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## Our Annual Carpet Sale..

During the past few years we have held our Great Annual Sale of Carpets in February. This year owing to the great severity of the weather we postponed it until this month and now we will make it more interesting for you than ever. Bring in the measurements, especially of your halls and small rooms and you will be surprised to see at how little cost you can cover them. Bring in also the measurements of large rooms and the cost will be proportionately low. Come in and see us this week—the earlier you come the better chance you have of getting just what you want.

### VELVET CARPETS—

English Velvet Carpets in elegant designs and rich colorings, regular price \$1.15 a yard; on sale, special, made and laid, at a yard (borders to match) 98c.

### WILTON CARPETS—

One pattern of Wilton Carpet in very handsome design, with border to match, regular price \$1.25 a yard; on sale, very special, made and laid at a yard 98c.

### TAPESTRY CARPETS—

Crossley's Balmoral Tapestry Carpets, positively recognized as the best value in the trade, in excellent designs and colorings, borders to match, regular price 85c. a yard; on sale, special, made and laid at a yard 75c.

8-wide English Tapestry Carpets in good designs and colors, regular price 75c. a yard; made and laid for 65c.

3 good designs in heavy Eng. Tapestry Carpets in excellent designs and colorings, regular 68c. a yard; on sale, made and laid, for 58c.

### CARPET ENDS—

Ends of Velvet, Brussels and Tapestry carpets, up to 10 yards long, regular price 50c to \$1.25 a yard, on sale at exactly half price, 25c to 65c.

Small room lengths of velvet, Brussels and Tapestry Carpets, up to 25 yards, at these great reductions: \$1.25 Velvets for 98c. \$1.00 Brussels for 68c. 85c Tapestry for 58c. 65c Tapestry for 49c.

### TAPESTRY CARPETS—

Three good designs and colorings, good well covered Eng. Tapestry carpets, regular price 85c a yard, on sale made and laid at a yard 49c.

Two nice light designs in Eng. Tapestry carpets, regular price 40c a yard, on sale very special at a yard 29c.

### NEW MATTINGS—

Choice new designs in Japan matting, are just arrived and marked at special prices for this sale at 12 1-2, 18c, 20c and 25c.

## Thos. Stone & Son.

### GEO. STEPHENS & CO.

THOSE CHEAP COFFEE POTS  
WENT OFF IN A RUSH....

## Bargains This Week.

Triangular Stew Kettles, 35c.  
Granite—3 in 1—save gas bills. Cook three things and over one gas jet.  
Granite Pie Plates, heavy and large, 10c.  
White Enamelled Wash Dish, 20c.  
White Soap Dishes, 15c.  
Wire is up. No. 9 Hard, Plain, \$2.50 spot cash.  
No. 9, Crimped, \$2.85, spot cash.

### GEO. STEPHENS & CO.

### RADLEY'S

## GOLDEN OIL

CURES

Chilblains, Sore Throat, Earache, &c. 25c. a bottle

### RADLEY'S DRUG STORE

### CHATHAM FARMERS' HOUSE

Opposite the market.  
25 well ventilated rooms. Weekly or table borders. Special rates. \$1 per day

J. W. MILES, Proprietor.

Invitation Cards, Programmes, Pencils, etc., can always be obtained at THE PLANET OFFICE.

## FREIGHT TRAFFIC AT A STANDSTILL

Storm Has Placed Railways in a Worse Position—Cars Stalled Everywhere.

Embargo on Perishable Freight Will Now Remain in Force For Some Time.

Montreal, March 1.—The snowstorm which started in yesterday has upset all the railway men's calculations, and the result is that the railways were in a worse position to-day than they have been any time this winter. Every snow plow is in active service, and the companies are devoting all their efforts to move their passengers. Freight for the present goes by the board, and the result is an alarming increase in the number of cars stalled along the main lines and on the branches. A shortage of freight cars may be reasonably expected to follow.

At the Grand Trunk offices officials were anxious and reports were made for the reason that many of the railway wires and telephone wires are down, and communication is interrupted in consequence. The only report received was that storms were very bad yesterday afternoon on the middle division of the road. Freight trains are stalled on all branches of the middle division. Auxiliaries have also been tied up and in some places it has been necessary to take men from the ships to run the extra trains. Freight is absolutely at a standstill, and the embargo on perishable freight, which it was thought might be removed shortly, will now remain in force for some time.

At the C. P. R. office the following statement was made by Mr. G. W. Spencer, Superintendent of Transportation:

"The storm, centred at Toronto, is the most severe of the year. Snow and sleet alternated all day yesterday, and last night, accompanied by heavy winds. On the line east of Toronto drifts are reported from four to twelve feet high. The train due to leave Toronto for Montreal at 10 o'clock, last night was cancelled. Through traffic is expected to be resumed to-day, and the company is making effort to move passenger trains only. The storm covers the line as far west as the 'Soo' and east to Sherbrooke."

All trains coming into Montreal to-day were unusually late, owing to the snowstorm, and the Rutland express was cancelled. The C. P. R. from Toronto due at 7 this evening, is reported eight hours late. The New York Central came in at 6 this evening nine hours late. The G. T. R. flyer that left Toronto last night arrived here to-night at 9:05, about fourteen hours late, and the day express, due at 6 p. m., came in at 11:30. The Delaware and Hudson was nine hours late.

**SNOW PLOW STRUCK FREIGHT.**  
Woodstock, March 1.—Three members of the C. P. R. snow plow gang were brought to the city to-day and taken to a doctor for medical attendance. One of them, Angus Cameron, had his leg broken, and another was severely injured. The men were in a snow plow which ran into a freight at Streetsville junction, and blocked the road for several hours.

**TRAINS CANCELED.**  
Barrie, March 1.—The great blizzard did not reach Barrie until shortly after noon yesterday. The trains were canceled on all the branch lines, and every effort was made to keep the main line open.  
This morning the railway yards in the west end of the town were six feet deep in snow, and all trains were again canceled to-day. Telegraph and telephone communication has not been affected to any extent. The country roads will be blocked for some time, as in many cases the drifts run between fifteen and thirty feet in height.

### BLIZZARD IN THE CAPITAL.

Ottawa, March 1.—Ottawa has had its share of the March blizzard. To the accompaniment of a strong east wind which blew yesterday, snow began to fall at midnight, and it fell until 10 o'clock this morning, when it changed to rain, which lasted for an hour. The deep cuttings on the railways filled up rapidly. So quickly and so completely did the drifts block the lines that practically all the lines but the C. P. R. line to Smith's Falls and the C. A. R. were blocked inside of a few hours. In the city the street railway and the city street cleaning forces a deal of hard work, did not interfere with traffic.

### SITUATION IMPROVED.

London, Ont., Mar. 1.—Improvement is reported in the railway situation to-night. The G. T. R. main line and all branches except the L. H. & B., which has been closed since Sunday, are now open. The St. Mary's branch on which the train from Toronto, via Stratford, was stalled since yesterday afternoon, was opened to-day, that train being reported at Kelley's at 11 o'clock, the united efforts of five engines with snow plows being required. The private car "Canada," with the wife and family of General Manager Hays on board, formed part of the train.

Any girl who marries to please her folks usually gets the worst of it.

## LEE SCORES ROSS ET AL

Member for East Kent Condemns Government's Unjust Methods.

A Vain Attempt to Overcome San Jose Scale—A Vigorous Attack by the Big Representative From Kent.

Toronto, March 2.—At to-day's session of the Legislature, Mr. John Lee (East Kent's Liberal member) made a vigorous attack on the Government for its policy in regard to the San Jose scale. He urged that reasonable compensation should be granted to orchard owners whose trees had been destroyed by the method first adopted, without proper consideration, by the government, which on the advice of a commission, had since been abandoned. The orchards had been destroyed ostensibly for the good of the people at large. Therefore, seeing that the destruction had been found entirely unnecessary, the public at large should recoup the losers. Mr. Dryden replied, but gave the disappointed government supporter no encouragement that his demand would be acceded to.

### PIANOLA MUSICAL

TO-NIGHT AT 8.30 O'CLOCK.

(Mason & Risch Studio.)

1. Burgomaster Opera ... Spencer Pianola.
  2. Selected ... Pianola.
  3. "Oh Promise Me" ... deKoven Mrs. John Cooper.
  4. Babes in Toyland ... Herbert Pianola.
  5. Armourer's Song ... deKoven Samuel I. Shade.
  6. Overture opera "Robin Hood" ... deKoven Pianola.
  7. Violets ... Ellen Wright Mrs. John Cooper.
  8. Beduin Love Song ... Hawley.
  9. Country Dance Robin Hood ... deKoven.
- A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend this musical. Doors open at eight o'clock. Present visiting card at door.

### WATCH AWARDED

A very pleasant and delightful function was held yesterday afternoon in the assembly hall of McKee's school, when Little Maggie Braddon, the winner of The Planet Junior Christmas Story essay competition, was presented with the beautiful gold VonGuten watch, on behalf of the paper, by Crown Attorney H. D. Smith.

The school were assembled en masse and several visitors were present. An excellent program was prepared by the principal, Miss Abram, assisted by Miss Aylesworth, who ably directed the musical numbers. Chairman John McCorvie, of the Public School Board, presided.

Mr. Smith made a splendid address in presenting the watch, which the little winner acknowledged by the public reading of her essay.  
Dr. McKeough, on behalf of the school, presented Pauline Stringer and Clara Wright—both of whom won special mention in the competition—with handsome book prizes, which were suitably acknowledged.

Inspector Park for W. J. Kenny, the enterprising King street bookseller, presented Jack Morrison with a handsome volume on account of his essay being based on Mr. Kenny's store.  
Short appropriate addresses were also delivered by Trustees G. S. Heyward and W. N. Morley.  
A full account of the proceedings will appear in Saturday's issue of The Planet Junior.

## CONTINUE BOUNTY

Representative Delegation Wait Upon Premier Ross to Urge Fostering of Sugar Beet Industry.

Toronto, March 2.—Messrs. Hugh Blain, Toronto; J. W. Garvin, T. E. Bradburn, Peterboro; D. A. Gordon, Wallaceburg, and C. A. Haggerton, Berlin, were a deputation that waited on Premier Ross to-day in the interest of the beet sugar industry. They pointed out that as this is a comparatively new industry, it is destined to become a most profitable one, and that the bounty of a half-cent per pound should be continued for the next three years and not be withdrawn this year. They pointed out that the industry was very much hampered by the discrimination in freight rates, and was also hindered to some extent in procuring the latest machinery.

## BRITISH WARSHIP GOES TO COREA

To Care for Canadian Missionaries There—Prompt Action Taken

By the Imperial Authorities in Response to a Message from Ottawa Government

Ottawa, March 2.—There is something more than mere sentiment in British connection. Immediately hostilities broke out in the Orient, alarm was felt for the safety of the Canadian missionaries of the Presbyterian church stationed in Korea, the battleground of the struggle between Japan and Russia. At the request of Rev. Mr. McCurdy, of Halifax, Hon. R. W. Scott communicated with the British minister in Seoul, the capital of Korea, soliciting his good offices in procuring the safety of the missionaries and their families. The British minister promised to do so, and accordingly had word sent to the missionaries in the interior to proceed to Long-Chin, on the eastern coast, whence they would be transported in a British man-of-war, probably to the British port of Hong-Kong.

So solicitous were the Imperial authorities for the safety of these Canadian subjects of His Majesty that they declined the proposal to have the missionaries and their wives and little ones put to sea in one of the regular merchant liner steamers calling at Wonsan, owing to the risk of the vessel being fired upon by the Russians, and so a British warship has been ordered for the duty. The cablegram received by the Secretary of State yesterday is as follows:—"London, March 2, 1904.—To Hon. R. W. Scott, Ottawa.—In reference to your cable of the 17th ult., the Foreign Office advises me that in view of the reported sinking of a Japanese merchant vessel His Majesty's minister in Seoul telegraphed the missionaries on the 23rd ult., to await a British man-of-war rather than send the women and children by a Japanese vessel. They replied that they would await further instructions. The admiral has been instructed the commander in chief of the China station to send a ship to Long-Chin for the missionaries and their wives and children there calling at Wonsan on the way."—Signed—Strathcona.

### BOARD OF WORKS

The Board of Works held a meeting in the City Clerk's office, Harrison Hall, last evening to consider tenders for supplies. There were present Chairman A. B. McCoig and Alds. Mounter and Piggett.

The Hadley Lumber Company were given the tender for lumber. James Cornhill was given the tender for bricks at \$5.70.

John H. Oldershaw was given the tender for tile and John J. Oldershaw for sand and cement. Before the tenders will be accepted both gentlemen will be asked to put in a stock which will keep the city in good supply.

The only doubtful question was that in reference to the tenders for castings. McKeough & Trotter, and also Park Bros., handed in tenders. Some of these tenders were figured by the pound and the others in bulk, so that the Board was unable to decide which was the lower tender. It was decided to leave this tender open.

It was also decided by the Board to put men at work draining the water off the streets in the city. In some places the water is so high that the men are unable to locate the intakes, but Engineer Jones has promised to do his best under the circumstances.

### WORK OF A HIRED MAN

Rochester, N. Y., March 2.—Desmond Snyder, 65 years of age, living five miles northwest of Lyons, was fatally stabbed in the head this afternoon by his farm laborer, Jerome Dornody. Miss M'innie McLaughlin, who owned the farm where the tragedy occurred, was also stabbed. When found, the weapon, a jack-knife, was sticking out of her shoulder. She will recover. She was too hysterical to-night to tell the story of the crime. Dornody was tracked to Lyons, but has not been captured. He is 30 years old, unmarried, and a native of Newark. The motive for the crime is unknown.

Promptness is the soul of business.

## DISGUISED JAP TAKES REVENGE

Disguised Japanese Spy Kills Russian Officer in Barber Shop

Captain on General Staff Has Long Been Investigating Military Secrets.

DISGUISED JAP SPY KILLS RUSSIAN OFFICER.

St. Petersburg, March 2.—Disguised as a Chinaman, with false queue and the quaint flowing robes of the celestial kingdom, and posing as a barber come to earn an honest living from "the honorable Russian devils," a Japanese captain on the general staff has been long investigating the military secrets of Vladivostok and communicating them to his government.

His disguise would probably never have been penetrated had he not deemed himself insulted by a Russian officer and shot him on the spot. The Russian, who was one of the pseudo barbers' most regular customers, entered the shop and, being hilarious, commenced to twist the supposed Chinaman on being between the upper and nether millstones, declaring that when Russia had driven Japan from land and sea the little father would supplant the Manchus as ruler of China.

He accompanied his intended badinage with personal allusions little to the liking of the high-born Sumara who was waiting to shave him. Finally some particular stinging remark proved too much even for Oriental patience, and drawing a revolver, he shot his tormentor on the spot.

The news of the tragedy in a barber shop has fallen like a thunderbolt on an already dispirited St. Petersburg, for it serves to prove the oft-whispered tale of Japanese spies crowded through all Siberia and covering Manchuria as the secret service agents cover Russia.

Neither was this all, for hard on its heels came a report that two other disguised subjects of the mikado had attempted to blow up one of the Vladivostok docks, and that, although they failed, they are still at large, and believed likely to renew the attempt.

### DIVIO ASSESSMENTS

City Clerk Merritt, in response to a request from the Assessment Committee, of the Ontario Legislature, to-day telegraphed the following information:

"W. B. Wilkinson, Clerk of Assessment Committee, Toronto:  
"The assessment of premises occupied by retail merchants is \$445,910 and personal \$105,400. The assessed value of premises occupied by manufacturers is \$341,395 and personal \$18,400. We have no separate wholesale houses. The tax rate for 1903 was 25 1-2 mills on the dollars."

### FAMOUS BOXER

Chatham is famous for many things but the latest wonder discovered is a champion boxer. The gentleman in question is one of the most popular young men of the town and is a keen enthusiast in athletic sport, especially lacrosse. This is the way he was discovered.

A few days ago a number of travellers were waiting for a train at the C. P. R. station when the subject of boxing came up. One of the travellers in the crowd, a Hamilton man, began to tell his experience with the "mike" in several of his amateur bouts. After listening awhile and being sized up by a well known young traveller he inquired how the train was. It would still be an hour yet before it would leave. The Hamilton man wished for some place to go where he could have a few friendly rounds.

The Hamilton man soon got his wish and was invited about a block away where he could be accommodated with one to a finish, if he wished. They at once started to spend the hour in the art of self defence. The room was reached, each traveller had a man to look after him. The gloves were put on and the fun started. It was agreed to have five two-minute rounds.

The Hamilton man was 5 feet 11 in. tall, weight, 185 lbs.  
The Chatham man five feet 9 in. weight, 162.

Round one—Both sparred for an opening; the Hamilton made some vicious swings, but the fast foot-work of the Chatham man kept him guessing. The round ended with honors slightly in favor of the eastern traveller.

Round 2—Hamilton man gets in a good stiff punch. Then the Chatham man cuts loose; he sends in some savage uppercuts and jabs his opponent in the nose. This brings the claret. When the Hamilton man sees this he is wild; makes a rush; the Chatham man side steps him, and with a terrific left-hook on the jaw the Hamilton commercial man is sent fully ten feet in the air, his head striking a gas meter in the corner of the room, and in an hour he is able to return to the station to learn that he is just 20 minutes late and misses his train.

## Beads

Are the Fad of the Hour.

Can you think of anything nicer to make than bead work? It will be the rage all summer. We have made arrangements accordingly and now have in stock a full assortment of all shades. We would be pleased to have you call and make inquiries about the work.

## Novels

Just at hand 2,000 of the best and most popular novels, at the price of 10c. each. Call and look them over.

## Toilet Soap

See the line we are using as a trade winner in our Sixth Street, Window, 3 for 10c, worth 5c. each straight. It's good soap, we guarantee.

### Sulman's Beehive

Opp. Garner House.  
King and Sixth Sts.  
The Finest Retail Store in Ontario...

Shoe stores are of two sorts in regard to their

## Shoes.



Some buy of reliable makers and get good goods whether fine or not. The others give no heed to character, buy of irresponsible anybody, buy and sell by looks and by nothing but looks. You know which sort of dealers is rare.

The argument in favor of this business rests on these facts:—

Perfect Service  
Reliable Makes  
Exclusive Styles

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## Turrill,

THE SHOE MAN.

Repairing done at store.



## The Planet.

S. STEPHENSON—Proprietor.

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### HOME WORK IN SCHOOL.

It begins to look as if the days of "home work" in our schools are numbered. In an interview, John Mellor, Deputy Minister of Education, talked on the proposal to shorten the hours of the pupil in school as follows:—"I am quite in sympathy with the proposal, so far as it applies to young children, but I believe the most pressing need is the abolition almost entirely of home work. It is hardly the thing that when children are kept busy five hours a day they should be taxed with lessons at night. The effect is to make school life unhappy instead of cheerful. Five hours a day at school should be quite sufficient for any pupil under 12 years. There is little use of agitating for a reduction of school hours, when so many teachers are extending it by giving home work."

### BRITISH POLITICAL SITUATION.

An early appeal to the country by the Balfour government is expected by many British politicians. One correspondent predicts that it will come in about six weeks. At present, however, there does not appear to be any urgent reason for such an early dissolution. In the latest division the government's majority was 52, and it is not probable that there would be many further defections if Mr. Balfour were to decide to hold out for another year or until next autumn. Perhaps the premier's ill-health has something to do with the rumors about an early appeal to the country.

The strong probability is that if a general election takes place soon, the Liberal party will succeed to power. In a public speech yesterday Lord Rosebery predicted that the Unionist party will be smashed at the polls, and that the Liberals will be safely landed in office. He said also that the Liberal party is once more united. But the eloquent ex-premier probably simulated a confidence which he does not feel.

Probably not even Lord Rosebery hopes for such a Liberal victory at the polls as the present government achieved in 1900, that is to say, a large majority over all elements of opposition combined. It is exceedingly improbable that the next Liberal government will have even a bare majority over Conservatives, Liberal-Unionists and Irish Nationalists combined. But unless it does secure a majority over all, its troubles will begin early and it will soon come to grief. Its Nemesis will be the Irish Nationalist party.

John Redmond and his followers care no more for the Liberal party than for the Unionist party. Their support is in the market. They will give their votes to the government if the government will give them the Irish legislation they want. If the government withholds that legislation they will vote with the opposition. Will the next Liberal government pay the price of the Irish vote? Will it bring in another home rule bill and a bill establishing and endowing a Roman Catholic university in Ireland?

Lord Rosebery has definitely cut home rule out of the Liberal platform; he has publicly declared it to be a dead issue and that Liberals should have nothing more to do with it. Mr. Asquith, Sir Edward Grey and other prominent Liberals are of this opinion. Other Liberal leaders, such as Lord Spencer, John Morley and Campbell-Bannerman still favor home rule and would not shrink from committing their party to it. How could these two factions of the party agree to a common basis of action on this all-important question? Then with regard to the university question a Liberal government would be in a very awkward position. The Balfour government is not averse to the endowment of a Roman Catholic university in Ireland; its reason for not doing so is that such action would alienate a large section of its Protestant supporters. By this is meant the non-conformist element. But the Liberal non-conformist vote is immensely stronger than the Conservative non-conformist vote, and it will be strange if a Liberal government could afford to offend such a powerful element of its supporters.

The only hope of a long life for the next Liberal government is in securing at the polls a good working majority over all non-Liberal votes combined. That this can be done is very doubtful. And while the Liberal government is struggling with its difficulties and growing weaker the tariff reform propaganda will be at work and the Conservative party will probably have a clean-cut issue upon which to appeal to the people when

There is no specific for consumption. The nearest approach to a cure is right living and Scott's Emulsion. No matter what the treatment may be Scott's Emulsion will prove a valuable addition. It has often turned the scale of health the right way. Because Scott's Emulsion contains the pure cod liver oil it furnishes heat and fat. The hypophosphites provide tissue-food, blood-food and marrow-food. The combination of the two represents a wonderful form of nourishment and one that can be readily taken and retained at any stage of the disease. Scott's Emulsion gives best results when used most regularly. Made a part of the consumptive's regular diet it will invariably afford relief. Occasional use of Scott's Emulsion is a test unfair to the Emulsion and the patient.

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### CHRISTIAN AND HEATHEN.

Czar Nicholas expresses his confidence that the Almighty will aid "holy Russia" in her conflict with a "heathen foe." Czar Nicholas would take it much amiss if Providence were to permit the most populous and one of the most pious of Christian countries to be whipped by a non-Christian nation with only a third of Russia's population. To him such an event would seem almost like the reversal of the laws of nature.

The same blind confidence in Jehovah, the God of battles, inspired Israel of old. The people of Israel believed that as they were God's chosen people, they had a right to expect divine aid in emergency, whether they deserved it or not. That is where they made their mistake. It is on record that they were whipped many a time and oft by the worshippers of strange gods—scourged for their sins.

Holy Russia has more sins to answer for than any other modern nation. Her rapid growth in territory, wealth and power has been achieved largely through duplicity and ruthless cruelty. The Russians are a race of liars, and the keynote of Russian diplomacy has always been deceit. The pledge of a Russian statesman is easily given, but it is kept only so long as it is convenient to keep it. As for Russian cruelty—systematic cruelty, exercised as a matter of cold-blooded policy—it is not exceeded even by that of the Bashas and the horrors of the Balkan atrocities were not exceeded by the massacre of innocent Chinese men, women and children by the Czar's soldiery during the Boxer troubles four years ago, when the Amur river ran red with the blood of thousands of victims, wantonly and unnecessarily slaughtered. The savage Muscovite nature is shown in the proclamation issued only a day or two ago, warning the Manchurian people that they must actively help the Russian army or "be treated as enemies"—that is, murdered. It was shown a few days ago in the treatment of Japanese non-combatants of both sexes on their way out of Manchuria—many of them having been robbed, maltreated and even killed by the Russian soldiery. It was shown in the recent massacre of the Jews at Kishineff.

Russia must be classed as a Christian country; but it is a disgrace to the religion which it professes. Japan must be classed as a heathen country; but it is an honor to heathendom. In works, if not in faith, it is more essentially a Christian country than Russia. No Christian people in the world could be more patient than the Japanese are under the present trying conditions. None could have been more long-suffering than the Japanese have been in the face of Russian aggression. Japanese policy has been fair, honest and above-board—a shining contrast to the policy of Russia. If the ruler of Japan does not invoke the aid of the god of battles, he does appeal with confidence to the righteous judgment of the Christian nations as well as to the patriotism of his people. And perhaps his appeal will not be less effective than that of the Czar because it is inspired more by justice and less by superstition.—Hamilton Herald.

### NOTHING TO BE PROUD OF.

Brookville Times.

The first cost of the British navy for 1902 totaled about one hundred million pounds sterling. A short time ago they decided to spend over twenty-two millions in equipping their ships with an improved style of quick-firing gun with an enormous range, the best naval gun of the day. To this cost Canada contributes not a cent, though our Government telegraphs for British warships to help Canadian missionaries in the orient. It makes Canada show up as a pretty small creature, doesn't it, in imperial affairs?

### JAPANESE PATRIOTISM.

New York Post.

Apart from their inherited luck and war-like spirit the great military advantage Japan has over most, if not all, other nations, is the genuine patriotism so justly referred to. After teaching in Japan for some years Mr. Lafcadio Hearn wrote: "Ask a class of Japanese students—young students of fourteen to sixteen—to tell their dearest wishes, and if they have confidence in the questioner, perhaps nine out of every ten will answer: 'To die for the majesty, our emperor.' And the wish seems to come from the heart, pure as a martyrdom ever born. A Hobson evidently would not attract much attention in Japan; nor is there much room in its army for mere seekers after adventure, honors or pensions. To have such an army means half battles won before the fighting."

## NOTHING I EAT AGREES WITH ME

That is the Cry of Thousands of People who can find Relief and a Permanent Cure in Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets.

"Nothing I ate would agree with me." That was the deplorable condition Julian Sandberg, of 221 John St. North, Hamilton, was in. There are thousands of others in the same unhappy state and to these he sends a message: "I bought one box of Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets. After taking part of the box I found relief, and after taking the whole box I was cured and am still cured." The way of escape is simple. Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets are especially prepared for building up run down stomachs. They do the digesting, the stomach gets a rest. In a short time it is strong and healthy (and ready to do its regular work). Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets bring quick relief and sure cure. They are easy to carry, easy to take and make life easy for those who take them. One or two taken after eating is an insurance policy against discomfort.

### HORSE SENSE.

How An Immigrant Should Seek Work When Arriving Here.

James Johnston, a farmer residing near Woodstock, was recently interviewed on a live topic. Discussing the agitation about farm help being scarce and reports from other sources about the trouble applicants have of securing work on farms in Ontario, he said: "One real serious fault with these immigrants that come here to work on farms is that they don't know how to go about securing work, and unless they are met at the station and offered a position many of them seem helpless. We farmers need help, and especially during the harvest, but at the time it is most urgently required we are too busy to leave the farm to go looking for men."

"Here is an instance of what a man can do who will exercise a little common sense. A young fellow landed at Currie, five miles from my place, one morning. He had a wife and a child, and just \$2. He went to the village inn, left his wife and child, and paid the \$2 in advance. Then he started walking out the road, inquiring at each farm house he came to if a man was needed. Before noon he had been directed to my place and to several others. I needed a man and the wife could draw wages too, if she was strong. 'We struck a bargain. I sent my wagon in and that night the hired man was helping feed and was fixed for the summer. He knew his business, and when I was through with him there was a nearby farmer who could use him for the winter. How many of these new-comers will show this much common sense and nerve? This young man was a Scotchman, and came here to work."

The man who spends time looking for an easy job rarely ranks among the successful.

### NEW PAPAL PREMIER

MGR. MERRY DEL VAL, THE RIGHT HAND OF PIUS X.

Youngest Cardinal Combines in His Person the Two Most Important Offices in the Government of the Roman Church—His Ability is, However, Universally Recognized and There is Little Opposition.

The recent appointment of Pius X. of Cardinal Merry del Val, already named as Papal Secretary of State, to the post of Prefect of the Sacred Palaces has been the cause of a good deal of lively comment in ecclesiastical and political circles in Rome. This is the first time in the history of the church that these two important offices have been conferred on one man, and the dual appointment makes Mgr. del Val the highest power in the Papal Government, next to the Pope himself. Mgr. del Val's ability is generally recognized, however, and there seems to be little opposition to the young cardinal's ascendancy.

Mgr. Rafael Merry del Val, who is the youngest member of the Sacred College, owes his red hat to his having been chosen after the sudden death of Mgr. Volpini as secretary of the conclave which elected Pius X. to the Papacy. It was his duty, as secretary to present to the new Pontiff the white cap emblematic of the supreme authority of the church. In accordance with the traditions of the Vatican the Pope in accepting from his hands the zucchetto, as the white cap is known, dropped his own cardinal's cap on the head of the secretary, thus indicating that he was to be soon raised to the cardinalate. Merry del Val was consequently made a cardinal at the first consistory held under Pius X. At the time of his admission to the College of Cardinals he was thirty-eight years old.

Mgr. Merry del Val is an Anglo-Spaniard. His father, the Marquis Merry del Val, was a noted Spanish diplomat and was Spain's Ambassador at the Vatican at the time the future cardinal was admitted to the priesthood. Previously he was Spanish envoy to England, where he met and married his wife, a woman of



CARDINAL MERRY DEL VAL.

Spanish and English parentage. There is no record of his early education. Young Merry del Val achieved distinction at the Jesuit College at Stonyhurst both as an athlete and as a scholar. He completed his education at the College for Noble Ecclesiastics at Rome, of which he afterwards became president.

He attracted the attention of Leo XIII. at the very moment of his arrival in Rome and was soon received into close intimacy with the late Pope. Upon becoming a priest he was drafted into the diplomatic service of the Vatican and worked there under the eye of the Pontiff with such ability and energy that Leo entrusted to him many delicate missions. The most important of which was the settlement of the differences between the Government of Canada and the Catholic residents of the Dominion over school questions. Merry del Val was sent to Canada after all efforts to decide the vexed question had failed. The young diplomat reported to the Pope on his return to Rome that a satisfactory agreement had been reached. That agreement is still in force.

Merry del Val's success in Canada led the Pope to consider him as a possible Nuncio at Brussels, a post of consequence which Leo himself once held, and as a successor to Cardinal Martini at the Papal Legation at Washington. Martini left the United States so soon after the Spanish war that it was feared that to send a Spaniard to Washington as the representative of the Pope might give rise to some unpleasantness, and the post was given to Mgr. Falconio. Merry del Val remained in the office of Cardinal Rampulla, the Secretary of State, until the death of Leo, when Rampulla put him forward as secretary of the conclave. The cardinals made him their unanimous choice for that place, and his rise to the cardinalate and the premiership followed with astonishing rapidity.

Mgr. del Val speaks English without an accent and has strong English sympathies. He was a close friend of the late Cardinal Vaughan. He is highly conversant with the methods of the courts of the continent, especially, of course, with that of Madrid, where his family has always been in high favor. One of his uncles was a tutor of King Alfonso XIII.

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## TOLD BY THE CENSUS

Progress in Various Lines by Canadians—Extraordinary Production of Butter and Cheese—Our Manufacturers.

The statistics of the census department, which are now in the hands of the King's Printer at Ottawa, prove in detail the extraordinary industrial development which all have felt in the last decade. The details of the growth of the dairy industry are particularly indicative of the substantial foundation on which Canadian progress is based. The value of butter and cheese products in the census of 1891 ranked eighth in the statistics of manufactures, but in the census of 1901 it ranks third. In the former census year sawmills, flour and grist mills, men's and women's clothing shops, foundry and machine works, planing mills, boot and shoe shops and sugar refineries led in the order named in value of production of establishments employing five hands and over. In the latter census the value of log products still leads, being \$50,805,084, the value of flouring mill products is second, with \$31,835,879, and the value of meat-packing and slaughtering products is fourth, with \$22,217,984. The raw materials of flour and grist mills, butter and cheese factories and meat-packing and slaughtering establishments are almost wholly the products of agriculture, and their aggregate value in the 1901 census is \$71,123,245, or 85 per cent.

In the manufacture of butter and cheese alone \$25,302,631 out of the production of \$29,462,402 was paid directly to the patrons as the value of the raw materials of cream and milk supplied to the factories, being 86 per cent. of the value of factory products. The share of this large distribution going to the farmers of Quebec is \$11,093,279, being nearly 44 per cent. of the amount for the whole Dominion, and exceeding by \$341,400 the total value of butter and cheese produced in the Dominion in the census year 1891. In Ontario the distribution to farmers for cream and milk supplied to factories in the last census year is \$12,959,240, or 51 per cent. of the whole. Measured in the proportion of value of product to the payments to patrons of factories, Ontario is first, with 86.5 per cent., and Quebec is second, with 85.7 per cent. The value of buildings and plant in Canada increased from \$1,968,174 to \$6,816,974. It is noticeable, however, that the average of wages and salaries per factory fell from \$500 to \$420, doubtless following the introduction of the new machinery, which lessened the number of hands necessary. The total value of land, buildings, implements, stock, etc., is \$1,787,102,630. The total value of crops, fruits, live stock sold, meats, dairy products, wool, eggs, etc., in 1901 was \$363,126,384. During the decade there was an increase of 1,844 dairy factories, of \$4,348,800 in value of factories and of \$18,951,043 in value of the products of Canada. In the Province of Ontario there was an increase of 399 factories, of \$1,523,495 in value of factories and of \$7,501,584 in value of products. Quebec showed even greater progress, namely an increase of 1,264 in number of factories, of \$2,899,968 in value of factories and of \$9,955,850 in value of products.

It is pointed out that the first factories making cheese only are in South Oxford, in Ontario, where one began in 1855, one in 1856 and one in 1860. The fourth and fifth are in North Norfolk and South Middlesex, and began in 1860. The oldest factory in Quebec is in Missisquoi, which began operations in 1866; Drome following with one in 1867, and one in 1868, and Beauce with one in 1870. The first factory making butter only started in Missisquoi, Quebec, in 1869. In 1874 another was started in Chateauguay, in the same Province, and a third in North Waterloo, Ontario.

Equally gratifying is a comparative statement of the manufacturing industries of the Dominion in 1891 and 1901 for all establishments employing five hands and over. These figures, which have not been published, show an extraordinary advance in the last decade. In 1891 there were 13,679 establishments producing \$363,126,384 in 1901. As a general thing the figures in detail show a decrease in the number of factories of several kinds, but an increase in the production. In boots and shoes for example, the number of factories fell from 207 to 129, but the production increased from \$12,906,215 to \$18,481,216. Bread and biscuit factories declined from 269 to 258, but the production increased from \$8,374,306 to \$11,637,808. The greatest increase is in the dairy industry, which grew from 1,235 factories and \$10,697,879 production to 3,576 factories and \$29,462,402 production. Meat-packing establishments also enjoyed great prosperity, increasing their production from \$5,264,143 to \$22,217,984, though the number fell off from 62 to 57. Some of the most noticeable declines were in jewellery from 50 factories, with \$1,416,409 production, to 35 factories and \$996,313 production; ships and repairs from 132 establishments producing \$3,067,475 to 39 establishments producing \$1,899,826. Lumber products, 420 factories and \$13,443,802 production in 1901 and \$10,754,959 production in 1891.

Forbes Robertson on Acting. The Canadian Club, at Ottawa, at a recent luncheon, heard Forbes Robertson in a ten-minute speech on the "Art of Acting." He was introduced by Colonel Sherwood, O. M. G., president of the club, as an ardent Imperialist, a point which Mr. Robertson succeeded in bringing home to all his Ottawa acquaintances. Mr. Robertson made a finished little speech on the drama, and fixed his standard at "a true tale to nature and true in the telling." He excluded musical comedy and sensational melodrama from consideration as true drama, and pointed to Sir Henry Irving as an exemplar of success to be obtained in the pursuit of the higher dramatic art.



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The trial of Senator Chas. H. Dietrich, of Nebraska, who is under indictment for the alleged selling of postal appointments, promises to be one of the most sensational of the year. The Senator demanded the removal of District Attorney Summers, who indicted him, alleging conspiracy.

## MAY YET BE ALIVE

Winnipeg, March 2.—Artist Arthur Heming, who is engaged in securing sketches of Canada's wild life, does not believe that Leonidas Hubbard, reported dead in Northern Labrador, has succumbed to the dangers and hardships of the wilderness. Hubbard was the representative of the New York Outing. He entered the north country last year, and as nothing has been heard of him his friends gave him up for lost.

"I have just come from Missinabie," said Mr. Heming. "While there I met a number of Indians who knew the half-breed, George Elson, who accompanied Hubbard. Elson's home was near Missinabie, and before he left to join Hubbard he told his friends that they need not expect to hear from him until next summer. Men who have been in the country say that they expect that Hubbard is making his way overland to James Bay, and will come out from Moose Factory or Rupert's House in the spring." An official of the Hudson's Bay Company, who has had wide experience in the North country, admitted that it would be quite possible for Hubbard to have fallen in with Indians and to have stayed with them.

## THE BRIDAL NECKLET.

Hindoo Girls Betrothed With a Thali Instead of a Ring.

In many parts of India Hindoo girls are wedded, not with a ring, but with a necklet or thali. At the wedding of the daughter of a leading native at Mouline, there were present among the numerous guests a Hindoo maiden and her lover, whose suit had not so far progressed to his satisfaction, says The London Daily Telegraph. While the wedding ceremony was in progress, the young man suddenly went up to her, and before any one suspected what his object was, pulled out a thali from his pocket, and quietly tied it round her neck. Of course there was a hubbub and parental lamentations over this episode, but so great is the veneration for the thali among Hindoos that no one dared to remove it from the neck of the astonished maiden. All concerned, therefore, repaired to the Marriam Temple, where the act was ratified, and the maid who went to the wedding of her friend fancy free left the scene as the legal wife of a bold and successful husband. A correspondent writing to The Pioneer on the general use of the thali says:

"I was the guest of a Christian family of position in South India which had so far departed from the ordinary rule which prevents women from appearing before strangers that the mistress of the house had deputed her young daughter-in-law to receive her guests. The young lady was profusely decked with jewelry some of which was unique in its nature, and she had not the slightest objection to its being admired. At dinner I was suddenly struck with the absence of the wedding ring from her finger, and on my asking her the reason she shyly pointed to her neck. This seemed somewhat strange, but I thought that probably for some reason she had attached the ring to the chain she was wearing round her neck. I could, however, see no trace of it, and felt somewhat puzzled till her husband explained that no wedding ring is used on the occasion of a marriage, but that it is substituted the thali, to which my hostess had drawn my attention."

Among the Dravidians of South India the thali plays the same part as the wedding ring among the Christians. No marriage can be solemnized without it. It is a small piece of gold leaf in the shape of a cucumber seed which is attached to a necklet of worsted thread or silk. The Brahmins, who celebrate their marriage according to Vedic rites, have adopted its use, and after the sacred fire is prepared and worshipped with oblations of ghee, the blessings of the gods are invoked, and the thali is tied round the neck of the bride by the bridegroom, and then the couple go round the sacred fire. The Mohammedan converts, like the Christians, find it hard to give up this little jewel, with its happy associations, and it may be seen adorning the necks of their womenfolk. I noticed that a girl is married, I found, much to my surprise, that in some instances it did not necessarily imply that she was the wife of any particular individual. Within the precincts of the temple I once met an attractive-looking woman, dressed very gracefully and decently, and amid the rich jewelry with which she was adorned the thali was displayed somewhat obtrusively. I took her to be the member of some highly respectable family, but was surprised to learn that she was a devadassi (handmaiden of the god), and was, in fact, a dancing girl attached to the temple. There is a special taste of these women, who, as soon as they grow out of girlhood, are taken to the temple and, with much ceremonial, formally married to a sword or a god, the thali being tied round their necks by some man of the caste. This class is sometimes recruited from girls belonging to the Boyas, Bedaturs, and certain other castes, who, in the absence of male issue, dedicate a daughter to some deity, who, they believe, will give them sons.

## How to Grow Ugly.

The natives of the upper Zambesi have a most disgusting habit of removing the upper front teeth at the age of from ten to twelve years. The only reason for following such an absurd and barbarous practice is that by so doing they imitate their oxen, which they look upon as sacred, and also are unlike the zebra, or quagga, which they view in a less favorable light, hating them with an intensity based on some hereditary tradition. The women pierce their upper lip to insert a stud or a small piece of ivory, which as they grow older is increased in size. They smear their hair with ochre and clay, training it out in numerous pigtales about two inches long. These are encouraged and lubricated by the fat of oxen, which is especially favored if rancid. In fact, they love no conceivable opportunity of making themselves grotesque and hideous as possible.—Golden Penny.

## New Use of Steam.

A revolution in the use of steam power is at hand—this is, if the hopes of Mr. Peter Thornley, a Burton-on-Trent engineer, are realized. Mr. Thornley has just completed a working model of a motor almost small enough to be carried in a typewriter case, which is said to be capable of developing 1,500 revolutions a minute and giving 15 horsepower, and it is claimed that the development of his invention may result in express railway engines running at twice the present speed at only half the cost, and in liners capable of the Atlantic in three days. All this apparently is to be accomplished by greater economy in the use of steam. A ton of coal, says Mr. Thornley, will produce as much power with his engine as eight tons with existing types. It sounds so remarkable that the expert tests announced at a shortly to be made will be awaited with interest.

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Her Outdoor Exercise Makes Her Graceful and Supple.

The woman who follows an outdoor sport is usually a very graceful woman. She who goes, who rides the wheel, who wields the croquet mallet, is the woman who is graceful and supple. Men are, as a rule, much more graceful than women because men are out in the open air more than women and are more active.

The woman who takes to the rocking chair at 9 o'clock in the morning and who sits all day, getting out for only a few minutes, is not the woman who will preserve her figure. At forty this woman will look her age, and at fifty she will look a great deal older, says the Ohio State Journal.

Don't forget that age is told not by the lines in the face, but the figure. The middle aged figure is well known. The hips and abdomen are prominent, and the legs are fat on the shoulder blades. Then there is the figure of old age. This is a withered figure, thin above the waist line and heavy on the hips. This is the stage when a woman begins to look as though she were seventy long before she has lived out her sixties.

Fatti and hundreds of other women have kept their figures and are lovely to gaze upon even now, when in the mellowed leaf. And the woman of domestic life can also be lovely, even though her years have piled upon her.

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Made of roots. No drugs and a sure cure for rheumatism, neuralgia, lame back, sick headache, toothache. Guaranteed to stop all aches and pains instantly, and also to cure corns or bunions in nine applications. Can't be beat for man or beast. 25c and 50c per bottle. Address all orders and send card for a sample bottle to

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## Easter Photos

Just a few weeks now until Easter. Have your Easter photos made at the

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# Sale Sale Sale

On WEDNESDAY MORNING

we will open our second advertising sale of

## URBAN SHOES

We will sell 50 pairs of our choice American \$3.50 and \$4.50 Shoes at **\$2.50 and \$3.50**. Our last sale only lasted from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. We hope that several new customers may have a chance to test our standard shoes. Rubbers will also be sold at 1/4 off. Remember the date, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2nd, 1904, at :

## The Urban Store

GARNER HOUSE BLOCK.

PRIMEAU & PELTIER.

### G. W. CORNELL

DENTIST  
Corner Sixth and King Street  
Over the Bee Hive.  
Phone 317.

#### PROBABILITIES.

Special per G. N. W.  
Toronto, March 3-11 a. m.—Gales, west to northwest, turning decidedly colder, with light local snowfalls or flurries. Friday, decreasing winds fine and decidedly cold.

The following figures were registered to-day at seven a. m. at Turner's weather bureau:

#### THERMOMETER.

Highest yesterday 47.  
Lowest during night, 29.  
This morning, 29.  
Barometer, 28.96.  
Direction of wind, west.

#### Births, Marriages and Deaths

##### DIED.

BAXTER—At his home in Seattle, Washington, on March 1st, Chas. Baxter, aged 55 years, brother of Mrs. A. Bogart, this city.  
MORAND—On March 1, Maggie Morand, aged 81 years, relict of the late Joseph Morand.  
The funeral will take place from the Park House, William street, Friday morning at 9.30, to St. Joseph's church, thence to St. Anthony's cemetery.

## THE LOCAL BUDGET

Geo. Wands returned last night from a trip to Sarnia.

For the Millinery—Improver and Apprentice wanted at C. A. Cooks-ley's.

H. D. Smith, County Crown Attorney, will attend division court in Ridgeway to-morrow.

Miss Margaret Houston, of Harwich Township, is the guest of Miss Margaret Houston, of Chatham.  
Millinery and Dressmaking apprentices wanted at Thibodeau & Jacques's.

Colonel Sam Holmes saw six blue-birds yesterday and a blizzard this morning.

The water was nearly over the Gravel road at Indian Creek yesterday afternoon.

McOg & Harrington are in Blenheim to-day conducting an auction sale of farm stock and implements for Wm. Campbell, Ridge Road.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Darling took place this afternoon at half past two o'clock from the residence of her son, Queen street, to the Maple Leaf cemetery.

Conductor Sam Piere, who came in on the Pere Marquette from Sarnia this morning, says that the country between here and Sarnia is flooded. Near Enniskill the water is the worst and completely covers the farms.

Norman Harper, of this city, and Miss Lenna Sherwood, of Brighton, were married in London on Tuesday, February 23rd. Both young people are well-known in this city and their many friends unite in wishing them both happiness and prosperity.

Miss Gertrude Linden, of Leamington, was in the city yesterday visiting Miss Florence Glass. She left this morning with Miss Ruby Gordon for Wallaceburg, where she will spend a few days as Miss Gordon's guest. Miss Linden is a former Wallaceburg girl.

W. E. Spasbitt, foreman for the Turned Goods Co., Windsor, has left for Woodstock, where he has accepted the position of superintendent of the Crown Lumber Co., of that place. Mr. Spasbitt was well thought of by all, and he will be much missed by his Windsor friends. Mr. Spasbitt was a Chatham boy and his many friends here will be pleased to hear of his advancement.

## HIGH COURT

The Jury in Knox vs. Patterson Disagreed—The Spring Session Closed This Morning—Other Cases Disposed of.

The High Court session closed this morning.

In the case of Knox vs. Patterson, the jury disagreed.

The Judge reserved judgment in the case of Logan vs. Logan, a suit over the closing of a road in Camden.

In the case of Reid vs. Snobelen, the judge after hearing the evidence, asked the counsel for both parties to put in written arguments. Mr. Maybee, of Stratford, and Thomas Scullard, for plaintiff and M. Houston, of this city and R. M. Thompson, Blenheim, contra.

The case of Fox vs. Bickford, a suit over a contract, was settled out of court. Wilson & Co., for plaintiff; A. T. Boies, Brantford, contra.

The grand jury made the following presentation:

To His Lordship Mr. Justice Britton.—We the grand jury at the present court of assize beg leave to present to Your Lordship the following report:

We wish to congratulate Your Lordship on the absence of any criminal cases, which no doubt as mentioned in Your Lordship's charge to the jury, is partly caused by other courts having jurisdiction in many cases; still we think that the county of Kent compares favorably with any in the province in the absence of crime.

We visited the jail and found everything in its usual state of efficiency. At present there are four prisoners in confinement on trifling charges, three of them being under sentence to the Central Prison. We would respectfully mention to your Lordship that three men have been under sentence for some time, one of them nearly two months, and owing to the severe weather it is impossible for the jailer to let them in the out-door yards, and they have been used to an out-door life, it is very hard on them keeping them confined so closely, and we would respectfully suggest that after the next session that he be sent to some place of confinement where he would be put to work.

We visited the county house of refuge and find that it contains at present 40 inmates, all of whom seemed perfectly satisfied at the treatment they received. We might also say that we found everything in a high state of cleanliness and comfort in every department, which certainly reflects credit on the Superintendent and matron.

FRANCIS GIFFORD, Foreman.

## VITAL STATISTICS

February was a rather remarkable month for births, as the vital statistics in the city clerk's office show. Although it is the shortest month in the year, there were 13 births recorded with the city clerk. The number of deaths reported probably equalled the record for any other month for the past year, when the brevity of February is considered. Eleven deaths were recorded. Since February, 1903, October is the sombre month in this respect. During October fourteen persons passed away in this city. January, on the other hand, must have been the most healthy, as only 7 deaths were recorded during that month. The following is the story of deaths for each division of the year:—February 10, March 12, April 13, May 12, June 9, July 13, August 8, September 7, October 14, November 12, December 11.

1904—January 7, February 11.

May, 1902 holds the record for deaths for some years. In that month 20 people passed away. February this year was a very hard month on older people. Five of the seven were over fifty and three were over sixty. Pneumonia claimed the majority, three dying from that disease. Dropsy secured two and the other deaths were from various causes. Tuberculosis was responsible for one death.

## CHICAGO MARKETS

Reported by F. B. Proctor, Broker, Northwood Block, Chatham, March 3, 1904.

Wheat	corn	high	low	close
May (old).....1004	1004	967	97	
July (new).....944	944	914	924	
Sept. .... (new) 884	884	854	86	
Corn				
May.....554	554	524	524	
July.....544	544	514	514	
Sept.....524	524	504	504	
Oats				
May.....424	424	404	404	
July.....394	394	384	384	
Sept.....344	344	334	334	
Pork				
May.....1480	1482	1407	1417	
July.....1492	1492	1417	1430	
Lard				
May.....752	756	720	725	
July.....770	770	737	737	
Ribs				
May.....755	755	720	725	
July.....762	762	727	735	

Coughs, colds, hoarseness, and other throat ailments are quickly relieved by Grosvenor's Tablets, ten cents; or box, \$1.00.

This is a sad world for those who have no humor in their make-up.

Minard's Liniment is used by Physicians.

An empty compliment is usually worked for all there is in it.

A Turkish Love Story.  
Do the Turks love their women? Yes, both in life and in death. In life, read the love songs and in death the epitaphs to the beloved ones passed to the silent realm.

It is true the Turk goes to the Arabic, the Greek, the Italian, for love songs, but he sings these to his lady's eyebrows, and the story he tells of the quality of his love rises to the purity at times of prayer.

One knocked at the beloved's door, and a voice answered from within. "Who is there?"

Then he answered, "It is I."

And the door was not opened.

Then went the lover into the desert, where there is nothing but Allah, and fasted and prayed in solitude.

And after a year he returned and knocked again at the door.

And again the voice asked, "Who is there?"

And he said, "It is myself."

And the door was opened to him.

Match that in your Vedantas if you can.

Waking the Sleepers.  
In a diary kept in 1646 it is asserted that "Allen Brydges has been chosen to wake the sleepers in meeting and, being much proud of his place, must needs have a foot stool fixed to the end of a long staff, whereby he may brush the faces of them that will have naps in time of discourse." This energetic individual was likewise armed with "a sharpe thorne" for the benefit of those who "be most sounde." There is a record of the use of this implement upon Mr. Tomkins, who was sleeping comfortably in the corner of his pew when Allen "thrust his staff behind Dame Ballard to give him a grievous prick upon the hand, whereupon Mr. Tomkins did spring much above the floor and with terrible force did strike his head against the wall and also to the great wonder of all 'prophane'le' exclaim in a loud voice, "Buss the wood-chuck" he dreaming, as it seemed, that a woodchuck had seized him and bit his hand.

Ekimko Tastes.  
There is certainly no accounting for tastes, and surely the strangest is that of the Eskimos. Tallow is their candy. It is put up in bright red packages made out of the feet of waterfowl. The women cut off the red feet of this bird, which is called the dovekie, draw out the bones and blow up the skin so as to make pouches, which they fill with the reindeer tallow for their little folk.

None of the food that the Eskimos eat seems very inviting to us, but they are extremely fond of it and are very apt to overeat. It is said by explorers who have gone into Greenland that it is no uncommon sight to see an Eskimo man who has eaten an enormous meal of the raw, frozen flesh of the reindeer, seal or walrus lying on his back and eating blubber until he cannot move.

A Love Charm.  
A young woman who thought she was losing her husband's affection went to a seventh daughter of a seventh daughter for a love powder. The mystery woman told her:

"Get a raw piece of beef, cut flat, about an inch thick. Slice an onion in two and rub the meat on both sides with it. Put on pepper and salt and toast it on each side over a red coal fire. Drop on it three lumps of butter and two sprigs of parsley and get him to eat it."

The young wife did so, and her husband loved her ever after.

Couldn't Get Away.  
"My dear," said the physician's wife, "why don't you take a good long rest? Go away somewhere and enjoy yourself. You're working yourself into the grave. You haven't been out of town for five years."

"My dear," the celebrated practitioner said, "I dare not leave. If I did so most of my patients would discover that they could get on just as well without me, and my practice would be ruined."

Sometimes the Light is Good.  
"But you are not always bothered with poor light, are you?" inquired the complaint clerk at the gas office.

"Oh, no, not always," replied the quiet citizen.

"Ah, I thought so. It's only at certain times that you notice it, eh?"

"Yes; only after dark."

Vexing Delay.  
"Our new company is capitalized at \$40,000,000."

"Great! Let me see your prospectus."

"Oh, we haven't got out a prospectus yet. The—er—the darned printer wants his pay in advance."

An Alphanumeric Menu.  
Apples, bananas, coffee, dumplings, eggs fried, grape fruit, halibut, Italian jam, Knickerbocker lamb, mince, nougat, orange pie, quails roasted, stewed tomatoes, underdone veal, waffles, extraordinary yams from Zululand.

Good Sailing.  
Jack—Once more, Molly, will you marry me? Village Belle—For the thirtieth time this hour I tell you I will not. Jack—Well, thirteen knots an hour ain't bad sailin' for a little craft like you.—London Tit-Bits.

A Sparkling Guest.  
Mrs. Chic—Isn't Miss Patterson a rather dull girl? Mrs. Au Fait—Dull? She's got a pedigree right straight back to a real English lord.

One may ruin himself by frankness, but one surely dishonors himself by duplicity.—Vieillard.

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#### FISH

Fresh Sea Herring, small but very tasty. Fresh Haddock, a salt water fish, very white meat and fine eating. Boil it!  
Smoked Yarmouth Bloaters!  
Cod fish, the whole fish skinned and boned.  
Cod fish in 1 and 2-lb. blocks.  
New Dried Herring, about 3 dozen in box, tasty.  
Loe Luron Trout in pickle, either by the keg or any quantity you want.  
Labrador Herring, extra choice fish.

#### HONEY

Choice, Clean, Clover Honey—a Bargain! Two sections for 25c.

## Geo. A. Young

OUR GROCER, PHONE 151

#### LIBRARY BOARD

The regular monthly meeting of the Public Library Board was held last evening with Chairman Sheldrick, Secretary I. L. Davis, and Messrs. Stone, W. J. Twohey, Dr. Charteris, Wm. Anderson, S. M. Smith, J. U. Thibodeau and J. W. Humphrey present. Ald. W. S. Marshall, Chairman of city Finance committee, was also present.

A cheque for \$105.45 was received from the Ontario Treasury as Government grant, which is \$10 below last year.

The following accounts were passed: Wilson, Pike & Gundy, \$5.00; gas account, \$11.13; G. W. Raymond, \$5.00; Gas Co., \$8.10; C. B. Hancock, \$14.80. The Library Bureau contract was referred to the Building committee.

Thos. Stone & Son's account was referred to Secretary and Treasurer with power.

W. J. Twohey was appointed Secretary, duties to begin April 1.

Estimate for 1904 were considered and the following was agreed to: Light, \$125; fuel, \$200; water, \$10. Librarian's salary, \$300. Assistant Librarian, \$200. Secretary, \$50.

Janitor, \$108. Books, \$200.

The call upon the city will likely be \$1,500, or \$125 per month.

The Finance committee was instructed to meet the City Council on Monday night to settle what the city shall pay.

Poverty is the test of civility of the touchstone of friendship.

#### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

WANTED—A steady man for general work in my stable, garden and house. Good wages by the year. March 3, 1904, Chas. R. Atkinson.

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Up-to-date  
Millinery.  
C. Austin & Co.  
Fashionable  
Dressmaking.

## Women's Neckwear

The spring walking suit or tailored gown demands a fresh, new bit of neckwear to top it off. The new spring fancies in women's neckwear are here in a bewildering variety; and we make a special showing to-day at 25c and 50c each.

#### NECKWEAR AT 25c.

Stock collars of lace, taffeta silk, embroidered linen or wash stocks.

#### NECKWEAR AT 50c.

Stock collars of lace, taffeta silk with fancy gold trimmings and natural shades.

Turnover collars in silk, lace and embroidered linen.

AT 15c. UP TO 50c.

Ask to see the latest novelty in ladies' neckwear, the Mexicana.

AT 50c.—

We carry a large range of belt buckles in all the newest patterns and colorings.

#### BELTS AT 25c.

Ladies' Belts in all the popular shades, black, white, red, etc., trimmed with oxidized and brass buckles.

AT 50c.—

Ladies' black silk taffeta belts, with all the new trimmings; also white with gold trimmings.

AT 75c.—

Ladies' black velvet ribbon, made up with all the newest styles in buckles, cut steel, gold, oxidized, etc.

AT 50c.—

We carry a large range of belt buckles in all the newest patterns and colorings.

#### A FEW FACTS CONCERNING

## Our Upholstering Dept.

Did it ever occur to you that you could get your furniture recovered at a small advance of what it would cost you to do it yourself? If you have any work in this line, see our upholstering men and get their estimate of the cost, as we can give more attention to your work NOW than a month hence. It will be to your interest in avoiding delays to get your order in early. We give you a choice of coverings from one of the best assorted stocks in the west, including 15 patterns in velours, 40 patterns of tapestry, 30 pieces of silk tapestry, brocatelles, derby cloths, fabricoid and hair cloths.

#### A DELIGHTFUL ARRAY OF

## New White Garments



Fresh, clean, beautifully made garments, the very cream of the white sale offerings. The fine and dainty lace trimmed pieces are here aplenty, as well as the heavier trimmings of muslin and guipure embroidery. They are garments for service not for mere show. Strength, neatness, refined styles, comfortable and ample shapes—these are primary virtues that are missing in none of them. Here are practical garments for the business woman, as well as the daintiest and most elaborate pieces for the trousseau of a bride.

#### GOWNS FROM 50c TO \$4.50.

At 50c.—High or V neck, yoke of pleats trimmed with frills or edging.

At 75c.—With yoke of hemstitched tucking. V or high neck, trimmed with embroidery.

At \$1.00.—Five styles at this popular price. Empire, V or high neck, with lace or embroidery trimmings.

At \$1.25.—Of cambric, 6 styles. Empire, low, square or high neck. Some have yokes of wide Cluny insertion and tucking; others have trimmings of lace and embroidery.

One style, outside size, has good yoke of tucking, finished with hemstitching.

At \$1.75.—Of cambric, with low, square, yoke of insertion, neck and sleeves trimmed with frills and embroidery to match.

At \$2.19.—Of fine muslin, with yoke of blind stitch embroidery. Neck and sleeves trimmed with Valenciennes lace and insertion.

At \$4.43.—Of fine muslin, with yoke and short sleeves of alternate rows of French Valenciennes insertion and muslin.

DRAWERS 25c TO \$1.00.

25c.—Of good quality cotton, wide frill, tucked and hemstitched.

At 35c.—Trimmed with wide ruffle finished with lace frill.

At 50c.—Trimmed with wide embroidery ruffle or lawn ruffles, tucked and hemstitched. Others have deep lawn ruffles, with lace and insertion trimmings.

At 75c., 89c., and \$1.00.—Of fine muslin, with deep muslin ruffles, tucked and trimmed with Valenciennes or tulle lace and insertion.

#### CORSET COVERS 12 1-2 to \$1.00.

At 25c.—Tight fitting or full front with lace or embroidery trimmings.

At 35c.—Of good cotton, tight fitting, neck and sleeves trimmed with embroidery.

At 40c.—Full front corset cover with yoke of lace insertion.

At 50c.—Eight styles, tight fitting and full front. Some are trimmed with tucking; others have rows of lace or embroidery insertion down front, with edging to finish neck and sleeves.

SKIRTS AT 35c TO \$7.50.

At 75c.—Of cambric, with ruffle of muslin, or embroidery.

At \$1.00.—With deep flounce of tucked muslin or of wide embroidery.

At \$1.50.—Deep muslin flounce, trimmed with two rows of tulle or insertion and frill of wide tulle lace.

At \$1.98.—With muslin flounce, 22 in. deep, trimmed with three rows of wide tulle insertion and frill of wide tulle lace.

At \$3.50.—With deep flounce, tucked and trimmed with wide cluny insertion and lace.



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When we say a thing is good you can rely on that, for back of all our statements is the guarantee "Your money back if you are not perfectly satisfied."

RICH MILD CHEESE, 14c a pound.

FRESH 3 POUND SODAS, 25c a box.

SPECIAL SWEET BISCUITS, 10c a pound.

FINE SWEET BISCUITS, 2 pounds for 25c.

PURE LARD, 2 pounds for 25c.

SPECIAL ROLLED OATS, 7 pounds for 25c.

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The four big essential parts of our business are

Complete Stock,  
Regular Prices,  
Courteous Treatment  
and Prompt Attention  
to All Orders.

On these we have depended for our success and to say that we are exceedingly well pleased with it is very mild. If you are not already one of our customers we should be glad to cater to your wants. For your next order, it matters not what size, let us supply you. We guarantee to save you money.

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King Street, Chatham.

## Quantity AND Quality

Combined is what you are looking for. You have them here:  
Fine Dried Apples, 5c lb.  
3 lbs. White Beans for 10c.  
7 lbs. Fine Rolled Oats 25c.  
12 1-2c tins Morton Fresh Herring for 10c.  
Soda Biscuits, 8c per lb.  
Corn Starch, 7c per package.  
Labrador Herring, 20c per dozen.  
10c tin Magic Stove Polish for 8c.  
Heavy Honey Syrup 15c per quart.  
Apples, 5c per lb.

## CROCKERY.

We have some very pretty Dinner, Tea and Chamber Sets at our usual low prices; also fine China Lamps and Glassware. If you need these goods call and see us.

John McConnell,  
Phone 190 Park St.



Tailors.... MORLEY & CO. Importers

## TO-NIGHT.

Pianola recital, Babcock's Studio, at 8.30.  
Court Chatham, No. 6, I. O. F., will meet at 8.  
Chatham Encampment, No. 10, I. O. F., Temple, at 8.  
Revival services in the Victoria Ave. Methodist Church, at 7.45.

## THE LOCAL BUDGET

Hello, Bill! to-night!  
Crucifixion rehearsal at First Presbyterian church to-night.  
Campbell's Shoe Sale means Bargains for you.  
Hello, Bill! Don't miss this big jolly comedy company.

Morley Caracallen, of Dresden, is appearing to-day in town.  
Charles Scane, of Ridgetown, was a visitor in the city yesterday.  
Trunks, Bags and Valises, at cut prices, at Campbell's Shoe Store. If Charles F. Weir, of Port Stanley, was a Chatham visitor yesterday.

Crucifixion rehearsal in the First Presbyterian Church & S. at 8.  
Mrs. Johnston has opened her dressmaking apartments over Young's grocery store and is now ready to take orders.

Ask your grocer for Standard Crystal Granulated Sugar. It goes further on your table than the old fashioned coarse grade.

Lost—Tuesday evening, Feb. 2nd, between Park St. Methodist church and Hilliard street, a ladies gold watch. Finder will please return to this office and receive reward.

A few school hats left to be sold regardless of price at C. A. McKee's. New spring goods are coming in fast.

Wanted, at once, dressmaker apprentices and improvers. Apply Mrs. Johnston, over Young's grocery.

Miss Ruby Gordon, of Wallaceburg, and Miss Linden, of Leamington, are the guests of Miss Flo Glass.

A meeting of the Chatham Senior Lacrosse Club will be held to-morrow night in the Garner House for re-organization and election of officers. A rousing meeting is expected.

When you want an artistic design, call up or visit Victoria Avenue Green Houses. Phone 181.

Mrs. Donald Douglas, King street, west, will be at home on Friday afternoon from four until six o'clock.  
A. W. Merritt, caretaker of Harrison Hall, was busy engaged to-day varnishing the interior of the Crown Attorney's office.

Mrs. W. B. Gilleland, who has been in the city for the past few weeks, left to-day for her home in St. Catharines. Her son, J. R. Gilleland, is much improved.

A meeting of Wellington Royal Arch Masons will be held on the evening of March 1st to receive a visit from the District Deputy Grand Master. After the meeting a banquet will be given in Northwood's cafe. The program committee are arranging some good musical numbers.

William Watt, John Johnson, James Hamilton, Robert Hogart, and Robert Gilleland, arrived in the city at two o'clock this morning from Glasgow, Scotland. These gentlemen are saw mill hands, and were brought out to this country to work for the Sutherland-Innes Company. They will probably go to St. Thomas. They left Glasgow on the 18th of February. From what they have seen of Canada, they like the country very much, although there is almost too much winter here for them.

Mrs. Capt. Scott, of Dover, reported to the police an attempt at highway robbery. She was walking along the market square last night when she was attacked by a man and thrown down. She made an outcry, and some citizens coming to her rescue, the man made off. The attempt was a very bold and daring one. The man first demanded her money and, when she refused it, he tried to take it. Mrs. Scott had \$14 in her pocket which she had drawn from the bank that afternoon. She was able to give the police a pretty good description of the would-be robber and they are after him.

## HARBINGER OF SPRING

Walter Hewson saw a robin yesterday afternoon. He says that it was no Robin Hood robin or robin in a cage, but a real live bird, and was singing at a great rate. He further adds that he can prove that he saw the robin in a tree on St. George street. He has witnesses to prove it.

He has the best education who best knows when to appear ignorant.

When the little folks take colds and coughs, don't neglect them and let them strain the tender membranes of their lungs. Give them

## Shiloh's Consumption Cure

The Lung Tonic  
It will cure them quickly and strengthen their lungs. It is pleasant to take.  
Prices, 25c, 50c, and \$1.00. 308

## McOLENEGHAN DEAD

Woodstock, Ont., March 2.—Alexander Rags McOleneghan, for the past 30 years postmaster of Woodstock, died this evening, after an illness of three days. He was born at Newry, Armagh, Ireland, October 15, 1829; came to Canada in 1829, with his parents and settled in Toronto; took part in the rebellion of 1837 in the service of the Crown; served in the 22nd Battalion Oxford Rifles, and retired as major. He was a member of the first Canadian Wimbledon Rifles team in 1871, established the Woodstock Times, about 1884, and remained editor and proprietor until 1873, when he was appointed postmaster of Woodstock, which position he occupied until his death.

## ABOUT FLOODS

Silas Roadhouse, of the Tilbury East plains, sold all of his farm stock and implements by auction yesterday. McCoig & Harrington were the auctioneers. In conversation with a Planet reporter this morning, Mr. Roadhouse said:

"The whole of the plains are completely flooded and in many places whole farms are covered with water. When we arrived at Mr. Roadhouse's farm we were met by a man in rubber boots. We drove to the barn and found that the road between, the gate and the barn and also the one between the barn and the house were covered by a foot of water. We held the sale, however, but when we went to dinner we had to jump in the buggy and be drawn to the house by a couple of men in rubber boots. The water covers the plains in hundreds of places, but not much difficulty is experienced in travelling."

## MAKER OF BANK NOTES.

English Firm Which for Generations Has Made the Government Paper.

The death is announced of Mr. Melville Portal, at his residence, Laverstoke House, Michelleville, Hants, at the age of eighty-four.

Mr. Portal was head of the famous firm which for generations has manufactured at Laverstoke the paper on which Bank of England notes are printed, and a curious story is told in Hampshire in connection with that circumstance.

The founder of the family was Henri Portal, a descendant of some French Huguenots who were banished in 1711 at Winchester. Henri Portal, seeking a means of subsistence, built a paper mill on the River Test at Laverstoke, and owing partly to the peculiarity in the water of the Test paper of so fine a quality was turned out that the Bank of England granted to Henri Portal the privilege of making its bank-note paper.

When his descendant, John Portal was lying mortally ill in the late forties, the story goes that John's two sons, Melville and William, were given their choice of his property, and the former took the paper mill and the latter the estates.

The second son (now Sir Wyndham Portal, for he was created a baronet in 1901), found his property continuously dwindling in value, while Melville's mills brought in enormous riches.

The late Sir Gerald Portal, who made a famous name in connection with the development of Uganda, was a son of Mr. Melville Portal.

## Let the White Folks settle it.

When Booker T. Washington was asked whether northerners or southerners were responsible for the introduction of slavery he told this story: "An old colored man had a pig which he sold for \$3. Later the pig escaped and came back home. Another white man came along, and Uncle Zeke sold him the pig for another \$3. When the two purchasers met they were angry and went back to settle it. 'Uncle Zeke, didn't you sell me the pig for \$3 at 9 o'clock?' said one. 'Sho I did, massa.' 'Didn't I pay you \$3 for it at 12 o'clock?' said the other. 'Sho you did massa.' 'Well, then, what are you going to do about it?' 'Sakes alive!' said Uncle Zeke. 'Can't you white folks settle that question between yo'selves?'"

## Knock-down for Sir Wilfrid Lawson.

Sir Wilfrid Lawson, the eminent English temperance leader, says that he never received a knock-down till, spying a laborer walking along with the old familiar black bottle protruding from his pocket, he entered into conversation with him, and pointed out the misery which had resulted from the bottle, and earnestly exhorted the man to free himself from it. The man was so overcome that he took out the receptacle, and emptied the liquor into the road. Sir Wilfrid's face beamed with pleasure, and, handing the man sixpence, he said, "Take that; it will buy you something better." The man, to the disgust of Sir Wilfrid, entered a public-house and spent the sixpence in beer. The liquor he had thrown away was cold sea.

Patient—Well, I'm unable to sleep; can't eat, my bones ache, my head is splitting, and I have a high fever.  
Doctor—Otherwise, however, you feel quite well!

## SATCHEL OF THE SATELLITE

I am glad to see that the School Board realize that there is no place like Canada.

"We can do without the help of the United States," said the School Board to the Committee.

A Southern judge doesn't have to be bound by precedent, because he can dispense justice as he "chewes."

The Satellite went to church Sunday—that's how he knew about the Public General Hospital Society meeting.

Perhaps the Banner thought that the announcement of the Hospital Society meeting was a hoax, and they would be the "Pony bunch" this time.

Imagine the dignity of the Southern bench, when the judge sits and takes a little diversion now and then by squirting the juice into a spittoon ten feet away.

Stupendous solemn sobs of salty silent sympathy sloop seductively over my stationery as I swiftly soliloquise upon the fate that has applied my smart friend Bill to a slumbering sheet. Bill's too clever for his company.

Truly, in North Carolina justice works in a mysterious way her wondrous to perform. A man gets 30 years for murdering his three children—10 years apiece, and a colored man gets suspended for stealing. Then the people of the United States cry out for a solution of the race problem.

The Banner contained a report of Monday night's Council meeting in Wednesday's issue, and will probably have a report of the meeting of the Hospital Society on Wednesday next. This strenuous life of hunting up funny dead men is too much for the Banner.

My friend the Crown Attorney has issued his second volume of his directory for the criminals of Kent County. It tells them where they can get arrested, who is authorized to arrest them, where they can get tried and by whom. It also contains a lot of other useful information including the councils, County and City, and the C. C. I. Board.

## WHAT'S IN A NAME?

The hardest man in the city is Stone, the roughest man is Bill, the lightest man in the city is Downie, the most unpopular man is Dunn, the man of quality is Merritt, the fairest man is Ronde, the darkest man is Knight, the biggest fish is Pike, the greatest pedagogue is Plunkett, the sweetest tone is ball, the coldest man is Frost, the oldest man is Gray, the most genial man is Pleasant, the greatest man is Crow, the best musician is Harper, the baseball player is Corne, the man with a trade is Taylor, the man to be handled with care is Glass, the infant of the city is Baby, the man whose name is in everybody's mouth is Great Scott, the piscatorial genius is Fisher, the man who is all there is Holman, the man who would be handy in a rowboat is Orr, the man with the rejuvenated fish story is Stringer, the man who is always undernourished is Burrows, the man with the magic touch is Wands, the man with an eye for the Satellite column is Bird, and the gloomiest man is J. N. Dumps.

## A BROAD STATEMENT.

This announcement is made without any qualifications. Hem-Roid is the one preparation in the world that guarantees it.

Hem-Roid will cure any case of Piles in the form of a tablet. It is the only Pile remedy used internally.

It is impossible to cure an established case of Piles with ointments, suppositories, injections, or outward appliances.

A guarantee is issued with every package of Hem-Roid, which contains a month's treatment.

Go and talk to your druggist about it.

Sold by C. H. Gunn & Co., Central Drug Store, Chatham.

## RICH OIL WELL

Leamington, Ont., March 1.—The new oil well owned by the Leamington Oil Company, who are interested, proved to be the richest yet struck. The drill had penetrated the rock only nine feet when the oil spouted in a six-inch stream over the derrick about 60 feet high. The well is now producing over 150 barrels per day and the oil is of the finest quality. The company intend to drill deeper into the oil rock, which will greatly increase the flow. The well is situated one mile east of the town on the Rymal farm, where the fatal nitro-glycerine explosion took place last fall.

## COLDS ARE DANGEROUS.

How often you hear it remarked: "It's only a cold," and a few days later learn that the man is on his back with pneumonia. This is of such common occurrence that a cold, however slight, should not be disregarded. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy counteracts any tendency toward pneumonia. It always cures and is pleasant to take. For sale by All Druggists.

Make chums of your wife and children and know the whole charm of home.

## A JOURNEY OF PLEASURE.

The Wabash-West Shore route is the quick and comfortable one to use to New York. See your ticket agent.

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Mark what we say — if you read, you're sure to heed.

SPRING DRESS GOODS	LACE CURTAINS	CORSETS, ETC.
<b>FLECKED TWEED SUITINGS</b> Green, blue and fawn, 44 inch wide, very special per yard.....50c.	<b>A GORDON SPECIALTY</b> new on. The beststock we ever offered, which is saying a great deal, per pair 25c, 35c, 50c, 65c, 75c, 90c, \$1.00 and up.	<b>TWO SPECIAL LINES</b> 1.—A white straight front, bias cut, best of correct Jean, dollar goods at 69c.
<b>VICTORIA SUITINGS</b> All wool, navy, blue, grey and fawn, new design, per yard.....50c.	<b>BETTER VALUES THAN EVER</b> and finer patterns in Resilience, Irish Point, Battenburg, etc., Curtain Nets, Brussels, Fish Net, Madras, etc.	<b>2.—A DRAB CORSET</b> Straight front, bias filled, best materials, \$1.00 and \$1.25 values at .....69c.
<b>CREPE DE CHENE</b> 44 inch, cream, grey, blue, pink, navy, reseda, very choice.	<b>WHITE BED SPREADS</b> Just as prime values as when cotton was at its lowest, from 65c to \$2 each.	<b>MILITARY HIP</b> Steel filled corsets, Tape girdles, Empire shape corsets, 3 line lines per pr 50c.
<b>IMPERIAL DOTTED SUITINGS</b> 46 inch wide, navy, green, black, The latest, per yard.....\$1.25	<b>SPRING DRESS SKIRTS—MODELS</b> Every garment a prize at \$1.75, \$2.45, \$3 up to \$10. You save the making price.	<b>SPRING IMPORTS—EMBROIDERIES</b> Very dainty and very special, in patterns and in values, from 5c to 50c yd.
<b>CLUNY INSERTIONS</b> All widths, in silk, from 25c upward. Dress trimmings and linings at old prices.	<b>STANDARD FASHION SHEETS AND DESIGNERS FOR MARCH</b> <b>William Gordon</b>	<b>LADIES' FANCY STOCK COLLARS</b> Newest thing out, 25c up. Crumbed Leather Belts and Girdles, every style from 25c up.

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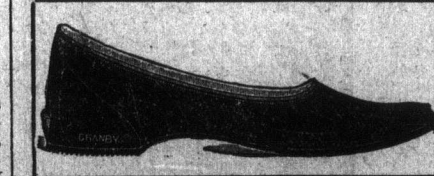
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24,

we will commence our GREAT SEMI-ANNUAL SALE. The great crowds that always attend our Special Sales (we have but two a year—one at midsummer and the other midwinter) will prove that it is no ordinary event. THIS IS NO CLEANING OUT OF OLD UNDESIRABLE, or JOB LOT SHOES for we haven't any! but it is a BONA-FIDE SELLING OUT OF OUR ENTIRE STOCK. We don't want to carry over a single pair of shoes if we can help it. So we say to our present stock "Get out of the house." Low prices will be the force to move it. For this reason everybody is interested who who wear shoes. Won't these prices interest you?



50 pairs Men's Arctic Overshoes, wool lined, sizes 6-11, sale price, 75c

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200 pairs Women's Rubbers in sizes, 2 1/2 to 5, sale price, 15c

150 pairs Women's Storm Rubbers in sizes 2 1/2 to 6, sale price, 25c



100 pairs Boys' Rubbers, size 1 to 5, sale price, 35c

Women's High Buttoned Over-shoes, sizes 2 1/2 to 7, sale price, 75c

20 Per Cent. Cut on all Fine and Medium Weight Shoes; 25 Per Cent. Cut on Rubber Goods; 30 Per Cent. on Winter Goods.

All Men's and Boys' Long Boots, Leather, Rubber or Felt, Peavy, Rubbers and Socks are included in the sale. SCHOOL SHOES, WORKING MEN'S SHOES, BUSINESS MEN'S SHOES, any DRESS SHOES everything goes at cut rates while the sale lasts.

NOTE—These cut prices apply to SPOT CASH PURCHASES, otherwise the regular price will be charged.

REMEMBER—

The Sale opens Wednesday, 24th February, and will close on Saturday, March 5th.

These 10 days will be chuck full of real shoe bargains. You will be made welcome whether you buy or not. Call anyway, and see people get cheap shoes.



# Geo. W. Cowan.



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This is something entirely new and well worth your more about. Write at once.

### Cook's Cotton Root Compound.

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No. 1 and No. 2 are sold in Chatham by all Druggists.

### HIS Young wife was almost distracted for he would not stay a night at home so she had his LAUNDRY done by us, and now he ceases any more to roam.

**Parisian Steam Laundry Co.**  
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**MEN AND WOMEN.**  
Use Big G for unnatural discharges, inflammation, irritation or soreness of the mucous membranes. Prevents Gonorrhea, Syphilis, and any other disease of the system. Sold by Druggists, or sent in plain wrapper, by express, prepaid, for 25c. 3 bottles \$2.75. Circular sent on request.

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Keep Minard's Liniment in the house.

### WASTED INDUSTRY.

A Mouse Task That Failed Because of a Lack of Ingenuity.

A number of white footed mice which I had in captivity, says a writer in Country Life In America, escaped from their cage to a cupboard in the kitchen, and thence through a hole in the plaster and between the laths to the walls of the house. Every night they came out for food. One evening I saw a mouse come out of the cupboard. He found a hickory nut on the floor and attempted to carry it up the hole twelve inches to the hole in the plaster, but alas, the crack between the laths was too narrow, and after fumbling with his burden for a minute or two he dropped it to the floor. Next he tried to push it in ahead of him, and, failing in that, he went in himself, turned round and attempted to pull it in after him. Occasionally it would slip out of his paws and roll upon the kitchen floor, and then out he would come and repeat the whole performance. He tried it again and again, but with no better success. He kept at it until far into the night, and when I awoke at 7 o'clock the next morning the first thing that I heard was that mouse or another one fumbling and dropping the hickory nut.

Since then I have kept them well supplied with nuts, and, although they still spend hours in carrying them to the crack in the laths and letting them fall, they are always forced in the end to eat them in the cupboard. There is plainly a lack of ingenuity, because the minutes' gnawing would have solved the problem. Had the aperture in either case been too narrow to admit themselves they would have quickly widened it with their teeth, but to apply the same principle to get the nut through seemed to be a piece of reasoning entirely beyond them.

### HISTORY OF THE COACH.

The First of These Vehicles Was Built In 1457.

As popular as coaching is in some parts of the country, but little reliable information has ever appeared in the public press respecting its history and development. At the town of Kotte, in Hungary, in 1457, the first coach was constructed. This was soon afterward presented to Charles VII. at Paris. The first authentic record of a stagecoach in England shows that six of such vehicles were in use there in 1602. So popular did they become in that country that a few years later they were in general use on all the principal roads of the kingdom.

Steam railways have to a large extent done away with the use of the coach as a link in the commercial chain, but as a means of furnishing the highest type of recreation the coach and four is as popular today in the British empire and in France as it was when this was practically the only means of locomotion in those countries.

Stagecoaching in America was almost coextensive with the settlement of the colonies, and in the early history of the country there were few if any places of any importance that did not welcome the sound of the coachman's horn as one of the fascinating incidents of pioneer life. As civilization pushed itself westward the stagecoach was ever in the lead of those agencies which blazed its pathway. These vehicles, as well as their equipments, were comparatively crude in their construction and unpretentious in their appointments, but they admirably served the purpose for which they were intended and laid the foundation for the popularity of coaching as a pleasurable pastime developed in later years.

Coaching parties had been popular in England and France for several generations before they were introduced in this country, yet the sport is so wholesome and enjoyable that it cannot be doubted that in time it will become as popular here as it is across the Atlantic.

### Zola and Dreyfus' Book.

The editor of a Paris paper, recalling what Zola had done for Dreyfus, called upon the novelist to have him review the unfortunate captain's book, the history of his troubles. The visitor found him at the big table in his library, doing his day's work. "Review Captain Dreyfus' book!" he repeated when the proposition was made to him. He got up and ambled round the table—a short man, with a stomach and no presence—grunting at intervals. Finally he said: "Why should I review his book? He never even read mine."

**The Bigger the Better.** A Scottish parish minister was one day talking to one of his parishioners, who ventured the opinion that ministers ought to be better paid. "I am glad to hear you say that," said the minister. "I am pleased that you think so much of the clergy. And so you think we should have bigger stipends?"

"Aye," said the old man. "Ye see, we'd get a better class o' men."

**The Retort Unexpected.** "Yes," she said with sarcastic bitterness, "I believe it is true that a man is known before marriage by the company he keeps."

"No doubt," he smilingly replied. "I remember that I kept company with you for fully four years."

**The Criminal Escaped.** Jack—You've heard about the escaping criminal who stepped on a slot machine and got a wealth? Mack—Yes; that's old. Jack—Well, even the blood-bounds couldn't get his cent.

Keep on trimming your lamp, tilling your soil, tugging and pegging away. You can never tell when the messenger of success will come.

### Was Unable to do any Work for Four or Five Months.

Was Weak and Miserable.

Thought She Would Die.

Doctor Could Do No Good.

### Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills

Effecting a Complete Cure in the Case of MRS. CAROLINE HUTT, Morrisburg, Ont.

She says: "It affords me great pleasure to speak about what your Heart and Nerve Pills have done for me. About a year ago I was taken ill with heart trouble and got so bad that I was unable to do any work for four or five months. I got so weak and miserable that my friends thought I was going to die. The doctor attended me for some time but I continued to grow worse. At last I decided to try Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills, and after taking two boxes they made me well and strong again. I cannot praise them too highly for they have cured me from nervous weakness and heart troubles."

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### Errors and Erections.

Emperor Sigismund of Germany, who reigned in the fifteenth century, in the speech in which he opened the council of Constance uttered an expression which Cardinal Placentinus corrected. The emperor replied, "Placentinus, however agreeable you may be to others, you please us not when you assert that we have less authority than the grammarian Priscianus, whom you say I have offended."

Napoleon used to excuse his errors in orthography with the saying, "A man occupied with public business cannot attend to orthography."

Voltaire upon receipt of his first letter in French from Frederick the Great told Frederick that he was a better French scholar than Louis XIV., who committed many mistakes. Frederick replied that Louis was a great monarch in many respects, and a mistake in spelling could not tarnish the brilliancy of his reputation.

### The Clever Brahman.

Speaking of the great power the Brahmins in India possess in localizing thought, a prominent Brahmin said recently: "We would consider a game of chess as played in this country mere child's play. An ordinary Brahmin chess player could carry on three or four games at a time without inconvenience. The usual game played by the Brahmins consists in checkmating with one pawn designated when the play begins. I have seen a man perform a long problem in multiplication and division at the same time noting the various sounds and discussions going on about him in the room. I have seen a man compose a triple acoustic in Sanskrit in a given meter, at the same time having three well versed men trying to overthrow him in his argument on religion."

The skies are never so bright as when they have been washed by a shower.



### Cures Rheumatism!

**The Great South American Rheumatism Cure.** Seizes hold of the disease at once and in three days at the outside the wonder is done, often in one day. Relief felt at the first application. Lumbago and Neuralgia flee before it; and it prevents their return. A bottle of it saves many a dollar and hours of pain, to say nothing of preserving valuable lives.

James A. Anderson, of Calgary, N. T., writes: "Rheumatism crippled me. I remained in the hospital six weeks and was treated by the best physicians without any improvement. I procured a bottle of SOUTH AMERICAN RHEUMATIC CURE. To my delight I got better at once, and I have been working every day since."

**The Great South American Nervine** cures all the vital organs in order by first feeding the nerves. The best cure for all affections of stomach, liver, heart, brain.

Sold by Messrs. Gunn and McLaren, Druggists, Chatham.

**WEDDING STATIONERY**  
—The latest in Wedding Stationery and Cake Boxes can be had at the PLANET Office.

### Uncle James' Victory

By CLINTON DANGERFIELD

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Uncle James helped himself to another portion of the very appetizing roast chicken before him.

"It's a light meat and agrees with me when properly cooked like this," he observed, with the delightful confidence most people have that their individual tastes are unfailingly interesting to everyone. "My present cook understands me to perfection."

The Boy, generally referred to by the ladies of his acquaintance as "really a lovely fellow," made haste to agree with his uncle's estimate. In reality he could not have told you whether he was eating chicken or ham sandwich, his mind being absorbed by thoughts of momentous importance, all connected with one problem. This problem, no easy one to solve, was how to approach Uncle James in such a way as to incline his heart toward the lady of the Boy's choice.

For the Boy was nearly twenty-four, and in his mature judgment Helen Vanderveer was the perfection of feminine beauty. But Uncle James had a disagreeable way of harping on usefulness and ignoring beauty altogether. Helen belonged to what New York calls her "smart set," and the Boy had his doubts as to Uncle James' opinion of his choice.

"You're not eating," growled his uncle. "You've got something on your mind, or what you call your mind," he added, with the charming frankness of near relatives.

"Helen Vanderveer," blurted the Boy, his nervousness in this crisis scattering his diplomacy to the winds.

Uncle James laid down his fork as hastily as though the tender pullet had been a sitting hen.

"Helen Vanderveer?" he shouted. "Are you going to marry into that set of tailored idiots after all I've said to you?"

"If I can get your approval," said the Boy meekly. Let no one think the worse of him for his humility. He was



"DID YOU RING, SIR?" DEMANDED A SWEET, AMILIAN VOICE.

penniless, and Miss Vanderveer had been curtly notified by a very determined pair of parents that unless she secured a count at least she need expect no income. Vanderveer pere had waded through much discomfort to attain his present position, and he meant to show the world that he was as good socially as his check was financially.

Thus the outlook for Helen and the Boy was depressing. Uncle James was as determined as the elder Vanderveer. "My approval!" he cried furiously. "Why, you young jackass! That girl would ruin you in three months! No, sir, you shall be saved from yourself!"

He leaned back in his chair. "I've chosen a wife for you myself, a woman that will be the making of you, the kind of woman that will help to make my old age a pleasure to both of us."

"You!" gasped the Boy, turning pale. "You've chosen a wife for me! I shan't marry her!"

"Oh, yes, you will," returned Uncle James composedly. "When I adopted you, a helpless orphan, I said to myself, 'I'll see he gets the right wife.' And you shall have her, with my blessing."

The calm of desperation came to the Boy. Rather than give up Helen he would join the "white wings" and earn his bread and hers on the street. Then he shivered to think how Helen would figure in such a programme, his destiny Helen, whom he had always seen in traditional gowns except for a change to her spotless yachting suit.

"May I ask," he said, trying to suppress his rage, "whom you have selected for me?"

"My cook," said Uncle James coolly. "You needn't start up and snort like a wild horse. She is a lady born, but forced to earn her bread by reverses. Instead of pounding on some infernal piano or screeching on the stage or herding half a dozen spoiled youngsters as a governess she had the sense to take up a woman's highest profession, cooking."

"Cooking! You have a fine idea of a woman's ability!" muttered the Boy.

"Certainly I have. The good cook conserves man's intellectual powers, leaving him undistracted by dyspepsia or other nightmares. Since this girl has been with me my brain has been 50

per cent clearer. As to all this rot about woman's companionship, I tell you a well roasted piece of meat or a light loaf of bread is a better stimulant than all the companionship of the best petticoat going. Look at the table, beautifully set! Remember the promptness of our meals for the past fortnight. She's waiting on the table today because the maid is sick. She's never sick."

The Boy rose, choking with rage. "Understand me, sir," he said as soon as he could speak clearly, "that from now on—"

"Did you ring, sir?" demanded a sweet, familiar voice.

The Boy whirled around to be confronted by a slim, demure vision in cap and apron. The vision ignored him completely, her eyes being fixed respectfully on Uncle James.

"Did you ring, sir?" she repeated. "I was sure I heard the bell."

"No, Mary, I didn't ring," said her employer complacently. "But since you are here you may fill my glass again with water."

Mary complied. The Boy, standing dumbly by his chair, watched her slender, steady fingers as she served his uncle.

When the girl disappeared Uncle James demanded triumphantly:

"Isn't she neat and pretty?"

The Boy attacked his dinner with an appetite which he had failed to show before.

"She's neat enough," he said coolly. "With your permission I'll help her clean up the dishes after dinner and see what I think of her."

A few minutes later Helen Vanderveer and the Boy faced each other in Uncle James' kitchen, with a sink full of dirty dishes between them.

The Boy, coat off and sleeves rolled up, was turning the hot water on with one hand and flourishing a dish mop in the other.

"What in the wide world ever made you think of such a gloriously foxy move as this?" he demanded.

"Why," confessed Miss Vanderveer, laughing and yet blushing a little, "I owe it all to a sharp tongued old woman on Hester street. Some of us were down there slumming, and I carried an armful of flowers. I offered her a rose, and what do you think she did with it?"

"Wore it next her heart forever more," said the Boy promptly.

"Not she. She threw it in the dirty grate and with arms akimbo delivered an address. 'I've heard about you rich folks,' quoth she; 'how you come nosin' round poor folks' rooms, puffin' yourselves up that you are teachin' us something.' Teach, indeed! When you know enough to fill a workman's pail with a decent dinner, then I'll hear to your flower missions an' your religions."

"We got out of there promptly. The others said they were simply paralyzed by her impudence, but her words stuck in my head. I determined to show that old woman something, and I did. Afterward, when I found from you that your uncle was an economical gourmet, I saw reason to bless my secret lessons at the cooking school. I am supposed," she added, laughing, "to be with the De Peysters in Philadelphia."

The Boy dropped the dish mop and folded her in an ecstatic embrace, from which they were finally aroused by a sharp voice at the pantry door:

"Turn off that water, will you?"

The Boy leaped to the faucet, for the forgotten dishwater in the sink was pouring over the edge, spluttering greedily everywhere. But the gourmet apparently did not mind.

"You seem to have come to a good understanding," he said dryly.

### How He Got the Vote.

A story is related of an ambitious gentleman who, rather unwisely, stood as a candidate for some office and who at the close of the poll was found to have received only one vote. The candidate was excessively mortified, and, to increase his chagrin, his neighbors talked as if it were a matter of course that he had given that one vote himself.

This annoyed him so much that he offered a two and a half guinea suit of clothes to his only supporter if the individual would come forward and declare himself.

An Irishman responded to his appeal, proved his claim and called for the reward.

"How did it happen," inquired the candidate, taken quite by surprise—"how did it happen that you voted for me?"

The Hibernian hesitated, but on being pressed he answered:

"If Oi tell yez, ye won't go back on the suit o' clothes?"

"Oh, no. I promise that you shall have the suit anyhow."

"Faix, then, yer 'anner," replied Pat, "sure Oi made a mistake in the ballot paper."

### Robbers Among the Bees.

To the person who knows nothing about bees they represent the supreme type of industry. But even the bee communities are disturbed by those of their own kind who break through and steal. Robber bees are always a source of anxiety to beekeepers, and during fall and winter the marauders seem particularly active. Having gathered no honey, or, at any rate, an insufficient supply for themselves, they will descend upon a hive, kill its industrious occupants and carry off the golden treasure in an astonishingly short space of time. We know of a recent instance in which the attack was developed and the home bees killed in a couple of hours. Sometimes they will attack neighboring hives. In such cases the old straw "skip" was better than the modern arrangement, for a knife thrust through the top would break the comb and set the honey free, at which the thieves would instantly return to seal up their own store. It is not primarily in their industry that bees are human.

—London Chronicle.

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## The Treasure of Laguna Cave

The Story of Jennie Ratchers' Luck.

By Charles Fleming Embree

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HERE a canyon opens on half bowl-like to the sea is Laguna, a tiny place far from a road. There the beach is terminated by cliffs hand by rocks, and on them the Pacific rends its breast; or here lies puffing on warm sand like a cat upon a hearth.

From El Toro the stage came rattling through the canyon at dusk, and it deposited Harrison Ratchers and wife at the largest of those wooden houses that face the beach. On the porch was a sign "Rooms for Rent."

"Here we are again!" cried Jennie Ratchers. "Just as last year, and ready for another vacation. How is the crop of abalones?"

"See," she said, "how many old Mr. Jones has got for me!"

Old Jones was mumbling in his beard: "43rd, December the third. Lowest in sixty-two years. Two more days. Some of the shells had been ground and gilded with the light and coloring that have made California shells famous."

"If they are so plentiful," cried Jennie, "we can make our vacation expenses out of abalones. Oh, Mrs. Miggs, how we have loved! And poor Harrison, he's sick! We are building up a trade; and in a few years, maybe, we shall be out of debt!"

Old Jones here arose and faced Jennie who was a picture of optimism and health. There was a wide smile on his countenance, which was haggard and stinging.

"Come here!" said Jones, and tottered to a window. The Ratchers stared out where he pointed. His voice was like the rustling of damp papers. "Down that way there ain't none. He swept his hand to the south. His eye on them dilated. 'Don't go that way. Go up this way!' He swept his bony hand to the north."

"Oh, thanks!" said Jennie, inclined to edge away from him. And Ratchers laughed with bass gratitude at the information.

"How old are you?" shouted Ratchers. "Oh, don't yell," said Jones. "Ninety-five. I'll go to bed."

His old legs wobbled. He was saying to himself: "43rd, December the third. Lowest in sixty-two years."

Up he climbed; now his head disappeared; now his withered trunk; now his rickety legs. They heard his footfalls, soft and strange, along an upper hall. Old Jones had left a child behind.

"Who is that peculiar person?" Jennie whispered to Mrs. Miggs.

"Some old fellow," was the Miggs' reply. "He came two years ago, and was always studying the tides; just as now, and seemed to be watching for something that didn't occur; and then of a sudden he dropped out of sight. A week ago here he was again, tottering in."

Next day the winter sun was warm. Mrs. Ratchers was an inspiring thing in her bathing suit, running down over the sand like an antelope, more health in her than in three ordinary men. And into the sea she plunged and along, heaving, bellowing, chested husband after. When they emerged, yonder was old Jones gazing at them through a window.

"He makes me gold," shuddered Jennie, stopping in a laugh.

Then Jones' peculiar head was thrust far out over the roof of Mrs. Miggs' porch, and while the haggard face smiled widely bland, the head wagged three times to the north. Jones shut one eye as he wagged.

"Horror! What does the creature mean?" said she.

But Ratchers roared with merriment. "He means to hunt to the north. He said that there are no abalones to the south."

"Mercy! Let's do it, and get out of his sight," she said; and went skimming the sand and leaping the rocks, he after, in the search for abalones.

After an hour, when she had been felled by a billow, she poked her glowing head up through its crest and behold the eye of old Jones. Old Jones was seated on a crag seventy feet high in search of abalones.

Ratchers paused with a mummy with a low abalone in his hand, and stood in four feet of water, gazing up as though Jones had been a comet. Old Jones' horrible head was thrust out further over the uneven edge of his precipice, and wagged three times, majestic, yet ghastly, to the north. He shut one eye as he wagged.

"What a lugubrious mortal!" said she. That night old Jones seemed feeble as he sat in Mrs. Miggs' house, mumbled over his tide-cards. Now and then his old eye gazed at Jennie, suspicious and uneasy. She was so alarmingly healthy, no wonder she got upon the nerves of anybody so near his grave as old Jones. Mrs. Miggs was stringing limpet shells from the hanging-lamp. Mrs. Miggs had big, red crawfish in a pan. Old Jones went up to bed in a ramshackle way; his head disappeared, his trunk, his legs. They heard his rustling footfalls grow faint in the hall above.

The walls of that house were very thin. In the night, Jennie Ratchers awoke from her vigorous sleep with a sense of queerness. And all she heard was old Jones in a distant room mumbling and rambled in wakefulness, and say, "Two more days. Oh, me!"

Had Mrs. Ratchers not been one of the most extraordinarily healthy women that ever drew breath, she would have slept no more. But she did sleep—shaded. Low Mrs. Harrison Ratchers could sleep!

The following afternoon, again in bathing suit and gambling beyond all reason, she went over the rocks with her husband, who grinned, half-stupefied at her vim. To the sea he saw old Jones creeping out of the house with his eyes looking up at her.

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The committee appointed by the County Council to confer with the City Council re the maintenance of the administration of Criminal Justice, met the Finance committee of the City Council in the County Clerk's office, Harrison Hall, yesterday afternoon. There were present Mayor McKough, Finance Minister Marshall and Ald. Tye, of the City Council, and Warden Sifton and Messrs. Haggart, Grant, and Treasurer Fleming of the County Council. The object of the meeting was to settle the matter of the amount to be paid by the city as their share of the cost of installing the steam heating plant in Harrison Hall. The meeting was a very unsatisfactory one as far as settlement was concerned. No real agreement was settled upon. The point of discussion was whether the city should pay one-fourth or one-third of the cost of the plant. After considerable discussion it was decided that the Finance committee would refer the matter to the City Council for action.

As to the cost of lighting the Hall it was decided that the city should pay half of the gas accounts.

In reference to the paying for the plant Mayor McKough suggested that the matter be laid before the city solicitor, but this was not satisfactory to the members of the County Board.

It was noticed that Ald. Tye had not much to say in the proceedings, and when asked the reason he replied:

"I am the silent member of the Council since the last time I spoke at the Council Board. I spoke once and I was reported in the papers too concisely. After this I am content to be the silent member."

It was suggested that Warden Sifton might help the matter out if he would address the City Council.

"He might sing a song that would not suit some of the members of the Council," commented Mr. Haggart. "Perhaps the other members of the Council may grant more concessions than the members of their Finance committee."

Ald. Tye, humorously—He might not be a match for G. G. Martin. Mr. Haggart—I understand Mr. Martin has a good flow of language. Here someone suggested that it was sometimes more flow than language.

Mr. Haggart—if the city is desirous of selling their interest in Harrison Hall the County Council are willing to buy, and it might be well to have your Finance committee hand in to us as estimate of what you want for your interest and we will consider the purchase of it. All of the County Councilors are in favor of buying.

And thus the meeting ended. The matter will be brought up at the next Council meeting.

### Why the Mexicans Call Us Gringos

In the southwest, especially along the Mexican border, Mexicans are vulgarly called "gringos" by the American cowboys and ranchers. The Mexicans have retailed by contemptuously referring to the Americans as "gringos," unconsciously that they are using a word of American origin first applied to themselves.

During the Mexican war the army of Santa Anna was composed mostly of Indian peons who could neither shoot, drill nor fight. To distinguish these ignorant recruits from the trained regulars the Americans called them "greenies," and the Mexicans, with their Latin pronunciation, converted it into first "greenies," then "gringos." Later they applied it to those from whom they had first heard it, thinking it meant something especially bad.

### Gunpowder Bags.

It is possible to weave a very attractive fabric—as regards appearance, at least—out of ordinary gunpowder. The cloth looks very much like silk and when ignited instantly disappears without leaving a trace behind.

The fabric is used for making bags to hold gunpowder, which in this shape are loaded into big guns. When the bags are of canvas, as is customary, they are not consumed by the explosion, and what remains of them after firing has to be removed from the powder chamber of the weapon. But if gunpowder bags be substituted for canvas the sack actually becomes part of the explosive charge, and no trace of it is left after the shot has sped.

### Sound Enjoyment.

The spirit of modern life is to plunge into experiences vigorously and get the most from them. This was the spirit that animated the man who preferred tough beefsteak because there was more "chew to it." Similarly virile was the attitude of Mr. Skillings, who had come to town to order a new family carriage.

"Now, I suppose you want rubber tires?" said the agent.

"No, sir," replied Mr. Skillings. "My folks ain't that kind. When we're ridin' we want to know it."

### Beginning Young.

The feminine instinct begins young. The little girl who wore her new cloak for the first time in an east wind was not thinking of the east wind. Her mother, however, was, and she suggested that people who allowed their cloaks to blow over their heads sometimes caught cold. "Oh, no, mother," observed her daughter complacently. "You don't catch cold when it's such a pretty thing!"

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### THE STAGE

"All the world's a stage  
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#### ANNOUNCEMENTS.

At the Chatham Grand:—  
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#### AT THE GRAND TO-NIGHT!

Mr. Harry Blakemore and a Company of Comedy Players will appear at the Grand Opera House to-night in the big, jolly, military comedy success, "Hello, Bill!" by Willis Maxwell Goodhue. The play is presented under the personal direction of the author, who makes no apology for his efforts, believing that many another poor, luckless wight placed in Mr. Fuller's position, would have done exactly as he did.



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"Hello, Bill!" will be produced under the stage direction of Mr. Macomber, the following being the cast of characters:—

Mr. William Fuller—Harry Blakemore.

Gen. William Fuller—Geo. Macomber.

Two men there were, and both named Bill.

And each did work the other ill.

Christopher Cutting, who fixes things—J. Francis Trader.

Ned Hemingway, who loves Dorothy—Eugene Shakespeare.

Dr. Elsie—P. Hastings, who just came over—Wm. H. Woodside.

Zack Phelps, who represents the law—Robt. Watt.

Mary, who answers the bell—Marion Kirby.

Harriet Sterling, who blew in from the West—Margaret Sykes.

Dorothy Dare, who loves Ned—Gertrude Raymore.

Matilda, who thinks she is the only Mrs. Fuller—Lena Lorraine.

Isabella Dare, who, while now the relic of Thomas Dare, deceased, has every expectation of being the wife of her own "Bill"—Carolyn McLean.

Regard Erysipelas as a dangerous disease. Anoint the swollen, itching skin with Weaver's Cerate, reduced with hard, sweet oil if it smartens sharply. Take Weaver's Syrup.

#### Stood by the Reporter.

The late George W. Childs, the proprietor of the Philadelphia Ledger, was a man who supported his subordinates when they were in the right. During a bitter congressional campaign one of the candidates called upon Mr. Childs and said:

"Mr. Childs, I have always considered you my friend. Am I right in that assumption?"

"Yes," said Mr. Childs in his quiet way, wondering what was coming.

"Well, I come to complain about your political reporter. His reports of my campaign have done me much damage."

"Understand," said Mr. Childs, "that our reporter has been putting your own speeches, is that true?"

"Yes," was the hesitating reply.

"Then," said the publisher, "you are the guilty man. You are killing your own candidacy, and the Ledger is simply giving a faithful picture of the performance. Blame yourself and not the Ledger reporter."

And that was all the satisfaction this influential politician could get from the publisher.

#### Why Cut Apples Turn Color.

The rapid change of color in cut apples is due to chemical action on the exposed surface of the apple after the free admission of oxygen and not, as was once supposed, to the presence of micro-organisms, for if apple pulp is sterilized and altered the same thing happens. The juice of an apple not only contains water, sugar and various acids, but a starch which ferments when exposed to the air.

Lindet holds that the fermenting matter and the acids also are in different cells in the uncut apple, but are brought into contact as soon as it is cut. This is, however, not to the point, as the fermenting matter can only attack the aromatic body in the presence of oxygen. So long as the skin of the apple is whole no change can take place, but immediately this is wounded the oxygen begins its work, carbon dioxide is evolved, and the reddish brown appearance sets in, especially on unripe fruit.

### Passing of Great Parliamentarian

After a political career embracing more than forty years, Sir William Vernon Harcourt, it is about to relinquish his seat in the British House of Commons, and retire into private life. Sir William is nearly 77 years old, an age at which even politicians begin to wear out, and that he is choosing the part of wisdom in planning to devote the remaining years of his life more fully to those intellectual pleasures which have been such a solace and delight to him cannot be disputed. The wonder is that he has clung for so long to his seat. Politics in the past ten years must have been gall and wormwood to him. Ever since Lord Rosebery, instead of Sir William Vernon Harcourt, was made the leader of the Liberal party in 1894, the must have felt that "the world was out of joint." Still he remained in politics, gradually fading into the background and absenting himself more and more from the House, even on those occasions when his party needed so much his great abilities. It had been better for his own fame if he had resigned ten years ago, at the moment when his ancient friend and enemy triumphed over him. He had done so the Liberals to-day might be calling for him to emulate Cicinnatus, and lead them on to victory. Now, as he prepares to bid farewell to the scene of his many triumphs and his few defeats, he neither accuses regret nor stirs affectionate memories. Thus passes a notable English politician.

#### HIS ONE GREAT DEED.

It is safe to say of Sir William Vernon Harcourt that rarely has a man of such fine qualities withdrawn from the hurly-burly of public life, leaving behind him so few lasting monuments. To the question "What has he done for the Empire, or for England?" his eulogists will be puzzled to return an answer. This great jurist, this eminent financier, this ripe scholar, this thorough controversialist, this eloquent debater, leaves behind him, in the Finance Act, the record of his single great deed. While Chancellor of the Exchequer in 1894 he equalized the death duties on real and personal property. The budget of this year is said to have been the most socialistic ever presented to the British House, and it was prepared by one of the most uncompromising aristocrats who ever spoke in that chamber, by a Minister whose descent from the Plantagenets is direct and unswerving. How ever Sir William came to do this golden deed must remain a mystery to those who study his long career. It is significant that it was by his one inconsistency that he is celebrated among law makers.

#### SACRIFICES FOR HARCOURT.

The son of a Canon of York, the grandson of an Archbishop of York, William George Grenville Venables Vernon Harcourt was born on Oct. 14, 1827. He was educated at Trinity College, Cambridge, whence he graduated with honors in 1851. Three years later he was called to the bar, and for several years travelled the circuit. While a fledgling lawyer his political career may be said to have begun. In 1858 he came to head prematurely, and he was defeated in an election. In 1866 he was made a Queen's Counsel, and was everywhere acknowledged to be one of the most brilliant of legal practitioners. Two years after his election he had been conferred on him he contested the riding of Oxford, and was successful. In 1869 Mr. Harcourt was appointed professor of international law at Cambridge, and in 1873 came to the knighthood with the position of Solicitor-General in Mr. Gladstone's first Administration. In 1880 he was made Home Secretary, but on going back to his constituency for re-election was defeated. Thereupon the patriotic Mr. Parnell resigned from his Derby constituency, and handed over his seat to Sir William. A similar disconcerting experience was his in 1895, when he was beaten in the Midland county because of supporting the Vote Bill. Then it was Mr. Womington, M. P. for Monmouth, who politely stood up, and ever since Sir William Vernon Harcourt has represented Monmouth.

#### AN UNSURPASSED DEBATER.

Year-books tell little more about the veteran politician than is contained in the preceding paragraph. He was twice married, his first wife being a daughter of John Lubbock, the distinguished American Ambassador and historian. This marriage may account for the fact that Sir William is popular with the people of the United States, but it does not explain why he is not popular with the people of England. For one thing, he is not an approachable man. No one would dream of approaching him in the back. His manner forbids familiarity and his biting humor reinforces his high-headed, austere demeanor. For good reason was he dreaded in debate. His only living equal on the floor of the House is said to be Mr. Chamberlain, and if Mr. Chamberlain's attack is as disconcerting, if his defense is equally adroit, his manner is hobbled compared with the Sir William Vernon Harcourt's. In the past generation of Parliamentary debaters his only peers were Disraeli and Gladstone, and it may be doubted if either of them surpassed him. He was not their inferior in any of the qualities which make a man a power in the House, but because a large number of Englishmen believed in Disraeli, idolized Gladstone, and refused to take Harcourt seriously, he never rose to the pinnacle to which both his illustrious colleagues attained.

#### DEFEATED BY ROSEBERY.

Ten years ago the newspapers were full of prophecies that Sir William Vernon Harcourt was to succeed Mr. Gladstone as Premier and leader of the Liberal party, but Lord Rose-

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berry was called, and Sir William had to be content with the House leadership. Rosebery had been Under-Secretary when he was Secretary of State, and a warm personal friendship had existed between them, but Rosebery abandoned Gladstone and Harcourt clung to his chief, and so a coolness arose. This developed into enmity, and Rosebery's friends said that Sir William was not a loyal lieutenant to his leader. Neither was he free from suspicion of coquetting with Disraeli soon after Gladstone had given him his first Cabinet position, but he learned early the lesson that the Grand Old Man would not tolerate maneuvering of this sort. Therefore, when the occasion offered he was ready to drown Morley's voice in praise of Gladstone. But even his partisanship has not availed, and so Sir William turns his broad back on friend and foe alike, leaving to lesser men the prizes which he failed to win.

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