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# LOCAL BRIEFS

Year's Anoher Busness ....

At "The Ark."

In the past it has always been our endeavor to supply the wants and neds of the people of Kent

County in general and this city in particular.

"Go to 'The Ark,' or anything you want" has become almost a proverbamongst the people of this

The large and varied stock of stoves, tinware, enamelledware, crockery, lamps, chinaware, and general housefurnishings carried by this store has become the wonder of all who visit this establishment.

We have surprises all the time in many lines, and people enjoy dealing here as they get what they want at prices that does not cripple them.

We wish you all " A Happy New Year,"

H. MACAULAY "The Ark"

Sherman Langford will be a can-didate for commissioner in Harwich, as announced in this issue. Miss Ida St. C. Colles left this morning by G. T. R. to meet friends in Toronto, an route for Lindsay, Ont. J. C. Parish, of LaCrosse, Wisconsin, and T. R. Parish, of Minnesota, are visiting friends in Chatham and Do-

Mrs. J. B. Keiley left Monday even

ing for Seattle, on a six weeks' visit to her daughter, Mrs. John Reaumme, and son Allie.

and son Allie.

Gloves Lost—On King street, on Christmas eve., a pair of gentlemen's silk lined gloves. The finder will be rewarded by leaving them at this office. Had a 2 T's wrapper.

Thos. Haye: Wallaceburg, was in the city to-day and left for Essex Centre with a view of purchasing the Aberdeen House in that place.

The Daughters of Rebekah will give an at home in the I. O. O. F. temple to the Oddfellows, on the evening of the 9th of Jan., i from 8 to 10 o'clock. All Oddfellows and their wives are invited to attend.

H. Burreil, whose interesting letters

their wives are invited to attend.

H. Burreil, whose interesting letters from South Africa, appeared in The Planet, is stopping at the Idlewilde Hotel, and is anxious to get employment. He is able to take a clerkship in a store and has had considerable experience with horses.

Alfred Engel Wampum, a Moravian Indian, was arrested near Brantford by Indian Constable, J. P. Noah, on New Year's day. Wampum is charged with stenling \$71.31 from the Moraviantown Agricultural Society. He was arraigned in the county court before Judge Houston, and remanded for a week.

a Except onally Large Field of Candidates in Ne crly a lahe Man cipalities - Polling Will Take Place on Mond y.

rom its busy corps of county correspondents show the municipal cambrian will be a lively one throughout turing next week. Everywhere there a generous offering of excellent andidates and many keen contests are predicted.

TILBURY NORTH. The municipal nominations resulted the return of all the old repre-ntatives by acclamation. DRESDEN.

Mayor—Asa Ribble, J. I. Woley has. Badder, W. G. Cragg, McGlogh-

has Bidder, W. G. Cragg, McGloghConneiliors—Sandy McVean, J. C.
assie, Wm. Ward, R. P. Wright, H.
eston, R. McConnell, N. B. Carscaln, Eli Hazlett, D. A. Warner, W.
Chapp, T. M. Steeper, Chas. Tassie,
W. Greece.

CHLBURY.
Reeve—H. Callwood, Dr. Sharp.
Withdrawn—Chas. Clark.
Councillors—E. Giroux, Jos. Stewrt, W. A. Johnson, Chas. Clark, Wm.
Withdrawn—W. D. Smith, J. A.
Vilson, John Foreman, John Edgeombs.

Geo. Chilmers, Wm. Lumley, William Wright, Dr. Ferguson.
Withdrawn-Fred Lee.

TILBURY EAST.

Ress.

Reeve—Henry Wilson, James Ross, David Fletcher, J. W. Campbell, J. W. Smith. John Wands. All but Fletcher and Campbell have withdrawn. Councillors — Howard Marshall, Warnock, Wm. Hickey, Geo. Struthers, Robert Chalmers, H. W. Sales, John Cooper, Wm. Doyle. A few of these have withdrawn, but there will will be a spirited contest. BLENHEIM.

Reeve—H. Vickert, H. Allan. Councillors,—D. Clemens, R. J. Neal, W. Watters, T. Burgess, H. Muma, Geo. Fry, E. B. Martin, Geo. Harrison. BOTHWELL.

Mayor-W. A. Scott, Jos. Dillon. Mayor—W. A. Scott, Jos. Dillon, Councillors—Walter Goodyear, N. D. McLean, Thos. Clarke, Jos. Dillon, Henry Goolding, Edward Lefevra, Geo Trott, Geo. Wahler, Geo. Peacock, Colin Reid, jr., W. R. Hickey, Hiram C. Walker, R. H. Johnston, Geo. Swal-well:

GLENCOE. Silentois.

Seeve—Arch. Finiaysen, Benald Graham, I. Rathburn, George Lethbruge.
Councillors—James F. Simpson, Arch. Finiayson, W. J. Frenca. J. L. Luckham, James A. Younge, Gso. Parrott, J. A. McAlpine, James Pool, Geo. Precious, El. Gale, R. C. Vanse, E. J. Hurdle, John Oldrieve, Fred. Aldred, Donald McLachlan Geo. Lethbridge.

HOWARD. Reeve-John Crowder, J. S. Booth royd, A. F. Lampbell.
Councillors—Et. Brien, David Wilson, J. C. W. Hinms, John Duck, J. S. Elliott, J. C. Balmer, Alex. McMillan,

HARWICH. Reeve—J. McCuily, E. Toll.
Councillors,—J. B. Bentley, C. Buchanan, A. Henry, J. Hustin, P. Morrison, R. Young, J. Campbell, T. Langford, J. McCormick.

Processory RIDGETOWN.

Mayor-W. B. Graham, A. Long, Geo. Middleditch. Councillors-John McPherson, C. H. Eastlake, B. W. Wilson, J. C. Wallace, John Cochrane, R. R. Lothian, John Young, David Simpson, Chas. Gibson,

m its busy corps of county corre-ndents show the municipal cam-Reeve—T. H. Syer, John Howat. Councillors—W. Burchell, J. J. Vin-cent, John M. Thompson, E. H. Moran, A. H. Willis, J. A. Wees, W. F. Law-

> CHATHAM TOWNSHIP. Reeve—W. Abram, H. Cumming,
> Councillors—J. Armstrong, J. Conner,
> Wm. Jones H. Morgan, Thos. O'Neil, J.
> L. Stevens, R. Stewart, R. A. Tompkins,
> Alex Templeton, A. Tyrell, G. W. Wickens, S. Wailace.

Reeve—C. Purser, W. Newkirk.
Councillors—Joe Lewis, Peter Crawford,
Peter Grant, Geo. Kome, Geo. King, C. W.
Wright, Thos. Anderton, Regis Trudell,
Alexander Lucill.

COLCHESTER SOUTH. Reeve—James Howie (by scolamation).
Councillors—Robert A. F. Fleck, John
Little, Angus Wright and Geo. Catherwood
(by scolamation).
Harrow Police Village Trustees—C. I.
Pastorius, A. E. Sinsac and A. L. Munger
(by scolamation).

RALEIGH.

In Raleigh all the old council are in the field and also several others.

The nominations resulted as follows:
Reeve—N. H. Shepley and Ledson Pardo.
Councillors—James Clayton, James Irving: Patrick Doyle, Andrew Crow, Mr. Mc-Kay, Mr. Miller, 13th con.; Mr. Roe, Bloomfield; Charlie Williams, Alex. Dolson, jr., Bloomfield; A. G. Robertson, Fletcher.

WINDSOR. WINDSOR

Mayor—John Davis, by acciamation.
Aldermen—First ward, Robt. Barr,
Benjamin Brooks, D. A. Bedford, John
H. McConnell, Isnac Watt, and Joseph
Leggatt; Second ward, H. Walker, J.
G. Gangmier, Ralph Thorn, Noble. A.
Bartlet, J. H. McConnell, and J. F.
Smyth; Third ward, Samuel Dupuis,
Wm. Englander, Jas. Banwell, Robt.
L. Dunn, Thomas Blackburn, R. S. McDonald, and John J. Foster; Fourth
ward, Henry Sibert, Euclid Jacques,
Weilliam Calder, Peter Smith, Joseph
Martin, G. B. Davis and William Colby.

KINGSVILLE. Reeve-Alex. J. Wagle, James K.

Councillors.—J. E. Pastorius. George W. Henry, Owen Harris, Howard R. Scratch, Geo. Williamson, Elihu Scratch, John J. Majott. LEAMINGTON.

Mayor—Chas. L. Coultis, W. D. Cox, J. R. Johnson, George Craig, Dr. P. H. E. Johnson, George Craig, Dr. P. H. Hughes, William Smith.
Councillors—Cabel Curtis, Harry Marcotte, W. G. Bristow, Jas. Manuary, Chas. L. Coultis, Henry Ivison, B. W. Cox, J. H. Conover, William Hepinstall, Chas. Scratch, William Irwin, D. Kennedy, Henry Foster, Geo. W. Jackson, Geo. Craig, William Selkirk, Adolphus Brown, E. Tyburst, Edgar McClatchey, L. L. Decew.
Public school trustees—M. Roach, Robert Kerr, H. McSween, W. D. Cox, Jos. Watson, Lewis Smith, A. Harrington, C. R. Fox, W. T. Easton, A. Ludlam, W. G. Morse, Caleb Curtis, A. T. Boles.

SANDWICH.

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Mayor-Ernest Girardot, by acclama Mayor—Ernest Girardot, by acclamation.
Councillors—Edward Donnelly, Jno.
Marantette, John G. Watson, C. E.
Mason, Robert Jackson, James Laidlaw, s., Jos. Meloche, Joseph Lassaline, Richard McKee, Joseph Boismier, Joseph Allen.
Public School Trustees—By acclamation—John C. Helin, Francis Girardot, Napoleon Piche.

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SARNIA Mayor-Dr. Wm. Logie, R. S. Oliver.
'Aldermen-W. H. Minifie, D. Milne,
T. H. Cook, W. J. Proctor, W. F. Lawrence, Dr. J. G. Merrion, W. Kirton R.
Fleck, A. Shepherd, John Rainsb. cry.

ESSEX.

Mayor—H. M. Johnson, I.— J. W.
Brien, A. Raines.
Councillors—Dr. J. W. B. a. O. H.
Bticker, R. R. Brett, Wm. vlor, H.
M. Johnson, Nelson Wigh
Thomas, W. J. Johnson, Jc
ley, Henry Cowell, Frank Gr
Tully, W. S. Smith. C. Krie
Jackson, A. H. Scarff, Dr. J.
Brien,
John Laing.
School Trustees—Wm. Bean. G.
A. Francis, G. A. Sherman, accirmation.

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# Stock-Taking Sale

WITH the advent of the New Year, we begin our annual January Stocktaking Sale, which we are going to make an event worthy of your best attention. Every department in the store will contribute toward the success of this Money-saving Event. Price revisions will be of such a nature as to ensure the liveliest buying. It will be no half-hearted attempt, no vague triffing with prices or values. These are some of the lines that will claim your attention Thursday Morning.

pcs. Cloakings, medium and beavy weight, assorted colors, in plain and rough effects, 54 in. wide, regular \$1.25 to \$1.75 yd, sale price...... pc. Black French Flannel, fine all-wool quality, 28 in. wide, regular value 30c yd, sale price.....

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nly Ladies' Tailored Suits, this sea-son's styles, in dark gray habit cloth, handsomely finished, best linings, regular price \$9, sale price \$4.35.

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#### The Planet

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A GOOD LIST OF CANDIDATES.

The class of candidates put in the field on Monday for the city council. which, of course, includes the mayoralty, and for the water commission, indicates that the abolition of wards has had an excellent effect in raising the standard of our representation, even if we had many good men in the past whom it would be invidious to

The Maple City has every reason to so far congratulate itself on the change. While other cities talked, Chatham acted. It was the first Ontario city which took the initiative in this progressive province. Other cities are slowly coming into line, as they are also coming into line on the question of civic electric lighting

In the matter as to whom we are to throw bouquets for its leading position, we may say that credit is probably due to the intelligence of the electors, the high ability of its civic representatives and-modesty permitting-the enlightened manner in which the local news papers have taken up all local questions of in-

But whatever past councils have done we do not see, in looking over the names of nominees, how the city can be a losel in the race on Monday next. There is an excellent list to spiect from.

#### RAILWAY FREIGHT RATES

In an address to the Fruit Growers Association, Alex. McNeill, of Walkerville, spoke strongly concerning discriminating freight rates, and commenting on his speech the Windsor Record says:

The same discriminating rates against Canadians, we are told, prevails in all kinds of farm produce. It is high sime for the government to It is high time for the government to provide a remedy for such objectionable and unfair treatment to! Canadian shippers. The appointment of a railway commission has been urged upon the government for years, but so far without success. It may be that such a commission, no matter how extensive the powers given toil, may not be able to cope with shrewd how extensive the powers given to it, may not be able to cope with shrewd and unscrupulous railway tariffmakens, but it can, we are convinced, bring about a great improvement in the rates of transportation to which Mr. McNeell draws attention. The approaching session should not be allowed to go past without dealing with this question of railway discrimination by a commission or in some ation by a commission or in some other way. A commission is our pre-

"It is difficult to discuss the matter without specific instances," declares Free Press but it clear as a general principle that rail-ways, as common carriers, possessed of the London a public franchise, should not have the privilege of making discriminatory rates. Whether a commission would better matters, would depend largely

upon who composed the commis Now, what would be expected when ministers, M. P.'s and senators go around with more railway passes each than they can keep track of?

Why the school trustees should hang on to the obsolete ward system? Would somebody say?

Bray and W. D. Sheldon selected by the citizens unfor the third time, thus ne water board's record for service. The citizens know y have secured capable representatives and wish to keep them. In this case they have made no mis-

Millionaire Cadahy has been threatened with death if he fail to withdraw the \$25,000 reward offered for the arrest of the St. Louis kidnapers. If Mr. Cudahy be a nervous man, this offer puts him in an awkward position. To withdraw it would admit his cowardice to the world; not to do so makes him take the chances of the threat. We think he could safely take them. With the penalty for the crime staring them in the face abductors would probably be the more anxious to put the greatest distance between themselves and the million-11111

People can believe this despatch from St. Joseph, Mo., if they like; it is no offense to do so under the law N. Schellinger, an electrician of Chicago, in the presence yesterday of a number of persons in the progress of sience, shocked a cat apparently to death, and when the heart of the fe line had long ceased to beat Mr. Echellinger reversed the current of electricity and the shock restored the heart beats, although they were very feeble at first. Within two hours after the cats had been prounced dead, it had been restored to he fullenss of life and vigor and was as playful as ever. Electrician Schelnger says there is no doubt in his od that any person who has seemy been killed by an electric shock be restored, if intelligent action

followed on the lines adopted by

n to-day, and if the victim can rere such attention within a few utes after the accident.

#### "Example is Better Than Precept."

It is not what we say, but what Hood's Sarsaparilla does, that tells the story. Thousands of testimonials are examples of what Hood's has done for others, and what it will do for you.

Dyspepsia — "I was weak and had a being spells. Dyspepsia and indigestion eyers form troubled me. Five bottles Hood's Sarsaparilla made me well and mg." Mrs. WILLIAM VANVALKENBURGE, tby, Ont.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

George Abel, of London, Ont., saved a a boy named Clarence Jackson from drowning by seizing a plank running to the river shoving it out on the ice which was only an inch thick until he reached the lad. He did not see the accident, but, guessing from the scream what it was he carried the life saving plank along until he reached the exhausted and drowning lad. Mr. Abel is not a fireman; he simply saved the boy because he was Abel.

A minister at a conference at Newburn North Carolina, declared it to be sinful for any young couple to "do any courting on the Lord's Day." Without entering into the merits of the question, it might be pertinent to ask the reverend gentleman how he would propose to prevent it.—London Free Press.

If the reverend gentleman cannot make nore sensible suggestions in his sermons than this we are afraid he will never prove the beginner of the movement. Would he object, for instance, to an engaged couple walking together to his church

#### BABY PULL-BACKS

It is strange that babies get on so well as they do; there are so many pull-backs! But Scott's emulsion of cod-liver oil is a wonderful help.

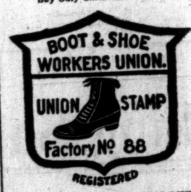
Begin with a little. Too much will upset the stomach, Increase, but keep under the limit. The limit is upsetting the stomach.

It rests a tired digestion; it does not tax the stomach at all; it lets it play-little stomachs like to play.

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Princess Tablets

Burrister R. L. Gosnell, Blenheit as in the city Monday.

was in the city Monday.

The Y. M. C. C. will hold one of their popular pedro parties some evening early next week.

Fred Mitchell, Detroit, formerly of this city, is visiting his father, W. W. Mitchell, of the postoffice.

William Geamill, son of Sheriff Gemmill, Chicago, and Fred Malcolmson, Minneapolis, are in the city.

Miss Josie Bogart, of the Marion Syme Sanitarium, Chicago, Ill., is visiting her brother, J. H. Bogart, Cross street.

S. J. Sutherland, Jas. Innes and G. B. Douglas left for Detroit to-day to attend the annual meeting of the Northwest C operage and Lumber Companies.

The London Free Press says "The Female Drummer" drew a large audence and that the program of the company was highly satisfactory. The company will appear in the Grand to-night.

The chattel mortgages registered in

The chattel mortgages registered in this county for the present year are over 100 less than last year, which shows that the county must be more

Workmen of Blonde Bros & Co., left on Monday for Tecumseh, where they are setting up a new altar and fitting the school room with new

We must have a number of reliable we must have a number of reliable persons and families in this locality to work for us whole or spare time, good wages paid. No canvassing. Write for position to day. People's Syndicate, Dept. A., 130 Yonge street, 13t

Syndicate, Dept. A., 130 Yonge street, Toronto.

Charles E. Blaney's lastest and most successful comedy, "A female Drummer," will be the attraction at the Grand this evening. The production is on a magnificent scale, interpreted by forty artists, well known throughout the country, and is destined to eclipse all the many efforts of the author, as a money-maker. Three acts are necessary for the interpretation of the work, and their scenes are laid in the business offices of Smooth & Silk, the two old proprietors of a large department store, an interior view of the store in which a bargain day sale is on, and lastly the tropical gardens of a well know New York hotel, with the annual ball of the salesladies in progress. The mirth is long and hearty through the efforts of the funmakers, who are headed by Miss Nellie O'Neil as Carrie Cash, Helen Byron, Oscar Figfman, Willis P. Sweatman, George Richards, Harry Ladell, Albert Fayernier, and a number of others of equal prominence and ability. Twenty five pretty girls are also included in the cast. Extra fine singing and clever specialties are interspered throughout the play.

Scotch Terseness and Thrift. In a dull Scottish village on a dul morning one neighbor called upon another. He was met at the door by his friend's wife, and the conversation went

"Cauld?" "Aye."
"Gaen to be weety, I think." "Aye."
"Is John in?"

"Is John in?"
"Oh, aye; he's in."
"Can I see him?"
"No."
"But I wanted to see him."

"Aye." "Sudden? "Aye."
"Very sudden?"

"Very sudden."
"Did he say onything about a pot
"Did he say onything about a pot green paint before he deid?"—Anecdot by Ian Maclaren. Cicero's Wit.

The retort exasperating is not a modern feature of a trial by jury. In the case against Verres, one of the great trials of antiquity, in which Cicero appeared for the prosecution and Hortensius for the defense, Cicero made a typical excursion against his opponent.

sion against his opponent.

Hortensius was known, in violation of the law, which required the services of advocates at Rome to be gratuitous, to have received as a present from his client a valuable image of the sphinx, one of the spoils of his government in Sicily. While Cicero was examining a witness,

Hortensius made a saily,
"You speak in riddles," said he, "I annot understand you."
"That is odd," Cicero rejoined, "for you have a sphinx at home to them."-Youth's Companion.

IRWIN.

The annual Christmas tree and entertainment was a great success on Christmas eve. Dr. R. V. Bray acted as chairman. E. Wells, who has been connected with this section for four years as P. S. teacher and worker in S. S. was presented with a handsome secretary. Proceeds were \$18.75. Percy Chinnick read an address to to Mr. Wells from the school as follows:—

Percy Chinnick read an address to to Mr. Wells from the school as follows:—

Dear Teacher,—It is with deep sorrow and unfeigned regret that we, your pupils, have learned that you are about to leave us. We desire to take this opportunity to thank you for the many kindnesses we have received at your hand, to express our appreciation of your services, and to wish you God's blessing in your future life. Though at times you have appeared firm and strict with us, yet we feel now, and will more fully realize in the future, that it was the firmness of love and was intended for our good. Your who e care and thought have e-rer been for our welfare and advancement. Nor have they been in vain; you have brought honor upon honor to our school during your four years' work among us. We shall always look back upon this part of our school like as upon a bright and happy spot, and shall often think of the many pleasant days we have spent together in the school room. We hope you will forgive and forget all the trouble and annoyance that our thoughtlessness may have given you, and that you will look back with pleasure upon these days with us, remembering only the bright and happy side.

We beg of you to accept this gift as an humble token of our love and gratitude. We bid you good bye and pray that the Great Teacher may give you rich blessings and grant you still greater success and deeper joy in your life.

Signed on behalf of the school:

PERCY CHINNICK.

NETTIE M'DOWELLE ANNA CHINNICK.

ELIA LEE.



HENRY LADELL AS "EUTTONS" IN "A FEMALE DRUMMER" AT THE GRAND THIS EVENING.

## A Crash And a Smash

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Millonaire Cudaby Receives a Threat eving Letter Suggesting Another

and says in successful and says in successful and conviction of each of the three bundits they will kidnap another of his children. The letter refers to the failure, of the police to get anything like a tangible clue as to the identity of the kidnappers, scoffs at the idea of Pat Crowe being one of them, mentions the case with which the "likest job was pulled of," and concludes by saying that if Mr. Cudahy is as wise as he showed himself in the first instance he will comply with the request and withdraw the rewards at once.

the request and withdraw the rewards at once.

This letter is written in pen and ink on the same kind of yellow, paper as the first, and evidently by the same person. It was found by a servant or the Oudahy household early on the morning of Thursday, Dec. 27. Someone called up the house by telephone and asked if Mr. Cudahy was in. The servant answered that he was not. "Well," came the voice over the 'phone, "you go out in the front yard and you'll find a letter there near the gate. It's addressed to Mr. Cudahy. See that it is delivered to him personally, and to no one else."

The servant went out at once and found a letter. It was in a plain white envelope and was addressed:—
"Mr. E. A. Cudahy, Sr. Personal and

"Mr. E. A. Cudahy, Sr. Personal and Private."

Mr. Cudahy, who was then at his packing house in South Omaha, was summoned home at once. No one was permitted to see the letter at first except Mr. and Mrs. Cudahy. Mr. Cudahy's intention at the time was to keep its contents to himself, as the bandits had requested, but later he thought better of it, as he believed that in the hands of the police it would prove a valuable clue, so Saturday afternoon he took Chief Dona-

would prove a valuable clue, so Sat-urday afternoon he took Chief Dona-hue into his confidence.

They held a consultation at the chief's office, which lasted nearly three hours. The chief was seen af-terward, but refused to disclose the nature of the subject discussed. Mr. Cudahy says he has not withdrawn

#### Township Councils.

HOWARD COUNCIL.

The municipal council of the township of Howard met at the township hall, Saturday, Dec. (15, as per statute to receive the treasurer's financial statement and for general business.

From the Good Roads machinery Co., Hamilton, quoting prices for road

machienry.

From the Stratford Bridge Co., stating that they had received a not e from the township for \$1,255 for two steel bridges, but still claiming \$1.60

Reports.

From E. D. Matton, treasurer, the financial statement showing a bal-ance on hand Dec. 15, of \$9,784.07. ance on hand Dec. 15, of \$9,784.07.
From the various road commissioners, amounts expended: Ai F. Campbell, Div. No. 1, \$475, on the n hf of townline Howard and Orford, \$50; J. C. Writiams, No. 2, Div., \$484.74, n hf townline, Howard and Harwich \$63.60; J. S. Brothroyd, No. 3 div., \$476.27; Henry Stewart w hf, No. 4 div., \$378.60, s. hf townline Howard and Harwich \$50; John Crowder, e hf No. 4 div., \$250, s hf townline Howard and Orford \$50; John Duck, village lage of Morpeth, \$49.77.
From A. F. Campbell, commissioner Sranberry Marsh drain, stating that same had been completed at a cost of \$166.82.

From John Cain, township engineer, stating that Wm. Clark owner of part lot 15, con. 4, having failed to perform a portion of drain allotted to him under the D. W. Action 1988. der the D. & W. Act, same has been let to Mr. Miner, entitling him to receive the sum of \$16.77, and my charges rendened necessary by such failure, \$8, said amount to be charged to the southwest quarter lot 15, con. 4.

A. D. McDiarmid, 400 loads gravel \$40.00. J. W. McKenzie, wood for hall, \$3.60. W. Simpson, care of hall from Oct. 6 to date, \$4.65. P. H. Bowyer, nomination posters,

\$2.00. Claxton & Whitnam, 100 treasurer's

Claxton & Whitnam, 100 treasurer's orders \$1.50, notice of appeal voters' lists, \$2.50, \$4.09.

John Hitch, 265 five inch tile \$4.42.

Jno. S. Gosnell, 26 loads gravel, \$2.60 Bell Telephone Co, message to Stratford, 40c.

Wilson, Kerr & Pike, fees re railway bridge Grand Trunk, \$6.74.

John Cain, award Atkinson, Buller and others, \$5.

Jas. Henderson, 22 loads gravel, \$2.20.

E. D. Mitton one week in connec-

E. D. Mitton, one week in connection with Winters drain, \$4.09.
E. D. Mitton, one week Cranberry Marsh Drain, \$5.90.
E. D. Mitton, preparing financial statement \$12.
E. D. Mitton, postage for six months \$3.00.

\$3.00.
Geo. McDonald, one week in connection with McGregor Creek drain and Buller drain, \$5.
Geo. McDonald, postege from Sept.
30 to date, \$5.
Resolutions.
Moved by Campbell and Williams, that the accounts as read be paid and charged to their several accounts.—
Carnied.
Moved by Williams and Campbell.

carried.

Moved by Williams and Campbell, that the reports of the various commissions be accepted and that they be paid six per cent commission on the money expended.—Carried.

Moved by Boothroyd and Williams, that A. Martinson be refunded \$8 on his taxes re tile drainage debenture.—Carried.

tax, error on collector's roll—tarried.

Moved by Campbell and Boothroyd
that the report of John Cain, township engineer in the completion of
drain awarded to Wailiam Clark be
received and that Mr. Minor be paid
\$16.77 and John Cain \$8 and charge
as per report.—Carried.

Moved by Campbell and Williams,
that John Anderson be paid \$1 for one
sheep killed and Arthur Alexander
\$3.32 for two sheep worried by dogs,
Carried.

Carried.
Moved by Duck and Campbell ,that
Jas. Gardiner be refunded \$9.67 error
on assessment in reference to school Moved by Williams and Campbell, that the collector's time be extended till the first meeting of council in

till the first meeting of council in 1901.—Carried.

Moved by Duck and Campbell that the treasurers charge S. S. No. 13, with \$12.42 special tax and \$3.70 general school tax, being charged to S. S. No. 10 in error, and credit S. S. No. 10 with \$9.20 school tax on lot No. 13 con. 3, placed in wrong section.—Carried.

Mr. Crowder, reeve, was asked to vacate the chair, same to be taken by Jno, Duck, when it was moved by J. 8. Boothroyd seconded by A. F. Campbell, that this council do tender John Crowder reeve. bell, that this council do tender John Crowder, reeve, a most hearty vote bit thanks for the abje and courteous manner in which he has presided over council for the present year and hope that the remainder of the year will be crowned with success.—Car-

Moved by Campbell and Boothroyd, that this council do now adjourn sine

die.-Carried. GEO. McDONALD,

CAMDEN COUNCIL.

Camden Council met on Saturday, Dec. 15th, 1900, to receive the finan-cial statement and for general busi-Accounts and communications were

Geo. A. Forshee asked for tile to be used on Camden and Chatham townine.—Granted.

The claim of Albert Elgie for \$155, for loss of horse at Prangley bridge, was settled in full by paying Mr. Elgie \$75.

The clerk was instructed to have 100 notices printed for distribution throughout the township, notifying the travelling public not to drive on the footpath on any public highway, and further notifying all persons that they must not deposit any refuse or rubbish on any public highway. The treasurer was instructed to notify the municipality of the town of Dresden to pay over its assessment on the Dresden swale drain.

The council set Monday, Feb. 4th, 1991, as a day when a by-law will be considered for closing the old Johnston road in the 14th Con., Gore of Camden.

H. J. French reported sale and com-pletion of Hood and Dresden swale drains.—Reports adopted. Clerk was instructed to prepare forms for each deputy returning offi-cer for taking an open vote of the ratepayers at the next municipal elections to ascertain if a majority

are in favor of commuting statute labor at 50c. per day.

The reeve presented a report served on him by the township of Dawn for the proposed Bloom-Beattie drain.

Report red and adopted; clerk instructed to present a by-law. Report re d and adopted; clerk instructed to prepare a by-law.

Jas. B. Crafts reported sale of Trax-ler-Base Line dwain and the 9th Condrain, and allo the completion of Prangley Tap and Smith Creek bridges.—Reports adopted.

The financial statement as submitted by trassurar was adopted. ted by treasurer was adopted.

The following accounts were order

ed paid:-David Martin, tile, Div. No. 5

Geo. Dent, plank, do., \$1.68.
A. J. Pesha, goods furnished indigents' ward, for year 1900, \$52.83.
W. R. Ferguson, sheep killed by dogs. \$14.

dogs, \$14. \$ Geo. Skinner, sheep inspector, 50c. Morgan Wilson, sanitary inspector, Jas. Kelly, repairing township hall, H. J. French. Div. work and council

meetings, \$107.

Jas. B. Crafts, do., \$89.50.

Jas. Stewart, do., \$45.

Geo. Brown, do., \$43.

Jas. W. Bedder, do., \$37.

M. S. Blackburn, salary as clerk and

John Jeffs, salary as treasurer, postage, etc., \$97.50.

M. S. Blackburn, postage, express, Jas. Kelly, janitor township hall, \$12. Bert King, running ferry at King's Crossing half year, \$20.
Angus Smith, township engineer \$177.75.

Jos. Ripley, attendance at court

Jos. Ripley, attendance at court of appeal on voters' list, \$240.

M. S. Blackburn, do., \$1440.
Dr. J. James Davis, medicine etc., for Ward family, \$6.50.

By-law on Houston drain read first and second time and provisionally adopted, and a copy ordered served on each ratepayer on said drain.

The council, after thanking the reeve for the very able manner in which he had presided during the past year and expressing their regrets at his retirement from the municipal council, adjourned.

M. S. BLACKBURN,

Clerk.

After the discussion as to whether Charles should have been executed or not the judges decided in favor of the aftirmative. After the debate, the Smith Bros., of Detreit, entertained the crowd for the remainder of the evening. These gentlemen are colored and showed their great tajent of music and singing. We all hope to have the opportunity of hearing them again. 'Owing to a concert at the Darrell school next Thursday the members decided to hold their next meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 1, and a good program is expected. The subject of debate is: Resolved that the city boy is more green in the country

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makes weak women STRONG. sick women WELL.

EAST BRANCH.

A happy New Year to all.

By ail appearances the "jingle bells" will soon be heard again.

The snow has spoiled the young people's skating.

Christmas passed off very quietly in this neighborhood.

School reopens on Thursday.

Harvey McGurdy, of Wallaceburg, spent Sunday with G. Wooliver.

Miss M. McCreary, who has taught her three years in the North Branch

Miss M. McCreary, who has taught her three years in the North Branch school, is spending her holidays at her home here. Miss M. intends taking up the second class work in the Waliaceburg High School this year.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Mickle spent Christmas day in Wallaceburg.

E. J. Shaw, of Detroit, spent Christmas under the parental roof.

A Rown the genial merchant, and

A. Brown the genial merchant, and postmaster at Charlemont, was guest here on Christmas, Mrs. Norris McCoy visited friends

Mrs. Norras accept visited friends in Wallaceburg Friday. Mrs. Crews, of St. Thomas, is the guest of Mrs. Goo. Mickle. J. Booth is engaged with J. Shaw for the winter. Miss A. Shaw, of Alma College, pending her holidays at her hor

here.
Mr. and Mrs. Allfred Shaw arrived home on Friday, and will reside in the Bast Branch.
Rev. Stanley Shaw and bride, of Detroit, will spend New Years day at his bome here.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Allen called on Sombra friends r cently. Lorne Richardson is the owner of the T. L. Pardo gold medal ,won in the Wallaceburg High School.

A REQUIEM.

"A charge to keep I have."
The landlord hummed and sighed,
"That cuss, who said he'd pay his
board Before he left here, lied."

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ALEX GREGORY, Sec.

A. O. U. W. Ancient Order of United Workmen will begin the year and the century with a fine set of officers, bent on progress. Their installation will be held next Friday in their Lodge Room, corner King and Queen Sts., District Deputy W. C. Clark presiding. Afterward refreshments will be served. Members should turn out well, and, while thanking the retiring officers for their marked faithfulness, seat their successors with spirit and respect.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Marshall, organiste and choirmaster of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, will receive pupils in singing, voice development, piano and organ. Classes in sight singing and church palmody. Residence Park street, directly opposite Dr. Pattisby's residence.

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Mrs. Trotter, Head street, is spending a few days in Windsor. Court Hope meeets this evening and a good attendance of the brethren is looked for. Installation.

Private A. R. Wilson, lately returned from South Africa, is on a visit

to his home in Goderich. Miss Ada Campbell, of Northwood, is visiting her cousin, Miss Edna Pearl Stephens, King street, west.

W. Scott, of the Sutherland-Innes Co., New York, passed through, the city yesterday, en route for his home in Petrolea.

The cold snap demands warm covers. Fleece lined underwear at 50c., 75c., \$1.00, and \$2.00 a garment; also full line of wool goods from 70c. to \$2.50 a suit, at The 2 T's.

The "Female Drummer" company cam in from London at 1.45 to-day. It is one othe largest companies that have ever apf peared at the Grand. The sale of seats has been very large.

At the earnest solicitation of many

At the earnest solicitation of many citizens, ex-Aid. Geo. Cowan has con sented to allow his name to go before the citizens at the ensuing election, and his card appears in this issue. Mr. Cowan will not be able to make a per-personal canwass, but was for two past years chairman of the property committee, and his record as such such as to earn renewal of confi-

A VALUABLE RELIC. Governor Mercer, of the Chatham jail, has in his possession a commis-sion issued by the Governor of Upper Canada in 1845, authorizing the hold-ing of the first fair in Chatham.

A RECEPTION. The Foresters of this city and dis-The Foresters of this city and district, will please take notice that Court Unity will tender a reception to Bro. Private E. R. Wilson, a member of the South African contingent, on the evening of Wednesday, Jan. 9th, in their court room over Gordon's day goods store.

HIS BOARD STILL GRATIS. Edgar Smith, alias Wilson, whose operations in Raleigh and Harwich were exposed in The Planet, was sentenced by Judge Houston to six months in the Central, for vagrancy. Smith secured his board from the farmers and bought hay, seed and horses. He would then skip out befor the time of delivery came due. He also made a practice of neglecting to pay his board.

"There is a good story told of a one time resident of Buckhorn," said N. H. Stevens this morning. "The farmer's name was Lewis, and he stood 6 ft. 6 in., in his shoes. He was always fond of walking and one day he was ft. 6 in., in his shoes. He was always fond of walking, and one day he was hurrying along the old Talbot road, taking huge strides, such as only a six foot sixer could take, when he was met by a neighbor, driving, and the latter offered the tall man a ride 'No thanks,' said the pedestrian, refus-ing the ride, 'I am in a hurry.'"

This morning's London Free Press says, concerning tonight's performance at the Grand:—"Crowded houses greeted "The Female Drummer" yesgreeted The Female Drummer" yes-terday afternoon and evening at the Opera House, and the performance gave great satisfaction throuughout. Helen Byron, as the female drummer, was bright and piquant enough. was bright and piquant enough, and a near approach to the samey charac-terization of Johnstone Bennett's while Nellie O'Neill, as the cash girl while Nellie O'Neill, as the cash girl, the tough saleslady, the baby, and in her songs and dances proved a great favorite. William P. Sweatman, an sold-time negro minstrel, gave an in-imitable personation of the colored porter, and Harry Lidell was the mimblest of greatesque characters. nimblest of grotesque characters, as the elevator boy. The company is a large one, and comprises a great var-iety of talent in comedy of the more enlivening kind, keeping the house in

THE WORK OF TRAMPS. Mrs. J. M. Northwood gave an At Home on Monday evening at the fam-ily residence, William street. Miss V. ily residence, William street. Miss V. Neilson, a former Chatham young lady, who was one of the guests, had a valuable sable fur cape stolen during the evening. The cape was lined with silk, in a pattern of red and green flowers. It had the makers mame sewed near the collar and the initial's "V. N." were worked in yellow near the pocket. The loss has been reported to the police, who think some sneak thief must have entered the bouse.

A INTERESTING CASE. Probate of the will of Dennis Donovan, late of Chicago, was granted to John Downie, of Harwich. It will be membered that Donovan was not heard from for 20 years and, believing he was dead, his heirs secured letters of administration of his estate, which consisted of a fifty acre farm in Harwich. In the summer, just when the consisted of a fifty acre farm in Har-wich. In the summer, just when the farm was about to be sold, Donovan returned and the sus didn't take place. He entered St. Joseph's Hos-pital and died a little over a month ago, leaving the will which was pro-bated to-day. An order was made in this matter setting aside the let-ters of administration granted about a year ago. J. B. Rankin, B. A., Q. C., is acting for the executor, and trans-acted the first business done by the surrogate court this year and this century.

H. West, of Detroit, is in the city The Public schools will re-open to

Miss Clara Gammage is visiting.
Miss Alma Philps, London.
Miss Nettie Hendershott spent New
Year's with her parents; Emma St.
Miss Alma Gammage has returned
from a six weeks' visit with relatives
in Chicago.

Miss Mary Robinson, of Detroit, was in the city attending the funeral of her nephew, Charles Robinson.

The annual meeting of the Chatham-Manufacturing Co. will be held to-morrow afternoon at two o'clock.

The Wallaceburg nominations were held on Monday night last, when Charles Chubb was elected mayor by acclamation.

Mr. and Mrs. James H. Shaw, Lorne Ave., spent New Year's with the form-er's brother, Leonard Shaw, St. Thomas.

Miss Mabel Birch leaves this evening for Morpeth, where she will re-sume her duties in the Public school of that place to-morrow.

Joaquin Stevens returned to Ann Ann Arbor to-day to finish his fourth year at the Medical College. Mr. Ste-vens expects to graduate in June. At Osgoode Hall, on Monday, judgment was given for plaintiff in the case of Chandler vs. Gibson. The text of the findings will appear in The

Boys are busily engaged in scraping and sweeping the ice on the river above Aberdeen bridge. A rink is being formed for the purpose of

Frank M. Bedford, of Lot 15, River Road, Harwich, will hold an auction sale of farm stock and implements on Tuesday, Jan. 10, as advertised. He has a number of thoroughbred hogs and a lot of good stock.

and a lot of good stock.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Nancey
Waddell, relict of the late John Waddell, took place at 3 o'clock this afternoon from the family residence on
Water St. The services were conducted by Rev. Rural Dean McCosh and
Rev. Mr. Colles.

Mrs, H. J. A. Davidson and children heft for Toronto to-day. Mrs. David-son will join her husband in that city upon his return from South Africa, Capt. Davidson was mentioned in despatches from the seat of war for distinguished services.

N. H. Shepiey, who for eleven years has sat at the council board in Raleigh, is again a candidate for the reeveship. Mr. Shepley states that there is nothing in the rumor that he will not be able to act should he be elected by reason of his having disposed of his

Aibert Tavernier who is well known to Chatham theatre goers, plays one of the leading parts in "A Female Drummer," at the Grand to-night. He was Ida VanCourtland's manager when she was here years ago with W. J. Butler as her leading man. Mr. Butler played "Waddles" in "When we were 21," at the Grand last month. Jos. A Wilson, John R. Snell and A. E.

Jos. A. Wilson, John R. Snell and A. E. Lenfestey, auditors of Court Hope, met last night and held ther semi-annual sudit of the books of Secretary W. H. Benson and or the books of Secretary W. H. Benson and Treasurer Edwin Cape, and found every-thing srtisfactory, and the report in full will be presented to the Court this evening. The installation of officers for 1901 also takes place besides the usual routine busi-

attended and proved exceedingly successful. The entertainment was in charge of Mrs. J. E. Oldershaw, Mrs. Harry Cameron, Miss Clara Sainsbury and Miss Oldershaw. The drill exercises and the cantata by the pupils of the Sunday school were both exceptionally good. The school also rendered two splendid choruses. Mr. exceptionally good. The school also rendered two spjendid choruses. Mr. Jordan with his gramophone, added Jordan with his gramophone, added materially to the enjoyment of the program. The Rev. T. H. Cornish, in the absence of the pastor, Rev. J. J. Ross, both opened and closed the concert with prayer.

LAST SAD RITES.

The remains of the late Chas. Rob-The remains of the late Chas. Robinson were laid at rest in Maple Leaf Cemetery on Monday, Rev. Dr. Hannon officiating. The pall-bearers were six close friends of the deceased, Spencer Reid, Geo. Smith, Edward Eddington, Clarence Barfoot, Percy Morley and L. Parrott. Among the many beautiful floral tributes were, a bouquet of white roses from Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Stephens, carnations from Miss Maggie Edmunds, wreath from Mrs. John Holmes and roses from Miss Maggie Taylor and Mrs. Dr. Cornell.

#### NOTICE.

Ladies and Gentlemen: Ladies and Gentlemen:

It is being circulated that if I am elected, and afterwards sell my farm, there will have to be a new election for reeve. I hereby certify, that, if a new election is caused by my disposing of my farm, that I will pay all the expenses of the election.

N. H. SHEPLEY.

Charilg Cross, Jan. 2nd, 1901.

"500 People Badly Bent" have in effect used these words in speaking of the curative qualities of South American Rheumatic Cure—"My legs were crippled"—"My hands were distorted"—"My joints were swollen"—"My back was bent double"—"My pain was excruciating"—"Bedridden for years." This, great remedy has been the heaven-sent agent that worked a permanent cure.—130

Sold by J. W. McLaren, Chatham.

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To pay off mortgages.
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Very lowest rates.
Pay when desired.
Will also lend on note and chattel J. W. WHITE, Barrister, King St., West, Chatham.

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#### 1-4 Off...

Everyone should have calendar for the first year of the new century.

Books a King St.
Stationery Chatham.

# FIRE CHIEF

Tells What the Brigade To Assist the Drowning Man.

Further Evidence Taken in Patrick Kennedy Inquest On Monday.

The inquest on the death of the late Patrick Kennedy was resumed on Monday

Henry Mitchell, telegraph boy, says, h was with Stewart Barry Saturday night and corroborated his evidence. Montgomer, hit at the man but did not hit him. The an had a dark overcoat. Duckett struck

man had a dark overcoat. Duckett struck the man twice.

John Redior, Chatham township, said, I found overcoat on corner of Barthe and Pitt streets on Saturday night, 22nd The coat was hanging on fence. Ed. Hardaker was with me and we hung coat back on fence. It was dark and could not see any mark on coat. It was about 6.15.

Robert Potter, said, I went to fire after Mr. Marks had told me at opera house. Met Mr. Westman at Piggott's lumber yard and he told me fire was at Riverside terrace. When I got to middle of terrace I met trucks coming back. The Chief and Crump were on the seat, Matt. Sides and Chief Jacques' son on the side. I got on trucks to ride back and I asked where it was and they said it was a man in the river.

At first the Chief told me I had better get off if I had nothing to do and give him a hand. He told Sides he had better take a SUNDAY SCHOOL CONCERT.

The annual concert of the William sit. Baptist Sunday school was largely tended and proved exceedingly such larged and larged hollering so they could locate him. I went on to where I supposed the man was and Mr. Piggott took the pole away from me and went out on the ice. I came away right after that. I don't know why the trucks were taken back as I was not there when

went out on the ice. I came away right after that. I don't know why the trucks ve's taken back as I was not there when they started.

Alexander Jacques said: I am chief of the fire brigade. On Saturday night, Dec. 22, about 7.30 or 7.35, a telephone alarm came in a lady's voice, "Is that the fire hall?" I said "Yes." She said, "There is a man in the river back of Dr. Bray's residence. Come quickly." We pulled out the truck team and very quickly went up to the terrace. When we got there there were no lights or nothing to be heard. I lit two torches and was going down towards the river when I met Mr. Rispin. He asked me if the ladders would reach across the river. I said I didn't think so. He started towards Mr. Stringer's place. I went down to river's edge. I called and the man in the river said, "I can't hold out much longer." I got to top of hill again and there was no one in view, but a man said they had gone to Stringer's after a boat. I went down and they were drawing the boat out on the ice and were about ten or fifteen feet out at that time. I stayed there till the boat went through. I then went up hill to the truck and told the boys they had better take some torches and pike-poles and render what help they could. I took the team and started for home. When alarm came in there were only three in hall, myself, Crump and Coyle. I and Crump went and left. Coyle there. I did not say the ladders were not for that purpose. I was not asked to take the ladders out. I don't think I saw Mr. Innes.

To a Juror—There were about 165 feet of ladders and one life-line about 100 feet long and another about 45 feet. I did not got out on ice at all. I cannot say whether it was safe to put ladders out or not.

Matthew Side stated that he was a fireman. He reached the scene of the accident after the trucks. Chief Jacques and his son Harry were on the river bank. Mr. Side was given a torch by the Chief and he took it out on the river. Mr. Piggott took the torch from bim. Mr. Side denied that he had said the fire ladders were n

hadn't heard anyone suggest the use of ladders.

Napoleon Predom saw deceased in the Idlewild holel about 6 o'clock Satorday night. Kennedy was a out three parts drunk and had an overcoat on. Predom didn't see deceased again until next morning when he helped take the body from the river.

Frank Kennedy said he was a son of the late Patrick Kennedy and had resided with his father. His father hid a silver watch and eight or ten dollars in money when he left home Saturday morning.

Edward Hardaker had seen deceased staggering along Pitt St. shortly after six o'clock. About ten minutes afterwards the overcoat was found on the fence.

Richard Fullerton gave evidence as to the finding of the body on Sunday morning.

morning.

The inquest then adjourned till to-night, to secure additional witnesses.

Greatest Store

C. Austin & Co.

# Art Calendars Special Selling of Balance of our stock of handsome calendars are Special Lines for January

Having contracted very early for a large portion of our cotton stock, prints and white wear before the heavy advance in prices, the manufacturers have shipped them to us a month ahead of time in order o use the room they were taking up, as we take stock in February we don't wish to have these goods appear on our stock sheets and have therefore decided to accomplish two objects-increase our January sales and reduce the stock.

#### A Special Price Sale of New Goods

These lines if bought to-day would in a number of instances cost more than our special marked price Take this opportunity of supplying your wants from stocks bought before the heavy advance on cotton took place.

#### White Wear

An immense display in all lines of ready made white wear, the same makers goods as we sold last year and whose output we control for Chatham White skirts, corset covers, chemises, night gowns, in fact everything pertaining to this class of goods is here for your inspection, all marked in plain figures. No room for details to-day, the better way is to come in and see the goods, note the finish, the quality and the dainty patterns used.

#### **Embroideries**

About double cur usual stock to show, the manufacturers have excelled all past efforts in the patterns this year, prices run from 2c upword to 75c per yd

#### Prints

Two hundred of the new patterns in Prints to hand, colors fast, patterns superb, we don't want to measure up one of them for stock so are going to sell them for 10c yd,

#### Staples

Some of the prices that are going to draw the crowds and swell the sales this month.

#### Cotton Sheetings

Extra heavy full 37 in. factory sheeting, soft even yarns, free from black specks, worth 7½c, special per yd...

seial, 36 in. fine soft finish, pure bleached cotton, worth 10c, special 

4 Plain or twilled unbleached sheeting extra good value at 17cs yd., special.

Good heavy yard wide bleached cotton,

Good factory cottons at per yd. 31c, 4c 4 Best factory plain bleached sheeting, even yarns, at per yd..... 46 in. best quality plain pillow cotton, 48 in. best quality plain pillow cotton, 16 in. best quality circular pillow cotton, only per yd.....

Linens

cial, 56 in. extra heavy cream da-mask, choice patterns, per yd..... 30 lew roller towelings, at per yd. 8c, 9c and..... 10 Extra special, 64 in. cream damask, very choice designs, at per yd..... 40 See our 90c, 75c and \$1 values in pure frish table linens, grass bleached, extra satin finish, choice designs, wide widths.

#### **Flannelettes**

New patterns, in 32 in. fancy striped fiannelettes, bright colorings, heavy quality, at per yd.

Best 34 in fancy striped fiannelette in the city, new patterns, fine soft finish, special per yd.

Fancy striped shakers for men's and boys' shirts, English manufacture, looks just like all-wool, fast colors, special per yd.

Lawns lawns, worth 17c and 20c a yd.; for 15c and.

#### Special 33 in. bleached factory, no starch, soft finish, per yd...... 740 Our Great January Sale of Clothing Begins Saturday Morning, January 5th, at 8 O'Clock

By comparison you will readily see that we are striving to attract your attention with well made, up-to-date Clothing at ridiculously low prices. We do not indulge in cheap talk, but quote prices as the better way to keep the public eye turned to-ridiculously low prices. We do not indulge in cheap talk, but quote prices as the better way to keep the public eye turned to-ridiculously low prices. A dollar here buys one hundred cents' worth of certainty. If you are not convinced of it after your purchase wards our store. A dollar here buys one hundred cents' worth of certainty. If you are not convinced of it after your purchase wish to price or to buy, come back and your money will be cheerfully refunded. We show you the same courtesy whether you wish to price or to buy, No need to feel mean if you de not make a purchase. We want this store to be the people's store. Printers' ink does not do No need to feel mean if you de not make a purchase. We want this store to be the people's store. Printers' ink does not do No need to feel mean if you de not make a purchase. We want this store to be the people's store. Printers' ink does not do No need to feel mean if you de not make a purchase. We want this store to be the people's store. Printers' ink does not do No need to feel mean if you de not make a purchase. SATURDAY IS THE DAY; 8 O'CLOCK IS THE TIME THESE GOODS WILL GO ON SALE.

Youths' Suits. Men's Suits, Children's Middy Suits, Ulsters, Reefers and Pants

2 & 3 pc. Suits Overcoats,

AT SWEEPING-OUT REDUCTIONS

#### See East Show Window Saturday, Jan. 5 See East Show Window Men's and Youths' will be displayed at Reduced Prices

Men's Tweed Suits

\$3.95

Men's Tweed Suits ade from all-wool Tweeds, double and single breasted styles, nice shad-ings and brown and grays, all sizes 3g to 42, reg. \$6.50 and \$7.50 suits, sale price.....

\$5,00

Men's Tweed and Serge Suits

at checks and nobby overplaids, lesirable colorings, single and louble breasted styles, also plain erges in odd sizes, reg. \$9 and \$10 outs, sale price.....

ALL OUR MEN'S DRESS OVERCOATS reduced in prices. See quotations later

Tweed Suits the leading patterns shown this sea-son, neat shepherd checks, single and double breasted styles, hand-somely made and finished, reg. \$12

Men's Novelty

Men's Fine Black Worsted Suits

Made from fine black clay worsted, in single and double breasted and skirt coat styles, equal to any tail-or's turnout at seven to eight dol-lars more, reg. \$12 suits, sale price \$10.00

\$10,00

Special

Watch this space for the greatest Clothing values ever quoted, All reduced prices marked in plain red figures.

C. Austin & Co. Lead It and Reliable

In Grocery

# Annual White Wear Sale

The Gordon Store

... Announces their customary...

January Sale

Of White Wear

... To commence on Election Day ...

# Monday, the 7th January

Watch this space for particulars

# ...William Gordon...

wood will be close and interesting, while there will probably be six or reven aspirants for the four other vacancies at the council board. The contest for school trustees also promises to be a lively one. KENT COUNTY. Midnight mass was celebrated in St. Joseph's church, ushering in the Midnight mass was delivered to the St. Joseph's church, ushering in the new century. There was a large attendance, the body of the church being well filled. The choir sang Mozart's 12th Mass. Hubert Robert assisted by the choir, sang Atleste Fidelis in excellent style. During the offertory Miss Lizzie Smith, James Rhody and J. W. Wilson gave the beautiful trio Jesu de Vivi. Ernest Kelly gave an excellent rendition of O Salutaris. The Hymn of Praise, Jubilate Deo, by Miss Smith and the choir was spiendidly sang. During the service, the Rev. Father Solanus delivered an excellent sermon. Proposal to Organize a New

MIDNIGHT MASS.

A SOUR STOMACH

is Often the Real Cause of a Sour Tem

That the condition of the digestive organs has a marked effect upon the character or disposition is a truism as old as the hills. Old Ben Johnson wisely said "the pleasure of living depends upon the liver" and it is a fact which none may dispute that a sunny disposition more often results from a healthy digestion than from any other cause.

from a healthy digestion than from any other cause.

Acid dyspepsia, commonly called sour stomach or heartburn, is caused by slow digestion of food, instead of being promptly digested and converted into blood, hone and muscle, it lies in the estomach for hours, fermenting and decaying, creating gases which cause pressure on the lungs and heart, short breath and general discomfort and irritation.

and irritation.
Such half digested food is indeed poor neurishment for the body, brain and nerves, and the result is shown in

irritable tempers, unaccountable head-aches and that depressing condition usually called "the blues" but how

quickly all disappear when appetite and digestion are restored. Laxative medicines only irritate the already irritated stomach and bowels and have no effect upon the actual di-

gestion of food.

The sensible course to follow is to make use of simple natural digestives like Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets after meals until the stomach has a chance

The natural digestives which every

**LEAGUE FOR** 

Football Competition Very Shortly.

Manager Laurie Suggests the Dons tion of a Trophy For Costest By County Clubs.

There is every prespect that Kent will possess a strong compact County Football League during the approaching spring sea-

Last week the executive committee of the Darrell club waited on Manager F. D. Laurie, of the Maple City organization, submitted their plans to him and solicited his interest and assistance in the matter of formal organization. Mr. Laurie heartily endorsed the project, promised to attend the meetings of the proposed league and pledged himself and the Chatham Club to

pledged himself and the Chatham Club to do all in their power to further it.

The proposal at present is to form a league consisting of the Darrell, Kent Bridge, McKay's Corners and Thamesville clubs, all of whom are understood to be anxious to enter the lists, while all clubs bona fide within the county limits—with the exception of the Chatham Peninsular League team—will be elligible and every effort will be made to induce as many clubs as possible to enter the competition.

when interviewed by The Planes concerning the matter Mr. Laurie said, "The proposition is an excellent one and I think the county clubs deserve much credit for their externing in entering upon it. When the county clubs deserve much credit for their enterprise in entering upon it. When the Darrell representatives submitted the matter I told them the Chatham club would do all in its power to assist. There seems to be every prospect of an excellent little league being formed and The Planet cannot do better than to suggest that some gener-ous individual donate a trophy for competi-

tion each season. From what I have sees and heard of the four clubs mentioned I know they possess much excellent playing material, that will make the contests at all times fast, interesting and clean. Kent is a county rich in young athletes and has in time past turned outmany excellent players. I am sure there is an equally bright future ahead in the county league.

Mr. Laurie added that of course the Chathamites would not be elligible in this organization, but it was to their interests in every way to entend the interest in the game and build up the standard of proficiency in the district by lending an earnest, energetic, helping hand.

Vapo-Gresolene quickly cures colds, coughs, sore throat, whooping cough and croup.

—Lameness in the muscles and joints indicates rheumatism. Don't dally with it a minute. Take Hood's Sarsaparilla and sure it.

Wanted!—Old pipe and tea lead, at once. The Planet.

To the Electors of the City of Chat ham.

BI SUPPLIED THE BEST

I am a candidate for alderman for 1901, and as such would respectfully

To the ratepayers of the Township of Harwich

Ladies and Gentlemen: At the urgent request of a large number of the ratepayars of the township, I have consented to be-come a candidate for councillor for 1901. I would ask each and every one to give me your votes and influence and will promise in return, if elected, to fultill duties of office to very best of my ability.

of my ability.
SHERMAN LANGFORD.

We have just received a large shipment of this well-known favorite remedy for convalescents. We have sold this Malt for years and can confidently re-

commend it. Price 35c per Bottle

A. I. McCALL,

DRUGGISTS

# Good Tailoring

The young men like the cut and style of our apparel, Tand the old men appreciate the quality.

We have goods to suit the quiet tastes of the one sign for more pronounced patterns of the other.

The value we give will please both.

Morley & Co. Lending

#### Selling It does not do to drop all care and push once Christmas and the Holidays are over. Things to eat cannot be too

good in January as well as in December. Fish at this time of the year will be most acceptable -a decided change from the many rich things we have been taking.

HADDIE, 10c a pound. CODFISH, 8c a pound. BONELESS CODFISH, 10c a lb

H. Malcolmson

GRAND HOUSE ::

Wednesday January 2nd, 1901

#### **A FEMALE** DRUMMER

ALL STAR CAST

-INCLUDING-Willis P. Sweatnam, Harry Ladell, Music. George Richards, Oscar Figman, Nellie Byron, st Madeline Merli,

AND 40 OTHERS. Highest Salaried Farce-Comedy Organization in the World.

Harry James

ALL SPECIAL SCENERY Prices \$1, 75e, 50c, 25c.

he lutely the biggest and best farce-comedy a ration that has e-se v sited Chatham. I have the production and this is with one exception, riginal cast which made the come of famous. It am, clever fun by the best people in the business, er ough music for a comic opers. Don's mise it. Calras.

#### NOTICE

Parties wanting mineral water from the Chatham mineral well on McGregor's farm, can procure the same from Mr. E. hours of 2 and 4 p. m., or in small quantities at Room 9, Victoria Block at any

Chatham Mineral Water Company, Limited

Pure Kettle Rendered Lard 11c lb.

Fine Sugar Cured Smoked Hams and Bacon At the Pork Packing House F. Chaplin Opera House Blog

#### TO CONTRACTORS.

Separate and bulk tenders will be received at the office of the undersigned architects up till 7 o'clock p.m., Friday, the 4th day of January, 1901, for the erection of a Brick Church near Pardoville. Plans and specifications at the office of the architects. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. JAMES L. WILSON & SON.

Chatham, December 24th, 1901.

REAL ESTATE EXCHANGE AND BROKER'S OFFICE.

FOR SALE-A few shares of the ham Manufacturing Co'y., Limited

Give the Boys a Pair of

# Skates and a Hockey Stick

.....You can get them st .....

WESTMAN BROS'., BIg .. Hardwar

#### AT THE THEATRE. CITY STORES WERE TOUCHED.

ed by Shop-lifters During

Xmas Season.

Many Instances the Culprits ar

Well Able to Pay the Price of

Pilfered Plunder.

It is estimated that, during the recent holiday season, over \$500 worth of goods were stolen from Maple City

merchants.
This fact is both serious and deplor-

This fact is both serious and deplorable, perhaps the more so because in the large majority of cases the culprits are of the tair sex, who have better facilities for rapidly secreting their pilfered plunder. In many instances, of course, the theft is instantly noted or discovered, but the unwillingness to deal harshly with a patron and the dislike of creating a scene have occasioned the dropping of police court prosecution on the restoration of the article or the purchuse of it.

chise of it.

The Saturday preceding Christmas proved the gala day of the season for the shop-lifters. The immense throngs which crowded all the leading mercantile establishments and the consequent generous exposure of the goods was all in their favor, and results were as stated. The most inexplicable feature is the fact, as stated by the merchants themselves, that many of the larcenies are perpetrated by individuals whose pocket-books and purses are bulging with greenbacks and coin of the realm.

"One often hesitates to believe their

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Another theft was spotted in a dry goods store by one of the clerks, as the result of which a quantity of dress goods were returned from under the cape of a shopper. While the confiscated property was being extricated from its hiding place a pair of rubbers, also pilfered in an adjoining shoe establishment, were disclosed.

On another occasion two young ladies entered a salesroom and re-

shoe establishment, were disclosed.
On another occasion two young ladies entered a salesroom and requested to be shown jewelled belts. Deciding not to purchase from the stock exhibited, two spools of thread were ordered. While procuring these one of the purchasers cleverly slipped a belt from the counter into the umbrella she carried. The clerk said nothing but made out his sales bill for "Thread 5c. belt \$250." The account was rettled without question, but with evident confusion.

All branches of trade suffered to a greater or less extent, but none more than the counters for toys and knick-knacks, where an early stock-taking has shown excessive raids.

"What to do is a mystery," remarked a sufferer to The Planet. "I guess we lose and that's all there is to it. But we can pray devoutly that, with the dawn of the new century, these help-yourself individuals may determine to turn over a new leaf and stick to their resolution,"

DRESDEN.

One of the most phenomenal successes of the season, Charles E. Blaney's Female Drummer," will be seen at the Grand tonight. The comedy is written in the prolific author's happiest vein, and is overflowing with refined wit. It deals with the trials and tribulations of Smooth & Silk, the two proprietors of a large department store, and the efforts of Hase Bargain, a female drummer to force her particular line of goods on the market. The troubles of Smooth and Silk are further augument by the antics of Buttons, the elevator boy; Super, a superstitious negro, and Nellie O'Neil as Carrie Cash, whose constant habit of chewing gum causes consternation among the firm and employees. Her style and manner are unmistakably fit for the part. She is ably supported by Oscar Figman, Willis P. Sweatman, George Richards, Albert Favernier, Henry Ladell Madeline Merli, Helen Byron, and the lessor parts are in the hands of a very capable company of 40 people, together with 25 pretty girls who add enjoyment to the performance. The company is equipped with elaborate scenery for the entire three acts of the comedy. Altogether it will be one of the most enjoyable productions to be seen here this season. Over \$500 Worth of Goods Secur-

# ONE MAID'S

Thinks Some Maple City Young Men Have Distorted Ideas of

Vocalism.

Would be inclined to Endorse "One often hesitates to believe their own eyes when they catch a culprit red-handed," said one merchant to the Planet, "when it is a person whose wealth can be measured by the thousands. On one occasion during the past week I saw a wealthy lady from a neighboring town take a piece of silk from one of our counters and place it with n her cloak. In fact, even after she had proffered her contused apologies and settled in full for the silk from her well-filled purse, I found it hardly possible to realize it of her. But we caught eleven culprits during the day and how many got away with us we now cannot tell."

Another theft was spotted in a **Drastic Measures for Their** 

She doubtless has musical ideas of her own. She is decidedly a student in all the arts and is an adept in many. But, although it was New Year's day, the season's smiles and brightness were absent from the becoming picture which peeped from the snow-flecked furs, and the chilling, biting sarcasm of her utterances made the winter winds and zeroic atmosphere seem as the balmy breezes and suitry sentiment of the midsum-

She confided her grievance to The

The late Robert G. Ingersoll "The late Robert G. Ingersoll and other eminent authorities," she began without preface or preamble, while the reporter covertly secreted the prayer-book he was carrying, in his overcoat pocket, "have held that suicide is justifiable, while the law maintains otherwise, and makes it a penal offence if the unfortunate victim escape with his life after dropping from the bridge, hacking his jugular or eating holes in his coppers with the biting, blistering carbolic.

"Now the tenor singer of a Brooklyn quartette, who, as I saw by The

"Now the tenor singer of a Brooklyn quartette, who, as I saw by The
Planet some days ago, blew himself to
the contents of a six shooter, in the
middle of the last stanza of Goodbye,
Sweetheart, Good-bye, adds considerable weight to the Ingersollian side
of the argument. The concensus of
public opinion will sustain him.

"And," she continued warmly, "the
spontaneous, sentimentally inclined
amateur quartette is a menace to
society. When four throaty young
bank clerks, whose voices never blend,
assemble on Victoria avenue, beneath
a sleeping maiden's window at 3 a.m.,

assemble on Victoria avenue, beneath a sleeping maiden's window at 3 a.m., and throw their heads back and hay at the moon like so many dogs in discordant concert, the value of human life may be considered inconsequential. If one of the party knows how to pick a mandolin, not only self destruction, but felonious assault and murder in the first degree become clearly justifiable."

Jan. 2.—Miss Metritt and Miss Kate Garrett, of Chutham. are spending New Year's week with Mrs. J. Wright, Hughes St. John Gordon, of Wallaceburg, was in town on Monday. Dr. Armstrong, of London, is visit-ing at Rev. Mr. Galloway's. Mrs. Geo. Caister and family, of Windsor, are visiting friends in town. Alf. Peat, of Chatham, is visiting his parents here.

F. Marx | Sold by J. W. McLaren, Chatham

Jan. 2.-Miss Merritt and Miss Kate

No Heart too Bad to be Cured.

Testimony could be piled high in commendation of the wonderful cures wrought by Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart. No case Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart. No case stands against this great remedy where it did not relieve the most acute heart sufferings, inside of thirty minutes. It attacks the disease in an instant after being taken,

Electro Plate, Knives, Children's Sets, Table, Desert and

Pocket Cutlery,

Table and Desert Forks and Speens, fleat Forks and Salid Forks A Large Assortment Of Scissors.

Hardware Store John A. Mortons'

#### TILBURY.

Jan. 2.—The hockey match which was to have taken place between Til-bury and Chatham yesterday did not materialize, owing to the scarcity of

Jas. Powell and wife spent yesterday in Leamington.
H. S. Shaw returns to Toronto to-

day.

In Tilbury North the entire council is elected by acclamation.

At the conclusion of the nominations here on Monday night speeches were delivered by the aspirants for municipal bonors. The candidates for county representatives also had their

# The natural digestives which every healthy stomach contains are peptones, diastase and hydrochloric and lactic acids and when any of them are lacking the trouble begins; the reason Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are so valuable and successful in curing stomach troubles is because they contain, in a pleasant concentrated tablet form all those absolutely necessary essentials for perfect digestion and assimilation of food. Henry Kirkpatrick, of Lawrence,

sary essentials for perfect digestion and assimilation of food.

Henry Kirkpatrick, of Lawrence, Mass., says: "Men and women whose occupation precludes an active outdoor life should make it a daily practice to use Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablet after meets, I have done so myself and I know positively that I owe my present health and vigor to their daily use.

From the time I was 22 when I graduated from school with broken health from overwork, until I was 34, I scarcely knew what it was to be free from stomach weakness, I had no appetite whatever for breakfast and very little for any other meal.

I had acidity and heartburn nearly every day, and sometimes was alarmed by irregularity and palpitation of the heart, but all this gradually disappeared after I began using Start's Dyspepsia Tablets and I can eat my meals with relish and satisfaction which I had not known since I was a growing boy."

The success and popularity of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets is enormous, but it is deserved, and every druggist in the United States, Canada and Great Britain has a good word for this meritorious preparation.

Married, at the residence of the bride's father, yesterday, by the Rev. T. Dobson, Miss Nellie Elliott to Dan. Shifer.
Miss How'e. of Chatham, and Miss
Sawyer. of Detroit, were guests of
Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Richardson yester-

.....Hardware .....Specialties

saw blm do it."

old man?"

that \$20 bill."

broke in Knapp.

about this house."

water calmly.

the place may present."

"You don't believe your own words,

Mr. Fenton. How can you?" Sweet

water's band was on the breast of the accused man as he spoke and his man-

ner was almost solemn. "You must not take it for granted." he went on,

his green eyes twinkling with a curion

light, "that all wisdom comes from Boston. We in Sutherlandtown bave

some sparks of it if they have not yet

been recognized. You are satisfied"

here he addressed himself to Knapp-

"that the blow which killed Agatha

Webb was struck by this respectable

Knapp smiled, as if a child had ask-

ed him this question; but he answered

"You see the dagger lying here with which the deed was done, and you see

the bread that was bought from Loton

with a \$20 bill of Agatha Webb's

money. In these you can read my

"Good evidence," acknowledged

Sweetwater; "very good evidence when

we remember Mr. Crane's story of the

old man be met rushing from the gate-

way with something glittering in his

hand. I never was so beat in my life,

and yet-and yet-if I could have a

few minutes of quiet thought all by

myself I am certain I could show you

that there is more in this matter than

you think. Indeed, I know that there

is, but I do not like to give my reasons

till I have conquered the difficulties

presented by these men having had

"What fellow is this?" suddenly

"A fiddler, a nobody," quietly whis-

Sweetwater heard him and changed

in a twinkling from the uncertain,

half baffled, wholly humble person

they had just seen to a man with a

purpose strong enough to make him

"I am a musician," he admitted, "and

play on the violin for money when-

ever the occasion offers, something

which you will yet congratulate your-

self upon if you wish to reach the root

of this mysterious and dastardly crime.

But that I am nobody, I deny, and

meun that this fellow shall agree with

me before this very night is over.

Only give me an opportunity for con-

sidering this subject and the per-

mission to walk for a few minutes

the detective firmly, but without any display of feeling. "I am the man

employed to pick up whatever clews

"Have you picked up all that are to

Knapp skragged his shoulders. He

"Then give me a chance," prayed Sweetwater. "Mr. Fenton," he urged

earnestly, "I am not the fool you take

me for. I feel, I know, I have genius

for this kind of thing, and though I

do play the fiddle, I swear there are

depths to this affair which none of you

have as yet sounded. Sirs, where are

the \$980 in bills which go to make up

the clean thousand that was taken

Agatha Webb's cupboard?"

use," answered Knapp.

the shade.

from the small drawer at the back of

"They are in some secret hiding place, no doubt, which we will present-

ly come upon as we go through the

"Umph! Then I advise you to put

your hand on them as soon as possi-ble," reported Sweetwater. "I will

confine myself to going over the ground you have already investigated."

And with a sudden ignoring of the

others' presence, which could only

have sprung from an intense egotism

or from an overwhelming belief in his

own theory he began an investigation

of the room that threw the others' more commonplace efforts entirely in

Knapp, with a slight compression of his lips, which was the sole expression

of anger he ever allowed himself, took

up his hat and made his bow to Mr.

"I see," said be, "that the sympathy of those present is with the local talent. Let local talent work, then,

sir, and when you want me send to the tavern on the docks, where I will be found till I am notified that my

"No, no!" protested Mr. Fenton

"This boy's enthusiasm will soon evap-

orate. Let him fuss away if he will

His petty business need not interrup

"But he understands himself," whis

pered Knapp. "I should think he had been on our own force for years."

"All the more reason to see what he's up to. Wait, if only to satisfy your

own curiosity. I shap't let many min-utes go by before I pull him up." Knapp, who was really of a cold and

frained from further argument, and confined himself to watching the young

man, whose movements seemed to fas-

To be Continued

Let every eye negotiate for titself, and trust no agent.—Shakespeare.

Nothing is so dangerous a grant friend.—La Fontaine.

nable temperament,

services are no longer require

was very well satisfied with himself.

be found in this room?" asked Sweet-

"That is my prerogative," protested

pered Mr. Fenton in his ear.

hold his head with the best.

him good humoredly enough.



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rear of the house.

and had once indulged their fancy to

mantel. Only on a bracket in one cor-

ner there was a worthless trinket made

out of cloves and beads which had

doubtless been given them by some country damsel in their young bachelor

days. But nothing of any value any-

where, and Mr. Fenton felt that he

why they always returned with a

thinner valise than they took away.

respected folk can sink without the

knowledge of the nearest neighbors,

"It's the saddest thing I ever heard

of," said he. "These men must have

been driven wild by misery. This

room is sumptuous in comparison to

the ones at the back; and as for the

pantry, there is not even a scrap there

a mouse could eat. I struck a match

and glanced into the flour barrel. It

looked as if it had been licked. I de-

The constable with a shudder with-

"The atmosphere here is stifling,"

said he. "I must have a breath of

But he was not destined to any such

immediate relief. As he moved down

the doorway and he heard an anxious

been looking for you everywhere."

Mr. Fenton looked displeased.

road, and I guessed the rest."

you want, Sweetwater?"

"Ah, Mr. Fenton, is that you? I have

It was Sweetwater, the young man

"And how come you to find m

"Oh, some men saw you take this

The young man, who was glowing

with pride and all alive with an en-

thusiasm which he had kept suppress

ed for hours, slipped up to the con

"Oh, ah, very good. And what

who had previously shown so much

anxiety to be of service to the coroner.

clare it makes a fellow sick."

drew toward the door.

voice exclaim:

here?" he asked.

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Aper started. An old recollection had | stable and whispered in his ear: "I have made a discovery, sir. I know come up; some months ago he had been present when James had tried to you will excuse the presumption, but I couldn't bring myself to keep quiet sell this set. They were all in War-ner's store, and James Zabel-he could and follow in that other fellow's wake. I had to make investigations on my see his easy attitude yet and hear the own account, and-and"-stammering offhand tones with which he tried to in his eagerness-"they have been succarry the thing off-had said, quite as cessful, sir. I have found out who had never thought of it before, was the murderer of Agatha Webb." "By the by, I have a set of china that The constable, compassionating the

came over in the Mayflower. John disappointment in store for him, shook likes it, but it's grown to be an eyesore his head with a solemn look toward to me, and if any of you hear of any the room from which he had just one wanting such a thing send him up emerged. "You are late, Sweetwater," to the cottage. I will let the old thing said he. "We have found him out ourgo for a song." Nobody answered, and selves, and he lies inside there, dead." James had soon disappeared. It was It was dark in this narrow passagethe last time, Abel remembered, that he had been seen about town.
"I can't stand it," cried the lad. "I

way and Sweetwater's back was to the moonlight, so that the blank look that must have crossed his face at this can't stand it. If they died of hunger announcement was lost upon the con-I must know it. I am going to take a look at their larder." And before any stable. But his consternation was evident from the way he thrust out either one could stop him he dashed to the hand to steady himself against the walls, and Mr. Fenton was not at all The constable would have liked to surprised to hear him stammer out: have followed him, but he looked about the walls of the room instead. John "Dead! He! Who do you mean by

and James had been fond of pictures he, Mr. Fenton?" "The man in whose house we now are," returned the other. "Is there any the verge of extravagance, but there one else who can be suspected of this were no pictures on the walls now, nor was there so much as a candle-stick on the empty and dust covered crime?" Sweetwater gave a gulp that seemed

to restore him to himself. "There are two men living here, both very good men, I thought. Which of do you mean, and why do you think that either John or James Zabel could have killed Agatha Webb?"

For reply, Mr. Fenton drew him toward the room in which such a great now knew why they had made so many visits to Boston at one time and heart tragedy had taken place.

"Look," said he, "and see what can happen in a Christian land, in the midst of Christian people living not 50 He was still dwelling on the thought of the depth of misery to which highly rods away. These men are dead, Sweetwater, dead from hunger. The loaf of bread you see there came too late. It was bought with a \$20 bill, when Abel came back looking greatly taken from Agatha Webb's cupboard

Sweetwater, to whom the whole scene seemed like some horrible nightmare, stared at the figure of James lying on the floor, and then at the figure of John seated at the table, as if his mind had failed to take in the constable's words.

"Dead!" he murmured. "Dead! John and James Zabel. What will happen next? 'Is the town under a curse?" And he fell on his knees before the prostrate form of James, only to start up again as he saw the eyes of Knapp

resting on him.
"Ah." he muttered, "the detective!" And after giving the man from Boston a close look he turn

ton. "You said something about this good old man having killed Agatha Webb. What was it? I was too dazed to take

Mr. Fenton, not understanding the young man's eagerness, but willing enough to enlighten him as to the situation, told him what reasons there were for ascribing the crime in the Webb cottage to the mad deed of these starying men. Sweetwater listened with open eyes and confused bearing, only controlling himself when his eyes by chance fell upon the quiet figure of the detective, now moving softly to and

fro through the room. "But why murder when he could have had his loaf for the asking?" remonstrated Sweetwater. "Agatha Webb would have gone without a meal any time to feed a wandering tramp. How much more to supply the necessities of two of her oldest and dearest

"Yes," remarked Fenton, "but you forget or perhaps never knew that the master passion of these men was pride. James Zabel ask for bread! I can much sooner imagine him stealing it,



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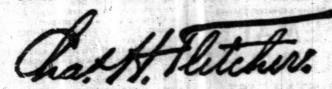
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World and His Own Country.

The difference between the customs of people in the United States and those in China was amusinginly and interestingly explained by Wu, the Chinese Minister at Washington, in his address before the Contemporary Club recently. Having cut religion agent the recent troubles in China because of criticism in this city and New York, the Oriental diplemat devoted himself to telling, in a polished, polite way, that the Americans, from his point of view, are amazingly lacking in manners.

The Minister was explaining the five cardinal principles or relations that form the foundation of China as a nation. The relations he declared to be between sovereign and subject, righteousness; between parents and children, affection; between elder brother and younger brother, between husband and wife.

elder brother and younger brother, order; between husband and wife, separate functions; between friend and friend, fidelity. After he had declared that it was the duty of rulers to be kind to the people rul-

ed, he said:
"Between the parent and children
there should be affection. For the father, he is to be kind to his children, that's his duty. For the children, its a filial duty, they must be dren, its a filial duty, they must be obedient to parents. We are very particular in this respect. We in China must behave ourselves before our parents. We must not talk loud or laugh. We must be reverent. Of course you have your own practices here. If a son were here and his father should come in the son would rise. If my son

in, the son would rise. If my son should be sitting in the audience here and I came in and he would not rise I would pound his head. I was visiting a certain town in this country and a manufacturer who took ladies he passed. I asked him why he did that, and he said they were his friends. I asked him if he met his daughter would he do the same and he said he would take off his hat to her, too. I was thunder-struck. The idea of a man taking off his hat to his own daughter. I asked him what if he should meet of the times his servant, and he said he would take off his hat to her also. Then I threw up my hands. In China we don't show disrespect to women, but we don't go to the extent you do: The parent is superior to the child in China, it is for the child to show

respect to the parent.

"Another duty imposed upon the children in China is to support the parents. We bring them up to support us in our old age; that's our law. For a disobedient son who has money not to support his parents he would be severely punished. I once had a young man tell me that parents in this country were bound to support the children, but the children were not bound to support he said the parents were responsible, as they bring the children into the world. That, I said, was the reason why he should support his parents, because they gave him existence— hecause they did him a good turn— but he differed with me. In this country when children marry, I find they sometimes live with the wives mothers. I can't find any reason for that's greatly different that and

from our custom.
"The duty imposed upon the husband in China is to be righteous, kind and benevolent to his wife, and upon the wife to obey. The husband must support the wife. It is not rare, however, for the husband to obey the wife. I heard an American wedding ceremony recently where the bride swore to obey and serve the husband. That is the form here, but I suppose that in practice it is different. It is the same in China. But there the husband doesn't admit that the wife rules the roost. Here men are proud to say: 'I am gov-

erned by my wife. "In passing, I will mention the great importance of the Empress Dowager. She is the highest and nost influential person in China. She controls even the Emperor. Why? On account of her social and official position. She is the aunt of the Emperor, and entitled to his respect by virtue of the family relation. She adopted him and placed him on the throne when her son died. He ought to obey her. So, therefore, contrary to belief in this and other countries, men are not despised in China When speaking of wives in our country etiquette requires that we must refer to them as 'mean and stupid, though they may be very clever. A woman bereft of her husband never marries. In some cases girls engag-ed do not marry at all, should the intended husband die before the time

ixed for the marriage. "The relation between friends is delity—to be truthful to each other. The Chinese as friends are faithful; in commercial relations they are trustworthy. Documents are not required for business transactare trustworthy.
not required for business transactions, word of mouth being sufficient.
"These cardinal principles or rules laid down by ancient emperors have been preserved. In concluding, we may infer something that may be profitable. Although China is not brofitable. Although China is not be a stood well thousand the second s perfect, still it has stood well thousands of years and been kept together. I think that if we can learn the good points of either it will be very profitable to both. We must understand each other better. It is im-rortant that in the coming together of the different people we must judge others from their standard, and if this we will not go far

Infidelity wrecks hearts; incompati-

#### A CITY BELOW WATER.

Mexican Capital Is Surrounded by Lakes Each With a Level Above That of the Main Square.

of the Main Square.

The "Bolletino della Societa Geografica" publishes an interesting article on the drainage of the City of Mexico, from which the following is an extract: The vailey of Mexico, situated in the Cordilleres of Anahuac, forms an immense basin entirely surrounded by mountains, and lying about 7,200 feet above the level of the sea. Within this valley there are situated the lakes of Zumpango, Xaltocan, San Cristobal, there are situated the lakes of Zumpango, Xaltocan, San Cristobal, Chalco, Xochimiko and Texcoco. Of these lakes only 'that of Texcoco lies seven feet below the level of the main square of the City of Mexico, whilst all the other lakes are situated from 5 to 15 feet above the level. At the time of the Spanish conquest the City of Mexico was still an island in the Lake of Texcoco, whose level has since been lowered on account of the devastation of the forest which formerly extended over its slopes. The shores of this lake its slopes. The shores of this lake are now as close as three and a half Write for our FREE BOOK "PALE AND WEAK WOMEN." Our doctors give free consultations by letters or at their office every day until 6 F. M., Sunday excepted. Write for a FREE question blank if you wish. Dr. Coderr's Red Pills are not a purgative. Constipated womes will take—together with Bed Pills—Dr. Coderr's Furgative Tablets. Dr. Coderr's Red Pills sell at 50e a box or fix hoxesfor \$2.5¢; the Purgative Tablets 250 at all druggists or by mail upon receipt of price. Refuse all imitations.

miles to the city. Up to some time ago the sewerage of Mexico City was conducted to this lake, whereby the mortality of the city increased by 4 per cent. during the rainy season, when the level of the lake rose and frequently inundated the town.

The Aztecs already started the tight against this water by constructing dams and dikes 19 protect the city. A number of them have been preserved up to the present day.
Puring the first time of the Spanish conquest, the Spaniards followed the same methods by building dams, until a terrible inundation in 1607 caused the construction of drainage canals, and during the following year, 1608, a canal to Lake Zumpango was built in a length of eleve miles. But even this canal was not sufficient, and in 1627 and 1629 the whole City of Mexico was for months "I feel as if I should fly to pieces." How often those words are on a woman's lips. They express to the uttermost the nerve racked condition of the body, which makes life a daily martyrdom.

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(Egypt) show that, in the gray past, the most excellent tools were made and that such were used by the Egyptians and Assyrians in the erec tion of their massive edifices and monuments; for the manufacture of weapons, household utensils, etc.

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Italy's Energetic Young King. The character of the young king o Italy is as yet a closed book. has plenty of energy and even some has plenty of energy and vector good share of physical strength under the appearance of extreme feebleness. We have seen him driving his team of English horses down the slopes of Posilippo in a way no weaking could have done. He was appearancing the garrison of Naples nmanding the garrison of Naples at that time. Afterward he was apat that time. Afterward he was appointed to the charge of a division at Florence. He was at Florence when the news of the terrible disaster of Adowa reached Italy. He deemed that all the African disasters were due to Signor Crispi, thea minister, and off he rushed to Rome to say his say to the king. King Hunsay his say to the king. King Humbert sternly ordered his son under arrest for 24 hours for leaving his post without permission, but at the same time he dismissed the minis-

Why the Chinese Eat Bats.

The New York Medical Journe uotes a Chinaman's explanation he use of rats for food purposes, follows: What a carrot is to a horse's coat, a rat is to the human hair. Neither fact can be explained. but every horseman knows that car rots will make the animal smooth and lustrous as velvet, and the C nese, especially the women, know that rats used as food stop this fall ing out of hair and make the locks soft, silky and be utiful.

#### "All Dunlop Tires in 1900

When you hire a wheel from the Bicycle Livery look at the tires.

If they are Dunlop Tires then you can rest assured the wheel has a good pedigree in its every part

Dunlop Tires on all good wheels.



D desire to attend strictly to one's own business is a difficult art to ac-

#### A Woman's Awtul Peril.

"There is only one chance to save your life and that is through an operation," were the startling words he ird by Mrs. I. B. Hunt, of Lime Ridge, Wis., from her doctor, after he had vainly tried to cure her of a frightful case of stomach trouble and yellow jaundice. Gall stones had formed and she constantly grew. worse. Then she began to use Electric Bitters, which wholly cured her. It's a wonderful Stomach, Liver and Kidney remedy. Cures Dyspepsia, Loss of Appetite. Try it. Only 50c. Guaranteel. For sale by A. I. Mc-Call & Co.

A miser would be only too glad to remove the beam from his own eye if he could sell the timber.

#### Children Cry for CASTORIA.

Many an otherwise truthful dentist

#### Children Cry for CASTORIA. CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The far-simile Charly Fletchies wright

The ice in the lemonade isn't always what it is cracked up to be. A St. Louis genius has a schem for drying snow and selling it to the natives for salt.

HOW'S THS? We offer One Hundred Dollars Re-ward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hail's Catarrh

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Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system.

Price 75c per bottle. Sold by all druggists. Testimonials free.

Hall's Family Pills are the Best.

The world is probably a little larger than you think it is and you are probably a little smaller than you think you are.

#### Children Cry for CASTORIA.

Minard's Liniment Cures Burns

#### Children Cry for CASTORIA. One log does not burn long by relf.

#### Mayorality

To the Electorate of the City of Chatham

Ladies and gentlemen : I am a candidate for mayor for 1901, and I respectfully ask

for your vote and influence. Faithfully yours,

W. E. McKEOUGH. Chatham, Ont., 19th Nov., 1900

SCHOOL TRUSTER To the Blectors of Ward No. 2 Ladies and Gentlemen:
I am again a candidate for the office of School Trustee. Your vote and influence is respectfully solicited.
R. M. PAXTON.

Minard's Liniment Cures Dandruff,

#### ALDERMEN.

To the Flectors of This City. I am a candidate for alderman-less this city for the year 1901, your votes and influence are respectfully solicited. Wishing you all the compliments of the secon, I remain Nours etc., DAVID A. HUTCHISON.

To the Electors of the city of

Chatham.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for alderman for the coming year. I think my record in the council in the years 1896 and 1897 was such as to meet with your approval. Your vote and influence respectfully solicited.

E. A. MOUNTEER.

#### To the Wlectors of the City of Chatham.

Ladies and Gentlemen: I am a candidate for re-election as alderman for the incoming year, and if my past record meets with your ap-proval, I shall be glad to have your vote and influence.

W. S. MARSHALL.

To the electors of the city of Char

ham. Ladies and Gentlemen: Ladies and Gentlemen:
At the request of a number of citizens, I have been induced to offer mymyself as a candidate for alderman for 1901. Your vote and influence I respectfully solicit.
Yours truly,
JOHN WADDELL,

Dec. 21st, 1900. To the Electors of Chatham

Ladies and Gentlemen: Your vote and influence are respectfully solicited for my election as alderman for 1901.

Tours faithfully,
G. G. TAYLOR.

To the Electors of Chatham. I addes and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for alderman for 1901 and if my pest services has met with your approval I once more ask for your support. Thanking you for past favors I am,

Yours respectfully,

A. B. McCOIG.

To the Electors of Chatham. To the Electors of Charles

Ladies and Gentlemen:
At the urgent request of several representative citizens, I have consented to offer myself as a candidate for alderman for 1901.

I would like your support.
Yours, W. F. SMITH,
Barrister.

To the Electors.

Ladies and Gentlemen: Having been requested by a number of citizens to offer myself for alderman, I have consented to become a candidate. If the electors do me the honor of electing me, I will try to the best of my ability to encourage economy in civic matters and to secure new factories for the city.

WILFRED!M. FLEMING.

To the Electors of the City of Chatham.

It is my intention to again offer my services as Alderman for 1901.

I trust that my record as alderman during 1896 and 1897, and as chairman of the finance committee in the latter year is such as to entitle me to your confidence. If elected, I will, as be-fore, strive to look after the city's interests to the best of my ability, and I respectfully solicit your sup-

To the Electors of the City of Chatham Ladies and Gentlemen:

I have entered the field as a candidate for the office of alderman for the year 1901. I respectfully ask your votes and influence, and should you see fit to honor me with election I shall endeavor to serve your interests to the best of my ability.

Wishing you the compliments of the season, I remain,
Yours faithfully,
JOHN EDMONDSON.

Chatham, Dec. 31st, 1900.

Electors of Harwich and Blenheim No. 5 Division—Belleving that Harwich and Blenheim should both be represented at the County Council C L. Von Gunten respectfully asks your vote and influence for his re-election.

With best wishes for a happy and pros-perous New Year to all. 2wks To the Electors of Harwich and Blenheim. Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for your suffrag-es in District No. 5, for the county council, and respectfully solicit your M. J. WILSON,

To the Flectors of Harwich and Ladies and Gentl

At the request of a large number of the electors I have again consented to be a candidate for the office of county councillor. Your vote and influence would be thankfully received and, if elected, I promise you to faithfully discharge the detties of said office. My past record is the best guarantee of good work in the future.

To the Electors of the Township of Harwich.

Ladies and Gentlement:

I am again offering myself as a candidate for the position of reeve for the coming year. I thank you for the splendid support you have given me in the past, and I trust that I may still retain your confidence, by an honest endeavor while in office to guard your interests, and if again elected I will put forth my very best efforts to guard your interests honestly and impartially. Thanking you for past favors and wishing you all! a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year, I am yours faithfully,

E. B. TOLE. Ladies and Gentlement:

# Shoes

# Holiday Present

Don't forget the JACK and JILL SLIPPERS for the children, at 25 Cents

We handle every description of FELT SLIPPERS, all prices.

#### TURRILL'S Shoe Store

Repairing Neatly Done.

### The\_\_\_ New Year

Yes, this is the first month of the new year and the new century and we want to make it one of the most important business periods in the history of this store. To do this we want your help and we'll have it too if honest values and up-to-minute retailing counts.

#### Blankets



Of course you know a cold snap has struck this vicinity, you don't know how long it is

February and March, then if you have a need for blankets don't put it off

Linens



some remark-

News o

Unbleached All Pure Linen, 72 in wide. . 60c Unbleached All Pure Linen, 66 in. wide . . 50c Unbleached Linen, 54 in. wide ...... 37 to Unbleached Linen 56 in. wide:.....30c Unbleached Linen, 64 in. wide........25c

#### William Foreman & Co.

#### Why Don't You Get in Line

And order your fall Suit and Overcoat. We are ready for you with an exceptionally choice range of this season's novelties. \$15 and \$16 suits for \$13. Overccats at \$15, \$17, \$19 and \$21.00. These special prices will last until Christmas. Order now from our choice

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### Chatham's Millinery Store For this month we will sell a grand assortment of Trimmed Hats A. COOKSLEY, Opp. Market

Notice to Riders.

ard's Liniment Cures Distem

NEW YORK MARKETS.

leaving a Field of Sixteen Alde manic Candidates for the Elector to Choose From.

Eight Ex-Aldermen and Eight New spirants are Seeking to Form the New Civic Parliament.

At 12 o'clock to-day the time allowfor candidates to withdraw from the contest for membership in the when the 12 o'clock bell rang only four of the 20 nominated had retired.

Chris Smith was the first to ask that his name be taken off the list. He made the request Monday. John Liddy followed his example this morning, and W. G. Richards and W. M. Stane did likewise. There are now sixteen candidates in the field and all are good men. This is said to be one of the best lists of candidates that has ever been offered to the electors and it is expected that the contest will be decidedly close. The election will be held on Monday, Jan. 7, and the first meeting of the new council will be held on Monday, Jan. 7.

Owing to the water commissioners and the school trustees having all been elected by acclamation, the concetsts this year will be wholly within the council. city council of next year expired, and

etsts this year will be wholly within the council.

Aid. G. W. Sulman and Ald, W. E. McKeough, the two aspirants for mayoralty honors, are both putting up a warm fight, and nearly every one is expecting a big vote.

The candidates for aldermen are, E. A. Mounteer, E. W. Scane, A. B. McCoig, John Waddell, John Edmondson, S. B. Arnold, W. F. Smith, John Mount, Wilfred M. Fleming, David A. Hutchison, G. G. Taylor, George W. Cowan, Daniel Jordan, John Holmes, William S. Marshall and Robert Pritchard. Of this number four were members of the last council, four have been members of previous councils and the other eight are new men. It wild be interesting to watch the result on Monday next and see how many of the experienced men will be elected.

#### FREED HER UNCLE'S SLAYER.

A Former Kent County Lady t brains Pardon For a Michigan Murderer.

The Crime Was Committed by Young Desperado-Relatives of the Victim Reside in This City.

Hizen S. Pingree, the energetic and erratic ex-gowernor of Michigan, made the last hours of his regime memor-able by a series of pardons extended to convicts serving time in Jackson

state prison.

Among those granted was the freedom of Convict Stewart, who had served 32 years of a life sentence for the murder of John Willetts in Dethe murder of John Willetts in Detroit in the year 1868. The murdered man was a cousin of Mrs. J. U. Dolsen, of this city, and second cousin to Mrs. Kaspar Schwemler, corner of William and Duluth Sts., and his niece, Mrs. Chas. Willetts, of Detroit, was largely instrumental in obtaining the murderer's recent pardon through a corner of rather interesting happen. the murderer's recent pardon through a series of rather interesting happen-

ings.

Mrs. Willetts, formerly of this county, is a member of a ladies' organization which bestows much of its ganization which bestows much of its charity upon the unfortunate paupers and prison inmates of the state, and some years ago sent a series of gifts to be distributed to the convicts at Jackson. Shortly after she received a polite letter of thanks from Stewart, which opened what materialized into a regular correspondence between the philanthropic lady and the convict.

A year ago on the occasion of a

between the philanthropic lady and the convict.

A year ago on the occasion of a casual visit to Jackson, Mrs. Willetts procured permission to visit Stewart and then discovered that he was the murderer of her uncle. The discovery was a painful one to both, but did not lessen the lady's interest in the man, whose excellent education and good behaviour had earned him promotion in the institution. Consequently, when Governor Pingree announced his intention of issuing several pardons. Mrs. Willetts successfully appealed on Stewart's behalf.

Stewart's crime was a brutal one. With a confederate he entered the Willetts homestead at night, but aroused the owner, who was mastering his colleague when Stewart stabbed him in the stomach. The deceased lived only a few hours after the affray and the murderer's arrest followed three days later. He was only 19 years of age at that time.

LAID TO REST.

The juneral of the late Sarah Hales, eldest daughter of John Hales, took place on Monday from the family residence on Selkirk street to the Maple Leaf Cemetery. A large concourse of sorrowing friends and relatives were present to observe the last sad rites. The services were conducted at the house by Rural Dean McCosn, of whose church the deceased young lady was a faithful member. In spite of the inclement weather nearly forty carriages followed in the funeral train. At the grave the beautiful burial service of the Anglican church was repeated by the Rev. W. H. G. Colles, the Rural Dean, owing to a severe cold, being unable to withstand the severity of the weather. The pallbearers were:—Messra. John McKerrall, T. Huff, J. W. Aitken. D. Blackburu, W. Turner and R. L. Brackin. All the members of the family were present at the funeral with the exception of the two elder brothers of the deceased, James and John, who are up north in the Klondike region. LAID TO REST.

The credit giving shoe shop's got to even up losses by book or crook, as they can't 'hook' they're going to "crook". You'll be the one whose extra half-dollar pays for Mr. Chargemup's privilege. It isn't fair, nor pleasant to contemplate. A man with ready cash to spend ought to be favored instead of overcharged Come with purse in hand to this store and see how much your dollars will cover We never "book it" except in the case of approbation selections, No cash customer, therefore, is mulcted to cover the discrepancles of credit folks But, mind you, all so-called "cash stores" have not abandoned the credit system. This store never edopted credit.

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THE PROBABILITIES.

G. N. W. Special. Toronto, Jan. 2.—10 a. m.—Lakes west-erly winds, fair and cold. Thursday fair and colder; night temperature likely to fall below zero in most localities.

Miss Tillie Thompson is visiting in Mrs. Wm. Beeston, Blenheim, is visiting friends and relatives in the

St., spent New Year's with friends in Dresden. Miss Miss Alice Johnston, Lacroix

Miss Lillian Pratt is still very ill, there being no change in her condi-tion this morning.

At II a. m. to-day Barrister John Reeve filed tha first chattel mort-gage for the new year. Mr. Campbell, Leamington, entered St. Joseph's Hospital yesterday, suf-fering with typhoid fever. The official thermometer registered three above zero last night, being the coldest night so far this winter. Wm. Beeston, Blenheim, returned to his home this morning, after spending New Year's with his parents in this

Miss Lizzie Rankin returned to her home in Dover Centre yesterday, after spending the past few days with friends in the city.

William Shea, confined in the jail as a lunatic, has been released. Jail Surgeon Charteris and Dr. Fleming have both pronounced him quite sane. Jas. Pierce, a former employe of the Chatham Gas Co., but latterly farming in Raleigh, has sold his farm of 50 acres and moved into the city to-day.

The funeral of Mrs. Sarah Crawford, of Detroit, took place this morning to Maple Leaf Cemetery. The deceased was formerly, Mrs. Malcolm McKerrall, of this city.

TO CUPE AL OLDEN ONE DAY.

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CHATHAM, JANUARY, 2ND, 1901

# Begin Right ...1001...

Years ago when we established this business now grown to proud proportions. If increas ing success is evidence of right principles, w began right. Our history in Stratford is ou history in Guelph, and that history is repeat ing itself in Chatham. When we, for the thire time have tackled the proposition, and are suc cessfully living down the popular prejudice tha no store could exist and do a strictly cash business.

#### Stick to it

And no matter how well we may have begun, nothing would have come of it. If we hadn't stuck to it, and in all strictness enforced the rule, To make such a rule and publish it, then violate it in daily exceptions and personal favorites, is mercantile dishonesty. In paying cash at a cash store you have a right to assum that you get a price that includes nobody's bad debt, and that your cash isn't going to pay losses in covert credits—a loss to the credit store piled for recoupment on the goods you buy.

#### And Succeed

We will begin the new year and new century, just where we left off. one price, upon merit, at one profit, without the aid of any scheremium or bonus, for all of which consumer himself, pays., and to ghonestly and honestly succeed.

#### The End

The end will be the saving of much mor to this community, great comfort to the ma discomfort to none. Many in all walks life endorse our position and are steadfa customers, dealing in mutual regard and it spect. Think it over, you who do not con here regularly, individualize the proposition an personally enjoy the benefits. Begin right with the year, just where we left off, and sticl

# Thornton & Douglas.

Man'f'g Tailors and Furnishers CASH

Walker Sterling, of Elk Rapids, Mich., is visiting friends in the city. Mr. Sterling was formerly a resident of Blenheim and Chatham, and sees a great many changes in the Maple City since leaving here twelve years

Thames Lodge 101 Sons of England Benefit Society, beld their usual weekly meeting in the låi O. U. W. hall, Bro. W. R. Moore, R. P., in the chair. One application for membership was received. Bro. Thomas Guy reported, recovered from his recent suckness. On account of the municipal elections, the lodge will stand adjourned until Monday 14th Jan., when Bro. J. J. Couzens, District Deputy, will install the officers, Bro. Arthur Fennings will give selections from the Jordan gramophome. Brothers, come and spend a pleasant evening.

For twenty-four years Vapo-Gresolene has been extensively used for all forms of throat and bronchial troubles. All Druggists.

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The many friends of Otis B. Hulin will be glad to learn that he is so far improved in health as to be able to be out for a short time daily, but his physician refuses to allow him to resume his business duties.

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First Class Work. Very Moderate Fees. Office next Lawyer Office next Lawyer Atkinson's, King three doors west of Market.

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Thursday, January luin,

1 General Purpose Horse 9 years chevy Work Horse 7 years old, 1 Bay 11 years old, 3 Milch Cows coming in 1 Milch Cow coming in 1 Milch Cow coming in 1 Milch Cow coming in 1 April, 2 Yearling Steers, 2 Spring Calves, 1 reged York Boar 2 years old, 1 registered Boar 1 year old, 3 registered York So tarrow March, 2 York Sows to farroy Jan., 1 York Sow with litter of 8 pig Oak Lodge Principal, 13 good York Sonars and sows, eligible to be registed Noxon Binder in good repair, 1 2-hors Cultivator, 1 1-horse Gale Cultivator, Norse Diamond Tooth Cultivator, Work Harness, 1 set Single Harness, Truck with bunks and log poles, 1 Sheller, new, 1 Grant Land Roller, 1 Iron Harrows, 1 set Bob-Sleighs, Rack, 1 Stock Rack, nearly new, 1 1 Fanning Mill, nearly new, about 10 of Corn in the crib, Forks, Spades, and other articles too numerous to market the strength of the prizes at many leading fairs in the fall of 1900

Everything will be soid WII RESERVZ as the proprietor has refarm.