

# The Chatham Daily Planet.

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NO. 12

## Sale of Mantle Cloth On Saturday

We have seven more pieces of heavy Mantle Cloth than we want. This is just the sort of weather for you to have them. Splendid goods, all wool, especially suitable for Golf Capes or Children's Jackets:

- 1 pc. 54 in. wide heavy green mixed tweed effect, reg. price \$1.35 a yard for..... 67c
- 1 pc. 54 in. wide heavy gray mixed tweed effect, regular price \$1.35 a yard for..... 67c
- 1 pc. 54 in. navy blue mixed Carl Cloth, reg. \$1.35 for..... 67c
- 1 pc. 54 in. navy blue Basket Cloth, r.g. \$1 a yard for..... 50c
- 1 pc. 54 in. Red Carl mixed, reg. \$1.35 a yard for..... 67c
- 1 pc. 54 in. Black Diagonal Twill, reg. \$1.25 a yard for..... 62c
- 1 pc. 54 in. heavy green mixed Tweed effect, reg. \$1.50 for..... 75c

## Sale of Cloth Suiting On Saturday

Bear in mind our one half price sale of Ladies' and Children's Jackets. You have here 100 Ladies' Jackets in the very newest styles, made up in the best possible manner, and all this season's productions. You select one and pay only one half its actual value. You have here also 50 Children's Jackets, Long Cloaks, and Short Reefers, neat, natty and serviceable, to fit all ages and sizes, your choice of any one of them at one half its regular value.

This is the greatest Jacket opportunity ever offered you and it will be a sad loss to you if you miss it.

## THOMAS STONE & SON

Direct Importers

9 pos. double width Cloth Suiting, 49 in. wide, in blue, brown, gray and red, regular prices 20c and 25c a yard, on sale for:

### Sale of Tweeds

12 pos. heavy Wool Tweeds, in good colors, grand goods for Men's and Boys' wear, worth regular 40c, 50c, 75c, 85c, \$1, and \$1.25 a yard, on sale Saturday morning for

1-2 Price

### Men's Underwear

All-wool Shirts and Drawers, good weight, on sale Saturday morning for

35c each

Good weight Union Shirts and Drawers, on sale Saturday

25c each



BOER PRISONERS UNDER ESCORT FROM THE FRONT TO PIETERMARITZBURG.

## LORD LAKE

The Favorite 10c IN QUALITY AND QUANTITY



O'Brien Bros. MANUFACTURERS

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Our

# \$3.00

Goodyear Welt Shoes for Ladies' and Men, are as good value as you can get elsewhere for \$3.00. Made in

BOX CALF, WILLOW CALF, VICI KID

in both BLACK AND COLORED

See our Ladies' Patent Strap Slip per at \$1.50 BEST ON EARTH.

White Shoe Store

## G. J. Peace

## \$2.00 and \$2.50 Shoes

This Fall we have the best lines of Two Dollar and Two and a Half Shoes we have ever shown in Ladies wear.

Our \$2.50 is an AMERICAN made Shoe by one of the BEST BOSTON MAKERS. Newest shape—Fine Vici Kid—Kid Tip—On the different widths—IT'S A BEAUTY and you'll be surprised when you see the quality and style for \$2.50

Ladies' King Quality in either Button or Lace in any size for..... \$2.75

## ..Geo. W. Cowan..

\$2.00 and \$2.50 Shoes

## Saturday the Last

Business day of 1899 will long be remembered with pleasure by those who do their buying at this Busy Store. We have made special preparations for this the last bargain day of the year. In every department you will find prices down to the lowest possible notch. Read this carefully it contains but a few of the many attractions we have in store for Cash Buyers. We would advise you to shop as early as possible in the day.

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| <p>Kid Gloves—Lot 1—68 pr. black kid and moccasins, in size 5 1/2, 5 3/4, and 6 only, fine French makes, sold regular at \$1.25, your price Saturday..... 29c</p> <p>Lot 2—47 pr. Black and Colored Kid Gloves, buttoned and laced styles, size 5 1/2, 6, 6 1/2, 6 3/4, 7, 7 1/2, sold regular up to \$1.50, clearing Saturday..... 53c</p> <p>3 doz. White Wool Hats, 36 in long pure black wool, full and fluff, special Saturday each..... 22c</p> <p>1 only, Caprine, finest quality elastic seal, edged with muskoon, extra full sweep, deep storm collar, head and tail trimming, heavy satin lining, sold regular at \$3.00, Saturday..... \$2.80</p> <p>Gray Lamb Hats, full round curl, rich satin lined, worth \$1.00, special Saturday..... \$3.25</p> <p>Silk Seal Gantlets, fine quality, seal lin d, kid facing, full cuffs, special at Saturday..... \$1.19</p> <p>19 pos. Colored Dress Goods, plaids, serges, checks, silk and wool mixtures, curds, etc., sold regular up to 75c, clearing Saturday..... 28c</p> <p>Black Crepons, in choice blister designs, 44 in. wide, sold regular at 75c and \$1, Saturday..... 58c</p> <p>Black Crepons, 4 patterns, very hand-</p> | <p>some styles in blister and matelasse effects, sold regular at \$1.25 to \$1.50, special Saturday..... 93c</p> <p>Cloakings, 3 pos. astrachan curls, in black and blue, firm round curl, jrey back, sold regular at \$1.50, special Saturday..... 75c</p> <p>Golf Cloaking, 1 pc. only navy, with plaid back, fine quality, 54 in. wide, sold regular at \$1.50, clearing Saturday..... 75c</p> <p>Blankets, 19 pr. extra large wool blankets, fine soft fleecy finish, fancy colored borders, warranted unshrinkable, good value at \$3, clearing special at..... \$2.69</p> <p>Men's Underwear, 4 doz. fine Scotch knit shirts and drawers, fine pure wool rib skirt, woven facings, heavy weight, sold everywhere at 75c, special Saturday each..... 50c</p> <p>Ladies' Jackets—Lot 1—Consisting of fine beaver and frieze jackets, in blacks, navys and fawns, sold regular up to \$5.00, Saturday..... \$3.89</p> <p>Lot 2—Fine Kessays, Beavers and Frieze Jackets, lined and unlined coats and storm collars, handsome garments, worth up to \$5, clearing Saturday at..... \$5.49</p> <p>Children's Jackets, in beavers, friezes, tweeds and boucle cloths, large assortment of styles and colors, sold regular up to \$4, clearing Saturday..... \$2.89</p> <p>Cloaking—For Saturday we have the biggest bargains of the season in men's and boys' clothing, call and see these lines:—</p> <p>Men's Heavy Double Breasted tweed Suits, well tailored, first class linings, in medium and oak patterns, at \$5.90, \$6.50, \$7.50 and \$8.00</p> <p>Men's Heavy Knit Reefers, double breasted, storm collars, Italian linings, extra heavy quality, regular \$4.50, special Saturday..... \$3.68</p> <p>Men's Black Clay W. red Suits, fine pure wool quality, made with double French facings, extra quality linings, real value at \$12, special at..... \$8.89</p> <p>Millinery Snaps, 38 only, sailors, rough riders and walking hats, latest shapes and colors, sold regular up to \$1.50, clearing Saturday..... 43c</p> <p>Trimmed Hats at Half Price:—</p> <p>Regular \$1.50 Hats, Saturday..... 75c</p> <p>Regular \$2.00 Hats, Saturday..... \$1.00</p> <p>Regular \$3.00 Hats, Saturday..... \$1.70</p> <p>Regular \$4.00 Hats, Saturday..... \$1.98</p> <p>Regular \$4.50 and \$5 Hats, Saturday..... \$2.49</p> <p>Violets, in bunches of 2 doz., with fresh foliage, special per bunch..... 9c</p> <p>Wings and Birds, sold regular up to 85c, clearing Saturday..... 14c</p> |
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## JOHN NORTHWAY & CO., Direct Importers

### SAUGEEN

MAGNETIC MINERAL WATER—Southampton.

Is highly recommended by Prof. Fyfe, Dominion Analyst, Toronto, for persons suffering from either rheumatic or gouty conditions, or habits of constipation. It is a most palatable beverage, and is absolutely pure. Recommended by leading physicians. A trial will convince you that it has merit of a high order. For sale by Central Drug Store and F. A. Robert.

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS.

Two per cent. will be added to all taxes unpaid up to 31st inst., after which date 5 per cent. will be added. Wm. Rennie, collector.

### CORKSCREW BOAT

Which Will Cross the Atlantic in Three Days.

A Brooklyn Man Has Invented One And a London Syndicate Has Taken It Up.

New York, December 29.—James Gresham, of Brooklyn, has found capital to demonstrate the commercial value of his corkscrew boat for which he has secured a New York patent. A syndicate of New York capitalists has agreed to furnish \$50,000 with which to build a small boat on the corkscrew plan, with the further understanding that if it demonstrates its ability on a commercial scale to approximate the speed which the models have reached, the syndicate will furnish sufficient capital to build a mail boat. The inventor promises that his craft will cross the Atlantic in less than three days. The vessel, the construction of which is being arranged for at Newport ship yards, is not intended for passenger service, but only for the conveyance of mails and fast freight and for use at life-saving stations. It is so constructed that it can penetrate the surface of the waves of the roughest weather. The boat is cylindrical in shape, with a serpentine flange like a corkscrew extending from bow to stern, and the outer shell revolves through the water, while the inner compartment maintains its equipoise.

Minard's Liniment Cures Colds, etc.

## BOERS VERY NERVOUS.

### They Fear a British Advance.

### SOME OF THEM CAUGHT TRYING TO IMPROVE THEIR POSITION AND DRIVEN BACK WITH LOSS

London, Friday, Dec. 29, 4.30 a. m.—The despatches from the front all represent the Boers as in nervous condition and all in fear of the advance. This is probably an exaggeration. The enemy having been again detected attempting to improve the trenches facing Gen. Buller, the British heavy guns opened upon them, and the Boers scampered back into the hills.

The British patrols sighted the enemy in force on our extreme left. Nine Boers were killed in a skirmish that followed and six Boer wagons were captured.

It is estimated that the war will cost at least £20,000,000, and it is suggested that the sinking fund of the national debt should be suspended for five or six years in order to defray the cost.

The Transvaal Government, according to information supplied by Boer sources, threatens to reduce the rations of British prisoners if Great Britain stops the entrance of food by Delagoa Bay.

The Imperial Yeomanry Committee has issued a statement that the Government considers the formation and despatch of yeomanry as one of the most pressing needs of the situation.

It is estimated that it is now prepared to accept from 8,000 to 10,000 yeomanry, instead of 3,000, formerly asked for. It is expected that the first contingent of 1,000 will sail about the middle of January.

The Government has announced that it will accept the service of a battery from the Honorable Artillery Company. It will be attached to the city imperial corps.

Lady Chesham and Lady Georgina Curzon have issued an appeal for public funds to establish a field hospital for the yeomanry.

CONVERTED INTO FORTRESSES. London, Dec. 29.—A despatch to the Daily Mail from Pietermaritzburg, dated Saturday, Dec. 23, says: "Every day reveals some new fact regarding the strength of the Boer position at Colenso. Thanks to the service of continental officers, the character of the campaign has changed. We are no longer fighting a foe who relies upon guerrilla tactics, but we have to deal with what is rapidly becoming a disciplined army, enjoying the advantages of knowing the country and of possessing the scene of contest without the burdens of a cumbersome commissariat. The Boers have converted the hills near Colenso into fortresses of immense strength. Everywhere they have splendid trenches, many of them bomb proof. Tramway lines permit the shifting of guns with astonishing rapidity. The main positions are connected with the outlying positions by underground passages, and the forts proper bristle with machine guns that command the approaches. Probably mines are laid. Our hearts less nowadays about Boer shells not bursting. Observers of the Colenso fight say that the Boer shell fire was very effective. This is due largely to the fact that the distances are marked off with white paint. The enemy's

discipline is improving. The trenches represent great manual labor, for which the Boers have a keen dislike, and the way in which they restrained their fire when our troops were advancing is another proof of improved soldiering."

THIS IS GENEROUS. Durban, Natal, Saturday, Dec. 23.—Mr. Winston Churchill on arriving here, after his escape from the Boers, received a tremendous ovation. He says that from conversations with members of the Transvaal executive at Pretoria he learns that the Boers began the war with trepidation, but that President Kruger is now confident Great Britain will soon sue for peace. In the highest Transvaal circles, Mr. Churchill asserts there is serious talk of a compromise, by which Great Britain would cede the territory now occupied by the armies of the two Republics, pay an indemnity of \$20,000,000 and acknowledge the complete independence of the Transvaal.

FOR TWO MONTHS MORE. London, Dec. 27.—The latest independent news from Ladysmith says: "The field fortifications would now withstand any organized attack the enemy is likely to deliver. There are sufficient foodstuffs for two months. The question of forage might be troublesome, but since the rain there has been some grazing within the British lines. There is no horse sickness. The casualties caused by our shell fire are increasing, and the Boers are reported to be becoming nervous. They fear night sorties, and constantly open a heavy fusillade on an imaginary attack."

COULDN'T SEE THE JOKE. Mafeking, Dec. 12, via Mochudi, Dec. 19.—The following is published by Col. Burden-Rowell: "General Symes has written regarding our circular to the burghers advising them to return home, that he is very incensed at its having been sent direct to the burghers themselves. He is also apparently

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## The Last Saturday

# ...In 1899

Off every dollars worth you purchase at this store you will get 10 CENTS BACK, including in this off everything. Everything on sale, "Famous" STOVES and RANGES—Dinner and Tea Sets—Fancy and Plain LAMPS—Japanese Art Chinaware—Haviland Limoges Chinaware—Glass and Silverware—Table and Pocket Cutlery—

Baker and Fox Razors

Fancy Articles—Celluloid and Plush Goods—Toys, Dolls, Books, Games, Skates, Granite and Tinware, or anything you select in our immense stock. THIS CUT IS FOR SATURDAY ONLY. Come early and get first choice—Wishing all a very HAPPY and Prosperous NEW YEAR.

## THE ARK BLOCK . . . H. MACAULAY

89 King Street



### The Planet

S. STEPHENSON, Proprietor.

#### OUR TIN-POT TITLED NOBILITY.

One of the new features of the Canadian Almanac for 1900 is a list of all the Canadians who can boast of imperial titles. Most of us will be surprised to learn that the list is so long. To be sure, we have not many hereditary titles in Canada, and this is as it should be, for hereditary honors are not in harmony with the genius of a democratic country like ours. Transmitted titles are exotics here, and are rather absurd.

There are six British peerages filled by Canadians. The Canadian peers are: Susan Agnes, Baroness Macdonald of Earncliffe; Sir George Stephen, Baron Mount Stephen; William, Baron de Blaquiere; Sir Donald A. Smith, Baron Strathcona and Mount Royal; Sir Arthur L. Haliburton, Baron Haliburton, and Sir Udoiphus Aymer, Baron Aymer. To these may be added Charles Colmore Grant, Baron de Longueuil, whose title is a creation of Louis XIV. of France, and dates back to 1700.

Of baronets we have six: Sir W. G. Johnson, Sir Melville Parke, Sir F. A. Robinson, Sir William Rose, Sir Charles J. Stuart and Sir Charles Tupper. These baronets and the peerages above constitute the hereditary titles held by Canadians.

The list of knights is much longer. First come those of the G. C. M. G. (Grand Cross, St. Michael and St. George). There are only three of them—Sir Richard Cartwright, Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Sir Oliver Mowat.

The K. C. M. G. knights (Knight Commander, St. Michael and St. George) are next in rank. These Canadians hold the K. C. M. G.: Sir John G. Bourinot, Sir Mackenzie Bowell, Sir John Carling, Sir Adolphe Caron, Sir Louis H. Davies, Sir Sandford Fleming, Sir James A. Grant, Sir W. P. Howland, Sir Hector Langevin, Sir Henri Joly de Lotbiniere, Sir Charles A. P. Pelletier, Sir J. W. Trutch, Sir Charles H. Tupper, Sir W. C. VanBorne.

Next are the Knights Bachelors—Sir John A. Boyd, Sir Roderick W. Cameron (of New York), Sir Louis Cassault, Sir H. H. P. Create, Sir Robert Gillespie, Sir J. H. Hagarty, Sir W. H. Hingston, Sir Alex. LaCocote, Sir James M. LeMoine, Sir W. C. McDonald, Sir W. R. Meredith, Sir Frank Smith, Sir Samuel H. Strong, Sir Melbourne M. Tait, Sir T. W. Taylor.

The C. B. (Companion of the Bath) is held by Hon. Wm. McDougall, Surgeon-General J. B. C. Reade and Major-General C. W. Robinson. The C.M.G. (Companion of the Order of St. Michael and St. George) has been conferred upon Major-General D. R. Cameron, J. G. Colmer, J. M. Courtney, Col. J. G. Dartnell, Dr. G. M. Dawson, Louis Frechette, Senator Gowen, W. H. Griffin, Major-General Jarvis, T. C. Keefer, J. Lorn Macdougall, Col. A. McEachran, A. R. Milne, Dr. Parkin, Collingwood Schreiber, A. R. C. Selwyn, Vice-Admiral Vansittart and Col. W. White.

It is interesting to note that although Sir Charles Tupper is a baronet and Sir Wilfrid Laurier is only a knight, Sir Wilfrid outranks Sir Charles because Sir Wilfrid is a member of the Imperial Privy Council, and therefore a "Right Honorable," while Sir Charles is only an "Honorable."

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#### Central Green Houses

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#### HONEST LIBERALS WILL NOT STAND ANY MORE SHIRKING, MR. ROSS.

The following is from that excellent Liberal journal, the Kingston Whig:

A reference by the judges who heard the West Huron case, and who disposed of it without the evidence of Mr. Linklater, for whom they waited long, is somewhat humiliating. It was that "the bribers and the persons bribed will, as the act requires be reported, however useless a formality it may be." The impression prevails with the judges, then, that the government is not in earnest in its desire to see these offenders punished. The attorney-general has intimated that no one is to be spared, that the machinery of the law will be put in motion, and that it will grind all and sundry who have misbehaved themselves. The delay in acting is inexplicable. The public may be excused for not understanding the reason of it when Judges Osler and Rose are without the light. The premier was talking seriously when he denounced the election outrages, and he must redeem his word. There should be no difficulty about it. The offenders are known, and so is the process by which they may be called to account. There is something amiss, and the sooner it is rectified the better.

Say, we won't do a thing to those Fenians if they come over here.

It takes a letter about a month to come from Cape Town to Canada.

The late Duke of Westminster was the richest man in England. His annual income was \$3,750,000.

Well, if Buller didn't eat his Christmas dinner in Pretoria he had 500 captured Boer cattle to make it on in Chieveley.

How things change! Not long ago it was the Queen vs. Billy Ponton. Now Ponton has enlisted and it's the Queen and Billy vs. Oom Paul Kruger.

Any person who casts a fraudulent ballot at a municipal election is liable to six months' imprisonment. We do not suppose there is anybody in Chatham who would do so, but it is as well for all to know the penalty.

Chatham has the reputation abroad of having a considerable colored population, but it is not in it with Windsor. While the Maple City has less than 700 colored inhabitants, the assessment returns of Windsor show nearly 1,000.

The agitation for a Fenian raid into Canada is probably the lever by which a lot of crooks and loafers, too lazy to work for an honest living, hope to get another lot of dopes and "suckers" to subscribe the wherewithal by which the said parties of the first part may continue to live in idleness and still keep out of jail.

Our esteemed and industrious friend, Thomas Radcliffe, Esq., public executioner, is the only gentleman worrying at present over the possibility of a Fenian raid. In making his contract with the government Thomas forgot a provision for extra remuneration in case of being called upon to work overtime, hence has no desire to share in Canada's growing time even to oblige the Cian-na-gael.

#### NOT NECESSARY TO QUARANTINE HIM

Exchange.  
The following letter was lately sent a Stratford schoolmaster.  
"Dear Sir,—Please excuse my boy a scratching himself. He's got a new flannel shirt on."

#### A CENTURY FROM NOW.

Pearson's Weekly.  
If you and I should wake from sleep  
A century from now,  
Back to the grave we'd want to creep.  
A century from now,  
We'd witness such a startling change,  
Find everything so wondrous strange  
We'd hurry back across the range,  
A century from now.  
A woman, forty, fat and fair,  
A century from now,  
May warm with grace the speaker's chair,  
A century from now.  
The cabinet may be a flock  
Of girls, gay of hat and frock.  
Who talk, but who won't mend a sock,  
A century from now.  
The people all will fly on wings  
A century from now,  
(Not heavenly, but patent things),  
A century from now.  
They'll soar aloft devoid of fear  
On pinions of a chainless gear,  
And change their "flyers" every year,  
A century from now.  
There'll be no restaurants at all  
A century from now,  
The home will have no dining hall  
A century from now.  
The chemist all our wants will fill  
With food in tablets, and to still  
Our thirst we'll simply take a pill,  
A century from now.

#### VOICE OF WINTER.

Denver Post.  
Oh! list to the wild lamentation  
Arise on the frost spangled air,  
That volume of sharp execration  
All bristling with sparkles of swear!  
Oh! list to that sobbing so mournful!  
The crown has been snatched from the king!  
The voice that was erstwhile so scornful  
Has lost all its jubilant ring!  
Tis the wail of the ice man, the out-of-job ice man, the sock-up-the-price man who once was on deck!  
His glad smiles have quit him  
And laughter don't fit him since  
Old King Lear hit him a slash in the neck!

Oh! hear ye that rollicking whistle,  
Pitched up in the gayest of keys?  
As sharp as the sting of a thistle,  
It pierces the frost-laden breeze.  
Oh! hear ye that glad anthem winging  
From heart just unloaded from care—  
That happy so exultingly ringing  
In songy rag-time on the air?

Tis the song of the coal man, the jubilant coal man, the fill-up-the-bottle man with diamonds black.  
He's never heard growling when winter is scowling and people are howling for lump, nut and slack.

Give ear to that beautiful chorus,  
That rises in ripples of glee,  
Till all the wintry air o'er us  
Seems bursting with glad melody?  
Oh! gay is the song they are trilling  
The music is free from alloy,  
As out from their souls they are spill-  
ing  
The very quintessence of joy!

Tis the song of the plumber, the happy old plumber, and ain't he a hummer close up to the band?  
His lips are but voicing his glad soul's rejoicing as pipes snap to busting on every band.

And hear those anathemas shooting  
From tongues of the sinner and sinner's  
Profanity's horns they are tooting  
Without e'en a show of restraint!  
From lips once accustomed to parting  
Alone for thanksgiving and prayer  
Now vividly, sharply are darting  
Red streaks of the highest grade  
swear!

Tis the swear of the people, the winter-struck people, to see others reap all the fruits of their toil,  
the cash crop of summer the coal man and plumber now joyously gather from labor's rich soil.

#### West Kent Farmers' Institute.

Meetings of the Institute will be held as follows:—Chatham Township Hall, Jan. 13th, 1900. Afternoon Session at 1:30 Presidents Address; 2 p. m., address: "breeding and feeding of cattle" by John McMillan, of Seaforth; address "breeding and feeding the bacon hog" by W. C. McGregor, Tilbury; address "the orchard for profit" by F. M. Lewis, Burford. Evening Session Ontario Agricultural College" by John McMillan, Seaforth; address "cultivating clover hay" by W. C. McGregor, Tilbury; address "ornamenting the home" by F. M. Lewis, Burford. Dover Township Hall, Jan. 15th, 1900. Afternoon session 1:30, Presidents Address; address "breeding and feeding cattle" by John McMillan, Seaforth; address "cultivation and curing clover" by W. C. McGregor, Tilbury; address "sown growing" by F. M. Lewis, Burford. Evening session 7:30, Presidents address: address "hog feeding" by John McMillan, Seaforth; address "potato growing" by J. R. Longmore, Raleigh; address "ornamenting the home" by F. M. Lewis, Burford. Other speakers will take part in the discussion. Come and give us the benefit of your experience. Come one, come all.  
W. C. MCGREGOR, Pres.,  
Tilbury  
J. R. LONGMORE, Sec'y.,  
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SYNOPSIS OF THE OPENING CHAPTERS.

The story opens at Cairo, where Mr. Grimes, who passes as an American silver king; Sandy Barlow, a newspaper correspondent; Mr. Tanner, a millionaire traveler and his daughter Molly, all meet.

"Enter, gentlemen," says the old reis. Straight across the luxurious cabin strides the newspaper correspondent direct to the lamp, which, with a turn, he causes to send forth a flood of light.

It is a picture—Sandy, standing there, bending eagerly forward, his eyes glued upon the bearded face of the other, and actually holding his breath as he gazes at a second look.

Eye looks into eye. Sandy Barlow stands there; then the correspondent exclaims, with a ring of satisfaction in his voice: "Mynheer Joe, for all the world!"

"Bless you, old boy, it's good for sore eyes to see you again, and looking as natural as ever. Never have I ceased to remember the days of 'auld lang syne,' when we two did the Nile in company."

"Richard is himself again—first cigar in seven months—think of it," he says melodramatically.

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Here he sees a golden opportunity for making a ten-strike. The whole civilized world hangs in suspense waiting definite news of the heroic Chinese Gordon's fate.

This Sandy's dreadful impatience is explained; the wide-awake correspondent is aroused to the exigencies of the hour, and for the benefit of the civilized world would seize and send out an authentic account of the tragedy of ill-fated Khartoum.

Mechanically he draws out his note book and, pencil in hand, prepares to take down in shorthand what may be said—a proceeding Mynheer Joe eyes with a smile.

"Pardon me, friends, but I am almost starved. When I went to sleep, the captain here said he would have a meal ready for me when I awoke. I was hungry then, but could keep awake only long enough to take a cup of coffee and a bite. How is it, Captain? Will you keep your word?"

"The dusky Ben Hassan Effendi nods and gives a signal with his hands. Immediately two fellows appear. One carries a tray covered with a white napkin; the other lays a cloth upon the little round table. Almost like magic, a savory, steamy meal is thus placed in front of the hungry Mynheer Joe.

"Your pardon, gentlemen. I have fasted for some days now, and the aroma arising from this spread is too much for me to withstand. Captain, how long have I slept?"

"Twenty-seven hours, gentlemen," gravely announces the old reis.

"Eat, my boy! Jove! You may go to sleep again, unless you get your jaws working! I've heard of such things as people sleeping for days," cries Sandy, with an air that plainly marks the martyr, and says: "Don't consider me—I can wait."

So Mynheer Joe does ample justice to the meal set before him, and, when ten minutes have passed, very little remains of what was brought in. At the same time something of the pinched look has left his face, and he seems more like the man Sandy remembers.

The correspondent has been surveying the interior of the cabin curiously, endeavoring to keep down the spirit of impatience that makes a minute seem an hour. He knows his friend has great need of all the sustenance he can secure at present, and hence will not allow his own selfish motives to triumph.

As he finishes his survey of the gay decorations upon the walls of the cabin whose score of gaudies add to the picturesque appearance of the scene, Sandy hears a sigh of deep satisfaction, and wheeling about is just in time to see the captain, at a signal from the pilgrim, clap his hands, when the two attendants dart in, removing the debris.

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The man from Khartoum speaks quietly, as if he has long since learned to look upon the disaster with composure. He is not one given to emotion; at any rate, as a glance into his face would inform an observer.

EUREKA!

As you travel through southeastern Kansas about one hundred and twenty-five miles south of Topeka and eighty-five miles east of Wichita, the brakeman sticks his head in the doorway and yells: "Vrecky!"

One of the happy inhabitants of Eureka is Mrs. Sarah E. Taylor, and the reasons for her present happiness are set forth in the following letter addressed to Dr. R. V. Pierce, chief consulting physician to the "Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute," of Buffalo, N. Y.

"I had been a sufferer for fifteen years and in August 1919 was taken with severe cramping pain in my stomach. A hard lump about the size of a goose egg formed in my right side. It became so sore that I could scarcely walk about my house, and I had no appetite. I consulted two of the best doctors in town and they said medicine would do me good. One day I thought I would try Dr. Pierce's 'Medical Discovery' and you tell me of my condition. You told me I had enlarged the lobes of my liver and advised me to take your 'Medical Discovery'."

"I had not taken more than half a bottle of each when I began to feel better, and my stomach came back, and for a little over a year since I began to do my work. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is a medicine that cures on rational, scientific principles. It is the discovery of a regularly graduated, practicing physician of high standing. It tones up the stomach, stimulates the liver and regulates the bowels. It brings all the digestive organs into healthy activity. It neutralizes and eradicates all poisonous, effete matter in the blood and fills it with the rich, vital, red corpuscles of health and vigor."

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across his brow as though he would clear away the cobwebs time had spun about his brain.

"It is hardly a propitious time for entering into details, my friend. I am willing to speak, but I know you will pardon me if I simply sketch the matter lightly."

"Yes, yes, tell what you please, Joe." Mr. Grimes and the reis say nothing; only moving a little closer to the messenger from Khartoum in order to hear how Gordon fell. It is a subject which must interest the whole world. Millions will, later on, read the story of his desertion and death in the town on the Nile, and from every country under the sun will breathe curses against Old England for the cowardly policy that has ended in this way.

"You know what took Gordon to Khartoum, and the sacred work to which he devoted his life. He was the deadly enemy of the slave trader, and long ago declared that his life would be spent in endeavoring to break up that terrible trade on the Upper Nile. The rattle of slave chains was the most hated sound he knew, and it was this that made him hold on even when doom stared him in the face."

"I know his mind, for I have talked with him day by day, and found Gordon a rock. He could a dozen times have saved himself by flight, but he would not desert his post. Heaven sent him there, and at Khartoum he would remain, the rock of Egypt, until the longed-for line of British troops appeared in view, or doom came."

"What we went through with during those months Heaven alone knows. Day after day we fought the black dervishes of the desert, and thousands laid down their lives in front of Khartoum's walls. Now it was a silly, unon an attack. We might have won on a certain occasion but for the treachery of certain leaders. Gordon tried them later and all were shot. He would not stand in subordination."

"This month passed. We endured all that can come during the pestilential season from July, when the city was in (To be Continued.)"

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LOCAL BRIEFS

A reward is offered for the return of a purse lost on Thursday.

Bert Terry has returned from Buffalo, and will spend a month in the city.

High mass will be celebrated in St. Joseph's church at midnight Sunday evening.

Lost—On Thursday betwen town line Tibbury and Chatham or in Chatham an old leather purse containing a sum of money. The finder will be rewarded by returning to Planet office.

Albert Weber returned home yesterday looking well after his bitter experience of shipwreck on the Whalesback, No. 115.

R. J. Coogan, of Chatham, has been accepted and sworn in as a driver in the sixth field battery for service in South Africa.

Harry Barnes, Harwich, tendered a reception to about 20 of his friends last evening, the occasion being his birthday. A good time was enjoyed by the party present, which wished Mr. Barnes many returns of the day.

Alden Benedict's "Fabio Romani," which will be presented at the Grand Opera House, on Monday evening, is a play with a strong and stirring interest in it. Those who have read the book entitled "The Vendetta" will easily remember the pretext of the story. A deceived husband is buried alive, but escapes from the tomb, and returns in disguise to torture the unfaithful wife, killing her at the moment he makes himself known. The novel furnishes intense scenes which are ably interpreted by a strong company, the principal members being specially engaged for the characters assigned them. A special feature of the performance will be the introduction by Miss Grace Hunter of her celebrated Serpentine, Fire, Stereopticon and Spanish dances, in which specialties she is pronounced everywhere to be the best exponent travelling.

TAKEN TO THE CENTRAL.

This morning Bailiff English removed Stephen Coaklet, sentenced to four months for vagrancy, and Augustus Vick, to the Central Prison, Vick, Planet readers will remember, stole a suit of clothes from H. Winegard, but was cleverly spotted by Officer Deazila while wearing the same, and as a result will receive government board for twelve months.

Trustees, Frank Teohirhart, Jacob Blonde and Celestine Blonde.

W. E. Campbell is a prospective candidate for the chairmanship of the school board.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cartier, from the mouth of river, are visiting Mrs. William Crow, Baldwin street.

Star Jarvis, who has been visiting in this city, returned to New York this morning.

D. Latimer, a former employe of this office, has returned from Helena, Montana, with his mother, who has entered the Public General Hospital for treatment.

Last night the O. F. F. Assembly Club gave another of their semi-monthly dances. There were about 75 couples present and everybody reports having one of the best times this season. The music was furnished by Lorrimer's orchestra.

C. O. F. ELECTION.

The annual election of the officers of the Catholic Order of Foresters last evening resulted as follows:

Chief Ranger, Frank Gerber.

Vice Chief Ranger, Peter Blonde.

Recording Secretary, Ed. Dunn.

Financial Secretary, J. P. Finn.

Treasurer, Alfred Delege.

Medical Examiner, T. C. Baker, M.D.

TO THE WRONG OFFICER.

Judge Houston this morning received an anonymous communication complaining of a gambling machine in one of the city hotels. The writer says unless it is stopped he "will have the matter reported at once." Gambling in hotels is not allowed and is subject to fine. Judge Houston said he was not a crown prosecutor and his anonymous correspondent would have to prefer his charge in the regular way.

LOCAL RAILWAY CHANGE.

A. R. Patterson has resigned his position as general agent of the L. E. & D. R. E. his resignation to take effect the first of the year. J. E. Tilson, who for the past five years has been general travelling freight and passenger agent, has been appointed to the position of general agent here made vacant by Mr. Patterson's retirement. Mr. Tilson is a thoroughly experienced railroad man and will no doubt make a good agent. During his residence here Mr. Tilson has made many friends in the Maple City who will be pleased to learn of his becoming a permanent resident.

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Mynheer Joe has not made a blunder in the matter of time. At the very moment Sandy relieves himself of his cigar there rises above the babel of voices, a startling sound. Sandy has never heard anything like it before, and, please Heaven, he does not want to again, since he knows what it signifies.

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- Table Raisins, 20c a lb.
- Table Figs, 15c and 20c a lb.
- Olives, 30c and 50c a bottle.
- Fresh Tapioca, 15c a lb.
- Butter Scotch, 25c a lb.
- Christmas Crackers, 10c a box.
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We have bought the entire line of samples of Stamped Linens of a large New York house, consisting of 3000 different pieces Table Cloths, Centres, Doyilies, Cushion Covers, Laundry Bags etc., etc., which will be placed on sale

Thursday morning Jan. 4th, at 9 o'clock at the wholesale cost price

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I will be at Geo. Stephens store, Chatham on Saturday Dec. 30th, and January 13th, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. to receive taxes. WILBER J. HUFFMAN, Collector.

### ON A DESERT ISLE

Chathamite has a Robinson Crusoe Experience.

Wrecked on Whaleback No. 115—The Crew Reduced to Living on Candies.

Albert Weber, of this city, who was one of the crew of the wrecked whaleback "barge" No. 115, which went aground on Pic Island, Ontario, on the northern shore of Lake Superior, arrived home last night. Notwithstanding his thrilling and perilous experiences Mr. Weber is hale and hearty in appearance and, after a diet that descended to the chewing of candies, is very satisfied to be safe home once more.

In an interview with The Planet this morning, he told the thrilling story of their experience after the ill-fated craft broke away from the steamer Colgate Hoyt. Mr. Weber said: "About 11 o'clock on Monday morning the barge drifted ashore on what we afterwards found to be Pic Island. Where the barge grounded the land is extremely bold, and rises from the water's edge 500 to 600 feet and even higher in places. The barge began to pound heavily, and we were afraid it would knock a hole in the hull. There was a little raft on the top of the after turret, and we used this to get ashore. Some of the men took extra clothes with them, and in the party we had two loaves of bread and a shoulder of ham, besides our pockets full of candies. We landed in a small cove and began to climb up the steep bluff. We thought all this time we were ashore on the main land. The snow was about three feet deep, but the weather was not as cold as on the water. The first night we camped in the woods, and the next day we started along the shore line. It was then we found we were on an island. As we followed the shore we came across a log cabin about three o'clock in the afternoon. We stayed in the shanty Tuesday night, and it was here that the steward's feet were so badly frozen. Wednesday morning we could see the mainland about three miles away. We ripped the old shanty down and made a raft with which to get ashore on the main land. The raft was not large enough to hold all the men, and sunk knee deep in the water when we all boarded it, but we started out and after drifting a couple of miles down the shore, making about five miles in all, we landed. As soon as the raft struck the shore it went to pieces. There was lots of snow on the mainland, but we built a fire and camped in the bush all night. On Thursday morning we started out and walked all day along the shore to the west. That night we camped in the bush again, and on Friday morning, after walking until 11 o'clock, we struck the track of the Canadian Pacific Railroad. Here we ate the last of the provisions which we had with us. At last we met two section hands who told us that the nearest town was Middletown, a mile and a half away. We reached the railroad station at Middletown about noon on Friday. The agent there did all he could for us, fed us, gave us a place to sleep, and dressed the steward's feet. We left on Sunday for Cleveland."

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### THE DISTRICT.

THAMESVILLE.

Dec. 29.—Voting on the By-law for electric light, and also for school trustees will be held on Monday next, Jan. 1st. The resignation of all the candidates for councillors necessitates another nomination, which will be held on Jan. 3rd, 1900. The young men of the town will give a ball in Mayhev's music hall on Jan. 5th.

Dr. Becket returned from Toronto on Tuesday. Miss Annie Bell, of Chatham, is the guest of Miss Katherine Duncan. Mr. and Mrs. Smith, of Council Bluffs, visited their daughter, Mrs. White, this week. Herb Reynolds is spending his holidays with his sister, Mrs. Eastman. Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong spent Christmas in St. Catharines.

DRESDEN.

Dec. 29.—Misses Kate Garrett and Cora Merritt return to their homes in Chatham to-night.

Miss Irene Frerick is giving a dancing party to her young friends this evening. Misses Dottie and Cora Lawrence entertained a number of friends last evening.

Gilbert Tasse gave a dinner party to a number of his young gentlemen friends last evening. Harold McVean entertained the evening before.

Lewis Allan Lewis left to-day for Montreal. It is rumored that one of our most popular bachelors is soon to take unto himself a wife.

Miss Belle Whillans is visiting her sister, Mrs. John I. Wiley. Mr. Mercer, of St. Clair, Mich., is visiting with J. W. Sharpe. Frank Hughes is ill with appendicitis.

Arthur Bobier and family have moved from town.

WALLAOEBURG.

Dec. 29.—On Monday night, Jan. 8th, the K. O. T. M. give their first annual ball. A large number of invitations have been issued.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Dundas and son Gordon have returned from their eastern trip.

Joe Marks, representing the Marks Bros. Co., who play here next week, is in town.

Mrs. L. Snively has returned to town after a three months' absence. The Baptist S. S. entertainment was well attended last evening.

A crowd from here visited David Kings, Chatham township, and spent a very enjoyable evening.

BLOOMFIELD.

Gordon Legge is home for a few days when he will return to Madison, Wisconsin.

We understand Bruce Steele, who was confined to St. Joseph's Hospital with typhoid fever, has recovered sufficiently to leave.

Lorna P. Steele is spending a week at Port Alma and Glenwood with relatives.

The Christmas tree and entertainment was a success, \$13 being realized.

GUILDS.

The S. S. entertainment was excellent. Dr. Logan and wife, of Moraviantown, Miss Grace Higgs, of Ridgetown, and John Bonham, of Ridgetown, were present and favored us with some very fine selections, and the home talent part of the program was splendid. The proceeds amounted to \$32. One very pleasant event of the evening was the presentation of a beautiful gold watch from the congregation to Miss Bertha Serson, the Methodist choir organist.

Miss Beatrice Hall is very low with rheumatism and heart trouble. Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Bentley and son and her niece, Miss Eunice Goldworthy, took a holiday trip to her sister's, Mrs. John Proutt, of Nestleton.

Miss Mabel Hall, of Detroit, is home for a few days. Mrs. Joseph Baker and daughter of Ridgetown have been guests at her father's, Mr. R. H. Mitton.

Mrs. Lyman Cairns is visiting her parents at Clear Creek. B. H. Bentley is the new school trustee.

Our school is without a teacher. Mr. Best, of Springbank, was engaged, but has been taken sick and is unable to take the work.

Robert Hebblethwaite has quit farming and had an auction sale last week. The church is now fitted out with a chandelier and new lamps. The pastor of our church, Rev. F. E. Malott, will next week begin a series of week night services here.

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### LOCAL BRIEFS

W. F. Wrighton, Sarnia, is in the city. Leroy Huffman spent Christmas with his mother, North Chatham.

Mrs. Wm. Clements, King St. West, was taken seriously ill yesterday afternoon.

Dr. Geo. Musson returned to-day, after spending the holidays at his home in Toronto.

Are you reading the serial story now running in The Planet, "The Messenger From Khartoum?"

The skating on the river is now excellent and perfectly safe, and a large number are taking advantage of it.

The canning factory at Landrick turned out 300,000 cans of tomatoes, which were all disposed of at good prices.

G. J. Peace returned Tuesday night from spending his Christmas in Toronto. Mrs. Peace and the family will return home next Thursday.

Misses Della and Dell Trembley have returned home, after spending a couple of months with their brother, Dr. Jos. Trembley, Molind, Ill.

Miss Annie Kerr, Lacroix St., entertained a number of her friends last evening in honor of her cousin, Miss Maggie and Mary Lecoq, of Fletcher.

The coroner's jury viewed the remains of the late Donald Burke, killed on the Grand Trunk yesterday, and then adjourned till to-night to permit the bringing of the crew of the train to give evidence.

Harry Barnes, Creek Road, Harwich, tendered a reception to about twenty of his friends last evening, the occasion being his birthday. A good time was enjoyed by those present, who unite in wishing Mr. Barnes many happy returns of the day.

Lawyer Ward Stanworth to-day sent an album of photographs to his brother, James Stanworth, of Burnley, England. The collection of pictures is made up of photographs taken in the vicinity of Chatham and Ridgetown. The views are the work of Mr. Stanworth himself.

Herbert, the teller of the Bank Ville Marie, wanted on a charge of stealing \$58,000, has been caught in Montreal, after the police have searched all America and Europe for him.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

	Opn.	Hgh.	Low.	Close
Wheat—Dec.	64	64	64	64
May	69	69	69	69
July	69	70	69	69
Corn—Sept.	...	...	...	...
Dec.	...	...	...	...
May	32	32	32	32
Oats—Sept.	...	...	...	...
Dec.	...	...	...	...
May	23	23	23	23
Pork—Dec.	...	...	...	...
Jan.	10.17	10.17	10.12	10.12
May	10.55	10.55	10.42	10.47
Lard—Dec.	...	...	...	...
Jan.	5.67	5.67	5.63	5.67
May	5.83	5.83	5.80	5.82
Ribs—Jan.	5.92	5.92	5.82	5.83
May	5.82	5.82	5.52	5.53

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JEANNETTE'S CREEK.

We are pleased to see that Geo. Chalmers is a candidate for 1900 council, and we promise to heartily support him.

There were a large number of guests here for Xmas. Mr. and Mrs. Perry, and Master Ray, of Wyandotte, and Mr. and Mrs. W. Howe and little daughter, of Comber, were the guests of Mrs. Howe, Grove Farm.

Miss Nellie Smith, of Hamilton, and Manley Smith, of Detroit, were the guests of their parents here.

Mr. Joyce spent Xmas at his home in Chatham, and Albert Shaw, spent Christmas in Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. Crow and Miss Blanch St. Amour, of Chatham, and Mr. Myers, were guests at the light-house.

Miss Hobson, of Benheim, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Kontze. Miss Minnie Howe left on Tuesday for a few weeks' visit with her sister, Mrs. Perry, of Wyandotte.

Mr. and Mrs. Venning are spending the holidays with relatives in Dorchester, Mr. Galt is relieving Mr. Venning.

The public school pupils were greeted with a crowded house on Friday evening and presented a very interesting program.

Moore & Stevens shipped a car each of barley and oats this week. They expect to have a new abeller in this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Forbes gave a large dinner party to their relatives on Xmas day. The river is frozen over so that persons can walk over on the ice. F. and H. Peck and R. Howe have joined the steel gang that is laying the new rails on the G. T. R. track.

Parliament has been called for February 1. The principal business to be brought up will be the voting of money for the military contingents sent to South Africa and the adoption of motions indorsing the action of the Government.

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THE DISTRICT.

Clerk Moynahan, of Sandwich South, has recovered from the smallpox. The wedding takes place this week and Miss Clara Laddis, daughter of Mrs. Campbell, Erie St., Howard. If you like The Planet why not subscribe for it in place of some other paper not nearly so good. According to the Times Tilbury has done over \$30,000 worth of building this year against \$23,500 in 1898, \$14,700 in 1897, and \$13,300 in 1896. Buy your newspaper as you would your sugar or your clothes, purchase the best you can get for the money, and that is The Planet. Word has been received that Rev. I. B. Richardson, of Florence, Ala., a former well known resident of Kent, has experienced a paralytic stroke. A large number attended the sale of Mrs. E. J. Dymond last week, who is about to leave Oungah and move to Chatham, having leased her store to W. Graham, formerly of Dover Center. Romney has one of the best rural libraries in the province, with a 1,700-book catalogue. The following is the board of management:—Chairman, R. G. Coatsworth; treasurer, J. W. Renwick; secretary, Nettie Heathington; B. Lane, W. Lane, A. Coatsworth, John Imrie. At the regular meeting of Tilbury Orange Lodge the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—W. M., P. Husted; D. M., J. W. Hornick; Chap., Alex. Hornick; Sec., S. King; Fin. Sec., John Bowles; Treas., B. Cowan; Lecturer, Ceremonies, J. J. Miller; Director of Ceremonies, J. J. Miller; W. Cartwright; 2nd Com., W. A. Hut-ton. The following are the officers recently elected by Court Talbot, I. O. F., of Cedar Springs:—W. M., R. McLean; D., R. McLean; C. Phy., C. B. Langford; O. C., R. Moran; V. C., R. Hamby; F. S., F. Kimmerly; Treas., W. Claus; R. S., W. Dalton; Chap., M. Mobery; S. W., A. Pardo; J. W., L. Conlin; S. B., W. Clinansmith; J. B., M. Clinansmith.

GUILDS. Duncan Harrison, who has had the school for the last three years will soon be leaving for another one near Ridgeway. Wm. Boal, of Springbank, has the school for next year. Frank Guild has put down an artisan well of 172 feet. Special week-night prayer services will be commenced here at the beginning of the new year, by the pastor, Rev. F. E. Mallot and some outside help. The Epworth League services this week, will be on Sunday evening, 24th inst, instead of Thursday.

GLENWOOD. Alex. Newham, of Detroit, and Robt. Newham, of St. Thomas, are visiting their parents here. Mr. and Mrs. R. Jeffrey spent Xmas with relatives in Leamington. Miss Gordon is spending her vacation at her home in Highgate. I. Coffell, who has been ill for a few days, is now better. Mr. and Mrs. P. McGee and daughter Edith, spent Sunday and Monday with relatives in Chatham. Miss A. Dawson, of Ridgeway, is the guest of her sister Ada. Will Furey, of Wheatley, spent a few days last week in the village. Miss J. Shepley returned from Chatham for her vacation. L. Lucas, of Senelar, Mich., spent Monday, the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. McFarland. Miss A. Estabrook, of the L. H. S., is holidaying at home. A number of the young people were pleasantly entertained by Mrs. E. Newham on the evening of the 25th. The S. S. Entertainment held on Friday evening, was a success in every way. The neat sum of \$20 was realized.

APPLEDORE. The Literary Club held its meeting Thursday evening in the midst of a large audience and fulfilled the following program:—The address, Josephine Langdon. Debate—"Resolved, that Napoleon was a greater general than Wellington." Affirmative, Douglas McKerrall and Raymond Lanigan; negative, Charles Craven and James McKerrall. The affirmative side won by a few points. Reading of the Club Journal—Raymond Lanigan. Song—Gertie Krieger and Nina Agar. Reading—Alex. Lanigan. Reading of the Journal—Jennie McKerrall. Critic's Report—Minnie Lanigan. The meeting closed, as usual with "God Save the Queen." The debate for the next meeting, which will be December 28th, is, "Resolved, that the warrior has done more for his country than the statesman." The speaker of Henry Badder was very largely attended on Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. George McKerrall spent Thursday in Thamesville. Fred. Houston has gone to Hamilton, where he will spend the winter. Miss Annie Craven, who has been suffering from an abscess on her foot is somewhat better. The annual school meeting will be held in the school house at ten o'clock on Wednesday, 27th. Robert Miller of this place, attended the Oungah concert last Friday.

TUPPERVILLE. W. Holmes has again piped gas to his house and is using it for fuel. He has also a splendid never-failing flow of water produced by this gas. Miss May Ferguson was successful at the Model School. The concert held in the school house was a success in the highest sense of the word. Numbers were unable to gain admittance. Proceeds \$30. Allen Fritz is home for the holidays from the Chatham High School. E. Morrison is buying large quantities of wheat at present. RUSHTON'S CORNERS. Robert Ingram, a student of the Toronto Medical College, is spending

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Christmas vacation with his parents. Our school entertainment, held on Wednesday last, was a decided success. N. Watson presided as chairman and a few remarks made by him were highly appreciated. The talent was principally from Chatham, and Ridgeway. Proceeds in all \$38. Frank Racher, Raleigh, is spending a few days in this vicinity. Last week, Wm. Anderson, Howard Road, was a loser of a valuable horse. On Thursday last, Miss Mary Beaty, in recognition of having played in both S. S. and church here, during the past year, was the recipient of a handsome chair, presented by her many friends and acquaintances in this locality.

S. S. NO. 13, DOVER, HONOR ROLL. The following is the honor roll for S. S. No. 13, Dover, for the month of December: Class IV.—Eugene Caron 745, Alphy Caron 602, Paul Faugart 589, North 497, Lucy King 464, Julia Cadotte 445, Kate McLean 423, Louise Dagneau, 445, Joseph Faubert 307, Louis Bechar 300, Marie Leigh 246, Mary Charbonneau 185, Regina Bechar 181. Class III.—Andrew King 210, Ovella Faubert 205, Jas. Faubert 191, Hector Caron 186, Calixte Faubert 179, Mary Cadotte, 164, Joe Lauson 163, F. Wonnocott 157, Wonnocott 121, Rosanna Lauson 105, Willie Caron 88, T. Charbonneau 63, M. LaFleur 41. Class II.—Leo King 175, Alphy Bechar 150, Henry Lauson 152, Arthur Faubert 150, Nelda Demaris 127, Emma Belisle 113, Alphy Provost 112. Promotions: Part I to Second Book—Henry King, Celina Sterling. Class A. to Part II.—Marie King, Donat King, Victor Desmarais, Allen McLean, Alphy King, Ray Leigh.

CHARING CROSS. We were all very sorry to hear of General Blacksmith Shepley leaving for London to enlist for South Africa. His many friends in this vicinity send him their best wishes and hope that he with his contingent will reap success in defeating the Boers. A number of the young people of this village spent a very enjoyable evening at the home of Miss Ella Ritchie. The evening was given in behalf of Miss Kate McDonald, as she is leaving our village. Miss McDonald intends going to Toronto to attend the Normal school. A very pleasant afternoon was spent in the school room Friday last. The program consisted of songs, recitations and dialogues, also an instrumental piece by Messrs. E. Nelson and Edwards. After this an address was read, with which Miss McDonald received some very handsome presents. We regret very much the loss of our successful teacher. Miss Ollie Drewery has returned home from Thamesville. Miss Drewery will take charge of the junior room in our school for the coming year. The dance held in the Raleigh town hall on Christmas night, proved to be a grand success.

FLETCHER. Frank Sainsborough, while cutting hickory had the misfortune to let a large bolt fall on his foot giving him a very painful and swelled member. We learn that Miss Flynn, our pleasant teacher in the Separate school here, has been engaged for the next year. Miss Norton does not intend teaching any more and her vacancy will be filled by Miss Bagnall of Dover. We are all sorry to lose this young teacher, but she leaves with the good wishes of all here, for she was a general favorite. Miss Norton goes to Toronto on Saturday, where she is taking up singing at the Conservatory. Miss A. Coutts has secured a position as assistant teacher in school at Quion. Messrs. Armstrong and Murphy have all their new holiday goods displayed in the windows of their stores, and they look very attractive, indeed.

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HARWICH. On Friday, Dec. 22nd, the pupils of S. S. No. 3 presented their teacher with an inkstand and necktie case, also an address. Mr. Riseborough will assume responsibility after New Years. George Smith, teacher of the Creek Road school, held a farewell entertainment in the Forester's Hall on the evening of the 21st inst. There was a fine attendance and the program was excellent. The pupils did their part well. Master Edgar Donovan filled the chair with ability. Mr. and the Misses Bonham, of Highgate, added much by their music to the success of the evening. At the close of the exercises, Mr. Smith was presented by the pupils with a beautiful writing portfolio. Mr. Searson, of Morpeth, is engaged as teacher for next year, and was present. Mr. Depencier, of the Centre Line, is slowly improving. The Huffman S. S. entertainment was well attended and a very enjoyable time was spent, \$18 being added to the funds of the school. On the 12th inst., the people of the 10th con. were visited for a few hours by one of the worst gales of the season. On the 13th they were again visited, but this time by a couple of Gales, and these are expected to prolong their stay, as they have quietly settled down. The ladies of Huffman's Church will hold their annual New Year's social at the home of Mrs. J. W. Renwick. John Foster will not run for reeve, but will again be a candidate for the Harwich council.

DARRELL. The delegation from the Presbytery met the members of the McGill congregation on Tuesday last, and after a somewhat lengthy discussion, it was decided to hold services as heretofore. The event of the season took place last Wednesday evening at the residence of John McIsaac, eighth con. when a farewell party was given to Miss Minnie McIsaac, who leaves about the 26th for Emmerson, Man., where she has secured a school. About 20 persons were present and a most enjoyable time was spent. Miss McIsaac has returned from Toronto Normal school, and is visiting her parents prior to her departure for her school at Cedar Springs. Darrell boasts of having the sweet singer of Lenzel in their community. Miss Annie Mackness leaves on the 26th for a visit to Detroit and other places. Messrs. John and Robert Forsyth left on Saturday to spend their Xmas at Harrow, Essex, the guest of Mr. Alex. Forsyth.

RIDLEY. Henry Ridley, of Ohio, is home to see his father who is very low. Miss Fallows is the guest of Miss May Ridley. On Thursday, Dec. 21st, the wife of Henry E. Craig, of a son. Miss Maud Whitehouse is home for her holidays from Cleveland. Wm. E. Craig, of Owosso, Mich., is here for a few days. R. Ridley is in Leamington.

FLORENCE. Herbert Stuart spent Xmas at his home in Euphemia. Karl Wray spent Xmas at Rodney. Mr. and Mrs. Will J. Robinson spent Xmas at Charles Scarrab's. Miss Maggie Scarrab, of Kent Bridge, is visiting her home here. Mr. McLevey, of Toronto, is spending his holidays here. Miss Annie Christner, of the 4th concession, Dawn, is visiting her parents here. Mrs. Cragg, of Detroit, is visiting at her home here. Will Donovan, of Toronto, is visiting in town. Mr. and Mrs. Gago and family, of Iona Stn., spent Sunday at Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Gordon's. Mr. and Mrs. H. Webster, of Chatham, spent Xmas in town. Tom Crouch, of Chatham, spent Xmas at his home here. Will Clark, of Ridgeway, is visiting in town. Miss Trude Lawrence, of Holstein, is spending her holidays here. Miss Ida Corbett, of Simcoe, spent Xmas under the parental roof. Mrs. E. of Bothwell, is visiting her son, Will, of Zone. A little son has arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fox. Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Jerome spent Xmas at Bothwell.

EAST BRANCH. Mrs. Laura Heyward is visiting her brother, John Wooliver, of Detroit. Mr. and Mrs. G. Lidetor, of Zone, spent Christmas on the East Branch. Miss A. Mickle, who has been attending the model school in Chatham, is home for her holidays. Milton J. Richardson spent his Christmas in Drumbo, with his brother. The East Branch Sunday school held their annual Christmas tree on Tuesday night. SCHOOL CONCERT AT IRWIN'S CORNERS, RALEIGH. Our annual Christmas entertainment, which was held last Thursday evening, was a huge success in every sense of the word. Dr. Tye, of Chatham, ably filled the chair, and in his opening, said, when he saw the bright little boys and girls, the beautiful Christmas tree, and the tasty decorations made him wish he were a youngster again. The drill and march by sixteen girls in pink and white costume, was enthusiastically received and much enjoyed by the girls themselves. Special mention should be made of the solo by Master Carl Saitor; also the Gipsy Queen by Miss Anna Chinnick; song, "Three Little German girls," Cora Wells, Gladys Lenover and Phoebe Lee, and "Kentuck Babe," by Densie Lenover, Ann Chinnick and Nettie McDowell, were exceedingly well rendered. John Longmore moved that a vote of thanks be given Dr. Tye and also that he didn't think they should let this occasion pass without specially thanking Mr. Wells, the teacher, and ladies of the section, who had worked so faithfully to train the children, and it was a grand education they were receiving. James Chinnick seconded the motion, and also made a few remarks.



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RAISING OF HOGS.

Some Valuable Experiments at the Experimental Farm.

The Planet Will Shortly Publish Results With Appropriate Illustrations.

The Planet will shortly publish an illustrated synopsis of the government bulletin relating to Experiments in Pork Production, conducted at the Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa. The information in this bulletin ought to be worth hundreds of dollars to every hog raiser. We trust every reader of the Planet will profit by the information that will be given in this bulletin. It is a good family newspaper not only makes interesting reading, but may be made most profitable.

In this bulletin, all the experiments which have been conducted in the feeding and fattening of swine at the Central Experimental Farm for the past eight years have been tabulated and summarized so as to present in a condensed form the whole of the information which has been gained by the investigations made regarding pork production during that time. Useful conclusions are also drawn from the results of this work.

A BET WON THE CASE

Counsel for the Plaintiff Bluffed for Ten Dollars

And the Defence Would not see the Wager and Lost as a Result.

"In one of the remote counties of the Panhandle of Texas," says Law Notes, "two lawyers were trying a case before a justice of the peace. It was a case of the crow flies to the nearest law book, and the attorneys differed, of course, as to the law upon the main issue in the case. They were trying the case without the intervention of a jury, and his honor, who conducted a gambling house in connection with his hotel, saloon, livery stable, stud house and jackass, was in doubt as to what his decision ought to be.

"Finally Miller, the plaintiff's counsel, offered to bet Hoover, the defendant's attorney, \$10 that he was right. Hoover did not happen to have that amount of the circulating medium concealed about his person, and was naturally at a loss how to parry this forcible argument.

"The court waited a few moments on Hoover," and finally said: "Well, Mr. Hoover, the court has waited long enough. Miller's proposition seems to be a fair one, and, since you don't put up, I will decide this case in favor of the plaintiff."

Unexpected. One of the district school trustees was a crank on the subject of fire, and when he called round with the examining board he always confined his remarks to a question addressed to the pupils as to what they would do in case the building should catch fire.

The teacher was acquainted with his hobby, so she prompted her scholars as to the answers they should give when he rose to propound his accustomed inquiry. When the board called, however, this particular trustee, perhaps from a desire to emulate his associates in their addresses, rose and said:

"You boys and girls have paid such attention to Mr. Jones' remarks, I wonder what you would do, now, if I were to make you a little speech?"

Quick as thought a hundred voices piped in unison: "Form a line and march down stairs."—London Answers.

A DRUGGIST'S FAITH.

What's Most Called for Must Be The Best Remedy.

A druggist's testimony of the popularity of a remedy is the strongest kind of a proof that it will do what it promises. Paul Livingston, druggist of Allentown, Pa., says: "Dr. Agnew's remedies have sold away beyond my expectations. You can quote me for saying that Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder is the best seller for catarrh I have in the store. Many of my customers praise it highly." It is a great remedy and has a continental reputation.

Sold by J. W. McLaren.

HIGHGATE.

The annual Christmas entertainment of the Methodist Sunday school which was held on Thursday evening, December 21st, was a very successful affair in every respect.

The municipal contest this year will not be very exciting. It was expected that Reeve Gonnell would be opposed by Councillor Sifton but at nomination Mr. Sifton withdrew leaving the present race in office for another term.

Five candidates are up for councillors: Messrs. Gaiander, Loog and Webster of the present council, and Messrs. J. Wooten and J. Reynolds, new aspirants.

Dr. and Mrs. Tape, of Oregon, spent Christmas with the doctor's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Tapa.

Dr. Jas. Attridge, of Detroit, spent Christmas with Highgate friends.

D. Reids, formerly book keeper for the Gennie Milling Co., but now of Sarnia, is in the village renewing old acquaintances.

Misses Trayner, of Detroit, are the guests of Mrs. Ellis.

HALF BLIND FROM CHINESE OUTRAGE

They Blow up a Methodist Mission House

At Victoria, British Columbia—Revenge the Object of the Would-be Assassins.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 28.—Chinese Christian haters have brought the war into the camp of the Christians. Victoria was startled yesterday by the successful attempt of Chinese to blow up the Methodist mission-house there. Services were being held at the time, but the worshippers escaped, though the building was completely wrecked.

It is supposed to be the work of Chinese types. Their ill-used slave girls were taken from them by process of law by the Methodists at Victoria and placed in the Rescue Home, where they are taught the English language and the Christian religion. It is believed that the types employed professional assassins to attempt the murder of the entire congregation of white and Chinese worshippers. A dynamite bomb was used, a large fuse being attached.

The police are already on the track of suspects. The Rev. Mr. Gardiner, the preacher at the mission, surprised at the Chinese religion, and was marked for death a year ago for disclosing a highlander's plot.

"This room is very close," remarked the guest to the head waiter. "Can't I have a little fresh air?" "One air!" yelled the waiter. "Fresh."

A gentleman said to a minister: "When do you expect to see Deacon S. again?" "Never!" said the reverend gentleman, solemnly; "the deacon is in heaven."

Aunt Sophie—And is Tommy a good little boy at school? Tommy—Yes, auntie. Aunt Sophie—And why is Tommy a good little boy? Tommy—Ouseit's better fun to see the other boys get a licking than to get one yourself.

One's sense of sight may be first-class. When hearing may be weak. For many see the mountain pass. Whose hearing may be weak.

FOR ALDERMEN.

To the Electors of Chatham Ladies and Gentlemen: I again solicit your vote and influence for school trustee.

To the Electors of the City of Chatham Ladies and Gentlemen: I am again soliciting your vote and influence for the position of alderman for 1900, and I respectfully ask for your support.

To the Electors of the City of Chatham Ladies and Gentlemen: I am a candidate for alderman for 1900, and I respectfully ask for your support.

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To the Electors of Ward No. 2 Ladies and Gentlemen: I respectfully solicit your vote and influence for school trustee.

To the Electors of Wards No. 2 Ladies and Gentlemen: I am again a candidate for re-election as trustee in your ward. If my record in the past has been such as meets with your approval, I shall esteem it a favor if you can again give me a renewal of your confidence.

To the Electors of Ward No. 3 Ladies and Gentlemen: I respectfully solicit your vote and influence for school trustee.

To the Electors of Ward No. 4 Ladies and Gentlemen: I am again a candidate for school trustee in No. 4 Ward, and respectfully solicit your support in the coming election.

To the Electors of Ward No. 5 Ladies and Gentlemen: I am a candidate for school trustee for your ward and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

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**LOCAL BRIEFS**

Miss Hensley, of Brantford, is visiting in the city.

Post office store to rent in the village of Port Alma. No opposition. Box C, Port Alma, Ont. 1w

Last Monday a car of pressed brick arrived in Ridgeway from Ohio. It was brought over by the Shenango.

Capt. T. E. Robson, has been nominated as the Conservative candidate in East Middlesex for the bye-election.

Mr. Louis Staniewicz, of this city, will open a class for the teaching of the German language, after New Year.

Mrs. W. Rutley, and daughter, Pearl, of Toronto, were in the city yesterday, attending the wedding of Mrs. Rutley's sister, Miss Minnie Oldershaw.

The anniversary services of the Baptist Church, Ridgeway, will be held on January 7th and 8th. Rev. J. H. Best, of Windsor, will preach the sermons.

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

Victor Skirving, son of Detective Arch. Skirving, is one of the thirteen men sworn in as members of the sixth field battery for service in South Africa. The total allowed for London and the west is 18.

Bert Huger, who was suing the C. P. R. Co. for damages for injuries received while in their employ working on the Crow's Nest Pass Railway, has, we understand, consented to a settlement, the company paying \$2,000—Ridgeway Dominion.

At the recent timber limits sale held by the Ontario government, the limits of Foy township sold for \$18,000, exclusive of stampage dues of \$1 per thousand. Foy is the township surveyed by Angus Smith, C. E., and some of the men who went from Ridgeway said they wouldn't take it as a gift.

Wedding bells were sounding at the home of Henry Birkenstam, on the 5th con., Howard, on Wednesday 20th inst., when his second daughter, Miss Maggie, was united in marriage to Mr. Geo. Goodman, of Wallaceburg. Rev. J. G. Kerr, of Thamesville, being the officiating minister. The bride was supported by Miss Emma Shaw, while Wm. Birkenstam discharged the duties of groomsman—Exchange.

The home of Mr. McGuire, Stoney Point, was the scene of a pretty wedding on Christmas night, when his daughter, Annie, was united in marriage to Thos. Bagnall, of Dayer. The bride was attended by Miss Bagnall, while the groom's brother acted in the capacity of "best man". The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. H. Kirkland, Methodist minister, of Colmer, after which the company sat down to a beautiful repast.

W. H. Shaw, principal of the Central Business College, Toronto, is attending the convention of the Commercial Teachers' Federation in Chicago, the meetings of which are being held on Dec. 26, 27, 28, and 29. Mr. Shaw has consented to address the convention on "The Advantages of Professional Co-operation" in Business College work, and will describe the organization and work of the Business Educators' Association of Canada.

"If your eyes could talk," what a story of suffering and abuse they could tell. How we strained them; how we taxed them with overwork, and then, because they were tired, we rubbed them to make irritation worse. And to think that the most they needed, in fact, all that they were asking for in their quiet way, was a rest, a little help in the shape of a good pair of glasses, properly fitted. I have helped other tired eyes. I can help yours. Examination free. E. J. MacIntyre, leading optician, opposite Grand Opera House, Chatham.

**BOOK BINDING.**  
Orders for bookbinding should be left at The Planet office. It is surprising how nice a volume can be made of magazines, even though they are somewhat soiled from much handling. Books, magazines, or periodicals bound or rebound in any style at very reasonable prices.

**Boers Very Nervous**  
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much annoyed at the remark in the circular that sitting down and looking at a place is not the way to take it. He challenges us to come out and drive him away. He also explains that so far from the burghers being kept in ignorance by their commanders and newspapers the opposite is the case. The hot and angry lines of Commandant Symman's letter show that in sending the circular to his men, as well as to himself, we touched him upon the raw, and that the circular is of some importance to him. Our casualties up to the present are 33 killed and wounded, including natives, is 134. The garrison is well. Bombarding and sniping continue daily. Several have been killed and wounded during the week by shell and rifle fire.

**WAR NOTES.**  
The Times complains of "needless censorship and concealment." It cites the fact that nothing has yet transpired to show how Gen. Gatacre came to lose 600 men at Stormberg.

A German farmer named Stucke and the Rev. Mr. Hartes, director of the Hanoverian missions in Natal, have been arrested and imprisoned at Eastcourt on the charge of aiding the Boers. They both claim the protection of Germany.

Reports from native sources state that there was fighting south of Elandshoeg. The Boers engaged here came from Helpmaakar. The British troops defeated the burghers and destroyed their tents. There are no Boers at Helpmaakar now.

**AN UNPLEASANT FEATURE.**  
"I couldn't stand her father; he was everlastingly talking about 'Telling you about his prosperity in business!'"

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**A BIG SCHOOL ROW**

Separate School Advocates Throw out the Furniture

Of the Belle River Public School—A Law Suit Will Likely Result.

Windsor, Ont., Dec. 29.—There were fresh developments in the Belle River school row yesterday. Committees of the public and separate school boards got together to attempt to arrive at some agreement as to the interests of the public school supporters in the present school building and furniture. The separate school trustees admitted that the furniture was public school property, but refused to admit that public school supporters held any equity in the school building. The public school people suggested leaving the entire matter to arbitration, both parties to agree to abide by the decision of the arbitrators. Mr. Meunier, the local priest, advised against this, and the proposition was refused. Later on several separate school trustees visited the school and threw the furniture out of doors. The attorneys of the rival factions will get together this afternoon to try to patch up matters, and failing the courts will be asked to settle the trouble. A public school teacher has been engaged for next year, and if the trouble isn't adjusted before the term opens an attempt will be made to install him in one of the rooms of the present building, which will mean a fresh outbreak of hostilities. The leading public school advocates are Catholics, who decline to obey Bishop McEvoy's order for the establishment of a separate school.

**SOME RAID TALK.**

Calm-Na-Jael Leader's Fierce Threats.

Invasion of Canada May be Decided on Soon—Movement, he Says, is Widespread and Awfully Strong.

New York, Dec. 29.—Relative to the attitude of the Irish revolutionary societies toward Great Britain, at the present juncture of affairs, the Evening Post quotes an officer of the Clan-na-Gael as saying:

"England can only be made to feel by physical force, and we're now going to give her some Boer treatment. We did intend going out and sinking that first expedition from Canada to South Africa, but thought it better to wait a little. We can mobilize our men without much difficulty for an attack on Canada, and we are fairly well armed—as well as the United States troops in the Spanish war. We have lots of Springfield rifles and are handy with the bayonet.

"No decision has been arrived at yet. Everything will depend on the immediate future. We have either regiments or companies all over the United States, and fairly well drilled, and a great many of our men are in the militia. The Ancient Order of Hibernians has really nothing to do with this. We have lots of men in the regular army—camps or clubs in every post—and even they were sent against us at the border line, they would either march across with us or give us blank cartridges.

"If it is decided to attack Canada we shall do all in our power to keep matters so secret as not to embarrass the government until we are actually on the border. The French population in Canada would be with us, and there are numbers of our own countrymen ready to welcome us. Canada would be an easy mark. We would have the Canadian loyalists on the run in a week."

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36th—Half Yearly Dividend—36th

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**SPARTAN MOTHERS.**

Another Poem From Alfred E. Austin on the War.

New York, Dec. 28.—In this week's edition of the Independent, will appear a late poem of four stanzas, by Alfred Austin, the poet laureate of England, about the war in the Transvaal, entitled "Spartan Mothers."

The last two stanzas follow—

The sister's sigh, the maiden's tear,  
The wife's, the widow's, stifled wail,  
These nerve the hand, these brace the spear,  
And speed them over veldt and vale.

What is to him,  
Or life or limb,  
When rends the chain,  
And breaks the rod,  
Who falls for freedom, falls for God.

And should it be his happy fate,  
Hale to return to home and rest,  
She will be standing at the gate,  
To fold him to her trembling breast.

Or should he fall,  
By ridge or wall,  
And lie 'neath some green Southern sod,  
Who dies for country, sleeps with God.

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