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"THE ARK" H. Macaulay

COLD BATH

James Blake Experienced One
in Old Father Thames
This Morning.

"Help, help! For God's sake, help!" such were the cries of terror that started Engineer George Tomlinson, of the Waterworks department, as he was crossing the Lake Erie bridge. Mr. Tomlinson at once realized that

someone was in the river, and he hastened down the bank. Mr. Tomlinson was in such a hurry that he slipped and rolled down the bank. The man who had been doing the yelling proved to be James Blake. He had, however, extricated himself before the arrival of his would-be rescuer. Mr. Blake was engaged cutting ice for Brundage, and on his way to work stepped on the thin ice formed during the night. The snow covering the ice concealed its weakness. Blake dried himself at the waterworks pump house.

TURN FOR THE WORST.
London, Jan. 30. — A message from Claudioboye this morning states that the Marquis of Dufferin has taken a turn for the worse.

THE CHICAGO MARKET.
Through J. B. McGregor, stock broker, Northwood's Block, Chatham.
Chicago, Jan. 31, 1902

	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	CLOSE
Wheat—				
Dec....	78½	78½	77½	77½
May....	78½	78½	77½	78
July....	78½	78½	77½	78
Corn—				
May....	63½	63½	62½	62½
July....	63	63½	62½	62½
Oats—				
May....	44½	44½	44½	44½
July....	38½	38½	38½	38½
Pork—				
May....	15 85	15 90	15 80	15 85
July....	15 97	15 97	15 87	15 92
Lard—				
May....	9 37	9 40	9 37	9 37
July....	9 45	9 47	9 40	9 47
Ribs—				
May....	8 37	8 42	8 37	8 42
July....	8 37	8 42	8 37	8 42

The funeral of the little son of William Taylor took place this afternoon at the Maple Leaf Cemetery. It was very largely attended. A number of scholars from the Collegiate Institute, two from each form, attended in a body out of respect for their teacher. Rev. Dr. Hanson, of the Park Street Methodist Church, officiated.

TEA AND TEAS
Olson & Company, William Street
Import direct from London, England, the finest Ceylon, Assam and China Teas. T. Y. Our English Breakfast Tea 35c and 40c

TWO CANADIAN DESPERADOES EFFECT ESCAPE FROM JAIL

Edward and John Biddle, Awaiting Execution for Murder, Overpowered Guards—No Trouble in Getting Away.

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 30.—Edward and John Biddle, awaiting execution in the county jail for the murder of Grocer Thomas D. Kahney, of Mount Washington, overpowered the guards at 4 o'clock this morning and escaped.

Both prisoners had been provided with saws, with which they cut the bars in their cells, and were ready at any moment to make an opening sufficiently large to pass through. The prisoners occupied adjoining cells on the second range. They had evidently been preparing for escape for some time and had assistance from the outside, as both were armed with revolvers.

Shortly before 4 o'clock one of the Biddles called to James McGary, who had charge of the outside gates, and asked for some cramp medicine in a hurry, saying his brother was dangerously sick.

McGary hastened to the cell with the medicine when John Biddle sprang through the opening in the cell, and seizing the guard around the wrist, hurled him over the railing to the stone floor beneath, a distance of sixteen feet. Edward Biddle joined his brother immediately, and both, with drawn revolvers, hurried to the first floor, where they met Guard Reynolds and shot him.

There were but three men on duty, and the third was on one of the upper ranges. He was ordered down with the pistol at a revolver, and the three guards were put in the dungeon. The keys were taken from Keeper McGary, and the two desperate prisoners had a clear field. The only person who witnessed the escape was prisoner who could not interfere or give an alarm. The Biddles went to the wardrobe where the guards keep their clothing, and each put on a new suit. They then unlocked the outside gates and passed out into the street.

The escape was not discovered until the daylight guards came on duty at six o'clock. They were informed by prisoners where the night guards had been put, and they were soon released from the dungeon and sent to the hospital.

WARDEN'S WIFE HELPED THEM.
The escape of the Biddles was subsequently explained in a statement issued by Warden Peter K. Soffel. The warden asserts that his wife is responsible for the furnishing of the revolvers and saws to the Biddles, which enabled them to escape.

In her infatuation for Edward Biddle, it is alleged that she has left her husband and her four children, and, it is supposed, is to meet the escaped convicts at a place agreed upon. The story of their meeting is brief. Mrs. Soffel was the only person admitted to the jail since last Sunday. Yesterday afternoon she visited them during the warden's absence. Last evening she retired at nine o'clock. She told her husband that she was going to visit a sister at McDonald, and that she would return early so that she could get an early start. Warden Soffel was about the jail until after midnight. He retired to his own room, which is separate from Mrs. Soffel's, shortly before one o'clock.

When he awoke this morning he asked for Mrs. Soffel and was informed that she was absent. Later, when the details of the escape became known, he telephoned to McDonald and was informed that Mrs. Soffel was not there.

Warden Soffel immediately made a frank confession of his suspicion. Nothing suspicious was noticed in the actions of the two prisoners, nor was anything wrong discovered when the day guards went off duty yesterday. The murderers evidently sawed the bars during the night, using what is supposed to have been soap to deaden the noise and to reduce friction.

The two guards injured will probably recover. The bullet wound sustained by Reynolds is not regarded as dangerous. The physicians have been unable to ascertain as yet the full extent of McGary's wounds. His head is badly contused, but there are no signs that his skull was fractured by his sixteen foot fall.

A reward of \$5,000 has been offered for the recapture of the murderers. No trace has been found of Mrs. Soffel.

An investigation disclosed the fact that she had taken all of her best clothes with her. It has been known for several weeks that Mrs. Soffel was having an interest in the Biddles, and it is said that she frequently furnished them with dainties outside their usual prison fare. It is reported the Biddles took a train for the Fourth avenue station of the Panhandle railroad, which is within a block of the jail, and left for the west.

STORY OF THE CRIME.

For several months preceding the Kahney murder, daring burglaries were of almost nightly occurrence. The police seemed powerless to prevent them. On the morning of April 12 last Mrs. Kahney was awakened by burglars and called to her husband, a cripple, who was sleeping in an adjoining room with one of his children. As he entered the door of his wife's room he was shot dead. The burglars then fled. A few hours later Detective Patrick Fitzgerald and two officers surprised the Biddle brothers at their home, but before they were captured Fitzgerald was killed and Edward Biddle, who shot him, was dangerously wounded.

Walter Dorman, another of the gang, and two women, Jessie Bodine,

ruelan minister at Detroit, and Theophile Francois and Mons. J. F. Belanger, Belgian and French ministers respectively, and Col. Peters, of London, D. O. C. of District No. 1. The officers and staff of the 21st Regiment received in their luxuriously furnished quarters, and among the crowd were many American army officers in uniform. The speakers joined in complimenting the Fusiliers and Essex county upon the acquisition of so modern and beautiful an armory, which Col. Peters said was one of the best in the Dominion. At the conclusion of the speaking the band of the regiment furnished music for a public ball, at which hundreds of people danced.

ROMANTIC PRANK

Dressed as a Man, Girl Wood, Won, Eloped With and Married an Heiress.

Binghamton, N. Y., Jan. 30.—The sensational discovery has been made that Hiram Stever, who eloped with Miss Mabel Curtis, an heiress, of Bradford county, is a girl, whose right name is Alice Stever, and whose home is in Macomb county, Mich., near Memphis.

Some time ago Hiram Merriam died, leaving his property in this section to Miss Stever, with the provision that she marry within two years, otherwise the property was to go elsewhere. There were no eligible suitors for Miss Stever's hand, and she planned a bold move. Coming to this section, disguised as a man, she lay siege to the heart of Miss Mabel Curtis, the daughter of wealthy parents. It was the old story retold. Miss Curtis' parents objected and an elopement resulted. After the wedding ceremony had been performed and the marriage registered, thereby complying with the requirements of the will, Miss Stever informed her bride of the situation. At first there were tears and indignation, but the matter has been amicably arranged, and the marriage will shortly be annulled.

SHENANGO TIED UP.

The big car ferry Shenango, which has been making regular trips from Conneaut, Ohio, to Port Stanley, Port Dover, Rondeau and other Canadian ports, has been tied up for the remainder of the winter. The slush ice, which in some instances has reached the depth of twenty feet, along the south shore of Lake Erie, was the cause of the service being discontinued. The Shenango is one of the best breakers on the lake, and heretofore has been kept running all winter, with the exception of a few days when she was ice-bound.

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BRITISH REPLY TO HOLLAND

Will not Reach the Hague Until To-day—Nature of the Proposal.

Will not be Officially Made Known This Week—Confirmation of Report.

London, Jan. 30.—In the House of Commons to-day the Government leader, Mr. A. J. Balfour, said that, as the reply of the British Government to the communication of the Government of the Netherlands on the subject of the South African war would not reach The Hague until Jan. 31, it was impossible for His Majesty's Government to give the House the papers this week.

In the meanwhile the Associated Press is able to confirm the statement that the Government of the Netherlands suggested granting a safe conduct to a Dutch commission, to be appointed for the purpose of conferring with the fighting burghers and enlightening them as to the real position of affairs.

FROM A FRENCH SOURCE.

Paris, Jan. 30.—The Temps to-day prints a despatch from The Hague in which the correspondent says he learns from a trustworthy source that the recent journey of the Dutch Premier, Dr. Kuyper, to England, prepared the ground for peace negotiations in regard to South Africa, which were begun with the consent of the British Government. He adds that the more recent step taken by Holland was supported by some of the other governments. The correspondent of the Associated Press was informed in official quarters to-day that so far as known here Holland's action was quite spontaneous. France was not consulted, and is not aware of the terms of the Dutch note.

REIGN OF TERROR

Alarming Reports From County Roscommon—John O'Donnell's Inflammatory Talk.

London, Jan. 30.—Despatches received here from Dublin contain alarming reports of the reign of terror prevailing in Roscommon county.

Tenants who are suspected of paying rent are visited at night by armed men, notices are posted threatening death to traitors, and midnight meetings are of nightly occurrence, the people being assembled by beacon fires.

John O'Donnell, member of Parliament for South Mayo, is reported to have addressed a midnight meeting at Fairmount, at which he challenged the Chief Secretary for Ireland, Mr. Wyndham, to come into the open, at the head of 5,000 or 10,000 men, either soldiers or police. If he (Wyndham) would give the men of Connaught a month to prepare, Mr. O'Donnell said he did not hesitate to declare that they would meet them, even at great numerical odds, and settle the land question for good.

FORMALLY OPENED

The Essex Fusiliers Are Now in Possession of Their New Armory.

Windsor, Ont., Jan. 30. — The 21st Regiment, Essex Fusiliers' new \$50,000 armory was officially opened to-night with much eclat by a grand public reception, at which there were about seven thousand people in attendance. Appropriate addresses were delivered by many distinguished statesmen and militia men, among the latter being Gen. Bresler, Vice-

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FRIDAY, JAN. 31.

A CITY OF 100,000 PAUPERS.

The great city of London, exclusive of the so-called outer belt, has a pauper population which numbered 107,539 souls during the record week of December, 1901. And of the persons cared for by the public 68,130 were inmates of workhouses, while 36,409 were assisted by outdoor relief. The total is the largest at the time of year named since 1872, and this notwithstanding the fact that England is fairly prosperous now. It appears, moreover, that it is relatively large in proportion to the population, the number of paupers in every 1,000 inhabitants being greater than it was in any of the four years preceding. There was a decided increase over 1900, namely, from 22.5 to 23.7 in the thousand. It should be said also that the figures do not include vagrants or the insane poor. More than 159,000 persons were admitted to the metropolitan casual wards last year, and London had to provide for 21,400 of the insane poor. The latter, like the same paupers, are steadily increasing in numbers.

But here is a still more remarkable fact. In London 21 per cent. of the entire population over 65 years of age, exclusive again of the vagrant and the insane, are paupers. No doubt many of these people began work in childhood, no doubt many of them were glad to work whenever they could get work during the long period of forty or fifty years. It would be a libel on the race to think otherwise. And yet the competence which looms up before the vision of Mr. Carnegie was not forthcoming. The road for twenty-one out of every hundred of people who were destined to live beyond 65 years was the road to the poorhouse, and among the 79 who have escaped that goal there must be a considerable percentage who depend upon relatives and who failed, like the others, not always through laziness and dissipation, but through causes that do not reflect upon their industry or their character.

The London Times, from which the statistics were derived, is inclined to think that the pauper city is increasing because the infirmaries and workhouses are being made so attractive, but the tales it tells of the luxuries do not impress one with a sense of wild extravagance. Nor is there much to attract sympathy in the Malthusian suggestion that "immoderate families are responsible for fully as much pauperism as is immoderate drinking." The predominant thought after reading the paper's long review of a distressing condition is that back of it all there must be many a story of ill-deserved misfortune and of the lack of opportunity. And while it is true that the undeserving poor should not be invited to throw themselves upon the charity of the public, it is gratifying to learn that decency and some few little comforts have been installed in the poorhouses since the days of Oliver Twist.

ARCHIE VS. ARCHIE.

We clip the following from the Ridgeway Dominion:
A former Harwich farmer, now residing near Deloraine, Man., writes The Dominion, to ask if the Mr. Arch. Campbell, recently elected in West York, "is the same Arch. Campbell that used to represent Kent."

In reply to our old friend, truth compels us to say that it is and it is not. It is the very same smiling, hand-shaking shrewd and able Archie Campbell that now represents West York that used to represent Kent, but in other respects it is an entirely different Archie Campbell. The Archie Campbell that represented Kent was a gentleman who scorned protection and denounced the manufacturers as bloated monopolists who fattened and fattened at the expense of the down-trodden farmers. The Archie Campbell just elected in

West York is a thorough-going protectionist who says he will support even higher duties, is the friend and champion of the "bloated monopolists" and is prepared to tread harder on the farmers.

The Archie Campbell who used to represent Kent spoke with tears in his eyes of the oppressive coal oil duties and pledged himself to wipe them out. The Archie Campbell elected for West York is perfectly satisfied with the reduction of a whole cent per gallon and has no word of denunciation for the Standard Oil Company.

The Archie Campbell that used to represent Kent was a man whose heart bled at the idea of an annual expenditure of thirty-six millions of dollars and used to sit up nights figuring out how many bushels of wheat it represented and how long it would take a procession of farmers' wagons each loaded with one hundred bushels to pass a given point, so as to give the people an idea of the burden they bore annually. The Archie Campbell elected for West York rejoices at an annual expenditure of sixty millions and doesn't lose a wink of sleep thinking about it. His heart long since ceased to bleed over such trifles.

The Archie Campbell who used to represent Kent "bemoaned the vast public debt," but the gentleman of that name elected for West York says the country must spend money, and that a bigger public debt than the one he used to bewail, is a necessity and a "good thing."

The Archie Campbell that used to represent Kent promised that he and his friends would abolish superannuations, would put an end to members of parliament accepting office would cease to grant railway subsidies, would decrease the number of cabinet ministers, and many other things. The Archie Campbell elected in West York so far from acting as above stated, favors and supports the old order of things although the alleged abuses have become more marked than ever.

In many other ways does the present member of West York differ from the ex-M. P. for Kent, so we submit that it is an open question whether the same Archie Campbell now represents the first named constituency, who formerly represented Kent.

JAG MERCHANTS ON PARADE.
Hamilton Spectator.
It must have made Toronto stagger to-day to see six or seven hundred jag merchants walking in procession.

ONE OF THE VERY FEW.
Washington Times.
Chauncey M. Depew is one of the few men who know better than the reporter what they want to say in an interview.

AN IMPRESSIVE NAME.
Hamilton Spectator.
If there must be a gentleman usher of the black rod, a gentleman who can boast such a name as Molyneux St. John ought to be qualified for the job.

HE'S NEW THEN.
Somerville Journal.
The queerest thing about it is that the young husband who starts out to buy a baby carriage thinks that all the other men he meets would envy him, if they only knew.

A NEIGHBORLY HINT.
Opelika, Ala., News.
Our esteemed contemporary, over the way says he has a keen pen with which to jab all the fools and knaves in town. We hope his folks will take it away from him, otherwise we may have to chronicle another suicide soon.

RATHER ROCKY.
Hamilton Times.
Miss Stone is in Bulgaria now; Miss Stone is free; Miss Stone is to be freed in a few days; arrangements have been made to ransom Miss Stone. These are some of the stories sent by cable. The reader ought to be able to suit his taste in the matter.

SELLING HONOR.
Montreal Gazette.
For five million dollars, Denmark has agreed to sell her West Indian Islands to the United States, leaving to the latter a free hand to deal with the inhabitants, without a pledge to grant them citizenship or free trade relations with the country which will own them. The price may be reasonable for the islands, but it looks small when Denmark's honor is thrown in with the real estate.

ONE KIND OF WOMAN.
New York Tribune.
Once more are sensible women called upon to blush for their sex in reading the accounts of the sentimental scenes at the concert of the young violinist, Kubelik, now touring in this country. The poor boy was almost mobbed by crowds of women who had hysterics around him and trampled each other in their efforts to kiss him, snatching his necktie and handkerchief as souvenirs. Words

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Meats.....300 lbs.
Milk.....240 qts.
Butter.....100 lbs.
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But some people eat and eat and yet grow thinner. This means a defective digestion and unsuitable food. To the notice of such persons we present Scott's Emulsion, famous for its tissue building. Your physician can tell you how it does it.

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No Wonder Now Was Upset.
The lady store-writer towered in the doorway.
"Perhaps you take me for a writer of patent medicine advertisements," she sarcastically remarked to the startled editor.
"I think not, madam," he managed to reply. "What seems to be the difficulty?"
"Then you have not noticed it?" she cried.

He shook his uncombed locks.
"Listen!" she said, as she flung a glance of disdain at him. "The atrocity occurs in the chapter of my story where the heiress discovers the peridy of her spendthrift husband. This is the particular sentence: 'She paled with indignation, and, stooping suddenly, took a bill from the oblong box before her.'"
"Yes," said the editor. "Was there an error in the printed copy?"
"Error!" shrieked the authoress. "There were two of them! They were worse than errors—they are crimes! Listen! For 'indignation' you substituted 'indignation,' and in place of 'bill' you printed 'pill'!"
And she gurgled in her throat as she swept from the room.—Tit-Bits.

Printing a Coin on Linen.
The print of a silver coin or medal may be made on silk or linen by dipping the fabric in a solution of nitrate of silver and stretching it over the face of the coin until the image is imprinted. The linen is sensitized by dipping it into a solution of nitrate of silver, made by dissolving 60 or 80 grains of nitrate of silver in one ounce of water. Wet the portion of the cloth which is to receive the impression in the solution, and when nearly dry draw it over the face of the coin and tie it at the back. Expose to a weak light and in a few minutes the raised design of the coin will appear on the linen. As soon as it is dark enough remove and wash in clear water. When nearly dry, iron it smooth with a warm iron, placing a piece of tissue paper over the print. In printing from the coin or medal it is advisable to place a piece of paper on the reverse side, so that the silver will not come in contact with the sensitized fabric.

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25 pair flannelette blankets, large size, in white or grey, heavy fleecy quality, with pink and blue borders, Saturday a pair for 95c.

Men's suits, your pick of 25 fine pure wool tweed suits, neat patterns, extra well tailored, fine serviceable linings, sizes 34 to 44 inches, regular \$7.50, \$8.00 and \$10.00 a suit, your pick Saturday at \$4.69.

Boys' 3pc. suits, regular \$4.50 to \$6.00 each, Saturday at \$3.68.

Fine dressy overcoats, in pure wool

Oxford frieze, fashionable cut, well made, worth \$7.50, Saturday \$5.90.

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Men's underwear, extra heavy all wool rib shirts and drawers, regular 50c each, Saturday 39c.

2 pieces towelling, fine firm quality, 18 inches wide, regular 8c a yard, Saturday 6c.

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10 pieces heavy cloth Suiting and Serges, 40 in. wide in good range of colorings regular 20c and 25c a yard, Saturday 15c.

1 piece, rich Silk Mattalasse, 46 in. wide, suitable for dress or skirt, regular \$3.50 a yard, Saturday \$1.98.

1 pc. black Mattalasse rich, bright silky finish, regular \$2 a yard, Saturday \$1.48.

5 pcs black wool Broches and Mattalasse dress goods, rich quality, regular \$1.40 to \$1.75 a yard, Saturday 98c.

Misses Gauntlets, wool lined, kid facings, firm curls, in black, white and cardinal, regular 50c and 65c a

pair, Saturday 39c.

22 pair ladies' Astrachan Gauntlets—Best quality curl, wool lined, kid facings, assorted sizes in grey and black, regular \$1.00 a pair, Saturday 70c.

Prints at 5c a yard.—Over 1,000 yds. good firm cloth, splendid range of light and dark colorings, fast dyes, special per yard 5c.

New Prints—Your choice of thousands of yards of newest patterns, fast colors, at per yard, 7c, 10c and 12-13c.

Ladies Cashmere Hose—Firm heavy imported quality, full fashioned, sizes 8 1-2, 9, 9 1-2 and 10, regular 50c a pair, Saturday 38c.

Ladies coats—Here are the prices: come in and see the wonderful values they represent—
Heavy frieze and curl coats, all the latest cut, lined and unlined, in black and dark grey, 30 inches long, clearing Saturday at \$3.19.

Fine beaver, frieze and curl coats, worth up to \$6.00, clearing Saturday at \$3.89.

Ladies' coats, latest styles, worth up to \$9.00 each, Saturday at \$4.48.

Ladies' coats, 36 inches long, latest box back, regular price up to \$8.50, Saturday \$4.98.

Raglan coats, full length, three only, handsome garments, in fine dark grey frieze, fly front, velvet collar, body and sleeves lined, sizes 32, 34 and 36 inches, clearing at \$12.00.

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Horse Overcoats

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For Cuts Burns Bruises Cramps Diarrhoea All Bowel Complaints

It is a sure, safe and quick remedy. There's only one PAIN-KILLER. PEPPY DAVIS. Two sizes, 50c and 80c.

The Chatham Loan & Savings Co

Capital \$1,000,000

Money to Lend on Mortgages. Borrowers wishing to erect buildings, purchase property or pay off incumbrances, should apply personally and save expenses, secure low rates and other advantages.

Money advanced on day of application. All letters promptly answered. Telephone connection.

S. F. GARDINER Manager.

The D.L. Emulsion

(Trade Mark.) For Lung Troubles, Severe Coughs, Colds, Emaciation, &c., &c.

Few systems can assimilate pure Oil, but as combined in "The D. & L.", it is pleasant and digestible. Will build you up; Will add solid pounds of flesh; Will bring you back to health. 50c and \$1.00 bottles. DAVIS & LAWRENCE CO., Limited.

Thos. Martin & Son

Bakers

Manning's Bakery,

Grant Street, North Chatham. Box 563

Orders for Confectionery for private families will receive prompt and careful attention.

Minard's Liniment Relieves Neuralgia.

CORN CURE



Never Use The Knife

on your corns, but call on us for our

Jordan's Corn Cure

It will remove the corn slick and clean, and you will be relieved of all pain.

Health and Happiness will be the result if you use our Medicines.

Our stock of proprietary Medicines is complete, and will be found equal to almost every ailment. Our Prescription Department is fully equipped to supply anything and everything the doctor orders.

Davis' Drug Store

Garner Block

TIME!



THIS TIME IT'S Pants

We have just gone through our stock of Men's Tweed Pants, and arranged them on tables marking four prices—

79c, \$1, \$1.50, \$1.75

The lowest price Pants \$1.00, the highest \$1.75—this is a most extraordinary offer.

Our motto is to sell everything in its season, hence the above prices. Remember you get everything as advertised and a little better.

SPECIAL—Any Colored Fedora Hat for 79c, regular \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.75, \$2.25. On view in Salesman.

Geo. Meynell, The Up-to-date Clothier,

3 Doors West of Market on King St.

Sheeting And Cull Lumber

Very Cheap

At Drader's SAW MILLS, North Chatham

CURE YOURSELF!

Use big 4c for natural Rheumatism, inflammation, sprains or abrasions of muscles, tendons, joints or membranes. Rub in, and not only cure but prevent.

Send for strengthener, or sent in plain wrapper, by express, prepaid, for 4c, or 2 bottles, 7c. Circular sent on request.

Cet Ready to Build WESTMAN BROS.

CAN SUPPLY YOUR
Nails, Hinges, Locks, Glass, Paint and White Lead
at Right Prices.

Westman Bros.

G. W. Cornell DENTIST

Cor. 6th and King Streets
Over Geo. E. Young's Grocery.

CANDYS

Every store on the street sell candy at Christmas time, we sell it the whole year long and think we know what are the nicest kinds and where to buy them so as to please you. We have every kind, a few of our special lines are:

MAPLE WALNUT CREAM,
ORANGE WALNUT CREAM,
LEMON WALNUT CREAM,
and a full line of
HARRY WEBB'S
CELEBRATED CHOCOLATES.

come and see what we have, there is not enough
com in this paper for us to tell you each kind.

W. S. RICHARDS
Vent Bakery Phone 186

TO-NIGHT.

Park St. Methodist League, S. S.
Hall, at 8.
Tent No. 8, K. O. T. M., Maccabees'
Hall, at 8.
Musical, Krause Conservatory of
Music, at 8.
The E. T. P. U. of C. E. will meet
at 8 o'clock.
The C. E. of St. Andrew's Church,
S. S. Hall, at 8.
A. O. U. W., in their Hall over Pub-
lic Library, 8 o'clock.
Victoria Ave. Methodist Church Ep-
worth League, 8 o'clock.

THE LOCAL BUDGET

Miss Steele, Dundas, is the guest of
Miss Battisby.
Mrs. E. A. Hughes, of Brantford, is
spending a few days with his sister,
Mrs. Doherty.
Miss Laura Ingalls has returned
from Brantford, where she has been
spending the past two weeks.
Mrs. Wang, Holman, of Chatham, is
visiting Mrs. Chas. Elmer and
friends for a couple of weeks in Lon-
don.
Walter Lethbridge has returned
from Brantford, Man., where he has
been in the employ of the M. Campbell
Fanning Mill Co.
Mrs. J. E. Weldon says her infants,
children's and ladies white wear and
embroidery sale is a great success.
See add on page 8.
Henry Thomas, of Detroit, has gone
on an extended visit to friends in Lan-
caster, Ohio, after spending two weeks
with his sister, Mrs. Chas. Hicklin.
Notice—I am now prepared to take
auction sales and guarantee satisfac-
tion selling them. Call at Frost &
Wood office, opposite Market, Frank
Traxler, Chatham. 2d 1w

SOME PEOPLE WILL TELL YOU

That they have the best
chocolates and creams in
the city, but we have just
as good, and as great a
variety. Try a box for
Christmas.

H. A. Hall
108 King Street

UNPAID TAXES.

An addition of 2 per cent added to
all unpaid taxes not paid on or before
January 31st. You are requested to
pay before that date.

WM. RANNIE,

Cream of Tartar

The Cream of Tartar we sell is guaranteed to be 98
per cent pure. This fact is worth consideration, espe-
cially when it is taken as medicine. For baking purposes
it gives better satisfaction than ordinary Cream of Tartar
but there is so much of it taken just now for medicine
that you should be sure that you get the best on the
market.

40c a Pound

A. I. McCall & Co.
Druggists and Opticians

B. J. Walker, of Windsor, is in the
city to-day.
Neil Watson, of Mull, is a Chatham
visitor to-day.
C. T. Smith, of Stewart, was in the
city yesterday.

There are only two inmates at the
jail at present.

James Woodwork, of Sarnia, spent
yesterday in the city.

Messenger Boy is wanted at Atkin-
son & Rispin's office.

Miss English, of Blenheim, is a
guest in the city to-day.

W. H. Hayes, of Windsor, was a
Chatham visitor yesterday.

See the \$1.25 and \$1.00 colored shirts
for 69c, in The 2 T's window.

Miss Grace Jones is confined to her
home to-day through illness.

James Clancy, M. P., of Wallace-
burg, is spending the day in town.

J. A. Wilson is in Merlin and
vicinity on a business trip to-day.

To-morrow 175 colored shirts \$1.00
and \$1.25 quality, your choice for 69c,
at The 2 T's.

There will be a social evening at
the Victoria Avenue League this even-
ing. The topic will be "Fidelity."

The S. Hadley Co. shipped a car
of interior finishings to Wallaceburg
for Father Brady's house to-day.

Wanted, two millinery apprentices
and one preparer. Apply at Thomas
Stone & Son.

The funeral of the late Mrs. St.
Amour took place this morning from
St. Joseph's church to St. Anthony's
cemetery.

Reginald Ward, of Chicago, son of
the late Ed. Ward, of the Royal Ex-
change, is the guest of Wes. McCub-
bin, Joseph St.

The "Are you a Mason" Company
went from here this morning to Lon-
don. They have a special baggage
car and sleeper.

Mrs. Chas. Ley, Lancaster, Ohio, has
returned home, after spending two
weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Chas.
Hicklin, Fourth St.

Musical at Conservatory of Music
to-night. Piano students of Miss Hill-
man, and vocal students of Miss Idle.
Public cordially invited.

David Dagneau has laid information
against eight residents of this city
for refusing to get vaccinated. The
cases will probably be tried to-mor-
row.

J. W. Dolley, on Montreal, repre-
senting the Mark Fisher & Sons Co.,
of Huntersfield, England, is in the
city to-day. Mr. Dolley is a former
Chatham merchant.

By an error Calise Bechard was the
other day served with a subpoena for
refusing vaccination. The case was,
of course, dismissed as Mr. Bechard
not only has been willing to undergo
vaccination, but has had all his house-
hold vaccinated.

FOR SALE.

New House and Lot for Sale — two-
story frame on brick foundation; dou-
ble parlors, sitting room, dining room,
kitchen, summer kitchen, pantry,
woodshed, hall and three bedrooms;
city water, cistern, etc. Price \$950.
River lot on King St. West for sale.
Excellent location, one of the finest in
the city.

Several splendid bargains in houses
and building lots.

DUNN & MERRITT.
Fire, Life and Accident Insurance.
Office, Fifth Street, next to Old
Post Office. Box 52.

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COAL I COAL I
HARD AND SOFT
of best quality and at lowest prices.

J. T. SCOTT
Victoria Block, 6th St.

ONLY ONE ESCAPE.

A man may break away from prison
but he cannot get away from the torture
of rheumatism until he takes Dr. Hall's
Rheumatic Cure. It is the only reliable
remedy on the market. Mr. Charles H.
Clarke, Kingston, Ont., who for fifteen
years in succession held the civic street
watering contract could not put on his
boots or walk for several weeks. He
tried Dr. Hall's Rheumatic Cure, and
three bottles, with the Climax Iron Tonic
Pills, completely cured him. This great
blood purifier is put up in bottles con-
taining ten days treatment. Price 50
cents at all drug stores or The Dr. Hall
Medicine Co., Kingston, Ont.

The opportunity of a life-time must
be seized during the life-time of the
opportunity.

Desirable Property for Sale in the
City of Chatham.

The Late William Oldershaw
Estate.

Parcel No. 1—Brick Store on north
side of King Street, opposite Geo. Ste-
phens & Co.'s hardware store.

Parcel No. 2—Two-story Brick Ten-
ement Dwelling, on corner of Elizabeth
Head Streets, North Chatham.

Parcel No. 3—Two storey brick
dwelling on east side of William
street, north of Stanley avenue.

For full particulars apply to James
L. Oldershaw, 63 Head street, or to
Geo. A. Sayer, Barrister, Eberts Block.

A special went east on the C. P. R.
to-day.

Archie Park is in Dresden to-day
on business.

There are at present 35 men em-
ployed at the Dowley Works.

Several rode the goat at Canadian
Order of Foresters last evening.

Wanted at Once! First class week-
ly man. Good wages paid. Morley &
Co.

The Knights of the Macabees meet
to-night. There will be several ini-
tiations.

Stove wood for sale cheap at Henry
Dagneau's office, over Dr. Ruther-
ford's office.

Mr. Appleford, of Wallaceburg, who
has been visiting his son on Baxter
street, has returned home.

Health Inspector Anson Mounter
reports the small-pox scare very
quiet, there being no new cases.

Charles, Will and Joseph Hadley
have returned from Toronto, where
they visited their step-mother, who
is very low.

Percy Olby, a young colored lad,
fell yesterday on the Grey street com-
mons, striking his head. He was un-
conscious for about three hours. He
is now under the doctor's care.

John Stuart, who has been in the
employ of Park Bros. for the past
four years, is severing his connection
with the firm and going to his home
in Ridgeway, where he has accepted
a position in Watt's foundry.

A surprise party visited Jack Wan-
less last evening, it being the occasion
of his birthday. It was really a sur-
prise to Mr. Wanless. Games were in-
dulged in and then refreshments were
served, all having an excellent time.

NEW PASTOR

Rev. A. E. Neilly Takes Charge
of the Church and Congre-
gation of Dover and
Chatham Tps.

The Presbytery of Chatham held a
special meeting yesterday afternoon in
the Dover Presbyterian church for the
purpose of inducting the Rev. A. E.
Neilly into the pastorate of the con-
gregations in Dover and Chatham
townships.

Rev. W. E. Knowles, was acting
Moderator, Rev. Mr. Nichol, of Wal-
laceburg, read the lesson and preach-
ed the sermon. Rev. Mr. Lindsay,
of Dresden, delivered the charge to the
minister, and Mr. Knowles addressed
the congregation.

The church was filled to the doors,
and on every hand Mr. Neilly met
with a most hearty and affectionate
welcome from his new people. He
commenced his work in this good
charge under the happiest circumstan-
ces and the prospects for a successful
and fruitful pastorate are the bright-
est.

Mr. Neilly is a graduate of
Knox College, and has had one charge,
being for one year in the Presbytery
of Orangeville. He and his family
have taken up house in the comfort-
able manse beside the Dover church.
We wish him success.

COLONIES

Question as to Whether They
Shall be Represented in the
Imperial House.

London, Jan. 30.—In the House of
Commons an amendment to the ad-
dress in reply to the speech from the
throne, moved by Louis Sinclair, Con-
servative, was debated.

The amendment urged a redistribu-
tion of the electoral system, increasing
the English and Scotch, and reducing
Irish representation, and admitting
representation of Canada, Australia
and other colonies.

Honorable A. J. Balfour opposed the
amendment on behalf of the govern-
ment, on the ground that parliament
must dissolve after a redistribution
bill is passed and that the time is not
now ripe to deal with the details of
the subject.

Mr. James Bryce, Liberal, protested
against a redistribution of the Irish
representation, as it would merely in-
crease the discontent in Ireland with-
out benefitting England.

Sir Charles Dilke declared the pre-
ponderance of opinion in Australia
was against representation in the
Imperial parliament.

Edward Blake, Nationalist, suggest-
ed that the whole scheme for colonial
representation was to be explained by
a desire to compel the colonies to re-
lieve the United Kingdom of a large
share of the cost of the South African
war.

The amendment was defeated.

WRITING

TABLETS

We carry a select line of Writing
Tablets in note and letter sizes.
Standard and popular lines with us
are

Vulcan Bond

International

Kenmore Linen

Queen

Holyrood

Tablets range in price from 5c
each to 25c. Our assortment of fine
Writing Papers is not surpassed in
the city.

Dingman's

Book Store

King St. - Chatham

Frankfort

Sausages

10c a lb.

The regular price of Frankfort
Sausage is 12 1/2c. a pound, but
through some misunderstanding we
had two shipments come to hand at
once, and in that way we have an
overstock, and in order to move them
in a rush we put the price down to
10c. a pound.

They are put up by the best packer
in Canada and we guarantee them
A 1.

Pressed Tongue.

Pressed Headcheese.

Bologna Sausage.

Pickled Pig's Feet.

New Salt Mackerel, very choice.

Geo. A. Young

Our Grocer.

Dried Fruits

Some dried evapor-
ated fruits to take
the place of green
apples and very
much cheaper.

Prunes, 2, 3, 4 lbs. for 25c.

Evaporated Apples, 2 lbs.
for 25c.

Dried Apples, 10c per lb.

Apricots, 20c per lb.

Peaches, dried, 15c per lb.

Jams, any flavor, 25c and
45c per gall.

Strained Honey, pt. jars 30c

Maple Syrup, qt. jars 30c.

S. E. Smith

Grocer

Next Burt's Drug Store
King St. East.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3rd

The Distinguished Romantic Actor

ANDREW ROBSON

—IN—

RICHARD CARVEL

A dramatization of Winston Churchill's fam-
ous novel of the same name, by
Edward R. Rose.

The original massive scenic production and
magnificent costumes that marked the
success of this Play at the Empire
Theatre, New York.

THE COMPANY

Andrew Robson, Wm. J. Gross, Theodore
Friebe, Wm. McVay, John K. Newman, Per-
cival T. Moore, Joseph P. Smith, Conrad
Canizer, Burton Downing, Irving Williams,
Arthur W. Bentley, Richard Harvey, Joseph
P. Kelly, John J. Crowley, Charles Knox,
Ruth Berkeley, Mable Wright, Susan Chi-
nell, Isabel Reber, Marion Ten Eyck, Joseph
ine Adams.

Prices \$1.00, 75c, 50c and 25c
Seat Sale begins Friday at Central Drug Store

Dress Goods Clothing | C. AUSTIN, & CO. | Carpets Upholstering

Neck Ruffs Reduced

This is a clean-up of the remainder of our
charming holiday showing of Neck Ruffs and
Sets of Ruffs and Muffs. The collection has
become reduced to one or at most two of a kind,
but still includes some of our choicest and most
exquisite show-pieces. Nevertheless they must
hasten away and we have marked them at
greatly reduced prices.

This offers a remarkably attractive oppor-
tunity for women who have put off buying one
of these stylish and indispensable pieces of neck-
wear until now to get one at a radical price
saving.

The Offer Includes

Black and Brown Neck Ruffs at.....75c

Ladies' Black Ruffs at.....\$1.45

Ladies' Black Ruffs at.....\$2.50

Ladies' Boas, trimmed tith tails, price \$3.75 to....\$10.80

Caperines, \$4.00 to.....\$12.00

Ladies' Storm Collars, \$2.25 to.....\$25.00

All the Above Furs to be
Sold at Clearing Prices

Portieres

Nothing enhances the beauty of a room
like rich and appropriate hangings. If you
have the slightest need of Portieres, then our
present stock should interest you, for the col-
lection is full of rich beauty:—

Silk Damasks, Tapestries, Armures and Velours, in
pairs or by the yard, finished with fringe or heavy cord to
match the materials.

The lowest price is **\$2.25 per pair** and the
highest **\$30.00**, with over 60 styles, colors and prices
between. See them anyway.

Women's Jackets

AT \$1.50 EACH

Ladies' Jackets and Girls' Jackets, tight
fitting and neat, not the latest styles, to be
sure, but none the less comfortable.

AT \$2.75 EACH

Ladies' and Girls' Jackets, black, fawn and
navy, beaver or rough cloth, nearly all of
this lot are silk lined.

AT \$3.75 EACH

This group is composed of the sex-
iest styles in ladies' and girls' sizes,
sorted colors and nicely lined.

AT \$5 AND \$6 EACH

Regular prices ranged from \$7.50 to \$14.
beaver and kersey semi-fitting jackets,
well tailored and lined throughout with
mercerized cloth or satin, seams strapped
or stitched.

\$6 TO \$12.50 EACH

Three quarter length jackets, of beaver,
silk or cheviot, lined throughout, gray,
black or blue, clearing prices range from
\$6.00 to \$12.50.

C. Austin & Co. The
Bargain
Centre

Sweet and Juicy

Are our California oranges. They are much the nicest orange that has come this season. If you like lots of juice and sweetness in an orange, we can please you.

30c, 40c, 50c doz.
All Seedless

COMB HONEY, 2 sections for 25c.
EXTRACTED HONEY, 12c and 25c a jar
MAPLE SYRUP, 30c a jar.
BUCKWHEAT FLOUR, 15c a package.
FINE PRUNES, 3 lbs. 25c.
EXTRA FINE APRICOTS, 15c a pound

H. Malcolmson

Syringes

We believe that our line of Syringes is an exceptional one. Quality of goods is the highest, while assortment is unusually large.

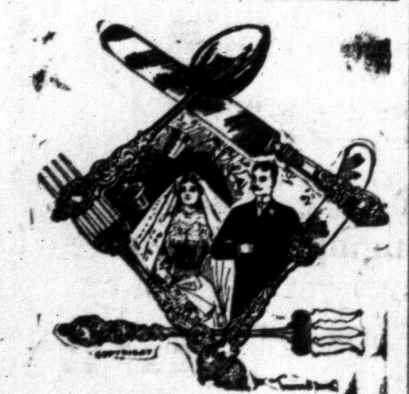
Many Dealers show a tendency to constantly re-order the styles they have handled for years though improved designs are constantly coming out.

Our Stock is thoroughly up-to-date and our prices are surely down-to-date. You might as well have the best for your money, and you make sure of that by picking from our assortment.

Turner & Platt

DRUGGISTS

SUCCESSORS TO R. C. BURT



A Swell Wedding

Means rich and handsome gifts for bridal presents, and handsome table silver is among the most acceptable as well as most useful of anything that can be offered, not only in the time for wedding presents, but every well conducted home needs handsome table silver. Our fine array of flat and hollow ware—solid silver forks, ladles and numerous tasty and useful pieces ranging in price from a dainty cream ladle, from \$1.50 to large and heavy pieces at \$10 and \$12. We show a large line of sterling silver tea spoons at prices as low as \$8 a dozen to \$13. We control in this city a great many patterns in the newest designs on the American market.

VonGuntten Bros.

Jewelers and Opticians
Issuers of Marriage Licenses

LONG AND FAVORABLY KNOWN.

The West Shore Railroad has been so long and favorably known, that any words of commendation would be superfluous, but new travelers are constantly cropping up and, lest they have not read as they ran, this is to tell them that when they choose the Wabash-West Shore they do wisely.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

It is asthma, bronchitis, croup, or any such trouble, use Vapo-Cresolene. All Druggists.

ENGAGEMENT

Col. Dumoulin, of the Sussex Regiment, Killed, With Eight of His Men.

London, Jan. 30.—The War Office casualty list issued to-night shows that in a hitherto unreported engagement at Abraham's Kraal, near Kofffontein, Orange River Colony, on January 28, Colonel L. E. Dumoulin, of the Sussex Regiment, and eight men were killed and seven men were wounded.

BOERS SURPRISED.
Pretoria, Jan. 30.—Gen. Wilson's column, consisting of 300 men, recently started from Frankfort with the object of capturing a small laager about 25 miles out in the direction of the Vaal River. The British ran into and surprised 800 Boers, who afterwards fled in and forced Wilson to retire, with slight loss. The Boer loss is supposed to have been heavy. It is rumored that a correspondent who accompanied Wilson's column was captured.

DIME NOVEL 'EROES

A Trio of Youngsters Arrested for Carrying Fire-Arms.

Windsor, Jan. 31.—With a hangerout in their possession like a South African blockhouse, three boys, each the size of a minute, were arrested at three o'clock this morning on the charge of carrying firearms.

The trio, whose ages range from 11 to 14 years, are the product of reading dime novels, patronizing Whimsey's opera house and a shooting gallery in Detroit. When the young fellows were arrested they had three revolvers and enough ammunition to last a corps of infantry on active service for several months' campaign.

The young "desperados" are named Fred, Rike, James Wilkie and John Chapman. Prior to the arrest young Rike stole from his grandmother the sum of \$50 and with this amount of money put the trio on a war footing. Pistols and ammunition were furnished, as well as the "bunk" in an alley between Tuscarora and Wyandotte streets.

The young trio as they lined up in the pen at the police court this morning could hardly see over the rail, and as the magistrate asked a question one little fellow craned his neck and stood on tip-toe to answer him.

The parents of the boys were in court and admitted the boys were bad and hoped this would give them a lesson.

The magistrate remanded them for a week, and during the time they will reside in Sandwich. They may all be sent to the Reform School for five years.

DAY'S DESPATCHES

A C. P. R. WRECK.

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Jan. 30.—Very meagre information has reached here of a wreck on the Canadian Pacific, near Sudbury, last evening. As nearly as can be learned, a freight train, too long for a side track, was run into by the through express, crushing to death one man and seriously injuring several others. Traffic was greatly delayed.

EDITOR WAS DEPORTED.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 30.—The Rossia, a Liberal newspaper, recently published a feuilleton dealing with a fictitious Royal family. The Imperial censor saw therein a thinly veiled attack on the Russian Royal family, including the Dowager Empress, and the paper was peremptorily suppressed. M. Sazonoff, the editor, was deported to Paskoff for five years, and M. Amphiteatroff, the writer, was exiled to Irkutsk indefinitely.

A FREE FIGHT.

Brussels, Jan. 30.—The Chamber of Deputies here was the scene of a free fight to-day between the Socialist and Catholic factions. The trouble grew out of a proposal to prosecute M. Smeets, a Socialist, for a recent revolutionary speech. The disorder began in the galleries, which were eventually cleared by force. Soon after the uproar was continued on the floor. The Socialists advanced in a body against the benches of the Catholics, shouting taunts and epithets. The Deputies finally engaged in fistfights, and the sitting was suspended, but when the session was resumed the disturbance recommenced, and prevented the transaction of business.

KEEPING BAD COMPANY.

Windsor, Jan. 31.—"Polly" Nelson, a ticket-of-leave man from the Kingston penitentiary, was ordered re-arrested yesterday by the authorities at Kingston.

He was apprehended by Officer Livingston, who left on the evening train with his man.

Nelson was convicted in June, 1896, for the highway robbery of William Archer, of Newbury, Ont., and was sentenced to eight years' imprisonment by Judge Horne. Nelson served four years of his term, after which he was allowed out on the ticket-of-leave system and since his liberation has lived in Windsor.

In the robbery for which he was sentenced two other men were implicated, but they escaped punishment. The reason for Nelson's re-arrest is given as his associations with bad company.

\$200 DEPOSIT IS PUT UP.

The Trades and Labour Council committee have instructed J. M. McEvoy, barrister, of London, to take proceedings to upset the election of the members of the city council on the grounds of illegal voting on their own part and on the part of others.

A marked check for \$200 as a deposit has been placed in Mr. McEvoy's hands.

Coal and Wood

Lehigh and Scranton
Coal, Virginia Spinn
Coal for domestic use.
Smoking Coal, Hard and soft wood in all lengths.
All are of the best quality and at lowest prices.
Delivered promptly to any part of the city.

J. Gilbott & Co.,
Office and Yards, William Street, near G. T. R. Crossing.

For The Children.

To Keep Their Digestion Perfect
Noting is so Safe and Pleasant
as Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.

Thousands of men and women have found Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets the safest and most reliable preparation for any form of indigestion or stomach trouble.

Thousands of people who are not sick, but are well and wish to keep well take Stuart's Tablets after every meal to insure perfect digestion and avoid trouble.

But it is not generally known that the tablets are just as good and wholesome for little folks as for their elders.

Little children who are pale, thin and have no appetite, or do not grow or thrive, should use the tablets after eating, and will derive benefit from them.

Mrs. G. H. Croasley, 538 Washington St., Hoboken, New Jersey, writes: "Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets just fill the bill for children as well as for older folks. I've had the best of luck with them. My three-year-old girl takes them as readily as candy."



I have only to say 'tablets' and she drops everything else and runs for them."

A Buffalo mother a short time ago who despaired of the life of her babe, was so delighted with the results from giving the child tablets that she went before the notary public of Erie Co., N. Y., and made the following affidavit:—

Gentlemen,—Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets were recommended to me for my two-month-old baby, which was sick and puny and the doctors said was suffering from indigestion. I took the child to the hospital, but there found no relief. A friend mentioned Stuart's Tablets, and I procured a box from my druggist and used only the large sweet lozenges in the box and was delighted to find they were just the thing for my baby. I feel justified in saying that Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets saved my child's life.

Mrs. W. T. Dethlefsen.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12th day of April, 1897.

Notary Public in and for Erie Co., N. Y.

For babies, no matter how young or delicate, the tablets will accomplish wonders in increasing flesh, appetite and growth. Use only the large sweet tablets in every box. Full sized boxes are sold by all druggists for 50 cents, and no parent should neglect the use of this safe remedy for all stomach and bowel troubles if the child is alling in any way regarding its food or assimilation.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets have been known for years as the best preparation for all stomach troubles whether in adults or infants.

A BAD WRECK.

Oneida, Jan. 29.—A bad wreck occurred on the New York Central, opposite the station at this place yesterday. The second section of train No. 16, running at a speed of 50 miles an hour, struck a switch engine.

The switch engine was driven into the building. The other engine left the track and breaking loose, turned a complete somersault.

Dorsey Welsh, of Albany, engineer on the passenger train, was instantly

WEDDED IN LONDON.

A happy event took place in London to-day when Geo. Philip, of the Michigan Central ticket office of this city, was united in marriage to Miss Una Summers. The bride is a charming young lady, and is well known in St. Thomas. She is a former student of Alma College. Mr. and Mrs. Philip will have the well wishes of a large circle of friends for a happy journey through life.

The marriage took place at 4.30 this afternoon at the residence of the bride's aunt, Mrs. Hart, Farm avenue, London, South. The happy couple will spend their honeymoon in Montreal and New York.—St. Thomas Times.

Miss Summers is well known in the Maple City, and his body badly mutilated. The fireman was uninjured.

Several passengers were slightly bruised, but none seriously injured. Coroner Knapp, of Canastota, will make an investigation.

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WERE WEDDED.

A very pleasant event took place at the residence of Mrs. James Williams, Gravel Road, Raleigh, on Wednesday evening, the 29th inst., at 6 o'clock, when her daughter, Ada Frances, was married to I. Matthews, of Chatham. Miss Mary Hammond acted as bridesmaid and Thos. Williams as best man. The bride looked charming in a suit of nun's veiling, while the bridesmaid was very attractive in a suit of white organdie.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. H. Jones, of North Buxton. The guests sat down to a sumptuous repast shortly after the ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. Matthews left about 12 o'clock, amid showers of rice, for Chatham, where they will in future reside.

About seventy guests were present. The presents were numerous and costly.

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THE COURIER OF THE CZAR

By Jules Verne

"Ivan Ogareff!" cried a third time the intrepid young girl in a voice whose hate had increased tenfold the force.

Drunk with fury, Ivan Ogareff drew a dagger from his belt, rushed upon Nadia and forced her back into a corner of the room. It was all over with her when the wretch, suddenly knocked down by a tremendous blow, rolled to the ground.

"Michael!" cried Nadia. It was Michael Strogoff. Michael Strogoff had heard the appeal of Nadia. Guided by her voice, he had arrived at the room of Ivan Ogareff, and he had entered by the door which had been left open.

"Fear nothing, Nadia," he said as he placed himself between her and Ivan Ogareff.

"Ah," screamed the young girl, "take care, brother! The traitor is armed! He can see well!"

Ivan Ogareff had risen, and, believing that he had the advantage over a blind man, he threw himself upon Michael Strogoff. But with one hand Michael seized the arm of him who could see well and with the other, turning aside his weapon, he threw him a second time to the ground.

Ivan Ogareff, pale with fury and shame, remembered that he was carrying a sword. He drew it from the scabbard and returned to the combat. He had also recognized Michael Strogoff. A blind man! He had only, in short, to deal with a blind man.

Nadia, terrified at the danger which threatened her companion in such an unequal struggle, ran to the door, calling help.

"Shut that door, Nadia," said Michael Strogoff. "Do not call any one, and let me do it. The courier of the czar has nothing to fear today from this wretch. Let him come at me if he dare. I am waiting for him."

Meanwhile Ivan Ogareff, gathering himself together, as it were, like a tiger did not utter a word. The noise of his step, his very breathing, he would have wished to keep back from the ear of the blind man. He wished to strike him before even he had any warning of his approach, to strike him with a certain blow. The traitor did not dream of fighting, but of assassinating him whose name he had stolen.

Nadia, frightened, yet at the same time confident, contemplated with a sort of admiration that terrible scene. It seemed that the old coolness had come back to him.

Michael Strogoff had as his only weapon his Siberian knife, and he could not see his adversary, who was even armed with a sword. But by what favor from heaven was he able to overpower him?

Ivan Ogareff glanced at his adversary with a visible anxiety. That superhuman calmness worked upon him. In vain, appealing to his reason, he kept saying that in the inequality of such a combat all the advantage was in his favor. That immovableness of the blind man completely froze him. He had sought with his eyes the place where he must strike his victim. He had found it. Who, then, was preventing him from giving the finishing blow?

At length he made a blow and thrust his sword full at the breast of Michael Strogoff.

An imperceptible movement of the knife of the blind man turned the blow. Michael Strogoff had not been touched and coolly seemed to wait another attack without, however, challenging it.

A cold sweat ran from the face of Ivan Ogareff. He recoiled a pace, then made another thrust. But the second blow, like the first, fell harmless. A simple parrying with the large knife had sufficed to turn aside the sword of the traitor. The latter, mad with rage and terror before that living statue, fixed his terrified look on the large open eyes of the blind man. Those eyes that seemed to read the very bottom of his heart and which could not see those eyes seemed to have for him an awful fascination.

Suddenly Ivan Ogareff gave a cry. An unexpected light had entered his brain.

"He can see!" cried he. "He can see!"

And, like a deer trying to re-enter its cave, step by step, terrified, he retreated to the lower end of the room. Then the statue took life. The blind man walked straight to Ivan Ogareff, and, placing himself in front of him, said: "Yes, I see—I see the blow of the knout with which I have marked you, traitor and coward! I see the place where I am going to strike you. Defend your life! It is a duel which I condescend to offer you. My knife will suffice me against your sword!"

"He sees!" said Nadia. "God of mercy, is it possible?"

Ivan Ogareff felt himself to be lost. But suddenly, taking courage, sword in front, he rushed upon his impassable adversary. The two blades crossed, but at the first clash of the knife of Michael Strogoff, grasped firmly in the hand of the Siberian hunter, the sword flew in pieces, and the wretch, pierced to the heart, fell dead to the ground.

At that moment the door of the room, pushed from the outside, opened. The grand duke, accompanied by some officers, showed himself on the threshold.

The grand duke advanced. He recognized on the ground the dead body of him whom he thought to be the courier of the czar, and then in a threatening voice he asked:

"Who has slain this man?"

"I," replied Michael Strogoff.

One of the officers placed a revolver to his head, ready to fire.

"Your name?" asked the grand duke before giving the order to shoot him dead.

"Your highness," answered Michael Strogoff, "ask me rather the name of the man stretched at your feet."

"That man I have recognized. He is a servant of my brother. He is the czar's courier."

"That man, your highness, is not a courier from the czar. He is Ivan Ogareff."

"Ivan Ogareff!" cried the grand duke. "Yes; Ivan the traitor."

"But you—who are you?"

"Michael Strogoff."

CHAPTER XX.

MICHAEL STROGOFF was not, had never been, blind. A purely human phenomenon, at once moral and physical, had neutralized the action of the red-hot blade which the executioner of Feofar had passed over his eyes. One remembers that at the moment of that terrible punishment Marfa Strogoff was there, stretching out her hands toward her son.

Michael Strogoff looked at her, as a son can look at his mother when it is for the last time. Streams of tears welled up from his heart to his eyes, which his high spirit tried in vain to restrain and, filling the sockets of his eyes, had thus saved his sight. The action of the heat had been destroyed just in the same manner as when a smelter, after having plunged his hand into water, thrusts it with impunity into molten iron.

Michael Strogoff had at once understood the danger he would have run in making known his secret to any one. He realized the advantages which he might gain from this situation for the accomplishment of his projects. It is because they would believe him to be blind that they would leave him his liberty.

To be Continued.

MULL.

Mrs. G. Myland, of Blenheim, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. McOrvie.

G. Huffman has returned home after spending a few days with his cousin, Mrs. T. Spencer.

John Patheary has returned home from Worcester.

A very pleasant time was spent at the dance of Mr. H. Hildreth Thursday evening.

Mrs. A. McOrvie is recovering from a severe attack of measles.

The oyster supper held at Bethel Tuesday evening was a success. Proceeds, \$50.

The saw mill has been running for a few days cutting custom lumber.

WABASH.

Some from here attended the party at Thomas Irwin's on Friday evening. They report having spent a very enjoyable evening.

A party was held at T. Neely's one evening last week.

Mrs. Art Wicks, of Dresden, spent Sunday in Wabash.

Dave Wilson has got a supply of ice this winter.

Robert Arnold has been busy hauling ice for the past week.

Mr. Colles, of school inspector, visited the school on Monday afternoon.

A dance was held in Timothy Kelly's building on the evening of the 20th.

Rev. Mr. Johnson preached in the Methodist church Sunday p. m.

Russell Kelley, of Chatham, spent Sunday in Wabash.

Miss Ethel Truesdale has returned home after visiting at London.

Mrs. D. Cutler spent a few days last week with her daughter, Mrs. Kelley, in Chatham.

HIGHGATE.

Miss Margaret Rycraft, who has been the guest of friends in Highgate and vicinity, has returned to her home in Glencoe.

R. B. Teetzel is much improved after his very serious illness.

Miss Jean Stacey is the guest of the Miss Otis Handy has returned to her home in Blenheim.

Miss Blanche Rycraft is visiting her brother, Dr. Rycraft, Fostoria, Ohio.

W. A. Beaton is visiting his brother F. W. Beaton, Edgars.

The Male Quartette assisted at the anniversary tea meeting at Morpeth on Monday evening.

Rev. Mr. Sutcliffe, of Morpeth, addressed the Epworth League on "Missions" last Thursday evening.

The only way to get outside the individual life, with its depressing selfishness and narrowness, is to enter into the lives of others by love, sympathy, and service.

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Mrs. J. E. Weldon, King Street, East.

GRABBED A LIVE WIRE.

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 30.—James Osman, a lineman employed by the Ottawa Electric Company, was electrocuted this afternoon while at work on a pole thirty feet above the ground. The accident happened about four o'clock on Sparks street, and hundreds saw the man hanging on the pole. Osman wore leather-covered mitts, and grabbed a live wire with both hands. Two fingers of each hand were burned off and Osman fell limply over a cross-beam and hung above the street. Firemen lowered him to the ground, and he died a few minutes later. Osman was a prominent member of the Salvation Army and leaves a widow, but no children. He was thirty-seven years old. While Osman's body was in the Y. M. C. A. buildings, his wife came along and asked what the trouble was. She was told that James Osman had been electrocuted. The poor woman was completely overcome, and her grief was heartrending.

ANOTHER \$10,000.

Smith's Falls, Ont., Jan. 30.—The council of the town of Smith's Falls have received an offer of \$10,000 for the erection of a public library, and have conveyed to Mr. Carnegie, their acceptance and thanks for the contribution. The condition that Mr. Carnegie made was that the town should spend \$10,000 a year for the maintenance of the library, and this has been made possible by the generous offer of Messrs. Frost, who have supplemented Mr. Carnegie's gift with another \$10,000 for the maintenance, in twenty annual payments of \$500 each. The offer of Mr. Carnegie came in response to a request made.

PROBABILITIES.

Special to The Planet.

Toronto, Jan. 31.—10 a. m.—Fresh easterly winds; fair; not much change in temperature. Saturday, a few light local snowfalls.

THE LOCAL BUDGET

The condition of Miss Alice Birch continues to improve.

The civic pay sheets for the past week amounted to \$47.69.

William Douglas, K. C., is expected home from Toronto to-morrow.

T. L. Coghane, of the Wabash Railway, was in the city yesterday.

The Macdonalds request a good attendance at their meeting to-night.

L. C. Johnson, of D. H. Howden & Co., is in the city to-day on business.

Mr. Macdonald has disposed of the Basswood Hotel, Chatham Twp. to Wm. Rose, of Dover.

Willie McKenny, King St., who has been seriously ill with pneumonia, is recovering nicely.

Bertha Crow, little daughter of A. R. Crow, is dangerously ill with Bright's disease.

The funeral of the late E. Jones took place this afternoon to the Maple Leaf Cemetery.

There will be no drill in "B" company until the 1st of April unless otherwise notified.

R. Coleman, representing the Stevens Manufacturing Co., of London, is in the city to-day.

Jas. Horn, who came home from Dakota suffering with typhoid fever, is rapidly convalescing.

Miss Campbell, Toronto Junction, is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. Spencer Stone.

John Piggott, Sr., returned this afternoon from attending the opening of the new Windsor armory.

The sergeants of the 24th Regiment will meet next Monday evening, when special business will be transacted.

Five operations for appendicitis have been performed within the last week and all patients are doing well.

Mr. Buchanan, representing the Bowman Hardware Co., of London, is calling on the Chatham merchants to-day.

James Moore, engineer at the water works, suffered a paralytic stroke Sunday night. His condition remains unchanged.

The funeral of the late Mrs. St. Amour took place this morning from her late residence, St. Clair street, to St. Joseph's Church.

Mrs. Albert Perry, Lansdowne Ave., who has been seriously ill with pneumonia, is gradually recovering and will be able to leave the hospital in a few days.

The Lake Erie Railway Co. have a handsome set of pictures in Tilt's art store window, showing the different views of Erie and Port Stanley, which will be placed in the city office of the road in London.

Last evening a number of friends gathered at the residence of J. C. Wanless, Park Ave., in honor of his birthday. The evening was pleasantly spent in games, music, etc.

The party did not break up until early this morning.

Court Chatham, C. O. F., held a well-attended meeting last night when several candidates were initiated.

It was decided to hold a joint meeting of Courts Kent and Chatham next Thursday evening in their lodge room under the Public Library. Refreshments will be served.

A number of subpoenas were issued to-day against persons who refused to get vaccinated. When the summons meeting of some of the people were found either to be vaccinated or else provided with doctor's certificates to the effect that they were not in a fit condition to be vaccinated.

To-night, and continuing for eleven days, the West Ontario Soul Saving Troupe will begin a series of special revival meetings in the S. A. Barracks. At the different towns where the troupe have visited, scores of people have been converted to God. The people are invited to attend these special meetings.

J. P. Henry, of Ridgeway, was in the city yesterday.

W. J. Sedge, of Fargo, called upon his Chatham friends yesterday.

Mrs. O. Donald, of Dresden, who has been visiting her daughter, King street, has returned home.

R. P. Jelly, of Windsor, formerly night operator for the C. P. R. here, is spending a few days in town.

Special attention is drawn to the "B" of Westlake Bros., photographers, which appears in this issue.

Messrs. Westlake Bros. have started up in Butler's old stand.

The literary society of the C. B. C. held a meeting last Tuesday evening, when the following officers were elected: President, M. Heaney; Vice President, Miss Dobson; Secretary, Mr. Ansley; Treasurer, Mr. Causgrove; Musical Director, Miss McManus; Asst. Musical Director, Mr. Houston; Literary Director, Mr. Wells; Asst. Literary Director, Mr. McKee; Social Committee, Messrs. Cameron, Houston, Bedford and Misses Dobson, McDermid, and Embury. The first meeting of the society will be held this afternoon.

ENTERTAINMENT.

The annual oyster supper of the Kent Bridge Literary Society was held last evening in the Patron's Hall.

There was a very good attendance, including a large number from Chatham. Ald. Arch. McCoig, of this city, acted as chairman.

The following program was given: Song—Miss B. Baxter.

Recitation—Miss Hicklin.

Song—W. Chrysler.

Address—John McCormick.

Song—Alf. Wrigley.

Recitation—Miss B. Baxter.

Song—J. Primeau.

Recitation—Miss Broad.

Song—Miss B. Baxter.

Selection—Orchestra.

Recitation—Miss Hicklin.

Song—W. Chrysler.

Address—P. McGarvin.

Song—Alf. Wrigley.

Recitation—Miss B. Baxter.

Song—J. Primeau.

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Frank Phelps acted as accompanist.

After the program dancing was indulged in until a late hour.

DISSENSION

Ross and His Colleagues Said to Disagree on the Prohibition Question.

Toronto, Jan. 30.—Rev. S. D. Chown, one of the leading Methodist clergymen, speaking at a prohibition rally to-night, said that it was rumored that Premier Ross was being opposed in his attitude on the prohibition question by two of his ministers, and might not be able to carry his views in the Legislature.

Dr. Chown said it might be a question yet as to whether Mr. Ross should call on these ministers to resign their portfolios.

A resolution was adopted strongly urging the Government to bring in a direct prohibitory bill and against a referendum, but providing that if one were required a majority vote should be sufficient to secure enforcement of prohibition.

TILBURY.

Jan. 31.—Miss Elizabeth Bartley is visiting relatives in Detroit.

W. C. T. U. meets to-morrow afternoon at the home of M. Stewart.

A. H. Graves, night operator, Michigan Central, has been appointed agent at Inwood, and left for that place on Monday.

The proceeds of the supper served by the ladies of the Methodist Church at the home of Hampton Cowan, on Tuesday evening, amounted to \$11.

Miss Mary Adair visited friends in Detroit this week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Cartier attended the funeral, in Chatham, yesterday, of the late sister, Mrs. St. Amour, who has been ill for some time past with lung trouble.

F. Cartier is seriously ill in Thamesville, with pneumonia.

Rev. A. Kennedy, of Woodstock, is visiting at the Methodist parsonage this week.

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The Letter-Box

THE MAYOR HAS HIS SAY.

To the Editor of The Planet:

Dear Sir,—The events of the past week have forced me, for three sufficient and distinct reasons, to submit to your readers, the following letter.

First—To explain to the people of Chatham my opinion of the police commission as formed.

Second—To explain to the people the alleged management of the commission.

Third—To resent the insult offered to the city representatives, by the Judge and Police Magistrate, on the occasion of their last meeting during my absence from the city.

The police commission consists of Judge Bell, appointed by the Dominion government, who draws a salary of \$2,000 per annum and fees, which will make the position worth at least \$4,000, a part of which is paid by people residing in the city of Chatham.

The Police Magistrate, M. Houston, appointed by the Ontario government, salary, \$1,400 per annum, which is all paid by the citizens of Chatham.

The Mayor of the city, by virtue of his office, without salary, but elected by the people.

The city council have to pay the commissioners' orders and the expenses they control, represent nearly \$5,000 per annum, while the city has only one representative on the board.

I stated at a council meeting, and I say again, that a commission constituted as above, from a good municipal government standpoint, is a farce, as the ruling forces upon the board are responsible to no one for their actions, and have life appointment.

I believe the people should be supreme and the police department of the city should be handled by the city council, or by a commission elected by the people for that purpose (similar to the water commissioners) so that they could be removed or changed by the ratepayers, if found desirable.

In reading your report referring to meeting of the above, I was very much surprised to see some of the statements made by the commissioners present. Mr. Houston is reported as saying, that the salaries of the department were the same as when the council had control. This is not the fact, as the commissioners raised the chief's salary from \$650 to \$750 per annum, although they left men on the force as before. He is also reported as saying that I do not

take as much interest in the police department as did former Mayor's; this is also not a fact, as, if it were true, I would not be trying to have police matters taken up with a view to the people being properly represented on a Board, the expenses of which are borne by them. I attended every meeting held last year, one only being regularly called, and one other by telephone, the business of which was concluded before I could arrive, as the minutes will show. The two meetings occupied say ten minutes of time. Surely an expenditure of \$4,500 in our city should receive more careful consideration.

Judge Bell is reported as saying, that if I said the commission was a farce I was one of the principals in the farce; those who know the Judge can understand how much chance there is for another principal in any business where he is concerned.

I am sorry to think that these gentlemen should so far forget themselves as to insult Alderman Cowan, after inviting him to be present at their meeting. He went there on the invitation of the chairman, and also as a representative of the city, only to be abused in a shameful manner by the aforesaid appointees of the Government. No person elected to an office, would dare to invite a ratepayer to a meeting, and then insult him in this manner.

The criticisms Alderman Cowan made in the council, concerning commissioners' methods of doing public business, was perfectly correct, and as an Alderman was quite within his rights.

It is arbitrary actions and official churlishness that is hastening the day when the people who pay the salaries of officers shall, by their votes, say who should hold the public positions.

In conclusion I wish to say that I have every confidence in the integrity of the commissioners. No sinister motives were ever imputed to them, as I respect them both very highly, but I do claim that as a body to transact public business, the police commission is a farce, pure and simple.

Yours respectfully,
G. W. SULMAN,
Mayor.

GERMANY'S EYES OPENED.

London, Jan. 30.—Some German journals, says the Berlin correspondent of the Times, mistakenly suggest that Great Britain is so tired of the South African war that she is willing to offer terms of peace to the Boers which hitherto have been repudiated. However, it is beginning to be recognized that the British Empire will come out of the war stronger than before, and that after the restoration of peace of England will be able to exert influence corresponding to the increased resources of the empire.

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