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White Wear Selling

Is an important feature with us in January selling, more so every year: that is why we devote so much attention to it and that is why we are so particular about having the best qualities and best styles shown. We have just opened up a new shipment of sheetings, pillow cottons, etc., the qualities of which will please you. Friday will be an interesting shopping day because of these specials:—

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Jan. 11.—Special services are being held in the Methodist Church this week.

The I. E. & D. R. R. depot is being enlarged and generally fixed up. The ball given by the married men last evening was the event of the season, a large number being present. The hall was prettily decorated with bunting, flags, etc., and the Port Huron Harpers furnished delightful music.

The K. O. T. M.'s first annual ball was well attended by a large number of young people.

Miss Carrie Thompson, of Blenheim, was the guest of Miss Ella Macdonell yesterday.

Miss Florence Hyde, of Courtright, is the guest of Miss Trixie Chubb.

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His Majesty: King of the Friars.
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ROBERTS HAS ARRIVED

He Will Soon Have 155,000 Men to Fight With.

London, Jan. 11.—Gen. Lord Roberts, the new commander of the British forces in South Africa, and his chief of staff, Gen. Lord Kitchener, have arrived at Cape Town.

THE SITUATION.
London, Thursday, Jan. 11, 4 a. m.—During the interlude of apparent military inactivity and official secrecy, Lord Roberts and Lord Kitchener have arrived at the seat of war. It is assumed that their clearer vision, supported by 35,000 fresh men, who are due to arrive in South Africa within thirty days, will alter the situation, and that the fourth month of the campaign will witness the beginning of the victories for the British arms. They are not, however, expected to produce definite results for some days, but their mere presence will restore the confidence of the men at the front. Lord Roberts finds 130,000 men on the defensive or watching for an opening. Lord Kitchener's health, according to the Daily Mail, has broken down, and the field marshal may relieve him. Possibly some others will be relieved of important commands. There is certainly plenty of rank in evidence in South Africa. In addition to the field marshal, there are two full generals, four lieutenant-generals and 12 to 14 major-generals.

The list of victims of disease issued by the War Office gives 22 deaths from enteric fever and dysentery in Ladysmith in four days, proving the fact

that the besieged are existing amid bad sanitary conditions.

The War Office announces that the list of British casualties at Ladysmith last Saturday has not yet been received.

The following despatch, dated at Frere Camp, Jan. 10, noon, has been received from Gen. Buller:—

"The Transvaal telegram gives the enemy's loss at Ladysmith on Saturday as 4 killed and 15 wounded, and this after, as is admitted, they had endured a withering fire from six masked batteries and been defeated at all points. Native assert that the Boer's loss in one commando alone was 150 killed and wagonloads of wounded. The heaviest loss is said to be among the Free Staters, who were forced by the Transvaalers into the most dangerous places."

The war Office has authorized a special yeomanry corps. Every trooper joining will pay his own kit and mount, for transport and for all other expenses until his arrival in South Africa, and will then give his services to his country and pay for the privilege into the fund for widows and orphans for amount he would receive, as a trooper. Several influential gentlemen have enrolled. The authorities have authorized the committee of the yeomanry hospital fund to provide for 250 instead of 150 beds, and the committee is appealing for at least £50,000 more.

The Durban correspondent of the Standard, telegraphing Tuesday, says that 1,200 Indian stretcher-bearers started for the front the previous night, and their departure was regarded in Durban as indicative of a renewal of the fighting.

IN GREAT STRAITS

The Boer Around Ladysmith Suffering for Food.

Wily Oom Paul Said to Have Inspired the Recent Attack on General Buller.

New York, Jan. 11.—The World publishes the following cable from Ladysmith under date of Jan. 2:—"It is believed here that the Boers intend to give one pitched battle and then retreat to Majuba, on the northern frontier of Natal. But I fancy they will attempt to defend the Biggarsberg line, south of Glencoe. The Boers are reported to be withdrawing in wagons behind Biggarsberg. They are said to be utterly disconcerted. They have bread once a week, and coffee is very short. Gen. Lewis Botha and Gen. Viljoen are acting as supreme commanders. Gen. Joubert is said to have gone to Pretoria. The Free Staters are said to be indignant at the arbitrary assumption of authority by the Transvaal officers. They complain bitterly that no captured cattle are served by the commissariat, which only supplies them meagre meal. The Transvaal officers tell them that if they want cattle they must go to Ladysmit to get (steal). The Boers have stretched across the roads about Ladysmith and Colenso wires which ring electric bells at near-by picket stations. The object is to prevent native runners getting out or in with information."

KRUGER HASTENED THE ATTACK

London, Jan. 11.—The Standard has received the following, dated Jan. 8, from its special correspondent at Frere Camp:—"I have on good authority that President Kruger sent word to the Boer headquarters asking why Ladysmith had not been attacked, and that the reply was 'we should lose too many men.' His answer to this was the suggestion that the Free Staters might be put in the forefront. This hint was taken and the attack delivered. President Kruger's advice was so far good that the Free Staters behaved better than the Transvaalers have done. At all events, they managed to seize a hill. "Later in the day the Transvaalers retired before Gen. White's counter attack until they were bayoneted in the ditches. After this affair it is almost certain that the allies will quarrel."

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and field guns, proceeded until nearly seven o'clock, when the whole force retired to quarters. Even Gen. Clery, who commanded in person, and rode down near the Tugela, failed to draw the Boer guns or fire of the Mausers.

January 11th, 1900

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THE MESSENGER FROM KHARTOUM

BY ST. GEORGE RATHBORN.

Author of "Dr. Jack," "Dr. Jack's Wife," "Miss Caprice," Etc., Etc.

SYNOPSIS OF THE OPENING CHAPTERS.

The story opens at Cairo, where Mr. Grimes, who passes as an American silver king, Sandy Barlow, a newspaper correspondent, Mr. Tanner, a millionaire traveller, and his daughter Molly, all meet. Mr. Grimes informs Grimes that his dahabab on its way down the Nile picked up Mynheer Joe a messenger from Gordon. As both Grimes and Sandy know Joe they go down to the boat to find him. Joe gives them the first news of the fall of Khartoum and Gordon's death. They bring Joe up from the boat to meet Molly, Millionaire Tanner's daughter, who is represented by a girl he once saved from drowning at Malta.

Mynheer Joe obtains presentable clothes from Mr. Grimes and has an interview with Molly, who thanks him for saving her life.

At Shepherd's hotel in Cairo, where a ball is in progress, he finds a big man and a little one quarrelling. Thinking the little one is Molly's father, he takes his part.

Having thoroughly thrashed the big man in a scientific manner, he is astounded to learn that he has knocked out Molly's father. She appears and rushes to her parent's aid.

Joe learns that Grimes is a detective searching for him under the name of Carrington. His uncle has died and left him \$1,000,000 provided he turns up within a year in Philadelphia to claim it, otherwise it is to go to the other branch of the family, who are represented by Molly Tanner. She is searching for Carrington, but is unaware that he and Mynheer Joe are the same Molly further complicates matters by telling Joe to find for her the man who thrashed her father. He promises.

"Exactly. Well, I do admit I could see something of a sterling character back of the exterior. Yes, I'd even grow to like the old bear, if need be."

"For Molly's sake," returns Joe, unabashed.

"See here, old chap, don't you think you're well, rushing matters?"

"How so?"

"Just got in to-night from Khartoum—fought a duel on Eschschsch Square and already arranged to make way with your rival for the hand of the belle of Cairo, whom you have met to-night."

"Do you mean Molly?" interrupted Joe.

"Of course, man."

"You forget, Sandy, she has belonged to me for a whole year. I saved her from death in the Mediterranean at Malta, and ever since her fair face has haunted me, sleeping or waking. I felt that, if I lived, we would come together somewhere. You don't know what a solace it has been to me, in times of danger, to think that I had been able to do her a service and that this inviolable bond united us, though we might be thousands of leagues apart."

"I see, you're a game case, Joseph."

"Proud to admit it, Sandy. Think of the peculiar circumstances that unite us, outside of the fact that I saved her life and that both of us are crazy on the subject of travel."

Hereupon, in a sketchy way, he relates the story of the legacy in all its peculiar details.

Sandy's mouth opened as he hears. He utters exclamations repeatedly about it being the most remarkable thing he ever listened to and worthy of recording. When Mynheer Joe finally ceases, the little war correspondent finds it his turn to do the squeezing act, and lends all his power to the work of crushing the traveller's strong hand, but Joe minds it little more than he would the luzzing of a fly. Sandy evidently is not much of a success at such work.

"Most remarkable case. Never heard the equal of it, my boy. Oh, the baron little suspects what a miserable show he has! Not that she would probably look at him even if you were not here, but then, there's no accounting for the taste of our American belles, I'm sorry to say, heaving a sigh as he catches a glimpse of his own diminutive person in a glass."

"Many a flower, you know, Sandy, is born to blush unseen," says Joe, consolingly, "and who knows but what some day you may jump in and save an heirless from a watery grave, to be rewarded with her hand."

"All very good," groans Sandy, with mock despair, "but I can't swim a stroke."

"Then I advise you to take lessons in the Nile at once. Every man should be prepared to accept his fate as it comes, and be ready to rescue a drowning maiden."

"I'll do it," said Sandy impulsively.

"Oh, not just now, I hope?" as the other moves off.

"Hardly, my boy. I notice that the baron has left Miss Molly, she stands there looking disconsolate. I am off to cheer her up to whisper words of consolation in her gentle ear that will warm her heart toward a certain person of my acquaintance."

"Thanks, my fine fellow and don't forget to pray for me."

"Eh—what now, Joe?"

"Because, while you enjoy your tete-a-tete with an angel, I shall be engaged with—well, hardly the 'Old Nick,' but at least, the governor. I go now to beard the lion in his den, and fate holds the scales in the balance."

CHAPTER IX.

It is little trouble for Mynheer Joe to find out where Demosthenes Tanner is quartered. One of the English servants of Sheehy's gives him the information.

and is tipped immediately in a way that warms his heart.

As Joe passes by a window, on his way to the quarters of the great American orator, he is given a last glimpse of the drawing-room or parlor of the hotel and avails himself of the opportunity to take a look in the direction where he saw Molly standing. She is still there, but seated upon a Turkish divan; and at her side is the little war correspondent, talking earnestly. Joe's heart gives a bound of pure delight when he notes the look of pleased surprise spreading over her fair countenance as she hears Sandy's marvellous tale for the latter is used to making the most of any news; it is his daily business, and surely, time has never given him a morsel he can enlarge upon with more pleasure than the value of his dear friend Joe.

"God bless him—he's a comrade worth having. In battle brave as a lion despite his size; in time of trouble a wise counselor. I hope the day will come when I can do as much for Sandy."

Thus musing, Mynheer Joe moves along the corridor until he finally reaches the door to which he has been directed. He makes a survey and finds that the light flows from the windows, which is a pretty good indication that the inmate has not retired. Boldly he knocks—this thing has to be done through with, and the sooner he starts at it the better. Besides, Joe has a pretty good idea that he holds the trump and can best Demosthenes Tanner as readily at argument as he did in the duel.

"Come in!" roars a voice that would scare a crocodile half to death.

Mynheer Joe opens the door and pushes through into the room, surprising the giant in the act of saturating a handkerchief with the extract of hammers, as Joe instantly recognizes the odor. His back is toward the door, and he does not even turn his head to see who it is.

"A hoastly long time coming, Tom! I did Molly to send you here half an hour back. Don't ask what the matter now. Been in one of my usual rows, you see; only the seventh since leaving Constantinople. This time met a Tartar. Infernal rascal played with me. Just think of it—played with the only Tanner as a cat does a mouse, and then when he got tired, knocked me out. If I could only have him alone in this room five minutes I'd let him know I ain't so green as I look. If I was caught napping once! Here, Tom, you old heathen, take hold and tie this handkerchief back of my head. Have a stiff neck for a week most likely. Not so tight, you meddling Hoozier! Don't want to kill me outright? There—that'll do. Now sit down and have a glass with me. Be so good, if it is past midnight. That's the best part of the day in this abominable country. Why don't you say something, you miserable brute! What? You're loath and furies! Here's to you!"

The roar he gives as his one uncovered eye falls upon the face and figure of Mynheer Joe is absolutely appalling. He starts back and attempts to throw himself into an attitude of defense, but striking an obstacle, he sits down in an easy chair so forcibly that the breath is driven from his huge body, and he can only sit there and gasp, blinking at Joe like a great owl.

The latter is strongly tempted to laugh. There is something so ridiculous in all this affair, but he realizes that such an act must forever ruin his chances of a reconciliation. He must control himself until a more favorable opportunity comes about.

Acting upon this impulse of the moment, he holds out his hand.

"Mr. Tanner, I have come here to beg your pardon for what has occurred. It was all a misunderstanding on my part. I want you to shake hands with me and tell me you bear no malice," he says frankly.

Demosthenes Tanner grins a little, but as yet makes no move toward accepting the proffered hand. His neck twinges, and this sets him against his late antagonist.

"Fine words don't cure a stiff neck, sir. I confess I admire the way you took the part of a small man, and your style of using your dukes nearly won my heart; but I refrain from making a place, for I live in hopes of having another set-to, when I may have my revenge," replies this singular specimen of Western chivalry.

"That will be impossible, sir. I will never strike a blow against you again since I have learned that you are Miss Molly's father."

"What the deuce has she to do with it? If you and I choose to engage in a little sport of our own, whose business is it?" growls Tanner, his hand now slowly advancing to meet that of the honorable antagonist, whom he respects as a foe man worthy of his steel.

"I repeat what I said, sir. I am sorry to have struck you. You must pardon my indiscretion for Molly's sake."

"Now, that's twice you've brought her name into the affair. What in the mischief has she to do with it? What is she to you? I don't ever remember seeing you before to-night. Molly has a regiment of admirers, but she introduces me to every one. Who are you, sir?"

"I am known as Mynheer Joe, sir, a corruption of my real name."

"Ah, the fellow they're all talking about! Been up with Gordon, eh? Great man, that Gordon—wonderful man! Tell me something about him. Since it was you who put me into this fix, it's only fair to insist on your amusing me."

"Presently, Mr. Tanner. First, are

TWO MISTAKES.



There are two mistakes that people with weak lungs are liable to make; and both are about equally bad: One is to not give attention quickly enough to the little coughs and bronchial troubles which so rapidly undermine the delicate lung tissue and plunge you into consumption almost before you are aware of it; the other is when the trouble is at last discovered and fully realized to give up hope too soon.

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you going to shake hands with me?"

"By Jove, yes, sir! I like your looks. I like the way you swung that terrible right arm into my neck—I like you! There's my hand, and once Demosthenes Tanner gives it he never goes back on a friend."

Mynheer Joe has won, and as yet he has only made a beginning. Flashed with victory he squeezes the huge fist of the governor, who looks very amiable in his eyes now. Circumstances alter cases. The bull-like roar of the Western orator will never seem the same to him after this.

"Perhaps I have a claim on your friendship, Mr. Tanner," he says modestly.

"How's that. Unbosom yourself, my boy."

"It seems like egotism to speak of it, but your daughter will soon be telling you. I had the extreme pleasure of jumping overboard at Malta, a year back, and assisting Miss Molly when she was thrown into the water."

Tanner gives another roar. He actually throws his arms around Mynheer Joe and hugs him much after the bear style. The explorer's ribs threaten to give way under the pressure, and he is immeasurably relieved when Tanner has finished his demonstration, which is accompanied by a string of delighted exclamations and a running fire of questions.

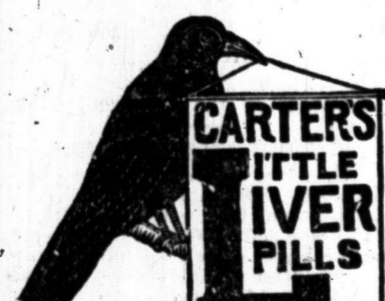
Mynheer Joe explains matters as best he can, telling why he hurried away without waiting to give even his name or meet the father of the young girl whose life he had saved. The orator has evidently fallen deeply in love with him; he keeps his eyes constantly on Joe's face and rubs his hands together in a delighted manner.

The victory is so complete that Joe cannot but feel proud. He only hopes Sandy may have as earnest a measure of success in the other direction. Knowing the capacity of his friend for accomplishing what he sets out to perform, he does not much doubt the ultimate result of the other's quiet interview with Molly.

To Be Continued.

The selfish are solitary. In the flowers, Christians grow even in the night. He cannot work well who cannot also wait well.

When we work with a song, we work toward success. Without duty life is soft and boneless; it cannot hold itself together. Do not conclude that the promise of God failed because your plan miscarried.



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THE PROBABILITIES

G. N. W. Special.
Toronto, Jan. 11.—A heavy fall of snow is likely to be heavy.

LOCAL BRIEFS

C. Conely, wholesale druggist, of Windsor, is in the city.

The official organizer of the I. O. F. Bro. Wilkinson, is in the city working in the interest of Court Chatham, No. 3,488.

Boards—A few boards can be accommodated in large rooms—bath room in house. Northwest corner of Murray and Adelaide street.

The great amount of design work done at the Victoria Avenue Green Houses is sufficient proof of the excellence of the work. Nothing but the best at the lowest prices. Telephone 1814.

Barister W. H. Robinson has received a copy of the Wasp Annual, from his friend, Dr. Thorold Miller, an old Chatham boy. The Annual is a San Francisco paper and contains excellent views of some of the most prominent features of California.

"If your eyes could talk," what a story of suffering and of abuse they could tell. How we strained them; how we taxed them with overwork; and then, because they were tired we rubbed them to make irritation worse. And to think that the most they needed, in fact, all that they were asking for, in their quiet way, was a rest, a little help in the shape of a good pair of glasses, properly fitted. I have helped other tired eyes. I can help yours. Examination free. E. J. MacIntyre, leading optician, opposite Grand Opera House, Chatham.

MISS RICHARDS BETTER.
Word has been received from Miss Richards, who recently went to Muskoka to the sanatorium near Gravenhurst. She caught a slight cold on her way from the train to her new place of residence, but she soon recovered from it, and is now feeling much improved in health. The sanatorium is built right in the woods, within a stone's throw of Muskoka.

MADE THEM HAPPY.
J. B. Rankin, B. A., Q. C., returned yesterday from his visit to Toronto, whither he went at the request of the city council to the civic grant of \$200 to the Chatham members of the two Canadian contingents. Major Rankin generously supplemented the grant by \$45 from his own purse, and thereby each Maple City soldier was handed the sum of \$25. He handed Glover and Peck their shares personally and remitted the money to the others by draft.



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METHUEN INSANE.

Roberts will at Once Take the Command From Him.

An Immediate Battle Pending on the Tugel—War Notes.

London, Jan. 11.—It is reported that Methuen's mind is unbalanced, and that he has been bombarded with some extraordinary messages. He has quarreled with many of his officers, and has sent several home. The officials of the war office, however, deny that he has been recalled. However, General Roberts will at once take over the command.

The order of the stretcher-bearers to the front is taken to indicate a pending action on the Tugela.

The English public are impatient. Col. Gough, ordered home by Lord Methuen because he is alleged to have refused to carry out an extraordinary order by the latter, has reached London and demanded a court martial.

Gen. Buller reports irregular firing around Ladysmith.

HOW IT HAPPENED.

Rensburg, Cape Colony, Monday, Jan. 8.—It is reported here officially with reference to the disaster to the First Battalion of the Suffolk Regiment, that Lieut.-Col. Watson, who marched the regiment in close column to the top of the hill at midnight. He assembled the officers and was addressing them just at daybreak, when the enemy volleyed at a distance of thirty paces. The colonel, his adjutant and two other officers were killed. The Suffolk soldiers were scattered, and many were wounded. About 150, however, remained, lost heavily, and finally surrendered. Our operations since have been unimportant. Several reconnoissances have been made, and these show that the enemy is jealously guarding his communications to the north.

WAR NOTES.

Dr. Leyds says the taking of Ladysmith would embarrass the Boers. They do not wish the cure of 10,000 prisoners.

The Boers report the defeat of the Suffolk at Colenso, with a loss of 100 killed and 120 captured. The Boer loss was 8 killed and 20 wounded.

THEY WERE FINED

Givers and Acceptors of Bribes Punished at Whitby

Heavy Penalties Imposed—If not Paid They Will go to Jail.

Whitby, Jan. 11.—The trial judges gave judgment yesterday in the South Ontario bribery cases. Finding the charges against Louis Luke, of Oshawa, proven, they ordered him to pay a fine of \$200 in one month or be imprisoned for six months.

They ordered Thos. E. Baker to pay fines amounting to \$800 in one month or to be imprisoned for six months.

The judges also fined James McGrail, Austin McGrail, John McGrail, Arthur Shearman, Patrick Shearman, John Shearman and Wm. Hayes each to pay a fine of \$25 in one month or to be imprisoned for one month each.

They also called the pay fines to the persons ordered to pay fines to the fact that one of the results of their being found guilty was that they were disqualified for eight years and rendered incapable of being registered as voters, or of holding any municipal office.

In his evidence Wm. Smith, M. P., Conservative, admitted putting up no one personally, he does not come within the scope of the law. With the exceptions of Luke and Baker, the others are all poor spirit fry who will probably have to go to jail for lack of money to pay their fines.

Other pending cases were adjourned until Jan. 20.

TWO SMALL FIRES.

Just about eight o'clock last evening the fire department was called by phone to the Salvation Army residence, King St. Box 23 was pulled from the fire hall and the department turned out. The services were not needed, however. Some wood under the house in the home of Capt. Coombs had caught fire, but the blaze was extinguished before the arrival of the firemen. No damage.

At half-past four this morning Fireman Frank Ryall sighted from the tower a blaze on Colborne Street East. He immediately gave the alarm and the department went in good time to the scene of the conflagration. It proved to be one of the houses owned by D. R. McGavin, and having been condemned by the board of health, was well burned up. The loss will not be much. The fire was evidently set, but there is at present no clue to the guilty party.

SPECIAL MEETINGS FOR BIBLE STUDY.

Rev. Wm. Pocock, B. A., professor in one of the Bible training schools, of Cleveland, will open a series of Bible study meetings in the William Street Baptist church, beginning next Monday evening. These series will last for a few weeks. Mr. Pocock is a strong Bible student, a good teacher and preacher and one who is filled with the Holy spirit. All will be welcome to these services.

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Do your eyes burn?
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If so, Glasses will Help You.
Do you know if you have perfect eyesight?
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MR. CAMPBELL BURIED.

The remains of the late W. A. Campbell were laid away to rest in Maple Leaf Cemetery this afternoon in the presence of a large number of friends and relatives. The bier was covered with floral offerings. The services were conducted by the Rev. Robert Sims, of Holy Trinity Church. The pallbearers were Thos. Scullard, G. P. Schofield, O. L. Lewis, Manager Pringle, of the Merchants' Bank, Robt. Mercer and the floral designs were: A pillow from the Harrison Hall officials; stars, from Mr. and Mrs. D. Glass; anchor on base, from Mr. and Mrs. John McEwen; crescent, from Mr. and Mrs. O'Hara; cross, from Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Sutherland; bouquets of roses, from Dr. Fleming, Mrs. and Miss Tyne and others.

MARKS BROS.

Marks Bros. again last evening entertained a large crowd at the Grand Opera House and, as usual, did it well. May A. Bell, Tom Marks and Alex. Marks carried the heavy parts, and with the assistance of the splendid company, put up a show well worth double the price. The specialties are the finest carried by any show which has visited here this season. They are new, original, entertaining and cover a wide range of talent. The special features of these performances are the songs sung by May A. Bell and illustrated by the use of electrical pictures. The whole performance carries interest throughout the evening and the fire hall seems charged with merriment and entertainment. A three-wheeled bike, with the Marks Bros. intend giving away at the matinee Saturday afternoon, is on exhibition in the window of Ald. Ged. Sulman's store.

HORTICULTURAL ANNUAL.

The Horticultural Society of this city held its annual meeting last evening. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Gordon Bole; 1st. Vice, Mrs. James Hanning; 2nd. Vice, Mrs. James Dodson; Sec.-Treas., W. Massey; Directors, Chas. Bax, G. W. Coatsworth, W. D. Ross, J. V. Rosworth, Geo. Massey, T. W. Smythe, Adam Bryden, and Wm. Pegley; Auditors, W. E. Rispen and John A. Walters. W. D. Ross occupied the chair and as the attendance was good, a general discussion was engaged in on topics of interest. The advisability of having another entertainment similar to that of last year was considered and some action will be taken in the near future. Suggestions were also offered in regard to beautifying the city with flowers. It was proposed that the city should give the society a grant to be used in planting flowers on the point of the park and on the little parks on Stanley avenue and near John Morton's residence. Secy.-Treas., G. W. Massey reported that there were 109 members of the society, that \$66 had been the amount of the government grant last year and that the society was in a flourishing condition.

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5 doz. only, Unbleached Table Linen, choice designs, special per yd. 25c
6 pieces, 60 and 62 in. Full Bleached Table Damask, all pure linen, fine satin finish, good heavy quality, special per yd. 50c

48 only, Bleached Cotton Damask Bureau Covers, fringed ends, size 23x56 in. don't miss this offer, special price 15c each

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Everything in heavy goods must be sold. Men's Ulsters that were \$7.50 now \$5.00. A fine stock of large size in Overcoats and Ulsters, some of them were \$12.00, \$15.00 and \$16.00 your choice while they last.

\$10.00

Men's \$5.00 Ulsters for \$4.00. Boys' \$4.50 and \$5.00 Overcoats and Ulsters for \$3.50 and \$3.00. Boys' all-wool School Pants 75c and 85c, special on sale Saturday for 49c. The balance of Boys' Underclothing 1 off.

Ridley's 46 King St.

BREVITIES FROM BLENHEIM.

W. R. Fellows, sr., continues to improve in health.

Mrs. Harry Wallander is recovering from a serious illness.

J. D. Ross, of Chatham, is registered at the Powell house.

Miss Effie Shaw, of Rodney, is the guest of friends in town.

Stanley R. Walkie has returned from a business trip to Detroit.

Harry A. Green, of Chatham, is registered at the Sheldon House.

Monte-aux-Pink Encampment, I. O. O. F., will install officers next Tuesday night.

H. B. Coombs, of London, was in Blenheim yesterday in the interests of the Free Press.

Alex. Robinson, who recently returned from the Klondike region, is still far from well.

The Daughters of Rebekah will hold a supper at Pickering's restaurant this evening.

J. D. Ross and Benj. Rothwell, of the township auditors, were at work in Blenheim yesterday.

Jan. Springsteen attended the installation of the officers at the Morpeth lodge I. A. O. U. W., last evening.

T. S. Gosnell, collector of Inland Revenue, Winnipeg, is the guest of his brother, R. L. Gosnell, of this town.

Mr. and Mrs. John Crookshank entertained on Tuesday evening on the occasion of their wedding anniversary.

Wm. Nichols, of Chatham, who returned from a trip to London, reports wild duck, canvas-back and golden-eye, there in great abundance.

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

At the conclusion of the installation of the Mercades last Monday night, a sumptuous supper was served to the knights in Pickering's restaurant.

The ladies of the Church of England held a meeting last evening to prepare for the presentation of an entertainment shortly in the Opera House.

Mrs. Biss, Chatham, and Mrs. (Dr.) Derek, Marysville, Mich., mother and sister of Mrs. J. M. Gardner, of this town, are guests at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Gardner.

The installation of officers in the I. O. O. F., will take place to-morrow evening, and will be followed by a supper at Wedge's restaurant.

Miss Carrie Rowe, of the Blenheim public school teaching staff, is confined to the house with illness. Her school duties are being performed by Miss Lizzie Russell.

A number of Blenheim marksmen attended the live pigeon shoot at Wallaceburg to-day. A live bird shoot will be held on the Blenheim club's grounds to-morrow.

A pioneer supper in honor of the birthday anniversary of James Pegg will be held in the Methodist church next Wednesday evening. Dr. McCully, reeve of Harwich, will preside.

Miss Ida Laird Hall, Blenheim's accomplished vocalist, is preparing to give a complimentary ball the latter part of this month. A stringed orchestra will be in attendance and an exceedingly enjoyable time provided for the guests.

Mayor Peter Haggart, grain and provision merchant, yesterday told the Planet that the markets locally were steady and unchanged in price. Deliveries are improving, but are still very light.

Special services are being held in the Presbyterian church each evening this week, it being the week of prayer. They are conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. M. McLaren, assisted by Rev. Mr. McQuarrie, of Valetta.

John Peimeau, the enterprising "newsy" on the L. E. & D. R. R., was "touched" for a basket of oranges and a large number of cigars on the night train between Blenheim and Fargo, last evening. The thief is supposed to have decamped at Fargo.

Citizens of Blenheim generally believe that the government could not do better than award the appointment of county court clerk, made vacant by the sudden demise of the late Wm. A. Campbell, to Barrister R. L. Gosnell, of this town, who is certainly deserving of it. Such an appointment would be exceedingly popular in this vicinity.

The administration of the estate of the late Mrs. Rumball, who died recently in Chatham, was concluded yesterday at the office of Barrister R. L. Gosnell. Of the 15 members of the family, 13 were present. Thos. Rumball

bill bought the farm for \$2,300 and the heirs were then paid their full shares.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Gibson will entertain on Friday evening on the occasion of their wedding anniversary.

Wishing you a Happy New Year—The ladies of Trinity Church will hold a conversation in the school room next Tuesday evening, Jan. 16th, 1900. A cordial invitation is extended to everyone. Tea will be served from 5.30 till 9.30. Admission 15c.

Rev. H. Farthing, Woodstock, will lecture on the evening of Feb. 2nd, in Trinity Church, on "What the Nation Owes the Church." Rev. Mr. Farthing is one of the most able men in the Diocese of Huron, and his lecture should draw a crowded house.

HARWICH AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The annual meeting of the Harwich Agricultural Society was held in the township hall, Blenheim, yesterday afternoon, a good attendance being present.

Secretary J. W. Gibson presented the auditors' report, showing the society to be in better financial condition than in former years.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:—

President—Byron Bentley.
Vice-pres.—Bud Stewart.
Secretary—J. W. Gibson.
Treasurer—A. L. Peacock.
Directors—Jno. Craig, A. W. Bell, Robert Wright, N. H. Burke, Barlett Thompson, Robt. Campbell, Stanley Arnold, Thomas Henry, Samuel Burke.

PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD.

The annual meeting of the Blenheim Public Library Board was held on Tuesday evening, the amended date from the first Monday of the year.

The election of the board of management for 1900 resulted in the choice of the following:—A. Denholm, J. H. Ferguson, J. N. Greenwood, F. McLean, J. C. Hamilton, R. L. Gosnell, G. M. Baird, T. B. Shillington and C. L. Vong-Guntien.

Auditors—Arch. Simson and E. G. Thompson.

The election of officers by the new management resulted as follows:—

Chairman—A. Denholm.
Treasurer—G. M. Baird.
Librarian and Secretary—F. M. Deacon.

The financial report for the year, submitted and adopted, was as follows:—

Receipts.
Balance on hand, \$ 46
Members' fees, 65
Legislative grant, 195.90
Municipal grants, 40.00
Excursion, 18.00
Irish picnic, 150.00
Proceeds note discounted, 87.85
Total, \$557.21

Expenditures.
Light and heating, \$ 9.80
Salary Lib. and Sec., 80.00
Books, 206.07
Magazines and papers, 35.16
Miscellaneous, 165.00
Note paid at bank, 30.35
Balance, 30.35
Total, \$557.21

No. books purchased, 219.
No. books in library, 3,139.
No. books issued, 2,350.
No. newspapers, 8.
No. magazines and periodicals, 14.
No. members, 139.

REMARKABLE CASE

Quebec Man Cured of Heart
Trouble by Dodd's Kidney
Pills.

Auguste Dubois, of St. Eustace, was Worried About His Heart—Tried Several Remedies in Vain—A Kidney Medicine—Dodd's Kidney Pills Cured Him.

St. Eustace, Que., Jan. 10.—There has been an occurrence here recently which strikes many as one of the most remarkable cures ever performed in this district. Auguste Dubois was troubled with an affection of the heart and was cured by Dodd's Kidney Pills. That heart disease should have been cured by a kidney medicine is what caused surprise.

Dodd's Kidney Pills are well known here for local kidney diseases. Bright's disease and diabetes are known to be curable through the agency of Dodd's Kidney Pills, while backache has been cured in scores of cases.

But the cures effected in the less direct results of diseased kidneys, such as rheumatism and heart disease, are less understood.

It is a well-known medical fact that never yet has there been a death from heart disease where the kidneys were not affected. In fact the first trouble originates in the kidneys and heart disease and rheumatism are merely symptoms of kidney disease.

Uric acid left in the system by the disordered kidneys attacks the heart in the case of heart disease, and Dodd's Kidney Pills by acting on the kidneys are the only rational medicine in the world for that disease. Mr. Auguste Dubois, tinsmith, of St. Eustace, Two Mountains county, Quebec, says:

"I am a Frenchman, a stranger to the food and climate of Canada. For some time I have been troubled with my heart. I went to several medical men but they did me no good. I had to go to Montreal to work for the Grand Trunk, and in that city met a man who was suffering from the same thing as I was, but had started to take Dodd's Kidney Pills. He told me they were doing him good. He was kind enough to give me a few of them. I took them and felt much better. I procured a box of the pills and after fifteen days felt like a new man."

THREE SKATERS DROWNED.

Hayville, Ont., Jan. 11.—While skating on the Lake of Bays, Thomas Brown, Jr., aged 19 years, Margaret Brown, 21, and Jane Brown, 17, children of Thomas Brown, ran into an opening in the ice near Black Point and were all drowned.

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special offering this
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We place on sale this week 25 dozen Children's Ribbed Cashmere Hosiery, double knee, fine rib, sizes 6 to 12, regular value 30c, 35c, 40c, and 45c—all 25 cts. a pair.

Dress Goods Department

A Table full of Remnants of Dress Goods, all qualities, HALF PRICE.

Mantle Department

The balance of our Ladies' Jackets, going fast. The Jackets are advanced American styles nicely lined with plain and fancy silks and satins. You can get one at HALF what it would cost you at the first of the season.

Fur Department

A few Furs left—Ladies' Collarettes, Rufts and Muffs. Some special bargains in Fur Capes, 25 and 27 inch.

WILLIAM GORDON

Giving Up Business

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Boots, Shoes, Slippers and Rubbers

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TILBURY.

Jan. 11.—Ezra Hodgskin, of Tilbury, East, died Tuesday evening of diabetes, after a lingering illness. He will be buried to-day at 2 o'clock in Stewart Cemetery, Rev. Mr. Dobson officiating.

Miss Ella Stewart is suffering from an attack of appendicitis.

J. T. Chauvin has been elected treasurer of Tilbury north in place of E. Queenville.

The W. C. T. U. will hold their next meeting at the home of Mrs. McNair next Saturday afternoon at 3.30. The Chatham Daily Planet is on sale at Johnson's Drug Store.

TELEGRAPH NEWS.

Hon. F. W. Borden, minister of militia, says it is not at present the intention of the Canadian government to send a third contingent to South Africa.

Toronto, London and Hamilton capitalists have organized a company with \$200,000 capital to erect a corn starch factory at either Kingston or Prescott.

Reports to the Ontario game department show that 5,000 deer hunters were in the woods during last fall's open season and it is estimated they killed 6,500 deer.

Rev. Brother Tobias, formerly provincial of the Christian Brothers in Ontario, died at Marseilles, France, on December 22.

A PRIZE FIGHT.—A prize fight took place in a barn near Ruthven, on Monday night between Floyd Hartford, of Leamington, and John Steele, of Ruthven. An admission fee of 25 cents was charged and the barn was crowded. The two men fought a furious battle, it was said, and in the fifth round Hartford was put to sleep by a blow over the heart. The authorities will take steps to punish those who took part.

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1 lb. Selected Raisins.....	25c
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HEAT FROM THE SUN.

HOW LITTLE OF IT WE GET IS ALMOST BEYOND BELIEF.

Scarcely One Sunbeam in Two Thousand Millions Alights Upon This Earth—A Pen Picture of the Actual Condition of the Flery Orb.

The sun is for the most part simply wasting his heat—flinging away the golden rays that are the life of the world with a recklessness beside which all human waste is mere parsimony. It is almost beyond belief. Scarcely one sunbeam in 2,000,000,000 alights upon the earth, and allowing for the whole solar system not more than one in 100,000,000 ever hits anything, so far as we can ascertain.

Sir Robert Ball's comment on this waste of the sun's heat is: Suppose a man with an income of \$1,000,000 a year. He spends for useful purposes 1 cent and throws the rest away. His wastefulness is no greater than that which this old prodigal sun has practiced for untold ages.

The untold amount of heat which thus leaks away through the cracks in the sky cannot be expressed by figures. It is only by considering what it might do that we can get any conception of it. This is probably the most striking illustration, and is given by an eminent astronomer:

Suppose a solid shaft of ice two miles square to be extended like a bridge across the gulf, which separates the earth from the sun. If a track were laid on its surface an express train running at full speed would require more than 150 years to traverse it. Yet, if the whole heat of the sun were turned upon it for a single second it would be melted, and in a few seconds more all, even to the railroad iron, would drift away as vapor.

But what is the source of this heat that flows into space as the gulf stream pours into the Atlantic, warming the earth and other planets like little islands in its course? What keeps up the supply?

If the sun were merely a white hot ball, gradually cooling, our grandchildren would indeed get a chill; or, rather, neither they nor we would ever have seen the sun. The final frost would have fallen long ago.

Nor can the heat be maintained by fire, as we understand the word—such fire as warms and now and then consumes our houses. If it were a globe of flaming coal it could have lasted but a few thousand years; it would have been burned to ashes long before we were born. All the coal on the earth would hardly keep the sun going for one-tenth of a second.

A falling meteor gives out great heat, just as a bullet is heated when it strikes the target. Some have conjectured that a vast stream of these little hailstones raining upon the sun supplies its fuel. But if the whole mass of the moon were put into a stone crusher, broken up and thrown against the sun, it would barely furnish heat for a single year. And no such weight could possibly approach the sun without our knowledge.

Yet, in its own chosen way, the sun really has its fires. With proper instruments we may see the red flames spouting from its edge, sometimes to a height of 400,000 miles—higher than the moon floats above the earth. To some of them our world would be no more than a water drop falling from a fountain.

To gain any idea of the almost inexhaustible reservoir from which the sun draws its heat we must first picture its actual condition. Matter there is in a state unlike anything ever seen upon earth. It is neither solid nor liquid nor in any familiar sense gaseous. The sun is a boiling, seething, flaming mixture of the gases or vapors of all the elements condensed by the tremendous squeeze of solar gravity until it is thicker than pitch, and so hot that its vaporized light might be used for steam power if there were any boiler fit to hold it. It has no definite surface, but shades away from this incandescent paste, through leaping flames of blood red hydrogen to the faint streamers of the corona, as filmy as a comet's tail.

This writhing mass, heavier on the average than water and yet as unstable as air, does not even rotate like other orbs, but swirls around its axis. In the terrific tension of these gases is stored up the energy of the sun. As this escapes in gushes of heat they do not cool, but slowly contract. It is quite possible that they even grow hotter as they thus settle downward and compress themselves into a denser fluid.

A total shrinkage of 220 feet a year will account for the whole expenditure, and so small a change in the size of the disk could not be detected until it had been watched for thousands of years. This will go on until the substance of the sun ceases to be essentially gaseous. Then will come the beginning of the end, for from that time forth the actual temperature of the sun will decline.

This, however, will be in some far distant day, for careful scientists assure us that our race will enjoy undiminished sunshine for at least 5,000 years, and perhaps for twice 5,000.

Then, while the sun slowly reddens and darkens, our earth will die. After that comes the night of ages—Charles Kelsey Gaines in New York World.

To Catch Him.

Fuddy—I want to get acquainted with Moskins, but I hardly know how to go about it, he's such a queer fish.

Duddy—A queer fish, eh? Why don't you drop him a line?—Boston Transcript.

The Persians in 516 B. C. invented a transparent glass varnish, which they laid over sculptured rocks to preserve them from bad weather. This coating has lasted to our day, while the rocks beneath are long forgotten.

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In India it is said that it was employed by kings for scepters and also for images. On account of its supposed antagonism to poisons, it was used largely for drinking cups.

The name ebony is given to the wood of several varieties of trees. All kinds of ebony are distinguished for their great density and dark color. The wood in all varieties is heavier than water. The heavier varieties are the darkest. The other grades require a considerable amount of staining to make them black.

Ebony is of a uniform color throughout and will not show any deterioration even from long continued use.

There are three varieties of ebony well known in commerce: The ebony from the Gaboon coast of Africa is the darkest. The Madagascar ebony is the densest. The Macassar ebony furnishes the largest pieces. It is sold by weight.

Imitations of ebony can always be distinguished by their lighter weight, and the cheaper imitations can be detected by merely scratching the surface. Jewelers' Weekly.

SWEET AND TWENTY.

Oh! my love's a winsome lady:
Sweeter face ne'er fed Love on:
In a court, or forest shady,
Queener beauty never shone.

Like a lady from a far land
Came my true love, brave to see!
As to heaven its rainbow garland,
Is her beauty rich to me.

In white arms of love she wound me,
And I look'd up in her smile;
In warm arms of love she bound me,
As the sea takes some blest isle.

As some dusky lake may mirror
One fair star that shines above,
So my life—aye, growing clearer—
Holds this tremulous star of love.

Oh! to see her life in blossom,
With its bloom of bravery!
Pure the dew lines in the bosom
Of her sweet virginity.

Nearest to my heart, I wear her:
As a bark the waves above—
Oh! so proudly do I bear her
On the bosom of my love!

Look you, how she cometh trilling
Out her gay heart's bird-like bliss!
Merry as a May-morn, thrilling
With the dew and sunshine's kiss.

Ruddy goisps of her beauty
Are her twin cheeks; and her mouth
Is its ripe warmth smileth, fruitly
As a garden of the south.

Ha! my precious Sweet-and-Twenty,
Husband still your virgin pride!
Just a month, and this dear, dainty
Thing shall be my wedded bride.

—Gerald Massey.

If you are in doubt about it, don't do it.
The rubber trust has no bearing on the game of five years.

Success isn't going round looking for people to pick it up.
In the world's great drama the ocean plays the principal role.

A sample room is dangerous when too many samples are taken.
Every man has been, in or will be handsome in the eyes of some woman.

A girl is invariably in love when she refers to the twilight as the gloaming.
"Ah, yes," he sighed, "a man can get many things in five years."

"Yes," she replied, "but it would be disastrous if you were to do it."

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THE CLOCK WAS IN ERROR

Hotel Clerk Was Ready to Murder When He Was Allowed to Sleep Late.

There is a clock face on the Pennsylvania avenue side of the National Hotel, the pointers of which have for years denoted the time of 9:32. Guests at the St. James, who have front rooms not infrequently depend upon this superannuated timepiece to guide their movements, sometimes to their great discomfort. Not a few appointments have been declared off because of that clock.

There came near being bloodshed at the St. James a few mornings ago. One of the guests, whose appearance denoted that he had dressed himself in the space of a minute, came thundering down stairs, not waiting for the elevator, and rushed over to the counter, back of which was the clerk, who was trying to snatch an hour's sleep in the early morning.

"I'd like to know why in the mischief I was not awakened at 8 o'clock," he demanded.

The clerk attempted to reply, but the guest was too mad to listen to anything that might suggest an apology.

"This is a pretty hotel," he continued. "I have stopped here for years but I will never come here again. Make out my bill now."

"Don't be in a hurry. You exasperate me. Tell me not to hurry. And here it is nearly 9 o'clock, and I should have been awakened at 8."

The clerk tried to get in a word, but it was useless.

"Get out your register, and see if I did not leave an order for 8," the guest persisted.

The register was brought forth, and, sure enough, there was the order for a call at 8.

"There, what did I tell you? Now see what you have done for me. I have missed my train and probably a big order. I have a good notion to sue the proprietor."

The clerk's ire began to rise.

"What train did you wish to make?" he asked in a sarcastic tone.

"The 8:35."

"Well, go back to bed, and I will see that you are called in plenty of time."

"Come, no joking. What do you mean?"

"Just what I wanted to tell you some time ago. It's now a quarter of 7."

A madder man than this guest was never seen in the St. James. And when he was told that the National clock was not running, and had not been for years, his anger knew no bounds.

He apologized to the clerk, and went away swearing vengeance on that clock.—Washington Star.

Compliments for One Only.

There is one New York club woman who has a sense of humor. In fact, to be on the safe side, there are several who have a "claim" in that direction. But not all of them are able to sense the joke when it happens to be on them. This woman, however, has this ability and proves this story about herself:

"At one time," she says, "we had a colored butler who stayed with us for years, and who admired my husband immensely. He thought that Dr. H— was a marvel of manly beauty, as well as the embodiment of all the virtues, domestic, professional and otherwise. Of course, I quite agreed with the butler on this point, but the fact is, I sometimes pined to have him pass his enthusiastic compliments around to the family, and not bestow them all on the doctor. So one morning when Dr. H— had just left the breakfast table, and was even then to be seen, an imposing picture, as he stood on the front steps drawing on his gloves, I remarked to James:

"Dr. H— is a handsome man, isn't he?"

"Yes, ma'am!—Deed as he is ma'am! with gratifying enthusiasm."

"Then, hoping to get a rise from James, I added with an absent-minded air as if I scarcely knew what I said but was just uttering my inmost thoughts:

"How in the world do you suppose that such a handsome man as Dr. H— ever happened to marry such a homely woman as I am?"

"Well, James just stopped short and rolled his eyes, and shook his head as if he gave it up. Then he ejaculated: 'Heaven knows, ma'am!'"

The Sun.

The Dog Telegraph.

Two colliers were traveling from Pontypridd to Cardiff. Their talk turned to the subject of modern inventions.

"John," said Thomas, "I can't understand that thing they call the telegraph."

"Why, man," said John, "it's like this. Suppose you had a long, greyhound, reaching from Cardiff to Pontypridd. Well, you just pull his tail at Cardiff, and then, all of a sudden, he do bark in Pontypridd."

What She Had Said.

He had called on her several times, and finally mustered up courage and assurance to be somewhat more affectionate than the circumstances warranted, perhaps.

"You must not do that," she said, somewhat nervously.

"Do what?" was the innocent query.

"Put your arm around my waist."

"Why not?"

"My brother might come in suddenly and see you."

"Well, what of that? He couldn't kill me."

"No, I suppose not; but he would try to borrow some money from you, and I have lost two chances already by his doing that."—T-4-D-4.

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CHALVINS ASTRAY—Chase to my premises, Lot 17
on A. Brough, three calves, two red and one
spotted, Saturday, 30th Dec. Owner is required to
call, prove property, and pay charges or they will be
sold as the law directs, on Tuesday, 30th January, at
10 a.m.
G. E. LAURIE,
Waterworks Lot, Chatham P.O.

HARWICH-TAX NOTICE

I will be at Geo. Stephens store, Chatham
on Saturday Dec. 30th, and January 13th,
from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. to receive taxes.
WILBER J. HUFFMAN,
led in 3a-w Collector

Dover Taxes

The collector of Dover, for Division 2 and
3, will be at the Montana House, every Sat-
urday until January 1st to receive taxes and
give receipts for the same.
H. N. BECHARD,
ed in 3a-w Collector.

Notice to Contractors.

Sealed separate and bulk tenders will
be received by the undersigned archi-
tects up to Saturday, Jan. 13th, 1900,
1 o'clock p.m., addressed to John
Doyle, Esq., for the erection of a frame
residence in Raleigh township. Plans
and specifications to be had at the of-
fice of the architects. Lowest or any
tender not necessarily accepted.
JOHN DOYLE, Esq.,
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To wander from a subject, and to
take an enlarged view of it, are quite
distinct. No two things are more dif-
ferent than a rambling and a compre-
hensive mind.

'TIS A GREAT RACEPlenty of Applicants for the
County Court Clerkship.Both Barristers and Civilians Want
It—Some Names Mentioned.

It is said that there is quite a race
in progress for the office of county
court clerk, rendered vacant by the
death of the late W. A. Campbell.
Mr. Fardo and Mr. Ferguson, the local
representatives in the legislature,
have the office in their gift and are
consequently besieged with applica-
cants.

Among the names mentioned in con-
nection with the appointment are
those of James Holmes, stationer, W.
A. Thrasher, barrister, John A. Wal-
ton, Q. C. Aid, W. E. McKeough,
E. Bell and Charles Macdonald,
city; Barrister, R. L. Gossnell, of
Blenheim; Barrister Walter Mills, of
Ridgeway, and W. A. Mills, of Chat-
ham township. Mr. Gossnell, however,
is said not to want the office particu-
larly, though it is worth \$2,000 or
\$2,500 a year. James Holmes is said
to have the "pull." He is reported to
have the support of John Pleasance,
and other local party powers, who
think Mr. Holmes services in supply-
ing caucus room, light and fuel to the
city political bosses for something
like a quarter of a century, should
be rewarded. The strongest objection
to Mr. Holmes is that he is a civilian
and ignorant of the duties of the of-
fice. This the lawyers allege
would cause delay in the taxation of
costs, examinations, etc., and thus
greatly increase the expenses of lit-
igation. They want the office to go
to some member of the profession. If
a lawyer gets it, Mr. Thrasher, who
is secretary of the Liberal Association,
but popular for all that, with
both sides of politics, is the likely man.

Then, again, there is a feeling that
this office should go to a county man.
Residents of Chatham, it is pointed
out, have been getting every govern-
ment position rendered vacant for
many years. In fact, not a county
office here, in the gift of the govern-
ment, is held by a county man. It is
hardly likely the people of the town-
ship will put up with this sort of
thing much longer.

However, it is doubtful if the situa-
tion will be permanent, whoever gets
it. One of the planks in the Conser-
vative platform is reform in the offi-
cial service of the province. It is felt
that there are altogether too many
officials for the work. So when Mr.
Whitney comes into office after next
election, we expect to see, among
other changes, the abolition of the of-
fices of county court clerk and crown
attorney as now constituted. It is
well-necessarily throw the present
holders out. Some of the duties of
the offices will go to the
sheriff and a new officer, acceptable
locally to each county, will be selected
by the government to attend to the
rest. This change will do away with
many needless and expensive offices
by the abolition of the fee system.

MAY GO TO MR. O'HARA.

Speaking of the vacant office at Har-
rison Hall to The Planet this morning
Robt. O'Hara, master of chancery,
pointed out that by the statute the
office of deputy registrar, now held by
Mr. O'Hara, and that of deputy clerk
of the crown, formerly held by the late
Wm. A. Campbell, will be consolidated
under one officer to be called the local
registrar and the office of county court
clerk and clerk of the surrogate court
will be open for the government to fill.
According to the construction of the
statute the duties of deputy clerk of
the crown would be transferred to
Mr. O'Hara. John Pleasance, however,
says the office held by the late Mr.
Campbell will be filled just as it is.
Jas. S. Waugh is also reported to be
an applicant for the position.

A well-known Liberal medical man
says the race made on Messrs. Fardo
and Ferguson is disgraceful. He thinks
the applicants might have waited until
Mr. Campbell was buried.

The Chatham candidates were most
afraid of R. L. Gossnell, of Blenheim.
However, some of them say now that
they have headed off his chances.

Barrister Walter Mills, of Ridge-

town, son of Hon. David Mills, it is
believed by many local Liberals, will
get the position.
Telephone stock should be a good
investment these days. The long dis-
tance wires are being kept red-hot
by would-be county court clerks.

LOCAL BRIEFS

Cash must accompany all selections
of goods at J. R. Reid's slaughter sale.
Fifty-seven pieces to choose from at
50¢ a yard at Reid's on Friday and
Saturday only.

E. W. Arnold, of Battle Creek, is
visiting his sister, Mrs. Fred Oeder-
shaw, Richmond St.

Miss Elsie Drader left for St.
Thomas yesterday to resume her stud-
ies in Alma College.

The Turkish baths on Sixth street
have all the comforts of the most elab-
orate baths in the country.
Overstitching and suitings, Irish,
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day and Saturday only.

The fortnightly meeting of the
ladies of the Home will be held Friday
afternoon at 3.30 in the council cham-
bers.

We cannot book any goods during
this sale on Friday and Saturday. J.
R. Reid & Co.

The regular monthly meeting of the
Ladies Aid Society of Park St. Metho-
dist church was held on Wednesday
afternoon, a large number of ladies
being present. It was decided to have
a concert on the evening of March
30th. During the afternoon Rev. Dr.
Hannon favored the ladies with two
readings in his inimitable style.

Now's the time to buy good imported
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A VETERAN OF SOUTH AFRICA.

Thos. Hie, of Delaware avenue, was
a caller at The Planet office yesterday.
Mr. Hie is a veteran of the British
army and served in the Zulul war of
1879. He has a series of interesting pho-
tographs illustrating that cam-
paign. Mr. Hie, during his service in
South Africa, marched through the
Transvaal district, and on one occasion
camped on the banks of the Tugela
River. His experiences serve him well
in tracing the progress of the present
war.

FREEMAN'S SARSAPARILLA.

It is the greatest of blood purifiers. It
is a positive cure, and can be obtained
at all drug stores. Ask for it.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

	Up.	High.	Low.	Closes
Wheat—Dec.	May.	67 1/2	68 1/2	68
May.	68 1/2	69 1/2	69 1/2	69 1/2
Corn—Sept.	May.	33	33 1/2	33 1/2
May.	34	34 1/2	34	34
Oats—Sept.	May.	24	24 1/2	24 1/2
May.	24	24 1/2	24	24
Pork—Dec.	May.	10 90	10 97	10 95
May.	10 90	10 97	10 90	10 95
Lard—Dec.	May.	6 00	6 05	6 00
May.	6 00	6 05	6 00	6 05
Ribs—Oct.	May.	6 72	6 80	6 80
May.	6 72	6 80	6 72	6 80

We have no right to be disagreeable
to another, however disagreeable the
other may be to us.

Don't Surfeit them with trifles—

but select for your

New Year Gifts

something that will be of practical utility to the recipient, handsome in design and of the sort that will be sure of
genuine appreciation. We have especially for this season's trade, an excellent variety of Leather Upholstered Easy
Chairs, Couches and Rockers, deep-seated and comfortable, in the latest style, with the best of springs and
material used in their construction. Our show rooms are filled with the things that have that little touch of ori-
ginality about them, so much to be desired in choosing a New Year's gift. Purchases made now can be set aside and
delivered at any time when ordered.

Hugh McDonald

FURNITURE AND UPHOLSTERY.



Opp. Garner House, Chatham

BRITAIN WILL PAYFor Food Stuffs Seized on the
High Seas

Unless There is Proof Positive They
Are Intended For the
Enemy.

New York, Jan. 11.—The answer of
Lord Salisbury to the demand made on
him by Ambassador Choate for a de-
claration of policy and a concession of
liability in the matter of seizures
of American flour in cargoes on the
Mashona, the Beatrice and the Maria,
says a Washington despatch to the
Journal and Advertiser, may be sum-
marized thus—Great Britain offers to
pay an indemnity to the American
citizens whose corn, meal and flour
were seized by the British cruisers
near Delagoa Bay, the extent of the
claim to be determined by a commis-
sion. Great Britain will not declare
when proof is not positive that the
foodstuffs are intended for the camp
of the enemy. Great Britain contends
that she has not violated the rights of
a neutral power by the seizure of this
corn, meal and flour, but that, on the
contrary, under her old common law,
she has a right to seize food supplies
absolutely necessary for the main-
tenance of her soldiers and sailors in
time of war, her right being subject to the
certificates of indemnity. The despatch
says that the above abstract of the
British Government has been received
by the State Department, and was the
basis of the statement that the matter
has been amicably adjusted.

Now's the time to buy good imported
overcoats at 50¢ a yard. Former
prices were from one to two dollars. J.
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A well-known Liberal medical man
says the race made on Messrs. Fardo
and Ferguson is disgraceful. He thinks
the applicants might have waited until
Mr. Campbell was buried.

A BID FOR THAT RADIAL ROAD.

Morpeth, Ont., Jan. 9.
To The Planet—It certainly speaks
well for Chatham's appreciation of
Mayor Smith's valuable services that
he should be elected by acclamation for
a second term. Faithfully has he
been not forgetting the county. His
electric road project will certainly ma-
terialize if his efforts can make it
and with Chatham the hub of a radial
wheel, what a boon it will be to those
outlying districts to be able to get to
a real live town where they can dis-
pose of their produce for a fair price
and buy their necessities at the same
rate. Take the length of Talbot
street, from Mersea to Aldborough,
and where will you find a better coun-
try and more prosperous community?
Think of the money that could be
brought to the villages, towns and to
the city by means of electric trans-
portation. The railroads cater to only
a small section of the country and
their catering is rather more expen-
sive than the average farmer can af-
ford. Good speed to Mr. Smith and his
road. Let him succeed and the best
the county can give him is none too
good. If the western riding does not
give it the eastern one will. Better
an absentee member who will work
for his constituency than a presentee
whose chief claim to fame is that he

TORONTO LIVE STOCK.

Toronto, Jan. 10.—We had a lively
market here yesterday; supplies were
liberal, including 2,300 hogs, 2,000
lambs and sheep, 1,000 cattle, and an
average run of milk cows and calves.
Everything sold.

We had a good steady demand for
export cattle, at firm unchanged prices,
ranging from 1.14 to 56¢ per lb.
For a few selected lots a York shil-
ling more was paid.

Butcher cattle also sold well; there
was the usual enquiry for more choice
cattle, and prices for anything really
good were strong, with a decidedly
upward tendency. Good to choice cat-
tle sells at from 3.14 to 4.14¢ per lb.;
medium to good is worth from 3 to
3.5¢; and common stuff 2.12 to 2.34¢
per lb.

Good export bulls are wanted at
from 4 to 4.12¢ per lb. Light bulls
are worth from 3 to 3.12¢ per lb.

There was a better enquiry for
stockers to-day, and while prices are
not notably changed they are firmer.
Feeders were enquired for at from
3 to 3.4¢ per lb.

A few choice milkers are wanted,
and will fetch up to \$50 for choice
cows.

"Small stuff" sold well, notwith-
standing the liberal supply, though
sheep are not quite so strong as they
were.

Lambs were worth 3.34 to 4.12¢ per
lb., and are wanted.

Sheep are selling at from 3 to 3.12¢
per lb.

Hogs advanced to-day; for choice
hogs the top price is 4.12¢; light hogs
sell at 4.18¢; and fat hogs are bring-
ing 3.78¢ per lb. Too many fat hogs
are coming in.

BUFFALO LIVE STOCK.

East Buffalo, Jan. 10.—Cattle—The
offerings were 15 loads; the demand
was moderate at a decline of 10 to 15¢
from yesterday's close; calves were in
moderate supply, light demand, and
quotable choice to extra on the basis
of \$8 to \$8.25; good to choice, \$7.50 to
\$8.

Sheep and lambs—The market was
dull and lower, although the offer-
ings were light, only 12 loads.
Choice to extra lambs were quotable
at \$6.25 to \$6.35.

Good to choice, \$6 to \$6.25.
Sheep, choice to extra, \$4.25 to \$4.50.
Good to choice, \$4 to \$4.25.
The close was about steady.

Hogs—The general demand was ac-
tive and prices 2.12 to 2.14¢ higher after
the opening, which was slow.
Moderate and heavy were quotable
at \$4.57 1/2 to \$4.60.

Yorkers, \$4.52 1/2 to \$4.57 1/2.
Pigs, \$4.50 to \$4.55.
Roughs, \$3.90 to \$4.
Stags, \$3.25 to \$3.50.
The offerings were about all cleaned
up, except a few cars of light and
pigs.

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Graduate of the Southern Ohio Agricultural
College. Twenty-eight years experience.
Special attention to handling and pruning
of your trees. Plain and ornamental lawn
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Shoes, Rubbers, Slippers, Boots and Dressings

Amounting to over \$11,000.00 To be Sacrificed
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In order to reduce the lot to ONE HALF This enormous STOCK REDUCTION SALE
COMMENCES ON SATURDAY

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As no goods will be booked or allowed on approval EXCEPT at REGULAR PRICES.

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