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Half-Price Sale of Ladies' Jackets = = =

We placed on sale our stock of Ladies' Jackets at exactly half price. This includes all sizes from 32-inch bust up to 40-inch, and all the popular lengths, 27-inch, 36-inch and 43-inch. This is our extraordinary offering so early in the year. Seventy-five coats, from which to select.

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THE PROPOSAL FOR PEACE

Mr. Balfour's Evasive Reply Taken to Mean it had Come.

Rumor That the Cabinet Refused Last June to Consider Peace Proposals.

London, Jan. 23.—Mr. Balfour, the Government leader in the House of Commons, partially parried an interesting question put by Mr. McLaren (Liberal) as to whether any proposals in behalf of the leaders of the Boers, with the view of bringing about a settlement of the war, had been received by the government since the negotiations between Gen. Kitchener and Gen. Botha. No proposal of that kind," said Mr. Balfour, "has reached us on the part of any one able to speak for the leaders of the Boer forces."

The evasive reply of the government leader was taken to be a confirmation of the report that the proposals had been received from the Boer delegates in Europe, but had been rejected.

A LOBBY RUMOR.

London, Jan. 23.—It is rumored in the lobbies of the House of Commons that a Boer delegate from acting President Schalk-Burger, last June, saw Lord Rosebery, and submitted peace proposals to him. Lord Rosebery acquainted Lord Salisbury, the Premier, with this fact, but, according to the rumor, the cabinet declined to consider the matter, on the ground that the war was coming to an end with the unconditional surrender of the Boers.

BANQUET

Local Agents of London and Lancashire Life Entertain Many Guests.

J. W. Aitken and A. E. Wilson, the enterprising local agents of the London and Lancashire Life Insurance Co., entertained a number of citizens at an impromptu banquet, given in honor of the manager, B. Hal Brown, on Montreal, and his brother, the Superintendent of agencies, at the Hotel Garnet, last night—and this morning. Quite a large and representative gathering of citizens assembled at the festive board, and enjoyed an appetizing menu following which the toast list was honored, Mr. Aitken presiding. The addresses were all bright and appropriate.

His Majesty the King—National Anthem.

The Empire—J. H. Kerr and H. W. Anderson.

Canada—Rev. W. E. Knowles.

City of Chatham—Chas. Hadley, D. A. Gordon and Jas. Fleming.

The London & Lancashire Life Co.—B. Hal Brown, Montreal.

The Medical Profession—Dr. J. L. Bray, Dr. Holmes, Dr. Martin.

The Field Work of Insurance—Supt. Brown, Toronto.

Recitation—B. Hal Brown.

The Toast—J. W. Young.

The Agents—J. W. Aitken and A. E. Wilson.

Mr. Brown made a splendid address. He warmly eulogized Chatham its good people and progressive character. He also took occasion to warmly compliment Mr. Aitken, the local superintendent, and the splendid work he was doing.

The gathering broke up at an early hour—in the morning.

A FEW DAYS

It is Probable Miss Stone will be Released Within that Time.

London, Jan. 24.—The artist correspondent of the Graphic, who has been following the case of Miss Stone, the captive American missionary, telegraphs from Djournal Bala, Salonica, that the captives are now in Bulgaria, eight hours distant from the frontier. The correspondent of the Graphic says that M. Gargiulo, the dragoman of the American legation, at Constantinople, who is negotiating for Miss Stone's release, is convinced that owing to the strictness of the Turkish cordon, nobody can clandestinely cross the frontier. M. Gargiulo has, therefore, begged the American legation at Constantinople to ask the Porte to instruct Ibrahim Pasha to relax his vigilance so as to induce the brigands to bring the captives over the frontier. The correspondent concludes with saying that it is probable that Miss Stone and Mme. Talika will be free within a few days.

Most women's idea of an interesting man is one who will flatter them into insensibility or that they wouldn't like to have their daughters know.

WHY SCHEEPERS WAS EXECUTED

He had Been Convicted of Seven Cold-Blooded Murders.

The Flogging of a White Man and Other Offenses Against the Usages of War.

London, Jan. 23.—The War Secretary, Mr. Brodrick, was asked by William Redmond, Irish Nationalist, in the House of Commons to-day, why Commandant Scheepers, who was captured by General French in October last, was executed last Saturday at Graaff-Reinet, Cape Colony. The Secretary replied that Scheepers was shot because he had been convicted of various offenses against the usages of war, including seven cold-blooded murders and the flogging of a white man. Mr. Brodrick added that the fact that Commandant Scheepers was a prisoner of war carried no exemption from trial for murder or other violations of the rules of war.

MEDDLESOME TELLER AGAIN.

Washington, Jan. 23.—In the Senate, Mr. Teller, Colorado, to-day called up his resolution introduced yesterday providing for the intervention of the United States government in behalf of Commandant Scheepers, of the Boer army, sentenced to death by the British South African authorities. Mr. Teller said that since introducing the resolution, however, he had been informed that the death sentence upon Commandant Scheepers had been executed last Saturday. He had been criticised by senators, he added, for introducing the bill. "It is said," continued Mr. Teller, "that the resolution might be offensive to the government of Great Britain, but if the Geneva convention means anything, it means that we should intervene in such a case as this." Mr. Teller read the articles of the Geneva convention then applying to the case and said: "It was the business of this government to have ascertained the facts regarding this case and to have protested against this execution." In view of the execution of Commandant Scheepers, he asked that the resolution be postponed indefinitely, and it was so ordered.

QUITMAN KELLY IN JAIL.

Quitman Kelly, who wished to place a peculiar inscription on his father's headstone, was arrested yesterday by the Windsor police on complaint of his brother, Moses Kelly, who claims that Quitman threatened to "put him out of business" with an axe. Magistrate Bartlett bound him over to keep the peace, with two sureties of \$200 each, and as he could not secure bondmen he is still in jail.

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FRIDAY, JAN. 24.

“THE LITTLE TYCOON.”

To Mrs. John Cooper, who conceived the project, organized the company and directed the preparatory work; to Mr. William H. Brackin, who energetically trained and coached the chorus; to Mr. Harry C. Philip, who so ably and earnestly conducted the practice and entire production, and to all the ladies and gentlemen who contributed their services, The Planet tenders its sincere and hearty congratulations upon the unqualified success of last evening's presentation of the bright and fascinating opera, “The Little Tycoon.”

That the Maple City possesses the musical and histrionic accomplishment and ability that was evidenced last evening is a source of keen satisfaction and pride. That it was thoroughly appreciated by the people was evidenced in the magnificent patronage extended.

And the display of genius was not confined to the embryo artists. It was exhibited in the elaborate and graceful stage settings, the charming scenic effects, the electrical illuminations and the orchestral contributions. In none of these essentials was anything to be wanted.

To individualize or specialize in a production of this character would be superfluous. Every one did brilliantly and well and The Planet can only add its own encomiums to the many which fell from the mouths of a proud and delighted audience.

Well done!

CANADIAN DEVELOPMENT.

Mr. W. E. Baker, in a letter to the Montreal Star takes the view that one of the best possible services that Canadians can afford the British Empire is to establish on the sea coast yards equipped for steel shipbuilding. What he thinks is necessary would be plants which could build steamers capable of making 16 and 17 knots on the long run, not places for building battle-ships. The vessels he refers to can be utilized for cruisers in time of trouble.

It is quite true, as he says, that the Maritime provinces of Canada made great strides in ship-building during the time wooden shipping was good property. With such possibilities as the steel and iron development in Nova Scotia now give, there does not seem to be any good reason why the steel vessels, which have displaced the wooden to a large extent, should not be constructed in Nova Scotia.

He makes an urgent appeal on behalf of Sydney, Cape Breton, warning us in the upper provinces that we are driving trade to foreign ports by trying to keep it from the Canadian ports on the sea.

Mr. Edwin C. Burgess contributes to the Nineteenth Century an article entitled “A new route to Canada,” in which he claims that the trade of Canada, indeed our future population, depends upon our establishing a fast line of steamers between such a Canadian port and such a place on the British coast as will make practically the shortest possible journey between the Old World and the New. He points out the folly of Canada, nearer to Europe, with better sea ports, allowing their own trade to be carried to Europe through ports of the United States. He also enthusiastically advocates the claim of Sydney as the Canadian terminal.

The London Daily Express of recent date gives a similar strong endorsement of the proposed route from Cape Breton to Great Britain illustrating it by a map showing how thoroughly direct in line the Sydney route is from New York. The Express shows the location of the proposed bridge across the Straits of Canso, and argues that no company would think of expending some \$200,000 on a bridge to merely connect the Island of Cape Breton with the mainland. It is demonstrated that the journey between New York

and Liverpool by this route can be reduced fully a day and a half, while the trying sea voyage would be reduced two full days.

Thus three different authorities agree with the arguments which have to some extent before been advanced by correspondents of the press, and the tempting bait is held out to us of building up a great sea port in Canada which shall rival New York as a steamship terminus.

KRUGERISM AT HOME.

It seems that much of the calumny the British Empire suffers from in foreign countries originates within the Empire. This is notably exemplified by some investigation work which has recently been done by the London Daily Chronicle.

Mr. Maxwell, the Standard correspondent, in his spirited denunciation of this campaign of calumny had declared that the libels were manufactured in Germany. The Daily Chronicle has unquestionably tracked down the lying story of the maltreatment of the Boer women in the Irene camp to a leaflet printed in the United States by Charles D. Pierce, “Consul-General of the Orange Free State,” reproducing an interview with a certain Fred. La Velle which appeared in the Clarion Ledger of Jackson, Missouri, for May 14th, 1901.

On the back of these leaflets are anonymous letters, purporting to come from English people, ordering supplies of these documents, of which they had come to know “through the Stop-the-War Committee office in London,” or through the Pro-Boer journals. One of the leaflets prints a statement about Kitchener's “Hints to Kill Prisoners,” which is given on the authority of what purports to be an extract from a Pro-Boer newspaper in London.

The trail is followed up one stage further by a correspondent in Monday's Chronicle, who quotes from Mr. W. T. Stead's circular, “British Atrocities in South Africa,” issued on November 7th, 1900, a passage in which after charging the Government with inflicting death by famine, on women and children, asks: “Is cannibalism less awful than the enforced degradation of matron and maid, compelled by hunger, to submit to the extremity of shame in British camp and Kaffir kraal?” The “foul and filthy lies” are in their origin neither German nor American fabrication.

As we have before had occasion to point out, more damage is being done to our common country by those who simply are trying to embarrass the Government of England for party reasons, than by the paid work of foreign Krugerites.

THE SCHEEPERS CASE.

The following from the Detroit News shows that the spirit of fairness is not altogether departed from that recently pro-Boer publication. It has reference to the proposed intervention of the United States in the matter of the Scheepers Case, which was, of course, too late anyway.

The News says:
A plea for mercy is always justifiable and commendable. There is less warrant for making an argument against the system of justice in vogue in a neighboring government. Just at present a resolution is before congress suggesting that the United States interfere in the execution of Commandant Scheepers, who is sentenced to be shot on Saturday next. The resolution suggests that he be treated according to the usage of warfare, which implies an accusation that the British army has departed from that usage.

War is a killing business, but it has its code of ethics. When a man kills another who is his enemy his act is justifiable homicide, or murder, according to circumstances, and extenuation goes a long way. In general a soldier seems to shoot his enemy in the back when no engagement is in progress and the enemy is not on his guard. At the same time sharpshooters are permitted to pick off scouts or sentinels, which practice comes very close to the definition of murder. When an enemy surrenders and gives up his arms to a superior force, the common usage of war makes him the ward of his enemy. He, by surrendering, places his life in his enemy's hands without further defense. He is deprived of his means of protection, and none but a coward or a man of uncontrolled passion would kill him under such conditions. If he has merited death by previous offenses, he is entitled to a fair trial by court-martial. To shoot him down as he stands defenseless is murder, and the fact that he is a citizen of a hostile nation is no excuse. The surrendered soldier is a non-combatant.

Full details of the Scheepers case are not at hand, but the general statement is that he killed a British soldier with his own hand after the latter had surrendered. His sentence to death indicates that he has had a fair trial. Under such circumstances it is quite proper to plead for mercy in his be-

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half, for that is always justifiable; but it is highly improper to suggest to the British government that it has unjustly condemned a man.

IT IS UP IN G. Life.
Helen Blazes—What is a five o'clock tea?
Synicus—Giggie, gabble, gobble, get.

HERE IT IS AGAIN!
Toronto Star.
No, they're experiencing no difficulty in Hamilton in getting recruits for the provisional garrison at Halifax. It is a case of any fate rather than remaining in Hamilton.

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Toronto Telegram.
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Our Exchanges

Percy Houston, of Chatham, visited friends in the city for a few days this week.—St. Thomas Journal.

Rev. W. E. Kerr, of Amherstburg, has received a unanimous invitation to become pastor of the Blenheim Methodist church.

Some sneak-thief entered the L. E. & D. R. R. station at Newkirk and stole \$5.50 from remittance book. Nothing else was disturbed.

The death is recorded of Mrs. Stewart Johnston, of Courtright, who died at her residence Monday morning; also her daughter Kate, who died the afternoon of the same day. The deceased are mother and sister of Jas. Johnston, M. C. R. baggage man on the St. Clair branch.

The directors of the Woodstock, Ingersoll and Thames Valley Electric Road are congratulating themselves on the result of the past six months' operation of the road to Ingersoll, as revealed in the report presented at their meeting on Saturday night, when a dividend at the rate of five per cent. per annum was declared.

The Windsor armory will be opened on January 30th. Lieutenant-Colonel Guillet has sent invitations to Major-General O'Grady Huley, Lord Aylmer, Adjutant-General Hon. Dr. Bordeau, Minister of Militia; Hon. J. I. Tarte, Minister of Public Works; Hon. James Sutherland, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, and others.

Orford has lost another of its pioneers in the death of John McLaren, who died at his residence in the village yesterday afternoon, after nearly two years of failing health from the effects of a paralytic stroke. Mr. McLaren was sixty-eight years of age, and had lived his entire life in Orford. He was borne on the Rosam farm on the lake shore, and at an early age the family moved to lot 53, Talbot street. About ten years ago he retired from farming and took up his residence in Duart, where he remained until called away by death. Deceased leaves behind a widow, a son and daughter residing in Duart, and a daughter, Mrs. Thos. Carrey, of Palmyra, his son Archie having preceded him to the great beyond by a few months. The funeral will take place on Thursday afternoon to the Baptist meeting house, where services will be held, thence to Ford's burial grounds for interment.

DEAD IN THE ROAD

Windsor, January 23.—The dead body of Frederick Drouillard, of Walkerville, was found lying on the road near the Dewdrop Hotel, just east of the town, at 7:30 o'clock last evening. By Minnie Masonville, a domestic employed in the hotel.

The young woman stumbled over the body in passing along the road and returning to the hotel gave the alarm. Men with lanterns discovered that Drouillard was dead. His face was considerably bruised, apparently from a fall on the hard road. Drouillard left home late in the afternoon to make an estimate on building work in the country. Dr. W. E. Stroy assigned alcoholic poisoning as the cause of death. Coroner Beaman denied that an inquest is unnecessary.

Drouillard was 49 years old and unmarried. He was a brother of Albert Drouillard, customs officer, Windsor, and his sisters in Walkerville and Detroit.

ICE JAM IN ST. CLAIR RIVER. The water in the Detroit river and Lake St. Clair has been gradually going down for over a week, and yesterday morning the gauge in the ferry office show the water to be two feet below normal.

As a consequence, most of the freight and passenger boats at winter moorings in the more shallow parts of the river are resting on the bottom and serious damage may follow if the water continues to recede. The present state of low water, however, has been in evidence for over a week, and the engineers have discovered an ice jam in the St. Clair river which bids fair to relieve that of last spring.

The St. Clair river from Port Huron down is choked with hard, firm ice, and the north and west winds are driving the cakes down into the river and completely blocking the current. At the head of Beale Isle there is a stretch of ice for about 500 feet out that rests almost on the bottom and a miniature peninsula of hard clay runs out from the canal at the head of the island and is fully a foot clear of water.

About the bridges huge layers of ice cling to the piles fully two feet above the newly-formed ice showing the way in which the water has gone down.

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WEDS IN HYPNOTIC SPELL

Toledo, O., Jan. 23.—Hypnotism has played an important part in the sensational elopement and marriage of pretty Marie Nasser, seventeen years old, daughter of Michael Nasser, the wealthy Monroe street wholesale fruit dealer. Friday the girl disappeared and the frantic father appealed to the police. The girl finally telegraphed from Dayton that she had been married and begged her father to come and get her.

Miss Nasser was married to Ameen George Yardi, a peddler of oriental rugs, whose home is in New York. He came to Toledo about two weeks ago and met the girl in her father's office. Yardi accepted an invitation to visit the home of his countryman, and while there declared his love for the girl. She declined his attentions, she says, but he met her alone on this occasion and looked her steadily in the eye. She described the sensations as "creeps" and told her parents she was



Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and perseverance in its use will work wonders for the most hopeless woman. If Mrs. Newton, whose letter is given below, had not persisted in its use, she might never have known the happiness of perfect health. Perhaps the reason for her persistence was because she used "Favorite Prescription" as a "last resort." Physicians had failed. If "Favorite Prescription" could not help there was nothing to hope for. It did help. It always helps and almost always cures. It establishes regularity, dries weakening drains, heals inflammation and ulceration and cures female weakness. It imparts strength and elasticity to the organs of maternity and makes the baby's advent practically painless.

"When I consulted you in April, 1899, I was in poor health," writes Mrs. E. H. Newton, of Windsor, Ontario, Canada. "I had been sick all winter, and to add to my trouble, was on the road to maternity, which the doctor said would end my days. I was almost discouraged, did not expect any help, but thought the end was only a matter of time, and I bought two bottles of your medicine. I am now taking the thirteenth and last bottle. I have a lovely baby girl three weeks old, that weighed 12 1/2 pounds at birth. My baby and I are enjoying perfect health, thanks to your wonderful medicine to which I believe I owe my life."

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afraid of the strange young man. He called at the office several times, and she says she exerted a peculiar influence over her. She remembers nothing of the trip to Dayton and has no knowledge, she says, of a marriage ceremony being performed.

When the girl was told by the young man that she was his wife she scorned him and her first act was to telegraph to her father, who went to Dayton and brought her home. The groom was left in Dayton.

The girl is of the oriental type of beauty. She has taken a course in commercial business and has assisted her father at his office in the capacity of bookkeeper.

Catarrh of The Stomach

A Pleasant, Simple but Safe and Effective Cure for It.

Catarrh of the stomach has long been considered the next thing to incurable. The usual symptoms are a full or bloating sensation after eating accompanied sometimes with sour or watery risings a formation of gases, causing pressure on the heart and lungs and difficult breathing, headaches, fickle appetite, nervousness and a general play-out, languid feeling.

There is often a foul taste in the mouth, coated tongue and if the interior of the stomach could be seen it would show a slimy, inflamed condition.

The cure of this common and obstinate trouble is found in a treatment which causes the food to be readily, thoroughly digested before it has time to ferment and irritate the delicate mucous surfaces of the stomach. To secure a prompt and healthy digestion is the one necessary thing to do, and when normal digestion is secured the catarrhal condition will have disappeared.



According to Dr. Harlan the safest and best treatment is to use after each meal a tablet, composed of dilute, aseptic pepsin, a little Nux, Golden seal and fruit acids. These tablets can now be found at all drug stores under the name of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, and not being a patent medicine, can be used with perfect safety and assurance that healthy digestion is the one necessary thing to do, and when normal digestion is secured the catarrhal condition will have disappeared.

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Theatrical

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"Are You A Mason?" the farce success of the year will be presented at the Grand on Thursday, January 30, by the cast of uncommon cleverness and individual repute. In fact it is the same company that first played this amusing comedy, and achieved for it such great success in New York and Chicago. As America laughed so heartily and attended in such numbers, Mr. Charles Frohman decided to take "Are You A Mason?" to his Shaftesbury Theatre, London. The English papers have proclaimed it the most laughable farce seen in years. The farce was adapted from the German by Mr. Leo Dietrichstein, who appears in the Company in one of the imported roles, others in the cast are, John G. Rice, Thomas A. Wise, George Richards, Charles Edwards, Charles Halton, Charles J. Greene, Mattie Ferguson, Esther Tittel, Grace Hadsell, Hazel Chapple, my Muller, Sally Cohen and Maude Travers.

A PECULIAR ACCIDENT

On Monday a fourteen year old girl named McMurray, daughter of a Thamesford butcher, met with a terrible accident while coasting with some companions on the coast are, and will otherwise be badly disfigured for life.

When the sled was going down the hill, the unfortunate girl was thrown against a stone, secured in the ground. She struck on her left cheek, and the whole of the covering of the face above the mouth, and including the nose, was shoved upward, thus it rested upon the forehead, leaving the bones and flesh exposed. The left eye was at the same time crushed so that it ran out of the socket.

Medical assistance was obtained from this city, when they succeeded in pulling the skin of the face back into position.—London News.

PARKER'S ANGER

Aroused by an Irishman in New York—Scene at the Press Club Dinner.

New York, Jan. 22.—The Sun says:—After the conclusion of the speaking at the Press Club dinner the other night, when William Sulzer took advantage of his privilege as a guest of the club to attack Gilbert Parker, M. P., for saying that as an Englishman he felt that the British were right in continuing the war in South Africa that war had been begun, there was an incident that was too late for publication in the newspapers the next morning. Mr. Parker had come in late, and was seated in the place on the right of the toastmaster which had been vacated by Gen. Miles. When the speaking was over Sulzer walked grandly around the end of the guests' table, and approached Mr. Parker, who was seated between President Wm. C. Bryant, and his friend, Henry F. Gillig.

He opened on Mr. Parker with an expansive Sulzerian smile. He stretched out the Sulzerian hand. Mr. Parker eyed him coldly.

"Mr. Parker," said the statesman, "I want to shake hands with you, sir. I hope you understand that no offence was intended in what I said, sir. You are a politician. So am I. You understand, of course, how we politicians have to do these things sometimes."

Mr. Sulzer's hand was still outstretched. Mr. Parker put his own right hand easily into his trousers pocket. "I have no wish to shake hands with you," he said to Mr. Sulzer, and turned away. Mr. Sulzer first grew pale, then red, and his hand trembled. Then, summoning his smile again, he made a bee line for the door. Mr. Parker started up as if to follow him. Mr. Gillig asked him where he was going.

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- Park St. Methodist League, S. S. Hall, at 8.
- Tent No. 8, K. O. T. M., Macabees Hall, at 8.
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- Preparatory service in St. Andrew's Church, at 8.
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- The C. E. of St. Andrew's Church, S. S. Hall, at 8.
- A. O. U. W., in their Hall over Public Library, 8 o'clock.
- Victoria Ave. Methodist Church Epworth League, 8 o'clock.
- "B" Company will parade at the Drill Shed, in uniform, this evening at 7.30, for the purpose of attending the performance of The Little Tycoon.

THE LOCAL BUDGET

Matthew Wilson, K. C., is in Toronto to-day on legal business.

A stock of boots, shoes and groceries is offered for sale in Dresden. See advertisement in this paper.

The choir of the Park St. Methodist Church will hold their regular weekly practice to-night.

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Rev. C. Christy, of Highgate, will occupy the pulpit of the Victoria Ave. Methodist Church both morning and evening next Sunday.

It has been reported around town that A. A. Jordan has been quarantined with the small-pox. Mr. Jordan wishes to deny the rumor.

"I don't think I will work very hard to-day," said Ald. Mounteer this morning; "in fact I am doing a little celebrating on my own account." Upon further enquiry it was found out that to-day Mr. Mounteer is entering upon the 43rd year of his age.

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The C. P. R. Flyer going west was two hours late to-day, being delayed by a freight car being on the road. No particulars as to whether any damage was done or not have been received.

E. E. Tillson and W. H. Benson attended the annual convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, G. R. C., held in Toronto on Wednesday. Rt. Ex. Comp. W. H. Benson was elected Grand Superintendent of St. Clair District.

Sooty McGregor was given twelve days in jail this morning for being drunk last night. Sooty pleaded hard. He said that it was no use sending him to jail and he asked Judge Houston to just let him off. Sooty even acknowledged to working out in Raleigh husking corn.

John Hendershot is anxious about a horse and rig belonging to himself. A young man named Johnson, who had been employed as porter at the Idlewild, hired the rig to go to Kent Bridge. Johnson then drove to the home of George Somers and got a \$22 overcoat, saying George had sent him for it. Mr. Hendershot hasn't seen Johnson since and has reported the matter to the police. The horse was an old bay mare with small feet, 15 hands high. The rig had a real Buffalo robe in it.

Ridgetown friends are circulating a petition asking that the young man Sykes be released from Kingston penitentiary, to which he was sentenced last June for three years, by Judge Houston. It will be remembered that Sykes bought a wheel in Thamesville, made a payment on it, brought the wheel to Chatham and got Andrew Thomson to sell the wheel for him on the market. A colored lad bought it for twenty dollars, and then Sykes stole the wheel back again.

THREE FATALITIES

Fireman Thomas Loney Killed at St. Thomas.

St. Thomas, Jan. 23.—Thos. Loney, fireman on the Michigan Central Railway, was struck by an incoming train as he was walking across the yards last night, and his skull was fractured, from which he died to-day. He was 31 years of age and married.

Woodstock, Jan. 23.—Mr. Nichol Black, whose home is in Appleton, was driving out to measure some timber near Oxford Centre yesterday, when he suddenly fell forward dead. The exertion in getting through the deep snow was evidently too great, and heart failure resulted.

Victoria, Jan. 23.—Arthur Davis, a laborer, while logging in the bush near Vittoria to-day was so seriously injured that he died in about five or six hours.

HEDGE FENCE CO.

The annual meeting of the Chatham Hedge Fence Co. took place Wednesday afternoon.

This western peninsular concern is represented by the three counties Kent, Essex and Lambton, the head office being situated in the city. The stockholders number seventy-two all of whom are well-to-do gentlemen of all occupations, and who have made it their business to further as far as possible the interest of the firm.

The election of officers for the year, in which the interest and competition were exceptional, resulted as follows:

President—John Grant, city.

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Watch The 2 T's window for bargains in hats. 99c. buys a good up-to-date colored stiff or fedora hat, \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00, good to-morrow only.

The C. P. R. Flyer going west was two hours late to-day, being delayed by a freight car being on the road. No particulars as to whether any damage was done or not have been received.

E. E. Tillson and W. H. Benson attended the annual convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, G. R. C., held in Toronto on Wednesday. Rt. Ex. Comp. W. H. Benson was elected Grand Superintendent of St. Clair District.

Sooty McGregor was given twelve days in jail this morning for being drunk last night. Sooty pleaded hard. He said that it was no use sending him to jail and he asked Judge Houston to just let him off. Sooty even acknowledged to working out in Raleigh husking corn.

John Hendershot is anxious about a horse and rig belonging to himself. A young man named Johnson, who had been employed as porter at the Idlewild, hired the rig to go to Kent Bridge. Johnson then drove to the home of George Somers and got a \$22 overcoat, saying George had sent him for it. Mr. Hendershot hasn't seen Johnson since and has reported the matter to the police. The horse was an old bay mare with small feet, 15 hands high. The rig had a real Buffalo robe in it.

Ridgetown friends are circulating a petition asking that the young man Sykes be released from Kingston penitentiary, to which he was sentenced last June for three years, by Judge Houston. It will be remembered that Sykes bought a wheel in Thamesville, made a payment on it, brought the wheel to Chatham and got Andrew Thomson to sell the wheel for him on the market. A colored lad bought it for twenty dollars, and then Sykes stole the wheel back again.

THREE FATALITIES

Fireman Thomas Loney Killed at St. Thomas.

St. Thomas, Jan. 23.—Thos. Loney, fireman on the Michigan Central Railway, was struck by an incoming train as he was walking across the yards last night, and his skull was fractured, from which he died to-day. He was 31 years of age and married.

Woodstock, Jan. 23.—Mr. Nichol Black, whose home is in Appleton, was driving out to measure some timber near Oxford Centre yesterday, when he suddenly fell forward dead. The exertion in getting through the deep snow was evidently too great, and heart failure resulted.

Victoria, Jan. 23.—Arthur Davis, a laborer, while logging in the bush near Vittoria to-day was so seriously injured that he died in about five or six hours.

HEDGE FENCE CO.

The annual meeting of the Chatham Hedge Fence Co. took place Wednesday afternoon.

This western peninsular concern is represented by the three counties Kent, Essex and Lambton, the head office being situated in the city. The stockholders number seventy-two all of whom are well-to-do gentlemen of all occupations, and who have made it their business to further as far as possible the interest of the firm.

The election of officers for the year, in which the interest and competition were exceptional, resulted as follows:

President—John Grant, city.

Vice-Pres.—John McOutcheon, Croton.

Directors—E. Braudt, Sandwich; D. Hall, city; A. W. Parks, Oil Springs.

NOTICE

The Dominion of Canada Guarantee and Accident Co., issues policies covering any accident, and in addition issue a special health policy covering the following diseases:

Typhoid Fever, Appendicitis, Typhus Fever, Scarlet Fever, Small Pox, Diphtheria, Varicellid, Measles, Meningitis, Pneumonia, Pleurisy, Erysipelas, Diabetes, Peritonitis, Tetanus, Asiatic Cholera, Blindness, Paralysis.

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- Nothing nicer for polite correspondence. In white, blue and gray with envelopes to match.

DINGMAN'S
KING STREET, CHATHAM.

We Are Headquarters For Everything

Ready for the table in the meat line, and it is always the best. We have received by express to-day pressed Tongue; it is all ready for the table, and we never sold anything as nice.

Pressed Headcheese, also ready for immediate use, and very fine, only 10 cents a pound.

Bologna Sausage, nicely flavored and cooked, just right, 10 cents a pound.

Frankfort Sausage, as everybody knows, just requires nothing more than a cool night. Try them.

Fresh Salmon

Our fresh salt water Salmon is here. They are not large, but we can give you any quantity. Try it.

Geo. A. Young OUR GROCER

TELEGRAPH

Mr. Timothy C. Harrington, M. P., has been re-elected Lord Mayor of Dublin.

The shipments of bituminous coal from Canada to Europe have proved very successful.

Hon. G. E. Foster and Mr. Andrew Pattullo, M.P.P., spoke at the Windsor Board of Trade banquet.

King Victor Emmanuel has conferred the Order of St. Maurice and St. Lazarus upon Signor Marconi.

The Provincial Medical Health Inspector, of Manitoba, reports an alarming epidemic of smallpox at Winnipegosis.

There was significant buying of African mining stock on the London exchange yesterday for continental account.

Miss Amy Scott, Toronto, has been appointed a nurse to go to South Africa in the place of Miss Chalmers, who is unable to go.

A deputation of pottersmen in Ottawa asked the minister of customs change the duty on pottery from an ad valorem to a specific duty.

Mr. John E. Redmond moved an amendment to the address in the British house of commons raising the whole question of Irish grievances.

Officials of the Yukon and White Pass Railway interviewed Hon. W. S. Fielding, getting minister of railways, in regard to the freight rates charged by the company.

The Canadian Pacific Railway intend to concentrate their engine and car works at Hochelaga, where they are building the largest railway works in the world.

Mr. Justice Meredith made an order for the general administration of the estate of George F. Gibson, of London, against which claims were made three widows of the deceased.

The council of the Hamilton board of trade has passed a resolution disapproving of the proposed transfer of the management of the Intercolonial Railway to the Canadian Pacific Railway Company.

Dry Goods, Clothing | C. AUSTIN, & CO. | Carpets, Upholstering

Gentlemen!!

Our Big Sale of Clothing and Everything in Men's and Boys' Winter Wearables

Goes on with a rush. The extraordinary values we have offered during the past three weeks have astonished the most skeptical of our visitors. Piles of goods have gone to clothe our customers in all parts of the country.

Specials on Sale Saturday, Jan. 25th

See Window See Window



Men's Fine Wool and Fleece Underwear

In nice fine quality Scotch knit, plain wool, fine close elastic rib and extra quality wool fleeces, full range of sizes, regular 75c to 90c qualities, your choice Saturday for 62 1-2c.

Men's and Boys' Winter Caps

We cleared a big lot of winter caps in heavy beavers, fancy plush and naps, in the popular shapes, college, chieftain and hunter, regular 40c and 50c, your choice Saturday for 25c.

The Pant Opportunity Of The Age

Men's and youths all wool tweed and serge pants, nice dark patterns, regular \$1.25 and \$1.50 lines, clearing your choice Saturday for 96c.

Boys' Underwear

In fine all wool union and fleece lined, odd sizes of shirts and drawers, regular prices range from 25c to 50c, your choice Saturday for 25c.

Ladies' Ready-to-Wear Goods

Ready-Made Waists

Silk waists, black, cream, rose and turquoise, tucked and finished with hemstitching. Very special value. \$5.00

Silk shirt waists, black, cream, and cardinal, hemstitched, \$3.25

House Wrappers

Though every line is broken, we have still a good assortment, and a full range of sizes from 32 to 42 in bust measure. Each is made with a fitted lining. Each skirt is extra wide and nearly all have a deep flounce. Clearing prices in every line. Prices range from \$1.90 up.

Interesting Staple Items

One case 20 pieces new fancy striped shaker flannels, splendid assortment of colors, 32 inches wide, extra heavy per yard, 8c.

New Apron Ginghams Just in

Fancy woven colored borders, light and dark shades, 36 inches wide, good washing colors, per yard 12 1-2c.

40 inch bordered apron check, with good washing colors, per yard, 12 1-2c.

We are still selling those 75c shaker flannel blankets, 10-4 size, at per pair 65c.

Come and get yours before all are sold.

New patterns in 57 inch unbleached table damasks, extra heavy quality, soft make, at per yard, 25c.

10 pieces blue and white, and pink and white English Galateas for boys' shirts or blouses, perfectly fast colors. Regular 12 1-2c, now 10c yard.

Dress Skirts

Made and cut by competent hands. Our skirts are widely known for their style and finish.

Skirts of lustre, serge, chevot, homespun, broadcloth and broche effects. Prices range from \$2.30 up.

If we have not your size in stock we will make one to your measure with no additional charge.

Underskirts

Flannellette underskirts, 50 and 75c. Black satin underskirts, finished with flounce and frill \$1.00

Black satin skirts, with deep lined flounce. Flounce is finished with ruffle, with white or black stitching. \$1.50

Satens skirts, with knife pleating, stitched with white and finished with narrow ruffle. \$1.75

Special quality, plain, cream, pink, and light blue shaker flannels, full 32 inches, extra heavy, soft make, value per yard 8 1-2c

Extra towel bargains, 40x20 size, pure linen, huckaback weave, fringed ends, red tagged border, regular 14c, value, for 12 1-2c each

Six pieces extra special all pure wool tweed, for men's and boys' wear, plain or fancy weaves, regular 90c and 75c value for 50c

One Table of Print Remnants

5 yds in each, dark or light colors, regular 12 1-2c quality, while they last you can have the ends, (5 yds) for 40c.

150 yards good heavy pure linen crash towelling, 18 inches wide, fancy red border, per yard 8c

2 pieces 35 inch bordered apron linen regular 17c value to clear at 12 1-2c yard

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CHOICE TEA AND COFFEES



THERE'S nothing nicer than a cup of good tea, and nothing more refreshing. We have splendid value in our English Breakfast Tea at 40c a pound. There is lots of strength and good flavor. We are sure you will be pleased with it if you once try it. 40c a pound.

BAKERS' COCOA, 15c and 30c a lb.
OUR "MOCHA AND JAVA" COFFEE, 40c a pound.
OUR "AMERICAN COFFEE," 35c a lb.
OUR "BRAZIL" COFFEE, 35c a pound.

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Syringes

We believe that our line of Syringes is an exceptional one. Quality of goods is the highest, while assortment is unusually large.

Many Dealers show a tendency to constantly re-order the styles they handled for years though improved designs are constantly coming out.

Our Stock is thoroughly up-to-date and our prices are surely down-to-date. You might as well have the best for your money, and you make sure of that by picking from our assortment.

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DRUGGISTS
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SAUGEEN MINERAL WATER
—ON SALE AT—
CENTRAL DRUG STORE and F. A. ROBERT'S LIQUOR STORE

Rheumatism or stomach trouble cannot exist where Saugeen Water is freely used. Prof. Fyfe, Dominion Analyst, of Toronto, recommends it highly. Try it.

Fresh Pork 10c a lb.
Pork Sausages 10c a lb.
Tenderloins and Frank-forts To-day.
PICKLED PORK
—AT THE—
Chatham Pork Store, Opens House Block. Phone 240

THE CHICAGO MARKET.
Through J. B. McGregor, stock broker, Northwood's Block, Chatham, Chicago, Jan. 24, 1902

	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	CLOSE
Wheat—				
Dec.....	79 1/2	79 1/2	78 3/4	79 1/2
May.....	79 1/2	79 1/2	78 3/4	79 1/2
July.....	79 1/2	79 1/2	78 3/4	79 1/2
Corn—				
May.....	63 1/2	63 1/2	62 1/2	63 1/2
July.....	63 1/2	63 1/2	62 1/2	63 1/2
Oats—				
May.....	45 1/2	45 1/2	44 1/2	45 1/2
July.....	39 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2
Pork—				
May.....	16 40	16 50	16 25	16 47
July.....	16 50	16 60	16 40	16 57
Lard—				
May.....	9 42	9 55	9 40	9 50
July.....	9 47	9 67	9 47	9 62
Ribs—				
May.....	8 52	8 60	8 50	8 57
July.....	8 67	8 70	8 67	8 70

DIED IN TEXAS.
Mr. Astley Cooper Campbell, whose name is reported at El Paso, Texas, former Londoner, having been on the Bank of Montreal for upwards of 40 years. He was the second son of John Campbell, of the Inverclyde railway, Moncton, N. B., who died before coming to London. Mr. Campbell was transferred to Windsor about four years ago and was taken to Moncton to whom he was taken to Moncton.

DR. RUSSELL
DENTIST.
Cor. King & 5th Sts., over Merchants Bank. Phone 278. Chatham. Evening Appointments Free.

PROBABILITIES.
Special to The Planet.
Toronto, Jan. 24—10 a. m.—A few light local snowfalls or flurries, but for the most part fair; not much change in temperature Friday, Saturday, turning colder.

The following official figures were registered at noon to-day at Burt's weather bureau:
Barometer 29.46.
Thermometer 28.
Highest yesterday 32.
Lowest yesterday 22.
Direction of wind, west.

Local Briefs

J. O'Brien has gone east in the interests of O'Brien Bros.
Mr. W. H. Taylor, of Chatham, is a guest at the Hall—Montreal.
Perry Hewston has returned from spending two weeks in Hamilton.
Wm. Moffat returned to-day from spending a few days in Wallaceburg.
Mrs. Duncan Green, of Wallaceburg, is spending the day in the Maple City.
Ed. Snook and J. A. Wilson were in Dover yesterday on a business trip.
Chas. Philip has gone to Detroit, where he has accepted a very lucrative position.
Miss Maud Willard has returned from spending two weeks with friends and relatives in Merlin.
Lindsay Parrott will have charge of the meeting at Victoria avenue Methodist League to-night.
Miss Adella Lillywhite, of London, who has been visiting in the Maple City, returned home this afternoon.
The Central Drug Store was crowded this morning with people waiting to reserve seats for the Tycoon to-night.
Gus Bragg, an old Chatham boy, but now of Kansas, is spending a couple of days with friends in the city.
The "Growler" is authority for the statement that more ice has been taken out of the river this year than ever before.
Horse wanted—Walter Harland Smith, of Toronto, will be at the Wm. Gray & Sons Saturday, Jan. 25th, to purchase high class horses for cash or in exchange for buggies. 84 W. Ave. Greenhouses receive such words of commendation every day. Telephone No. 181.

KENT COUNTY APPLIAMENT

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being aware of the by-law of the County Council which orders that the money shall be paid to the bank.

A by-law to detach certain lands from Bothwell and attach them to the township of Zone, was given its first reading.

It was moved by Mr. French, seconded by Mr. Sturgis, that we petition the Legislative Assembly of Ontario to amend the School Act that towns separated from the county in which they are situated, shall be liable for their proportionate share of the expenses of the Board of Examiners or other expenses that affect the county and town in school matters.—Referred to Petition and Legislation.

It was moved by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Ross, that a grant of \$50 be made to each of the agricultural societies throughout the county.—Referred to Agriculture Com.

It was moved by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Ross, that a grant of \$25 be made to each of the public libraries within the boundaries of the county which receives the government grant; the money to be paid on certificate of the treasurer that the said grant has been received.—Referred to Finance.

It was moved by Mr. Ross, seconded by C. L. VonGuten, that the Warden grant his order for grants already made to the library of Tilbury East for 1900 and 1901. They have received the government grant for both years but they have not received the county grant.—Referred to Finance.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.
Take Laxative Broom-Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

Minard's Liment the best Hair Restorer.

THE KING'S STATE LANDAU.
Handsome Carriage Designed for His Majesty's Coronation.

Some particulars will be interesting as to the new state carriage which King Edward is having built for the coronation. It will be what is known as a "state landau," but a state landau on a grand scale. It will be unusually high, very massive in build, with carved decorations, and altogether a uniquely handsome carriage. The King's idea, as is understood, is to use it when he drives through London the day after the coronation. In going to Westminster Abbey he will use the old state coach, but for the parade through London it would be unsuitable in that it cannot be opened. The new carriage will be open, although it can on occasion be closed, and so the crowds in the streets will see the King and Queen, well protected by bands and devices of gold in relief. Some, at least, of the metal work will be gold plated, but even so the landau will not cost anything like the \$40,000 which the historic state coach is believed to have cost.

Telegraphic Abbreviation.
Abbreviations make up one of the most important elements in the carrier of the telegraph operator. Abbreviated despatches are often sent in five minutes that would require half an hour's work if transmitted in full. But there is an operator in Pittsburgh whose originality in inventing substitutes for good English surprises even his workmates. When the death of young James S. Ayres was first sent over the wires and the name of Mrs. Bonine was first mentioned, one of the local operators received a query from the Pittsburgh man, "What sort of a looking woman is Mrs. Bonine?" The Washington operators thought steadily for a moment and then sent back, "Who do you mean?" "Mrs. B-O-O." When the significance of the phrase burst upon him, the local operator announced the abbreviation to his associates and the name has been sent all over the country as "B-O-O" ever since.—Washington Post.

Esoteric Matches.
A child detests soap. How it would amuse a child to behold a number of matches rushing away from soap! Place some matches in a basin of water in the shape of a star. Take a piece of soap cut into a point, insert it in the water in the middle of the matches, and lo! they will fly from it in every direction as if in horror.

Fishes Live to a Great Age.
Crows are commonly said to live for a hundred years, and turtles are reported to have even longer life, but if the late Professor Baird be right the greatest amount of longevity is possessed by fishes. Professor Baird reports that in the fifteenth century, in the Royal Aquarium at St. Petersburg there are hundreds of fish that were put in over 150 years ago.

Widow's Offers of Marriage.
In a mining centre some eighty miles from Coolgardie, in Western Australia, a carpenter died, and his widow had offers of marriage from the doctor who attended the deceased, who read the burial service, the local apothecary who made up the medicines and prescribed for the departed, and the custodian of the cemetery where he had interred the body. Likewise from about a score of mine managers and miners. She did not accept one of the suitors, and departed for her home in Melbourne.

How to Cement China.
Take a solution of gum arabic and stir in enough plaster of paris to make a soft paste. This is quite colorless and holds china excellently. For very delicate china some people tie the pieces carefully together in place with tapes, stand in a saucepan of cold milk and very slowly heat to boiling point and then remove the saucepan back from the fire and let the china stay in for about five minutes, after which it is carefully lifted out and placed on a shelf till dry.

Rivers Under the Ocean.
In investigating the cause of injuries to ocean telegraph cables, it has been discovered, according to La Nature, that there are in the depths of the ocean fresh water rivers, which have sunk out of sight on land to come to the surface again only under the ocean.

An Optical Illusion.
"An optical illusion," explained the teacher, "is something which you believe you see, but which you really do not see at all."
"Yes, I know," exclaimed Johnny, beaming. "That's what I saw when he didn't see snakes."
SIDNEY: Is it a good match?
RODNEY: Oh, yes! She's pretty and stupid, and he's stupid and rich.

Gordon's Inventory Specials

Notice below some of our special inducements to customers ere we have our Annual Inventory

Ginghams and Apron Checks, warranted colors, large and small plaids, at.....5c up	A table of Ladies' Undershirts, your choice of \$1.50 to \$2.25 goods at.....\$1.00
Oxford Shirting, a special line, fast colors.....10c	Babies' \$3.00 Buggy Rugs, to clear at.....\$1.98
2 cases, prime dark and light Shaker Flannels, per yd.....5c, 8c and 10c	1 only, Rug \$3.50 at.....\$2.25
6 pcs. only, Fine American Outing Flannels, per yd.....10c	Ladies' Scotch Wool Knitted Jackets and Capris, for house wear, at each 80c and.....\$1.15
Women's Fleece Lined Vests, 50c goods, to clear at.....38c	Eiderdowns, double folds, all colors, will clear out every yard at.....63c
Women's All-wool Combinations, former price \$1 and \$1.50, at.....75c	15 pair Blankets at price that will pay you well, and Comforters at cost.
Children's and Misses' All-wool Black Stockings, to clear per pair.....10c	MEN'S WEAR—For solid comfort, health and long life, buy our Bargains.
Children's Merino Underwear, per suit.....30c up	Gentlemen's Lined Kid Gloves and Mufflers at cost.
Ladies' Dressing Gowns and Jackets, Flannellette and Eiderdown.....50c, \$1.15 and.....\$1.25	Special Clearing Sale of Men's Underwear continues while stock taking.
specials in plain figured and fancy dress goods at half price.....12 1/2c	Men's Buckskin Top Shirts, double fronts and backs, all sizes.....60c
5 only, Tailor-made Suits, \$14 and \$16 garments, to clear at.....\$3.75	

February Designer perfect gems 10c **William Gordon** Standard Pattern Fashion Sheets Free

Horse Overcoats

A man bought one of our Horse Blankets last week. He was so pleased with it that he uses it on his bed, and he would not take double the price he paid for it if he could not get another. We have a few more of the same kind left.

T. H. TAYLOR CO. Limited, Flour and Woolen Mills

Coal and Wood

Lehigh and Scranton Coal, Virginia Spillings, Smithing Coal, Hard and soft wood in all lengths, all sizes of the most reliable quality. Delivered promptly to any part of the city.

J. Gilbert & Co., Office and Yards, William Street, near G. T. R. Crossing.

THE DISTRICT.

WALLACEBURG
Jan. 24.—Born—To Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McLaughlin, Jan. 23rd, 1902, a son. A reception service was held in the Presbyterian church last Wednesday evening. Several new members were enrolled.
Miss Mae McLean entertained an intimate friends at her home last evening.
Carrier boys are not authorized to collect subscriptions. Our collector calls in each town once a month; if a subscriber wishes to pay his account before the collector calls he must remit direct to The Planet Office, Chatham, as we will not be responsible for monies paid to carriers.

TILBURY
Jan. 24.—Miss Lena Laplante is visiting in Detroit.
J. S. Richardson and daughter Minnie were in Chatham yesterday.
Henry Daudlin, of Tilbury, and Miss A. Soules, of Staples, were called on Sunday in St. Francis church.
The Ladies Aid of the Methodist church will give a tea at the home of Hampton Cowan, next Tuesday evening. Tea served from 6 to 8 o'clock. The church at 6 and also at 7. Admission 15 cents.
Miss Winnie Hamilton leaves to-day for her home in Markdale, after an extended visit with her cousin here, Mrs. Frank Beno.
E. Lanone has returned from a visit to the Eastern States.
Miss M. Flannigan, of Petrolia, arrived this week to take charge of the Walsh school, Tilbury North, at a salary of \$250 for the balance of the year.
The Daily Planet is on sale at Johnson's Drug Store.

THAMESVILLE
Jan. 22.—Two rinks of curlers came down from Glencoe to-day for a friendly game with local players.
D. Gunn, commission merchant, of Toronto, is in town.
Miss Annie Cryderman is severely ill.
Charles Firth, of London, is in town to-day.
George Munro is on the sick list. Carrier boys are not authorized to collect subscriptions. Our collector calls in each town once a month; if a subscriber wishes to pay his account before the collector calls he must remit direct to The Planet Office, Chatham, as we will not be responsible for monies paid to carriers.

LONG AND FAVORABLY KNOWN.
The West Shore Railroad has been so long and favorably known, that any words of commendation would be superfluous, but new travelers are constantly cropping up and, lest they have not read as they ran, this is to tell them that when they choose the Wabash-West Shore they do wisely.
JAN 17 1902

Children Cry for CASTORIA.
If it is asthma, bronchitis, croup, or any such trouble, use Vapo-Cresolene. All Druggists.

Stretch Your Money

The way to do it is to get the largest value for your money, and you get that at Meynell's. Our \$2.50 and \$3.00 men's suits and overcoats to be cleared at \$5.00. You take your choice, sizes 36 to 46. Quality and economy are blended; every suit guaranteed as represented. We cannot show you qualities on paper. Come and see for yourself. Remember, \$2.50, \$7.50 and \$8.00 suits and overcoats for \$5.00.

They will not last long. Get first choice. Every suit and overcoat guaranteed as represented.

198 SUITS AND OVERCOATS
Geo. Meynell, The Up-to-date Clothier, 3 Doors West of Market on King St.

CALIFORNIA ILLUSTRATED.
Copy of the illustrated monthly, The Chicago 400, a journal of travel and topics, reaches us by the courtesy of the Chicago & North-Western Ry. It is one of the finest illustrated publications that we have ever seen. The tinted half-tones rival those of the finest magazines, and the letter-press of the whole edition is as perfect as pictorially and descriptively mirroring California's wonderful scenery. Copy delivered free on application, or mailed to any address upon receipt of two cents postage, by H. H. Bennett, 2 East King St., Toronto. Iowa 15

A Swell Wedding

Means rich and handsome gifts for bridal presents, and handsome table silver is among the most acceptable as well as most useful of anything that can be offered, not only is this the time for wedding presents, but every well conducted home needs handsome table silver. Our fine array of flat and hollow ware—solid silver forks, ladies and numerous tasy and useful pieces ranging in price from a dainty cream ladle, from \$1.50 to large and heavy pieces at \$10 and \$12. We show a large line of sterling silver tea spoons at prices as low as \$3 a dozen to \$13. We control in this city a great many patterns in the neatest designs on the American market.

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John's Cotton Root Compound
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By Jules Verne

Michael Strogoff and Nadia, lying down at the back part of the raft, endured without complaint this additional suffering. For a man who was reckoning soon to attain his end Michael Strogoff seemed singularly calm. Besides, in the most grave situations his energy had never abandoned him. Already he looked forward to the moment when at last it would be permitted him to think of his mother, of Nadia, of himself. He only feared one last and evil chance. It was lest the raft should be absolutely stopped by a barrier of thick ice before having reached Irkutsk. He did not think of anything but that, being, moreover, decided if it were necessary to attempt some supreme act of daring.

Nadia, refreshed by some hours of repose, had recovered that physical energy which misery had sometimes been able to subdue without ever having shaken her moral energy. She was thinking also that in case Michael Strogoff should make a new effort to attain his end she must be there to guide him. But at the time that she was approaching Irkutsk the image of her father was pictured more vividly in her mind. She saw him in the invested town, far from those he cherished, but—for she did not doubt it—struggling against the invaders with all the dash of his patriotism. Before many hours, if heaven should at length favor them, she would be in his arms, reciting to him the last words of her mother, and nothing should again separate them.

The raft still moved on, unperceived, amid the mass of floating ice. Up to this time no Tartar detachment had been signalled on the high banks of the Angara, and this indicated that the raft had not yet come on a live with their outposts. Meanwhile it was necessary to maneuver with more care in the midst of the ice, which was fast closing. The old mariner rose up, and the mujiks took up again their boat-hooks. All had as much as they could do, and the management of the raft became more and more difficult, for the bed of the river was becoming obstructed.

Michael Strogoff had moved softly to the fore part of the raft. Alcide Jolivet had followed him. Both listened to what the old sailor and his men were saying. "Guard there on the right!" "Look! The blocks of ice are thickening on the left!" "Keep it off! Keep it off with your boat-hook!" "Before an hour we shall be stopped!" "If God wills it!" replied the old sailor. "Against his will nothing can be done."

"You hear them?" said Alcide Jolivet. "Yes," replied Michael Strogoff, "but God is with us." Meantime the situation became more and more serious. If the raft once ceased to make headway, the fugitives would not only never reach Irkutsk, but they would be obliged to abandon their floating apparatus, which, crushed by the ice blocks, would not be long in sinking under the waters. The willow bindings were already breaking, the fir trunks, violently separated, were becoming entangled under the hard crust, and soon the unfortunate people would have no other refuge than the ice itself. Then, when daylight should come, they would be perceived by the Tartars and massacred without pity.

Michael Strogoff returned to the back part of the raft, where Nadia was waiting for him. He approached the young girl, he took her hand and put to her that invariable question, "Nadia, are you ready?" to which she answered as usual: "I am ready." For some versts more the raft continued to make its way through the floating ice. If the Angara should be choked up with ice, it would form a barrier, and consequently it would be impossible to follow the current. Already the passage down the river was slower. At every instant there were collisions, or time was lost by having to make long turnings. Here they must escape landing on the ice; there they must take a narrow pass between thin, many anxious drawbacks.

And now only a few hours of the night remained. If the fugitives did not reach Irkutsk before 3 o'clock in the morning, they must give up all hope of ever entering there. At length, at half past 1, in spite of all their united efforts, the raft struck against a thick barrier and stopped altogether. The ice which was floating down the river cast itself upon it and forced it against the obstacle and held it motionless as if it had been driven upon a reef.

At this place the Angara becomes narrowed to not more than half its normal breadth; hence the accumulation of ice blocks, which were by little and little piled one upon another under the action of the double pressure, which was considerable, and of the cold, whose intensity was redoubling. At 500 paces down the river again became wide, and ice blocks, detaching themselves by little and little from the lower edge of that field, continued to float down to Irkutsk; hence it is probable that without that narrowing of the banks the barrier would not have been formed, and the raft could have continued to descend the current. But the evil was irreparable, and the

fugitives had to give up all hope of reaching the end of their journey. If they had had at their disposal the tools which the whalers usually employ to open out canals across the icefields, if they had been able to cut this field as far as the place where the river became wider, perhaps the time would not have been wanting, but not a single saw, not a pickaxe, nothing with which to cut the crust, which the extreme cold had rendered as hard as granite. What should they do? At that moment rifle shots were heard on the right bank of the Angara. A shower of bullets was directed upon the raft. Had the unhappy men been perceived? Evidently, for other detachments resounded on the left bank. The fugitives, caught between two fires, became a target for the Tartar marksmen. Some were wounded by these bullets, although in the midst of the great darkness they only fell by chance. "Come, Nadia," whispered Michael Strogoff in the ear of the young girl. Without making any observation, ready for everything, Nadia took the hand of Michael Strogoff. The balls fell around them like a shower of hailstones and crashed upon the ice. The surface of the field, rugged and with sharp edges, made their hands bleed, but still they kept advancing.

Ten minutes afterward the lower border of the barrier was reached. There the waters of the Angara again became free. A few large blocks of ice, becoming by degrees detached from the field and floating with the current, descended toward the town. Nadia understood what Michael Strogoff wished to attempt. She saw one of those blocks of ice that was only held by a narrow tongue. "Come," said Nadia. And both lay down on this morsel of ice, which a slight rocking loosened from the bar.

The block began to make its way down the river. The river itself became wider, and the route was free. Michael Strogoff and Nadia could hear the firing of guns, the cries of distress, the shouts of the Tartars that made themselves heard up the river. Then little by little those cries of deep anguish and of ferocious joy were lost in the distance. "Oh, those poor companions!" whispered Nadia. For half an hour the current quickly carried along the block of ice which was bearing Michael Strogoff and Nadia. At every moment they feared that they might sink under the water. Being caught in the stream, it followed the middle of the river, and it would not be necessary to give it an oblique direction until there was question of making for the quays of Irkutsk.

Michael Strogoff, with his teeth set and his ears ready to catch the least sound, did not utter a single word. Never was he so near attaining his end. He felt that he was about to succeed. Toward 2 o'clock in the morning a double row of lights lit up the somber horizon on the two banks of the Angara. On the right was the glare from the lights of Irkutsk, on the left the fires of the Tartar camp. Michael Strogoff was not more than half a verst from the city. "At last!" whispered he. But suddenly Nadia gave a cry. At that cry Michael Strogoff rose up from the block, which became very unsteady. His hand stretched out toward the head of the Angara. His face, all lit up with the reflections of blue lights, became terrible to look at, and then, as though his eyes had been reopened to the light, he cried: "Ah, God himself is against us!"

CHAPTER XVII. IRKUTSK, capital of eastern Siberia, has in ordinary times a population of 30,000 souls. A high hill of soft rock, skirting the right bank of the Angara, serves as a splendid position for its churches, crowned by a high cathedral, and for its houses, built in picturesque disorder along its slopes.

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HELPING A RAILROAD. Why Farmer Jones Refused to Accept Damages Done Him. "I was attorney for a railroad running into Detroit," said the lawyer, "and one day a freight train killed sixteen hogs belonging to a farmer. Some of our trackmen had torn down his fence for some reason, and we were all to blame for the hogs being on the track. I was sent out to see the farmer, and of course I expected he would want at least three times what the hogs were worth. I found him in his potato field, and when I told him who I was and my errand he invited me to the house to have a glass of cider and a piece of pumpkin pie. When we were through, he took me to look at his orchard and later on at his fowls, and it was two or three hours before I could find opportunity to say: "Now, Mr. Jones, let's get at those hogs. I understand there were sixteen of them?" "Yes, sixteen."

"And big ones?" "Yes, all big ones." "And worth about how much apiece as they stood?" "Well, I should say \$3 apiece." "I knew that to be only about half their value," said the lawyer, "and I looked at the old man in astonishment before asking: "Would you be perfectly satisfied if we paid you \$5 apiece for the sixteen?" "Skanisly, sir," he replied. "Then shall we call it \$6?" "No, sir, I don't think so." "Well, what is your figure?" "I hadn't got none," he slowly replied. "The railroad killed my hogs sure enough, but I ain't settin' no figger. Naybur Comstock was tellin' me the other day that your railroad wasn't makin' any money to speak of, and I'm no man to pitch into a railroad when it's hard up. You just go back and tell your folks that I sometimes git hard up myself and know how it is, and if they can pull through all right I'll be glad of it." "Do you mean that you don't want any damages?" I asked. "That's what I mean. Your folks needn't worry a bit. I've talked it over with the old woman, and she says it's our duty to help railroads when they are in a tight squeak, and so them hogs don't count. Jest clear the hogs and bristles off the track and run your trains right along same as ever. Have some more cider or sumpkin afore you go." Detroit Free Press.

No Improvement on Earthly Joys.



Clergyman (referring sympathetically to departed breadwinner)—Well, well, let us hope he's better off where he is. Widow—Oh, sir, he always used to say it was heaven to be with me.

What Interested Him. Mama (anxiously watching her little boy at dinner)—My dear child, you really should not eat your pudding so quickly. Small Child—Why not, mamma? Mama—Because it is dangerous. I once knew a little boy about your age who was eating his pudding so quickly that he died before he had finished it. Small Child (with much concern)—And what did they do with the rest of his pudding, mamma?—What to Eat.

Lois. Mr. Doubleduff—But Bilkins is living beyond his means. Mrs. Doubleduff (petulantly)—Well, you get the same salary as he does. I don't see why you can't live as much beyond your means as he can.—Brooklyn Eagle.

Eligible. "When he asked her would she be his wife, she laughed merrily. "Why, you are old enough to be my father!" protested she. "But rich enough also!" he urged, with the quiet dignity of conscious worth.—Life.

The Reason. Teacher—Why do you suppose George Washington chopped down the cherry tree? Pupil—I guess he was no good on climbin' an' had ter chop it down ter git de cherries.—New York Journal.

Another Proof. "That is the eight hundred and twenty-fifth proof," said the assistant. "Proof of what?" asked the editor. "Proof that manuscripts that are rolled are always fat."—Philadelphia North American.

Unexpected Good Luck. Today—Jennie tells me young Woody proposed to her last night. Viola—I don't think I know him. Is he well off? Today—He certainly is. She refused him.

Puzzled Him. First Tramp (in the road)—Why don't you go in? The dog's all right. Don't you see him waggin' his tail? Second Tramp—Yes, and he's growlin' at the same time. I dunno which end to believe.

Quite Satisfactory. "Carrying your old shoes home in a box, are you?" "Oh, no, certainly not. It's only a box of answers to fool questions. I always carry it with me.

Miserable Moments. When, having playfully thrown a snowball into the face of a man you thought was Smith, you discover him to be the father of the girl you hope to marry.—Chicago News.

What Frightened Her. Maud—Weren't you very nervous while Jack was proposing? Mabel—I should say so! I was so afraid he would be interrupted!

BACKACHE?

If you have Backache you have Kidney Disease. If you neglect Backache it will develop into something worse—Bright's Disease or Diabetes. There is no use rubbing and doctoring your back. Cure the kidneys. There is only one kidney medicine but it cures Backache every time.

Dodd's Kidney Pills

The water of the larger Norwegian fiords, or rock bays, though in direct communication with the sea, are so saltless as to be drinkable.

"I feel as if I should fly to pieces." How often those words are said on a woman's lips. They express the uttermost of the nerve-racked condition of the body, which makes life a daily martyrdom.

If this condition had come suddenly it would have been unbearable. But the transition was gradual. A little more strain each day on the nerves. A little more drain each day of the vitality. Any woman would be glad to be rid of such a condition. Every woman tries to be rid of it. Thousands of such women have been cured by Dr. Pierce's treatment with his "Favorite Prescription" when local doctors had entirely failed to cure.

Good counsels observed are chains of grace.—Fuller.

Twenty Years of Bronchitis.

Captain Dunlop, of Kingston, commander of the steamer "Bohemian" of the R. & O. fleet, suffered unceasingly for twenty years, and although he took treatment all that time permanent relief was not obtained until he used "Catharhoxone," which cured him quickly and permanently. The Captain says "Catharhoxone is the best cure for Bronchitis on the face of the globe, pleasant to use, quick to relieve and sure to cure." Catharhoxone is a wonderful cure for all diseases of the Throat, Lungs and Bronchial Tubes. Two months' treatment, price \$1.00, small 25 cents. Druggists or Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont.

Levity in behaviour is the bane of all that is good and virtuous.—Seneca.

Your Nerves are Weak.

You sleep badly, appetite variable. You eat but gain no strength. Morning tiredness makes you wish it were night. When night comes refreshing sleep is hard to obtain. You're run down, your blood is thin and watery, your nerves have grown weak, the thought of effort wearies you. You need Ferrozone; it makes blood-red, strong blood. An appetite? You'll eat everything, and digest it, too. Strength? That's what plenty of food gives. Ferrozone gives hope, vigor, vim, endurance. Use Ferrozone and get strong. Sold by McCall & Co.

The one prudence of life is concentration.—Emerson.

How a Sprain Does Hurt.

But it isn't the sprain alone that is dreaded, just think of the loss of time and wages. Sprains without number have been cured by rubbing Polson's Nerviline well into the pores of the skin surrounding the joint. No matter whether it is a sprained wrist, ankle, knee or back, just try Nerviline on it, and see how quickly it will cure. There is only one liniment that can be depended upon to cure sprains, strains and swellings, and that is Polson's Nerviline. Large bottle 25 cents.

In great attempts it is glorious even to fail.—Longinus.

THE Immense Pines of Canada furnish the basis for that peerless cough and cold remedy, PERRY-DAVIS. It cures quickly and certainly. Of all druggists, 25c. Made by proprietors of Perry Davis' Pain-Killer.

Admiration is the daughter of ignorance.—Franklin.

NO Reasonable Man expects to cure a neglected cold in a day. But time and Allen's Lung Balsam will overcome the cold and stave off consumption. Cough will cease and lungs be sound as a new dollar.

The beauty seen is partly in him who sees it.—Boyer.

The golden age is before us not behind us.—St. Simon.

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WORK OF MAD MOB

Mississippi Family almost Wiped out by an Infuriated Mob.

After the Occupants had Been Riddled with Shot the Mob Set Fire to the House.

Meridan, Miss., Jan. 22.—One man and a woman missing and probably murdered, another woman, the mother of two children, badly shot; four children desperately wounded by bullets and then left to perish in the flames of their dwelling, is the net result of the work of a fiendish mob in Kemper county.

Deputy Sheriff A. F. May returned from Calverton on the north boundary line yesterday, bringing details of an outrage that has caused a thrill of horror through the community.

In the vicinity of Telespo, in Kemper county resided a family of Whites consisting of the man, wife and two small children. Thursday night a negro mob came to see them and with her were two children about the same age as the White children. Some time during the night White was called to his door, and as he stepped out on the porch he saw a dozen or more men in the front yard.

White retreated and braced the door. The doors were perforated with bullets and the windows were shot and battered until they left gaping holes through which the loads of backshot and rifle balls found targets in all parts of the house. Human flesh began to stop some of these missiles. The children had been driven into a corner of the room where it was hoped they would be protected from the hail of lead, but soon they were upshoved to the frightened parents that the balls were going straight home into the little ones.

White had taken his shotgun and was firing volley after volley in return, but could not see from the smoke that hung about the doors and windows whether he was reaching his assailants or not. After half an hour of heroic resistance the besieged man found that his ammunition was exhausted, and attempted to climb out a back window to the ground, hoping to make his escape. He had already been shot in several places and refused to yield his life without one desperate struggle.

When Mrs. White and her visitor saw the only man in the house dragging his bleeding form through the window, they jumped into it and pulled a heavy cotton mattress over them. It was fully half an hour after that before the shooting stopped, and the quiet outside indicated that the war was over.

When the frightened and wounded woman ventured to look out they saw that the roof of the house was in a blaze, and they hurriedly made their escape to the yard. Mrs. White was shot in the leg, and one bullet had made a flesh wound in the body.

Her guest was badly wounded, and she had to be carried and half dragged to the outside. At another moment the four children, if any were still living from the attack of the mob, were burned to death.

May says the neighborhood is almost paralyzed over the occurrence.

VALUE OF AN HONEST EYE.

A Business Man's Experience in Hiring an Office Assistant.

A business man said that he once devoted half a day to hiring a man whom he needed in his office. In answer to his advertisement he received many applicants called. He rejected the first because he would not look him in the eye. "The second man," said the merchant, "was armed with a double barreled recommendation from his pastor, with testimonials as to his business ability and good character; but, though he looked me in the eye, I saw that we could never hope to get along well together, and so I dismissed him. The third interested me the moment he stepped inside the door. He was poorly dressed, and, though his clothes were whole, they were at least two sizes too small. It was evident that his attire troubled him not the least, for he held his head high and as he approached my desk looked me squarely in the eye. He said that he had no recommendation, that he had no business experience, but that he was willing to do his best to please me. In an instant it dawned upon me that before me was the man that I was looking for. He had nothing to recommend him save an honest, bright eye and a pleasant face, but that was sufficient. I engaged him on the spot.

"Since then I have seen fit to engage him over a man who had been with me three years. The latter grumbled, but there was reason for my move—the new man had proved himself worthy of promotion."

Instances might be definitely multiplied of the value of an honest eye. That wonderful window of the soul, the eye, is a sure index to character. If you have it not, cultivate a bright, honest, straightforward look. It will more than repay your effort. Look up and fearlessly meet the eyes of those with whom you converse. Many a choice position has been lost through an indifferent, slinking eye, and many a coveted position has been won through a fearless, honest eye. That kind of eye is better than a hundred recommendations.—Success.

There is no education like adversity.

GET COMFORT.

There is little comfort in life when a person is afflicted with pain. Donald Babcock, farmer, Harrowsmith, Ont., was a sufferer from rheumatism for years. When advised to take Dr. Hall's Rheumatic Cure he did so, and two bottles of this wonderful preparation, with two boxes of Clinax Iron Tonic Pills, completely cured him. He has not had a twinge of pain since, and attends to his duties regularly. This great blood purifier is put up in bottles containing ten days treatment. Price 50 cents at all drug stores or The Dr. Hall Medicine Co., Kingston, Ont.

NATURAL HISTORY.

Thoroughbred dogs are less intelligent than mongrels. A full grown elephant can carry three tons on its back. The horse has no eyebrows. There are 4,500 muscles in the body of a moth.

The Dorking fowl is the only living bird which in its adult condition possesses a five-toed foot.

The largest bird of prey in the old world is the hammerhead, or bearded vulture, which has a wing expanse of nine to ten feet.

Comparatively few horses attain to seventeen hands, but Kansas boasts of one that measures twenty hands and weighs 2,412 pounds.

Wasps may often be observed detaching from fences, boards or any old wood the fibers, which they afterward manufacture into paper mache.

The smallest of British animals is the harvest mouse, which makes a globular nest in wheatfields. A full grown specimen weighs half an ounce.

The First Iron Ship.

The first iron ship has more reputed birthplaces than Homer. Both the Clyde and the Mersey claim pre-eminence in this respect. Sir E. J. Robb, son of Edinburgh designed an iron vessel in 1816, which was not launched till three years later, and it is said that an iron boat was worked on the Severn even as far back as 1787. Steel was not used in the construction of merchant ships' hulls until 1859. Old salts were not alone in their belief that wood was meant by Providence to float, but iron to go to the bottom. A naval constructor of some repute once said: "Don't talk to me of iron ships. They are contrary to nature." Now none but small craft are built of wood in this country.

Even God honors a brave man, and even earth condemns a coward.

ABSOLUTE SECURITY. Genuine Carter's Little Liver Pills. Must Bear Signature of Scott's Emulsion. See Fac-Simile Wrapper Below.

Very small and so easy to take as sugar.

CARTER'S LIVER PILLS. FOR HEADACHE. FOR DIZZINESS. FOR BILIOUSNESS. FOR TORPID LIVER. FOR CONSTIPATION. FOR SALLOW SKIN. FOR THE COMPLAINT OF PILES. CURE SICK HEADACHE.

The Amur, the great stream of China and Siberia, is 1,500 miles in length, but for nearly nine months in the year is icebound.

HARD COLDS.

People whose blood is pure are not nearly so likely to take hard colds as are others. Physiology goes into the reason. Hood's Sarsaparilla makes the blood pure, causing healthy action of the mucous membrane and giving tone and strength to all the organs and functions.

This great medicine recovers the system after a cold, as no other does. Chaucer speaks of the daisy as the "eye of adie."

IMITATIONS abound, but insist upon getting the genuine "The D. & L." Menthyl Plaster. "The D. & L." has stood the test of years. It cures. Its imitations are impotent. "The D. & L." is made by the well-known Davis & Lawrence Co., Ltd.

The carnation was called by the Greeks the "divine flower." LOSS of Appetite and General Debility are quickly overcome by the use of a few bottles of "The D. & L." Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil. Manufactured by the Davis & Lawrence Co., Ltd.

One of the pretty games for the lily of the valley is "the ladder to heaven."

PINY-BALSAM cures all coughs. It soothes, it heals, it cures quickly and certainly. Piny-Balsam sells more widely every year. Manufactured by the proprietors of Perry Davis' Pain-Killer.

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SEVEN LOTS FOR SALE—One on Victoria avenue, and six on Maple street. For full particulars apply to S. Stephenson, Planet Office. 1t
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FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—Stock boots, shoes and groceries, also two brick stores and other desirable town property. Apply Box 144, Dresden, Ont. 10t

WARM FOR SALE—100 acres of the best land in Camden township, for sale cheap, and on easy terms of payment. Well improved, and in good location. Address S. N., care of Planet, Chatham. 1t
FOR SALE—Seven young short horn bulls and one grand stock bull, 3 years old. All bred from the first prize herd of East and West Kent. Jas. and Ed. Chinnick, Locust Hedge Farm, Chatham Township, Chatham Box 425. 1t

HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE—125 Wellington St. West; lot 53 x 208; house in good repair; brick foundation; 7 rooms, closets, pantries, bath room, etc. Leaving the city; will sell cheap. For full particulars apply to Jno. A. Tilt. 1t

WARM FOR SALE—Northwest half Lot 1, 4th Con., Township of Harwich, over 100 acres, fronting on Gravel Road, three-quarters of a mile from the city. Is one of the best farms in the vicinity of Chatham. Also his residence Pk Lots 11 and 12, east side of Queen street, south of fair grounds. For particulars apply to G. W. KELLY, Queen St., South, Box 606. 1m Chatham.

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KENT COUNTY PARLIAMENT

Proceedings at the Opening Session of Kent's Commissioners.

Much Business Being Accomplished—Plans for the Year's Work.

The County Council resumed at two o'clock with the warden in their chair, chair, John Campbell and John McKay were present and explained the registry office heating trouble as far as they knew it.

Mr. McKay stated that the hot water coil would require no more coal than was now burned.

Mr. Johns said that it would be a good idea to put the coil in.

Mr. Reynolds said that it took 12 tons of coal to run the furnace, while a hot water furnace would only burn six tons. He thought that it would be a good idea to throw the present furnace out.

Mr. McKay agreed with Mr. Johns and was pleased that ex-Warden VonGuten had been completely exonerated.

Mr. VonGuten said that it was a pleasure to have his colleagues exonerated to him, although he had known all along that he was blameless. He objected to the Council adopting a measure that the Registrar had tried to force on the Council.

The secretary of the Howard Branch Agricultural Society, wrote thanking the Council for their grant, and asked for a continuation of the same—Referred to Agricultural Committee.

Inspector of the House of Refuge reported that there were 39 inmates on December 31, 1901; admitted during 1901, 21; discharged, 3; absconded 13, left by consent, 5; deaths, 3; now in the house, 35. During the year \$4,145.50 had been spent on the House of Refuge. Assets, June 1st, live stock, implements, etc., \$2,680.33, produce \$650.

The report was adopted on motion of Mr. Vester, seconded by VonGuten, Mr. White addressed the addressed the council re the unfairness of assessing Ridgeway for the maintenance of the Chatham Coll-giate Institute.

The council then went into committee of the whole, Geo. Johns in the chair, to consider the resolution moved by Mr. Morrison, seconded by Mr. Somers, that the building of a steel bridge over the River Thames between Raleigh and Dover was a necessity.

Mr. Morrison spoke in support of the bridge, and said that 300 tons of grain had been shipped from Prairie Siding last year. Raleigh and Dover had paid largely for the bridge at Kent Bridge but they had never got any.

Mr. Ross said that Mr. Morrison had gone over the ground thoroughly and made out a very bad case. The diversions of the river, the town-line and Raleigh could only keep the travelled portion open because they had no need of the road. There was a danger of putting the bridge at Prairie Siding. I have no objection to giving to the municipality of Dover every dollar that belonged to it.

Warden Frank Rankin supported the motion.

Mr. Vester opposed it. He said that the traffic there wouldn't warrant the expenditure.

The council resumed and chairman Mr. Johnston reported with permission to go to again.

On motion of Mr. McKay, seconded by Mr. VonGuten, the report of the committee of the whole was adopted by Finance.

FRIDAY MORNING.
The Conny Council met this morning, with the Warden in the chair. The proceedings of the Public and High School Trustees' Department, Ontario Educational Association for 1901—Referred to Education Department.

Mr. French said that the treasurer of the township of Camden had sent the county grant to the treasurer before the interest was added, on the first of January. The treasurer had the money back to the treasurer of Camden, for him to forward to the Bank of Commerce. The money had arrived at the bank late.

On motion of Sifton and Johns, the refund of the interest was granted. The treasurer of Bothwell had made the same mistake, and on motion of Mr. French, seconded by Johns, the refund of the interest was granted to Bothwell. The treasurers of these two municipalities had followed the statute in forwarding the money, not concluded on Page 5.

"Heaven Bless The Originator of MALT BREAKFAST FOOD."
A prominent Montreal grocer said the other day: "Our lady customers are as capricious about the use of cereal foods in their homes as they are in the selection of a new hat or bonnet. However, since we have introduced Malt Breakfast Food to them they seem to like it and stick to it." A lady in Halifax, N. S., writing to the manufacturers of Malt Breakfast Food, says: "I have given your famous food a trial, and pleased to say it is the only cereal food that I have been able to use regularly from day to day. It agrees with my rather weak digestion, and is giving me a steady increase in weight. Heaven bless the originator of Malt Breakfast Food; it is a boon to my family." Grocers everywhere.

MAGNIFICENT PRODUCTION

Brilliant and Successful Presentation of the Opera "Little Tycoon."

An Enterprise of Which This City is Proud—Splendid Scenic Effects.

Chatham fashionable, Chatham critical and Chatham universal had the opportunity last evening of seeing the first production in this city of The Little Tycoon.

It is safe to say that all Chatham was well represented in the audience that crowded the Grand Opera House.

The opera was splendidly presented by local talent—a company of amateurs, and not one of the company, even a member of the chorus, has reason to feel anything but proud at the excellent manner in which the piece was presented. There were, it is true, occasional touches of crudeness and, at times, the action lacked freedom, but this is anticipated and excusable in all amateur productions, and it must be remembered that the opera Little Tycoon was not presented by professionals, the opera was prepared and mastered by the members of the company during their spare hours, and that it was after months of arduous practice that the members of the cast satisfied themselves of sufficient proficiency to make a public appearance. But it may be truthfully said that never were amateur defects less noticeable than in the presentation of The Little Tycoon by the Maple City Choral Society.

It may as well be noted right here that there is no intention to compare the two operas, Said Pasha and The Little Tycoon, both of which have been presented by Maple City singers during this month. Comparisons are as bad as you make them and these operas—the one the reproduction of Oriental existence, the other the presentation of a bright glimpse of American life—are both so much dissimilar that comparison must be largely faulty and impossible. No more should one be arraigned in contra-distinction to the other than a contralto soloist should be compared with a high soprano. You who have been foolish enough to weigh the one opera against the other, just because your friends were the one or the other, know this without being told.

Let us turn for a moment to the question of how to criticize the production.

"Why don't you criticize the opera as it would be criticized in New York," asked one of the lady principals. "The newspapers will just say 'all did well.' Why don't you pass artistic judgment upon the acting?"

That lady, although perhaps she little realized it, touched upon a vital point in the matter of discussing the productions of local talent.

It would be impossible for us to write an exact criticism of the opera. The moment we began to point out what appeared to us as possible weaknesses of the actors or flaws in a production, we would meet in every, and justly, too, for it would be manifestly unfair to judge the work of amateurs who had devoted time and energy to please, by the harsh standard of a critic, or might elevate for himself. However, the effort will be made to criticize faithfully yet mildly, and, if blame results, it must fall upon the one who requested it, not the writer. And know that all remarks are made good-naturedly, honestly and impartially.

Mrs. John Cooper and W. H. Brackin had the leading roles in The Little Tycoon. The recent ability of these two vocalists is recognized. They have been leaders in the Maple City musical world for some time and still enjoy their popularity.

Over 70 persons in all took part in The Little Tycoon, all more or less known to musical circles. Some of these have before appeared in public, but for the majority this was the first appearance on the stage.

The story of The Little Tycoon is founded on the usual unquenchable love of two young people, separated by a stern parent. Of course it all comes right in the end. The tale runs something like this:—

Alvin Barry (W. H. Brackin) falls in love with Violet (Mrs. Cooper), daughter of General Knickerbocker (Ivor E. Brock). The General wants his daughter to marry Lord Dolphin (Duncan Robertson). They scene opens on the deck of a trans-Atlantic liner, where the principals and a large party of tourists returning from the continent are revealed to the audience. Violet attempts to elope when the boat lands, but is frustrated by the customs officer (Dr. R. V. Bray). On land, as at sea, the tourists and young ladies, chaperoned by Miss Hurricane (Mrs. R. V. Bray) assist Violet to secure the man of her choice. This is finally accomplished in the second act by all the young people impersonating Japs and paying devoted allegiance to Alvin Barry as the Great Tycoon. General Knickerbocker is deceived, and, believing that a Tycoon is greater than an English noble, gives his consent to Violet marrying the Japanese potentate. Then the supposed Tycoon reveals himself as Barry. The General holds to his agreement, however, and the two lovers become one—of land we are led to believe so. Dolly Dimple (Miss Gertrude Somerville) and Rufus Ready (R. L. Brackin) manage to wedge in a beautiful little love story. Miss Somerville was charming.

Although the chorus and soloists were excellent, still great credit for the success of the production must be given to the brilliant staging of the piece. An amateur opera with professional stage setting, it will have been

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ayled. The realistic shipboard scene in the first act, showing the main deck of the SS. "Maple City," the passing of other boats and the lighthouse sent a reason to the peace that was wonderful.

If you have read the foregoing paragraph carefully, you will see in it nothing but well-deserved praise for I. E. Brock, who, in addition to taking an arduous part, with consummate skill, also directed the staging of the opera. It was Mr. Brock's ideas, and his genius, that contributed so largely to the successful presentation of the opera, The Little Tycoon.

It has been said of Mr. Brock, that had he a special purpose in life that would induce him to direct his talents to any one thing, he would become famous. His preparation of suitable surroundings for the production of the piece was the work of a genius and few professional companies could boast of a better. Mr. Brock was ably assisted in producing the electrical effects by electrician Bert Jones.

To Mrs. Cooper and W. H. Brackin, both collectively and individually, great honor is due. They have spent many weary weeks in drilling the choruses and the principals and their hours of toil bore much fruit last night. The choruses, too, did not disgrace their first runner. On the contrary, they advertised the musical possibilities of well trained singers. All the songs of the rank and file, with the exception of two, were sung in harmony and every musician knows what it is to train a chorus to sing such. It takes much acumen for the selection of the singers and still greater care in instruction.

Musical director Harry C. Philps also comes in for a lion's share of credit. He took the responsibilities and arduous duties of conducting the whole performance and acquitted himself with all honor.

Miss Kemp, too, deserves her mead of praise. She it was who trained the girls in blue and white who danced so prettily and executed such charming waltzes. Miss Kemp also trained the Japanese girls, who added a fascinating feature to the last act.

The music of the opera is light and the action of the piece offers an air scope for participants to display their histrionic powers. The heavy work of the opera fell on Mrs. Cooper and W. H. Brackin. The latter was a little stiff at his initial entrance, but he acquired ease as the play progressed and was soon wrapped up in his part. Mr. Brackin's excellent voice and his more than ordinary ability as an actor were material features in adding strength to the production. A little more ardor in his love-making would have been effective.

Mrs. John Cooper, as Violet, daughter of General Knickerbocker, had a difficult part, but she played the sad maiden, separated from her lover by a cruel parent, with perfect understanding. Mrs. Cooper's stage appearance was splendid. She carried herself with exceeding grace and her work was characterized with delightful confidence and precision. Her costumes were exceptionally pleasing. Her voice was at its best and blended with surprising flexibility with the robust tenor of W. H. Brackin.

Dolly Dimple looked the part she played so well. She lacked the usual nervousness of the amateur, enunciated distinctly and has a good strong and sweet singing voice. Miss Somerville took her part with exceeding skill but, had she not been afraid to smile, at the audience, Dolly would have won more applause. The applause anyway was too stunted.

Mrs. (Dr) Bray, as Miss Hurricane, interpreted the part almost perfectly. Mrs. Bray had the air and bearing of a professional. Like General Knickerbocker, Mrs. Bray was not strong in her singing, but in her libretto work she stood out prominently and, perhaps, distinctly. The same can be said of Mr. Brock. His make up was perfect and he impersonated General Knickerbocker with an excellence only secured by careful study.

Rufus Ready (R. L. Brackin) too, has praise coming his way. His voice lacked a little in power. This occurred chiefly in the second act, in the

trio, where his voice contrasted with that of his brother and Mrs. Cooper. In his libretto work, he was exceptionally good, and delighted even those who had witnessed the work at the rehearsals of the previous night. He spoke just a little too rapidly.

Duncan Robinson, as Lord Dolphin, had a difficult part, but he took it with the easy grace of a foolish nobleman. His contributions lay all in his actions and he did splendidly.

Arthur Larmour, as Teddy, was a feature of the production. He was really funny, and his song and dance, done with some skill proved effective, as did his work throughout. The part where Teddy acknowledges that he has "sworn off" brought down the house.

Dot, impersonated by Miss Verna Heyward, proved an entertaining part of the play. She didn't have a great deal to do, but did what she had to do well. The little sprite flirted with the Captain of the Maple City and step-danced very cleverly. "Dot" was dressed for the part and her attire showed that good judgment had been exercised in its preparation. Dot was a dainty bit of chimes.

The two butlers, P. Cornfield and Will Jardine had little to do but did that little well.

Dr. R. V. Bray as the customs officer, filled the bill with voice, and figures. He was just the man for the position.

During the evening beautiful bouquets were presented to Mrs. John Cooper, Mrs. Dr. Bray, and Miss Gertrude Somerville.

Lieuts.-Col. J. B. Rankin, K. C., introduced a specialty between the acts.

At the conclusion of the performance, cheers were given for Mrs. John Cooper, W. H. Brackin, I. E. Brock, Harry C. Philp, Fred. Briscoe, Bert Jones, and A. L. Eberts.

Mr. Eberts has invited the chorus and principals to dine at the Hotel Gardner after the performance tonight.

One distinctive feature of the opera was the orchestra, under the direction of H. C. Philp. Well and carefully trained, their music blended in charming harmony with voices of the chorus and the chorus was strong enough not to be drowned by the music.

Between acts Roger Philp rendered a trombone solo, which was received with the applause that it merited.

The costuming was done by the Baines Sisters, Woodward Ave., Detroit. The attiring of this opera was not an easy matter, but it was done by the Baines Sisters with consummate skill and a just appreciation of what the characters in the opera required.

Albert Trato painted the scenery in the first act, which attracted so much favorable comment.

Miss Mary Brackin presided at the piano. Miss Brackin has played for all the rehearsals and she is deserving of much commendation for the excellence of the performance last evening. Her duties have been arduous but have been fulfilled with diligence, care and good-nature.

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