

# HOME SPUN IDEAS

"People frequently use this expression: 'I am inclined to think that so and so.' Not considering that they are talking the most literal of truths."

"He that is truly polite, knows how to contradict with respect, and to please without adulation; and is equally remote from an insipid complaisance and a low familiarity."

A really disgraceful state of affairs exists in this city in respect to the placing of gates or watchmen at the important railroad crossings. The crossing on Wellington St. is frightfully dangerous, also the one on King St., and very many others. There is no excuse for not having some safeguard at these places. There have been many accidents and it is almost criminal negligence to allow them to remain as they are.

"The Detroit papers give much prominence to the fact that Miller, the Detroit murderer, is a Canadian. If he had won a mill or beaten in a foot race, or something of that kind, he would have been an undoubted American."—Hamilton Times.

Why would they not make it public and give it much prominence? It is not often that they can degrade a Canadian, even through the system of government and loose morals of that country, into performing such a diabolical action, but it is the same generally as individually. When anyone brought up under good moral influence falls, he may fall far. But it is a very regrettable fact that the conditions which make criminals are so near to us here in Ontario.

There is nothing which is quite so inspiring as good congregational singing in churches. It seems to take you with it and fill you with a personal sense of worth as very little else can, but the singing to churches today has become too much of a business and the congregation too frequently feels that they should let those paid for it do their duty, and earn their money. It is too bad. Far better no choir, if we are to lose the swelling song of the whole congregation singing praises to the Lord.

It may be that the key in which the hymn is written is too high for the average singer, or that in the face of the professional songster that the ordinary person is diffident about doing the best they can, or it may be the fault of the hymns being not being sufficiently familiar to those present—still it is a deplorable fact that congregational singing is not in vogue as it was when we were boys.

No where in Toronto or Detroit did the display of Easter goods in store windows excel that which was presented by the merchants of our own city. It is a noted fact that our stores and goods are as up-to-date in their lines as any to be found in Canada and, if we will endeavor to be impartial, it is seldom, if ever you can find in Detroit better goods for less money than in our own town. Just a short time ago, there were some wholesale arrests made in Detroit of ladies (who had been making purchases of dress goods in Windsor. Still very many of our best people travel to Detroit to make very small purchases, when perhaps their only advantage is that they can prove by going to a large city that the goods shown here are the really up-to-date things, and in many cases they pay more money for what they get, are guilty of the crime of smuggling them over, and another and worse offense, by not being loyal to their own town.

## DISTRICT DOINGS.

### TILBURY

April 15.—J. P. Gillet spent Sunday in Windsor.  
Albert Stenson expects to leave in a few days for Windsor, where he has secured a good situation.  
Wm. Stewart, of Tilbury, East, is suffering from an attack of mumps, and pneumonia.  
Mr. Spencer, manager of the Mercantile Bank, spent Sunday in Detroit. H. Benoit has sold his residence on Port street, to James Foster and rented the dwelling of R. H. Smith on Canal street.

### THAMESVILLE

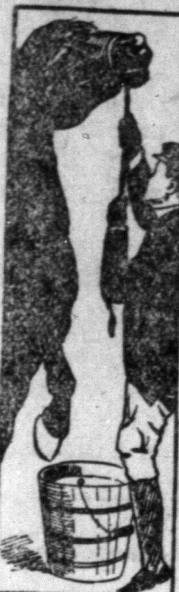
April 14.—Harvey Oray is on the sick list.  
Miss Myrtle McDonald, of Moosejaw, returns home to-night after an extended visit with Mrs. D. Kelley and other friends here.  
J. N. Harmer, of Chatham, spent Sunday at home.  
Alex. Sims is in Ridgetown today. W. Scott, formerly baggage man at the G. T. R. station, was in town today.  
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### DRESDEN

April 15.—Bert Cookson, of Toronto, was the guest of his uncle, Jas. Martin, of the Queen's Hotel, on Sunday.  
Mrs. A. F. Cragg left to-night for her home in Detroit after spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ridd.  
Laird Bros. schooner "Vienna" has taken her initial trip this spring up the lakes.

## Horse Sense.

"Any fool can take a horse to water, but it takes a wise man to make him drink," says the proverb. The horse eats when hungry and drinks when thirsty. A man eats and drinks by the clock, without regard to the needs of his nature. Because of careless eating and drinking "stomach trouble" is one of the commonest of diseases. Sour and bitter risings, belchings, unnatural fullness, dizziness, headaches, and many other symptoms mark the beginning and progress of disease of the stomach.



Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery cures diseases of the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition. It cures through the stomach diseases of other organs which have their origin in a diseased condition of the stomach, and it strengthens the stomach, purifies the blood, cures obstinate cough and heals weak lungs.

"I was taken with Grippe, which resulted in heart and stomach trouble," writes Mr. R. Caudill, Montand, Allegheny Co., N. C. "I was unable to do anything a good part of the time. I wrote to Dr. Pierce about my condition, having full confidence in his medicine. He advised me to take his Golden Medical Discovery, which I did. Before I had finished the second bottle I began to feel better. I have used only six bottles. I feel thankful to God for the benefit I have received from Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. I can highly recommend it to all persons as a good and safe medicine."

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets keep the bowels healthy.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter H. Willson are entertaining a number of friends on Thursday evening next.

Mrs. Egbert Irish and Mrs. McGiel were in Florence yesterday.

Thos. King has had a very fine new lathe placed in his foundry.  
Chas. Aikin and wife are expected to arrive home to-morrow evening.

Capt. A. Ribble has sold his piece of land known as the old race track to William Grece, who will build a residence thereon.  
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### WABASH

Miss Pearl Liberty is ill with inflammation of the lungs.

Mrs. Brown, of Aylmer, is visiting at Mrs. John Hawkins.

Mrs. John Daugherty has returned home from a two weeks visit at London.

Miss Aggie Wiles, of London, is visiting her sister, Mrs. John Daugherty.

Mrs. Wm. Pegg, of Chatham, is visiting relatives here.

Chas. Peters is still under the care of Dr. Galbraith, of Dresden.

Geo. Liberty has purchased a new drill.

David Cutler is building a new summer cook house.

Jim McPherson has moved to Montee's farm near Thamesville.

### ZION CORNERS.

The people of this vicinity are busy getting their seedling done.  
Mulhern Bros. are going to saw the timber for Wesley Rosebush's new barn with their portable saw-mill.

## THE WRONG WAY

Medical Science has Made Rapid Strides, Many Old Theories Rejected.

The Laxative Treatment for Diseases of the Stomach and Digestive Organs Now Almost Entirely Abandoned.

A few years ago, physicians knew but one treatment for diseases of the Stomach.  
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Jack Smith is preparing to move to the Northwest. Mr. Nelson Reid, his brother-in-law, is moving out with him.  
There was a small attendance at Epworth League on Thursday evening.  
Miss Aggie Montague has returned to Zion Corners.

### DOYLES.

The present rains are making everything green, especially the wheat, which is expected to be a very progressive crop this year.

B. Schaffer visited friends in the city last week.

Jack Doyle had the contract of putting up a large amount of wire fencing for M. Ritchie.

Messrs. Toomey and Doyle have secured positions in Detroit, where they will begin their work in a week.

A great number of the ninth concession boys visited Detroit Friday.

Martin Aegan was the guest of Mrs. B. Lark on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Doyle are all smiles over the advent of a little daughter.

Dick Axford spent his Easter vacation with Mrs. Michael Ritchie.

Leonard Ritchie was a visitor on the ninth last week.

G. Johns, of Harwich, spent Sunday with Ritchie Bros.

Dick Turpin, who has been seriously ill is now recovering.

### CON. 8, RALEIGH.

Fred. Armstrong, of Kirkwood, is visiting relatives here.

Ernest Edwards met with a painful accident last week which will lay him up for a few days. While examining the foot of one of his horses it jumped forward, stepping on and badly crushing his toe.

We are sorry to hear that Rev. Mr. George intends severing his connections here this month, having secured a pastorate at Granton. He is very popular here, and everyone regrets that the time of his departure is so near.

Will Aldis has destroyed his hedge. He says it has spread very much of late.

Miss Lizzie Noack is spending a couple of weeks with friends in Dover.

On account of the unfavorable condition of the weather, the Ladies Aid concert was not held last Tuesday. Dr. Thornton failing to appear. The concert, the subject of which is "Ireland and the Irish," will, nevertheless, be given in the near future.

Miss Olive Linert, formerly of this place, was married on the 13th of March to Mr. Edward Britton, of Parry Harbor. We wish all happiness in his new sphere.

The regular meeting of the Epworth League will be held on Wednesday next, when the officers of the ensuing year will be elected and other business transacted.

## The Letter-Box

### GREAT BRITAIN AND THE COLONIES.

To the Editor of The Planet:

Having read Mr. Bland's criticism on Canadian patriotism, while not endorsing everything the reverend gentleman says, there is a certain amount of truth in what he says, which applies to all the colonies. Mr. Seddon, the New Zealand Premier, looks upon England as a rich uncle, whom it is worth humoring so long as he is prepared to finance. Matters do not seem to be going as well financially in New Zealand, and the moment is just now propitious for dipping New Zealand's hands into English pockets in the form of a new loan. So Mr. Seddon looks to South Africa in order to get the money. "We have," he said in a recent speech, "more meat than customers, and look to South Africa to take the surplus." Since his indignant protests at the prospect of meat being sent to South Africa from Argentina, according to him, having accepted men to fight from New Zealand, England is acting a mean part if they do not buy a hundred or so New Zealand frozen sheep in consideration of each man sent. We see, the Premier of New South Wales is as practical as Mr. Seddon. In New South Wales England has been disposing of a large deal of money for purposes connected with the war. This, of course, is greatly to the benefit of the colony. But Mr. Lee, not thinking it enough, has charged 3 per cent. commission on the disbursements. After some protests the Colonial Office has agreed to pay this commission. But why pay it? What for? Does it go into the New South Wales treasury, or into the pockets of the officials? By the estimates presented this year, the South Africa colonial levies are to cost England above £1,500,000, and the Australian, New Zealand and Canadian contingents are to cost England above £500,000. The total normal expenditure on the army and navy is now nearly £90,000,000. Of this the self-governing colonies contribute £1,500,000, almost every pound of which is spent in local defence.

The population of the United Kingdom is 41,000,000, and the European population in our self-governing colonies 12,000,000. The sea-born commerce of the United Kingdom is £949,000,000, that of the self-governing colonies £256,000,000. The revenue of the United Kingdom is £130,000,000; that of the self-governing colonies £50,000,000. England spends £31,000,000 on the navy to protect this trade, besides several millions more in maintaining fortresses and garrisons. The self-governing colonies spend £210,000,000 in protecting it. Thus, with a population nearly one-third of that of the United Kingdom, and with a revenue nearly one-half, they contribute less than one-hundredth part of the cost of the naval defence of the empire.

J. J. WILDE.  
Chatham, April 1.

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