FIT and STYLE.

386 Richmond Street.

INFANT PHENOMENON.

Little Bess who is so much accustomed to see baby creep that she thinks it is his natural mode of traveling—Oh, mamma, come quick! Baby is standing on his hind-legs.

FOUND IN A CODFISH.

While a large catch of codfish was being gutted at Buckie, Scotland, a curious discovery was made. On one cod being opened, a lemon of travel, tightly corked, and bearing the name of Messrs. J. Hassack & Co., Elgin, was found in its stomach. The bottle was opened, and a piece of paper was found inside which ran: "Schooner Laido founded eighty-six miles off Dunnet Head, God help us. J. Cunnas Ghent, Lerwick."—London Mail.

The longer an animal's horns the less one needs to fear it. Men's Ed's Liniment Cures Ring-borne.

Of British birds the cuckoo lays the smallest egg in proportion to its size.

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