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## Carpets and Housefurnishings

If you want to buy carpets and are not particular about the wearing qualities, and do not care whether the designs are the newest—and prices the lowest—you will not be interested in our magnificent display. But if you want something distinctive without being higher in cost, original and not commonplace, you will certainly see the result of our buying from the best makers in the old world—we can save you money whether the carpet be

### BRUSSELS, TAPESTRY, OR UNION

1000 yds. heavy Brussels Carpet, 58 border to match, in a full range of patterns, the newest coloring regular \$1.25 value, very special at..... \$1.00 yd.  
500 yds. extra quality English Tapestry Carpet, in a nice range of new designs, special at 35c, 45c and..... 50c yd.  
185 yds. extra heavy Union Carpet, 36 inches wide, all good reversible patterns, in a nice range of colorings very special at 25c, 30c, 35c, 45c and..... 50c yd.

### Tailored Suits and Skirts

All ready for busy women who dislike the fuss and delay of getting them made—some of them low in price, others of the finest grades of new materials, but moderately priced, and all well finished in the best existing styles. They're worth a visit if only out of curiosity and you'll be delighted at the possibility for comfort, style and economy, in these "ready-to-wears"

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Faultless  
Shirts



For  
SPRING  
1900

The Era of the Colored Shirt for neatness in Dress these Shirts for everyday wear are unsurpassable

If you have never worn one of this class of Shirts, now is a good time to begin. The best grade have cuffs attached? a few of the cheaper grades are cuffless. Fashion has decreed in favor of the attached cuffs. We have a fine selection of the best and latest patterns which we can sell at from \$1.00 to \$1.50. The same goods usually sell for more. We have colored shirts as low as \$1.00. We have also a good line of white shirts to sell from 75c to \$1.

SEE LAST WINDOW FOR LATEST SPRING STYLES

THE 2 T'S

= Trudell & Tobey

Outfitters to all Mankind

HE SIGNED BUT STILL FAVORS A PAVEMENT.

"No, I have no objection to telling you why I signed that petition," said ex-Mayor Dr. Rutherford. "I signed it because I thought that no intelligent body of men in this country need to be coerced, and I, for one, took the action of the council as an insult. The property owners on King St. are such an intelligent lot of men that I don't think the council in the early part of the year should have taken the action which they did. I would sign a petition to-morrow to have the work commenced next year. I will take this year to get the street ready and get the necessary arrangements made. This is one of the things that cannot be hurried, and the work should be proceeded with carefully. I think the ratepayers should get together and discuss all questions pertaining to the pavement; the kinds, the best, the most satisfactory, and precautions against the pavement being disturbed. If we are going to have a radial railway let us get it at once. The other question, in regard to a shirt being paid by the city, is a debatable one, but as long as the frontage tax by-law remains in force it is out of the question for anyone to even suggest that the city pay a part."

### HEADACHE AND NEURALGIA CURED IN NO TIME.

By using Dr. Price's Pain Pillets. Sure harmless. Cure rheumatic and sciatic pains toothache, 25c.

PAINS! RHEUMATIC, SCIATIC, OR NEURALGIC CURED.

By Dr. Price's Pine Oil. Cures earache, backache, toothache, in fact Aches and Pains of any kind. 25c.

For sale by C. H. Gunn & Co., Druggists, Chatham, Ont.

Daylight for duty; twilight for beauty; darkness for trust and prayer.

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## New Dress Goods

You must keep a close watch on the Dress Goods Section if you'd know every newness. Fresh arrivals almost every day and many stuffs you will see nowhere else. Importing direct for ourselves explains why goods are better, styles newer and prices lower here than anywhere else in town. No guess work about this business, we send our own buyers twice each year to the European fashion centres and manufacturing markets, find out for ourselves what is correct in style and select our requirements from the best makers. This means that we can give you better styles and better values than can possibly be had elsewhere. Here are a few of the new arrivals.

Broad Cloth Suitings, fine venetian finish, full costume weight, 52 in. and 54 in. wide, 10 new spring colorings, special at \$1.00 and..... \$1.25

12 colorings, Fine Venetian Suitings, black and all new spring shades, good firm weight, 48 in. wide, warranted fine finish wool, extra value at per yd..... 75c

15 pcs. Fine Venetian Covert Suitings, fine pure wool quality, extra finish, full 44 in. wide, large range of new spring shades, wonderful value at 50c

Chamois Suiting, a new cloth, in black and navy only, heavy weight, fine pure wool, 50 in. wide, specially suitable for tailor-made costumes, special at per yd..... \$1.00

Superior Broad Cloth Suiting, in black and navy, superior quality, rich finish, made from finest wool, full 54 in. wide, extra value at per yd. \$1.90

New Check Suitings, latest styles, in small, medium and large broken checks, very fashionable for spring suiting or separate skirts, in new color combinations, special at per yd. 25c, 50c, 65c, 75c, 85c and..... 95c

Shepherd Checks, fine wool quality, 42 in. wide in black and white and cow color, will make a handsome skirt or child's dress, unusual value at..... 50c

Colored Poplin Cord, in solid shades of green, cadet, electric, navy, cadet, with narrow white hairline stripe, very smart material suitable for separate waists or children's dresses, special at..... 50c

Thin Stripe Delaines, double fold width, fine pure wool quality, in new shades of cadet, light blue, mauve

and gray, suitable for waists or gowns, extra value at..... 50c

Serges—46 pcs. fine all-wool serges, French and English manufacture, bought direct from the best mills, special values at per yd. 25c, 30c, 40c, 50c, 60c, 75c, 85c, \$1 and..... \$1.25

New Silk Crepons, extra fine quality, new designs, bright rich finish, full 44 in. wide, warranted in wear, extra value at..... \$1.90

Black Mohair Lustres, large range of new designs and plain weaves, bright rich finish, special per yard at 20c, 25c, 35c, 50c, 65c, 75c, 85c and..... 90c

French Poplins, fine firm cords, pure wool quality, in black and leading shades, exceptional values at 40c, 50c, 75c and..... 95

THE BUSY CASH AND ONE PRICE STORE

JOHN NORTHWAY & CO.

## QUIET ON THE MODDER

### Boers are Intrenching Themselves and Mounting Guns.

Annexation of the Two Republics Being Strongly Urged by British Commons—General War News.

London, Wednesday, March 7, 4:10 p. m.—Lord Roberts still pauses in the neighborhood of Oosfontein while stores, remounts and fresh troops stream towards him from the Cape. The British position also continues to improve in the minor spheres of the campaign. Natal is clear of Boers, and Cape Colony is nearly so. The Boers, seemingly, are pursuing the course commended by the strategists, and are concentrating to resist the British main army. Various messages from correspondents with Lord Roberts report that the enemy are increasing continually on his front, extending, as one correspondent wires, eight miles, and as another says, 18 miles. The lowest estimate of their number gives the Boers from 8,000 to 10,000 men, with smaller bodies moving north and south of the British lines. Each army is on both sides of the Modder river. Although the Boers have mounted eight guns on the tops of the kopjes and appear to be too far away for inspection, the British scouts report that they are daily using pick and shovel. The military position is that their present position merely screens more easily defended ones deep in the region. None of the military experts attempt to suggest that he is willing to allow the Boers to assemble all reinforcements in order to deliver a smashing blow more effectively.

ANEXATION.  
The round robin in favor of the annexation of the Transvaal and Free State, which is being promulgated among the supporters of the house of commons, continues to receive signatures. The signatures, from Mr. Balfour to Mr. Morley, assert that the time has arrived for plain speaking inside and outside of parliament, and that Lord Salisbury's words are being construed into a pledge against annexation, and that Lord Rosebery is drawn into a promise of no confidence in the military position of the Transvaal.

A. G. Hates, the Daily News correspondent, who was captured by the Boers on Feb. 9th, was released at Oosfontein and put through the lines at Sterksburg. He telegraphs that the Boers are demoralized, but adds that they have been treating the British wounded splendidly.

FREE STATE AFFAIRS.  
London, March 7.—A despatch from Oosfontein says that, according to the Boer prisoners, another important British success will cause President Steyn to flee to Pretoria, leaving a provision of government at Oosfontein, which is likely to make peace overtures, those Free States not wishing for peace trekking into the Transvaal, and these helping to make a stand, which most of the British military critics now point out will constitute the most difficult and deciding feature of the war. The recent rains have afforded Lord Roberts good grass, so that supplies have reached him, and news of his advance is eagerly awaited.

A despatch to the Daily News from Modder River, dated Monday, March 5, and describing the Boer position in front of Lord Roberts, says—They seem to be busy entrenching. They have mounted eight guns on high kopjes. It is reported here that at a recent emergency meeting of the Free State Raad at Bloemfontein, a radical difference of opinion developed, the majority favoring peace at any price but the minority, including President Steyn, advocating a fight to the end.

REBELS DISHEARTENED.  
Orange River, Cape Colony, March 6.—The recent British victories have had a wonderfully quieting effect on the rebel Dutch many of whom in the neighborhood of Douglas, are reported disheartened and about returning to their homes. The commando in the neighborhood of Britstown has been given carte blanche by President Steyn to raise as many recruits and to do as much damage as possible. The rebels in the neighborhood of Kenhardt are particularly aggressive, acting on the supposition that the troops of Lord Roberts are fully occupied in the Free State. There and in Ficksburg about 3,000 have risen.

LOCAL BRIEFS

For the Grippe or a Cold—a Turkish Bath.

The regular meeting of the Y. M. C. C. takes place to-night.

Arch. McFadygyn, of Toronto, is visiting friends in the city.

J. B. Rankin, Q. C., has returned from a business trip to Toronto.

Mrs. Jas. Marquand, who has been seriously ill for some time, is very much better to-day.

Roland Dezelia, workman at Blonde Bros. & Co., is spending a few days with relatives in Hiram.

Four rings of Maple City curlers will travel to Windsor to-morrow and engage in a contest there.

Mrs. B. Blonde and family, are spending to-day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Burke, Raleigh.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Blonde, Head Street, are the proud parents of a bouncing boy, born yesterday.

Miss Bella Heyward left yesterday for Chicago, to take a course of training in the sick children's hospital.

Miss Mabel Crawley, of Detroit, who has been visiting her friend, Miss Gertrude Slagg, returned home this week.

The new I. O. O. F. building will be open for the public to-morrow morning. All are invited to visit the building.

Mt. Clemens Mineral Baths cure Rheumatism and all skin and blood diseases. Sixth street, rear of Hotel Garner.

Lost!—Yesterday, between Dover St. (by Fifth St. bridge) and E. J. McIntyre's store, a purse containing a sum of money. Return to Planet office and receive reward.

Mrs. Gordon Everitt left St. Joseph's Hospital Tuesday, having recovered from the effects of her recent operation.

The annual meeting of the Christ Church Sunday School, which was to have been held last night, has been postponed for a week.

For a thrill of patriotism hear Owen A. Smily in his own sketch, "The Boer and the Britisher," at St. Patrick's Concert, March 19th.

So far \$320 has been subscribed in London for the members of B Company, in which are the Chathamites. It will be called to them.

A social will be held at the residence of Mrs. Goodyears, Queen street, on Friday night, March 9th, under the auspices of the W. C. T. U.

The general committee for the Patriotic Concert will meet in the parlors of the Hotel Garner to-night at 7:15 sharp. A full attendance requested.

The regular meeting of Wellington Chapter, No. 47, Royal Arch Masons, will be held in Masonic Hall, Fifth St., to-morrow evening. Visiting companions heartily welcomed.

Dr. Rutherford has received a letter from Dr. Backus, who is attending the Post-Graduate Medical College of Chicago. The Maple City Doctor reports the Windy City blocked with snow.

Lost!—On Queen St., between Park St. Church and Exhibition Grounds, a lady's small silver watch with piece of gold chain attached, also large gold heart pendant. Finder will kindly leave at R. C. Bart's Drug Store.

## Stand the Family In a Row

How many are there in it? Three, four, five, six? How many are in need of shoes? What kinds are wanted? Remember that this is a family shoe store, that we have every good sort of shoe for father, mother and all the children down to the tot who takes the little bootee.

And the prices are as right as right can be.

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Children's now..... 25c  
RUBBERS  
Misses' now..... 25c  
RUBBERS  
Ladies' now..... 35c

### SLATER SHOES FOR MEN

\$5 00 kind for \$4.00  
\$3.50 kind for \$3.00

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Chatham

### GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM

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TO THE  
Canadian North-West

WILL LEAVE TORONTO

via North Bay, at 2.00 p.m. and 6.00 p.m. each Tuesday during March and April if sufficient business offers.

Colonist Sleeping Cars

for passengers, with ordinary baggage, will be attached to train leaving Toronto at 2.00 p.m., and will run through to Winnipeg.

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for passengers travelling on same train as their live stock will be attached to train leaving Toronto at 9.00 p.m., and will run through to Winnipeg.

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in these cars, and can be secured by passengers on application to Grand Trunk agents.

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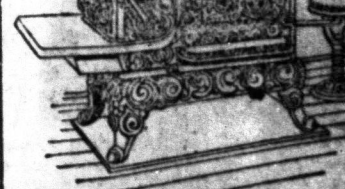
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This range is within the range of all who can arrange to be up with the times.

It burns coal or wood.

It is economical.

It is a thorough baker.

It is guaranteed to be everything any other range is.

It is strong and durable.

Always for sale at

"The Ark" only.

Old Stoves taken in exchange.



## The Planet

A. STEPHENSON, Proprietor.

## THOU SHALT NOT SLANDER.

This practice of circulating false reports about the loyalty of your neighbor is one of the contemptible phases of human character which this unfortunate war in South Africa has prominently developed. It doesn't matter how patriotic a citizen is, or how liberal he has been to any or all of the various war funds, if he happens to have an Irish or German prefix, or in fact a foreign tinge of any kind to his name there is usually some miserable creature ready to use it as a basis to impugn his loyalty. It is safe to put down nine-tenths of this kind of thing you hear as pure slander.

## GIVE US A NEW SNOW BY-LAW.

So the snow-shovelling by-law is no good—legally. Well, it never was any good actually, so it is no loss. Some time ago, when there was two or three inches of slush on the sidewalks, the chairman of the board of works promised to have the by-law enforced, if it were found valid. It was not enforced. In fact nothing more was heard of it until the present disgraceful condition of the city walks induced another inquiry concerning the matter at Monday evening's session of the council. Then its invalidity was reported. But the board of works brought forward no valid by-law to take its place. With matters in the condition they are, such inaction is unacceptable. There are sidewalks on some of the leading streets which have not seen a snow shovel this winter. No pretence has even been made at cleaning them. And these are around properties where the owners are wealthy men who, if they don't want to clean the snow off themselves, can afford to pay for having it done. They have not done so and the city has shied them with a bad by-law. Now, for gracious sake, let us have a decent measure passed. No twenty-four hours after the storm is over nonsense should be in it. A simple ordinance, setting forth that any one at any time who permits more than an inch of snow to obstruct the walk, shall be liable to a fine, or cost of imprisonment, will be found legal and effective. It will keep walks in good condition, and enrich the treasury by the receipt of fines. But it is no use passing such a by-law if the police are not going to enforce it. What we ask is a good by-law, passed as soon as possible and put in force effectively.

## ROBBING THE MUNICIPALITIES.

In the Ontario legislature the other day the opposition strongly pressed against members of the Ross government being so largely interested as directors and shareholders in various companies which expect and get legislation through the house favorable to themselves and inimical to the province. The recent amendments to the assessment act passed by the Hardy-Ross government, for instance, in favor of the private corporations, rob Chatham and other municipalities of hundreds of thousands of dollars in taxes.

Assessment Commissioner Fleming, of Toronto, has, according to the Globe, obtained answers from the clerks of twenty municipalities showing the effect of the scrapion legislation and the amendment to the act regarding the assessment of companies. It is shown that in Toronto the loss in assessment on plant is \$1,829,341; on insurance and loan companies, \$1,379,163, making a total loss in assessment of \$3,208,504, and a loss in taxes of \$56,149.17. In Hamilton the loss is \$302,530 on plant; on insurance companies, \$24,276, resulting in a loss in taxes of \$23,736. In London the loss on plant amounts to \$131,200, on insurance and loan companies, \$284,450, resulting in a loss in taxes of \$9,562.25. In Ottawa there was no change in the assessment on plant, but the loss on insurance and loan companies was \$100,000 and the decrease in taxes \$2,000. Barnia's assessment decreased \$62,796 as a result of the legislation. Brantford lost \$603, Peterborough \$242, Guelph \$324, Belleville \$239, St. Catharines \$237, Port Hope \$194, the total amount lost in taxation in seventeen municipalities being \$95,646, and in assessment \$5,107,183.

Great climate this! You can have served out almost every kind of weather on earth all in 24 hours.

The Boers are accused of maintaining in South Africa, a seventeenth century civilization. They must possess pavements something like the present one on King street. It's about that long out of date.

Premier Laurier will strengthen himself and his party by permitting Mr. Tarte to retire from the cabinet on account of his "health," which is again said to be poor. As for the Liberal whip, Mr. Bourassa, he had better be quarantined until after the next election.

## "He That Stays Does the Business."

All the world admires "staying power." On this quality success depends. The blood is the best friend the heart has, and "faint heart" never won anything. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the best friend the blood ever had; it cleanses the blood of everything.

If you would be strong in the race of life and "do the business," you must "stay." Hood's Sarsaparilla makes the struggle easy. It gives clear, strong blood; hence perfect health ensues. It never disappoints.

**Stomach Trouble.**—"I had pains in my sides and kidneys. Stomach and liver troubles caused my distress. I had doctored without avail and used many medicines unsuccessfully. My sister advised Hood's Sarsaparilla and in a short time it cured me. I am now stronger and sleep better. I shall never be without Hood's Sarsaparilla in the house." Mrs. FRASER, 308 Ossington Avenue, Toronto, Ont.

**No Strength.**—"My whole system was run down. I was weak and could hardly get around to do my work. I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla and after using five bottles I found that my strength had returned and appetite much improved." Mrs. KATZ, 318 Dufferin St., Toronto, Ont.

**Hood's Sarsaparilla**  
Never Disappoints.

Hood's Pills cure liver ills; the non-irritating and only cathartic to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

The first contingent is made up by provinces as follows:—

Officers, Men.	
Ontario.....	18 277
Quebec.....	16 240
New Brunswick.....	3 106
Nova Scotia.....	3 131
Manitoba.....	1 52
British Columbia.....	2 61
Prince Edward Island.....	1 30

The Government has decided to fill the vacancies in the first Canadian contingent, which number something over twenty per cent. of the force. The official announcement will be made without delay, that the parties who are to go forward may be ready for the transport Monterey, which is to sail with the Strathcona contingent on the 15th. Who wants to go?

A number of King street property owners claim to have signed that petition against a new pavement, not because they were opposed to it, but as a protest against alleged or imaginary coercion by the council. In that case it seems to us that those who take it upon them should get up a petition for a pavement and pass it round themselves, just to show their good fides.

Discussing the franking privilege, The Hamilton Times, a Liberal paper, says:—That franking privilege, might well be abolished. The Conservatives who abused it to the extent of sending out tons of franked campaign literature—even utilizing civil servants to address it—and in at least one instance permitting a Tory member to frank an enormous edition of a patent medicine circular, profess a desire to prevent the abuse in future. The Liberals can well afford to forego its use. Why not do away with it altogether?

The man whose loyalty leads him to resort to violence against his neighbor because he suspects him of pro-Boer sentiments is not altogether the patriotic individual he imagines himself. The citizen who is most loyal to his country is the one who obeys its laws. It is the toast of British institutions that they permit freedom of thought and freedom of speech. Some persons in the exuberance of their own patriotism are inclined to overlook this fact and to put their own ideas and opinions into force against their neighbors contrary to the law of the land. They should remember that this is a free country and within reason a man may express any sentiments he cares to. If he goes beyond proper bounds the law and not his neighbor is the proper instrument to deal with him.

## WILL THE FOOT BE WASHED BEFORE BEING PUT DOWN?

Philadelphia Press.

If Canada is to take advantage of Great Britain's Imperial necessities, and in exchange for a handful of troops sent to South Africa is to exact an anti-American policy from the British government, it is time the American government put its foot down, firmly. Whenever the United States and the Imperial British government were about to come to any agreement Canadian intrigue began its evil work to defeat the high purposes of both countries.

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Graduate of the Southern Ohio Agricultural College. Twenty-eight years experience. Special attention to handling and pruning of your trees. Plain and ornamental lawns graded a specialty. Address: G. F. SHERMAN, Kingsville, Ont.

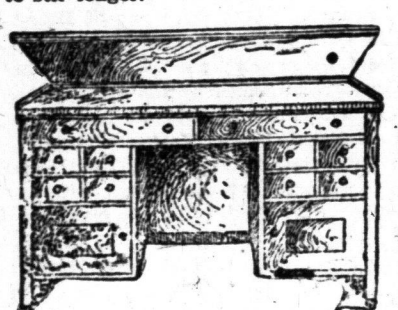
## THE KITCHEN.

The Housekeeper Should Fill This Workshop With Conveniences to Her Work.

It is by no means an ideal kitchen that the average housekeeper has at her command. Such luxury is reserved for the favored few who have sufficient means to build their kitchens with reference to every convenience, as well as to every known sanitary law.

Most housekeepers, however, must take their kitchens as they find them, and cook their meals in a room which, with the most meagre accommodation for the working utensils to be stored there. Of what use is it to this housekeeper to read an article which tells her that the walls must be painted, if hers are papered, and she has not the money to spare for having them altered, or that her refrigerator and coal bin should be built to communicate with the kitchen, if hers happens to be in the cellar, and must stay there? She must simply make the best of what she has, and, by degrees, fill this workshop of the household with whatever conveniences may suggest themselves for making her work easier.

If your floor is an old one, and shows unsightly cracks, instead of covering it with an oil cloth, try filling the cracks with a mixture made with one pound of flour, three quarts of water, and a teaspoonful of alum. Make a paste by cooking them well together, and after removing from the fire, stir into it a lot of paper torn in small pieces, and let it soak, stirring as much as you can, until the paper is a pulp, and the mass so thick that it is difficult to stir longer.

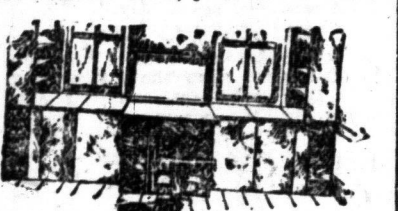


Apply this to the cracks, first making sure that the floor has been freshly swept and washed. Force the mixture into the cracks, smoothing it off even with the surface. Leave it to dry thoroughly, and you will find that it is more lasting, and a great deal cheaper than putty. It can be painted over the same as wood.

The kitchen table here shown, has two tops, the upper one hinged. This, when raised, reveals a kneading board, that is thus always kept scrupulously clean. The drawers and closets hold groceries and kitchen dishes, so that everything needed in cooking may be at hand without taking needless steps. One cannot realize until using such a cabinet as this how much of the labor of cooking comes from the necessity of going first in one direction and then in another for materials or utensils. The pantry is often inconveniently located, or too small to work comfortably in. In such cases this table, located in the kitchen, will be found of the greatest convenience.

Often in old-fashioned houses, especially in farm-houses, there are a few steps leading from the kitchen to a back room or shed. These may be converted into a convenient nook for the storing of bottles, wrapping paper, twine, etc.

The one in mind had two steps leading from the kitchen to the shed, and which were cased in; the mistress of the house who had an eye for utilizing all the space, as she was somewhat crowded for room, planned this scheme.



what novel closet; she had the lower tread taken off and fitted with hinges; in this way a convenient cover was made without interfering with the constant use of the stairs.

Often the soapstone tubs are set in the kitchen, when there is no laundry to the house. These are unsightly looking, unless covered over with a board made to fit them exactly. Above these tubs have two pine shelves; they will make an excellent closet for the storing of bluing, starch, soap, and other things needed in laundering. To make an attractive-looking, suspend a curtain of washable material over it. One can hardly have too many of these conveniences in a kitchen; there are always so many things to be stored away. When there are two windows on one side of the room, a convenient arrangement of shelves and cupboards may be made in like manner, as shown by the sketch.

The top of the centre cupboard forms a huge kneading board, and has a cover with fitted sides and ends to let down over this kneading board top, being hinged at the rear. Under this top is a broad drawer, in which are kept the rolling-pin, biscuit-cutter, measuring cups, and various other articles used in cooking.

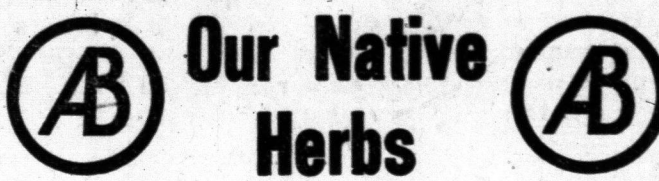
Upon either side are closets arranged, one for a four barrel, and the other for sugar and buckets of pastry, graham, and rye flour. The shelves will be found useful for all grocery stores, and may be screened from view by means of curtains suspended from rods.

Such an arrangement will be a boon to the woman who has a small pantry. The furnishings for one's range as for one's entire kitchen must be selected according to one's needs, with an eye to durability.

Alcohol lamps of cut glass, with silver top, have taken the place of wax candles in silver chandeliers for heating sealing wax on the writing table. These are dainty little affairs, very clean, and easily snuffed out. They are made in sets, to match inkstand, bristle penholder and mulligan bottles; and are a very pretty change from the solid silver formerly used.

## Nature Nourishes the Nerves

The action and vitality of every organ in the body depends on the nerves. Make them strong by using



It cures every disorder of the Blood, Kidneys, Stomach and Liver. Every box is stamped with registered number and contains a guarantee. If you are not cured we refund the money. You can get it at your druggists or we will mail you a box on receipt of \$1.00. Sold in tablets—also in powdered form.

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## MAN HAD TO FLEE.

## A Boer Sympathizer Driven from Fort Erie, Ont.

H. V. Muelen Will Reside in the United States Hereafter, Where he Thinks Free Speech is Guaranteed.

Fort Erie Station, G. T. R. Ont., March 7.—Inquiries at the house of H. V. Muelen, the Boer sympathizer who was reported to have been kidnapped and carried away in a cutter last Friday night by some indignant citizens who visited Muelen's house and raised a large United Jack thereon, elicited the fact that he has not yet returned to his home. It is now stated that Muelen was not forcibly taken away in the cutter, as reported, but made his escape to Fort Erie village, two miles away, freezing one foot and two fingers as he ran through the snow. He sought the protection of Chief of Police Griffin, who had him cared for at one of the hotels. It is said Muelen intends taking up his residence in the future in the United States under the Stars and Stripes, where freer speech, he claims, is permitted at the present than under the Union Jack.

## LEHIGH VALLEY RAILROAD

Trans-Atlantic travel has reached a point where all the discomforts that used to exist years ago in connection with the little details of arranging trips are no longer known, the railroad and steamship companies furnishing facilities that remove any difficulty whatever, and making it very easy and simple for a passenger to complete his arrangements.

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JOHN MCKAY.

## Tenders Wanted.

Whole tenders for the erection and completion of the House of Refuge of the County of Essex, will be received by the undersigned, on or before Saturday, March 17th, 1900, by Mr. Geo. F. Cronk, chairman of building committee at Leamington. Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of A. G. Baker, Leamington, Ont., and at the office of H. J. Powell, Stratford, Ont. Separate tenders both for steam and hot water will be required. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

A marked cheque for 25 per cent. of the amount of the contract must accompany each tender, such cheque will be returned to the unsuccessful tenders. Successful tenderer will be required to give good and sufficient bonds for the due performance of the work.

H. J. POWELL, Architect.

21-23-25-28-2-5

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NOTICE is hereby given that the partnership heretofore subsisting between us, the undersigned as builders and contractors, in the City of Chatham, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. All debts owing to said partnership are to be paid to Cortland H. Rayment, at Chatham, above said, and all claims against the said partnership are to be presented to the said Cortland H. Rayment, by whom the same will be settled.

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## RIDLEY.

S. Jacobs was called to Highgate today, where his mother died suddenly this morning.  
Wm. Wilson and family left yesterday for Boissevain, Man. His sister, Miss Bessie Wilson, accompanied them home, where she will reside in the future.  
Mrs. Geo. Watts, mother of S. Jacobs, died at Highgate this morning.  
Mrs. G. Craig is quite seriously ill. Jas. Stinson is also ill.  
Ed. Ridley is visiting at Erieau.  
Jas. Bonner is going to leave for British Columbia in a short time, and will spend some time with his brother Ed., who he has not seen for some years.

## FLETCHER.

Mr. Ferguson is going to have a sale on Monday next. A. G. Robinson, our genial friend, is to be the auctioneer. Mr. Ferguson intends shortly to remove from this place. Geo. Skipper will reside there.  
Miss Charbonneau is giving a grand concert in Murphy Hall on Monday next. This young lady we hope will meet with success for she is very deserving of it, and has become a general favorite here and in Merlin.

## HARWICH CENTER.

Mrs. Tompkins, of the 8th concession, was buried in Benham on Wednesday. Many were deterred from attending on account of the bad snowstorm.  
Hugh Morrow has been operating one of the McCormick corn huskers and shredders. It does fine work and promises to be much used in the future. The machine is small, but is full of action.  
Cyrus Huffman is well on with the work of township assessment.  
Miss Crispin, who has been visiting in the neighborhood for the past few weeks returned to her home in Woodstock on Friday.

## SCOTLAND.

Miss Mary Stevens is spending a few days the guest of Miss Josie Trumpp, Ridgetown.  
E. C. Bundy recently purchased a fishery near Enrie and purposed making a sale of his farm stock on March 6th.  
Our young people are taking advantage of the good sleighing season.  
James White has purchased a farm near Guilda, where he intends to reside in the near future.  
The shooting match between Ridgetown and Scotland, which was to have taken place on Wednesday last, was postponed owing to bad weather.  
Mrs. John Trumpp, Ridgetown is the guest of Mrs. Stevens.  
Mrs. Geo. Spence, 10th Con., has returned, after spending a few days the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Albert McRitchie.

## TOWN HALL, DOVER.

Mrs. Girard and Miss Suave, of Belle River, have returned home after a week's visit with Mr. and Mrs. David Dagneau.  
One of the most enjoyable parties of the season was held at the residence of Theodore Richard, Creek Road, on Tuesday last. Guests from Belle River and other places were present.  
The debating club held a very successful meeting on Friday last. The subject, "Married life vs. single life," was ably argued and decided in favor of the "single life." The next subject of debate is "Fire vs. water," for next Friday evening. A program will follow. During the course of the evening considerable enthusiasm was aroused by the reading of the latest war despatch.

## OUNGAH.

Our enterprising merchant, William Graham, is all smiles! It's a boy! Mrs. S. Nelson spent a few days with Mrs. C. Brown last week.  
Mr. McTavish, our genial blacksmith, is preparing to get out the timber for a new blacksmith shop in the village. We wish him success.  
Miss M. Pollock has returned from Hamilton.  
Mrs. Porter has recovered.  
Wm. Brown has been very busy this winter on the 10th Con.  
K. Urquhart, Jr., had a wagonette party out to Nottville last week. All enjoyed themselves till the wee sma' hours, and come home in the rain-storm rejoicing.  
S. Glenn is talking of taking out a license in Chatham as drayman.  
Miss Olga Tompkins has been the guest of Mrs. John G. Brown during the past week.  
There are a number of barns going up in our section this spring. We hear of three already.  
Mrs. R. McKnight has returned from her visit.  
Miss Burke, of Mitchell's Bay, was the guest of Miss Amy Pollock last week.

## APPLEDORE.

The members of the Appledore Literary Club held a very successful meeting at George Arnold's hall, Louisville. The program was as follows:  
Chairman's address, Clarence Bedford.  
Music, Frank Green.  
Reading of the Literary Journal—James McKerrall.  
Debate—Resolved, that country life is to be preferred to city life. Affirmative, Charles Craven, Dougald McKerrall, John Lanigan, Warren Bader. Negative, James McKerrall, Geo. Clives, George McKerrall, Raymond Lanigan.  
Recitation—John Lanigan.  
Reading of Literary Journal by the assistant editor, Levi Higgs.  
Recitation—Raymond Lanigan.  
Critic's report—Nellie Kriesler.  
After the program was finished George Clives delivered a patriotic speech, much enjoyed by all present. Then the crowd dispersed after singing God save the Queen.  
During the winter the Literary Club held many successful meetings, but the event of the season is yet to come and that will be the annual concert held by the club, which will take place on Friday evening, March 18th, in the town hall at Eberts. The members promise an excellent program. Besides the Tapperville orchestra,

there will be Mr. McCarty, the comic singer of Dover, recitations by the Stewart Bros., and numerous dialogues, recitations and tableaux by the members of the club.

## CHARGING CROSS SCHOOL.

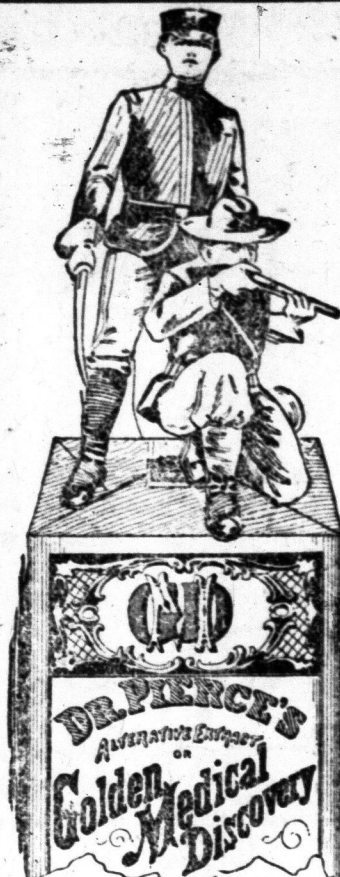
Following are the marks obtained by the pupils of Charging Cross school for examination and attendance during February:  
Class VII.—Katie Wilson 210, Lottie White 167.  
Class V.—Harry Wier 235, Frank Hunter 226, Ollie Drury 218, Cora Meloch 216.  
Class IV, Sr.—Harry Wilson 238, B. Wilson 210, Annie White 222, Samson Russell 188, Clifford Drewery 102.  
Class IV, Jr.—Stanley Walker 188, Chester Redmond 179, Edna Drewery 166, Frank Calkins 131, Willie Corlett 114, Eddie Wright 74, John Robinson 49.  
Class III, Sr.—Stuart Finlay 241, C. Wier 231, Geo. Young 149, Millie Munn, 140.  
Class III, Jr.—Harry Drury 275, C. Walker 233, Ruby Calkins 167, Harry Hunter 165, Ruby Young 156, Lily Pearce 30.  
Sr. 2nd—Florence McEachran 358, W. Hunter 323, Rob Drury 310, G. Smith 235, Maud Dibley 210, Roy Walker 167, Pearl Walker 154, Geo. Wright 144, Walter Edwards 119, Willie Fleming 98, Clayton Hamit 96, Wm. Dadds 53, Lottie Lizard 30.  
Jr. 2nd—Rachel Cram 145.  
Sr. Part II.—Gordon White 391, Gordon Finlay 391, Wayne Drewery 354, Harry McEachran 272, Stuart Smith 249, Nettie Harvey 227, Mary Smith 207, Gordon Hunter 202, Pearl Munn, 126, Leslie Smith 114, Clifford Wright 20.  
Names in order of merit.—Jr. Part II.—Louie Meloch, Myrtle McEachran, Percy Fields, Grace Walker.  
Sr. Part I.—Sophia Cram, Hattie Laidlaw, Jimmie Pierce, Gordon Walker, Ethel Smith, Jimmie Young.  
Jr. Part I.—Dell Dibley, Frank Summerfield, Ezzie Summerfield, Chance Dibley, Ruth Walker, Stanley Munn, Annie Robinson, Lily Fleming, Miss O. DREWERY, Ass't.

## A STUDY OF EX-PRESIDENTS.

Four Were Living at Three Different Times in the History of the Country.

Two ex-Presidents of the United States are living, Cleveland and Harrison.  
Before the expiration of John Adams's term, 1801, there was no ex-President living. Washington having died December, 1799.  
During Jefferson's administration Adams was the ex-President. Both died on the same day, July 4, 1826. Both were ex-Presidents during the administration of Madison and Monroe, and a part of the administration of J. Q. Adams.  
When Monroe was President the three ex-Presidents were Adams, Jefferson and Madison.  
J. Q. Adams became President in 1825. At that time Adams, Jefferson, Madison and Monroe were living. But before the expiration of J. Q. Adams's term, 1829, only Madison and Monroe were living.  
During Jackson's first administration Madison, Monroe and J. Q. Adams were the living ex-Presidents. Before the expiration of Jackson's second term only J. Q. Adams remained as former President.  
When Van Buren was President, J. Q. Adams and Jackson were the living ex-Presidents.  
During William Henry Harrison's term of one month, J. Q. Adams, Jackson and Van Buren were the living ex-Presidents.  
John Tyler as Vice-President succeeded Harrison and was in office from 1841 to 1845. The ex-Presidents living during his term were J. Q. Adams, Jackson and Van Buren.  
While Polk was President, the living ex-Presidents were J. Q. Adams, Jackson, Van Buren and Tyler. But before the expiration of Polk's term Van Buren and Tyler only remained. Taylor's term lasted less than five months, in that time Van Buren, Tyler and Polk were living, although Polk died twenty-five days before Taylor, thereby leaving Van Buren and Tyler living ex-Presidents.  
When Fillmore was President, Van Buren and Tyler were still living. With Pierce as President, there were three living ex-Presidents, Van Buren, Tyler and Fillmore.  
When Buchanan was President, Van Buren, Tyler, Fillmore and Pierce were living.  
During Lincoln's term of office, Fillmore, Pierce and Buchanan were living.  
In the administration of Johnson, Buchanan died, leaving Fillmore and Pierce.  
During Grant's first term, Fillmore and Johnson were living. Before the expiration of his second term there was no living ex-President.  
Grant was the only living ex-President while Hayes was at the White House.  
During Garfield's short term Grant and Hayes were living.  
In the administration of Arthur, Grant and Hayes were still living. At the time of Arthur's death Hayes was living.  
During Cleveland's first term, Grant, Hayes and Arthur were living. Before Hayes remained.  
With Benjamin Harrison as President, Hayes and Cleveland were living, but before the expiration of Harrison's term only Cleveland remained as a living ex-President.  
In Cleveland's second term there was but one ex-President living, Harrison.  
During McKinley's term, the two living ex-Presidents are Cleveland and Harrison.  
Three times in the history of the country have four ex-Presidents been living, at the same time. Frequently three, once there was one ex-President living during the incumbency of his predecessor; twice none.

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As a matter of fact in sections where there are a large number of residents whose employment begins at four or five in the morning there are professional "wakers" who, for a small sum per week, will guarantee to wake up their clients at a certain hour each morning.

Perhaps the most novel method employed is that of a young revenue clerk, whose duties once or twice a week require that he shall be at a certain pier at seven o'clock, which is about an hour earlier than he usually gets up.

He tried an alarm clock, but as often as not he failed to hear it. He asked one of the servants to arouse him, but the servant frequently overslept. He was in despair.

One night he was wending his way home rather late, wondering how he was going to get awake in the morning, when he happened to pass a telegraph office. A happy thought struck him.

Entering the office, he wrote out a telegram addressed to himself and signed with an initial. It read:—"Mother is dying. Come at once."

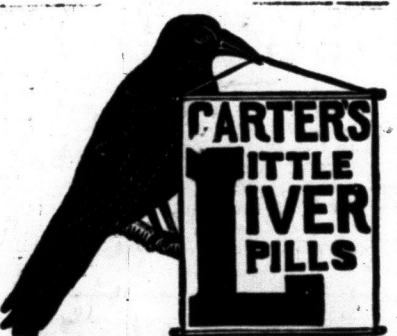
Leaving instructions that it was to be delivered at five o'clock in the morning, he went home and went to bed. Promptly at five a messenger boy was energetically ringing the bell, having been informed that the message was an urgent one and that he was not to come back without delivering it.

So well did the scheme work that the young man now resorts to it as a matter of habit. He is always careful to word the message so as to make the telegraph company employees believe it is an urgent one, and thus far the scheme has never failed to get him up in time.

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## LOCAL BRIEFS

Uncle Tom's Cabin to-night.  
There was no produce on the market to speak of to-day. Enough vegetables to meet the demand were offered for sale by one or two lone gardeners. In the shed there was a scanty supply of butter and eggs, butter selling at 20c. a pound and eggs at 18c. a dozen.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Hannah Cole took place this afternoon from the residence of her son-in-law, Wm. Carlyle, Edgar St., Maple Leaf Cemetery. The services were conducted by the Rev. Dr. Hampton. The pall-bearers were: Warren Martin, W. L. G. Snell, Daniel Jordan, E. Putnam, J. A. Wilson and John Munro.

**CHILDREN'S AID.**  
The advisory board of the Children's Aid Society held its regular meeting in the Sunday school hall of Christ church yesterday afternoon, there being a large attendance present. The executive officer, Dr. V. V. Bray, presented his monthly report, showing an amount of work accomplished during February. The society has now two children, a boy and a girl, for whom they are desirous of obtaining good homes. The special committee reported that they had rented a residence on Stanley avenue for one year as a shelter and had secured the services of a matron. The president, secretary and executive officer were appointed a committee to superintend the general internal management of the shelter.

**ANOTHER PATRIOTIC CONCERT.**  
Miss May Colles' patriotic concert given at the Townshipp hall on Friday evening was a great success. Her pupils in costumes of "red white and blue" did themselves great credit by their cleverness in choruses and fancy drills. S. Hancock, of Ridgeway, made a capital "stump speech" and if the Boer shells could only bring down the house as Mr. Hancock did, Lady Smith would have been annihilated long ago. Vocal solos were excellently rendered by S. Hancock and F. E. Schwenker, of Ridgeway; D. Reid, F. Fleming and J. McKee, of Bothwell; and by Miss Pearl Lidster and Miss Ida Colles. The concert was frequent and president Mrs. McManus, of Bothwell, presided. Arthur Green with a grand company of young men in uniform gave exhibitions of military tactics, and in command placed himself around only to Hobs himself. The whole affair was a great success and precision, showing that Kent county takes to soldiering as naturally as young ducks do to swimming. A number of clever and appropriate tableaux were put on, representing the Boer soldiers in camp, etc. The audience showed their appreciation and their patriotic spirit in an untiring manner. Ex-Warden Leverton filled the chair in his usual happy style and he publicly thanked Miss Colles for the spirit and executive ability she had shown in presenting so clever and entertaining The proceeds, between \$10 and \$50, were handed to Arthur Green to be forwarded to Major Rankin towards the patriotic fund.



**DELICIOUS AND WHOLESOME BREAD**  
that is not only the stuff of life, but the stuff of health. It is made from the best flour and is the secret of the baker's skill.

**EAT RICHARDS' BREAD**

A horse, driven by two young ladies, became frightened at the band this afternoon. Samuel Mercer, the popular hockey player, pluckily stopped it.

**ATTRACTIVE SHIRTS.**  
The latest fancies.  
We could write about new arrivals every day.

That's where this store is so different from all others. We keep our customers in touch with New York. Have you seen the handsome patterns of Faultless Shirts in our east window? The 2 Ts.

## A SLANDER NAILED.

To The Planet.—In a letter published yesterday in the Planet by Messrs. Thibodeau & Jacques in reference to malicious slanders against their loyalty to Her Majesty and to the cause of Britain in the Transvaal I deem it my duty in justice to them and to myself to make it known that my name has been falsely used by slanderers and that I have never heard from them or any one in their store anything against Britain or Britain's cause in the Transvaal nor did I refuse to complete a purchase in their store as falsely reported. Moreover, I am pleased to say that I have received courteous and gentlemanly treatment when I had occasion to enter their store.

**ISABELLA GLENN.**  
Chatham, Mar. 7, 1900.

## THE WATER COMMISSIONERS.

The adjourned meeting of the water commissioners was held last evening, there being present the chairman, Dr. J. L. Bray, and Commissioner W. D. Sheldon. The following accounts were presented and passed:—G. W. Cowan, \$1.40; Fred Wood, \$7.70; McKeough & Trotter, \$21.49; Doherty Mfg. Co., \$3.60; Thomson Motor Co., \$1.35; O. W. Shipman Co., \$131.88.

Renewals of plumbers' licenses were granted upon application to Watt & Sons, Westman Bros., J. A. Morton, John McKay, J. C. Wanless and F. Stinson. A communication was read from the Public school board asking for a flat rate instead of a meter, as at present. Allowed to stand.

The Sec-Treas. presented the cash statement for February, showing receipts of \$424.09, and expenditure of \$770.96.

## THE MONTREAL RIOTS.

The Government Questioned in the Imperial House of Commons.

London, March 6.—Questioned in House of Commons to-day, regarding the students' disturbances at Montreal, Joseph Chamberlain, Secretary of State for the Colonies, said he regretted the "unfortunate riots," and briefly recounted the occurrences, saying he was happy to add that a telegram yesterday evening showed their cessation.

**A BIG FIRE.**  
Philadelphia, March 7.—A fire engulfing an estimated loss of over \$600,000 occurred early to-day in the retail dry goods district. Some 1,500 persons are out of employment.

An inquest was held at Montreal on Henry Roman, who was killed by a shovel in the hands of his neighbor, René Arbour, during a dispute about snow-cleaning, and a verdict of justifiable homicide returned.

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## ALL IS NOW READY

For Lord Roberts' Advance on the Free State Capital

Seventh Division Expected to do the Hard Fighting—General Buller Again on the Move.

London, Wednesday, March 7.—All is now ready for Lord Roberts' next advance. Lord Roberts has four mounted brigades with horse artillery with which the Boer line can be turned. The Seventh Division, under Gen. Turker has not yet been in action and will probably have the brunt of the fighting if a battle precedes the occupation of Bloemfontein, but it is probable that a frontal attack will be avoided and that Gen. French's brigades will take a long circuit northward to cut off a retreat toward the Vet river.

The Dutch forces, if defeated, will abandon Bloemfontein and fall back on Wynberg, and the high hills between Ventersburg and Senekal, at the Vet and the Valsch rivers. This is described by South Africans as the most formidable defensive position in the Free State, and lateral railways lead up behind it at Bethlehem and Kromstad.

It is reported that Gen. Buller has pushed forward a force along the Harrismith railroad line toward Van Reenen's pass, using the railroad freely for communications. It appears that the Boers intend to take up a strong position in the Biggarsberg range and contest the Glencoe passes, although it hardly seems likely that Gen. Buller will attempt to force these for the present. His plans, however, are kept almost as secret as those of Lord Roberts.

## WAR NOTES.

Many women, who are reported to be good shots, are among the Boer prisoners arriving at Cape Town.

The Boer prisoners at Cape Town total 22 men, exclusive of those captured by Lord Roberts at Paardeberg and in other engagements.

Cavalry from Ladysmith is skirmishing with the Boers.

An auction sale was held at Ladysmith of the things brought from the Boer camps. A bunch of grapes sold for 25 shillings, a plate of tomatoes brought 18 shillings, a package of matches brought 13 shillings, a package of cigarettes 25 shillings, 50 cigars brought £10, and a quarter of a pound of plug tobacco 45 shillings.

Private Sigbert, of Halifax, has died of wounds received at Paardeberg. This brings the total Canadian death list from all causes up to forty.

## MR. SHEPLEY'S ARTICLE

On Milk Separators Has Been Read With Much Interest—What Mr. Lister Says.

The Planet of March 1st had a very interesting article on milk separators which should have been credited to Mr. N. H. Shepley. Writing in connection with the article Mr. Lister, of the Maple City Creamery, says:—

The proprietor of the Maple City Creamery wishes to publicly thank Mr. Shepley for his interest taken in the creamery business. It will be noticed in the article that if average milk contains 3.6 per cent. of butter fat, 100 pounds of such milk would make four pounds of butter worth 15 cents. This would be 60 cents per 100 pounds for the milk, allowing that decimal four might, could or should be added, but the little, if it is the trouble again. The Maple City Creamery guarantees to add decimal three and stand all losses from shrinkage or mistakes in manufacturing and selling and is responsible for all collections after sales are made which very often causes quite a loss. This would make a difference of one and one half cents on one hundred pounds of milk, a very small margin for a manufacturer to stand all losses. The Maple City Creamery's February statement shows that several patrons are being paid at the rate of 4.5 and 4.6 pounds of butter at 24 cents per pound for one hundred pounds of milk. Thus the separator gives even better returns than Mr. Shepley claimed in his excellent and instructive article.

## CHICAGO MARKETS.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—Dec.	66 1/2	66 3/4	66 1/2	66 1/2
May	66 1/2	67 1/4	66 1/2	66 1/2
Corn—Sept.	35 1/2	35 3/4	35 1/2	35 1/2
May	35 1/2	35 3/4	35 1/2	35 1/2
Oats—Sept.	23 1/2	23 3/4	23 1/2	23 1/2
May	23 1/2	23 3/4	23 1/2	23 1/2
Pork—Dec.	10 1/2	10 3/4	10 1/2	10 1/2
May	10 1/2	10 3/4	10 1/2	10 1/2
Lard—Dec.	5 5/8	5 5/8	5 5/8	5 5/8
May	5 5/8	5 5/8	5 5/8	5 5/8
Ribs—Oct.	5 5/8	5 5/8	5 5/8	5 5/8
May	5 5/8	5 5/8	5 5/8	5 5/8
July	5 5/8	5 5/8	5 5/8	5 5/8

## FREEMAN'S SARSAPARILLA.

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

At Fire Creek, West Virginia, 50 miners have been entombed by an explosion. Ten bodies have been recovered. There is no hope for the rest. Col. Prior, in the house of commons yesterday, called attention to the high handed conduct of Lord Governor Milnes, of British Columbia, in dismissing a ministry. Premier Laurier said the question lay with the people of that province. If they did not endorse his course in the coming election, the matter would be serious.

Minard's Liniment for sale everywhere.

## HAVE IT

DONE NOW

You can have that room papered now with less inconvenience to yourself than you can later on, when paper hangers are busy. We are showing samples for spring, 1900, and are prepared to give estimates for one room or a hundred; for the paper only or for the paper and hanging. We have all the new colors in Wall Papers—Reds, Greens, Blues, Terra Cottas, Ivories, Pinks, Browns, Slates, etc., etc.

**Dingman's**  
King Street, Chatham

Beauty and Glasses.



Women strain their eyes waste nerve energy and produce premature wrinkles, because they think glasses detract from their personal charms. Properly fitted glasses positively improve the looks of those with defective eyes. We put beauty in glasses as well as behind them.

**A. I. McCall & Co**  
OPTICIANS AND DRUGGISTS.  
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## Spare Ribs Tenderloins

Hocks, Frankfurts and Pork Sausage

FRESH DAILY AT  
**J. P. Taylor**  
Park Street East. Telephone 187

## Cook's Cotton Root Compound

Is successfully used monthly by over 10,000 Ladies. Safe, effective. Ladies ask your druggist for Cook's Cotton Root Compound. It is a safe, effective, and reliable remedy for all diseases of the female system. It is a safe, effective, and reliable remedy for all diseases of the female system. It is a safe, effective, and reliable remedy for all diseases of the female system.

No. 1 and No. 2 sold in Chatham at Central Drug Store, C. H. Gunn & Co.

## RHODES DISLOYAL?

A London Paper Hints That He May be—Its Reasons.

London, March 7.—The Morning Leader says: "Of one thing we may be certain: Cecil Rhodes, who knows South Africa, has made up his mind that the annexation of the republics will not bring the lasting peace which our imperialists prophesy. Mr. Rhodes is so sure this will not happen that he is prepared to set to work at once on the fortifications of Kimberley. We incline to think Mr. Rhodes is preparing for a possible armed conflict with the imperial faction which he fought at the polls and in parliament until 1897. He is preparing to interfere actively in South African affairs, either in the interests of the Dutch end, or of the Kaffir laborer, who seems doomed to virtual slavery. This is not, indeed, an extravagant hypothesis. Rhodes has consistently maintained a policy of 'Africa for the Afrikaner,' and on his lips the latter word is synonymous with financier. He will be loyal to the English flag just as long as it continues a valuable commercial asset."

## Brave Men Fall

Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles and feel the result in loss of appetite, backache, nervousness, headache and tired, run-down feeling, but "Electric Bitters" are just the thing for a man" writes J. W. Gardner, of Louisville, Ind., "when he is all run-down and don't care whether he lives or dies. It did more to give me new strength and good appetite than anything I could take. I can now eat life." Only 50c. Every bottle guaranteed by A. I. McCall & Co., druggists.

Minard's Liniment is used by Physicians.

Dress Goods and Millinery C. Austin & Co., Clothing Department

## The Best Way

When the inquisitive owner of the camel asked that patient quadruped "would you rather go up hill or down?" The camel was smart enough to answer the question by asking another, "pray, master, is the level way across the plain shut up?" So with us, we have travelled no devious route to popularity.

**Straight Bargains, Straight Prices, Straight Methods**

Have been good enough for us. We make the price with small profit and it goes. WE DON'T PUT DOWN HERE AND PUT UP THERE. The people are wise enough to know their friends, and our success tells a truthful tale.

**New Goods Arriving In Our Great Clothing Department**

**NEW TOP COATS**  
Just opened this week, a very special line of young men's whipcord coats, all French faced, nicely lined and well made, sizes 34 to 38, V. y Special Value \$7.50.

**YOUNG MEN'S NEW SUITS**  
Passed into stock this week, a very nobby line of suits, in pretty shade of brown, swell pattern, overpaid, handsomely cut, equal to any tailor's garment, sizes run from 33 to 35, a beauty at \$10.00.

**BOYS' 3 PC. SUITS**  
A new line just in with this lot, nobby overpaid, pretty shading brown, extra well made and lined, sizes 28 to 33, very dressy, \$6.50.

All lines of men's, boys' and youth's heavy suits, overcoats, etc., clearing at away down prices, it will pay you to consider them.

## Goods You Will Need For Home Decorations!

We want every person who is interested in buying new CURTAIN MUSLINS, CRETONNES, FANCY DENIMS, and ART GOODS of all kinds, to pay special attention to the following lines mentioned, and the prices for each kind. As our drapery department, is stocked with new, and beautiful curtain material, such as has never been shown in Chatham before.

Inspection Will Convince You of this Statement

**For Sash Curtains**  
34 in. Swiss Curtains Muslins, all sized spots and fancy designs, good value, 12 1/2c and 14c per yd.

**Tinsel Drapery**  
A magnificent range of these goods now in stock, beautiful patterns and colorings, very suitable for drapes or cushions, at per yd. 10c, 12 1/2c and 18c.

**Madras Muslins**  
Our assortment is large and decidedly right in style and prices.

**Fancy Curtain Scrims**  
48 in. Curtain Scrim, in a variety of beautiful patterns, with lace stripes and cream grounds, warranted fast colors, per yd. 10c.

**Art Denims**  
A number of very handsome patterns and colorings, 32 in. wide, durable weights, pattern on both sides and good washing colors, special per yd. 17c and 22c.

**Reversible Cretonnes**  
40 in. Fancy Bordered Reversible Cretonnes, for arch or door curtains, beautiful colorings and new designs, per yard 25c.

**Leading and Reliable Clothiers**

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



## We Make Prices

To make trade. Our business is all done on a cash basis. We buy the best goods we can, the cheapest we know how. Our experience, and our cash brings us many bargains.

Marmalade 10c jar.

Cooking Figs, 5c a lb.

Table Figs, 15c a lb.

California Prunes, 10c a lb.

Jams and Jellies, 10c a jar.

**H. Malcolmson**

## I=4 Off Brush Sale!

Every brush we have in stock is offered for one week at 25 per cent off the regular price. Now is the time to present yourself with a new brush.

Hair Brushes  
Tooth Brushes  
Cloth Brushes  
Bath Brushes  
Nail Brushes  
Hat Brushes  
Whisk Brooms

**Sulman's**  
Beehive

GARNER HOUSE BLOCK  
P. R.—All the March Magazines now in

## GRAND OPERA HOUSE

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7th MATINEE AND NIGHT

Geo. P. Stearns' Big Spectacular

## Uncle Tom's Cabin

THE BARNUM OF THEM ALL

Under the management of Mr. Kibbe

50 Men, Women and Children—Don't lose the band and orchestra—A Great Company—A Great Cast

TWO TOPSIES! TWO MARKS!

Oriental Quartette—African Mandolin Players—Saxophone and Organ Ensemble—Play a Double Quartet—Jubilee Choir—Rock and Roll Dancers—Shouters, etc.

A PAIR OF GENUINE BLOODHOUNDS

New Songs—New Dances—New Music—Everything New—A Carful of Beautiful Sonnets—Lotion—Pickles—Jams in the South—Eva's Ascension—The Grandest Street Parade Ever Given—Two Bands—Massive Dags, etc.—A sight of a lifetime.

POPULAR PRICES

Matinee Prices, Children 10c, Adults 25c.

SEE OUR GRAND STREET PARADE

## ODD FELLOWS ATTENTION

The Officers and Members of Chatham Lodge No. 29, I. O. O. F., request the pleasure of your company and lady or friend at ceremony

Dedication Ceremony

of their New

## Temple Building

Which will take place on

Thursday, March 8th, 1900

At 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

IN THE EVENING

The Degree Staff will exemplify the 2nd Degree at 8 o'clock in the Lodge Room.

At 9:30 a Grand Banquet will be given in the Auditorium to the Grand Lodge Officers who have all accepted invitations to be present.

Brothers are requested to secure their tickets for Banquet before Wednesday, if possible in order that the committee may know how many to prepare for.

Tickets may be had from the committee or at the following places:

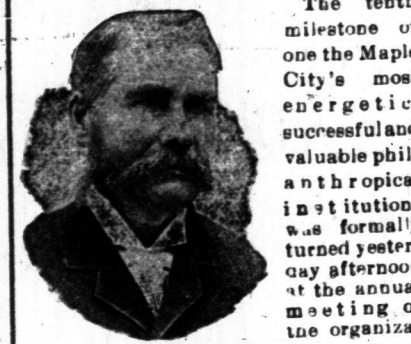
Secord & Andrews, O. B. Hall's, Central Drug Store, McCorvie & McKerrall's, Geo. Hayward's, C. Austin & Co., Wm. Potter's, W. H. Garwood, at Temple.

Minard's Lumberman's

# THE PUBLIC HOSPITAL

## Has Had a Flourishing Year.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ASSOCIATION OF REPORTS SUBMITTED—OFFICIALS SELECTED



HUGH M. MALCOLMSON, Chairman of the Public Hospital.

The tenth milestone of one of the Maple City's most energetic, successful and valuable philanthropic institutions was formally turned yesterday afternoon at the annual meeting of the organization.

The trustees have much pleasure in presenting their tenth annual report and the treasurer's financial statement for the year ending 31st December, 1899, duly audited. During the last year the addition to the main building of the hospital has been finished and furnished, and is now in full occupation. The heating apparatus for the whole building has been enlarged and remodelled and is now giving good satisfaction.

In order to raise the funds for the completion of the new building the trustees found it necessary to borrow, and made arrangements with the Chatham Loan and Savings Company to borrow \$3,500 at 5 per cent. A special meeting of the society was called and held on the 27th June last, at which meeting the action of the trustees was approved and they were authorized to give a mortgage on the society's lands and buildings to secure the loan.

By the statistical report following it will be seen that there is an increase in the number of patients treated during the year.

Statistical Report.  
Patients in hospital, January, 1899, 29.  
Births, 18.  
Admitted during the year, 294.  
Total, 323.  
Discharged, 276.  
Died, 16.  
In hospital, 31st December, 28.  
Total, 329.  
From County, 145.  
From City, 116.  
From United States, 29.  
From other countries, 30.  
Males, 145.  
Females, 175.  
Protestants, 301.  
Catholics, 19.  
Canadians, 251.  
United States, 29.  
Scottish, 12.  
English, 8.  
Irish, 10.  
In 1898 the number treated was 306.

The nurses and other officers of the institution have carefully and satisfactorily performed their duties, and the trustees thank those medical gentlemen and Miss Dr. Carson who have so kindly given voluntarily their time and attention free to public patients. The trustees desire to thank the Duesy Chain Association, the County Lodge Orange Lodge of South Kent, the Ladies' Orange Benevolent Association of the City of Chatham, who have furnished rooms in the new building, the Ladies' Assisting Society, the King's Daughters, and the public who have given such a generous support during the year, and have much pleasure in recommending this institution to their favorable notice.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Matron, 300.00  
Nurses, 390.00  
Caretaker and cook, 327.00  
Laundry and help, 195.00  
Housekeeper, 36.00  
Gas fixtures, 100.82  
Furnishings, including steel range, 152.29  
Nurses' Home building, 9.75  
Isolation building, 48.38  
Contractors, etc., addition, 5,323.80  
Architect and plans, etc., 100.00  
Operating room, furnishing, etc., 300.04  
Lumber for coal bins, 6.03  
Cash on hand, 836.06  
\$11,291.90

Assets.  
For Main Bldg. and furnishings, \$2,760.00  
New addition, 11,893.82  
Isolated Bldg., 6,323.84  
Nurses' Home, 1,239.51  
Cash on hand, 1,529.68  
\$21,582.91

Liabilities.  
Miges. Chart. L. & S. Co., \$5,500.00  
Surplus assets, 19,082.91  
\$21,582.91

S. F. GARDNER, Treasurer.

The certificate of the auditors, A. F. Falls and Geo. D. Ross, was annexed.

PRESIDENT IS PLEASED.

In moving the adoption of the reports Chairman Malcolmson took occasion to allude to the gratification of the board at the excellent progress accomplished by the hospital. These were the tenth annual reports and each year had shown encouraging progress. At the inception of the enterprise some members of the board felt that it would not be wise to spend more than \$5,000 in it, while today over four times that amount had been paid out in permanent improvements, and there are plans for more. Mr. Malcolmson congratulated the board on the work done during last year and pointed out that, owing to the rise in the price of materials, it would have cost \$3,500 additional to have done it this year. The chairman also referred to the new operating room, the equipment of which he characterized as second to none in the Dominion. Mr. Malcolmson said both Chatham hospitals were doing a noble work in alleviating human suffering. Last year the General Hospital treated over sixty patients who were unable to pay a cent.

In concluding Mr. Malcolmson extended thanks to the Christian Church of Chatham for their work during the past year, also to the Orange friends for furnishing two rooms and to a quartette of young ladies, Misses Mary McKee, Marion, Gertrude, Edith, Edna and Lillian McKee, who have so generously furnished another room. The chairman regretted the absence of the city clergymen, but hoped the continued prosperity of the institution.

N. H. Stevens seconded the motion, all that the chairman had said. The hospital work during the year had been most successful, and the addition of an elevator and separate laundry would be perfectly equipped. In concluding Mr. Stevens paid a tribute to the energy and enterprise of the chairman.

Dr. J. H. Duncan congratulated the chairman and board upon the exceptional growth and life of the hospital. The institution had proved beyond all expectations a benefit to the general public, and physicians were able to do better for their patients. The chairman had truly said to none in Canada in the perfection of its equipment. Dr. Duncan paid a glowing tribute to both city hospitals and their great advantages to city and country.

Dr. T. K. Holmes said the whole machinery of the hospital was never running so smoothly nor was conducted in such an efficient manner. He endorsed the remarks of Dr. Duncan.

OFFICERS FOR 1900.

The following officers were then elected:—A. F. Falls and Geo. D. Ross.

Trustees—H. Malcolmson chairman; T. K. Mackeand, S. F. Gardner, Manson Campbell, M. Houston, Wm. Bull, and the Mayor, ex-officio.

The chairman expressed the regret of the board at the retirement of Mr. Stevens, and paid a warm tribute to that gentleman.

Judge Houston, in moving a vote of thanks to the ladies, enlarged their work and spoke of the progress of the institution.

A vote of thanks was also passed to the members of the medical profession.

**TILBURY.**

March 7.—Margaret, eldest daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Sharpe, aged 3 years and 4 months, died on Monday afternoon, after a week's illness, of George's, of Tilbury East, is seriously ill.

A number from the village intend seeing "Shoreacres" at the Lyceum in Detroit this week.

Miss Stinson and Miss B. Shaw returned to day from Toronto, where they have been attending the millinery openings.

**New Hardware**

HALDOON STREET, FOOT OF 3rd STREET

States that will slide on ice.

Cross-Cut Saws—that cut so nice And also sold at slaughter prices.

All kinds of Hardware, Etc.

**D. H. Winter**

# ALL THE NOVELTIES FOR SPRING WEAR

.....At The Gordon Store.....

By visiting our show rooms you will find what the fashionmakers have decided for this season's wear. In our Dress Goods department we were never so well stocked with such variety of weaves, of colorings and textures. Our spring showings surpass competition. The fabrics will merit your approval every way.

## Colored Dress Goods

Priestley's New Spiral Hair Cord Suitings, Ripley finish, the new shades in Castors, Greens, Grays, etc., at per yard..... \$1.00  
New, fine Imported Dress Suitings, prevailing colors, Light and Dark Grays and Fawns, 54 inch wide, correct fabric for tailor made suits, at per yard..... \$1.50  
New, fine French Wool Dress Poplins, in choice range of colors, very special for cost, 72c yd. and 50c  
New Homeopons, 60 inch wide, latest thing for separate skirts, at per yard..... \$1.25  
New Ladies Cloths, in great variety, the latest shades, all wool, already shrunk, at per yard \$1.35, \$1.00, 90c, 72c.....  
New Camel's Hair and Tweed Plaids for separate skirts, the latest thing in the Fashion Books.

**BLACK DRESS GOODS**—In these goods we maintain our reputation for carrying the largest, choicest and cheapest stock of Black Silk and Wool Crepons, Eudoras, Cashmeres, Serges, Soles, Lustras, Poplins, Imperial Cloths, Broad Cloths, etc.

Ther ealier you buy the greater the satisfaction and advantage.

## WILLIAM GORDON

THE BALANCE OF OUR JACKETS AT HALF PRICE AND UNDER

## SCHOOL CHANGES.

Miss McCorvie Resigns From the McKee Staff.

Appointments, Promotions and Increases in Salary—Fire Protection—Physical Culture.

The school board held its regular meeting Tuesday evening. There were present Chairman Wilson and Trustees McCorvie, Johnston, Thomson, Campbell, Morley, McKee, McKerrall, Robertson and Dr. R. V. Bray.

Miss Kate McCorvie wrote resigning her position as teacher, the resignation to take effect at Easter. Mr. Johnston, in moving the acceptance of Miss McCorvie's resignation, said that she was a very capable and successful teacher, and that her pupils have all ways been exceedingly successful in examinations, passing with a high percentage of marks. Miss McCorvie has ever been an energetic, painstaking teacher and a warm favorite with teachers and taught. She has also assisted in placing McKee school at the high position which it occupies. Mr. Johnston seconded the motion with much regret and fully concurred in all that Mr. Johnston had said. Too much could not be said of Miss McCorvie's good work during her term on the staff of McKee school.

Chairman Wilson, before putting the motion, said that he had often heard Miss McCorvie's ability as a teacher highly spoken of. It was always a cause of regret when any of the schools lost a good teacher but the inevitable had to be submitted to.

The motion then carried. Miss George Morrison wrote asking for the vacancy on McKee staff.

A motion from the city collector was received notifying the board that the taxes for 1899 had not been paid on the vacant lots on Queen street.—Referred to Finance.

Mr. McCorvie moved, seconded by Mr. Johnston, that Miss Young be appointed to the vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss McCorvie.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. McCorvie, seconded by Mr. Johnston, that Miss Morrison be appointed to Miss Young's position as substitute for Miss Richards.—Carried.

## FIRE PROTECTION.

A firm wrote asking the board to purchase their fire extinguishers. Dr. McKee said that he had made inquiries and the extinguishers were of very little use and somewhat dangerous in themselves to be left around where children were.

Mr. McCorvie said he had also investigated the same and was of the same opinion as Dr. McKee. He took a practical hand to manipulate them.

Mr. Campbell said that he agreed with the other trustees. They had a number at the fanning mill factory and they required constant care. They had to be discharged every six months or else they were no use. Small hand grenades were better and cheaper.

Mr. Wilson said that he had also made inquiries and he agreed with the previous speakers. He said that the matter of fire protection for the schools should never be looked into, and suggested that fire hose and an alarm system should be introduced into all the schools.

Mr. Johnston—I think a good point proper fire protection? I think that hose and hand grenades should be supplied to all the schools. I would ask the managers of each school to report at next meeting. Mr. Robertson then moved seconded by Mr. Paxton, that no action be taken re the purchase of fire extinguishers. Carried.

## FINANCE REPORT.

Chairman Johnston, of the finance committee reported as follows: Central school, W. O. Bentley, wood, \$2. John Bowers \$1.50, A. R. Crow \$13.50, J. Marquand 25c, A. E. Pelette \$2 C. Hammond \$1.50, E. C. Fallis \$2.50, Smead Dowd Co. \$2.50, Planet \$2.50.

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