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Easter Dress Goods

In Dress Stuffs of every description our assortment this spring is better than ever. While styles are the best the fashion centres produce. All classes of trade can be served with equal satisfaction. Those whose fancies run to the extreme and exclusive novelties will find enough here to please the most exacting taste. Those who prefer plain quiet fabrics have an endless assortment to choose from, not another showing like this in the city. We would like you to make comparisons and find out for yourselves. But whatever you do, don't think of buying without first seeing what we have.

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SUNDAY SERVICES

Rev. R. McCosh will preach on both occasions in Christ Church to-morrow. There will be an early celebration of the holy communion in Christ Church to-morrow morning at 8.30. Divine service will be held in Christ Church every Tuesday and Thursday evening at half-past seven during Lent, and Litany service every Friday afternoon at half-past four. Holy communion every Sunday morning at half-past eight.

Rev. Mr. Prosser, of Ridgeway, will preach both morning and evening in the William St. Baptist Church to-morrow. The pulpit of Victoria Ave. Methodist Church will be occupied to-morrow by the pastor, Rev. H. W. Locke. Dr. Battisby will preach in St. Andrew's Church to-morrow. Sunday school at 3 in the afternoon. Week meetings as usual.

Rev. F. H. Larkin will occupy the pulpit of the First Presbyterian Church to-morrow. Sabbath school and Mr. Rankin's Bible Class at 3 in the afternoon. The evening subject will be "Sabbath Observance."

The Young People's Society of the First Presbyterian Church will meet after the evening service to-morrow.

Park St. Methodist pulpit will be occupied on both occasions to-morrow by the pastor, Rev. Dr. Hannam.

A grand sacred concert will be presented under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society of William St. Baptist Church, on Tuesday evening, April 3rd, when an excellent program will be presented by the best musical talent of the city, under the direction of the conductor of the choir, Mrs. Alice James. The presentation promises to be one of the best musical treats of the season.

The celebrated "Rock Band," will

be heard in a grand concert to be given in the First Presbyterian Church on April 9th, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society.

TEN YEARS OLD.

Ten years have just elapsed since Mr. H. Macaulay opened the store on King street which is so well known by the familiar name "The Ark." By honest endeavor, fair dealing and strict attention to business Mr. Macaulay has established himself in the confidence of the public and is to-day reaping the benefits of his foresight and prudence. Some three years ago, owing to lack of room and the increased patronage of the public, "The Ark" had to be enlarged and to-day the business occupies two storeys of one of the largest buildings on King street. Such a variety of good it is hard to find under one roof in Western Ontario. The stock comprises largely, stoves, crockery and house furnishings, together with fancy goods, toys, and as the auctioneer would say, other useful articles too numerous to mention. Mr. Macaulay accounts for the success of the business in several ways. He buys for cash and sells for cash. By buying in large quantities he gets big discounts. By importing goods direct from the manufacturers, the middlemen's profits are done away with and he can sell goods cheaper. By retaining employees who show themselves adapted to the business, he pleases the patrons of "The Ark." By personally over-seeing all the buying, selling and delivering of goods he knows that every customer is satisfied. Mr. Macaulay has kept out of municipal affairs but has always proved himself a good citizen and is always ready to vote for anything that will in any way contribute to the welfare of the Maple City. He is one of the few who did not sign the petition to delay the paving of our main street.

ROBERTS STILL WAITS

While Kitchener and French are Pacifying the Disturbed Districts.

London, Saturday, March 24, 4.15 a.m. — Lord Roberts' main army continues waiting at Bloemfontein.

The sensational interest in the fate of Mafeking has intensified with Col. Plumer's forced retirement to Crocodile Pools, where he was two months ago, stilled from the north now dwindles to improbability. Lord Methuen is skirmishing with the Boers at Warrenton, 160 miles away. Although seemingly in force, sufficient to do pretty much as he likes, he has not advanced these five days. It is hoped that his military administration has a pleasant surprise in preparation for the Britishers by raising the siege with a strong column of cavalry and artillery detouring to Mafeking, while Commandant Smyman is drawn off to engage Col. Plumer.

AFTER A BIG HAUL.

Gen. French's cavalry and mounted infantry, according to a rumor, are fighting somewhere east of Bloemfontein. This suggests more Boer bad news, as Commandant Oliver's command, with 2,000 wagons, is reported on the Basutoland frontier, toiling northward toward Kroonstadt, via Ladybrand. This enormous wagon train is said to be moving 25 miles a day. Gen. French's cavalry posts stretch from Bloemfontein eastward to the mountains.

Gen. Buller has not yet moved in Natal. The eighth division will go direct to Bloemfontein. Lord Roberts' effective disposable force at the front ten days hence will be, it is estimated, 70,000 men with the easy possibility of moving eastward forcing the Boers to evacuate the Beggarsberg range and joining hands with Gen. Buller before continuing the promenade to Pretoria.

A Springfield despatch, dated Friday, March 23, says:—It is reported here that Mr. Steyn has been deposed from the presidency and that the public affairs of the Free State are being administered by a committee at Kroonstadt. The Delagoa Bay railway arbitration award is editorially considered in the morning papers. The approaching declaration of the finding of the arbitration is welcomed as coming at an appropriate moment and as bringing the acquisition of Delagoa Bay appreciably nearer.

LIKELY UNTRUE.

Boer Camp, Kroonstadt, Thursday, March 22.—Affairs are being put in proper shape and the Free Staters who had to leave, are returning in crowds. The commands are mobilizing in great numbers, and the men are more determined than ever.

President Steyn has issued a pro-

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clamation in which he warns the burghers who lay down their arms and help the enemy, that they are liable to the utmost punishment as traitors.

A despatch to the Daily News from Lorenzo Marques, dated Friday, says:—It is reported here from Pretoria that Commandant Eloff is isolating Plumer's force near Gaberones.

A Bloemfontein correspondent of this Daily News, telegraphing Thursday, says:—A letter from Mr. Poulter, an interpreter in the Free State courts, has been received by his wife here, in which the writer declares that Gen. Joubert is commanding the combined forces at Kroonstadt, where there is plenty of men, guns, and food-stuffs for a determined resistance. The rebellion in the Prieska District has been suppressed and Lord Kitchener is returning here.

BUDGET SPEECH.

Mr. Fielding Paints a Very Glimmering Picture

Of Canada's Prosperity—Surplus This Year Nearly Five Millions.

Ottawa, March 24.—Mr. Fielding delivered his budget speech in the Commons yesterday. He began by describing the year 1899 as the most prosperous in the history of the country, as shown by the returns of our trade, the receipts of railways and the activity of industries generally. The revenue for the year was \$46,741,219. The chief increases were in customs, \$3,611,948; excise, \$4,779,661; in the post office department, a decrease of \$331,092; in miscellaneous receipts an increase of \$1,138,431, including the Yukon receipts and \$600,000 increased earnings of the Government railway system. The decrease in post office receipts was due to the penny postage reform carried out by Mr. Mulock, but that deficit would not be continued as he believed that in twelve months the revenue of the post office department would be as much as it was before the penny postage reduction. The revenue of the fiscal year, 1898-9, being \$46,741,219, and the expenditure on consolidated fund \$41,903,500, there remained a surplus of \$4,837,719. A capital expenditure of 9,137,562 resulted in a net addition to the public debt of \$2,317,047. This was somewhat larger than he had expected, but still it was moderate, having regard to the large public expenditures that were in progress. He claimed that the additions to the public debt had not been very large during the present regime. In the period from 1878 to 1895 there had been a total addition to the public debt of \$118,135,362, or an average addition per year of \$6,563,075. During the three years, 1896-9, the debt had been increased by \$7,776,013, equivalent to an average increase of \$2,592,000 per year. And even of this he claimed \$2,500,000 had been expended in meeting obligations incurred by the late Government, and which they should have met. If that amount were deducted it would make an average increase of the public debt of \$1,700,000 against an average of six and one-half millions added to their predecessors. Coming to the present financial year, 1899-1900, Mr. Fielding said:—"I estimate that the total revenue this year will pass the fifty-million dollar mark." (Government cheers.)

As for the expenditure of the eight months ended 1st March, it amounted to \$25,018,230, so that for the whole year it would probably be \$43,175,000. He therefore estimated that at the close of the year there would be a surplus (on consolidated fund) of seven and one-half millions—the largest surplus in the history of the country, or to borrow from the motto of his friend the Postmaster-General, "a surplus water than has been."

TARIFF REFORM.

The extent to which the present Government has carried out its policy of tariff reform was, he said, shown by the following figures:—Our imports for home consumption in 1899 were \$149,366,559, the duty collected therefrom being \$26,611,784, or an average ad valorem collected, \$20,219,037—on average duty of 19.19 per cent. This difference of 2 per cent represented the reduction in the tariff, and if the average duty of 1896 had been levied upon the imports for the year 1899, the sum of \$3,017,000 more would have been paid in duty. Mr. Fielding further claimed that this reduction in the duty on imports caused an equivalent reduction of 2 per cent in the price of home products of the same class.

The only change in the tariff, besides the preferential one, he said, was to put another item on the free list viz., machinery not of a class made in Canada, when imported for the refining of beet foot sugar. It was intended to establish at least one refinery in Ontario, the plant for which would cost about \$300,000, and the removal of the duty would be an important concession. The Government was not now dealing with the question of a bounty on beet root sugar? As to the tariff as it stands, he by no means claimed it to

be perfect, but the government did not wish to disturb it in its details. Some of the items were higher than he would like, and there were others that, if increased, would make the tariff more symmetrical and better proportioned. Besides very few of the items stood alone, so that when one was altered it might make it necessary to effect wider changes than were desirable. There were items from the United States on which the tariff might be lower, he said, but as the Americans were taking the position that it was not in their interests to promote trade with Canada, and while they held that opinion, the Government did not think the time opportune for making reductions on our side. Still, whether we have closer trade relations with the United States or not, or whether we reduce our tariff or not, what had already transpired must be convincing to Canadians that their interests will be safeguarded at every point.

PREFERENTIAL TRADE.
In regard to the preferential trade, he regretted that the Opposition, in-

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A Little Rubber Talk

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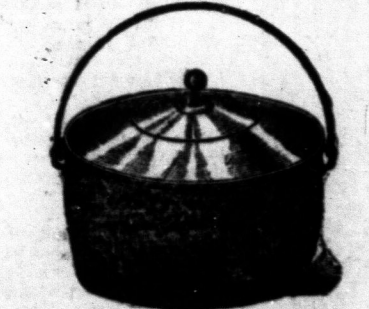
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GIRLS OF LONG AGO.

Reared in many a lonely cabin. Learning but in Nature's school. Proudly playing straw for pastime. Perched upon a wooden stool. Bounding through the dim old forests. Finding where the wild flowers grow. Dressed in homely linsey-woolsey. Little girls of long ago.

Rowing up and down the river. Singing in a birch canoe. Sticks for dolls their only playthings. Feet that seldom donned a shoe. Watching mother at her spinning. While she hummed some old tune low. Crowding round the cheery fireplace. Little girls of long ago.

Mush and milk their daily diet. Eaten from a pewter pail. Always happy and contented. Dancing on from goal to goal. Busy as the bees on their round. Hoping father off to sow. Gathering up the nuts and apples. Little girls of long ago.

Indians everywhere about them. Wolves at bedtime howling near. Yet they did not know the meaning. Or the misery of fear. Following their great-grandmothers. While they hunted with gun and bow. Brave as any older settlers. Little girls of long ago.

Building houses every autumn. With the brown leaves scattered round. Taking tea with bits of china. Neatly laid upon the floor. Sliding on the ponds in winter. Trudging through the drifted snow. To some distant grand-grandmother. Little girls of long ago.

Snow-white grew their shining tresses. And at last they sweetly slept. On their low moulded daises blossomed. Round and round the ivy crept. Many a line they later told us. Early pleasures, later woe. Dead and gone our great-grandmothers. Little girls of long ago.

—(Findley Bradley in The New York Observer.)

A LITTLE JOKE.

A day or two before Easter I was sitting in my office finishing up some scraps of work and ever and anon casting happy glances at my portmanteau, which stood in the corner. I was just off to spend a fortnight with my old friend, Col. Guntun, in Norfolk, and I was looking forward to seeing him again with great pleasure. We had not met for ten years, and I had never been to his place or seen any of his family. It would be delightful.

The telephone bell rang. "Oh, confound it! I hope that's nothing to keep me!" I exclaimed, and rose to see to it.

"Mr. Miller, are you there?"

"Yes."

"All right. I'll come round."

A few minutes passed and then my clerk announced, "A lady to see you, sir."

A remarkably pretty girl of about eighteen was ushered in. She stood silent a way from me till the door was closed. Then she suddenly rushed toward me, fell at my feet and exclaimed, "You will protect me, won't you?"

"My dear young lady, what in the world—"

"You're the famous Mr. Miller, aren't you—Mr. Joseph Miller, the philanthropist?"

"My name is Joseph Miller certainly."

"Ah! Then I am safe!" A damask curtain in an armchair and smiled confidently at me.

"Madam," said I sternly, "will you have the goodness to explain to what I owe the pleasure of the visit?"

"They told me to come to you."

"Who?"

"Why, the people at the police station."

"The police station?"

"Yes, when they let me go—because it was a first offense, you know. They said you always took up cases like mine, and that if I stuck to you I should be well looked after."

It was quite true that I had taken an interest in receding young persons from becoming habitual criminals, but I was hardly prepared for this.

"What have you been doing?"

"Oh, nothing this time—only a brace."

"They didn't know me up here," she explained smilingly. "I've always practiced in the country. Wasn't it lucky? But really, Mr. Miller, I'm tired of it; I am indeed. The life is too exciting—the doctors say so—so I've come to you."

The case was a strange one, but I had no time to investigate it now. It wanted only half an hour to the time my train left Liverpool street.

"What is your name?" I asked.

"Well, I will have your case looked into. Come and see me again, or, if you are in distress, you may write to me—at Col. Guntun's Beech Hill, Norfolk. I shall be staying there."

"Going now?"

"I start in a few minutes."

"Oh, I'll come with you!"

"Madam," I answered with emphasis, "I will see you—out of the office first."

"But what am I to do? Oh, it's nonsense! I shall come. I shall say I belong to you."

I rang the bell.

"Show this lady out, Thomas, at once."

She laughed, bowed and went—evidently a most impudent hussy. I finished my business, drove to Liverpool street and established myself in a first-class smoking carriage. I was alone and settled myself for a comfortable cigar. I was rudely interrupted. Just as the train was starting the door opened—and that odious young woman jumped in!

"There I nearly missed you!" she said.

"I can hold no communication with you," I said severely. "You are a disgrace to your—er—sex."

"It's all right. I wired to the colonel."

"You've wired to my friend, Col. Guntun?"

"Yes; I didn't want to surprise them. I said you would bring a friend with you. It's all right, Mr. Miller."

you are, but the Guntuns are respectable people, and I am a respectable man, and—"

"There's no reason why you should promenade up and down, Mr. Miller. It's very uncomfortable for me."

"What is the meaning of this insolent behavior?"

"Why not be friendly? We're off now, and I must go on."

"I shall give you in charge at the next station."

"What for?"

On reflection, I supposed she had committed no criminal offense; and with a dignified air I opened my paper.

"I don't mind your smoking," she said and took out a box of chocolates.

I was at my wits' end. Either this girl was mad or she was a dangerous and unscrupulous person. She was quite capable of making a most unpleasant and creditable commotion on the platform at Beech Hill station.

What in the world was I to do?

"Shall we stay long at the Guntuns?" she asked.

"You, madam, will never go there."

"Oh, yes, I shall!"

"Indeed, you won't. I'll take care of that. The police will see to that."

"I don't care a fig for the police. I shall go and stay as long as you do. They told me to stick to you."

I became angry. Any man would have been losing his temper. I took out a sovereign.

If you'll get out at the next station, I'll give you this."

She laughed merrily. "I thought you went in for personal supervision, not mere pecuniary ones," she said. "I read that in your speech at the charity organization meeting. No, I'm not to be bribed. I'm going to the Guntuns."

"It's absurd. It's preposterous. What will—what will Mrs. Guntun say?"

"Oh, she won't mind!" answered my companion, with a confident nod. "She's used to girls like me."

"You surprise me," I retorted sarcastically, but she only laughed again. I returned to my paper.

An hour passed in silence. The train began to slacken speed. We neared the station and I said:

"Would you really rather I didn't come with you?"

I had passed a wretched hour. This girl was evidently bent on blasting my character.

"Madam," said I, "if you will get out at this station, I'll give you a £5 note."

"What? I heard you never gave away a farthing. They said no one could get a penny out of you."

"It is true that I disapprove of indiscriminate charity, but under the circumstances—"

"Think I am a deserving object? Well, I'll take it."

With a sigh of relief I took a note from my pocketbook and gave it to her.

"I'll pay it back soon," she said.

"Never let me see your face again."

"Apologize for me to the Guntuns. Goodbye."

She jumped out lightly and I sank back murmuring:

"Thank heaven!"

After I got rid of her my journey was peaceful and happy and I forgot my troubles in the warm greeting my old friend Bob Guntun and his wife gave me. The girl must have tied about the telegram, at least Bob made no reference to it. He had a fine family of boys and girls and presented them to me with natural pride.

"That's my lot—except Addie. She's gone to see some friends, but we expect her back every minute. They keep me alive, I can tell you, Miller."

After tea my host and hostess insisted on taking me for a stroll on the terrace. It was a beautiful evening and I did not mind the cold. As we were talking together I heard the rumble of wheels. An omnibus stopped at the gate.

"Ah, the bus," said Guntun. "It runs between here and our market town."

I hardly heard him, for my horror. I saw, descending from the bus and opening the gate, that girl!

"Send her away!" I cried. "Send her away! On my honor, Bob, as a gentleman, I know nothing about her."

"Why, what's the matter?"

"I solemnly assure Mrs. Guntun and yourself, that—"

"What's the matter with the man? What's he talking about?"

"Why, Bob, that girl—that bare-faced girl!"

"That girl! Why, that's my daughter Addie!"

"Your daughter?"

The little mix walked up to me with a smile, dropped a little courtesy and said:

"I knew Mr. Miller, that it wasn't true that you would refuse to help a really deserving case. The others said you would, but I thought better of you."

And she had the effrontery, then, and there, to tell her parents all about it!

I think parents are the most infatuated class of persons in the community. They laughed, and Mrs. Guntun said: "How clever of you, Addie! You must forgive her, Mr. Miller. My dear girls are so playful!"

Playful! And she never returned the £5 note.

By RUDYARD KIPLING.

"Did ye be after a hearin', Mrs. O'Sullivan, how Mrs. Ahearne and her husband was always at strife one wild another?"

"Quarrellin', be they, the creaturest! Me and me Patsy, now look! never had a word of trouble since marriage. O! shirked him a good shirked to-day, but 'twor the safe part as the broom I gave him, the darlin'!"—Judge.

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They Have One of the Out of Way Modes of Getting a Living

These Persons, Who are Supposed to Have Palates of Exquisite Delicacy, Hang About the Docks.

One of the out of the way modes of getting a living in London is that practiced by the wine tasters of the London docks. These persons, who are supposed to have palates of exquisite delicacy, hang about the docks, where they are hired by both dealers and buyers to accompany them to the vaults and give their opinions of the various wines submitted to them for examination. Though they carefully avoid swallowing the wines they taste, yet their calling slowly saps their health, and they become at an early age physical wrecks. The sensations which they experience in sampling the wines are of the most delicate and subtle nature. It was one of these men who detected the flavor of iron in a pipe of wine into which a shingle nail had fallen.

The language in which they describe these sensations is altogether unique, sometimes of the subtlest allusions and analogies. At a trial in which the quality of a cargo of wine was in dispute one of these professional tasters, who had been summoned to appear as a witness, expressed the most positive conviction that, as the plaintiff contended, the wine that had been sent was totally different from the sample.

"And how do you know that?" asked the opposing counsel.

"Oh, it is quite a different wine to my taste. There was a fine farewell flavor about the sample which the wine sent totally lacks."—Saturday Evening Post.

When Pat Cornered Nonsense.

Dr. Nansen, the Arctic explorer, came across an Irishman on one occasion who declared that he had traveled farther north than anybody.

"What nonsense!" exclaimed the doctor, getting angry. "Why, sir, do you know I calculate to have traveled as far as any human being can possibly get."

But still the Irishman persisted, and went on to say:

"Now, listen to this. How do you know that you've traveled as far as any human being can get?"

"Because," replied the doctor, "I came to a huge wall of ice that no one could get around."

"What did ye do then?"

"Well, I conversed with my staff of men on the subject."

"Ah, begorra!" exclaimed Pat. "O! heard ye. O! was on th' other side of the wall!"

And he walked away in triumph—Spare Moments.

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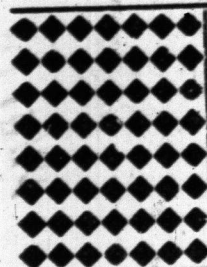
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THE PROBABILITIES.

G. W. N. Special.
Toronto, March 24.—10 a. m.—North-
easterly and easterly winds Sunday, easterly
winds fair, and a little milder.

LOCAL BRIEFS

Mrs. Bullis is seriously ill.
Sam. Sloan, of Harwich, is very low.
Have you seen the Bat-Wing Bow Tie
at The 2 T's?

Warden Davidson, of Thamesville,
was in the city today.
New ideas in American Collars every
week at The 2 T's.

Will C. Campbell has returned from
a business trip to Detroit.

Parcel Boy Wanted! Apply Monday
morning, Thomas Stone & Son.

A full line of Barrington Spring
Hats at The 2 T's tonight.

Two handsome setter dogs are on
Wesley Roseberry's property at Pine-
hurst.

The official thermometer registered
23 degrees above zero last night, at
its lowest.

Miss Norton leaves today for De-
troit to study vocal music under Mr.
M. Pease.

Andrew Neil, of Harwich, who re-
cently underwent an operation on his
knee, is much improved.

Garnia citizens who work in Port
Huron, are being turned back at the
ferry under the new labor law.

Gordon S. Brownman, the Merlin
druggist, passed through the city to-
day on his way to London on a busi-
ness trip.

The novel and delightful Rock Band
Concert Company will appear in the
First Presbyterian Church on Mon-
day, April 3.

The police stopped a sparring con-
test in the London Opera House last
night after the fifth round. The audi-
ence was very angry.

Supt. W. J. O'Neil and Chief Engineer
Owen McKay, of the Lake Erie, were
in St. Thomas on Wednesday locating
the entrance of the extension of the
road from Ridgeway to St. Thomas.

Mrs. Owen, representing the
girls' division of the Barnardo Home,
Victoria, was in the city today.

There are twelve young girls in this
city who are happily located within
this vicinity.

A. R. Linton, G. Mason and T. Mc-
Cord are the missionaries allotted to
the Presbytery of Chatham by the
Home Mission Committee of the Pres-
byterian Church at Toronto recently.

The order honoring only tickets on
their own trips has been revoked by
the Grand Trunk and Wabash rail-
roads, and the new circular announces
that all tickets are good upon any
train.

Elmo Marshall, having completed a
three-year course as a legal student
in the offices of Wilson, Kerr & Pike,
has accepted a similar position with
the Toronto firm of Ryckman, Kirk-
patrick & Kerr. He will leave for the
Queen City the beginning of May.

Dr. Thornton conducted a spelling
match at the McKenough school yester-
day afternoon. Grace Irving was the
winner and was presented with a
splendid book by the doctor for her
orthographic ability.

Mass Cathart has opened a mil-
linery establishment opposite the I.
O. O. F. building, that will be furni-
shed with a select assortment of goods.
On Thursday, Friday and Saturday
next she will have her first millinery
opening, that will comprise many of
the latest New York and Parisian
styles.



ALWAYS A FEAST

For the "Bread" get their Bread at Richard. It
tastes like a feast. It is made in a bread
factory in Chatham. It is uniform in
quality of equal flavor, such as is on a road
by the way. It is made from the best flour that
is grown. It is made and packed in a
bread, too, so that it can be made, always fresh.

W. S. McAPPS K-r Bakery

Miss Keller will spend Sunday the
guest of Mrs. J. M. Tierney, Tilbury.

In the pigeon shoot between Hal D.
Butts, of Ridgeway, and Wm. Stroud,
of Hamilton on Wednesday, a hun-
dred birds a side, Butts won by a
score of 83 to 75.

Your description of that fire was
all right," said James Clave to the
Planet. "That, however, was the
second Pork Row that was burned.
The first Pork Row began where
Northway's store now is, and was
burned several years before Pork Row
No. 2."

This morning Major J. B. Rankin
received from Donald McKellar the
sum of \$10 to supplement the fund
for the boys from Kent in the First
and Second Contingents now in ser-
vice in South Africa. The sum is the
proceeds of an entertainment given
by the Maple Leaf Literary Club of
Appledore.

The vestry of Christ church offers
for sale six building lots on Stanley
avenue facing Victoria Park. They
are the most desirable building lots in
Chatham, and are offered at very rea-
sonable rates. Apply to the Rector
or Church Wardens. Plan of lots may
be seen at Mr. Waddell's office.

The Trusts and Guarantee Company,
Limited, 14 King street, west, To-
ronto, have been requested by Mr.
Stephen Douglas, of Mitchell, Ont., to
apply for letters of Administration of
the estate of his daughter, the late
Vera Maria Douglas, the well-known
Canadian, who died suddenly in Paris
in December last. The estate amounts
in all to about \$29,000.

Rev. Mr. Colles, I. P. S., appears
upon the program of the Ontario Edu-
cational Association "Inspectors" De-
partment for an important paper upon
the Organization of Boards of Rural
School Trustees upon a broader and
more efficient basis. Mr. Colles has
already many important features of
the present Public School Act and Reg-
ulations to his credit, and the improve-
ment he is about to propose will pro-
vide a safeguard to the best interests
of the rural schools.

Mr. Gordon, the Fifth street tailor,
opposite the Victoria Block, reports a
rush of business. As we expected the
public appear to appreciate the privi-
lege of getting high class tailoring
at the lowest of prices. Mr. Gordon
eaters also for the ladies. His tailor-
made jackets are all the rage. Cloth-
ing cut or cut and made for men or
boys will receive his personal attention.

CHATTANOOGA.

"Chattanooga" is the attraction at
the Grand next Saturday night and is
said to be one of the most handsomely
staged productions now travelling.

It is in every sense a drama, full of action
dealing with views incident to the Civil
war. Persons in all walks of life can
find something interesting in "Chat-
tanooga" for it is an ideal drama,
splendidly staged, beautifully written
and has a love story which is natural
and delightful.

INTERRED IN THE MAPLE LEAF.

The remains of the late Richard Re-
bush were reverently laid to rest in
Maple Leaf cemetery on Friday after-
noon. There was a large attendance
at the funeral, the services being con-
ducted by the Rev. Dr. Hanson of the Park
Street Methodist Church. The pall-
bearers were Bandmaster Harry C.
Phillips, George James and H. Gonne,
of the City Band, and Ed Dale, Homer
Smith, and Herman Baxter.

A NICE BALANCE.

Mrs. George S. Heyward, treasurer
of the Red Cross Society, together
with Miss J. B. Rankin, this after-
noon went over the returns of last
evening's patriotic concert so far as
they had been received. The house-
hold which will be likely augmented by
outside sales. The ladies estimate
their expenses at \$34.07, and expect
to be able to forward a handsome
check to the Red Cross fund. The
ladies deserve hearty congratulations
on the success of their efforts.

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Next the Druggist's Old Stand.

News has reached this city of the
death of Rev. Arch. Campbell, a form-
er pastor of the Baptist Church here
at his home in Barre, Quebec. A pio-
neer settler in this district, it was un-
der his pastorate that the first Bap-
tist Church was erected in Chatham on
the present site of the Merrill Hotel.
He left here some 30 years ago to as-
sume another charge.

BRAVE MAN DIES.

General Woodgate Wounded at
Spion Kop Passes Away.

Lord Roberts Reports That the Free
State People Are Calming
Down.

London, March 24.—Natal despatches
announce the death in the Mool hos-
pital, yesterday, of Gen. Sir Edward
Woodgate, wounded in the engage-
ment at Spion Kop, Jan. 24.

COUNTRY SETTLING DOWN.

Lord Roberts cables the war office
from Bloemfontein, under date of
March 23, evening, as follows:
"There is no special news to report.
The country south of this place is gen-
erally settling down. Numbers of arms
have been delivered up and the people
are beginning to recognize the advan-
tages of bringing in supplies for sale.
The movement of the troops in the
western district is being attended
with good results."

THE COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE.

Maximum of Results for a Minimum
of Expenditure.

From the report of the Minister of
Education for the year 1899, with
statistics of the year 1900, just come to
hand, we glean the following:

The city grants to the following col-
legiate institutes and the number of
pupils enrolled respectively for the
year 1899 were as follows:

Brantford, \$9000; 336 pupils.
Peterboro, \$7300; 376 pupils.
Barnsby, \$5200; 331 pupils.
Windsor, \$7701, 294 pupils.
Stratford, \$5500; 292 pupils.
Guelph, \$5582; 263 pupils.
St. Thomas, \$5271; 379 pupils.
Chatham \$5253; 349 pupils.

Examination Record.

In the same year Chatham C. I.
pupils won fifteen first class honors at
Toronto's University matriculation ex-
amination—a record surpassing that of
all the other collegiate institutes of the
province, but London C. I., which had
seventeen to its credit.

Moreover, Chatham had twenty-two
successful candidates at the junior
leaving or second class teachers' ex-
amination ranking fourth among the
thirty-seven collegiate institutes of the
province.

A DRAINAGE BILL

Toronto, March 24.—Mr. Mutrie's
bill to compel owners to clean out
drains in front of their property in
rural municipalities was opposed by
Mr. Stratton as likely to lead to dif-
ficulties.

The Attorney-General took a neutral
stand on the question. East Welling-
ton was in favor of it, he said.

Mr. Auld pointed out that in sec-
tions like Essex, where there was a
complex drainage system, it would
mean that the owners of low-lying
farms would do the cleaning for the
farmers on the uplands.

On the suggestion of Mr. Gibson the
bill was ordered to the municipal com-
mittee in order that persons interested
could be heard.

The Attorney-General introduced a
bill to double the jurisdiction of coun-
ty courts. He described it as a tem-
porary measure preliminary to a gen-
eral rearranging of the courts.

Answering Dr. Jessop, Mr. Dryden
said 41,107 trees infested with San
Jose scale had been destroyed by the
department. Except in a few isolated
cases destruction had been complete.

In reply to Mr. Whitney, the Com-
missioner of Crown lands said that
the dyes on pulp wood would be in-
creased from 20 to 40 cents per cord
on the first of May next.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

	Up	High	Low	Close
Wheat—Dec.	65	66	65 1/2	65 1/2
May	67	67	66 1/2	66 1/2
July	67	67	66 1/2	66 1/2

Corn—Sept.	38 1/2	38 1/2	37 1/2	37 1/2
May	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2
July	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2

Oats—Sept.	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2
May	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2
July	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2

Pork—Dec.	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2
May	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2
July	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2

Lard—Dec.	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2
May	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2
July	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2

Ribs—Oct.	6 3/4	6 3/4	6 3/4	6 3/4
May	6 3/4	6 3/4	6 3/4	6 3/4
July	6 3/4	6 3/4	6 3/4	6 3/4

SAILING ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Royal Yacht Sailing
Association was held at the Hotel Gar-
ner last evening, a large attendance
of those interested in aquatics being
present. The following officers were
elected:

President—E. B. Jones.
Vice-Pres.—Capt. Post.
Secy.—S. B. Arnold.
Executive Committee—W. E. Hall
and Geo. Boushall, Blenheim; T. J.
Butley, W. H. Harper and W. R.
Phillimore.

A committee consisting of E. B.
Jones, C. E. Beeston and S. B. Arnold
were appointed to draft a constitu-
tion and by-laws and report at a lat-
ter meeting, when arrangements will
be made for regatta and other at-
tractions. There are excellent pros-
pects for a successful season.

HE OUGHT TO KNOW.

J. R. Reid states that the fire in the
Pork Row was on the night of Nov.
27th, 1867, not the 27th of October, as
stated. Louis Blackburn and Mr.
Hillman, also had grocery stores in
the block in addition to those men-
tioned. Mr. Reid says that he has
occasion to remember the fire well, as
he lost \$5,000 by it. The fire started
at the centre of the block in Jackson's
grocery store.

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Bring us the dimensions
of the room you want
papered and tell us the
paper you want; "we'll
do the rest." We'll send
the paper and the men to
hang it and tell you ex-
actly what the whole will
cost you. We have for
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ever shown in one store
in Chatham, and whether
you have one room or a
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"A Play that is good for the North and South,
starting in its Realism,
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An Engine and Tender
running away from the audience at the
rate of 60 miles an hour.
THAT CAVALRY CHARGE!

Prices 25c, 35c, 50c and 75c.

**THE MACHINISTS' STRIKE IN
CLEVELAND.**

Cleveland, March 24.—According to
the latest reports, 13 additional shops
employing 421 men were closed since
Thursday morning. The number of
unemployed out number about 2,000.
Other trades are beginning to be af-
fected, notably those of moulders and
pattern makers.

Sole Agents
For
Trefousse Kid Gloves
C. Austin & Co.,

We Sell the New York
Bazaar Glove Pattern
Any Pattern etc.

Our Spring Opening Display

**Will Be Open On
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday,
March 28th, 29th, 30th**

When we will be pleased to have you inspect the largest
and most varied stock of Dry Goods shown west of Lon-
don. Everyone will be cordially welcomed to come and
see the latest creations of Dame Fashion, inspect the
qualities and note the prices. No one will be pressed to
to buy.

Open Wednesday and Thursday Nights Until 9.30

For the benefit of many who cannot conveniently come
during the day the store will be open on Wednesday
and Thursday evenings only.

Our Millinery Show Room

Is this season under the management of Miss Mountjoy,
of London, assisted by Miss Derck, late of Detroit, both
of them experienced trimmers, so that all orders entrusted
to them will be executed in every detail as required.
Our show room has been placed in the new addition
with much larger space than formerly and still better
light. We will have ready for your inspection duplicates
of the leading styles shown in New York, Paris and
other large centres and at prices to commend them to
the most economical.

Our Spring Jackets

Will be found on the same floor as the millinery. They
have just arrived from Berlin, Germany, and need only
to be seen to be appreciated.

Our Carpet and Curtain Departments

Are now crowded to their utmost capacity. This will be
a favorable opportunity for all who think of buying house
furnishings this spring, to see the largest stock in the
city.

Dress Goods and Silks

Never so many goods and never such nice goods to show
you as we have now here. Our imports from Great
Britain, France and Germany are now all here and the
collection is such that no lady with an eye to both style
and economy in price can afford to overlook taking a
careful survey of them.

Wash Goods

If nothing else attracts you, come and see the wash
goods, the vastness of the range and the daintiness of
the fabrics will surprise you. Owing to manufacturers
already withdrawing many lines from the market it will
be prudent to decide on your wash goods early this
year.

Special Display in the Clothing Department

To day we received a complete shipment of our cele-
brated novelty suits for both boys and men. We purpose
making a special display of them during the opening and
we want the fathers and mothers to see what we are
showing in natty boys' suits, and the young men to see
our special line of young men's and slender men's special
novelty suits. We advertise to be Leaders in this
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Then we will tell you how little it will cost for enough Wall Paper—the new, handsome, stylish paper we show—to cover it.

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1 lb. cans of Baking Powder..... 12c
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Granulated Sugar, per lb..... 5c
Sweet Biscuits, fine flavor, 9c per lb..... 25c
3 lbs. for..... 15c
Fresh Lemons, per doz..... 13c
Just in, a good Coffee in fancy cans..... 25c
3 cans Kipperd Chicken..... 25c
3 lbs. Evaporated Apples..... 25c
Corn Starch, per package..... 25c
Rolled Oats, per lb..... 25c

The usual clearing sale of Dishes during the day

At the cut prices given on sale day. Bargains in Dinner Sets, Tea Sets, Chamber Sets, China and Glassware. Call and see them.

John McConnell

Phone 190. Park St., East.
Minnard's Liniment is used by Physicians.

BREVITIES FROM BLENHEIM.

Mrs. James Crookshanks is seriously ill.

Miss Gertrude Johnson has returned from a visit with Tilbury friends.

Augustus Bridle left Friday evening to spend a few days with Chatham friends.

George Appleford will leave for the Canadian Northwest a week from Monday.

Master Mechanic Bennett, who was injured at Merritt's mill recently, is doing nicely.

Dean Colby, the Blenheim grain merchant, is recovering from an attack of pneumonia.

Ex-Mayor Titus is expected home next week from the Toronto Hospital, where he has been since last year.

T. C. Stegman, E. D. Pierce and Harry Taylor, of Chatham, were registered at the Hotel Sheldon the latter part of the week.

Bert Passmore has given up his situation as baker with Wm. Gerow, and will leave the beginning of the week for the States.

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

W. B. Samson reports business picking up with the advent of milder weather, and the general prospects point to a bright year for Blenheim's business men.

The Blenheim whist club expects a visit from the Chatham club at an early date when Maple City devotees of the game will endeavor to exact satisfaction for the drubbing Blenheim players gave them recently.

Isaac Brown is slowly recovering from the effects of a badly sprained ankle, which he is nursing as the result of a fall in front of the Opera House last week. Mr. Brown was on his way to see the Real Widow Brown when he met with the accident.

The Blenheim Gun Club is holding its regular weekly practices. A match of \$30 a side has been arranged to take place to-day between Capt. Vester, of the Gun Club, David Hillman, of Morpeth, and Fred Coll on the one side, and Fred Peton, George Reynolds and Wes. Lane on the other.

John Durfy has returned from a trip to Toledo. While there he saw A. L. Peacock, formerly cashier in Powell's bank, who recently left Blenheim rather suddenly. Mr. Durfy presented Mr. Peacock with a purse of money contributed by generous Blenheimites.

The many friends of John Goulett, of the lake shore, will be pleased to learn that he is somewhat better and appears now to be in a fair way to recovery. Mr. Goulett has been seriously ill ever since before Christmas.

The three Misses Walker, daughters of the late James Walker, of Harwich, have purchased three acres of land and a dwelling house at Guilds from Chas. Guilds. The price paid was \$700. They have also leased their farm on the 13th con., Harwich, and will take up their residence on the property they have purchased.

Assessor Chas. Senior has completed his work for the year 1900 and will hand in his rolls to City Clerk Gibson early next week. Mr. Senior stated that he thought the assessed value of Blenheim property would show some improvement. Last year there wasn't the usual activity in building operations that usually characterizes the town on the hill so that Assessor Senior hardly expects that the total returns will show much of an increase.

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Town Clerk Gibson remembers the flood in Chatham in '73. The water was on King street and the whole of Chatham looked the worse for water. "The nearest we ever got to a flood in Blenheim," said Mr. Gibson, "was in the middle of the summer of 1872. It was a corker. The rain came down in chunks for an hour and thirty minutes and you couldn't attempt to see across the street. The water washed every thing down the Communication road to the Eau. It did a lot of damage in the country round about. On the main street of Blenheim the water managed to get away it being higher than the rest of the town but every hole and hollow in the back part of the town was filled up. The supposition was that two storms met just over Blenheim. Strange to say in the vicinity of the M. C. R. to the north, they didn't get enough rain to lay the dust."

Word was received Friday morning from Montreal that Blake Goulett was dangerously ill in the hospital there as the result of an operation which he underwent on Monday of this week. Archie Samson wired yesterday afternoon for further information. About 5 o'clock he received a telegram stating that Mr. Goulett's condition had improved and he was doing nicely. Mr. Goulett is well and favorably known in this city. He is a graduate of the C. I. and was for a number of years in the employ of the Dominion Express Co. at Blenheim. He is now an express messenger of the same company with his headquarters at Montreal. His parents reside on the lake shore, and his many friends in this vicinity were glad to hear of his improved condition.

Mayor Peter Hagart gives the following market quotations of produce prices current in Blenheim: Beans \$1.35 to \$1.41, live logs \$5 per cwt., dressed h. g., none offering.

On Wednesday the K. O. T. M. will give a complimentary "At Home" in the Opera House. James Baird, who has charge of the mailing of the invitations, has already sent out some 250 gathering. Miss Ida Laird-Halle will sing "Star of My Heart," and other Blenheim's leading musicians and musicians will contribute to the program. The Blenheim Macabees never do anything by halves, and that a most enjoyable time will be anticipated.

On Tuesday night the Blenheim Bowling Club met and elected officers for the ensuing year. The following was the result:

President—J. H. Ferguson.
First Vice—Dr. Langford.
Second Vice—Dr. S. G. Storey.
Secretary—J. N. Baird.
Executive Committee—Thomas Mulholland, J. W. Shillington and George Taylor.

Entertainment Committee—James Rutherford, R. L. Gossel and J. C. Hamilton.

The club have their own grounds on Marlborough street, and arrangements were also made in preparation for putting them in condition so that they would be ready on the opening of the season.

LOCAL BRIEFS

Est Richards' Bread! Slater Shoe Polish in Black and Tan, at The 2 T's.

John N. Crow, Taylor Ave., who has been seriously indisposed, is better. A delightful bath after exercise may be had at Turkish Baths, Sixth Street, 25c.

There are others but ours is the one best sale of this Saturday night, 25c. Ridley's.

Geo. Overton, Emma St., entertained a number of his friends to a phonograph concert last evening.

A Dressy Couple—A pair of \$3.50 Slater Shoes and a \$2.50 Barrington Hat. The 2 T's.

The usual Mid-Lent Offering will be made in Christ Church to-morrow, both morning and evening. A large offering is expected.

Wanted, Sopranos—Two soprano singers for choir work; must have good voices and some knowledge of music. Remuneration. Address at once, Planet.

W. F. O'Hara, Dominion Land Surveyor, left town yesterday for the Province of Alberta, where he has been engaged by the department of the Interior on a special survey of townships. He will be absent during the remainder of the season.

Tie sale at Ridley's on Saturday night. Choice of hundreds of 50c ties for 25c. See our window, the one that faces the setting sun, 40 King St.

The great amount of design work done at the Victoria Avenue Green Houses is sufficient proof of the excellence of the work. Nothing but the best at the lowest prices. Telephone 181.

Thames Lodge No. 101, S. O. E. B. S., held a White Rose degree meeting on Friday evening, March 23rd. This is the last meeting of Thames Lodge in the Oddfellows' Hall. In future the lodge will meet every Monday evening in the A. O. U. W. Hall over the public library.

James W. Carwell, architect, has received instructions from F. W. Kogelschatz, Victoria avenue, to construct plans for a brick house, residence with all modern improvements. Mr. Carwell is also getting up plans for a brick residence for D. Houston, Creek Road, Harwich.

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New Plaid Japan Wash Silks, for dresses and waists, very attractive in all the new shades at..... 50c yd.
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TILBURY.

March 24.—Dr. Sharp was in Windsor yesterday.

Miss Brackbell, missionary to China, now home on furlough, will speak in the Methodist Church to-morrow evening, under the auspices of the W. F. M. S.

Mrs. John Sharp, of Delaware, is the guest of her son here, Dr. Sharp. Last evening about 7 o'clock, a fire occurred in Conner, completely destroying the large and comparatively new grist mill, insurance unknown at present.

Misses Lottie and Minnie Adams, of Fletcher, were in town yesterday.

J. S. Richardson's annual spring millinery opening is announced for Thursday, Friday and Saturday, April 5th, 6th and 7th.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Moffatt leave next month on a trip to the Pacific coast.

DRESDEN.

March 24.—Mrs. Ben. Madden was in Chatham yesterday.

L. Crook leaves the first of next week to resume his duties as engineer on a lake vessel.

Mrs. J. P. Wells visited friends in Chatham to-day.

Invitations have been issued by Mr. and Mrs. Morley Carscadden to a number of their friends for a croquet party on Monday evening.

Mrs. Brackbell gave two very interesting lectures on "Missionary Work in China," in the Methodist Church yesterday.

J. P. Wells will leave next week to join his boat.

Robins were seen in large numbers here yesterday.

The sidewalk on North street, in front of Mrs. Julia Wheeler's, is covered with nearly six inches of water, making the road to the station almost impossible to pedestrians.

Miss Ella Prangley has purchased the house now occupied by James McVean and will have it removed to her lot opposite the Methodist Church.

DORENWEND COMING.

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Stegman, (Dr.) J. L. Bray and S.
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Entertainment Committee—Mes-
dames Robert O'Hara, W. E. Rispin,
D. S. Patterson, O. L. Lewis, W. A. Had-
ley, W. R. Landon, C. C. Greening,
Dr. J. H. Duncan, Dr. T. C. Holmes, A.
E. Pikey, Miss Stephenson, Mrs.
Kingsmill.

Under the auspices of the loyal and
energetic ladies of the Red Cross So-
ciety there was presented in the Grand
Opera House last evening one of the
most successful patriotic concerts yet
held in this district. There was a
large and enthusiastic audience pres-
ent and an exceedingly delightful and
brilliant program was presented.

The stage setting and decorations
were most fascinating, and the work
of the skilled hands of Ivor E. Brock,
of the firm of Thomas Stone & Son.
The ushers were the young ladies of
the Red Cross Society, becomingly at-
tired in the costumes of their sisters
in active service, and most gracefully
and satisfactorily did they per-
form their arduous and unique duties.
Major J. B. Rankin was the chair-
man, and in a brief and appropriate
address outlined and eulogized the
work of the Red Cross Society from its
inception. Its mission was lofty, en-
nobling and Christian. In eloquent
words Major Rankin paid tribute to
the unflinching loyalty of these ladies
on the battlefield, and the equally
earnest self-sacrificing efforts of their
loyal sisters at home.

The program in its entirety was
indeed a delightful one, and met with
a most cordial reception at the hands
of a large and enthusiastic audience.
It was presented under the musical
direction of Prof. E. J. Forsythe, to
whose energy and skill the success-
ful presentation was but another tribu-
tute. The orchestra was conducted by
Dr. L. C. DeWolfe and rendered ex-
cellent music, while Miss Nellie
Rhody, the accomplished pianist,
was the accompanist.

The City Band, under the direction
of Conductor Harry C. Philp, and the
Excelsior Band, under the direction of
Conductor Gus Seymour, presented
the initial number in either part of
the enjoyable and varied program, and
obtained a most hearty reception.
Their excellent renditions were much
enjoyed.

SOME FINE FEATURES.
The choruses, under the direction of
Professor Forsythe, were all excellent
numbers and included an admirable
rendition of the Maple Leaf with
splendid solo by Harry Horstead.

Miss Lizzy Smith, the accomplished
soprano of St. Joseph's Church, gave
a delightful rendition of the solo,
"Who carries the gun?" which met
with an enthusiastic reception.

Miss Alice Humphrey, in her mag-
nificent rendering of the sacred solo,
"For all Eternity," won many well-
deserved praises. Miss Humphrey
possesses a splendid voice of remark-
able range.

The earnest melody by the male
quartet, H. Horstead, G. O'Hara, M.
Sheldon and J. W. Wilson, was ex-
ceedingly well rendered and heartily
honored.

Miss Edna Ide, the accomplished
soprano, is always an especial favorite
with Maple City lovers of music. Miss
Ide is always at her best—and a very
brilliant and delightful hostess—and
her magnificent solo was most heartily
appreciated.

Miss Maude Oliver gave a brilliant
and exquisite rendition of the admi-
rable and rich soprano solo, "The Swal-
lows," which showed to splendid ad-
vantage the range and quality of her
voice. Henry McCaw rendered a de-
lightful violin obligato to the selection,
while the piano accompaniment was
played by Wm. H. Brackin. Miss
Oliver was presented with a beautiful
bouquet of roses.

The Naval Brigade in Fun and
Fight—the conception of Ivor E. Brock
—admirably carried out by Gunners
Frank Dennis, Harry Wemp, Tom Bax-
ter, Charlie Holmes and Bugler Wal-

ter Peck—was an admirable number
which evoked hearty recognition.

A most pleasing feature of the pro-
gram was the magnificent rendition
of the splendid patriotic song "Child-
ren of the Empire," by the Maple
City's popular young baritone, Wil-
liam H. Brackin. This splendid song
was composed by Miss J. M. Hill, a
relative of Mrs. Robert O'Hara, of
this city, residing in the Emerald Isle,
and the music was composed by Miss
Ethel Benningfield, a musical writer
of great prominence in Ireland. Mrs.
O'Hara received an initial copy from
the composer of the stirring song,
which sets forth the idea of the Em-
pire as it now exists throughout the
British Dominions, and was last even-
ing rendered by special request for the
first time in Canada. Major Rankin,
in announcing the number, took occa-
sion to pay tribute to the honor earned
by the Land of the Shamrock in the
present South African war, and said:
"The song is by an Irish composer," he said,
"and has come to us from Ireland, and
it is a young gentleman who has
planned it, and the young gentleman is
also a singer of the song." Mr. Brackin
gave a magnificent rendition of the in-
spiring song, and in response to an en-
thusiastic encore sang, "There's a
Dad," by Alice. His piano accom-
paniment was exquisitely played by
Miss Clara Blight.

Miss Gertrude Mae Swan, the accom-
plished elocutionist, gave an admi-
rable patriotic rendition and was heart-
ily received. The young lady possesses
a splendid voice with rich intonation
and easy gesture. Miss Swan was the
recipient of a handsome bouquet of
roses.

It is no disparagement of the rest of
a magnificent program to say that the
exquisite rendition of the dark melody,
"Mamma's Little Girl," by the
ladies' quartette, Mrs. John Cooper,
Miss Clara Blight, Miss Lilian Simp-
son and Miss Ada Ross, was the gem
of the entire evening and met with an
enthusiastic reception, to which the
ladies responded by the admirable re-
lection "Beautiful gestures of these
delightful numbers were most keenly
appreciated by all lovers of the mu-
sical art.

Prof. E. J. Forsythe gave a magnifi-
cent rendering of the patriotic selec-
tion, "The Gallants of England," and
was heartily recalled. Prof. Forsythe
is a decided acquisition to the ranks
of Maple City vocalists and his splen-
did selections were repeatedly hono-
red.

J. W. Wilson gave an excellent re-
ndition of the baritone solo "Soldier
in the Park," with delicate choruses, and
in response to a hearty encore ren-
dered the "Man Behind the Gun."

Miss Jessie Taylor, the talented so-
prano soloist, gave an admirable ren-
dition of the solo, "Another little
patch of red," which was warmly
received.

Henry McCaw, the Maple City's ac-
complished violinist, gave an exquisite
rendition. Mr. McCaw is a master of
his instrument and always a favorite
with his audience.

Owing to the absence of Miss Maude
McCaw, who was to render the num-
ber, Mrs. John Cooper gave an excel-
lent rendition of the "Absent
Minuet," which was most
heartily and deservedly applauded.
The accompaniment was played by
Wm. H. Brackin.

The selections by the large poly-
phonic chorus, under the direction of
Prof. Forsythe, were much appreciated
and repeatedly honored. The splen-
did instrument was heard to special
advantage last evening.

A special feature of the presenta-
tion was the Wilfrid Peck of the prize-
tro for the sale of the largest number of
tickets for the concert.

THE PROGRAM

PART I.

Selection—City Band.
Solo, Silver Jubilee March—
Phonograph.
Chorus, The Maple Leaf—Solo by Mr.
Harry Horstead.

Solo, The Swallows—Miss Maude
Oliver.

Male Quartette, Medley—Messrs.
Horstead, O'Hara, Sheldon and Wil-
son.

Solo, Bob-o-Link, Bischoff—Miss
Edna Ide.

Selection, The Holy City—Polyphone.
Solo, For All Eternity—Miss Alice
Humphrey.

Naval Brigade in Fun and Fight—
Gunners Frank Dennis, Harry
Wemp, Tom Baxter, Charlie Holmes,
Bugler: Ray Peck.

Solo, Children of the Empire, Wm.
H. Brackin.

PART II.

Selection—Excelsior Band.
Selection, Way Down Yonder in the
Cornfield—Polyphone.

Solo, The Englishman, Blockley—E.
J. Forsythe.

Male Quartette, Soloed—Mrs.
John Cooper, Misses Ross, Blight and
Simpson.

Recitation—Miss Gertrude Mae
Swan.
Solo, Soldiers in the Park—Mr.
J. W. Wilson, with Male Octette Chor-
us—Messrs. Anderson, Rhody, O'Hara,
Mann, Bull, Fox, Gammage and Shel-
don.

Solo, Another Little Patch of Red—
Miss Jessie Taylor.
Violin Solo—Mr. Henry McCaw.

Solo, Who Carries the Gun?—Miss
Lizzy Smith.
Selection, Anvil Chorus—Polyphone.
Chorus—Rule Britannia.

God Save The Queen.

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GUILDS.
Harry Powell, of Toronto, is home
for a short time.

Rev. E. G. Powell, of Morpeth, gave
a very interesting lecture here on the
13th inst., on "History of the Boers."
Norman Cumming and David O'Flaherty
have each cut their foot across
the instep with a nail.

Harry Storey, of Oswego, N. Y., is a
guest of his parents for a few weeks.
Sherman Wagner, of Detroit, is a
guest of his cousin, James Neville, for
a short time.

Mrs. Thomas Dennis, of Duol, Mich.,
is visiting her daughter, Mrs. John
Buchner.

"All weeds grow up." Imparities
in your blood will also grow up,
unless you promptly expel them by tak-
ing Hood's Sarsaparilla.

The Way We Sell

When we opened our first store we had certain convictions.
Those convictions, by practical tests soon became fixed principles.
You shall be informed of them, from time to time, for we shall regular-
ly talk to you in the papers—talk to you and tell you the truth about
the clothing we make and sell. That is one of the principles—telling
the truth and no misrepresentation.

But what we want to say to-day is that we sell for cash—cash and
cash only.

You all know what a saving in expense and loss that is to you—
for the losses and expenses in the credit stores are borne, not by the
merchant, but by those who pay.

We expect success out of this principle, strictly adhered to, in
Chatham, as in Stratford and Guelph. At each of those stores we
gained trade at both ends—from the man who used to pay fancy
credit prices and from the man who bought shoddy.

We got them both and have kept them all these years by good
clothes, one price, telling the truth and modest prices.

Our new store in the Victoria Block will open Thursday morn-
ing, March 29th.

Thornton & Douglas

Watch the papers.

BUDGET SPEECH.

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stead of taking the Government's view
of it, so that the two parties might
stand hand in hand, had fallen back
on the old proposition that no conces-
sion should be made until the mother
country unless the mother country
gave us one dollar for dollar and cent
for cent in return.

What the Liberals had done was to
sell to England that, as you have ad-
mitted, was a very high tribute, and have
promised us at great cost, we will give
you the preference and take our
chances of getting a return.

He claimed, had we honor and fame,
and had gained dollars and cents as
well by that preferential tariff.

INCREASING THE DEBT.
As for the capital expenditure he
(Fielding) estimated that it would be
\$9,875,000 for the year. And he was of
the opinion that during this current
year would be able to pay all the out-
lay and capital charges, railway sub-
sidies, etc., as well as for the service
which Canada was rendering to the
Empire in South Africa, and yet not
add one dollar to the public debt, and
as far as he could see the next fiscal
year would be an equally prosperous
one, although he did not prophesy
distinctly as to that.

Dealing with the Yukon the Finance
Minister quoted figures to show that
since 1896 the receipts therefrom had
been July 1, 1899, \$2,372,646, and the
expenditure, \$2,372,340, thus leaving a
small revenue.

He stated that while from 1893 to
1896 there had been a yearly deficit
of \$1,898,253, from 1896 to 1899, there
had been an average surplus of \$11-
\$2,015,493, or a betterment of \$11-
\$735,200, not taking into account the
surplus of \$7,500,000. Within a short time
it would be necessary to borrow \$100-
000,000 to retire a portion of our debt.
But even adding the two million dollars
by the year 1903 we would be able to
float our new loans at such a lower
rate of interest that we would be pay-
ing a less rate of interest on the pub-
lic debt than we are to-day. He sub-
mitted that the per capita expenditure
was not, as some claimed, very high.
It amounted to only \$7.88 last year.
While in 1896, an exceptional year, he
admitted, it was \$8.50, and in 1888
\$7.84. The rate for last year was ob-
tained, he said, by estimating the po-
pulation at 5,312,500.

Believing that that policy was the
best for Canada, and for the Empire,
he would submit a resolution to the
House declaring that from and after
the 1st of July next there shall be an
increase in the preference of 25 per
cent. now in force, so that for every \$3
of 33 1/3 per cent. of the products of
foreign countries, only \$2 would be im-
posed on the products of Great Britain,
coming under the preferential tariff.

A CONCESSION.
Mr. Fielding next announced that the
Imperial Government consented to the
admission of Canadian stock to the
trustee list of investments as the re-

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sult of negotiations carried out by Lord
Strathcona, paid a very high tribute, and have
promised us at great cost, we will give
you the preference and take our
chances of getting a return.

The result of this would be an ad-
vance of about 2-1/2 points in Canadian
stocks, so that our loans would be al-
most on a par as investments with
British consols. The practical effect
would also be that upon the British mar-
ket made place on the British market
there would be a saving of \$2,500,000
to the treasury of Canada, which
would be sufficient to pay all we
should have to spend for the sending
of our Canadian soldiers to South Af-
rica.

The prime minister concluded with a
patriotic peroration which evoked
much enthusiasm on the government
side.

During his address Mr. Fielding an-
nounced that negotiations were pend-
ing between Canada and Trinidad in
the West Indies for reciprocal free trade
and they would likely be successful.
Mr. Foster will criticize the budget
on Tuesday.

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4 steers coming 4 yr. old; 2 spring calves; 2
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