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UNBLEACHED TABLE LINEN—64 in. wide, at per yd. 25c
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UNBLEACHED TABLE LINEN—64 in. wide, all pure linen, portraying the holly, ivy, roses, snow drop, etc., at per yd. 50c

Special Pattern Cloths, 8x10, 1.00 at each

William Foreman & Co.

Macaroni

The finest grades come from France and are made from Russian wheat. The greatest care is exercised and cleanliness is guaranteed—

15c a package

CHEESE, rich and mild, 14c a lb.
CHEESE, old Canadian, 16c a lb.
McLAREN'S CHEESE, 25c a pat.

H. Malcolmson

DRESDEN

March 4.—The members of Pinton Hve, 299 K-O T. M. Dresden, are requested to be present at the special meeting at 2 p. m. Tuesday, March 5th, at 2 p. m. Important business to be transacted.

Miss Daisy Saunders, of Wallaceburg, is visiting friends in town. Miss Mabel Leonard left on Saturday to spend some time with friends in the Maple City.

G. E. West returned from the Toronto on Friday night. Last week James Engleson moved a house from Dresden to lot 12, 11th con. Chatham township, a distance of 41-2 miles. Mr. Engleson had purchased the house from Mr. Chapman. It took 30 men and 10 teams to move the house. The work was engineered by Samuel Wallace.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The Happy Thought Range and Radiant Home Heaters are the best and most economical stoves in the market, and are for sale by John A. Morton & Co.

CHATHAM, MARCH 4TH

From the Best Authority
On Fashions

We model the style of our garments, employ ONLY first-class tailors, guarantee cuts and trimmings, sell from \$3.00 to \$5.00 less than regular prices, and that's why Coyne's tailors are always busy.

We would take pleasure in showing you finished work.

E. M. Coyne, Tailor.

Opposite Opera House Entrance.

"PROMOTING" IN LONDON.

New Concerns Must Find Their Way With

During a recent visit to this city a well-known promoter, now interested in an Alabama coal company, told a New Orleans Times-Democrat man a curious story of an experience in London. "The strangest thing about the speculative field over there," he said, "is the way people are obliged to submit to blackmail from so-called 'financial weeklies.' Let a man appear with a new scheme, and he is instantly pounced upon by a swarm of advertising solicitors for sheets never heard of by the outside world. They have no circulation and are printed solely for purposes of extortion. Each fellow demands a certain amount of money, ostensibly for an advertisement, but he makes it clear that his journal will 'roast' the enterprise if it doesn't get what it asks. The amounts vary from £5 to £50 apiece, and if the hush-money is paid some of them go to the trouble of inserting an 'ad' in their next issue, and some don't. It isn't really expected, and the victim rarely goes to the trouble of looking for it. If he wanted to see it, he wouldn't know where to get a copy of the paper. As likely as not he would find there was no 'next issue.' But in that case what would they do if you didn't pay?" asked a listener, in some surprise. "Ah, that's the funny part of it," replied the promoter.

"You are supposed to be buying the influence of the paper, but that is merely a polite fiction. What is really offered for sale is the good will of certain mysterious backers, who claim to be able to 'quash' any new concern that doesn't pay tribute to them. They are understood to be men of wealth and power in the market. Whether they really are I can't say, and how it is done I am not informed, but I do know that the threat has been carried out in a number of instances, and folks who declined to be bled have found themselves suddenly confronted by all sorts of extraordinary obstacles. Untraceable rumors in regard to their solvency have been spread abroad; people whose friendship they depended upon have been strangely turned against them, and in a hundred and one different ways they have been made to feel the hidden hand. All this seems incredible to an American newcomer, but it is absolutely true and will be confirmed by anybody familiar with the London speculative market."

"To illustrate the situation," continued the promoter, "I will tell you about a little adventure of my own. I went to London in 1897 to float a company for operating some Tennessee iron mines. Some English associates arranged the technical details, but I had general charge, and had hardly opened an office when the blackbirds swooped down. The first man to tackle me wanted £50 or £150. He had a copy of my paper in his pocket and I saw at once that it was the cheapest kind of a fake. It was a small pink folio, and instead of editorials it contained several columns of what purported to be answers to inquiries, headed 'Replies.' That 'Replies' department was its club, and almost every paragraph scored some company. The copy which the solicitor showed me was several months old, and I looked quietly for the name of the printer, which in London publications generally appears in very small type at the bottom of the last page. Sure enough, it was there, and making a mental note I told the fellow to call next day.

"In the meanwhile I hunted up the address, bribed a half-drunk pressman and learned that the sheet hadn't got out an issue for weeks. In fact, it was suspended. I was greatly tickled over my smart detective work and rushed off to one of our English advisers to tell him how I had unmasked a fraud. He heard through and perfectly ironically, 'My dear boy,' he said, 'we know all about that. Nobody thinks for a moment that it is a bona fide paper. But all the same you had best pay the £50. It will make you solid with — and he whispered a name in my ear that took me off my feet. 'Good heavens!' I exclaimed, 'it is possible that he is in such dirty, petty business?' 'Oh, probably not,' said my London friend, 'but people who can reach him are.' I paid the money and let the Englishman handle the others. He gave two or three what they asked, handed from £1 to £5 to half a dozen others and kicked down the ladder. The traders don't get together and put an end to the nuisance I don't understand. I have been told that theatrical managers are bled in exactly the same fashion. Of course there are a number of high-grade and perfectly respectable financial and dramatic papers in London, but there is not the slightest danger of getting the two classes mixed."

"We were very much pleased with the design you sent. It was beautiful and appropriate." The Victoria Ave. Green Houses receive such words of commendation every day. Telephone No. 181.

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The special services held in Grace Church conducted by the pastor and Mr. Scratch, of Leamington, during the past month were a great success.

S. T. Elliott and wife, of Flagstaff, Arizona, who have been visiting friends here, have left for a short stay in London and from thence to their home in the west. Miss Maud Tiedale, of Charing Cross, is the guest of John Richards.

W. D. Elliott and Mrs. M. Simpson, Dealton, were visiting their sister, J. B. Snobelen, Blenheim.

Blake Goulet, who has been very ill for sometime past is not improving very much. The ice on the lake is fourteen inches thick and clear as crystal.

Tuesday evening, March 19th a Grand Irish Concert will be given in the Opera House, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid of St. Joseph's Church. Mr. Harold Jarvis, Detroit's favorite tenor, Miss Susan McGill, of London, and other first-class talent have been engaged, and the concert promises to be a great success. Ad Ask for Minard's and take no other.

Artificial Daylight. The faculty of the Bradford Technical College, says London Engineering, have been experimenting with the object of devising an artificial light that approaches daylight in color value. In other words, they wish to secure an artificial light viewed by which the colors of cloths and dyes will have the same value as by natural sunlight. By using a cupric salt solution a screen usually the ordinary sulphate for arc lamps, they have been successful to a surprising degree. Pale blue glass, colored by means of copper, and used in the form of globes is also very effective.

Death of the Pencil King.

Baron Johann Faber, who was practically founder of the celebrated lead pencil factory carried on under his name, died at Nuremberg on January 15, in his eighty-fourth year. When as a young man he succeeded to his father's business, which turned out cheap pens, of a very inferior sort, he employed 20 hands. Now over 1,000 men work at his different factories. Faber succeeded in driving English-made pencils, at one time almost in universal use, out of Germany.

Asthma.

You've tried almost everything for it, haven't you? And we presume you are about discouraged. Now what do you think of our idea of breathing in the medicine, bringing it right up to the diseased part? It looks reasonable, doesn't it? And it's successful, too.

When you inhale Vapo-Cresolene your breathing becomes easy, the wheezing ceases, and you drop to sleep. For croup and whooping-cough it's a quick cure.

Vapo-Cresolene is sold by druggists everywhere. The Vaporizer and Lamp, which should last a lifetime, and a bottle of Cresolene 25 cents and 50 cents. Illustrated booklet containing physicians' testimonials free upon request. Vapo-Cresolene Co., 110 Fulton St., New York, U.S.A.

Recommended and sold by C. H. Gunn & Co., Central Drug Store.

Dr. A.W. Thornton
Dentist

D. S. Toronto University.
Office—First Door East of Standard Bank
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PROBABILITIES.

G. N. W. Scofield.
Toronto, March 4.—Fresh to very strong westerly to northwesterly winds, partly fair, light local snow falls or flurries. Turning decidedly colder to-night. Tuesday, decidedly clear.

LOCAL BRIEFS

Miss Annie Bagart was able to be out to-day.

J. S. Fraser, of Wallaceburg, is in the city to-day.

Miss Joseph Blackburn is improving at the General Hospital.

G. S. Langford, of Kent Bridge, was in the city yesterday.

Horace Davis, of Niagara Falls, is visiting friends in the Maple City.

Barrister R. L. Gosnell, of Blenheim, is in the city to-day on legal business.

The Water Commissioners will hold their regular meeting on Thursday evening next.

The Rev. Dr. McColl was quite so well yesterday. He also passed a rather bad night.

George Young, Jr., has been confined to the house all week suffering from an attack of la grippe.

Messrs. Crossley and Hunter are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Dingman, Raleigh St.

Wanted—By F. Marx, a limited amount of Barfoot's Banking House liquidators' receipts.

The funeral of the late Thomas Sterling took place Saturday morning to St. Peter's church, Raleigh.

J. H. Corns, M. P. P. of Cobocank, Ont., is the guest of his sister, Mrs. Jas. Currie, Adelaide St.

On April 1st the non-jury sittings of the County Court will open before his honor Judge Bell.

The cranet snout, have said in Saturday's issue that H. Malcolmson was selling the finest grade of macaroni at 15 cents per package.

The requisitions for clothing for the 24th Kent regiment were forwarded to the Militia Dept. by Lieut.-Col. Rankin to-day.

Judge Woods returned on Saturday from Ridgeway, where he was presiding at the sessions of Division Court.

Twenty years ago to-day Wm. Gordon, of this city, took part in the President Garfield inauguration ceremonies at Washington.

Mayor Sulman was chosen as one of the representatives to the Supreme Court at the Macabee convention, held last week by 11,122 votes out of a possible 15,000.

Rev. Dr. McColl was worse Saturday night, and Sunday morning. He is, however, better this morning and his physician says that his condition is not serious.

A purse containing \$25 was taken from the sleigh of Mrs. Adams, Com. S. Dover, on Saturday on King St. The police are investigating.

Lost—A memo book containing a number of blank G. T. R. and Wabash tickets that are of no value to the finder. A reward will be paid by leaving it at this office, 311 W. Adams.

Advices from Toronto indicate the intention of the Ross Government to again place an appointee in the office of local Master in Chancery.

John Evans, an old man of 70 years, presumably an imbecile is incarcerated at Castle Mercer. He should be removed to the County House of Refuge or the hospital.

The passing of accounts in the Earl estate is in progress before Judge Bell. J. B. Rankin, K. C., is acting for the heirs, and R. L. Gosnell for the administrator, Rufus Earl.

Gatling Gun Howard, who was killed the other day in South Africa, went out on the same boat as Gunner Skirving, of this city, Gunner Skirving was much taken with Major Howard as a soldier.

Some time yesterday afternoon the wind blew down the ash and plate glass window over the door of the offices of J. B. Rankin, K. C. A pile of debris was all that remained of the window.

Benjamin Carron, 4th con., Dover, passed away last Wednesday. Mr. Carron was one of the oldest settlers in Dover and had been farming over 40 years in that township. He was married three times and leaves a family of ten children. In politics he was a Reformer. The funeral took place at 9 o'clock this morning to Pain Court cemetery.

Professor Hemstreet, a hypnotist, entertained the residents of Merita and vicinity with hypnotic exhibitions last week. He had with him a young lad from Chatham named Mickey who proved a very apt subject. The boy's father, however, put in an appearance and took the lad home.

Professor Hemstreet advertised an entertainment in the Foresters' Hall at Charing Cross Friday night. A large audience assembled but the mesmerist didn't put in an appearance.

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Our Right

To leadership in the Clothing business on great values and low prices to the people. We are in it to do our best in clothing for all classes of wearers.

Every way that points to better quality and less price to you we use.
Look to us for greater and better things all the time.

Some dealers who buy their stock from wholesalers will try to make you believe they sell better and cheaper than manufacturers. Don't believe it. It is an impossibility to pay wholesalers 25 per cent. profit and then retail at the same price manufacturers do. Our customers are intelligent enough to know that we can and do do better for them, and that is the reason why our business has gone on increasing season after season, through good times and bad.

It is manufacturing that does it.

It is selling for cash and one price that does it.

It is guaranteeing everything as represented that does it.

It is re-undoing the money for anything you don't like that does it.

Just now our overcoats and all things belonging to winter are selling at big reductions from regular prices.

Thornton & Douglas

A Booklet About Pianos

We have printed an instructive little booklet about Pianos and our 20th Century Method of selling them. The booklet is free to anybody interested in buying a Piano.

If you are about to buy a Piano or if you have been THINKING about buying one, or if you want to exchange an old Piano or Organ in part payment for a new one, our booklets will give you more real information than any thing else we know of.

Our 20th Century Method is something new in selling Pianos. You'll like it because it's the fairest, most business-like method there is.

Call and get a copy of the booklet. If you can't call, send a postal request and we'll mail you one.

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WE CHALLENGE any agent or dealer to produce a Piano that can possibly cost to the manufacturer one cent more than the PRINCE PIANO. When quality of TONE, style, finish, elasticity of TOUCH, and superior construction are considered, it will be found to be a

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in every detail, and from \$100 to \$200 less than inferior Pianos are being sold at.

J. Murray Depew, Wellington St., East.
Representative for the west.

Miss Ida Colles, of Lindsay, is spending a few days at home.

Mrs. McDonald, Raleigh St., has returned from visiting relatives east.

Mrs. J. J. Payne, of West St., intends leaving shortly with her family to join her husband in the north.

Dog lost—On Feb. 28th, a black Cocker female Spaniel, answering to the name Tasso; any one finding the same will please leave with Louis Staniewicz, Planet office, and receive a suitable reward.

The funeral of the late Deu Donnee Martin took place this morning to Big Point Cemetery and was largely attended. Quite a number from the city attended the obsequies.

Reconit Chas. Ryall left this morning to join at London, the other recruits to Baden-Powell's police force and thence they will all proceed to the sea-board for embarkation for South Africa.

Ex-Ald. Liddy called at the Police Court on Saturday and entered a formal plea of guilty to the charge of assault preferred against him by Ald. Taylor and billed for hearing this morning. The ex-alderman was assessed the customary \$1 and costs. The charge is said to have arisen from an animated discussion of the Lake Erie railway switch.

Old pipe and tea had wanted at The Planet Office immediately.