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Window Shade Extra

We are changing and adding to our color range of Window Shades, and have about ten dozen (10 dozen) blinds in colors which we are not including in our new list; these we will sell on Thursday for less than one half price, for example:

3 x 6 Plain Color Shades for 15c to 30c each
3 x 6 Lace trim'd Shades for 20c to 40c each

and some narrower widths at even lower prices. These lots will be opened out in our Carpet Department on Wednesday morning. If you are interested in shades come early.

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Made of heavy, fine wool, in Tartan Plaid, dark colors, grand for use in long drives or as lounge rug, special at \$3.25 and \$5

Ladies' Muffs

A few very choice ones still left in stock. Nothing is more useful at almost any season of the year. Angora, Cashmere, Seal, Beaver and Sable, any one of them at prices to tickle your purse.

Violets

An early shipment of violets is opened up. The bunches are full and natural. Prices are 10c, 25c, 50c, 75c a bunch.

New Silks

We have just to-day opened a large shipment of plain and fancy silks direct from Japan. Silks have advanced at least 15 per cent since we placed this order away back in September.

27 in. wide, plain black, cream and white, extra fine quality Japan Silks, very special at..... 50c
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A beautiful lot of Fancy Silks, stripes, crystal cords, plaids and figured, very special values at

50c and 75c a yd.

Ladies' Jackets

On Thursday we intend to clear out the balance of our stock of Ladies' Jackets. We have:

Size 32 in. black, blue, fawn and gray, in kersey cloth, fur-trimmed and fur-trimmed, worth from \$5 to \$15
Size 34 in. black and blue in beaver cloth and rough cloth, worth \$5 to \$12
Size 36 in. black, blue and fawn, in kersey cloth, rough cloth and fur-trimmed, worth from \$5 to \$15
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An infant child of Robert Coates, of Ingersoll, was burned to death through children playing with matches. The mother was absent at a neighbor's.

You know

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A BIG BOER BLUFF

Commandant Delaroy Says the Enemy Have 120,000 Men

Expresses Regret or the Death of a Non-combatant Newspaper Man.

Rensburg, Feb. 14.—An Australian newspaper correspondent, Mr. Reay, paid an interesting visit to the Boer camp Sunday to make inquiries as to the fate of his missing colleague, Mr. Hales, of the London Daily News, who was captured by the Boers Feb. 7, at the time Mr. Lambie, of the Melbourne Age, was killed. Mr. Reay arrived at the camp, blindfolded just as church service was commencing. He sat blindfolded throughout the service. When he was taken before Commandant Delaroy his eyes were unbandaged. Delaroy was most courteous to the correspondent. He said he deeply regretted that a non-combatant had been killed, and expressed sympathy for Mr. Lambie's widow. Mr. Reay was then escorted to Lambie's grave and the latter's watch and other personal effects were handed over to Mr. Reay. He then told Reay that the two republics had 120,000 men fighting and were able to continue the war indefinitely.

TILBURY.

Feb. 14.—In the hockey match last evening, with Thamesville, the game stood 4 to 0 in favor of Tilbury. Mr. Macmillan is quite ill. Tilbury boys will go to Thamesville for a game of hockey to-morrow evening. Geo. Richardson, of Essex, was in town last evening. The Chatham Daily Planet is on sale at Johnson's Drug Store.

Exp. Councilor C. Sanders, of Sarnia, expired suddenly while at the dinner table.

RENSBURG IN DANGER.

British Outposts Have All Been Driven in by the Boers.

THERE HAS BEEN HEAVY FIGHTING WITH LOSS AT SEVERAL POINTS.

GENERAL FRENCH AND HIS CAVALRY ARE ABSENT AT MODDER RIVER AND THE BOERS ARE TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE FACT—GENERAL WAR NEWS.

London, Feb. 14.—A despatch to the Daily Mail from Rensburg, dated yesterday says: There has been hard fighting for two days near Colesberg, the Boers making strenuous efforts to outflank the British left. The enemy occupies strong positions from Achtertang, through Potfontein to a point five miles south of Jansfontein. The fighting at the outpost camps has been very severe during the last few days. Yesterday the Boers attacked the position of the Worcesters, to the south-east of Colesberg. Fighting continued all day, and after dark it was considered necessary to withdraw to Rensburg. Our losses are not yet known. On the left the West Australians, Wiltshires and Berkshires had hot fighting, but held their positions against long odds. The Boers are burning the farms of the loyalists, but the latter have contrived to get away with their stock. Yesterday's retirement of the western outposts included the withdrawal from Koles Kop and all the surrounding posts. Boers placed a forty-pounder at Bastard's Nek, commanding the surrounding country, and successfully shelled the British positions. The Boers numbered some thousands, and were five to one everywhere where fighting occurred. The British are chafing under the necessity of a relief from their posts, some of which they had held since the New Year. The British now have to camp west of Rensburg. They safely brought off the guns from Koles Kop.

ONLY A MENACE. London, Feb. 14.—1200 a. m. The news of the day is enforced retirement of the British from the Colesberg district, under heavy Boer pressure and probably after a brief fight. There is apparently about to push an army into the Free State, the Boers make a counter-stroke in unknown but seemingly great force, not far from the vital line of railway connecting the Orange and Orange River.

Military observers do not regard this as more than a menace. Nevertheless the news produces an unpleasant impression here. Gen. French had manoeuvred the Boers out of Rensburg in December. On Jan. 1 it was reported that he could take Colesberg in two days with reinforcements. These were sent but the Boers also were reinforced. Since then the British lines have been extended east and west, so that at the opening of this week they constituted a great horseshoe, 25 miles in length. The lines were not continuous, but all the strong positions were held.

Gen. French when he joined Lord Roberts, presumably took most of his cavalry. Gen. Clements was left with the infantry to hold the Boers in check, but commandant Delaroy, with

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a double turning movement, has compelled the British to concentrate at Rensburg, besides threatening Lord Roberts' communications. The Boer mastery of the district has caused a spread of insurrection, but this, no doubt, will be promptly repressed, as large British forces are available not far away.

BULLER'S LOSSES.

A revised list of the British casualties at Potgieter's drift, from Feb. 5 to Feb. 7, shows: Killed, 23; wounded, 319; missing, 5. The indications as to Gen. Buller's immediate movements are contradictory. One informant, who has intimate relations with the War Office, predicts a movement within the next two days. A number of correspondents who have been with Gen. Buller, however, have gone to Durban for a few days' rest, under the impression that nothing is to be done immediately. The War Office has directed the eighth division of 40,000 men to prepare to go out.

ARE HOT AFTER RHODES.

London, Feb. 14.—A private telegram received here says that "the force commanded by Gen. Wadood has moved up from the southward and seized Zandani's Drift, which it now holds." The war office has posted a despatch from Col. Kekewich, dated Sunday, Feb. 11, to the effect that Kimberley was bombarded throughout Thursday, Feb. 8. During the morning of Feb. 9, a small infantry engagement, lasting about two hours, occurred at Alexanderfontein.

The friends of Cecil Rhodes are becoming alarmed at his possible fate, and have sent an emissary to see Dr. Leyds, the diplomatic agent of the Boers in Europe, in regard to the probable course the Boers would pursue in the event of his capture. Dr. Leyds assured the intermediaries that the Boers did not intend to kill Mr. Rhodes, but he added, they would certainly hold him as a hostage until the indemnity for the Jameson raid was paid. In view of the developments since the raid, the Boers have also decided to double the amount of the indemnity demanded, to \$500,000. Rhodes's friends will have to hand over \$10,000,000 before he is released.

It is also learned definitely that Dr. Jameson is still at Ladysmith, in spite of all conflicting reports.

RELIEF FOR MAKERING.

London, Feb. 13.—An undated despatch from Mafeking, via Gaborone, Feb. 2, says: Col. Baden Powell has received a communication from Lord Roberts promising that relief would be sent in a few weeks. The food for those in the garrison is as good as secured. The Boers have expressed their intention not to fight, but to starve us out. All well.

IMMENSE WAR FUNDS.

London, Feb. 13.—As the conviction grows in Great Britain that the war will be long, the efforts for providing for the sick and wounded and the families of the soldiers at the front are redoubled. There is scarcely a woman in England who, in addition to making articles of clothing for those in the field and in the hospitals, is not working for and contributing to some social fund.

Mrs. Arthur Paget's entertainment to-night brought in over \$250,000 for the families of the Household Troops, in which her husband is a colonel of the Scots Guards, the Mansion House fund exceeds \$3,450,000, the Daily Telegraph's fund amounts to \$550,000, and the Daily Mail's totals \$375,000. These amounts cover nearly the funds, and do not include numerous provincial funds of large amounts, being raised to equip volunteers. The equipment for the Yeomanry hospital has just left England for the Cape. The ladies at the head of this charity have now decided to raise funds to keep the hospital going for six months and have issued an appeal to British residents of the United States.

ZULU MAY BREAK OUT.

London, Feb. 14.—The Boer invasion of Zululand is causing keen anxiety. Apart from the fact that it threatens Gen. Buller's communications, it is difficult to believe that Zululand can long be kept quiet while their cattle are commandeered and their country overrun by their hereditary foes.

A despatch received in London late last night from Durban says that the Boer raid into Zululand is assuming alarming proportions.

Natal colonists in London declare that the natives will break away and fight the Boers on their own account, as the country where the Boers are is the best grazing land in South Africa, and the Transvaal will be able to seize vast quantities of cattle.

It is learned that 200 Boers were killed or wounded during Gen. MacDonald's reconnaissance.

February 14th, 1900.

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LEXUS BROUGHT TO BOOK.

Dr. Leyds was horsewhipped by an Englishman about a fortnight ago, says an English contemporary. The visitor obtained access to Dr. Leyds' private room by representing himself as an emissary of a pro-Boer newspaper in England. Left alone with Dr. Leyds he produced a bundle of obscene parodies of Queen Victoria, published by Leyds in French newspapers, saying, "You scamp! I am going to thrash you for this." He then displayed a whip, and promptly laid it across Leyds' shoulders. Leyds endeavored to summon assistance, but was unsuccessful. As his English adversary continued to rain blows upon him, he finally crawled under a table and in a piteous voice shrieked for help. The Englishman finally said, "I have given you what my country will give your racially employed at Pretoria," and then left in a leisurely manner. Leyds at first informed the police, but afterwards learned that no notice might be taken of the outrage, as it "would make him the laughing-stock of Europe." He had plasters on his back when he left Berlin to dine with Prince Hohenzollern.

ABOLISH THE COUNTY COURTS.

The campaign the Globe is making in favor of a simplification of the procedure and a lessening of the cost in inferior court cases should receive the support of every newspaper in the province.

"We can see no reason for the continuation of two separate and distinct inferior court systems for the trial of civil cases. One such system answers the people of England, where the county courts cover substantially the ground covered by both the county and division courts here. The English county courts, like our own division courts, are local courts, that is to say, each county judge makes a periodical circuit of his county, holding court in the various localities. The procedure in the English court in minor cases is exceedingly simple and effective, but in the more important cases that court has the vice of our own county courts, it follows the expensive and tedious procedure of the high court.

On the other hand, our division court procedure, though susceptible of improvement in some of its features, is on the whole very satisfactory. Not only are the sittings local, so that the parties are not put to the expense of taking their witnesses a long way from home to the county town, but the practice is simple, speedy, cheap and effective.

The Globe gives this illustration of how our beautiful dual system in this province works:

The absurdity of maintaining two courts is only emphasized by the fact that the same judges dispense justice in both courts. If Smith, living, say, at Sutton, which is in this county, files a claim against Jones, also living at Sutton, for, say, \$90 for a horse, they may have the matter tried before Judge Morgan at Sutton, with or without a jury, at a cost probably of \$5 or \$10. But if Smith values his horse at \$110 he must, if he desires to recover that amount, bring his action in the county court, and then he and Jones will have both to come to Toronto, and bring their witnesses with them, and after they have waited their turn their dispute will be heard before some judge, and if, when they have succeeded in getting the judgment of the court, the costs of the action are only the average cost of cases heard in the county courts of the province, the parties will have paid more than twice the value of the horse to discover which of them was right. We venture to say that it would puzzle anyone who will trouble to think about it to give a reason why Judge Morgan could not try any cases within his jurisdiction as well at Sutton, sitting in the division court, as at Toronto, sitting in the county court, or why a difference of a dollar or two in the amount of a claim should make it necessary to apply an altogether different system of legal procedure. Put a more serious aspect of the case is that under the county court practice the parties who appeal to the courts of justice are punished for their temerity, as though they had been guilty of some offence against the law.

What is evidently needed is not that the old systems should be patched up, but that both should be abolished and that the new County Court should cover the whole ground, with added jurisdiction, and be given a procedure adapted to the requirements of the times. In nine cases out of ten the parties might safely go to trial, as they now do, in the Division Court, without pleadings or any other expensive preliminaries, but jurisdiction might be given to the Judges to order pleadings and discovery is appropriate cases, and solicitors' costs ought to be allowed against unsuccessful parties, but under a strict limit, and not under a system like that at present in vogue in the County Courts,

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which puts a premium upon circumlocution.

The proposed reform would not necessarily involve any great change in the duties of court officials. For the present, at all events, it would perhaps be thought wise to retain the services of the County Court clerks as chief clerks of the new County Courts in some such capacity as that suggested by our correspondent, and the present Division Court clerks and bailiffs would naturally fulfil the like duties as at present in connection with the new courts.

A GOOD THING FOR THE BOYS.

The bill for the taking of the prohibition plebiscite is down; the total amount is \$197,932.

A great fraud was the plebiscite, seeing that it was devised not honestly, but merely as a party expedient.

But it did a financial service to a mass of the faithful.

According to the accounts rendered to the government and paid the following gentlemen:

211 returning officers.

7,951 deputies.

7,951 clerks.

4,669 constables.

Altogether 20,172 good solid new Liberals had a little pull at the treasury through the plebiscite.

It was a good thing for the boys.—Toronto Mail.

Dawson City is being deserted wholesale for Nome, 2,000 miles down the Yukon. Little will be left of the Klondike metropolis, it is prophesied, after May and June.

Nine Michigan sugar beet factories

turned out 30,106,113 pounds of sugar this season. There is an industry worth having. Yet Canada has not made a step towards establishing the first sugar beet factory.

Mr. Bergeron says the ministers on the stump speed half their time explaining to the electors that they did not make any promises and the other half assuring them that they have fulfilled all the promises they did make. What fun it will be when the time comes round for Archie Campbell assuring the farmers, first, that he never promised them cheap coal oil, binder twine and farm implements, and, second, that he has fulfilled the said promises and given them cheap coal twine and all the rest of the things. Still you can bank on Archie. If he cannot free himself from the government's pledges with all the alluring tints of performance, nobody else can.

WOMAN'S PLUCK WINS.

A Lady Who Cured Her Husband of the Liquor Habit Writes a Pathetic Letter.

She writes: "I had for a long time been thinking of trying the Samaritan Prescription for my husband's drinking habits, but I was afraid he would discover that I was giving him medicine, and the thought of my husband's being cured by my hand would have been a terrible blow to me. I hesitated for nearly a week, but one day when he came home he was so much intoxicated and his week's salary nearly all spent, I threw off all fear and determined to make an effort to save our home from the ruin I saw coming at all hazards. I sent for your Samaritan Prescription and put it in his coffee as directed next morning, and watched and prayed for the result. At noon I gave him more, and at 4 o'clock he was cured. He never suspected a thing, and I then boldly kept right on giving it regularly, as I had discovered some time that set every nerve in my body tingling with hope and happiness, and I could see a bright future spread out before me. I drew out before him a share in the good things of life, an attentive, loving husband, comfort, and everything else dear to a woman's heart, for my husband had told me that whiskey was vile stuff, and he was taking a dislike to it. It was only too true, for before I had given him the full course he had stopped drinking altogether, but I kept giving the medicine till it was gone, and then sent for another lot to have on hand in case he should relapse. He had done from his promises before. He never has, and I am writing you this letter to tell you how thankful I am. I honestly believe it will cure the worst cases."

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Matches have been so scarce at Modder River, where a large section of the British troops have camped, that they have been sold by an enterprising sutler at 2 cents apiece. However, this is not surprising. We expected when the boys started they wouldn't come across their matches in South Africa.

We suggest the appointment of a Guardian of Infants' Estates in each county, not subject in any way to the control of the Guardian in Toronto, but subject to the inspection of the Inspector of Legal Offices.—London Advertiser.

There is too much patronage now centred in the Government. What we want is fewer, not more, Government officials.

Every fresh rainstorm reminds us of the execrable engineering which has placed most of the city's walks and crossings at or below the mud and slush levels. Engineer Shackleton is not responsible for the poor work of his predecessors, and it is to be hoped when he gives the levels he will err, if he errs at all, in favor of high mud mark walks.

Lord Roberts proposes to loosen the press censorship so that the nation may know what is going on in the theatre of war. That is ample proof that Lord Roberts has confidence in himself and fears neither the Boers nor the British, the rifleman nor the critics. When we find an officer more exorcized over what appears in the newspapers than what the enemy is doing you can put him down as too small intellectually for his job.

A HAY-DEN OF A TIME.

Cleveland Plaindealer.

A recent letter from Pretoria makes the statement that President Kruger is getting deaf. This may prove a little embarrassing when Consul Adelsberg Hay calls on him. We may imagine the ensuing man, vo! is it?

Kruger—Vell, yo! do not say it!

Hay—My name is Hay, sir. Adelsberg Hay.

Kruger—Hay! Hay!

Hay—Yes, sir.

Kruger—(still louder)—Hay!

Hay—(raising his voice)—That's what I said.

Kruger—Vell, yo! didet you said?

Hay—I said my name was Hay.

Kruger—Hay! Hay!

Hay—(loudly)—Yes, sir.

Kruger—Yes, yes, yo!

Hay—(very loudly)—Hay!

Kruger—Voi do you holler like dot for? Was you got deafness? Here for? Was you got deafness? You mean be pringing me deaf mens ven I was got so much peensess? Dake him afay to der earstop!

Hay—(vociferously)—I am not deaf. I am Consul Hay, from the United States. Hay, son of John Hay, "Little Breeches," don't you know, Secretary of State Hay, Hay!

Kruger—Vell, yo! don't you say so? How you say, and how is pa, and Mieder Maginly? Take a sit.

HE DREW THE LINE.

Could Not Accept One Article of Wearing Apparel.

"Madam," began apologetically, glancing down at the conglomerate and picturesque collection of rags in which he was arrayed, "I am aware of the fact that appearances are against me, but I am in reality a gentleman, a gentleman, as I may say, in disguise. It is not of my own free will, I assure you, that I wear the raiment with which I am at present clothed, but I am sent forth a ragged outcast and wanderer on the face of the earth."

"Poder mah! It is really too bad!" she exclaimed sympathetically. "Can I do anything for you?"

"Yes, madam, you can," was the prompt reply. "I do not require food. I can get plenty of that at every house I visit. But if you can relieve me of the humiliation of appearing in public in my present state of raggedness by presenting me with a second-hand suit of your husband's wearing apparel I shall have occasion to ever remember you with sincere and heartfelt gratitude."

"Why," said she musingly, "I have no husband. I've been a widow for going on ten years, and poor John's clothes have all been given away long ago; but—just wait a moment, please, fellow! I think I have something that will perhaps do you just as well."

And with a smile that fairly beamed with benevolence she stepped into the adjoining room and presently reappeared holding out at arm's length a pink shirt waist and a pair of faded bicycle bloomers.

"There, my good man," she went on, cheerfully, "that's the best I can do for you, but if they are of any use to you you're entirely welcome to them. I'm sure I've sold my wheel, so I shall need 'em any more."

"Madam," he said humbly as he waved her offering aside and backed down the steps, "I need clothing; I need it badly. For the past six months I have accepted such cast-off raiment as the public has offered me and worn it meekly and uncomplainingly. But there is a point at which I draw the line, and I draw it at bicycle bloomers. Madam, I have the honor to wish you good-day."

And with a farewell wave of the hand he strode away, leaving the second-hand bicycle suit and a sadly disappointed woman behind him.—Will S. Gildie.

Every one acting a responsible part in the world, be it great or small, and be it acted with or without consciousness of its character, is continually working for others as well as for himself.

This is perhaps a not unimportant counsel to give to writers, write nothing that does not give you great pleasure; emotion passes easily from writer to reader.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

IN THE MATTER OF the estate of Catherine O'Keefe, late of the City of Chatham in the County of Kent, widow, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given in pursuance of the R. V. and Statutes of Ontario, 1897, chapter 129, that all persons and others, having claims against the estate of the said Catherine O'Keefe, who died on or about the 28th day of November, A. D. 1899, are required on or before the 20th day of February, A. D. 1900, to send by post prepaid or delivered to Messrs. Scane, Houston, Stone and Scane, of the City of Chatham, in the County of Kent, solicitors for Albert S. Jahnke, the administrator of the estate of the deceased, their Christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, statement of their accounts and nature of the security if any held by them.

AND NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that after the said mentioned date the said administrator will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only for the claims of which he shall then have notice and that the said administrator will not be liable for the assets or any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claims he shall not have notice at the time of said distribution.

DATED at Chatham, this twentieth day of January, A. D. 1900.

Scane, Houston, Stone & Scane, Solicitors for the said Administrator.

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Notice to Creditors.

Pursuant to a judgment of the High Court of Justice, made in a matter of Liddy vs. Liddy et al., the creditors of Honorable Liddy, late of the Township of Harwich, in the County of Kent, widow, who died on or about the sixteenth day of October, 1898, and all persons having any general or specific liens or encumbrances upon or against the estate of the said deceased or upon or against any individual share thereof, are, on or before the seventeenth day of February, A. D. 1900, to send by post prepaid to Messrs. Scane, Houston, Stone and Scane, of the City of Chatham, solicitors for the plaintiff in the said proceedings, their Christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, a statement of their accounts and the nature of the securities (if any) held by them; or in default thereof they will be peremptorily excluded from the benefit of the said judgment. Every creditor holding any security is to produce the same before me at my Chambers, Harrison Hall, in the City of Chatham, on Tuesday, the 20th day of February, 1900, at half-past ten o'clock in the forenoon, being the time appointed for adjudication on the claims.

Dated at Chatham, this 22nd day of January, 1900.

(Signed) **R. O'HARA,**
Local Master at Chatham.

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Toronto, Feb. 14—10 a. m.—Fair and cold. Thursday, easterly winds with snow in most localities.

LOCAL BRIEFS

Conductor Noble, of the L. E. & D. R. R., has resumed work, after a two weeks illness.

Last Sabbath evening eight persons were publicly received as members of Victoria Avenue Methodist Church.

Noah, the five-year-old son of James Pritchard, Head street, is seriously ill with a severe attack of the croup.

The program committee for the Patriotic concert will meet in the parlors of the Garner House this evening at 8.30 p. m.

W. Frank Smith filed his papers today in the probate of the will of the late Isaac Oldershaw. The estate is valued at \$3,600.

Mrs. Bloom, 34 Clair street, gave a most enjoyable party Monday evening in honor of her sister, Miss Mason, of Blyth.

A white, ice-wool Opera Shawl was lost last evening at the Tennis hall. The finder will kindly leave at The Planet Office.

Mine Host Hicklin, of the Aberdeen Hotel, and the boarders will hold their first annual banquet on Friday evening next. A delightful repast and program is being arranged.

Three rinks of the Maple City curling club went to Glenora this afternoon. Thameville wanted to come here but it was impossible to get another three rinks.

The Rev. Chancellor O. C. S. Wallace will preach at the William St. Baptist Church both morning and evening on Sunday, March 18th. Mr. Wallace preached here two years ago and his sermons were exceedingly interesting.

Reginald Miller has received a letter from Walter S. Verrall, who is travelling for the Chandler Drug Co. of Toronto. When writing on Monday Mr. Verrall was on the point of leaving for the Ottawa Valley on an extended business trip.

M. C. McBrayne, who is travelling in the state of Michigan for the Smith-Premier typewriter, was in the city Sunday. He called on Dr. Chas. Baskerville at Mount Pleasant and found the ex-Chathamite doing well. The doctor has a splendid suite of offices and is building up a fine practice.



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Society Dress
Hints....

The correct dress for gentlemen for social functions occurring after 6 o'clock is the full dress suit.

There is but one exception permissible, that is the Tuxedo or dinner coat. These may be worn at theatres and dinner parties respectively.

The Inverness is worn as an easy top coat over dress suits.

The Paletot is becoming quite a favorite among good dressers, while the frock suit is the correct day dress.

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SITUATION DARK.
London Papers want 50,000 more
Men Sent to South Africa.

General Roberts has a Large Force Assembled at the Modder River.

New York, Feb. 14.—The despatches announcing the British retirement at Roberts are not yet known. "Our losses are not yet known," says the Daily Mail's correspondent. There was hot fighting all day, and night the British retreated.

This news is the more depressing to London, because only a few days ago it was believed Gen. French was about to take Colesberg. If the Boers are able to defeat Gen. Clements in a decisive engagement they may threaten Gen. Roberts' base of supplies at De Aar Junction.

This unexpected show of strength by the Boers at Colesberg has amazed those who were predicting an easy march for Gen. Roberts through the Free State. The experts who saw in Gen. Buller's capture and abandonment of Vaal Krantz a fine piece of strategy, say that Gen. Clements' retreat to Rensburg is part of the same policy—to engage large forces of Boers while Roberts demolishes Colesberg.

It is believed that Gen. Buller has withdrawn his whole force from Potgieter's drift and springing to Colesberg, and is exactly where he began two months ago.

The London Leader's war expert says: South African military opinion calls for 50,000 or 75,000 more men as soon as possible, and this on the ground of mercifulness and ultimate economy.

This would bring our strength there up to nearly 250,000 men to put down two small republics, whose united white population is supposed not to exceed 150,000 men, women, children and outlanders. Nothing but this fact was needed to demonstrate the futility of the ministerial scheme of army reorganization laid before parliament on Monday.

The precise nature of Lord Roberts' movements on Modder River and Orange River are wrapped in mystery. Certain it is that the country Gen. French manoeuvred the Boers out of in northern Cape Colony has been re-occupied by the Boers.

Gen. Buller is keeping his own secrets, but we may look for another move on his part in a day or two, probably to the east of Colesberg.

The morning Post's war expert says: The announcement of new appointments confirms the supposition that a large force has now been assembled at Modder River. The offensive cannot be carried on along the whole line, and the commander-in-chief must determine the point at which he will act.

It looks as though the Boers had taken their forces away from Magersfontein to reinforce their commands at Colesberg, where a victory would threaten the British communications between Cape Town and Modder River.

The expert compares the situation to the American civil war at the time when the army of the Potomac held all the confederate forces in Virginia while the western armies moved down the Mississippi and through the heart of the confederacy to Atlanta and Savannah and thence north to Gen. Lee's rear.

"Better do it than wait it done," Better cure catarrh by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla than complain because you suffer from it.

NOT DEAD BY LONG ODDS.

London Mail.

In the first battle of Colenso, troop horse No. 6200 B & was struck full in the forehead by a bullet, which passed through its head, and the horse flung in the return of horses killed. Two days afterwards, in a new camp, at days afterwards, in his old place with the others of his section, was the missing troop horse. The men were frantically delighted. The bullet had evidently missed the animal's brain.

THE LONDON GLEE SINGERS.

We have had Scotch concerts and Irish concerts galore; the costume concert to be given at the C. O. I. on Friday night is distinctively an English concert. The program—twenty-four numbers—consists of some of the old favorite English ballads and madrigals descriptive of English manners and customs. These will be rendered with the finish and dash of professional singers, accompanied by appropriate gestures and action. The rich costumes to be worn will add greatly to the artistic effect. Tickets 50c; pupils 25c. Seats reserved without extra charge at the Central Drug Store. Plan now open.

C. P. R.'S ASSESSMENTS.

A special meeting of a committee of the city council was held in the city clerk's office this morning to discuss with the representatives of the C. P. R. matters of difference in local improvement assessments. There were present, W. G. Dunlop, representing the C. P. R. Co., Mayor Smith, Ald. Seane, McKenough, Fleming, Marshall, McCog, Sheriff Gemmill, chairman of the court of revision, City Engineer Shackleton and City Clerk Merritt.

Mr. Dunlop explained that the company thought it unfair to assess them for local improvements on their right of way. They got no benefit whatever from them in this respect.

The city solicitor was asked to look into the matter and report back to the committee.

AN INSIGNIFICANT BLAZE.

At 7.10 last evening an alarm of fire was rung in from J. B. Stringer & Co.'s office. A quantity of paper upstairs in Baxter's printing office had caught fire. The blaze was easily extinguished, the damage being slight. Mr. Baxter attributes the fire to spontaneous combustion, while Chief Jacques is inclined to attribute it to cigar stubs carelessly thrown amongst some waste paper.

The smallpox has reached Toronto from Toronto Junction.

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We have received our first consignment of Wall Papers for spring and will be pleased to show samples and give estimates.



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FREDERICK AND THE DRAMA.

Among the many arts and sciences which have received encouragement from Frederick the Great, there is not one which owes more to this monarch than the drama. From his earliest boyhood his love for the stage was most marked, so much so, that his father, Frederick I., feared the future of his son would be an actor instead of a warrior. When Frederick became King of Prussia his association with Voltaire rekindled the fire of his youthful ambition and it was a common occurrence at Potsdam to see Frederick the Great and his sister Amelia participate in the trial performance of some of Voltaire's compositions.

Frederick was a very poor actor, but an excellent musician, so very frequently to avoid making a complete fiasco of a performance and yet not offend his sensitive majesty, Voltaire interpolated flute solos so as to permit the musical effort to counteract the dramatic. In the opening act of "Frederick the Great," as presented by Lewis Morrison, a state concert is about to be given in which Frederick contributes a musical selection. Mr. Morrison has devoted many days to the study of this one effort, which is said to be exceptionally clever. At the Grand Opera House Wednesday, Feb. 14th.

TO DEMOCRATIZE THE ARMY.

London, Feb. 14.—When the debate on the army supplementary estimates was resumed in the House yesterday, Mr. Wyndham, during the course of the speech, again intimated that an attempt would be made to democratize the army, which, he said, he thought ought not to be closed to officers who did not enjoy an income of from £150 to £500 a year.

Mr. Wyndham also said it was a scandal and a danger to the Empire that young men could not enter the cavalry unless their fathers were able to give them £500 a year.

Having been unable to ascertain anything about the missing Edwin ballote, Mr. Wyndham asked the government a commission adjourned at Toronto to meet in St. Thomas on Feb. 20th.

Edward Blake, writing from the British House of Commons on Feb. 2nd, resigns his office as Chancellor of Toronto University because the interest of the university at this stage of her history requires an efficient working Chancellor on the scene of action.

FAST TRAINS

Via Chicago & North-Western R'y—Chicago to St. Paul, Minneapolis, Duluth, Milwaukee, Des Moines, Sioux City, Omaha, Denver, Salt Lake, San Francisco, Los Angeles and Portland. The best of everything. No change of cars. Call on any Ticket Agent for information, or address W. B. Kniskern, 22 Fifth Avenue, Chicago, Ill. B. H. Bennett, 2 King Street, East, Toronto, do 12 19 20.

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Looming Up

And in the near future to—that's what spring is doing and you'll want to be ready, you won't want to put off all your preparations till the last moment—at least wise people won't.

We wish to emphasize the fact that our Wash Goods Department is filling up rapidly with the latest American, French and English wash novelties. We could mention scores of new lines, but space will not permit. Here are a few of them as key notes and reminders:—

At 25c Per Yard

Merlawn Novelties

A new French Shirt Waist Material, in light blue, rose and mauve, colored stripes, also black and white and blue and white, fancy designs, the fabric is a correct imitation of silk, fine soft silk finish, alike on both sides and guaranteed fast colors. Ladies! these goods are selling rapidly. First choice is the desire of every woman. Come early and secure your patterns. This cloth is 27 in. wide and only requires 2½ yds. to 3 yds. of material will cost at the most for a waist only 75c.

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Special 25c Per Yard

English Dress Sateens

Beautiful patterns and choice goods is the least we can say about this cloth. Any person wishing a dress or fancy waist for early spring can't do better than buying before the best patterns are sold. This cloth has a fine satin finish, new blue and black ground with fancy and cluster polka dot patterns. This material is 27 in. wide and absolutely fast colors.

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- 4 pos. 38 in. Novelty Tweed, good weight, in colors black and blue, black and green, purple and black, brown, reg. 25c, clearing at..... 17c
- 4 pos. 40 in. wide, Plaid Tweed, strong cloth, in black and red, blue and black, myrtle and black, bright green and black, reg. 35c, clearing at..... 20c
- 6 pos. 42 in. wide, odd line in Check Plaid and Novelty Tweed, heavy goods and pretty for dresses, you should see them, reg. 35c, to clear at..... 25c
- 4 pos. balance of a line in All-wool Tweed Sating, in mixed coloring, will make a good wearing skirt, reg. 40c, clearing balance at..... 25c
- 4 pos. 38 in. wide, Habit Tweed, in heavy cloth, in colors black, brown, green and navy blue, reg. 25c, to clear at..... 17c
- 4 pos. 38 inch wide Frieze Cloth, an elegant cloth for skirts or taller made suit, the best of wool, see them, reg. 60c, to clear at..... 50c
- REMNANTS, REMNANTS, REMNANTS, the balance of some 80 or 90 ends of Dress Goods, in black and colored, must be cleared out soon at cost and less than cost, you should call and secure some for your school girls.
- 6 pos. short ends Heavy Tweed Sating, 52 in. wide, in light and dark mixed coloring, a splendid cloth for skirts, our reg. prices 75c to \$1 yd., must clear balance at..... 50c and 60c yard

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THE DISTRICT FIRST SKIRMISH.

HUFFMAN'S CORNERS.

Considerable quantities of ice have been put in by the farmers. The soft weather has cut the work short. Miss M. Bustin is visiting at Wheatley.

Among others, John Bustin and John D. Huffman have been sick with bad colds.

The service on Sabbath was very well attended, considering the state of the roads.

Miss Crispin, of Woodstock, is visiting at the parsonage.

The Rev. W. R. Vance has been invited to return as pastor of the Harwich circuit for a fourth year.

FLORENCE.

Don't forget the date of the school concert, Feb. 23rd. A good program is being prepared.

It is reported that W. Rheintgen purposes building a bake shop here in the near future.

The Methodist revival meetings are being continued this week. Messrs. Burton and Morrow were assisted last week by A. Moorehouse, Shelburne.

Miss Nellie Tinsworth is visiting her sister, Mrs. Cragg, in Detroit.

Communion services were observed last Sunday morning in the Presbyterian Church.

Misses Vile, McKenney and Lou Webster visited Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Webster, Chatham, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Reeder and children spent last week visiting at Wardsville and other points.

Miss Sarah, Mr. I. Unsworth and W. McCreery attended the funeral of the late E. Miller at Dresden on Friday last.

Mrs. (Dr.) Campbell and Mrs. D. Redman, of Oil Springs, were guests of friends in the village last week.

Mr. Sturgeon, who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Atkinson, for some time, left this week for his home in Melita, Man.

DOVER CENTRE.

Our new merchant is doing a rushing business at present.

Mr. Fleming has been kept very busy the last few weeks.

Miss Rogers and Miss Gray, of Charing Cross, are the guests of Miss Cecil Rankin.

Mr. Broadbent, of Harwich, is visiting friends here.

C. Rankin has offered to carry the mail from Bear Line to Dover Centre.

We all enjoyed ourselves very much at the Valentine social held at the parsonage.

Mr. Frank will be able to grind on Tuesdays as usual, as he has plenty of water just now.

The muddy roads have stripped the boys' trucking logs for a time.

Miss Francis Rankin has had a light attack of the grip.

A number of young people expect to go out to Oldfield on Sunday, 18th inst., if the roads are fit to hear Dr. Cook, of Wallaceburg. He will preach both morning and evening.

THAMESVILLE.

Feb. 14.—Our hockey team had their first outing yesterday to Tilbury. A number of boys from town accompanied them.

The inspector for the London and Lancashire Fire Ins. Co. was in town this week, adjusting the claim on the house recently destroyed by fire owned by Miss Black, of London.

A number from here attended the Methodist reuniting at Barony last night.

Miss Elmer returned to Galt yesterday.

Miss Lizzie and Mr. Robert Ferguson attended the tennis ball at Chatham on Monday night.

Robert Pye entertained a number of his Masonic brethren last evening at his residence, and a very enjoyable time was spent by those present.

Mrs. Duncan leaves today for a fortnight's visit in Toronto.

DRESDEN.

Feb. 14.—Spring birds have been seen in this vicinity.

An alarm of fire was rung yesterday. A burning chimney at the residence of Thos. Steeper proved to be the only cause of alarm being given.

G. E. Weir is in Toronto.

North Kent Orangemen held their first annual meeting in the council chamber last evening.

Court was held here yesterday and two men named Wilson and Burns were up before the Magistrate.

Wilson while intoxicated had gone to the house and smashed glass out of the windows, whereupon Burns had gone out and thrashed him. Burns was fined \$2 and costs, amounting to \$3.75.

Wilson was fined \$2, costs \$3.25, and was bound over to keep the peace for one year under bail of \$1,000 on his own recognizance.

THORNCLIFFE.

Public school standing of the pupils for January.

Fifth class—Russell Hazlett 90; Leamon Shaw 89; Louise Houston 80; John Treacy 78; Frank Houston 48.

Fourth class—Mabel Smith 83; Hazel Hazlett 80; Clifford Shaw 62; Maggie Shaw 58; John Weldon 55; Ray Shaw 50; Bruce Meredith 43; Ethel Nickerson 40. Absent on examination, Bertha Bedford, Jane Garrison.

Third class—Emma Purdy 85; Warren Smith 80; Clifford Brown 70; Hazel Meredith 63; Percy Marshall 60; Russell Brown 47; Omer Shaw 45.

Second class—Debby Garrison 82; Alva Schaneshore 80; Archie Turner 78; Mary Pearson 70; Wesley Meredith 65; Garret Shaw 63; Henry Turner 60; Daisy Purdy 55; Dora Shaw 45; Hillard Schaneshore 45; Stella Delina 40; Stanley Turner 40.

Part II class—Amy Garrison 87; Harry Thompson 80; Orval Arnold 70; Earl Bolton 63; Archie Shaw 60; John Turner 58; Pearl Anderson 54; Norris Turner 50; Artie Anderson 50.

Average attendance for the month 48.

R. BRANDON, Teacher.

Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper.

Private Burrell Tells About it in a Letter.

How the Canadians Made the Boers Fly by a Gallant Charge.

Miss Maggie Latham has received the following letter from Private Burrell with the first Canadian contingent in South Africa:

Belmont, Jan. 6, 1900.

Dear Friend,—I now sit down to write you a few lines to let you know that I am well and hope this will find you the same. I suppose you know where I went before this letter reaches Chatham. I left the Maple City on Oct. 20th and went to London, where I enlisted. I was sworn in and had to go to war. Now I am in South Africa where the war is going on, but we have only been in one battle since we landed in Africa. This fight took place on New Year's day, and we had some close calls from being struck by the flying bullets. They were whistling by our heads and falling all around our feet. But we soon rushed up to the enemy and charged with fixed bayonets. As soon as the enemy saw the flash of our steel they began to fly and we pursued them, shooting as we went. Our work, however, was not very rapid.

23 and 43 prisoners. Our loss was only three, none of them being Canadians. The three were Australians, two privates and one lieutenant. This was very good considering there were only 700 of us as against 2,000 Boers. We took the town of Douglas and broke into every store. We then returned to our camp, which is about 50 miles from the front.

Home took about one and a half days. You don't know how lonesome it is when I cannot hear from Chatham only once in two months. It takes a month or more to come from Canada. I think this is all I have to say at present. I would like to hear from you soon. Write at an early date. Yours truly,

H. BURRELL,

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THE WHOLE SECRET.

Of the Remarkable Success of a Remedy for Indigestion and Stomach Troubles.

A new remedy which may revolutionize the treatment of stomach troubles has been placed before the public and bears the endorsement of many leading physicians and scientific men.

This preparation is not a wonder-medicine, neither is it claimed to cure anything except dyspepsia, indigestion and stomach troubles, with which nine-tenths of our nation are more or less afflicted.

The remedy is in the form of pleasant tasting tablets or lozenges containing vegetable and fruit essences, pure aseptic pepsin, free from animal impurities, Golden Seal and dandelion. They are sold by druggists under the name of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.

Many interesting experiments made with these tablets show that they possess remarkable digestive power, one grain of the active principle in one of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets being sufficient to thoroughly digest 3,000 grains of lean meat, eggs, oatmeal or similar wholesome food.

Stuart's Tablets do not act upon the bowels like after-dinner pills and cheap cathartics, which simply irritate and inflame the intestines, without having any effect whatever in curing indigestion.

If the stomach can be rested and assisted in the work of digestion it will very soon recover its normal vigour, as no organ is so much abused and overworked as the stomach. The secret also of the whole secret of the remarkable success of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, a remedy practically unknown a few years ago and now the most popular, safest and most widely sold of any treatment for stomach weakness.

This success has been secured entirely upon its merit as a digestive, pure and simple; because they can be no stomachic trouble if the food is promptly digested.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets act entirely upon the food eaten, digesting it completely, so that it can be assimilated into blood, nerve and tissue.

Every drop of blood, every bone, nerve and tissue in the body can be renewed in but one way, and that is from wholesome food properly digested. There is no other way, and the idea that a medicine in itself can purify the blood, or supply new tissue and strength is a fallacy. It is a germ disease or that other fallacy; that a weak stomach which refuses to digest food can be made to do so, by irritating and inflaming the bowels by pills and cathartics.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets cure dyspepsia, water brash, sour stomach, catarrh of the stomach, gas and bloating after meals because they furnish the digestive power, which is the one thing that weak stomachs lack, and unless that lack is supplied it is useless to attempt to assist it by the use of "tonics," pills and cathartics, which have absolutely no digestive power and do not claim to have any.

The regular use of one or two of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, that is from wholesome food properly digested, will demonstrate their merit and efficiency better than any other argument.

They are sold by druggists everywhere, and a little booklet on cause and cure of stomach troubles will be mailed free by addressing F. A. Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich.

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THE GORDON STORE

Has received several cases of New Prints, the finest line of patterns that have ever reached us from THE WALTER CRUM CO., whose brand on each piece assures the customer as to the beauty of style, finest of quality, strength for durability, and permanency of coloring for the wash tub. The name, CRUM, is known round the world for all that is good in English Prints.

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ONE CASE of fine Ginghams, comprising all the newest and choicest plaids and stripes.

NEW FLANNELETTES in Plaid, Stripes and plain colorings of every shade

WILLIAM GORDON

A LITTLE TRAVELLER.

There passed through Chatham on the C. P. R. westbound express yesterday from Halifax, a 7-year-old boy named Joseph Stoler. A ticket he had attached to his cap gave this information. He had come all the way from Russia alone, and was going to some relatives in Detroit. He could neither speak nor understand French or English, and if asked any questions he pointed with an innocent baby smile to the ticket on his cap. The little lad arrived at St. John, N. B., on the steamship Arawa, on Thursday last. As far as the officials could understand, it is over six weeks since little Joseph left his home in the land of the Czar.

Radley's Drug Store is supplied with a full line of drugs and well known special preparations that are offered at the lowest prices.

Only \$10 to Washington and Return via Philadelphia and Baltimore.

The Lehigh Valley Railroad will make a special low rate of ten dollars from Suspension Bridge to Washington and return on Wednesday, Feb. 21st. Tickets good for return until March 3rd. Good for stop off at Philadelphia and Baltimore. Trains leave Suspension Bridge at 7.20 a.m., 6.50 a.m., and 9.00 p.m. Don't fail to go. For tickets and Pullman apply to station ticket office Suspension Bridge or to Robt. J. Lewis, Canadian Passenger Agent, 33 Young street, Toronto, 71d.

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

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Special attention to handling and pruning of your trees. Plans and ornamental lawn grading a specialty.

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Removed next door to Geo. E. Young's Grocery opposite the Standard Bank.

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The Best Antibilious Pills in Use. Cures Dyspepsia and all Stomach and Liver Complaints.

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SOUTH AFRICAN NATIVES

The Hottentots, the Pictorial Bantu and the Bushmen.

The aborigines of South Africa were very low in the human scale. They were pygmies, feeble, hollow backed, and with skins so loose that they wrinkled at the joints. Little tufts of wiry hair grew on their heads, and they used poisoned arrows to kill game. They were called Bushmen by the first Europeans.

The present native occupants of the plains and jungles are not descendants of the Bushmen, however. By the time Europeans reached Africa, much stronger races were there, gradually but surely exterminating the weak little Bushmen. These were the Hottentots, who came from no one knows where but who are a much more powerful people physically. They occupied the coast from Walvis Bay, on the west, nearly round to Delagoa Bay, on the east, and the whole of the splendid Orange river country; also the entire valley of the famous Vaal.

The other race was the Bantu. Where it came from originally no man knows, but they show ineradicable traces of an oriental blood mixture. The Bantu were a fine, powerful negro people, and from them sprang every native tribe and people which has amounted to anything whatever. The Bantu of today are nearer the pure Bantu than any other people. The Matabels and the Basutos—in fact, every black tribe that has really disputed the white man's occupation is of more or less pure Bantu blood.

When the whites reached South Africa, the Bantu race occupied practically all of South Africa except the coasts and valleys in the far south, held by the Hottentots. The aboriginal Bushmen had been nearly exterminated.

The dwarfs found first by Livingstone and later seen now and then in small bands in the far interior are the only aborigines of anything approaching the pure type now in existence. The so-called Bushman of today is the result of the mixture of Bantu and Hottentot blood with that of the original dwarfs. The Bushman of the colonies is a brave and hardy little man. His strength and bravery come from the Bantu and his stature from the original possessors of the South African forests.

HE GOT THE JOB.

Won It Because of His Experience on the Far Road in Alaska.

This railroad story comes from Texas. It is said that a big, rawboned, rough looking fellow walked into the office of a certain railroad general manager, and after passing a crude sort of greeting, said:

"I want to get a job."

"At what—railroad work?" asked the general manager.

"Yes."

"What can you do?"

"Anything. Been railroading all my life."

"Where did you work last?"

"With the Fur road out in Alaska."

"Well, I tell you, a few years ago I was working in this country, and the gold fever in the Yukon district broke out. I knew I couldn't be much worse off there than I was here, so I started out. I didn't have much money, but I got to Dawson City I was pretty close to the cloth and had to go to work and get a job with this road I was telling you about. This promised me \$100 a month, and at the end of the first 30 days, when I went to the paymaster's office, they pitched me out ten skins. I made a 'holer' but when I noticed that all the others were being paid in the same coin I took the skins and started down the street. At the first window shop I stopped to take a drink, and when I swallowed I pitched over one of these skins. The bartender looked at me rather funny and said, 'I told him yes, the smallest you've got.' I told him yes, and he pitched the skin over to a porter and told him to go and get it changed. The porter was gone an hour, and when he returned he counted me out 408 little skins, and I had to hire an express to get my salary down to the boarding house."

"Here!" barked the general manager, "Go down yonder, I am giving you a job."

"And he got the job," Memphis Scimitar.

Washington Streets.

Said a Washington man: "While the naming of the streets in Washington is simple and easy to follow to residents, to the stranger it is most confusing, owing to the way in which the numbered and lettered streets and these streets calmly move a half a block away before again taking up their line of march. If a stranger, say, was going up Fifteenth street, when he got to K, although the street swings there slightly to the right and proceeds on a different angle, he would undoubtedly continue along it with serene confidence that he was still in Fifteenth street, whereas he is in reality on Vermont avenue, while the real Fifteenth street is half a block northward. That's as plain as I can make it, and about the only thing it really seems to explain is how very confusing our streets really are."

Two Opinions.

Curiously enough, both these advertisements appeared in a daily paper on the same day.

Lost—A lady's purse, seal brown in color, inside gold ornamentation, gold clasp, and enamel medallion on side, with initials A. H. H. Finger can keep contents and will receive additional reward by returning purse to Mrs. A. H. H.

Found—A lady's purse, brown, with brass trimmings, initials A. H. H. Contents, one tram ticket, two pennies, nineteen samples of material, recipe for making furniture polish, list of toilet preparations, five corn plasters and a box of ligature. Owner can have the same by applying to B. W. street—London Answers.

Hard to Decide.

Smithers—I am going to have my picture taken. A good deal depends upon the pose, don't you know. Now, what kind of a position do you think would be the best for me?

Brownie—Well, I don't know. I was going to say with your back to the camera, but then your hair is rather thin behind.—Boston Transcript.

A New York physician declares that stair climbing is the very best thing for the health when performed in the proper manner.

It has been estimated that steamers are 20 per cent safer than sailing vessels.

The Windermere Dry Hot Air Hospital

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Opened Oct. 1st. Beautifully Located. Possesses the Finest Treatment Rooms in America.

THE T. WILLARD READY HOT AIR TREATMENT OF RHEUMATISM. By DR. BURNS, Chicago.

The treatment of Rheumatism, particularly of the chronic form, is often far from satisfactory, either to the patient or to the physician, and up to the present time has left much to be desired. Even in the most favorable cases, when the worst of the disease is past, there remains a tenderness and stiffness about the articulations which are an inconvenience to the patient, if not a source of positive discomfort. The Dry Hot Air Treatment by the T. Willard Ready method, above 300 degrees F., applied to the affected part, in cases of long standing Ankylosis, not only produces speedy relief, but produces an absolute cure.

The knife, with its butchery shall no longer reign, But water, as first made by God, Man shall know, When heat-d with flame, as pure as his name, Shall disease dissolve, as the sun dissolves snow.

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MOTTO—Heat, scientifically applied has proven a great benefit to mankind.

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Cut this out, put it in your purse. It is worth a dollar in gold in payment of treatment at the Windermere Dry Hot Air Hospital. Present it at the office of the Institution.

This coupon is good for One Dollar if presented within thirty days from date of opening.

of which lies in advertising, you deal with a natural remedial agent, the physiological properties of which are as well known as those of air, and as definite in results as the dissecting knife in opening abscesses or removing tumors. Write for terms and literature.

HEAT, as is well known has for centuries been recommended as a topical agent for the treatment of localized inflammation, therefore principally in Arthritis, Synovitis, Primary Neuritis, etc., it was administered either moist or dry. Practice teaches that heat can be borne comfortably on comparatively high temperature, and is also more efficacious. The methods used, hot bricks, hot water bottles, bags containing heated salt, sand or heated plaster, could be neither regulated nor maintained for any length of time, making the renewal of agents necessary, and subjecting the heated parts to exposure to cold.

Lately the T. Willard Ready Hot Air Apparatus has been introduced to the medical profession, and a Sanatorium has been equipped in Stratford, Ontario, known as the Windermere Dry Hot Air Hospital, for the treatment of all diseases where dry heat is indicated. The T. Willard Ready Apparatus is so constructed as to isolate the air within the cylinder, to remove heat by means of a fan, to heat to any temperature up to 300 degrees F. for an hour, or, if need be, an hour and a half, not only without discomfort but with perfect safety, as with ordinary heat even the skin should be blistered, the high temperature drying up perspiration as soon as it appears on the Turkish towels absorbing it.

The following effects can be noticed:

1.—Pain, if any has existed, is diminished.

2.—The part treated becomes hypodermic, showing dilation of the capillaries.

3.—Effusion and deposits in joints, and, in fact, anywhere else, will be absorbed, adhesion broken up—consequently

4.—Ankylosis removed, mobility of stiffened joints or limbs restored.

5.—Inflammatory conditions relieved, in fact affected parts brought to normal, a stage as possible.

6.—Certain pathogenic germs necessary to such high temperature, thereby the subjection of the tubercular arthritis must be followed by good results.

The therapeutic properties of intense dry heat are Antiphotogenic (decoloring), and Solvent (local), Anesthetic (local), and Antiseptic.

In summing up these therapeutic effects of dry hot air (intense), the reader should bear in mind that they are not merely theoretical deductions, but have been substantiated in actual chemical experience, and observation in many patients.

The question now is, in which cases is the treatment suitable. We could answer this in a general way, but believed in so far as the treatment is a comparatively new addition to therapeutics, to mention each separately, adding such remarks as may be necessary to prove its rationale.

First of all, the Rheumatic effects must be mentioned.

1.—Acute Articular Rheumatism.

Whether this disease is due to an infection by germ, to cold or exposure, or to an abnormal condition of the blood or system is not yet definitely decided upon, and makes little difference, as far as the T. Willard Ready Dry Hot Air Treatment is concerned.

The fact is that besides general symptoms, such as fever, for instance, one or more of the joints becomes quite red, swollen, painful and sensitive to touch or motion.

Pathology teaches us that the Synovial membranes of the joints become inflamed and exude a turbid, thin fluid. It is evident that as far as the local treatment of painful and inflamed joints is concerned, liniments

can be of little value. Remembering the physiological properties of intense heat, we must readily see that an hour's treatment of the affected joint at a temperature of only 350 F. must necessarily reduce the inflammatory process and relieve pain.

Of course constitutional and antirheumatic treatment should be practiced in addition, to prevent a metastatic spread of the disease which has been a major characteristic feature of acute articular rheumatism.

2.—Muscular Rheumatism. Similar as in Articular Rheumatism, the so-called voluntary rheumatism and focal rheumatism. The causes are the same, the symptoms are pain, as the pain and soreness can be located in one muscle or a group of muscles. A characteristic symptom is that the pain is more intense on pressure upon the affected muscle, and while apparently easier when at rest gets worse afterwards, while after using the muscles the pain somewhat diminishes.

3.—Lumbago, when the muscles of one or both sides of the region are affected, and

4.—Pleurodynia or stitch in the side. When the intercostal muscles of the chest are involved, these muscles are also inflamed and somewhat swollen. It is evident that the T. Willard Ready Dry Hot Air Treatment is indicated in all these cases.

5.—Gonorrheal Rheumatism. This is no rheumatism at all, but in reality an inflammation of one, or perhaps several, large joints, following gonorrhea, and due to metastatic infection by the gonococcus. The symptoms are the same as if we had to deal with a case of intense articular rheumatism, but the joint or joints, if not properly treated, may become so impaired as to be stiffened and useless; that is to say, partially or totally ankylosed. Here the Dry Hot Air Treatment will not only relieve at once, but prevent this sad result. The pathology is the same as in acute rheumatism, save that the mischief is caused by a different micro-organism, and recent experiments tend to show that 400 F. are sufficient to kill the gonococcus.

6.—Arthritis means simply an inflammation of the joint. Therefore acute articular rheumatism is a rheumatic arthritis, and gonorrheal rheumatism, correctly speaking, is a gonorrheal arthritis. We mentioned arthritis for the sole purpose of reminding the reader that a blow, violence or fall may also produce it—and with it similar symptoms as in the rheumatic and gonorrheal forms. Tuberculosis is also a very frequent cause, but as a rule the joint itself does not become involved until in the latter stages, but primarily the synovial membrane only becomes involved, and then is known as a

7.—Traumatic Synovitis, or

8.—Tubercular Synovitis. It is hardly necessary to repeat what we have already said in regard to the Dry Hot Air Treatment as regards these affections. Only that much we wish to add, that where heretofore tubercular joint troubles (synovitis or arthritis) were treated by intra-articular injection of certain antiseptics, the results, besides the pain which such treatment necessarily caused, were far from satisfactory, while now, the inflammatory process is quickly checked, and the bacilli absolutely destroyed; for any two in medicines knows that even low temperature of heat are sufficient to kill the bacilli of tuberculosis. The value of Dry Hot Air Treatment is perhaps best established in sprains (traumatic synovitis), as it has been frequently reported that patients who could not take a step on account of the pain have gone home after an hour's treatment.

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ITEM OF HISTORY.

How Frederick the Great of Prussia Came to Institute

The Order of the Black Eagle—Lewis Morrison is the Possessor of a Badge.

On the bill-boards and in the store windows this week, a peculiar lithograph is displayed, advertising the coming production of "Frederick the Great," by Lewis Morrison. It is a reproduction of the "Order of the Black Eagle," the famous Knighthood of Germany, which had an origin of most intense interest. Frederick the First, of Prussia, was a man of peculiar temperament, a conservative and autocratic personage, who absorbed associating with the democratic or plebeian classes, and whose firm belief was, that he was ordained by God, not man, to rule his people, and therefore was superior to them. So dissatisfied was he with his environment and his constant coming in contact with the common herd, as he called his people, that to exclude all others from his immediate association, he founded the "Order of the Black Eagle" in 1701, the knighthood to consist of old thirty men, exclusive of princes of royal blood, who were in virtue thereof entitled to knighthood. The thirty were of unquestionable nobility and from the direct line of royal ancestry. Fifty ducats was paid by every new member, which went to the support of the orphan asylum of Königsberg, and he then received gratis his insignia of office, which consisted of an elaborate regalia and a badge worn suspended from the collar with a yellow ribbon, or displayed upon the left breast of the uniform. This order was the highest in Prussia at that time and worn only by those who were in direct connection with the sovereign, and who could not travel twenty German miles from His Majesty's presence without royal permission. Lewis Morrison is the happy possessor of one of these badges, obtained by him when in Berlin a few years ago, and the lithograph referred to has been made from it.

PULPIT SENSATIONALISM.

A Correspondent on the Subjects of Girls and Governments.

The worthy pastor of the First Presbyterian Church is somewhat exasperated on account of the sensationalism of certain pulpits, and not without some reason. The overflowing crowd to hear told over a Gospel pulpit on a Sabbath evening what the boys say about the boys is surely suggestive. Has the Gospel lost its ancient power? Has the preacher found it insufficiently attractive? Or has he discovered a sensational taste to which he is resolved to cater? The original Baptist did not require to tell the people of "Judea and beyond Jordan" that he would preach about the girls in order to find a satisfactory audience.

His preaching was along a very different line from that announced by his successor in this city for last Sunday evening. I imagine I hear John the Baptist reading over his pulpit a number of faults which the girls found in the boys. He had more serious business on hand. He did not find it necessary to resort to such tactics. It is to be hoped, however, that some good results will follow the extensive correspondence of the young pastor with so many of the young ladies and gentlemen who were so generously and religiously approached for information. Let our good brother of the First Presbyterian Church wait and listen with his ears to the ground for results and let us all hope for the best.

As to the Government, we may say, that if a preacher finds it necessary to preach in order to defend British institutions, "who daur meddle with him?" Maybe the sermon was necessary. Maybe it was just what John Knox would have preached about on such occasion. Other pulpits have been firing lyddite at the Biers in Chatham. Of course the range was so great that the Biers did not receive much punishment, nevertheless they were fired at with intent.

The pulpits will get right after a while, and there will be no stampeding when bombshells of Gospel truth drop in our midst, and our orchestras "will sing unto the Lord a new song," and our people will get rid of "itching ears," and Zion shall arise and shake herself from the dust of sensualism and put on her beautiful garments and men will be glad to go up to the House of the Lord for worship.

Yours, etc.,
"REXELON."

THE LAND OF BREAD AND BUTTER.

is the title of a new illustrated pamphlet just issued by the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway, relating more especially to the land along the new line it is now building through Bon Homme and Charles Mix counties in South Dakota. It will be found very interesting reading. A copy will be mailed free on receipt of 2-cent stamp for postage. Address Geo. H. Heafford, General Passenger Agent, Chicago, Ill.

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One branch of the gentle art of disagreeing is "How to scold," a very important branch for women who have children and servants under their care.

It is often a duty to point out faults and suggest a remedy, and it is a most difficult duty to perform well. This is usually because people do not realize that disagreement may be a gentle art. They think it necessary to speak sharply because their words contain a rebuke; which is a sad mistake, because at no time are such gentle words needed as when some one must be set right.

Of course, it is useless to reason with a child or a grown up who is out of temper; but it is also useless to try and shout him down.

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He that cannot obey cannot command.

It is the sign of a graceful and urbane temper to begin with confidence in our relations with others. It proves at least that we have lived for a long time in good fellowship with the world and with ourselves.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Lots of animated thinkers are poor talkers.

Silence may be golden, but gossip gains currency.

A preferred creditor is one who never troubles you.

A coincidence is the antiquated plea of the plagiarist.

The anatomist ought to be able to furnish inside information.

Few men are born leaders, but lots of them grow up and become drivers.

Although the gas meter never fails to register, it isn't allowed to vote.

Truth lies at the bottom of the well and anglers never go there to fish.

The best friend you have on earth is a better friend to himself than he is to you.

A man may dodge the earthly collectors, but he must pay the debt of nature as he goes.

Some people seem to know everything except the fact that they don't know how much they don't know.

We are told the cat has nine lives and we are inclined to believe it spends eight of them in vocal culture.

It is equally as important to be sure you are wrong before backing out, as it is to be sure you are right before going ahead.—Exchange.

SCIENCE NOTES.

After the "Britomart" is launched, Liverpool will see the last launch which will be made within the city limits. Seven miles of shore is now under the control of the Dock Board, which has set to work on the scheme of reconstructing the docks authorized by Parliament.

St. Lohaire, in the Jura Mountains, has erected a monument to Charles Marc Sauria, a country doctor who, in 1831, invented the lucifer match. Unfortunately, he was too poor to patent his invention and reap his reward.

There are, however, Austrian and Hungarian claimants to priority in this invention.

Old Ben Bush, the giant half-breed Indian, was recently burned in his cabin at his New Jersey home. It is believed that the cabin burning down and was set on fire by the burning logs on the hearth. He was one of the most noted of the many strange characters of the wild Star Land Mountain district in the Western part of Somerset County. He was seven feet in height and was straight and agile as many of the young mountaineers, notwithstanding.

Time heals all wounds. Money is also a great healer.

Mercy to the guilty is often cruelty to the innocent.

Woman may be the weak vessel, but man is often broke.

There can be no course of true love if true love never dies.

You can't prevent the sun from setting by stopping your clock.

Man is the only animal with a chronic longing for the unattainable.

Kimberley's Wit.

James G. Blaine was nonplussed once while he was Secretary of State. One of the applicants for a Consulate in Japan was the late Samuel Kimberley of Baltimore, who died in the service of Central America. Mr. Blaine had presented his credentials. Mr. Blaine said: "I should like to appoint you, Mr. Kimberley, but I have made it a rule to recommend no one who does not speak the language of the country to which he is sent. Do you speak Japanese?"

"Cert-tainly, Mr. B-Blaine," stammered Mr. Kimberley. "A-a-ask me something in J-J-Japanese and I'll answer you."

Mr. Blaine hadn't a word to say, but the Japanese post went to another man, all the same, and Kimberley went to Central America.

Another story is told of Kimberley equally creditable to his nimble wit. One day he met a young woman who threw her arms impulsively around his neck and kissed him. Seeing her mistake, she drew back and angrily asked: "Aren't you Mr. Jones?"

"N-n-n-not, but I w-w-wish to thunder I w-w-was."

"Well, she just looks at me an' sez: 'G'wan!' an' while I wuz wonderin' if dat was a threat or an invitation, along comes Casey, de copper, an' kisser her, himself. Den dey bot' gime me de laugh and Mamma chases her self home fore de frock could die on de can. I wouldn't dat far you for a hard-luck Christmas story.—Puck.

The Chinaman is Wondering.

She was a pretty girl and she was scolding Henry the Chinaman for the limpness of her ascot tie.

"Do better next time, Klum again," he said, smilingly; and then, leaning across the counter with a dangerously insinuating manner, he added: "You must er kisser me, please; er kisser me."

The Chinaman is wondering who sent the Melian lady shooting through the door in such palpable alarm, when he had simply asked her in his best English to excuse him.

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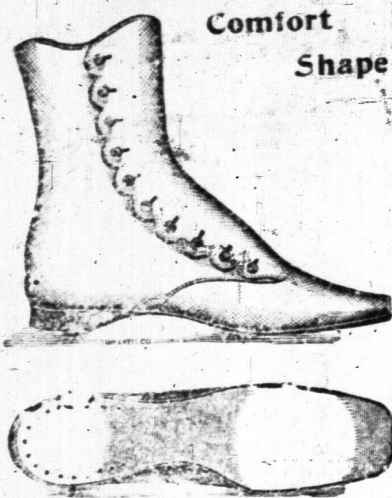
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A PATRIOTIC PRACTICE.

Under the direction of E. J. Forsythe a largely attended and enthusiastic practice of the choruses for the Patriotic Concert was held in the Central school last night. Several new voices joined the chorus last evening, including some vocalists from the surrounding country. Dr. DeCove, conductor of the orchestra, also had a large complement of his musicians present, as follows:

Piano—Miss Nellie Rhody.
 Harp—Jos. E. Reeves.
 Violins—Wm. H. Brackin, Prof. R. Luderer, of Detroit, Blake Arnold, F. Trotter, H. Eife, Ray Peck, John Blythe, Chas. Robinson, D. B. Fisher.
 Cello—G. Brackin.
 Bass—C. Schwenker.
 Flutes—W. J. Wilson, Ed. Coleman.
 Clarinets—Thos. Carter, S. McMillen.
 Cornets—F. Rayner, G. Suermann.
 Trombones—Roy Eife, Robt. Clements, Ed. Piggett.
 Euphonium—R. L. Brackin, John Baker.
 Bass Drum—Geo. Webber.
 Snare Drum—Thos. Campbell.
 Conductor—Dr. DeCove.

Nine of those convicted in the South Ontario bribery proceedings for receiving bribes, and one who did the bribing, will appear to have a part of their fines cancelled. They will be the first appeals of the judges Oiler and Ferguson will hear them.

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THE LEGISLATURE

Mr. Ross Meets it as Premier for the First Time.

The Speech From the Throne—A Very Lively Session Anticipated.

Toronto, Feb. 14.—The first session of the Ontario Legislature under Mr. Ross' premiership, was opened this afternoon with the usual official bowing and scraping, cocked hats, military guards and red coats, all of which have come to look ridiculous. Everything points to a lively session, in view of the revelations of electoral corruption by government agents since the house last met. Mr. Ross will face the house with a reduced majority. Mr. Hardy's majority at the close of the session, with North Waterloo vacant, was ten. North Waterloo is still vacant, and the seat of Mr. Garrow, one of the ministers of the crown, West Huron, is also vacant. Moreover, there has been a reverse in West Elgin, which makes a difference of two on division, and this pulls the Ross majority down to seven at full strength. Two of the government's supporters—Mr. Caldwell, of North Lanark, and Dr. McKay, of South Oxford—have been recently ill, but it is stated that they will be able to be present when the voting begins. One of Mr. Whitney's supporters—C. Berkeley Powell, of Ottawa—is absent, in England, and a pair will be arranged for him. Other faces that will be missed will be those of ex-Premier Mr. Hardy, the late Thomas D. Hodgins, Donald Macdonald, I. S. Campbell, who gave up South Renfrew to Mr. Latchford.

THE ADDRESS.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly: I take great pleasure in again meeting you as representatives of the Province in parliament assembled. Since the last meeting of the Legislature, Great Britain has been under



MR. G. W. ROSS.

the necessity of resisting by force of arms the encroachment of the South African Republic upon her territorial rights and the liberties of British subjects in the Transvaal. The issues involved, affecting as they did, the integrity of the Empire, appealed very strongly to the loyalty of the Canadian people. As the representatives of the Province, I congratulate you on the enthusiasm manifested throughout the whole province in the enrolment of her sons for Imperial service at the seat of war. No more striking proof could have been given of the loyalty and devotion of Canadians to their Sovereign and to the Empire to which they belong, and I am confident that my proposal of my Government for contributing towards the support of the wives and families of our soldiers now serving at the front will receive favorable and generous consideration. I am pleased to be able to inform you that the lumbering industry of the Province is in a flourishing condition. The legislation of 1898, requiring all pine logs cut under licenses to be manufactured in Canada, took effect first in the season of 1898-99.

The practical operation of this legislation has proven beneficial and timely. While the quantity of pine timber cut last season showed little, if any, increase as compared with previous years, the saw-milling business of the province on the other hand has received a powerful stimulus. Many existing mills have been enlarged, idle mills have resumed work, and a number of new mills have been built and equipped to meet the demand for sawn lumber and as a result substantial benefits have been reaped from the action of the legislature.

In pursuance of the policy of encouraging the development of industries for which the circumstances of the Province are specially adapted, an order-in-council has been passed that pulp wood cut on crown lands should be manufactured in Canada.

The measure confirming this order-in-council, will be laid before you. The desirability of preserving the forests in districts not adapted for agriculture so as to constitute a permanent source of timber supply has been fully recognized in connection with the administration of the crown lands. Accordingly districts capable of being reforested are being set apart as forest reserves.

The healthy condition of the mining industry is shown by the growth of revenue from sales and rents of mining lands, the increase of investments in mining enterprises and a larger output from mines and mining works. It is the object and policy of my Government to utilize all the national resources of our country, so as to afford the largest scope for the profitable employment of capital and labor and thus furnish the markets of the world

with finished articles, instead of raw materials. I am pleased to be able to state that the agricultural condition of the province is much more favorable than it has been for many years. The great improvement in the quality of all dairy produce has increased the popularity of our butter and cheese in the British markets and has consequently stimulated this branch of industry.

Our fruit interests are also increasing in importance and value as the exports of our orchards for the last year make manifest. The attendance at the agricultural colleges has reached the highest limit yet attained since establishment of the colleges. It will be necessary to provide additional accommodation if the attendance continues to increase as it has during the last few years. It is to be noted with regret that the increasing number of insane tax the accommodation of our asylums beyond their capacity. Notwithstanding the liberal provision already made and the large expenditure incurred in the carrying on these services, it becomes imperative that increased accommodation be provided for many urgent cases not requiring attention.

Measures will be submitted for the improvement of public highways, the drainage of swamp lands, the encouragement of cold storage stations in rural districts and the colonization of those portions of Northern Ontario best adapted for agricultural purposes.

Your attention will be invited to bills respecting the revenue, elections, education and mining, and also to a measure for a comprehensive examination of the districts lying between the main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway and Hudson Bay, in order that more accurate information may be obtained as to its timber, its mineral resources and its suitability for farming purposes.

Your attention is invited to the present relative jurisdiction of the Courts of the Province and of their respective Judges, and to the suggestions of experience for further promoting the efficient, prompt and inexpensive administration of justice throughout the Province. A royal commission to report upon the financial position of the Province. The report will be laid before you early in the session. A commission was appointed to enquire into the irregularities reported by Judges at the by-election held in the west riding of Elgin on the 12th January, 1899. The commissioners have entered upon their duties and will report to you. The public accounts and the reports of the several departments of the Provincial service will be submitted to you in due course. The estimates for the current year, prepared with as great regard to economy as is consistent with efficient service, will at an early date be placed before you.

LOCAL BRIEFS

Miss Ida Black, of Toronto, is the guest of Mrs. Ward Stanworth.

W. H. Hunter, Managing editor of the Denver Times, was in the city today.

The county council met at Harrison Hall to hold their special session tomorrow.

John Swift, the retired minister who was struck by a G. T. R. train near Newbury, is dead.

"The London Glee Singers" at the C.C.I. next Friday night. For particulars see elsewhere in the issue. Led by Wm. Hunter.

The party who lost the necktie while paying a nocturnal visit to the wood-pile at Richmond St. residence, can have the same by calling for it at The Planet office and paying for this advertisement.

Special clearing sale of hats, clothing and gent's furnishings now going on at H. H. H. They say goods are going cheap. Better drop in and see. mwfadot.

Frank Shea was remanded at police court this morning on a charge of drunkenness. There are probably papers up against Shea and an investigation will be made as to how he got the liquor.

To-morrow night the Amethyst club will give another of their semi-monthly hops. It is altogether likely that this will be the last dance to be given by the club this season. Dancing will commence at 8 o'clock.

Persons going to build this season should place their orders ahead for hardware. Geo. Stephens & Co. are booking orders and guaranteeing against a decline in price.

GOLD FREE TO ALL

The Beach at Nome, Alaska, is Rich With It.

Miners Wash Up 25 to 500 Dollars Worth a Day.

Fort Plain, N. Y., Feb. 14.—The following is a portion of a letter received here by Irvin Miller, a returned Klondiker, from the postmaster at Nome, Alaska, the latest gold-producing find: "Imagine a strip of sandy beach, which will pan from \$25 to \$500 a day. The water from the ocean is used to wash out the auriferous particles, and there is a chance for everyone. Of course there is a strip along the beach, about 100 feet wide, that belongs to the Government for a roadway. But this can be leased from the interior department, and is being worked by those who are in need of ready money for the necessities of life. About eight months ago a crowd of 2,000 miners came in dead broke. They had lost everything they had in the Copper River country, and to them the gold on the beach was a god-send. I have never seen anyone who wanted to work clear less than \$25 a day. There are times when rich pockets would be struck and the labor of a few hours pay \$500 and then the miners have been discovered and have been worked for several seasons. One of them employs eight men, and has turned out over \$250,000 net."



STAND TOGETHER.

War Experts Argue the Free States Will Not Submit

As Long as the Transvaal Holds Out—The Boer Armies Must be Crushed in Detail.

London, Feb. 14.—Spencer Wilkinson, in the Morning Post, discussing the news from Rensburg, says: "The intelligence is of the nature of a paid for a blow elsewhere. The concentration at Modder River is apparently accompanied by a weakening of the force at Colesburg, and of this the Boers have taken advantage to assume the offensive. Meanwhile, it looks as if the enemy had withdrawn their forces from Magersfontein to reinforce those at Colesburg where a Boer victory would threaten British communications. This is a serious matter. The Boers are fighting for national existence, and they will stand or fall together. This war will not be ended by strategic manoeuvring or by the occupation of geographical points, but by the destruction of the Boer army—taking the war destruction in its military sense, of decisive defeat involving dispersion of an army as an organized fighting force."

WAR NOTES.

The Cape Town Gazette prints an official list of the Boer prisoners who have been captured since the commencement of the war. The list contains 438 names.

The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, telegraphing Monday, says the crowd vociferously cheered the special military attaches when they started for the front, especially the American attaché, Capt. Slocum.

Private J. J. Purcell, of "B" Company Royal Canadian Regiment, died at the Orange River hospital of locomotor ataxia. He joined at Toronto.

A despatch to the Evening News from Rensburg says severe fighting occurred during the British retreat, the various outposts on both sides suffering heavy losses. The despatch adds that it is doubtful if Rensburg can be held.

A despatch from the Modder River announces the arrival there of 1,400 refugees from the Barkley West district. They had been ordered away by the Boers because they refused to join the Republicans.

A report comes from Durban that British artillery forced the Boers to evacuate their camp on Hlangwani Hill, south of Colenso. This is an important position.

Zoupan's Drift, seized by Gen. Wood, is on the Orange River, about 40 miles south of Kimberley. It is believed to hold the easiest road to Kimberley, open up the basins and will enable the British to attack Jacobsdal in the rear.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

	Up.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—Dec.	68 1/2	69	68 1/2	68 1/2
May	69	69 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2
Corn—Sept.	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2
May	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2
July	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2
Oats—Sept.	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2
May	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2
July	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2
Pork—Dec.	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
May	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
July	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Lard—Dec.	6 02	6 05	6 02	6 05
May	6 02	6 05	6 02	6 05
July	6 02	6 05	6 02	6 05
Ribs—Oct.	5 97	6 00	5 97	5 97
May	5 97	6 00	5 97	5 97
July	5 97	6 00	5 97	5 97

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Notice to Creditors.

IN THE MATTER OF the estate of William Phillips, late of the Township of Dover East, in the County of Kent, farmer, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to the Revised Statutes of Ontario 1897, chapter one hundred and twenty-nine that all creditors and others having claims against the estate of the said William Phillips, who died on or about the 26th day of October, 1899, are to require on or before the 28th day of February, 1900, to send by post prepaid or delivered to Messrs. Fraser & Bell, of the City of Chatham, in the County of Kent, Solicitors for Thomas Boyle, executor of the last will, and testament of the said deceased, their Christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions with full particulars of their claims and a statement of their accounts and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them.

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

THOMAS BOYLE, Executor.
 FRASER & BELL,
 Solicitors for the executor.

Dated at Chatham the 17th day of January, 1900. 4W4 483 4Fw.

Mortgage Sale

Of Valuable Real Estate, in the City of Chatham, in the County of Kent, under Power of Sale contained in a certain registered Mortgage made by James Lamont to the Vendors, will be sold by Public Auction by A. Thompson, Jr., Auctioneer, at the Garners House in the City of Chatham, on Friday the Second day of March, 1900, at 2 o'clock p.m., the following freehold property, namely:—FIRSTLY, Those parts of Lots numbers Four and Five, in Block "C" on the North side of King Street, in the said City of Chatham, known and described as follows: Commencing at a point on King Street in said Lot number Five, distant Seventy-five feet from Third Street and butting on land sold to John McDowell, thence Easterly along King Street a distance of One hundred and three feet more or less on said Lots Four and Five, thence at right angles from King Street to the River Thames, thence down the stream to the limit of that portion of Lot number Five purchased by John McDowell, thence in a line at right angles to King Street to the place of beginning, being the two parcels of land heretofore conveyed by instrument Number 13584 and number 11066 respectively.

SECONDLY, The one undivided part or share in part of Lot Eighty-five, on the Southern side of King Street, in said City of Chatham, particularly described in a certain deed dated Sixth of October, 1888, to one Charles Northwood, from the Canadian Bank of Commerce and Joseph Northwood and duly registered, save and except that part thereof heretofore conveyed by registered deed to Edwin C. Radley.

THIRDLY, Part of Lot number Fourteen, on the corner of King and William Streets, in the said City of Chatham, as described in said deed to said Charles Northwood, fifty feet more or less on William Street, by Seventy-five feet more or less on King Street.

FOURTHLY, Lots numbers One Hundred and Eighteen and One Hundred and Nineteen, on the North side of King Street, in the said City of Chatham.

FIFTHLY, Lots numbers Ninety-nine and Fifty-seven, Northwood's Survey, in subdivision of park Lots One and Two, on the West side of the Gravel Road in the said City of Chatham.

SIXTHLY, The Southern part of Lot One Hundred and twenty-two, in the Government Survey of the said City of Chatham, described as follows: Commencing at a point on the South side of King Street, fifty-six feet South Easterly along King Street from the angle of King Street, formed by said Lot at the North West angle of said Lot, then South Easterly parallel to the South Westerly boundary of Lots One hundred and twenty-one and One hundred and twenty-two, thence South Easterly along said boundary Eighty-three feet, more or less, to the South Westerly boundary of said Lot number One hundred and twenty-two, then North Westerly along said boundary One hundred and fourteen feet six inches more or less, to King Street, on Parcel No. 1. There is a large three story brick block 48x6 feet, all in good order. There is also frame warehouse 30x55.

On Parcel No. 2—Two brick stores, three stories, having a frontage on King Street about 34 feet, one being occupied by G. O. Scott (Dry Goods), the other by J. W. McLaen (Drugs), this is in the best locality in the city and all in good repair.

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On Parcel No. 4—The buildings are a double frame dwelling and a single frame dwelling in an excellent locality and will always rent being inside property.

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