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New Swiss Embroideries

A great importation of these fabrics direct from St Gall, Switzerland. St Gall, that creates and exports more embroideries than all the rest of the world combined.

OUR IMPORT we gave our order for these goods almost nine months ago—shortly after our order was given and accepted all the embroidery makers advanced the prices twenty-five per cent—that gives us \$1.25 worth of embroidery for \$1.00.

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At \$7.50—Ladies Jacket, tailored, in the top notch of style, made short over the hips, silk lined throughout, a very stylish garment.

At \$10.00—All wool fine Broadcloth Ladies' nobby spring Jacket, the very newest style and colorings.

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Ladies' White Underskirts, heavy cotton, umbrella style, corded tucks on frill and skirt. Special, 75c.

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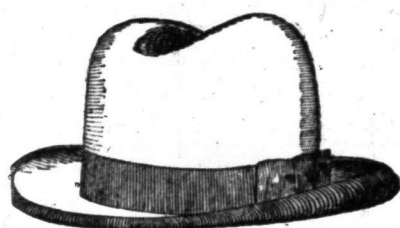
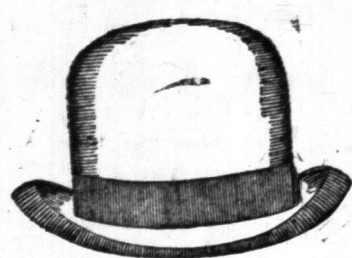
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TELEGRAPH NEWS.

A bill was passed at the house at Washington, appropriating \$10,000 to secure plans for a suitable memorial to Ulysses S. Grant, to be erected in Washington.

The charge of slander preferred by A. C. Philip, of Brandon, against Sir Charles Tupper, has been postponed till the fall assizes, at the request of counsel for Sir Charles.

The appointment of a new Health Board for the Province of Manitoba is announced. Dr. McFadden, of Neepawa, is chairman, succeeding Dr. Patterson, of Winnipeg.

The Danish cabinet members have intimated to the king their desire to resign owing to the attitude of the lower house of parliament regarding the taxation proposals.

It was shown that the death of two old men, Bowen and Robb, in the Agard People's Home at London, Ont., was due to whiskey that Bowen purchased on the night of the fatality.

DORENWEND COMING.

Will be at the Garner House, Chatham, March 29.

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Millinery Opening



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THE BUSY CASH AND ONE PRICE STORE

John Northway & Co.

MUST SOON TAKE PLACE

News of Roberts' Advance Hourly Expected--Boers Have Only 30,000 Men.

London, Tuesday, March 27, 4.15 a.m.—Military observers here, and even those in close affiliation with the war office, are considerably confused as to what is being done for the succor of Mafeking. Some 6,000 or 6,000 men are engaged with Lord Methuen at Warrenton and Fourteen Streams, and now another column is about leaving Kimberley, if it has not already started, for Griquatown, a hundred and six miles westward. Its ostensible purpose is to drive out the Boers. The force is described as "a strong one," and the expedition as "likely to attract much attention."

General French is reported from Bloemfontein to have returned from Thaba Nchu, having failed to engage the Boers under Commandant Olivier, with his 15 guns and miles of baggage, who are trekking northward. Boer horsemen are in contact with the British outposts from Biggarsberg to Warrenton. General Buller had a sharp skirmish Sunday at Waschbank.

Lord Roberts' infantry have now been quiet for 14 days and news of an advance is hourly expected at the war office.

Messrs. Womersley, Fischer and Wessels, the peace envoys from the federal forces, are due at Napier in a few days. After visiting two or three European capitals they will go to New York by way of Antwerp. It is understood at the Hague, that they are invested with large powers and are prepared to agree to anything looking to intervention.

THE BOER STRENGTH.
The Times prints a statement from Cape Town to the effect that the Boers, after deducting heavy losses, are probably unable now to put more than 30,000 men on the fighting line. Spencer Wilkinson in the Morning Post today, warns the public against blinding themselves to the magnitude of the task which has yet to be performed in South Africa. He then refers to the fact that an immense distance has been traversed, and points out that only the smaller portion of the Free State has yet been touched by the British advance. It is quite possible, he says, "that the Boers may be able to prolong the campaign for several months, and the British advance, though it may have a crushing effect, can be carried on only by the persistent exertions of those in the field and those at home. Another task which does not appear to grow easier on nearer acquaintance, is the settlement of the districts disturbed by the rebellion. The pacification of these must be difficult, owing to their vast extent. Little can be done until Sir Alfred Milner is authorized to announce the government's decision as to how rebels should be treated, and how loyal colonists are to be compensated for losses. There should be of course, no policy of revenge, nor will the government forget that its first duty to itself is to vindicate its authority. The sooner these decisions

are announced the sooner will the troubles diminish."

MAGNANIMOUS.

Mr. Winston Churchill in a despatch this morning from Cape Town urges a generous and forgiving policy toward the rebels, instead of yielding to the demands of the loyalists for severe punishment. He says:—"The Dutch traitor is less black than the renegade British-born burgher; but both are the results of our own mistakes and of crimes in Africa in former years. Unless actually caught fighting, rebels should be treated with the utmost leniency and generosity."

The Bloemfontein correspondent of the Morning Post, telegraphing Sunday, says:—"I learn that Mr. Steyn fled against his own judgment and on the persuasion of Mr. Fischer, that duty to his country required that he should remain uncaptured as long as resistance was possible."

A Pretoria despatch, dated Friday, Mar. 23 (via Lorenzo Marquez) says: Gen. Joubert has returned from Kroonstad. He is full of hope and may return to Natal shortly.

REIGN OF TERROR.

It is Said to Exist in the East End of the City

Among the Colored Residents—Many Incendiary Fires—Some People Leaving the City.

The numerous incendiary fires in town have caused a reign of terror among the colored people of the east end, and many of them go to bed these nights expecting to be awakened before morning by the attentions of the fire brigade. A few of them talk of moving to Windsor, or elsewhere, but those who have property cannot do so, and these are anxious for a watchman. If the reign of terror continues there will undoubtedly be a lessening of the present number of colored residents, which at present, owing to continued trekking to the States, now only numbers between 600 and 700.

One resident of the east end, where fires of unknown origin have been prolific of late, says: "The firemen are too swift and the fire too slow. Unfortunately they save the frames and we have too many of them up there now." His idea is that if all the old east end buildings were burned that would end the fires.

WANTS TWO WATCHMEN.

Geo. Taylor, the well-known orchestral man, said: "The east enders are scared, I can tell you. My housekeeper is frightened to death to stay in the house when I am out. We are going to get up a petition to the council asking them to appoint two watchmen to patrol that section of the city. We pay taxes and we pay the same rate on the dollar as the business men on King street. Yet the down town section have all the night protection."

TIRED OF LYING AWAKE.

"If the fire bugs will only let me know beforehand, I will get out. I guess we residents will have to put more insurance on. I am tired of lying awake at nights expecting some one to fire my house. The strain is something awful, and I am afraid that we will all have to emigrate to Windsor. I can tell you one thing, however, there is lots of evil doing up in that end of the city. Dreadful things happen that the rest of the city don't dream of. If we had a watchman up there these things could be prevented. The council should give us police protection." So spoke W. C. Cooper.

CHATTANOOGA.

Among those who have expressed a great approval of Lincoln J. Carter's latest play "Chattanooga," are the young soldiers who have just returned from the Spanish war. Many of them were camped during the recent war near the scene of this play, and they find great pleasure in pointing out to each other the spots which they traversed while they were preparing to go to Cuba to fight for their country. Mr. Carter has made a special effort to give a historically, picturesque and correct view of Lookout Mountain and surrounding points, and it is universally conceded that he has succeeded. The play is one of thrilling interest, full of action, comedy and beautiful pictures, and has delighted thousands of people in the larger cities where it has been presented. It comes to Chatham for one night only, next Saturday.

G. W. Beebe, of Agassiz, has accepted the portfolio of provincial secretary in Joseph Martin's cabinet in British Columbia. Alice Cline, a young woman, who formerly resided in Winnipeg, has been arrested at Minneapolis, charged with having raised \$1 notes to \$10 by transferring the figures from revenue stamps to currency.

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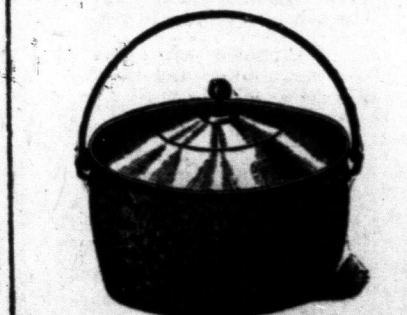
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The Planet

S. STEPHENSON, Proprietor.

PREVALENCE OF BLASPHEMY.

Rev. Mr. Hill, of Woodgreen, Toronto, during his sermon Sunday night, denounced the prevalent vice of blasphemy. He looked with alarm upon its rapid increase, and contended that it savored of low breeding and demonstrated an impure heart. It is too bad more clergymen, both in Canada and the United States do not use their influence to bring this disgusting and offensive habit into disrepute. As it is now, boys who hear men blaspheme, think it is smart and clever on their part to do the same and fully nine-tenths of them are growing up with all the foul expressions of the gutter pat on the ends of their tongues. We are assured that in Great Britain and on the continent foul language is almost unknown, why then should it be the rule in America?

REV. MR. SHELDON'S EXPERIMENT.

We must dissent with those who argue that Rev. Mr. Sheldon made a success of his experiment of editing the Topeka Capital as he imagines Jesus would edit it. As we take it a newspaper's real function, as an old time New York editor put it, is to chronicle whatever God Almighty in His wisdom allows to happen. Mr. Sheldon proceeded along the lines of suppressing and curtailing certain classes of news and filling up the space with reviews and treatises on religious, moral and socialistic subjects. Thus it ceased to be a newspaper in the true sense of the word, and might more correctly be designated a daily magazine. No one could find fault with the matter Mr. Sheldon published. Much of it was readable, but it was out of place. It would kill off any ordinary paper in a very short time, because, with public taste as it is, a little of this kind of reading goes a long way. Some people might appreciate it as their daily bit of fare, but the field is too limited to make it profitable or profitable to substitute a semi-religious magazine for a daily paper. They are totally different classes of literature, a fact that Mr. Sheldon does not seem to realize.

WHAT MR. FIELDING TAKES CREDIT FOR.

This great family journal is mystified over this surplus of seven millions which Mr. Fielding says the country will be able to show for the year ending with this month.

This surplus is due either to the general and world-wide revival of trade or else to the statesmanship of the present government. If it is due to the former, then what is the use of cackling about it like a pullet over her first egg. Any other set of duflers could have had the same surplus thrust upon them.

If, on the other hand, it is due to Liberal statesmanship, then the same statesmanship which produces it this year, can repeat the performance every other year.

That being the case, and Sir Wilfrid, Sir Richard and Mr. Fielding having assured us that this is a purely tariff for revenue government, why have they not reduced the tariff by that seven millions?

Here we have an example of a tariff for revenue ministry exacting \$7,000,000 a year more in tariff duties than they require.

Just think of it, these former apostles of free trade are protecting things not only up to the hilt, but seven millions beyond.

That, of course, is on their own showing. They say they should get credit for the surplus. That means that by overtaxation, taxation on sugar, coal oil, and the other domestic necessities, they have extracted seven million dollars more from the people than were required for the purposes of government.

If this is tariff for revenue, for goodness sake give us back protection.

A PRECIOUS REPORT.

We are at a loss to know why the Department of Education at Toronto gets out a "blue book" that appears to be absolutely useless for purposes of information, at least as far as certain portions of it are concerned. This book comprises over 200 pages, much of it tabular work, and must cost a large sum to issue. Yet while pages appear never to have been changed from the previous year. Take the Model school returns, for instance. Those from Chatham have not been altered. They contain the same figures for 1899 they did for 1898. They give an attendance of 43 at the Model school here for both years. As a matter of fact in 1899 the attendance was only 24. Out of some sixty Model schools in the province exactly the same number of scholars seem to have attended each one in 1899 as in 1898 except at two places, where there are slight changes in the figures. Further changes are made in the returns from Toronto, Vankele Hill and Welland by interchanging the attendance

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of males and females, leaving the totals in each case the same.

The various libraries, with the exception of Windsor, all appear to have exactly the same books.

Again, some of the High school reports are so up to date that they conflict with the Model school reports, which are not. This precious volume tells us, for instance, that Mr. Elliott is the principal of the Model school at Hamilton, while in another page it assures us he is vice-principal of the Normal school at Toronto. R. K. Rowe is given as the principal of the Model school in Kingston for 1899, whereas 1898 was his last year. A man who is dead is returned for teaching the St. Thomas Model school, while others who have long since left are given for Meaford, Mitchell and other places.

We just mention these instances to show the worthlessness of the book. Government printing costs an enormous sum. Many people think altogether too much. There can be little doubt about it if this is the kind of work the money is wasted upon.

The Montreal Star proposes that the Ross government use a sheet iron ball and a steel hammer and punch for marking it.

The affidavits which Mr. Whitney read in the legislature on Thursday, in which a man now in Detroit and beyond the reach of the law states that he went into the West Egin election and "slipped" some twenty votes in favor of the Liberal candidate, furnish another reason for the most searching investigation into that election by the commission which the Ross government has appointed for the purpose.

The Ross government appointed a commission for no such purpose. The powers of the commission were strictly limited, and when the Conservatives in the legislature tried to get a full investigation, the government and its supporters voted the proposal down. The Star ought to wake up sufficiently to know what is going on.

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Specials for Saturday

—THE 24TH—

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1 lb. cans of Baking Powder.....	12c
(usual price 15c)	
Granulated Sugar, per lb.....	5c
Sweet Basil, 5 lbs. flavor, 9c per lb., 3 lbs. for.....	25c
Fresh Lemons, per doz.....	15c
Just in, a good Coffee in fancy cans.....	15c
3 cans Kipped Chicken.....	25c
3 lbs. Evaporated Apples.....	25c
Corn Starch, per package.....	7c
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The usual clearing sale of Dishes during the day

At the cut prices given on sale day. Bargains in Dinner Sets, Tea Sets, Chamber Sets, China and Glassware. Call and see them.

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A Leading Life Assurance Company wants a capable Solicitor to act in Counties of Kent and Essex. Liberal contract to right party. Address "Life Inspector," Planet Office. eod

The Toronto Telegram shows considerable common sense, even more than its friends in the opposition at Ottawa, whom it is trying hard to serve. The Telegram says: "There is no profit in hammering at Wilfrid Laurier where he is strong. Canadians are apt to keep on admiring Wilfrid Laurier so long as his enemies give him a chance to earn their admiration by raising questions which develop the best and highest qualities of the Liberal leader."

The above is from the Ridgeway Standard, but as we have seen it elsewhere: The Standard probably stole it from somebody else without credit. We simply use it as a sample of the dishonorable and dishonest journalism which was killed off some years ago, but which now appears to be reviving. The dishonest act consists in changing the meaning of a sentence or paragraph by cutting it in two. In the above, the periods show where part of what the Telegram said has been omitted. What was really stated was that there was no profit in hammering at Sir Wilfrid where he was strong, when it was much easier to hit him in the places where his many faults and weaknesses left him open to attack. By omitting the latter part the Liberal papers change the meaning of the article, and then appropriate it to their own use.

THE LONDON LIFE.

Elsewhere will be found a full report of the twenty-fifth annual meeting of the London Life Insurance Company. The statements made at that meeting must have proved very gratifying to both shareholders and policy holders as well as to officers and directors. From its inception the growth of the London Life appears to have been uniformly steady. As a result, to-day it has a substantial balance of assets to print to as a splendid guarantee of stability, and this alone must make the policy holders feel satisfied that they have made no mistake in their choice of companies with which to do business. The fact that several residents of this London Life will no doubt lead to the perusal of the annual report in this is us by every reader.

Mr. J. W. Humphrey is the general agent and local representative of this thriving company, while Mr. J. F. Maine, assistant superintendent, looks after the industrial branch. The offices of the company in Chatham are located in Northwood's block, King Street.

ROAST THE BOERS

Two Americans From Michigan Have Had Experience.

They Tell Their Fellow Countrymen Just What Kind of a Government the Transvaal has.

New York, March 27. — Leonard Leigh and his son, of Lake Linden, Mich., arrived on the steamship New York on Saturday from the Rand mine district of South Africa, where both were employed by the French Rand Gold Mining Co. for three years. Both are intensely pro-British in sentiment. Leigh says the Boer republic is a republic in name only and is really a monarchy with Kruger as the emperor autocrat. The outrages to which all foreigners are subjected by the Boers, he alleges, are incredible to persons who have never lived in the Transvaal. Every Boer official, he declares, makes a practice of levying blackmail on outlanders, and the Transvaal will not be a fit place for a white man to live in as long as the Boers are in power. Lives and property of foreigners are constantly menaced. The Boers are not brave, but fight like rats, get into holes behind trees to shoot British officers, but never charge or fight in the open. The Leighs will return to Africa after the war is over.

Dr. Barker, of Fenwick, was killed at a T. H. & B. crossing near Vine-mont.

James Cragen, an engineer, believed to belong to Toronto, was found dying by the G. T. R. track near Dundas.

Peter Gibson fell from a load of hay at Holmfild and was drowned, while crossing a bridge over the Pembina River.

It is reported that the Duke of York meditates paying complimentary visits after the war to all the great colonies.

Dried and Evaporated Fruits

At this season of the year, are filling the place to be heated, supplies of canned and fresh goods. To fill this vacancy we have in stock the following:—

New Peaches, per lb.....	15c
New Nectarines, per lb.....	15c
New Golden Apples, per lb.....	15c
New Apples.....	15c
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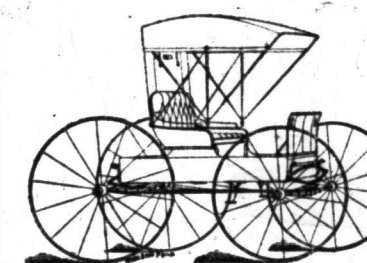
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MR. SHELDON'S EXPERIMENT.

A London Divine Criticizes the Experiment Made With the Topeka Daily Capital.

London, March 24. — The Rev. Mr. Sheldon's experiment in editing a Christian daily newspaper was watched with considerable amused interest in England. The Rev. Dr. Joseph Parker, minister of the City Temple, is moved to criticism, and says:—

"After all, it is an excruciating kind of lunacy. The first mistake is in thinking anything provable in a six-day experiment. For a week you can do almost anything with success, provided it is foolish enough. I could fill St. Paul's Cathedral to overflowing by promising to swallow the eighth Bible."

A newspaper mischievously calls this a neat illustration of Dr. Parker's own method of attracting large congregations. Dr. Parker adds that Mr. Sheldon's experiment ignored and misrepresented the spirit of the Bible and the Bible itself. Just drunkenness, lying, hypocrisy and prodigality. Such things should be reported, and the antidote energetically administered.

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One hundred and sixty-four cases of measles were reported to the medical health officer at Hamilton last week. Queen Victoria contemplates publishing another series of her diaries, the profits to go to the Mansion house fund.

TENDERS WANTED

Sealed Tenders, marked "Tender for Church," will be received by the undersigned up to March 30th, 1900, for the several works required for the erection of a new Presbyterian Church at Thamesville. The plans and specifications can be seen at my office. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

S. STEWART, M.D., Sec'y Building Committee. Thamesville, March 16th, 1900. c&wtd

Notice to Contractors.

Bulk and separate tenders will be received up to 7 o'clock p.m., Friday, April 6th, by the undersigned architects, at whose office plans may be obtained, addressed to James Forsyth, Esq., Chatham township for alterations and additions to residence near Eberts station. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

JAMES L. WILSON & SON, Jas. Forsyth, Esq., Architects, Proprietors, 14 Chatham, Ont.

Notice to Contractors.

Bulk or separate tenders will be received up to 12 o'clock noon, Wednesday, April 4th, 1900, for the erection and completion of three veneered brick residences and one veneered brick convent.

On each of these buildings there will be stone work, brick work, plumbing and slating.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Tenders to be left at the Architect's office by the time specified above.

JAMES W. CARSWELL, Architect, Market Building, Chatham, Ont.

March 24th, 1900. td

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Township Councils

RALEIGH COUNCIL.
The Raleigh council met on March 19, with all members present. Accounts passed:—Seventh division court, 13 sittings, \$16.25; Angus Smith, C. E., two days attending court, Rhodes vs. Ferguson, \$21; collector, postage, \$1.81; clerk, postage, \$1.25; N. H. Shepley, services for council, \$8; J. Morton, services for P. P. works, \$7.8; Park Bros., ditto, \$25.70. Communication from Jas. Dillon in reference to the street in Buxton, in which he states that the said street never belonged to the township and was never opened up, and produced the deed which includes said street with the other property. From the M. C. R. in reference to the horse drain culvert and requesting that the \$400 for same be paid. From Dr. Baker, stating he had made thirty professional visits to Mrs. Labute, indigent, his bill for same being \$14. Petitions to commute statute labor received from John Gellam, A. H. Smith, Wm. Phalen and John McCombie. Petition from S. Pritchard, to detach the w. h. f. s. h. f. lot 2, Con. 13, and lot 2, Con. 14, from the Merlin school and attach the same to the No. 15 S. S. Also, one from Eli Harris, to change the n. h. f. lot 2, Con. 1, from Union S. S. No. 1 to S. S. No. 4. Chas. Crow submitted an account of \$380.75 for 147 cords of wood at \$2.25 per cord. Poundkeepers' reports received from S. Hitchcock, John Peet, Wm. Ronson, D. Toll, Geo. Cromwell, B. Martin, W. Finfin, D. Ritchie, J. Travis and G. Lewis. Reports adopted. The reeve reported he had submitted the Dolsen Gov. drain by-law to the elector, and he advised the council to proceed in its present form. The Com'r of Div. No. 3 submitted report in reference to the doctor bill of Mrs. Hatter, Buxton, and recommended that the township assume no responsibility in the matter. No action taken in the report. The collector made a final report and asked that the following taxes be struck off, as the parties had either left the township or could not be found, viz: B. Hill, H. Kelly, John Morris, S. Huff, \$1 each for dogs, and Fred Crounchman and Jas. Scipio, \$2 each for statute labor. The reeve reported that he had visited Chas. Fowks, of the 13th Con., and found him ill with pneumonia, and without provisions, and that he had supplied him with provisions for the present, and after investigating the matter found that he had recently moved into Ruxton, and he notified Tibbary East to take charge of him. Resolutions. Moved by Irwin and Crow, that the petitions of John Gellam, A. H. Smith, John McCombie and Wm. Phalen be referred to the respective road divisions to let, and report to this council not later than Sept. 1st. Moved by Irwin and Doyle, that the account of Chas. Crow for 147 cords of wood for the Pike Pump House be referred to the Com'r of Div. No. 2 to investigate and report to the council on the kind and quality of wood, and also to state in his report if he considers the wood worth \$2.25 per cord. Moved by Clayton and Doyle, that whereas the M. C. R. has not yet submitted an account for the township agreed to pay as soon as the culvert in the Horne drain was completed, but we are of opinion that the culvert has been completed according to agreement, excepting that some timbers or spikes have been left in the bottom of said culvert, therefore, he resolved that the reeve be and is hereby instructed to make an examination, and if he finds that the culvert is completed, to have power with the clerk to pay the same.—Car. Moved by Clayton and Doyle, that the Com'r of Div. No. 3 be empowered to bring on an engineer and locate the road allowance between concessions 3 and 4 across lots 1 and 3. Moved by Irwin and Clayton, that Wm. Miller be paid \$23.33 for five sheep killed by dogs, and Lem. Freeman be paid \$10 for two sheep killed and five wounded.—Car. Moved by Irwin and Clayton, that the request of the collector to strike off the taxes mentioned be granted and that an order for \$125 in full for salary as collector be given. Moved by Irwin and Doyle, that Dr. Baker be paid \$8, for medical attendance on Mrs. Labute. Moved by Clayton and Doyle, that the report of the reeve in reference to the Dolsen Gov. drain by-law be adopted, and the court of revision be held on April 23, next. David Halliday was appointed arbitrator in the matter of U. S. S. No. 5, and Harvey Jenner, arbitrator in the matter of U. S. S. No. 1. A. E. ROBINSON.

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HERE AND THERE

In the year 1800 the approximate area of the British Empire was 2,612,182 square miles. In 1899 the approximate area of the empire had grown to 12,596,688 square miles, and the population to 414,410,000.

Pekin is now to have an electric railroad running from the south gate of the city to the steam railroad station, and it is even hoped that permission to enter the city may soon be obtained. The road is built by a German firm.

Ardmore, I. T., is the greatest inland cotton market in the world. Over 50,000 bales of cotton are marketed each year there, which are brought into town by wagons. This is exclusive of the product shipped by railroads.

In 1883 the average price of a horse was \$74.64; in 1897, \$31.51. In the thirteen years from 1884 to 1897, while the number of horses in the United States had increased by more than 3,000,000, their total value had decreased nearly \$400,000,000.

Lake Tanganyika, in Africa, offers a unique field for scientific exploration. This region, like Australia, is one of the few localities where mammals still live that have become extinct elsewhere, certain whale-like molusks of this lake appearing to have been driven from the ocean and to be identified with fossil forms of old Jurassic seas in Europe.

Farmers in Androscoggin county, Me., complain bitterly of the injury done to their crops by the protected and rapidly increasing deer. "Why," says one, "if there was any owner of them I could complain to make him take them off, or pay for damage. At this rate it will not be long before we must keep a man with a club in every cornfield in the State."

Thomas R. Roddy, of Chicago, will succeed Black Hawk as chief of the Winnebago Indians. The old chief died a few years since. In the winter of 1897, realizing his approaching end, he chose Roddy as his successor, and he was elected by the tribe. The man was born among them, reared in their midst and spoke their language as well as that of the neighboring Chippewas and Pottawatomies.

Two years ago a farm laborer, by the name of Cederberg, who now lives at Topeka, bought a span of mules for \$100, and the seller threw in a sickly colt that he had on his farm. The colt grew into a small, but fine, three-year-old, and this year it has been taking first prize money in the State. It is a pacing racer about the State, and is known as "Little Squaw," and recently, at Ottawa, it took the mark of 2:14. Cederberg has been offered \$3,000 for the mare, and he has made more than that in this season's racing.

General Meigs was the architect of the pension office in Washington, and was inordinately proud of his achievement. When General Sheridan inspected the building General Meigs accompanied him. Sheridan went thoroughly over the structure from top to bottom without passing any comment, but when the inspection was completed he turned to his guide with "Well, Meigs, I have only one fault to find with it. 'What is that, general?" asked the delighted ex-quartermaster-general. "It's fireproof," replied Sheridan.

The new law providing for the licensing of barbers, in all towns in Michigan of over 10,000 inhabitants has gone into effect, and a new commission has already been organized. The law provides that all barbers now in the business shall be entitled to a license upon making application to the commission and paying a fee of \$1. Hereafter, however, all persons who desire to engage in the business must first pass a satisfactory examination before the State commission as to their proficiency in the use of the razor, as well as of disinfecting tools, so as to prevent the spreading of disease.

HOUSEKEEPING.

A slice of ripe tomato rubbed on to the stains on a white cloth or on handkerchiefs will remove the stains.

The teapot requires to be washed out, and dried each time after use as carefully as any jug or cup if good tea is to be had.

Where marble is spotted sprinkle some powdered borax where it is stained or soiled, and then wash the marble with warm water, using a flannel.

A dirty silk umbrella will be greatly improved by sponging when opened with a little beer, which should be slightly warmed.

Always keep butter in earthenware or stoneware and in a cool place. Butter soon absorbs the flavor of food kept near it, and for that reason should always be kept covered.

To remove a label from a bottle or jar is often rather a difficulty. This method will always act without any trouble. Wet the label thoroughly and then hold it near the fire for a moment. The steam immediately acts on the paste or gum.

WORTH KNOWING

Linen will last much longer if soaked and then steamed or boiled, without rubbing. Let it boil about five minutes. Rinse very thoroughly. Did you ever notice iron rust spots in your linen for which you could not account? Those were caused by the laundress who was careless about rinsing and left the soap in.

An ingenious young woman bought a roll of matting, pliable and jointless, with a design of diamonds of blue here and there. This, with a lot of picture molding from a sash factory, a paper of brads, a stepladder and considerable patience helped to beautify an ugly room.

Keep a little package of absorbent cotton in one of the sideboard drawers. If oil, milk or cream is spilled on a woollen dress or coat, a bit of this instantly applied will remove all traces of the stain.

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William J. Bryan has Addressed More People Than any Other Man

Some interesting Statistics on this important Question.

Some gentlemen were discussing at a well-known hotel the question of what orator of ancient or modern times had first and last spoken to the greatest number of human beings. A great many names were suggested, but finally it was agreed that more people had listened to the sound of William J. Bryan's voice than to any other man who ever talked to the public.

"I do not think," said Mr. P. I. Irvine of New York, "that there is any doubt as to Bryan's primacy in this regard. We know that famous speakers among the ancients, orators of the class of Cicero and Demosthenes, talked to vast crowds, but we have only to reflect upon the paucity of transportation facilities in those days to realize that they addressed practically the same audiences all the time. Their gatherings were local."

"Mr. Bryan in 1896 and since has traversed every part of the United States and has spoken in the aggregate to millions of his countrymen. Major McKinley, it will be remembered, staid at home during the campaign, and his speeches were limited to visiting delegations. Neither Beecher, Intersoll nor Douglass, with their long years of platform oratory, could have addressed a total of hearers anything like as large as the numbers that crowded about the Nobleskan. Neither Webster, Clay nor Calhoun nor Lincoln nor Douglass, despite the length of their public careers, ever spoke to such multitudes. And the wonderful part of it is that the man will in all probability duplicate his past experience in this line before he retires to absolute privacy.—Washington Post

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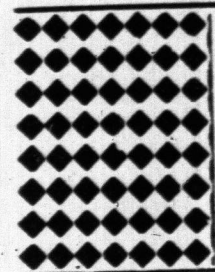
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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

BULLIS.—On Tuesday, March 27th, Mrs. Emmeline Bullis, relict of the late Joseph Bullis, aged 68 years, 2 months and 13 days.

The funeral will take place from her late residence, Prince Street, on Thursday at 2:30 p. m., to Maple Leaf cemetery.

Friends will please accept this intimation.

THE PROBABILITIES.

G. N. W. Special.
Toronto, March 27, 10 a. m. — Westerly winds, fine. Wednesday, moderate to fresh westerly to northerly winds, stationary or a little lower temperature.

LOCAL BRIEFS

E. G. Thompson, of Blenheim, is in the city to-day on business.

See The 2's East End Window for the Latest New York Styles in Hats. Harrington Specials at \$2.50—all colors and shapes.

A splendid program of sacred renditions has been prepared, under the musical direction of Mrs. James, for presentation at the sacred concert to be held under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society of William St. Baptist Church, on Tuesday, April 3. The concert will be an exceedingly fine one.

New Neckwear, handsome patterns, new effects, may be found at other stores now—might later on—all the popular shapes, 50c. See window to-night.—The 2's.

The Central prison discharge lists for April have been received by Chief of Police Young. Four Chathamites are registered in the number. Among these are, Andrew Ebersson, assault with knife; Frank Hermy, vagrancy, and Leonard Polk, larceny.

Casswell, Stevens & Moore, of this city, have been awarded the contract for the erection of the Essex County House of Refuge, at \$18,000. Gurney & Co., of London and Toronto, received the building contract at \$2,000.

Rumor has it that Mr. Waddell and Mr. Gordon have rinks selected and are matched to play to-night for the delectable halcyon. Their leaders, it is expected, will be from the flower of the club.

Madame La Zell, a scientific palmist of considerable note, is registered at the Garber. The lady is exceedingly skilled in the art of palmistry and is prepared to give advice on all matters of love, business and marriage. The hand, she claims, by its lines and shape tells much. Madame La Zell can be found at room 8 Hotel Garber.

The ladies' quartette, consisting of Mrs. John Cooper, Misses Clara Biggs, Lilian Simpson and Adri Ross, which delighted patrons of the recent Red Cross patriotic concert, will be heard in a sacred selection at the sacred concert in the William St. Baptist Church on Tuesday, April 3. There will be other delightful features. Silver collection taken at the door.

THE FIELD IS OPEN.

George Black, manager of the Guelph Canadian League Baseball Club of last year, has written the local association with a view to putting a team in Chatham this year in the proposed international league. President F. F. Quinn has written Mr. Black that the ground can be secured at a reasonable rental, while the project would be a popular one with lovers of the game.



ALWAYS A FEAST

For those who set their bread at Richards', it is the art of sweetest and most of bread that is baked in Chatham. It is uniform in quality of equal flavor, such as is only made by a special oven and the best flour and sugar used. For cakes and pastries are the our bread, the best in the county, all year round.

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J. W. Couse, of London, well known in association football circles, is in the city on a business trip.

In order that every one may have an opportunity of seeing the special display throughout the store during millinery opening Messrs. Austin & Co. have decided to keep open Wednesday and Thursday evening when a orchestra will furnish a special program of music.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

At a well-attended meeting of the Young People's Society of Holy Trinity Church, held last evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—President, Miss Hall; vice-president, Miss B. Northwood; secretary, Miss Smith; treasurer, Miss Moore. The reports of the retiring officers were most encouraging.

MILLINERY OPENING.

W. Foreman & Co. take much pleasure in thanking the public for past patronage and cordially invite them to their millinery opening display Wednesday, Mar. 28th and following days, showing the very newest creations in the millinery art for spring. Also new dress goods in all the new shades, home-spun, broadcloths, poplins, etc. New kid gloves in suede, and dressed kid in the new spring shades. In wash goods we show a choice assortment of white and colored goods in all the new weaves.

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AN APPEAL FAILS.

The court of appeal in Toronto today, handed down a decision confirming the judgment of Justice Street at the assizes held in Chatham in the case of Scott vs. Melady, dismissing the action. The Toronto firm contracted with J. L. Scott for 10,000 bushels of wheat at a certain price. Before delivery the market dropped and Melady and McNichol refused to accept the grain. Mr. Scott brought an action to recover the difference and the case was tried here and a verdict given for the defendants. The plaintiff then appealed and this appeal was today dismissed.

DEATH OF MRS. BULLIS.

There passed away in this city today Mrs. Emmeline Bullis, relict of the late Joseph Bullis, in her 69th year. During her life she was a prominent and active member of the Baptist Church. A pleasant lady, she made many friends, and the large family that survive are such as any mother could be proud of. Although scattered over a wide country, they are respected and honored citizens of their adopted homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Bullis came to Kent county in 1872 from Wolfe Island. On their arrival Mr. Bullis engaged in farming. His death occurred eight years ago, and since then Mrs. Bullis has resided on Prince St., this city. Four sons and three daughters survive. They are, Samuel, retired farmer, of this city; George, of Charlevoix, Mich.; Edward, of New York city; and Dr. W. H. formerly of Dresden; now of Wolfe Island; Mrs. Wm. Newkirk, Dover, and Mrs. John McKinley, of Dover.

The funeral will take place from her late residence, Prince St., on Thursday at 2:30 p. m., to Maple Leaf Cemetery.

WANTED.—Girl for general housework. Apply to Mrs. J. K. A. MORTON, Cor. of Wellington and Third Streets.

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John Turner, Richmond street, is slightly indisposed.

Little Johnnie McCorvie, son of ex-Ald. McCorvie, is much better.

Mr. and Mrs. DeCov, of Leamington, spent Monday with Mrs. McKerrall, Murray St.

The Young People's Church and S. S. Society of Christ Church held their regular meeting Monday night. There was a very fair attendance.

A letter from ex-Commissioner F. F. Quinn, advocating a water supply for the cemetery will appear to-morrow.

Mr. W. H. Taylor is still confined to his residence, and it will be another fortnight before he will be able to attend to business.

Mrs. Patterson, of Barwich, while attending to her household duties this morning fell and broke both bones of her left arm, just above the wrist. Mrs. Patterson is the mother of A. R. Patterson, and Mrs. Frank Baby, of this city.

Will the finder of a newspaper parcel containing some white knitting kindly return the same to Christ Church Sunday School—where the bale is being packed for South Africa—or to The Planet Office.

Oliver Vansliff, an aged inmate of the Home of the Friendless, was removed to the Public General Hospital last week. This morning he passed away, in his 76th year. The funeral will take place to-morrow at 11 o'clock.

W. C. West, representing the Sutherland-Innes Co., cooperative stock, of Chatham, Ont., is in town at the request of G. W. Shiner. Mr. West is one of those genial and talented gentlemen with whom it is a pleasure to converse.—Cedar Springs, (Mich.), Clipper.

Owing to the losses in killed and wounded, and also to a number of the men being unable to physically stand the hardships of the advance, the Canadian contingent is now reduced to about 800 men. Nothing but the best of the lowest prices. Telephone 181.

The great amount of design work done at the Victoria Avenue Green Houses is sufficient proof of the excellence of the work. Nothing but the best at the lowest prices. Telephone 181.

Mrs. Tichborne, St. Clair street, has received a copy of the Cape Town Times from her nephew, Private Wilson, with the Company R. C. R., in South Africa. In the paper a citizen recognized the advertisement of Wm. Rawbone, who formerly kept a gun store on Yonge St., Toronto, some 15 years ago.

Spectacles are eye helps if right—eye hurters if wrong. Who is to know in time to let you skip the mistakes? Not the average optician or spectacle-seller, for he is unable to distinguish between optical defects and diseases. I have for examining the eye. I give you a thorough examination free of charge—and selected the use of glasses only when you need them. E. J. MacIntyre, Leading Optician.

BROUGHT BACK.

At an early hour this morning, Provincial Detective Mahoney reached the city with James Bettridge, accused of stealing a seabird cloak from the residence of S. J. Sutherland, and placed him in the hands of Chief of Police Young. Bettridge was arrested in the woods some 150 miles beyond Port Arthur, as previously stated in The Planet. He is an old British soldier and is a very intelligent conversationalist, declining, however, to say anything regarding the case. This morning at police court Judge Houston remanded him for a week.

TECUMSEH CADETS.

The cadets being drilled by Lieut. Macdonald and Dr. Musson, are making splendid progress. By a vote they have selected the name, Tecumseh Cadets. The other names proposed were, The Queen's Own, Victoria, Maple Leaf and Maple City. Lieut. Macdonald took his division for a route march on King street last night, and they marched very well.

Guns for drill purposes have been ordered from Toronto. These cost them 25 cents each. As soon as the weather gets fine the cadets, who now number about 120, will drill on the park.

REBELS RELEASED.

Cape Town, March 27.—A number of rebels captured by the Canadian contingent at Douglas, near Kimberley, have been released and have gleefully reported the fact to the loyalists. The latter are indignant, and have demanded their punishment and the confiscation of their arms.

WAR NOTES.

A commando of 400 Boers has re-occupied Papkuus, forcing the rebels to retreat. The Boers are now on their way to visit two or three European capitals and then come to Washington. They have authority to invite mediation on any terms.

A PRICELESS GIFT.

What is the good of a fortune without health to enjoy it? Why go about half sick when Merrill's Sarsaparilla will give you back your health? This wonderful medicine purifies the blood, builds up the system, strengthens the nerves and regulates the bowels. It's no use to you if you're well, but invaluable if you're sick. A Fifty Cent bottle lasts three weeks. Sold at the Central Drug Store. Descriptive pamphlet free.

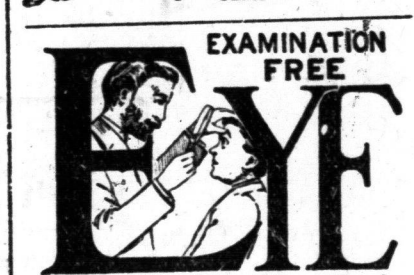
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Hang it!

Bring us the dimensions of the room you want papered and tell us the paper you want; "we'll do the rest." We'll send the paper and the men to hang it and tell you exactly what the whole will cost you. We have for this season the largest assortment of Wall Paper ever shown in one store in Chatham, and whether you have one room or a dozen to paper we can save you money.

Prudent people are papering now before the hangers get busy.



Defects scarcely noticeable in children assume dangerous proportions with advancing years. A proper correction now will prevent serious complications later.

A. I. McCall & Co.
OPTICIANS AND DRUGGISTS,
CHATHAM, ONT.

RED CROSS LADIES

Have Done Nobly for the Canadians in the Field

And Will now Turn Their Attention Towards Aiding the Indian Famine Sufferers.

The ladies of the Red Cross Society held a special and well attended business meeting last evening in the board room of the First Presbyterian church. The Treasurer, Mrs. Geo. S. Heyward, presented the financial statement of the recent successful concert, which was as follows:—Receipts, \$166.45; expenditures, \$90.68; net proceeds, \$75.77, to which \$15 is to be added for tickets sold, for which the returns are not yet in, which will bring the net proceeds up to over \$100.

The ladies of the Red Cross have decided to pack their bale for the boys at the front on Wednesday, March 28th, at Christ Church Sunday School. They will be pleased to receive any donations that will help to make the boys comfortable.

The Society wish to thank the following for their contributions:—Kent Bridge public school, Brooke City, of King's Daughters, Madame Skirring, Miss Burrell, Mrs. John Holmes, Mr. Burt, The Singer Sewing Machine Company.

They also desire to thank all local talent, who so kindly assisted in making their concert, such a success: Messrs. Stone and Gordon, for bunting; Mr. Macaulay for flags, etc.; Messrs. Brock and Cape for decorating; the young ladies who acted as ushers, Messrs. Scott, Drader and McGavin for wood to heat the Opera house, The Chatham Gas Co. for lighting, and The Planet for printing.

The good ladies of this society, however, are not weary in well-doing. They have decided to call a public meeting of the ladies of the Maple City during next week for the purpose of co-operating in a public test to be served, under the auspices of the Red Cross Society for the Tuesday of Easter week, in aid of the Indian Famine Fund. Full announcements of the meeting will be made later in The Planet.

GENTLEMEN, ARE YOU BALD?

Investigate and see for yourself the making of hair in Wigs and Tonics. Professor Dorey's manufactures are worn on over 55,000 heads by all classes, and in all stations of life. They are the essence of perfection, light in weight, durable and a great benefit to health, and a protection to the head against Cold, Catarrh, Dandruff, etc. Trying on and demonstrating the completeness of these goods free of charge. He will be at the Garber House, Chatham, Thursday, March 29th.

FREEMAN'S SARSAPARILLA.

The Great Blood Purifier and Nerve Remedy, cures Bilious Headache, Dyspepsia, Constipation and all diseases of the blood, liver, kidneys and stomach. Sold at all druggists. Ask for Freeman's and take no other.

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You Will Be Welcome

Be at the Auditorium Wednesday Next

**Wednesday,
Thursday,
Friday**

To admire or criticise, ask prices, make comparisons, buy or not, do just as you please during the three days.

2nd Floor

Special Display of Millinery.
Special Display of Spring Jackets.
Special Display of Carpets and Curtains.

1st Floor

Special Display of Shirt Waists.
Special Display of Dress Goods and Silks.
Special Display of Boys' and Men's Clothing.

Open Wednesday and Thursday Evening
A Good Programme of Music During Evening

The Carpet Question

Will soon be an important one for you. We are ready to show you our handsome stock and quote you figures for any size and quality of carpet. The carpet room, the stock of carpets and the smallest prices are three inducements for you to come here.

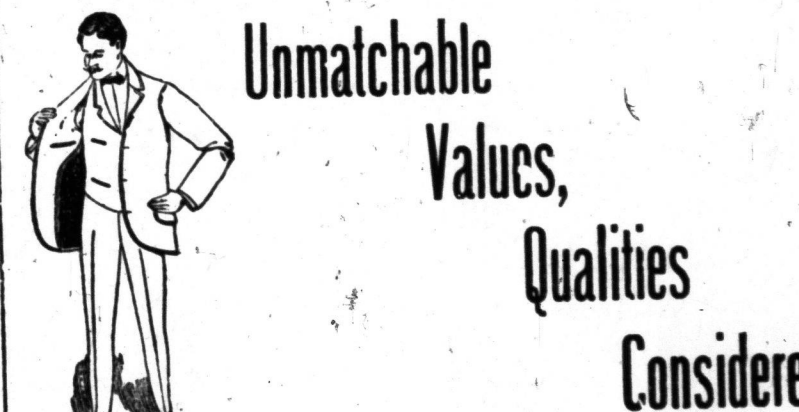
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And if we cannot recommend we tell you so. Hundreds of well pleased customers will testify to the truth of the above. Prove it for yourself.



Special Suits for Slender Men

Nobby Neat Check Tweed Suits
Nice black and gray check, dressy, made specially for slender men, in extra length arm and body of coat and long leg pants, handsomely cut, right in it, sizes 34 to 38, \$9.00.

Dressy Imported Blue Serge Suits
Made specially for slender men, double breasted style, perfection in fit, beautiful, sizes 36 to 38, \$10.00.

Swall Blue Serge Suits
Made double breast style, with satin facings, they are the nicest facings you ever saw, special sizes 35 to 38, are equal to the best custom-made garments at from \$18.00 to \$22.00, you can get fitted here for \$16 and \$12.

Men's Sample Suits
In all the latest patterns in worsteds, serges and novelty goods, the noblest goods in the trade, handsomely lined with satin and silk, perfect beauties, prices run \$12, \$13, \$13.75, \$14 and \$15.00.

Leading and Reliable Clothiers

C. Austin & Co.
The Bargain Centre
Market Square, Corner

Pancake
Flour12 cents a
package.

This flour is ready
for use. Just mix it,
and it's ready for the
pan. Made from
whole wheat, it is
light and tasty.

Baked Beans,
5c and 10c a can.
Finest Golden Syrup,
50c a gallon.
Gallon Apples, 25c a can.
Canned Pumpkin, 10c a can.
Canned Blueberries, 10c a can.

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New Spring
WALL PAPER
Sulman's Beehive
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Grand OPERA HOUSE

Thursday, March 29th
MATINEE and NIGHT

The Edison Biograph Co., Showing Actual
Battles of the

British-Boer War..

The Canadian Contingent Embarking for
South Africa.
The finest moving pictures ever shown in
Chatham.

PRICES—15c, 25c and 35c.
Children's Matinee After School—Ad-
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GRAND OPERA HOUSE

One Night Only
Saturday, March 31st

LINCOLN J. CARTER'S

Thrilling and Romantic
War Play

"Chattanooga"

"A Play that is good for the North and South,
East and West."
Startling in its Realism!
Novel in its Construction!
Picturesque and True to
Life in its Realism!

An Engine and Tender
running away from the audience at the
rate of 60 miles an hour.
THAT CAVALRY CHARGE!

Prices 25c, 35c, 50c, and 75c.

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make it
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THE BOER PANIC.

How Lord Roberts Outwitted
Gen. Cronje.

Burgers Waited in Trenches for
Attack That Came not—Then Left
Magersfontein in Wild Flight.

New York, March 27.—Count Adel-
bert Sternberg, a young Austrian
noble, who spent two months in the
Boer camps up to the time of his cap-
ture, by the British, on Feb. 15, gave
the Free Press interesting particulars of
the effect produced on the burghers
by the unexpected appearance of the
British forces in the Orange Free
State. These confirm the previous
statements that Gen. Cronje utterly
failed to recognize the significance of
Lord Roberts' strategic move.

Count Sternberg arrived at Magers-
fontein soon after the Boer victory
of Dec. 11. He found the camp in jubila-
nt spirits. The burghers were ac-
customed to sing psalms and hold dis-
cussions while being bombarded by
the naval guns. They began early in
February to observe the arrival of
LARGE MASSES

of troops in the British camp, and on
Feb. 10 they received news of the
British advance on Kofffontein.
Count Sternberg rode to Jacobsdal to
reconnoitre and camp in sight of the
British patrollers. That evening 600
burghers were sent to check the ad-
vance of the British cavalry.

Gen. Cronje's opinion was that the
British were advancing on Faure-
smith, via Kofffontein, with the ob-
ject of cutting off the retreat of the
Boer detachment at Olesberg. An-
other possibility was that the advance
was merely a feint on the left flank,
intended to weaken the defense at
Magersfontein.

On the morning of Feb. 11, Count
Sternberg, attracted by heavy arti-
llery fire, found the British endeavor-
ing to cross the Randam ford, opposed
by the Boers, whose lines extended
along the Riet river towards Koff-
fontein. Two wounded Boer soldiers
dragons told him that Lord Kitchen-
er was proceeding to the relief of
Kimberley with 14,000 men.

While bathing in the Riet the count
himself saw several British reg-
iments march past. Escaping notice,
he galloped back to Cronje's camp
and told what he had seen. He met
with general incredulity, the Boers in-
sisting that large bodies of troops
could not move without making such
a movement. The only action
taken by Gen. Cronje was to send 200
men across the river to cut off the
British transport wagons, which they
succeeded in doing.

On the following day, five miles
from the camp, Count Sternberg saw
at a short distance huge clouds of
dust, which indicated the presence be-
hind some low hills of troops in the
march. At this time Gen. Cronje was
waiting in the trenches at Magers-
fontein, in expectation of an attack.

Sternberg's news was laughed at
by the Boers, who were convinced that
he was mistaken. It was impossible to
disseminate their doubts till one of their
own number, Commissary Arnold, ac-
companied the count and himself saw
the British cavalry under Gen. French
and the burghers in the Free State camp,
which they had destroyed. Some skir-
mishing then followed, after which
the burghers occupied favorable po-
sitions and took no more trouble to
follow the British movements.

It was not until the next day that
Gen. Cronje began to recognize the
seriousness of the situation. The can-
non were hastily withdrawn from
Magersfontein, two guns being des-
patched to attack Gen. French's ca-
valry. In the engagement at Kalkfon-
tein the disorder was such that Maj.
Albrecht's artillery fired on distant
detachments without knowing for cer-
tain whether they were burghers or
British. Even that afternoon the
Boers were still of the opinion that

was directed against their camp, and
consequently set about raising de-
fenses in the rear.
Landrost Steyn, who arrived from
Jacobsdal, was convinced that the
game was lost on the Modder River,
while Gen. Cronje still awaited the
main attack in the entrenchments at
Magersfontein, and did not wish to
weaken his position there. The im-
mediate vicinity of the British, with a
large force of artillery had created a
great confusion in the camp, which, at
2 o'clock in the morning removed to a
safer position about three miles to the
southwest. The breaking up of the
camp greatly affected the spirits of
the entire Boer force. When the British
renewed the attack early next
morning it was evident to Count
Sternberg that the burghers had no
stomach for the fight. He says:

"As I rode out I met a number of
flying Boers, whom I vainly endeavored
to restrain. The panic was general,
and each sought safety in the en-
trenchments of Magersfontein. At the
supreme crisis was quite ineffective,
and had, so to speak, ceased to exist,
no combined action could be carried
out that day. Toward noon, when a
large number of Boers had already
made off, a very bad spirit began to
prevail in camp.
"The field cornets urged Cronje to
summon a council of war, and, al-
though most of the Boer officers, in-
cluding their best men, were absent,
conducting operations elsewhere, the
present decided to evacuate the camp
and retreat to Bloemfontein, via Olif-
antsfontein. It came to high words
at this council, at which Villiers and
I were also present. The majority of
the Free State burghers, who were
anxious for their cattle and property,
positively insisted on the retreat."

A STRONG SCHOOL.

Twelve regular teachers, with an
up-to-date equipment, including sixty
typewriting machines, combine to give
strength and prominence to the Cen-
tral Business College, of Toronto,
which is now recognized as the leading
commercial school in Canada.
The Spring term continues from
April 2nd into the Summer term,
which will open early in July, but
members are admitted into any de-
partment at any time throughout the
year. There are no vacations.

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LOCAL BRIEFS

For the gripe or cold—a Turkish
bath.
Bert Miller, of Ingersoll, spent Sat-
urday with Chatham friends.
Miss Keller has returned from a
brief visit to friends in Tilbury.

Night watchman wanted by Wm.
Gray & Son who can run a small engine
if necessary.

The carpenters re-commenced work
at the new convent chapel yesterday.

J. W. McWhinney and son Harry,
London, were in the city yesterday.

Face massage with a Turkish bath
will quickly clear up the complexion.
The Maple City Brewery will have
beer on the market in about three
weeks.

Benj. Ronde, who has been ill for
the last few days, is somewhat bet-
ter this morning.

Slater Shoe Polish in Black and Tan,
at The 2 T's.

Mrs. Johnson and daughter Ruby,
of Chatham, on ship, spent the past
week in the city.

Albert Edmundson will leave on
April 3rd for Manitoba, where he has
secured a situation in the butcher
business.

Have you read Evangelist McCros-
son's book "Love and Life"? Beauti-
fully bound in cloth, 25c. On sale at
Dingman's book store.

Mrs. F. Marx and Mrs. Wm. Ben-
nett, delegates from Holy Trinity,
went to London to-day to attend the
annual meeting of the Women's Aux-
iliary of the Diocese of Huron.

A Dressy Couple—A pair of \$3.50
Slater Shoes and a \$2.50 Rurington
Hat. The 2 T's.

Mr. Kneisel, formerly cashier at the
Lake Erie freight offices here, but
who now has charge of the stores de-
partment in Walkerville, is in the city
making arrangements to move his
family to that town.

Money to Lend on Mortgages—Far-
mers and others wanting to borrow
money on mortgages at best rates and
save expense and time, and secure
other advantages, should apply per-
sonally to the Chatham Loan & Sav-
ings Company.

Blonde Eyes & Co. report the
month of March this year to have been
entirely satisfactory from a business
standpoint. It has surprised them for
some months in any previous year for
a long time. Good roads they consider
to be the reason.

Don't fail to take in the music as
well as the military show on Wed-
nesday evening, at Thibodeau & Jacques.

Open Thursday evening
also.

What might have been a serious
runaway, was stopped by George Han-
dyside. While coming up Head St.,
Mr. Handyside met a runaway team
with four occupants. He suddenly
halted the team and brought them to a stand-
still, without any damage being done
with the exception of Mr. Handyside
being besmeared with mud.

Krause Conservatory of Music free
theory classes meet weekly on Thurs-
day at 5:15 p. m. Evening classes are
also formed for convenience of students
who cannot attend day classes. At 7:15
classes meet Thursday evenings at 7:15
p. m. All classes are free. These
classes will be held the latter week
in June.

Conductor Richards, who had charge
of the train that was stalled at
Petersburg and which was pitched into
by the express on Friday night, caus-
ing the death of Brakeman Mc-
Hugh, of Stratford, has been dismis-
ed. A coincidence in connection with
this matter is that he received notice
to quit on March 17, just seventeen
years to a day from the time he en-
tered the services of the Grand Trunk
Company.

On account of the cold change in the
weather on Saturday night and our
entertainment will be given in the
Grand Opera House by G. H. Island.
His entertainment is spoken of as the
finest of the Sandusky papers.

The Edison Biograph Co. gave a pleasing
entertainment at the Congregational
Church last evening. A large crowd
witnessed the many interesting views
presented by the wonderful machine.
The reception to Admiral Dewey in
New York after his arrival from Man-
ila, was presented in a manner that
elicited warm words of praise. An in-
teresting view was the great yacht race
between the Columbia and Shamrock.
The entertainment was the best of the
kind ever seen in Sandusky.

THIS SEEMS REASONABLE.
To the Planet.—I have often thought
it would be a matter of simple justice
to this city if the townships around it
should pay every fire occurring in their
respective limits that the city fire bri-
gade went to outside the city limits.

The fire that occurred on Sunday-
morning last in a wooden building oc-
cupied by William Shen, opposite the
duty to my mind in this case, but
for the timely arrival of the city fire
brigade not less than six houses must
have been consumed. Nothing else
saved them, and I claim the Township
of Chatham should thankfully acknow-
ledge this by paying into the town
treasury not less than \$25.

Yours truly,
FAIRPLAY.
Chatham, March 26, 1900.

Attention, Eyes Front!

Easter Dress Parade at The Gordon Store

Always, ever, new, interesting and progressive—continued experience in the dress
demands and the taste of the ladies of this city and vicinity, and with manufac-
turers and importers doing their very best to secure our large orders, we are in an
advanced position as leaders of the Easter Exhibit of Fashionable Novelties as
well as all the better known Staple Materials for Dress Wear.

IN BLACK DRESS GOODS OUR SUPREMACY IS ASSURED—INVESTIGATION SOLICITED

Colored Dress Goods

Venetians, Broadcloths, Amazons,
Worsteads, Serges, Homespuns, etc.
Costume Cloths, all wool, in the
newest colors, from 50c to \$1.35 yd.
Imported German Khakis, a great
fashion leader, received to-day 75c.

Black Dress Goods

Venetian, the finest finish, pure
wool, guaranteed 50c.
French Poplins, all wool, great
weaves, color warranted, 50c, 72c,
\$1.00 and \$1.25.
Black and Navy Sea Belle Serges,
universally known and approved,
warranted against sun or salt water
25c, 34c, 42c, 50c, 75c, \$1 yd

Heavy Diced Tablings

Another shipment of these Lined
Damasks, the best wearing table
cloths made, 25c, 50c, 60c, 75c yd
The Finest Bath Towels we have
ever shown, 50c, 72c, 82c.
Our Linen Department is better
stocked than ever—our Red
Table Covers, 85c, 95c, \$1.25, \$1.50,
and \$2.00.

In Lace Curtains

We are out of sight this season,
and will shortly give our whole
space to a minute description of
styles and prices selected from our
immense stock. We wait the balmy
breezes of the coming spring to be
saying more.

For Boys' School
Shoes

The Garibaldi Blouse Stripes, Patent
Seersuckers Plain and Stripes, Gal-
tana Plain or Stripes, with all the
usual Checks and Gingham, from
6c to 20c yard.

Ducks, Denims, Molehine Mack-
inaw Stripes, Polka Dots.

Standard Fashion Sheets

Ready for our Customers

WILLIAM GORDON

The Standard Delineator

for April, now in

TO FAR MANITOBA

Even the Ontario Machine Gang
Extended Their Operations.

Another Exposure—An Agent Direct-
ly Connected With the
Dominion Government

Ottawa, March 27.—Preliminary to
the set proceedings of the day in the
House of Commons yesterday there was
an exposition by Mr. Davin of the
working of the machine in the recent
Manitoba election, all of which was
iniquity with the revelations in West
Huron. The difference is that in the
case of the Manitoba crookedness it
has been brought directly to the wit-
ness of a member of the Cabinet, to wit:
the Hon. Clifford Sifton.

Mr. Davin related the whole story
of the employment of one Edgar Chap-
pelle in Ottawa as "an immigration
agent," and his subsequent trickery in
the Manitoba election, all of which was
substantiated by sworn evidence.
The Conservatives were awake to
the necessity of watching the working
of the machine, and they accordingly
employed detectives to shadow them in
suspicious gentry. Detective D. M.
Kelly got next to this Chappelle,
and was actually employed by him to
personate voters in the election, as
well as to prevent genuine voters from
reaching the polls. According to the
deposition, he was to get \$5 the first
vote and \$1 for each subsequent vote
he could manage to put in. This
necessitated a frequent change of gar-
ments; but Mr. Chappelle was equal
to the occasion, as with the "secret
service," he was enabled to procure
the necessary habiliments. More-
over Chappelle instructed his man
that he was to prevent Conservative
voters from getting in the polls by
doping them with laudanum or cap-
sules. On Chappelle's person, when
he was arrested, were found documents
connecting him not only with both the
Dominion government and the Ontario
machine.

Hon. Mr. Sutherland, made the in-
genious plea that Detective Kelly, hav-
ing been hired to ferret out irregu-
larities, determined to earn his money;
hence this deposition. The matter was
then dropped for the present.

Mrs. Margaret McFarlane is dead at
Stonewall, aged 102 years.

ON AN ENLARGED SCALE

R. Martin & Sons Find Themselves
Compelled to Conduct Their
Business.

The enterprising firm of R. Martin
& Sons have been busily engaged dur-
ing the past three months in making
several improvements to their manu-
facturing establishment on the corner
of Wellington and Adelaide Sts.

Yesterday afternoon a representative
of the Planet called at the shops and
was shown through the building by Ham-
ilton Nicholls, the genial and energetic
superintendent of the new wood depart-
ment. Messrs. Martin & Sons, who
have established a splendid reputation as
manufacturers of windmills and
pumps, have added a new departure to
their business and are embarking in
the manufacture of carriages.

They intend to make a specialty of
this work and have made every prepa-
ration therefor.

Messrs. Martin & Sons have decided
that nothing but the best workmanship
and material shall be used in their pro-
ducts. All work will be of the best
kind, and the best material will be used.
The latest improvement in styles and
designs have been appropriated. There
are no apprentices and all the hands
have had at least 15 years experience
in the best factories and are among the
best skilled mechanics.

Already the enterprising firm have
ordered ahead for a large number of
different styled rigs which are rapidly
approaching completion. The firm in-
tend to make a specialty of repairing,
repainting, etc., and will use the same
stock as they do in their new work.
Best of paints and English varnishes.
Mr. Daykens being head of the paint-
ing department the public will know it
will be well done and may rest assured
of first-class work when it is known
Mr. Dave Troll, who has had over 20
years experience, will oversee every job
that leaves the works.

The firm will be pleased to show the
quality of stocks, etc., to any one in-
tending to purchase anything in their
line.

Blown to Atoms.

The old idea that the body sometimes
needs a powerful, drastic, purgative
pill has been exploded; for Dr. King's
New Life Pills, which are perfectly
harmless, gently stimulate liver and
bowels to expel all poisonous matter,
cleanse the system and absolutely cure
Constipation and sick headache. Only
\$25 at A. I. McCall & Co's drug store.

BLENHEIM.

Archibald Morrison, youngest son of
Peter Morrison, died Sunday night, after a
severe illness. The funeral will take
place Wednesday to the Presbyterian
Church here, where services will be
conducted by Rev. J. W. McLaren.
Interment will take place at Ever-
green Cemetery.

In reporting the K. O. T. M. At
Home, to be held to-morrow night,
a mistake was made by the Planet re-
porter. Miss Idie Chatham, who was
announced to sing, will not take part.
The members of the committee are
sorry that any mistake should have
occurred.

D. Mackesy and L. Wedge were cir-
culating a subscription list yesterday
to raise money to purchase a few band
instruments and re-organize the band
again. It is their intention to give
open air concerts one night a week
during the summer.

Wm. O'Brien was in town this morn-
ing doing the trade in the interests
of his well known brands of cigars.

The Daily Planet is on sale at J. N.
Babcock's Drug Store, where subscrip-
tions will be taken, and the paper de-
livered to any part of the town.

Troubles of a Minister.

To benefit others Rev. J. T. W. Ver-
non, of Hartwell, Ga., writes: "For
a long time I had a running sore on
my leg. I tried many remedies with-
out benefit, until I used a bottle of
Electric Bitters and a box of Bucklen's
Arnica Salve, which cured me sound
and well." Sores, Eruptions, Boils, Ec-
zema, Tetter, Salt Rheum show im-
pure blood. Thousands have found in
Electric Bitters a grand blood puri-
fier that absolutely cures these trou-
bles. Satisfaction is guaranteed or
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The girl who wears her first long gown,
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That yesterday hung, braided down,
Is radiantly fair;
But fairest of them all is she,
With hair as white as snow,
Who calls me "Eddie," as she did
Some fifty years ago.

—Chicago News.

A FIGHT WITH COLD TYPE.

By trade I am a compositor. When a young man emigrated to the West, and was there for ten years. While there I made the acquaintance of a noble red man, and this is a story of my most noteworthy meeting with him.

My first acquaintance with the Apache came about in the most unexpected manner, and at a time when I was wholly unprepared to receive such distinguished visitors.

It was in 1882. I had been in Las Vegas, New Mexico, about six months, working in the job room of the Daily Optic, the leading daily in the Territory. I had not accumulated much money—about the only thing I had acquired was a desire to get back to civilization, and the ambition to become a proprietor of a newspaper.

It happened about that time that a big excitement broke out over the discovery of gold at Kingston, near Lake Valley. Then "Russ" Kistler, reporter for the Optic, came to me, and said:

"There is a fine opening for a paper down at Kingston. Why can't we go down there and start one? It won't cost much, and will be a paying investment."

I told him I was willing, if I could see any way to get a press and material to work with.

"That is easy enough," he answered. "There is an old 'Champion' press in this office, which they offer to sell to us cheap on the installment plan, and, if you are willing, we'll go in together, and give the thing a trial."

I readily accepted his offer, and hasty preparations were made to move our traps to the new El Dorado.

We took the evening train and went to Nutt Station, three hundred and fifty miles from Las Vegas. From there we had to make our journey by wagon, a distance of forty miles. We hired a wagon and horses at Nutt Station, and, loading in our press and other materials, we set out for the new town with light hearts and bright expectations.

We soon fell in with half a dozen other wagons on their way to the new mines, and though there had been some trouble with the Indians in that vicinity a short time before, we thought that our number would ward off any attack, but in this we were mistaken.

I had never met any of the Apaches before, but it was a wild, picturesque place they selected for our first meeting—far from the influences of civilization and the United States Army.

We had camped on a little knoll, on every side of which stretched the unbroken monotony of the sage brush and the dark Mexican thistle.

It was a grand sight that met our gaze that morning. But there was one thing that marred its loveliness and sent a gloom over the party. In the background, coming slowly toward our camp, was a vast of Apache Indians. This went a great way toward destroying the beauty of the wild, picturesque scene.

The Optic reporter, who had brought along an opera-glass, climbed upon a wagon and surveyed the advancing host. Then he climbed down from the wagon and commenced to put a bridge on our feetest horse.

"Boys," he said, with the air of one who had come to a foregone conclusion, "I am a man of few words. Those Indians may be friendly or they may not be. If they are friendly, I'll see you back at the station, and if not, I'll get the details of the butchery in the daily papers."

Then he mounted the animal, and was in the act of riding away when another gang of Apaches were discovered coming from the opposite direction from the first. This gave matters another aspect to the man on the horse, and he turned about and dismounted. I could see that he was disappointed about something, though he said nothing.

I thought it strange at the time that two separate gangs of Apaches should happen to meet at that particular spot, but my acquaintance with them since has given me reasons to believe that the meeting was not altogether accidental on their part. We had a hurried consultation to decide whether we should meet them as "friendly" or "hostile" Indians.

The Optic man remarked that if he had his way about it, he would rather not meet them at all, but as we could not avoid it, he was in favor of showing fight from the first.

The two lines of approaching Indians, halted just out of rifle range, and a solitary warrior rode out from one of their lines, and came in the direction of our camp.

He made a signal for some of us to come out from our wagon, and slipping a revolver in my boot-leg, I advanced to meet him.

"How!" he said, as I came up in speaking distance. "I'm not feeling very well this morning." I answered, "Pleasant weather we're having."

He ignored this speech, and drew himself to his full height.

"He mighty chief, Geronimo," he exclaimed, slapping himself on the breast. I replied: "Glad to see you, Mr. Geronimo. Have read of you in the papers. Hope you are well."

"Me want heap to eat," he exclaimed. "All right," I answered. "Just come up to our camp—we'll have breakfast ready presently."

As I turned and looked in the direction of our camp I saw that the other line of Apaches had sneaked up to our wagons while our attention had been fixed on the chief. Indians are very cunning. He signified to his warriors to follow, and we were all soon back at the camp.

There were about ninety of them, and they all stayed to breakfast, and consumed enough to have done our party for two months. Then the chief wiped his mouth, and said:

"Want um horses."

We told him that we needed our horses, and did not intend to give them up.

"Kill um, then!" he exclaimed, drawing a long knife and flourishing it in the air, and his actions were followed by the other eighty-nine warriors.

We didn't want to be killed—that is, the majority of us didn't—and we told him to take the horses alone. I had become very much attached to our horses, but I was also very much attached to my scalp—that is, it was very much attached to me—and I knew it was of "no value if detached," so I kept silent. After they had helped themselves to our horses, the chief approached me, and said:

"Gimme um watch."

I gave him my watch without further parley. I didn't want to hear those words "kill um" again, if I could help it.

He next asked for my coat and a pair of red braces I had on—in fact, he asked for everything he saw with a child-like confidence that was touching to behold. It was very fortunate he met us when he did, for he seemed to be out of everything that was necessary to make life happy. After he had taken everything we had that he could carry away, he still seemed dissatisfied, and went through our boxes again, smelling at the vinegar, the pepper, and the sauce bottles in a vague sort of a way.

Then he called his braves and rode away. When the Indians were a few yards away, Kistler, of the Optic, turned to us, and said:

"Are those friendly Indians?"

"Yes," answered the man who had advocated a peace policy; "they are evidently friendly, and it is our duty to report their actions to the Indian agent."

Just then, before we could prevent it, Kistler, who had grabbed a gun, sent a bullet into the ranks of the Apaches.

In a moment the wildest excitement prevailed, and with a series of savage yells they whipped up their ponies till out of range, and then wheeled about and began circling around us, yelling and firing as they rode.

It was fortunate for us that most of our arms and ammunition, being concealed in the bay in our wagons, had escaped being found by the Indians, or we should have been wholly at their mercy. There was nothing left for us to do but fight, now that it was commenced, and a moment later every gun and pistol belonging to our party was brought forward and put into service, and a telling fire was poured into them as they swept past us.

Kistler kept perfectly cool, loading and shooting as fast as he could. Again and again the Indians charged us, and each time from our breastworks behind our wagons we poured a deadly fire into them, sending them back with one or more of their number dead on the ground. The guns in our party were doing deadly work; but presently it was announced that our supply of shot was exhausted.

Kistler said nothing at this, but took a hatchet and broke open the box that contained our type. Then he took a handful of "long primer" and loaded his gun. His example was followed by the others, and when the Indians charged us again they were greeted by a dose of cold type which seemed to make a great impression on them. Again and again they charged us, and each time we distributed a shower of cold type among them. For the next half hour the siege was kept up with "long primer," and when the supply of that was exhausted we commenced to pour "talies" into them in a most generous and lavish manner. When these were all used up we commenced using mixed charges of spaces and exclamation points. Then when they made another charge we gave them a dose of "quads" and display type, which so discouraged them that it was plain to see that they had got enough.

"You see," observed Kistler, grimly, "the press exerts a great influence in this country, even among the Apaches. I don't believe they will come again."

His words proved true, for they soon left us, taking their dead and wounded along. Two of our party had been slightly wounded, but none were killed. That night we walked back to Nutt Station and the next day purchased some horses, and returned for our wagons, to find that they had been burned by the Indians in our absence.

We did not consider the press worth moving after it had passed through the fire, and left it there, where it can be seen to this day, half-buried in the sage brush by the roadside, eighteen miles from Nutt Station on the old Kingston Road.

Quick Work.

To test the skill of their workmen, the Compagnie Francaise des Chemins de Fer de l'Est, at their works in Epemay, recently caused a locomotive to be "mounted," or built up piece by piece, as soon as possible. It was finished in fifty-six hours.

Proceedings of the Twenty-Fifth Annual Meeting

OF THE
London Life Insurance Company.

The Twenty-fifth annual meeting of the Shareholders and Policy-holders of the London Life Insurance Company was held at the company's office, London, Ont., on Thursday, the last day of March, 1900.

There were present—The President, Mr. John McClary, in the chair; J. C. Richter, manager and secretary; A. O. Jeffery, W. F. Bullen, Wm. Bowman, T. H. Smallman, A. S. Emery, J. E. Jeffery, Geo. McBroome, J. Tatham, D. McGilly Geo. F. Jewell, A. E. Booker, J. A. Thomas, London; J. A. Dickson, Winnipeg; Man. N. N. Monroay, Surin; Judge Bell, J. W. Humphrey, J. F. Maine, Chatham; G. M. Harrison, Glenora; R. Pierce, C. H. Tatham, Woodstock; W. S. Hodgins, Berlin; J. H. Thompson, Galt; T. K. Wordworth, Guelph; B. D. Sykes, A. A. Bement, Brantford; W. G. Brown, C. W. Walker, A. Marcey, Hamilton; D. McEwen, St. Catharines; A. Bretz, J. Dickson, T. Bin, J. A. Limage, Aaron Bretz, J. S. Cochrane, Toronto; S. Levitt, Belleville; R. P. Pearce, J. Taylor, Kingston; A. Perry, Brockville; F. T. Webster, Man. N. N. Monroay, J. M. Meloche, Ottawa; A. E. Ferguson, Halifax, N. S., and others.

The notice calling the meeting was read by the secretary, after which the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed and the Directors' Report and Financial Statement for the year ending December 31, 1899, submitted as follows:

The Directors of the company beg to submit Annual Report, and duly audited Financial Statement for the year ending December 31st, 1899.

During the year 1378 applications for insurance amounting to \$1,206,188

were accepted and policies issued therefor.

The net premium and interest receipts of the year were respectively \$226,565.85 and \$41,554.35 or a total of \$268,120.20, being an increase of \$26,957.71 over the previous year.

The sum of \$51,541.25 was paid for death claims, \$8,029 for Matured Endowments and \$8,194.90 for surrendered policies and Cash Profits, making a total of \$67,766.15 paid Policy-holders or their heirs during the year. The insurance in force on the company's books at the close of the year after deducting all re-insurances, amounted to \$5,778,622.13 under 2,442 "Ordinary" and 38,137 "Industrial" or a total of 40,579 policies—an increase of 4,233 policies for insurance of \$568,102.85 for the year.

The assets of the company, exclusive of uncollected but Subscribed Capital, amount to \$875,422.92, an increase of \$105,384.35 for the year. The interest and other payments falling due during the year were in the main satisfactorily met. No losses in respect of investments were incurred during the year, and no real estate came into the company's hands by foreclosure or otherwise.

The liabilities on the company under existing policies and in all other respects have been provided for in the most ample manner, the whole amounting to \$790,234.79. The surplus on policy-holders' account, exclusive of the uncollected but subscribed capital, is therefore \$85,188.13, and after deducting paid-up capital, accumulated profits and contingent fund, there remains a net surplus over all liabilities and capital of \$24,296.50.

JOHN MCCLARY, President.

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE LONDON LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1899.

Net Invested Assets, 31st Dec. 1898, brought forward.....\$733,477 24
Less Premium on Debenture written off.....344 00
.....\$733,133 24

Interest on Investments.....\$41,554 35
General Premiums, \$55,342.96, less Re-Ins. Premiums, \$388 60.....64,954 36
Industrial Premiums.....161,631 50
.....\$268,120 21

DISBURSEMENTS.
Cash Profits paid Policy-holders.....\$4,740 26
Paid for Surrendered Policies.....3,454 64
Matured Endowments.....8,029 00
Ordinary Claims Paid.....10,375 31
Industrial Claims Paid.....41,155 94
.....\$67,766 15

Dividends to Shareholders.....4,250 00
Salaries, "Ordinary," including H.O. salaries.....10,064 21
Commissions, "Ordinary".....20,121 00

Salaries, "Industrial".....18,623 60
Commissions, "Industrial".....36,510 93
.....\$55,134 53

Advertising, \$570 80; Directors' Fees, \$804 00; Com on Investments, \$200 00; Postage and Exchange, \$600 00; Legal Expenses, \$100 13; Stationery and Printing, \$2,011 48; Medical Fees, \$1,989 60; Office Furniture, \$211 61; Rents, \$2,244 00; Expense Account, \$2,137 71.....18,515 42
.....\$835,406 95

Net Invested Assets, 31st December, 1899.....\$835,406 95
Cash in Office and Banks.....\$23,326 77
Loans on Policies.....45,357 25
Loan Company Stocks.....82,520 00
Bonds and Debentures.....60,330 00
Loans on Stocks.....10,000 00
Mortgages Real Estate.....604,362 87
Real Estate.....502 76
.....\$835,406 95

ADDITIONAL ASSETS.
Premiums in course of collection, net.....\$5,004 07
Premium Notes, net.....3,287 40
Deferred Premiums, net.....9,629 38
Interest due, and accrued.....22,035 12
.....\$39,955 97

Total Assets, 31st December, 1899.....\$875,422 92
To cover Liabilities as follows:
Total Reserve on Policies in force.....\$789,625 22
Less Re-Ins. Reserve.....2,500 95
.....\$787,064 27

Claims Accrued.....1,464 74
Matured Endowments undistributed.....1,464 74
Advanced Premiums.....343 57
Shareholders' Special Account.....282 21
.....\$790,234 79

Surplus on Policy-holders' Account, apportioned as follows:
Contingent Fund.....\$500 00
Accumulated Profits.....10,391 63
Capital Paid up.....50,000 00
.....\$60,891 63

Surplus over all Liabilities and Capital.....\$24,296 50
To the Shareholders of the London Life Insurance Company.
Gentlemen,—I hereby certify that I have audited the Books and Accounts of the London Life Insurance Company for the year ending 31st December, 1899, and find them correct and in accordance with the above statement, the Reserve Fund and all other Liabilities being amply provided for. I find the securities in order, and the Books of the Company carefully and neatly kept.

GEO. F. JEWELL, F. C. A., Auditor.

London, Ont., Feb. 12th, 1900.

The President, Mr. John McClary, previous to moving the adoption of the report, etc., said:

Gentlemen,—The report of the directors, and the accompanying financial statement which you have before you, present the results of the past year's operations, and the position of the company generally in so ample a manner as not to require an extended explanation.

The year under review has on the whole been a fairly successful one. Continued and solid progress has been made in all essentials pertaining to the company's affairs.

The new business written during the year was about 10 per cent. in excess of total new business of the previous year, while the increase in insurance in force at the close of the year shows a net gain of over 30 per cent. of the total business written during the year. When regard is had to the usual lapse ratio of "Industrial" insurance, which constitutes a considerable part of the company's business, this is a very creditable showing.

The premium and interest receipts of the year show an increase of over 11 per cent., while the ratio of expense to income was the same as for the year previous and under 35 per cent. So large a proportion of the company's business, being "Industrial" insurance, this is, I believe, a lower ratio of expense

than is experienced by any other company transacting a similar class of business. Separating the "Industrial" from the "Ordinary," the ratio of expense to income of the latter was only 23.7 per cent. This, when regard is had to the limited amount of "Ordinary" business in force, and the continued safe and profitable employment of the company's funds, must be conceded to be a good showing, and accounts for the very favorable profits the company has been enabled to declare to participating policy-holders.

The assets of the company have increased over 13 per cent. during the year, and are of the highest class, as will be seen by reference to the detailed statement.

Many of the securities held by the company, have, in fact, a market value considerably in excess of what they have been taken in at in the company's statement.

The liabilities have been provided for in the most ample manner. In addition to the re-insurance reserve required to be set aside for the security of policy-holders the directors voluntarily supplemented the Government standard of 4-1/2 per cent. for the next ten years in respect of business issued prior to January 1st, 1900, by transferring \$15,000 from the amount at credit of shareholders' special account at the close of the year, and such further sums from the Contingent Fund, and unappointed profits as was

necessary to bring the whole of the company's business up to a 4 per cent. reserve standard. Further special additions to the reserve fund will be made from time to time until the whole of the company's business will be on a 3-1/2 per cent. reserve basis, which is the Government standard for new business transacted from and after the first of the year.

Notwithstanding the severe tests which the company has applied as regards the character and value of its assets, and the ample manner in which the liabilities of every nature, have been provided for, the net surplus over all liabilities, including accumulated profits, balance of Contingent Fund and capital, increased by nearly 26 per cent.

1879	\$ 32,561 45	\$ 74,333 58	\$ 610,629 51
1884	29,722 85	123,382 37	825,155 00
1889	77,889 89	230,213 81	2,490,433 41
1894	154,000 20	470,608 11	3,724,505 21
1899	268,120 21	875,422 92	5,778,622 13

These figures show steady and substantial progress, a solid foundation for future progress and prosperity.

In the matter of profits to policy-holders, the progress made is equally gratifying. No participating policies were issued during the first ten years after organization, the business of the company during this period being confined to non-participating life and accident insurance. The first distribution of profits was made in 1886, and amounted to only \$57.82. In 1891, the cash profits amounted to \$1,488.67, in 1896 to \$3,228.15 and in 1899 to \$4,704.26. The total cash profits made during the past fourteen years aggregate \$33,027.76, in addition to which \$10,391.63, accumulated profits, now stand at the credit of policy-holders, leaving their profits to accumulate, subject to withdrawal at some future time, making total paid profits and accumulated \$43,419.39—a very excellent showing for the period referred to.

As this is the twenty-fifth annual report of the company, a brief resume of what has been accomplished during the past twenty-five years may be of interest.

The total premium receipts during this period aggregate \$1,922,935.33, and the total interest receipts \$37,184.02, making a grand total of \$2,260,119.35.

Total claims paid during this period aggregate \$456,477.98: Matured Endowments paid, \$63,973.00; Cash Surrender Values paid, \$46,530.37; Cash profits paid, \$33,027.76, making a total of \$600,091.11 paid policy-holders or heirs. Adding to the foregoing, payments out, Accumulating Profits \$10,391.63, Net Reserve at credit of policy-holders, \$772,625.22 and surplus over all liabilities and Capital \$24,296.50, we have a grand total of \$1,407,412.46, or over 73 per cent. of the total premium receipts paid policy-holders or heirs, and remaining at credit of policy holders and payable in the future.

During this period the dividends to shareholders aggregate \$10,241.95 and total expenditures of every character \$512,104.94 or less than 36 per cent. of the aggregate premium and interest receipts of the company.

With these remarks I beg to second the adoption of the report. Judge Bell said—As a policy-holder's director, I have had ample opportunity of knowing how the business of the company is being conducted, and approval of the course adopted. More new business might be written if more money was expended in this way. The policy of the board has, however, been to keep within safe limits in this respect, and by being satisfied with a moderate amount of new business being written in proportion to the business in force on the company's books, better profit

for the year, and now stands at over \$24,000. On the basis of a 4-1/2 per cent. reserve valuation, the surplus over every liability and capital would be fully \$30,000 greater than is indicated.

With these remarks I beg to move the adoption of the report.

The vice-president Mr. A. O. Jeffery, in seconding the adoption of the report said:

The information already before the meeting, will, I am sure, satisfy you of the stability of the company. The actual progress being made can be readily determined from the following comparative statement of receipts, assets, and insurance in force for years indicated at quinquennial periods since the formation of the company in 1874—

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results are being obtained for policy-holders and a more substantial business built up than would otherwise be the case.

Before the formal adoption of the report, Mr. George F. Jewell, the Company's auditor, said that from his position, he was able to speak with full knowledge of the steady and substantial progress which had been made during the sixteen years in which he had filled the office. The business was honestly built up by the diligence and hard work of the board, the staff, and the agents, upon such principles of economy and liberality as would assuredly guarantee the continuance of its success. He would always feel a lively interest in the company's welfare and advancement, and had every confidence that his successor in office, which his own financial engagement would not permit him any longer to retain, would receive the same frank and courteous treatment which had always been accorded to him.

The report was unanimously adopted.

A hearty and unanimous vote of thanks was tendered the agents and other employees of the Company for the satisfactory manner in which they had discharged their several duties during the past year. Suitable responses were made by Messrs. George McBroome, Superintendent of Agents, London; W. G. Brown, Hamilton; James Dickson, Winnipeg; J. W. Humphrey, Chatham; A. Bretz, Toronto; A. Perry, Brockville; W. S. Hodgins, Ottawa; J. A. Bement, Brantford; D. McEwen, St. Catharines, and other representatives of the Company present.

A by-law was passed changing the date for holding the annual meeting of the Company from the first Thursday in March to the second Monday in March, at the hour of 3 o'clock in the afternoon, at which time future annual meetings will be held.

The balloting for election of directors for the current year resulted in the unanimous reelection of Messrs. John McClary, A. O. Jeffery, W. Bowman, Geo. C. Gibbons, W. F. Bullen, and A. S. Emery, all of London, as stock-holders' directors, and Judge Bell, Chatham; T. H. Smallman, London, and G. M. Harrison, Glenora, as policy-holders' directors.

At a subsequent meeting of the directors, Mr. John McClary was re-elected president, and Mr. A. O. Jeffery, vice-president.

For information regarding the Company's new plans, etc., enquire of the Company's representatives, J. W. H. MUIRE, J. F. MAINE, General Agent, Asst. Supt. Ordinary Branch, Industrial Branch, Office, Northwood Block, Chatham, Ont.

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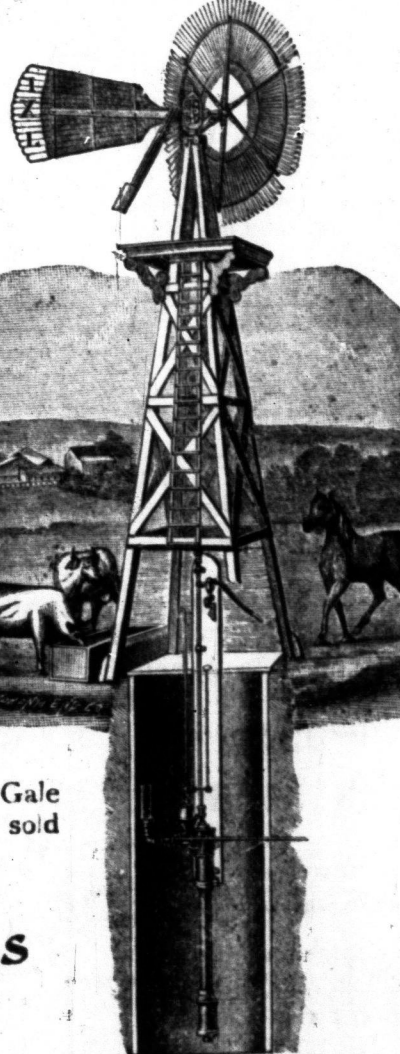
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How the Paris Exposition Will be Policed.

The special police force required for the Paris Exhibition has at last been arranged for after no little friction between the authorities interested. The Paris Municipal Council looks askance at the police, partly because it does not control them, and partly because the socialist elements who are held in high honor at the Hotel de Ville. In consequence the Council stipulated that the augmentation of the police force should not be permanent. To procure suitable men for only a short period was not easy, but M. Lepine, the Prefect of Police, has solved the problem by that of an ingenious combination into the details of which it is unnecessary to enter. He will have, however, to manage with fewer men than he asked for, as the money granted him is only \$300,000 instead of the \$600,000 he considered requisite. It is he will consider an additional force of 600 men in uniform and 60 extra plain-clothes detectives. He will also be allowed to draw on the Republican Guards to the extent of 300 mounted men and 500 foot soldiers. Order will thus be maintained in the Exhibition grounds by a special force of nearly 1,500 men, who can be supplemented if necessary by the reserve brigades.

The chief fear of the authorities is that ugly crashes may result from the immense crowds that will congregate. This question is being minutely studied, and the most careful arrangements are being made for regulating traffic and for establishing police barracks at dangerous points. There will be five police-stations within the Exhibition grounds. The ambulance arrangements will also be most elaborate.

INSECT PESTS.

Entomological Society's Report—The San Jose Scale

Effective Remedies for the Evil—Fumigation and Spraying.

The annual report for 1899 of the Entomological Society of Ontario published by the Department of Agriculture is received. It possesses a special interest for farmers as it is a highly practical character and deals extensively with the San Jose scale and other destructive insects whose habits have been closely studied by scientists with the object of discovering the best means for preventing their ravages. During the meeting of the Entomological Society last fall a conference on the subject of the San Jose scale was held which was attended by several leading experts and the discussion brought out a good many useful suggestions as to remedial processes, which are set forth in detail in the report among those who have addressed the meeting on this topic were Dr. James Fletcher, Dominion Entomologist, Prof. Webster, of Wooster, Ohio, Prof. Wm. Lockhead, of the Ontario Agricultural College and Inspector Fisher, of Farmington, Ont. It is gratifying to learn that the somewhat drastic measures adopted by the Provincial Government last year including the fumigation of nursery stock, likely to be infested with the scale and the destruction of trees where necessary have proved effective. The pest which has been very widely prevalent in the States where it has resulted in great loss to fruit growers has been confined to the neighborhood of St. Catharines and Niagara and the Township of Harwich.

Prof. Lockhead also devoted some attention to the spruce gall house which has injured the spruce trees considerably of late years and treated of other injurious insects more particularly the codling worm and the tent caterpillar. Several of the members put on record these observations of the more noticeable entomological characteristics of the season in their respective localities among the writers being W. H. Harrington, Ottawa, Arthur Gibson, Ottawa, J. A. Moffatt, London, Rev. C. J. S. Bethune, London, and Rev. T. W. Fyles, Levis, Que. Dr. Fletcher's notes dealt principally with two forms of insect life which have proved very destructive to the peach—the peach weevil and the peach aphid. He pointed out that the loss was aggravated by neglect on the part of the farmers who to secure immunity from the attacks of the weevil should either have their seedling fumigated with bisulphide of carbon, or hold it over for a year. The undue increase of the various kinds of plant lice seems to be particularly affected by meteorological conditions, and as in the past there is no record of serious injury to the peach crop by these insects there is every reason to hope that the Province will escape another such visitation for some time.

A paper by Prof. Webster on the development of entomological science during the past century sets forth very clearly the strides that have been made in this important department of knowledge and the advantage which has thereby accrued to agriculture in the saving effected by the destruction of harmful insects.

The Report of the Inspector of Fumigation Appliances and the Superintendent of Experimental Spraying for 1899 are also published. The latter gives most convincing evidence as to the beneficial effects of orchard spraying upon the quality and quantity of fruit produce and the increasing interest taken by farmers in the subject. The attendance at spraying experiments has increased from 1,833 in the year 1896, to 3,222 in 1904 and 4,818 last year.

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The wasp is an insect highwayman. Wasps have often been observed robbing the nests of the honey bees, laden with the fruits of an expedition, are returning to the hive.

Troubles of a Minister.

To benefit others Rev. J. T. W. Vernon, of Hartwell, Ga., writes: "For a long time I had a running sore on my leg. I tried many remedies without benefit, until I used a bottle of Electric Bitters and a box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, which cured me sound and well." Sores, Eruptions, Boils, Etc., Tetters, Salt Rheum show impure blood. Thousands have found in Electric Bitters a grand blood purifier that absolutely cures these troubles. Satisfaction guaranteed, or money refunded by A. I. McColl & Co. Large bottles only 50c.

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Germany publishes one periodical per 12,902 of the population. Austria has one per every 72,299 persons. A family of insect-eating birds, known almost the sole food for a very large quantity of eggs, was recently found as flycatchers.

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ABOUT NESTS

Birds Begin to Take Pains to Set Them Where They May Be Seen.

"Each bird finds its own nest beautiful," says the French proverb, but to human eyes there is a mighty difference. The dove, for example, is a shocking bad housekeeper, either wild as the wood dove, or tame as the domestic pigeon. Two sticks, two straws, a suspicion of coarse grass, and Madame Dove is ready to lay her two pearl-white eggs and brood them with a touching devotion. Neither she nor her mate have any shame in such a nest. They never hide it. In fact, they seem to take pains to set it where it must be plainly seen.

The warblers also and several other pattern nest builders. First they choose a spot of safe seclusion, then they pile up some sort of twig and line it with cushion it with the finest soft fibres, fine grass, horse hair, human hair, bit of string. In choosing they are curiously intelligent. If a handful of variegated threads be spread out where they can find them, all the colored ones will be used, the gay ones left.

Not so with the catbird. His cat-call has something savage, so it is perhaps not strange that he has also a savage taste for red. Bits of red fannel are a dear delight to him. He will tug and tug at them, pulling them in, and then, when he has found the exact spot at which the weight of this treasure-trove



least impedes flight. The odd thing is that he does not line his nest with the fannel, once he has it safe, but works it into the outer wall, as though in a spirit of emulous bravado. That same outer wall is of rough sticks and twigs. That is characteristic of his family, the thrushes, as is the inner lining of fine grass roots.

Robin red breast believes the adage that practice makes perfect. He builds often three nests a season, but they are solid, commonplace, mud-plastered affairs, as unpoetic as the mud nests of the house martin. The bee martin is quite another sort. His nest may have a foundation of mud, but it is cushioned within, stuccoed without, with fine wood lichens, into a thing of beauty. It vies, indeed, with the nests of the chimney swallow, the queer angular affairs stuck fast against a sooty chimney side. They are of tiny sticks, built up like elfin log cabins, and cemented at the corners, as well as held fast to the chimney by a sort of glue secreted by the birds themselves.

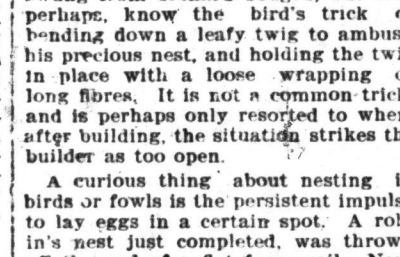
Mockingbirds love to nest in garden shrubbery, orchard tangle, or the scrubby thickets of an abandoned field. They build big nests, soft, elastic, and lined with the finest hair. Indeed, they come next to the ovenbird in the queer angular affairs stuck fast against a sooty chimney side. They are of tiny sticks, built up like elfin log cabins, and cemented at the corners, as well as held fast to the chimney by a sort of glue secreted by the birds themselves.

A curious thing about nesting in birds or fowls is the persistent impulse to lay eggs in a certain spot. A robin's nest just completed, was thrown off the end of a flat fence rail. Next day there was a little blue egg on the timber where the nest had been, and the next day, and the next, until all

the five were laid. A certain domestic pullet made up her mind to lay nowhere but on the joist of an out-house, and kept that mind for two years, although every egg fell and was smashed as soon as it was laid. If the out-house was closed, she would drop the egg on the ground outside, but if a crack or cranny was left open even for half an hour, she seemed to know it instinctively, and darted inside.

Whip-poor-wills nest on the ground, rarely scratching out the least hollow for their fracked eggs. Ostriches build in the sand, as shown in accompanying picture. Wild turkeys make the same sort of a nest, but hide it in a brush pile, or beside a fallen tree. As soon as the egg is laid the hen covers it with leaves. In fact, she fills the whole nest until it is indistinguishable from the surrounding leaf-covered earth. Tame turkeys allowed to run out and nest in woodland, have the same habit; also the trick of going away from the nest and pretending to lay elsewhere, if they find themselves followed.

Guinea fowls make beautiful deep nests in summer earth, choosing an ambush of thick briars or weeds. But while the hen is laying, the cock, foolish fellow, stands upon a near eminence, and calls so loudly that it is easy to find his mate. Once she is found, beware of putting your hand in the nest. If you touch it, the birds will instantly forsake it. But if you remove the eggs with a silver spoon, the half dozen hens who commonly nest together will keep on laying there the season through.



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TILBURY.

March 27.—Miss Bogart, of Chatham, is the guest of Mrs. McEwen.

Mr. Holland, of Sudbury, visited friends here last week.

W. A. Hyton and A. A. Wilson were in Detroit Sunday.

Miss Daney, trained nurse, who has been in attendance on the infant child of Dr. Sharpe here, was summoned to her home in Windfall on Saturday, owing to her brother having met with an accident.

Mrs. Laird, of Chatham, is the guest of Mrs. Joe, Therman.

Gordon Richardson, of Essex High school, spent Saturday and Sunday with his parents here.

The Daily Planet is on sale at Johnson's Drug Store.

Miss Brackbill, missionary from China, gave an interesting lecture on mission work in China, in the Methodist parsonage last evening.

Yesterday morning about 2 o'clock fire was discovered in the remains of the post office block. From appearances the work of an incendiary.

The fire was all saturated with coal oil, but what could have been the object no one knows. The flames were extinguished without the aid of the fire brigade.

James Struthers, a resident of this village, has sold his farm in Tilbury East for \$3,500, to Robt. Henderson, a native of this township, who has resided in Nebraska for the last twenty-one years, but who has come to the conclusion that Canada is good enough for him.

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PAARDEBERG BATTLE.

The Canadians Write Home

ABOUT THAT BLOODY SUNDAY EN- GAGEMENT ON THE MODDER— HOW THEY CHARGED AND WERE SHOT DOWN.

The London Free Press has a couple of excellent letters from members of B Company, descriptive of the events preceding the Battle of Paardeberg, as well as of the engagement itself. Private McLaren writes:

Monday night, 15th inst., we entrained at Belmont at sundown and proceeded to Graspan and bivouacked there, getting settled about 1 o'clock. As we left our tents at Belmont we had to sleep in our great coats. We only got nicely asleep when the bugle sounded to arise. We found it was 3 o'clock, and we only had two hours' sleep; we packed the wagons, and were marching before sunrise. We did twelve miles that morning under a terrific sun with not a breath of wind to help us, and before we got six miles we drank all our water, and had to march the other six without anything. When about a mile from Ramsden, the name of the drift we were making for, over two hundred of our men

HAD TO DROP OUT.
owing to the intense heat. Ignorant of the fact, although I hardly know how I did it, as I was almost raving for a drink of water. When we reached the drift we found a large pond, about the size of Spring Lake, but only 30 inches deep. This drift had been occupied by the Boers, who were driven out by the brigade who preceded us, and about 1,000 mules and oxen were watered and allowed to graze in this pond. We drank the water, and lots of it, too, although it was muddy, and no bad results seemed to follow. After filling our canteens, and getting enough water for our tea, we jumped into the pond and had a "bath." When we looked into our canteens in the morning there was a fine scum all over the water—just like you can see over Lake Erie in South London—but everything goes here.

Wednesday, 14th.—We had to drop about a dozen of our men here, who were unfit to proceed further. At Ramsden at 5 a. m. and marched a good five miles before sunrise, then made the rest of the distance to Waterpoort. Very few of our men dropped out on this march. Waterpoort is on the Riet River, where is abundance of good water. We were fatigued from our march to-day, and had to let all the transport wagons down the steep bank of the river, and haul them up the opposite bank, so that the oxen and mules could be hitched to them. We also had to take across the two mules we had with us. They weighed from 8,000 lbs. to 10,000 lbs. We reached here at noon, and we did all this heavy work till 6 o'clock.

ONLY A HARD-TACK BISCUIT
but at 6 o'clock we had a good dinner served to us of fresh beef and soup, and we didn't do a thing to it. Oh, no! I was mess orderly for the day, and in addition to my share of the hard work had to get water from the river, to quarter a mile distant, and get all pots and kettles ready for breakfast, and by eight o'clock I was rolled up in my great coat and sound asleep. Shortly after the order was issued to march, and we started on our march of four days' rations of biscuits. We had to go from wagon to wagon before finding them, and before we had them distributed it was twelve o'clock. We only touched the ground before we were sound asleep. We were again called at 3 o'clock and started at 5. Marched to Weddell, a distance of nine miles, but this was a pleasant march, as the sky was hazy, and a nice breeze blowing, which made it more like an early morning constitutional than a forced march. We camped here all day, and our company came on picket, which was not at all unpleasant, as we could see the

STORMING OF JACOBDAL.
where the Boers were so suddenly surprised and driven out. Next day we marched to Jacobdal, and camped there all day. Having commandeered a good deal of cattle, and I was lucky enough to get my hands on a pair of ancient hens, which, when boiled down, had a chicken flavor, but it was impossible to get our teeth through them, so we drank the broth and ate the calf, and were full and contented for once. We took off our boots and puttees, and lay down for the first time for five days, and lay down for a few hours' sleep, but we only had an hour or so, as we were called and marched to Klip Drift, a distance of 13 miles, and bivouacked till Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock, when we started again, our regiment acting as rear guard of the convoy. We marched till 8 o'clock, then rested two hours, and then started on our

FOR PAARDEBERG DRIFT.
where we arrived at five o'clock Sunday morning, doing 19 miles that night with only a little soup, coffee and biscuit since our Jacobdal feast. We piled arms and laid down, but in less than half an hour we were started by the booming of cannon very close to us. We soon learned that our artillery were exchanging shots with Cronje's forces. At 5.30 we were ordered to put on our anconterments. Had a half-pint of coffee and a will of rum, and then marched up to the high ground and supported a section of artillery. We laid there for a few minutes to accustom us to the pressure, to the sound of the guns. We were then ordered to cross the Modder River. As there was no bridge, we had to wade through the water, which was up to our shoulders, and as the current was very swift it took us all our time to keep our feet. Some of the boys got washed off their feet, but none hurt or drowned. "A" and "D" companies were first across. They were sent to support the Gordons, who were in the

firing line. "B" company came next to support "A" and "D," who had gone into the firing line. We were ordered to "fall in." By this time the bullets were falling thick and fast all around us, wounding more, in fact, of us than of those on the firing line. At 8.30 we advanced on the firing line, and a perfect shower of bullets—laid there and fired till 4.30 p. m., and the order to fix bayonets was given, and Bagley Williams blew the charge, standing boldly on an ant hill. The Cornwallis had in the meantime reinforced the line, and we all went down together, but never reached the trenches. We stopped. Had no food, no water, and all had been cut out, as we would have been in a trap. Only one of our boys reached the trenches, and he was shot through the head with an explosive bullet and instantly killed. It certainly was a warm day's work, and we only had a bottle of water and a biscuit. We

WERE FIGHTING ALL DAY.
and just as the sun was setting a companion and myself, who thought we got a little further up we would have a better chance at them, made a break from our ant hill to another. We got over safely and just started firing, when I felt a sharp pain in my thigh. I put my hand down.

AND FOUND BLOOD.
and knew I had been struck, but the ball, which was from a Mauser, only went in about an inch, and then downward about four inches and came out the other side without anything. My companion took me by the hand, and we ran for 300 yards, the bullets falling all around us. Then we dropped on our stomachs and crawled 300 yards more. By this time it was too dark to shoot so we got up and walked about a mile to the third hospital, where I had my wound dressed, was put to bed and slept soundly for eight hours, barring my stiff leg. Next day we were sent to Naauwpoort Hospital, where I am at present. I hope to be all right again before the sergeant (Davies) got a bad wound in his arm with a dum-dum, the bone was badly shattered. Will West was not in this affair, but he is O. K. again, and I feel honored that I got wounded fighting for my country. Many, many poor fellows got badly crippled, I trust, but we did not do our duty, we did not think we did not do our duty.

ANOTHER WOUNDED MAN.
Sergeant George Sippi, son of Dr. Sippi, burser of the London asylum, writes from the hospital at De Aar: "No doubt you have heard of me being wounded at Paardeberg Drift. At present I am lying in De Aar hospital. My wound is very slight; the bullet entered the sole of my foot and came out just under the ankle bone. It took a Mauser bullet, the best one I ever saw. They used nearly every bullet made; the explosive is the worst. I saw some poor chaps with a hole torn in their flesh the size of your fist. Mine was so slight that after I got it I was fifteen minutes for the bayonet charge, and tried hard to keep up with the boys, for I wanted to get there with the bayonet. I only advanced a few paces, when I was refused to let me up, and down I went in a heap. As I fell an explosive bullet tore a hole in my hauser, which, after such a long march, went to the right spot and put a little cheer among our boys. We first marched along the south side of the river, and covered a few guns which were playing on the Boers' front. We were not there long, when our brigade, consisting of Gordons, Cornwallis, Shropshires and Canadians, were ordered to

CROSS THE RIVER
and advance on the rear, also cutting off any retreat. When we completed this movement we had the Boers completely surrounded. Crossing the river was a very hard task; it was fast and came up to my chin. If they had not made use of a rope, we would never have got across. Soaked to the skin, in the hot sun we marched on to the field. "A" company went first, and we advanced with that one company front, with a ten foot interval between men. The remaining companies followed at about one hundred yards distance, covering a great deal of front. We were ordered when we got in range of fire a great many of our lads got struck with stray bullets. "B" Company was exposed to the hot sun and a heavy shower of bullets for over eight hours before firing a shot. We lost most of the killed in the bayonet charge. About three-fourths of the lot were also wounded in that charge. After the charge was over we retired. They were on the field all night, stretcher-bearers could not go near the wounded; it meant death, or a wound to every one that tried. Some poor chaps blew their brains out; no one could get near them. It was early morning when I got to the hospital. The scenes there were to be cruel to mention. After considerable trouble I got into a tent and got a little rest, but no food. I can safely say that I had no more than one square meal in three days; but the excitement kept me going in good shape.

A GOOD DESCRIPTION.
Private Ernest Dolman, of Windsor, writes home a brief but vivid descrip-

tion of the battle which is published in the Windsor Record: "We moved to Jacobdal at 7 a. m., quite a nice place, but badly wrecked with shells, quite a few English people; not a man in the town. We were forbidden to touch anything; first man caught pilfering was to be hanged. Turned in for the night; were aroused at 10 and marched all night long. Country rather fertile. Struck camp about 7 a. m. and prepared for breakfast. At a sudden we heard firing and were ordered to 'fall in.' We left our breakfast and went up in rear of artillery. Then the general ordered us into the firing line. The Modder river was between us and the enemy, so we plunged in and swam across, and advanced in skirmishing or extended order at five paces interval. I did not feel nervous until a poor fellow on my right got hit. This was just at 8 o'clock. Then the fighting became desultory. We kept on advancing until we were face to face with the enemy. The roar of artillery was awful, especially of the big naval guns. Just at 4 p. m., we were ordered to fix bayonets and charge. I never forgot the sight; poor Walter White was killed instantly and many another poor fellow met a like fate. One had his head and shoulders blown off. We made another charge and again laid to retire. We fought until 10 p. m. The Canadians retired for the night. Then the search for the dead began. I put my coat over a poor fellow who was shivering and worked on the field until midnight.

You can't imagine what a weird sight the field of death presented. The place was covered with blood. The bugler of the Cornwallis, who sounded the charge, was blown to pieces. I threw my bugle away in the morning and took a rifle. I am unharmed so far.

In the morning we went out and buried the dead, which numbered 20 Canadians. It was sad work. One wounded Canadian, quite a baptism of fire, I forgot to tell you that while we were looking for the dead and wounded, the Boer sharpshooters sniped at us.

Yesterday, 20th, we were under fire all day, but to-day, 21st, we are resting. It is the first rest we have had for a week. I could keep writing all day, but I haven't time.

This is the message that went to the general from the staff: "Canadians fighting like devils; advancing well, but rashly. I fear they are losing heavily." Gen. Smith Dorrien says our great praise for our work. We lost the heaviest in the whole division.

FOR A MONUMENT.

The Mayor Inaugurates a Movement and Subscribes \$10.

It is to be Located on Tecumseh Park in Honor of Our South African Dead.

To The Editor.—Patriotism is in the air, and Chatham has so far covered herself with glory by contributing with a lavish hand brave young men and spontaneous generous gift of financial aid in order to maintain the integrity of the Empire, and stamp out tyranny in far away Africa. Canada is already reaping a rich harvest by having proclaimed on the battle field by the British general that the Canadian soldiers are a veritable race of Spartan heroes, whom Napoleon and Wellington would follow to command. In the death of the gallant young Donegan, Chatham has already contributed one brave, noble martyr to the cause of liberty and freedom. We can well say with the great poet in King Henry's chorus, substituting Canada for England,

"Now all the youth of Canada are on fire,
And sullen dalliance in the wardrobe lies;
Now thrive the armourers, and honor's
Reigns solely in the breast of every man;
They sell the pasture now to buy the
horse;
Following the mirror of all Christian
Kings.
With winged heels as Canadian mer-
curies."

All Europe and Asia have suddenly discovered that the Lion's whelps in Canada are to be dreaded more than their sire. When the Canadian mothers presented swords to their departing sons they exclaimed with the Spartan mothers, "Come back with this or on this." In other words, return with victory or die. The Canadian soldier is the legitimate product of thirty generations of fighting heroes. In his veins flows the blood of the British, the French, the Dutch, the Boer, and the Indian. He is a man of iron, and he is a man of God.

A MONUMENT.
Chatham is not through with honoring her dead and living heroes, and it would be well that she should lead in so glorious a cause. Now, I propose that a splendid monument be erected in Tecumseh Park to commemorate the death of our young and brave citizen-soldier, Donegan, and also that of any other soldier from this district who may fall in defence of the Empire.

Tecumseh Park is already classic, if not holy, ground. At its inception by the Government it was dedicated to the war god Mars, and has been the home of several British regiments in days gone by. And greater than all, it is hallowed by having been the scene of the noble, cautious, tiger-footed of that peerless Indian warrior, the great Shawnee Chief, Tecumseh, in whose honor our beautiful park is named, and who, with his seven hundred dusky braves, stood his ground against mighty odds, and lost his life at the battle of Moravian town in 1811, while his superior officer, Proctor, in the twinkling of an eye, had the park the towering Pharo's flag-pole of liberty, the gift of Mr. Pardo, M. P. F.,

The Victoria Block

The Victoria Block is to stand out in a new light.

For weeks new men with ideas have been creating out of four walls a store beyond all question the model in Western Ontario. Nothing has been left undone and all that has been done bespeaks our unbounded faith in those ideas and in Chatham.

In modern fitness and fittings, in arrangement, shelving, cases, counters, there is nothing wanting, nothing lacking.

In the stock of clothing for men and boys, in furnishings and haberdashery there will be that same completeness.

If we merely had an ordinary store we would say less about it, but you can see for yourself on Thursday and we think you will say the same.

In any event, you will find us out in time and we want to be known for what we are.

In the meantime if you are that way take a look at the Victoria Block—the corner store.

Thornton & Douglas

Victoria Block.

Miss Cathcart's

Millinery Opening

TAKES PLACE
Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 29th, 30th, 31st of March

And invites an inspection of her stock of the latest New York and Parisian Millinery at her Millinery Parlor.

Opp. THE NEW I. O. O. F. TEMPLE
King Street.

DENTIST.

DR. A. McKENNEY, Dentist, Graduate of Philadelphia Dental College, also of Royal College of Dental Surgeons Ontario. Teeth extracted absolutely without pain. Stairway next to King, Cunningham & Drew's hardware store, King street east.

guarded by that Mons Meg cannon, wrenched out of the huge paw of the Russian bear. With a fine monument added to these, Tecumseh Park would draw crowds of admiring visitors from a distance, not speaking of its being an object lesson in patriotism to our noble Canadian youth.

DRESDEN.
March 27.—Miss Daisy McDonald, of Chatham, spent Sunday with Miss Eliza Rudd.

Mrs. John H. McVean and Mrs. Wm. McVean were in Chatham on Saturday. Mrs. Morley Caracallean pleasantly entertained a number of friends last evening.

Miss Alice Eglin is seriously ill as the result of a fall on the slippery sidewalk.

Mrs. J. C. Tassie, Miss Edith Hughes and Mrs. (Rev.) A. K. Griffin are delegates to the convention of the W. A. M. A. being held in London.

Special services were held in Christ Church this afternoon.

Mrs. Ed. Eglin is visiting friends in Sarnia.

WALL CEBURG.
March 26.—A patriotic social will be held in the Methodist Church this evening under the auspices of the Epworth League.

John Currie, of Chatham, was home over Sunday.

Miss Ethel McColliston spent Sunday at home.

Mrs. A. G. Laird, of Detroit, is spending a few days in town.

H. W. Golden, of Kentucky testified in the Goebel murder trial that John Powers, a brother of State Secretary Powers, told him they had two men gross hired to kill Governor Goebel.

Minard's Liniment Cures Garget in Cows.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

	Opn.	Hgh.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—Dec.	65 1/2	66	65 1/2	65 1/2
May	65 1/2	66	65 1/2	65 1/2
July	65 1/2	66	65 1/2	65 1/2
Corn—Sept.	38 1/2	38 3/4	37 3/4	38 1/4
July	38 1/2	38 3/4	37 3/4	38 1/4
Oats—Sept.	24 1/2	24 3/4	24	24 1/4
May	24 1/2	24 3/4	24	24 1/4
July	24 1/2	24 3/4	24	24 1/4
Port—Dec.	11 1/2	12 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2
May	11 1/2	12 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2
July	11 1/2	12 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2
Lard—Dec.	6 1/2	6 3/4	6 1/2	6 1/2
May	6 1/2	6 3/4	6 1/2	6 1/2
July	6 1/2	6 3/4	6 1/2	6 1/2
Ribs—Oct.	6 1/2	6 3/4	6 1/2	6 1/2
May	6 1/2	6 3/4	6 1/2	6 1/2
July	6 1/2	6 3/4	6 1/2	6 1/2

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A Leading Life Assurance Company wants a capable Solicitor to act in Counties of Kent and Essex. Liberal contract to right party. Address "Life Inspector," Planet Office. eod

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How often we hear the expression, notwithstanding the fact that those who use it are perhaps spending their money foolishly in medicines which only give relief without removing the cause. Merrill's System Tonic cures heart, stomach, kidney, nerve and liver troubles—because by purifying the blood, regulating the bowels and toning each of these organs the cause of disease is removed. Price 50c. per bottle, at the Central Drug Store. Descriptive pamphlet free.

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Will be paid by Merrill, the Druggist, Brantford, to any firm who can produce more testimonials for a cough and cold cure than he has for his celebrated Fox Tn., which cures coughs and colds in 24 hours. One quarter million bottles sold in five years proves it the best lung remedy made. Sold in 2c. bottles at the Central Drug Store.

A GREAT MISTAKE.

The old idea of taking blood thinning compounds in order to purify the blood is an error, as the system is thus thrown into a disturbed condition. Merrill's System Tonic not only purifies the blood in a thorough manner but the iron contained in it again enriches the blood. 50c. per bottle. Take 50c. at the Central Drug Store.

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