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January Sale Prices

FOR TO-NIGHT AND MONDAY

EXTRAORDINARY VALUE
IN SERGE DRESS GOODS.

40 in. wide, all pure wool, extra heavy weight and fine bright finish in shades of light and dark navy, marine, cardinal, crimson and black, regular value 35c. a yard, January Sale price is **25c**

LADIES' JACKETS

You will find prices cut away down in our Jacket section. Every coat must be sold this month. No consideration is paid to actual value or to cost.

42 in. long, Ladies' Jackets, made of fine Kersey Cloth, lined throughout, semi-fitting, in colors black and fawn, regular price \$15.00, on sale to-night and Monday for **\$10.50**

34 in. long, Ladies' Black Astrachan Jackets, elegantly lined with satin, fine, even curl, glossy finish, regular price \$45.00, on sale for **\$40.00**

HANDKERCHIEFS

You will find in our stock many reduced lines of fine embroidered handkerchiefs, choice designs and good qualities.

Ladies' very fine cambric handkerchiefs, hemstitched, various widths, regular price 5c. each, on sale to-night and Monday at 7 for **25c.**

Children's colored picture handkerchiefs, good quality and attractive designs, special sale to-night and Monday at each **2c.**

SALE OF MUFFS AT HALF PRICE

Ladies' Fur Muffs made of Coney, Greenland seal and imitation stone martin, on sale to-night and Monday at half-price.

\$1.00 muffs for 50c.
\$2.50 muffs for \$1.25.
\$5.00 muffs for \$2.50.

LADIES' UNDERWEAR

Ladies' Winter weight merino undergarments, two thirds wool, one third cotton, unshrinkable, fine, soft finish, regular price 85c. each, on sale to-night and Monday for **50c.**

MEN'S UNDERWEAR

Men's winter weight fleece lined shirts and drawers, special value at regular price 50c. on sale to-night and Monday for **46c.**

Children's NIGHT GOWN

Children's night gowns made of good weight five striped shaker flannel, sizes, 10, 12, and 14 years, regular price \$1.00 each, on sale for **50c.**

RAILWAY EARNINGS.

ALL THE ROADS MADE MONEY DURING LAST YEAR.

WHAT THE GENERAL MANAGERS SAY ABOUT IT.

LABOR SITUATION THE MOST SERIOUS PROBLEM.

New York, Jan. 3.—The New York Post contains interviews with General Manager Hays of the G.T.R. and President Van Horn of the C.P.R. as to the railway outlook in Canada. Mr. Hays says: "The continued increase in our passenger earnings was the most encouraging result of the past year from a railroad point of view, for the reason that it reflects better than anything else, the continued prosperity of the community. We have been particularly pleased in this respect because of the fact that last year we had large increases during the summer and early fall months from the traffic produced by the Buffalo Exposition, and we were apprehensive this year would show a large decrease arising from the absence of such an attraction, but, on the contrary, our passenger earnings show an increase of \$332,256 from January 1 to November 30. There is no apparent reason for our not expecting that the movement of high-class traffic in the interior will continue as large the following year as has been the case in the year just closing. So long as this is the case, and the scarcity of equipment of all kinds continues, there certainly does not seem to be any reason why there should not be a maintenance of rates.

"The labor situation is, perhaps, as serious a feature as exists in connection with the railway business. Although nearly all roads have made two or three increases in the payment of the various classes of employees since business commenced to improve in 1897, there is still an inclination in some directions among the employees to make demands on us for even higher rates of pay, and this is in the face of the fact that the railway companies, while paying very much higher prices for fuel, and from 20 to 30 per cent. more for nearly all classes of material entering into the maintenance and operation of their properties, have been unable to secure proportionate advances in their rates, and have, therefore, reached the limit of their ability to increase wages without decreasing returns to the holders of their securities. The serious nature of these advances in wages is that while an increase in pay is promptly demanded upon the appearance of better earnings on the part of the companies, there is always great unwillingness on the part of the employees to consent to reductions in these rates of pay when the earnings show a lower scale, as it is not unlikely will be the case again in the future, and an attempt to make a proportionate reduction in rates of pay generally involves strikes and contentions with the employees.

"As near as can be ascertained, I think the deliveries of new equipment will be sufficient to keep pace with the increase in tonnage. Considering the fact that during the several years of depression the majority of roads made but little, if any, additions to their equipment, barely maintaining their original stock, and in some cases not even that, and that, therefore, the necessities for new equipment have been extraordinary, I do not think the increase in the total equipment of the railroads has been larger than will be permanent, except possibly in periods of severe depression.

"It is difficult to see in what directions additional economies in operation can be devised, for the reasons heretofore given.

"If the present ratio of net earnings is maintained, we shall feel that we have but little cause for complaint. Prosperous times always have a tendency to bring to the front new railway projects, but I think there is less and less disposition to encourage the paralleling of existing lines. Regarding the physical condition of the railways, I think that 1903 will see a continuation of what has been done, so far in the way of re-vamping grades, elimination of curves, etc.

Sir William C. Van Horne says: "In Canada everything points to a large increase both in outward and inward traffic next year up to midsummer; after that time, the crops will affect the question one way or the other to some extent, but the railways of Canada are becoming more and more independent of special crops, because of the large development of mining and other traffic. I do not anticipate any lower rates either in the United States or Canada for some time to come, for the cost of nearly everything affecting railway working has been largely increased within the past year or two, and it requires the utmost care and the exercise of every possible economy to maintain satisfactory net earnings with the present rates."

Roy Soper and William McCrae, two young men from Wallaceburg, drove to the city yesterday. Metropolitan life was a little too rapid for the young men and they weren't accustomed to such excellent liquid refreshments as are furnished in this great and busy centre. When they started home, they were unable to keep their seats in the rig. Soper fell out and seriously injured his head. Dr. Bechard dressed the wound and the two young men spent the night at the police station. They were permitted to return home this morning.

SOLD WIFE FOR \$2.

Windsor, Jan. 2.—Constable Patrick Delmore, of Anderson, tells the story Maurice Covillon, it is charged, sold his wife to his friend, William McQueen, for \$2. Covillon and McQueen are young men who work in the stone quarry near Amherstburg. Mrs. Covillon was perfectly satisfied, and went to McQueen's home. She is the daughter of a half-breed. In proof of his charge, the constable produces a document of which this is a copy: "This is to certify that M. Covillon has sold all right and title to his wife to William McQueen for the sum of \$2, and the said Covillon agrees to never molest McQueen in regard to possession of his wife in future, and to leave the couple to enjoy a peaceful life. (Signed) M. Covillon and W. McQueen." On the reverse are the names of two witnesses.

PROPOSE GIFT

Paris, Jan. 2.—A proposal has been made to present a piece of sculpture to President Roosevelt in recognition of his services to the cause of international arbitration. The idea to make this gift to the American president is an outgrowth of the Venezuelan affair and his attitude on that question.

The funds for the purpose probably will be raised by private subscription among European advocates of peace. It is proposed that the work be executed by a prominent French sculptor, or the committee possibly may invite designs from the sculptors of all nations party to The Hague peace court.

THE MAYORALTY

Two years ago Mr. William E. McKeough, with a legitimate ambition, endorsed by an experience and service in the aldermanic ranks, contested the mayoralty and suffered defeat by a small majority, after conducting a clean and gentlemanly campaign. Mr. McKeough took his defeat in the proper spirit, bowed to the will of the electors and busied himself just as heartily as a private citizen in the city's welfare.

On the day following the election The Planet voiced the verdict of the electors when it stated that the people of Chatham could not afford to lose the services of public men of his calibre, and requested Mr. McKeough to read the result, not as a mandate from the citizens to definitely step aside, but merely as a petition to wait.

When Mayor Sulman offered himself for re-election last January, Mr. McKeough did not seek the honor. Mr. Sulman had proved a good mayor, and, although the opportunity offered, Mr. McKeough preferred to enter the arena at the bottom of the lists again and work his way up.

The people heartily endorse his stand and elected him as an alderman with a magnificent majority at the head of the polls.

It was a clean, manly record, supplemented by zealous and upright endeavor while serving as public representative.

The endorsement of Mr. McKeough's course given at the polls last January was followed by a large and influential requisition from our citizens, asking him to become a candidate for the mayoralty this year, and pledging him their support.

Mr. McKeough acquiesced. He has conducted a clean, manly and honorable campaign.

The decision now rests with the people themselves.

SCHOOL BOARD VOTE

Ratepayer writes The Planet asking how the Public School Board vote stood on the sale of the Queen St. property. The Planet finds that Trustees Morley, Benson and Cornish voted against and Dr. Bray and Mr. Paxton were out of town.

SOUTH OXFORD APPEAL

Toronto, Jan. 2.—Judges Street and Britton this morning gave judgment on the application to settle the appeal book in the South Oxford election case. The appeal is taken by the petitioners (Liberals) on two charges on which the court disagree. The respondents seek to include evidence of the methods of collecting evidence employed by the petitioners. These judges hold that, having given their judgments, they have nothing further to do in the matter, and that the Court of Appeal must decide what evidence they wish to hear.

PEDRO SOCIAL

A good crowd attended the pedro social held in St. Joseph's Hall, last night. About 25 tables were kept in constant usage. Miss Eva Bass secured the ladies first prize and Ralph Ingalls the gentlemen's first. These prizes were quite costly, the ladies' being a large vase and the gentlemen's a silver mounted brush. Miss Violet Goodreau and Ed Woods got the booby prize, a tin horn and a rag doll.

The program was a good one. The farce "The Cool Heaver's Revenge," was decidedly funny.

Joseph Robert sang two songs and Emma Crump sang a solo. Miss Nellie Robby was the accompanist of the evening.

Mrs. and Miss LeFavour and Miss Kline, of Wallaceburg, were Chatham guests yesterday.

ONTARIO'S MEMBERS

A REDUCTION OF SIX IN THE REPRESENTATION.

REDISTRIBUTION UNDER THE NEW CENSUS.

HOW THE OTHER PROVINCES ARE AFFECTED.

Ottawa, Jan. 3.—In an official memorandum the Minister of Justice places on record his opinion as to the number of members to which each Province is entitled under the provisions of the B. N. A. act. Sections 51 and 52 of the act in question provide that after each decennial census the representation of Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia is to be carried out in accordance with the following rules: Quebec is to have the fixed number of 65 members. To each of the other Provinces is to be assigned such a number of members as will bear the same proportion to the number of its population as the number 65 bears to the number of the population of Quebec. In the computation of the number of members for a Province a fractional part not exceeding one-half of the whole number required for entitling the Province to a member is to be disregarded; but a fractional part exceeding one-half of that number is to be equivalent to the whole number. Paragraph 4 reads: "On any such readjustment the number of mem-

FATAL SHOOTING

Alexandria, La., Jan. 2.—About half of the town of Olla, La., on the St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern Railway, 40 miles north of this place, were destroyed by fire yesterday. During the excitement that followed Town Marshal Everett Smith was killed by unknown persons. About 6 o'clock, when the excitement over the fire was subsiding, Marshal Smith went to a saloon to order it closed, as the license had expired at midnight. Shortly after he entered shots were heard, and when outsiders rushed in they found Smith lying dead on the floor. He had been shot six times in the heart. Seven business houses were destroyed.

THE DEFENCE OF FEZ

PREPARATIONS TO REPEL ATTACKS OF REBELS.

Sultan May Renounce European Loans and Proclaim Holy War—Powers Send Warships.

Tangier, Morocco, Jan. 3.—Advice from Fez, under yesterday's date, have been received here. Guns were then being mounted on the walls for the defence of the city, but the rebels remained inactive. They have not sufficient supplies for expeditions at their headquarters. If the situation becomes more grave the Sultan will abandon the capital, return to Rabat and summon the border tribes to a holy war. The Sultan will then proclaim himself shereef and defender of Islam, renounce all European loans, and then at the head of new forces attempt to retake Fez.

The pretender has issued a proclamation that he is not fighting for the throne for himself, but for the Sultan's imprisoned brother, Muley Mohammed, surnamed the "One-eyed." It is now confirmed that the Sultan has ordered his brother's release, and that the honors of his rank be paid to him. The Governor at a recent conference with the Kabyle chiefs pointed out to them that they were responsible for the safety of the roads running through their territory. The Spanish sloop of war Infanta Isabel and the Portuguese cruiser Rienna have arrived here.

Paris, Jan. 3.—Telegrams received here from Oran, Algeria, announce that detachments of Zouaves (French troops) have been ordered to the Moorish frontier.

LA PATRIE'S REPLY.

Can Neither be Bought Nor Leased—Will Continue Present Policy.

Montreal, Jan. 2.—La Patrie to-night makes an energetic denial of the reports about the control of the paper, which, it says, is neither for sale nor to let. It will continue to demand efficient protection for our industries, our agriculture, our working classes, and insist upon developing the St. Lawrence route, so as to permit competition with American routes.

Fire and Murder.

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HIS WIFE A DRUNKARD.

SIR C. A. LAWSON OBTAINS SUMMONS AGAINST HER.

First Notable Case Under New English Licensing Act, Which Contains Stringent Regulations.

London, Jan. 3.—The first notable case under the new licensing act, which went into effect Thursday, came up in London Police Court yesterday, when Sir Charles Allen Lawson, the Anglo-Indian newspaper editor and writer, applied for a summons against Lady Lawson, whom he described as a habitual drunkard. The summons was granted. The new act enables either a husband or wife to secure a separation in the case of habitual drunkenness, and allows the police to arrest an inebriate anywhere, except in a private house, whether disorderly or not. After conviction drunkards are blacklisted for the space of three years. If they attempt to obtain drink during that period they are liable to a fine, while the publican supplying them is fined £50 for a first offence and £100 for a second offence. Imprisonment is provided for drunkenness while in charge of a child under seven years of age.

A Steamer in Distress.

Hamilton, Bermuda, Jan. 2.—The Dutch steamer Dordrecht, Captain Vesser, from Panama, December 23, for Bremen, has arrived here in distress. The cargo in her fore hold is on fire.

DAILY STEAMERS.

IMPROVED SERVICE ACROSS THE ATLANTIC.

PLANS OF THE MORGAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THEY SECURED CONTROL WITH THE NEW YEAR.

New York, Jan. 3.—The International Mercantile Marine Company, organized by J. Pierpont Morgan, and with Clement A. Griscom as its President and directing chief, took actual control, January 1, of the management of the various lines combined, says a press despatch from Philadelphia. One of the first moves of public importance, Mr. Griscom says, will be a re-arrangement of sailings, to give a fast passenger and mail steamship service from both sides of the Atlantic each day except Sunday. It may take a little time before this daily service can be inaugurated. When it is, it will be important to travellers and business men, as it will mean a regular foreign mail delivery with no break.

WHAT CASTRO WANTED.

OBJECTED TO ARBITRATION BY HAGUE TRIBUNAL.

He Thinks that the Venezuelan Dispute Should be Adjudged by an American Republic.

Washington, Jan. 3.—The condition which President Castro attached to his response to the allies arbitration proposal was in the nature of an alternative proposition. Almost from the beginning showing an aversion to The Hague tribunal. Castro, while accepting the principle of arbitration, asked that the case be tried by one of the American republics. As President Roosevelt already had declined to act in the capacity of arbitrator, and as some of the reasons which inspired him in his declination would apply with equal force to the chief executive of any other American State than the United States, he was obliged to withhold any endorsement of this proposition of President Castro. Therefore, it may be dismissed from the field of possibilities, and, unless Castro is unexpectedly insistent upon his own plan, the original proposition of reference to The Hague tribunal will carry.

FEWER FATALITIES IN 1902.

The Long Strike Saved Life in the Coal Mines.

Hazleton, Pa., Jan. 3.—The annual re-anthracite district, made public yesterday, shows that 24 fatal accidents occurred during 1902, leaving 13 widows and 36 orphans. In 1901 there were 60 fatal accidents. The long strike made the difference.

Death of Dr. A. Y. Scott.

Toronto, January 3.—Dr. Archibald Young In Scott, professor of chemistry and botany at the College of Pharmacy, died at 1:30 this morning at his home, 2 Lamport avenue. His death was due to heart trouble, which followed an attack of typhoid fever, which he suffered two years ago. Last Saturday while engaged in conducting a lecture, he was seized with a fainting spell. He was taken home, and from the first the doctors knew that he could not recover.

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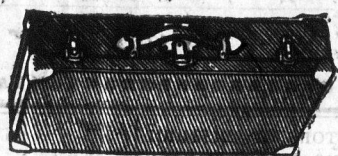
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Thomas Stone & Son.

A Chat..

About Trunks and Valises is the correct thing in a holiday conversation for a Xmas present. Speak of Trunks and Valises anywhere, and you are pretty sure to hear something about us—The Boston Shoe Store.



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For "Great" sales and rainbow reductions. Good trunks and valises are like good dollars or Gurd's oil gusher, they have their value. We won't keep anything but good up-to-date trunks, valises, etc., sales to FORGE trash are not in our lines.

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 3.

MONDAY'S VOTE.

Monday should be a civic Sabbath—a day devoted to and consecrated to the good of our city.

In selecting your civic representatives for the ensuing year, do so conscientiously. Vote as your conscience dictates; vote for the honest men, the upright men, the best men.

We ask no citizen to vote for any candidate because The Planet says so—or because anyone else says so. We trust that every voter will conscientiously cast the ballot in accordance with his or her own best judgment, and we do not fear the result. It will be a vote for the public weal and civic prosperity.

The Planet has heartily commended certain candidates to the electorate. It has done so without personal preference or prejudice, without fear or favor, sincerely and honestly, as it believed, was in the city's best interests. We ask you to consider the claims of these gentlemen, their qualifications, their record—and then vote honestly with yourselves.

This journal has sincerely advocated the choice of Mr. William E. McKeough as our next Mayor. It has done so because it believes that it is in the interests of the city and of our people that a man of his calibre should fill the executive chair; because it believes him to be a man of sterling integrity; because it believes him to be progressive, energetic, energetic and businesslike; because it has faith in his past unassailed record and because it believes the city will benefit to a much greater extent by his selection than that of this opponent.

These are strong reasons and they are the basis of this journal's attitude on the mayoralty contest.

The Planet closes the campaign with some satisfaction to itself. So far as this journal is concerned, it has been conducted fairly, sincerely and with the public welfare at heart. There have been no unpleasant personalities, no hitting below the belt, nothing to be ashamed of or sorry for—no matter what the result may be.

Unfortunately, The Planet has not been subjected to the same treatment. Because it has not hesitated to advocate what it believed would be to the best interests of our city and commended the candidature of Mr. McKeough, it has suffered the same series of unfair personalities and unpleasant innuendoes as have fallen to the lot of that gentleman.

This journal has not deemed any defence necessary—nor does it now. We prefer to leave the decision—as does, doubtless, Mr. McKeough—in the hands of our citizens themselves. If we have brought these harsh and bitter attacks justly upon ourselves, then we shall experience a condemnation which cannot be misunderstood. If, on the other hand, our course has appealed to the people as a right and proper one, as we have sought to make it, then all the defence imaginable would be mere waste of words. The Planet has, we hope, no necessity to supply itself with a certificate of character. It prefers to let its readers—the good people of Chatham—do that.

BLAKE'S DENUNCIATION.

Montreal Star.

Never was a more vigorous, whole-souled denunciation of electoral fraud and corruption than is contained in the scathing letter addressed by the Hon. S. H. Blake to Mr. J. J. Foy and which will be found in another column. In this communication Mr. Blake, a life-long Liberal, pledges his support to the Conservative party in the provincial by-elections on Jan. 7. He takes this step because he holds the Ontario Government and the leaders of the Liberal party directly responsible for the carnival of fraud and corruption which has disgraced the province.

WOMAN OR LADY—WHICH?

New York World.

Woman or lady? Is it the common or the lady? The Chicago committee on school management has substituted "woman" for "lady" in classifying the members of the board. On the same committee, the lady is a lady, and the woman is a woman. The contrary, this change is quite generally approved in public society. Yet the wives of the president's cabinet of the United States describe themselves as "ladies of the cabinet" in subscribing a

Salt Rheum

It may become chronic.

It may cover the body with large, inflamed, burning, itching, scaling patches and cause intense suffering. It has been known to last 20 years.

Do not delay treatment.

Thoroughly cleanse the system of the humors on which this ailment depends and prevent their return.

The medicine taken by Mrs. Ida E. Ward, of Point, Md., was Hood's Sarsaparilla. She writes: "I had a disagreeable itching on my arms which I concluded was salt rheum. I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla and in a few days felt better. It was not long before I was cured and I have never had any skin disease since."

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Promises to cure and keeps the skin healthy. It is positively unequalled for all cutaneous eruptions. Take it.

Christmas gift to Mrs. Roosevelt, who is also called "the first lady of the land."

DESIRABILITY OF STRONGER CARS.

Montreal Herald.

The only deduction possible after noting how the day car was smashed as though it were a matchbox is that the Pullmans are built for strength and adjusted upon their trucks in a way to dissipate the effects of shock and strain beyond what would have been thought possible. It probably had not occurred to most people who travel that there was so large an additional margin of safety to be found in the use of these cars.

THE FOLLIES OF RACE.

Montreal Witness.

It is the genius of Rudyard Kipling to be a voice to everything with which he comes in contact. The beasts of the jungle and even locomotives begin to converse as he approaches them. He is especially a voice to the passing whims of the English nation, and when that nation has a spasm of feeling of any kind he cannot choose but tell it, whether it is for good or harm. With what knowledge we have, we quite share the common sentiment that the British foreign office would have acted more wisely to avoid landing in a complex with Germany again, after the cheating game Germany played upon her under like conditions in China and at a time when Germany's demands were far greater and less dignified than those of Britain, and when Germany is not only the mailed fist partner, as before, but has the freer hand to make reprisals; at a time, too, when Germany could to her own thinking play no better card than to get Great Britain and its legions with the United States. Without, however, being free to approve the alliance, we do believe that one principle object of it was to soften the absolutely insane asperities which had arisen between the two peoples, at first almost exclusively on the side of the Germans.

A MIXED UP CASE.

Toronto Star.

It is an easy thing for an angry man to select either Despatcher Kerr, Agent Carson, of Watford, the operator at Kingscourt or the one at Wyoming, or brakeman Harkness as the person responsible for the "Wanted railway disaster. After selecting one of those persons it is easy to pile the blame on him. From the evidence so far produced a grievous mistake might be justified in blaming any one of the five. From the evidence it appears that Despatcher Kerr did not "bust" the order, but yet he wired certain remarks and inquiries, showing that he contemplated "busting" it, and from which Carson, at Watford thought it had been busted. Or, the angry survivor might throw the blame on Carson, at Watford, suspecting him of having heard something go over the wire about "busting" an order and taking it too readily for granted that the order was changed. Or, the survivor might select the Kingscourt man as deserving of some blame because he was not within call of his instrument, or did not answer it when the blame might be put on the Wyoming operator, who got orders to stop the train, signalled with his lantern, got an answer, but did not stop the train. Or it might be the brakeman who got the order to

Well Made.

Pure flour and pure yeast do not necessarily mean good bread. It may be spoiled in the making. Just so: material is not everything. Prof. W. Hodgson Ellis, Official Analyst for the Dominion Government, after a number of analyses, reports that "Sunlight Soap is a pure and well-made soap." "Well made" means more than you think. Try Sunlight Soap—Oatmeal Bar—next wash day, and you will enjoy the benefits of a "well-made" soap, and will see that Prof. Ellis is right. No one should know better than he.

The water is not sold that combines the purity, excellence and beneficial qualities of the

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We are left with many odd and broken lines in Clothing and Furnishings which we intend offering at special reduced prices to clear. Read the following list over carefully; remember you will get just what we advertise.

Fancy silk neck wraps, \$1.00 kinds for 69c.
Fancy silk wrap, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75 kinds for \$1.00.
Fancy embroidered suspenders, 75c, 90c kinds, for 59c.
Neckwear L—Flowing caps, puffs, four-in-hand ties, 50c kinds for 25c.
Large sizes in all-wool underwear, \$1.00 kinds for 75c, sizes 44 and 46c.
Men's all-wool suits, good linings and well worth \$7.50 for \$5.
41 Boys' three piece suits, all wool, \$3.75, \$4, \$4.25 kinds now \$3.
Men's and young men's beaver overcoats, \$7.00 values, black and blue, for \$5.00.
House and smoking coats at less than cost.

Visit Meynell's store. You will always get the best of everything for the least money.

Geo. Meynell.

stop, sent it down the car to the conductor, but did not repeat it or pay any heed to the running and shouting operator.

Local Briefs

Eat Richards' Bread.

Your vote and influence is respectfully solicited for W. H. Westman. I Desirable young man wanted to learn the drug business. Apply to J. W. McLaren, druggist.

Mrs. D. M. Martin spent yesterday in Detroit with her daughter, Miss Ron Martin.

The Holy Communion will be administered in Christ Church to-morrow morning at the 11 o'clock service.

The Dingman stock of Wall Paper will be placed on sale Monday morning, Jan. 5th, at 8 o'clock; everything at half price. The entire stock must be sold out in one week.

Miss Hattie Northwest, Head Street, pleasantly entertained last evening in honor of her guest, Miss Gladys Merton, Oshawa.

Those having comfortable rooms and wanting boarders should apply to the Canada Business College at once.

Miss Grace Scollick entertained friends on New Year's Eve in honor of her guest, Miss Minnie Dickson, of Detroit.

Don't you think it is time for a change, and economy, in the School Board. Dr. Russell, candidate, Ward No. 1.

W. Harold Smith, Toronto, will be at Wm. Gray & Sons carriage works on Saturday, January 10th, to purchase horses. The highest cash prices will be paid.

The Canada Business College will re-open on Monday, Jan. 5th. The college office is open daily for those who wish to get personal information regarding any of the courses. Cecil Boyer, son of Philip Boyer, proprietor of the Ridgeway Dominion, has accepted a position as stenographer in the offices of the Canada Furniture Co., Midland. Mr. Boyer is a particularly bright young man and should prove successful in his new field of labor.

Wall Paper from 20 per roll up, at the Dingman store. Sale commencing Monday, Jan. 5, and continues one week.

There was an oversight in copying the names of the successful Model school students: the name of Mr. Grant Nablo was omitted. Mr. Nablo not only passed successfully, but was one of the best students and most promising teachers in the class and will undoubtedly make a successful teacher.

A child's white scarf was lost on King street on Wednesday last, and reward will be paid to the person returning it to Westman Bros. 2t.

The funeral of the late Nicholas Dumas took place on Friday from the residence of his brother, Francis Dumas, River Road, Dover, and was largely attended. The deceased came to this city from Blenheim some years ago and opened a livery stable and afterwards resided in Wallaceburg, where he was engaged in the agricultural implement business. In later years he opened a general store in Michigan, but ill health compelled him to abandon the business and he moved to this city six months ago and resided with his brother up to the time of his death. His widow and one son, Albert, who is carrying on a successful business at Chatham, Mich., survive him.

VISITS RELATIVES.

Mr. P. B. Perlo, Bedford, Ky., was a hurried holiday visitor among his cousins, the P. Perlos, up the lake shore for a few days during the Christmas season last week. It is forty years within a few weeks, since the gentleman visited these parts before. He then established a link that had long been lost to the P. Perlos in this district, as to the whereabouts of Mr. P. B.'s father, who had left Canada in the early days, and yielded to the inconveniences of working, as was to common in the pioneer days. The families have since then been cognizant of one another, and the visit of four decades ago, has borne the fruit of many pleasant interchanges and visits among the various sections of the P. Perlos here, and those of Kentucky.

BIBLE SOCIETY WORK

Toronto, Jan. 3.—An important step in connection with Bible Society work in Canada was taken here yesterday, when a joint committee, representing the Montreal Bible Society and the Upper Canada Bible Society, met and decided to invite all the auxiliary societies in Canada and Newfoundland to hold a celebration of the centenary of the founding of the British and Foreign Bible Society in March, 1904. A prominent feature of the celebration will be the observance throughout the whole British Empire of March 6th, 1904, as Bible Society Sunday, the raising of a special centenary fund, the establishment of a Bible society journal and possibly the federation of the existing auxiliaries into National Canadian Bible Society, in affiliation with the parent society. A joint invitation to all the auxiliaries of North America is now being issued for a conference in Montreal on Thursday, Feb. 19th, to mature plans for this celebration, in which all Christian denominations will be invited to participate. This movement has already taken hold on the British public and throughout the colonies, and the celebration in Canada is confidently expected to be heartily taken up. The very influential deputations will visit Canada next autumn to give addresses in the principal cities. During their visit it is probable that a general convention will be held in some central location, one of the interesting features of which will be an exhibition of some rare early editions of the Bible.

The Critical Time of Life

Is between the years of fifty-seven and sixty-two. Nature's power slows down, vitality becomes less, and the progress of decay sets in. A means of extending old age and renewing vigor is to take Ferrozone after meals. Ferrozone keeps up the appetite, and in the formation of red, vitalizing blood, imparts clearness to the tiring brain, force, energy and spirits just when they are needed most. To take Ferrozone regularly means adding from ten to twenty years to life. Large boxes 50c., or 6 boxes for \$2.50, at Druggists, or Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont.

Dr. Hamilton's Pills are Certain.

NOTICE

The general annual meeting of the shareholders of The Chatham Binder & Sewing Company, Limited, will be held in the Auditorium of the Oldfelds Building in the city of Chatham, on Thursday, the 15th day of January, 1903, commencing at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purposes following:

- 1.—Receiving and dealing with the report of the Directors for the past year.
- 2.—The election of Directors for the ensuing year.
- 3.—To confirm, amend or alter a by-law repealing the company's by-law for limiting preference stock to the amount of \$30,000 at 5 per cent, and fixing the amount at \$45,000 with interest at 7 per cent.
- 4.—To confirm, amend or alter a by-law repealing clause 12 of the company's general by-law of the 11th January, 1902, and increasing the number of shares of stock to be held by one person.
- 5.—To confirm, amend or alter a by-law repealing the company's by-law for borrowing \$15,000 on mortgage security, and providing for the borrowing of \$25,000 and to issue bonds, debentures or other securities of the company and pledge or sell the same for such sums and at such prices as may be deemed expedient or necessary, and to hypothecate, mortgage or pledge all or any of the real or personal property, rights and powers of the company and pledge or sell any such bonds, debentures or other securities, and any indebtedness or sum or sums so borrowed for the purposes of the company.
- 6.—For the transaction of any other business relating to the company's affairs of the management thereof.

J. J. ROSS, Secretary-Treasurer.

Chatham, Ont., Jan. 1, 1903.

Radley's Cough Cure
25c per Bottle
Is the best preparation on the market for Coughs and Colds.

SANTAL-MIDY
Standard remedy for Gleet, Gonorrhea and Runnings in 48 hours. Cures Kidney and Bladder Troubles.

Gibson's Studio
Has been removed over A. I. McCall's Drug Store, Cor. King and 5th Streets. Entrance King Street.

The Northway Co., Ltd.

The Busy Cash Store

The Northway Co., Ltd.

JANUARY Clearing Sale in all BARGAINS Stocks.....

At this time of the year we go over stock, and should it not be found so already, we put prices on all that need it that will bring it down to the required amount considered best for the time and season. Where there is so much heavy buying as we do there must naturally be an overplus, and it has to go. Every department must be trim and clean at the end of the season—hence the remarkably low prices which now prevail. These are opportunities that hundreds of thrifty cash buyers will gladly welcome, and reap a rich reward in so doing. Come Saturday for these goods.

EXTRAORDINARY DRESS GOODS

SELLING—

42 in. All Wool Black Serge, fine twill, smooth finish, special per yard 17c.

42 in. Plain Black Mohair, rich, silky finish, best dye, regular 35c. to 40c. yard, special at 17c.

42 in. Heavy Habt Suiting in dark, plain colors, regular 25c., special at 17c.

44 in. Black French Mattalase, rich quality and finish, regular 85c. a yard, special at 25c.

44 in. Black Mohairs, bright, silky finish in choice, small designs, regular 25c, 35c and 40c, special at 17c.

42 in. Plain Black Mohair Lustre, brilliant silky finish, best dye, regular 40c. yard, special at 17c.

Blankets—Superior quality pure wool blankets, full size, lofty finish, selling special at the pair \$3.00, \$3.50, 4.00 and 4.50.

Flannellette Blankets, largest size, heavy, soft, fleecy finish, in grey or pure white with fancy ends, special a pair 95c.

Ladies' and Children's Coats at sacrifice prices.

Ladies' All Wool Frieze Coats, 27 in. long, semi-fitted back, colors black and fawn, clearing at \$3.68.

Ladies' Coats, Fine Beaver and Frieze Cloth, smart, up-to-date styles, half-fitted backs, coat collar latest sleeve with large cuff, colors black, grey and fawn, regular value \$7.00, clearing at \$4.89.

Stylish Coats, medium and long lengths, latest cut, lined and unlined, colors black, grey and fawn, regular value up to \$8.50, clearing at \$5.90.

\$8.50, \$9.00 and \$10.00 Coats, all this season's latest style, clearing at \$6.90 and

Fine Kersey and Beaver Coats, medium and long lengths, some silk lined, regular \$12.50 to \$15.00, clearing at \$7.90.

Children's and Misses' Coats, regular \$6.50 to \$7.50 coats, clearing at \$4.90.

Regular \$5.00 and \$6.00 Coats, clearing at \$4.50 and \$3.89.

Regular \$4.00 and \$4.50 coats, clearing 3.48 and \$2.89.

Regular \$2.50 and \$3.00 coats, clearing at \$1.98.

ALL FURS clearing at Special Prices.

50 inch heavy all wool homespun suitings, in mid grey and brown shades, excellent quality, regular 85c and 90c yard, special at 49c.

1 piece heavy navy cheviot suiting, firm weave, 54 inches wide, regular

75c yard, special at 49c.

Black French cheviot, made from fine pure wools, medium and heavy weights, best dye and finish, guaranteed wear—52 to 54 inches wide, clearing at \$1.00, 85c and 75c.

Extra heavy grey frieze, fine pure wool, mid Oxford shade, 56 inches wide, suitable for coat or unlined skirt, our special \$1.00 yard quality, now at 85c.

Great millinery bargains—See window—5 dozen ladies' ready-to-wear hats, fashionable styles and colors, all this season's importations, regular price up to \$2.50 each, clearing at 85c.

1500 yards heavy stripe flannellette, 32 inches wide, choice patterns and colorings, regular 8c and 9c yard, Saturday only 6c.

Wrappettes in choice patterns, fast colors, suitable for waist or wrapper, regular 12 1/2c and 15c yard, clearing at 10c and 8c.

50c undershirts at 39c—3 dozen only men's heavy all wool undershirts, double breasted, flesh color only, the best 50c quality, clearing at 39c.

10 dozen men's heavy all wool socks, dark grey, mixed colors, elastic tops, seamless feet, special a pair 12 1/2c.

Blankets—Extra large size, fine soft wool blankets, heavy weight pure lofty finish, regular value \$3.00 a pair, special at \$2.50.

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To the Electorate of --- 1903

You will need clothes and good clothes and will want to save your money. By coming to us we will attend to all. If you visit our store we will convince you that we have the largest assortment by far of Imported Worsted, Scotch, Irish and English Tweeds and Overcoats, also the largest stock of Canadian goods to choose your Fall or Winter outfit from, of any tailoring establishment in the West.

Give us a trial. Our prices are right and we have nothing but skilled workmen. We guarantee our work to be perfect. Also see our ready-made pants at \$1.50 and \$2.00, the best in the land.

TO THE LADIES.....

By visiting us we can show you the very latest Dress Goods, from the finest to the coarsest also see our caps and mantle cloths, steamer rugs, hannels, yarns etc. We are offering special inducements in Blankets this season. When in want give us a call and you will not regret it.

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

ELECTION CARDS

TO THE ELECTORS OF RALEIGH

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for the Council for 1903, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence. If elected I promise to give the business the closest attention it requires. Wishing you a happy New Year, I remain, Your obedient servant, W. H. IRWIN.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for the office of commissioner for your division and trust that my actions in the council in the past has met with your approval. Therefore I respectfully ask your vote and influence on election day, and if elected will do my utmost to further the best interests of the County. Wishing you the compliments of the season, I remain, Yours, JAMES CHINNICK.

TO THE ELECTORS OF RALEIGH

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for the Reeve-ship for the ensuing year and respectfully solicit your vote and influence, and I trust my action during the past year in the Council has met with your entire approval. If elected I promise to serve the Township's best interests. Wishing you a happy New Year, I am, Yours truly, A. J. DOISEN.

TO THE ELECTORS OF DISTRICT NO. 3.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

At the request of a large number of ratepayers, I have entered the contest for commissioner, and if my past service in municipal work has met with your approval I would solicit your vote and influence. Wishing all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, I am, Yours truly, THOS. HAYS.

TO THE ELECTORS OF DISTRICT NO. 3.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I have been requested to again offer myself as a candidate for commissioner in this district. If my past record in the Council has met with your approval I would solicit your vote and influence. I will endeavor to serve and fight for the rights of our district. Wishing all the compliments of the season, I am, Yours respectfully, ARTHUR STEWART.

TO THE ELECTORS OF RALEIGH AND DOVER

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for County Councillor in your division, and as it is impossible for me to call on every one, I take this means to reach you and ask you for your vote and influence. If elected will look after your interests to the best of my ability. Wishing you a happy and prosperous new year, I am, Yours very truly, S. L. WELLWOOD.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF DOVER

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for the office of councillor for the Township of Dover, for the year 1903. Therefore, I respectfully ask your vote and influence on election day, and if elected, will do my utmost to further the best interests of the township. Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and hoping you may see many of them, I remain, Yours truly, GEORGE KING.

MONEY TO LOAN.

MONEY TO LOAN—On Land Security, at from 4 1/2 to 5 per cent., on borrower's own terms of payment. Apply to J. G. Kerr, barrister, Office, Fifth St., Chatham.

Minard's Liniment the best Hair Restorer.

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We publish simple, straight testimonials, not press agent's interviews, from well known people.

From all over America they testify to the merits of MINARD'S LINIMENT, the best of Household Remedies.

C. C. Richards & Co.

AUCTION SALE

Farm Stock and Implements on Lot 7, Con. 3, Harwich, on Thursday, January 8th, 1903, commencing at 10 o'clock a.m.

1 good brood mare; 2 good work horses; 1 driving horse; 3 cows in calf; 3 farrow cows; 8 heifers coming 3 years old; 6 steers 3 years old; 4 spring calves; 18 sheep; 150 chickens; 1 Massey-Harris binder; 1 Deering corn binder; 1 Champion drill; 1 play ball corn planter; 1 hay rake; 1 new American cultivator and bean cutter; 1 Dale roller; 2 walking harrows; 1 Campbell fanning mill; 2 set bob sleighs; 1 hay rack; 1 wood rack; 1 Chatham wagon and box; 1 platform wagon and box; 1 phaeton; 1 road cart; 1 iron kettle; about 25 tons of first class timothy hay; 23 acres of corn in shock; 1 Bell organ, nearly new. Quantity of household furniture and a number of other articles too numerous to mention. All the above stock is in good condition, and the machinery is nearly new. Everything must be sold without reserve as the proprietor is going west. Accommodation provided. Lunch at noon.

TERMS—All sums of \$10 and under, cash; over that amount, 10 months credit will be given on furnishing approved joint notes. A discount of 7 per cent. per annum will be given for cash on all sums entitled to credit.

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There is no longer any need for men to suffer from lost vitality, backache, kidney troubles, nervous debility, etc., etc., as they can be cured at home by a simple remedy which any man can use. Send your name and address to Dr. J. E. Rogers, 1701 Medical Co., 1111 Bull Bldg., Detroit, Mich., U.S.A. and they will send you the Do-It-Yourself full prescription free of charge or for a small fee for a quick and lasting cure.

The following taken from their daily mail, shows what men say who have taken advantage of this remedy:

"Dear Sirs:—Please accept my sincere thanks for your recent letter. I have given your treatment a thorough trial and the benefit has been extraordinary. I have completely renewed me up and you cannot realize how happy I am."

"Dear Sirs:—Your method worked beautifully. Results were exactly what I needed."

"Dear Sirs:—You are a great man and I had no trouble in making use of the remedy as directed, and I feel that it is a boon to men."

"Don't mind wondering how they can afford to do this, but send me the offer if genuine, and the prescription will be sent by return mail in a perfect box. I will send you a few lines just as stated. Write to me, and soon you'll be happy."

WABASH

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS

HOLIDAY RATES

GENERAL PUBLIC—At lowest one way first class fare, Dec. 24th and 25th, good returning Dec. 26th, 1902, and also on Dec. 31st, 1902, and Jan. 1st, 1903; tickets good returning from destination not later than Jan. 2nd, 1903.

At lowest one way first class fare and a third, Dec. 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 25th, 1902, good returning from destination not later than Jan. 2nd, 1903, also on Dec. 29th, 30th, 31st, 1902, and Jan. 1st, 1903, good returning from destination not later than Jan. 5th, 1903.

TEACHERS AND STUDENTS—On surrender of certificate signed by Principal, at lowest one way first class fare and a third, Dec. 6th to 31st, 1902 inclusive, tickets good returning from destination not later than Jan. 19th.

Between all stations in Canada on the Buffalo Division, and to Detroit, Suspension Bridge and Buffalo.

Full particulars from any Wabash agent, or J. A. Richardson, District Passenger Agent, northeast corner King & Yonge streets, Toronto, and St. Thomas, Ont.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM

"THE EASTERN FLYER"

Leaves CHATHAM at 5:08 p.m., daily.

Arrives Toronto at 9:30 p.m. daily.

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Carries through coaches and Cafe Parlor Car to Toronto, and Pullman Sleeping Car to Montreal, connecting with Parlor Car to Portland.

Winter Resorts.

CALIFORNIA, HOT SPRINGS, NEW ORLEANS, "THE CAROLINAS" FLORIDA.

Round trip tourist tickets good for nine months, now on sale, giving choice of routes and stop-over privileges at principal points.

Spendid service, fast trains, comfortable up-to-date equipment.

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WHAT IT IS.

A Canadian Pacific Tourist Car is similar in general appointments to this Company's palace sleepers. It is large, airy, perfectly ventilated, handsomely finished and upholstered.

Portable section partitions, which firmly lock in place at night, make an open interior with no obstructing berth supports by day, and insure perfect seclusion to each berth by night.

Any Canadian Pacific agent will gladly give you further particulars and secure you accommodation in one of these cars.

A. H. NOTMAN, Asst. Gen. Pass. Agent, King St. East, Toronto.

W. H. HARPER, City Pass. Agent.

REMOVED.

S. B. ARNOLD has removed his Law Office a few doors North on Fifth Street, and is now second door from King Street.

SACHEL

—OF THE—

SATELLITE

Will your New Year's resolutions make you rich?

Remember the second name on the mayoralty ballot.

"On Monday it will be a case of 'no crosses, no vote.'"

Vote for W. E. McKeeough and live happy ever afterwards.

The Scotchmen and the Frenchmen always celebrate New Year's. I wonder if they have recovered yet.

I guess the Home of the Friendless was a good place to send that rail wood. It seems to have no friends.

Vote for the man who pays the heaviest taxes. He is as much interested in a low rate as you are.

Last year there were fourteen good men and true who sought aldermanic honors. This year there are fifteen.

With the gambler it's a case of make or break, but with the new year resolve man it's a case of make and break.

The fact that a candidate has his card in the Planet is a pretty sure sign that he is worthy of your consideration.

Don't forget that no parade can be successfully conducted without a good Marshall and that the City Council needs theirs.

How would it do to elect the water commissioners to be the Waste City Council? They could have run that wood yard, for instance, without a deficit.

Consistency is a jewel, that's why it wouldn't be advisable to elect to the mayor's chair an alderman who supports two opposite motions at the same meeting.

This year fifteen aldermanic candidates consider that they have the right property qualifications; what do the electors think of their other qualifications?

Who said there was no heat in that rail wood from the city wood pile? Didn't it make the ladies who so successfully manage the Home of the Friendless warm.

Take care of the pennies and the dollars take care of themselves. Let the citizens take care of the aldermen and W. E. McKeeough will take care of the city.

While not upholding politics, I would caution the good city woodyard to see that too many of the Grit ring didn't get into the council. Taylor, Marshall and Robinson are three aldermen worthy of consideration.

Will somebody kindly tell me why Ald. Cowan got this city woodyard to see that the financial report showing a deficit of \$8 was presented to the council, and why wasn't the total deficit shown in that financial report.

LETTER BOX

FREE WATER AND FIXED ASSESSMENT.

To the Editor of The Planet:

Dear Sir:—A letter from Citizen on the above subject appeared in your daily issue of the 20th of December last, in which I considered his grounds well taken and the subject matter well advised. Among other statements, he said our waterworks were not self-supporting. In the Chatham Daily News (formerly Chatham Banner) of the 26th Dec. last we were told by the editor that the waterworks footed up a clear profit in the last four years of \$21,084.00, and that the statement made by Citizen was wild, ill advised, and could only go to stamp the writer as a modern Rip Van Winkle.

Such contradictory statements in public print somewhat aroused my curiosity and being a lover of fair play (please allow me to explain here Mr. Editor, that this remark has no reference whatever to the journal of that name published here) I thought I would ascertain the truth of the matter and called upon the city treasurer, who very kindly went carefully through his books for me, and the following is his statement:

Our city has incurred a liability in issuing waterworks debentures amounting to \$175,000, upon which we have to pay \$10,120 every year, for this, and we get in return from the Water Commissioners:

171 hydrants, amounting to \$51,300.00

Water for street sprinkling..... 250.00

Water for flushing sewers..... 68.00

Water for market fountain..... 25.00

Water for fire department..... 10.00

Water for Chatham Mill Co..... 15.00

Water for Drader's Mill..... 10.00

Expenses including interest on debentures..... 10.00

In all..... \$5518.00

By this statement we see that the city treasury has to put up every year to support the waterworks \$5,518.00 for which the city gets no return.

Where the editor of the News got



Family cares and duties do not weigh down the well woman, and the children are never in her way. But when the womanly health fails, and there is a constant struggle with weakness and pain, household duties are a burden almost past bearing, and children are a ceaseless annoyance and worry.

Weak women are made strong and sick women are made well by the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It establishes regularity, dries disagreeable drains, heals inflammation and ulceration and cures female weakness.

Sick women are invited to consult Dr. Pierce by letter free. All correspondence strictly private and sacredly confidential. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

"I had been some time troubled with female weakness," writes Mrs. Wm. H. Johnson of Avondale, Chester Co., Pa. "Every month I would have to lie on my back. I tried many different medicines and nothing gave me relief until I began Dr. Pierce's medicines. These medicines have cured me. When I began your treatment I was not able to do very much, but now I do the work for my family of nine, and feel better today than I have for a year. I thank you, Doctor, from the bottom of my heart for well do I know that you are the one who cured me."

"Favorite Prescription" has the testimony of thousands of women to its complete cure of womanly diseases. Do not accept an unknown and unproved substitute in its place.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are the best laxative.

his information is hard to imagine, I do not think he would knowingly and wilfully make such statements; we can therefore only attribute it to the long dream of his twenty years' sleep.

As to the management of the waterworks no one finds fault, the proof of the commissioners being wisely chosen is manifest in their being returned this year by acclamation.

No doubt but the waterworks in time will become a valuable asset to the city, still I think all must admit that any line of business that has to draw every year from outside sources, is not self-supporting; no matter what it might come to in the long future.

Thanking you, Mr. Editor, I remain,

RATEPAYER.

SCHOOL BOARD VOTE.

Editor Planet:

A piece was published in your paper on July 3rd, 1902, pertaining to school trustee election in No. 2 Ward, and I think Mr. Paxton's position should be before the ratepayers, and I would like to see it inserted, followed by the following copied from The Planet of July 3rd, 1902:

"I see the council are blaming the high rate for this year on the School Board," said School Trustee Paxton to The Planet this morning. "It looks very much to me as if they were trying to blame someone else for their misdeeds. What have they done during the last year? Nothing that I can see except raising the rate. You can't say that of the School Board. The council themselves are kicking because their own men do not do their work."

"The School Board were rich 20 years ago, but they are not now. You must remember we have built a new school since then."

"They talk about the sale of the Queen street property. If I had been up at that meeting of the Board when it was decided to sell it for \$2,000 I would have voted with the Board. It is a case of sell it at what we can get for it. We can't afford to hold it. What did we do about it? We put it in the bank for but to raise money? We have got to get the

best, and the Chatham wagon is known in every part of the Dominion. They manufacture every part of the wagon, including nuts, bolts, castings, spokes, hubs, etc."

Each year the company have been adding improvements to their factory, new and up-to-date machinery, etc., and at the present time the factory contains nothing but the latest and best machinery.

The company employ 85 hands, who are all drawing good salaries. The improvements to the factory this year have been very extensive. One large addition, 14x45 feet, has been put up, besides two large sheds for storing wood goods.

They are now making a shipment of two cars of wagons to the Herman House & Company, of Oamaru, New Zealand. These wagons are much heavier than the wagons manufactured for Canada.

The demand for the Chatham wagon is increasing all the time, and, in order to satisfy the growing demand, the company are contemplating extensive improvements to their factory next year.

The following are the officers of the company:—

President—M. Campbell.

Vice-Pres.—H. Malcolmson.

Directors—Wm. Ball, G. P. Scholfield and S. Barfoot.

Manager—W. R. Landon.

money ourselves for we can't get it from the Council."

A RATEPAYER.

P. S.—In addition it strikes me the paper should publish the names of the trustees who opposed the sale, as many ratepayers do not now know, and let each one stand or fall by his action.

RATEPAYER.

The Planet yesterday gave the names of the trustees who voted against the sale of the property. They were trustees Morley, Benson, and Cornish.—Editor Planet.

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM.

Editor Planet:

Sir,—As a resident, ratepayer and working man who does not live with in a "stone's throw" of the fire alarm boxes I want to call attention to Mr. George Cowan's attitude on the same. Mr. Cowan was responsible for the installation of this system and the location of the alarm boxes. He said it was going to do away with the expense of a watchman in the tower and would reduce the insurance rates.

As there was no box within two blocks of my home—and there are many other residents similarly situated—I protested to Mr. Cowan at the time that it was unfair and dangerous to us and we would demand the retention of the watchman for our safety. We had a warm argument which I remember distinctly his ending by stating, "Well, it's going to save me \$10 a year, anyway."

Since that time the watchman has been put back in the tower, all the old expense re-incurred, and the insurance rates raised again, and the ratepayers have been called upon to foot a big bill of expense all to save Mr. Cowan \$10 a year. The ratepayers want a Mayor who is not always looking after his own pocket.

RATEPAYER.

INSTALLATION.

Peninsular Lodge No. 2, A. O. U. W., met last evening in their hall for the purpose of installing the officers for the ensuing year.

After the installation, which was under the direction of Organizer Chas. Kelly, as G. M. W., and Bro. Ryan as G. G., a pleasant time was spent.

A number of instructive speeches were delivered by Bros. McDougall, of St. Catharines lodge; D. D. Frank Hinnegan, of Wallaceburg, and Chas. Kelly, Thomas Scullard, and others, after which refreshments were served.

Following are the officers, installed: P. M. W.—W. G. Arnold.

M. W.—Gus Severman.

Furniture—A. Dule.

Overseer—Sim Smith.

Financial—Wm. Ryan.

Recorder—J. R. Snell.

Trusts—W. L. G. Snell.

Guide—G. H. Conibear.

J. W.—R. J. Jewell.

O. W.—Robert Dunlop.

Trustees—Jas. Broad, Thos. Scullard and A. Wemp.

CLANCY SIDING.

Mrs. B. Taylor is seriously ill.

While driving on the ice across the river yesterday, the horse of Mrs. Gregory Carron broke through and had a very narrow escape of drowning. The horse, with its rider, delivered managed to get out itself.

Mrs. Frank Crunk, of Detroit, is visiting her sister, Mrs. M. St. Peter.

A very happy New Year to all.

Sleighing is excellent at present, making it very lively.

Mr. Samuel Bagley, who has been ill, is improving nicely.

Mr. D. Lebadie has returned home after spending a few days with his daughter in Wallaceburg.

Mr. Pete Amata is sporting a new fur.

Election has caused quite a stir among the farmers here.

Miss Nancy King and Miss Louisa Crow have returned from visiting friends and relatives in Leamington.

Master James Ryall, of Leamington returned home last week, after spending his holidays with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. King.

It is Well to Remember That

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are made by the oldest, largest and most extensive stove builders in Canada. Consequently they have the largest sale. Our personal guarantee goes with every stove. Sold by leading dealers everywhere.

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HOLIDAY CUTLERY

We have received a special line of Carvers in Cases, Knives, Forks, Specially prepared for Christmas Presents at Lowest Prices.

Morton's Hardware Store

KING STREET

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75c Children's Bonnets for.....	37 1/2
1.00 Children's Bonnets for.....	50
1.50 Children's Bonnets for.....	75

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We will Sell Two China Sets at Cost . . .

10 per cent. reduced on all Tea, Dinner and Chamber Sets until Jan. 1st.

GROCERIES.

We are giving great value in Groceries. A trial order will convince you of this fact. Fresh Currants, Raisins, Nuts, Candy, Figs, Dates, in fact anything you need for your New Year's feast.

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Brick house, two stories 7 rooms, lot 40 feet front, by 208 feet deep, \$1,100.00.

Frame house, 8 rooms and summer kitchen, lot 60 ft. by 208 ft., good stable, \$1,100.00.

House and lot, 9 rooms, \$1,050.00.

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Farm in Township of Raleigh, 50 acres, all cleared, Good house and barn, \$3,100.00.

Farm in Township of Harwich, 200 acres. Large house, barn and out-buildings, \$12,000.00.

Farm in Township of Raleigh, 40 acres. Good house, new stable and granary, \$2,250.00.

Two acres in suburbs of Chatham, \$1,500.00.

Valuable suburban residence, 11 rooms, with seven acres of land. Good stable, \$3,000.00.

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Over the Bee Hive.
Phone 317.

THE LOCAL BUDGET

John Smith has returned from his western trip.

O'Brien Bros. shipped 5,000 Quail on Toots cigars to Wallaceburg to-day.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gott returned to the city yesterday after visiting friends in Amherstburg.

Roy Benson returns to-night to Toronto, where he will resume his studies in McMaster University.

Miss Bella Atkinson, a graduated nurse from St. Luke's Hospital, New York, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Rennie, William Street.

Ed. Donagan, cashier for the Algoma Central R. R., St. Paul, Minn., is calling on his old friends in this city.

It is rumored that oil has been struck on the farm of Duncan McRitchie, lot 19, concession 10, Raleigh Township.

Anderson Nickerson left this evening for Chicago, where he will resume his medical studies at the Chicago University.

Miss Ida Powell has returned to Mount Forest, the residential suburb of Chicago, where Miss Powell is a teacher in the public school.

"Dunn & Merritt" have sold Mrs. Geo. R. Young's house and lot on Wellington Street west to J. J. Donovan, formerly of Harwich, price \$1300.

Just arrived at Snell's Fair, a lovely line of China; a little late arriving, so we mark them close for the Holiday Trade. Secure one of these bargains.

The Utica Globe for to-day contains a very graphic account and description of the Waukegan wreck, with many illustrations. Chrysler Bros. agents.

Dunn & Merritt have sold the house and lot on Joseph Street belonging to Frank and George Scott to Daniel Edwards, of Thessville, price being \$1500.

Miss Stacey, a graduate of the Public General Hospital, has returned to her professional duties in Chicago after spending Christmas with Chatham relatives.

Charlie Humphrey, a young fellow employed at the S. Hadley Co., had his hand caught in the sand drum this morning and badly lacerated. Dr. Bell, of Dr. Hall & Bell, dressed the wound.

Mr. Lowe will sing two solos at Park Street Methodist church to-morrow. In the morning he will sing "A Clean Heart," and in the evening "A Song of Praise." This will be Mr. Lowe's last Sunday in the city.

REGIMENT ORDERS

Chatham, Jan. 3rd, 1933.
Headquarters 24th "Kent" Regiment.
Regimental orders

by
Lieut.-Col. J. B. Rankin, commanding.

1. The regiment will parade in Divine service order with capes, at the Drill shed Sunday, Jan. 11th, at 10 o'clock sharp, to attend Christ Church.

Roll call at 10.30 sharp. Additional capes expected in time for this parade.

2. The Commanding Officer has been pleased to approve of the following promotion:—
To be Serg't. Drum Major—Acting Drum Major Douglas.

3. Captains of Companies are requested to complete the establishment of non-commissioned officers.

4. The Serg't. Major will parade defaulcers on Monday, Jan. 12th, at 8 o'clock, p. m., at the mess rooms.

By Order,
W. A. COLTART, Jr.,
1st Lieutenant,
Acting Adjutant.

Minard's Liniment Cures Dandruff, where.

A Chamois Vest

Is the best preventative there is from a cold on the lungs, and every person should wear one.
We have them in many different styles and in price from \$1.50 to \$3.00.
Or a Chest Protector is also good. These are made of different material, and are lower in price. We have them from 10c. up.

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LETTER BOX

AN OPEN LETTER.

G. G. Martin, Esq., Chatham, Ont.
Dear Sir,—I am glad that on Monday next I shall have the privilege of casting my vote for you, which I surely will if spared to go to the poll.
I remain yours,
O. B. HULLIN.
Chatham, Jan. 2nd, 1933.

THEIR VIEWS

Ald. Taylor and McCoig Give Their Opinion in Reference to Bicycle Legislation.

Aldermen McCoig and Taylor called upon The Planet this afternoon and gave the following interview in reference to the dodger which was sent to the different wheelmen of the city to-day. One of the clauses of the dodger was:—

"Amongst the candidates for election are Messrs. Mounteer, McCoig, Taylor and Snook. These gentlemen absolutely refuse to make any concession whatever to those using the wheel, who by their unreasonable attitude on this question, show that they are not qualified to look after the city's interests in other matters of progress and it would be to the interest of many citizens if they were elected to stay at home."

Both Mr. Taylor and Mr. McCoig stated that they were not in favor of allowing bicyclists the privilege of riding on the sidewalks as they consider that the making such a by-law would get the city into no end of trouble and law suits—which they have endeavored to avoid in the past through people getting injured by careless and reckless riders. Law suits are very undesirable things, and incur heavy expense whether the case is won or not. In the action of Stevens vs. the city, tried a short time ago, the city won the case, but it cost them about \$500. "No doubt there are some people who exercise carefulness in riding. There are some cautious men who would use every precaution if this concession were granted and we are very sorry to have to deprive them of the privilege on account of others, who would be very careless and not financially responsible. In case of damage done then, the city would have to stand the loss."

As far as they were personally concerned, both gentlemen were willing to contribute liberally towards building a cinder path or roadway where bicyclists could ride without interfering with the safety of women and children.

Both aldermen regretted that the wheelmen had taken this action at such a late hour when there was no opportunity to reason the matter out, but they hoped that the dodger did not contain the sentiments of all the wheelmen of the city.

Ald. Mounteer called us up this afternoon to say that the above sentiments were his in their entirety.

A. O. U. W.

The Ancient Order of United Workmen relieves the destitute and protects the home.

Bro. United Workmen, don't forget. The election of officers for 1933 takes place on Friday evening, Dec. 26th. A large attendance is requested. Refreshments.

Visiting brothers welcome.
W. G. ARNOLD, JOHN R. SNELL,
M. W. Recorder

Minard's Liniment for Sale Everywhere.

Women are like ivy; they cling to ruins. But that is no reason why you should ruin yourself for any woman under the sun.

FOR SALE

Two houses and two lots on Grey Street, each house contains parlor, dining room, two bedrooms, kitchen and pantry down stairs, and three bedrooms and hall upstairs. He will offer these places for one week only at the ridiculously low price of \$550 each.

DUNN & MERRITT,

FIFTH ST. 1st Door from King St.

WELLINGTON Lodge, No. 46, A. F. & A. M. G. R. C., meets on the first Monday of every month, in the Masonic Hall, Fifth St., at 7.30 p. m. Visiting brethren heartily welcomed.

ALEX. GREGORY, Sec.

F. D. LAURIE, W. M.

OFFICIAL FACTS ARE STUBBORN

Official Statement on City Wood Yard Shows a Deficit of Nearly \$100

Figures Secured from the City Treasurer's Books This Morning—Authentic Estimate.

At the request of several ratepayers, who questioned the announcement that the deficit on the city wood-yard dealings was only \$11, The Planet this morning visited City Treasurer Fleming's office and secured the official figures for this committee's work.

The figures show that the city wood-yard business has cost the ratepayers \$98.90 in hard cash. This money has, according to the books of the city treasurer, been already paid out and is an official deficit to the account of this department.

Some explanation is due the ratepayers as a result of the announcement that the city was protected from loss by Ald. Cowan's cheque, which has now been returned, and Mayor Sulman's public assurance that the deficit was only \$11. Where did the balance go? There is no record of Ald. Cowan's loan in the city treasurer's books or statement of the wood-yard account. It was the general funds of the city which were expended and which have suffered the loss of \$98.90.

The figures as taken from Mr. Fleming's books are as follows:—
RECEIPTS.

Oct. 28, received from W. G. Merritt \$50.
Oct. 31, received from W. G. Merritt \$50.
Nov. 1, received from W. G. Merritt \$25.
Nov. 8, received from W. G. Merritt \$50.
Nov. 18, received from W. G. Merritt \$50.
Nov. 20, received from W. G. Merritt \$50.
Nov. 25, received from W. G. Merritt \$50.
Dec. 5, received from W. G. Merritt \$50.
Dec. 11, received from W. G. Merritt \$50.
Dec. 26, received from W. G. Merritt \$26.14.

PAID OUT.

Oct. 15, freight, \$17.25.
Oct. 15, R. W. Baxter, \$86.40.
Oct. 17, J. C. Richards, \$9.00.
Oct. 22, J. C. Richards, \$9.00.
Oct. 22, R. W. Baxter, \$56.00.
Nov. 4, W. N. Thompson, \$47.25.
Nov. 4, R. W. Baxter, \$56.25.
Nov. 7, freight, \$44.19.
Nov. 7, J. C. Richards, \$19.50.
Nov. 7, Wm. Fleming, \$68.00.
Nov. 7, Theo. Simpson, \$45.25.
Dec. 12, J. C. Richards, \$9.00.
Dec. 15, J. C. Richards, \$9.00.
Dec. 22, Rev. Mr. Eady, \$6.00.
Dec. 22, J. C. Richards, \$12.00.
Dec. 31, Hadley Co., \$4.00.
Dec. 31, R. W. Baxter, \$20.95.
Total, \$572.04.
Total receipts, \$473.14.
Net deficit—\$98.90.
Paid out by city over and above cash received, \$98.90.

This morning, City Treasurer Fleming received \$2 from the sale of the wood-measuring rack. This makes the deficit shown on the treasurer's books \$2 less, in all \$96.90.

WHERE TO VOTE

The polling places on Monday are as follows:

polling sub-division No. 1—Thompson's wagon shop, north side Head Street, Jos. Northwood deputy returning officer.

polling sub-division No. 2—Henry Marshall's grocery, corner of Head and Thames Street, John Rice deputy returning officer.

polling sub-division No. 3—Police Station, Robert Brunker deputy returning officer.

polling sub-division No. 4—W. F. Cornish's store, corner of Murray and Adelaide Street, Isaac Smith deputy returning officer.

polling sub-division No. 5—Residence of Mrs. Henry Ritchie, north side Osborne Street, David Holmes deputy returning officer.

polling sub-division No. 6—C. T. Cherry's grocery corner of King and Princess Streets, W. O. Bentley deputy returning officer.

polling sub-division No. 7—Old Town Hall, Arthur Richardson deputy returning officer.

polling sub-division No. 8—Gordon's Tailors, north side Fifth Street, James Richardson deputy returning officer.

polling sub-division No. 9—J. & J. Odershaw's corner of north side King Street, Arthur Dunn, deputy returning officer.

polling sub-division No. 10—James Rhody's grocery, corner of Cross and Raleigh Streets, C. R. Hancock deputy returning officer.

polling sub-division No. 11—Willard McKay's store, corner of Richmond and Queen Streets, John Turner deputy returning officer.

polling sub-division No. 12—Mrs. Calmeyer's residence, corner of Grey and Queen Streets, John R. Snell deputy returning officer.

polling sub-division No. 13—Abe Savage's, west side William Street, W. A. Wilson deputy returning officer.

polling sub-division No. 14—Waterhouse's bakery, James C. Richards, deputy returning officer.

polling sub-division No. 15—Patrick Kelly's residence, corner of Pine Street and Park Avenue, William Sloan deputy returning officer.

A MYSTERIOUS STRANGER.

North Grey Voter Says He Was Paid \$25 by a Midnight Visitor.

Owen Sound, Jan. 3.—At a mass meeting in the interests of Mr. G. M. Boyd last night in the Town Hall here a new phase of the affidavit and declaration habit was exhibited. Lewis Graham of the Township of Sarawak, residing in the polling subdivision known as Brooke, made a declaration, which was read at the meeting, to the effect that he was aroused out of his sleep on New Year's night about 11 o'clock. He went to the door and a stranger asked if he would not vote on his side, and in reply to a question, said he was a Liberal. In answer to this Graham declared he was always a Conservative. The declaration states that Graham lit a lamp and both went into the house, and shortly afterwards the stranger gave him \$25. The visitor called himself Melms. Graham in his declaration also says that his son Victor saw the proceedings, and that upon another occasion in the present contest two other sons were offered money to vote Liberal.

FIRE IN NORTH SYDNEY, C.B.

Lane Block Entirely Destroyed—Practically Nothing Saved.

North Sydney, C.B., Jan. 3.—The Lane Block, corner of Commercial and King Streets, was totally destroyed by fire early yesterday. The building was occupied by Kavanagh's candy kitchen, jewelry store of D. W. Pilkington, city bookstore of Brenton R. Rice, who is now with North Sydney curling team in Halifax, and by Rice's photographic studio. The building was owned by Rev. W. G. Lane, pastor of Yarmouth Methodist Church. It carries between \$2,000 and \$3,000 insurance, which, of course, does not cover the value. Little or nothing was saved. The cause of the fire is unknown.

SOFT COAL HIGHER.

Over Eight Dollars a Ton Wholesale in New York.

New York, Jan. 3.—The price of soft coal has again advanced, reaching \$8.40. This is the wholesale price, freight not included. The price for anthracite averages \$10 a ton to the consumer.

NEW TRANSCONTINENTAL.

The Winnipeg Board of Trade Would Like Some Particulars.

Winnipeg, Jan. 3.—Several meetings of the Winnipeg Board of Trade have been held during the past two weeks for the discussion of a motion introduced by A. Methune, declaring against Government aid to the Grand Trunk and Canadian Northern Railways for Pacific coast extensions. After a lengthy discussion, the motion was voted down, and the following amendments passed: Resolved, that the board welcome with pleasure the prospect of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway building to this country, but not be

Buildings Swallowed.

Seranton, Pa., Jan. 3.—An explosion and cave-in, caused by the settling of the Delaware and Hudson mine workings, occurred at Olyphant, a few miles north of here. J. W. O'Brien's hotel and the residence of Mrs. Mary Evans, adjoining, were swallowed up. The buildings took fire as they sank. It is feared that the Lackawanna River will overflow into the cavern and cause mine floods. So far as is known no one was killed.

Turks Lost Fifteen.

Constantinople, Jan. 2.—In a recent fight between Bulgarians and Turkish troops at the Village of Drenovo, in the Monastir district, fifteen of the latter were killed or wounded. The Turkish commander was among the killed. The Bulgarians, who were barricaded in a house, also sustained losses, but the survivors escaped.

TELEGRAPH BREVITIES.

Another all well has been struck in Raleigh Township.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier's complete restoration to health is announced.

The death is reported from Bloemfontein of Capt. F. H. Vercoe of Toronto.

Three men were killed and a dozen injured by an explosion in a Pottsville, Pa., mine.

It is announced that neither Russia nor Austria contemplates intervention in Macedonia.

Hamilton carpenters will demand 30 cents an hour and a nine-hour day, beginning April 1 next.

All the patients at Victoria Hospital, London, Ont., who were hurt at Waukegan are progressing favorably.

Hon. J. R. Stratton will speak at Stratford this evening, and Mr. J. P. Whitney at Milverton in the afternoon.

John Kershan, the Derwent farmer who was stricken with paralysis while unloading cordwood at London, Ont., is dead.

The coroner's jury at Montreal brought in a verdict holding Engineer Bird responsible for the Victoria bridge collision.

The trial judges decided that all the evidence in the South Oxford election case be presented to the Court of Appeal.

The result of the Newmarket by-election, in which C. D. Rose, a Canadian-born, is the Liberal candidate, will be known to-day.

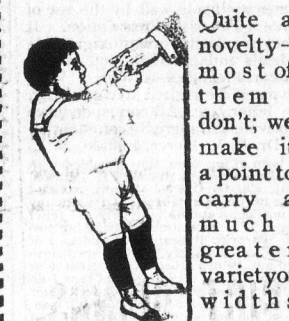
William Cook of Halifax will not be executed on January 31 for the murder of his wife, the sentence having been commuted to imprisonment for life.

Over eleven hundred square miles of timber areas in Newfoundland have just passed into the hands of a Boston syndicate at a purchase price of \$250,000.

Robert Smith, a farmer who resides near Mount Hope, Glanford Township, was recently overpowered by masked men at night and tarred and feathered.

Chief Justice McGuire of the Northwest Territories has resigned, and will be succeeded by Hon. A. L. Sifton, Commissioner of Public Works in the Territories Government.

Children's Shoes THAT FIT.



Quite a novelty—most of them don't; we make it a point to carry a much greater variety of widths and styles and sizes that can be found in most stores. Consequently, we are sure of being able to fit perfectly any child's foot; besides having special shoes for children who "toe in" or have weak ankles or flat feet. Also shoes built on a foundation that keep the feet warm and dry. If you investigate you'll find prices are no higher than are asked elsewhere for poorer shoes—and less kinds to choose from.

Rubbers, Plain or warm wool lined to fit all the different shaped shoes.

Geo. W. Cowan
Chatham.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

WANTED—Dining room girl. Apply Merrill House.

AGENTS WANTED—\$250 per day. Apply, Cooper, London.

WANTED—A good girl. Apply to Mrs. John A. Morton, Third Street.

WANTED—A position as Engineer, Fireman or Assistant Electrician. Address W. M. B. Planet.

WANTED—Competent men to appoint agents whole or spare time. Commission paid. Apply John Doyle, Drawer 531, London.

GIRL WANTED—To do general housework in small family. (No children. Highest wages paid to competent person. One 25 or 30 years old, preferring a permanent home preferred. Apply at this office.

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FOR SALE OR TO RENT.

FOR SALE—Cheap, three coal stoves. Apply A. W. Thornton.

ROOMS TO RENT—Nicely furnished rooms and board, with use of bath. Apply Box 60, Planet.

HOUSE TO RENT—On Grant Street. Apply to Theo. Scullard, Victoria Block.

FOR SALE—Double barreled breech loading Shotgun, 12 gauge, English make, case, cleaning rod, etc. A. G. McKay, Planet Office.

LOTS FOR SALE—One and one-half acres at the head of Victoria Ave., and six lots on Maple St. Apply to Mrs. Tiesman, Victoria Block, or the Planet.

FOR SALE—Delaware fruit and stock farms, healthy climate, mild winters, good markets, productive land. Catalogue free. J. R. McGonigal, Dover, Del.

FOR SALE—A few good farms, also some desirable houses and lots in the city at low prices and easy terms of payment. Apply to J. A. Walker, Barrister, King Street.

TO RENT—A brick store with dwelling above, in Port Alma. Possession given at once. For further particulars address Samuel Cooper, Port Alma.

HOUSE WANTED—I wish to purchase a house. Title must be perfect. Price low for spot cash. Bring full particulars to 135 Lorne Ave.

FOR SALE OR TO RENT—House, now occupied by Mrs. Wemp, Wellington St. West. Suitable for boarding house or for any family requiring house with plenty of rooms. Modern conveniences. Apply to W. H. Ripley, 15 King St.

HOUSE TO RENT—No 75 West Street, house vacated by Mr. Paul, of the Dowley Works, modern conveniences, hot and cold water, bath, Kelsey furnace, gas cooking, etc., immediate possession.—W. S. Marshall, Lacroix Street.

The Strictly One Price Store

C. AUSTIN & CO

Chatham's Greatest Store.

DRESSMAKING

Miss Morrison has returned from Toronto and will be ready to take your orders Monday morning. We might say much regarding the many tributes that have been paid to Miss Morrison's high class work this past season, we prefer you to come in personally and see the superior work she is doing, ascertain the moderate prices charged, and if satisfied leave your order. Be it high or little it will have careful attention. Remember we guarantee all work to be satisfactory.

SPECIAL PRICES in CORSETS

For TO-NIGHT and MONDAY

66 pairs of D. & A. and E. T. Corsets, odd sizes, in a number of what have been the most popular lines, but which are now being cut out by the manufacturers.

These sizes only in the lot, 18, 19, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30. None in the lot sold less than \$1.00—clearing price, 75c.

Printed COTTON Stuffs

For Our JANUARY SALE

500 yards Fancy Mercerized Satanas Underprice

Before stocktaking we are going to clear out all odd lines, so as to give plenty of room for the new spring materials. The cost of these goods is no object to us. "THEY MUST BE CLEARED OUT."

For To-night and all Next Week

Printed Mercerized Sateens at 15c. a yard

DESCRIPTION About 30 pieces, representing about 500 yards of very choice Satanas for house wrappers, waists and street costumes. Purple, navy, black and cardinal groundwork with fancy floral effects, small and large stripes, polka dots and scroll designs. Were sold regularly at 20c, 25c, 30c, and 35c. a yd. To clear we place them on our counters at

...15c. per yard...

SEE WINDOW DISPLAY.....

MOTHERS' TWEED SUIT STORM REEFER or DRESS OVERCOAT

At our JANUARY CLEARING SALE at \$2.48
Regular values up to \$5.00. Sizes for ages 5 to 16 years.
See East King Street Show Window for Samples.



Men's and Boy's Special Kid Gloves, lined, 50c
Men's and Boys' Special Swede Mitts, lined, 50c
Men's Handsome Silk Neckwear, 50c qualities clearing at 25c
Boys' fleece lined and union Underwear, values up to 40c at 25c
Men's Shaped Mufflers, very special at 50c
Men's high-class fine wool Underwear, unshrinkable, nice light blue shading, \$1.25 lines at all sizes \$1.00

A MAN'S PANT BARGAIN

Of all-wool Heavy Tweeds and Heavy Black and Blue all-wool Serges, extra quality, all-sizes at \$1.50

C. Austin & Co.
The Leading and Reliable Clothiers

LAKE HURON TROUT,

caught late in the fall, the fish are firm and sound. They are much superior to the soft summer-caught kind. Price is no higher, either, for this good kind—and we feel sure you will appreciate their good quality.

7 CENTS A POUND

Special Price
by the Keg...

FINNAN HADDIE,
10c. a pound.
LABRADOR HERRING,
10c. a Dozen
BONED CODFISH,
8c. a pound.
FRESH HUCKLEBERRY FLOUR,
MAPLE SYRUP,
30c. a Jar.
GOOD SUGAR SYRUP,
50c. a Gallon.

H. MALCOLMSON

Beginning of a New Year

We wish to thank those who have helped to make our first year's business so entirely satisfactory. We acknowledge appreciation and extend to our patrons the sincerest wish that the year 1903 may be one of happiness and prosperity. Our aim has been to conduct a drug store that should conserve in every way the best interests of the public. The accomplishment of this purpose has been made possible by the steadfast adherence of those to whom the greeting is extended.

W. W. TURNER

DRUGGIST,

28 King St. Phone 22

C. P. R. GROCERY

We have bought a first-class stock of Groceries from the largest importing houses in the country. We will be able to give you value for your money which cannot be surpassed.

NEW RAISINS
NEW CURRANTS
NEW FIGS
NEW DATES
NEW PEELS
FRESH NUTS

And everything you need for the Christmas baking.
Goods Delivered.

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Minard's Liniment the best Hair Restorer.

Stylish Clothing.

Combining the essentials of good materials, good fit, thorough workmanship and fair prices all the year round from

MORLEY & CO.,

KING STREET, CHATHAM.

DR. A. W. THORNTON

DENTIST,
has Removed to his New Office,
Corner King and Fifth Streets,
over A. I. McNeil's Drug Store.
TELEPHONE OFFICE 164.
RESIDENCE 285.

TO-NIGHT.

The Macaulay Club will meet in the Hall over Gordon's Store at 8.

PROBABILITIES.

Special to The Planet.
Toronto, Jan. 3.—10 a. m.—Cloudy, occasional light rain, turning a little colder at night. Sunday, generally fair and slightly colder than to-day.

The following figures were registered to-day at seven a. m. at Turner's weather bureau:
Thermometer 34.
Highest yesterday 36.
Lowest yesterday 33.
Direction of wind, west.

Local Briefs

J. P. Kennedy, of Ridgetown, is visiting in the city to-day.

Robert McDermid, of Dresden, visited in the city yesterday.

Mrs. Finnie, of Blenheim, was a guest in the city yesterday.

Miss Adams, of Leamington, was a guest in the city yesterday.

J. H. and M. A. Drew, of Merlin, were Chatham visitors yesterday.

S. L. Wellwood, of Merlin, was registered at the C. P. R. yesterday.

James Butler, of Ridgetown, called on his Chatham friends yesterday.

J. McInnis, of Thamesville, called on his Chatham friends yesterday.

E. Harrington, of Wallaceburg, called on his Chatham friends yesterday.

J. I. Himegan, of Wallaceburg, visited his many friends in the city yesterday.

John Jeffs, of Dresden, is spending the day in town the guest of Dr. A. W. Thornton.

Clarence Pridemore returns to Detroit to-day after a few days visit in the city.

The Separate School Board will hold their regular monthly meeting next Monday night.

Geo. Wands is the happiest man in town to-day. He is now the proud possessor of a little daughter.

J. F. Meane and family who have been spending New Year's with his parents, have returned to their home in London.

The Golden Sunshine Circle will meet at the residence of Mrs. Quinn, Stanley avenue, Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock, sharp.

Miss Emma Barry, St. Clair street, has returned from Glenora, where she has been visiting for the past week. She also attended the ball recently held in Thamesville.

I have made no promises to win votes and do not intend doing so. If I can have your vote for Alderman I will serve you to the best of my ability. W. H. Westman.

Miss Nettie Bouswell leaves to-day for Blenheim. Miss Bouswell has secured a position as teacher in a school near that place and will assume her duties on Monday next.

A number of friends dropped in on N. M. Blackburn, Joseph street, on New Year's night and gave him an evening supper. He was taken entirely by surprise, but a very pleasant evening was spent. It was Mr. Blackburn's birthday.

Orval Harvey entertained his many friends with a social hop at Mr. and Mrs. Bedford's, corner of Seventh and Water streets, on New Year's night, which was a grand success, over one hundred being present. Music was furnished by the Maple Leaf Pleasure Club orchestra.

The police have a pair of hockey skates for which they are looking for an owner. The skates were brought to the police by Doc Taylor, the well known colored man. He said that his boy and John Venable's son had found the skates under the Campbell Chapel on King street.

Rev. G. H. Cobbleddick, M. A., B. D., pastor, will preach morning and evening in Park St. Church, to-morrow. The morning subject will be "A Motto for 1903," and will be followed by a covenant service. The evening service will be of a special New Year's character.

The regular meeting of Wellington Lodge, No. 46, A. F. & A. M., G. R. C., will be held in Masonic Hall, Fifth St., on Monday evening at 7.30. Program for the evening will consist of general business, ballot and conferring degrees. Start the year well, brethren, and make her a "bumper" on Monday night.

Joe Tilt is spending the day in Tupperville.

J. W. White returned from Toronto this morning.

S. R. Miller, of Dresden, was a visitor in the city yesterday.

Rev. Dr. Jamieson, of Blenheim, is a Chatham visitor to-day.

Miss Annie Drewry has returned from visiting in Cleveland.

Geo. W. Jackson, of Leamington, was a Chatham visitor yesterday.

D. G. Sturgis, of Dresden, was registered at the Garner House yesterday.

C. L. Norton, of Blenheim, was among the many Chatham visitors yesterday.

D. V. Garmey, of Kingston, Ont., is the guest of Miss B. Keenan, Jeffrey street.

Mr. Roger Hutchison left this afternoon for Stewart, where he has been engaged as teacher for this year.

The Chaplain wheel works is turning out wheels. The first set was finished this morning. The factory will be running in full force before long.

W. H. Westman is a member of the firm of Westman Bros., and is a candidate for this year's Council. He is not canvassing, but asks for your vote and influence.

DISTRICT DOINGS.

DRESDEN

John, Misses Lora and Leda Lynn of Chatham, are visiting friends in town.

Geo. Byers, of Scribner, Neb., is in town for a few days before leaving for the Medical College, London.

Gabriel, McIntyre, called upon Dresden friends yesterday.

F. J. Moffatt, of Nelsonville, Ohio, was in town on business yesterday.

Andrew Drennan called upon old friends here yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Lever, sp. n. New Year's day in Chatham.

Bart Moorehouse, of London, is the guest of his uncle, Jamn Lawrence.

Mrs. John A. Stephens and sister, Miss Counts, of Detroit, were in town yesterday.

THAMESVILLE

Jan. 3.—Miss Knott, of Chatham, is the guest of Miss May Freeman.

W. L. Underwood, of London, is in town to-day.

Miss May Verrinder was in Bothwell yesterday.

Mr. Howell, of Detroit, is visiting Mrs. J. J. Hennessey, after an absence of twenty years.

Miss K. Fraser was in Chatham on Wednesday.

Milton Cryderman is spending a few days at Northwood.

Miss N. Mayhew spent Wednesday in Chatham.

Wm. Hopper, of Omaha, Neb., a former resident of Wabash, is visiting acquaintances here.

Thomas Brown, of Ridgetown, was in town yesterday.

WALLACEBURG

Jan. 3.—The funeral of Mr. Samuel Hall Crothers, aged 70 years and 8 months, who died on Wednesday, Dec. 31st, 1902, took place yesterday from his late residence, Duncan street.

Mr. Crothers is an old and very much respected resident of Wallaceburg. He has been ill for several months. The funeral was well attended, showing the esteem in which Mr. Crothers was held. Mr. S. D. Crothers and Mr. James Crothers, of this place, are sons of the deceased.

Mr. Warren Mitchell, of London, returned yesterday after spending a few days with Mr. Will Colwell.

Miss T. Nichol, of Chatham, was the guest of Miss Grace Taylor on New Year's.

Mr. Reg. Oldershaw, of Chatham, spent New Year's with friends here.

Miss Anna Hall visited friends here this week.

Miss Agnes Anderson has returned to her school at Oatridge after spending the holidays at her home.

Mr. Kenneth Hoy, of Watford, was the guest of his brother, Dr. Wm. Hoy, for the past few days.

Miss Nellie Hall spent New Year's at her home at Port Lambton.

The Misses Wellwood entertained a few friends New Year's night at the home of Mr. A. Cameron.

A pleasant time was spent.

The Castle Square Stock Company played "Young Mrs. Winthrop" in the Opera House last evening for the benefit of the Lacrosse Club. A large crowd attended, thus helping the boys and enjoying an excellent play.

Mr. F. Riddell, of the Collegiate Institute, London, returned to-day after spending the holidays with his brother, Mr. R. Riddell, and other relatives.

TILBURY

Jan. 3.—Miss Kate Macdonald returned to-day from a visit with relatives in Woodstock.

Wm. Ward, of this village has purchased the residence owned by David Ward, Sr., of Essex, and will move from Tilbury in the near future.

Miss Evans, of J. S. Richardson's millinery department, leaves to-day to spend her vacation at her home in Guelph.

Rodney Smith, of Detroit, is visiting at his home at Stewart.

Miss Mamie Anderson leaves to-day to take a course in St. Thomas business college.

Miss Helen Young, of the public school staff, returns to-day from her home in Sarnia, where she spent her vacation.

Rev. Robert Wilson, who has been the guest of his brother, A. A. Wilson, the past two weeks, has returned to his parish at Bluff to-day.

Miss Lambert of Woodstock, was the guest of Miss Angela Coutts a few days this week.

P. Anderson, of Detroit, was the

Ladies and Misses Corsets

Girdle Corsets 50c., 75c., \$1.00.
Long Hip Corsets, \$1.00, \$1.25.
Hip Spring for Stout Figures
Gloria Waist, all sizes.
Erect Form Shoulder Braces 40c.

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KING ST. Next to Malcolmson's.

Chatham's Millinery Store!

GREAT BARGAINS IN HATS

Ladies' and Children's untrimmed Hats from 25c. to \$1.00.

COOKSLEY'S

Opposite the Market Square.

guest of his brother here, John Anderson, this week.

Ed. McVean, arrived here yesterday from South Africa, where he has been the past four years in the British army.

IS A BUSINESS PROPOSITION

The Principal Asset of the Successful Business Man.

The head of the largest meat packing industry in the world, for many years, prior to his death, never travelled without his physician; everywhere he was accompanied by his medical adviser; he hired him for his exclusive attendance by the year and considered the large salary paid for such service as a part of his business investment. He did not do this because he was a hypochondriac, in constant fear of illness and death; on the contrary he was an exceptionally robust man, but he realized that the principal asset in his enormous business was his own personal health; and to keep physically and mentally well and strong was a business proposition, pure and simple.

It is so with every business man and woman. A slight cold in the head or throat may pass off in a few days, or it may develop into pneumonia, Chronic Catarrh, or an irritating throat trouble; in any event its departure should be hastened by some simple anti-septic preparation like Stuart's Catarrh Tablets, which are dissolved in the mouth and thus reach and destroy the germs of Catarrh, Pneumonia, Consumption, before they have a chance to propagate and thrive in the inflamed mucous membrane of the throat and chest. To burden the stomach with drugs and stimulants is a foolish and often dangerous way to combat a cold, because stimulants are always followed by corresponding depression and weakness, and tend to increase pneumonia increases the danger by increasing the heart's action.

A popular school teacher in Pittsburg writes: "I am a walking advertisement for Stuart's Catarrh Tablets; the change from a crowded steam heated school room to a raw, chill out doors kept me nursing colds in the head and throat from fall to spring. Throat irritation made it difficult for me to read or speak and I could never cease to think myself ill. I still catch cold occasionally but I stop it in a day or two with the tablets, and I have done missionary work with my pupils to such an extent that coughs and colds are unknown amongst the youngsters in my room."

VENEZUELA PROBLEM.

Washington, Jan. 2.—The condition which President Castro attached to his response to the allies' arbitration proposal was in the nature of an alternative proposition. Almost from the beginning, showing an aversion to the Hague Tribunal, Castro, while accepting the principle of arbitration, asked that the case be tried by one of the American republics. As President Roosevelt already had declined to act in the capacity of arbitrator, and as some of the reasons which inspired him in his destination would apply with equal force to the chief executive of any other American state than the United States, he was obliged to withhold any endorsement of this proposition of President Castro. Therefore, it may be dismissed from the field of possibilities, and unless Castro is unexpectedly insistent upon his own plan, the original proposition of referring to The Hague Tribunal will carry. There were no developments over New Year's Day in the way of cablegrams containing news from European capitals or from Venezuela.

TIME EXTENDED

Sealed, bulk and separate tenders were received at the offices of the undersigned architects, addressed to Kenneth Urquhart, Esq., up till 7 o'clock p. m. Wednesday, January 7th, 1903, for all the works required for remodelling shop fronts for grocery store of Ingram Taylor and confectionery of J. A. Thompson, opposite C. P. R. Hotel, King St. East, Chatham. See plans, etc., at the architects' office, King St.

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

KENNETH URQUHART, Proprietor.

JAS. L. WILSON & SON, Architects,

Chatham, Ont.



The... -WHITE- FAIR...

GORDON'S

Annual January
Whitewear Sale
Begins Monday,
5th January....

ELECTION DAY...

We will mark the first week of the year by great offerings in Undermuslins and Ladies' Whitewear of Every Description. We invite Every Lady within reach of this store to give us their company, their inspection and patronage. See next week's papers for further particulars.

WILLIAM GORDON

ONTARIO'S MEMBERS

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tion 437, which is the proportion of 2,114,321—the population of Ontario—to 4,833,239, the population of the Dominion by the census of 1891. The proportion of the population of Ontario to that of the whole Dominion in 1901 was 406, the total being 2,182,947 for the Province and 5,371,815 for the Dominion. The proportion is, therefore, diminished for Ontario by 631, which is more than one-twentieth of 437, and Ontario is, therefore, not saved by paragraph four.

MORE OIL IN RALEIGH.

A Very Promising Well on the Berlinger Property.

Chatham, Jan. 3.—Raleigh is again stirred by the striking of oil at a depth of 500 feet on the property leased by Mr. Berlinger. Experts say that it is second only to the famous gusher belonging to Mr. Gurd. They also say the well is one of excellent promise. The situation of the new well is lot 18, concession 13. This well is regarded as another indication of the permanence of the field.

Poisons accumulate in the system when the kidneys are sluggish—blotches and bad complexion result—take Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Many men fall by the wayside because of unwillingness to take hold of timely warnings.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.
Take Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets. This signature

B. H. Hume

on every box. 25c.

IT'S A MAN'S DUTY TO DRESS WELL

EVERY consideration, social, business, home, family and friends suggest that a man dress as well as his means will allow. "Costly thy habits as thy purse can buy" was Shakespeare's advice, and it was good advice.

The well-dressed man has more respect for himself and so is more respected. The well-dressed man has confidence in himself and so inspires confidence. The well-dressed man looks successful and that often assures his success. Then

Why not Dress Well, When

\$8.00 will secure for you a fine winter Suit or Overcoat that would have cost heretofore \$10.00 or \$11.00.

\$10.00 will buy to-day a winter Suit or Overcoat that would cost \$15.00 or \$16.00 in very commonest tailor shops.

\$12.00 will dress you up in a very fine Suit or Overcoat, the like of which you have never seen on anybody for less than \$14.00.

and these clothes will have fit and fitness as well as fabric. They will have all the artistic touches and back of it all they will have the guarantee of our good name.

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Chatham's Leading Clothiers

NOT UNPREJUDICED.
Toronto Mail.

Cable experts say that wireless telegraphy will never supplant the cables. They should have heard the coach experts sneer at the railways.

Minard's Liniment is the Best.

THE NEWSPAPER TRUST.
Newspaperdom.

The biggest trust on earth is the newspaper trust. It trusts everybody, gets cussed for trusting, mistrusted for cussing, and if it busts for trusting gets cussed for busting.

Minard's Liniment is the Best.

The MAYORALTY

TO THE ELECTORATE OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM...

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—

You have honored me with the nomination for Mayor for 1903; with few exceptions you have pledged me your support, and I am confident you will elect me by a large majority.

I have endeavored during my canvas to fight squarely and to treat my opponent fairly, frequently extenuating his imperfections and giving him credit wherein he deserved.

I thank you for the courteous manner in which you have received me in your homes, in the factories and stores and on the streets, which has made my canvas very pleasant. I feel that my associations with my fellow-citizens have always been most cordial, and, without boasting, I may say that in all my various contacts and dealings with them I have always treated them honorably and none have had occasion to regret our relationship. I hope I have the confidence of the working man, none friendship I highly esteem. I desire to see his position improved and admire his efforts to ameliorate his condition. I believe an occasional holiday is beneficial for all of us. I would have our homes more attractive, and will endeavor to secure good club rooms and swimming baths for our children.

I am still an advocate of good roads, will encourage new factories, and stimulate old ones, will promote an electric railway through our county connecting our city with the oil fields and other important points, and think the present an opportune time, while coal and wood are so expensive, to search for natural gas; and I shall do all things for the advancement of our city's best interests consistent with economy in its true sense. I cannot promise you a rate of twenty mills taxation, because that is an impossibility, and I do not wish to pledge myself to anything I cannot fulfil. The fixed rates are so large for past expenditures and bonuses that it is absurd to say our expenditure can be covered by a rate of two cents on the dollar, but I assure you it will not be one mill more than sound business methods will permit.

I feel certain that you are convinced that when elected Mayor I shall work to the utmost of my ability for the welfare of our city in which we are all so much interested, and which we are proud to call our home. Again soliciting your vote and influence,

I remain, faithfully yours,

W. E. McKEOUGH.

Chatham, Ont., 29th Dec., 1902.

YEAR 1902 IS DYING

"WE SPEND OUR YEARS AS A TALE THAT IS TOLD."

HOW YEARS ARE FLYING AWAY

A Vision of Life as Seen by the Preacher
—From Birth in the Old Homestead
Until the Day When Our Dead Bodies
Are Carried to the Newly Dug Graves
Reviewed.

Entered a reading to Act of Parliament of Canada, in the year 1902, by William B. B. of Toronto, at the Dept. of Agriculture, Ottawa.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—In the following discourse, appropriate to the last Sunday of the year, Rev. P. De Witt Talmage shows in how many characteristics the Biblical comparison of life to the creations of the universe is justified. The text is Psalm xx, 9: "We spend our years as a tale that is told."

How the years are flying away! Henry Clay once stood upon the top of the Alleghany mountains in an attitude of listening. When some one asked him a what he was listening to, the great Kentucky statesman in his deep, powerful, resonant, oratorical voice, answered, "I am listening to the mighty tramp of the coming generations!" To-day we may not have an imaginative ear keen enough to hear the thunderous echoes of the earth, two centuries or a thousand years hence, but we can now hear the patterning feet of the multitudes of school children. We may hear, too, the rumbling of the hearse, which shall sooner or later carry out our dead bodies to the newly dug graves. We hear the inexorable warning that in a few years or perhaps even in the coming year of 1903 we shall look upon the rising sun for the last time. Then our bedrooms, where we have often slept and laughed, and cried, shall be called the chambers of death.

Dear old year of 1902! It seemed only yesterday that we welcomed thee into the world. In a few days, with thy snow white hair and shriveled form and pallid cheek and trembling limb, we shall have to carry thee out and lay thee in the ground. We meet thy coming and approving face at the judgment seat of heaven.

The inspired psalmist, considering the passing of an earthly life, uses a beautiful simile. Moses, to whom the psalm is ascribed, was not only a great legislator and a powerful leader, but a poet. He not only opened a path across the Red sea with his rod, but he cut a sure path into the gratitude and affection of all good men and women by the sharp point of his pen. Thus an ancient author, who was a pioneer in the making of books, compared the earthly existence of every human life "to a tale that is told." The seconds are the letters. The minutes are the words. The hours are the sentences. The days are the paragraphs. The weeks are the pages. The months are the chapters. The years are the books. May God help me on this last Sabbath of the dying year to interpret aright how "we spend our years as a tale that is told."

Every tale, whether fictitious or no, has a bright or a sad beginning. It is almost the first words which the narrator speaks he introduces his listeners to the hero or the heroine. Sometimes he rocks the hero's cradle down among the plantations of Louisiana or Georgia, sometimes among the snows of the New England hills or in a palace of Europe, where the prince or princess was born. But, though many heroes and heroines of fictitious tales may have had unhappy childhood influences, I do not believe it was thus with us. The brightest passages of the "tale of life" when applied to our own biographies are to be found for the most part in those first days which we spent in the old homestead.

But, alas, no sooner were we born and grown into young manhood and womanhood than the current of our lives led away from the purest of our youthful life circle. They led us into the haunts of sin and in to the cold, damp, dark caverns of selfishness. You know there are books numbered among the masterpieces of literature which you, as a wise parent, would not allow in your home. You may say your wife, "Child Harold" may be the most wonderful portrait of Lord Byron ever wrote, but it is a character of sin and infamy. It is a character glowing with poetic imagination, but a character with the worm that never dies sucking at its heart. Our children should not be allowed to read its pages. There are stories which are not fitted for public ears. Our biographies cannot be told to the world at large. The beautiful ancient ballad of "The Marriage of Sir Gawain" describes how the cavalier of old took to himself in marriage a hideous woman called the "loathly lady" merely because no one else would marry her. As soon as the "loathly lady" was wedded she immediately changed into a bride of the most winsome loveliness, because—so goes the story—that marriage ring was able to enchant a malignant enchanter who had been cursing her life heretofore. Alas, "The Marriage of Sir Gawain" has been reversed in many of our lives. Most of us came forth fair and beautiful from a Christian mother's nursery. Fair and beautiful though we once were, we accepted for our guide the proffered hand of sin. Then in the sight of God and all heaven we became, like the "loathly lady," accursed by the evil past in which we had lived. No matter how pure and bright our nature may have been, we have all sinned in the sight of God. "There is none that doeth good, no, not one, not one." The brightness of a gospel sunrise has been darkened by the stormy clouds of a sinful no-don.

There is no tale, whether fictitious or no, has his life intertwined in the existence of many other lives. We and this thought best illustrated per-

haps in Wilkie Collins' "Dead Secret" or "No Name" or "The Woman in White" or of Anna Katharine Green's "Leavenworth Case" or of Conan Doyle's famous and strange wanderings of Sherlock Holmes. These and similar authors we read not for their epigrammatic sayings, as we do the writings of a William M. Thackeray, but we read them for the deft way in which they tangle the tangled skein of a human plot. No other are their chief characters born than the authors let them worm their way through intricate and weird surroundings until at last they lead them to the marriage altar, or, if the story be a tragedy, into the gaping mouth of an open grave.

Some one took Ian MacLaren to task for creating so many dissolute characters in his books. The author of "Bonnie Brier Bush" answered: "Man, how can I help creating many dissolute characters? They live their own lives and do whatever damage they please. Some of them will be drunk; some of them will be thieves; some of them will be liars; some of them will be murderers. I cannot control them."

Every true story of life must represent it as mixed up in the lives of many others. This is always so. What a mother does may decide to a great extent what her children will do. In the dining room there are more than three fates influencing the lives of young men. What the father does may decide what his boys will do. A wife's position upon the temperance question may decide whether or no her husband shall die of delirium tremens. The tale of a human life is a plot in which the happiness of a mother, a father, a sister, a wife, a child, a friend, may be dependent upon the purity and the nobility of one man. When the heart of an old oak is eaten out, not only does the mighty tree fall, but also all the clinging vines which have clambered up the sides of the tree. All the birds' nests in which the feathered mothers have laid their eggs, also all of the leaves which are kissed of the sunlight and are rustling with joy. In the story of life, when the hero does wrong, it brings disaster upon every life with which he comes in contact. When the hero does right, it brings blessing upon every life with which he comes in contact.

Every tale, whether fictitious or no, has its depressions as well as its elevations. It has its disappointments and heartaches and sorrows, and often its graves, as well as its joys and reunions and happy marriages. It has its dark nights and quicksands and precipices, and often its murderers and highwaymen as well as its cities of refuge and gardens of Eden and Utopias, and rescuers and, if I might reverently use the word, its saviours or redeemers.

But, though every story, whether fictitious or no, may have its ups and downs, yet the general rule is, the greater the danger and the blacker the sorrow and the more overwhelming and imminent the peril, the deeper the joy. What would be the effect on the hearers if the tale of our lives was told? Would it excite them to a frenzy of sin or would it draw from them triumphant and holy ejaculations?

But this was not the chief thought which I desired to impress upon you. When our tales of life are told, they are not only spoken into human ears, but also into the all-hearing ear of God. It used to be a terrible thought for me to feel that in heaven there was a recording angel, to know that every time I opened my mouth my words were being recorded as a human voice spoken into the phonograph makes its indentations upon a revolving cylinder. Months after my father's death I can now hear his voice reciting the Lord's Prayer as he once did in one of those instruments at the national capital. But, oh, how much more overwhelming the thought that every word we utter is spoken directly into the ear of our Divine Father! How much more tremendous to know that when "we spend our years as a tale that is told" we can never get beyond the reach of God's ear! Ought not this nearness to God make us strive by divine grace to live better and purer lives?

Once read how a great king of old used to confine his prisoners within a chain of dungeons. Every one of those cells was connected by a whispering gallery with the king's own bedchamber. Thus the slightest word

of the prisoners might utter during their confinement was immediately echoed to the king's ear, and if the prisoners said anything against their king he heard it and these prisoners were immediately taken out and executed. Shall not you and I be more careful to live the right kind of lives when we fully realize that each word we utter is heard by our Divine Father? Shall we not be more careful—not because we fear the anger of a tyrant, but because we do not want to wound God's loving heart any more than we would say a harsh or sinful word before a loving earthly parent?

"We spend our years as a tale that is told." That means, in the story of life, that we are about to pass from one book to another. The year of 1902 is nearly finished. The year of 1903 is just about to begin. The passing year has been a sad one for many of us. During the past twelve months two of my family have finished their earthly lives, as a tale that is told. As I sit writing this discourse, I hold in my hand one of the last letters my father ever wrote to me. It goes something like this: "Dear Frank—My last birthday tells me that I have reached the psalmist's limit—threescore years and ten. My earthly pilgrimage of life will not continue very much longer." Within a few months that journey ended. How soon it was to end he little thought. Within the past year my brother-in-law left us, leaving behind a widow and her little children, who are now nearer and dearer to us on account of their loss. In your life the year 1902 has been a sad year. You have had your troubles just the same as I. But the year 1903 has also been a joyful year. It has been a year of many blessings. It has also been a year when those who have left us have gone to be with him who is their Saviour and their King.

But the year 1903 has also been for all of us a year of sin. If this chapter of the tale of life is written, how many soiled pages there are! Not one of us has lived up to our many good opportunities. We have been guilty both of sins of omission and sins of commission. Live a psalmist, we have reason to cry out in agony, "O God, thou knowest my foolishness, and my sins are not hid from thee." But, though the year 1902 has been a year of many shortcomings, it may yet be made a year of divine pardon. There are a few hours of the old year left. Can we, shall we not crowd these last few lines of the book of 1902 full of penitent prayers, of earnest and tender pleadings, full of resolves to undo as far as we can the wrongs we may have done to others?

O my loved ones, will you not get down upon your knees and ask God to make this year, even in its closing hours, a year of divine pardon and triumphant hope?

A Fox Bush 1,000 Years Old.
In the town of Hildersheim, Germany, is a rose bush one thousand years old, and sprouts from its branches have realized fabulous sums. Some years ago a rich Englishman offered \$250,000 for the plant, but the owner refused. This wonderful plant clings amid thickly grown moss against the side of the famous old church of St. Michael. It is claimed that it has bloomed perennially since the days of King Alfred, and this statement has never been disputed, for its record has been carefully kept as the pedigree of the bloodiest family in the kingdom. It is supposed to have been discovered by some mysterious means through the medium of King Louis of Hildersheim, as far back as 1022.

Theatrical
A DISTINGUISHED COMPANY.
It is safe to say that the company which will present the revival of Robertson's delightful comedy, "Caste," in this city at the Grand Opera House on Saturday, January 6, 1903, will contain more distinguished players than any organization which has visited this city this season. Several of them have started on their own account and some of them in addition to their dramatic distinction can lay claim to most distinguished ennobility. For example Mary Scott, the beautiful Californian actress who starred for several seasons in Frohman's pieces on the Pacific Coast, is a cousin of the late Benjamin Harrison and a direct descendant of the famous novelist, Sir Walter Scott. The role of the "Marchioness" in "Caste" will be enacted by the Countess de Castelvetro, who the grand uncle was none other than the great Emperor Napoleon Bonaparte. Her grandfather was Napoleon's brother, King of Holland. Robert V. Ferguson, who has been rated by dramatic authority as the best character actor in the country, will impersonate the drunken old Eccles. Mr. Ferguson's most recent achievement occurred last spring when he and Katherine Kidder appeared in their revival of "The Country Girl" under the management of George H. Brent, who is directing the present tour of "Caste."

AN OLD RESIDENT DEAD.
After an extended illness Mr. Archie McTavish, one of Howard's best known and most highly respected residents, died on Friday last at the age of 69 years. Deceased has lived in the township for a great many years and was up to the time of his demise a faithful member of the Botany Methodist church. The funeral service was conducted at the Methodist church, Botany, on Monday by Rev. T. W. Blatchford, pastor of the church, assisted by Rev. Burdette, of Bridgetown, and Rev. Robertson, of McKay's Corners, after which the remains were interred in the church cemetery. To the bereaved friends the sympathy of the community is extended.

INSIST ON Abbey's

What Everybody says is good is worth Trying.

When every one says a good word for a thing it is because it is a good thing. Try "Abbey's" then say what you think about it. A tea spoonful of retiring will cleanse the system of impurities—stimulate the liver—quicken the circulation—quiet the nerves—tone up the stomach and digestive organs—prevent indigestion and dyspepsia—put and keep the body in good health—the tonic properties of "Abbey's" work wonders.

All Druggists sell

Abbey's Effervescent Salt

When once told it can never be silenced. It shall be told and retold again and again as it was last told at the grave. Lives in the parable begged Father Abraham to send back to earth the redeemed Lazarus to warn his five sinful brethren. Abraham would not. "Nay, nay, nay," he answered in substance, "Lazarus' earthly tale of life has been forever finished." Another word could not be added thereto.

But there is yet one overwhelming thought we must not overlook. The tale of life is a spoken story. We may read "The Tales From the Aegean," "The Tales of a Wayside Inn," "The Tales Out of School," "Tales of New England" and "Twice Told Tales," but after all, the true definition of a tale is a story spoken by a human being into the ears of one or more listeners. Sometimes these ancient story tellers were able to excite their hearers to a frenzy of sin. It has been recorded that when the Greeks used to listen to the recital of the "Adventures of Ulysses" or the story of "Helen of Troy," they would weep and cry and shout as they climbed from the lowest depths of grief to the highest peaks of joy. What would be the effect on the hearers if the tale of our lives was told? Would it excite them to a frenzy of sin or would it draw from them triumphant and holy ejaculations?

But this was not the chief thought which I desired to impress upon you. When our tales of life are told, they are not only spoken into human ears, but also into the all-hearing ear of God. It used to be a terrible thought for me to feel that in heaven there was a recording angel, to know that every time I opened my mouth my words were being recorded as a human voice spoken into the phonograph makes its indentations upon a revolving cylinder. Months after my father's death I can now hear his voice reciting the Lord's Prayer as he once did in one of those instruments at the national capital. But, oh, how much more overwhelming the thought that every word we utter is spoken directly into the ear of our Divine Father! How much more tremendous to know that when "we spend our years as a tale that is told" we can never get beyond the reach of God's ear! Ought not this nearness to God make us strive by divine grace to live better and purer lives?

Once read how a great king of old used to confine his prisoners within a chain of dungeons. Every one of those cells was connected by a whispering gallery with the king's own bedchamber. Thus the slightest word

of the prisoners might utter during their confinement was immediately echoed to the king's ear, and if the prisoners said anything against their king he heard it and these prisoners were immediately taken out and executed. Shall not you and I be more careful to live the right kind of lives when we fully realize that each word we utter is heard by our Divine Father? Shall we not be more careful—not because we fear the anger of a tyrant, but because we do not want to wound God's loving heart any more than we would say a harsh or sinful word before a loving earthly parent?

"We spend our years as a tale that is told." That means, in the story of life, that we are about to pass from one book to another. The year of 1902 is nearly finished. The year of 1903 is just about to begin. The passing year has been a sad one for many of us. During the past twelve months two of my family have finished their earthly lives, as a tale that is told. As I sit writing this discourse, I hold in my hand one of the last letters my father ever wrote to me. It goes something like this: "Dear Frank—My last birthday tells me that I have reached the psalmist's limit—threescore years and ten. My earthly pilgrimage of life will not continue very much longer." Within a few months that journey ended. How soon it was to end he little thought. Within the past year my brother-in-law left us, leaving behind a widow and her little children, who are now nearer and dearer to us on account of their loss. In your life the year 1902 has been a sad year. You have had your troubles just the same as I. But the year 1903 has also been a joyful year. It has been a year of many blessings. It has also been a year when those who have left us have gone to be with him who is their Saviour and their King.

But the year 1903 has also been for all of us a year of sin. If this chapter of the tale of life is written, how many soiled pages there are! Not one of us has lived up to our many good opportunities. We have been guilty both of sins of omission and sins of commission. Live a psalmist, we have reason to cry out in agony, "O God, thou knowest my foolishness, and my sins are not hid from thee." But, though the year 1902 has been a year of many shortcomings, it may yet be made a year of divine pardon. There are a few hours of the old year left. Can we, shall we not crowd these last few lines of the book of 1902 full of penitent prayers, of earnest and tender pleadings, full of resolves to undo as far as we can the wrongs we may have done to others?

O my loved ones, will you not get down upon your knees and ask God to make this year, even in its closing hours, a year of divine pardon and triumphant hope?

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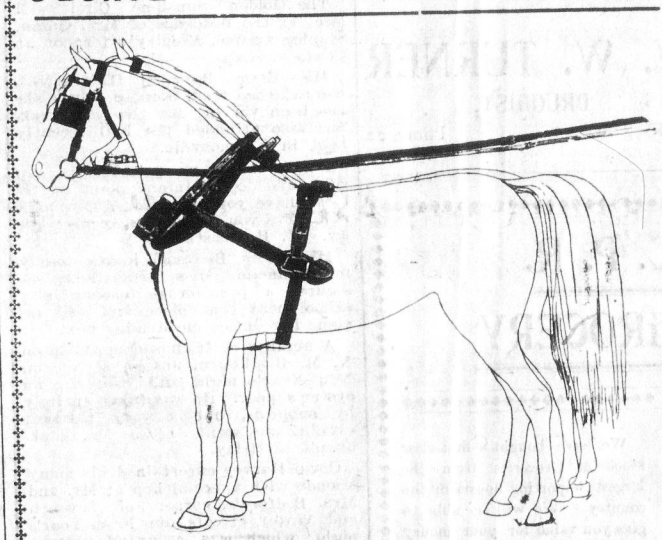
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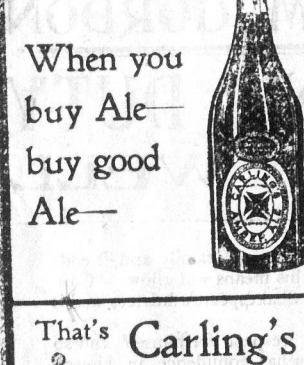
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Next week's papers will contain the particulars of the lines we are going to move at special prices.

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Retiring Chairman Gives Liner to Members of Public School Board.

Many Warm Words of Praise Bestowed—An Enjoyable Social Time Spent.

The social function given by W. E. Campbell, the retiring chairman of the Public School Board, to his colleagues on the Board last evening, was a grand success in every way. The banquet was given as a farewell from Mr. Campbell to the other members of the Board and as a closing of the year's business.

It was a very pleasant affair indeed and was keenly enjoyed by the different members present. During the evening Mr. Campbell was the subject of many deserved complimentary remarks. The last year has been a most successful one with the Public School and much of this has been due to Mr. Campbell's businesslike management and capable guidance. During the latter part of the year he has been forced to be out of the city for a considerable amount of his time, owing to business changes, but his interests in the work of the schools has never decreased and he has performed his duties from the first to the best of his ability.

The members present last evening were Messrs. Robertson, Morley, McCordie, Macnabb, Cornish, Bray and representatives from the press. Dr. McKenough was there for the earlier part of the evening, but he was called away. The other members of the Board were unfortunately unable to attend, and sent regrets.

The banquet was a very elaborate one and much enjoyed. Mr. Campbell proved an ideal host and every possible want of his guests was promptly looked after. After the supper, a number of short speeches were made by the different members present.

Dr. R. V. Bray, as the oldest member on the Board, arose first and made a neat little speech. He complimented Mr. Campbell on the success which has followed the Board in their business during the past year, and expressed his regret that Mr. Campbell was to no longer occupy a position on the Board. He (Mr. Campbell) came on the Board at the same time as the doctor, and during all that time their business relations have been of the most pleasant. He wished Mr. Campbell unbounded success in his future life.

Mr. Campbell made a fitting reply, welcoming his guests and speaking in high terms of the pleasure which has been his during the time he has been on the Board. He also paid a high tribute to Mr. Macnabb, the secretary of the Board. He had always found Mr. Macnabb courteous and willing to assist, and his instruction has always been of the best.

Mr. Robertson has known Mr.

Campbell for over 32 years and could say nothing too good concerning him, both in the business and social world. He found this last year a pleasure under Mr. Campbell's able management.

Mr. McCordie took advantage of the occasion to express his gratitude to the people of North Chatham for re-electing him by acclamation. He also expressed the hope that the other members of the Board who were seeking re-election would be returned with good majorities. This was the popular wish of the members present, none of whom had any fears as to the desired result.

Messrs. Morley, Macnabb and Cornish also spoke a few words much upon the same line as the others. Mr. Macnabb thanked the members for the many kind words which had been addressed to him and stated that the secretaryship of the Public School Board had always been a source of pleasure to him.

After the usual press speeches the evening was broken into a series of social chat until the time of departing.

THE MARKETS

There was only a fair market this morning. As the Christmas season is now over there is a decided drop in the amount of stuff offered on the market. There were practically no turkeys or geese offered this morning, and vegetables were also scarce.

Following is the price list:

IN THE SHEPDS.

Eggs, per dozen, 18c to 20c.
Butter, per pound, 18c to 20c.
Chickens, each, 20c to 35c.
Ducks, each, 30c to 45c.
Turkeys, \$1.00 to \$3.00.
Geese, 65c to \$1.00.
Lard, per lb., 12c.
VEGETABLES AND FRUITS.
Sage, per bunch, 5c.
Carrots, per peck, 10c.
Onions, per peck, 20c.
Potatoes, per bag, \$1.00 to \$1.20.
Cabbage, per head, 3c to 5c.
Celery, 10c per bunch.
Cauliflower, per head, 5c.
Apples, per peck, 10c.
Honey, per rack, 15c.
Pumpkins, each, 10c to 15c.
Beets, per peck, 15c.

FISH.

White fish, 15c per lb., dressed.
Lake Huron trout, 10c per lb. dressed.
Yellow pickerel, 10c per lb., dressed.
Sturgeon, 10c lb. dressed.
Perch, 25c a dozen.

COUNTERFEITERS RAIDED.

Wilmington, Del., Jan. 2.—Secret Service Agent George Foster, of Washington, after a long investigation, succeeded in locating a counterfeiters' den in this city, and to-day a raid was made on it by the police. Biagini Malearoso, better known as "Mike" Ross, Sathia Malearoso his wife, and Nicola Bipico, his brother, were arrested, and the plant with some counterfeit dollars and partly made nickels, captured. It was an unusually large one.

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Witness Applauds Him For Truth and Courage in Branding Corruption

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Montreal, Dec. 31.—Commenting upon Mr. S. H. Blake's letter, The Witness says: "There are those who will condemn Mr. Blake for his attack upon his own party, but the majority of the people will applaud him for his truth and courage in branding by its right name a shame that has too long been allowed to pollute our public life."

"Men like Mr. Blake, if they will continue to raise their voices, can assuredly succeed in exorcising from our midst this demon of corruption, which is poisoning our national life."

WORLD OF SPORT

TURF

Tommy Burns secured two firsts and two thirds in the races at San Francisco yesterday. Tommy is said by the American papers, to be about the best rider at the coast.

PING-PONG

Lovers of this practically new game in Chatham have a movement under way with the intention of putting on a tournament here.

King St. merchants have already donated several prizes for the contest.

All who are interested in the game should communicate with W. J. Kenney for all particulars in the matter. Other cities have regular leagues of this game and there is no reason why Chatham shouldn't fall right in line.

RIFLE

The Harwich Rangers are getting ready for war; for some time the warriors have been preparing to go after the scalps of the "Botany Bivores," and the match yesterday proves the riflemen are in fighting form. Following is the score:

J. Spicer, 35, 32, 33—100.
J. McCormick, 32, 29, 32—93.
W. Ferguson, 20, 27, 33—80.
J. McKelver, 35, 23, 22—80.
R. Morrison, 35, 30, 30—95.
A. McCormick, 34, 30, 23—87.
F. Suter, 34, 32, 27—93.
G. Spicer, 30, 29, 31—90.
J. Houston, 33, 30, 29—92.
Sec. McCormick, 35, 31, 35—101.

An information has been laid against William Hillis on the charge of assaulting William H. Watson. The two men had been indulging and had a little altercation on Queen street, during which Watson was knocked down. Watson will be tried Monday.

RESTING

On one's oars isn't healthy business. Depending on past reputation isn't evidence of growth. If we were to do one or both we would be troubled with "Dry Rot," and to begin the new year with any such indifference or carelessness would be contrary to everything you expect. The way we've done in other years and the way we shall do this year is to keep everlastingly at it even during midwinter. Something has got to be done to develop business during January, and we never yet could see anything to be gained by carrying goods over.

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