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HARVICH TAXES.

The last call for taxes will be made on Saturday, March 9th, at the Merrill House, Chatham. Persons interested will govern themselves accordingly.
ROBT. L. SMITH.

HAS BOTHA GIVEN UP THE STRUGGLE AS HOPELESS.

Report That He Has Surrendered to Lord Kitchener—Closing in on Steyn and De Wet.

London, Feb. 28.—The Daily Chronicle, which has received a report it believes true, though it has no means of verification, that Gen. Botha has surrendered to Lord Kitchener, says: According to earlier information Gen. Botha was to have been received at Lord Kitchener's camp about the end of this week, but if the foregoing report is correct events have ripened with unexpected rapidity.

Special despatches from Pretoria locate Gen. Botha with a small force north of Middleburg. They point out that he is probably making for the headquarters of Commandant Viljoen and the seat of the Boer war government beyond Bessendale. Lord Kitchener has been at Middleburg for the last few days, but there is no indication from any quarter other than that relied upon by the Daily Chronicle that Gen. Botha has surrendered.

STILL CHASING STEYN.

Bennett Burleigh wires to the Daily Telegraph from De Aar, under Tuesday's date, as follows: "The Orange river remains high. Our columns are tightening their grip upon Steyn, De Wet and Herzog near Petrusville, and our patrols have been engaged. I anticipate that a general action is about to be fought and that the collision is likely to prove serious."

Thornycroft's column, when last heard from, was a few hours' march behind De Wet. The other columns have seemingly lost touch with him. Herzog, the Boer commander, is reported to have crossed the Orange river and appears to be still inside

the rectangle formed by the railroads and river.

WHO BLUNDERED.

The war office selected the double anniversary of the battle of Majuba hill and Gen. Cronje's surrender to publish Gen. Botha's dispatch to Lord Roberts dealing with the events immediately preceding the surrender at Paardeberg. The dispatch contains no news, but it threatens to reopen the discussion regarding the responsibility for the attack on the Boer lines at Paardeberg, which proved costly to the British. Only last evening, in the House of Commons, Mr. Brodrick, the war secretary, said that Gen. Botha-Kaizer was in command. Presumably he was, although his dispatch concludes as follows:—

"Lord Kitchener, the chief of staff, was present all the time. In accordance with the instructions conveyed to me in your note of February 17 I recognized his suggestions as conveying to me your lordship's orders and acted thereon."

TRAITORS GET OFF EASY.

London, Feb. 28.—Replying to a question in the House of Commons yesterday, Lord Edward Stanley, financial secretary to the war office, said the Irish prisoners at St. Helena would be treated exactly the same as the Boer prisoners and would not be released until the end of the war.

HEAVY BOER LOSSES.

Durban, Natal, Feb. 28.—It is stated here that in the recent fighting between the Boers and British in the Transvaal and Cape Colony the latter captured, in addition to the other supplies already mentioned, over a ton of dynamite. The Boers are reported to have lost three hundred killed and wounded, and altogether about 350 prisoners were taken.

FREE PASSES AND BINDER TWINE AGITATE THE M. P.'S.

Present System of 'Accepting Railways' Favors Admitted to be Bad
—Twine to be Sold Direct to the Farmers.

Ottawa, Feb. 28.—In the House of Commons yesterday Mr. Robinson (Elgin) moved his resolution declaring that as Canadian railways were heavily subsidized and the practice of members accepting passes subjected railways and members to unfair criticism, an act should be passed compelling all subsidized railways to carry members of Parliament free. In the course of his remarks in favor of his motion, Mr. Robinson remarked:—"The Premier, Minister of Trade and Commerce and Postmaster-General are all on record as being in favor of the principle of my resolution. They are doing nothing, however, to put it through. Mr. Speaker, I have arrived to put it through." (Cheer.) Mr. Robinson would abolish members' travelling fees.

"There is now," said W. F. Mac-

Lean, "a question of increased indemnity occupying the attention of members of this House, and one justification for it is insufficient mileage (cheer, cheer.) I stand here before the House and country and place myself on record for reform. I am in favor of an increased indemnity to members, but I stand against the taking of mileage and acceptance of passes." Mr. Borden attached no importance whatever to the argument that members were influenced by passes given them by railways. It might as well be said that members would be influenced to vote for the Government because they get passes on the Intercolonial. However, some regard should be paid to public opinion in such a matter. For himself, he thought that rather than accept the proposal of the resolution it might be better to prohibit the use of passes by members entirely.

The Premier held that the adoption of the resolution would impose a duty for which they had not bargained, and which they did not receive compensation. It was true the railways had been subsidized; but it was not in the spirit of British legislation to impose a service without compensation. There might be an impropriety in the system now prevailing of members accepting passes, but whether this led to the suggestion in the resolution it was not possible to say, on the contrary it was found that such had not occurred. If the indemnity of members was to be recast it should be recast on other lines.

After Mr. Wallace had spoken in favor of the resolution, debate adjourned.

BINDER TWINE.

The entire evening session, which extended on till after midnight, was given over to the discussion of the binder twine issue, on the motion of Mr. Blain, declaring that all government-made binder twine be hereafter sold direct to farmers at the cost of manufacture and labor, with one cent a pound added. The government's notorious policy of peddling out binder twine to political favorites was scored by the opposition, and drew from the Solicitor-General an elaborate defence of the policy.

After a lengthy debate, Frank Oliver offered the following amendment:—"That so long as the government continues to manufacture binder twine, the same shall be offered for sale direct to farmers up to July 1st in each year at the cost of material and manufacture, calculating wages on the basis of fair wages for free labor, and that twine unsold and on hand on July 1st each year be sold by tender to the highest bidder after public advertisement."

Mr. Blain, the mover of the resolution, accepted this as embodying principle of his motion, and as being quite satisfactory, so that no division was necessary. However, by way of probably, of making their back-down on the whole issue, the Liberals demanded a vote. It was taken, with the inevitable, but unusual, result that everybody voted "Yea." So the clerk announced 155 votes for and none against the amendment.

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RUBBED WITH A DEADLY POISON.

Michigan Lad Died From the Effects of
Iodide of Mercury Ointment Prescribed by a Doctor.

Afton, Mich., Feb. 28.—Earl Wedge, aged 19, son of Wm. Wedge, of Trowbridge township, died on Monday in terrible agony. His body was covered with red blotches and itched. His father rubbed him with an ointment prescribed by Dr. L. F. Stuch. In 20 minutes the boy was in terrible agony and so continued until he died. An inquest was held and the coroner's jury verdict was that young Wedge died from the effects of red iodide of mercury applied to the body in the form of ointment. The poisonous ointment was prescribed by Dr. L. F. Stuch and compounded at the drug store of Burrell Tripp. The jury found that the ointment was compounded properly and according to the prescription and no blame is attached to Mr. Tripp. The father of the victim has taken no action. Tripp, the druggist, testified before the jury that he thought the ointment was to be used upon a horse for bone spavin.

FRENCH TOO MUCH FOR 'EM.

He is Gradually Wearing Out
Boer Resistance.

Latest Capture of Boers, Guns, Ammunition and Stock a Large One.

London, Feb. 28.—General French's most recent success, combined with the other advantages gained by the British forces in South Africa, have created, a representative of the Associated Press learns, a most hopeful feeling in the war office here. Lord Raglan, under secretary for war, described it to-day as being "the thin end of the wedge," and this also is the opinion of the military critics who relegate that while the war cannot be expected to end with a sudden stroke, this constant capturing of men, guns, supplies and horses means that the operations will soon be reduced to a drab stage. Gen. French is quite the hero of the hour on Pall Mall, though, of course, Gen. Kitchener's controlling hand is recognized under every circumstance. It is felt by Mr. Brodrick and Lord Roberts that so long as the British forces are doing something to diminish the Boers' supply of men, mounts and ammunition, they are achieving the only possible objective at present in sight. It is not believed to be at all likely Gen. Kitchener will grant any armistice as a preliminary to peace, or if he does, he will not let the war office know of it until he learns the result. In fact, small reliance is placed on such an offer, even if Gen. Botha gave in the war office is inclined to consider that his action would only affect the force under his immediate individual command and that the same policy which is now being pursued would have to be continued against the other Boer forces operating in vicinities far removed from the Boer commander-in-chief.

Gen. Kitchener, telegraphing from Middleburg (in the Transvaal, on the railroad between Pretoria and Portuguese Africa) under date of February 27, says:

"The following additional captures are reported by French up to Feb. 25: Three hundred Boers, surrendered; 19-pounder Krupp, one howitzer, a Maxim, 20,000 rounds of small arms ammunition, 150 rifles, 388 horses, 834 (trick oxen, 3,000 cattle, 2,800 sheep and 287 wagons and carts. The Boers' casualties were four killed and five wounded."

ONLY SLIGHTLY HURT.

Wm. Potter, Past Grand Representative to the Sovereign Grand Lodge, saw in the London Free Press that Chas. Bogart, a member of the local I. O. O. F. had been injured in the railway accident near Chicago. He at once called the attention of the lodge officers to it, and Herbert Macpherson wired the Goshen, Ind., branch of the order, and last evening Richard Jolly, Noble Grand, received word that Mr. Bogart was only slightly injured and was on his way to Chicago. The news was at once communicated to the young man's parents. Mr. Bogart took out an accident policy just before he left, which provides for \$15 a week during the time he is laid up. He was on his way to Seattle to visit his uncle.

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THE TYRANNY OF ROGUS LIBERALISM.

By putting Mr. Richardson under the ban of party Sir Wilfrid Laurier proclaims that no representative of the Canadian people in Parliament shall enjoy any measure of independence, says the Toronto Sun. Mr. Richardson has been and is perfectly true to all the principles of the Liberal party; to free trade, to economy, to purity of election, to reform of the Senate, to every profession by which the Liberal party obtained power. He has steadfastly adhered to them all, while the most shameless apostasy was going on above and around him. He has only claimed liberty, where no party principle was concerned, to be guided by the interests of his constituents, and not by the sinister claims of faction. He has claimed liberty in effect to oppose public robbery and corruption. Sir Wilfrid Laurier was lamenting the other day that a higher class of men did not come to Parliament. What man of a high class would go there to be the passive tool of party jobbery?

ENABLING MUTES TO TALK.

A remarkable demonstration of the advance of dental science in recent years took place at the Sick Children's hospital, says the Toronto Mail, when a three-year-old child was practically given the power of speech. The operator was Dr. Brophy, dean of the Chicago College of Dental Surgeons, and one of the most eminent men in his profession in the United States. Dr. Brophy is the originator of a special treatment for the cure of cleft palate, which is a serious and somewhat common imperfection of birth. The palate is split and the cavity usually extends to the teeth. This opening is into the nasal passage, and the result is that the patient is devoid of the power of speech, or can only do so very indifferently, and with pain.

Dr. Brophy explained his theory at the morning session of the Toronto Dental Association's convention. Several prominent local surgeons, including I. H. Cameron, Dr. Peters, Dr. Primrose, and Dr. Powell, accepted an invitation to be present and took part in the discussion. At the close of the meeting the convention adjourned to the Sick Children's hospital, where Dr. Brophy held a clinic on a little three-year-old patient, who had never spoken. He performed the operation most successfully, and was congratulated by the medical men who were present. The object of the operation is to completely close the aperture in the tip of the mouth. This child will now be enabled to learn to talk in the ordinary way.

TAKE THE DUTY OFF COAL OIL.

The householders of Canada will agree heartily with the Montreal Witness, a well-known Liberal paper, when it declares the time seems to have come when the government should place coal oil on the free list. For years the people of Canada have borne a heavy burden of taxation upon coal oil for the benefit of a few oil well owners and a couple of Canadian refiners. The Standard Oil Company some time ago bought the refineries and thus obtained control of the Canadian production of oil. For the sake of the Canadian owners of the wells the protective duty was, however, maintained. In order to enable the Standard Oil Co. to supply oil cheaper to the Maritime Provinces they were authorized by legislation to export oil into Canada by means of tank steamers. Instead, however, of oil being cheapened it has been made dearer. Refined oil is from two to four cents higher than it was before permission was given to the company to use tank wagons and steamers, which it was claimed would enable the company to reduce the price from one to two cents a gallon. American fuel oil used by Canadian manufacturers, has been advanced from four to eight cents a gallon, and benzine from twelve to eighteen cents. The Standard Oil Co. has moreover repeatedly induced Canadian railway companies to break the law forbidding discrimination in freight rates. In the United States the Standard has a competitor and the price of oil there, and of superior oil to that used in Canada, has always been from about a third to a half lower than in Canada. The people of Canada have been long suffering in this matter. But the evil has grown more and more intolerable. The government ought now to give the people the advantage of untaxed coal oil. The state of the revenue makes the reduction of taxation not only possible but right. There should be no big surprises, they are a temptation to extravagance.

After today the city will be without an engineer, until the council hunt up some \$2,000 a year experiment and bring him here to practice on our streets.

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left by the grippe is dangerous; it irritates and weakens the throat and lungs. It opens the door for consumption.

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Parliament will probably make May 21 a permanent holiday to be known as Victoria Day.

If anybody intends to get hurt on the public streets and enter action against the corporation now is the time. A city without a city engineer ought to be a mark.

After all it ought not to take much of an expert to condemn our surplus shade trees. There are so many in the city it would be difficult to make a mistake in chopping out any of them.

For the council's inexcusable humbugging in connection with the city engineership, the taxpayers will have to pay later on. And the more they have to pay the more it will impress them with the necessity for being careful in choosing their civic rulers.

The appointment of census enumerators has been going merrily on for some time. The selections are made by the Liberal members or by the defeated Liberal candidates in each constituency. The Ottawa correspondent of the Toronto Telegram says a university degree is not necessary to satisfy the educational examination, but it is conceded that the census officials will be laboring against difficulties who do not know how to read or write. In scores of instances members have seen fit to recommend officials who could hardly distinguish between the alphabet and the multiplication table. "He can make his mark," a member said concerning one of his appointments, "and he can put down the figures. He will have to do." What accurate census returns this country is likely to get for its quarter million dollar outlay.

ITS USEFUL WORK.

Kinardine Review. The Hamilton Spectator prematurely urges the abolition of the trailing skirt. Before it goes we must make other provisions for sweeping our sidewalks.

AFFECTION VS. COLD FACT.

Ottawa Journal, Ind. The Liberal press keeps yapping about "surpluses," and the Liberal Government keeps asking for more money to pay interest on the increasing net public debt.

SOONER THE BETTER.

New Denver Ledger. The sooner Canadians own all railways and telegraphs in their own country the sooner will the plutocrats' clutch be weakened that now holds the masses in its golden power.

WHEN IT'S TOO LATE.

St. Catharines Star. In two or three years the Canadian natural gas fields will be exhausted, and then the Ontario government may realize that there should have been a duty on it.

TROUBLE IN ITS MIDST.

Golden (Ohio) Transcript. A Larimer farmer lost a cow in a very queer manner last week. The animal in rummaging through a summer kitchen found and swallowed an old umbrella and a cake of yeast. The yeast, fermenting in the poor beast's stomach, raised the umbrella, and she died in great agony.

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REAL HOT STUFF.

As the Visitor Discovered When He Tasted the Mexican Dish.

"The tabasco sauce incident which plays such an important role in the Boos investigation reminds me of a very harrowing experience of my own in old Mexico," said a New York briefly. About ten years ago I went down over the Mexican Central to Chihuahua, and that being my first visit to the republic everything was new and strange, especially the cooking. I had a letter of introduction to the commandante of the city, who proved to be a courtly, superb looking old gentleman, and he immediately made preparations to give a dinner in my honor at his residence the following afternoon. I was a little embarrassed at so much attention, but at the same time I was anxious to get a glimpse of native social life, and when I put in an appearance I found a really brilliant assemblage of the place. "I was duly presented all around, and, after a little ceremonious conversation, we took our seats at the table, my own seated next to the host and his beautiful eldest daughter. The dinner was excellent, and everything passed off smoothly until about the middle of the repast, when the commandante remarked that he was about to invite my attention to a characteristic Mexican dish which he had ordered his cook to prepare for my particular delectation.

"It is a local version of chili con carne," he said, "and while it's a trifle hot, I've ordered it to be just what you find it delicious." At the same moment the delicacy made its appearance. It was brick red in color and had the general aspect of a thick vegetable stew. Seeing that I was a bit timid, the beautiful senorita at my side helped herself to a portion and smilingly swallowed a liberal spoonful. That dissipated my fears, and without any further hesitation I proceeded to follow her example. To fully describe what happened next would need an accomplished linguist. You couldn't possibly do it justice in one tongue. I felt as if I had bolted a quart of red-hot carpet tacks. A roof of my mouth shivered like a collapsed balloon. I turned down my cheeks like rain. I couldn't breathe.

"I leaped to my feet, gurgling horribly, and rushed around the room looking for water, which is the last thing in the world you will find on a Mexican table. The guests shrunk back in terror, supposing I had gone suddenly mad, and most of the ladies went off into violent hysterics, but the courtly commandante after me and seized me by the flying tails of my coat. Then he held open my jaws while his bounteous daughter poured a crust of olive oil into my sizzling gullet. That relieved me, but the episode broke up the banquet, and I dare say it still haunts the memory of the best circles of Chihuahua society. I left early next morning and have never been back. It is a black spot in my memory.

"I afterward ascertained, by the way, that chili con carne is prepared from native red pepper pods which have ripened on strings at least five years. Each year raises their temperature 20 degrees F.—New Orleans Times.

Merely a Matter of Sentiment. "What's that?" asked the friend of his youth, whom he had not seen since their old college days. They were looking over the estate, and the visitor was full of questions. "That," Mr. Henpeck replied, "is a tombstone." "I thought it looked like one, but that seems to be a queer place for a grave. Who is buried there?" "Nobody. That's where I proposed to be buried, and she accepted—let's see, is she around anywhere?"—Mary.—Chicago Times-Herald.

More Diplomacy. He—I'm the best of a charmed life. She—(sarcastically)—Indeed! What great dangers have you ever escaped? He—None. But I have looked into your eyes and heard the sound of your voice. After a lapse of 10 or 15 minutes she became conscious of what he meant and permitted her beautiful head to rest against his breast.—Chicago Times-Herald.

His Turn. "Henry," said the woman who had given her husband a lovely combination of wife and sewing machine on his birthday, "I hope you haven't forgotten tomorrow will be my birthday." "No, dear," he replied, "I've bought you some cigars. The box will be useful for keeping buttons in."—Philadelphia Press.

Didn't Second the Motion. "Father," said the poetical youth, "how can you behold, unmoved, the glory of the autumn woods?" "I don't," replied the old man, "an I move right now that you take this here as an cut me 'bout ten cords of wood outen 'em. So jerk yer coat an' light in!"—Atlanta Constitution.

Optional, but Usual. Tommy—When a member of parliament first goes into office, does he have to swear? Papa—Yes, my boy. Tommy—When he goes out, does he have to swear then? Papa—Well, he is not compelled to.—King.

New Claimant For Fame. "You don't know who I am, boss, or you wouldn't say I was a common loaf." "Who are you, anyway?" "I'm de first black chile bawn in dis county, sah."—Chicago Tribune.

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Cambric Corset Covers, fine quality, with embroidery collar, special each 35c
Ladies' Drawers, good quality cotton, with deep hemstitched hem, special each..... 19c
White Cambric Drawers, umbrella style, 6 in. frill, 2 fine tucks, special at..... 25c
Lonsdale Drawers, very fine quality, embroidery and lace frill and clusters of tuck, at 75c and..... \$1.00
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Ladies' Muslin Aprons, handsome styles beautifully trimmed with embroidery, lace and insertion, ASK TO SEE THEM, at 25c, 30c, 35c, 40c, 50c, 60c, 75c and..... 85c
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MORPHINE GOT BOTH OF THEM.

Former Napoleon of Finance Ives Died From it and Now His Widow Does the Same.

New York, Feb. 28.—Mrs. Henry S. Ives, widow of the so-called Napoleon of finance, who has just died in Cincinnati, was a victim of the morphine habit.

Ives started as an errand boy in the publishing house of Harper & Bros., and later he had for \$12,000,000. He was addicted to the use of morphine. He had been treated for the habit by Dr. B. Merrill Ricketts, of Cincinnati, about the time he came to New York and died.

Ives failed and died. He may have used morphine to the end of his days, or he may have been relieved for a time by the treatment he received. Be that as it may, his wife also became a victim of the drug, and two months ago went to Cincinnati to be treated by the same doctor who had cured her husband.

She was sent to the home of a trained nurse, Mrs. Bryer, under the name of Gertrude Graham, and for a time she had her head with money she had with her. Towards the end of her illness, her funds became exhausted. Once in a while there came a letter to her from New York, but these were destroyed when read, and of neither writer or contents does anyone know outside of the sender. The woman gave birth to a child Feb. 17th, and gave birth to a child "Charles Graham." The baby died the day it was born.

Mrs. Ives had considerable jewelry, some expensive gowns and toilet articles, which will be sold to liquidate her debts. The body has been shipped to an undertaker in this city.

ELECTRIC CURE IS EFFECTIVE

For the Cure of Tuberculosis—Cleveland Syndicate Going to Erect Sanitariums.

Cleveland, Feb. 28.—It is stated that a company will be organized here within a few days composed of Cleveland and eastern capitalists and engineers to erect a system of sanitariums in the larger cities of the country, for the cure of consumption by electricity. It is alleged that a positive cure for the disease has been found. Col. Wm. S. Rogers, of the Brush Electric Co., is one of the promoters of the company, and he says that medicine plays no part whatever in the plan. A site has been chosen and the first sanitarium will be built in this city at a cost of \$10,000.

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BIG KLONDIKE QUARTZ STRIKE.

Some Ledges Discovered Which Will Assay \$84 to the Ton.

Victoria, B. C., Feb. 28.—News was brought by the steamer Amur, of another big strike in the Klondike. Quartz ledges have been struck on Lepine Creek, some 15 miles from Dawson which give assays of \$84 to the ton, besides a small showing of silver and base metals. Despatches from Skagway under Dawson dates of February 17, say that quite a stampede has resulted as the result of the discovery.

How Culture May Be Acquired.

A few pictures on the walls, a little reading now and then each day, never overlooking a choice bit of poetry, a visit to the art galleries, museums, libraries and wherever possible, without neglecting the more practical needs of life, and soon, while the mind is young, the habit is formed, the love of knowledge and culture grows into old age comes. When it does come, it will find gray hairs—yes, and wrinkles, too, perhaps—but it will also find smiles of contentment, with a vista of years gone by that will bring memories of the past "and half their joys renew."

The Translation.

On the gate of the cemetery in Rio de Janeiro is a notice in Spanish, French and English that no dogs are admitted unless led by the owner. This is how the announcement is made in "English": "Noble messieurs and gentlemen who may desire a dog to follow in this tomb-drawn by a cable round him throtle."

A Philanthropist.

He (angrily)—You're no right to be engaged to so many men at once.

She (travelling)—You see, I believe in the greatest good to the greatest number.

That was a good prescription given by a physician to a patient: Do something for somebody.

From 1702 to 1807 more than 3,500,000 Africans were taken from their country as slaves.

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Notice to Creditors.

In the matter of the estate of Henry Summerfield, late of the Township of Harwich, in the County of Kent, Farmer, deceased.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to "The Revised Statutes of Ontario," 1897, chapter 129, that all Creditors and other having claims against the estate of the said Henry Summerfield, who died on or about the fourteenth day of January, 1901, are required on or before the first of February, 1901, to send by post prepaid or deliver to the Solicitor for Annie Summerfield, the Administratrix of the last will and testament of the said deceased, their Christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, the statement of their accounts and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them.

And further take notice that after such last mentioned date the said Administratrix, will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have notice, and that the said Administratrix will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claims notice shall not have been received by them at the time of such distribution.

Dated the 30th day of January, A. D. 1901.

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Solicitor for the Administratrix, d&w 1m.

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If you have this awful disease you are in danger until completely cured; the various symptoms you notice should be a warning to take immediate treatment. Don't put off until too late, as it continually gets worse. If you have sore throat, patches on tongue or mouth, swollen glands, hair falling out, blotches on body, itching skin, or other signs of this terrible disease, call on me. We give you a written guarantee to cure you by our L.A.T. Cured. Each time you call you see Dr. Goldberg personally, who has 18 Diplomas, certificates and honors received from the various colleges, hospitals and States, which testify to his standing and ability.

The original testimonials can be seen at our office; \$500.00 reward for any we cannot show; at request of patients we publish only the initials.

I am improving every day. I notice I eat and scratch myself the sore will heal up. I hope you will not stop treating me as long as there is a sign of that terrible disease. I am more afraid of it than death. I believe you have cured me; I was a perfect wreck when I came to you, and was on the verge of suicide. To make a sure thing I would like to continue a while longer, so that it will not return. Very respectfully yours, Mrs. L. S.

CASE NO. 248,085. May 31, 1899. W. M. G. I am happy to say that your medicines helped my trouble more than any other I ever took. Oct. 15, 1899. A. B. Your treatment has helped me wonderfully. I have confidence in you as a doctor, for you help more than any one else has, and I feel that you cured me.

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THE LAST RED LEAF.

On the topmost bough, the nearest the sky,
The last red leaf had its beautiful plume;
It knew the winds as they wandered by,
It felt the kiss of the sun on its face,
When the rest of the leaves had grown tired and gone,
This little red leaf held bravely on.

And Mother Nature so wise and old
Smiled as she looked at the small red leaf,
That had staid when the banners of brown and gold
Had finished their triumph bright and brief,
The little red leaf that all alone
Held the fort when its mates were gone.

"You may stay," she said, "till the autumn falls,
Till the birds have flown to the far sweet South;
(Till the bugle blast of the north wind calls—
The blast that has frost and snow in its mouth);
And then, dear leaf, when the play is done,
You shall go to sleep at the set of the sun."

So the little red leaf like a ribbon bright,
Waved from its place at the top of the tree;
It saw the stars as they kindled their light,
It caught a glimpse of the shining sea;
And one day feeling a waft of snow,
The dear little leaf made haste to go.

It fell asleep and it did not dream,
It was not tired, its course was run,
The little red leaf in dusk and gleam
Had been happy and gay, and its tasks were done,
With never a moan nor a fretting care,
"Good-night," it said, and it was not there.

'Tis a happy world, our Father's world,
And the place He sets us in to do
Our earthly task till our flag is furled,
Is bright with sunshine and peared with dew,
Like the little red leaf let us blithely wait,
Till the angels open the Heaven-gate.

—Margaret E. Sangster.

THE DISTRICT.

RIDLEY.
James Magee and wife are in Hamilton this week, where he went as a delegate to the A. O. U. W. Grand Lodge from Morpeth.

Mrs. David Handy passed to the great beyond on Friday morning, after an illness of only a week's duration. She leaves a husband and three daughters to mourn the loss of wife and mother.

Frankie Craig is quite ill with bronchitis.

Richard Ridley is visiting in Leamington for a few days.

A surprise party visited Robert Craig on Thursday evening last.

Fred Lovell is down with la grippe.

BLOOMFIELD.
Clyde Wilcox had a party last week. The guests dined till three o'clock in the morning. All put in a good time. E. Pickard and Harry Stricker furnished the music.

Thos. Taylor underwent an operation for his finger on Friday. It is on the mend.

Herbert Holt was laid up last week with la grippe. He is able to be around again.

Walter Wilcox, River road, had a party. Dancing was the chief amusement. Newkirk and Thackery furnished the music.

William Banning, Sr., is somewhat better.

T. W. Taylor visited friends in Chatham Sunday evening.

EAST BRANCH.
Cold! colder! coldest!
Jingle! jingle! jingle bells.
There will be a South African lecturer in the school house on Thursday night. Admission 15 cents.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Woolver spent a few days last week in Emsay City, Mich.

Mrs. Alfred Shaw is spending a few days at her home near Hamilton.

G. Seward is able to be around again after a short illness.

A number from here drove to the "Burg" on Sunday night to hear the farewell sermon of Rev. Mr. Kennedy, who has been assisting Rev. Dr. Cooke in evangelistic service in the Methodist Church. Evangelist Kennedy is a very able speaker and his meetings were enjoyed by all.

Mrs. F. and J. Richardson called on Sombra friends on Saturday.

FLORENCE.
A great number of our citizens are ill of la grippe.

J. A. Baird has gone to Hamilton.

J. H. Hume, of Windsor, was in town a few days last week.

The Baptist congregation closed their special services last Friday evening.

Harry Morrill, of Detroit, is visiting his parents for a couple of weeks.

Miss Unsworth has come to Detroit for a few weeks' visit among friends and relatives.

Mr. Guilds, of Dresden, has purchased M. A. Gordon's photograph gallery and will be here every Monday and Friday.

The Florence Diamond Orchestra and Presbyterian choir attended the tea-meeting last Monday night at Botany. They furnished the program during the evening.

EBERTS.
There was a very large audience present at the Literary meeting on the evening of the 21st, and an excellent program was presented. It was as follows:

Chairman's address—Chas. Craven.

Music—Harry French and Bernard Knight.

Debate—Resolved that war causes more misery than intemperance. Affirmative, James McKerrall and Donald McKerrall. Negative, Raymond Langdon and Levi Higgs. The negative won.

Reading—John Forsythe.
Recitation—Raymond Lanigan.
Music—Harry French and B. Knight.
Critic's Report—Frank French.

The debate for next meeting will be Resolved, that Nature is more pleasing to the eye than Art.

BLOOMFIELD.
Eye Treatment.—Treat your eyes properly, they are your best friend; space them and they will for you. These will be no charge for telling you the cause of your eye trouble, and how to cure it, if you will but call at W. T. Poole's optical and jewelry store, Tribon, Ont.

The Detroit papers announce the marriage of Frank Boright, aged 29, to Miss Antoine Fox, of this city.

BEAR LINE.
Mrs. Joseph Bishop is spending a few days at Geo. Bishop's.

W. T. Bishop lost a valuable horse the other day.

Malcolm McGregor and W. H. Chappe have exchanged horses.

E. R. Snook took a trip through this section and thinks Bear Line looks well.

Quite a number of our young people met at Mrs. John Foy's on Thursday evening for chair practice, less than a week ago.

The A. O. F. are getting a lot of new members since they have lowered the rates. Court Pride of Dover intends to be to the front. They have now a reporter, so look out.

We are sorry to hear that T. L. Donlittle is sick.

We regret to hear that John Wemp is no better.

Mrs. Geo. Bishop visited friends in Chatham a few days last week.

DAWN AND CAMDEN.
James Clark's loss was greater than he at first anticipated. Although the gentleman is able to stand the loss, it is hoped the guilty parties will be brought to justice.

The concert was a success which was held here on Friday evening.

Miss Kucharsky, who has been visiting friends here for some time, has returned home.

High McBrien was in the village last week.

Mrs. Sultana Smith is visiting her son, who is very ill at Toronto.

Miss Georgiana Thomas is taking a course of vocal music with Mr. Harry Gerome, editor of the Florence Quill. Miss Thomas should make a talented singer, for her mother comes from a family noted for their very excellent singing talent.

Miss Thomas is a cousin of Mr. William Holmes, of Tupperville.

Miss Terrill, of Dresden, is visiting her cousin, Miss Bigham, at Croton place.

DARRELL.
Friday evening Chas. Agar's family entertained their young friends.

Sneak thieves are still prowling about James Chinnick's barn was visited lately, and a quantity of barley carried off. Certain parties are suspected.

Mr. Chinnick is getting materials ready to build a brick cellar in the spring, and J. Kennedy is doing likewise.

The spring bids fair to be a very busy time repairing old buildings and erecting new ones.

Albert Bragg has moved his family from Dover, and now occupies the farm recently purchased by W. Weaver, Jr., a son of the late Dr. Bright's estate.

Mrs. Byron French, who has been sick with diphtheria, is much better.

Mr. and Mrs. Flater are both sick with la grippe.

S. Wickes is quite unwell.

Monday evening, Harry French kindly drove to the city and brought back about twenty-five and girls, the members of R. Blackburn's Sunday school class, and others. These were entertained by Mrs. E. French and returned to their homes by their entertainers.

Every evening one or more sleighing parties are out enjoying themselves.

Thursday evening a couple of sleigh loads spent a pleasant time at J. McKay's.

MCKAY'S CORNERS.
John Osborne, down-nine, has had his share of la grippe this winter. The services of Dr. McRitchie were necessary to overcome the disease.

Hiram Gage, aged 73, an old and respected resident of Howard, was buried on Sunday last in Greenwood's Cemetery. Deceased was an old and highly esteemed farmer and will be missed by a number of friends.

A long felt want is to be supplied at last to our energetic farmers. The need of a large pair of scales has been apparent for years past, and the farmers interested in it will at once erect a standard set of heavy stock scales in the yard of Sufferin Johnson, Townline. Those interested in the scheme are A. Alexander, Sufferin Johnson, Jos. H. Hill, Mart. Hill, J. M. Baysa, Arch. McKeown, and R. Newcombe. Such a profitable and paying investment deserves the united support of the whole district.

Jos. Hill and Mart. Hill have traded farms. They are drawing stone already to commence building in the spring. Jos. Hill also bought the 3-acre corner lot owned by J. Jacques. The price paid was \$500.

The Corners choir furnished the music for the church opening at Botany, Sunday evening, in their usual excellent manner. The pastor, Rev. Mr. Robertson, occupied the chair at the concert and supper on Monday evening. It was a grand success in every way.

Rev. R. Ross and Miss Ross, Dawn Centre, are visiting with Rev. D. M. Robertson.

Rev. A. G. Sinclair has returned to Port Hope.

PINEHURST.
This continued cold weather has resulted in a pleasant surprise for the Methodist minister of this place, Rev. Mr. Vance. On Thursday evening last, at the close of the Epworth League service, Miss Jessie Young and Mrs. T. Tyhurst, on behalf of the congregation of Zion Church, presented Mr. Vance with a fine fur coat, remembering Mrs. Vance also, giving her a purse. It was a complete surprise and called forth a very hearty response on behalf of the recipients.

This is the fourth year in which the pastor and people have held their present connection. The most cordial feeling exists.

On Tuesday morning, the 19th inst., three passed away, in the person of

House Work

Seems easy to a man, but there is a great deal of lifting and reaching to do; a great many trips up and down stairs to make in the course of day's house work. It's hard where a woman is well. For a woman suffering with some form of

"female trouble" it is daily torment. There are thousands of such women struggling along, day by day, in increasing misery. There are other thousands who have found a complete cure of their disease in the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It stops debilitating drains, cures irregularity, heals inflammation and ulceration, nourishes the nerves, and gives vitality and vigor. It makes weak women strong and sick women well. It contains no opium, cocaine nor other narcotic.

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Mrs. Geo. Whittington, of the 11th Con., one of our most estimable citizens, died on Monday last. She was born in 1812, and lived with her husband and shared with him the hardships of a forest home. She suffered for some time with heart trouble, but was confined to her bed only a few days. She leaves three sons and three daughters. The funeral service was held at her late home on Thursday afternoon and was conducted by Rev. Mr. Vance and Dr. Jamieson. Interment took place in Maple Leaf Cemetery, Chatham.

Mrs. Robt. Taylor has recovered from her recent illness.

Mrs. John Johnston is suffering from an attack of pneumonia.

Wm. Stenton and family expect to move to their new home near Mull at the end of next month.

Jas. Chinnis is better and able to be out again.

Sophia Remington, daughter of A. Remington, of the 5th Con., is possibly owing to weakness of the heart and general debility.

TORONTO PRODUCE.
Toronto, Feb. 26.—Butter—There is a fair demand, and the market is firm, especially for dairy butters. Quotations are as follows:—Dairy, tubs and pails, choice, 17 1/2c to 18 1/2c; medium, 16 to 16 1/2c; poor, 13 to 15c; dairy, prints, choice, 19 to 20; large, good to choice, 18 to 19c; creameries, 22 to 23c; and pounds 23 to 24c.

Eggs—New laid, in good supply, and easy. Held stock also easy. Prices are as follows:—Sixty new laid, 20c; fresh gathered, 16c; cold, 14 to 15c; mixed, 14 to 15c.

Poultry—Receipts light and demand fair for choice fresh stock. Prices for bright stock, are as follows:—Turkeys, 11 to 12c; geese at 8 to 8 1/2c; chickens at 40 to 50c; and ducks, at 60 to 80c. Cold stored turkeys and geese are quoted 1 to 2c, a pound under bright stock.

Potatoes—Rather firm at 29 to 30c for car lots, on track here, and 35c out of store.

Field produce, etc.—Turnips, out of store 30c per bag; onions 70c per bag; carrots 85c per bag; apples per bbl., \$1 to \$2; sweet potatoes, per bbl., \$2.50.

Dried apples—Dried apples sell at 3 1/2 to 4c; and evaporated at 5 to 5 1/2c.

Honey—Firm. Dealers quote from 9 1/2 to 10c per lb, for 5, 10, or 60-lb. time, according to the size of order. Comb honey sells at \$2.40 to \$2.75 per dozen sections.

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The social evening is Friday, March 1st. Lodge meets at 7:30, chair taken for the entertainment at 8. Wives, sisters and sweethearts will kindly bring refreshments, as usual. Let every Workman attend and, if possible, bring a friend eligible as a future candidate. One good committee on refreshments and another to arrange a first-class program will do their best to make the evening a success.

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So Say the Jury in the Shooting of Wm. Hull by His Uncle.

Why Sharp Committed the Crime—Intended to Kill His Wife Also.

Havelock, Ont., Feb. 28.—The adjourned inquest in connection with the murder of William Hull was held yesterday. Dr. Holdcroft, who made the postmortem examination of the body, reported that he had found a bullet hole in the upper right breast. The bullet had passed through the right lung, severing a large artery near the heart, passed through the left lung, third rib on the left side, the shoulder blade and was found under the skin back of the shoulder blade. Death had been the instantaneous result. Robert Newell Sharp, to Davis' house on the night of the murder, were sworn and examined. Their evidence agreed, and was to the effect that they drove Sharp to Davis' house on Wednesday. He said he wanted to trade guns with Davis. They let Sharp go out of the house, and drove to the barn where Davis was. They had just reached the barn when they heard a shot, and immediately afterwards Sharp joined them. Davis asked him what he had done. He replied: "I have fixed the man that stole my wife." Sharp then ordered them to drive him back home, and being afraid to refuse, they did so, and returned to Newell's where they stayed all night. In the morning Robert Newell drove Sharp to his home, where he secured his effects, and took them into Havelock's. They then drove to Chas. Robb's, a magistrate of Dummer township, where Sharp gave himself up. Stephen Davis, sworn, said that Sharp told him that he came prepared to shoot the woman also, but could not find her. The jury retired for a few minutes and brought in a verdict of "wilful and premeditated murder." Sharp was then committed to the county jail at Peterboro, to await his trial at the spring assizes.

OLD LONDON'S BURIED WALL.

Part of it Unearthed in Aldgate—Remains of Two Roman Towers.

London, Feb. 28.—This week the foundation of two towers, believed to be portions of the old London wall, were unearthed at Aldgate, High street. The gate between the towers is known to have been demolished in 1666, but the discovery of a lot of Roman coins, as well as of curious arches resembling the cloisters of an ancient abbey, gives the researchers almost a Pompeian character. (Another piece of buried London has just been daylight through the telephone trenches in the old burial ground of Farringdon street, near the site of the old Fleet prison. The young poet Chatterton is known to have been buried there after his suicide in Holborn.)

WITH A CRAZE FOR JEWELRY

The New Century Opens—What a Jewelry Journal has to Say About It.

From Keystone.
Jewelry, as the most available outward evidence of personal wealth, has a natural fascination for the average mortal and has passed for centuries, regulated, not so much by the canons of Dame Fashion, as by his financial resources. It is not unnatural, therefore, that a jewelry craze should be contemporaneous with the present period of prosperity, for seldom, indeed, have the public at large been so favorably circumstanced for the gratification of personal vanity. At this opening of the century, fashion and individual predilection agree in the matter of jewelry-wearing, and the combination must operate to the great advantage of the jewelry trade. The craze is especially rabid among the wealthy classes. Our New York correspondent says:

"Never in the history of the world has the jewelry-wearing craze been more important than at the present time. Scarcely in this city has gone fairly jewel crazy. At the recent Assembly ball, the great '400' function, we are told that never before were so many jewels seen at a ball. Women with sprays of jewels on their waists, necklaces, pendants, tiaras, bracelets and earrings of diamonds; and added to this display, evidently at the last moment, ropes of

big solitary pearls. All this means business and wealth to the jewelers. Fashion is just what a mighty business making agent for every member of the trade."

CONTAGION AND INFECTION.

La Grippe is Infectious but Not Contagious.

Contagious diseases are communicated from one person to another; infectious diseases are conveyed through the air. Small-pox is a contagious disease; La Grippe is infectious. When an epidemic of the grip is prevailing it is in the air we breathe, and so no one is safe.

The only safeguard is to keep the system in the highest possible condition of health and on the first appearance of a cold in the head to use some safe antiseptic like Stuart's Catarrh Tablets freely, a tablet taken every hour or two for a couple of days will be sufficient to break up the attack.

La Grippe attacks the weakest part of the system, it may be the lungs, heart, liver, stomach or kidneys, but wherever it finally locates, it almost invariably starts with cold in the head and throat or in other words, the disease at the beginning is acute catarrh.

This is the reason Stuart's Catarrh Tablets have been so successful in breaking up attacks of grip. The antiseptic properties of the remedy destroy the germs before the whole system is thoroughly infected.

Dr. Ansell says: Stuart's Catarrh Tablets being free from cocaine and harmful drugs, should be freely used at this time of the year on the first appearance of grip symptoms.

They check the excessive catarrhal secretions, stop the fever and prevent pneumonia.

They are composed of antiseptics and may be used by little children as freely as by adults and with great benefit.

Dr. Lewiston says: My usual prescription for the grip is Stuart's Catarrh Tablets, which can be found in all drug stores. Keep to the house for a day or two and use the tablets freely, and I have never heard any complaint of failure to cure.

THEY WANT TO COMPROMISE.

Young Cudahy's Kidnappers Offer to Return \$20,000 if the Detectives are Called Off.

Chicago, Feb. 28.—A special from Omaha, Nebraska, says:—J. A. Cudahy has received a letter from the men who kidnapped him, offering to return \$20,000 of the ransom money on condition that all detectives be withdrawn and that no attempt be made to prosecute the abductors. Should their identity be discovered. It is understood this letter was mailed at Council Bluffs. Chief of Police Donahue said he did not think there was any truth in the report. It said he had recently talked with Mr. Cudahy, but the latter had not told him of such a letter. E. A. Cudahy, Sr., was out of the city when the announcement was made that a letter had been received purporting to come from the kidnappers. After considerable delay he was reached by telephone and admitted having received the letter in question. He had no word, he said, that the letter was genuine, and it should make no difference at any rate. The reward, he declared, will not be withdrawn, and the kidnappers will be vigorously prosecuted should they ever be apprehended.

THE UNPARDONABLE SIN.

Mr. Crossley's Subject Last Night—Mr. Hunter Spoke on "God With Us."

Owosso Exchange.

"The Unpardonable Sin" was the subject of Mr. Crossley's sermon last night. Jesus said, "He that shall blaspheme against the Holy Ghost, he shall never be forgiven, but is guilty of an eternal sin." Mark 3:29. It is important to know what this sin is, as many have been driven to lunacy and suicide because they thought they had committed it. What is it? By studying the context and other passages of scripture it is learned that the blasphemy against the Holy Ghost is ascribing works evidently done by the spirit of God as having been done by satanic agency and the unpardonable sin is not a solitary act, which a person may inadvertently or even deliberately commit, but it is a state of mind and heart into which people may come by resisting the spirit and sinning against light and knowledge until their spiritual perceptions are dead. A permanent character is reached, they are guilty of "an eternal sin" and are "past feeling." The discourse was comforting to those who think or fear they have committed the sin, and alarming to those who have no concern about it and yet are in awful danger of reaching the hopeless state of "past feeling."

Mr. Hunter's sermon was from Luke, 13th chapter. In introducing his talk he said, Zaccheus sought to see Jesus. This was his only chance and these meetings may be your only chance of salvation. Jesus said, I will abide at thy house. Before he came we must clean house. Some rooms to be cleaned, card room, dance room, quarrel room and reading room. Mr. Hunter used powerful arguments against these iniquitous practices and showed how parents would be held responsible at judgment for the loss of a son or daughter who had been taught at home. Jesus would not tolerate such things in his home. If you tell Him, he will bring light, comfort, happiness and heaven. Zaccheus had desire, difficulties and determination. Jesus saw, spoke and saved. "For the Son of Man came to save that which was lost." Thus said the Lord. The word of God seems an open book to these evangelists. They seem to unfold its beauties as has never been done before in Owosso. Their labor is as "bread cast upon the waters." Special subjects and solos each night.

Rev. Mr. Crossley and Mr. Hunter commenced a series of services in this city next Sunday. In the morning Rev. Mr. Hunter will

The Gordon Store William Gordon The Gordon Store

For Friday Morning, March 1st,
A very Special Bargain in 6 Ends

Fine Black Crepons

Regular value \$1.50, \$1.80, \$2.00, for
\$1.00 per yard.3 Ends BLACK SILK CREPONS, regular value \$2.50, for
\$1.25 per yard.For Saturday Morning, March 2nd
250 yards Fancy 40 inch

White Apron Lawns

At 8c per yard.

Special values in NEW PRINTS,
At 5c, 6c, 8c and 10c per yard.

..WILLIAM GORDON..

Agents Standard Fashions

WALLACEBURG.

Feb. 28.—Mrs. M. Sherwood, Mrs. Jas. Quinnell and Mr. McDonald are attending the Maccabee convention in Guelph this week.

A sugar beet meeting will be held in the town hall. The mayor and others will speak and all are cordially invited. Miss Sadie Peirce entertained a number of her young friends to a sleigh ride party last evening.

A large crowd spent a pleasant time at the rink last night. The band was in attendance.

Constipation is cured by Hood's Pills, 25 cents.

LA MASCOITE AT THE GRAND.

A Very Fine Opera to be put on This Evening.

Speaking of La Mascoite, which is the attraction at the Grand to-night the Ann Arbor Argus says:

"La Mascoite," with its catchy refrains and delightful humor, was admirably presented last night by the Young Opera Co., to a large house. Numerous encores were responded to, several of the company scoring decided hits. John E. Young, as Lorenzo, Prince of Piombino, and Robert Lett as Rocco, the farmer, were the comedy hits of the evening, keeping the audience in a ripple of laughter almost every moment they were on the stage, with their original witty repartee and humorous situations. Miss Minnie Jarbeau, as the pretty girl, Jarbeau, as the turkey tender, played the Mascoite in a most pleasing manner, with Jules Cluzetti in Pippo, the shepherd, as her ardent lover. Their duets particularly caught the audience and made a decided impression. Miss Eva Beith, as Prince of Pisto, did some clever impersonations, and together with her graceful stage presence, with a most pleasing character. Miss Bertie Dale, as Lorenzo's daughter, with the entire chorus were very good support, completing a cast entirely capable of pleasing any audience.

THE CAST.

The following is the cast of characters:—Lorenzo XVII, Prince of Piombino, John E. Young. Rocco, a farmer, Robert Lett. Pippo, a shepherd, Jules Cluzetti. Frederick, Prince of Pisto, in love with Flaminetta, Miss Eva Beith. Sargenti, Chas. O. Wallace. Matilda, Byron Bront. Flaminetta, Lorenzo's daughter, Miss Bertie Dale. Arco and Guido, Lorenzo's pages, Messrs. Ethel Johnson, and Lucia Hartford. Bettina, a turkey tender, Miss Minnie Jarbeau.

The Chatham Loan and Savings Company.

With pleasure we call the attention of our readers to the report in this issue of the Twentieth General Annual meeting of the shareholders of the Company, which was held on Wednesday, the 13th inst.

The financial report submitted shows a very satisfactory progress and is an evidence of the stability, prosperity, and solid growth of this monetary institution, of which Chatham is justly proud.

After paying all expenses from the year's earnings, two half-yearly dividends were paid at the rate of six per cent per annum, and \$2,400 added to the Reserve Fund.

Repayments of interest and principal have been made with satisfactory promptness, and everything indicates a continued prosperity of the Company's business.

The London and Western Trusts Company LIMITED.

FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The Fourth Annual General meeting of the Shareholders of the Company was held at the offices of the Company, on Thursday, the 21st day of February, 1901.

Among those present were:—Messrs. G. C. Gibbons, K. C., M. D. Fraser, R. W. Puddicombe, Geo. Monieroff, K. C., R. Shaw-Wood, Thomas Beattie, John Labatt, G. F. Jewell, F. C. A., T. H. Smallman, T. G. Meredith.

The President, Mr. Gibbons, having taken the chair, the Manager, Mr. John B. Kilgour, was appointed secretary of the meeting.

FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT. In submitting their Fourth Annual Report, the Directors have again reason to congratulate the Stockholders upon the steady progress of the Company.

The net earnings of the year have been a little over six and one-half per cent on the paid-up capital, and after payment of the usual dividend of four per cent per annum, there has been an addition to the Retained Account of \$2,709.00, bringing it up to \$113,123.00.

The Company continues to have the confidence of the Testators, and the Trusts of the Company show a gradual

ually increasing volume, it having at the end of the year estates to the value of over \$500,000.00 remaining in its care, after distributing during the year a large amount to Beneficiaries. Since the first of the present year the Company has received an unusually large number of new Executorships, and it is confidently expected that the business of the current year will be considerably in advance of any in the history of the company. The members of the Board are giving its affairs constant attention, and we think they can appeal with confidence to all who have done business with the Company to speak well of its administration.

The investments of the Company have been such that no losses whatever have so far been incurred, and it will be the effort of the board to continue this good result.

Your directors desire to bear testimony to the faithful and efficient services of their manager and staff. The Books and Vouchers have been audited and a certificate is attached to the report.

All of which is respectfully submitted. GEORGE C. GIBBONS, President. London, 1st February, 1901.

STATEMENT AS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1900.

Liabilities.	Assets.
Dr.	Cr.
To the Shareholders:	Cash Value of Investments.....\$108,186 12
Capital Stock—Amount paid up \$100,000 00	Cash in Bank.....4,906 19
Dividend No. 6, due 2nd Jan.....2,000 00	Cash on Hand.....31 00
1901.....2,000 00	
Balance at credit Profit and Loss Account.....11,123 31	
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Profit and Loss Account.	
Dr.	Cr.
To Charges Account, including Salaries, Advertising and Travelling Expenses.....2,086 03	By Balance brought forward.....\$ 8,413 00
To Costs of Investing, Agents' Commissions, etc.....00 00	By Profits received, including Interest paid.....7,022 86
To Dividend No. 5, paid 3rd July, 1900.....2,000 00	By Interest earned and not paid.....1,833 98
To Dividend No. 6, payable 2nd January, 1901.....2,000 00	
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JOHN B. KILGOUR, Manager.

We hereby certify that we have audited the Books and Accounts of The London and Western Trusts Company, Limited, for the year ending 31st December, 1900, and find them correct and in accordance with the above Statements. We have also examined the Company's securities, and find them in order.

GEO. F. JEWELL, F. C. A.

ALFRED A. BOOKER.

Auditors.

London, Ont., January 31, 1901.

The President, in moving the adoption of the Report, said:—

About four years ago this Company was started because it was felt that there ought to be an institution of the kind in Western Ontario (of which London is the natural centre), having on its Board with the localities who were familiar with the business from which its business was to be drawn, and who could therefore intelligently deal with the trusts which came into their hands. Every effort was then made to unite all interests so as to build up a strong Company.

Your Board have since worked to place the Company on a sure foundation, so as to acquire and be able to maintain the good-will of those whose business is entrusted to it, and, we believe, with a large measure of success.

Many of our friends have been urged to us to build or acquire more commodious offices, and to launch out somewhat faster than we have been doing, but the feeling of the majority has been that whereas it is desirable to acquire better premises, it was wiser to be certain of our position before incurring greater expenses.

We trust that before the end of the present year your Board will be justifying the course we have pursued.

tified in making the move so long in contemplation; in fact, we believe that soon the growth of the business will force us to do so.

The Board are under great obligation to the various solicitors who have so constantly supported the Company. The business entrusted to us has been greatly in excess of our anticipations, and never in the history of the Company were prospects so bright as now.

Mr. John Labatt, 1st Vice-President, seconded the adoption of the report.

A vote of thanks to the President was unanimously carried, and a resolution was passed bearing testimony to the efficient services of the manager.

The following Directors were elected:—

PRESIDENT.

Geo. C. Gibbons, Esq., K. C.

VICE-PRESIDENTS.

John Labatt, Esq.

George Monieroff, Esq., K. C. P. Toronto.

DIRECTORS.

John McClary, Esq., London.

Thos. H. Smallman, Esq., London.

W. H. Bowby, Esq., K. C., Berlin.

John McLean, Esq., St. Thomas.

Hon. J. T. Garrow, K. C., Goderich.

John Edington, Esq., K. C., Stratford.

George B. Harris, Esq., London.

George Robinson, Esq., London.

T. G. Meredith, Esq., London.

Daniel Regan, Esq., London.

M. D. Fraser, Esq., London.

R. W. Puddicombe, Esq., London.

Robert Fox, Esq., London.

J. H. Neilsen, Esq., Woodstock.

D. Milne, Esq., Sarnia.

N APRIL

By the sweet sequestered silence of the greenest glade,
Sitting in the shadow that the spreading pines
have made,
I am listening, idly dreaming, through the golden
hours of day
To the whispering voice of springtime with her
promises of May.

Where the rippling waters of the brooklet clear
and sweet,
Murmur fairy music as they flow just at my feet,
Tune the softest harp I hear it, for 'tis of silver birth,
Sweet unto spirit come the dearest things of earth.

Where arbutus hails its modest bloom of dainty
hue,
And patriot hepatica, with flowers red, white and
blue,
List their spirit voices. "We have not come to
stay,
But just to bring a promise that will be fulfilled
in May."

—How Van B. Spence in Scranton Tribune.

The Plot That Failed

Showing How the Plan of a Novel
May Be Too Intricate.

I. We fellows had missed Dick's cheerful face a good deal from the Levity club of late, and the idea took possession of us that he must be ill or in love. As his special friend I was commissioned to investigate. To this end I called upon him at his chambers in the Temple.

I knocked, but received no reply, so I pushed open the door and entered. I expected to find the room empty; but, to my surprise, right before me as I entered sat Dick Graham at a writing table which was strewn with manuscripts and odd scraps of paper.

"Dick, old chap," said I, stepping forward to his desk and laying my hand upon his shoulder. "What's up? Turned deaf all of a sudden?"

"Good heavens!" he cried. "I—I— you gave me a fright, Harold. I didn't know any one was in the room."

"I beg your pardon," I replied. "But I knocked several times, and as I received no invitation to come in I entered."

"The fact is"—he began apologetically, with a glance at his desk.

"Yes, yes," I interrupted. "I see—your confounded old yarns. Well, you've simply got to turn them up for a spell. Now, come."

"I would," replied Dick, "were I engaged upon any ordinary story, but this one I am working at now is my masterpiece."

"H'm!" I coughed slightly.

"Really," said Dick, "I'm in earnest this time. Look here, I've just conceived the idea for a plot which when worked into a story will startle the world with its brilliancy. Just have a squint at the outline. Perhaps a suggestion might help me."

Eagerly he raked together about a dozen scraps of paper covered with diagrams and a sheet of paper closely written upon.

"My idea," he began, "is this: Two fellows, named respectively Dick and Harry, are in love with two girls, Lucy and Mabel. Now, Dick loves Lucy, while Harry's affections are centered upon Mabel. Very well. But there is trouble—L. e., Mabel doesn't care a straw about Harry. Her fancy is Dick. And the object of Lucy's tender passion is Harry. D'you see?"

"Yes," I replied faintly.

"Well," he continued, "there is to be a masked ball in their town, and my four characters will be present. Dick intends to go as a Chinaman and Harry as Mr. Answers. Mabel is going as Queen Mary and Lucy as Mrs. Kruger. By some means they all get to know what the disguises of the others will be. But at the last moment each couple exchange their dresses, reversing the characters. D'you see?"

"I—I think I grasp it," I muttered between my set teeth.

"Well," continued Dick, "the consequence is that Harry, who was going as Mr. Answers, but who has really gone as a Chinaman, proposes to Lucy, who is made up as Queen Mary, taking her to be Mabel, who as a matter of fact is masquerading as Mrs. Kruger."

A cold sweat was beginning to break out all over me, and I believe I must have worn that same kind of hunted expression which was now increasing on poor Dick's face. He had gathered two or three scraps of paper, and was illustrating the "idea" to me by means of rough sketches of the characters, from one to the other of whom he drew arrows to point his meaning.

"Go on," I said desperately.

"You see," he said, in compliance, "here is an arrow pointing from Dick to Lucy, showing he loves her; here is another from Lucy to Harry, showing she loves Harry." I fairly trembled now, and Graham's hair was assuming a rigid perpendicular. "Then here is a curved line from Harry to Lucy in the diagram, showing them at the ball, which points to the fact—"

"Heavens, man!" I broke out, "drop it, or I'll go mad!"

"Do have a little patience!" he cried excitedly. "It's getting quite simple. I assure you. There are only a few points to clear up, and it'll be as simple as A B C."

He dipped his pen in the ink, and drew another diagram representing the four characters.

"You see by this," he said, pointing to it, "that Dick, who ought to be a Chinaman, is really Mr. Answers; while the girl he—that is, her—and Harry have changed his disguise from Mr. Answers to a Chinaman. Well, Dick loves Lucy—Queen Mary, really—but he takes Mrs. Kruger to be she. See, it?"

"Pardon me, Dick, old fellow," I interrupted. "It may be that I am very dense, but I must confess that I can't follow you."

"That's because you're a fool!" he snapped. "This is the grandest, most

subtle, simplest and at the same time most intricate plot ever hatched."

"Well, have another try to explain," said I.

Setting his teeth and fixing a steady look upon the papers before him, he commenced:

"Dick loves Lucy, and Harry loves Mabel. Mr. Answers is going to a ball—L. e., no; Harry will be Mr. Answers, and it is he who will be at the ball with Mrs. Kruger."

"Haven't you got it a bit mixed?" I ventured timidly.

"Not a bit," he said feverishly. "Let me continue before I lose the thread."

In awe I listened to him as he proceeded:

"They change disguises. Mrs. Kruger and Queen Mary are Mabel and Lucy, only the other way about. The Chinaman proposes to Mrs. Kruger and is accepted—I mean, Mr. Answers is."

He had jumped to his feet and was turning over the diagram feverishly.

"Stop it, man!" I cried. "You'll go off your head!"

"Mrs. Kruger and Queen Mary went to a masked ball," I heard him mutter. Once again I besought him to desist.

"If the fancy ball—that is, suppose Mrs. Kruger were a Chinaman—no, no!"

He was fairly dancing about now with excitement and, bad sign, had started to work the thing out on his finger tips.

I waited for no more.

Without delay I dashed off to the Levity and fetched half a dozen friends. We arrived at Dick's chambers.

The poor fellow was sitting quietly on the floor, surrounded by manuscripts and sheets of paper bearing diagrams.

"If Mrs. Kruger were to meet Mr. Answers at the carnival, would Lucy be engaged to a Chinaman or to Queen Mary?" he was muttering. "Suppose Queen Mary were Mrs. Kruger—impossible! Then Mr. Answers must be a Chinaman, and I know he isn't. Suppose a Chinaman married a fancy dress ball! Who proposed to Mrs. Kruger?"

We stole away as softly as we had come, a scared look on our faces.

A week later poor old Dick Graham was safe in Bedlam.

From a scrap of paper I found in Dick's rooms I have copied the most concise description of the plot he ever wrote. Here it is:

"Dick is in love with Lucy and Harry with Mabel. But Lucy loves Harry, and Mabel loves Dick. They are all going to a masked ball and know each other's intended disguise beforehand. Dick intends to go as a Chinaman and Harry as Mr. Answers; Mabel is going as Queen Mary and Lucy as Mrs. Kruger. But at the last moment each couple change over disguises. Of course at the ball Harry proposes to—"

Here the writing breaks off. The attempt to work it out drove Dick Graham mad, and I doubt any one else to do it without the same result.—Chicago Times-Herald.

Never Noticed It.

A traveler in Corsica says that, although Porto Vecchio is so filthy that one would like to dip it in the Mediterranean for a thorough wash, it is wonderfully lovely at a distance.

Its white granite houses with red tiled roofs and fragments of old walls, with the blue sky above and the green knoll beneath and about, make up an alluring southern picture as ever haunted a northerner's memory. But do the southerners themselves appreciate it?

If one may judge by comparison, apparently not. Says a writer in Travel: "They do not seem a deeply intelligent folk on this steeped in."

A very hot part of the road to ask a man the name of a certain noble mountain peak inland, with veins of snow upon it.

"I do not know," said he heavily. "Ah, then you do not live here?"

"Yes, I am of these parts."

"But you were not brought up here?"

"Yes, I was born here."

"And you do not know the name of that very high mountain?"

"I know nothing about it."

He spoke conclusively. The most conspicuous object in his daily landscape had, in his eyes, no significance whatever.

Death and Snuff.

A certain Margaret Wilson of Westminster, who was an inveterate snuff taker, enjoyed that a quantity of Scotch snuff should be placed in her coffin. She also ordered that the arrangements connected with her funeral should be as follows: "Six men to be my bearers who are known to be the greatest snuff takers in the parish of St. James, Westminster. Instead of mourning, each to wear a snuff colored leaver hat, which I desire may be bought for the purpose and given to them. Six maidens of my old acquaintance to bear my pall, each to carry a box filled with the best Scotch snuff, to take for their refreshment as they go along." Snuff was also to be thrown on the threshold of deceased's dwelling before the cortege passed out, snuff was to be strewn on the ground at every 20 yards in advance of the coffin, and the officiating clergyman's fee was to be proportionate to the quantity of snuff he consumed during the ceremony.—Household Words.

A House of Bulrushes.

The first place of worship in Western Australia was quite unique both from its frail form of construction and also the several purposes to which it was devoted. This remarkable building was made at Perth, then merely a town site, by soldiers of the Second company, Sixty-third regiment, shortly after the detachment arrived at the colony in 1829, and was composed almost entirely of bulrushes. In addition to this rude little edifice being used on Sundays for divine worship, it sometimes served as an amateur theater during the week, and was used during the whole time as a barracks.

ANIMALS HAVE GETS.

A Sheep Dog That Wouldn't Bite One of His Flock.

When a good sheep dog is in charge of a flock of sheep, he has one regular way of driving and punishing those that stray. He nips lightly with his teeth the sheep's hind leg just below the hock. A dog called Ralph, belonging to a sheep farmer on the chalk downs near Hungerford, in Wiltshire, was noticed by the shepherd to allow one of the flock a great deal more liberty than any of the others. Curious to know if this was only fancy on his part, the shepherd set the dog on the sheep as soon as it began to stray again.

The collie ran around the creature, nuzzled it, licked it, but absolutely refused to bite it. The dog never relaxed in the least his severity toward the rest of the flock, but to his special pet he could not be too kind, and eventually it was found necessary for the sake of discipline to get rid of the spoiled creature.

Horses are always fond of the stable cat. The great race horse Australian was so passionately attached to his special cat that wherever he went she had to be taken too. He could not be trusted at the starting post unless his cat had been in his stall before he was taken out. The Godolphin, the first Arab, the first Arabian, the thoroughbred brought to England, had a black cat which always slept on his back. One day he accidentally crushed her. After that the mere sight of a cat sent the great horse into convulsions of fright.

A market gardener at Croydon was amazed one day to find that a basket he had filled with carrots half an hour before was unaccountably empty. He refilled the basket and hid behind a trellis to watch for the thief. He could hardly believe his eyes when he saw a little half bred terrier that he kept about the place as watchdog take a carrot in its mouth and sink off. Dogs do not eat raw carrots, so he quietly followed the animal. The dog went straight to the stables and, wagging his tail, presented the carrot to the horse in whose stall he slept. The scene was repeated until the supply of carrots was exhausted.

The writer once owned an American raccoon which was a most amusing, but very mischievous pet. He was kept chained like a dog in a kennel and only allowed out when some one was watching him. One day a little black kitten was found in his kennel. She must have strayed within reach of his chain and he have caught her and adopted her. He treated her as well as her own mother could have done and divided all his food with her. She always slept between his forepaws. When she got bigger, it was his delight to be set loose and allowed to play with her. The two would scamper all over the garden, and if any stray dog approached the sheep little cry of the raccoon warned pussy to escape up a tree.—London Answers.

From Gay to Grave.

There is an actor at one of the down town theaters who is a professional pallbearer during the day. "I get," he says, "\$2.50 for every pallbearing engagement, and I like the work. It is, you see, such a complete and pleasant change from my theatrical employment. I must wear a gala smile at the theater at all times, and the gayety there, the mirth and light heartedness prove very monotonous. I long for something in gloomy black, with a look of gloom in my eyes, and the sobe I hear, the groans, the lamentations and the lugubrious music are very soothing to me after the eternal heartless jollity of the playhouse. The two kinds of work diversify my life. I touch on both tones. I make, besides, a good deal of money. I have made \$30 a week as a pallbearer. At the theater my salary is only \$7.50. There are certain perquisites at the theater, however—perquisites on thorough seating, people which materially increase my income. It is not an uncommon thing among us ushers to be pallbearers during the day."

Not a Suitable Reference.

"Of course, you quite understand that I shall call upon Mrs. Whiffler for your character," remarked Mrs. Taggerty to the girl she had just engaged.

"Certainly, m'm," replied the girl, "although I would rather you didn't, for Mrs. Whiffler is so eccentric that she is not always to be relied upon."

"In what way is she eccentric?"

"She insists that her husband is quite a model father and husband, and that her children have never caused her a moment's anxiety."

"If'm, not much in that."

"Then she says that she is perfectly content with one new dress and one new hat each season."

"If'm, she is eccentric, then?"

"And, finally, she has never attended a bargain sale and says that the only things sold at them are the women who buy!"

"Oh, the woman's mad! I shan't trouble her for your character. You can come in when you like!"—Casell's Magazine.

An Exception.

"It makes me tired to see the manner in which these newspaper men run," said a man in the smoking compartment as he took off his glasses and let his paper drop across his knee.

The man who sat next to him had one lock of hair, an oasis in a desert of scalp, which he spent most of the time in smoothing reflectively.

"I s'pose," he said slowly, "that you could give 'em all points?"

"I'm sure of it. Couldn't you?"

"No, I don't think I could."

"Do you mean to say that you couldn't tell the editor how to run his paper?" exclaimed the man who had spoken first, in a tone that had about as much dismay in it.

"I do indeed," replied the man with the oasis earnestly.

"Well, I must say there are not many like you."

"I know it. I used to be like you. But now I'm trying to run a newspaper myself, and I tell you, my friend, I'm not saying a word, not a word."—Fun.

A Budding Financier.

Little Isaac, who was barely 6 years old, was paid by his mother a penny a dozen for pins picked up from the carpet, to keep the baby from getting them.

"Nurse," said little Isaac as his stock of pins increased, "do you know what I am going to do when I have sixpence?"

"No," answered the nurse.

"I am going to buy a paper of pins and scatter them all over the floor and then scatter them all over the floor and then scatter them all over the floor."

The Only Exception.

"Everything which is done has been done before."

"Oh, no; when a man has just been done you can't do him over again."—Detroit Free Press.

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The Nearest Way.

The crooked streets of Boston are a source of wonder to many visitors. A Boston paper tells of a western man who was a guest at the Parker House and went out for a walk.

He had several hours at his disposal and wandered about leisurely, but aimlessly, until he was tired with his long walk. He supposed that he must have walked over six miles and desisted the long walk back to the hotel. Stepping up to a policeman on a corner he asked to be directed the nearest way to the Parker House.

"Well, sir," said the policeman courteously, "you might cut across the street to the front door, but if I were you I'd walk over on the crossing."

He was nearly opposite the hotel.

Quite Liberal.

She (pensively)—Do you believe in the transmigration of souls?

He (thinking of his dinner)—I don't know. I like the old way of serving them up—fried with anchovy sauce—best. Don't you?—Fun.

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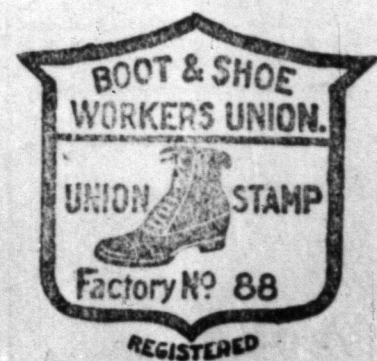
Edith—There are other things in this world besides money, you know.

Ethel—Oh, lots—if one only has money. Judge.

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A PROSPEROUS YEAR'S BUSINESS

The Chatham Loan and Savings Coy's. Annual Meeting.

The Nineteenth Year.

SATISFACTORY ANNUAL STATEMENT.

The Twentieth Annual General meeting of the Shareholders of the Company, was held on Wednesday, the 28th inst., in the Company's offices. Present, His Honor Judge Bell, N. H. Stevens, A. Macfarlane, J. E. Thomas, James Gardiner, Matthew Wilson and S. F. Gardiner.

The Nineteenth Annual Report of The Directors of The Chatham Loan and Savings Company.

To The Shareholders:

The Directors have much pleasure in submitting the Nineteenth Annual Report and Statement of the Company's affairs to Dec 31st, 1900.

This Company, with other financial institutions, has participated in the prosperity and generally improved conditions of business that have characterized the closing year of the nineteenth century.

The repayments of mortgages and interest have been generally satisfactory; in many cases interest has been paid before maturity.

The net earnings of the year are in excess of previous years, from which two half-yearly dividends, at the rate of six per cent. per annum, have been paid to the shareholders, \$2,400 added to the Reserve Fund, besides paying

for repairs on office building, painting, etc., \$172.50, and writing off \$19.96 from office furniture and fixtures.

An increase is shown in deposits in the Savings Bank, the issue of debentures, and in loans on mortgages.

A full statement of the affairs of the Company is given in the annexed Financial Statement and Auditors' Report.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. BELL,
President.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

LIABILITIES.	ASSETS.
Deposits.....\$344,038 67	Mortgages.....\$629,114 96
Debentures.....287,70 80	Office Premises.....10,600 00
Capital Stock paid up.....26,493 48	Office Furniture and Fixtures.....206 34
Reserve Fund.....\$23,400 00	Cash in Bank.....21,567 05
Added Dec. 31, 1900.....2,400 00	Cash on Hand and Checks.....2074 60
258,000 00	
\$663,562 95	\$663,562 95

S. F. GARDINER, Manager.

To the President and Directors of The Chatham Loan and Savings Co.

We having made a careful audit of the books of The Chatham Loan and Savings Company up to December 31st, 1900, do hereby certify that we have found them correct in every particular, and that the above is a true statement of the affairs of the Company up to Dec. 31, 1900.

Chatham, January, 24th, 1901.

His Honor Judge Bell, the President, in moving the adoption of the report, referred to the continued prosperity of the Company's business. The transactions for the past year showed a satisfactory progress and he congratulated the shareholders on the steady growth of the Reserve Fund from year to year.

N. H. Stevens, Esq., the Vice-President, in seconding the resolution, made reference to this being the nineteenth year of uninterrupted success in the Company's business, which fact he considered very praiseworthy.

The report was unanimously adopted.

Messrs. J. R. Gemmill and Geo. D. Ross were re-elected auditors for the ensuing year.

The retiring directors, Judge Bell, N. H. Stevens, James Gardiner, H. Macfarlane, Dr. T. K. Holmes, Robt. Ferguson, M. P. P., and J. E. Thomas were unanimously re-elected for the ensuing year.

At a subsequent meeting of the Board, Judge Bell was re-elected President and N. H. Stevens Vice-President.

THEY MADE A DECIDED HIT.

Your Opera Company Showed themselves a High Class Organization—Audience Greatly Pleased.

John E. Young—well known to many Chathamites—opened a four night's engagement at the Grand last evening, with his own comic opera company, and made the most pronounced hit that any popular-priced attraction has ever made in Chatham.

The booking of the attraction in the local theatre, was done on such short notice, that it was impossible to get a satisfactory billing. Under the circumstances last night's house should be considered a fair one, and everyone who was there was delighted with the amusement furnished. In fact the five recalls which the audience demanded for the quartette in the second act, established a record for the current season.

The biggest personal hit of the evening was of course made by John E. Young, who surprised even his best friends by his exceedingly clever comedy work as "Haddad," an adventurer. His partner in the fun making, Frank

Talfer, also scored as "Nockey." In the straight or singing parts it is difficult to say who did the best work.

Byron Brontis as "Said Pasha," although suffering from a severe cold, did excellent work, and sang an interpolated solo that made a hit.

Robert Lett as "Hassan Bey," sang well and pleased.

Jules Cluzette sang the tenor role of "Terano," and was recalled several times. His duet with Miss Bertie Dale was a pretty bit.

Walter Roberts was an imposing looking "Rajah," and his singing was all that could be desired.

Miss Bertie Dale, as "Attie," and Miss Minnie Jarboan in the soubrette role of "Serena," made two most pronounced hits. They were both happily cast and their work was as pleasing as any that has been done here this year.

In short, none of the above mentioned artists would have been out of place in any of the high-priced attractions that have visited here recently. The chorus is strong, the costumes very handsome, and the company deserves crowded houses during the rest of its engagement.

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Romantic History of a White Girl Brought Up by Indians.

Her Parents Thought She was Dead—Now She Found Out Her History.

San Francisco, Feb. 28.—The romance of a white girl's life among the Blackfeet Indians for 16 years has just come out through a suit brought by Alice Burke against Thomas Husson, a cattle rancher of eastern Oregon, to recover a ranch which once belonged to her father, valued at \$22,000. Burke and the senior Husson started to cross the plains from Kansas to Oregon. Burke was detained, and placed his girl, then 12 years old, six years ago. Burke died and the Hussons have since been carrying on his ranch.

Alice grew up among the tribe in Idaho, and when white people noticed her fine hair, the Indians said she was a half-breed whose parents were dead. She gained the love of the son of the chief, named Fleet Wing, who was sent to Carlisle. While he was there, Alice took lessons of the Indian agent's wife and kept pace with him in his studies. When the agent removed she went with him to Boise City, but his wife dying, she had to take a place as a domestic, and was a common kitchen drudge for months.

Then Fleet Wing sent her money and she returned to the reservation. The revelation of her white blood came when she was an applicant for a place in the big tribal ceremony. Then young Husson appeared and told her story, but offered her only \$100 for her father's property. She refused, and is now suing for the recovery of the land. When she gets it she is to marry John Fleetwing.

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SECTIONS OF THE GOSPELS.

Some of Priceless Value have Just Been Dug Up by Explorers in Egypt.

Together With Fragments of Homer, Euclid and Other Valuable Papyrus.

Boston, Feb. 28.—Rev. Dr. Wm. C. Wanslow, of this city, vice-president of the Egypt Exploration Fund, to-day announced the discovery of a most valuable trove among a large number of papyrus recently received for distribution among several universities, 29 of which went to the University of Pennsylvania.

It is the oldest fragment of the gospels that has come into this country. Dr. Wanslow states that the papyrus contains a large part of the first chapter of the gospel of St. Matthew. It was found at Oxyrhynchus, 140 miles south of Cairo, near the famous "Ligia" or "Sayings of Jesus," and its date is placed by some experts at 150 A. D., and by others at 50 or 60 years later. The papyrus of Matthew belongs to the same class as the famous Sinaitic and Vatican codices and of these texts and the present accepted version.

On an important doctrinal point it declares in common the exact language: "Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee this thy wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost." This papyrus is the oldest fragment of the gospels, or, indeed, of the new testament. Dr. Wanslow states that a valuable papyrus of Homer, Thucydides and Euclid also are in the collection. The papyrus of Thucydides includes no less than chapters 36-41 of his fourth book, eight dates from the first century.

Very fortunate, too, says Dr. Wanslow, is the University of Pennsylvania to possess a splendid papyrus of a large part of the fifth book of the Iliad in a very good text. It dates a little later than 200 A. D. The acoustication is full and somewhat unique.

A petition of Dionysia to the prefect, dated 180 A. D., is a legal document of many pages, full of just references to precedents introduced as one finds in a petition and argument to our supreme court of 1901. Dionysia claims her right to property conferred by her marriage contract, and to enjoy the income of it, etc., without the interference of Chacranus, her father. A bit of Euclid of the third century illustrates proposition 250 of the second book, and papyrus 290 reveals the fact that private syndicates existed at 83 A. D., for it states how a company of residents got together to do some banking at the village of Taxis. The banking of the Nile, not of funds, is meant, in order to keep their lands from being too much watered.

All in all, these papyrus form a wonderful collection for any library or museum to possess. A Philadelphia expedition sent out to the Egypt Exploration Fund office in Boston a check for \$750 and Dr. Wanslow says that is why Philadelphia reaps so handsome a return in papyrus, as well as antiquities, as all subscriptions to the explorations govern pro rata the distribution of the antiquities among our museums.

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PROBABILITIES.

G. N. W. Social.
Toronto, Feb. 28, 10 a. m.—Fair, with a little higher temperature to-day. Friday, fair and still milder.

LOCAL BRIEFS

The directors of the Agricultural Society will meet next Tuesday at 2.30.

Arthur McKay, of William Gray & Sons, is suffering from an abscess on his throat.

Mrs. Sloan, Harwich, mother of Wm. Sloan, Wellington street, is seriously ill.

Mrs. George B. Tillson, of Detroit, is visiting her sons, S. Tillson and L. E. Tillson, of this city.

A Drsey Couple — A pair of \$3.50 Slater Shoes and a \$2.50 Barrington Hat. The 2's.

Be sure and come to the Women's Methodist Conference Friday evening, March 1st, and hear the sweet singer just returned from the South.

Harry Jacques, while delivering groceries for John McKerrall, had a whole pant leg "moved" by North Chatham dog yesterday afternoon.

Do not forget to come to the Women's Methodist Conference — a very unique program, lively discussions, and good speeches. Admission 15c.

Mr. W. Harland Smith, of Toronto, will be at Wm. Gray & Sons' Carriage Works on Saturday next, March 2nd, to buy first-class carriage and heavy draught horses.

Miss Pyke, a returned missionary, from Homan, China, will address a meeting in St. Andrew's school rooms on Friday evening at 8 o'clock. All are cordially invited to attend.

The Wabash eastbound express in charge of Conductor Downey, broke a driving rod near Chatham, Tuesday afternoon. The cab of the engine was pretty well battered up, but nobody was hurt.

Miss Lillian J. Tibbitt, one of the nurses of the Sunnyside Hospital, died on Sunday evening, after a six weeks' illness from typhoid fever. Miss Tibbitt contracted the disease while attending a patient. Deceased was aged 21 years, and was a favorite with the hospital staff.

A new regulation in regard to money orders has been adopted with a view to expediting the postal order money business. It provides that in case of money orders for sums less than \$20, the postmaster may pay the amount without waiting for the advice notices, in cases which he personally knows the claimant.

Easter falls this year on April 6th, Ascension day May 6th, Whit Sunday May 26th, Queen's birthday falls on a Friday, Dominion day on a Monday, 12th of July on a Friday, and Christmas on a Wednesday. March, June, September and December are the five Sunday months in 1901.

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TILBURY.

Feb. 28.—Miss Fenton left yesterday on a visit to her home in Chatham. The arrival of Tuesday night was well attended, about eighty being in costume. An orchestra from Chatham furnished the music and dancing was indulged in on the curlew's ice. Mrs. Crawford took the ladies' first prize as "An Ophelia." Maggie Dupuis took the girl's first prize as a flower girl. W. Veale, as "Knight of Templars," won gentlemen's first prize, and the small boy's prize was won by Master Robbie Wilson as Gen. De Wet.

The infant child of J. Wilson is seriously ill with brain fever.

The Foresters of this village visited their brethren at Quinn on Tuesday evening and had a very pleasant time.

James Stewart and daughters are in Chatham to-day.

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



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DAUGHTERS OF REBEKAH

Give a Delightful at Home to Their Friends—Features of the Affair.

The Daughters of Rebekah gave another of their delightful at Home last evening in the L. O. O. F. Auditorium. There was the largest crowd present yet, everybody was socially inclined, and all had a good time. The Daughters of Rebekah know how to entertain. The evening of pleasure was arranged by Mrs. Avichouser, N. G., and Miss Askin, Vice-Grand, assisted by a good band working committee, and the ladies left nothing undone towards making the affair a splendid success. Albert Merrill, P. C., James Dodson, Wm. Porter, Tom Smith, Ben. K. Harper, H. W. Smith, and other members of the L. O. O. F., assisted greatly. The guests of the Daughters of Rebekah spent the first two hours in playing parlor games and during this time a delightful program was presented. Dr. McKenough occupied the chair with his customary geniality. Mrs. Elma Hicklin and Miss Myrtle Terry gave splendid recitations. Miss Marion Thomas and Miss Donalda Foreman, pupils of Miss Blight, rendered an instrumental duet in charming style. Misses Clara Blight and Maude Oliver gave an excellent vocal duet, and Misses Gertie Potter and Allie Humphrey both contributed exceptionally fine solos. Miss Flossie Hogart also played with excellent touch and expression an instrumental solo. After the dainty lunch provided by the ladies had been partaken of, the whole happy gathering spent the time in dancing. Lovinman's orchestra furnished excellent music. The assembly broke up at an early hour, all voting they had spent an exceedingly pleasant time.

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It will be seen from the annual statement, printed elsewhere in this issue, that the London and Western Trusts Company (limited) is taking a strong hold upon public confidence, as shown by its steady increase of business. Such a company was found to be much needed in Western Ontario, where the estates of testators could be administered on the spot, and more closely and less expensively than at a long distance off. It is a testimony to the excellent management of the London and Western Trusts that it has in four years gained an extensive clientele, so much so that, despite the cautious and conservative element holding back, it is under serious consideration to build larger and more commodious offices. The president, Mr. George C. Gibbons, and the Board at large, united in testifying to the ability and efficiency of the manager, Mr. John B. Kilgour.

JEANNETTE'S CREEK.

C. Forbes and A. Shaw spent Sunday in Chatham.

Mrs. H. Forbes is visiting in Leamington this week.

Mrs. Howe is suffering from a severe attack of the grip.

Moore & Stevens shipped one car oats and two cars of shelled corn this week.

There will be a "box" social in the S. H. Hall here on Friday evening, March 8th.

John Mitchell is drawing sand for a new residence which he intends to build in the spring.

Several from here attended the carnival in Tilbury on Tuesday evening.

FOR SALE OR TO LET.

FOR SALE—Blacksmith shop and house, first-class stand; health failed; proprietor must sell. Box 2, Blyth, Ont.

SHEEP FOR SALE—A few registered Shropshire and Down ewes for sale at 100¢ each. Apply to Wm. J. Mathew, Ridgeway, Ont.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—100 acres of land in good farming district, 60 acres cleared, balance under pasture, also young orchard bearing steady, good house, barn and outhouse. Address: Pleasant Office.

SEVEN LOTS FOR SALE—One on Victoria Avenue and six on Maple Street. For full particulars apply to S. STEPHENSON, Pleasant Office.

FOR SALE—5 shares Chatham Loan and Savings Co. (one paid up at \$10 per share) in 15 per cent. down, balance on easy terms. Apply Pleasant Office.

FOR SALE—15 head of heavy and light cow/h horses, weighing from 1000 to 1500 pounds, 8 to 12 years old. Two will match teams of drivers. J. A. Lewis, Lot 1, 8th Con., Raleigh.

FARM FOR SALE OR TO RENT—Lot No. 24, Con. 4, Township of Raleigh, 50 acres, cleared, drained and fenced, about two miles from Chatham. For more given at once. For particulars apply on premises, or address: Wm. Shaw, Chatham, Ont.

\$500—Will buy one and a half acres on Victoria Avenue. \$100 will buy 4 lots in one block on Maple Street. Apply at Pleasant Office.

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