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## Maple City En Masse Greets King Of Operas Comique

### Magnificent Regimental Production Of the Incomparable Robin Hood

Record-Breaking Attendance at the Grand last Evening to Witness the Presentation of the DeKoven Masterpiece—Grand Portrayal of Classic Roles by Miss Ruby Gordon, Miss Grace Gray, Miss Lucy McKellar, Marshall Pease, Samuel Slade and others—Tributes to Musical Director Depew and Stage Manager Clarke

It was unquestionably the largest and most enthusiastic audience that ever graced the Grand. It thronged the pit and parquette until chairs had to be requisitioned and the "Standing Room Only" signs put out; it overflowed the dress circle; it packed the galleries.

The Maple City turned out en masse to greet the king of all operas comique—the magnificent and incomparable "Robin Hood"—presented under the auspices of her splendid Regiment and by her own talented sons—and daughters. Never did a

more talented and courteous musical director.

"It was a night of record-breaking—a night long to be remembered."

The officers of the 24th Regiment have the hearty appreciation of the entire community. They spared no effort or expense to make the production the magnificent success it proved—and it will be a source of intense satisfaction and delight to the people of Chatham to learn that they have decided to make these presentations an annual affair.

Of the production itself too much

of the illness of Miss Ruby Gordon and Mr. Samuel I. Slade. The statement that both these talented artists had pluckily decided to go on and do their best in order not to disappoint the audience was received with round upon round of applause.

Mr. Slade's condition was quite serious and it was, said Mr. Depew, only owing to the kindness and courtesy of his physician, Dr. Geo. T. McKough, that he was able to leave the hospital to take part. It is hoped, however, that both will be able to take part at their best to-night.

plause on a charming and picturesque scene of merry May day in Nottingham town, England.

The story of Robin Hood is historical. It's scenic situations are the borders of Sherwood Forest, Nottinghamshire, England, in the reign of King Richard, Coeur-de-Lion. During the absence of that monarch, at the Crusades, the Sheriff, Robert, absolute control of the district, which is terrorized by a noted band of outlaws, whose code-de-honneur, was robbing the rich to befrend the poor. By the scheming of the Sheriff, Robert, rightful Earl of Huntington, is defrauded of his estates, joins the outlaws and becomes Robin Hood, the captain of the band. His fiancée,

"Robin Hood" enjoys the distinction of a perennial popularity. It is the greatest of all comic operas and its chief characters have grown to classic. This is the first and only time the right to produce the incomparable work has been granted to amateurs.

It would be hard to do justice to the cast, so magnificent and capable was their work. All were stars, but none shone with a more brilliant lustre than Miss Ruby Gordon, the magnificent young Wallaceburg contralto. Despite her illness, Miss Gordon interpreted and sang every detail of her exacting role with marvelous skill and fidelity—and simply carried the audience away in enthusiastic appreciation. As the dashing outlaw, Allan-a-Dale, this very accomplished young lady was simply a revelation. Her magnificent voice, graceful and admirable personality and wonderful histrionic ability combined to win her the appreciation, popularity and esteem she so thoroughly merited. Her indomitable pluck in carrying through so marvellously her own exquisite and faithful conception of this peerless part in the face of serious indisposition was universally appreciated and admired. In the entirety of the part Miss Gordon was grand and her rendering of the two immortal selections, "O Promise Me" and "St. Swithen's Chimes"—in both of which she secured second recalls—was simply magnificent. There were few in the vast audience who were not ready to voice with Director Depew his rare encomium, "Ruby Gordon is the Jessie Bartlett Davis of to-morrow." A very happy feature of the occasion was the presence of Mr. and Mrs. David A. Gordon of Wallaceburg, who witnessed the triumph of their talented daughter, and of Mr. Benjamin Fox, than whom there could be no prouder grand-parent. Miss Gordon was the recipient of two beautiful bouquets during the production, the first a tribute from the Regiment; the second, a magnificent cluster of American beauty roses, a personal token of admiration and esteem, from Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs. J. B. Rankin.

For the first time in years Chathamites had the opportunity of hearing in local opera a genuine tenor, of true, sweet tone, expression and power—and that they revelled in the delightful experience their repeated and enthusiastic demands upon him fully evidenced. Marshall Pease, the celebrated Detroit tenor—a cousin to Mr. Alex. Dolsen, of Raleigh, by-the-way—stands alone. The title role of Robin Hood, gave full scope for his grand voice and splendid stage presence, and never did singer more completely win the hearts of an audience or more fully deserve their unfettered plaudits. The visit of Mr. Pease has been a rare treat to Chathamites, and his magnificent interpretation of this greatest of tenor roles will long remain a cherished memory with all Maple City lovers of artistic music. His solo, duet and quartette work was exceptionally brilliant throughout.

Miss Grace Gray, the accomplished prima donna, is soprano soloist in Westminster Church, Detroit. As Maid Marian, last evening, she was brilliant. Her wonderful voice, with its exceptional range and delightful expression, enraptured the audience, while her soulful and piquant personality were indispensable to this classic role. Besides, she possesses distinct dramatic ability, and her dialogue parts were much enjoyed. Every number was accorded a hearty encore and, at the conclusion of her splendid solo in the forest scene, she was made the recipient of a handsome cluster of flowers from the Regiment.

Coming direct from the hospital, although suffering acute physical pain and scarcely able to talk from business, Samuel I. Slade—the peerless Detroit basso—gave a magnificent interpretation of Will Scarlett, the stalwart outlaw and armorer. A wave of sympathy and admiration swept the gathering, and his splendid acting and speaking parts were royally applauded. Mr. Slade was unable to sing any of his grand solos and music parts, although, at the earnest solicitation of his friends in the audience he came on for the incomparable quartette in the woodland scene and received a burst of admiring applause. It is earnestly hoped that the people to-night will be able to hear his matchless rendition of the Armorer's Song and the Song of the Old Cross Bow. Much of the success of the opera is due to the energy and ability of Mr. Slade. He arranged and conducted all the preliminary dramatic work and labored unsparingly for the success achieved. Chathamites are indeed indebted to Mr. Slade.

Miss Lucy McKellar, the Maple City's own gifted soprano, was perfection in the role of the charming and coquettish Annabel. She sang the part divinely and there was grace in her every gesture. So distinctly did she win her audience and so quickly did she interpret all the possibilities of this charming part that her every appearance was enthusiastically recalled. In her forest scene solo Miss McKellar was particularly brilliant and was the well-deserved recipient of two beautiful floral tributes from the regiment and friends.

Miss Florence G. Stephenson, the

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MARSHALL PEASE



MISS GRACE GRAY



SAMUEL I. SLADE



MISS LUCY MCKELLAR



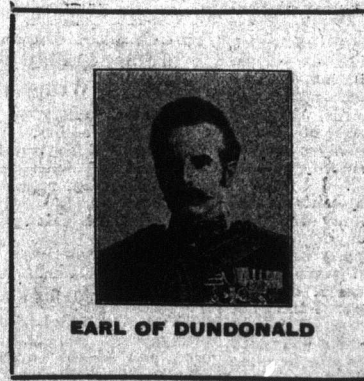
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MISS RUBY GORDON



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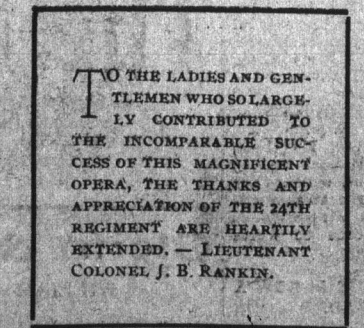
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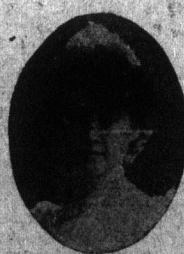
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MISS F. G. STEPHENSON



J. W. WILSON



MISS FLORENCE ROGART



HARRY SCOTT

TO THE LADIES AND GENTLEMEN WHO SO LARGELY CONTRIBUTED TO THE INCOMPARABLE SUCCESS OF THIS MAGNIFICENT OPERA, THE THANKS AND APPRECIATION OF THE 24TH REGIMENT ARE HEARTILY EXTENDED. — LIEUTENANT COLONEL J. B. RANKIN.

more delighted gathering evidence more hearty, spontaneous and enthusiastic appreciation than did the magnificent audience that broke all numerical records at Chatham's Grand Opera House last evening. Never did an accomplished cast and splendid chorus better deserve the repeated and heartsome plaudits which fell so unreservedly to their lot. Never was a Chatham opera more brilliantly and perfectly staged. Never did a finer orchestra of artists sit down under the baton of a

cannot be said. It was little short of perfection in every detail. The stage pictures and electrical and ensemble effects were the finest ever seen in this city, professional or amateur, and the rush to the second night's reserved seat plan, which opened in the city at the same prices this morning, paid practical tribute to the thorough enjoyment and appreciation of the people.

Prior to the introductory overture Musical Director G. Arthur Depew made the regrettable announcement

Lieutenant-Colonel J. B. Rankin, who was received with hearty applause, expressed the appreciation of the Regiment at the magnificent patronage extended and voiced the regret of all concerned that the Earl of Dundonald, who graciously extended his patronage to the production, was unable to be present.

Director Depew then took charge of the presentation. The splendid orchestra rendered the magnificent overture in faultless manner, and the curtain rose amid a thunder of ap-

plause on a charming and picturesque scene of merry May day in Nottingham town, England. The story of Robin Hood is historical. It's scenic situations are the borders of Sherwood Forest, Nottinghamshire, England, in the reign of King Richard, Coeur-de-Lion. During the absence of that monarch, at the Crusades, the Sheriff, Robert, absolute control of the district, which is terrorized by a noted band of outlaws, whose code-de-honneur, was robbing the rich to befrend the poor. By the scheming of the Sheriff, Robert, rightful Earl of Huntington, is defrauded of his estates, joins the outlaws and becomes Robin Hood, the captain of the band. His fiancée,

Lady Marian Fitzwalter, the wealthy ward of the Sheriff, disguises herself and joins the bandits. The sheriff and party of soldiers, as travelling tinkers, invade the forest in quest of the daring outlaws, and, through the treachery of Allan-a-Dale, whom the coquetry of Annabel has driven to distraction, effect his capture. He is confined in Nottingham prison awaiting execution. The outlaw, Will Scarlett, secures appointment as the King's armorer and, in conjunction with the loyal and jolly Friar Tuck, brings about Robin Hood's escape, while the sudden return of the King from the Crusades, results in his pardon.



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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12.

## JAPANESE COURSE

The sea must be the stage of the first act of the Russo-Japanese war. The position of Japan has been likened to that of Great Britain during her quarter century conflict with the French Republic and Empire. First, Britain fought the French fleets, and victory after victory obtained the command of the sea. Then followed attacks upon over-sea dependencies of France, such as the West Indies, Corsica and Egypt. Finally, when her command was absolute, she landed an army in Spain, a remote and difficult country, and wore out Napoleon's strength. "The Spanish ulcer," the Emperor called the steady drain upon his resources caused by the seven campaigns waged by the Spaniards and their British allies. To-day the Island Empire of the far East challenges a world power whose dominance may become as menacing as that of France a century ago. First, she must fight her rival on the sea. If she is successful there she may try to set up a "Manchurian ulcer."—Toronto News.

## A RUSSIAN MYTH.

For many years Russia has fostered the myth in the United States of a wonderful service rendered by a naval demonstration at the time of the Civil War. The autobiography of Henry Clegg ("Twenty-eight Years in Wall Street") gives a new version of this myth. According to this version, Secretary Seward, learning that a Russian fleet was in South American waters, sent a friendly invitation to the chief officer to visit New York with his naval force, which was accepted. This differs very considerably from the story that the fleet came under sealed orders of the Russian Government, to be opened in a certain contingency, which was understood to be recognition of the Southern Confederacy by France and England. The assumption of the Clegg version is that immediately upon the appearance of the Russian fleet in New York harbor it was accepted as an evidence of an alliance between the great Empire and the great Republic, and the scheme of recognition was at once abandoned. In the conflict of the different myths concerning this matter of Russian friendliness for the United States, the American people are coming to think that the myth has been greatly overworked.

## A WAR OF WORLD-WIDE IMPORTANCE.

The dramatic interest of the present war is easy to understand. On the one side is Russia, with its enormous territory, second only to that of the British empire, and with ambitions that have for years excited the imagination of the world. On the other side is an Asiatic power that has sprung into prominence by its sudden adoption of Western ideas, its aggressive patriotism, and its easy victory over China. Then, there was an eager desire for a test of the terrible engines of modern naval warfare.

But beyond all this sensational interest, there is a prominent and world-wide interest in the present war. More is at stake than Korea or Manchuria. There is the supremacy of Eastern Asia; there is the leadership of the yellow peoples; there is the question of sea power on the Pacific Ocean. All these prizes lie in view of Japanese ambition, though her statesmen may be sincere enough in declaring that her present aims are more modest.

We have heard a great deal about undeveloped resources in Canada. China is a country of undeveloped resources, not only in territory and minerals but in human energy. In her 400,000,000 of people, there are vast possibilities of industrial and military power. An army of 10,000,000 in such a country is not beyond the bounds of probability. Imagine such a community under the leadership of Japan, and energized by Japanese ideas and Japanese ambition. In the face of such a combination, Russia would be powerless, and even united Europe would be at a disadvantage as compared with united Asia. The Mongolian race could proclaim a Monroe doctrine in Asia, and make more than a show of enforcing it.

Sea power on the Pacific is of great and growing importance. That ocean will carry the commerce of China and Japan, of Asiatic Russia, of the United States, of Canada and Australia. At present it looks as if sea power in that quarter will rest chiefly with three powers—Great Britain, the United States and Japan. If the result of the present war be

to give Japan a leadership or protectorate over China, or to make the relations of the two countries closer in any way, the effect upon sea power will be highly important. The vast expansion of the British empire has been partly an unconscious expansion, and the tendency has even been resisted by some British statesmen. In the same way, Japan may be entering upon a future beyond the dreams of its most ambitious leaders.

Perhaps our friends to the South, who have had so much to say about a Monroe doctrine in America will be the first to encounter the same doctrine set up for Asia by Japan—Toronto World.

## OUR UNBUSINESSLIKE GOVERNMENT.

The Laurier Government is truly a wonderful business contrivance. It has increased Canada's expenditure \$25,000,000 in seven years. Of this amount millions have been thrown away. More millions have been called for because of the reckless manner in which the business of the great spending departments has been conducted. Money is no object to the existing cabinet, so long as the people can be bled. Estimates are submitted to Parliament and Ministers officially announce that certain undertakings will cost so much. Another session is called and the original estimates are found to be entirely inadequate to defray the expenditures. The great Liberal party is thereupon commanded to vote more money, and the injunction is obeyed to the letter. The Opposition may protest, but its voice is ignored. So great an evil has this unbusinesslike method of doing things become, that there is no keeping track of the wasteful extravagance of the party in power. Here are a few examples which show how absolutely ignorant the Ministers are of the expenditures they endorse:

	Estimate.	Cost.
Dredge Fielding.....	\$100,000	\$100,000
Port Colborne harbor.....	395,000	4,500,000
Supra-cuts.....	175,000	925,000
St. Joseph Wharf.....	3,000	17,000
Hillboro bridge.....	60,000	1,600,000
	\$1,335,000	\$14,925,000

In six items, it will be seen, the Government required \$1,439,000 to complete works which were originally intended to cost only \$1,335,000. Dozens of other cases of the same kind might be cited, but the above is sufficient to indicate the incapacity of the present regime.

## NO COMMISSION NEEDED FOR THIS.

The Gamay investigation cost \$14,426, and nobody who pays taxes will be able to wonder where the money came from.

## THE WISDOM OF FIRE DRILL.

The city has again seen the wisdom of fire drill in the public schools. A training that prevents panic insures the safe exit of the children in the most rapid fire that can take place in an ordinary school building.

## WHEAT OF IT.

Senator Lodge believes the transfer to Newfoundland of the islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon would be an infringement of the Monroe Doctrine. What if it should? Surely no man in his senses would consider the transfer worth going to war about. The Monroe Doctrine cannot always serve as a rhetorical bugaboo.

## FREE TEXT BOOKS.

Is there much to be said in favor of the proposal that the provinces should supply free text books to all the public and separate schools of the province? It may be discussed without heat. The municipalities already have the power of furnishing text books to the scholars out of the municipal taxes, and a number of places avail themselves of the permission. The system has the supreme merit of supplying a motive to enforce economy. The inspector and the teachers are the employees of the municipalities and can be relied upon to see that the books are not wantonly destroyed by the pupils. Would there be the same strict supervision if the inspectors and teachers felt that they had no particular interest in restraining the children in their handling of the books?

## CONTRASTED CASES.

In contrast with the case of Whitaker Wright is that of ex-Mayor Ames, of Minneapolis. Under our system of justice, the criminal has many loopholes of escape. His guilt may be as black as midnight. The evidence may be conclusive beyond peradventure, but after a conviction is procured, if the slightest flaw can be found in any part of the procedure on the part of the people, the criminal avoids the consequence of his crime, unless the people can traverse the same ground once more without error. A mere flyspeck on the information or writ of indictment counts for more than volumes of convincing evidence. As to Mayor Ames' guilt, there is no ques-

## WE FINISH STOCK TAKING THURSDAY.

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## Bargains in Clothing for Saturday's Trade.....

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tion in the minds of his fellow-citizens, but he has escaped the coils of the law in one way; some of the crooks who robbed St. Louis have escaped in other ways. While this sort of practice continues, the public treasury will continue to be in danger and those who live by bribery and corruption will insist that they are engaged in strictly legitimate business.

## WAS HANGED.

Hartford, Conn., Feb. 11.—Paul Mick, the convicted murderer of O'Brien, went to his death at 12:08 this morning in one of the speediest hangings that has ever taken place at the state prison. The condemned man entered the death chamber at 12:08, and 20 seconds later the trap had opened and he was pronounced dead eight minutes later. Mick murdered O'Brien Sept. 2, 1903. The murder grew out of a dispute over the ownership of 35 cents.

## OPERATIONS A FAD

Public Gradually Awakens to The Fact.

The latest fad in operations has been the appendicitis fad; before that the fad for rectal operations (piles, etc.) held sway. Hundreds of patients were frightened and hurried into hospitals, operated upon and robbed of their last dollar, when the trouble was a simple case of hemorrhoids or piles only, easily cured at home with a simple remedy costing but fifty cents. Six pyramids left out of the first and only box. I have not had the least sign of piles since I used this one box, which has been about two months; previous to using Pyramid E Cure I had the worst kind of bleeding and protruding piles for over thirty-one years, and no one knows, except those who have had the piles, the pain and misery I suffered.

"I am a poor man, but have often said I would give a fortune if I had it, to be cured of the piles, and now I have been cured for fifty cents. I should be very ungrateful if I did not thank you and give you every privilege to use my name and this letter, when I know there are so many who suffer as I did." J. A. Weismiller, 1100 Bladensburg Road, Washington, D. C.

The Pyramid Drug Co., Marshall, Mich., publishes a little book on the causes and cures of piles, which they will be glad to mail free to any applicant, and we advise all sufferers from this painful disease to write to them for it.

## KICKAPOO WAR DANCE IS NOW A PARISIAN FAD.

The cake-walk a la Francaise is no longer the rage in Paris. It has given way to another North American travesty. This time the Kickapoo Indian reigns in fashionable salons.

Possibly no one would be more surprised than the redskins at the edition of their war dance, which is served up to the Parisian in buckskin, fringes and feathers. It is full of graceful similitudes and "fencing" poses, and is altogether a far cry from the monotonous, strenuous original.

Much more harm may come of work ill done than of work undone.

Life is a dangerous business—few get out of it alive.

## Second Day of Our Great Clearing Sale

Come to-morrow if you never came before. Lots of things we can't tell you about in the paper will be clearing—broken lots, odd lines, also many lines of the newest goods in stock await your choosing at prices that will agreeably surprise you. But this list alone will keep both us and all those who come busy to-morrow. Read it over, then come and see the goods—you'll not be disappointed.

## Our White Goods Sale

The breadth of this sale covers the largest collection of white goods that we have ever centered together—largest in variety, largest in assortment and also in exclusiveness of design. Notwithstanding the big advances in the price of cotton, our prices are the lowest we have ever made on goods of equal quality.

- - - COME SATURDAY - - -

<b>8c and 9c Flannelette's at 6c yd</b> 500 hundred yards fine, heavy flannelette, in large range of fast color stripes, 32 and 33 in. wide, worth 8c to 9c, a yard, clearing at Sale Price 6c	<b>25c and 35c Hose at 19c a pair</b> 36 dozen ladies' fine heavy pure wool cashmere hose, in assorted rib weaves, seamless feet, also fine heavy all wool plain fashioned hose in ladies' and children's sizes, regular 25c to 35c a pair. Clearing at sale price 19c	<b>New Prints at 5c a yd</b> 1788 yards new prints, nearly 50 patterns to select from, fast dyes, light and dark colors, clearing at a yd. Sale Price 5c	<b>Ladies' Gowns</b> Fine long cloth cambric, made in Empire style, trimmed with fine Swiss embroidery and lace frills, yokes hemstitched and tucked, a good \$1.25 gown. Special at 98c
<b>Black Dress Goods at Half Price</b> Extraordinary values; 30 pieces, nearly 1,000 yards, fine, rich, black Dress Goods, including Pure Wool Black Satin Cloths, rich Black Canvas and Panama Suitings, Pure Wool Solids, Basket Weaves, French Cheviots, Sullians, Corkscrews, Matt-lasse, Broches and Serges; regular 75c, 85c, \$1.00 and \$1.25 a yard. Clearing at Sale Price 48c	<b>25c Cashmere Gloves at 15c</b> Four dozen ladies' fine wool cashmere gloves, plain and fleece lined, medium and heavy weight, regular 25c a pair. Clearing at sale price 15c	<b>10c Prints at 8 1/2c yd</b> 500 yards fine heavy quality prints full width in large range of choice new patterns, light and dark colorings regular 10c values. Sale Price 8 1/2c	<b>Ladies' Gowns</b> In fine cambric and broadcloths, handsome styles, prettily trimmed with frills, lace embroidery, hemstitching, tuckings, etc., special at each, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.98, \$2.50, \$2.98, \$3.50, \$4.50 and \$5.00
<b>French Flannels at 25c a yard</b> The balance of our stock of fine pure wool French flannels, in rich designs, fast colors, for waist or kimono; regular 50c a yard. Clearing at Sale Price 25c	<b>Ladies' Flannelette Waists at 38c each</b> Three dozen only pretty styles in fine flannelette waists, choice patterns, fast colors, size 32 to 42 inches, regular 50c to 60c values. Clearing at sale price 38c	<b>3000 yd Crum's Best Prints</b> In large range of beautiful patterns and guaranteed colorings, selling at the old price a yard. 12 1/2c	<b>Ladies' Cambric Drawers</b> Wide umbrella style, with 5 inch tucked and hemstitched frill, special each 23c
<b>French Challies at 25c Yd</b> 15 Pieces pure wool Printed French Challies, fine quality, wide width, in choice designs, light and dark grounds, fast dyes; regular 40c, 45c and 50c yard. Clearing at Sale Price 25c	<b>\$1.25 Waists at 69c each</b> Five dozen ladies' waists, satens, lustrous, kimono, flannelette, etamines, etc., all up-to-date styles, regular \$1 and \$1.25 each Clearing at sale price 69c	<b>Ladies' Collars, Ties and Belts at Half Price</b> Lot Manufacturers' Samples, including the latest novelties in Ties, Collars and Belts. Clearing during this Sale at about Half Price	<b>Ladies' White Aprons</b> Five dozen fine white lawn aprons, made with bib and shoulder straps, trimmed with fine embroidery and insertion, tucks and hemstitchings, regular 35c to 50c each. Sale price 29c
<b>40c Corded Velvets at 25c Yard</b> Fine, heavy quality, medium cord, in colors, navy, cardinal, brown and cream. Clearing at Sale Price 25c	<b>75c Flannelette Night Gowns 49c</b> 33 only ladies' fine flannelette gowns, in plain, pink, blue and white, also pretty stripes, cut full sizes, regular 60c and 70c each. Clearing at sale price 49c	<b>Corsets Covers at 12 1/2c</b> Six dozen only, assorted sizes, good quality cambric, made with full front Sale price each 12 1/2c	<b>15 Dozen Ladies' Aprons</b> Fine lawn, prettily made, with bib and shoulder straps, trimmed with lace and insertion, embroidery and insertion, tucks and hemstitchings, etc., extraordinary values at each 50c, 60c, 65c and 75c
<b>26 Only Ladies' Flannelette Wrappers</b> Superior quality, in handsome patterns, fast colors, made with full skirt, with deep flounce, waist lined and trimmed with frills and fancy gimp trimming, regular \$1.00 to \$1.25 each. Clearing at sale price 79c	<b>Ladies' Flannelette Drawers</b> Fine quality, in plain white, pink or blue, trimmed with lace insertion and embroidery, our special 50c line. Clearing at sale price 39c	<b>Corset Covers at 15c</b> Good quality cambric, fitted style, with embroidery ruffle around neck, regular 20c value. Sale price 15c	<b>Children's White Cambric Gowns</b> Fine quality, prettily trimmed, with embroidery, insertions and fine lace, sizes 2 years to 14 years, matchless values at each 50c, 55c, 60c, 65c, 70c, 85c and \$1.00
<b>Flannelette Wrappers at 49c</b> 42 only ladies flannelette wrappers, good quality, in range of dark patterns, fast colors, cut full sizes, neatly made, lined waist, sizes 32 to 42 inches, worth regular 90c. Sale price 49c	<b>Men's Underwear</b> All our 50c to 60c Wool and Fleece Underwear—Sale Price 39c All our 75c Fine Wool and Fleece Underwear at—Sale Price 49c All our \$1.00 Fine Lamb's Wool, Unshrinkable Underwear at 75c	<b>40c Corset Covers at 25c</b> 22 dozen fine cambric corset covers full front or fitted styles, some with all over hemstitched tucked yokes and tuckings, lace trimmings, some with tucked yokes and rows of tuckings around neck; other full front covers with fine tuckings lace on neck and arms, all well finished and worth 35 to 40c each. Clearing at sale price 25c	<b>Children's Drawers</b> Good quality cambric, prettily trimmed, frills, tuckings, lace, insertions and embroidery, full range of sizes, at a pair 19c, 25c, 35c, 40c, 45c and 50c
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## THIBET AND PEOPLE

LITTLE KNOWN LAND THAT GREAT BRITAIN IS NOW AFTER.

People Area Strong, Well-Developed Race Physically—Habits Not Dictated by a High Moral Ideal—Polyandry and Polygamy Are Both Practiced—The Trade of the Country—Not Independent.

The Thibetan people by outward signs appear to be an intensely religious nation. Their practical professions as evidenced by their monasteries are convincing. Their worship is a form of Buddhism. The Lama, a name which is so often heard, is the title adopted by their priests. It is a religion more of the intellect than the heart—a religion of formality more than a religion of service. Buddhism is the centre of it. Others, such as the worship of the Buddha, are also worshipped. There is distinct connection between the Government in sacred and secular things. At the head of all is the Dalai Lama. The ritual of the Thibetan religion is said to be akin to that of the Roman Catholic Church.

## Habits of the Thibetans.

The rigid exclusion of the foreigner is more probably due to the animosity of the lamas than the hostility of the common people. Free access and intercommunication would necessarily result in a limitation of the influence exerted over the people by the priests. The formality of the religion is best exemplified in the habits of the people. The moral standard is not ideal. Polyandry and polygamy are practiced, the former more so than the latter. Among the wealthier sections of the population, however, the custom of having more than one wife finds favor. There is no definite estimation as to what the population really numbers. Some calculations put it at six millions, another at a little over a half of that number. The uncertainty serves to emphasize the haze that surrounds this little known land. If the people have ever heard of the eighth commandment, or if any similar moral teaching is expressed in their creed, all of them are not particularly anxious to obey it. In short, their moral principles are not very strictly observed. This is the world flavor about the Thibetans. Their language is the language of the ancient literature. It bears relationship to that of the Chinese. As a race they are physically strong and well-developed. For the credit that has long kept the outside world from satisfying its curiosity you must thank the holders of the reins of Government and not the common people.

## The Trade of the Country.

As the slight indications given above will serve to show, Thibet is not a climate specially suited to agriculture. Nothing in the shape of produce is grown for export. Where crops are grown, they are meagre. Of animals there is an abundance of a kind. The yak, the much deer, sheep and horses roam wild over the plains to the north. The yak is the most useful animal the Thibetans produce. It serves as a beast of burden, and its flesh is used as an article of consumption. It is a species of ox, and is much used in the trading caravans, for the Thibetans do a good deal of internal trade. Gold, copper and other minerals are to be found in small quantities. Woolen cloth is manufactured, and cottons are imported from India. There is not now, however, since the frontiers were closed, the trade there was with our Indian empire. With China, however, the Thibetans still exchange much of their produce. The warning to the European does not apply to China, and for special reasons.

## Thibet Not Independent.

The open hostility and spirit of independence that characterize the Thibetan nation do not lead one to suppose that such a people are themselves subservient to another power. Such, however, is the case. Thibet is not independent. It may be practically so indeed; it is not so in name. Before 1720 the country was governed by its own princes. Since then China has held sway. China maintains an army in Thibet. It reports to be correct, it is an army scarcely worthy of the name. If it is anything like that which China possesses in her own land at the present time, then indeed it hardly deserves the compliment bestowed upon it by the name. It is questionable whether China has any real significance in Thibetan affairs whatever. She maintains a representative at Lhasa, and others in the principal towns, each with their own body of troops. But it is to be feared she is a superfluous power in name only. The Dalai Lama is invested with all civil and spiritual authority. Rumor has it also that the Thibetans resent what show of authority the Chinese Emperor already possesses, and are inclined to kick the traces.—B. W. T., in Toronto Sunday World.

## Hard Winter in London.

A reporter of the Salvation Army's Social Gazette, London, predicts an extremely hard winter for the unemployed in that city. The reporter appeared in reply to a number of "help wanted" advertisements and found crowds of applicants. For two places as carpenters at \$18.75 a week men applied for a clerk's situation at \$6.25 appeared eighty-seven men. Fifty-one waited in the rain for a liftman's berth and sixty for a stoker's at a salary of \$6.25, with long hours, while 150 men of all ages between twenty and fifty, some dressed in frock coats and silk hats, applied for a post as a warehouse porter at \$5.10 a week.

## Four Men's Hotel.

The latest of the L. C. C. "poor man's hotels" was opened at Deptford, a few days ago. The house is to be known as Carrington House, and appropriately it was opened by Countess Carrington. £80,000 has been expended on the building, which will give accommodation for 802 lodgers and 12 porters.

## DYSPEPSIA OF WOMEN

Requires Treatment Which Acts in Harmony with the Female System.

A great many women suffer with a form of indigestion or dyspepsia which does not seem to yield to ordinary medical treatment. While the symptoms seem to be similar to those of ordinary indigestion, yet the medicines universally prescribed do not seem to restore the patient's normal condition.

Mrs. Pinkham claims that there is a kind of dyspepsia that is caused by derangement of the female organism, and which while it causes disturbance similar to ordinary indigestion cannot be relieved without a medicine which not only acts as a stomach tonic, but has peculiar utero-tonic effects as well; in other words, a derangement of the female organs may have such a disturbing effect upon a woman's whole system as to cause serious indigestion and dyspepsia, and it cannot be relieved without curing the original cause of the trouble, which seems to find its source in the pelvic organs. As proof of this theory, we call attention to the letters from Mrs. Maggie Wright and Mrs. Emma Sawyer, who was completely cured by the use of



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## SOLAR MOTION.

The Little We Know About Where the Sun Is Going.

Can we find out anything about the motions of our solar system? The old astronomer, before the invention of spectroscopic methods, could attack the problem only by a consideration of certain stellar motions. It has been found that these motions are not altogether casual in character, as we should expect, but there is a tendency to a grouping of the motions—an arrangement other than fortuitous. It appears that the individual stars forming the so-called constellations on the sky are slowly closing up near a certain point of the heavens and as slowly opening out near a point diametrically opposite. This is just what we should expect if the solar system is approaching the point where the stars are opening out. The phenomenon has been compared to what we see when a regiment of soldiers marches toward us. At first there is visible a confused mass of men only, but as distance diminishes the ranks open out until each individual becomes at last plainly visible.

In this way it has been possible to determine approximately the position on the sky of the "aper" of solar motion, or that point toward which our solar system is at present traveling. It is in the constellation Hercules. We are obliged to assume that our path is for the moment a straight line. But we mean that "moment" which began when James Bradley commenced the first star catalogue of modern precision, about 1760, and which will end long after present generations of men have passed away. So mighty is the orbit in question that many centuries must come and go as moments before we can hope to detect the orbit's curvature.

We are like travelers in the famous "corkscrew" tunnel of the St. Gothard railway. Trains enter on a low level and after going around a huge curve cut in the mountain emerge from the tunnel again on a higher level and at a point almost directly above the entrance. Passengers while in the dark tunnel often amuse themselves by watching the needle of a pocket compass, which makes a complete revolution during the passage. But without the compass they could not know whether the train was moving on a straight or curved track, and so we passengers of the solar system, too, cannot know by observation whether our great cosmic track is straight or curved until, like the compass, the astronomer's instruments shall tell us the truth.—Harold Jacoby, Ph. D., in Harper's Weekly.

## The Soldier's Idle Time.

Military life is necessarily made up largely of loafing. You cannot keep a man continuously at drilling, marching or any other branch of military training for eight hours a day and five or six days a week. You have to invent a great many other jobs for him, even to make a pretense of keeping him occupied. But these jobs are nearly all "loafing" jobs, and when it is all done the soldier has a great many more idle hours on his hands per diem than any other man in the same rank of life. I do not know whether it is possible to arrive at any remedy for this, but, if it is, the direction in which I should look for the remedy would be to make every soldier work at some other trade for a certain number of hours each day. The number of hours might be shorter in the summer, when there is more opportunity for training and military exercise, and longer in the winter. If this were practicable, no doubt it would make an enormous difference to the value of the soldier as a citizen when he leaves the ranks.—London Truth.

## Catbirds and Black Snake.

A writer in the Scientific American says: "I witnessed a pair of catbirds making a bold defense against a black snake bent on devouring the contents of their nest. At first the snake was inclined to disregard the distressed birds as they fought to drive it away, but the blows of their wings and bills became so annoying that the thief had to seek refuge in flight. On reaching the roots of the tree, from which the river had washed the dirt, the snake started to climb, only to be driven beneath them and then out to an old stump, under which the baffled and beaten reptile took refuge."

## The Useful Banana.

Immense fortunes have been made out of the banana business. Revenues do not accrue alone from the sale of the fruit, for the leaves are used for packing, the wax found on the underside of the leaves is a valuable article of commerce, Manila hemp is made from the stems, and of this hemp are made mats, plaited work and lace handkerchiefs of the finest texture. Moreover, the banana is ground into banana flour. The island of Jamaica and the West Indies generally yield great crops of this useful fruit.

## Never Weary of the Hearing.

"I overheard him telling her a story last night which I know she has heard fifty times before, but she didn't stop him." "She is long suffering, surely." "Oh, I don't know. He told her she was the prettiest girl he had ever seen."

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"I suffered for six years with constipation and indigestion during which time I employed several physicians, but they could not reach my case," writes Mr. G. Foppewell, of Eureka Springs, Carroll Co., Ark. "I felt that there was no help for me, could not retain food on my stomach; had vertigo and would fall helplessly to the floor. Two years ago I commenced taking Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and little 'Pell's' and improved from the start. After taking twelve bottles of the 'Discovery' I was able to do light work, and have been improving ever since. I am now in good health for one of my age—60 years. I owe it all to Doctor Pierce's medicine."

Many a man who is offered the chance of a life time for a mere song, can't sing.

## Historic Race Course.

The vicinity of Belmont park, Long Island, was the early scene of horse racing activity than any other spot on this continent. Here it was that the Newmarket course was constructed in 1669, by the sanction of Colonial Governor Lovelace. This course continued to be the theater of action in racing sports until 1821. It was in this vicinity also that the old Centerville course was constructed, which for many years was one of the most famous of American race tracks. In 1821 the legislature passed an act allowing the speeding of horses in Queens county during the months of May and October of each year, and by virtue of this law the Union course was constructed the same year. This course was located in what was then the village of Jamaica, but the territory it occupied now forms a part of the borough of Queens. From the time of its construction until 1872 the Union course was the scene of nearly all the great racing events of the country.

It was over this course that American Eclipse and Sir Henry, in 1823, thrilled the hearts of the sporting world in one of the greatest turf battles ever witnessed in the annals of racing.

## Place Old Netherlands Racecourse.

One Barend Vet of The Hague had recently the misfortune to call a constable a monkey, an accusation which one of the local papers pointed out as "being, of course, untrue," and which, moreover, is a form of untruth not permitted in Holland. Vet was arrested and brought before the judge on a charge of "insulting the police," being sentenced to forty-five days imprisonment. Before being removed he turned to address the court. "Then I must not call a constable a monkey?" he said. "Certainly not. You must not insult the police." The culprit reflected. "May I call a monkey a constable?" he asked, with a flash of genius. The judge shrugged his shoulders and, holding no brief for the animal, replied, "If it gives you any satisfaction." With a smile of gratification Vet turned on his heel in the dock and bowed to his prosecutor. "Good day, constable," he said.—St. James Gazette.

## Corn-cob Pipes.

"You see," said the smoker, "I'm very fond of the corn-cob pipe. In the first place, it's a clean, sweet, cool smoke, and, in the second, it's so pleasant to think you're smoking something so quiet and rural and natural as a pipe made just by cutting a hole in a corn-cob. It's so primitive, you know." "Yes," said his friend, "Only most corn-cob pipes aren't made that way. It's the popular supposition that they are, I know; but as a matter of fact, the new and most popular process is to take the whole cob, grind it up, mix it with one or two other substances and then shape the whole into a pipe form. It makes a better and more lasting pipe, and in this way the whole cob can be used and not a grain wasted."

## Can Animals Blush?

It is hard to tell whether animals blush, for their faces are covered so thickly with fur or hair or feathers that we do not know what may be going on beneath hide or skin. Were they, as bare faced as man is, it is more than likely we should see them blush, especially the more bashful sort and those with some sense of shame.

It is the case that the faces of vultures flush, and several of the monkeys become purple with rage, which may be considered as a kind of blushing. This may be proved any day in any zoo, where the monkeys seem to fly into a passion on the smallest provocation.

## DISTRICT DOINGS.

## RODNEY.

The Aldborough old boys held a meeting last week to arrange for a reunion at Glasgow next summer. After business a supper was held at the Patterson House, ending with toasts, etc.

Robert Hamilton, of Ridgetown, was in town last week making a sale of one of his imported horses. D. J. Brethour has made no shipment of hogs this week on account of the railroads refusing to handle stock during the snow blockade.

Miss Jennie McWhirry, of Eagle, is visiting friends in town. A party of ladies and gents drove to Glenora on Monday evening to witness a hockey match.

A. D. McQuinn is shipping all the rails on his farm, as wood will replace with wire fence.

Miss Ada Fraser is at present in Caledonia, N. Y., visiting friends. N. S. Lusty has been on the sick list for the past two weeks but is able to be around again. The maids and maidens of the village will give a ball next week. The London Harpers will furnish the music.

Mrs. D. McBrayne, of North Dakota, is visiting friends in the locality for the past month. Daniel Mills, Palmyra, is the guest of E. Werner for a few days.

## Dies at 90 Years.

Mrs. Ann Buchan died at the residence of her son John Buchan, Talbot St., Aldborough, on Wednesday the 27th inst., aged 90 years, being one of the few old settlers remaining in the township. The deceased was the daughter of the late Archibald Gillis; was born in Caledonia, New York State, in 1814, her parents emigrating to Aldborough shortly after this date and settling on lot 1, con. 12, and afterwards becoming residents of the township of Howard.

At an early date she married the late John Buchan and settled on the lot now owned by her son, and where she passed her last days. Her husband dying forty years ago, left her with a large family and farm to look after, which in those pioneer days was not an easy matter to do. However, she was equal to the occasion and had done her part successfully and well, and nearly her whole life was spent in the neighborhood of where she died. She knew well from experience the hardship of the early settlers, had always a kind heart and a helping hand for her neighbors and acquaintances in case of sickness or needy assistance, and as a pioneer she did her part well to make the burdens of life as light and pleasant as possible, with all her numerous friends and acquaintances, and whose kind acts are remembered by many of the present day. Besides a brother, Alex. Gilles, and sister, Mrs. Proudfoot, New York, she leaves the

## The less men think, the more they talk.

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## PROBABILITIES.

Special per G. N. W.  
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## THE LOCAL BUDGET

Choice of any suit or overcoat in the 2 T's store for \$10.00.

A. M. Fleming is confined to his home through illness.

Nickle plated coffee pot, sold copper, 40c. Geo. Stephens & Co.

V. J. Dunn, of Dresden, was in the city yesterday and to-day.

Harry L. Weir, of Charing Cross, was a Chatham visitor yesterday.

We have a few pairs of \$1.50 and \$1.75 pants for \$1.00 a pair at The 2 T's.

Roy Baxter, of Dresden, an old Chatham boy, is a Maple City visitor to-day.

Miss Beta Crookshanks, of Blenheim, was a guest in the city yesterday.

James H. Baker, of Thamesville, spent yesterday with his Chatham friends.

The Northway store was crowded all day to-day. Their big clearing up sale and white goods sale are a great success.

M. Manly Maxwell, Cleveland, is visiting at the residence of George J. Wanless, Lorne avenue.

George Boswell, Dover Township, was tried to-day in the County Court on the charge of seduction.

No Chicago markets to-day. Public holiday in the United States on account of Lincoln's birthday.

Look a bunch of keys, with a tag bearing the number 29,646. A reward will be paid for its return to this office.

Walter Harland Smith will be at Wm. Gray & Sons Co. on Saturday, 18th inst., to buy carriage horses and good blackie drivers.

Miss Grace Kenny, St. Clair street, entertained a number of guests last evening. Pedro was the order of the evening.

Willard McKay's fine restaurant, open Sundays and every night after opera. Luncheon, full menu and oysters. Give him a call.

Mrs. Crawford and Burleigh Campbell, of Tilbury, were in the city yesterday. They attended the big "Robin Hood" production at the Grand last evening.

The magnificent display of white underwear, in Northway's window is the greatest attraction on King street at present.

Arrangements are being made to put a new ceiling in the Victoria avenue Methodist church. Meanwhile the present ceiling has been made safe and worship will be held in the church for two more Sundays.

Joseph Tilt has on exhibition in his art window a large painting by A. M. Fleming, the Maple City talented artist. It is a splendid masterpiece and declared by many to be the best picture Mr. Fleming has painted. It will be sent to the Royal Academy of Art at Montreal and from there, in all probability, to the St. Louis exposition.

## Bloodroot Cough Cure

At this time of the year it is well to keep a bottle of Bloodroot Cough Cure in the house. Some one in the family is sure to take cold and a few doses will completely cure it. It is a guaranteed cure for coughs and colds, and prevents bronchitis, inflammation and other dangerous affections of the lungs. PRICE 25 CENTS A BOTTLE.

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 OUR GROCER. PHONE 151

When Roy Brisco was returning home the other night he was held up on Centre street. A tramp was out off a C. G. R. freight and he stopped Roy and ordered him to deliver up a quarter and save funeral expenses. The man said he only wanted a quarter to get something to eat. Roy gave the man a quarter and he went away.

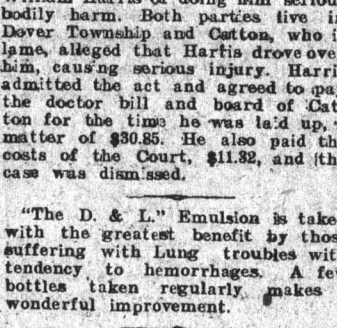
John Catton laid a charge against William Harris of doing him serious bodily harm. Both parties live in Dover Township and Catton, who is lame, alleged that Harris drove over him, causing serious injury. Harris admitted the act and agreed to pay the doctor bill and board of Catton for the time he was laid up, a matter of \$30.85. He also paid the costs of the Court, \$11.82, and the case was dismissed.

"The D. & L." Emulsion is taken with the greatest benefit by those suffering with Lung troubles with tendency to hemorrhages. A few bottles taken regularly makes a wonderful improvement.

**DIED AT BRANTFORD**

Brantford, Ont., Feb. 11.—Andrew Morton, aged 73, a very highly esteemed citizen, passed away this morning after an illness of five days with pneumonia. Deceased was formerly a partner in the firm of A. & J. Y. Morton, hardware merchants, this city.

Mr. Morton was a brother of John Morton, of this city. Mr. Morton is in Brantford attending the funeral.



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 THE SHOE MAN.

## THAMESVILLE

Feb. 11.—Miss Kate Mayhew left to-day to attend the millinery openings. Several from here attended the ball on Wednesday, given by the gentlemen of Bothwell. They report having had a very enjoyable time.

Mrs. James accord returned to-day, after a two weeks' visit in Brantford.

The Misses Albritson were the guests of Mrs. J. J. Vincent on Wednesday.

Dr. C. W. Curie, was in Bothwell yesterday.

Mr. William Hubbell, of Glenora, was in town on Wednesday.

News of the death of Lemuel Coll, of Stuttgart, Ark., was received here Monday. Deceased was a son of Mr. Wm. Coll, formerly of this place, and a brother of Mrs. T. M. Syer. He was 43 years of age, and leaves a wife and a son. The funeral took place to-day, the service being conducted by Rev. Mr. Freeman, of St. Stephen's church, and Mr. Molanis, of St. James' church. The interment took place in the Sherman cemetery.

## BLENHEIM

Feb. 12.—Miss Nita Crookshanks left last evening for Hamilton and Toronto.

The Rev. Martha G. Jones will preach at the Universalist Church on Sunday. Subjects, The Manifestations of the Sons of God, and in the evening, Has Pardon a Place in the Development of Christian Character.

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few days at the home of her mother, Mrs. Fritz, concession 13, Chatham Township.

The section allotted to Dresden in the plan for Robin Hood was very well filled, and our town will be well represented at the production of the opera to-night in Chatham.

Bear in mind the valentine social to be given by Christ Church Young Peoples Society on Monday evening next at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Williams, Hughes street.

Several Dresden householders laid in a stock of coke during the recent scarcity of coal, and most of them are now willing to dispose of their stock at considerable sacrifice. Next time they will make sure before they invest in untried fuel.

Two local rinks play a return match with Glenora, to-day. Three rinks go to Detroit to-morrow night and players wishing to go should send in their names at once.

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Cigars in boxes of 10 and 25 from 50c. up.

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FRESH CARROTS, 15c a peck.  
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GOOD ONIONS, 30c a peck.  
VERY FINE CABBAGE, 10c.  
HUBBARD SQUASH, 10c each.  
SWEET ORANGES, 25c to 40c a dozen.  
GOOD LEMONS, 20c a dozen.

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Possibly you think it a trifle late to buy a stove. But if you can possibly use one it will pay you to buy now. We have had an immensely successful stove season and we are left with a very small stock. But we don't want any and by cutting the prices to nearly half we are going to attain that end.

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Sunlight Baking Powder, 10c per one pound tin.  
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7 pound pails of Jam, 50c.  
10c bars of Soap for 8c.  
7 pounds Rolled Wheat, 25c.  
Salmon, 10c per can.

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Dinner, Tea and Chamber Sets, Lamps, China and Glassware are still moving out at lowest prices. If you are in need, call and see us.

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## TO-NIGHT.

Valentine Social, Victoria Avenue S. S. at 8.  
St. Andrew's Church Y. P. Society, lecture hall, at 8.  
Revival Services, Park St. Methodist Church, at 7.45.  
"ROBIN HOOD," at the Grand Opera House, at 8.15, sharp.  
K. O. T. M., No. 8, in their rooms, I. O. O. F. Temple, at 8.  
The Victoria Ave. Epworth League will meet in the S. S. Hall at 8.  
Young People's Society, lecture hall William St. Baptist Church, at 8.  
Peninsular Lodge, No. 2, A. O. U. W., in their rooms, opposite Rankin House, at 8.

## THE LOCAL BUDGET

Two rinks left for Glencoe, to play afternoons.  
Dr. A. W. Thornton, returned from Toronto yesterday.

All wool shirts and drawers, 50c quality, for 50c a suit. The 2 T's. Messenger boy wanted at once. Apply W. E. Rish, 115 King street. See the bargains at Thibodeau & Jacques while the attractions are going on. See their ad.

Mrs. J. C. Patrick, of Quincy, Ill., returned home to-day, having been the guest of her mother, Mrs. Boyes. Just think of it, fine heavy cloth skirts, well tailored, ladies or misses size, selling at \$1.00 each at Northway's Sale.

Mrs. Crawford and son Dick, and Miss and Mr. Campbell, of Tilbury, are the guests of Mrs. John Pigott, Lacroix street.

80 and 90 Flannelettes for 6c a yard, that's what you get at Northway's Big Sale.

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

To-morrow your choice of all our 50c wool shirts and drawers for 25c a garment. The 2 T's

## PROUD GRANDPARENT

Benjamin Fox, of Bay City, is in the city to see his clever grand-daughter, Miss Ruby Gordon, who is attending in Robin Hood. Mr. Fox is an old resident of this county, and an old friend of Orville Dolsen. Mr. Fox's father lived on the farm now owned by Milton Backus and Mr. Fox lived there for some time, too. His father built the brick house. They had a brick yard there, and the older men of the county will all remember the Fox brick yard. Mr. and Mrs. B. Fox were both noted singers. Mrs. Fox is a sister of Rev. Corry Purser of Dover township.

Harrocks' English Bleached Cotton the best in the world, worth 14c to 15c a yard, selling at 10c a yard, at Northway's Big Sale.

## ROSS NON-COMMITTAL

Toronto, Feb. 11.—Premier Ross to-day declined to give an expression of opinion regarding the government of cities by a commission instead of by a board of control or aldermen. "What I might say," he replied, "is perhaps that I think it is not well to set aside recent experiments until the system has been fairly and fully tried. The cumulative system of voting has not been given a fair trial by being used once. If it proves a failure, then some other form might be tried. What Toronto should have is a charter of its own. It is unique. It has a population of at least 250,000 and legislation and amendments to the Municipal Act that would benefit small cities like London, Woodstock and Stratford, would not suit Toronto."

## ENTHUSIASTIC SESSION

The regular meeting of St. Joseph's Court, C. O. F., was held last evening a large number being present and full of enthusiasm as to the prospects for the present year.

It was decided unanimously to grant a solid gold watch to the brother bringing in the largest number of members during the current year, and a keen contest is expected.

A pleasing feature of the evening was a presentation to retiring Brother R. W. Walter Phelan, of a gold watch charm. The presentation was made by D. B. C. R., Bro. J. P. Dunn, who expressed in a few words the high appreciation felt towards Bro. Phelan for his services to the Court. Bro. Phelan responded with a neat speech.

The ritual for the "Adjunct Degree" was received, and many interesting developments are expected therefrom during the coming months.

We would advise those with ready cash to spend and miss the big double sale now going on at Northway's.

## SATCHEL OF THE SATELLITE

The Satellite was there.  
I guess the Regiment delivered the goods.

Me and Dundonald did it—and Dundonald wasn't there.

I am going to send Robin Hood's programs as valentines.

The Japs knocked the Spotskis off the Russians and their boatskis.

If Robin Hood's stars had responded to encores, we would have been there yet.

## NO MAN OR WOMAN CAN HAVE DYSPESIA

And Still Be Agreeable, Attractive And Popular—A Certain Cure In Reach Of All.

There is nothing that will put you to the front so rapidly in the business or social world as a cheerful disposition and a pleasant appearance. Other things being equal people will go out of their way to give the fellow a lift who shows a cheerful countenance. The man or woman with a cranky disposition and a sour face will always meet with an indifferent if not a chilly reception. The commercial traveler, who is the recognized business barometer, appreciates better than any one the value of this rule and governs his actions accordingly.

Dyspepsia destroys all the agreeable qualities that enter into a man or woman's make-up. It is almost a human impossibility for anyone with a severe case of dyspepsia to look pleasant. The continuous, miserable, cast-down feeling is bound to make itself shown in the appearance and conversation.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are the sufferer's certain cure. They are so recognized all over the world. The cures they have brought about and the happiness they have caused and the suffering they have relieved has made their name a household word in all the English-speaking world.

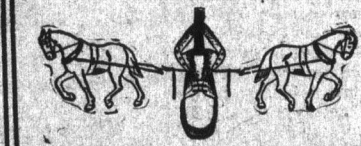
The reason that Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are a certain cure is that they are a natural cure, and they are nothing to prevent them curing. They contain the essential ingredients of the digestive fluids of the stomach and simply do the identical work of the stomach, relieving that weakened organ and permitting it to rest and recuperate. Could anything be more simple or natural? They are bound to cure. They cannot help themselves. It is just like putting a new stomach into a man—if that were possible—and letting the old one go off on a vacation. Best is what it needs. Nature will do her own work of restoration, never fail.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are for sale by all druggists at 50 cents a box. All druggists means all druggists. They have become so necessary to the people that the druggist simply has to keep them anyway. There are other remedies that he can make much more money on if he could sell them, but he can't. He will not take chances on losing his customers by not always having on hand a supply of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.

Do not think too much, if at all of to-morrow.

Forget the sorrows and anxieties of yesterday.

Start each day as if commencing a new life.



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\$1.00 according to the age of the boy or girl  
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THEY are worth having.

GEO. W. COWAN.

## THE DEBATE ON THE BUDGET

Speakers on Each Side Take Part—Mr. Kidd's Criticism

The Government Arraigned on its General Policy by the Member for Carleton.

Toronto, Feb. 11.—The debate on the budget was continued to-day in the Ontario Legislature, several speakers on each side taking part.

Mr. Pense, Kingston, resuming the debate, praised the Government for its course in establishing schools of domestic science throughout the Province. The fact that every Young Women's Christian Association building in the Province has a cooking school in connection with it, showed they were needed. The Opposition charge that the Government had wasted \$250,000 in paying the wages of the workmen at the "800" was denied. It was important to keep the settlers in that part of the Province. It should not be forgotten that last year about \$1,000,000 had been received from the locality in timber dues. The pulp wood concessions made by the Government were very judicious. These concessions were being worked notwithstanding all statements to the contrary.

Mr. Kidd, Carleton, who followed, said his record in the Legislature had been rather that of an observer than that of a debater. He accused the Government of calling the Legislature together unusually early in order to forestall the election trials. He was utterly opposed to the proposed expenditure of \$2,000,000 on the Temiskaming Railway. A bonus should be secured from the Dominion Government toward the line, and until they had made earnest efforts to secure this bonus the proposed vote would be opposed by the Opposition members as a whole. Mr. Kidd made an attack upon Mr. J. O'Brien, of Renfrew, a member of the Temiskaming Railway Commission, for the part he had taken in the North Renfrew by-election. O'Brien was obtaining \$1,000 a year for his services on the commission, and all because such an individual took part in a political contest. The Commissioner of Public Works was equally guilty with Mr. O'Brien in having allowed the latter to neglect his duties and mingle in political affairs. The Commissioner should have ordered Mr. O'Brien to go home, but instead of that he stayed with him for weeks in the same hotel in the same constituency of North Renfrew, and had not expressed disapproval of Mr. O'Brien's actions. Dealing with the recent timber sales, Mr. Kidd said that the Government policy in the disposal of timber lands was entirely wrong. It was framed to please the friends of the Government, who had an unfair advantage over their competitors in having advance information regarding the limits. If timber limits were to be sold they should be auctioned in small parcels, so that the small bidder would have equal advantages with the large bidder. By the policy in operation one of the largest purchasers on the recent sales had been able to buy a limit at a price much below its value and within a few hours after the sale had been offered \$10,000 more than he had paid for it. The money realized by the sale of limits, he thought, should be applied to the building of the Temiskaming Railway instead of being used to hide deficits. If this was done the Government would have no need to negotiate a loan for the railway. Mr. Kidd protested against the payment of \$64,000 from the public treasury to workmen at the Soo.

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Residence 25.

He sympathized with them in their troubles, and was not opposed to the deserving ones being aided, but he had information that more than half of this money had been distributed merely for the purpose of purchasing the constituency. Mr. Kidd concluded with a criticism of the Government in its strenuous attempts to hold on to power. He said that if the growth of the Conservative representation continued the great majority of the Government when he first entered the Legislature would soon be entirely wiped out. He did not know exactly what time would elapse before this occurred.

Mr. Davis—Fifteen years.—Laughter.

Premier Ross.—Oh, say twenty years.—Increased laughter.

Dr. Barr and Mr. Holmes spoke at the evening session.

Mr. Hendrie, of Hamilton, moved the adjournment of the House.

## "FEAR."

Such was the Subject of Evangelist Moorehouse's Discourse Last Evening.

At the Park St. Methodist church last evening, evangelist F. E. Moorehouse addressed a very fair congregation on the subject of "Fear" taking as his text the first epistle of John, 4, 18: "There is no fear in love, but perfect love casteth out fear, because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love."

Mr. Moorehouse explained that the standard of the Bible and of the law is perfect love to God, to our neighbors and to ourselves, and he that has this love is the one who fulfills the law.

Among the people there are four classes which we will enumerate. First—Those who have no fear of God before their eyes. These people are living simply for the world and its goods, living purely selfish lives.

Second—In this class are those people who are unloved, but yet come to the meetings of revival. These fear the wrath of God who is now revealing to them the awfulness of their lives.

Third—This class of people have found the Lord and have God's love and grace, but not in all its fullness. The fear of torment. In this fear of torment the devil claims these people and tries to bring them back to his Dominion.

Fourth—In this last class we find all those who have sought the Lord fully consecrating themselves and their lives to God. These are filled with love for God and with the fullness of the Holy Spirit.

The love of God must be shed abroad, that is, casting no shadow, as ordinary light does. And with the love thus shed abroad the fear of mankind departs and the proper kind of fear or filial fear of offending the Father is to be found in our hearts.

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## William Gordon.

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## HIGH LIGHTS OF FASHION.

Among Gown Builders and Milliners at Home and Abroad.

Paris modistes report the mole in great request, and it may be difficult to find a prettier or softer decoration for a winter dress than this attractive skin, which is figuring on so many of the new models. The possessors of beautiful ermine will be delighted to find that this favorite fur will again be a main of the season, combined with mousseline and guipure for evening wear and charmingly arranged with moleskin, caracul or mink for promenade costume.

Especially fascinating are the fine glossy surface and manner of dressing the moleskin. It is extremely elegant and becoming to the face, while its dark drab, gray brown coloring, repeated in many examples of beaver cloth, makes it particularly harmonious as a garment. It is pretty cut in scallops having tiny edgings of white ermine, velvet or silk when thus combined as tippets and shoulder pieces. The one detriment will be a possibility of its not being a fur to last more than most fancies of the season.

Corduroy cloths and velvets have been seen a good deal abroad in champagne shades. These are mostly simply made, very often with fronds and lappets of gold embroidery softened with a jabot of old lace.

The revival of beautiful old fabrics, glorious furs and lace leads to the revival of harmonious trimmings. Very beautiful embroideries are being used on stoles, while silk trimmings of every kind, frayed out ruffles, heavy silken and chenille fringes, silk braids, gold and silver braids and gold and silver passementerie play an important role, not to speak of the increased popularity of quaint buckles and buttons.

Sleeves are voluminous, though they still fit tightly on the shoulder. Everything seems to be V shaped, and basques are coming in space on outdoor coats, at least on some fine imported models.

Moleskin color in fine cloth finds an exemplification in a skirt that rejects in a deep and shallow dounce, the hardy reacting to the knees, shaped, but with no fullness, and edged with glimp.

Telephones and three-quarter coats, smitling at the back—indeed many are far more fitting than, they were—are a feature in the fashions; yet, on the other hand, very loose backed coats cut after the kimono order, just crossing or meeting in front, are one of the newest styles.

The fancy flannellets and flannels, so prettily printed, as also the mercerized flannels, will enable those with small dress allowances to turn out charmingly warm blouses. Velveteens in royal blue and emerald green and the fancy plushes with splashes of black, resembling ermine, will serve the same purpose.

For motoring and country purposes, smart women are using leather hats of the staff variety, so adapted that they can be securely fastened to the head, thus insuring comfort.

Leather novelties are mostly in the line of motor garments, but leather also furnishes some unique garnitures for cloth gowns and wraps.

Hats of soft, hairy felt and beaver suit the present dress styles well.

An example in cream color has a crown that disappears behind a wide turned up brim, like the conventional highwayman's hat.

ETHEL W. BUSH.

Apple Cider Without Crust.

Here is a Boston Cooking School Magazine recipe for making apple cider minus the crust: Put two pounds of apples, pared, cored and sliced, in an earthen or granite pudding dish that can be covered; add a pound of white sugar, the juice of three lemons and a lemon; cook two hours in a moderate oven and turn into a mold; serve cold with cream.

A French Walking Skirt.

Quite one of the smartest of the new trotteur models is shown here. The

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Samuel Smiles in his 80th Year.

Dr. Samuel Smiles is now in his ninety-second year, says The London Chronicle. Like so many authors of different varieties of talent, from Cowley to Conan Doyle, Dr. Smiles practiced medicine before he practiced his pen; and he was nearly forty-five, and complaining of being an old man, when his first book made a stir. But more than forty-five years have followed, during which he has enjoyed to the full the success of his life of Stephenson and of the work which followed it, "Self Help," of which a quarter of a million copies now have been sold in England alone. Though Dr. Smiles' name appears on the title-page of a long list of works, one book of his will be posthumously published. This is a volume of his memoirs, which cover a long tract of time—all the reign of Queen Victoria. Smiles knew Livingstone, whom he found an excellent story-teller; knew Gladstone and Bright; and had a correspondence with Colborne, which might be read with almost patriotic interest at the present moment. Queen Victoria's Italy won the homage of Dr. Smiles when he visited Italy about twenty years ago, and found himself a star of the first magnitude. In "Self-Help" itself into Italy had in his mind many a modern and ancient instance of self-reliance, cited by this great collector of anecdotes glorifying temporal success.

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Such pain and endure the torture of nervous headache when a quarter buys a bottle of Nervine, which never fails to relieve. Just a few drops of Nervine in sweetened water cures nervous or sick headache, relieves heart palpitation and makes you feel better immediately. Nervine can be taken for quick relief of stomachic and bowels troubles, which should be kept in every home. It's good to rub on for external pain and excellent for inward use. Sold in large 25c. bottles.

Bolled Without Fire.

Every day in London scores of workmen's kettles are boiled in lime that will afterward be used for its proper purposes. Just before the breakfast hour, say, one of the dry lime from a sack is placed in the center of the kettle, a hole, and into it water is poured. Then he puts his kettle into the water, and in a few minutes the kettle boils. In thousands of cases a fire is thus spared.

TENDENCY OF THE TIMES.

The tendency of medical science is toward preventive measures. The best thought of the world is being given to the subject. It is easier and better to prevent than to cure. It has been fully demonstrated that the most dangerous diseases that medical men have to contend with can be prevented by the use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Pneumonia always results from a cold or from an attack of influenza (grip), and it has been observed that this remedy counteracts any tendency of these diseases toward pneumonia. This has been fully proven in many thousands of cases in which this remedy has been used during the great prevalence of colds and grip in recent years, and can be relied upon with implicit confidence. Pneumonia often results from a slight cold when no danger is apprehended until it is suddenly discovered that there is fever and difficulty in breathing and pains in the chest, then it is announced that the patient has pneumonia. Be on the safe side and take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as the cold is contracted. It always cures. For sale by all druggists.

Why, she quickly asked when the danger was all past, did you take me across this lot?

The small country lad chuckled.

I thought it would be fun to see you climb a tree, he said. Then after another chuckle: And it was.

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Use Dr. Hamilton's Pills of Mar-drake and Butternut. They cleanse the stomach and bowels, assist the liver in removing bile, and cure thoroughly. Use only Dr. Hamilton's Pills. Price 25c.

## A QUIET-LOOKING MAN.

Criticized Lord Curzon on One Occasion, But Had Knowledge and Experience—Leader of Tibetan Expeditions.

Some of us still remember that evening at the Royal Geographical Society when Lord Curzon—though he was not a peer in those days—read to a vast and greatly interested audience his remarkable paper on the Pamirs and the sources of the Oxus—and read it in his own brilliant, persuasive and inimitable way.

At the close of that paper there arose from the benches in the lecture theatre a quiet-looking man, with a singularly soft and pleasant voice. At first there seemed nothing particular to distinguish him from a hundred other men in the room. He was of the middle height—clearly a soldier, though tending to stoutness in his figure and to ease in his carriage.

His features were regular, his mouth heavy, his chin strong and his jaw square—apparently, I say, he was just one more of the many soldiers which the Geographical Society gathers into its fold.

But as he spoke he became strangely deep below his heavy brows his large, clear eyes gleamed with a singular intelligence, and though his voice was so softly modulated and his manner so simple—so full, perhaps, of the reserve of strength—his speech seemed to carry to Lord Curzon's brilliant paper a criticism sharpened and pointed at every turn with personal experience. And it was all the more scathing and severe because it was spoken in a conversational tone, with slow, deprecating gestures, and so evidently without either passion or prejudice.

More of a Great Journey.

The speaker was Frank Younghusband, then of the Indian staff corps, and the hero of the great journey from Peking through the heart of the Asiatic continent—a journey which led him for months through the Desert of Gobi, the Himalayas, the Pamirs and Chitral, won for him the gold medal of the Royal Geographical Society, and established his reputation for an intrepid daring and resource that comes to few. And it is a pleasant sequel to this



# LAND BATTLE IN KOREA IS EXPECTED VERY SOON

Russians Baltic Fleet Starts for the Far East—Japan Has Two Lines of Defence Ready to Repel Russian Invasion of Korea—Reinforcements Cannot Reach Russian Ships for Six Weeks.

(Special to The Planet.)  
New York, Feb. 12.—The Japanese landed at Gonsen are intended to operate with the troops that have now been successfully landed at Ping Yang, on the opposite side of the Korean peninsula, says a World dispatch from Kobe, Japan.

These two forces constitute Japan's second line of defence against the Russians who are marching over the Yalu into Korea.

A first line of defence has been arranged. It is composed of picked troops, who are lined up along the south bank of the Yalu.

It is, however, considered most unlikely that this army will reach its destination in time to intercept the invading Russians.

The second line may fail to hold the invaders, in which case it is expected that a land battle would take place not far from Seoul.

In any case, the Japanese preparations are made with a view of closing in on any body of Russian troops that succeeds in forcing its way into the interior of Korea.

Mobilization of the army has been effected without hitch. The transportation of soldiers and supplies by means of the railway from the interior to the coast proceeded with great rapidity.

LANDING TROOPS WITH GREAT RAPIDITY.

Tien Tsai, Feb. 12.—The Japanese are now landing troops in Korea with great rapidity. It is estimated that 3,000 are being landed daily. Chaulpoo will apparently be made a base of operations. A forward movement toward the Yalu river is planned. The Russians are in large numbers there and a big battle is expected before the end of the week. The Japanese are rushing all the artillery possible to Korea, as Cosacks will be rushed upon them and they intend to meet their attacks with artillery.

RUSSIANS REPORTED TO HAVE BOMBARDED HAKODATE.

London, Feb. 21.—The Tien Tsai correspondent of the Standard cables it is rumored that five Russian cruisers from Vladivostok bombarded Hakodate, Japan, on Tuesday.

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### BOMBARDMENT OF PORT ARTHUR BY JAPS.

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London, February 11.—7:20 p. m.—A despatch to Reuters' Telegraph Company from Tokyo, dated 7:10 p. m. yesterday, says an unofficial report was current there that the Russian fleet was destroyed, four battleships and three cruisers being sunk, and that two Japanese warships were damaged, in an engagement yesterday off Port Arthur, the Japanese getting between the Russians and the entrance of the harbor before the fight commenced.

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MOST OF THEM DISABLED.

A despatch to the Vossische Zeitung from Yokohama says the greater number of the Russian warships at Port Arthur have already been disabled, and that several Japanese warships have been sent home for repairs.

THE PORT ARTHUR FIGHT.

Statements of all kinds concerning the Port Arthur fight are published here this morning. According to the Che-Foo correspondent of the Daily Mail, the lack of preparation on the part of the Russians at Port Arthur was due to the fact that all the naval and military officers were attending a circus performance in Port Arthur, which did not terminate until early Tuesday morning. According to the correspondent of the Paris edition of the New York Herald at Che-Foo the Japanese torpedo boats succeeded in entering the outer harbor by a ruse, they using the Russian flash-light signals. This correspondent adds that three Japanese torpedo boats were sunk with great loss of life.

ENTIRELY NEW ACCOUNT.

A correspondent of the Standard at Tokyo sends in this morning an entirely new account of the Port Arthur encounter. He says Admiral Togo's fleet arrived on Monday night and found the Russian squadron drawn up in battle formation outside the harbor and under the shadow of the forts, but destroyers being spread out in front over a distance of five miles. Admiral Togo decided on a night attack and opened fire at 11 o'clock. While the cannonade was hottest a number of Japanese torpedo boats crept close in shore at the foot of the cliff and succeeded in the darkness in getting between the Russian ships and the land. Here they lay unnoticed until the Russians began to give way before the Japanese fire and sought to re-enter the harbor. The Japanese torpedo boats then opened fire at comparatively close range, and sank two Japanese ships and one cruiser close to the entrance of the harbor. The effect of this coup was the retreat of the remainder of the squadron into the harbor. All was safe on board the Japanese ships at noon of Tuesday, the correspondent concludes, and the engagement was then still in progress.

A RUSSIAN OFFICIAL.

A St. Petersburg dispatch says:—The czar to-day received a telegram from Viceroy Alexieff describing the damage done to the Russian warships during the bombardment by the Japanese fleet at Port Arthur. It says "The Czarevitch and Pallada were brought into the harbor Tuesday. The Retvizan is making temporary repairs to a hole. B-pairs to the battleship to say when they will be ready. The Pallada and Novik will be docked in turn, and expect them to be ready in a fortnight. All the other vessels injured are now repairing and coaling in the harbor. I expect them to be ready in three days. The wounded officers, Lieut. Colonel Zolotchovsky, of the artillery corps, and Lieut. Petrov are doing well. Four of the wounded have died. A majority of the injured belonged to the cruiser Pallada, and

their injuries are due to gases from the explosion of a midget torpedo. A careful search by cruisers and torpedo boats day and night has not revealed the presence of the enemy."

KEPT IN IGNORANCE.

It is officially announced at St. Petersburg that no news has been received there of the fight at Chemulpo, the landing of Japanese or the blowing up of a bridge on the Manchurian railway.

THE CHEMULPO FIGHT.

A despatch to the Petit Parisien, of Paris from Tokyo, says the Japanese squadron which engaged the Russian and Korean fleets at Chemulpo consisted of five vessels. The Japanese admiral has sent no information concerning the losses and injuries inflicted upon the Japanese.

The correspondent says also that Great Britain has sent 70 men to Shan-Hai-Kwan to guard the railway.

A FALSE REPORT.

A despatch from St. Petersburg, stating that the Russian Ministry of Marine had declared there was absolutely no foundation for the report that the Japanese had effected several attempts to land at Port Arthur effectually disposed of the reports, via Paris, that the Japanese had been repulsed in making such an attempt.

NEARING THE SCENE.

A cipher cablegram received at Rome, contains the information that the Japanese cruisers Naha and Kasuga are expected to reach the scene of war on Sunday, and that they will disembark their Anglo-Italian crews and substitute Japanese.

ITALIAN NEUTRALITY.

The Rome Official Gazette publishes the Italian statement of neutrality regarding the Russo-Japanese war.

WAR RISKS.

At Lloyd's yesterday thirty percent was paid to insure against the risk of war between France and Great Britain within three months, yesterday the rate was 20 per cent. The Yuson Kaisha announces that the steamer Amaba Maru arrived safely at Hong yesterday morning.

PORT ARTHUR LOST TO RUSSIA.

A Rome despatch says, "Admiral Caudini, who commanded the Italian squadron in the far east during the Chinese-Japanese war, and who is considered a most competent judge of the present situation there, has given an interview to the Giornale d'Italia. He said:—'It is reported that Port Arthur has provisions for eighteen months, and there are no civilians there, but this is doubtful. I believe Port Arthur to be lost to the Russians, and that their fleet is destined to be gradually destroyed excepting the few ships seeking refuge at Vladivostok. I believe Russia can bring together 150,000 men on land, and it would be difficult to increase this number, while Japan can concentrate 300,000 troops in Korea, where she would be supported by local sympathy.'"

## Maple City En Masse

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popular young Maple City contralto, who took the part of the Maid of the Woods, again won the hearts of the audience and was accorded one of the heartiest encores of the evening. She never sang better than in her beautiful solo, "Good-bye," for which, on behalf of the Regiment, she was presented with a lovely bouquet of roses.

When it is remembered that J. W. Wilson was called upon to retire from the musical direction of the opera only ten days or so ago, when he was prevailed upon by his loyal and sympathetic company to accept the important part of the Sheriff of Nottingham, his triumph in that big role is all the more wonderful and distinct.

Mr. Wilson was splendid, both in his singing and his acting, and his impersonation of the inimitable Sheriff, with his colossal intellect and eagle eye, was capital. To Mr. Wilson the people of Chatham are mainly indebted for this great production. From the outset he conducted the entire opera and his splendid work resulted in success. Mr. Wilson has established himself as the leader in Maple City musical circles, he has demonstrated his abilities and energies and the people will look to him for many more good things in the future.

Miss Flossie Bogart is also deserving of exceptional credit for the production. True, the talented little pianiste shared Mr. Wilson's disappointment in being debarred from final participation in the work of accompanying and directing, but her splendid services throughout the entire time of rehearsal and production have been much appreciated and praised by the officers of the Regiment and the members of the company. Miss Bogart is an exquisite pianiste and Director Depew pays her the well-deserved compliment of stating that she is one of the best and most perfect accompanists with whom it has ever been his good fortune to be associated.

R. W. Angus secured distinct success in his own role of Little John, leader of Robin Hood's outlaw band, which he sang and acted to perfection, but he demonstrated his musical calibre when, last evening, without a single rehearsal, he took Sade's musical and singing parts throughout, in addition to his own heavy role of Little John. Mr. Angus never appeared nor sang to better advantage and certainly carried off the many hearty plaudits he received. Mr. Sade's role of his work in the dual roles, "We are all proud of him. He is a credit to your town. It isn't everyone who could have jumped in and saved the situation by taking the two parts—the one without rehearsal—as he did."

Burney Weldon as the jolly Friar Tuck was immense. Mr. Weldon enjoys a personal popularity and is always and deservedly a pronounced favorite with the audience. His interpretation of this exalting role was simply grand and his every appearance was greeted with round

upon round of genuine, hearty applause.

Mrs. R. V. Bray has certainly established herself as without a peer in operatic histrionic work. Mrs. Bray, although also far from well, played the exacting part of Dame Durdan in a manner that was really brilliant. She possesses marked dramatic instinct and faultlessly presented the part, revealing several splendid situations.

All the choruses were well worth the commendation did space permit. The charming milkmaids with their pretty chorus and graceful dance proved one of the special attractions of the evening.

The links secured four encores, which alone bespeaks the manner in which they did their work. The outlaws must also come in for a large share of credit, while the full chorus acquitted themselves admirably.

To G. Arthur Depew, the talented and brilliant conductor of the orchestra and company, is due unlimited credit for the excellence of the performance. Mr. Depew is a wonder and it is his skill much honor and pride that the people pointed out the fact that he was an old Chatham boy—having spent all the first years of his life in the Maple City. He is a musician of the highest reputation and his fame has preceded him here. The audience expected much of him and they were in no way disappointed. Both chorus and orchestra were ever with his baton and he managed them to his credit with the finished artist.

It is Mr. Depew's organ and choir master of the First Presbyterian church, Detroit, and in that city his opinion in anything musical is respected and admired by both critics and audience. He has previously appeared in this city in piano recitals, and his marked success on such occasions, and all remembered by Chatham's critics, but this is the first time he has ever given local evidence to his skill with the baton. He has had the management of the chorus work for a very short time and the work he has accomplished has been a matter of wonderment to the audience and should be a source of satisfaction to himself.

Mr. Depew has also written many successful compositions. His latest, a "two-step," "Daughter of Shiloh," was played between Acts I and II. It is a magnificent composition, and it was received with great applause. He was forced to acknowledge one of the heartiest encores of the evening.

Of the many people who contributed to the success of the performance and credit to Mr. Clarke, manager of the Detroit Dramatic Agency and School of Rehearsal, the able and energetic stage manager of the production. His work has been miraculous. Ten days ago he was given the stage manager's book. After a couple of hours' study he had the conception of the play and had worked out his stage business and picture effects. To a person who understands stage business this seems practically impossible, but Mr. Clarke has proven that he is an artist, far above the ordinary—in fact, he has few equals as a stage manager. From the first rehearsal his opinion has been repeated and looked up to by the chorus and cast. His bearing of a man who understands the business and the manner in which he manipulated the performers, and formed them into striking stage pictures; demands for him respect and admiration. His pictures were the best ever seen on the Grand Opera House stage, and Mr. Clarke would feel that his work has not been in vain. The audience realized this and were not slow in showing their appreciation.

In short language Mr. Clarke is a hustler. He has worked faithfully and well since the time he came to Chatham and the success of the opera last night should be attributed very largely to his indomitable push and energy. It should also be remembered that in addition to his own duties Mr. Clarke directed the construction of all the scenery and stage properties, which in itself is an arduous task and a source of worry. That Mr. Clarke was satisfied with the work of his chorus was shown in his remarks to the company after the production, when he said: "Ladies and gentlemen, you have put on the best ever!"

The electrical effects were splendid and were in most capable hands—the electrical staff of the Chatham Gas Company—under the excellent management of Frank Hays. Mr. Hays' assistants were Fred Shindrick, C. S. Barfoot and Duke Kolofage.

Robert Potter and his able stage staff were right at themselves, working hard and successfully. The beautiful souvenir programs which were distributed throughout the house and occasioned so much admiring comment were, as was generally supposed, the work of The Planet's unequalled job department and were designed and engraved in the office of The Planet.

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