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EYES SPEAK

THE HUMAN ELEMENT.

A Suggestion to Canadians in the Pres-
ervation of Historical Data.

Lord Rosebery, in his address to the Scottish History Society, the other day, urged strongly the matter which Canadians might do well to consider in regard to the preserva-
tion of what he calls the "human

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Harness from our hand sewed, selected leathers stock.
Trays and servers, silver, nickle. Japan, brass, all styles, exceedingly low.

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Salmon, 10c a can.
Seven pounds best rolled oats 25c.
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Clothes plus, to a dozen.

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O.O.I. Star and People's Popular Course.

Carnival of Entertainment.

Vernon, the Ventriquist, original ideas artistically executed.

Mme. Vernon, assisted by Mr. Vernon in her phenomenal exhibition of "Thought Transferred."

The McGrath Brothers, Banjo Duetists.

William T. Houston, Musical Improvisator.

Mrs. Mowery, Reader.

Prices 25c, 50c, and 75c. Seats on sale Friday morning.

Another new industry has been started in Leamington, that of the manufacture of cigars from native grown tobacco. B. G. Westcott has taken out the license, and will employ a considerable number of hands. The cigar made is said by experts to be first class.

THE TEMISCAMING RAILWAY

Proposed Extension to the
Abitibi River—Question
of General Election.

Not Considered by the Govern-
ment says Premier Ross—
Estimates Brought Down

Toronto, Feb. 5.—A lengthy order paper was practically cleared at a short session of the Legislature this afternoon, and many questions were asked and answered.

THE T. & O. RAILWAY.

Perhaps the most interesting feature was the introduction by the Commissioner of Public Works of a bill to amend the Temiscaming and Ontario Railway Act. It provides for the extension of the Government line to a point on the Abitibi River to tap the proposed Grand Trunk Pacific line. It is a long bill, and it enlarges the powers of the Commission by enabling them to issue debentures for \$30,000 instead of \$25,000, and empowers them to expropriate land for town sites. It also enables the Lieutenant Governor-in-Council to from time to time transfer to the Commission, by way of loan out of the consolidated revenue fund, sums not exceeding \$2,000,000, on the security of the bonds of the Commission, with interest at three and a half per cent.

ASSESSMENT ACT.

The bill amending the Assessment Act was also introduced by the Attorney-General.

Of the numerous questions answered, perhaps the most interesting was the Premier's reply to Mr. St. John, who asked: "Will there be a general election for this Legislature before the election petitions now pending in the courts are disposed of?" Mr. Ross testily replied: "The Government have not considered the subject of a general election for the Legislature."

At which the Opposition laughed loud and long.

FISHING PRIVILEGES.

Mr. Latchford told Mr. Hendrie that the Government was desirous of the right of the Dominion Government to grant fishing privileges on James Bay to Mr. McNeill, of Windsor, and that the question of the respective rights of the Province and the Dominion would be probably submitted to the Supreme Court.

THE ESTIMATES.

The estimates brought down by the Premier provided for an expenditure of \$120,000 less than the whole appropriations of last year, but, of course, the supplementary estimates will come. They include a vote of \$24,000 for a building and site in connection with the Home for Epileptics in Oxford County.

MIKADO

"Mikado" was repeated at the Grand last night to a well filled house.

The performance last night was away ahead of the night previous, all taking their parts with much more vim, energy and confidence.

Miss H. Eddythe Hill seemed to be the favorite with the audience, and had to respond to many encores on her excellent dancing and singing.

The following is a list of all connected with the performance:—

THE CAST.

The Mikado of Japan, James Trotter.

Nanki-Poo—Wm. H. Brackin.

Ko-Ko, Lord High Executioner of Titipu, R. L. Brackin.

Pooh-Bah, Lord High Everything Else, W. F. Boddy.

Flask-Tush, a Noble Lord, John Smith.

Yum-Yum, Pitti-Sing, Peck-Boo, three sisters, wards of Ko-Ko, Miss Gertrude Somerville, Miss H. Eddythe Hill, Miss Ada F. Ross.

Katisha, an elderly lady, in love with Nanki-Poo, Mrs. E. V. Bray.

Assisted by a chorus of schoolgirls, nobles, guards and coolies.

LADIES' CHORUS.

Misses Battisby, Riddell, Greening, Brackin, Gemmill, Smith, Drake, Somerville, Warren, Trotter, McTaggart, Jones, Oldershaw, Terry, Bates, Reilly, Merritt, Burstein, Flora McGeorge, Warren, Taylor, Aylesworth, Phillimore, McGeorge, Jackson, Dunkley, Hayward, and Mrs. Ferguson.

GENTLEMEN'S CHORUS.

Messrs. Gunn, Shupe, Ross, Massey, Ferguson, Bert Riddell, Richard, Messer, Smiley, Robertson, Sharp, Richardson, Charles Riddell, Allan Brackin, Costworth, Dr. R. V. Bray, Darling, Ferguson, Laddy, Griffith.

ORCHESTRA.

Piano—Miss Mary Brackin.

Violas—Messrs. C. Lorrman, E. Jones, L. R. Bach, T. Morrison, H. Sides, J. Huley.

Cello—John Blythe.

Bass—Bert Jones.

Flute—Wiley Braddon.

Horns—Messrs. Philip and Gonne.

Clarinet—Messrs. Timmerman and Misonville.

Drums and Tampani—Hardy White.

Coronet—Guy Philip.

Trombone—Roger Philip.

Musical Director—H. C. Philip.

SUDDEN DEATH

Peter F. Cameron, Merchant,
Suicumb to Attack of
Apoplexy

Dutton, Feb. 5.—A terribly sudden death occurred in this place this morning. Mr. Peter F. Cameron, one of Dutton's leading and best known business men, passed away after only a few hours' illness with apoplexy. He was apparently in the best of health, and his death was entirely unexpected. He was born in the Township of Dutton in 1836, and in his early life entered the grocery and dry goods business in Wallace-town. He moved to Dutton in 1898, where he carried on a large general store. He was married and had a mother, he leaves four brothers and four sisters. The brothers are Dr. H. A. Cameron, of Dutton; John Cameron, merchant, of Wallace-town; Archibald Cameron, of Chicago; and Duncan G. Cameron, Trinity Medical College, Toronto. The sisters are Mrs. W. J. Reycraft, of Muirkirk; Mrs. H. A. Kirkland, of Dutton; Mrs. Mary Reycraft, of Muirkirk; and Miss Maud Cameron, of Wallace-town. The funeral will take place on Monday afternoon at two o'clock at Fairview cemetery.

"ROBIN HOOD"

A full rehearsal of all interested in the production of the opera "Robin Hood" will be held this evening, commencing at eight o'clock, sharp, in the Grand Opera House. A full attendance is especially requested. All the principals will be present at this rehearsal.

RAILROADS BLOCKED

Toronto, Feb. 5.—The battle between the railroads and the severe winter weather has now reached a stage where it is not a case of trains being late, but of being cancelled altogether, and both the C. P. R. and G. T. R. were in a state of semi-blockade to-day.

This morning the only lines of the C. P. R. that were open were the main lines from Chicago and Montreal, and the T. H. & B. connection to Hamilton.

Many of the Grand Trunk branch lines, including all those north of Toronto, were completely blocked up. The through G. T. R. train from Chicago, came in three sections—one by way of Berlin, two hours late; one by Hamilton, three hours late; and the other by Stratford, five hours late.

LEAVING CHATHAM

William McKenzie Messer, who for the last year and a half has occupied a position with A. F. McCall & Co., druggists, leaves on Tuesday next for Hamilton, where he has accepted a lucrative position with J. D. Conway, druggist. Mr. Messer has been a very popular young man in the Maple City and his many friends, while sorry to hear of his departure, wish him every success in his future life. He was an energetic and efficient member of the Chatham Football Club, by whom he was greatly respected as a true sportsman. He will be missed in the line-up of the team this spring. His departure is entirely unexpected and generally regretted.

COSTS IN THE GAMEY CASE

The total cost of the Gamey investigation as shown by the public accounts presented to the Legislature Thursday was \$44,426.20. The commissioners received \$3,500 each. Mr. E. F. B. Johnston received \$5,749.90; Mr. W. R. Riddell, K. C. \$4,450; Mr. S. H. Blake and Mr. C. H. Ritchie, \$7,600; Mr. W. D. McPherson, \$3,000; Mr. J. M. McEvoy, \$2,900; and Mr. E. A. DuVernet \$200. For disbursements the prompt loading of coal cargoes for the British fleet in Japanese waters. Steam coal is so freely sold that it is impossible to obtain spot cargoes. There is considerable pressure for the immediate shipment of coal already purchased by Russia and Japan and for the European navies; hence several days are likely to elapse before the British Admiralty orders can be filled.

COAL IN DEMAND

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BAD WRECK ON RAILROAD

Past Warning Semaphore An
Express Dashes Into Load-
ed Box Cars.

London Yards the Scene of a
Fatal Accident in Broad Day
Light—Passengers Escape

London, Ont., Feb. 6.—Within a few minutes of one o'clock yesterday afternoon another was added to the long list of fatalities in this vicinity, when the fast C. P. R. express from the East, running over an hour late, crashed into a train of freight cars which was being made up on the main line directly in the path of the on-coming passenger train.

Fireman George Hunter, a Toronto Junction man, was instantly killed meeting his death in a somewhat strange manner. When he saw the impending collision the fireman jumped from the cab. He apparently did not notice that a line of freight cars was standing on the next track south and, striking against one of the cars, he fell back directly in the path of his own train and was ground to pieces beneath the wheels.

Driver John Abernethy, also from Toronto Junction, jumped after setting the emergency brakes, and alighting in the deep snow, is but a few feet from the scene of the collision. By what seems a miracle of strength in the heavy passenger coaches, not a passenger was injured, though many were thrown from their seats by the violence of the shock when the engine plowed through the freight cars.

SEMAPHORE WAS UP

As to where the blame rests for the accident, it seems certain that Abernethy ran past the semaphore which was said to be up to protect the freight train. That the freight was being made up on the main line is explained by the fact that the local yards are full to overflowing, the congestion being an outcome of the snow blockade which prevents freight from moving as freely as usual.

A SERMON IN PICTURES

Interesting Illustrated Dis-
course Delighted the Con-
gregation at Revival

Splendid Work Being Done by
Rev. Mr. Moorehouse Last
Night's Big Gathering

Last night in the Park St. Church revival service the S. S. hall was well filled and the host meeting so far was enjoyed. The services are of the old fashioned revival power kind, free from all excesses and pervaded by a deep undercurrent of spiritual power, which increases from night to night. So far the evangelist has spoken largely to professing Christians, with the result that many of them have sought a deeper feeling of the Spirit's power. Backsliders have been reclaimed and seekers have found peace and pardon for their sins.

Last night Rev. Mr. Moorehouse used a large painted chart portraying the dark life of sin; the cross of Christ, where pardon is found, the light in which the young Christian walks, the call to a new complete consecration, which meets every Christian and which many doubt and go into the misty experience where they are apt to become backsliders and lose their peace and power. Those who do not dodge it, go into the bright and narrow way of a life of entire sanctification and power. The chart aided in a beautiful and clear exposition of the text, Isa. 35: 8 and 9, "And an highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called, the way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it shall be for those; the wayfaring men, fools, shall not ere therein. No lion shall be there nor shall any ravenous beast go up thereon, they shall not be found there; the redeemed shall walk there." It is likely the services will be held in the church next week, as the S. S. Hall will not be large enough. Rev. Mr. Moorehouse will preach at both services to-morrow. He will also conduct evangelistic services in the afternoon in the Sunday school, and will be in the preparatory service at 10 o'clock and in the Young Men's Club at three o'clock.

PROSECUTIONS

Criminal Proceedings Talked
of in Connection with
the Soo Smash

Philadelphia, Feb. 5.—Interesting developments in connection with the Consolidated Lake Superior Company are expected within a few days. R. F. Packenthal, receiver of the "Soo" properties, spent a few hours in Toronto this week, where he held a consultation with C. P. Worthington, of Sault Ste. Marie, general auditor of the company. It is said Mr. Worthington's visit to Toronto is for the purpose of consulting attorneys as to certain portions of the accounts which require explanation. Unless light can be thrown upon certain aspects of the affair, litigation which may involve some of the promoters, is among the possibilities and criminal prosecution is by no means improbable.

AGAINST SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES

Toronto, Feb. 5.—Permission to proceed with lawsuits against the subsidiary companies of the Consolidated Lake Superior Company, was asked in the weekly court to-day by creditors of these companies. The application was opposed on the ground that winding up orders had been granted for some of the companies and all claims should be disposed of in the liquidation proceedings. An adjournment was granted until the 19th inst.

The firms desiring to sue are: Everett & Co., Speers & Anderson, Smith Bros., Chippewa Hardware Co., H. E. Talbot, Hickler Bros., J. H. Plummer, all of the "Soo." The companies against whom the permission is sought are: The Lake Superior Power Co., the Algoma Commercial Company, the Lake Superior Pulp and Paper Co., the Algoma Central railway Co., and the Central Trust Co. of New York.

Liquidators for the companies ordered to be wound up will be appointed to-morrow by Official Receiver McAndrew.

LIGHT GUARD ARMY

DETROIT, FEBRUARY 9.

Mrs. Schumann-Heink, pre-eminently the foremost contralto of the present day, assisted by the Detroit Chorus of Professional Singers, will give a concert in the Light Guard Armory, on Tuesday evening next, 9th inst., under the direction of G. Arthur Depey, Burton Collier, the well-known manager, who arranged for this renowned singer's appearance in Detroit, will receive a fee for any of our music-loving citizens who may wish to attend, by addressing him in care of Grinnell Bros.

O. O. I. BOARD

The C. C. I. Board have twice made an effort to meet and elect their chairman but twice have failed. According to statute they should meet on the first Wednesday in February, but on that date there wasn't a quorum showed up at the place of meeting. A second attempt was made yesterday to hold a meeting but as two members of the Board were sick and two away from the city, no meeting could be held. A third attempt will be made on Monday.

R. A. Harrington and Ben Bloude are ill, and J. B. Rankin and Dr. Thornton are away. Dr. Bell, of Merlin, didn't come.

AN EASTERN VISITOR

Geo. W. Fowler, M. P. for Kings, N. B., is in the city to-day, the guest of Matthew Wilson, K. C. Mr. Fowler accompanied Mr. Borden, the Liberal-Conservative leader, on his recent western tour, and in a short interview with The Planet, spoke in enthusiastic terms of its results. "It was a continuous ovation," he declared, "and the throngs which gathered even at the stopping places of the train, where Mr. Borden spoke only from the car platform, numbered sometimes 2,000 and came from miles around. One man came a full 60 miles. "It is likely the Liberal-Conservative ideas and their policy and I believe that a big upheaval will result." Mr. Fowler looks for two more sessions before the general election.

SIGNIFICANT GATHERING

London, Feb. 5.—Lord Wimborne gave a dinner and reception at Wimborne House to-night, which is regarded as signaling the coalition of the two sections of the free traders and possibly the return of the Liberal Unionists to the Liberal fold. The guests of Lord Wimborne included the Duke of Devonshire, Lord Rosebery, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, Sir William Vernon-Harcourt, John Morley, Lord Hugh Cecil and Winston Churchill, practically all the leaders of free trade interests, whether Liberal or Conservative, and their wives.

An alphabetical list of a
few lines to buy at

Sulman's Beehive

Augora Wool, 16c a ball
Books of all kinds
Calling cards, 20c and 25c pkg.
Yarns, every shade
Elastic that stretches
Fountain pens (Waterman's)
Garters for old and young
Hymn books for every church
Inks of every quality
Jews' harps, 3c and 5c each
Knitting cotton, 7c a ball
Ledgers, journals and cash books
Moult. organs, 5c to \$1.25
Notepaper, every grade
Office conveniences
Purses to hold your money
Quarto Books, 16c to 25c each
Ribbons, all the good colors
Safety pins (good ones)
Thimbles to fit any finger
Union made caskets
Violin strings
Wools that wear
Xent values
Yarns that can't be beat
Zephyr wool, 8c oz.

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supplies

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Goodyear
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Regular \$3.50
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5-8, 8-9,
and 4-10

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ALL ON GOOD SHAP,
ED LAST.

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Repairing done
at store.
King Street

SOCIETY

HOURS OF SERVICE.

Christ Church—11 a.m.; 7 p.m.
First Presbyterian—11 and 7.
Holy Trinity—11 and 7.
St. Andrew's—11 and 7.
St. Joseph's R. C.—8.30, 10.30, 7.30.
Victoria Ave. Methodist—11 and 7.
William St. Baptist—11 and 7.
Park St. Methodist—11 and 7.
Seventh Day Adventists—3 and 7.
Latter Day Saints—11 and 7.
Campbell A. M. E.—11 and 7.30.
First Baptist—11 and 7.30.
St. John's A. M. E.—11 and 7.
British Methodist—11 and 7.30.
Union A. M. E.—11 and 7.30.

Pastors and others who contribute news items to this department of Saturday's Planet will confer a favor by seeing to it that their "copy" reaches this office not later than Friday at 4 p.m. Matter received later than that hour cannot be guaranteed insertion.

International Bible Lessons for Tomorrow—A Sabbath in Capernaum—Mark 1, 21-24.

Golden Text—"He laid His hands on every one of them and healed them."

This Sabbath day's work of our Blessed Master, immediately followed our last lesson, and is but one sample of a day "He went about doing good."

The outline is, 1st, teaching; 2nd, casting out demons; 3rd, healing the sick. He is before us here as a preacher, a deliverer from the devil and sin, and the Great Physician who forgiveth all our iniquities and health all our diseases.

As teacher and preacher, one who knew every heart before Him, and looked into every soul as we look into faces; there was no dead, dull, formal address, but in thoughts that breathed and words that burned His own heart overflowed upon the hearers. Satan cannot stand this, and moves a poor slave of his to salute the speaker as "Jesus of Nazareth, the Holy One of God," demanding to be let alone and not destroyed. He raved in hatred and madness, as some do now, the purifying power of our Lord Jesus, hold of them and cleanse them. "Hold thy peace and come out of him," delivers the poor wretch from the evil on amidst agony and demoniac yells, and to the amazement of the whole congregation the poor man stood beside his Saviour, saved! "Jesus is this same yesterday, to-day and forever."

2nd. Next he finds Peter's mother-in-law down with fever. He takes her hand, raising her up, the fever is expelled, as easy as the demon just before, and the woman is restored to her house-work.

After sunset, when their Jewish Sabbath was ended, the streets were blocked around Peter's house with afflicted multitudes brought to the Lord to be healed, and poor men possessed by howling demons, were delivered, and silenced, because they knew He was the Son of God, and all this without receiving a cent; for He said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

CHURCH NOTES.

Rev. A. H. MacGillivray, the pastor, will occupy the pulpit of the First Presbyterian Church on both occasions to-morrow.

Christ Church—Rev. R. McCosh will conduct the services and preach on both occasions to-morrow.

The pastor, Rev. Dr. Battisby, will conduct both services in St. Andrew's Church to-morrow.

The rector, Rev. T. Beverley Smith, will conduct the services and preach on both occasions in Holy Trinity Church to-morrow.

In Victoria Ave. Methodist Church to-morrow the pastor, Rev. F. E. Malott, will conduct the services. Morning service, "The Will of God"; evening, "The Will of God"; and Christ's Death." The quarterly love feast will be held at 10 a.m. A reception service for new members will be held in the evening, after which the sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered. Strangers and visitors in the city welcome at these services.

In Park St. Methodist Church to-morrow Evangelist Rev. F. E. Moorehouse, of Jackson, Mich., will speak at both services, and each evening of the week except Saturday. He will also conduct a short evangelistic service in connection with the S. S. at 3.45 p.m. The Young Men's Club and the Bible Class invite adults to Bible study.

Latter Day Saints services will be held in their new church to-morrow as follows:—At 11 a.m. Scripture lesson and preaching by the pastor, Rev. A. B. Selvey, S. S. at 3 p.m. will be reviewed by the pastor. At 6.30, prayer meeting and song service by the Spencer Lodge, and sermon by the pastor.

Sunday services as usual in the Union A. M. E. Church, Forest Street, North Chatham; Rev. R. L. Holden, pastor.

Salvation Army, Union Depot—Knee drill at 7 a.m., meeting for promotion of holiness at 11 a.m., Christian fel-

The Ladies' Assisting Society of the Public General Hospital will take charge of the Austin Store next Friday and Saturday, and they will receive 10 per cent. of all the sales.

Hood's Sarsaparilla and Pills

Radically and permanently cure it—strengthen and tone the stomach and other digestive organs for the natural performance of their functions.

Accept no substitute for Hood's. "My appetite was gone; nothing tempted me to eat, and what little I did eat felt untried and unpleasant in my stomach. I tried many remedies without any benefit whatever. Finally, Hood's Sarsaparilla having been recommended, I began its use. After taking one bottle my stomach would retain food, and my appetite began to improve. After taking three bottles I was completely cured." WILLIAM ROSA, Wellington Street, Sarnia, Ontario.

Hood's Sarsaparilla promises to cure and keep the promise.

lowsip meeting at 8 p.m., soul winning service at 7.30 p.m. All services for citizens and soldiers.

First Baptist Church, King St., A. Jesse Henderson, pastor—Morning service at 11 a.m. S. S. at 12.30, evening service at 7. Services will be conducted both morning and evening by the pastor.

The Young People's Class for Bible study meets every morning at ten o'clock in the Park Street Methodist Church.

The Holy Communion will be administered at the morning service in the Campbell A. M. E. Church to-morrow.

The Women's Auxiliary Missionary Society of Christ Church meets in the S. S. Hall every Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Prayer meeting will be held in the William St. Baptist Church on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Class meeting in connection with the U. F. M. E. Church is held every Tuesday evening.

Divine service is held every Wednesday evening in Christ Church at 8 o'clock.

Mr. J. G. Matthews, M. A., student of McMaster University, Toronto, will conduct the services in the William St. Baptist Church to-morrow.

Prayer meeting is held every Wednesday evening in the S. S. Hall of Victoria Ave. Methodist Church, at 7.30.

Sunday evening prayer meeting in the William St. Baptist Church is conducted by the U. F. M. E. at 8.30.

Christ Church Anglican Young People's Society meets every Monday night at 8 o'clock.

The Victoria Ave. Epworth League meets on Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

The B. Y. P. U. meets in the lecture room of the Baptist Church every Friday evening at 8.

The regular weekly prayer service will be held in St. Andrew's Church at 8 o'clock.

Campbell A. M. E. S. S. will meet to-morrow afternoon at 3.

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DISTRICT DOINGS.

THAMESVILLE

"All the world's a stage and all the men and women merely players."

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

At the Chatham Grand:—Carnival of Entertainment—Feb. 8. Robin Hood, Feb. 11. "A Ragged Hero"—Feb. 16.

(Supplied to The Planet by Press Agents.)

MONDAY NIGHT'S PERFORMANCE.

The Carnival of Entertainment will on Monday night present a very pleasing program at the Grand, being attraction No. 5 on the C. O. L. Star and People's Popular Course.

The following are a few credentials as to their ability:

The sensation of the evening was caused by Miss Vernon who startled all with her phenomenal gift of second sight.—Detroit (Mich.) Evening News.

The mind reading of the Vernons was the feature of the evening. They gave one of the finest renderings of this popular art that we have ever seen.—St. Paul (Minn.) Sunday Star.

The greatest in the country to-day.—Rochester Herald.

The best to be found—Omaha (Neb.) World-Herald.

The Vernons in second sight are simply indescribable.—Minneapolis (Minn.) Times.

A weird, interesting and original performance.—Philadelphia (Pa.) Item.

Far better than the old timers.—New York Telegraph.

With the most elaborate exhibition ever seen here Mr. Vernon keeps the audience in roars of laughter.—Toronto World.

The banjo playing of E. T. and R. H. McGrath, was a real treat. They showed rare execution and their pieces were selected with excellent taste. They are sure of a warm welcome whenever they come again.—Cape Ann Evening Breeze.

The banjo solos by Mr. McGrath were the star numbers on the program. He is indeed master of the instrument and shows what much can be gotten out of the banjo.—Carbondale (Pa.) Leader.

The musical selections by Mr. McGrath were first-class.—Salem, Mass. Evening News.

Mr. Fred T. McGrath added much to his reputation as a skillful banjo player in the two entertainments in which he appeared here last week. His playing is delightful, and audience never tire of hearing him.—Gloucester Daily Times.

Mr. Houston stands at the head of his profession. As the originator of musical novelties he has no superior and few equals. His compositions are funny, clever and unique, and his stories he is equally at home and from first to last received with round after round of applause.—Ashtabula (O.) Beacon-Herald.

Mr. Houston is a humorist of fine ability and furnished a good part of the entertainment.—Washington (D. C.) Times, February 6, 1902.

There are very few seats left in the plan, and from the present indications, lots of standing room will be sold.

Maid, Wife and Widow Within an Hour

A sacred death-bed marriage culminated the school-day romance of George Edward Bishop, a Massachusetts militia man, and Miss Caroline Ida Belle Alden, at the City hospital, in Boston, at a late hour Sunday afternoon, just as the Angelus bells of the nearby St. Vincent Orphan asylum called the nuns to prayer.

Mr. Bishop and Miss Alden had been youthful pupils, chums, playmates, and attendants of the Highlandville public schools, and afterward were enrolled at the nearby Newton high school.

The devotion of a youth to his maid proved the fact of a trisum, and Sunday when George Bishop realized he was to die, his most earnest desire expressed was to wed his early choice.

For three years they had been secretly engaged, but through sickness, turn of fickle fortune and because of other obstinate reasons, their love had been thwarted.

Fear of grim death brought home to both the ruling passion of their lives, and on Sunday noon George Bishop sent for his friend and former adviser, Rev. Wm. T. McElveen.

Miss Alden, showing desperate energy and desire to help and assist the soldier-lover of her youth, had been at the hospital all day awaiting the interests and desires of her dying fiancé.

Within two short hours Caroline Ida Belle Alden Bishop was maid and bride.

Last night Mr. Bishop's body lay in the home of his parents at Allston, watched over by his sorrowing young widow, the bride of an hour, but who, in her grief, absolutely refused to receive callers or to be comforted in the hour of her youthful affliction.—Boston Post.

GUN IN A TREE.

Port Arthur, Ont., Feb. 5.—Wm. Solder, with two companions, was out hunting yesterday, following a hunter's trail. He inadvertently killed a string which crossed the trail and which was attached to a rifle suspended in a tree at full cock. The rifle was discharged, the bullet entering Snyder's leg, inflicting a severe wound. He was carried through the bush to the railway track and brought into Port Arthur hospital, where he arrived some ten hours after the accident.

One must occasionally be miserable to fully appreciate happiness.

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A STORMY VOYAGE.

Halifax, Feb. 4.—The steamer Pretorian, which arrived to-night, had a very stormy passage, but suffered no serious damage. On January 26 she ran into a hurricane when 1,150 miles from the Irish coast, and the machinery was damaged, the main stop-valve of the engine was fractured, and after several hours' hard work the engineers repaired it and the steamer then proceeded, but the weather was so bad that only 87 miles were made. Captain Jackson says that it was the worst passage of his 35 years' experience at sea. The weather was so bad that only 87 miles were made. Captain Jackson says that it was the worst passage of his 35 years' experience at sea. The weather was so bad that only 87 miles were made. Captain Jackson says that it was the worst passage of his 35 years' experience at sea.

YOUR STOMACH IS ON STRIKE

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These are the days of dieting. Nearly everyone you meet is following his or her fast—it may be drink, or water, or subsisting on some particular food, or abstaining from all these are simply signs that the world is awakening to the fact that indigestion is becoming epidemic; that the stomach, overtaxed by hurried, half-dressed meals, is on strike.

The stomach wants rest. It must have it. You can't quit eating so you must provide something to do the digesting while the stomach rests. Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets are especially prepared to do this work. Do they do it? Listen to the testimony of those who have tried. Maurice Best of Southern Harbor, Nfld., is one of them. He says:

"I suffered for eight years with dyspepsia and was in constant misery. Sometimes I would go off in a faint, and for ten or fifteen minutes would be more dead than alive. The first two boxes of Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets gave me new life. I am using them now and feel like a new man."

A MUNICIPAL EMBROGLIO.

Amherstburg, Ont., Feb. 5.—From the present outlook the electors of Amherstburg may be called upon to choose a new outfit of municipal legislators from Mayor to aldermen. An action will be brought before Judge Home to unseat every member but one for an infringement of the municipal statutes for having contrary to the provisions of the municipal act voted in favor of borrowing more than 80 per cent of the amount levied in the previous year for current expenses.

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A Frontenac school teacher who went to the Northwest because he found teaching unremunerative in Ontario, writes to a Kingston newspaper, stating that while in this province his salary was about \$300 per year, and his pupils numbered 75, in the Northwest his salary is \$540, and his pupils only 18, while his board is as cheap as it was in Frontenac. Hundreds of teachers are needed in the Northwest. Ontario certificates are valid in the Territories, and a permit, he says, to teach in Manitoba may be obtained by writing to James Clark, clerk of the court, Winnipeg.

BABY HELD FOR RENT

"I want a playmate for my baby." Justice Bradwell looked up in astonishment at Mrs. John Fleming in

Men's and Young Men's Suits up to \$10, choice of 37 patterns, (this season's goods, but odd sizes. Be here first and get your size. Sale starts Saturday morning. Every Suit in window one price—\$5.00.

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THE LOCAL BUDGET

Thomas Bono, of Bothwell, is in town to-day.
Albert Brown, of Dresden, spent yesterday in town.
Old pipe or fax lead wanted at The Planet immediately.
S. G. Knight, of Chatham, is a visitor in town to-day.
J. N. McCoy and W. N. McCoy, of Wallaceburg, are spending the day in town.

A choice parcel of King street property for sale. Apply to J. W. Shackleton, Office at Brisco's, Opera House block.

Wardens Sifton, John Grant and J. N. McCoy, of the House of Representatives, are in the County Clerk's Office, Harrison Hall.

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The coal situation remains about the same. L. Scott received one car which he was endeavoring to distribute amongst about 200 people. The task is a difficult one.

Dick Hecklin, from Pontiac, Mich., arrived in the city last night, quite ill. He saw a doctor and was removed to the hospital contagious ward, suffering with diphtheria. The doctors in Pontiac did not know what was the matter, but they soon found out in Chatham.

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Chief of Police Holmes the other day received a letter from M. M. Bust, of the State of New Jersey, asking for information about a colored man about 80 years of age named Webb. The Chief knew the man well and immediately wrote to Mr. Bust telling him that he lived near Dresden. Mr. Bust had not seen his old colored friend for fifty years. He said in his letter that he was deeply attached to him. He came here day before yesterday and drove out to Dresden. Bust and Webb met in Buffalo in the horse business. Webb is a pretty well off old farmer about a mile from Dresden.

Old pipe or fax lead wanted at The Planet immediately.

MODERN ROMANCE

Mr. Clemens, Mich., Feb. 5. — A most romantic courtship and marriage has just been made public after being kept a secret for three weeks. The parties interested being Mr. W. M. Hughes and Miss Margaret McDonald. Mr. Hughes is a popular young man engaged in selling pianos, coming here from Chicago.

He was taken sick shortly after his arrival and conveyed to St. Joseph's Sanitarium. While confined at that institution he had Miss McDonald as nurse. He soon recovered from his illness under the care of his gentle nurse and the friendship began most romantically soon ripened into love and they were quickly married. The sisters of St. Joseph lose a most efficient nurse, but wish Miss McDonald life-long happiness.

The White Sewing Machine, guaranteed for twenty years. Geo. Stephens.

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At this time of the year it is well to keep a bottle of Bloodroot Cough Cure in the house. Some one in the family is sure to take cold and a few doses will completely cure it. It is a guaranteed cure for coughs and colds, and prevents bronchitis, inflammation and other dangerous affections of the lungs. **PRICE 25 CENTS A BOTTLE.**

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LABOR LEADER TALKS OUT

English Speaker A. J. G. Doubl
of Mr. Chamberlain's
Sincerity

Some Objections Raised to the
St. Lawrence Route—Gilbert
Parker's Appointment

London, Feb. 5.—The chairman of the Labor Representation Committee, addressing 400 delegates at Brantford, said Mr. Chamberlain desired the help of the workers, but where was Mr. Chamberlain's sincerity when the Trades Dispute Bill came on, nor did he ask the Government to give the Labor party fair play in selecting commissioners to deal with the trade union law. The chairman of the Tariff Commission had some of his printing done in Holland. No wonder the workers doubted Chamberlain's sincerity.

OBJECTIONS TO THE ST. LAWRENCE ROUTE.

The Globe correspondent at St. John's, Newfoundland, speaking of a fast service, says that even if occasionally a Canadian liner has made a fast run the fact remains that the meteorological conditions prevailing in the Gulf preclude the possibility of it being a regular thing. Though the Government is planning large improvements in the St. Lawrence, not until these are completed will the route be fit to allow anywhere near New York. As Canada has the greatest possible disadvantage geographically, financial and otherwise to contend against it is difficult to see how she can succeed in establishing a fast line.

LOANS TO EMIGRANTS.

At the annual meeting of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce a resolution will be moved urging that the Government in order to make it easy for emigrants to take free grants of 100 acres in Canada, should advance sufficient money to build a dwelling and stock a farm, the whole not to exceed a thousand dollars, and to be repaid in twenty years.

GILBERT PARKER, CHAIRMAN.
Sir Gilbert Parker succeeds Lord Lytton as chairman of the Imperial South African Association.

RAILROAD TRAFFIC

—Roadmaster Harry Morris, of the Lake Erie, was in the city today. He came through from Sarnia this morning with the Lake Erie snow plows.

"The road is now clear between Sarnia and Chatham," said he to a Planet reporter, "and from this point all of the trains will be run on time. We came through with two engines on the plow this morning, and now 200 men are working on ten miles of track near Sarnia, shovelling the snow back from the track so that the plows will have no difficulty getting through if another blockade comes."

"I have been in the railroad business for 25 years, and this is the worst blockade I have ever seen. The snow had drifted up from five to fifteen feet high across the track. We had five engines on the plow and took a run of four miles at the rate of 40 miles an hour, and we got stuck and came to a standstill before we could get through. Then we had to dig ourselves out and take another start. It took us all day Tuesday to work our way from Sarnia to Chatham. There will be no more difficulty now, however. We made our way through to Chatham quite easily this morning. The plows before were handicapped as the snow over the tracks was hard and frozen."

"This thaw has flooded the tracks and in some places the water completely covers the rails. If the weather gets cold again and the water freezes we will be even worse off than ever."

FEARS FLOOD

Detroit, Michigan, February 5. — With the sudden rise in temperature of the past few hours a new danger threatens the snow-bound residents of both upper and lower Michigan. Rain began early in the evening, and while in some places it amounted to only a drizzle, in others it came in torrents. The immense amount of snow is beginning to melt and streams are already rising rapidly. In some portions of the "thumb" where the land is flat, it is feared that the water will not run off as fast as formed by the melting snow, and the inhabitants are making preparations for one of the worst floods ever known.

In south-western Michigan rain fell through the night and the St. Joseph river has risen to a raging torrent, and with the solid ice which covers it is threatening to break down all bridges and dams. If anything, traffic on most roads is in a worse condition now than before the thaw began. If it turns cold and freezes again, it will be next to impossible to open any railroad, as the snow-plows can not work through ice.

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Standard remedy for Gleet, Gonorrhea and Runny Nose.
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STORIES OF THE TOWN.

How a Toronto Railroad Man Had His Fun and Highballs—How It Feels to Be Drawn.

This is a story of highballs—not those that delight the festive fan nor yet those drives that provoke joy and despair on the football field—but rather those alluring deceptions that one man behind the polished mahogany some times deals out to the soul athirst. Incidentally it is the story of an innocent Canadian introduction to the treacherous mixture by a jolly crowd of his friends, and the startling results.

A. Richardson, the Canadian agent of the Wabash Railroad system, has his headquarters at Toronto. Once or twice a year he makes headquarters at St. Lawrence for a day. Mr. Richardson is now on his twentieth year with the company, and among all the officials in the company's big office in the Missouri metropolis he is generally known as "Jolly" Richardson. The general passenger agent of the good fellow of the section, and in common with all of that type loses no opportunity to get a laugh out of life between his companies. When Mr. Crane and Richardson were on the "Jolly" lunch during one of "Jolly's" visits Mr. Crane suggested that a highball was the proper appetizer.

"A highball, indeed, and what is that, something to eat or what?" inquired the man from Chatham. "This was too much—a full grown man in Missouri and did not know what a highball was. The joke was too good for Mr. Crane to enjoy it. He would keep for himself the pleasure of introducing his friend to the seductive fluid and then he would pass it around. After the artist had thrown together with many a flourish and resort to mysterious dangers the Missouri satirist entered into a report patronized by the chief of the principal railroads in the city and opening the door, observed with much mirth, 'Gentlemen, here is a man who has never come in contact with a highball until today; don't laugh, I tell you this is a southern gentleman's honor as a southern gentleman's honor.'"

Then Mr. Richardson was introduced separately and the jokers fell over themselves insisting on being the second to buy highballs for the Canadian railroad agent. "Back to business," said Mr. Crane, and Richardson, but several times the joke leaked out and others insisted on helping the visitor to highballs galore. As the hours approached for Mr. Richardson to get to the depot, a number of his old friends accompanied him, and they did not forget about the "good joke."

Around the end of the Wabash railroad they formed a merry group waiting for the departing signal. In the meantime some of the boys had begun to shoot the effects of the highball joke. There was a hat set rakishly on one side here, and the suggestion of a disordered necktie there, but Mr. Richardson failed to exhibit any of these signs of fatigue. In fact the Donkey, as the boys called him, was so cool and collected considering the riotous display of highballs made in the effort of his friends to be entertaining. The conductor gave the lamp a swing. Mr. Richardson stepped lightly on the platform and waved his hand to the crowd without the shadow of uneasiness.

"I wonder (he) boys, if I really never heard of a highball until today? He couldn't (he) have been fooling us?"

How does it feel to be drowned—well, I know. It was the rather startling observation of Harry Mack, the Buffalo commercial man, coming in to Toronto last night to a crowd of reporters. "Yes, that's what I mean, I have been drowned twice. Every time I hear you fellows talk about how all your past life flashes before you during the last supreme moments, I feel like saying harsh things. I was over at Port Colborne one day two summers ago, and while waiting for the wharf to be lowered, I tumbled in. I had borrowed a red and reel from a little boy at the hotel. I have lived about the average life and I love life as well as any man, but what do you suppose I thought of? Not my past life at all; I thought of what was hanging in the judgment; but just whether that little boy would get his pole out of the lake. I remember well I was thinking of that when I lost consciousness. Was it painful wallowing in water? Not a bit. The only pain I suffered was in having the water pumped out. Twice I have been drowned into unconsciousness and the result is the same in each."

"Now I want to tell you fellows a thing or two," remarked a wise old traveling man at the King Edward last night to a small circle "about the future of the Turkish bathing parlors. I get over the country a good deal, as you chaps know, and I want to say that I save money regularly patronizing the bath and get my baths free in addition. It is like this: you drop into Toronto and your room at the hotel will be a couple of dollars for the night. You are out in the morning anyway and you merely use it for sleeping purposes. The average Turkish bath rates are one dollar, and with it you get a very comfortable room for the night, a cold plunge in the morning following your hot rub, and you are in fine fettle for the day's business. Thus been my rule for years, and it keeps me feeling my best, and he got up with the air of a sage and carried his 250 ayordups around the corridors with many a wise shake of the head, as if emphasizing the value of his advice. —O. C. Foster, in Toronto World.

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Badger's, the finest quality of Marmalade made. Of course it is made in the old country, but it is far superior to Cross & Blackwell's or Kellie's Scotch marmalade, and much cheaper.

Badger's Lemon, 15c.
Badger's Lime fruit, 20c.
Badger's Pineapple, 25c.
Upson's in 10c and 15c. pots.

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EDITING

It is not only the best stories that have reached the stage of perfection in which we know them through a little process of partly conscious, partly unconscious editing—an added touch here, a slight alteration there, and a judicious omission somewhere else; the same thing applies to nearly every excellent legend that has come down to us, even to comparatively recent ones. We all know the feelings that are stirred by Nelson's immortal signal to the fleet before the battle of Trafalgar. So simple a thing as that never could have called for any editing. No, certainly not, but it took editing to get it into that simple shape. Nelson's first thought was to send some signal, as he said, to "amuse the fleet," that is to say, to keep their attention occupied during the brief space before the commencement of the action. His idea was to send some more or less formal instruction relating to the plan of battle. Captain Blackwood assured him, however, that the fullest instructions had already been given, and that every captain in the fleet knew exactly what he had to do. "After a few moments' reflection Nelson said: 'Suppose we signal. Nelson's idea was that every man will do his duty.'"

The officer to whom the suggestion was made asked whether it would not be better to say "England," a change in which the great commander gladly acquiesced. Then the signal officer, Pascoe, to whom the order was given, and whom permission to substitute "expects" for "confides," given as a reason that he had a special signal for "expects," but would have to sell "confides" later by letter. His further suggestion was accepted, and has lived and will live in history. It is stated that when Collingwood, on board the Royal Sovereign, saw the first number of the signal, he exclaimed somewhat testily, "I wish Nelson would stop talking, as we know well enough what we have to do." This, however, was a signal that went straight to the heart of every man in the fleet, as it has gone to the heart of many a man since. The world would have been poorer without it.

Babies in Arabia. Babies in Arabia are rubbed with brown powder as soon as they are born, and their eyelids are painted. Then, instead of being dressed in warm, soft flannels, they are wrapped in calico and tied up like a bundle so tight they cannot move hands or feet. Then tight hoods are put on their heads, and blue bands sewed on the front to keep off the evil eye. These babies cry a good deal, as one would think they would. They cannot move, and flies and other insects crawl over them and bite them, and the sand gets in their eyes and hurts them.

When a baby is about six weeks old a sacrifice is offered and the baby's hair is cut and weighed, and the same weight in silver is given to the poor. If he hasn't more hair than some of our six weeks' babies, its weight in gold, or even diamonds, might be given and not make the poor much richer or the parents much poorer. The mother puts charms on his neck and arms, and a verse from the Koran is written and put in a little silver leather case and hung about his neck to keep off evil.

If he is sick this is his medicine. A verse from the Koran is written with ink on paper, then the ink is washed off and the inkly water is given him to drink. The funny little cradles these babies sleep in are made of date sticks fitted together. The rockers are almost flat, so when the poor thing is rocked he is so shaken up that it is a wonder he is not seasick.

Minard's Liniment Cures Dandruff.

Pineapples, Grape Fruit, Cucumbers, Lettuce and Celery at....

NORTHWOOD'S

Minard's Liniment Cures Dandruff.

Up-to-date Millinery. **C. Austin & Co.** Fashionable Dressmaking.

Women's Garments Ready to Don

Tailor-Made Suits and Separate Skirts In New Spring Styles.

You will be fitted perfectly—rest assured of that. Your interests and ours demand it. Tailor-made suits. Advance numbers of the spring stock.

AT \$10.00. Very pretty suits of light or dark grey, Eton jackets, double breasted, neatly stitched and lined, nine gore skirt, inverted plait back, welled seams.

AT \$16.00. Fine quality, black or navy broadcloth, flaring skirt, trimmed with stitched straps of taffeta, finished with fancy braid; Eton jacket with shoulder capes and rolling collar, handsomely trimmed with fancy braid and silk strappings.

Separate Skirts

Made on merit, honest value all the way through. You are not asked to pay extravagantly for the making. The wearing qualities are never missing.

AT \$2.25. Medium weight, meltonette, seven gore, flaring, inverted plait back, welled seams.

AT \$2.75. Of heavy chevots, black or grey, seven gore, flare, welled seams and stitched facing.

AT \$3.75. Of mid grey homespun, seven gore wide, flaring, welled seams, trimmed with two widths of black braid.

AT \$4.00. Of fine quality black or navy storm serge, trimmed on each gore with stitched taffeta straps.

AT \$5.00. Of dark navy, with white dash, stitched plait down each seam, trimmed with self strappings.

AT \$5.00. Of fine black wool chevots, seven gore flare, shaped strap, 16 inches long, on each seam from the bottom up, three wide folds on side gores between straps.

New Dress Goods---New Waistings

For Spring. Prettier and better than ever.

We received this week a large shipment of our spring dress goods and waistings. As soon as they arrived we placed them on sale. Whether you want a new dress or fancy waist or not it will pay you to see these nobby goods before they are sold out.

At 75c—Plain all wool velle, in grey, fawn, navy, black and white.

At 50c, 60c, 75c and \$1.00—Crepe de chine, in black, fawn, grey, green, cardinal and cream.

At 20c up to \$1.25 per yard—Black lustrous, a large range at all prices.

WAISTINGS.

We have an immense showing of fancy all wool waistings in stripes, checks, spots and plain goods, at prices from 40c to \$1.00 per yard.

Clothing Dept.

The Big Clothing Store With The Big Clothing Business...

A daily growth. We do the business because we do it right with such values as these.

Special Saturday Bargains at Our Big Clothing Sale.

One Hundred Men's Fine Tweed and Worsted Vests

We cleared out the above quantity of men's vests from one of Canada's big clothing makers, consisting of fine tweeds, serges, worsteds, corduroy and fancy vests, a full range of sizes 35 to 46, extra qualities and linings, values regular at \$1.25 and \$1.50, Saturday....

\$1.00

Men's Fine Tweed and Worsted Odd Coats

We also were fortunate in securing a lot of men's odd coats, made up from ends of fine tweeds and worsteds, suitable weights for any season, well made and lined, sizes only 35 to 39, coats easily worth from \$4 to \$5, on sale Saturday....

\$2.75, \$3.00

Men's Silk Neck Mufflers Saturday

Men's fancy silk mufflers, nicely lined and shaped, pretty coloring combinations, lines worth regular 50c and 75c, to be cleared Saturday at

25c

Men's High Class Underwear Special

A very special quality of fine wool shirts and drawers in dark natural shading, saten facings, all sizes, Saturday per garment at....

75c

High Class Imported English Underwear

Extra quality, handsomely finished, plain natural shade, value regular at \$1.50 to \$2.00, per garment Saturday....

\$1.19

Cold Weather Opportunities

Cold Weather Wearables.

Those who buy here look happy, as it keeps them on good terms with their pocket book. Gentlemen keep warm. Wear Austin's clothing. The great suit and overcoat sale now in full swing. Come and get a snap. They are hummers —

\$12.00 to \$13.50 Men's Overcoats...now \$10.00
10.00 to 12.00 Men's Overcoats...now 7.50
6.00 to 7.50 Men's Overcoats...now 5.00
5.00 to 6.50 Boys' Overcoats...now 3.95
7.50 to 9.00 Men's and Youths' Suits...now 5.00
10.00 to 15.00 Men's Suits...now 7.50

See East King St. and Our Market St. Windows.

C. Austin & Co.

GOOD HEALTHY FOOD

is necessary at this time of year. Cold weather makes great demands on everyone, and great care should be taken to eat good nourishing foods.

PAN DRIED ROLLED OATS, 7 pounds for 25c.

CALIFORNIA PRUNES, 3 lb. for 25c.

TABLE SYRUP, 15c a quart.

QUEBEC MAPLE SYRUP, 30c a quart.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR, 15c a pound.

ENGLISH BREAKFAST BACON, 20c a pound.

EXTRA CANNED SOUPS, 12c a can.

"KENT" CANNED VEGETABLES, 10c a can.

RICH MILD-CHEESE, 14c a lb.

H. Malcolmson

THE

Proper period for perfect plumbing

is the present time.

Our plumbers, though still quite busy, have more time to devote to the perfecting of a plumbing job now than they will have later on when the extremely busy season is on. Come in now and let us talk it over with you. We will be glad to have a chat with you, to show you our stock and quote you prices.

J. C. WANLESS,

4 Doors East of Market.

King St., CHATHAM.

DR. OVENS, London,

SURGEON, SPECIALIST, EYE, EAR, NOSE AND THROAT. Visits Chatham Monthly. Glasses properly fitted. Office—Radley's Drug Store. Next Visit, WEDNESDAY, FEB. 24

Mrs. M. A. Perkins

Local Manager of Gunagathor Home Treatment. At home to ladies every Wednesday and Saturday afternoons. Residence 34 home west of Fair Grounds.

NEW BUSINESS

Ring up 391 for that bursted water pipe or call and get an estimate on contemplated plumbing, hot water, steam and gas fitting work. Your patronage is respectfully solicited by

R. McG. Coyle

King St. West.

Phone 391.

We're More Particular

About the fit than our customer himself. We consider our reputation staked on every suit and overcoat we make. That's why we're sure we can satisfy you. That's why we ask you to give us your trade. We know that if you do patronize us you will always be able to say:—"Am thoroughly satisfied with my clothes."

W. N. Morley & Co.

DR. A. W. THORNTON

DENTIST. Has removed to his new office, corner King and Fifth Streets, over A. L. Macdonald's Drug Store. Telephone Office 104.

TO-NIGHT.

Macaulay Club, Auditorium, Public Library, at 8.

Robin Hood rehearsal, Grand Opera House, at 8.

PROBABILITIES.

Special per G. N. W. Toronto, Feb. 6.—11 a. m.—South-easterly winds, with rain or sleet. Sunday, strong northwesterly winds, snowflurries; considerably colder by night.

The following figures were registered to-day at seven a. m. at Turner's weather bureau: Barometer, 30.07. Thermometer, 37. Highest yesterday, 37. Lowest yesterday, 37. Direction of wind, southwest.

Local Briefs

James E. Grey is confined to the house through illness.

T. T. Myers, of Dresden, called on his Chatham friends yesterday.

T. L. Pardo, M. P. P. of Cedar Springs, was a Chatham visitor yesterday.

Robin Hood rehearsal to-night in the Grand Opera House, at seven o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Eberle entertained a few of their friends last Friday evening.

When you want an artistic design, call up or visit Victoria Avenue Green Houses. Phone 181.

Wilford McKay, King street, will keep his lunch room open on Sundays in future.

J. C. Stokes and M. A. Stonehouse, of Wallaceburg, were guests at the Rankin House yesterday.

Frederic Sowerby, who has been ill with brain fever, is now said to be on a fair way to recovery.

Mrs. J. Smith and child, of Toronto, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Northwood, William St.

There will be no school in the Central school on Monday owing to a break in the water pipe.

Lost—On King St., a round wooden box full of setting needles and doilies. Finder will please leave at this office.

Miss Marjorie Fitzgerald, of Detroit, Mich., was in the city attending the funeral of the late John Kelly.

Ben. Blonde, of the Blonde Lumber and Mfg. Co., who has been laid up with grippe, is able to be around again.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Blood returned to Lansing, Wednesday after attending the funeral of Mrs. Blood's mother.

Misses, Emma and Magdalene Desha, of Duart, spent the last two weeks the guest of their uncle, W. H. Eberle.

R. A. Hughes, of Windsor, inspector of weights and measures, is making his regular calls in the Maple City.

The Dominion Oil Company, with headquarters at Chatham, will be wound up by order of the courts—Toronto World.

Mr. and Mrs. Lew Hackett and son Russell, returned to Jackson yesterday after attending the funeral of Mrs. Hackett's father.

To Rent—Nicely furnished house, corner Adelaide and Murray Sts. Apply to Mrs. O. S. Sheldon or to T. M. French, Box 309, Chatham.

Miss Sadie Kelly, of Jackson, Mich., who has been in the city attending the funeral of her father, returned Wednesday to Jackson.

The new goods are arriving and will be on sale on the 12th and 13th, when the Ladies' Assisting Society will have full charge of all sales in C. Austin's Store.

A young lad of eleven years was allowed out on suspended sentence by Magistrate Hendon. He was charged with stealing a watch.

The largest house of the season is expected at the Grand on Monday night, being the fifth number of the Star Course. A splendid program is promised.

Pin Lost—Between the Convent and the opera house, on Friday night, a fraternity pin, diamond shaped, with black and gold. A liberal reward will be paid for its return to this office.

Will Miller, travelling salesman for the Hobbs Hardware Company of London, is spending the day in the city. Mr. Miller was formerly employed in Westman's hardware store here.

Lost—Yesterday afternoon, a Grey Chubline Bag, containing a sum of money. Finder will be rewarded by leaving at this office.

The object of the Ladies' Assisting Society of the General Hospital is to build a new Maternity Ward. Help them by buying from them on the 12th and 13th at C. Austin's Store.

Owing to the League Course number on Monday evening the plan for Robin Hood will open TUESDAY MORNING, not Monday morning, as previously announced.

Estimates cheerfully given on plumbing, hot water, steam and gas fitting. Jobbing work promptly attended to. Your patronage is respectfully solicited by R. McG. Coyle, King street, west. Phone 391.

The subject of debate at the Macaulay Club to-night is "Resolved, that Shylock, the Jew in Shakespeare's Merchant of Venice, is more sinned against than sinning."

Last, between Bay Street, and the Opera House, on Wednesday evening, Feb. 3rd, a gold watch, Huntling case, with the front broken off. A reward will be given for its return to this office.

You cannot cure a cold with opium-laden "medicines." Allen's Lung Balsam, in which there is no opium, cures sore throats and lungs by allaying the inflammation, and rids you of the mucous that stops up the air passages.

A. L. Eberts, of Detroit, a former proprietor of the Garner House, was in the city yesterday attending the funeral of his brother, Mr. Eberts.

is considering plans for buying a hotel but he has not yet decided where he will settle down. He has managed several hotels since he left Chatham, in New York and Atlanta City. He intended to a Planet reporter that he might again take up his residence in the Maple City.

A splendid rehearsal of Robin Hood was held last evening. The work of the entire opera was gone over under the direction of Mr. Dapew and Stage Manager Harry Clarke and splendid results were obtained. Miss Gray, Samuel I. Slade were all present and the music went magnificently. There is a rare treat in store for Chathamites on a Dundonald night. Reserved seat plan opens on Tuesday morning at ten o'clock.

The funeral of the late W. C. Eberts, whose sad death in Detroit was announced in a recent issue of The Planet, took place yesterday afternoon from the Grand Trunk depot to the Maple Leaf cemetery. It was very largely attended. Rev. Dr. Battistich conducted the obsequies. The pallbearers were three brothers of deceased, B. F. Eberts, New York; A. L. Eberts, Detroit; and Carl Eberts, of Chatham; and Robert Mercer, Sr., Gib Taylor and John Waddell. The other brother, Claude, is South and was unable to attend the funeral.

The Bill Telephone Co. of Canada will issue a new subscribers' directory for the district of Western Ontario, including Chatham exchange, in March next.

Orders for new connections, changes of firm names, etc., should be placed at once to insure entry in this book. E. D. LAURIE, Local Manager.

Feb 5, 1904.

FIREMAN KILLED.

Toronto, Feb. 5.—Cecil J. Sparks, aged 28, of Toronto Junction, a C. P. R. fireman, was killed at Agincourt to-night. His train was waiting for an express, and while standing beside his engine, he stepped in front of the express and was killed.

THE QUESTION OF BALDNESS.

This is a vital question with hundreds of men who are bald or partially so. How to overcome the disfigurement lent by baldness is a simple matter when you consider the perfection of modern art in the making of wigs and toupees. The visit of Prof. Dornmeyer of Toronto, to Chatham on Wednesday, Feb. 10th, when he will be at the Garner House, readers, it possible for any who wish to consult him to do so at his private apartments retained at the Garner House for this purpose. Demonstrations given to show the perfect naturalness of his wigs and toupees. Do not miss this opportunity. Remember the day and date, Wednesday, Feb. 10th.

THIRTIETH.

One of the Maple City firemen tells a good story on one of Chatham's many thrifty housewives. At a recent fire the lady of the house was not aware that her chimney was on fire. When the firemen arrived they knocked at the door and when the lady came they attempted to brush past her, and the following conversation took place:—

The lady—Here, where are you going?

The fireman—Why lady your chimney is on fire! I am going to put it out.

The lady—Well, stand on the steps there until I get the mop. You will have to wipe your feet before you can come into my house.

THRIFTINESS

There was a better market this morning than we have had for some time, which is largely due to the pleasant change in the weather.

Although the vegetable offering was much better. All prices are high. Turkeys sell for as high as \$1.75 for small birds, geese from 90c to \$1.00, chickens as high as 50c.

Other prices remain about the same. One special feature of this morning's market was a large offering of plants and flowers.

Following is the price list:—

IN THE SHEDS.

Butter, per pound, 19c to 20c. Eggs, per dozen, 35c. Chickens, each, 40c to 50c. Turkeys, \$1.25 to \$1.75. Geese, 90c to \$1.00.

VEGETABLES.

Apples, per peck, 10c to 25c. Potatoes, per peck, 20c to 25c. Cabbages, each, 5c to 15c. Squash, 3c to 25c. Pumpkins, 10c. Onions, 25c per peck. Savory, 5c, bunch. Celery, three bunches for 10c.

CHATHAM MARKETS.

Reported by F. B. Proctor, Broker, Northwood Block, Chatham, Feb. 5, 1904.

Wheat—ops. 95 1/2, 93 1/2, 94 1/2. May..... 95 1/2, 93 1/2, 94 1/2. July..... 95 1/2, 93 1/2, 94 1/2.

Corn—May..... 56 1/2, 54 1/2, 54 1/2. July..... 56 1/2, 54 1/2, 54 1/2. Octa..... 40 1/2, 40 1/2, 40 1/2.

Oats—May..... 40 1/2, 40 1/2, 40 1/2. July..... 40 1/2, 40 1/2, 40 1/2. Octa..... 40 1/2, 40 1/2, 40 1/2.

Pork—May..... 13 1/2, 13 1/2, 13 1/2. July..... 13 1/2, 13 1/2, 13 1/2. Octa..... 13 1/2, 13 1/2, 13 1/2.

Lard—May..... 7 1/2, 7 1/2, 7 1/2. July..... 7 1/2, 7 1/2, 7 1/2. Octa..... 7 1/2, 7 1/2, 7 1/2.

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Gordon's White Fair

Ladies Undermuslins and Embroideries

OUR ANNUAL SALE OF OPENS MONDAY, FEB. 8. We devote special efforts to make this a marked event to be remembered all through the year. In our Whitewear offerings you will find Good Taste, Good Values for Good Customers.

SKIRTS.



A good Plain White Skirt with tucks and frills at 50c.

No. 1, extra special, is a Cambric Skirt, 18 inch, lawn frill, two rows of lace insertion and lace ruffle, length 38 to 44, at \$1.

No. 2, extra special, a Lonsdale Skirt, 24 in. frill, 6 rows of Valencia insertion and lace frill and dust frill at \$1.98.

White Cambric Skirts, lace frill, hemstitched and embroidery trimmed, \$1.24, also a lace trimmed skirt, a match for the above, at \$1.25.

White Cambric Skirts, 15 inch muslin flounce, 2 rows of muslin embroidery, filled and tacked, at \$1.33, also a 10 inch flounce skirt, cluny lace trimming, at \$1.33.

Lonsdale Skirt, 18 inch flounce and groups of tucks, wide insertion frill and dust frill, at \$1.80.

A beauty Cambric Skirt, Lawn flounce, 2 frills of embroidery, and insertion and dust ruffle, \$2.72.

Children's Skirts and Drawers

Trimmed with tucks, flounces, hemstitching, etc., \$1.

All sizes Children's Dresses from 76c up, and full lines of

Embroideries

A full stock in great variety from 3c to \$1 per yard. Insertion to match.

SCHOOL PIANO

The teachers of the Central School have purchased out of their concert funds the handsome new Mason & Risch piano used at the King Henry VIII. concert, at the Grand recently.

It is of new colonial design and one of the first that has been shipped west of Toronto.

An interesting feature of this purchase was the ballot taken by the teachers on the choice of a piano. It was decided that each teacher should mark the number of piano she preferred on a ballot and reach a decision in this way. The first ballot resulted as follows:—Mason & Risch 13 votes, Gerhard-Hientzman 2, and Hientzman Co. 1. The second ballot was unanimous for the Mason & Risch. Frank Hientzman, the popular and enterprising district manager for the Mason & Risch Co., delivered the handsome instrument on Wednesday.

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Night Robes

We begin as usual with good tasty Night Robes, lace or embroidery trimmed at 50c and 75c.

Dollar Specials

No. 1—A tucked yoke robe, V shaped neck, embroidery trimmed neck and sleeves, at \$1.

No. 2—A high neck robe, trimmed with insertion and edging around yoke and sleeves, \$1.00.

\$1.25 Specials

Two of the nicest lines in stock of Robes—one with all-over embroidery yoke—the other with tucked yoke, sleeves and yoke trimmed with fine embroidery frills \$1.25.

Empress Night Robes of Lonsdale, fine embroidery trimmed, V shaped neck and lace and insertion trimmed with ribbon, etc., at \$1.33.

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CAN MAKE MEN SOUND AND STRONG

Detroit Specialist Discovers Something Entirely New for the Cure of Men's Diseases in Their Own Homes.

You Pay Only if Cured

Requires No Money Unless He Cures Your Method and Full Particulars Sent Free—Write For It This Very Day

A Detroit specialist who has 14 certificates and diplomas from medical colleges and hospitals, has discovered a new method of curing the diseases of men in their own homes, so that there is no need to go to any of the many hospitals.



DR. S. GOLDBERG,
The Possessor of 14 Diplomas and Certificates Who Wants No Money That He Does Not Earn.

Both the method and the ability to do as he says, Dr. Goldberg, the discoverer, will send the method entirely free to all men who send him their name and address. He wants to hear from men who have diseases that they have been unable to get cured. He will send them a small box, containing a small amount of medicine, which will cure them of their disease. He will send them a small box, containing a small amount of medicine, which will cure them of their disease.

The doctor requires that it is one thing to make claims and another to back them up. He does not want to be a name to call for money unless he can show you that when you are cured he feels rich. He will send you a small box, containing a small amount of medicine, which will cure them of their disease. He will send them a small box, containing a small amount of medicine, which will cure them of their disease.

Cook's Cotton Root Compound.

Ladies Beware! Is the only safe, reliable, and effective remedy for all cases of leucorrhea, whether it be of the acute or chronic type. It is the only remedy that will cure you in the shortest time. It is the only remedy that will cure you in the shortest time. It is the only remedy that will cure you in the shortest time.

No. 1 and No. 2 are sold in Chatham by all Druggists.

HIS

Young wife was almost distracted for he would not stay at home. So she had his LAUNDRY done by us and now he ceases any more to roam.

Parisian Steam Laundry Co.
TELEPHONE 20.

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CASE

By...
Emile Gaboriau

"That you are surprised to find me here? So I suppose. Your father intended introducing me to you, but he was compelled to return this morning to Besancon, and I must add that he departed thoroughly convinced, as I myself am, that you never took a cent from M. Fauvel."

At this unexpected good news Prosper could not restrain an exclamation of joy.

"Here is a letter from your father which I was charged to give you. I hope it will serve as an introduction between us."

Prosper took the letter, opened it, and as he read his eyes grew brighter and the color returned to his pale cheeks.

When he had finished, he held out his hand to the large man and said:

"My father, monsieur, tells me you are his best friend. He advises me to have absolute confidence in you and follow your counsel."

"Exactly. This morning your father said to me, 'Verduret—that is my name—Verduret, my son is in great trouble. He must be helped out.' I replied, 'I am ready,' and here I am. Now the ice is broken, is it not? Then let us go to work. What do you intend to do?"

This question revived Prosper's stammering rage. His eyes flashed.

"What do I intend to do?" he said angrily. "I wish to seek the villain who has ruined me!"

"Naturally. But have you any means of attaining that end?"

"None. Yet I shall succeed, because when a man devotes his whole life to an object he is certain to achieve it."

"Well said, M. Prosper, and, to be frank, I fully expected that this would be your purpose. I have therefore already begun to think and act for you."

"I have a plan. In the first place, you will sell this furniture, quit this house and disappear."

"Disappear?" cried Prosper indignantly. "Disappear! Why, monsieur? Do you not see that such a step would authorize the world to say that I am hiding so as to enjoy undisturbed the stolen fortune?"

"Well, what then?" said the man with the red whiskers coldly. "Did you not say just now that the sacrifice of your life is made? The skillful swimmer thrown into the river by malefactors is careful not to rise to the surface immediately. On the contrary, he dives and remains below as long as his breath holds out. He comes up again at a great distance and lands out of sight. Then, when he is supposed to be dead, lost forever to the sight of man, he rises up and has his vengeance. You have an enemy? Some petty imprudence will betray him. But while he sees you in the watch he will be on his guard."

It was with a sort of amazed submission that Prosper listened to this man who, though a friend of his father, was an utter stranger to himself.

He submitted to the ascendancy of a nature more energetic than his own. In his helpless condition he was grateful to find a friend.

"I will follow your advice, monsieur," he said.

"Was sure you would. Let us decide upon the course you shall follow. And remember that the proceeds of the sale will be needed. Have you any

ready money? No, but you must have some. Knowing that you would need it at once, I brought here a furniture dealer, and he will give 12,000 francs for everything except the pictures."

The cashier could not refrain from shrugging his shoulders, which M. Verduret observed.

"Yes," said he, "it is hard. I will admit, but it is necessary. Listen. You are the invalid, and I am the doctor charged to cure you. If I cut to the quick, you will have to endure it. It is the only way to save you."

"Cut away, then, monsieur," answered Prosper, submitting.

"Well, we will hurry, for time passes. You have a friend, M. de Lagors?"

"Raoul? Yes, monsieur, an intimate friend."

"Now tell me, who is this fellow?"

The term "fellow" seemed to wound Prosper.

"M. de Lagors, monsieur," he said, piqued. "Is M. Fauvel's nephew. He is a rich young man, handsome, intelligent, cultured and the best friend I have."

"Hum!" said M. Verduret. "I shall be delighted to make the acquaintance of one adorned by so many good qualities. I must let you know that I wrote him a note in your name asking him to come here, and he sent word that he would be here directly."

"What?" cried the astonished Prosper. "Do you suppose?"

"Oh, I suppose nothing. Only I must see this young man. Also I have arranged and will submit to you a little plan of conversation."

A ring at the bell interrupted M. Verduret.

"The Dickens! Adieu to my plan! Here he is! Where can I hide so as to hear and see?"

"There is in my bedroom. Leave the door open and the curtain down."

A second ring was heard.

"I must go," said Prosper.

"Now, remember, Prosper," said M. Verduret in a warning tone, "not one word to this man about your plans or about me. Pretend to be discouraged, helpless, hesitating."

And he disappeared behind the curtain as Prosper ran to open the door.

Prosper's portrait of M. de Lagors had not been exaggerated. So handsome a face and manly a figure could belong only to a noble character. Although Raoul said that he was twenty-four he appeared to be not more than twenty. He had a superb figure, well knit and supple; a beautiful white brow, shaded by soft chestnut curly hair, and soft blue eyes which beamed with frankness.

His first impulse was to throw himself into Prosper's arms. "My poor, dear friend!" he said, taking Prosper's hands. "My poor Prosper!"

But beneath these affectionate demonstrations there was a certain constraint, which, if it escaped the cashier, was noticed by M. Verduret.

"Your letter, my dear Prosper," said Raoul after being seated, "made me ill, I was so frightened by it. I asked myself if you could have lost your mind. Then I left everything to come to you."

Prosper did not seem to hear him. He was preoccupied about the letter he had not written. What were its contents? Who was this man whose assistance he had accepted?

"You must not feel discouraged," continued M. de Lagors. "At your age you may commence life anew. Your friends are still left to you. Rely upon me. I am rich. Half of my fortune is at your disposal."

This generous offer, made at a moment like this with such frank simplicity, deeply touched Prosper.

"Thanks, Raoul," he said, with emotion; thank you! But unfortunately all the money in the world would be of no use now."

"Why so? What are you going to do? Do you propose to remain in Paris?"

"I know not, Raoul. I have made no plans yet. My mind is confused."

"It will tell you what to do," replied Raoul quickly. "You must start afresh. Until this mysterious robbery is explained it will never do for you to remain in Paris."

"And if it is never explained?"

"Only the more reason for your remaining in oblivion. I have been talking about you to Clameran. You are unjust to him, for he is your friend. If I were in Prosper's place," he said, "I would turn everything into money and embark for America. There I would make a fortune and return to crush with my millions those who have suspected me."

This advice offended Prosper's pride, but he said nothing. He was thinking of what the stranger had said to him.

"Well?" said Raoul.

"I will think it over. I will see. I would like to know what M. Fauvel says."

"My uncle? I suppose you know that I have declined the offer he made me to enter his banking house and we have almost quarreled. I have not set foot in his house for over a month, but I hear of him occasionally."

"Through whom?"

"Through your friend, young Clameran. My uncle, they say, is more distressed by this affair than you are."

He is scarcely ever at the bank and wanders about as if in a terrible dream."

"And Mme. Fauvel and Prosper hesitated—and Mlle. Madeleine?"

"Oh," said Raoul lightly, "my aunt is as devoted as ever. She has a mass said for the benefit of the sinner. As to my pretty, icy cousin, she cannot bring herself down to common matters, because she is entirely absorbed in preparing for the fancy ball to be given after tomorrow by MM. Jandrier. She has discovered, so one of her friends told me, a wonderful dress-maker, a stranger who has suddenly appeared from no one knows where, who is making a costume of Catherine de Medici's maid of honor, and it is to be a marvel."

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M. de Lagors, pretending not to have heard him, arose.

"I must leave you now, my dear Prosper," he said. "Saturday I will see these ladies at the ball and will bring you news of them. Keep up your courage and remember that whatever happens, you can count on me."

Raoul shook Prosper's hand and left the house. Prosper remained motionless, overcome by disappointment.

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"So these are your friends?"

"Yes," said Prosper, with bitterness. "You heard him offer me half of his fortune?"

M. Verduret shrugged his shoulders with an air of compassion.

"That was very stingy on his part," he said. "Why did he not offer the whole? Offers cost nothing. But I have no doubt that this pretty boy would cheerfully give 10,000 francs to put the ocean between you and him."

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"But that is the truth, monsieur. I am sure of it."

"Naturally," said M. Verduret, with a provoking smile. "But," he continued seriously, "we have devoted enough time to this fair youth. Now be good enough to change your dress, and we will go and call on M. Fauvel."

This proposal seemed revolting to Prosper.

"Better," he exclaimed, with excitement. "No, never will I voluntarily set eyes on that wretch!"

This resistance did not surprise M. Verduret.

"I can understand your feelings toward him," said he, "but at the same time I hope you will change your mind. For the same reason that I wished to see M. de Lagors I wish to see M. Fauvel. It is necessary, you understand. Are you so very weak that you cannot restrain yourself for five minutes? I shall introduce myself as one of your relatives, and you need not speak a word."

"If it is absolutely necessary," said Prosper, "if you wish—"

"It is necessary. Come on. Hurry and fix yourself up a little. It is getting late, and I am hungry. We will breakfast on our way there."

Prosper had hardly passed into his bedroom when the bell rang again. M. Verduret opened the door. It was the porter, who handed him a thick letter.

"This letter," said he, "was left this morning for M. Bertomy. I was so flustered when he came that I forgot to hand it to him. It is a very odd looking letter, is it not, monsieur?"

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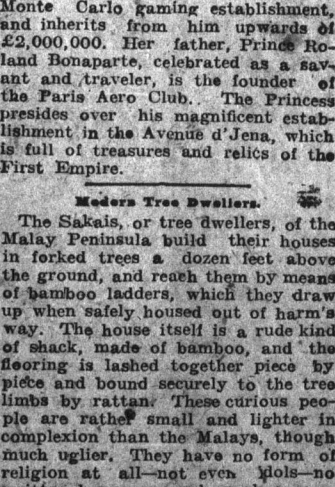
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...SOCIETY...

Mrs. Frank D. Laurie and Miss Edith Ball are visiting in Toronto.

Mrs. Douglas Glass, King St., entertained a few friends at five o'clock on Friday afternoon.

Mrs. M. Houston entertained last Saturday afternoon for her guest, Mrs. Robt. Ferguson, of St. Thomas.

Miss Ermatinger, Stanley Ave., gave a luncheon on Wednesday last for Miss Gordon, of Wallaceburg.

Mrs. William Gordon, King St., entertained a few of her friends at seven o'clock on Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. W. E. McKenough was the hostess yesterday at a seven-hour musicale party, given in honor of her sister, Mrs. Beaumont Jarvis, of Toronto.

Mrs. D. S. Paterson, Stanley, is giving a humble party Saturday afternoon, in honor of Mrs. E. F. Stephenson, of Winnipeg, and Mrs. G. E. Scholfield.

Mrs. Robert Ferguson and daughter, Miss Jean Ferguson, of Port Stanley, who have been visiting at the residence of Judge Houston, Victoria Ave., returned home yesterday.

Miss Jessie Harper entertained last evening in honor of Miss Mabel Shaw, of Toronto. The party was a small but pleasant one, as Miss Harper's entertainments always are.

The Macaulay Club will hold their annual dinner on Friday evening, February 19th. The special committee appointed at the last meeting of the club met yesterday afternoon and so decided.

Mrs. James, of Bloor St. West, gave a delightful tea yesterday in honor of her guest, an old school friend, Mrs. F. D. Laurie, Chatham. All present were ex-pupils of the Bishop Strachan School. — Toronto Globe.

Mrs. and Miss Davies, Victoria Ave., gave a charming tea in honor of Mrs. Geo. P. Scholfield, on Wednesday afternoon last. Mrs. Scholfield looked exceedingly pretty in green broad cloth. Among the guests were, Mrs. Geo. T. McKenough, Mrs. W. E. McKenough, Mrs. Jarvis, Mrs. Mabel Shaw, Mrs. W. E. Wispin, Mrs. Wm. Ball, Mrs. D. S. Paterson, Mrs. Skey, Mrs. Wm. A. Campbell, Mrs. Waddell, Mrs. Lane and Miss McKenough. The assistants were Misses Ball and Complin.

BELL-MACDONALD.

A charming but quiet house wedding, of interest to Maple City society, was solemnized in this city on Wednesday afternoon, when Miss Grace Macdonald, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Macdonald, was united in marriage to Dr. Charles Cameron Bell, eldest son of Archibald Bell, senior judge of Kent County. The ceremony took place at the residence of the bride's parents, Raleigh street.

The drawing room was handsomely decorated for the occasion with ferns and other seasonable foliage, and the wedding service of the Baptist church was performed by the Rev. J. J. Ross in front of a bank of ferns and palms. Miss Mabel Shaw, Toronto, cousin of the bride, was bridesmaid, and Dr. A. J. McKenzie, Toronto, was groomsmen.

The bride presented a very pretty appearance in a wedding dress of white silk chiffon over white tulle, trimmed with lace, and carried a bouquet of white roses tied with white ribbon. In her hair the bride wore the traditional orange blossoms. The bridesmaid, Miss Mabel Shaw, presented a charming picture in a handsome gown of white silk crepe de Paris, with trimmings of ivory lace, and carried pink roses tied with pink ribbon. Miss Shaw also wore a large white picture hat.

After a dainty wedding dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Bell left on the G. T. E. express for New York and other western points.

The bride's going away gown was of green broadcloth, with hat to match.

The young couple, were the recipients of many beautiful gifts, amongst which was a silver tea service from the Delta Union Society, of Toronto University, of which fraternity Mr. Bell was one of the founders.

Among the guests from a distance were, Mrs. and Mrs. W. H. Shaw, Mrs. Mabel Shaw, and Miss Mabel Shaw, Toronto; Miss Isabel Butterworth, Windsor; and Mr. and Mrs. J. Ross, London.

On their return from their wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Bell will take up their residence on William St.

The Ladies' Assisting Society of the Public General Hospital will take charge of the Austin Store next Friday and Saturday, and they will receive 10 per cent. of all the sales. The proceeds of this sale are in aid of the new Maternity Ward to be erected this year. This sale has caused quite a little commotion in social circles. Nearly all the society leaders of this city are interested and there is quite rivalry amongst the leaders as to who shall be the most successful. The sale is looked forward to with considerable pleasure by the ladies and they expect their friends to lend their aid. The following ladies have consented to take charge of the different departments of Mr. Austin's Store on the 12th and 13th of February:—

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Furniture — Mrs. McLean, Mrs. N. H. Stevens.

Cutlery and Carpets — Mrs. H. Smith, Mrs. Kingsmill.

White Wear and Suits — Mrs. W. Hadley, Mrs. W. H. Taylor, Mrs. Duncan.

Parcels — Mrs. Coublidick, Mrs. Seane, Mrs. R. Fleming.

Chairs — Mrs. McKenough, Mrs. J. C. Pritchard.

Lunch Room — Mrs. McKenough, Mrs. S. Stephenson, Mrs. T. K. Holmes, Mrs. S. McKay, Mrs. Wm. Young, Mrs. Dunn, Mrs. Oldershaw.

Candy Table — Mrs. S. McGregor.

These young ladies will be assisted in serving refreshments — Misses Edith Holmes, Mary McKenough, Helen Rispen, Riva Stegmann, Vern H. Ward, Aggie Phillimore, Edith Hall, Jessie Wilson, Alice Greening.

Hot oyster stew, crackers and celery, cold meat, hot baked beans, bread and butter, sandwiches, cake, coffee and tea.

SATCHEL OF THE SATELLITE

The grip is no respecter of persons. It even attacked the Satellite.

Everybody is going to Robin Hood. The tickets are selling like everything. Plan opens Tuesday morning.

The residents of Selkirk street who on the road put the ashes that stopped the loads of logs are now looking out for the by-law cop.

Judging by the weather, the bear didn't see his shadow on Tuesday, and by now is probably a shadder and wiser brum.

This rain ought to do for the railroads what the snow plow has failed to do, and trains may be expected to be running on schedule time again.

President McKenough's last words, "What I am Robin Hood has made me, God bless it."

Lieut. O. L. Lewis in February, 1904, wrote from the London military school, "Life without Robin Hood would be a dismal thing."

Everybody remembers that line in Mayor McKenough's inaugural address, "I shall tread in the foot-steps of my illustrious predecessor and also shall see Robin Hood."

Adj. Col. Collett, replying to a speech of Lieut. Fraser's, declared, "In the historic phrase of that illustrious soldier, the Duke of Wellington, I have but one lamp by which my feet are guided—Robin Hood."

Just before the fatal word was given, Cabot of Calgary, turned to the hangman and said, "The thought that to-morrow I may not hear of Robin Hood, unmurders me."

Richard, Coeur de Lion, King of England, said, "I have lived till I met you Robin Hood, now let me die."

King John said, "Had I but served Robin Hood so faithfully as I served my king brother, I would never have had to sign the Magna Carta."

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DISTRICT DOINGS. THAMESVILLE

Feb. 5.—Mrs. A. Langford and little daughter, Margaret, spent the day in town the guest of Mrs. James Ferguson.

The Detroit curlers visited our local team last night, on their way home from Toronto, where they have been playing for the Ontario Tankard, the local team winning.

Wm. Buchanan, of London, was in town to-day.

The Art Culture Club met to-day at the home of Miss Hare. A goodly number were in attendance, and the papers, though few, were thoroughly enjoyed by all. Particularly to be commended was the paper by Mrs. R. N. Fraser, on "The Lives of Mr. and Mrs. Browning," whose interesting love story imbued grace and sweetness from her reading of it. The papers on "The Life and Works of J. M. W. Turner," given by Mrs. Johnston and Miss Albertson, were excellent, and gave a clear knowledge of that artist's characteristics and power as a landscape painter.

Mrs. Robt. Dye left yesterday for a month's visit to eastern points.

Mrs. Will Sheppard returned to her home at Bethford yesterday.

T. W. Sims, editor of the Thamesville Herald, is attending the Press Association at Toronto.

DRESDEN

Feb. 5.—Jas. Barnie has returned home from B. Rina, where he has been working in the sugar factory.

Mrs. Henry Carley and Miss Lena Green returned on Wednesday from a visit with Windsor and Detroit friends.

Miss McKerrall is visiting relatives in Chatham.

Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Broad returned last Saturday from Durand, Mich. They were accompanied by their son Robert, who has just recovered from a severe attack of typhoid.

Another assembly was given by the young men of the town on Wednesday evening, and the usual enjoyable time was spent by all in attendance.

Mrs. G. A. Miller gave a dinner party to a number of friends on Monday evening.

The Presbyterian choir attended the tea-meeting at Croton on Monday night, giving the major part of the program. A number of young people from our town took in the event.

LeRoy Miller, of Florence, visited in town Wednesday and Thursday.

The evangelistic services being held in the Methodist church here have been very successful so far.

Next week Mr. Bond will be assisted by the Rev. Mr. Kerr, of Ridgeway.

Alex. McRitchie, of Port Lambton, attended the young men's assembly given Wednesday night.

Dresden ladies will have been mourning the death of good dressmakers in our town, will no longer have any cause to complain. Mr. Aiken has installed a dressmaking department in his shop, to be conducted by Miss Mabel McKay, who is well and favorably known to the women of Dresden. Miss Edith Wainmaker, who has had a large experience in Detroit, will also open up a shop over Mr. Lawrence's store, in about two weeks' time.

Owing to the Lyceum Course number on Monday evening the plan for Robin Hood will open TUESDAY MORNING, not Monday morning, as previously announced.

FLETCHER.

A very enjoyable time was spent at the dancing party given by Wm. Finn on Friday evening.

John Murphy, of North Columbia, is visiting his parents here.

Mrs. W. Kearns was the guest of Mrs. Minor last week.

Miss Lily Murphy, of Detroit, is spending a few days at her home here.

The dancing party given by Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Kearns on Thursday evening was a grand success.

Joe LaFave was the guest of A. Audlett on Sunday.

KENT BRIDGE.

Messrs. Brown and Fritz, of Thamesville, spent Sunday in the village.

Orford Langford, of the Ridgeway C. E. was home for Sunday.

The annual meeting of the M. E. Society, Knox church, was held on Friday. Election of officers took place.

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A new store has been opened in our town, by Messrs. M. R. G. Parry, a call when you come to town.

The quarterly meeting of the Dawn Mills circuit will be held in the Lindsay Road church next Sunday night. Rev. Mr. Taylor preached a very able sermon in the Lindsay Road church on Sunday morning.

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A number attended anniversary services at Croton Jubilee church on Sunday last. Rev. Mr. Barton, of Courtwright, officiated.

Rev. John Baird's lecture and Limerick views, "John Bunyan and the Pilgrim's Progress," in the Methodist church, were especially practical and edifying. His clear and interesting were wonderfully clear and illustrative.

An enjoyable evening was spent on the 22nd ult., when the members of the Zone Threshing Co. with their wives and families, met at the home of Mr. Thomas Trotter and gave him a genuine surprise.

The company was founded 33 years ago, and Mr. Trotter has remained a faithful member during that time. After partaking of oysters and other delicacies, Mr. Trotter presented with an address and handsome overcoat.

The remainder of the evening was spent in games, music, speeches, etc.

The funeral services of the late Mr. Wm. Reid were conducted from the family residence on Friday, the 29th ult. An impressive sermon was preached by Rev. Mr. Little, assisted by Rev. Mr. McMullen. Although she had been ill for two years with a lingering disease, which she bore with Christian faith and patience, her death came quite unexpectedly, and makes a sad loss in the home circle. She leaves a sorrowing husband and one young daughter, to which the community extend their sympathy in their sad bereavement.

District Dashes

Strathroy girls have organized a hockey team.

Miss E. Tillson, of Chatham, is here for a few days, visiting her sister, Ridgeway Junction.

Wm. Mayor, a well known resident of Ridgeway, 65 years of age, was found dead in bed on Wednesday morning.

There were 60,463 evictions for non-payment of rent in New York City in 1903, twenty times as many as ever known in Ireland.

Right Rev. F. P. McEvay, D. D., Bishop of London, will solemnly dedicate the new St. Paul's R. C. church, Thamesville on Feb. 7.

Reports from Port Stanley are to the effect that Lake Erie was this winter frozen clear across, something that has seldom happened in recent years.

Winnipeg's population is placed at 77,304, an increase of 13,744 over the past twelve years. The population has doubled within thirteen years.

Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Broad, of Chatham Tp., who have been at Durand, Mich., have returned home. They were accompanied by their son Robt., who has been quite ill with typhoid fever.

His many friends will learn with regret that Mr. W. H. Ellsworth has decided to leave Ridgeway and move to the Western States. Mr. Ellsworth was a resident of Ridgeway for over twenty years. — Ridgeway Democrat.

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BABY HELD FOR RENT

"I want a revlevin for my baby." Justice Bradwell looked up in astonishment at Mrs. John Fleming in Chicago yesterday afternoon when he heard this request.

"I want a revlevin for my three-months-old child that J. Oscar Lewis has taken possession of, with my goods, because I owe him \$5 for rent," the woman continued. "He refuses to let me have the baby until I pay the money. My husband has consumption. He has gone to Arizona and may never come back. I can't pay the money. He can keep the goods, but I want my baby."

"This is an outrage," declared the justice to Constable Jim Small. "I can't revlevin a baby, but the man can be arrested for kidnapping, and he shall be, without delay."

A few hours later Lewis, keeper of a boarding house at 1634 Michigan avenue, was under arrest at the central station. He protested that he had no design of keeping the child.

Mrs. Fleming is the wife of a former employe of the Sherman house who became ill. He would recover his health, departed three months ago for Arizona.

A few days after Fleming departed the baby was born. Mrs. Fleming's relatives provided for her, but they were not able to do much. Her niece, a young girl, remained with her and managed to provide in part for the family by taking in sewing. Two weeks ago the three secured a room at Lewis' boarding house. They agreed to pay \$2.50 a week. The baby became sick, and they were unable to do more than provide for their food. The landlord demanded his rent on Monday, and when the mother said that she was unable to pay, he announced, according to her story, his intention of keeping the baby and goods.

"I offered him the furniture," said Mrs. Fleming, "but he said that he would just keep the baby until I raised the money." — Chicago Tribune.

RHODES' SCHOLARSHIPS

Application for Rhodes' scholarships has closed and there are nine names on the list: Three graduates, E. H. Oliver, B. A., of Eberts, formerly a student at the C. C. I. E. H. Paterson, B. A., Toronto, and H. G. Wallace, B. A., Toronto. Three fourth year students, G. B. Bryce, Toronto; T. B. McQuesten, Hamilton; and E. W. Wallace, Toronto.

And three third year students, J. E. B. Bond and R. C. Reade, of Toronto, and B. A. Upshall, of Brampton. The names will be sent to the Oxford board, who will send out qualification examination papers.

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STUDIES BY ANGLO.

Florence, Italy, Feb. 5.—The management of the Uffizi gallery has discovered eight cartoons upon which by Michael Angelo. The studies include two nude figures supposed to have been intended for two of the twelve apostles he wished to paint in the Sistine chapel and two groups of figures used in his "deluge," in the same chapel. There are also architectural sketches.

WILL HE COME TO CANADA?

London, Feb. 5.—Joseph Chamberlain will start February 11 on a two months' holiday. He desires to say where he is going, because it is his desire to have a complete rest and not to be troubled with correspondence.

EXPLOSION ON A U. S. BATTLESHIP.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 5.—The battleship Iowa, while testing her batteries on her way down the coast yesterday, blew off the muzzles or both eight-inch guns in her forward starboard turret. Flying fragments smashed one of the ship's whale boats. Both guns are fractured and the barrels are badly swollen. None of the crew was injured, and no damage outside that great was sustained by the vessel.

Washington, Feb. 5.—This second explosion on the Iowa within less than a year has cast a gloom over the officials of the United States navy department. The cause of explosion of the Panama last year, in which there was a loss of life and considerable damage to the ship, remains a mystery. The alarming feature of these two accidents is the apprehension growing in naval circles that older guns of the navy are not strong enough to permit the use of smokeless powder in them. It is declared that none of the guns on the Iowa has been fired much over 100 times.

A RAILWAY TO HUDSON BAY.

Winnipeg, Feb. 5.—The Manitoba grain growers' convention, in session here, passed the following resolution:—

"Whereas we believe that it is of the utmost importance that the farmers of Manitoba should receive the highest return possible for their crops, and realizing that this can only be secured by availing ourselves of the shortest, cheapest, and most natural outlet to the British market, we recommend the immediate construction of a railway to Hudson Bay."

The convention also passed strong resolutions in favor of government ownership and operation of railways, as well as protesting against the shortage of cars and other drawbacks of the present service.

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Letter From Germany

Mrs. E. J. McIntyre Writes an Interesting Letter to a Friend in the Maple City—Musical Matters in Berlin.

A friend in the Maple City received the following interesting letter from Mrs. E. J. McIntyre, who is in Germany:

My Dear Friend—How thoughtful and kind of you to send us such a charming letter, coming as it did heralding the glad Christmas time when the wintry breezes were laden with the odor of "peace and good will towards men." It gave a double pleasure. But do you know that during our perusal of it the thought continually suggested itself, that you had been talking with the lovely man across the sea, and he had intimated that two hearts at least in Germany were full of wistful longings and thus were you tempted to send us a Christmas greeting. But this as it may, allow me to thank you for yourself as well as for Germany for the pleasure you gave us by your timely remembrance of the two exiles. And what shall I write you by way of reply? Something, I hope, which will interest as well as please, but what that something shall be I am at a loss to know.

Should I be considered egotistical I wonder if I were to imagine you would care to hear a little about my life and experience in the musical world of Berlin, or is it possible that you who spend so much time yourself in hearing and making music are weary of even the very sound of the word? But one who is a student here in this branch of art lives in such a musical atmosphere, that naturally one's whole thought is centered upon it, and if you will but recall a certain Biblical verse to mind you will understand that "Out of the fullness of the heart the mouth speaketh," and consequently will grant me pardon, I am sure, should I thrust upon you unwelcome knowledge.

And though I do not speak from a personal standpoint as regards musical student life, yet having such an one in my charges, and being greatly interested in all that pertains to the welfare of my progeny, I flatter myself that I have been a rather close observer in respect to it.

With the opening days of the New Year the daily routine of the student's life once more began, and from countless dwellings issued the delightful sounds of the ceaseless saw of the Embury violin artist, the te-tum-te-tum of the wondrous pianist, or the gasping notes of the foot-to-foot of the faithful cornetist in their desperate efforts to acquire that most difficult, most thing, technical ability. And when these highly musical notes are reinforced by the sounds from several other instruments, as well as the classic strains of "Annie Rooney," "Just one Girl," or other like American musical gems ground out by an organ grinder in the court below, one cannot wonder at the exhausted patience of a peace-loving but despairing landlord. No longer is he contented for decorating the walls of his house with placards bearing the inscription "Musicians of any grade, degree, standing or quality whatsoever trespass on these premises at the peril of their lives," although such extreme measures render it somewhat difficult for the poor musician to obtain a permanent sheltering roof. But on the other hand, compensation being the great law of nature, he is afforded a splendid opportunity to study the individual domestic life of the nation, while practicing the old-time system in vogue among rural school teachers, that of boarding around.

Fortunately, we have our own flat secured by lease before it was known we belonged to this undesirable class; our rather irate landlord has long since been called to listen, we hope, to musical strains of a happier nature, and we now have a woman to deal with, his wife, whom we find much more tractable.

The concert season, too, seems to have received a fresh impetus with the birth of the new year, and these entertainments crowd so thick and fast upon each other, the close student finds it difficult to maintain his equilibrium of rest and attend even all those given by celebrated artists. These, being considered a necessary part of his education, a certain number demands his presence.

One often hears of the strenuous life which the average American citizen leads in his mad race for gold, gold, that bright and yellow and hard and cold substance for which he so often barter his honor, his life, yes, that for which he so often barter his very soul to obtain and yet gazing out over the musical field and watching the busy ceaseless toilers therein I am often constrained to say no life can be more strenuous than that of the faithful music student. But without much pleasure, not the least among which is the commendation of his master, waits upon him while pursuing his musical studies. And in this old and equally famous city such praise is not an easy thing to win. It must be very deservedly earned before it

is given, and therefore perhaps lies the reason of its value. And the master, if he has the best interests of his pupil at heart assumes a watchful eye over all his movements. For instance, should a master learn that any of his pupils are indulging in any pastime or pleasure which he considers is detrimental to their progress, such are immediately informed that they will do well to forego this pleasure, and this virtually equals a command. The wise pupil accepts the suggestion as such and is not slow to act upon it.

Sometimes a clever pupil imagines his way of playing a concerto or study, superior to that of his instructor. A case in point refers to a young man, one of Carmen's class mates, and by the way, one rejoicing in the illustrious name of Rubinstein, who conceived such an idea. It resulted in his being kept at the piece a whole year, when he either realized the supremacy of his master's method, or deemed it wise to acknowledge it. Further, I have known the ears of a refractory young lad to be soundly boxed in order to render him more amenable to the power of persuasion. But, now, think you, how much of this severity on the part of a teacher towards a pupil would be tolerated at home? Would not such a musical instructor soon be looked upon as not understanding the purpose for which he was engaged, and a change of teachers be quickly made? Now, should you be inclined to think I have made some rather broad statements, kindly remember that I have done so according to knowledge gained from my own point of observation; I can therefore give vouchers for their truth, if necessary.

Germany is extremely fortunate in possessing a fine violin master; he is exceedingly strict, and you will admit this portends well for her future. We were equally as fortunate in our choice of a piano instructor, but owing to the great pressure of technical work for the violin, she was forced at Christmas to give up the study of the piano, until her technique for the stringed instrument was acquired. We have now resided in Berlin sixteen months. Two of these formed the summer holidays when the Conservatory was closed, and no lessons given. During these fourteen lesson months she has been given three pieces. One who aspires to be an artist, and comes abroad to study, has this same uninteresting road to travel; the road that is paved on both sides and down the centre with exercises. But, we hope she will have finished with this troublesome part of her studies at the end of this year, when, of course, she will resume her piano lessons.

Next June, the closing exercises will witness the graduation of one of Carmen's classmates, a young man of nineteen, who will be sent out into the world a finished artist. And all that these two words can possibly express will apply to this young student. He can certainly play the violin. Two years ago he played at a recital given by the conservatory in which he studied, and he was then faultlessly criticized by a musical journal which finds its way into every country, even to far-off Australia. Mr. McIntyre heard him play while he was here last year, and was astonished to learn that the young man contemplated another year of study before considering his student life finished; the whole work being undertaken with one master.

On the tenth of this month he was one of the violinists at a recital held in one of the largest halls of this city. It was thronged to the doors. He played the Saint Sacra Rondo Capriccioso, and at every part where the music demanded the accompanying pianist to sustain his part alone, the virtuoso received an ovation. And well, did he deserve the rounds of applause which greeted him; he certainly excelled himself. Upon the conclusion of the entertainment his master was asked by a composer who was present, for an introduction to his talented pupil. This, of course, was granted and the result of the young man's wonderful success won for him an invitation to play at a concert to be given early in February, where the other performers chosen are selected from the very best of Berlin's finest artists. As this entertainment will be of an exceedingly high order, with the sale of seats correspondingly high, it must depend for its patronage upon the nobility and the city's most wealthy inhabitants. It is therefore considered a great honor for a student to be invited to take a part on the same platform with artists of world wide fame.

During the past ten days we have had the pleasure of hearing Goloso, a Parisian violinist, who, by the way, was not at his best owing to some indisposition of his right arm, it being handicapped at the wrist. His first number, the Bruch Concerto, met with a poor response on the part of the audience, but his rendering of the Mendelssohn Concerto and the Symphony in G major, by Lalo, met with a much better reception, the latter, perhaps, being the best effort of the evening. When he had entirely recovered the use of his right arm he will give an

other concert here, when he hopes to redeem himself. We also had from Saenger-Sethé, a lady who enjoys the wide reputation of being the most temperamental violinist in the world. Her program was made up from Mozart, Beethoven and Brahms, the latter concerto being a very heavy one, is rarely attempted by a lady, but judging from the applause of the audience, Saenger-Sethé seems to have perfectly mastered it.

As vocalists we have had Lili Lehmann, Gertrude Fischer, Lulu Myzner, Gneiner, Billy Koeven, and one or two others. To secure seats for Lehmann one must early purchase tickets, for these are very soon bought up. She is still recognized as a great artist despite her fifty-seven years. She knows how to sing, and also understands perfectly the art of preserving her voice. Several times during the season does she give a concert in Berlin.

On Monday night of this week we again had the incomparable Nikish, and he brought as his soloist Conrad Amburge, a renowned pianist, who fully sustained his reputation. This was the sixth of ten symphonic concerts which this famous director gives every season. These concerts we never dream of missing; they are the gems of the season. No matter what may be the shortcomings of an orchestra under other directors, perfect

tion is the only result when Nikish wields the baton. He seems to hold his audience spell-bound with attention, and sometimes, the orchestra becomes so persistently enraptured, becomes enthusiastic over its own performance joins in the applause and "bravo" shouts and gives their honored conductor an additional volley of praise. Strange as it may be we have not had Kubelik in Berlin since we came, I believe, he was here prior to his first American tour, but has not favored the city since. Shall I tell you an amusing anecdote about him. It is very good, but I am afraid the artist did not appreciate the joke. Last year while in England a doctor, in charge of a lunatic asylum, holding the idea that music hath charms to soothe the distraught mind as well as the savage breast, asked the great violinist to play before his patients. Something lively was requested, and Kubelik responded by playing a brilliant Slav composition. As he finished a pretty young girl rose and beckoned to him. Artist like he thought she wanted an encore and said to the doctor: "Ask her what she wishes," but before the question could be framed the maiden exclaimed, "To think of the likes of me being caged up here, and he being at large in the war-rail." This was Kubelik's first performance at a lunatic asylum.

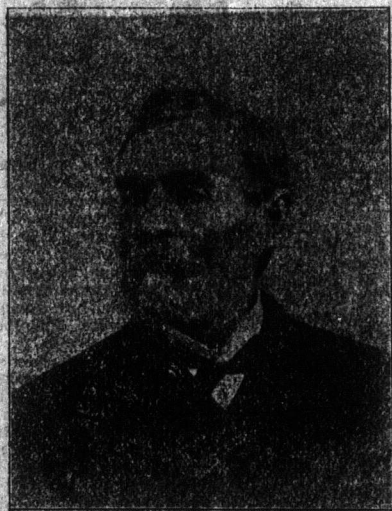
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THE LIFE OF A GOOD MAN.

Robert Stuart Woods, Junior Judge of Kent County, retired, was born at Sandwich, Essex County, in 1819. He is the fourth son of the late James Woods, barrister-at-law, and Elizabeth, seventh daughter of the late Hon. Alexander Grant. Mr. Woods' father was a lawyer from the Montreal bar, and came to the Western district in 1800, where he became a prominent and successful man, leaving behind him a large landed estate.

his appointment as junior judge, in 1885.

He was solicitor of the county council of the western district from the year 1846 to 1849, and is the oldest municipal officer in the County of Kent. Mr. Woods remembers acting as judge of the division court through the western district, when the circuit was 150 miles in length and required three weeks for the work. In 1850 he came to reside in Chatham.



HIS HONOR JUDGE WOODS

His Grandfather was a Scotchman, engaged in mercantile pursuits in St. John's, Lower Canada. Mr. Woods' maternal grandfather, Commodore Grant, was of the ancient family of Glenmoriston, Inverness, Scotland, and came to Canada as a midshipman under Lord Amherst, and in 1759 was appointed by General Amherst to the command of a sloop of war, and took an active part in the stirring events of that period. He became first commander or Commodore of our Western lakes. At the time of his death he had been upwards of 57 years an officer in the king's service. He was one of the seven gentlemen called by Governor Simcoe to the first legislative council of Upper Canada, and in 1806 was president, or lieutenant-governor of that province. It is a somewhat remarkable circumstance that both these Scotch Presbyterian grandfathers should have married, at opposite ends of Canada, French Canadian, Roman Catholic wives.

R. S. Woods was educated at the district grammar school, for the Western District, Sandwich, under the Rev. David Robertson, and the Rev. William Johnson, up to the age of seventeen, and subsequently under the Rev. Alexander Gale, at Hamilton. The old curriculum of that day was the "three R's" with a book or two of Euclid, Caesar, Virgil and Cicero, and later on, French. At 18, Mr. Woods took an active part in the rebellion of 1837, going to the relief of Toronto, under Colonel McNab, in the steamer Gore, as one of the celebrated 56 men of Gore, on the first day of the rebellion, by which means the city was saved from Mackenzie's forces. He followed Sir Allan McNab throughout the campaign, and was engaged in the cutting out of the Caroline, of which, and the important consequences attendant upon this international embargo, Mr. Woods has written an interesting brochure. He studied his profession under Judge O'Reilly, of Hamilton, and was called to the bar in 1842, became Q. C. in 1872, and continued in the practice of his profession up to the time of

ham, and has been an active advocate of railways, plank and gravel roads, canals and other public enterprises, and to this end has freely contributed his means and energies. To him is awarded the credit of having forced the Hamilton people into the construction of the Great Western Railway, by his vigorous efforts in the county and before parliament to displace that charter by the Niagara and Detroit River Railways, which, on the opening of the Michigan Central to Chicago, in 1849, became an indispensable link between the railways of New York and the west.

In this Mr. Woods had the support of the management of the Michigan Central. He has never had any connection with a brotherhood or secret society, and has always preferred his personal independence to any advantage to be gained by connection with any fraternity.

He is an earnest member of the Church of England, with a strong sympathy for all denominations of Christians, arising, no doubt from his Norman and Scottish descent and Presbyterian traditions. He is a member of the Church of England Synod and is a warm advocate of temperance and all legislation in aid of the Dominion Alliance, and other associations in connection with the cause.

He has always been an active member of the Liberal-Conservative party, and lays claim to never knowing or even the shadow of change in his sympathies and relations, while enjoying the most cordial relations with the leading men of opposite views, both in his country and the province at large. In 1854, he contested Kent against Larwell, McKellar and Waddell, when Mr. Larwell was returned and Mr. Woods defeated on the acclamation of the clergy reserves, on which question he was in advance of his party. In 1849 he married Emma Elizabeth, the eldest daughter of the Hon. John E. Schwarz, assistant general of the State of Michigan.

Are they much to each other?

Trip in a Sunken Ship

A Perilous Trip of 2,000 Miles After Ship Sprang a Leak—Terrible Experience for Those Aboard—An Interesting Narrative.

The steel clipper Thornliebank, 1,962 tons, of Glasgow, Captain Smith, 150 days out from Philadelphia for Wellington, New Zealand, with a cargo of 80,000 cases of kerosene and benzine, was towed into Sydney harbor, New South Wales, not long ago, after her brave captain and crew had sailed her, leaking and smashed, over 2,000 miles, a grand piece of seamanship.

The thrilling voyage of the Thornliebank reads more like a romance than a story in real life. Under clear skies the clipper left Philadelphia on July 1. While crossing the North Atlantic and traversing the south-east trades, she met with normal weather. Just when captain and crew were congratulating themselves on the docility of the elements a sudden drop in the barometer warned the tars there was trouble ahead.

With hardly a breath of air stirring and no visible signs of an impending clash of the elements, everything changed quickly. This was September the 9th, off the Cape of Good Hope. At first there was a slight ruffle of breeze, followed by more violent gusts. Then in a twinkling the roar of the speeding winds tore through the rigging, causing the ship to pitch violently and turning the gentle undulating motion of the sea into wild, tumultuous waves.

The wind, blowing from the eastward with cyclonic fury, each blast more terrible than the last, caused tremendous seas to hurt themselves against the ship's sides, shaking her from stem to stern.

Before such a gale the ship became unmanageable. Like a cork floating on the water, she pitched forward violently, burying her bows completely, then in an instant she was hurled on her beam ends by a wave that struck her square midships. With the seas constantly tumbling over her the crew were tossed from side to side and were only saved from being washed into the sea by the bulwarks. So violently did the ship roll that the men had to tie themselves with ropes to each other, the iron framework of the ship's sides, shaking her from stem to stern.

To add to the terrible conditions, darkness overspread the sky and the gale increased in fury until a regular hurricane was blowing. A sudden snapping sound from overhead caused the crew to seek shelter, and not an instant too soon. The winds tore the foremast and upper topsails into shreds, broke part of the mainmast, and the wreckage came tumbling to the decks, carrying yards and staysails in their wake.

A TERRIBLE STRUGGLE.

If the ship was to be kept afloat, the small sail area that was flying must be taken in and Captain Smith called for volunteers to make the perilous ascent into the rigging and take in canvas. Three tars, long used to such conditions, stepped forward and in a twinkling were climbing up the masts, clinging for dear life to the ropes, as the vessel awayed and pitched violently in the trough of the sea. With only the lower topsail left in place the ship ran for hours before the storm. In the evening, when the crew was below battened hatches, the ship gave a sudden lurch, plunged into the sea, and for a moment was submerged from stem to stern. Indeed, everyone on board thought she was foundering, and unconsciously the sailors dropped on their knees and prayed. While the vessel was submerged everything movable was washed overboard. The roof of the forward deck-house was torn from its fastenings, carried into the sea, and several skylights were smashed in.

But, worst of all, the donkey engine, which was forward in a comparatively safe place, strongly secured and lashed with chains, was torn loose and knocked to pieces. With the forward deck-house gone and skylights smashed in, the seas came tumbling in below decks and added to the terrors of the scene. The crew were up to their necks in water for hours, but, luckily, not a life was lost, though several men had narrow escapes from being washed overboard. Long hours were thus passed, meals were forgotten, and though hunger and thirst were not assuaged, the men stuck bravely to their posts, knowing that it was a battle for life against great odds.

Captain Smith kept his ship off before the gale for safety, using oil with great success, and thus diminishing the force of the gigantic waves. After a day filled with awful dread, the weather began to moderate and the ship was put on her course again.

SPRANG A LEAK.

The officers noticed soon after she had resumed her course that she was moving sluggishly, so the wells were sounded, "and," said Captain Smith, "retreating his experience, 'we found there were eleven inches of water below.'"

After successfully battling with a terrific hurricane, to realize that death by drowning was still a mat-

ter of possibility, nerved the crew to redouble their efforts to bring the vessel to a safe harbor. Slowly but surely the water was gaining, for when the ship took the heavy plunge that carried away her deck-house and smashed several skylights, she started some of her rivets. With the donkey engine gone, there was no other alternative than to use the hand pumps, and from that day—September 10—to November 29, they were kept going night and day—two and a half months of incessant pumping!

The horrors of those seventy odd days will always be a nightmare to the brave captain, and crew of the Thornliebank. Night after night, day after day, with only a few hours of sleep, the men worked like Protons in an effort to keep the water down. At times despair gnawed at the heart of these brave seamen, for despite their efforts the water began to rise. At such times additional help was needed and efforts were redoubled, for the thought of loved ones at home spurred the men to Herculean efforts in their gallant fight for life.

To add to the hardships of the voyage the cargo worked loose in the gale. Sometimes the Thornliebank had as great a list as 20 degrees to starboard and sometimes as much to port. In the dead of night a wave would strike her amidship, there would be heard a grinding noise in the hold as the cargo shifted and the tired mariners, thinking the ship was about to turn turtle, would leap from their bunks with stiffened joints, only to find that the ship had careened. Thus it went on for days and weeks at a time.

NEVER LOST HEART.

With thousands of miles still separating them from land, the crew never once lost heart, and the dull monotonous sound of the pumps was a continual reminder of the danger that menaced them. The list of the cargo hampered the men at the pumps considerably, and it was necessary to run the vessel before the wind and off her course to get the water down. When, after heroic efforts, it was found that fifteen inches of water stood in the well despite every effort of the crew, the situation was indeed dismal. But the brave captain decided that he would try to "bluff the eternal sea," as Kipling puts it, and keep on towards the Antipodes.

The weather in the Indian ocean was fine on the whole, but the winds were against the ship. Strenuous efforts were made by the crew to secure the cargo. Waist deep in water the intrepid men tried time and again to make fast the shifting cases without success. With the dread of another storm approaching them, the sailors, realizing that their efforts were unavailing, resigned themselves to the inevitable and prepared to leave the ship. Fortunately the boats were still intact and these were well provisioned and kept ready for any emergency.

REACHED AUSTRALIAN WATERS.

All this time the vessel was struggling toward Australia. One day she would make fairly good progress, the next day adverse winds would drive her back many miles, and thus the days went on. At last one bright morning the Australian coast was reached, but the Thornliebank's troubles were not over. An effort was made by Captain Smith to pass through Bass Straits with his crippled ship and worn-out crew. It was his intention to put into Melbourne; but the weather was against him, so he determinedly rounded Tasmania.

Not for an instant were the pumps allowed to remain idle. With half the crew below decks working to keep the water down, the other half was laboring above decks to bring the vessel to safe harbor. On November 28th, the Thornliebank was brought by the most skillful seamanship within almost 400 miles of her destination.

When the tired sailors hoped that their troubles were over, tempestuous weather was again encountered near Cook Straits. The sea dashed themselves against the vessel's sides, swept over her decks and caused her to labor heavily. The started rivets opened wider, more water poured in to the hold and for a time it was thought the gallant work of nearly three months was to go for naught and the sea was yet to claim them. In a frenzy of despair the men, although worn out and hollow-eyed and aching in every limb, redoubled their efforts, Captain Smith, having no other alternative, made for Sydney, as the winds were favorable for such a run, and on November 28, the Thornliebank was picked up by a tug and towed into harbor.

WOULD YOU?

Would you like to be an apple? Would you like to be a pear? Would you like to be a robin? Flying swiftly through the air? Would you like to be a lamb? Would you like to be a fish? Or a rich and round plum, waiting in a little fellow's peach bowl? —John Ernest McKenna.

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6.

REPORTING SPEECHES IN THE HOUSE.

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be a bad man; the ring of his coin must be genuine. The eternal mint of truth utters no spurious metal. The mission of the orator has not ended. So long as truth lives and men feel, so long there is place and scope for him.

"Neither painting nor music, nor sculpture, nor poetry, nor any other form of expression can ever replace the living prophet, called of God, on fire with truth and impelled by the relentless fiat, 'Go forth and speak to my people.'"

This high conception of oratory will hardly apply to the public utterances of to-day in Canada, Great Britain or the United States, comments the Windsor Record. There has been a marked decadence in the poetry of to-day compared to that of twenty-five years ago, or of the beginning of last century. Tennyson and Browning, or Scott, Burns, Wordsworth, or Byron live only in their works; they have no worthy successors in the flesh. Kipling is essentially a storyteller rather than a poet. The reason for the dearth of poetic literature of the present day, which will be looked upon as classic, is not far to seek. The hurry and commercialism of the twentieth century is not congenial to poetical growth.

The same may be said of oratory. Great movements here in the past called forth great and impassioned utterances. The French Revolution in its effect upon England brought to the front such men as Pitt, Fox and Burke. The abuses in Great Britain which remained to be reformed in the early forties brought forth such other names as Bright, Cobden, Pell and others. The comparative dearth of real oratory to-day is due in large measure to national composition.

In earlier days the platform was practically the only means of reaching the people. The marvelous expansion of the power of the press has of recent years made the platform almost an obsolete institution. These causes alone are sufficient to place a quietus on the old-time "flow of soul" which characterized great public utterances.

OUR HYPERBOREAN CAPITAL.
Ottawa Citizen.
The January thaw must have been snowed in somewhere.

TAKING A REST.
Toronto World.
The Globe has suspended its attack on the parasites and barnacles merely in order that it may wage merciless war on the "juneau iteration of uninteresting trivialities."

POINT FOR GAMEY.
Toronto Telegram.
"Is well for R. R. Gamey, M. L. A., to remember that the slightest taint of Globe-Hamilton Times editorial language will spoil the best of his otherwise excellent speeches."

NOT A VACANCY BUT A VACUUM.
Toronto Telegram.
If there is still a vacancy in North Renfrew, there is still a much bigger vacancy in the legal heads of the Ontario Government.

AN ENCORE DEMANDED.
Toronto Star.
Although Field Marshal Lord Wolseley has earned a measure of repose, it is not impossible that the Canadian newspapers may insist on his fighting the Red River rebellion over again.

APPLYING THE LESSON.
New York Post.
No man who examines his (Wright's) career can resist the conclusion that he was guilty, first of dishonesty, secondly of being caught. He obtained money for what was worth little or nothing, and he was overtaken by the detectives from Scotland Yard. In the point of essential morality, however, his case differs in no respect from that of the promoters of the shipbuilding trust—to take one striking modern instance. That buccaneering cruise into the sea of public credit began with a prospectus which, like Wright's, was stuffed with lies. The capital, as in Wright's companies, contained much water; that is, paper certificates, entitling the holders to their portion of nothing. The promoters were, as in Wright's corporations, to receive a lion's share; and hard and fast agreements were drawn to enable the insiders to pocket their profits and clear out early in the game. The shipbuilding trust, like the London

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DAYS OF AULD LANG SYNE

Interesting Events of Ye Olden Times Gathered from The Planet's Issues of Half a Century Ago.

From The Planet files from September 18, 1857, to November 4, 1857.

Married, at Chatham, on the 16th inst., by Rev. N. F. English, J. W. Blackstader, of Windsor, to Miss Martha VanAllen, of Chatham. On the 31st ult., by Rev. A. Campbell, John Morrow to Catherine McCoy, both of Harwich.

On the 9th inst., by the same, William Wilcox, to S. M. Shaw, both of Raleigh. On the 13th, by the same, George Wright to Francis Bennett, both of Harwich.

On the 16th of September, at Richmond, Ontario, of Zone, County of Kent, by Rev. J. Vogler, Mr. David Smith to Miss Sarah Maria Wood, of Bothwell.

The bank agencies in Chatham in 1857 were—Bank of Upper Canada, George Thomas; Commercial Bank, Thomas McCrae; Gore Bank, Alexander Charteris. The resident ministers were—Rev. F. W. Sandys, Episcopalian; Rev. F. Jeffry, Roman Catholic; Rev. John Robb Kirk; Rev. Alex. McCall, Free Church; Rev. N. F. English, Wesleyan Methodist; Rev. A. Campbell, Baptist; Rev. William Walker, United Presbyterian.

An account is written of a pig, raised in Brantford, which measured ten feet long, seven feet one inch girth and weighed 1,200 pounds. It was two years, eleven months old.

Married, on the 29th ult., by Rev. A. Campbell, Mr. James Ross, of the Township of Chatham, to Miss Catherine McDonald, of the Township of Williams, County of Middlesex.

On the 1st inst., by the same, Mr. John Littleton, of the village of Wallaceburg, to Miss Sarah Wilcox, of the Township of Raleigh.

William H. Nelson is conducting a grocery, hardware, glassware, wood-saw and liquor store.

A. W. Little manages a stationary store on King street opposite the post office.

Married, on the 6th inst., by Rev. A. McCall, Mr. Colin McPherson, of Aldborough, to Catherine McGugan, of the Township of Morris.

On the 6th inst., at Thornberry Cottage, in the County of Kent, C. W. by the Rev. F. W. Sandys, rector, Francis A. Thomas, Esq., son of Lieut.-Col. Thomas, cashier of the Bank of Upper Canada, at Chatham, to Antoinette Parrier, daughter of George Wade, Esq.

County was called off on Tuesday, October 27th, at ten o'clock, upon the Maxwell estate, Dover, near Chatham. R. Monck was the secretary.

Rev. J. V. Jaffre, of the Roman Catholic church, started a scheme for the erection of a hospital.

The annual plowing match between the Townships of Howard and Oxford, came off on the 24th. The prizes were won—1, Archibald McDermid; 2, John Stewart; 3, John H. Everly.

Mr. R. J. Earl, of W. H. Nelson's store, of this town, has laid upon our table a unique and ingenious little machine constructed for the express purpose of facilitating the paring. We have tried it and must candidly pronounce it to be one of the most useful and labor-saving machines that has lately come under our observation. We have not worked it to see how many apples it could pare in a given time, but we have no doubt that it will pare an apple every three seconds or twenty apples per minute.

CUSTOMER OFFICER, CHATHAM.

Many of our fellow townsmen will learn with regret that W. A. McCrae, Esq., who for a considerable period filled the office of landing waiter at this port, has been removed and promoted to the collectorship of the port of Lunenburg, on the Grand River. Mr. McCrae was known as an industrious, polite and efficient officer, and as a gentleman possessing social qualities few are his superiors. We understand that a gentleman named Pennefather, at present located at Cornwall, has been appointed to fill the vacancy left by Mr. McCrae.

Married, at the residence of the bride's father, on the 28th of October, by the Rev. A. W. Waddell, the Rev. Wm. Walker, of Chatham, to Janet, eldest daughter of Robert Smith, Esq., of Harwich.

LETTER FROM GERMANY

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tic asylum; it is needless to say, he has decided it shall be his last.

On the nineteenth of this month we shall again avail ourselves of the privilege of hearing Godowsky, the great American pianist, as this nation proudly terms him, though in reality he is Polish by birth. His parents, however, having gone to America when the artist was but a mere child, he received all his musical education there; so perhaps they really have some claim upon him.

Last season he made an European tour, and while in Turkey, was summoned to play before the Sultan, who, it seems, has a fondness for music as well as for feminine humanity. While in Roumania, Godowsky was also highly honored, being entertained by Royalty and receiving many valuable gifts from the Queen, while the King showed his appreciation of his wonderful talent by the bestowal upon him of a very high order. But the artist is so modest he will not wear the decoration, contenting himself with the idea that his genial smile is all sufficient to the matter of ornamentation. I have not heard of his receiving any personal attention from the Kaiser, but some of the Emperor's subjects, members of the fair sex, try to atone for this remissness on the part of their sovereign by bestowing unappreciated kisses upon smiling faces of the musician. But the ordeal to which Godowsky is subjected is nothing in comparison to the fate which overtakes poor Paganini, another pianist of great renown. The face of the latter poor man is made a veritable dumping ground for the surplus oscillations of the whole feminine German population, I should say, judging from the number who thus beset him. Forbearance at length becomes intolerable, and the fair besiegers of all ages and

degrees of beauty have scrambled and climbed in their ridiculous folly. To-night my protegee wishes to go and hear Antiope, a famous Italian violinist, and she being too young to go unattended, I, of course, must accompany her, and thus am accorded the privilege of hearing. But my ears being sometimes musically unappreciative, my eyes often turn towards the great number of musicians at home, and I think how much it is to be regretted that yourself, Miss Rhody, or other of the many teachers at home could not take my place and listen with thoroughly capable ears and musical understanding. But I am pleased to say that I am becoming every day a little more appreciative of the musical classics. Indeed this is inevitable, since from a concert platform in this classical old city one hears but little else.

In a day or two we will be having Kreutzer, Sara-Sati, Busoni and numbers of other well-known violinists and pianists. In fact it is simply impossible to hear even all of the very best. Owing to the sad intelligence which came from Chicago, stating that an opera house was burned down and many lives lost, the Kaiser has decreed that the Royal Opera House, the finest in the city, shall be closed until better provision is made for egress in case of fire. Two of Berlin's theatres are also closed for the same reason. Many are finding a very great deal of fault with the Kaiser on account of these places of amusement being closed, principally the musical students, but his action is indeed a very wise one, since if a fire did occur during the progress of an opera, a panic would inevitably ensue, the means of exit being so very inadequate. But he has allowed another opera house to be used for the time being, and though this building is much smaller, grand opera is still maintained, and the pleasure of its admirers is merely limited and not altogether suspended.

The memorial Brass Plates for the late Queen Victoria and Empress Frederick, in St. George's Episcopal Church in this city, are to be unveiled during this month, when a very imposing ceremony will be held there. As I shall attend this, having been presented with a ticket, I would write up a short history of the building of the church as well as something descriptive of the ceremony, if I thought it would interest the many readers of The Planet. The Emperor and his court, the officers of the late Queen Victoria's Regiment and other people of note will be present, thus making it a very brilliant affair.

If I thought The Planet would care to reproduce any part of this letter I would ask you to allow them to do so, as I am so behind in my correspondence, but perhaps there is too much about music in it, and too little of any other news for them to inflict it upon the general public. Again, you may not care to make your letters public property, so in case either reason should cause it to be withheld from open perusal, may I ask you to allow Mr. MacIntyre the privilege of reading it, as I am sure he would hunger for further news of his home birds, though he receives himself a long letter every week.

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Entered according to Act of Parliament of Canada, in the year 1904, by William Baily, of Toronto, at the Dept. of Agriculture, Ottawa.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 31.—To the churches and religious communities that have been torn by dissension or weakened by discord and defection this sermon conveys a powerful and inspiring lesson, showing how even a small company of Christians, acting as a harmonious unit, may win great spiritual victories. The text is Judges vii, 6, "And the number of them that lapped, putting their hand to their mouth, was three hundred men."

No securitist is the army's recruiting officer. In most cases, whether in peace or war, the problem which must be solved by the war department is not "How can we reject our volunteers?" but "How can we persuade or compel men to enlist in the ranks?" During America's great civil war all healthy men in the south between the ages of eighteen and sixty were forced to shoulder a musket if unwilling to go as volunteers, while in the north, after the volunteers had ceased to respond to Lincoln's repeated calls for troops the "draft" officers went everywhere.

story of Gideon's campaign is unique in history. Here was a general about to march against a powerful invader, well armed and equipped, whom he must meet with a raw and undisciplined force, actually reducing by a capricious test the number of his followers. Under God's command he dispensed with nine-tenths of his men. When General Gideon raised his standard to repel the invasion of the Midianites and Amalekites, 32,000 volunteers answered the call to arms. But God said to Gideon, better quality than quantity. Better a few loyal and devoted men to repel the invasion than a great host made up of disgruntled and fault-finding, indifferent recruits. Gideon, as directed by God, cut down the numbers of that Israelitish army. He cut them down and down and down and down until there were left only three hundred men—only three small companies to follow their intrepid leader. But they won the victory. So it may be in the great conflict between good and evil in this world. Consecrated, loyal, earnest men are needed in the struggle for righteousness.

The church should be a harmonious army. The loyalty with which one soldier holds to another in the national army decides to a great extent the aggregate strength of that army. When going into battle it is just as important for a soldier to know that he is standing shoulder to shoulder with friends as to realize that he is standing face to face with attacking foes. Civil war veterans have told me that the affection which bound the men of each company together was like bands of unbreakable steel. If a soldier cut foraging sound food hidden away in a bag, or if he found a deserted pile of blankets or an extra pile of dry wood to be cut into kindling, the first person he thought of were those of his company. There the members shared each other's joys. They sympathized with each other in their sorrows. So, my friends, the members of each separate Christian church ought to be linked together by gospel love. They should try to shield each other and pray for each other and care for each other and help each other. They should never before the world expose each other's weaknesses any more than a wife should be willing to publish before a cynical neighborhood the weaknesses and shortcomings of her husband. Church members in other words, should be kindly affectioned to one another, with brotherly love, in honor preferring one another.

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first ready to be cleansed of sin, better a smaller church; better three hundred loyal Gideonites than thirty-two thousand men who are not ready to let Christ lead them as he would lead.

But I cannot close my study of this mighty theme of the church as a conquering army without citing you, my people, the object I have in view. First, I want to kindle to holy zeal the scores and hundreds and thousands of churches all over the land which have for years been torn and rent asunder with internal strife. Pastors are discouraged, people are discouraged. Christian communities are discouraged about them. "Oh," these people say, "we are only a little handful. We have dwindled down and down until there is hardly any membership left. What are we to do?" Why, ye discouraged churches, by the grace of God ye can do everything. God has been sifting your membership until the best are left. You are now a Gideon's band. United and welded together by trouble you can accomplish wonders. It was not by great numbers that Gideon won, but by the loyalty of a few.

My second purpose in this sermon is to show you that these conquerors over the Midianitish hosts were ordinary men. Who were they? We don't know. They were selected at random. Some came perhaps from wealthy homes; some came from the homes of poverty. They were all selected simply by the way they lapped up the water when they drank of the famous brook. So God is going to judge our availability to be among his chosen followers by the way we are ready to do, in his name, the little things of life. He will judge whether we are fitted for membership in the Gideonite band by the way we smile a good-morning; by the way we help upon the car a poor woman with her basket; by our willingness to sit by a humble sick-bed; by the way we lead in prayer in the house of trouble and by the way we forgive.

The third purpose: I would show that these three hundred immortal Gideonite conquerors were all volunteers. Christ's disciples must be volunteers, not conscripts. The Christian soldier of the church must be a volunteer. Will you enlist under Christ's banner? Will you go forth band, to march against the Satanic hosts? Will you go forth a harmonious company of Christians, ready to battle in Christ's name? Will you not realize that all your past trials, whether in church or out of it, have been only a means used to fit you for ultimate gospel triumph?

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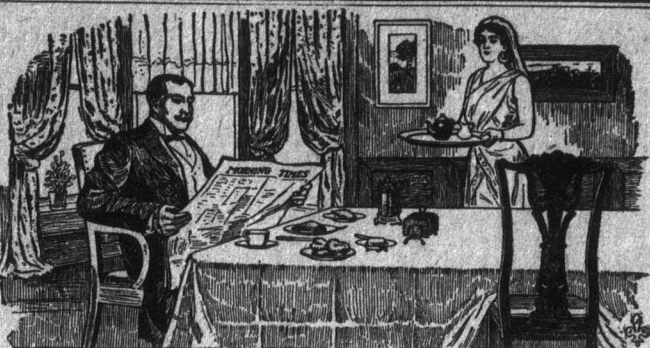
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