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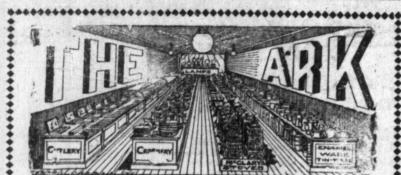
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Men-correct winter weight-most acceptable gifts-moderate price at \$1, \$1.50, \$2.

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Chatham, Ont., 1902

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NO INTENTION OF OCCUPYING

THE SITUATION DEBATED IN U.S

London, Dec. 17.—Premier Balfour presided at a Cabinet meeting held at the Foreign Office yesterday. The Venezuelan crisis and the King's speech at the proroguing of Parliament were the principal matters considered.

Replying to a question in the House of Commons under Foreign Secretary Cranborne said no attempt had been made by Great Britain to refer the dispute with Venezuela to arbitration. Replying to a question in the House

of Lords, Lord Lansdowne, the Foreign Secretary, said that if the seizure of the Venezuelan gunboats did not produce the desired effect further coer-cive measures would be employed. The matter had been considered in consultation with Germany, and it had been de-cided to resort to a blockade of the ports. It was not intended to land a British force, and still less to occupy Venezuelan territory.

The Foreign Office claims that some

matters are impossible to arbitrate, in-stancing the disrespectful treatment of Mr. Haggard, British Minister to Vene-zuela. Arbitration of the financial claims, however, will meet with no op-position in official circles in London, nor is there any desire to stir up opnor is there any desire to stir up opposition here by continuing unnecessarily the present armed compact with
Germany; but, quoting from the Foreign Office, "at the same time there is
not the slightest inclination to let
Venezuela go unpunished for her repeated insults and injuries. The offerto arbitrate comes very late in the day.
We are not seeking a quarrel, but we
must insure ourselves against a recurrence of the acts which led to the present situation."

It is known that the Foreign Office It is known that the Foreign Office has made inquiry as to whether the United States would be willing to guarantee the fulfilling of Venezuela's pledges, either at the immediate cessation of the present European action or pending the award of arbitrators. This inquiry resulted in a direct negative from the United States. With the guarantee of the United States the Foreign Office says arbitration in the Venezuelan matters would be an imme-Venezuelan matters would be an immediate probability, but, with only the liable, arbitration is difficult of accomplishing, even upon the points where international relations admit of such a

Caracas, Dec. 17.—The Italian Minis ter, Rivas, only handed to the Vene-zuelan Government certain demands, which were not in the form of an ultimatum and in which he did not specify any limit of time for an answer. His note simply asked for payment of sums due to Italy, and in case of payment being made to other countries it asked for the same treatment. The Government answered to-day in the negative to the note of Minister Rivas, saving that tribunals exist in Venesaying that tribunals exist in Vene-zuela to judge any claims arising from the revolutions.

Washington, Dec. 17.-The Venezuelan uestion occupied the attention of the senate in Executive session for about an hour. The question came up about an hour. The question came up informally immediately after the public were excluded. Senator Teller, disclaiming all intention of being critical, and saying he merely desired information, asked Senator Oulion, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations, what information he possessed as to the Venezuelan affair. Mr. Teller said he believed the situation was such that Senators felt that the Monroe doctrine at any time might become involved if the complication should continue. Senator Cullom replied that he had no knowledge of recent events not contained in the public prints. Messrs. Bacon, Hoar, Lodge and Stewart, all made remarks in none of the addresses was anything harsh or critical said The tone of all speeches, whether by Republicans or Democrats, was that this country's position as a nation should be one of watchfuiness.

TO HELP CHAMBERLAIN.

BOTHA EXPLAINS ABANDON-MENT OF AMERICAN TRIP.

s Going Home to Aid His People-Touring Boers Do Not Represent

New York, Dec. 17.—Gen. Louis Botha, writing to Theodore M. Banta, from Brussels, under date of Dec. 3, in reply to a letter from the committee of the trustees of the Holland Society to Generals Botha, Dewet and Delarey, tendering the courtesies of the society and so operation during their contemplated visit to this country, says:—"You will no doubt be aware that Mr. Chamberlain has left for South Africa. He has pro-mised to investigate matters there, and to give our people further pecuniary as-sistance if he hads that necessary. For this reason we shall not at present visit America, as we are returning to South better serving our people to meet

FURTHER ACTION. Mr. Chamberlain there, and personally help to let him see how great the need is in our devastated country, by giving him all possible information there. When we have done this we propose to go to America, and will then take the liberty of informing you further about our visit. I regret to see that so many of aur fellow-countrymen are already hear sur fellow-countrymen are already busy rying to raise funds in America. I wish to remark that no one there represents our people, nor is there on any mission

CHECKMATING RUSSIA

SIR ROBERT HART OPPOSING A

Request For the Establishment of Customs and Postal Services Along the Manchurian Reilroad

Pekin, Dec. 17.-Russia is pressing customs and postal services at the principal stations of the Manchurian Railroad, these stations to be under Russian supervision and independent of the Chinese maritime customs. Sir Robert Hart, Chief of the maritime customs, is opposing the scheme and the chances for his success are thought to be favorable. An edict announces that the Chinese Government ses to acquire the China Merchants Steam Navigation Co., which is owned by Sheng, a protege of the late Li Hung Chang, and the estate of Li Hung Chang.

MR. GREENWAY'S ADDRESS

TRANSPORTATION THE QUES-TION OF THE DAY.

An Outlet to Hudson Bay Advocated, Also a Direct Line to Duluth-The Leadership-Manitoba Municipal Elections.

Winnipeg, Dec. 17 .- Hon. Thos. Greenray, addressing a meeting of the Young Liberal Club here last night, discussed transportation, saying it was the question of the day, and apparently an in-solvable one. He said all the grain purchased within the last two m still in the elevators, and thirty million bushels was still in the farmers' hands. Next year there would be 25 per cent. increase in the crop production in Mani-toba and 100 per cent. in the Terri-tories, and the situation would be still worse. If the C.P.R. should double-track the line from Brandon to Fort William it would be some relief; so would an other transcontinental line, but he be-lieved that a road to Hudson Bay would be of more utility than two transcon-tinental lines. He believed the Hudson Bay route entirely practicable. There should also be a railway from Manitoba direct to Duluth. He strongly censured the Roblin Government for barring out the Northern Pacific. He said that while it was desirable to ship our wheat out by Canadian outlets, the prime necessity was to get it out. He touched briefly on Dominion issues, and said he was glad to know his interview last summer in The Globe had had something to do in bringing on the agitation which had ended in Mr. Tarte's retirement from the Government. So far as his influence went, he would oppose all public men who preached protection. In the course of the speech he formally denied that it was his intention to retire from the leader-

speech he formally denied that it was his intention to retire from the leadership of the party before election. The party, he said, had asked him to continue his leadership, and he would do so as long as he had strength to discharge its duties. Mr. Greenway had a most enthusiastic reception.

Municipal elections for all points outside of Winnipeg were held to-day. In many cases the elections were by acclamation, and no great interest attached to the contests, except in Brandon, where Mr. J. W. Fleming defeated Mr. F. Nation by 105 majority for Mayor. Other Mayors and Reeves elected are: Portage la Prairie Town, E. Brown; Portage la Prairie Town, E. Brown; Portage la Prairie municipality, C. E. Grobb; Argyle, Jas. Dale; Carman, T. J. Noble; Gretna, M. Long; Dauphin municipality, C. Zale; Morden, J. Semits; Altona, B. Bergmann; Minnedosa, J. Fairbairn; West Selkirk, J. K. Mackenzie.

30TH WELLINGTON RIFLES.

Lieut.-Col. Mutrie Interviews the Minister of Militia-The Regiment the Pride of the Country.

Ottawa, Dec. 17,-Lieut.-Col. John Mutrie is in the city and interviewed the Minister of Militia on a matter of local interest to his regiment, the 30th Wellington Rifles It appears that when Major-General O'Grady-Haly commanded the militia orders were given for the reduction of tea-company regiments to corps of eight companies. It is said that the 30th Rifles is the only regiment in Ontario of ten companies, and the ob-stacle in the way of executing the order stacle in the way of executing the order is that all the companies are equally efficient and it would be a difficult matter to decide which of them should go. Moreover, the reduction would be taken serjously to heart by the County of Wellington, whose people take great pride in the regiment. This is illustrated by the fact that the County Council grants the men of the regiment 25 cents a day when they turn out to camp and also vote annually other moneys for regimental purposes. The first contingent that went from Canada to South Africa comprised forty or fifty men from Wellington County and to each of these the county paid 25 cents a day from the date of their departure until the 30th June, ensuing. Probably no other county in Canada adopted the same course.

THE HARTOPP CASE

THE JURY DISMISS PETITIONS

ACTION THAT STIRRED ENGLISH SOCIETY.

A DISCREDITABLE REVELATION OF CONDUCT.

London, Dec. 17.-The Hartopp case, which has been in several weeks, was Barnes. The charge was so colorless that the jury were left to their own resources in unravelling the tangled skein of evidence. The trial has been a most discreditable revelation of the morals and manners of smart society in morals and manners of smart society in country houses, on racing courses, and in the hunting fields. Sir Charles Hartopp, a racing Baronet, and his wife, Lady Hartopp, brought their servants into court to prove charges and counter-charges against each other, with the aid of fashionable acquaintances, private detectives, cabmen, spies and eavesdroppers. While the jury were warned from the Bench that they were not censors to pass criticism upon the mode of life of people without other employment than the pursuit of their own pleasures. people without other employment than the pursuit of their own pleasures. public moralists go outside the direct issues and find in the case lamentable evidence of the decadence of London so-

divorce, virtually deciding that neither charge nor counter-charge had been proved, and that both contestants must pay immense law bills and get on a best they can without relief from court immense law bills and get on as

DENIED ABSOLUTELY,

STATEMENT THAT ST. JOHN IS SCHEDULED.

Unfounded Reports Concerning Canadian Cattle Constantly Arising-British Authorities Reassured.

Montreal, Dec. 17.-The stateme from Ottawa that the Imperial authorities had decided to prohibit the landing of cattle from St. John, N.B., in England naturally caused a commotion among the cattle and railway people. The Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Mr. George F. O'Halloran, being communicated with by telephone yesterday, said:—"The statement that the port of St. John has been scheduled is absolutely unfounded. No such cable has been received from Lord Strathcons. In been received from Lord Stratheona. In Stratheona for two days past. I have received many telegrams from cattle dealers in Montreal, and have assured them that there is no truth whatever

in the story."
Dr. Rutherford, Chief Veterinary Inspector, attributes the rumor to the influence of The Morning Post publications. The American railways are doing their utmost to divert cattle for England from the Canadian ports to New York and Baltimore, and he thinks this rumor is part of their plans. He does not for an instant imagme that Great Britain would proclaim the embargo and not notify the department. All stock cars entering Canada are stopped at the boundary and disinfected before being allowed to proceed. This was being done before Great Britain knew the nature of the disease prevalent in the United States. their utmost to divert cattle for Eng

States.

The Canadian Pacific people did not believe that any such wide-reaching order had been issued by the Imperial authorities. "If there is," remarked Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, "we might as well go out of the cattle business altogether. There would be as much justice in closing Montreal in summer as St. John in winter, because it has been proved over and over again that Canada is absolutely free from disease." Hon. Sydney Fisher, who is attending

the Pemological Society meeting at Waterloo, Que., emphatically denies the ru-

THE LONG ARM OF JUSTICE. Detective From London, England,

in Toronto to Take Back a Thief. Toronto, Dec. 17 .- In order to take back to England a man named William C. Clark, who is wanted on a charge of stealing a registered letter containing £30, Detective Sergeant Shayler has come out from England. It is not often that justice is enforced under such circumstances, but it is a tribute to the thoroughness of British law. Detective Sergeant Shayler

is a member of the Metropolitan Police, and is attached to the detective staff

DEATH OF MR. UZELLE

This took place yesterday at He had been in the Public General Hospital for about eight weeks. He died of heart disease. He was born in the north of England, but moved of age. He came to this country over 20 years ago, and for nearly all that

The funeral will take place tomorrow at 10 a. m. from the residence of Rev. Dr. Rattisby. Friends

FAVORED THE MINERS

INCREASED WAGE.

Judge Gray Suggests a Law to Pre vent the Children Working in the Mines.

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 17 .- The entire nesses for the men. They were : John C. Haddock, an individual operator; Rev. Dr. Peter Roberts, who is assist ing the miners, and President Samuel Gompers of the American Federation of Labor. The principal point in Mr. Haddock's testimony was that the miners were justified in asking for increases in wages owing to the good prices for coal, and that he was not averse to properly organized unions. President Gompers testified as an expert in the trade union movement. He created a stir when he strongly implied during his examination that the coal compan ies are responsible for bringing immi-grants to the coal regions. When one grants to the coal regions. When one of the lawyers for the coal companies if he knew it from personal

knowledge, he said he could prove it if When the coal commission met Chairman Gray opened the proceedings by saying that the commissioners were impress-ed with the spectacle of the little girls who were before the commission yes day and testified that they worked all aight. He said the people of the com-munity and citizens of the common-wealth should not let the incident pass wealth should not let the incident pass without taking some steps to have the Legislature of Pennsylvania seriously sonsider the enactment of a law that would forbid the employment of children at night. At the suggestion of the commission the statement of the wages of the fathers of two of the girls was presented. One earned more than

the result of the heavy rainstorm which las prevailed in this section since last night. On this account it is believed the shipments to the markets from this section between now and the first of the new year will be small.

Blondin Convicted.

Boston, Dec. 16.-Murder in the sec and degree was the verdict returned for more than two weeks has been or jury was out almost six hours. Blon-din showed keen disappointment, as he believed he would be acquitted.

CONSERVATIVES GATHER.

Executive For Ontario Prepares For the Bye-elections. Toronto, Dec. 17.—The Execu

tive of the Ontario Conservative Association convened at The Mail building yesterday afternoon for the purpose of perfecting their organization purpose of perfecting their organization for the impending campaign in the bye-elections, and incidentally to talk over the political situation brought about by the recent election trials. The vote on the referendum and the address of Hon. in yesterday's Globe, were also the sub-jects of conversation among the mem-bers of the committee. The leader, Mr. J. P. Whitney, was not present, and Mr. E. B. Osler, M.P., Chairman of the committee, being unable to remain, Dr. W. B. Nesbitt, M.P.P., Vice-Chairman, pre B. Nesbitt, M.P.P., Vice-Chairman, presided. There were a good number present, among them Mesars. J. J. Foy. M. P.P., Dr. Pyne, M.P.P., Richard Blain, M.P., A. Miscampbell, M.P.P., R. R. Gamey, M.P.P., T. G. Carscallen, M.P.P., Dr. Jessop, M.P.P., J. S. Duff, M.P.P., J. W. Pearce, M.P.P., W. H. Hoyle, M.P.P.; John McLaughlin, Assented Avonmore; C. E. Muma, John McCosh, Orillia; R. H. Lewis, Hamilton; O. Au-Catharines; R. Shaw Wood, London; W. H. Reid, ex-M.P.P.; Jos. Mitchell, Goderich , Dr. Jones, Glanford ; Dr. D. Gillespie, Glanford ; Samuel Charters, Gillespie, Glanford; Samuel Char Brampton; T. E. Robson, ex-M.P.P.

C.P.R. Changes.

Montreal, Dec. 17.-Some portant changes in and is attached to the detective staff of the General Postoffice of London, England. It is safe to say that the cost of his trip and that of Clark in return will exceed the amount which Clark stole. Detective Shayler hopes to be able to sail with Clark from Halifax on Monday next.

Clark gave himself up here on Oct. 17 and confessed to the theft. Colonel Denison, however, thought that Clark was sebening for a free trip to England, and discharged him. A letter from Scotland Yard subsequently informed the Toronto police that Clark's confession was genuine, and he was rearrested. were announced yesterday, to go into effect on Jan. 1. W. R. McInnes, Assist-

STATERN MEN DROWNED

BRITISH STEAMER MARLAY GOES DOWN WITH CREW.

undered in Mid-channel While Crossing From Liverpool to Dublin-One Man Saved.

London, Dec. 17 .- A despatch to the Central News Agency says that sixteen men, officers and crew of the British steamer Marly, were drowned as a ce-sult of the foundering of their vessel. The Marlay left Liverpool for Dublin loaded with coal yesterday evening. She experienced heavy weather in mid-chan-nel. A lifeboat was lowered, but it was washed away with one man in it. This sailor was rescued; he declares that he saw the Marlay founder. The Marlay was built at Belfast in 1890. She was of 798 gross tons, and was owned by Tedcastle, McCormick & Co., Dublin.

PLAGUE IN NEW YORK

THREE CASES ON A STEAMER FROM SOUTH AFRICA.

Patients Are Under Treatment, and Rigid Precautions Taken to Prevent the Disease Spreading.

bubonic plague are under treatment in the Swinburn Island Hospital, at quarantine. The sufferers are the first and second cooks and the second steward of the Prince Line steamer Saxon Prince, which arrived from Durban, South Af rica, yesterday. On inspection of the crew three were found to be ill. A thorough examination of the patients con-vinced health officer Doty that they had all the symptoms of the plague, and they were taken to Swinburu Island, where cultures were made. The result of the examination made known last night confirmed the diagnosis made at the inspection. The first men taken ill, according to the report of Captain Jamison, was the second cook. He first complained to the captain the second cook. plained to the captain when the ship was out two weeks. As the steamer left Durban on November 9 this placed the reported illness on November 23.
The other two cases appeared about two weeks ago. The history of the cases made a complete chain of infecthe first men at Durban to the time of arrival. The crew were ashore at Dur-ban, and it is undeubtedly there that

ban, and it is undeubtedly there that the disease was contracted.

The first patient is convalescent, but the commission the statement of the wages of the fathers of two of the girls was presented. One earned more than \$1,000 last year and the other over \$000.

Tamaqua, Pa., Dec. 17.—Nearly all the mines in this section are flooded as the result of the heavy rainstorm which has provailed in this section since last the passengers and crew will be transferred passengers and crew will be transferred. passengers and crew will be transferred to Hoffman Island, where they will be held for ten days for observation. The effects of all will be thoroughly disinfeeted, and the steamer will be washed and disinfected in every part before being released.

Dr. Doty says that there is no danger of a spread of the plague, as the whole matter is well in hand. "We have whole matter is well in hand. "We have been at work for a long time," said Mr. Doty to-night, "in anticipation of the possible appearance of bubonic plague from South African ports. All steamers from those ports since the reported presence of plague there have been detained at quarantine. The crews have been taken on board the disinfecting steamer, stripped, bathed and examined for symptoms of the plague, and their clothes and sleeping quarters have been disinfected. This course has been strictly pursued, and has at last resulted in the detection of cases of the disease." letection of cases of the disease.'

Government Lasted Ten Days. Santiago de Chile, Dec. 16.—The coal-ition Cabinet has resigned after having been ten days in power. The resigna-tion of the Ministers was an outcome of tion of the Ministers was an outcome of a disagreement between the Cabinet and President Riesco over election matters.

DESPERADOES KILLED.

WARM RECEPTION TO WOULD-BE BANK ROBBERS.

Two of Them Shot Dead and the Third Taken Prisoner-Were Sucessfully Ambushed.

Alvord, Texas, Dec. 17 .- Three white men made a daring attempt to hold up the cashier and rob the First National Bank of Alvord yesterday. Two of the would-be robbers, Frank Martin and John McFall, were killed, and the third, Claude Golden, is in custody. The bank officials had been notified by Constable John Dobbs of Chico that an attempt would be made to rob the bank. De puty Sheriff Prior and Constables Yeary and Dobbs took positions in and around the building. Martin, McFall and Gold en rode up to the bank and demanded money. They were covered by Yeary and Dobbs and ordered to surrender. McFall made a movement as if to fire McFall made a movement as if to fire on Yeary when the deputy shot him through the head, and he died shortly afterwards. Golden thereupon surrendered to Dobbs. Martin, who was holding the horses, on hearing the firing mounted and attempted to escape. Yeary and Prior opened fire, killing him instantly.

A BOYCOTTE

That's a question that many are isking to-day. It seems J. Gilbert & Co., J. L. Scott and J. J. Couzens can

co., J. L. Scott and J. J. Couzens can get coal (although in limited quantities) and the other dealers don't seem to be able to get any.

The above dealers are said to have coal; Gilbert & Co. and Scott, at least, have, because three cars arrived this morning for Gilbert and one for Scott.

"I have plenty of the coal now," said Mr. Gilbert, "but the difficulty is to get it out."

PRESIDENT BAER'S VIEW

SAYS INDEPENDENT OPERATORS FLEECE THE PUBLIC.

Force Prices Above the Level Fixed by Railroads, Who Are Not to

of the Reading Road made a statement deprecating the course pursued by the independent coal operators, who, by the independent coal operators, who, it is alleged, have forced the price for their coal up to \$11.50 a ton to dealers, equal to \$14 to the consumer. "Unfortunately there seems to be no way to compel them to sell down to the level fixed by the railroads," said Mr. Baer. "If their sense of obligation to the people cannot deter them from asking prohibitive prices, nothing the public nor the railroads can do would be of any effect. The railroads cannot refuse transport their coal; the law regule transport their coal; the law reguling the business of all public carp opposes it. The charge that the roads are selling railroad coal to spendents for disposal in the open market is absolutely false. We are doing everything in our power to keep down the price of coal and to get it to market suickly." quickly.

TELEGRAPH BREVITIES.

The Ontario Beekcepers' convention pened at Barrie,

Wiarton's new beet sugar factory has ommenced manufacturing. Mrs. Steven Plested committed suicide at

Rosseau by taking strychnine. The corner-stone of Brantford's new library was laid by Rev. Dr. Mackenzie,

The Board of Aldermen of New York roted \$500,000 to buy coal for the poor of

Registrar of Welland, Mr. George Elliot to be deputy. believe the report of an Indian rising in

the Yukon, iversity.

The steamer Glengarry filled and sank at her dock at Kingston, water getting in through an open sea-coek.

Conductor Mulvey, who was hurt in the railway accident at Ingersoll, died from his injuries, and will be buried in Toronto. E. A. Leifeld, a Washington jeweller, was arrested in Montreal on a charge of stealing a large amount of jewellery in Wash-

was awarded at Ottawa, but Mr. Blair declines to state who gets it until the con-

tract is signed. The resignation of Rev. Dr. Maggs, Principal of the Wesleyan Theological College, Montreal, has been accepted, and he turns to England in August.

A large meeting of temperance workers will wait on the Government, urging legislation abolishing bar-rooms, the treating system and drinking in clubs.

An order in Council was passed yesterday authorizing the separation of the Town of Smith's Falls from the jurisdiction of the County Council of the County of Lanark.

The majority of the Irish members re sumed their seats in Parliament, and voted with the Government to reject the amendeducation bill.



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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17.

THE PUSILLANIMOUS ROSS.

The temperance people of the province have at last had their eyes opened regarding the pusillan mous part that Hon. G. W. Ross, premier and prohibitionist, has played in his dual role in connection with the referendum. The Liberator, the organ of the prohibitionists in the recent campaign, voices the general feeling of disillusionment when it says in a leading editorial on the result of the referendum: "Few people were prepared to find the premier of the province grasping at a chance to belittle and scale down the effect of the splendid success scored for the cause which he professed to It was the stunning surprice of the immediate post-election hours to learn that Hon. Geo. W Ross, vice-president of the Alliance, stooped to payrot the dying cry of the defeated liquor servant.

"One immediately recalls the comendable candor of Sir Oliver Mowat when he confessed in graceful terms that the result of his plebiscite, near ly ten years ago, was satisfactory and gratifying. He frankly stated that it was an unmistakable demonstration of the riveness of public sentiment for probibition, and boldly pledged his administration to obey the popular command to the full extent of the powers of the province "How much more did we expect Hon. G. W. Ross to hail with joy the fact that not merely the country but the urban centers had added emphasis to the decision of 1894, and endorsed the principles of his youthful advocacy .- Ottawa Citizen.

ROUGH ON THE KAISER

The New York Herald on Saturday had a cartoon which is likely to annoy Germany, but it will give the people a cure of dyspepsia is the natural retaste of the sort of pictorial insults their press inflicted upon Britain's King and statesmen with far less reason during the late Boer war, comments the Ottawa Citizen. The cartoon is also not too flattering to the British lion, but its point is obviously directed at the Kaiser. It represents an ass with the head of Emperor William covered with the skin of the British lion, which but ill conceals the indubitable evidences of assinity. The ass is braying at the shield of Venezuela behind which the foxy Castro has taken refuge, while Uncle Sam leans over the wall smiling sardonically at the performance. Beneath the cartoon is the following:-

"An Ass, having put on a Lion's Skin, roamed about in the Forest and amused Himself by frightening all the foolish Animals He met with in His avanderings. At last, meeting a Fox. He tried to frighten Him also, but the Fox no sooner heard the sound of His Voice than He exclaimed, 'I might possibly have been frightened myself if I had not heard your Bray'!"

The action of the Germans in de stroying the Venezuela gunboats that build him up and give new life to fell into their hands has aroused generous organ and an added rest to eral criticism in the States. It is difficult to see how such an overt act of war could be defended. While the civilized world would justify the two nerves and justly merits the claim of big creditors in seizing and even in being one of the most worthy mediselling the Venezuelan warships to assist in liquidation of the debt, there does not appear to have been any shadow of right to sink the ships when no state of war existed, nor any sense in it from a business standpoint. It was a case of the too-ready mailed fist.

Papa-Is the teacher satisfied with

you, sonny?

7 Toby—Oh, quite.

Papa—Did he tell you so?

Toby—Ves. After a close exam-ination he said to me the other day, if all my scholars were like you I we

If a man is obliged to make a fool of himself, it is best he should afford

Eruptions

Dry, moist, scaly tetter, all forms of eczema or salt rheum, pimples and other cutaneous eruptions proceed from humors, either inherited, or acquired through defective digestion and assimilation.

To treat these eruptions with drying medicines is dangerous.

The thing to do is to help the system discharge the humors, and strengthen it against their return.

Hood's Sarsaparilla permanently cured J. I. Hines, Franks, Ill., of eczema, from which he had suffered for some time; and Miss Alvina Wolter, Box 212, Algona, Wis., of pimples on her face and back and chafed skin on her body, by which she had been greatly troubled. There are more testimonials in favor of this great medicine than can be

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Promises to cure and keeps the promise. Don't put off treatment. Buy a bottle of Hood's today.

Theatrical

The Canadian Order of Foresters have been fortunate enough to secure the famous Almondbury fland Bell Ringers to give a performance on the evening of January 2nd, 1903, at the Grand Opera House. The famous Almondbury Hand Bell Ringers are the best company of bell ringers in existance and enjoy the proud posi-tion of being the champions of England, being winners of nine first and eight second prizes. The company consists of six artists with their fine peal of 162 bells, made by the famous London bell makers, Mears. They are also assisted by E. Stanley Nichols, one of the best humorist entertainers and fun makers of the Tickets are now for sale at popular prices.

WHAT IT MEANS TO YOU.

Few People Realize the Importance of Good Digestion Until it is Lost.

Many people suffer from dyspepsia and do not know it. They feel mean, out of sorts, peevish, do not sleep well, do not have a good keen appetite, do not have the inclination and energy for physical and mental work they once had, but at the same time do not feel any particular pain or distress in the stomach. Yet all this is the result of poor digestion, an jority interested, asking for a new instruction of Dyspepsia which can drain under the drainage act be insidous form of Dyspepsia which can only be cured by a remedy specially intended to cure it and make the digestive organs act naturally and properly digest the food eaten. Bit-ters, after dinner pills and nerve tonics will never help the trouble; they don't reach it. The new medical discovery does. It is called Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets and is a specific for dyspepsia and indigestion. It cures because it thoroughly digests all wholesome food taken into the stomach, whether the stomach is in

good working order or not. Stuart's Catarrh Tablets by ing the food, instead of making the worn out stomach do all the work, gives it a much needed rest and a

When you are hervous, run down and sleepless, don't make the common mistake of supposing your nervous system needs treatment and fill your stomach with powerful herve tonics which make you feel good for a little while only to fall back farther than

Your nerves are all right, but they are starved, they want food.

Nourish them with wholesome very day food and plenty of it, well digested, and you can laugh at nerve tonics and medicine.

But the nerves will not be nourished from a weak, abused stomach, but when the digestion has been made perfect by the use of this remedy all nervous symptoms disappear.

Who ever heard of a man or wo-

man blessed with a vigorous diges-tion and good appetite being trouwith their nerves? Good digestion means a strong nervous system, abundance of energy and capacity to enjoy the good things

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets will certainly set your stomach and diges-tive organs right; they can't help but do it because they nourish the body by digesting the food eaten, and rest the stomach. You get nourishment and rest at

one and the same time, and that is all the worn out dyspeptic needs to

every pleasure.
Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are a god send to the army of men and women with weak stomachs, weak cal discoveries of the time.

GLENWOOD.

Miss Luly Palmer, formerly teacher

on Monday, | | | | | | | |

HARWICH.

A regular meeting of the Municipal council of the township of Herwich was held in Township Hall on Monday, Dec. 8th, 1902. Members all present. The minutes of previous meeting were read and adopted.

Following communications were were read: Wilson, Pike & Gundy. were read: Wilson, Pike & Gundy, advice re ditches and watercourses; L. E. & D. R. R'y, re completion of repair of ditch at Wilkle; A. E. Robinson, Clerk, Raleigh asking report of Doyle drain to be returned to him, also with resolution of Raleigh council in regard to the gravel-pit at Cedar Springs; Geo Austin putin an application to the council for assistance; Albert Cable presented a copy of report of compresented a copy of report of com-nittee of House of Refuge to the effect that they would pay one quarter the expense of procuring a pair of artifical limbs for said Albert Cable.—Laid over.

Harwich, Dec. 8th, 1902. To Municipal Council of Harwich, I beg leave to report as follows in regard to underbrushing and clearing out a part of the 4th con. R. T. I let the work on Dec. 2nd to Alex. Eddy of cutting out the brush across lot 10 for \$33 1 consider this, is the hardest portion to be decreased. is the hardest portion to be done.
the rest of the work north of this
can probably be done for the wood that is on it, and south of lot 10 in nearly clear already. I would also recommend that as money is being spent on said road the council put in three bridges, one over Wolfe creek, one over the Gray & Donovan drain and one on the line between

J. McCormick. On motion of Wilson and Bentley the above report was adopted. Harwich, Dec 8th. 1902.

To the Mun. Council of Harwich I hereby beg leave to report as fol-lows in regard to the tile drain lows in regard to the the drain along the Communication road: I employed H. Marshall and his son and dug into the tile in different places, taking np the tile, and found them full of fibrous roots, except a small space in the top through which a small amount of water was flowing. I think it would be unwise to spend any more time or money without the parties interested and the township can come to some agreement and take the tile up and leave it an open ditch, as the roots are sure to get into the tile and stop the flow of water if they were taken up and cleaned and re-

Chas. Buchanan. Report adopted on motion of Wilson and Bentley.

John F. Johnson and four others presented a petition asking for drainage to prevent damage to their lands by waters.

Moved by Wilson—Bentley that the petition of John F. Johnson and four others, they being the maentertained, and as the petitioners request Engineer McNabb that he be appointed to do the work and make the necessary survey and plans. resolved that the same be granted, and the clerk be instructed

that the application of son and Arthur Allison to have the Duke drain cleaned out to its original dimensions be entertained and the clerk notify W. G. McGeorge to make the necessary survey and plans and report to this council as

soon as possible. —Carried. Wilson—Bentley—That the clerk notify the Creek commissioner of Ward 3, T. Misner, requesting him to extend the time for Mr. A. L. Bisnett to clean out his portion of the Bisnett & Bell drain, as owing to the high water it is impossible to do the work at present.—Carried Buchanan—McCormick that ithe clerk notify O. McKay, Engineer L. E, & D. R. R'y that the McGregor ditch is ready for inspection, and ask him to attend to the matter as

soon as possible. -Carried. Buchanan-Wilson, that \$50 be granted from the general fund to Commissioner McCormick to assist in building the guards in different dangerous places in ward 1.—Car-

Buchanan- McCormick that th collector be instructed to accept P. B. Patterson's taxes less \$1, an error Labor.—Carried. Bentley—Wifson, that Mr. A. Arm-

strong be granted an extention of thirty days for removing the posts off the road allowance in front of his place.—Carried.

Buchanan—McCormick— That \$6 be granted to make a gravel walk across the road at Guilds as request-

across the road at Guilds as requested by Mr. Bentley, as it is very much needed by the public.—Carried.

The following accounts were paid: Geo. Stephens & Co., spikes for Tobin bridge, \$4.92; Wm. Reed, oak plank and covering Tobin bridge, \$191.39; R. Hazleton, 2% days' work at Parrott ditch, \$3.75; Thos. Henry, blacklining and filling in at Cameron blacklining and nining in at Cameron drain, \$12; town of Blenbeim, taxes on gravel pit 1992, \$2.30; Jos. James, rep. bridge McGregor's Creek, \$4.50; R. Spencer, work Wills D. & W., \$39.35; W. G. McGeorge, C. E., survey Snayth ditch, \$22; H. Marshall, work at tile drain on Com. road. \$2: Jas. Miss Lult Palmer, formerly teacher of Victoria school, has been engaged to teach our school.

Wm. McNarland's sale on the 15th was fairly well attended. Prices medium. McCoig & Harrington were the auctioneers.

Miss Lizzie Innes is ill with tonsilitis.

James Bishop and family moved to Chatham last week.

W. C. Estabrook and E. H. Foxton were Chatham visitors on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bostick took their infant son to the Chatham Gen. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bostick took their infant son to the Chatham General Hospital to have an operation Miss Annie Rollet, of Walkerville, is ill with typhoid fever at her home in this place.

A. Luchea, of Mersea, and Charles Feury, of Wheatley, were in the village on Monday.

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A pair of Embroidery Suspenders in A pair of Gloves. Initial Handkerchiefs A Silk Square Muffler. A Stylish Hat.
A Dozen exclusive Pattern Ties.

Silks. House Coats

Children's Gauntlets. In fact every thing in Clothing and Furnishings. Mufflers for Ladies.

Way's Mufflers, 25c. to 75c.

The New Handkerchiefs, Silk, with

Fine Night Shirts, \$1.00.

OUR WINDOW

Austin, assistance, \$10; C. Buchanan, assistance for P. Jackson and A. Smith, \$10; B. Rothwell, grading and tiling, \$13.50; N. Horton, widening Creek road \$17.50; G. Gammage, building guards, wire and slate, \$46.33; J. & J. Oldershaw, sewer pipe, \$16.90; Blonde Lumber Co. lumber; \$3.70; D. McCoig, rep. bridge, con. 10. \$4; D. R. McGarvin, lumber, \$31.73, J. D. Drew, sewer culvert, \$5; Galbraith, sewer culvert, \$5; J. Galbraith, sewer culvert, \$5; R. Spencer, braith, sewer culvert, \$5; R. Spencer, tile put in near Northwood, \$12; F. Remington, rep. 2 bridges, McKinlay and Harwich drains, \$7; F. H. Coleman, rep. Roe road, \$5; Wm. Garrod, rep. bridge, Old St. 50c; D. Proctor, ditching Com. road, \$12.50; C. D. Rowe, tile Base line, \$2.21; Jas. Mattimore, ditching Base line, \$2; W. D. Nichelson, rep. road, seraner, \$1; D. Nicholson, rep. road scraper, \$1; Philip Green, ditching Con. 8, \$1.40; A. McArthur, graveling 43 rods Centre line, \$30; A. Anderson, gravelling 18 and 19 Side road at Mull,

\$28.50: gravelling Base Line, \$18; F. Alexander, gravelling 18 and 19 Side road at Mull, \$15.20; J. M. Burk, bal. road at Mull, \$15.20; J. M. Burk, bal. on sanitary work 1902, \$19; L. G. Rowe, 2 days' meetings of board of to this council as soon as possible. Carried.

Chas. Johnson and Arthur Ilison made application to have the Duke drain cleaned out;

Moved by Buchanan—McCormick that the application of Chas. John

Those Pale Girls

Chas. Pels, refund dog tax, \$1.

How many pale girls there are! Girls who have the will, but not the power to bring out their vitality. Doctors call it anaemia, which means poor blood. They are thin, delicate and nervous. Their digestion is usually poor, the appetite not all that it should be and they do not even get all the nourishment that is in the food that they do eat. They linger between strength and weakness with no certainty as to what change a day will bring forth.

Scott's Emulsion is for all such girls. The hypophosphites combined with the cod liver oil will tone up the system, give the blood new life, improve the appetite and help digestion. Above all it gives

nourishment. Girls are more liable to anaemia than boys; this is because the blood of women contains fewer red corpuscles, more water and less albumen and salts than the blood of men. Scott's Emulsion seems to be the very thing to discount these differences. It helps all pale, thin girls when nothing else will.

We'll send you a sample free upon request.

SCOTT & BOWNE,

Wilson-McCormick-That the col lector be instructed to accept the taxes of the following less the amount of their dog tax.—Carried. H. Titus, D. Downie and John Reigi-

Buchanan-Wilson-That on ac count of the dangerous state of the road between con 1 and 2 W. C. R., between the gravel road and the & H. junction-having had the earth from the ditch placed on it—that the commissioner of ward 3 have notices placed at each end of said described road, warning the public of its dangerous condition, and also notifying each of the parties who did the work that they will be held responsible for any damages that may occur on account of the state of said road as left by them, and to have the same remedied at the earliest possible opportunity.—Carried.
The following by-laws were given their several readings and finally

For fixing polling places and appointing deputy returning officers for municipal elections on Jan. 5th.

Authorizing the reeve to take such steps as will put the Nash D. & W. in repair, also have a ditch constructed on week by the steps of the step of the steps of the steps of the steps of the step of the structed on road between con. 1 and

Also a by-law to submit to the electors at the coming municipal elections the question as to whether statute labor at 70 cents per day, inas formerly, the money so raised to be expended under commissioners ppointed by the council.

Meeting adjourned until Dec. 15th

GEO. M. BAIRD, Township clerk.

SOUTH BUXTON.

Miss Lydia Broadbent's concert last evening was a grand success, and although the evening looked gloomy, and a misty rain was falling, a large crowd gathered, showing the high es teem in which the young teacher is held. Dr. Bell took the chair, and in his usual good-natured style carried out a program of fifty-two numbers. The audience seemed to be in the best of humor and listened to a jolly good program, in which the participants did credit to themselves. The best of order was observed with one excep ion-when the music of the accordio stirred the feet of the young people There were so many fine selections rendered that we have not space to give special notice to all. At the close of the program, which was delightful, the chairman asked the teacher to come to the platform, when Misses Velma Bennett and Maggie Young came forward with an address, full of words of love and kindness, expressing the feelings of the children of the school, and a fine toilet set and manicure set, and presented them to the teacher, asking her to accept them as a slight token of the love that the school entertained for her teacher was surprised and moved to tears, so deeply was she effected by the token of the love her pupils entertained for her, tha tshe could only make a few words of reply. In those she expressed her deepest feelings and immediately left the platform. trustees were then called on. . The Mr. Gilhula said that he was inexpressibly proud of the teacher; that while she was kind hearted and had taught the school to love and respect her, she maintained the finest discipline, and that the section had enjoyed three years of peace and prosperity, and that not one complaint from any source had come under the notice of the board, and that he had nothing but good words to say for her, and was sorry to lose her from the school.

Mr. Randell followed and said that Mr. Gilhula had spoken the sentiments of the board, and that the board had done all they could to retain her, but the teacher's ambition was foreigns her bear to the High was forcing her back to the High school and Normal where she would obtain a life certificate, and that the P. S. I. said that she was one of the brightest young teachers in all his in-spectorate. Dr. Bell speke in the highest terms of the school, as he had

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Special Handkerchief Sale all This Week

Foolish nick-nacks have lost their charm. Gifts must be useful. Usefulness, beauty and something akin to dignity combined. Every season it becomes more apparent that the buying public are in favor of sensible gifts. The Christmas stocks here are arranged for your comfort and convenience. Plenty of light and plenty of room to make your selections. Shop in the morning if possible and avoid the crush of the afternoons.

Dress goods-New corduroy waist-ngs, fine all wool, firm cords, 44 in. de, in cream only, special per yard

Silk and wool crepe de chene, fine sheer quality, 40 inches wide, in cream only, special per yard

Cream lustres, rich brilliant finish, 42 and 44 inches wide, special per

Wise Ways of Women.

No "prizes" offered with common loaps will long tempt the wise wo-

wise woman soon sees she has to

pay dearly for "prizes" in the low

quality of soap, in the damage com-

mon soaps do her clothes and her hands. The wise woman considers

her health-so soon ruined if she

were to continue breathing the steam of adulterated common soaps.

The wise woman recognizes the difference between such soaps and

observed it on his several visits there,

A very enjoyable time was then closed

with God Save the King. The receipts of the evening amounted to about \$20.

Miss Broadbent will attend the High school in Leamington, after which she

will attend the Normal in Toronto. She carries with her the best wishes

of the people of this section.

The Baptist Sunday school of North

Buxton are preparing for a grand time on Christmas afternoon. They

are struggling to get a library in the school The B. M. E. people have not fixed their date yet. New England

will hold theirs on Christmas Eve.

The S. S., Raleigh Plains, hold their

entertainment on the evening of the 22nd. Green Bush will hold theirs on

Not Only Painful and Annoying

But a Menace to Life Itself-

Pile or hemorrhoidal tumors, like

varicose veins in other parts of the

body, sometimes burst and permit the escape of blood from their central

veins. These constitute bleeding piles. Such hemorrhages are some-

times exceedingly profuse, so as to even endanger the life of the patient.

The victim of piles should avoid rich and stimulating foods and drinks

and should keep the bowels slightly

relaxed as conspitation is one cause

Some people do not think of trying Dr. Chase's Ointment for bleeding piles, though they know of its wonderful power in curing other forms of this horrible complaint.

The best proof of the efficiency of Dr. Chase's Ointment in this regard

is the testimony of persons who have been actually cured of bleeding piles

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Mr. James Jackson, of the Laurie
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me more good than any medicine

that cruel disease, bleeding piles, and after using Dr. Chase's Ointment, I can say I am entirely rid of it. It

is a treasure to all suffering from

Dr. Chase's Ointment 60 cents a box.

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Lever's Y-Z (Wise Head) Disinfectant

Soap Powder dusted in the bath, softens

That popularity will soon perish that is not paid for in principle.

Minard's Liniment Cures Burns, etc.

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the water and disinfects,

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of this ailment

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Cream serges, pure wool, in smooth and rough effects, 38 to 50 inches wide, special at per yard 25c, 50c and French challie waistings, fine pure wool quality, 32 inches wide, large range of new designs and colors, fast

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Black dress silks, extra heavy pure silk peau de soie, rich lustrous re-versible finish, guaranteed in wear, a regular \$1.25 silk, special at

French Taffeta Silks, superior quality, rich finish, in every wanted shade, special per yard

Liberty Silks, warranted pure, rich, soft finish, in 10 leading shades, spe cial per yard

Japan Taffeta Silks, 27 in. wide, fine, heavy quality, warranted not to cut, in every desirable color, special per yard

Japan Taffeta Silk, full yard wide, rich, pure quality, in white, cream and black, special per yard

Japan Silks, pure quality, fine, rich finish, in every wanted color, special

BLACK BROADCLOTH SUITINGS-Broadcloth Suitings, finest French make, pure wool, rich finish, best dyes, 50 in to 56 in wide, special per yard \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75 and

French Cheviot Suitings, superior quality wools, rich finish, medium and heavy weights, best black dyes, 3

special lines at per yard 75c, 85c and

Homespuns at Half-Price -200 yards heavy, all wool Homespuns, 54 and 56 in. wide, firm weave, in grey, brown, Oxford and navy, regular 75c, 85c and

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ladies and Gentlemen I am a candidate for Alderman for 1903, and if elected, I will continue to

take the same active interest in the welfare of our Maple City, as I have done during the past.

fair wages and reasonable hours to our workingmen and laborers, and the thorough numbering of the city Wishing you the compliments of the season, soliciting your vote and influence, faithfully yours, E. A. MOUNTEER.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM. Ladies and Gentlemen: I beg to announce myself a candi-date for alderman for 1903.

You elected me to office for 1902, and as a member of Board of Works, Parks and Cemetery, and Industrial committees, you have had the chance to judge my conduct towards civic interests during the year, and will expect your hearty support if you be-lieve I can continue to fill the office to our mutual benefit.

Wishing you the compliments of Yours faithfully, JOHN WADDELL.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen I am again a candidate for Alder man for the year 1903, and, if elected, will do my utmost to serve the city to the best of my ability, and will oppose all unnecessary expenditure. Wishing you the compliments of the season,

I remain yours, J. N. EDMONDSON.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM Ladies and Gentlemen: To the 650 good, sensible people who voted for me for alderman last election, without in a single instance being solicited, canvassed or button-holed, I return my most sincere thanks and respect. I am again in

the field for 1903, and I ask those who supported me last year to repeat the good act this year, when the former vote will be doubled by my own per-

sonal canvass. If elected, I shall have my weather-eye upon the Smart-Alecks who study their own little interests instead of the people's. "A chiel's amang ye tak'ng notes, an faith he'll prent it," I shall advocate the gradual yearly improvement of TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM, garbage and its destruction by the the establishment of a great oil refinery in Chatham by the Ra-leigh oil magnates; a liberal but stringent concession to our bicyclists;

> houses. GEO. G. MARTIN Dec. 10th, 1902.

Ladies and Contiemen I am a candidate for the office of commissioner for your division and trust that my actions in the council in the past has met with your approval, therefore I respectfully ask your vote and influence on election day, and if elected will do my utmost to further the best interests of the

County. Wishing you the compli-ments of the season, I remain, JAMES CHINNICK.

MUSICAL AND LITERARY ENTER-TAINMENT IN HARWICH.

On Friday evening next a musical and literary entertainment will be given in School Section No. 1, Har-wich, in aid of the Literary Fund. A good program, consisting of speeches, dialogues, monologues, and vocal and instrumental music will be given. The Harwich Literary and Debating Society will take part, and J. W. Plewes, of Chatham, will act as chairman, Tickets, 25 cents.

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shut up my school this very day! That shows that I know enough.

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One That Is Useful and Effective and

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tage of being useful and effective and

at the same time exceedingly econom

ical in the matter of space it occupies

The one shown in the illustration is

a cupboard and bookcase combined

and can easily be made by a hom

body. The cornice at the top and the

plinth at the bottom are builder's wid

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CORNER BOOKCASE

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shelves should be got out of half inch

deal. They will be triangles, with the

two ends which come against the up-

rights cut off, and all the shelves will

They will be held up or rest upon

three blocks, one in the inner angle at

the wall and one at each upright. The

blocks against the uprights could be

glued to them and screwed as well

and the sides of the blocks coming

against the wall could be nailed to the

wall, thus forming not only supports

to the shelves, but keeping the up-

rights in position. Settle how far the

shelves are to be apart, and then care-

fully measure the spaces off on both

uprights, so that when the shelves are

put in they will be horizontal. The

blocks in the angle of the wall can be

nailed on, having carefully marked the

width of the spaces, so that these

blocks correspond with those against

The projecting shelf from which the

out a piece of wood to fit in front of

the shelf and round the two uprights.

The corners must be cut to the angles

of the wall, to which it might be nailed.

A small rod should be fastened under-

neath this projecting shelf to carry

the curtain, which takes the place of a

door. It can be weighted at the bot

tom, and if it runs at the back of the

Diet For Young Mothers.

strength of both the mother and baby

is milk itself, good cow's milk, and

table and between meals and at bed-

time, she will have no trouble in keep

ing up her health and flesh, and she

usual objection to this diet is that it

makes one bilious, and so it does if it

be usually taken as hot as possible

though not scalded, and with plenty of

salt: cold milk should be mixed with

vichy, and both may be taken alter-

nately with malted milk for the

change. Cocoa should be freely used,

made from milk and water and choco

late, which is not too heavy. The moth-

er should remember that while tea will

make milk in quantities, yet it will be

only poor stuff and will keep the baby

bungry and make it nervous. As to

the rest of the diet, eggs are excellent

raw beaten in milk and cooked, and

hot soups with rice and barley, beef

juice, creams of vegetables, ice cream,

custards, milk toast, broiled meats,

fish, chicken, vegetables and fruits.

The best thing to keep up the

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The following extraordinary and to Canadians highly amusing, article was published in a newspaper in the Southern States the other day. Big scare headlines were placed on it, as follows "Menace Uncle Sam-Canada Making Extraordinary Efforts to Create a Nation of Sharpshooters-Is She Preparing for War?- Rifle

Practice a National Sport, Encouraged by the Government-500,000 Dead Shots Now." But alarming as were the headlines they are as noth-ing compared with the statements made in the body of the article: Canada is rapidly becoming a naion of sharpshooters. This is one of the results of the Boer war. If the

other colonies of Great Britain have learned this lesson, the next cam-paign in which England is engaged vill be a bloody affair.

Canada sent several thousand roung men to South Africa, and they have profited from their contact with the Boer sharpshooters. To-day enthusiasm prevails all over Canada on this subject.

The Government is encouraging the development of markmanship to an extraordinary degree. The result is surprising. Every village in Canada sports a rifle range, and every Prorince is a school for sharpshooters It is not a fad, but has seized upor the Canadians with a firmness that promises to leave an indelible stamp upon the people for a generation. Of Canada's 6,000,000 of people, there are more than 500,000 capable of bearing arms. This vast army is developing into a fighting machine of

colossal proportions. Here is an aspect of the case that may interest the people of America If this art of hitting the bull's eye at from 1,000 to 2,000 yards continues with the singular unanimity that now prevails, a conflict in which the people of the States must reckon with Canada as a hostile force may

mean a serious thing. The lessons of the South African eldt indicated with frightful force just what a body of sharpshooters can do when opposed to armies trained in the old school of war. Imagine an army of 500,000 Canadians invading the States, every man of them apable of doing the execution that Cronie and the Boer warriors wrought along the Modder River, Colenso, and the other death traps of South Africa! That is what the Canadian riflemen will be capable of doing if this enthusiasm continues for

If England should suddenly be-come involved with the United States these fast riders and fast shooters would menace a given point in the States in less than a week, and they could form the nucleus for the other cavalry forces of Canada, no mean

With the 10,000 cavalry of sharp shooters, backed by several hundred thousand fine infantry sharpshooters, Canada could throw across the line into the States some keen fighting The writer has seen Sam's "Buffalo Soldiers." the splendid rough riders of Grigsby, Rooseveldt, and Terry, and the "Long Knives" of the Western prairie, those fine cavalry soldiers whom the Indians gave that name because of the sabers they formerly carried, and the "Walk 'em fasts," the foot soldiers of the prairie, also named because of their superior qualities as foot soldiers, and he knows the prowess of these brave and hardy fighters, but the Canadian forces, whom thes fighters would have to meet, would produce such a sanguinary result as would make the bloody battlefields of South Africa veritable playgrounds.
At the annual contest of the Ontar-

to Rifle Association, the last week of

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vice and your 'Favorite Frescription,' "writes Mrs. D. B. Barricks, of Perrows, Campbell Co., Va. "I feel that it has cured me. I had been in poor health for four years. Suffered greatly with my right side, also with bearing down pains, and my nerves were in a dreadful state. After using four bottles of your 'Favorite Prescription' I am now well. I am the mother of two children. With the first child I suffered twenty-eight hours, and with the fered twenty-eight hours, and was sick two children. With the first child I suf-fered twenty-eight hours, and with the second I hased your medicine and was sick only three hours. I believe Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription to be the best medi-cine in the world for suffering females. I wish you great success, and hope that God will bless you in your noble work."

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Angust, at the Long Branch range, there were some 300 men present from all over Canada. British Columbia sent a crack team, as did Halifax on the east. Over \$4,000 was distributed in casg prizes, and much in trophies. In the 1,200-yard target work, where a man was expected to fire six shots without using his magazine, in forty-five seconds, scores of 96 out of a possible 100 were the rule. The bull's eye of the target is about sixteen inches in diameter, and at 1,200 yards resembles more the bottom of a small oyster can.

Bull's eyes were frequently made by such men as Capt. Elliott, 12th Regiment; Sergt. Graham, 48th; Private McLaren, 48th; and Sergt.-Major 5th Artillery. Richardson, men tied with a score of 96, and in the shoot-off two more ties of bull's eyes resulted. This work was done in a high wind, and a fierce sun. Quartermaster-Sergt. McVittie of the Highlanders and Capt. Buckley of the 32nd Regiment tied in the same shoot, with a score of 94. In this contest, in which there were seventysix entires, there was not a shot fired that would not have struck a space as large as the trunk of a man.

In other words, in these 478 shots all fired in a space of 45 seconds each would have either killed a sol dier or placed him out of the firing line. Again, in a match at 500 yards, of five shots each, with ninety-six entries, the following made straight bull's eves: Capt. Mitchell, Lieut. W. L. Sergt. Boyles. Capt. Mitchell is the most famous shot in Canada. He makes bull's eyes as far as he can

see his target. These men from all over Canada are being taught daily, not only to shoot, but what is still more important, as proved by the deadly work of the Boers, to estimate distences and the wind. In this is nine-tenths of the work of the marksman,

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flower in the hair. Had woman rea ized to what an extent the pretty cus tom was admired and even loved by the majority of the opposite sex it never would have fraternized with the spinning wheel, the blue dishes and the lace mitts in the dim and cobwebbed garret of things past.

To man, and that man a sweetheart, this little art, for such it is, of putting a flower in the hair is a signal to all the sensitive sentiment within him. If you doubt this, look to the voicings of the poets. There you will find holding sway and running riot as roses on an old wall such phrases as "a blossom in her tresses," "a flower to bewitch me in her hair" and "that rose above her ear was my undoing."

Whether the hair be black or brown, red or gold, the charm of primeval femininity remains the same.-Ex-

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almost impossible to lift about, often harboring a year's deposit of dust, gave rise to a very necessary yearly cleaning, attended with great exertion and much discomfort to the whole family. The bathroom, with its tiles or washable varnished walls, its easily removed rugs, the daily polish of faucets and basins, the weekly flushing of pipes with disinfectants, will need but ittle extra housecleaning.

ALMACK'S OF LONDON. A Famous Woman's Club of a Cen-tury or So Ago.

About a century ago the seventh heaven of the fashionable world of London was a club known as Almack's, of which the patronesses were Lady Castlereagh, Lady Jersey, Lady Cowper (afterward Lady Palmerston), Lady Sefton, Mrs. Drummond Burrell (afterward Lady Willoughby), the Princess Esterhazy and the Countess Lieven. Their smiles or frowns consigned men and women to happiness or despair. It is hard for us to conceive the importance which was attached to getting admission to Almack's. Of the 300 officers of the Foot guards not more than half a dozen were honored with cards to this temple of the beau monde. The government was a pure despotism, as every government by woman is bound to be, and a host of intrigues was set

set in motion to get an invitation. Very often persons of rank who had the entree anywhere were excluded from the club. Such as were admitted had to dress in conformity with the edict of the tyrants, no gentleman being allowed to appear at the assemblies except in knee breeches, white cravat and crush hat. On one occasion the Duke of Wellington was about to ascend the stairs to the ballroom dressed in black trousers when the guardian of the establishment stepped forward and said, "Your grace cannot be admitted in trousers," whereupon the duke, who had a great respect for orders, quietly walked away.

A Pun That Failed.

stumbled when bringing in a boiled tongue. The tongue slipped over the edge of the dish upon the tablecloth. "Never mind," said the chairman cheerfully, "it's only a lapsus linguæ"

of laughter. A gentleman present,

The occasion arrived. There was to be a leg of mutton, and the host had instructed the walter to let it fall when coming in. The waiter did so, to the great dismay of the guests.

cheerfully, "it's only a lapsus linguæ." To his great disgust and astonishcurtain is hung is contrived by getting thing must have gone wrong somewhere.-Pearson's.

> Appealed to the Powers. of humor in his composition.

exchanges and clip from them exfoods made from milk. If one will tensively, marking them on the mardrink enough, drink it hot and cold, at gins, "J. M.-Must," meaning that the extracts must go in. It was one of his great griefs that there was not always be sure of a strong child. The crowded out, as they were sometimes, is not taken intelligently. Milk should

the night editor with a bundle of clippings in his hand.

cial, with a twinkle in his eye, "I wish you would use your influence to have these printed in the paper tomorrow morning."-Youth's Companion,

A Nourishing Drink, is a very nourishing cordial for an in-

Economical. Farmer Skinflint (reading sign)-"Eyesight Tested Free of Charge." Gracious! Mandy, in I go an' find out if it's hurtin' my eyesight tew read the

give up the paper.

none but those who are related to the monarch is permitted to wear gold in any form. They may deck themselves with diamonds and other precious stores, but the jewels must not be set in gold. The penalty for infringement of this law is death by decapitation.

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At a public dinner a careless waiter

(slip of the tongue). The joke was received with a burst who had no knowledge of Latin, yet saw what boisterous merriment it caused, secretly determined that he would repeat the whole performance at his next little dinner party at home and give his guests a great laugh at his

"Oh, never mind," cried the host

ment, however, nobody seemed to see it, and now he is suspicious that some-

The late Joseph Medill, editor of the Chicago Tribune, besides being an indefatigable editor, had a decided vein During the last years of his life, as his strength permitted, he watched over his paper as zealously as in his younger days, and it was his custom to scan the columns of certain favorite

room for all of them, even when columns of live editorial matter had been to make room for them. One night he went up to the room of

"Mr. Ransom," he said to that offi-

The whites of raw eggs are very nourishing. A good way to prepare the drink, according to one who knows, is to break the white into a jar with what milk is desired and shake the two thoroughly together. A pinch of sait should be added. An English specialist recommends to adult patients suf-fering from anomic condition the daily ption of eight or ten egg whites. They can be taken clear and with ease if the eggs are kept very cold, broken into a cold glass and used at once. Another excellent drink is made by beating the white of an egg to a froth and adding a tablespoonful of rich cream and a spoonful of brandy. This

Mandy-An' if it is are yew goin' tew quander good money on spectacles? Farmer Skinflint-No; I'm goin' tew

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James McCormick, an old Chatham boy who has been travelling in the Western American cities, is visiting at his home here.

Mrs. N. H. Stevens has returned rom Manitowoc, Wis., where she has been with Douglas, who is ill with typhoid fever in the hospital there Douglas is getting along splendidly.

Master Douglas Milner, while playng in his father's carriage factory tained no serious injuries.

Dr. W. W. Thornton, of Dresden. spent yesterday in the city the guest of his brother, Dr. A. W. Thornton. He reports that the sugar factory is running full blast with beets enough on hand to keep them run-ning until the end of February. Dresden, he says, is booming.

The coal famine in Chatham is getting more acute daily. J. L. Scott and J. J. Couzens are sold out. Mr. Scott has a few tons that belong to Mr. Somerville, the confectioner, otherwise his bins would be empty. Scott has even sold the two bushels of coal which he had in the window as samples. Mr. Gilbert was lucky enough to get three cars of coal this morning, but at the rate it is going, the three cars will not last long.

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The Chatham Gua Club will hold

Christmas gifts. See them at Thibo-dean & Jacques. Boys, tell Santa Claus to bring you a tool chest. He can get then at Westman Bros.

Mrs. Kalmeyn and daughter are visiting Mrs. Kalmeyn's father, Patrick Keenan, Jeffrey St.

A pretty box given with each Tie or Muffler sold from now until Christmas. The 2 T's. David Harum will be the bill at

the Grand to-night. Prices 10, 20 and 30 cents. New specialties. Mrs. L. Galbraith, who has been visiting Mrs. A. L. Savage, Rich-mond street, returned to-day to her home at McKay's Corners.

If you want to buy a high grade piano or organ at a reasonable price and on your own terms, call on Jas. Brackin, Scane's Block, King street James Jackson, with an eighteen sentence, and Chas. Rogers, with a five months' sentence, were removed to the Central Prison last

Judge Bell, Judge Woods, Crown Attorney Smith, Sheriff Gemmill, Warden Rankin, Mayor Sulman and J. C. Fleming met this morning and selected the Grand and Petit Jurors

R. M. Paxton to-day announce that he is again a candidate for school trustee in Ward No. 2 for the year 1903. Mr. Paxton has proved a good and capable representative and he has always been a useful and efficient member of the School Board.

HAD NO GOOD CLOTHES

Because he didn't have any clothes except what he wore, because he couldn't read or write, were sufficient reasons for Alex. Baxter to attempt suicide in Wallaceburg. At least that is the reason he assigned to Judge Bell when arraigned yesterday.

Baxter pleaded guilty to the charge of attempting suicide and was re-manded till Saturday for sentence. In addition to the other reasons the man said he had been drinking and he didn't "suppose it made any difference anyway."

AFTERNOON BLAZE

What might have proved to be serious fire occurred in the rear of E. J. MacIntyre's jewellry store this ful boxes at Thibodeau & Jacques.

T. L. Borrowman, of Wyoming, Ont., was in the city yesterday. He purchased a large quantity of raw furs from Nelson Stringer.

L. Santally less yewelly state that two o'clock. The young clerk was engaged in making some repairs and was running a small emery wheel when some of the sparks set fire to some wrapping paper. The flames flew up instantly and spread to the walls. The doors were all closed until the firemen arrived so that the flames did not gain much headway before they were extinguished. No damage was done to the stock.

OBJECTS TO RESTRICTION

The sale of the Idlewild hotel busi ness to Martin Carlyle is likely to fall yesterday afternoon, fell down the ele- through. When a former owner was vator shaft from the second floor. in possession he made a five-year DOLLS AND TOYS The young lad was badly shaken up contract with the Carling Brewery to and bruised about the face, but sus- use their liquor. William O'Mara, of all kinds. when he purchased the business, bought the Carling contract, toc. Now, Mr. Carlyle wants to purchase the business, but he doesn't want that Carling lien on his purchasing powers. Mr. Carlyle says that he wants to buy his liquor where he pleases, or else he doesn't want the business.

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OR SALE-Double barreled breech loading Shotgun, 12 guage, English nake, case, cleaning rod, etc. A. C. McKay, Planet Office.

ANOTHER WELL

It is currently reported on the street to-day that oil has been struck in paying quantities on the Broadbent place, 1,500 feet from the Gurd Gusher. The well is reported to have been struck this morning. It was put down by Jos. Armstrong who has been expecting to make who has been expecting to make a find. Mr. Corey, on the Walker place, south half of lot 20, 12th concession has found gas in large quantities. J. J. Johns, of the Cali-fornia Oil Company, has struck gas on the 13th concession.

ELECTION CARDS

TO THE ELECTORS OF WARD NO.

Ladies and Gentlemen: I am again a candidate for school trustee in Ward No. 2 and respect fully solicit your vote and influence R. M. PAXTON.

TO THE ELECTORS OF WARD NO.

Ladies and Gentlemen: I am a candidate for Alderman for 1903, and if elected, I will continue to take the same active interest in the welfare of our Maple City as I have

done during the past.
Wishing you the compliments of the season, soliciting your vote and influence; faithfully yours,

G. G. TAYLOR.

Thibodeau & Jacques have just re-ceived their calendars for distribution to their patrons. The illustra-tion is an interior view of their upto-date store, mounted on embossed bristol board in green and gold. In order to insure proper distribution they will only be given to adults.

Miss Nettie Leek entertained umber of friends last evening.

******** Kenny's

Book . . . Offerings

For this week Glengarry School Days

Temporal Power Sir Richard Calmady

Malet Donovan Pasah Porker

Wanted A Chaperon Ford And all the leading books of the year.

FANCY GOODS

Including ladies' dressing cases, travelling cases, beautiful mani-

SLEIGHS at all prices.

LEATHER GOODS of all kinds.

CALANDARS

Beautiful and Artistic in design.

variety.

and anything for Xmas presents for all, great

Fine Stationery a Specialty

W. J. KENNY King St. East Tel. 225 *********

OVERCOAT ELEGANCE

Need not be overcoat extravagance, for no matter at what price you buy a coat of us it will be made up in the latest st, le, every detail is entrusted to competent Cloth and and careful workmen. The way a coat is put together has just as much to do with the elegance of its appear. Hat Brushes in ance as the fabric of which it is composed. That is why our overcoats at whatever price have a distinctive Ebony and air about them that ordinary coats do not possess.

We have some Overcoats as low as \$5.00 and \$6.00 but we can show you a good line of durable coats, well made and lined, good and warm, with velvet collars, at

\$10.00 and \$12.00

You are sure of the fabrics and workmanship if you buy of us.

KING STREET, CHATHAM,

Sole Agents fot the Saskatchewan Coats, Robes and Gauntlets.

ASPHYXIATION.

Mrs. Andrew Northwood Has a Very Narrow Escape at Her Home in Windsor.

Windsor, Ont., Dec. 16.-Carele ness in putting a kettle on the coal stove nearly caused Mrs. Andrew Northwood her own life and that of

Northwood her own life and that of her son, Allen, 16 years old, last night. A headache and a cup of tea were at the bottom of the trouble.

Mrs. Northwood prepared a cup of tea for herself shortly before retiring in the hope of obtaining relief from a headache, and in putting the kettle back on the stove she left an opening which allowed the noxious fumes to which allowed the noxious fumes to escape. The two retired, thinking that everything was all right.

Some time during the night she felt

a sensation as thought she was being strangled. She called to her son, who was sleeping in an adjoining room with a view of sending him for doctor. Allen arose, feeling similar her room. She went to his assistance and quickly determined the cause of his trouble. A window was opened and the boy soon revived. Mrs. Northwood was confined to he home at 22 Chatham street all day to-day suffering from the after-ef-fects of the experience. Allen was able to be around, none the worse for it.

Mrs. Northwood is the widow the late Andrew Northwood, of this city, and formerly lived here.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Sons of Scotland held a wel attended meeting last night, when

for the coming year: Chief-Wm. Anderson. Chieftain-W. Coltant. Chaplin-R. Riddell. Secretary-J. Turner. Financial Secretary—W. Rannie. Treasurer—H. Macaulay. Marshall-Geo. Smith. Standard Bearer-Dr. Russell. Sr. Guard—W. McDougall. Jr. Guard—J. Bennett. Physician—Dr. J. W. Rutherford.

Santa Claus will find the best assortment of carvers sets, bread knives and silver tea knives at Westman

HELPFUL

Now comes the perplexing time just what to buy for so-and-so. We flatter ourselves that we have anticipated your wants so clearly that you will have no trouble in selecting after seeing our stock.

Military Hair, Cloth and Hat Brushes in Ebony and Rosewood

Toilet Cases

With Sterling Silver Mountings, in Ebony, Rosewood, Satinwood and Quartered Oak.

English

Bevel Plate Mirrors..... Shaving Sets, Gentlemen's Cases, Chatleains, Ladies' Purses....

Our Perfumes

in bulk and cased good, contain all the leading makers, among & Gallet, Pinaud, Piver, Gelle, Freres, Lubin, Coudray, Marchal, Plassard, Colgate, Eastman, Seely, Stearns, &c.

Manicure Sets.

Military Hair, Rosewood

Our time is at your disposal. Call and see what we have at the

DRUC

Cor. King and Fifth Street, CHATHAM,

C. H. GUNN & CO.

Our....

Although very busy with ou Xmas fruit we are making every effort to supply the demand for our 40c coffee. This demand has increased to a wonderful extent on account of the number of afternoon parties, and we are are safe in saying that we have supplied two out of every three of them

with our coffee. What we would say to the ladies coffee to just take notice to the specially fine cup of coffee you get and we will almost bet that it came from Young's.

Because they always have the best there.

Geo. A. Young, PIECE LINENS-

OUR GROCER Phone 151.



noveltymost of them don't; we make it a point to carry a much greater varietyof widths

Quite a

and styles and sizes that can be found in most stores. Consequently, we are sure of being able to fit perfectly any child's foot; besides having special shoes for children who "toe in" or have weak ankles or flat feet Also shoes built on a foundation that keep the feet warm and dry. If you investigate you'll find prices are no higher than are asked elsewhere for poorer shoes-and less

kinds to choose from. Rubbers, Plain or warm wool lined to fit all the different shaped shoes.

all the leading makers, among them we might mention Roger Geo. W. Cowan

WANTED 50 to 125 acres to rent on shares or ash rental. Have all necessary im-

plements, stock, etc.

FOR SALE 200 acres in Tilbury East, house, barns, stables and other buildings, well fenced, drained, etc.

CITY PROPERTY FOR SALE DUNN & MERRITT, 1st Door from King St

:: FEED ::

Bring your grain to the North Chatham Feed Mill. We have the latest improved machinery for chopping and cutting corn and other grains for

D. McKerrall

Up-To-Date Dress-Making C. AUSTIN & CO. | Chatham's Greatest Store

DRESS GOODS Suggestions

A pretty silk waist or a nice dress length will make a most acceptable Xmas present. We have some very special offerings in these lines—something that will save you money.

BLACK PEAU DE SOIE-

Bonnet's celebrated black peau de soie, 21 inches wide, every yard guar-anteed, our regular \$1.25 line, at \$1.00. FANCY SILKS-

In waist lengths, no two alike, pretty lace and ribbon designs and new figured effects, at \$3.00, \$4.00, \$5.00 and \$6.00 each.

TAFFETA SILKSattending these afternoons and that are not already using our

NEW CANVAS CLOTHS-And Bengelines, pretty materials for little folk, all the popular shades, at 25c yard.

NEW CHEVIOTTS-

Frieze, Serge and Covert Cloth, 3 to 6 yards in 'each, at each \$1.00

You can find almost anything you want in fancy piece linens at linen counter. Here are a few items

12x12 inch at each Handworked Sideboard Scarfs, Tray 24x24 inch at each

able Xmas gifts, each

FANCY RUNNERS-

Cloths and Centre Pieces to match, two designs to choose from, made of plain linen, beautifully finished, with fancy open work. 32x32 inch at each FANCY TOWELS-Scarfs, 18x63 inches, at each \$2.25 Fancy Birdseye Damask Towels, knotted fringed ends, blue, salmon, green and plain colored borders, suit-

Tray Cloths, 18x27 inches, at each Centre Pieces, 24x24 inches, at each

LUNCH CLOTHS-Made of extra fine bleached linen, with plain or fancy open work centres, and heavy embroidered. Size 32x32 inch, each

Size 36x36 inch, each Size 36x36 inch, each \$4.25 PLAIN PIECE LINENS-

10x10 inch at each

Plain hemstitched Doylies and Cen-7x7 inch, at each

Better values, handsomer patterns, 10c. and napkins.

A very choice lot of fancy linen run-

ners, hemstitched or fringed ends, or fringed all round, fancy open work or Damask Centres, at each 45c, 50c, 60c,

Special values in pattern cloths and

napkins to match, 67x84 inch pattern table cloth, pure Irish linen, fulk

bleached, handsome design, bright sat-

Napkins to match, 20x20 size, per

PATTERN TABLE CLOTH-

NO TROUBLE TO SHOW GOODS.

SHORT TALK ABOUT FURS

Our first consideration is in having only Reliable Furs, and as a safeguard to for those who buy we guarantee our fur qualities to be reliable and exactly as represented, or money refunded.

Ladies Norway Sable Ruffs, 36 inches long, trimmed with 6 tails,

Ladies, Muffs, 6 only black fur muffs, well lined and nicely trimmed, Price \$1.50 Ladies' Norway Sable Ruff, 30 inches ong, trimmed with four large tails,

Price \$6.50

Ladies' Astrachan Caperines, large storm collar, good curl, trimmed with tails and satin lined Prices \$6.00, 6.50 and 7.50 Ladies' silver fox Ruff and Muff to

match, 42 inches long trimmed with head and tail Price \$10.00 for Set

Ladies' Alaska Sable Storm Collar wit ong tabs 25 inches long, trimmed with

Price \$35.60

Ladies' Sable Ruff, 34 inches long,

trimmed with 8 tails

Children's grey lamb Collar, small curl, a light and dark fur

Price \$6.00 and 8.50 Ladies' and children's fur Gauntlets in rey lamb and astrachan.

Children's white wool Ruffs, 36, 45 and

Price 25c, 40c and 50c CHRISTMAS WEARABLES IEN'S AND BOYS'

Stylish Suits There is a refined air of gentility about here men's ready-to wear Suits that are these men's ready-to-wear Suits that are made of fine pure worsteds, tweeds, serges, etc. in the most approved styles. New colorings and artistic workmanship. Our regular lines at \$12.00 to \$13.50. December Suit sale price your shelps at

New Lot of Overcoats For the Holiday Trade Just passed into stock this week, the season's most popular coat, 50 inch Raglauette. Full range sizes, nice Oxford grey Cheviot, full and roomy. Austin made at \$12-00, very special values at \$5.00 to \$10.00

Boys' Overcoats, Suits and Reefers New Lines in This Week.

New Lines in This Week.

Boys' long Raplanette Overcoats, dark Oxfords, full range sizes for ages 6 to 16 years at ... \$2.50 to \$6.50

Boys' Swell Russian Overcoat with detachable capot, swell leather belt very nobby for ages 5 to 9 years, at ... \$6.00

Boys' Dress and Storm Reefers, heavy frieze and chincills, for ages 4 to 16 years, big collar, tweed lining, \$1.50 to \$3.50

Boys' serviceable Tweed Suits, neat patterds, dark effects, single and double breasted, 2 pc., ages 5 to 13, ... \$1.98 to \$3.50

Boys' 3 pc. blue worsted serge Suits,

Boys' 3 pc. blue worsted serge Suita, single and double breasted styles, handsome qualities for ages 9 to 16, \$5.00 and \$6.50

Holiday Neckwear

A very tasteful collection of Men s Neck-wear, all the new colorings and shapes are now ready. Bows, Strings, Puffs, Four-in-hand, Flowing Ends, . . . 25c, 50c, 75c. **Holiday Shirts** The kind you are sure to appreciate, effective colorings, novelty patterns, open back and front, separate cuffs. The latest fad of the season in all sizes, the satisfactory W. G. & R. qualities at . \$1.00 and \$1.25

Holiday Suspenders In Separate Boxes.

A Glove Bargain We just got a big snap of men's and boys' Gloves in Swede and kid, handsome fancy

stripe lining, worth \$1.50 of any man's mon ey, on sale at \$1.00, boys 50c Neckscarfs for Xmas Some very special values in gentlemen's Neckscarfs, all the stylish shapes in black and fancy colors from . 25c, 50c, to \$1.00

Holiday Handkerchiefs Holiday Jewelery Holiday Hats and Caps Holiday Gloves

This Store will be open every night next week up to Christmas.

C. Austin & Co.

Chatham Township.

Lots of bargains still left at Ding nan's bankrupt saie. Goods at hall

The market of the world has been

searched for Christmas novelties, and the result of month's of buying are now on sale at Sunman's Beehive.

Frank Mulvey, brother of Owen Mulvey, conductor on the C. P. R. between London and Windsor, died

Before buying your China call at Snell's Fair and examine their stock. They have a complete line of Japanese and German goods at cor-rect prices. No trouble to show goods. Call early if you want a bar-

The local degree team of the K. O

T. M. went to Blenheim on "Monday

night and put on the work for the Blenheim lodge. Eleven candidates were initiated. About 40 members

went from here. A banquet was giv

pleasant time was spent.

passage for ten days.

be served.

en to them after the initiation, and a

The West Shore Railroad announce

a \$10.00 excursion from Suspension Bridge and Buffalo to Boston and

New England on Tuesday, December

23rd; the tickets to be god for return

The Companions of the Foresters

Maple Leaf Lodge, No. 521, will give an At Home at the residence of Mr

Poile, Barthe street, on Thursday evening next. All are invited. Ad-

mission 10 cents. Refreshments will

F. A. Robert has a full line of Im

orted and Domestic Liquors for the

Xmas trade. A trial will convince you that our goods are right, and

rices to suit your pocket-book. 2

Ben. Blonde has returned from superintending the laying out the

foundation of the new frame school house which the Blonde Co. are about

to erect between Maidstone and Essex. The site of the school is in

the woods on ground never cultivated. The cost will be about \$900.

Fine Mellow and Old Whiskies

noice Port Wines, Dry and Nutty

Sherries, fine Pale Brandies, imported

St., opposite Central Drug Store. 2

direct in bond, at F. A. Robert's, King

S. B. Arnold calls attention to the

disgraceful condition of some of the

city walks owing to the snow not being cleaned, Mr. Arnold stated that

the city wouldn't allow people to ride bicycles on the walks, but they did

allow-what was infinitely worse

Frank Mulvey, the C. P. R. conduc

ing from the top of a car at Ingersol

night. Mr. Mulvey was standing on a car when it was derailed, throwing

him to the ground. His arm was

badly mangled and had to be ampu-

tated, and he also received internal

Although the weather was unfavor-

able a large number attended the meeting of Park St. Epworth League

tal solo, and Misses Anquitel

strumental duett.

Adams (pupils of Miss Peate) an in-

To Rent !- A brick house and stable

in good repair, and 12 acres of land; all kinds of large and small fruits; oc-

cupation given on January 1st; prem-

ises situated a mile and a half from

Chatham, on River Thames; suitable for gentleman's residence, or for mar-

ket gardener, Rent \$150 per yar and taxes \$8. Apply to Sam Holmes.

"The authorities should take some action to stop the youngsters from snow-balling the girls coming from

he High school," said a parent to

ungsters wait for the girls every

ay at noon and four o'clock with the

ard snow-balls. One little girl got black eye from one and my girl suf-

fered from a severe headache all yes-terday afternoon from the effects of

The Planet this morning.

being hit by a snow-ball,"

icy and snow-covered walks.

injuries.

Christmas Holly AND Wreathing

We have in stock now a supply of fine evergreen wreathing and extra good holly, and would like to have your order. You need not have it sent home at once if you do not wish it, but it is well to have it or-

dered as supply is limited. Last Christmas we could not fill more than half the orders we received, and while we were sorry to disappoint anyone, still when the supply is gone that's the end of it.

EVERGREEN WREATHING,

FINE HOLLY.

20c a lb. HOLLY WREATHS,

25c and 35c each.

H. MALCOLMSON

HAVE - YOU - SEEN - MY - LINE - OF

Secret - Lockets -AND-Stick Pins

The most beautiful designs ever

Cuff Links

Plain fancy and beaded.

Diamond Opal Turqoise Pearl.

And other settings. These in a dainty box make a beautiful pres-

Belt Pins

Also the most beautiful Ever shown in Chatham

E. J. MacIntyre Leading Jeweler and Optician,

many goods this season.

Hair and Cloth Brushes.

********* DR. A W. THORNTON

a Removed to his New Offi Corner King and Fifth Stree over A. I. McCall's Drug Store. TELEPHONE OFFICE 164.

TO-NIGHT.

Prayer meeting, city churches, at

Court Hope, No. 6244, A. O. F., Odd fellows' Temple, at 8.

the Grand Opera House, 8.15, "David

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Local Briefs

Miss Rhue left last night for Cleve

H. Malcolmson is paying the highest cash price for Dressed Chickens. 3

George Lewis, of Merlin, spent yes-

Fine Old Irish and Scotch Whiskies

at F. A. Robert's. Give us a call. 2

The Planet noiseless rulers pro-duce quietness in the school room

Books, fancy goods and toys at half price at Bingman's bankrupt

Miss Robertson returned yesterday

from Detroit and other western

Highest cash price paid for Dressed Chickens. H. Malcolmson, Grocer. 3

McKeough & Trotter have sold a large boiler to James Cornhill, for

Miss Susie A. McQueen, nurse,

Toledo, is attending her sister, Mrs

John Piggott, Sr., President of the

Board of Trade, is confined to his

Call on F. A. Robert for your Xman

and New Year Whiskies. A trial will

Jesse D. Rubble and Capt. Asa Rib

ble, two of Dresden's prominent citi

Don't forget McKay, corner

The firemen were called out last

night about seven o'clock to a burn

ing chimney on the residence of Mr. Smith, Brock street. No damage was

It is reported that C. W. Rekowski

of the Dresden beet sugar factory

has resigned his position, and will next year work for the Wallaceburg

"Why is not the by-law concerning

"The sidewalks are

the cleaning of sidewalks enforced, asks a ratepayer. "The sidewalks are

in a bad state and the law should be enforced,"

M. Wilson, K. C., has returned from

he Sarnia assizes, where he was act-

ng for the plaintiff in Loosemore vs.

oftigage be declared the property

Either of these make

a sensible and serviceable gift.

Moore. This was the only case before

zens, spent yesterday in the city.

use at his brick-vard.

Wm. Neff, who is ill.

convince you.

est in the city.

terday with his Chatham friends.

Castle Square Stock Company

ton, 25c. to \$3.00. prons-all sizes, 45c. to \$1.25. Mitts-15c. to 25c. Bootees and Hose-15c. to 25c. Toys, Books and Dolls.

XMAS GIFTS FOR BABY

Bonnets-Silk, Wool and Angora

25c. to \$2.00. Handmade Wool Jackets, 30c. to

\$1.25.

Coats, \$2.00 to \$3.50. Dresses—Silks, Cashmo

WELDON'S,

***** Chatham's Millinery Store!

FOR THE CHRISTMAS TRADE A large assortment of CHILDREN'S - BONNETS

in wool, velvet and felt. PRICES : 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c, \$1 and \$1.35

COOKSLEY'S

KING ST. Opposite the Market Square, ****

Mrs. John Glasco, Taylor Ave., Fred Shearer, of Windsor, was

he city yesterday. Miss Ella Doyle, Detroit, is visiting her mother, Taylor Ave. N. Marcees, of Bothwell, was

tor in the city yesterday. Mrs. Capt. A. J. McDonald visitor in the city yesterday. C. A. Ryall, of Leamington,

visitor in the city yesterday. L. Smith, of Bothwell, spent yester day with his Chatham friends. John Turner, Richmond street, spending the day in Wallaceburg.

Gold stamping can be done at The Planet Office while you wait for it Thomas Stewart, of Wallaceburg, as a visitor in the city yesterday D. A. Gordon, of Wallaceburg, visit ed his many Chatham friends yeste Queen and Richmond streets, for Christmas Candies, purest and cheap-

William Patterson, of Windsor, was registered at the Garner House ves-

J. H. Morley, of Toronto, arrived in the city to-day and will visit his brother, W. N. Morley. D. A. Graham, of Glencoe, represent

ing the Frost & Wood Co., is spending couple of days in town. Now is the time to use J. W. M. Laren's cosmetic balm. It is splendid for chapped hands or rough skin

innocent but effectual. The Lady's Solid Gold Watch, either Waltham or Elgin movements. VonGunten Bros. are selling at \$14.75

is a wonder. See it! O. E. Wilson, of Toronto, is spending a few days in town. Mr. Wilson was at one time connected with

Mr. Justice Meredith at the Sarnia assizes. It was an action to make the the T. H. Taylor Co. defendants account for a mortgage which he took as agent for plaintiff, in his own name. It was also asked that ten Bros, to tell you exactly what they What would be nicer for a Christcould offer you in goods suitable for Xmas presents, as their store is actuthe plaintiff. Judgment for plain-

ally piled up with such goods. tf The parents and friends of Mchalf past two o'clock on Thursday

afternoon, the 18th inst. Judgment was given on Saturday in the Division Court case of W. E. Ris-pin vs. Thomas Broadwood, This case was tried at the last sitting of the Division Court. W. E. Rispin ordered plums from Broadwood, a marke gardener, for a man in Owen Sound as to arrive on Friday, and in consequence spoiled. Judgment was given into the for plaintiff for \$16.55 and costs.

TAFFIES



have lots of nuts in them, and are a delicious flavor, 15, 20, and 25c a lb

OUR SPECIAL ASSORTMENT OUR SPECIAL and fine cresm 25c a lb. FINE CREAM CANDY, 15c a lb.

JELLY CHOCOLATES, CREAM FILLED CHOCOLATES

15c and 25c a lb. Quite a number of our pretty boxes have been sold already. Come and examine them while the assortment is good. If you do not want them now, we will put them aside and send them when you wish from

H. MALCOLMSON

John Smith shipped a car of sheer east to-day. Peanut, Marrowbone and Butter

cotch, 10c. lb., at Wigzell's New Stand. Smith brothers, up the Creek, lost 112 sheep through hog chdera on

Choice Wines and Liquors at F. A Robert's. Large stock of Old Whis-

kies and Brandies at reasonable pri-ces during holidays. 1d1w J. L. Wilson & Son, architects, are preparing plans for a new residence for Mr. Hopper, of Wabash.

F. A. Robert's is the place to your Xmas and New Year's Whiskies. Large assortment! Right prices! 2. "I noticed an interview in The Plan-et the other day," said a Chathamite this morning, "recommending the flooding of Tecumseh Park for a rink

This is a good idea and the scheme should be pushed." Sulman's Beehive is full of beautiful toys and Christmas presents. Buy these and secure new, bright and desirable goods.

The Ladies Aid of the William St. Baptist church will have a sale of home-made baking in Brisco's store, Opera House Block, Saturday, Dec. What would be nicer for a Christ-

What would be nicer for a Christ-mas present than a duplicate whist Mr. Cobbledick gave an interesting For sale at The Planet Oftalk, F. Knott rendered an instrumenfice. J. L. Wilson & Son are getting out plans for two new store fronts on King street for Kenneth Urquhart.

They are also preparing plans for 'a It would be impossible for VonGun-Patrick St. mas present than a duplicate whist set? For sale at The Planet Of-

td The funeral of the late John J. Doyle took place this morning from Keough school are very condially in-vited to the Christmas closing given by the children of the kindergarten eigh, to St. Joseph's church. There were over 75 rigs in the funeral

procession. Visit Saell's Fair for books. We have the best assortment for children to be found in the city. For adults we have a fine range of Bibles, as well as other books suited to every

taste. John J. Donovun, 6th concer The plums were to be shipped for Eat-urday sale. They were perishable all of his farm stock and implements. goods and were shipped from here so McCoig & Harrington are the aucas to arrive on Friday, and in conse-quence spoiled. Judgment was given into the city, where he will start up in the hog business.

The Gordon Store

CHRISTMAS COMEO NCE MORE.

Oh! Christmas tree, old Christmas tree, The Gordon Store can furnish thee To hang on every bough a prize, To gladden hearts and brighten eyes.

Why Santa Claus, it is his task! He works and works from year to year White Gordon helps his Christmas cheer

We want to put you on the track of good s nsible Christmas shopping from our great values at a little cost.

Prices Always Right. Nothing

nicer for a present than our Sable

Boas, Collars, Caperines, Muffs, Gauntlets. Special lines for holiday trade. All kinds of Furs and Fur

Trimmings. Stone, Martin, Sable,

Mink, Thibet, etc., etc. Astraclian

Coats and Capes and Electric Seal

Jackets with fur-lined capes. Heads

loose, while Tails win-they lead in

COAT SALE!

The finest Kersey Black Curl and Frieze Ladies' Coats ever offered for the money, only \$3 98. The extra value means dollars saved for

other purchases. Monte Carlos and Collar-

A Corona Cloth Dress Pattern

A Cheviot Dress Pattern, ready

An Irish Frieze Dress Pattern

And scores of other Dress Goods

Bargains for Christmas Presents.

shrunk, dark or light, \$2.50.

neavy all wool goods, \$3.00

For Dishabille

50 inches wide, spot proof, only

Dress Goods.

Xmas Furs.

trimming this winter.

Kid Gloves.

brated Kid Gloves. Constance, in tans, white, 50c.

Clairmount, heavy pique sewn, \$1.00 value for 89c. Gordan's Joan, black, all colors, specialty \$1.00.

Daphne, Standard make, and colored, \$1.25. Mocha Kids, tans, greys, \$1.25. Undressed Kids, black and col ored, \$1.50.

Washable Kids, black, white and tans, \$2.00. Children's Kid Gloves, all sizes. Black Mocha Kid Mitts.

Blankets.

Our \$2.50 all wool are winners \$3.50 and \$4.50 Blankets stun

White and Colored Bed Spreads and Comforters from 90c up. New Fleeced Blankets, 75c pr.

Table Wear.

Damask Table Cloths from \$1.00 to \$10.00 Napkins from 6oc. to \$6.00 per

dozen. Doylies, Tray Cloths, Centre pieces, Side-board Drapes, \$tand Covers. Table Damasks, cream, white

red and green, from 25c. up to \$1.60 per yard.

You Win a Prize. By a Dollar Subscription for the

STANDARD FASHION DESIGNER, the greatest value with Christmas Cantatas, Recitations, Receipts, &c., get December now-overflowing with worth. 10c. each

Dressing Sacques from 50c. up. Kimonoas, Wrappers and Night Robes from 50c. up. All kinds of White Wear

Gordon's Bargains

will help you this Coal Snap.—See?

Pocket H'dkerc'fs.

A special line fine embroidered Handkerchiefs 15c up to 30c values 10c and 12 1/2 c. Fine lace trimmed and embroidered, 15c.

Pure linen Handkerchiete, lace and insertion trim, 19c. All linen hemstitched ladies' Handkerchiefs, 150, 200 to 350. Mourning Handkerchiefs, fast colors, 5c, 1oc, 121c, 2oc. Ladies initialed linen Handker-

chiefs, 16c, 25c. Men's initialed silk, 25c, 5oc, 72c. Men's hemstitched, 15c or 2 for

Ladies' fancy Handkerchiefs up 0 75c, \$1.00 and 1.35. Lawn colored borders and Turkey red, 1c, 3c, 5c.

Apron Goods

Embroidered and tucked lawns? 6c, 20c, 25c. Victoria Lawns and Linens roc

Swiss Muslin Nainsook Organdy, everything for party Dresses, Emproideries, Laces and Insertions.

Knitted Woolens

New, Stylish, Comfortable. Ladies Waistcoats, Golf Coats, Fas-inators, Shoulder shawls, scarfs, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00 up. Hoods, Toques and Mitts.

Bables Wools Boots, Mittens, Leggings. Hose, white wool Overalls, Underwear, Hoods and Bonnets. Carriage Robes.

Notions Pocket Books, 10c, 15c, 25c, up.

Chatelaines 75c to \$1.50. Side Combs and Back Combs 10c up.

Circular Combs of all kinds. Mon's Wear All sorts and sizes in Underwear

from 25c to \$3 oo each.
All sorts and sizes in Socks, roc All sorts, sizes and qualities in Mitts Scarfs, Ties, Collars, Comforters, Etc.

50 dozen fine Damask Towels, regular value 50c, special for Christmas 25c each.

William Gordon.

THIBODEAU & JACQUES.

To make your choice of Christmas Gifts if you consult our salespeople. Nothing has been left undone to make your Christmas purchases satisfactory. We show a large range of useful articles suitable for MEN, WOMEN and CHILDREN, too varied to enumerate here.

OUR RANGE OF

\$2.50, \$3 and \$3.50, Steel Rod, Boxwood, Pearl and Horn, 20th Century Runners, Silver Mounted Handles, Taffeta Silk Covers, guaranteed to wear.

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Notice is hereby given, pursuant to-"The Revised Statutes of Ontario," 1897, chapter 129, that all creditors-and others having claims against the estate of the said Elizabeth Wigzell, who died on or about the styteenth. who died on or about the sixteenth day of October, 1902, are required on or before the twenty-fourth day of December, 1902, to send by post prepaid or deliver to Messrs, Lewis & Richards, of the city of Chatham, Solicitors for William R. Hall, M. D., and Thermas W. Small and the city of the city of the control of the city of th

Solicitors for William R. Hall, M. D., and Thomas W. Smythe, the executors of the said deceased, their Christian and surnames, addresses, and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, the statements of their accounts, and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them.

And further take notice that after the said last mentioned date, the said executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have notice, and that the said executors will not be liable for the said assets to any person or persons of whose claims notice shall not have been received by them at the time of the said distribution.

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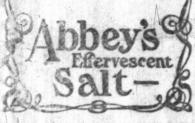
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DRAWN OVER THE NECK. the long flap of skin intact. Make short cut at the lower end of the reastbone; insert two fingers and osen all the organs in the body cav-Firmly grasp the largest-the zard-and steadily pull outward. If his is properly done, all will be drawn out, leaving only the large intestine ast to the body.

Cut through the skin all round the ent and the intestine is completely letached without trouble. With the ngers remove the lungs and take out the kidneys. Now examine carefully. f the body cavity is empty, wipe it ut with a cloth wrung out of cold vater. Thoroughly wipe the skin with he cloth. Detach the liver from the ntestines, carefully cutting out the Cut open the heart and remove clotted blood which it may conain. Cut off the gizzard, slit and turn hack the iridescent membrane at either side and cut out the solid pieces of

meat lying beneath. Discard every-Fill the cavity with stuffing, but do ot pack it too solidly. Have ready a ong trussing needle; it should be at east twelve inches in length, threaded with a yard or more of strong but comaratively fine twine. Close the body eavity with two or three stitches. Put spoonful or two of stuffing over the breast, turn the neck flap over the back; turn the wings back and under so that the tips cross over the flap. If the latter is too short to allow of this,

it must be fastened by a stitch. Run he needle completely through the econd joint of the wing and coming out at the same point on the other side. Returning, take the same course, exept that the needle should pass over he wing bones. Draw the twine taut nd tie firmly. Cut the twine a couple

of inches below the knot. Press the legs upward against the body; run the needle through the fowl, entering and coming out below the bone of the thigh; on the return stitch pass above these bones. Draw and tie as in the preceding stitch. Pass the needle through the ends of the legs; returning, go through the tail; tie down firmly. If this is properly done, the three knots are all on the same side of the fowl, and it has been fastened in such a way that the breast is well thrown up and each joint is in the best position for carving. After roasting the strings are cut on the side opposite the knots and the hanging ends make it but an instant's work to pull them

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Norway Fishermen. Norwegians do not favor whale hunting because they believe that whales drive the fish shoreward.

Torptd Livers. A prominent physician says that half the cases of nervous prostration, dyspepsia and insomnia that come to him for treatment are to be directly traced to an inactive liver.

Written by a Woman. The one poem most often translated into every language of the civilized and uncivilized world was written by a woman-the "Ode to Aphrodite," by Sappho. Shakespeare's works have borne the test of but three centuries; Sappho's have stood through twentyfive centuries.

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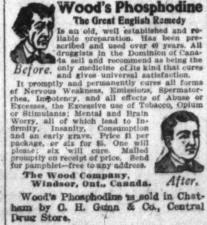
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BRAINS AND POLITICS.

'Coming down to the common race men, we assert that brains, by res, are a positive disadva age to a political aspirant. In the first place clever men are more prone to miscalculate their chances than their less imaginative compeers. To drop into stock exchange slang, they will not take small profits, but always gamble for big stakes, and so they must often lose. Sixteen years ago Sir John Gorst refused the Solicitor-Generalship with the certainty of a judgeship; a few years later he refused the post of Governor of the Cape and fligh Commissioner of South Africa. These are profits which in life's speculation most men would take thankfully; but our man of talent had something bigger in his gead; and now it has dwindled down to the Isle of Man, which is, of course, angrily rejected. Then in the second place, men of brains can-not easily acquire the habit of subordinating their judgment to that of their official chiefs. Nothing is more unpleasant, or injurious to one's selfrespect, than the compulsion of speaking or voting for something which one is clever enough to know to be nonsensical or mischievous And yet unquestioning obedience to superiors is the first duty of the aspirant for, as Swift observed, "climbing and creeping are performed in the Same attitude." The reason why brilliant men like Mr. Labouchere and | Mr. Gibson Bowles, who combine wit and industry and courage, never get office is that they will not take their orders from other peo-

e, and that they prefer the luxury of thinking and speaking freely to that of sitting on the front bench. It astonishing how intolerant party aders are of anything like indeper dence or originality in their assoc iates, and how fond they are of sup-ple mediocritics and cheerful drudges. Childres and Mr. Dodson were the colleagues whom Mr. Gladstone loved, and Sir William Harcourt and Mr. Lowe those whom he distrusted and disliked. Lord Beaconsfield indeed was indulgent to rebels, but that was because he had such a per ect contempt for his own party. Balfour and Mr. Chamberlain are like all the rest; they do not love the criticism of their friends a whit bet-

ter than their predecessors, and they snuff up the incense of blind and dumb, worshippers quite as greedily. "Flattery's the food of fools, they say, But now and then your men of wit Will condescend to take a bit.

We often hear it said that these clever men have failed because they are "disloyal," and this is much harped upon. But in this respect a man is what the world makes him The "spretae injuria formae" is apt somewhat bitter, and how car a man be loval to chiefs who do not conceal their distrust of his brillian cy, and who grudgingly allow him to do the merest routine? It is not dif ficult to understand why so many clever men fail in politics; but the understanding of the reason does not make the fact less pathetic. The wear which we should recommend to who are setting out on their journey across the plain of politics is a material soft to the touch, impervious to weather, and of so sober a pattern as to escape attention .- Lon-

Saturday Review.

Identification by Finger Print. The value of finger prints as mean of identification was recently called in question in a London court. It was ascertained that an erroneous print had been forwarded in the case of a particular prisoner, and charge of inaccuracy therefore fell to the ground. Mr. Francis Galton and Dr. Bertillon have elaborated this system to a high degree of accuracy, and taken in conjunction with cer tain physical measurements it may be regarded as unique in its power of settling identities. The Chinese ages ago adopted a similar system. They were apparently aware of the that no two persons have the skin lines at the ends of the fingers developed in precisely the same way. The system which is in use in English police practice, has had a long and extensive trial in France. It is now employed in America and in several of our own colonies.-London

A Too Literal Translation A missionary lately returned from India complains of the slow progress made out there in converting the natives on account of the difficulty in explaining the teachings of Christianity so that the ignorant people will fully understand them. Some of the most beautiful passages in the Bible are destroyed by translation. He attempted once to have the hymn

anslated into the native dialect so that the natives might appreciate its beauty. The work was done by a young Hindoo Bible student. The next day he brought his translation to the missionary for approval, and his rendering as translated back in English read like this:

Very old stone, split for my benefit Let me absent myself under one of

Often Used Without Credit. A happy example of French wit was the reply of Voltaire, when, Having extolled Haller, he was told that he was very generous, since Haller had said the very contrary of him. haps both of us are mistaken," said doubt, however, if any French doubt, however, if any French mot or repartee ever surpassed in delicacy the reply made by an East Indian servant of Lord Dufferin, when he was Viceroy of India: "Well, what sort of sport has Lord —— had?" said Dufferin one day to his "shikarry," or sporting servant, who had attended a young English lord on a shooting excursion. "Oh!" replied shooting excursion. 'Oh!' replied the scrupulously polite Hindoo, 'the young Sahib shoot divinely, But God was very merciful to the birds.'

When, in history, did cold fad breakfasts ever nourish a race of straight shooters?

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Angus Hall, a forceful Iowa lawyer and congressman, afterward chief justice of Nebraska, was the father of Mrs. Shepherd. Her mother she lost when but three years of age. Her father named her Theodosia Burr because of admiration of the domestic heroine of the Revolution, whose filial devotion won the admiration of the whole country in spite of the unpatri-



otic career of her father. Judge Hall was a fond flower lover and led his daughter to study their nature and love them as he did. Her school education was received at Ruth Bryan's seminary in Batavia, N. Y. The dream of her girlhood was of a conservatory "all her own," and her frail health induced her to come after her marriage to California. Her husband found a home for them in Ventura, where her

dream has long been more than real-On the land purchased for her by her husband Mrs. Shepherd began the cultivation of flowers in a scientific way, gradually broadening out until she was exchanging California plants, seaweeds and curios with eastern and European florists in furtherance of her esire to add all the beautiful things obtainable to her groups of garden treasures. She was aided in her daily task by the ready help of her children, a son and three daughters. She soon established a good business and in a few years gained an bonorable name as a flower evolutionist of great ability. The honor of being the pioneer florist of south-

ern California belongs to her. Begonias are Mrs. Shepherd's favorite flowers, and twenty-one new creations of this beautiful plant now stand to her credit, some of them marvals of beauty and vigor, her Marjorie Daw ranking as a wonder in the floral world, while her new tree begonias, six to ten feet high, even the leaves of which seem to be illuminated with brilliant colors, command like admira-

Her work in the evolution of nasturtiums has resulted in the giant flowered Sunlight, the giant Moonlight and Caprice, bought by William Atlee Burpee, the great Philadelphia florist, who visited her place and made generous recognition of her work in his catalogue for 1900. She has also other marvels in nasturtiums. Her new creations in geraniums number twentyfour, in chrysanthemums twelve, in popples three, one of which cannot be described without seeming exaggeration.-Los Angeles Herald.

The Skin and Massage.

There is no reason whatever why a good skin should not be retained until well into middle age. The reason it is not is because few women realize the efficacy of arresting the natural process of decay by artificial means, or, rather, of counteracting the withering effect of our artificial living, in time. During youth all sorts of abuses may be indulged in with impunity. The natural health of youth defles them, but when this growing time is past and nature no onger supplies the body with multiple force there must be deterioration uness we take some measures ourselves to preserve the beauty of youth and to arrest the advance of age tokens. One of the best means possible for this, where the skin is concerned, is massage. This supplies the skin with the blood which in youth is supplied unconsciously, and it preserves the tis-sues and texture as long as it is employed. Such massage as this need be but little else than pressure, to call the blood to the surface of the skin and to keep it alive and active. With the tips of the fingers, at least once a day, every inch of the space on the face and neck should be gently but firmly pressed and kneaded, not so as to cause soreness, but so that the blood is called to the very surface and every mallest cell is flooded. It may be done in bathing the face, if no wash cloth be employed, by rubbing the soap into the skin with the finger tips and then rinsing all this off.

All Women Have Beauty. Every woman that exists has some point of beauty, possibly lying dor-mant, which can develop. It may be a cultivated intellect, an inspired soul, sweet nature, fine presence, lovely form or beautiful face, and somewhere on this great round globe somebody has recognized that fact or will. So it

we the good points, to ameliorate get that they have any bad ones. There is nothing so tarreaching as self forgetfulness, either where beauty

exists or does not exist. A famous statesman on being asked what he considered the greatest type of beauty in women replied, "The wo-man who is beautiful and does not know it and the homely woman who

ing makes you forget it." Life is too short to be constantly regretting the lack of some type of form or face we do not possess. The sighing for gray eyes when we have blue and longing for black tresses when ours are golden will only bring wrinkles and discontent, thereby making others unhappy. But there are ways and means provided both by nature, exercise and discipline whereby we can wonderfully improve, eradicate and change many of the unhappy condi-

Well Conducted Household. On the door of the linen, china, glass and silver closets should be placed a list of their contents. When new articles are added, a record should be made and the same done when they are lost or worn out. Copies of the lists should be kept in the housewife's own housebook, which should contain in addition recipes for cleaning silver. mending china and doing other useful

tions of life.-Pilgrim.

Once a year the efficient housekeeper will take stock of her belongings and will replace missing china and linen. Her maids will soon come to understand that nothing about the household escapes the attention of its mistress or is too small for her to take note of, and in time the establishment will move in as well oiled grooves as well conducted mercantile concern.

Exercise For the Neck To develop the neck the first movement consists in allowing the head to drop gently upon the breast as far forward as it will without straining. Next raise the head and throw it as far back as possible, then forward again, etc., until the movement has been performed twenty times. Next the head is turned as far to the side as possible, the body remaining motionless, the head bent toward the shoulder as low as it will reach without an actual strain of the muscles and ten-This movement should be practiced also twenty times, the neck first turned to the right and then to the left, ten times on each side; the same movement with the chin raised as high as possible, repeated the same fashion, first toward the right, then the left.

Chicken Custard. The next time you want to tempt the appetite of the gentle convalescent who has refused your gruels or porridges try a chicken custard. To a cupful of cream add a cupful of clear chicken stock. Put it in the double boiler and add the beaten yolks of three eggs and a pinch of salt. Cook until the mixture thickens to the consistency of custard, then pour into cups and serve ogg volks, beating the mixture with an

Unique Workbag. A pretty workbag is made of a Tam O'Shanter cap of gray Scotch frieze. It is lined with pale rose silk fitted neatly to the band headpiece, and its own weight of crown keeps it properly open for quick service when placed top downward on the table. A scarlet one lined with scarlet silk, its crown held with a loop of strong whalebone as saflors' caps are flattened, was suspended by ribbons from the dark oak newel post of the staircase in the same house to do duty as a card receiver.

A Window Retreat. With little expense an ordinary window can be made a delightful retreat. Festoon the upper part of the window with yellow china silk having rosettes to match. A thin brass rod and rings hold the little half curtain of white silk scattered with yellow flowers. In the recess before the window place a settee unhelstered in vellow and white cretonne with cushions to match.

High Chair. If an ordinary dining chair needs to be made higher to accommodate a small child, try an expedient that is almost equal to having rubber lifts and is a vast improvement on using the dictionary. This is simply to procure four of the glass insulators such as are used on telegraph poles and set the chair legs into them.

Mint Bags. Mint bags for the linen closet ar liked by some persons. Put into little silk bags a mixture made of a pound of dried lavender, an ounce of thyme an ounce of mint, an ounce of ground cloves and caraway seeds and a tablespoonful of dry salt.

Iron and stone utensils may be repaired by using a cement in the form of a paste composed of litharge and glycerin. This cement is not affected by changes of temperature. Hang an old eiderdown quilt in the

Fresh bread is easily cut if the bread tion not later than Jan. 19th, 1903.

is gas on the stomach, may be cramps or diarrhoes. Don't lose sleep, anticipate such contingencies by always keeping handy a bottle of Polson's Neptiline. Just a few drops in water given inwardly, then rub the little one's stomach with a small quantity of Nerviline, and perfect rest is assur-ed for the night for both mother and baby. You may not need Nerviline often, but when you do need it you need it badly. Get a 25c. bottle to-day. by her intelligence and graceful bear-

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Bad habits are leeches that would suck a Hercules to effeminacy. Pimples and Blotches

how unsightly, sometimes disgusting, mortifying to the sufferer and un-pleasant to all. An evidence of poor lood and lowered vitality of the eliminating organs. They need toning up -the whole system does. You can quickly bring about the improved condition by using Ferrozone. Poisons are driven out of the blood, organs grow stronger, the blood richer, the nerves stronger. Pimples and blotches disappear, color becomes good. Glad! Just try and see how much joy can be gotten out of a box of Ferro

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prodigal son had to come to imself before he came to his father.

In late years men have made fur-tunes out of the tailings of gold mines, The mills in which the ore formerly was crushed and the crude processes then in use allowed a large percent-age of the precious metal to escape, and that loss amounted in some cases to a fortune. The stomach is just cold. If the appetite is capricious and like a stamp mill in this respect, that needs something hot, still use your when it is not in perfect order it alchicken stock-a cupful-and add two lows the escape and waste of much o egg beater. Cook in double boiler, and the food. That loss when continuous when done add two teaspoonfuls of means the loss of man's greatest for-tune—health. Science offers a remedy for this condition in Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It corrects the "weakness" of the stomach, prevents waste and loss of nourishment, and puts the stomach and organs of digestion and nutrition into a condition of health which enables them to save and assimilate all the nutriment contained in the food which is eaten. In all cases of constipation the use of of Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets will speedily and permanently cure the disease.

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For Christmas and New Year's Holidays W. E. Rispin, City Passenger and Ticket Agent, 115 King St., will issue special return tickets to all points in Canada, Dec. 22nd to 25th, also Dec. 29th and Jan. 1st, all good to return until Jan. 5th, 1903, at fare sun for a few hours to restore it to all and one-third; and on Dec. 24th and the elasticity and life it had when Dec. 31st and Jan. 1st, good to return Dec. 31st and Jan. 1st, good to return Fish fine are more readily removed if a pair of old shears are used for the instead of a knife.

Dec. dist and Jan. 1st, good to return trip; also special excursion tickets to students and teachers on presentation of certificates at fare and one-third, and the students are the students and teachers on presentation. good going from Dec. 6th to 13th in-clusive, and returning from destinaWINTER FASHION HINTS.

Smart Costumes In One Color-Grand Black Combinations. blouse with the dark coat and skirt is only permissible for purely practical purposes. Even then it is better to have some sort of connection between the waist and the skirt. For instance if you have a dark blue Russian blouse coat and skirt it is better taste to wear under it a waist of some blue ma terial or white material figured in

The craze this autumn among smar women is to dress entirely in one colo from headgear down. This can be carand dark reds.

Red hats, red dresses and red cos tumes of all sorts are very stylish.



SCHOOL FROCK.

Gowns of red veiling are made up over glace silk and liberty satins of a darker or lighter shade in order to give a changeable effect.

A touch of green is both smart and pretty on an all black costume. One of the most recent Parisian importa tions is a black velvet princess dress whose jet ornaments are mingled with grass green embroidery.

The child's frock in the illustration is very useful for school and everyday wear. The material is rough goods of an old rose shade. The waist is laid in clusters of three tucks, and the full ness is confined into a band of white silk worked with black French knots Bands of this also trim the skirt and the wide collar of old rose tucked silk. JUDIC CHOLLET.

VELVET POPULAR.

The New Metallic Weaves-Hats of Rough Felt.

popularity, particularly Irish points and guipures. Velvets will be worn as much as last season. The metallic velvets are the

newest and are particularly effective in black and gray. Velvet hats will be somewhat supplanted by those of rough felt, but these will be trimmed and even faced with velvet. Burnt orange is very smart, especially when combined with white or pearl gray. There is a most becoming shape in felt known



CARRIAGE CLOAK.

as the Marie Stuart. This has a low, broad crown, and the brim fails into a round point in front, showing the hair perfectly. It then rises into very much arched sides and fits close to the hair in the back. Many smart hats are made of zibe-

ine, especially in the dull red shades. and the hat is then trimmed with poppies in all shades of velvet.

The illustration shows a carriage cloak of putty colored cloth. It has the wide sleeves now so fashionable and a V shaped yoke and high collar of fur. The smart hat is of the same color of felt, trimmed with orange velvet and a black feather. JUDIC CHOLLET.

Health Strength and Vigor Pale, Weak, Sick People. It keeps the Young from becoming Old and makes the Old feel Young. BOIVIN, WILSON & CO. MONTREAL, CAN.

Lavatory Pipes.

Lavatory pipes may be cleansed of soap and slime by placing a good handful of common salt in the bottom of the basin over night. The salt will gradually melt, and the first flush of water in the morning will clear the

Maple Sugar.

The maple sugar season lasts only five or six weeks, but it yields American farmers over \$1,000,000 a year,

A Cooking Hint.

The eggs for dipping oysters, croquettes, veal cutlets, etc., may be diluted with a little water or oyster juice and thus made to go further. If wa- stable, \$1100.00. ter is used, the egg may be set away and used again, but not so with the oyster juice, as it decomposes.

The Largest Bore Caunon, The largest bore cannon ever made is the Maleck-e-Meidan, or Lord of the Plain, still existing in India. It is fourteen feet long, and its bore is twentyeight inches.

Javelle Water. To make javelle water dissolve one half pound sal soda in one pint of boiling water and dissolve one-fourth pound of chloride of lime in one quart of cold water. Pour off the clear liquid from both and mix. Bottle the fluid and keep it in a dark place.

The Frying Basket. In frying with a frying basket always heat the basket before putting it in the fat, as when put in cold it takes

too much heat from the fat.

Lawn tenzis is said to be one of the most beneficial of all games because of the way it trains the eve and strengthens the chest, back and arms and because the game is so delightful that it requires no urging to secure enough exercise.

Poaching Eggs. Add a few drops of vinegar to the water in which eggs are poached. They will set more quickly and perfectly.

Farm Laborers In Sweden. There is a special class of farm laborers in Sweden who are given so many acres of land for their own use n consideration of so many days' labor during the year for the owner of the farm. They are a sort of fixture to an estate, and their like exists in no other country.

South African Diet. Millet and maize constitute the staple diet of the South African native. When he has plowed his land, sown his seed and scoffled, he rests until the har-

Incentive to Arrest. Prisoners in Morocco are required to pay the policemen who arrest them. The fee is about 25 cents. This system makes the officers quite vigilant, and they often arrest a man on a slight pretext.

Spontaneous Combustion. "Spontaneous combustion" was the medical verdict upon the case of a man who was found in flames at 2 o'clock in the morning in the streets of Gene va. He was known as a heavy drinker, and there were no traces of pipe, tobacco or matches among the debris of charred clothing. ************************

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KENT SOCIETY'S GOOD WORK

Enthusiastic Annual Meeting of Zealous Workers-Reports for the Past Year Were Most Encouraging-Spirited Addresses and Excellent Music.

Children's Aid Society of the County was held last evening in the First about 75 present, including the president of the Society, D. S. Paterson, M. A., Judge Bell, Sheriff Gemmill, Sheriff Cameron, of London; Robert Park, I. P. S.; Wilson Taylor, J. W. Shackleton, Rev. G. H. Cobbledick. Rev. W. E. Knowles, Rev. J. J. Ross, Judge Woods, Thomas Scullard, J. S. Lane, Fred. Stone, Dr. R. V. Bray

and W. R. Baxter. The meeting was a very enthusias-tic one for the noble cause for which the Society labors so unceasingly, viz., the bringing up of the young in the

right way.
President D. S. Paterson occupied the chair and Rev. W. E. Knowles opened the meeting with prayer. Chairman Paterson, in a few brief pening remarks, welcomed all to the fifth annual meeting of the Society He was sorry to see such a smal gathering, but attributed it to the inclement weather and busy season

"There is no organization deserving of more support than this So-ciety," added Mr. Paterson, "and no work, if properly done, gives better

Continuing, President Paterson spoke of the aims of the Society and urged that more of the good work be done. In so doing he suggested some good plans. Mr. W. H. Brackin sang in good roice "O Dry Those Tears," Miss F.

Bogart proving a very acceptable The chairman then called for the eading of the annual reports. SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The secretary, Mrs. Frazer, read

ner report as follows: At the annual meeting of the Kent Children's Aid Society for 1901 it was decided to excuse the clergymen of the city from accendance at the monthly board meetings, but have each church represented by two members, the clergymen to co-operate by reporting all cases of want coming under their notice.

The Board of 1902 has consisted of Messrs. Paterson, Baxter, Shackleor Messis. Facerson, Baxter, Snackle-ton, Humpibry, McAullay, Stone and Dr. R. V. Bray; Mesdames Smith, McDonald, Glenn, Massey, Drader, Brady, Taffit, Stegman, Banning, Pelusie, Fraser and Miss Eberts. There were ten meetings held with

There were ten meetings held with an average attendance of nine mem-bers. Rev: Mr. Colles was made an honorary member in consideration of the great interest in bringing the work and needs of the Society be-fore the children in the schools he

SPECIALS \$4.00.

The fifth annual meeting of the inspected; pupils and teachers have taken up the cause so willingly. We leave it for the Board of 1903 to was held last evening in the First confer a similar honor on Mr. Park
Presbyterian Sunday school hall with He, too, has done good work.

Mrs. Young also was made an honorary member as a slight token of the gratitude the Society felt for the generous bequest of \$100 by the the generous bequest of \$100 by the late Chief Young.

The Sunday schools of the city and

County have each given one Sunday's collection. The Young People's So-cieties held a union meeting at which Mrs. Harvie spoke most interestingly
of the work of the Society.

A great many pieces of children's
clothing have been sent to Mrs. Shel-

don; the children have come to her and suitable garments given to en able them to attend school. Mrs Sheldon speaks earnestly to the mothers, telling them the Society would keep an eye open and ask their teachers occasionally regarding their attendance and progress. Both in sup-port and opportunity to do good, the Society has had a very successful year. One executive officer has been vigilant of the work all over

Kent and has kept in touch with the other societies of the province. The experience of the Board has been that he is lacking in nothing-but time-and we trust that an acprogram. tive Board in 1903 may be able to use their time on the lines of

was to help the needy-not to ques-tion are they worthy. We are proud of our public schools, where the chil-dren may be kept warm as well as educated, but we have found many large families where from sickness or poverty arising perhaps from a want of common sense of the parents -the children cannot avail them-selves of these advantages. The sympathy of councils and private indi-viduals is easily aroused for those who are crippled in eyes or hands or limb, but none oof these are a greater want-than a want of common sense -and we hope the Board of 1903 have visiting committees that visit the homes and help with

their judgment as well as clothing many tried mothers as well as chil-CLOTHING FUND. Mrs. Sheldon's report as convene of the clothing committee was read Cash received for fees, \$31.50.

Donations in cash, \$1.15.

Circle, to fit a boy in school, clothing, \$4.00. Cash paid out, \$6.39. Clothes from shelter, 177 pieces. Donations in clothing, 164 pieces. Number distributed, 279 pieces. Amount on hand, 162 pieces. Number of children helped, 44. Number of visits made, 27.

MRS. SHELDON,

Mrs. Cooper and Mrs. Bogart sang duett, "I Live to Love," most accept

TREASURER'S REPORT. e treasurer, Fred. Stone, repor d as follows :-Fees, \$51.75.

Sunday schools, \$22.23. Collegiate Institute, \$8.75. Public schools of the county, \$63. Harwich Union C. E., \$10.53.

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Our large stock of Fancy China Lamps and Glassware bought expresely for the Xmas trade and marked at low prices will, for the next seven days be sold at a still further reduction of 10 per cent off all the above goods.

Someone is going to get big bargains, is it U? Also to per cent. off Dinner Tea and Chamher sets. That

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Come early, pick out your Xmas presents and we will keep them for you. Six per cent. off all our Dinner, Tea and Chamber sets.

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Best cleaned Currants 7
New Lemon Peel 15
Select Raisins 10
Good Mixed Candy 7
Dark Sugar, for cooking 3
3 lbs. New Prunes 25 cts.
New Dates 7
Lunch Bacon 15
Pickles 10 cts. per hottle.

We give I lb. Good Baking Powde and a game of Ping Pong for 50 cts.

John McConnell's,

County grant, \$50.

Request from the late Chief Young \$100.00.

Total, \$432.59.

Cash paid out, \$220.14. Balance on hand, \$212.45. Rev. G. H. Cobbledick, paster of th ark St. Church, made a few pointer emarks on the work of the society

and gave some good advice.

Sheriff Cameron, of London, was
the next speaker. He said although
he had been connected with the London Children's Aid Society for eight years, this was the largest meeting he had attended. "Numbers don't always pressage success," he continued, "and there is an element which go to meetings to find fault, but they are never at these meetings. The London society has to contribute a good deal of its success to the press. The pa-pers are given all proceedings, no mat-ter how unimportant. The City ter how unimportant. The City Council grants \$500 annually and have

established a shelter home."

Mr. Cameron advised the Chatham society to start a shelter home, and gave some other good hints for

Rev. W. E. Knowles made a few re marks, in which he said there should have been a larger turnout people interested in the work. Chairman Paterson now said it w time for the election of officers. Wilson Taylor moved that the

ficers of last year be reinstated, as they had done such efficient work. Robt. Park seconded the motion, School Inspector Robert Park spoke

briefly on the Child on's Aid work as he had seen it, and its success in the

speakers who had taken part in the The executive officer's report will

appear in Saturday's paper. Too nuch credit for the success of the society's work cannot be given to this energetic and enthusiastic officer, Dr., R. V. Bray.

Rev. G. H. Cobbledick closed the meeting with the benediction

ONE MORE CURE

Postmaster Belyea Tries Dodd's Kidney Pills for Kidney Trouble

And Now He Joins all the Others in For Years And Is Now Completely service.

Lower Windsor, Carleton Co., N. B.—Dec. 15.—(Special). — Carleton county people have long recognized Dodd's Kidney Pills as a sure cure for all forms of Kidney Disease, and as a consequence there is a marked decrease in the number of those suffering from Pain in the Back, Lumbago, Rheumatism, Diabetes, Bright's Disease, and all those other ailments resulting from diseased Kidneys.

Still as each fresh cure is reported there is revived interest in the matter and there are more praises of Dodd's Kidney Pills. One of the latest cures reported is that of Post-master T. H. Belyea of Lower Windsor, and he is spreading broadcast the good news.

"I had a very bad spell of Kidney Savs the Postmaster, "which had bothered me for some years. I tried several kinds of plast-ers and medicines, but did not seem to get much lasting relief. But hearing Dodd's Kidney Pills so highly recommended for Kidney Trouble, I thought I would try them.

"I received more benefit from Dodd's Kidney Pills than any other than the research of the r

medicine I ever tried, for they seem to have made a complete cure, as I am as well as ever. I believe Dodd's Kidney Pills are the right medicine for Kidney Trouble."

THE DISTRICT

THAMESVIL LE

Dec. 15.-Rev. John McInnes preach ed in Tilbury yesterday. John Gilbert, of Paris, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Murphy. A number from here will attend the

the concert at Turin to-night. E. E. Lambrook and John McGaffey spent Sunday at Bothwell.

Mrs. J. E. Ellison, of Florence, is in

town to-day.

James and William Dulong returned home for the winter, after a very suc-cessful season with the G. N. W. Telegraph Co.

The fixtures of the new post office have arrived and it is expected the office will be opened on Saturday. An alarm of fire at the Methodist Church caused considerable excitement Sunday morning. It was found to be some refuse which had caught fire in the basement, and was extinguished before any damage was done

Dec. 16 .- W. Gosmell, of Ridgetown, was in town yesterday, J. Brwley, of Toronto, was in jown

J. Bowley, of Toronto, was at joint to-day.

James McFarlane, of Florence, is spending a few days with his parents.

William Watts, of the Tecumseh House, is quite indisposed.

The Sunday school concert to be held in the Mayhew Hall by the members of St. Stephen's church, promises to be the usual enjoyable affair for which St. Stephen's church is noted.

Carrier boys are not authorized to calls in each town once a month; if a subscriber wishes to pay his account before the collector calls he must re-mit direct to The Planet Office, Chatham, as we will not be responsible for onies paid to carriers.

Before you ring out the old year wouldn't it be a good idea to buy a ring for some relative or friend as an Xmas present? VonGunten Bros.

Minard's Liniment for sale every-

To the Editor of The Planet:

Noticing you invite aldermanic canquestions of civic interest, and being candidate and the time appropriate wish first to declare I am, other things, heartily in sympathy with the lively interest that has got awakened for BETTER PAVE-MENTS, and if elected or not to the next Council, intend doing al in my power to promote the extension of the movement so well intu gurated this year, and I finally lieve there is no other one thing be prosecuted that will prove of more value and redound to the advantage of the city so conspicuously a permanent pavements. It is felt by all this is our most crying need, and a good start has been made this year (none too early) to be continued it is hoped in the future in ever widen-ing circles until the good work is finished and Chatham to her very limits becomes supplied with smooth and lasting pevements. Then will our visitors exclaim, "What fine streets; what a credit to Chatham," and we can hope that some of them will surely stay with us on this acham needing first attention are Victoria avenue, St. Clair, Head and Emma streets, and in South Chat-ham, King street west, Wellington Before closing, Chairman Paterson street east, Park street, and Queer very heartily thanked the singers and street south from the G. T. R. to street east, Park street, and Queen

An important que TENSION OF THE WATER WORKS SYSTEM to all points of the city for the general good. This calls for attention next year by the Commis sioners on both sanitary and economic grounds. It will be conceded our health is of more importance than anything else, and the more general use of the city water will greatly safeguard it. The mains should be laid on every street and connections made to the line of every lot, and this done there would be no excuse for refusing the water. The pro-perties on the street would be held esponsible for a return on the in vestment. The extension of th

water mains throughout the city leading as it would to the genera-use of the water, is admitted wil be most beneficial financially to the city, hence I favor borrowing sufficient money by way of debentures Praising Them-He Had Suffered for a complete extension of the service. It is considered universal use will materially reduce the rates yet the revenue would increase by leaps and bounds, whereby a sub-stantial surplus every year would be turned in to reduce our taxation.

Down in the average well diseas lurks and is the source of much of the sickness here and elsewhere, and nothing should stop us taking action next year to place our pure city water before every householder. The present commissioners, Dr. Bray and Mr. Sheldon, I understand are in favor of the extension and we must

hope that the officers for next year will be the men to meet this need The present users are unduly burdened under existing rates, and na turally there is a call for a reduc tion, and this cannot be done until the whole city is using the water. INDUSTRIAL WORKS that can b

basis I am most willing to assis to establish here. My approval and encouragement is with all petitions that propose real reforms in the general interest, and it is a wise course of the Council to invite petitions of that character. ENGAGING HOME LABOR on our PUBLIC WORKS at living wages is

first duty to our working men, and will always support it. TELEPHONE FRANCHISE EXPIRES next year. It has become valuable asset to the city for the ousiness has developed wonderfully here and is very lucrative, therefore we will be able to get a handsome

amount for the franchise for another period.
The MARKET BUILDING IS UN-PROFITABLE in its present shape, in more than one way, and next year the people will surely expect the renovate it completely, and in a modern manner that will fill it with tenants and make it a handsom

investment. Other questions there are, but space I feel forbids for the present. Yours truly, J. WADDELL.

BLENHEIM

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TILBURY

Dec. 17.-Miss Ella Tinkley returned on Tuesday from Flint, Mich., where she has been engaged at the millinery the past season. Tilbury East Council met on Mon-

Mr. and Mrs. McCann, who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Johnson, Canal St., returned to their home in Toronto on Monday. Village Council met on Monday

The Sans-Souci Club held a very pleasant meeting last evening at the home of Mrs. J. Anderson. Miss Bell Wilson returned yester-day from a visit in Wallaceburg. A representative of a Detroit Acetylene Co. was in town yesterday and made an interesting exhibit.

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