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No Dull Times Here!

This busy store always alive to the interest of its customers, announces a special bargain list
For Friday Next, Market Day
Again we talk to you of FUR JACKETS and CAPES, choice ones, as good as ever was worn—Astrachan and Electric Seal. You can save many dollars by buying your fur garment now:

Two only, Electric Seal Jackets, 21 in. long, with large lapels and high collar, reg. price \$35, on Friday next extra special at.....\$21.00
One only, Electric Seal Jacket, 24 in. long, the very finest quality, size 34, reg. price \$45, on Friday next.....\$30.00

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Everyone of them guaranteed, beautiful bright curl, and perfect fitting.

Regular \$25.00 quality for.....\$21.00
Regular 30.00 quality for.....25.00
Regular 37.50 quality for.....30.00
Regular 45.00 quality for.....35.00
Regular 55.00 quality for.....45.00
Regular 65.00 quality for.....55.00

Fur Collars, Capelines, Gauntlets and Mitts

Worth \$2.50, \$3.50, \$4.00, \$5.00, \$6.00 and up to.....\$50.00
Your choice at ONE-THIRD regular price

Shirtings

Extra Heavy American Amoske Shirting, the best you have ever laid hands on at per yd.....10c
Extra Heavy Standard Canadian Shirting, full width bought before there was any advance in price, worth 15c, to-day, our price.....12½c
American Mackinaw Twill Shirting print, in Blues and Blacks, a large shipment just received, special per yd at.....16c

Ladies Cloth Jackets

You never bought them so cheap. Note the prices.

20 Ladies' and Misses' Jackets, in Fawns, Navys, Blacks Browns, worth from \$3.50 to \$10.00, on Friday your choice.....\$1.89

10 only Ladies' Fawn and Black Jackets, regular price \$11.00, on Friday next, your choice at.....4.89

7 only Ladies' Fawn, Blue and Black Jackets, regular price \$17.50 and \$18.00, on Friday next your choice at.....6.15

Cottorades

You want good Cottonades and at the lowest possible price, well this is the place to get them.

Extra Heavy Cottonade in stripes, good patterns, equal to what you have paid 25c for, our special price.....20c
The heaviest quality in a large range of patterns, the best looking kinds made, worth 30c and 35c, our special price now.....25c

This Store will be Closed on Saturday, February, 2nd

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Your Foot

A Friend or Enemy?

The service your feet will give you depends mainly on the amount of intelligence you use when buying shoes.

An ill-fitting shoe causes misery from morning till night and is the source of incurable foot-ills.

In "Slater Shoes" you have a combination of comfort, durability and comeliness.



A tag on each pair tells what leather is in the shoe—how to care for it—the wear it is adapted to.

Every pair of Genuine Slater Shoes is Goodyear Welted which means a maximum of ease. The sole of every "Slater Shoe" bears the slate frame trade mark, makers' name and price \$5.00 or \$3.50.

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Sole Agents Slater Shoes
And Barrington Hats

The Greatest Reduction Sale Yet

Men's New Method Overcoats that were \$7.50, marked down to \$5.50.

Men's New Method Overcoats, that were \$10, marked down to \$7.50.

Men's New Method Overcoats that were \$12.50, marked down to \$9.75.

Men's New Method Overcoats, that were \$15, marked down to \$11.00.

Men's New Method Ulsters, black and blue, price \$7.50, marked down to \$5.50.

Every Coat
This Season's
Buying

MEMORIAL SERVICES FOR OUR LATE SOVEREIGN.

Maple City Pastors, Choir Directors and Civic Authorities Will Contribute to the Solemn Observance on Saturday.

The meeting of the choir directors at Harrison Hall last evening, was rather poorly attended. Only St. Joseph's, St. Andrew's and Christ Church choirs were represented. St. H. Marshall, E. J. Forsythe and James Rhody being present.

It was decided to have the choirs from all city churches for the chorus at the Grand Opera House service on Saturday afternoon. It was decided to have one practice and the members of all the city choirs are asked to meet in the Park St. Methodist Sunday School at 8 o'clock Friday evening for a half hour's practice.

Ald. Cowan was present at the Industrial Committee meeting and on being appealed to, kindly consented to secure the use of the Sunday School room for the practice.

Arrangements have been completed for the civic memorial services to be held on Saturday in the Grand Opera House in memory of our late loved Queen, Victoria. Mayor Sulman and the ministers have been busy, and have succeeded in preparing an excellent program. All who have been asked to assist have responded heartily and the memorial service will be one of the great events in the history of this city.

Beautiful souvenir programs have been printed, and will be supplied at the Opera House to all who attend. Their text is as follows:

Memorial service, conducted by the Rev. J. R. Battisby, D. D.
Praise—"Asleep in Jesus." Tune, Holy.

Prayer—Rev. J. J. Ross, pastor of the William St. Baptist church.
Praise—"Now the Laborer's Task is Over." Tune—Hebron.

Scripture Reading—Rev. Mr. McCosh, Rural Dean of Christ Church.
Ten minute address—Rev. Father Francis Solanus, O. S. F., pastor of St. Joseph's Church.

Praise—"Hush, Blessed are the Dead." Tune—"Dolomite Chant."

Ten minute address—Rev. R. A. Sims, pastor of Holy Trinity Church.
Praise—"A few more Years—Shall Roll." Tune—"Leominster."

Ten minute address—Rev. Dr. Hannan, pastor of the Park St. Methodist church.
Praise—"Nearer My God to Thee."

Benediction.
God Save the King.
The Honorary Committee who have had charge of the work of preparation are:

Mayor—G. W. Sulman.
Aldermen—E. W. Scane, E. A. Mounteer, G. G. Taylor, Geo. W. Cowan, R. Pritchard, Wilfrid Fleming, A. B. McCosh, W. S. Marshall and J. N. Edmondson.
Reverends—J. R. Battisby, James Hannan, Robert McCosh, Father Solanus, H. W. Locke, Robert Sims, J. J. Ross, H. Henderson and J. C. Richards, Adj. Kenway.
Musicians—Mrs. Jno. Cooper, Mrs. Alice James, Miss Elda Idle, Miss Nellie Rhody, Miss Blanche Baxter, E. Forsythe, S. H. Marshall and Harry Horwood.

THE MAPLE CITY SEEKING NEW INDUSTRIES.

Important Inaugural Session of the Civic Industrial Committee—Mayor Sulman Submits a Valuable Suggestion.

Mayor Sulman's creation of a civic industrial committee will prove a permanent and valuable contribution to the progress and development of the Maple City—at least such was the prediction provided by the proceedings at the inaugural of that organization in the city clerk's offices last evening. There were present, Mayor Sulman and Ald. Cowan, Mounteer, Edmondson and Pritchard, and the meeting conformed to the criterion of the new year by opening promptly on time.

The communication of the Dowsley Spring and Axle Co. of Owen Sound, was first submitted. This concern wrote the Mayor that their representative had visited Chatham, had interviewed the Mayor and other leading citizens here, and was much impressed with the possibilities of the city as the site of a factory. The Mayor had asked them to submit a

proposal. The company asked the loan of \$25,000 for 20 years without interest, tax exemption, freedom from water and light assessments. For these favors they would protect the city with a first mortgage and guarantee the employment of 50 skilled hands the first year and not less than 75 the second and following years. These workmen would be paid \$1.00 per day and upwards.

Mayor Sulman said that any such proposal would have to be submitted to the people, but he thought it a somewhat gigantic one. He recognized the value of the establishment of such an institution in Chatham, but felt that, if any loan were granted, \$1,000 of the principal should be paid back each year. He was prepared, however, to be liberal in dealing with all manufacturing industries.

Ald. Mounteer thought the request somewhat large, appeared to be almost an appeal to start the firm in business. But he would like to treat with them upon more modified terms.

The Mayor said it was his intention to call a special meeting of the Council for Monday evening to consider the report of the civic delegation, who had visited Lyons, N. Y., in the interests of the sugar beet factory. He thought it would be wise to have a proposal from the Dowsley Co. to submit to that meeting.

It was decided, on motion of Ald. Pritchard and Mounteer, that the Mayor wire the company to have a representative meet the committee on Monday afternoon and remain for the Council meeting at night.

The communication of E. B. Northwood & Co. of Calumet, Mich., was read. This firm stated that they had read the inaugural address of the Mayor in The Planet and noticed his allusion to the establishment of a cold storage plant in Chatham. They proposed to contribute \$5,000 to \$10,000 to the establishment of such a warehouse.

The Mayor said he had also been approached by Pack & Co. of Philadelphia, who desired to make proposals, and the matter was allowed to stand until opportunity was given them. It was thought that the two companies would work together on this matter.

The communication from W. E. Hamilton, suggesting that the Council petition the Government to make a cut-off canal from the Thames to Lake Erie was considered, and it was decided to seek the co-operation of the Board of Works in dealing with it.

A private communication to the Mayor, relative to the possible establishment of a plate glass factory, was also discussed and steps taken to open formal negotiations. It was decided, in the city's interests that it would be best at the present time not to make these negotiations public.

Mayor Sulman submitted a proposal to the committee which will prove of considerable value, and was unanimously adopted. He suggested that the Industrial Committee secure an option upon an acre of land in the city and make arrangements with the city and the Montreal Star of the fact that this city had a free site with railroad connection to give to any live, responsible industry locating here. This would put the city into communication with possible factories and might be the means of securing at least one.

The idea was heartily endorsed. D. W. B. Spay drew the attention of the committee to the fact that the Lake Erie Railroad were contemplating the erection of car-shops in St. Thomas, and suggested that Chatham being a central point on their system, the committee enter into negotiations with a view to having the shops erected here.

It was decided to have the Mayor communicate forthwith with General Manager Woodliff.

PASSED AWAY IN WINDSOR.

The remains of the late Alex. Deszela were brought to this city to-day from Windsor. The funeral will take place Friday at 2 o'clock from the residence of P. C. Deszela, Barthe St. Mrs. Deszela and one daughter survive. P. C. Deszela, of the city and Frank Deszela, of Sarnia, are brothers, and Mrs. Deszela, Cleveland, O., is a sister. There is also another sister living in Chicago. The late Alex. Deszela was born in Chatham and lived here for many years. He kept hotel at one time at Fargo and, more recently, he ran the Kent Bridge hotel. For the last year he has been a resident of Windsor. He was in the Chatham Company of volunteers that went to Sherbrooke during the Fenian raid scare.

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GOOD SHOOTING IN PIGEON MATCH.

Exciting Contest For a Liberal Stake in Which Some Fine Scores Were Made at Ridgeway.

Special to The Planet.

Ridgeway, Jan. 30.—A live pigeon match was held here yesterday afternoon between Harry Scane and C. Thorald, both of this place. Conditions of match were 25 selected birds each, 30 yards rise from five ground traps set five yards apart, 50 yards boundary, for \$25 a side. The scores made were H. Scane 15, C. Thorald 14.

The score made by the winner is exceptionally good when the quality of the birds is considered. They were admitted to be the fastest and hardest lot of birds ever liberated from a set of traps in this place. Mr. Scane shot in his best form throughout the race, killing his birds cleanly and in good time.

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The Busy Cash Store

The Northway Co., Limited



January Month

Just ended, has been by far, the best in the history of this busy store. We are determined to make February another record breaking month, and will succeed in our efforts if such extraordinary values as contained in this Friday List count for anything. Here are the prices that will bring many shrewd cash buyers to this store.

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| 1 pc. Silk Scalette for ladies' coats or wraps, rich, heavy, close pile, \$2.50 in wide, splendid value at \$2.50 yd., sale price.....\$2.48 | 5 pcs. Rich Black Crepons, firm, bright silky finish, in handsome new designs, 44 in. wide, reg. \$1.00 yd., Sale Price.....60c | RARE CLOTHING VALUES—Men's Beaver Overcoats, fine heavy quality, fly front, velvet collar, tweed or Italian lining, a bargain at \$7.50 Sale Price.....\$5.75 |
| 1 pc. Superior Silk Scalette, rainproof quality, fine, rich, deep pile, 52 in. wide, extra good value at \$6.50 yd. Sale Price.....\$4.95 | Ladies' Skirts (manufacturers' samples) rainy day and dress skirts, fine all-wool chevrons, homespun, checks and friezes, in navy, brown and black, assorted styles, all tailor made, reg. \$4 to \$7 each, Sale Price.....\$2.68 | Men's All-Wool Tweed Suits, neat dark patterns, good weight and quality, well made, serviceable linings, sizes 35 to 42, in reg. \$5, \$6 and \$7, Sale Price.....\$4.50 |
| 6 only, Child's Elder Coats, fine heavy quality, in choice patterns and colors, very prettily made, full cape, high collar, lined with fine cream satin, reg. \$2.25 to \$2.75 each, Sale Price.....\$1.89 | 500 yds. Ribbon, all pure silk, 1½ in. wide, in large range of colors, reg. 5c and 6c yd., sale price.....3c | Men's Navy Serge Suits, fine heavy all-wool quality, smooth clean finish, indigo dye, fine Italian lining, French facings, double breasted, sizes 35 to 42 in., Sale Price.....\$7.75 |
| 5 only, Ladies' Trimmed Hats, decidedly pretty styles, sold reg. at \$4.50 to \$10, Sale Price.....\$2.50 | 13 only, Ladies' Jackets, rich, bright, heavy curl cloth, latest cut, one or storm collars, carved pearl buttons, rich colored linings, sizes 32 to 40, reg. \$7 to \$10 coats, your choice Sale Price.....\$3.68 | Men's Pants, heavy strong tweed, neat medium and dark stripes, well shaped, special at the pair 98c, \$1.25 and.....\$1.50 |
| 100 yds. Factory Cottons, good firm quality, even weave, clean finish, almost a yd. wide, Sale Price the yd.....4c | English White Cottons, pure grass bleached, fine cambric finish, full weight and width, extra values at per yd. 8c, 10c and.....12½c | 25 pair Boys' Knicker Pants, good strong navy serge, well made and lined, sizes 22 to 32, Sale Price per pair.....25c |

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The Planet

A STEPHENSON, Proprietor.

THE TEN EDWARDS OF ENGLAND.

There have now been ten Edwards of England, three before the Norman conquest and seven since. Of the three Saxon Kings, Edward the Confessor, who was the third, was the most famous. He was so religious that he was eventually made a saint and presumably still remains one. Of the Norman Edwards King Edward I., the conqueror of Wales, the lawgiver who established order in the land, was the greatest of the Plantagenets and a good many historians think the greatest man that ever sat on the English throne. Edward III. and his son, the Black Prince, were the glory of a fighting age, the victors of Crecy and Poitiers, when England's overlordship extended over Scotland and half of France, and London held a King of France, and the King of Scotland captured in battle, prisoners at the same time. Out of the tangle of the Wars of the Roses the later historians are claiming that Edward IV. was a shrewd, intelligent, energetic King, if he was cruel and unscrupulous. Of the two boys, Edward V. was one of the poor little Princes murdered in the Tower, and Edward VI. though overshadowed by his sisters, Mary and Elizabeth, attached his name to the English prayer book.

It will be seen that with one or two exceptions the present King has an illustrious list of sovereigns of his name to follow. The opportunities which a constitutional King has to impress his personality on the history of his country are, of course, far less than in the days when a King was a King. But the complications of modern times will give ample scope to the statesmanship and tact of Edward VII. in co-operating with and aiding his constitutional advisers, and to say that he has already proved himself to be a man of ability and resource is but to state a fact freely recognized among statesmen and rulers.

DANGERS OF HYPNOTISM.

Here is a case that has probably more in it than appears on the surface, says the Free Press. A man was walking in Fifth avenue, New York, in the evening lately, when a stranger tapped him on the shoulder, and in a melodramatic tone of voice said, "I want you." To impress his victim he opened the lapel of his coat, displaying a sardine box label, which he said was the shield of a detective, and attested his authority to make an arrest without other warrant. The citizen courteously remonstrated, but was told that resistance was futile, and that to proceed quietly with his captor to the West Thirtieth St. Police Station was the part of wisdom. What should an honest man do under the circumstances? Unless he were under some malign spell, he would most likely resist arrest, first, because it would be the natural instinct to do so, and secondly, to furnish ground for an action for false arrest. This man quietly jogged along with his captor. As the N. Y. Times describes it, "He simply went where he was told to go. He did not even insist upon being taken straight to the station, but permitted himself to be led into a saloon, where, without resistance, he surrendered himself, his watch, and a pocketful of railroad bond interest coupons. He further agreed to redeem his watch and coupons the following day by paying the pseudo detective an additional hundred dollars, and was left sitting in the saloon while the crook slipped away. It seems to have been nearly twenty-four hours before he reached the conclusion that he had been humbugged." The Times observes that the man did all this "under the absurd notion that he was bribing a policeman who had arrested him to let him go again," and concludes its article with the well-known line, "What fools these mortals be."

It does not strike the Times writer that this may have been a case of hypnotism. Why would a man the possessor of money and valuable railroad securities voluntarily give them up to another man in a saloon, and go where he was told to go, unless the malign will of the pretended policeman had been asserted upon him in the way that is nowadays accepted as being not only possible, but an every-day practice? For which reason professional hypnotists should not be permitted to use their power indiscriminately in any community. The insolence with which this craft is pursued by some operators and the mischief it is apt to cause in families and to individuals who are susceptible to its influence is only matched by the eagerness, tameness and gullibility with which its professors are followed and submitted to by so many of the public. In the leading countries of Europe the practice is rigorously suppressed for reasons held by the authorities to be allsufficient. Feeble-minded and nervous persons are especially subject to the "control" of these strong-willed professors of animal magnetism, and become as wax in their hands, to "make monkeys of them" upon a stage for the sport and laughter of an uneducated and unthinking crowd, and perhaps to be permanently injured in their nervous organization along with the absent-mindedness otherwise demoralized.

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BEFORE THE GRIPPE

is the proper time to prevent the ailment; too late when you're down with it.

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point of view is a poor commentary on the spread of popular enlightenment and a reproach to the laws which permit exhibitions, the tendencies and possibilities of which are more dangerous and demoralizing than any of the public shows which announce themselves on the bills by meagreness of drapery.

Senator Money, of Mississippi, says if he were a West Pointer he would kill any man who hazed him if he had to wait a hundred years. The Senator evidently would use old age as his weapon of massacre.

In the Deloit case, in which the ecclesiastical law of Quebec has declared the marriage between two Catholics, performed by a Protestant minister, null and void. The decision is upheld by the laws of Quebec. But if either of the parties attempted to get married again the criminal code of the Dominion would then come in and the offender would be liable to imprisonment for bigamy.

An Egyptian mummy has been discovered dating back to 8000 B. C. This is the record, so to speak, of mummies, as far as age is concerned. And, strange to say, the features and figure of the dead show him to have belonged to a refined and well-developed race. The age of the world is slowly being pushed back a good way beyond the 5,000 B. C. of our youthful Sunday school days.

With the late Queen the House of Guelf or Hanover ceases to occupy the throne of Great Britain, which has been in its possession since 1714. The new dynasty will be called after the late Prince Consort and will be the House of Whetton or Saxe-Coburg. The House of Normandy occupied the throne from 1066 to 1154; the House of Plantagenet, 1154-1399; the House of Lancaster, 1399-1461; the House of York, 1461-1485; the House of Tudor, 1485-1603; the House of Stuart, 1603-1714, and the House of Hanover, 1714-1901.

A number of bogus despatches about the late Queen, and present King are daily appearing in the American press. Here is a sample of some of them:

To Jockey Johnny Reiff, Toledo, Ohio, Jan. 27.—My Dear Little Johnny: Your tender message of sympathy to me in this saddest hour of affliction that I have ever known, will be one of my most cherished as graces of a brave American boy's love. I thank you. Your true friend and comrade in the old days, Edward VII.

That this despatch is a fabrication, and a silly one at that, is patent on the face of it. Kings don't sign their despatches; secretaries do that. When King Edward does put his name to a document, he "doesn't sign it," "Edward VII.," but "Edward R." the "R" standing for rex, king.

Without wishing to harp on the subject of star chamber meetings on the part of civic committees, let us take this illustration in an unbiased way and guess what the result would be: A candidate for alderman, we will assume, addressed the electors as follows:

Gentlemen—I am a candidate for alderman. If elected I will see that your business is transacted behind closed doors. If there is anything I think good for you to know of your own affairs you may find it out there, I am against daylight being let in on civic proceedings, because I am always afraid that I may say something or vote some way that will lose me support next election. If you like this platform, I trust you will give me your united support.

How many votes would such a politician gain?

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MAKING HASTE.

"Soon," says the Snowdrop and smiles at the motherly earth.
"Soon—for the spring with her languor comes stealthily on.
Snow was my cradle, and chilly winds sang at my birth—
Winter is over, and I must make haste to be gone!"

"Soon," says the Swallow and dips to the wind ruffled stream.
"Soon—for the spring with her languor comes stealthily on.
Blank to the eastward the icy battalions gleam;
Summer is over, and I must make haste to be gone!"

"Soon, ah, too soon," says the Soul, with a desperate gaze,
"Soon—for I rose like a star and for aye would have shined;
See the pale shuddering dawn that must wither my rays,
Leaps from the mountain—and I must make haste to be gone!"
—Arthur C. Benson in Spectator

COURTSHIP OF SAVAGES.

The Way Hottentots, Zambesias and Dyaks Win Their Brides.

Among the land Dyaks no youth dares venture to pay addresses to a maiden unless he can throw at her feet a useful of skulls, it being necessary for him to prove his prowess by killing a few men, women or children. Among these tribes the lover offers the maiden of his choice some betel nuts. If she accepts, he is happy, but if she refuses and says, "Be good enough to blow up the fire," it means that he is dismissed. Sometimes the courting is carried on through a medium of a sort of Jew's harp, one handling it to the other, asking questions and returning answers.

When a young Hottentot goes courting, to render himself more attractive he paints his nose, cheeks and forehead with soot. Among some tribes of Madagascara the boys decorate their long locks with leaves, flowers and feathers, "only in order to please the women." The natives of New Britain blacken some of their teeth and knock out others, knowing that otherwise they run the risk of being refused by the ones of their choice on account of ugliness. A woman in that beautiful land would "scorn to accept the addresses of a man possessing white teeth, like a dog or a pig." A girl who has arrived at a marriageable age has her teeth filed.

The beaus of Zambesia file the middle teeth in the upper jaw into the form of a swallow's tail. In one province of Tasmania a rebellion nearly broke out when orders were once issued forbidding the use of ocher and grease, for the young men feared the loss of favor in the eyes of their courtly women. Among the Guanyrys the suitor when courting keeps for days close to the cabin of the mistress of his heart, being painted from head to foot and armed with his battle club.

The Melanesian women do the courting. When a girl likes a man, she tells his sister and gives her a ring of string. The sister says to her brother, "Brother, I have good news for you. A woman loves you." If willing to go on with the affair through the sister, an appointment is made, and the following dialogue takes place:

The man says, "You like me proper?"

"Yes, I like you proper, with my heart inside."

Unwilling to give himself away rashly, he asks, "Now, you like me together, I your skin good."

"I like you together, I your skin good."

The man says, "Tomorrow, if you like, there is a mock fight, if you tell their relatives and everything is settled."

In Maoriand the girl generally begins the courting. The love token which the girl throws at the feet of her lover is a little bit of flax made into a sort of ball, which she is signified by pulling the knot tight, "No," by leaving the matrimonial noose alone.

A Tragic Trifle.

Trifles, and sometimes queer ones at that, have been the cause of many a frightful catastrophe. A fire which directly responsible for the loss of more lives than any other single conflagration originated through the vagaries of a stray tarantula, a species of huge, hairy spider peculiar to South and Central America. The scene was Santiago, Chile, and a grand religious festival was taking place in the principal cathedral.

The building was a sea of drapery, flooded with every variety of illumination. Tapers, and silver lamps were in full blaze, and the acolytes were busy lighting the 2,000 tapers on the grand altar when the errand spider slipped into the central aisle and alarmed a woman, who is signified by pulling the knot tight, "No," by leaving the matrimonial noose alone.

New Mexico Torments. Besides the rattlesnakes, the New Mexico end of the Rocky mountains is blessed with the tarantula, the scorpion and the centipede," says Will Sparks in Ainslee's. "Then there's the gila monster and many poisonous lizards. Of all these the centipede is, perhaps, the most to be feared, because it is the most plentiful and has a habit of living among the rafters of old adobe houses. At night, when a man is sleeping, it drops, and if it strikes his body it leaves a wound that takes months to heal, provided some blood disorder does not develop and kill the man. The gila monster generally does not bite unless teased. The scorpion and tarantula inflict wounds more painful than dangerous."

The Sure Road. The Old Stager—Young man, if you would be successful, you must do two things—first, get some enemies. The Aspirant—And second? The Old Stager—Second, irritate them so that they will make you prominent.

Promising. "Your son seems a very promising young fellow, Snipkins," observed a friend. "Yes; he is rather too promising. He promised a girl he'd marry her, and now he won't, and I've had to pay £200 to compromise the matter."—London Fun.

It has been estimated that from 90,000 to 100,000 deer feed in the forests of Scotland and that 4,000 stags are killed annually. The Venetian plain supports a population of 2,000,000.

You Buy Furniture

Most everybody requires Furniture. We are headquarters for all kinds; we have Furniture to suit the rich, the middle class and the poor. The most exacting taste cannot fail to find what they want in our show rooms. When you are looking around for any of the following lines, just pay our store a visit—

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Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Legislature of the Province of Ontario at its next session for an Act to amend an Act passed in the first year of the reign of Her Majesty, the Queen, Chapter 59, entitled "An Act respecting the Chatham City and Suburban Railway Company" by adding additional names to the board of provisional directors, and for extending the time for completing the said railway; and for such other amendments and changes as the said Legislature may deem necessary and for conferring upon the Company such other and further powers and privileges as may be deemed necessary.

J. R. RANKIN,
Solicitor for applicants.

Dated at Chatham, this 18th day of January, A. D. 1901.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the Matter of the Estate of Elizabeth Biles, late of the Village of Thamesville, in the County of Kent, widow, deceased.

Notice is hereby given in pursuance of the revised statutes of Ontario, Chapter 139, that all creditors and others having claims against the estate of the said Elizabeth Biles, who died on or about the 21st day of December, A. D. 1900, are required on or before the 16th day of February, 1901, to send post prepaid or deliver to Messrs. Scane, Houston, Stone & Scane, of the City of Chatham, in the County of Kent, Solicitors for Charles John Moore and Thomas Marven Syer, the executors under the last will and testament of the said Elizabeth Biles, deceased, their Christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions, together with the full particulars of their claims and a statement of their accounts, and the nature of the security (if any) held by them.

And notice is further given that after the said last named date said executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have notice, and that the said executors will not be liable for the assets or any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claim they shall not have notice at the time of the said distribution.

Dated at Chatham this twenty-third day of January, A. D. 1901.

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THE DISTRICT.

FLORENCE.

Ice is being harvested this week. Miss Gillespie, of Alvinston, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Gordon.

Miss Nairn, of St. Marys, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. Nairn this week.

E. Hazelwood, has purchased the barber business from John Baird, and will take possession this week.

Union memorial services for our late Queen will be held in St. Matthew's Church on Saturday next. The residing ministers will officiate.

Geo. W. Moffatt, the blind orator, lectured in the town hall on the 26th and 28th inst., on the popular subjects "People I have met" and "The profane use of the Sabbath in this age."

APPLETON.

There was no meeting of the Literary Club at Ebeets on Thursday. The next one will be held on Jan. 31st.

Miss Mary Wilson spent Sunday with her parents in Harwich.

Our boys are very busy this week. There is a sparrow match between Appleton and Turnerville.

Edward W. Le Veina returned to his home in Toledo last Tuesday, after spending a few days with friends here.

A few of our young people attended the oyster supper at Wm. Shaw's residence on the 8th last Tuesday.

Mrs. Peter McKerrall, who is at Mt. Clemens for her health, is slowly improving.

OUBRY.

Jas. Little met with a painful accident, being kicked in the face by a colt. Several of his teeth were broken.

John Elliott is suffering from the grip.

Mr. McNeil, of St. Clair, Mich., is visiting Chas. McNeil.

Rev. Chas. Creighton, of Aylmer, will preach next Sunday morning at 1:30.

A tomato social was given Thursday evening last at the residence of D. Toll.

Jas. Hughson, Kingsville, is visiting his many friends here.

HUFFMAN'S CORNERS.

Mrs. McCallum, of Aldborough, is the guest of Mrs. J. W. Huffman.

A very large number of people attended the funeral of the late Mr. Mosey on Monday last week.

Isaac Tompkins has the care of the church for the coming year.

J. L. Brown is some better and is able to be out.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Roseborough, of Kent Bridge, were in the neighborhood last week.

No service next Sunday, sacramental service being held in the Forbes church.

Mrs. Biker, of Michigan, who has been with her mother, Mrs. Mosey, for a week, returned home on Monday.

Geo. Huffman had the misfortune to lose a number of pigs under his straw stack last week.

Mrs. Vance sang at Morpeth on Monday evening.

TUPPERVILLE.

Miss Davis spent Sunday at her home in Dresden.

Mrs. Wm. Reile spent a day at Wallaceburg recently.

Harvey Holmes is busy drawing bolts to Wallaceburg.

An oyster supper and dance was held at Riverside Hotel last week.

A grand oyster supper will be given by the I. O. F. of Tupperville, in Logan's hall, on Thursday evening, Jan. 31st.

A grand entertainment will be given at Zion Church on Feb. 1st. There will be a lecture and scenes of the British-Boer war.

Mrs. Jas. Smuck, formerly of Dresden, who is visiting here, is ill.

Mrs. John Henderson and Mrs. Roblin are on the sick list.

Little Gloria Reid is visiting her cousins at Dawn Valley.

Mrs. Charles Hyatt, of Oldfield, is dead. She was 82 years of age.

Mr. Wm. Smith, over the river, gave a party on Monday evening.

Mr. Kennedy, of Manitoba, who has been visiting relatives here, returned home.

DARRELL.

Wm. Holmes had the first wood bee of the season. Quite a number of his neighbors turned out and sawed wood.

We regret to hear that Misses Charlotte and Jane Grey of the 4th Con., are sick with grippe.

Miss Jessie Blackburn, daughter of Abraham Blackburn, is very seriously ill, with a slight improvement at last report.

Edward Jinks is able to be about again from an attack of grippe.

The Grey brothers, Caledonia Road, are hauling logs.

Miss Iva Gregory is visiting her grand-parents, near Kent Bridge.

A number of farmers from this locality attended the Farmers' Institute Tuesday afternoon and were well repaid for their trouble.

John Jinks has returned home, after a six weeks' visit to friends and relatives in Merlin.

Miss Alice King and Miss Violet French are visiting in the Maple City for a few days.

A number of boys are out on a sparrow hunt.

Albert Darling spent Friday evening among friends here.

EAST BRANCH.

Geographical social on Friday evening, Feb. 1st.

A number from here attended the funeral of the late John Hood at Tupperville on Sunday.

W. Birmingham was elected trustee on the south side, at a special meeting called for that purpose.

G. Stewart is still under the care of his physician. We hope for his speedy recovery.

A. B. own, of Charleston, spent Sunday with friends in this place.

Miss A. Booth is visiting in Oldfield.

The news of the death of our beloved Queen cast a gloom over this neighborhood.

L. Hookwith is able to be out again.

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BALDOON.

Rev. C. F. Clark received 27 new members into the Methodist Church Sunday night.

The anniversary services of Grace Church will be held on Sunday, Feb. 3rd. Rev. A. O. Alexander, of Detroit, will assist in the services, which will be held at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

A strong effort will be made to clear the debt off the church. A free-will offering will be taken at both services. On Monday evening an illustrated lecture on the war will be given in the church.

The revival services at Oldfield are proving very successful. Already some thirty persons have been converted. Rev. Mr. Alexander is assisting the pastor.

THE HUNGALOW.

The Epworth Leagues of Newbury, Guelph and Wardsville, are holding a union meeting here next Tuesday evening.

James Fleming met with an accident, getting his hand smashed between two logs last Wednesday, but is now doing nicely.

Geo. Topping and W. Fleming paid a flying visit to Detroit on Saturday last on business.

G. S. Langford, of Kent Bridge, was in town last Wednesday.

R. T. Fleming and son, were the guests at the Hungalow last Sunday.

The largest log drawn this winter was drawn by J. Fleming, a 16-ft. log, measuring 1,855 ft.

There was a pleasant evening spent at the residence of William Gillet last Thursday night.

Music was furnished by Messrs. J. Fleming and Hardy.

A large hall is to be given by the young people of Newbury next Friday evening in the town hall.

The Methodist church was well attended last Sunday night.

The largest day's wood cutting this winter was cut by three young men of the Hungalow, who sawed, split and piled eight and a half cords of cordwood in nine hours.

Mr. Dean is getting a large stock of elm in his stove mill, logs being decked 10 high.

UP THE CREEK.

Thomas Loney left Saturday for the Canadian Soo, where he will in future reside.

Annie Harrison is spending a fortnight in Blenheim, the guest of Will Stevenson.

Editor Denholm of the Blenheim News, was a guest of friends on the Creek Sunday.

Theo. Wildgen, Jackson, Mich., is here attending the funeral of Timothy Demoran.

Mrs. J. Rouse, Blenheim, is at the

old homestead this week, nursing her aged mother.

Niles Leath ordale and Will Pratt are applicants for positions on Baden-Powell's police force.

Bridge End Patrons are arranging for their annual oyster supper.

Mrs. J. McCormick is lying very low and gradually "wearin' aw' the land o' the leal."

A syndicate on the Creek are buying a fine Durham bull for improvement of their stock.

A debating society has been organized at No. 1 School, under the leadership of A. R. Everitt.

Dan Donovan and wife, of Jackson, are home for the sad duty of attending his father's funeral.

OUNGAH.

We are sorry to say that John Wemp is not recovering very rapidly.

Fisherman Glenn has gone at the carpenter trade once more. He is erecting a very large ice-house for our Oungah merchant, Wm. Graham.

G. Pollock and J. Graham have gone into wood-cutting on the 11th Con. C. Montgomery is preparing to build a fine residence next summer.

Wm. Brown and H. Askin have gone to Kingston to visit relatives.

Alfred Strain was renewing old acquaintances last week.

Miss Amy Pollock has returned from Wallaceburg, where she has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Everitt.

Mrs. K. Urquhart is recovering from her recent illness.

Mrs. M. Andrews, of Goderich, is visiting friends at Oungah.

A. Miller, of Amherst Island, returned to his home last week.

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Miss Ida Rikley, of Taylor avenue, is
visiting Mrs. Will. Graham, of Oungah.

Frank Tschirhart, King street, has
returned from attending the funeral of Geo.
Eberle in Ridgeway.

The mail to-day was so heavy that it re-
quired two wagons to bring it up from the
S. T. R. station.

The butchers of the city have all agreed
to close their shops from Friday evening to
Monday morning.

Friday, choice of the \$1 to \$2 Oxford
Mufflers for 75c.

Friday, Silk Oxford Mufflers \$2.00,
\$1.75, \$1.50, \$1.25 and \$1 quality for
75c. each, at The 2 T's.

E. A. Mounter, butcher, will keep his
place of business open until 11 o'clock to-
morrow night and will close during Satur-
day.

J. C. Patterson, of the Bank of Com-
merce staff here, has received notice to re-
port at Belleville. He will leave immedi-
ately for that place.

The Daughters of Rebekah will give their
At Home in the Oddfellows' hall this
evening. Amusements of all kinds
will be enjoyed by all. Two prizes will be
given for the winners in progressive pool
and a prize to the most successful loser will
also be given. It need not be said that all
who are present will enjoy themselves.

All Oddfellows, their wives and
friends will be welcomed at the At
Home given by the Daughters of Re-
bekah in Oddfellows' Auditorium to-
night.

Every member of Court Hope, No.
924, A. O. F., is requested to meet
at the Lodge Room, over the Standard
Bank, on Saturday afternoon at 1.30,
to attend the Memorial Service in the
Opera House.

Members of all the city choirs and
directors are requested to meet at
Park St. Methodist School Room Fri-
day evening at 8 o'clock, to rehearse
for memorial service in Opera House
on Saturday.

The death took place yesterday of
Laura Smith, wife of Mr. Smith, Wel-
lington street. The funeral will take
place to-morrow afternoon to Maple
Leaf Cemetery.

NO DRUM WILL BEAT.

The 24th Regimental Band will not
parade on the occasion of the mem-
orial services on Saturday. Conductor
Harry C. Philp is in receipt of the
government militia order through
Lieut.-Col. Rankin, issued Jan. 22, on
the death of the Queen, to the effect
that "No bands will play or drums
beat until further orders," and de-
clares to act in accordance with the
spirit of them. The British war of-
fice has issued orders that bands tak-
ing part in the obsequies in old Lon-
don will then play, but are restricted
to the funeral marches of Chopin and
Beethoven only.

Too Many

Chamois Vests

We have more Chamois Vests and Chest Protectors, than we
want. The season is getting late and we want to sell them off.

To-morrow, Friday

We offer any Chamois Vest or Chest Protector at HALF PRICE,
One Day Only

A. I. McCall & Co.,

DRUGGISTS.
Phon 178. Night Sell.

RE RADIAL
RAILROAD.

P. D. McKellar Criticises the Re-
cent Action of the City
Council on This Matter.

Citizens Who Have Interested
Themselves in the Pro-
ject Should be Commend-
ed and Encouraged.

Chatham, Jan. 31, 1901.

To The Planet:
Dear Sir,—For some years the citi-
zens and press of Chatham have been
agitating for a radial electric railway
and sometimes it was announced
that capitalists were on the run for
Chatham to commence the immediate
construction of the road. Up to the
present they have failed to connect,
and even if they had arrived nothing
could have been done without a charter.
In all enterprises of this kind
known to me the first step has been
to procure a charter from the legis-
lature authorizing the undertaking,
then a survey of the line, showing
the estimated cost of the road, then
the collection of the statistics as to
the traffic upon which the road must
depend for running expenses, main-
tenance, interest on bonds and divid-
ends on stock. Having secured all
this you are then in a position to
make advances to "the man behind the
money bags" and undertake the dif-
ficult task of convincing him that you
are representing a profitable invest-
ment for his idle capital. If fortu-
nately you succeed in your mission, the
way on is smooth. "The capitalist
takes over the charter, forms his com-
pany, and proceeds to build the road,
and the promoter, having performed
his part retires into the background.
Knowing this to be the proper busi-
ness method of initiating the enter-
prise, securing a radial road for Chatham
a number of leading and influential
citizens held a meeting and decided
to become promoters of the scheme
and to pave the way for the intro-
duction of capital by procuring a charter
or by reviving the old Geo. C. Rankin
charter. It being agreed upon by
all parties to be made out of it by any
of the promoters, but in the event of
a capitalist being found willing to
construct the road, then the charter
should be transferred to him free from
all claims except the actual cash out-
lay for charter fee, advertising, sur-
veys, etc.

Any one would naturally suppose
that the disinterested action of these
gentlemen moving in the matter, not
from any selfish motive and without
the slightest hope of personal gain,
but inspired with the desire to
confer an important benefit upon the
City of Chatham and County of Kent
would meet not only with the com-
mendation of the length of the enter-
prise, but in fact I believe it
has done so with the one exception
of the Civic Council, who hasten to
spike the movement and for the
purpose of making a profit out of its
sale? If the aldermen are more pub-
lic spirited, more unselfish and dis-
interested than the men who have as-
sociated themselves for the purpose
of making a supreme effort to secure
a radial road for Chatham, why did
they not move in the matter and take
the necessary steps for securing a
charter and doing all things necessary
to attract the interest of capitalists
in the scheme? If the aldermen con-
sider themselves more honest, capable
and unselfish than the charter pro-
moters, there is still time for them
to come in and join the undertaking
and be in a position to keep a watch-
ful eye upon J. B. Rankin, et al, or if
they have any doubt as to the light in
which the citizens view the movement
towards obtaining a charter, a mass
meeting of citizens would probably
lighten them. Ald. Cowan thinks
three years too long to allow for the
commencement of the work.

As we are intimately acquainted with
the early history of the E. & H. Road, I
may remind Ald. Cowan that it required
over ten years of incessant negotiation and
active work to bring that enterprise to a
successful issue. Although large bonuses
had been voted in aid of the road, capital
was coy and hard to entice into the
scheme, and notwithstanding the suspicion
and doubt of capitalists, it at once became
one of the most profitable investments of
this continent, paying from the 6 to 15 per
cent on \$10,000 per mile besides pro-
viding for a large part of its equipment.
Viewing a radial road in the light of the
financial results yielded by the E. & H., it
is most reasonable to assume it will prove a
highly remunerative investment for the
capitalist.

But it is also wise to remember that capi-
talists are still built upon much the same
lines as in the days of the E. & H. promo-
tion. But there is hope in the knowledge
that there are more of them and more cap-
ital looking for investment, and if a united
and determined effort is made by the pro-

moters backed up by a solid support from
citizens and aldermen, we may look forward
to a speedy realization of the radial road
scheme.

P. D. McKELLAR.

AFTERNOON
DESPATCHES

MONARCHS ARRIVING.

Special to The Planet.
London Jan. 31.—The advance guard
of royal guests has already arrived for
the funeral pageant. The Kings of
Portugal and Greece, the Duke of
Sparta, the Crown Prince of Rouman-
ia and the Grand Duke of Baden are
here, and the King of the Belgians,
the Crown Prince of Denmark and
Sweden, Grand Duke Michael of Rus-
sia, the Duke of Aosta and Arch-Duke
Franz Ferdinand are expected within
the next 24 hours. Each royal guest
is entertained by the King.

PARIS PLAYHOUSE BURNS.

Special to The Planet.
Paris, Thursday, Jan. 31.—The The-
atre Robert Houdin is burning. The
minutes of the neighbouring houses are
put at risk owing to the delay in the
arrival of the fire brigade.

HAS DE WET GOT THERE?

Special to The Planet.
Cape Town, Jan. 31.—It is reported
unofficially that Gen. De Wet has en-
tered Cape Colony with a fairly
strong force.

FAST DAY IN CAPE TOWN.

Special to The Planet.
Cape Town, Jan. 31.—Governor Sir
Alfred Milner has proclaimed Satur-
day a solemn fast day. All public
business will be suspended.

NEWFOUNDLAND'S GOVERNOR.

Special to The Planet.
London, Jan. 31.—Sir Cavendish
Boyle, government secretary of Brit-
ish Guiana has been appointed Gov-
ernor of Newfoundland.

PEACE ENVOY SHOT.

(Special despatch to The Planet.)
Capetown, Jan. 31.—A Boer attack on the
Bokeburgines resulted in damages amount-
ing to \$300,000.

The commissioner at Kroonstadt reports
that Andries Wessels, one of the peace en-
voys, was shot at Klipfontein Jan. 28, by
order of Gen. Dewet.

DEATH IN A MINE.

(Special despatch to The Planet.)
Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 31.—An explosion of
gas occurred in the Fernwood mine, near
here, this morning, in which it is believed
a number of lives were lost. Two bodies so
badly mutilated that it was impossible to
identify them, have already been taken
from the mine. Ameliasburg and phys-
icians have been sent from here to the scene.
The mine is owned by the Erie Railroad
Co. and nearly all the men employed there
are Italians.

The identity of Andries Wessels can-
not be definitely established. Roberts,
July 4, reported that Methuen had
captured the commander of De Wet's
scouts, two other prisoners and, ac-
cording to the cable, Andries Wessels,
head of the Afrikaner Bond. It is
possible that Andries Wessels and
Andries Wessels are the same.

WILL LIKELY
CLOSE BARS.

Local Hotelmen Generally in
Favor of Unanimous Action
for Saturday,

Meeting Will Probably be Held to-mor-
row Night to Discuss the Proposal.

The local hotel proprietors will
probably meet to-morrow evening to
decide upon what action will be taken
relative to the closing of their bar
rooms and wine parlors on Saturday.

This morning The Planet interviewed
a number of the leading hotel men
and asked their intentions. It was
found, however, that they had not yet
decided upon any definite action.

"I will close with all my heart if
such is to be the concerted action of
the hotels," said Wm. R. Peck, prop-
rietor of the Hotel Rankin, "because
I think it a fitting and appropriate
action. Even should the others not
see fit to close, my blinds will remain
drawn during the day and the rooms
suitably draped."

Frank T. Merrill, proprietor of the
Hotel Merrill, said, "Yes, I would be
pleased to close if all the others will
do likewise. I think the occasion is
such that hotelmen should act with
all other merchants. And when I
close, our bar will remain closed, with
no side or back doors open."

The Garner, C. P. R. and other ho-
tels were also visited, but would make
no statement until such time as a
decision was arrived at.

Chatham's Greatest Store | C. Austin & Co. | Chatham's Cheapest Store

This Store Closed Saturday
Friday Will be Market Day

Railway Will Give Market Rates Friday

VERY SPECIAL
VALUES

For the last week of January 1901. A visit to our Staple De-
partment will convince you of the fact that the Merchandise
you buy here, is of the HIGHEST STANDARD QUALITY
and at moderate prices. Here are a few suggestive notes.

4 Patterns, fancy striped, real English Shirtings, nice colorings and good heavy quality, per yd.....	border, regular 15c., 17c. and 25c. values, clearing at per yd.....
12c.	12c.
9 New Patterns in novelty Dress Ging- hams, in dark colorings only, extra fine cloth, good washing colors at per yd.....	1 Piece special quality, navy serge for Boys' school clothes, values, per yd.
8c.	25c.
1 Piece each, Plain or Twilled Factory sheeting, nice firm cloth, clear color, 8-4 width, per yd.....	1 Piece dark gray mix tweed, suitable for Boys' wear, at per yd.....
15c.	25c.
About 20 pieces fancy American Wrap- perettes, in beautiful colorings and nice fine material, per yd.....	2 Pieces, dark Halifax Tweed, fancy weave, regular 35c. quality, special for per yd.....
12c.	30c.
5 Pieces, English Wrapperettes, in black and red only, extra heavy, reversible patterns, wide cloth, per yd.....	New American Indigo wrapper prints, choice patterns, good washing colors as everyone knows, at per yd 5c. and
10c.	10c.
3 Pieces dark striped Oxford, for Shirts or Arpons, very special, per yd....	3 Pieces Scotch shirting, Flannellette, light fancy stripes, fine quality, looks just like all wool, special per yd.....
8c.	12 1/2c.
5 Pieces Flannellette skirting with fancy	5 Dozen Huck Towels, hemmed ends, fancy red border, regular 10c. goods, special at 3.....
	25c.

Chatham's Clothing Centre.

Chatham's Clothing Centre!

The Busy Store on The Busy Corner
Cheapest In Chatham
BETWEEN SEASON BIDS

It's the season of the year when the task of making invit-
ing bids for your trade is not an easy one, but this store is al-
ways prepared with something to bring out shoppers and stimu-
late trade. We'll just give you a few hints of what's here at
your service at this present time. Let us add that the whole
store calls you, and that in one department or another you'll find
something you want.

Men's Fur Coats at
Reduced Prices to Clear

Men's Black Rocky Bear Coats, well made and quilted lining. Reduced to.....	\$14.50
Men's Black Wallaby Fur Coats, well made and quilted lining. Reduced to.....	\$15.00
Men's American Dog Fur Coats, well made, nice dark colors. Reduced to.....	\$15.50
Men's Calf Skin Fur Coats, well made. Reduced to.....	\$19.50

Great Buying Chances
On Men's Overcoats

We still show a good selection at special
clearing prices. Note the following list of
prices, then come and see for yourselves.

Men's Beaver Dress Overcoats, sold regularly at \$6.00, now for.....	\$4.50
Men's Beaver Dress Overcoats, sold regularly at \$8.00, now for.....	\$6.50
Men's President Cloth Overcoats, sold regular- ly at \$9.50, now for.....	\$7.50
Men's Grey Cheviot Overcoats, sold regularly at \$10.00, now for.....	\$7.50
Men's Imported Beaver Overcoats, black and blue, sold regularly for \$12.00, now for....	\$10.00

Men's Storm Proof Reef-
ers at Ridiculous Prices

It will pay you to invest your money now
if you don't need it till next season

Men's Heavy Storm Proof Ulsters, made from good furs, regular \$5.00 coats, now.....	\$3.95
Men's All Wool Proof Ulsters, made from good heavy furs, regular \$6.50 coats, now.....	\$5.00
Men's All Wool Proof Ulsters, made from fine furs, regular \$8.00 and \$9.00 coats, now	\$6.50

C. Austin & Co.

Time and Money

Cannot bring you better clothes than we're turning out
every day. Our experience, the high grade of all the
material we use and the personal supervision which we
give to every order, help us to give the customer the
satisfaction that we feel he is entitled to.

Morley & Co.

Leading
Tailors

Bitter Oranges

For marmalade making. The bitter oranges we have this season are good sized and have a nice smooth skin. They are not good for anything else, but they make delicious marmalade.

VALENCIA ORANGES,
20c a dozen.
FINE LEMONS,
20c a dozen.

H. Malcolmson

LOTS FOR SALE.

Lots for sale on King street West, opposite St. Joseph's Hospital. Granite side walks, good sewer, city water, gas, right up to this property. These lots will be sold on favorable terms. Will sell two five acre lots or factory sites on C. P. R.
D. JORDAN.
Chatham.

FARM FOR SALE.

Farm for sale, being lot 2, Con 7, township of Raleigh, 100 acres, 25 acres fall ploughing, nine acres of wheat, all cleared and fenced, young orchard, frame house, frame barn and granary, good bored well. On stage road about half a mile from village. Possession given at once.
For further particulars apply on premises, or address.
SPENCER NEWMAN,
Fletcher.

FARM FOR SALE.

I have several improved farms for sale on most favorable terms at about half the price similar lands would bring in Kent or Eastern counties, and near a better market.
Near Belle River station, on Grand Trunk Railway, a well built eighty acre lot, and one of 240 acres; also one of 145 acres eight miles from Windsor, extending from Tecumseh Station to Lake St. Clair, with soil of the best. The last two are so situated as to be readily subdivided into two or more farms and would sell in bulk or in parcels to suit purchasers. For particulars, address:
F. R. BOUTWELL,
Belle River, Ont.
Jan. 29, 1901.

...Reasons Why...

St. Thomas Business College

has become such a popular business training institution:
1. Because our courses of instruction are thorough and practical.
2. Because our teachers are thoroughly trained and employ only the latest and most logical methods of instruction.
3. Because our standard of graduation is the very highest.
4. Because business men have confidence in our graduates.
5. Because we offer no bribes, and make no promises that we cannot keep.
6. Because we do not offer to teach you by mail. Such a system is a fraud and is used only to get at your pocket.

As a result of the thorough work done in this college during the last two years our attendance has been more than doubled. Our new premises are the finest in Ontario.
Catalogue free.
H. T. GOUGH,
Principal.

St. Thomas, Ont.

WANTED—Capable, reliable person in every county to represent large company of solid financial reputation; \$950 salary per year, payable weekly; \$3 per day absolutely sure and all expenses; straight, bonafide, definite salary, no commission; salary paid each Saturday and expense money advanced each week. **STANDARD HOUSE**, 334 Dearborn St., Chicago.

.....Hardware

.....Specialties

Electro Plate,
Knives,
Children's Sets,
Table, Dessert and
Pocket Cutlery.

Table and Dessert
Forks and Spoons,
Fest Forks and
Solid Forks
A Large Assortment
Of Scissors.

John A. Nortons' Hardware Store
King Street.

HONORED FR. SOLANUS.

The Local Superior of St. Joseph's Tendered a High Clerical Appointment.

Will be Created Reverend Secretary To the Apostolic Delegate.

Rev. Father Francis Solanus, O. S. F., pastor of St. Joseph's Church, city, has been offered the appointment of secretary to the apostolic delegate.
This is an exceedingly high honor and the probabilities are that Father Solanus will accept. He will be able to tender his decision on Sunday when the Bishop will be in the city.

Rev. Father Solanus has been the Superior of St. Joseph's Church for nearly four years past. During his pastorate here the reverend father has endeavored himself to his congregation by his earnest efforts on their behalf and the church has made great progress, both spiritual and material.

FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

Schedule of Forthcoming Meetings of This Busy Organization.

Speakers Who Will This Year Deliver Lectures on Important Subjects.

Very important farmers' meetings will be held at Dover Centre Hall, Feb. 13, 1901, and at Union Hall, Raleigh, Feb. 14, 1901.

The speakers advertised are all practical and successful farmers and stock raisers.

The Farmers' Institutes are doing good work in getting farmers of each neighborhood to discuss among themselves matters pertaining to their own business. To be successful in farming as in all other lines of industry it is necessary to have co-operation and the mutual exchange of ideas. Methods of farming have entirely changed within a few years. The active brain must now be associated with the strong arm if genuine success is to be achieved. The farmer of to-day must read, must apply scientific principles to his work, must keep an account of everything he buys and sells, must weed out the unprofitable animals of his herd, must recognize and destroy the pestilent weeds before they take possession of his fields, must in fact keep wide-awake and on the alert, or he will get left in the race.

Let every farmer attend the Institute meetings nearest his home, and while there look sharply after every bit of information that might help him in his work.

W. C. Shearer, of Bright, will this year address the meetings in this district. He was formerly a grain grower, but when prices dropped he changed to dairying, believing it would be better to sell the product than to have it go to the market. He is now one of the most successful dairymen in Western Ontario, and never sells a pound of butter for less than 20 cents per pound for the year round. He is also a practical hog feeder, and in fact talks pigs, cows and poultry for profit, from practical experience.

Mr. F. A. Sheppard has a wide knowledge of all matters pertaining to fruit and fruit culture. Living as he does on the Niagara River and having not only large fruit interests himself, but being closely in touch with this great industry, he has become an authority on the subject of packing and transportation of fruit. His talks on "Soil Moisture," "Spraying," "Planting and care of orchard," "Grafting," etc., are all practical and backed up by years of experience.

THREE EXCURSIONS TO WASHINGTON, D. C.

Via Lehigh Valley Railroad, Feb. 7th, April 4th, and May 14th. Tickets good to return within ten days. Good for stop off at Philadelphia and Baltimore. Tickets only \$10 for the round trip from Suspension Bridge. Trains leave Suspension Bridge at 7:30 a. m., 3:00, 6:50 and 9:00 p. m. Pullman evening train from Buffalo to Philadelphia. For tickets and Pullman accommodation call on or address Robert S. Lewis, Canadian Passenger Agent, 33 Yonge Street, Board Trade Building, Toronto.

The best that money can buy should be your aim in choosing a medicine, and this is Hood's Scurvy Pills. It cures when others fail.

LOCAL BRIEFS

J. B. Rankin, K. C., is in Toronto on legal business.

Fred Trudell was somewhat better this morning.

John S. Fraser, of Wallaceburg, is in the city to-day.

A. H. Dalziel, of Windsor, is a Chatham visitor to-day.

Mrs. Worth, of Kent Bridge, was in the city yesterday.

C. Stevens, Adelaide street, is seriously ill with la grippe.

Chas. Mount, William street, is seriously ill with la grippe.

The Lake Erie Railroad have put in a flag station at Richardson.

Foreman Pritchard will resume his duties at the fire hall on Sunday.

Geo. Keys left this morning for Detroit, where he will have a future residence.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. O'Leary, of Wallaceburg, were Chatham visitors yesterday.

Mrs. S. Tillson and daughter, Erie, have returned from visiting friends in Detroit.

Mrs. John Sawyer, Emma street, is recovering from a severe attack of la grippe.

Miss M. Freyelle, of London, is the guest of Miss A. Bauregard and Mrs. F. A. Robert.

Mrs. Thomas Guttridge was able to leave the General Hospital yesterday afternoon.

Wm. Primeau, clerk in Austin's dry goods store, was taken suddenly ill yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Gant, Wellington St., entertained a number of friends last evening.

Fred. Bogart left on Monday for the Georgian Bay district, where he will in future reside.

John Sawyer was at Walkerville on Friday last, and saw the explosion in the match factory.

Miss Gertha Bennett and Miss Lou Anger, of Blenheim, were Maple City visitors yesterday.

R. A. Hughes, inspector of weights and measures, is on an inspecting trip in Amherstburg and vicinity.

John McKee, traveller for Wm. Gray & Sons, has returned from a business trip in Essex county.

Mrs. R. A. Hughes left this morning for an extended visit to friends in Detroit and other western points.

The city hockey team will go to Watford on the 6th of next month to play a game with the team of that place.

Joe McGee, of Bothwell, arrived in this city on Sunday, having accepted a position with Wm. Gray & Sons, of this city.

The special committee of the Public School Board will meet this evening to deal with the applications for the entrance examinations.

In the Windsor curling match, Dr. Bray's rink made 18 shots to Grand Rapids' 15, 20, as reported in last night's Planet.

The Mission Circle of the William St. Baptist Church will meet tomorrow in the church at 3 o'clock sharp, instead of Tuesday next.

The many friends of T. O'Rourke, book-keeper at Kent Bros. & Co., are pleased to see him able to resume work after his illness.

Robert Gray, of the firm of Wm. Gray & Sons, left yesterday for Chicago, where he will attend the Carriage Dealers' exposition.

The S. Hadley Lumber Co. have men to-day engaged working on the late Athletic Park grand stand, the intention is to use it as a store house.

John McDermott and sister, of Toronto, are through the city yesterday en route for Dresden, where their sister, Miss Cora Madison, is seriously ill.

General Agent Tillson, of the Lake Erie, has received word that Saturday, Feb. 2, will be observed as memorial day by the employees of the road and all business will be suspended.

The Macaulay Club will hold a "Victoria Memorial meeting" on Saturday, Feb. 2. Each member has been asked to prepare an address on Queen Victoria and the Victorian era.

Ed. Mead, of Co. B, of the 9th Batt. of the American army, is a son of the late Robert Mead, of Kent Bridge. Mr. Mead was discharged, owing to being sick with fever, and draws a pension.

The 9th Batt. was the first to set foot on Spanish soil.

CLOSE ON SATURDAY.

"The way I look at it is this," said Mayor Sumner last evening. "There isn't a merchant in the city that doesn't owe one day's business to the Queen, and I would like to see every store in the city shut up."

CHATHAMITE PROMOTED.

At noon to-day Horace Davis, of the Grand Trunk Freight Department, left for Niagara Falls, whither he has been transferred, to assume his new duties. Mr. Davis will be much missed in the Maple City, more especially in musical circles. He was a valued member of the First Presbyterian church choir, and as a soloist was very popular. Mr. Davis is accompanied by the best wishes of many friends here.

DIED THIS MORNING.

At three o'clock this morning there passed away, at her late residence, River road, Dover, Mrs. Patrick McGavin, in her 43rd year, after an illness extending over eight months.

The deceased was a daughter of the late Thomas Broder, of Chatham (p), and leaves three children, two girls and a boy, to mourn her loss. The funeral will take place on Saturday afternoon at two o'clock, to Maple Leaf Cemetery.

DEATH OF MRS. MCKELLAR.

The death took place in Hamilton on Tuesday, of Mrs. Catherine McKellar, widow of the late Sheriff Archibald McKellar, and daughter of Judge Powell, one of Canada's early settlers.

The deceased was 82 years of age, and was staying at the residence of her daughter at the time of her death. She was a Mrs. Moore previous to her marriage to the late Sheriff McKellar, and leaves two children by her first marriage, Mrs. Herbert M. Morton, of Hamilton, and Lawrence McKellar, of Chatham, and a son, McKellar, near Chatham, for four years, from 1873 to 1877.

THE GORDON STORE!

THE GORDON STORE!

Inventory Bargains!

5 only Ladies' Light Fawn Newmarkets, Satin lined, Regular Price \$25.00 each, for \$10.00

2 only Seal Plush Jackets, sizes 32 and 34 (new this month), Regular Value \$15.00, for \$10.00

2 only Electric Seal Jackets, sizes 34 and 36, Regular Value \$25.00, for \$15.00

Balance of Electric Seal Jackets

Were \$35.00, \$36.00 and \$40.00 each, for \$30.00

Ladies' Muffs at 80c, \$1.00, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.50. All Bargains.

Ladies' Fur Lined Capes \$8.75, \$9.00 and \$13.00

WILLIAM GORDON.

FIRE INSURANCE!!!

We are agents for a line of good fire insurance companies who have full deposit with the government and with undoubted security to policy holders.
If you are thinking of putting on any fire insurance, kindly call and get our rates, which we know will be more than satisfactory to all who are seeking insurance.

Fetterly & Brice, Agents
113 King St. W., C. P. R. Bldg.

1,050 REGISTERED, SIX DISCHARGED.

Remarkable Record of Chattel Mortgages in Kent County

It Appears That Negligence in Some Cases May Cause Trouble.

James Holmes, clerk of the county court for Kent, has completed the preparation of his annual report of chattel mortgage business done in the county during the year 1900.

A remarkable thing shown by the report is that although there were 1,050 chattel mortgages registered during the year, only six of the mortgages were discharged. In excess of the number shown by the books and there may be trouble some time over this.

For instance a man will pay the mortgage and receive a receipt, stating that the money has been paid over. Then both parties dismiss the subject from their minds. It does not appear on the county clerk's books that the loan has been liquidated and if any person wishes to ascertain the fact, he would have to go to the parties interested. This is not according to the spirit of the act, as the covenant entered into is binding until a discharge is applied for to the county clerk. Should the mortgagor be unscrupulous enough, he could again collect on the mortgage, if the other party did not have sufficient proof that he had paid it, and even if the latter would be large court costs. All this could be prevented if they would only obey the law and ask for their discharges in the proper way.

Notes 25c to secure a discharge and, by having the payment of the mortgage noted in the crown books, the parties to the transaction save 25c.

THE BUTCHERS WILL CLOSE.

We, the undersigned butchers of the City of Chatham, agree to close our shops on Saturday, the 2nd Feb., the day appointed for the funeral of our late Queen, said shops to remain closed from evening of Friday, 1st, until Monday, 4th Feb.

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Thos. M. Edmondson.
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W. J. Ford.
Fred. Goodland.
Ed. Harwood.
E. Putnam.
John Hals.
Frank Halliman.
W. E. Smith.
C. J. Clifford.

These shops will be open until 11 o'clock Friday night.

The only butcher who refused to sign the petition was D. Pelotte, Queen St.

JAPANESE KILLED.

Special to The Planet.

Ten Tsin, Jan. 31. — While troops were engaged in destroying the Chinese gunpowder works, at Shan-Hsi-Kwan last Thursday an explosion occurred, killing from 30 to 40 Japanese.

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Battle Of Mammoths.

Indian Legend of a Mighty Contest
In Kentucky.



MAMMOTH BATTLE AT BIG BONE SPRINGS. Testaments were huge mammoths and mastodons on one side, lightning and the wrath of an Indian deity on the other. All that is left to tell the terrible story is the huge bones that have been excavated near Big Bone Springs, Boone county, Ky.

The story, as told by the old Indian chief, is a thrilling one. When General William Henry Harrison, grandfather of the present ex-President Harrison, had the Great Spirit rested while he shot his thunderbolts into the herds of mammoths. The bottom of the valley, now comparatively dry, was once a quagmire of blue clay and sulphur water, and it is here, within a radius of half a mile, that the great relics were found that gave to the town its name. And it is here that numberless strange bones of long dead and extinct animals still lie, not many feet below the soil.

Although there are signs which might point to this valley being discovered by the French long ago, the first known white man to penetrate to the spot was James Marshall, who came there in 1773. He found many bones of the mammoth and those also of strange smaller animals, a swamp some 100 acres square being live made the framework of his tent with immense rib bones nine and ten feet long, which he picked up and drove into the earth. Marshall also found the traces of paths leading to the springs, which were probably made by extinct animals that sought them, attracted thither by the saltiness of the water.

Lightning Photographed. This photograph is the most remarkable ever taken, says the Boston Globe, for it shows a lightning flash which struck the foremast of the British ship Racer at midnight during one of the recent thunderstorms. The snap shot was



SHIP STRUCK BY LIGHTNING.

taken at exactly the right moment and is a unique specimen of the photography of lightning flashes. The flash was carried off harmlessly by the lightning conductor that runs up the mast. The Racer was at the time lying at anchor in Dartmouth harbor, the hills and the shipping around standing out for a moment clearly defined in the glare of the lightning. The photograph is regarded by United States weather officials as the most interesting photograph extant of the heavenly artillery in action.

Madame and the Lobster.

An amusing case came before the police in Paris when a dealer in fish was summoned by a Mme. Angelo, who claimed 30 francs damages for the injury caused to her nose by one of the defendant's lobsters.

The plaintiff had gone to the market, and, taking up a lobster from the stall, told it down again, saying it was not fresh. The fishwife protested that it was alive, madame to the contrary, so to satisfy herself the latter seized her nose so it, when the lobster applied hold of that organ and held it fast. Mme. Angelo screamed for assistance, but the dealer and her companions were so overcome with laughter that it was some time before the nose of the lady could be released.

The fish woman, in her defense, said she was not to blame, as the mischief was caused by Mme. Angelo putting the lobster so near her face when she was told it was living. The law taking the same view of the case, the complaint was dismissed, the plaintiff to pay the costs. —Stray Stories.

PLEASANT PRISONS.

THE SPECIAL ONES IN THE ENGLISH PARLIAMENT.

They are intended Particularly For Members and Other Persons Who Violate Parliament's Own Dignity, Rules and Customs.

Few persons are aware that England's parliament has its own special prisons within its own precincts which are intended particularly for its own members and persons who violate its own dignity, rules and customs. Of course these prisons seldom are used now, but they have been in the past, and not so very long ago, and may be again. The house of commons has another set and the house of lords another.

The commons prison is a little way up in the Clock Tower. Here are two sets of prisons, intended only for the accommodation of one prisoner each, one set being a little higher up in the tower than the other. Each set consists of a sitting room and two bedrooms, the former being a nice, comfortable room about three by five yards, with a neat carpet and chairs good enough for anybody. The extra bedroom is not intended for the prisoner or for any friends whom he might desire to put up for the night, but is the sleeping apartment of the official who looks after him during his incarceration. This man is usually the supervisor of badge messengers, and, besides looking after his man, he is also his servant for the time being, and waits upon him just like any other. He never

upon the question of the possibilities of the prisoner's escape, for the sergeant-at-arms is responsible, and inasmuch as the only way of getting to and from the prison is by way of this sergeant's house and through it, the risk of such a thing ever happening is practically prohibitive.

While he is there the prisoner really has a good time. No restrictions as to hours are placed upon him, and he may rouse himself from his slumbers just when he feels most inclined and return to them in the same way. Practically the only thing he cannot do is to walk about outside just as he pleases, but he is permitted to take an hour and a half's exercise each morning on the terrace of the house, and the terrace, broad and long and with its splendid outlook upon the river, is by no means a bad place to take exercise. If he were left entirely unguarded, the prisoner might dive into the river and swim away, or what would be simpler, half a passing boat. So, just for precaution's sake, a couple of officers accompany him while he takes these breaths of fresh air.

He goes on Sunday to the church in Vincent square, and on these occasions also he has a couple of innocent-looking attendants.

Moreover, there is no question of so many ounces of bread and meat, but if he has the money to pay for it he may feed himself upon the choicest viands that the most cultured palate could suggest. The house of commons has a first class restaurant, where the hungry M. P. may dine as well as he could anywhere in London. Each day the dishes which the kitchen has prepared are indicated on a menu which is brought up to the prisoner, and he ticks off anything for which he feels a fancy, and it is brought to him. The only drawback from his point of view is that the bill is presented to him just as it would be anywhere else, and in the event of his refusing to pay up he would eventually be served with a court summons.

Among the occupants of the Clock Tower have been the late Charles Bradlaugh, who found himself consigned thither on account of a little difference with Mr. Speaker on the subject of the parliamentary oath. When Northampton returned Mr. Bradlaugh to parliament, he was not allowed to take the oath nor the substituted process known as affirmation. Mr. Bradlaugh, however, secured a New Testament and took a self-administered oath, after which he proceeded to the next step of signing the roll. He refused to withdraw when the speaker requested him to do so, and consequently the sergeant-at-arms took charge of him, and to the Clock Tower prison he went.

When the erection of the Tower bridge was being considered, a statement was made that the Tower bridge bill committee was subject to bribery and corruption—a serious charge. The men responsible for it were pronounced to have committed a breach of privilege, for the house is very sensitive upon such matters, and the speaker issued a summons for their appearance. One of them, Mr. Ward, gave himself up without delay, and he got seven days in the Clock Tower prison. The other offender, after a little delay, was captured and was for a brief period housed at Newgate.

The first M. P. imprisoned in the present house of commons was W. Smith O'Brien. One day in 1846 he committed contempt of the house by declining to sit upon a certain committee. Consequently he was sent to prison during the few weeks that the committee deliberated. This time, however, he was not sent to the Clock Tower prison, which was not finished; but did his duration in the cellar of the house.

A Scotch Custom. Many parts of Scotland it used to be the custom to place on a man's tombstone the symbols of his trade. Thus a sugar cane would decorate the grave of a grocer; an ax and saw, with hammer and nails, would be found on that of a carpenter, an awl and a hammer on a shoemaker's grave, and so on.

The sorrow of yesterday is as nothing that of today is bearable; but that of tomorrow is gigantic, because it is distinct.

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St. Stephen, N.B.

Application to Parliament.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made by the Corporation of the Township of Tilbury West to the Legislature of the Province of Ontario at its next session, for an act to validate and confirm the report of Wm. Newman, Engineer for the Township of Tilbury West, dated the 15th February, A. D. 1897,

and all proceedings for the extending and otherwise improving Big Creek Drain, in the Township of Tilbury West and Tilbury North, and the By-laws, Assessments and Deed of Conveyance thereon or issued in pursuance thereof.

Wilson, Kerr & Pike,
Solicitors for Applicants.

Dated at Chatham,
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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at its next session for an Act to incorporate a Company, to be called "The Windsor, Essex, Lake Erie and Chatham Railway Company," to construct, maintain and operate a railway of either standard or narrow gauge and utilizing steam, electricity or other motive power, from a point in or near the City of Windsor, in the County of Essex, to a point in or near the Town of Leamington in the said county, and from the last mentioned point to a point in or near the City of Chatham, in the County of Kent. Also, to construct and own wharves, piers, docks and landing places, and to acquire, own and operate steamers, barges, ferries and other vessels in connection with such railway. Also, to construct and operate telegraph and telephone lines in connection with said railway, together with such other powers and privileges as may be necessary for the attainment of the object for which incorporation is sought.

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Solicitors for Applicants.
Windsor, the 17th day of December, 1900.

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THE YOUNG MAN'S BEARD.

If It Be Feeble and Scarce, He Has Cause to Rejoice.

All human beings past the age of 4 carry with them some secret sorrow. Even young babies have secret sorrows sometimes. These take the form of a safety pin that is not safe, or of a nurse all smiles and affection when parents are around, but inclined to scold and slap at night.

One very common sorrow we propose to uproot. This is the sorrow of the young man whose beard, feeble and scarce, is like the down on dusty soles.

How often have you noticed such a young man pulling saffly and bitterly at the mustache that will not grow? How often have you felt sorry for the young clergyman tugging at pale side whiskers barely visible? Verily, "the heart knoweth his own bitterness."

Our mission today is to tell young men and clergymen that there is no more hopeless sign in all their make up than a faint and backward growth of beard.

Feebleness of beard indicates that the man has ahead of him progress, mental and physical. It indicates that he has not seen his best day or full development, that he can wisely hope for better things later on.

On the contrary, the man whose face, shaved, looks like a very dark slice of castle soap, the young man who prides himself on a nutmeg grater chin, has in all probability seen the limit of his development. This is sad, but it is true, and we have got to say it, for we are truth tellers in ordinary to the American young man.

If you doubt what we tell you, investigate for yourselves. Study pictures of great men at 30 or 35—you find that their beard, even at that age, is often nothing more than a promise.

You see, we are all related, in physical make up at least, to the animal kingdom. Throughout that kingdom outward signs indicate full maturity. The lion's mane, the lion's tushes, the peacock's tail feathers—these correspond to the beard in man and indicate the state of development which each animal has attained. The state of your beard measures your development, and there is nothing to be more thankful for than slow development. The better the creature the slower its growth. At 6 weeks of age the cabbage stalk surpasses the oak, but at the end of a hundred years, when the oak defies the storm, where is your cabbage?

If you try hard, you may find imaginary exceptions to this rule. Perhaps you'll say that Napoleon had a beard as stiff as that of a walrus almost before he was out of his teens.

True, but he was fully developed almost before he was out of his teens. He was a great military genius at 20, and his full development and full beard came early. But his career ended early. His predecessor, Caesar, had practically no beard at all, just a few hairs here and there, but he lasted longer than Napoleon and could have gone on indefinitely if his friends had not murdered him.

In all truth remarks on young men there resides of course a usual lesson of some kind for young women.

Here is the lesson for young women: Don't despise your young man because his mustache is sickly.

If you are wise, you will tell the young man to shave, since all beard is an abomination. But if you belong to the primitive female type which demands hair on the man's face make the best of what there is there.

You want your young man to develop. If you get him with a thick mustache, he will never be much better than at present, and you will probably have to let that magnificent mustache take the place of mental growth and future glory.—Ne

A Hopeless Case.
A cab driver had been driving a cab for four years and got a little more weary looking every day.

"I can't stand it no longer," he said at last. "I ain't a-going to have any more women finding fault and claiming that they didn't have courteous treatment."

There was a woman standing at the next corner. Instead of the customary "Cab, ma'am?" he stopped his horse, dismounted from his perch, and going toward the curbstone, lifted his hat and inquired:

"Do you propose making use of this vehicle today?"

"Sir!" she said in tones of astonishment.

"Do you wish to ride in this cab? If so, I will gladly escort you to it. I aim to please."

"Well, I never heard such impertinence," she stammered. "I did intend riding in your cab, but I shall certainly wait for the next. And you may expect a complaint from me at the police station concerning your conduct, sir."

He remounted the seat and pulled his hat down over his eyes.

"Tain't no use! Gee up!" was all he said.—London Tit-Bits.

Knox at the Door.
"Thomas Sexton," says Justin McCarthy, "who was for many years a member of the house of commons, had the reputation of being not only one of the greatest orators in the house, but also one of the wisest men in private conversation. One day, while I was still leader of the Irish National party, I was particularly anxious to get some information on a pressing subject before the house from Vesey Knox, who was then member for the Ulster city of Derry. I rushed from my seat in the debating chamber into the central lobby, where members often lounge and talk, and looked around for my friend. There I saw Sexton, and I went eagerly up to him and asked, 'Where can I find Knox?' 'There he is at the door,' replied Sexton. 'Knox naturally would be at the door.'"

The Profit in It.
A gentleman who was visiting one of the public schools in a Scotch town asked a bright looking boy:

"What profit is there in the study of ancient history?"

"About 15 pence, I suppose," was the reply.

"What?"

"Well, the teacher makes us buy the books from him, and we have to pay 3 shillings. I think he gets them for 18 pence apiece, so he has a clear profit of 15 pence, according to my calculation."

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The Foreman Store Talk

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These Linens are the best we could find and our search has been thorough. Those who visited this linen section recently say that these are the best values and the best designs that they have seen. Sometime extravagant language is used by merchants in describing their wares with printer's ink, but do not think us boastful when we say that these are the best linens that have ever found their way to this noted linen store.

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Bleached Table Linens, Double Damask, varying in widths from 56 inches to 84 inches, at per yard, from 90c to \$1.25

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Tray Cloths, Lunch Cloths, Damask Towels, Towelling, etc.....

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OUR ELECTRIC LIGHT PLANT.

Annual Report of the Superintendent Upon its Workings and Expenses.

Interesting Facts and Figures—An Extension of the Plant Recommended.

The text of Supt. Jones' annual report on the electric light plant, submitted to the City Council, will prove of decided interest to citizens and ratepayers. It is as follows:—

Chatham, Jan. 3, 1901.
To the Chairman and members of the Property Committee of the City of Chatham:

Gentlemen,—I have the honor of presenting to you my report on the electric light plant for the year 1900, commencing on the first day of December, 1899, and ending on the thirtieth day of November, 1900.

SUMMARY.
Of the cost of running the electric light plant for the year 1900.
Operating, \$3,918.52.
Maintenance, \$275.92.
Extension of plant, \$286.60.
Annual payment on debenture interest, \$1,153.14.
Total, \$5,634.28.

LIGHTS.
The lights were burning during the year 304 nights. The number of hours the lamps were burning, 2,222. Three new lamps were installed during the year: One on the corner of Selkirk street and Van Allen Ave., one on Wellington street, on the Market square, one on the corner of Edgar and Queen streets.

REPAIRS.
We made extensive repairs to the steam main from prior to engine, and to the brick work of the boiler furnace, beside many other minor repairs to the plant generally, costing altogether, \$275.92.

OPERATING.
Coal, 400,327 tons, \$1,324.37.
Oil, 36,000, \$479.55.
C. 1 bbl. of cylinder and freight, \$24.10.
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One tin Albany Compound, (grease) \$2.50.
Waste (cotton) 80 1-2 lbs., \$5.47.
Gloves (glass) 84, \$45.79.
Brushes for dynamos, \$11.41.

Packing for engine and boiler, \$13.01.
Incidentals, tools, stock, etc., \$290.16.
Salaries, Supt., \$266.60.
Salaries, Engineer, \$600.
Salaries, Fireman, \$120.
Salaries, Linemen, \$890.

Total, \$3,918.52.
Maintenance, \$275.92.
Grand total, \$4,194.54.

The cost of the lights, based upon the above maintenance on operating:
Number of lights in use, 110.
Number of nights the lamps were burning, 304.

The cost of each lamp per annum, \$8.12-10.
The cost of each lamp per night, \$0.0212-1-2.

Maintenance and operating, \$4,194.54.
Annual payment debentures \$1,153.14.
Total, \$5,347.68.

The cost of the lights based upon the above amount:
Cost per lamp per year, \$48.61-1-2.
Cost per lamp per night \$0.0159-9.

Our lighting system is run on the moonlight schedule.

I would recommend to you the necessity of purchasing during the year either one new 50-light dynamo, or a new 50-light armature to fit one of the present dynamos, for if any of the dynamos from any cause should be disabled, the city on that particular circuit would be in darkness until the repairs could be made. In the event of the burning out of an armature three or four weeks may elapse before the repairs could be made and armature returned. I would also recommend the purchase of eight new lamps.

EXTENSION OF PLANT.
As the limit of power of our engine is nearly reached, I would advise that not more than ten additional lamps

be put in service. If more than this number of lamps are needed, some change will have to be made at the power house.

HORSE POWER OF ENGINE.

The electric light engine is now developing 73 1-3 indicated horse power, and consuming nearly five pounds of coal per horse power per hour, which is a fairly good showing when the quality of the coal is considered, it being a medium quality of bituminous coal. All of which is respectfully submitted.

E. B. JONES,
Supt. Chatham Electric Light Plant.

The cost of street lighting for the year 1896, when the city was lighted by the Gas Company, was \$4,289.04 for 65 lights, the lighting was done on the moonlight schedule, running 280 nights during the year. The cost of each lamp per year was \$64.75. The cost of each lamp per night was \$0.023 1-4.

TILBURY.
Jan. 31.—A public meeting will be held in Anderson Hall on Tuesday, 5th Feb., at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of discussing flax culture and ascertaining how many acres of land can be secured for the growth of flax this year.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Richardson attended the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. George Morris, of Tilbury North yesterday.

Miss Edith Stewart returned yesterday from a two weeks' visit in Detroit.

Mrs. Dobson and Mrs. Strand returned to Aylmer to-day.

Dr. Sharp, Reeve, will visit Toronto to arrange to have the electric road, as well as to come into Tilbury.

The Daily Planet is on sale at Johnston's drug store.

BLLENHEIM.
Jan. 31.—James Buchanan, of the Goldie & McCullough Co., Galt, was in town yesterday on business.

All the business places will be closed on Saturday until 5 p. m.

Memorial services will be held in Trinity church on Saturday at 10.30 a. m.

A large number of our young people took in the band concert at the skating rink last night.

Geo. Bonnell is again able to attend to business after a two-weeks' illness.

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GLENWOOD.
Mrs. M. Gordon and Miss H. Estabrook spent Sunday in Tilbury.

Mrs. George Hillman, has been quite ill during the past week, but is now recovering.

The Sunday school held a memorial service in the Methodist church on Sunday last. The church was draped in black, and appropriate addresses were delivered.

Norman Foley, recently returned from Montana, visited his sister Mrs. W. Russ, here during his week.

Leo Barker, of Chatham, is spending a few weeks in the village.

JEANNETTE'S CREEK.
Frank Peck, Hiram Peck and Frank Barner have given in their names to be given positions on the South African Mounted Police.

James Peltier had a paralytic stroke last Monday morning.

Narcissus Dauphin is confined to his room from the effects of his load upsetting on him next. The matter has been referred to the Ontario Licensed Victuallers' Association, and the local members will be governed by the action of that body. It is likely, however, that the saloons will evince a sufficient respect and close up on the day of the Queen's funeral.—Hamilton Herald.

FINNIGAN'S BALL.
A slim house attended the Grand last evening on the occasion of the presentation of Finnigan's Ball, reputed to be a real funny farce comedy. The audience heard and enjoyed several excellent selections from the orchestra and saw some clever dancing by the Carleton sisters. Nothing else was noticed worth mentioning.

OLD LONDON TO CLOSE SHOP.
The World's Mercantile Metropolis Will Pause to Mourn on Saturday.

King Signs Proclamation Suspending Business Portugal's Monarch Will be Present at Funeral.

King Edward presided at a meeting of the Privy Council. The business transacted was of a formal character. The King signed a proclamation suspending business Saturday throughout the United Kingdom. The closing down will be so complete that even the restaurants and saloons will be shut up four or five hours in the middle of the day. Some of the afternoon newspapers will not be published Saturday.

RETURNED TO OSBORNE.
Crown, Isle of Wight, Jan. 30.—King Edward arrived here soon after four o'clock. Count Von Eulenberg, Emperor William's grand court marshal, accompanied him. A large crowd of spectators was present.

PORTUGAL'S KING PRESENT.
London, Jan. 30.—King Carlos I. of Portugal, with his suite, arrived at Dover at 10 o'clock this morning. He was received with a royal salute and military honors. The royal party boarded a train for London.

THROW IN LONDON.
Londoners are just awakening to the full proportion of the obscenity and the result of the days of mourning which to numerous tradesmen and others means absolute closure, is causing consternation. Suddenly to stop every industry in the United Kingdom and to turn the masses into the streets, with millions hoping to concentrate along the two miles of the route of the procession is an undertaking which has begun to be fully appreciated by the police, but the public of London is dismayed that all the great markets—Covent Garden, Smithfield and others, where the food of the metropolis is supplied, are to be absolutely closed at the end of the week. Railways of the United Kingdom will reduce their arrangements to the Sunday schedule. Restaurants and bars will be shut, and the crowds will have to wander in the streets from hand to hand, and the closing of the accustomed avenues for the supply and distribution of food, drink, amusement, from Friday to Monday will mean a loss that no city would appreciate.

Newspapers are protesting against the lack of arrangements for the press in London and Windsor, while housewives are already being asked a year's rent this evening for single windows. A member of the United States Embassy sent an agent to secure a window for his family, but neither official influence nor anything else could procure a small window even on a side street near St. James street for less than £100.

Placed in the hands of the family, but all the millionaires London learned last year how totally inadequate the police and fire forces are to protect, and the apprehensions of Saturday's crush are enough to appal Londoners, but apparently the considerations do not deter thousands from flocking to the metropolis.

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OLD LONDON TO CLOSE SHOP.

The World's Mercantile Metropolis Will Pause to Mourn on Saturday.

King Signs Proclamation Suspending Business Portugal's Monarch Will be Present at Funeral.

King Edward presided at a meeting of the Privy Council. The business transacted was of a formal character. The King signed a proclamation suspending business Saturday throughout the United Kingdom. The closing down will be so complete that even the restaurants and saloons will be shut up four or five hours in the middle of the day. Some of the afternoon newspapers will not be published Saturday.

RETURNED TO OSBORNE.
Crown, Isle of Wight, Jan. 30.—King Edward arrived here soon after four o'clock. Count Von Eulenberg, Emperor William's grand court marshal, accompanied him. A large crowd of spectators was present.

PORTUGAL'S KING PRESENT.
London, Jan. 30.—King Carlos I. of Portugal, with his suite, arrived at Dover at 10 o'clock this morning. He was received with a royal salute and military honors. The royal party boarded a train for London.

THROW IN LONDON.
Londoners are just awakening to the full proportion of the obscenity and the result of the days of mourning which to numerous tradesmen and others means absolute closure, is causing consternation. Suddenly to stop every industry in the United Kingdom and to turn the masses into the streets, with millions hoping to concentrate along the two miles of the route of the procession is an undertaking which has begun to be fully appreciated by the police, but the public of London is dismayed that all the great markets—Covent Garden, Smithfield and others, where the food of the metropolis is supplied, are to be absolutely closed at the end of the week. Railways of the United Kingdom will reduce their arrangements to the Sunday schedule. Restaurants and bars will be shut, and the crowds will have to wander in the streets from hand to hand, and the closing of the accustomed avenues for the supply and distribution of food, drink, amusement, from Friday to Monday will mean a loss that no city would appreciate.

Newspapers are protesting against the lack of arrangements for the press in London and Windsor, while housewives are already being asked a year's rent this evening for single windows. A member of the United States Embassy sent an agent to secure a window for his family, but neither official influence nor anything else could procure a small window even on a side street near St. James street for less than £100.

Placed in the hands of the family, but all the millionaires London learned last year how totally inadequate the police and fire forces are to protect, and the apprehensions of Saturday's crush are enough to appal Londoners, but apparently the considerations do not deter thousands from flocking to the metropolis.

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A NATIONAL SABBATH.

The issuance of a proclamation fixing Saturday, Feb. 2, as a day of mourning seems to have led to some confusion in the public mind. The proclamation does not enjoin that Saturday next shall be a public holiday, and the people are now wondering whether such is intended. As a result of enquiries made of the authorities at Ottawa, it can be stated that the proclamation involves a suspension of the ordinary everyday pursuits by the public. Queen Victoria, the head of the British Empire, is dead, and a day has been set apart upon which the people of the various parts of the Empire shall mourn her loss. The idea is that people shall devote themselves to religious exercises and in every way conduct themselves as though they were lamenting the demise of a member of their own families. A holiday was not specifically proclaimed because it suggests the seeking after pleasure or recreation, which obviously would be out of harmony with the object aimed at.

The Planet trusts that the Maple City will uniformly and unanimously observe the day so set apart.

A CAUSE OF HEADACHE.

One Very Common Cause, Generally Over-looked.

Headache is a symptom, an indication of derangement or disease in some organ, and the cause of the headache is difficult to locate because so many diseases have headache as a prominent symptom; derangement of the stomach and liver, heart trouble and kidney disease, lung trouble, eye strain or ill fitting glasses all produce headaches and if we could always locate the organ which is at fault the cure of obstinate headaches would be a much simpler matter.

However, for the form of headache called frontal headache, pain back of the eyes and in forehead, the cause is now known to be catarrh of the head and throat; when the headache is located in back of head and neck it is often caused from catarrh of the stomach or liver.

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THE BOARD SHOULD ACT.

"Another Citizen" Thinks the C. C. I. Authorities Should Institute Enquiries.

Claims There Are Strong Grounds of Complaint on the Method of Teaching Arithmetic Adopted.

To the Editor of The Planet:

Dear Sir.—In reference to the discussion carried on in the columns of The Planet, I would like to say a few words.

In the first place, I would like to compliment Another Pupil upon his clever letter, and the many way in which he exposed the methods employed in the use of text books in the Collegiate Institute.

Such facts as he presented to the public should be sufficient to cause every parent, sending children to the High School, to make a bodily protest against the use of unauthorized mathematical text books, but I suppose, according to the statement made by the chairman of the C. C. I. board, even such a forcible protest as this would not give them, as a board, any knowledge that the citizens had a grievance.

Can it be true, that, if any member of the High School board of trustees had any children in attendance at the C. C. I., and expressed before the board his strong disapproval of unauthorized books being used, that he would be informed by the board that he must get up a petition and formally present it to them, before they could consider they had any knowledge of his grievance, or take any steps to see whether such existed or not? Of course, no member of the trustees board has any children attending the C. C. I. they are probably not at all interested in what kind of books are used.

It is a fact, as Citizen says in his letter in Tuesday's Planet, that the people of Chatham have been living in ignorance all this time as to what the duties and responsibilities of the C. C. I. board of trustees were? I, too, thought they had some graver duty to perform than merely passing a few accounts and paying each other compliments. It is certainly time that they should wake up and realize that their position is one of great importance, and not merely an ornamental one. The educational welfare of coming generations depends upon the excellence of our schools, and they should see to it that the proper and authorized methods are employed in teaching the various subjects.

It will be a great benefit to the public at large when the time comes in which the High School boards are elected by the people, instead of being appointed by only a few.

ANOTHER CITIZEN.

TO CONTRACTORS.
Bulk and separate tenders will be received at the office of the undersigned architect up till 7 o'clock p. m. Friday, the 8th of February, 1901, for all trades required to erect certain additions and alterations to residence of John Downey, Esq., Township of Harwich. Plans to be seen at the office of the architect on and after Saturday, 26th of January.

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