

# The Chatham Daily Planet.

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## Here's a Rare Bargain

Jammet--French Kid Gloves

"Andree" 4 Buttons, in light Tans and Modes, sizes 6, 6½, 6¾, 7, 7¼, 7½, 7¾.  
Regular value \$1.00 a pair, our special price until the lot is cleared out

50c per Pair

### Cottons

If you want to get an idea as to how rapidly cotton goods are advancing now-a-days--take a thermometer from a temperature of about thirty degrees, place it in the sunshine and watch the mercury jump point after point, you will then realize how much money we have saved for you in buying our immense stock early--at zero prices--we quote zero prices.

BLEACHED COTTONS--full yard wide, at 5c, 6c, 7c, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 12c.

UNBLEACHED COTTON--full yard wide, at 3½c, 5c, 6c, 7c, 8c, 9c, and 10c.

CIRCULAR PILLOW COTTON--full bleached, 40 and 42 in. wide 12½c yd.

46 in. 20c yd.

50 in. 24c yd.

54 in. 30c yd.

### Table Linens

Our Linens are the best quality. Our Linens are the best value. Don't accept our word for it, look around and make comparisons. If you do, you'll become a linen buyer at this store.

Pure Bleached Irish Table Damask, 68 in. wide, 65c yd.

72 in. Irish Damask, grass bleached, guaranteed pure flax, (Napkins to match) \$1.00 yd.

Fine grass bleached 84 in. Table Damask, superior quality, Irish manufacture, with Napkins to match, special \$1.25 and \$1.50.

58 in. half Bleached Irish Table Damask 25c yd.

60 in. Half Bleached Irish Table Damask, guaranteed pure flax, 45c yd.

60 and 72 in. Half Bleached Table Damask, guaranteed pure flax, Irish manufacture, special 50c yd.

Thomas Stone & Son

DIRECT IMPORTERS

## A Shirt Tale

March 13th Too early for most haberdashers to show their spring pattern shirts, but that's our way. Always first to show the new styles. Been doing it right along for years, and our customers expect it. Our shirt tale this evening deals with the new Faultless dollar articles. Say, boys, they're all right, and there's a hundred and fifty here for you to choose from.

Number one in our affection is with full length bosom. The color in the brand new dull finish blues, this spring and summer. They color. This is a big feature with but here it is in these dollar ones, improvement.



a new form of woven madras, cuttings are splendid, being principally that are to be so, very fashionable are of fast dye and will hold their three dollar made to measure shirts, along with every other known

Number two is big value and no mistake. This shirt is made of French Percalé, woven by the celebrated Anderson, who boasts that the world never saw anything to compare with the excellence of his 1900 fabrics. For one dollar we give you a short-bosom shirt, full 36 inches long, made in Faultless thorough manner, two collars (Graham pattern) and link cuffs. The stripes run up and down and the colorings are varied, but principally blacks and blues.

## The 2 T's

Outfitters to all Mankind.

Trudell & Tobey.

Sole Agents for Slater Shoes

### THAMESVILLE.

March 13--Miss Marie Kerr left this morning for Cobden, where she has secured a position as teacher in the Public school. Miss Kerr has many friends here who sincerely regret her departure, but wish her every success in her new work.

J. K. Duncan was in Chatham yesterday.

Mrs. McKenzie and daughter, who have been guests of Geo. A. and Dr. R. N. Fraser, return to-day to their home at Westmeath.

The plate glass window in G. W. Smith's, recently broken, was replaced yesterday by a new one.

T. Watt, plumber, of Chatham, is fitting up D. J. Davis' house this week.

A sleighing party from here enjoyed the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. John Young, of Florence, last evening.

Mrs. Duncan returned on Saturday from an extended visit in Toronto.

### TILBURY.

Tilbury, March 13--Miss Rice, of Ridgeway, returned yesterday, to resume charge of J. & G. Powell's millinery establishment for the coming season.

There appear to be large numbers of people emigrating to the east and west, and sales of various descriptions of farm property seem to be remarkably frequent.

The infant child of Dr. Sharp is seriously ill.

The Daily Planet is on sale at Johnson's Drug Store.

The choir of Merin English Church paid a visit to town last evening, and were entertained by Rev. Mr. Dobson.

Rev. Father St. Cyr, of Stoney Point, was in town yesterday.

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

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## Our New Wash Goods.....

Every fabric fixed by fashion as correct in style is included in this assortment. And what a wealth of novel styles. We might say they are beautiful, lovely, entrancing, but that would scarcely do them justice. Come and see for yourself--that's the better plan. As the better styles are bound to go first we would say come at once.

36 in. American Percalé, extra quality, in handsome new stripe designs, new spring corings, fast dyes 2 yds. will make a waist, special per yard..... 17c

Imported Piques, in broad stripes and polka dots, fine, firm cord, fast colors, good value at 15c per yard, our special price..... 12½c

C. W. Percalé, finest in the market, in beautiful new designs and colorings, will make a handsome waist, full yd. wide, very special per yard..... 25c

Scotch Zephyrs, extra fine quality soft finish, in choice designs and colorings, special per yd., 15c, 20c, 25c and..... 35c

Silk Warp Zephyrs, fine French make, in handsome color combinations, very rich effects, very special, per yd..... 50c

New Gingham, in plaids, checks and stripes, a splendid range of new colorings, guaranteed fast colors, special per yd. 12½c

25 psm. Grims' Prints, the best make in the market, absolutely fast colors, in light and dark grounds, 33 in. wide, sold everywhere at 12½c, special..... 10c

50 psm. New Prints, in light and dark grounds, large range of new patterns, fast colors, very special per yd., 7c, 6c, and..... 5c

### New Idea Patterns

The best in the market, any style, 10 Cents April Fashion Sheets now in.

JOHN NORTHWAY & CO. The Busy Cash and One Price Store

## BLOEMFONTEIN OURS.

### General French's Cavalry Enter the Free State Capital Unopposed.

How Lord Roberts Outwitted the Boers in his Advance--All the Enemy's Rolling Stock, Supplies and Stores now South of Bloemfontein will Fall Into Hands of the British--The Boers Were Fighting for time to Save Them.

London, March 13.--General French with his cavalry has reached Bloemfontein without opposition. Lord Roberts will probably arrive there this evening.

TURNED BOER POSITION.

Venters-Vlei, Orange Free State, Monday evening, March 12.--The British forces, which, since the fighting at Driefontein, have been marching rapidly hither, have turned the Boer position. Our cavalry are ahead. The Boers were reported this morning about 12,000 strong, and with 18 guns in position on a range of kopjes commanding the direct road to Bloemfontein, which is distant 15 miles.

ONLY 12 MILES AWAY.

London, March 13.--The Daily News has the following despatch, dated Monday evening, March 12, from Venters-Vlei:

"We left Aasvogel kop this morning, preceded by cavalry, and marched here, a distance of about 15 miles. The army has been following Kaal-spruit, and we are now rather to the south of Bloemfontein and only about 12 miles off.

"All the divisions have now joined the main advance. Lord Roberts's headquarters are at Gregorowski's farm. You will remember that the reform prisoners were tried before Judge Gregorowski, the owner of this farm.

"By advancing along Kaal spruit Lord Roberts has again outwitted the Boers, who had entrenched themselves along the Modder, thinking that our route would be in that direction. We found most of the farms along our line of march deserted, with the flags flying over the houses. All the belongings worth removal had been taken away, and there were evident signs that the occupants left in a great hurry, things being littered about. The commander-in-chief has given strict orders that nothing is to be touched. It is not expected that we shall meet with great opposition in entering Bloemfontein. General French's cavalry are miles ahead of us, and probably are scouring the country around the Free State capital, before entering it.

A RAPID ADVANCE.

London, March 13.--Lord Roberts is making a very rapid advance, and he is again misleading the Boers by continuing the advance southward instead of through the flat country due east of Aasvogel kop. He will probably seize the railway south of Bloemfontein, and although another battle is possible, it is more likely that the Boers are only endeavoring to delay his advance until all the rolling stock

of the railway can be gotten away north. Such confidence is now felt in the military operations that interest rather centers in the political aspects of the war. The Daily News quotes Whitelaw Reid as saying in a private letter:

"I give you hearty congratulations on the changed aspect of the war. It is an immense relief to us all, as well as to you."

"This view," says the Daily News, "is welcome as expressing with an unusual measure of authority enlightened public feeling in the United States."

Except in the case of Germany, the allies of the powers to the Boer appeals for intervention are not yet known publicly here, but it is quite certain that Austria Hungary and Italy will decline to interfere and there is no apprehension that anything will come of the overtures of the two republics.

A despatch from Lorenzo Marques announces the arrival there of Mr. Fischer, the Orange Free State secretary, and Mr. Wolmarans, a member of the Transvaal executive council. It is not known whether they are bound on a mission to foreign powers or to Sir Alfred Milner. Mr. Wolmarans is in President Kruger's confidence.

Cecil Rhodes has issued a statement that his forthcoming visit to England has solely to do with private business, and is in no way connected with the South African settlement.

## THE WAR TO GO ON

Under Full Pressure Says Secretary of War Wyndham.

Great Britain Will Also Rely on the Colonies for Future Assistance.

London, March 13.--At the commencement of the debate in the house of commons yesterday on the army estimates, the parliamentary secretary for the war office, Mr. Wyndham, declared that recent events did not justify, at the present time, any diminution in the provision for the further conduct of the campaign in South Africa. The financial cost of the war, he declared, was not immediately altered by fluctuations of failure or success. It would be rash at present to think that the number of months the British army would remain in South Africa was likely to be materially shortened. So the government estimates included what was believed to be enough money to continue the efforts at full pressure for another six months, and at half pressure for six months thereafter.

Continuing, Mr. Wyndham said he contemplated that the colonies would in future continue their military support of the empire on a systematic basis, and that they might live to see this new force revolutionize the problem of imperial defense. The colonies, he declared, had not fulfilled a contract, but had outgrown the insignificance of the imperial race. It might be that in the future the colonies would not only seek to perpetuate their present action, but would seek to render a reputation easier, by some organization on pre-arranged lines. The speaker paid a high tribute to the heroism of the troops who, he said, had so splendidly contributed to the deep laid strategy of Lord Roberts.

Regarding shooting practice, Mr. Wyndham said that the government proposed to spend \$700,000 on rifle ranges and in sending officers to Switzerland to study the subject of range.

Discussing the necessity for additional battalions in order to enable the same number of battalions to be at home as were abroad, and the impossibility of reducing the forces abroad, the secretary incidentally remarked: "No one had every found the opportunity or time to withdraw our troops from Egypt, and no one ever would find time."

Regarding garrisons abroad Mr. Wyndham said that only by voluntary system of recruiting could the garrisons be maintained.

Sir Charles Dilke, radical member for the Forest of Dean division of Worcestershire, complained that the military estimates were inadequate for home defense.

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, leader of the opposition, accepted the new proposals, but deprecated making present necessities the test of Great Britain's Transvaal policy in naval and military affairs.

### ROBERT B. MANTELL.

The famous romantic actor, Robert B. Mantell, supported by a select company presenting "The Dagger and the Cross," will be the attraction at the Grand Opera House next Saturday night. Few actors can boast of the continuous good fortune in production which has marked the career of Robert B. Mantell. It was in 1883 that the public became interested in the young man who played Louis Ipanoff to Fanny Davenport's Fedora, and the theatrical managers prophesied a new star. It was not an accidental hit. Following a school of drama which had made his early masters famous, he desired to create new roles of the same type and with the dictatorship of his own stage, came to the front and declared himself for French romance. In the past ten years he has presented as many new works, most of which have brought fame and fortune. In selecting such, Mantell has made himself a favorite, and stands to-day in America alone in excellence of his work. This is Mantell's third season under the direction of M. W. Hanley, one of our oldest and most responsible managers.

March 1st, 1900.

## Stand the Family In a Row

How many are there in it? Three, four, five, six? How many are in need of shoes? What kinds are wanted?

Remember that this is a family shoe store, that we have every good sort of shoe for father, mother and all the children down to the tot who takes the little bootee.

And the prices are as right as right can be.

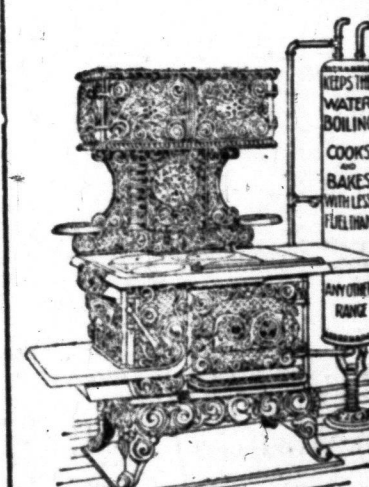
RUBBERS Children's now..... 25c  
RUBBERS Misses' now..... 25c  
RUBBERS Ladies' now..... 35c

### SLATER SHOES FOR MEN

\$5.00 kind for \$4.00

\$3.50 kind for \$3.00

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Chatham



This range is within the range of all who can arrange to be up with the times.

It burns coal or wood. It is economical. It is a thorough baker. It is guaranteed to be everything any other range is. It is strong and durable. Always for sale at

## "The Ark"

Old Stoves taken in exchange.











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LEAVE YOUR ORDER AT  
Westman Bros.

THEY WILL PROTECT YOU AGAINST HIGH PRICES. EVERY POUND FULLY WARRANTED. DON'T DELAY AS IT WILL BE HIGHER.

..Westman Bros..

G. W. Cornell

Dentist

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

### BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

DIED.

GRANDBOIS.—Died at St. Joseph's Hospital, on Monday, 12th March, Thomas Oliver Grandbois, aged 58 years. The funeral will take place on Thursday, at 2 o'clock p.m. from his late residence in Bloomfield, to the Dolsen Cemetery.

### LOCAL BRIEFS

First-class waist-maker wanted. Apply to Madame Skirving, manager Thomas Stone's dressmaking department.

The Side Bankrupt Shoe Stock will be opened for sale on Saturday, the 17th inst. The store will be to rent after April 1st.

Ex-Ad. John Dyer accompanied his daughter Eva as far as Detroit this morning on her way to Dakota where she will spend the summer with her aunt.

Mr. R. Victor Carter, who has been ill with a gripe and confined to the house of his sister, Mrs. Edward Newman, at Ridgeway, for the past ten days, has sufficiently recovered to be able to return to Chatham to resume his teaching.

\$2,638.51 worth of shoes and rubbers at the Side Bankrupt Sale, to be closed out by 1st of April opens Saturday, the 17th.

George Dean, colored, was convicted at this morning's police court of the larceny of an overcoat. He claimed to be too ill to undergo sentence, and Judge Houston remanded him for medical examination.

Rufus Stephenson, ex-M. P., who was a warm personal friend of the late Caleb Coatsworth, will attend the funeral in Romney to-morrow afternoon.

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This afternoon W. N. Morley, of this city, received a telegram announcing the demise of his brother, Washington Morley, of Toronto. Mr. Morley will go to Toronto to attend the obsequies.

Miss Edwards, who has been an inmate of the Public General Hospital for some time but was recovering, went for a walk yesterday. The young lady had the misfortune to step on the icy pavement and break her thigh. She was taken to the hospital where the fracture was attended to. Miss Edwards seems to be resting easily this morning.

SPRING HATS. It's a little early, but if you are in need of a hat you might just as well buy a spring hat as one that will be out of date in six weeks. We have sold hats for four years, but we never had such a display of Derby and Fedora hats as we are now showing. Another case of Barrington Fedoras that arrived this morning.—The 2 T's.

A WHIST MATCH. A pleasant whist match took place last evening at the residence of A. F. Falls between six members of the senior whist club and six members of the junior whist club. The result was a victory for the seniors by a majority of eight points. The score: Table No. 1—Dr. J. L. Bray and G. P. Sheffield vs. C. H. Gurn and B. R. Clayton. Score 93 to 89. Table No. 2—Dr. McKeough and A. F. Falls vs. F. Gibson and L. C. Mercer. Score 94 to 93. Table No. 3—Dr. Cornell and H. A. Stevens vs. W. Bray and H. A. Willoughby. Score 95 to 90.



DELICIOUS AND WHOLESOME BREAD

It is not only the staff of life, but tempting to the dairy palate for bread. Our bread is nutritious, pure and healthful, is made from the best flour and is the same of the bakery to all.

EAT RICHARDS' BREAD

Mrs. Mellish, Cross street, fell on Sunday, and broke her arm.

NEARLY POISONED.

A two year old daughter of Robert Learst, Park street, swallowed a quantity chloroform and sweet oil which immediately put the baby into a profound sleep. Under the influence of medical treatment the child rallied and has a chance of recovery. The mixture of chloroform and sweet oil was used for dropping in the ear and the child managed to get hold of it.

THE BOWLING CLUB.

The bowling club held its annual meeting last evening. The election of officers, resulted as follows: President, W. A. Taylor; vice-president, J. S. Black; secretary-treasurer, R. G. Fleming; executive committee, J. Thrasher, J. Hendershot, W. A. Sowerby. Representatives to the Western Ontario Bowling Association in London, Dr. R. V. Bray and W. A. Thrasher.

THOS. O. GRANDBOIS DEAD.

Thomas Oliver Grandbois, of Bloomfield, passed away Monday afternoon at St. Joseph hospital in his 58th year. Mr. Grandbois had been ailing for several weeks with pernicious anaemia and his condition became so alarming that he was removed to the hospital where he died. A widow and a family of two children, Ed Grandbois employed at Park Bros. and Ethel at home. Three brothers also survive: William and Charles who resided with their brother and John Grandbois, Elizabeth St. The funeral will take place Thursday at 2 o'clock from the family residence at Dolsen's burying ground on the river road.

CALEB COATSWORTH DEAD.

Collector of Customs Rufus Stephenson this morning received a telegram stating that ex-Warden Caleb Coatsworth, of Romney, passed away last evening in his 73rd year. Mr. Coatsworth had been suffering from a cancer in his throat. Twice surgical operations were resorted to to save Mr. Coatsworth's life but, though affording relief for a time, they did not prove wholly successful. Some time ago Mr. Coatsworth returned from Detroit, after undergoing the second operation. It was evident even to himself that he could not survive for long, but he bore his affliction with a patient resignation.

Born in England on Nov. 6, 1828, he came to this country when a young man, and perceiving the timber wealth and the agricultural productivity of the country in the vicinity of the Lake Shore he settled in Romney in the heart of the primitive forest.

As the land became cleared and smiling farms took the place of the bush, Mr. Coatsworth became a prominent figure in the community. He held all the municipal offices in the gift of the people of Romney, and for several years, as representative of that town, he sat in the county council as its representative. While in the latter body, he had the honor conferred upon him of being elected its warden.

Before Mr. Coatsworth's death, he was a life-long Conservative, and one of the hardest campaign workers in the country. His widow and two sons and two daughters survive him. The sons are Sidney and Robert. Withrow and Frank Coatsworth, of this city, are nephews. The funeral will take place Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock.

The man who thinks he knows it all May find out by and by. That the man who isn't always sure Eats much less humble pie.

Costs \$2.50, \$3.50, \$4.00 and \$5.00

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## SEIZED THE RAILWAY.

General French's Sharp Work Cuts Off Boer Communication to the South.

London, March 13.—The War Office has received a despatch from Lord Roberts announcing that after a fight with the Boers Gen. French occupied two hills close to the station commanding Bloemfontein. Following is the text of the despatch:

"Venters Vlei, March 13.—I directed Gen. French, if there were time before dark, to seize the railway station at Bloemfontein and thus secure the rolling stock. At midnight I received a reply from him that after considerable opposition he had been able to occupy two hills close to the railway station, which command Bloemfontein."

"A brother of President Steyn has been made prisoner. The telegraph line leading northward has been cut and the railway broken up."

PRETTY HEAVY LOSS.

"I am now starting with the third cavalry brigade, which I called up from the seventh division near Petrusburg yesterday and the mounted infantry to reinforce the cavalry divisions. The rest of the force will follow as quickly as possible."

Prior to this Lord Roberts sent the following from Venters Vlei: "Our march was again unopposed. We are now about 18 miles from Bloemfontein. The cavalry division is astride the railway six miles south of Bloemfontein. There were 321 men wounded at Driefontein, and about sixty or seventy killed or are missing. Col. Umphrey has died of his wounds. Lieut. Pratt, of the Essex Regiment, was wounded severely. The wounds are as a rule more serious than usual owing to the expanding bullets which are freely used by the Boers."

MEDIATION REJECTED.

London, March 13.—The United States government, at the request of President Kruger and President Steyn, has refused to mediate between the Boers and the British government in the service of the Boers.

Lord Salisbury has not yet replied, but a representative of the Associated Press has been told that the United States government will decline the offer.

BRITAIN'S REPLY.

London, March 13.—In the House of Lords to-day the Premier, Lord Salisbury, read the British Government's reply to President Kruger and Steyn. The concluding sentence is as follows:—"Her Majesty's Government can only answer your honours' telegram by saying it is not prepared to assent to the independence of either."

MAFEEKING'S CONDITION.

A despatch to the Times from Mafeking, dated Monday, March 5, says the garrison were then feeling acutely the stress of the siege. They were reduced to the use of horse flesh and bread made from horse forage, while the water was parasitically contaminated.

Typhoid, dysentery and diphtheria were epidemic but it was impossible to isolate the victims. The sufferings of the women and children were terrible and there were deaths in the women's hospital daily. The native population was starving.

The military operations were progressing favorably. They had been extended to the brick fields whence the enemy had been completely expelled.

A despatch received by a South Africa firm in London, dated Mafeking, Tuesday, March 6, via Lobatse, March 9, says: "All well, but town still besieged."

ARRIVED TOO LATE.

Driefontein, Orange Free State, March 12.—The Canadians, with the headquarters staff of Lord Roberts' army, quitted here after dark last evening, too late to take part in the unexpected engagement at this point with the Boers, who were come upon by the advance guard of cavalry strongly entrenched in the neighboring kopjes. It was expected that the battle would be resumed this morning, in which event the Canadian troops would have been actively engaged. When daylight came, however, it was found that under cover of the darkness the enemy had retired, taking his guns with him.

MR. CASEY'S IDEA.

He Wants to Break the Present Telegraphic Monopoly

Ottawa, March 13.—In the commons yesterday, Mr. Casey introduced a bill for the establishment of a government system of telegraphs, as a branch of the public service. It authorizes the government, when parliament provides the money, to establish a system of government telegraphs throughout Canada, either by construction of new lines or expropriation of existing lines. The drawback of private ownership of telegraph, Mr. Casey contended, were undue cost of communication and discrimination in rates in favor of the larger newspapers. The bill provides that the rates shall be uniform throughout the country—a maximum of 10 cents for ten words on private messages and ten cents for 100 words on press telegrams. Mr. Casey instanced the splendid results of the government system of telegraphs in Great Britain and prophesied similar achievements in Canada under the proposed system.

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FRANCE'S POLICY.

Paris, March 13.—A representative of the Associated Press has secured from a responsible mouthpiece of the French government the exposition of France's attitude in the matter of intervention in the Anglo-Boer war, which, it is said, has been decided upon. The same policy will be followed by Russia. There will be no intervention of any sort, not even a suggestion of mediation. The reason for this is fear of further exciting the public feeling on both sides of the English channel.

IS THERE OPPOSITION?

London, March 13.—Lord Roberts' actual entry into the Orange Free State capital seems likely to be delayed until to-morrow or late to-day, as his statement that he is going to reinforce Gen. French implies that opposition is being encountered on the outskirts of the town, though the definite statement that the British cavalry leader has positions which command the situation leaves no doubt that the occupation will speedily be effected, and with it, so the London critics think, will accrue to the British important captures of supplies, if not of prisoners. However, it may be that the Boers may make a strenuous resistance, which will not be overcome until Lord Roberts' main army catches up with the cavalry.

The strategic importance of what is taken to be the practical capture of one of the enemy's seats of government has created little enthusiasm in London, as for days it had been regarded as certain that Lord Roberts would soon be at Bloemfontein.

AT BIGGARSBERG.

Lady Smith, Monday, March 12.—The main body of the Boers is in position at Biggarsberg, Genl. Joubert is at Glencoe. There is reason to believe that few Boers are at Dundee, though the place is well fortified.

Gen. George Stewart, White has arrived at Durban and embarked on a transport for East London.

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## OUR EARLY DAYS.

An Interesting Sketch of the Chatham of the Past

By Miss Mattie Stephens—Its Settlement, Social Life and Progress up to 1851.

At a meeting of the Book Society last Saturday, Miss Mattie Stephens read an interesting sketch of Chatham's early days. The story, said Miss Stephens, begins at a period when the site of this beautiful city was a dense forest, where the savage bear and timid deer roamed in majestic solitude. The first settlers, the brave pioneers of the night and the forest, came with thoughts of fear. What a country of awful and terrible grandeur this must have been before man began to fell its trees, to lay out paths and homes on the banks of the Thames! What an impression must its vast solitudes have made on the minds of those who were first led by the accidents of war to penetrate into its unknown recesses in the year 1794. At that date we find Governor Simcoe contemplating the site as a military reserve, owing to the abundant supply of good timber, and its freedom from interruption from an enemy in case of war which finally gave our city a slight tinge of history in the years 1812-1813, and which we must ever associate with the name of the brave Shawnee chief, Tecumseh, as well as with that portion of our city called Tecumseh Park, which will remain forever sacred to the hearts of all Chathamites. There is a map, it is told, in existence to-day, bearing the date of 1795, which contains the jail and the market blocks as they are at present, but until the year 1800 I have not learned of a house being built. The honor of building

THE FIRST HOUSE in Chatham belonged to Abraham Ireland, who built here about the beginning of the century, but he found the solitude too monotonous and forsook the dreary and lonesome place.

The late Wm. Chrysler was the first permanent settler. He built here in 1820. About this time we find settlers coming down the river in skiffs from eastern cities and pitching their tents beside the river, the happy possessors of all the land they could control. Thus the first of them to come lived for some years without even a store, subsisting on game, fish and wild fruits and procuring such things as they were forced to buy, such as clothing, etc., from London and the trade making the journey by means of a small, flat-bottomed row boat, until 1820, when a steamboat called the Argus, made the first trip from Windsor and thus opened a means of communication with the outside world. In the same year Stephen Brock erected a store upon the present site of the Merchants' Bank, from which was dispensed every article needed in a home of that day from saleratus to a tin kettle and a spring bonnet. At the same time we find the people anxious for the future of their children and not unmindful of the cultivation of the intellect. Hence a school was erected in 1831 upon the census being taken by Henry Verrall, who, I am told, was remunerated for his trouble by a lot of cotton. The census showed a population of between three and four hundred. This building was the

FIRST FRAME STRUCTURE in the village and was no doubt a huge undertaking, as their tools and machinery were most crude and very newly erected building seemed a fresh triumph over stubborn material.

Under the tutelage of Normal L. Freeman, the present Mrs. J. E. Brooke's father, the young minds under very difficult circumstances began to grasp the great truths and from out that primitive gathering arose some of the most striking phenomena of our present Dominion. I imagine the children wending their way through what was then a swale from the present G. T. R. station to their school on the site of the present Central school, disporting themselves from log to log and occasionally missing their footing and landing in water which not only would be over the strong, water-proof, coppered shoes but would reach the various hued and lengthy pantaloons but no bad results would follow according to the theory if the clothes were worn upon the person until dry. Consequently their faith saved them many a cold and

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THE LATE WM. H. STOVER.

The following interesting sketch of the late William Henry Stover, of the 15th concession, of Chatham township, shows that he was one of the oldest residents in this vicinity. Mr. Stover, at the time of his death on March 7th last, was sixty-nine years of age. He was a man who was beloved by every one who knew him, and ever ready to lend a helping hand, thus his death casts a gloom over the entire community. He was born in Clearville, Howard Township, County of Kent, in 1830. When about seven years of age his parents moved to the 8th concession of Raleigh, where he lived until 1863 when he went to St. Joe, Mich. After six years, four of which he spent in California, he returned to his native county and settled in Chatham Township, where he lived until his death. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Knowles in Oldfield church, after which the internment took place in Oldfield cemetery. The pall-bearers were eight nephews of the deceased. Besides his four brothers and two sisters, he leaves a widow, a son, Arthur, at home, and a daughter, Mrs. Wm. Wemp, Wheatley, to mourn his loss. Mrs. Stover thanks the friends for sympathy and kind

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## The Coming Spring

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### WAR NOTES

In reply to a question in parliament Mr. Balfour promised all papers shortly relating to peace overtures. These will show that President Kruger's appeal to Lord Salisbury was not entertained.

The Mayor of Bradford, England, has received a telegram from his brother, the Mayor of Mafeking, dated Bulawayo, March 3d, saying: "All well." As all previous telegrams have been dated Mafeking he thinks this may mean that the population have left Mafeking and joined Col. Plumer.

The Queen has conferred the Companion of the Bath upon Capt. the Hon. Hedworth Lambton, of the first-class cruiser Powerful, and upon Capt. Percy Scott, of the first-class cruiser Terrible, for their services in the military operations at Ladysmith.

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THE SLEEPING CITY.

"The Sleeping City" at the Grand Theatre, 15th inst. This up-to-date comedy drama has a particularly interesting story of New York life after dark, that is further away from conventionality than other plays of this kind, and the various roles are consistent and in touch with nature. It has a plot of thrilling interest, keen humor, a scenic completeness and beauty that in seldom equalled, and a corps of players whose abilities have been proved in many ways. Every detail in "The Sleeping City" is carefully looked after, and it is given a most creditable production under Manager A. Q. Scammon's direction. Musical specialties, including all the latest songs and dances, are features of every performance. Reserved seats can be secured at Central Drug Store Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock.

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### WOUNDED 26 TIMES

Private Krider Not Only Recovered, but Soon Became a Bridgeguard.

An Ohio soldier seems to hold the record for being wounded more times at once than any other man who lived through it. The remarkable part of it is that he received all the wounds in a single battle and all but one of them at the same instant. He is, or was until he was mustered out of the service on account of his wounds, Private Krider of Light Battery K, Third United States Artillery.

A few days ago D. W. Benham, United States Army, retired, formerly Colonel of the Seventh Infantry, and now living in Bloomville, Ohio, sent to Harry Tomb of this city as a Christmas present a stickpin made from a shell picked up on the seashore in the Philippines and the story of the pin he writes as follows:

"A shell, washed up by the sea and lodged on the shores of Luzon, P. I., picked up, polished in Manila, and offered for sale by a native Filipino. Bought as a curiosity for a trifle by an American soldier, one Krider, who was serving as a private soldier in Light Battery K, Third United States Artillery, in Luzon. In an engagement in which Krider's battery took an active part a shrapnel shell was exploded by the Filipinos in the near vicinity of the battery, and twenty-five leaden bullets from it were lodged in the body of Private Krider. In the same engagement a bullet from a Mauser rifle struck him, making a total of twenty-six wounds inflicted upon him in this one action.

"Krider was sent to the hospital, where he remained until he had recovered sufficiently to make it safe to remove him to a Government hospital, transport, which brought him to San Francisco where he was again transferred to the United States Army Hospital at the Presidio, where he recovered and was able to travel without an attendant to his home in Wharton, O., where his mother lives. While he was visiting his mother, his brother, Harley Krider, went home to see him, and while later came into my possession. I had it mounted in Bloomville, O.

"I think I am safe in saying that Private Krider, Battery K, Third Artillery, holds the record of being the worst wounded man to recover in any war that ever waged on the face of this earth. While Krider was in the hospital at the Presidio he met a young woman who loved him, and later, married the hero.

"I have been told that after Krider recovered he wanted to return to Luzon, and again fight the Filipino, hoping to be able to revenge himself against them for filling his body with lead. When told that his wounds had disabled him for further service in our army he cried like a child. Krider will probably get a pension of \$72 per month as long as he lives.

THE BOER PRISONERS.

Cape Town, March 12. — Mr. James G. Stowe, United States consul-general, has paid a visit to Gen. Cronje at the latter's request, on board the British flag ship. They conversed with the aid of an interpreter. Gen. Cronje expressed great satisfaction with his surroundings, and with the treatment of the prisoners at the hands of the British. Mr. Stowe has also visited the camp where the Boer prisoners are at the present time. He was shown where they had excavated a tunnel for a distance of 25 yards with the tin dishes and cups. If the tunnel had been continued another dozen yards their escape would have been possible. One of the prisoners gave information of the plot.

BOOK BINDING.

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At Newark, N. J., an old building with ten Italian families living in it, was burned, 14 persons losing their lives, others well die. Two whole families were wiped out.

Dr. Van, of Hamilton, formerly of Brockville, has been appointed chairman of the provincial board of health, succeeding Dr. Macdonald, of Hamilton, who has resigned. Dr. MacDonald has been a member of the board for 20 years.

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A marked cheque for 2 1/2 per cent. of the amount of the contract must accompany each tender, such cheque will be returned to the unsuccessful tenderer. Successful tenderer will be required to give good and sufficient bonds for the due performance of the work.

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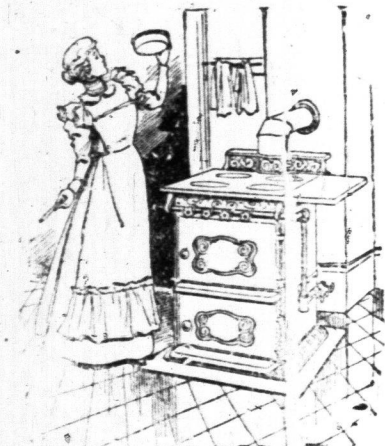
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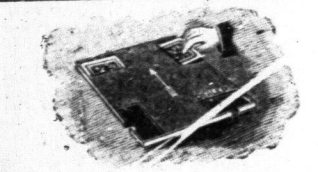
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If the rattlesnake is justly called the king of America's woods and rocks, yet his crown is not held without danger, since he is hunted diligently and successfully. He fangs are, indeed, deadly, and he wears a fine armor, but the deer and the wild hog never fail to attack him, and he has a deadly enemy of his own kind still more dangerous to him.

Snakes may be divided into three classes. Those which are venomous, the constrictors and those which are neither. Unless the second of these are wonderful for their size, they are a little of our attention, and yet they are generally beautiful in color, most graceful in action, and often among our best friends.

In Florida we have two constrictors especially noticeable—the black racer, which grows to the length of two feet and makes a business of war on rats and other small deer the farmer hates; and the king snake, whose mission seems to be the extermination of the rattler.

One day I was returning from a day's hunt at peace with the world and myself, when I heard a squirrel scolding at it if he were a wild politician the night before election. The noise he made was so loud and insistent that I turned out of my way to see what could be the matter.

I found the little fellow on the trunk of a pine about ten feet from the ground, jumping about as if in convulsions. He would flourish his tail wildly, scold in anger, threaten an assault, run back a little way up the trunk, and return and scold again.

I looked carefully and saw that his anger was directed at a rattlesnake that lay coiled at the foot of the tree. The snake was composed into a ball, from the middle of which its rattling sounded continuously; its blazing little eyes were fixed unchangingly upon those of the squirrel.

The buzz, buzz, droned on the summer air with a sleepy effect, but the squirrel scolded in an ever ascending key. But for the hint of the squirrel's eyes I could not have located the rattler. His color and his variegated markings offered but little contrast to his surroundings. His monotone of noise was indefinite, and to sight as well as in sound, he seemed only a blur on the background of dark sand on which he lay.

Was the squirrel only curious to satisfy himself as to the character of this strange object, or was he hypnotized? I have often amused myself by exciting the violent curiosity of the little animal, but never did a waving or jumping object awaken such intense and painful emotion as the rattler always demands.

I knew what must follow soon; that the squirrel's cries would grow wailing, that he would grow dizzy, and finally tumble from the tree, hang a moment by one claw, and then drop into the jaws of the living death that lay in wait. I had raised my rifle to save the little fellow, when the tragedy was interrupted from another quarter.

Swift as light, a form raced on the stage. It was clothed in a gleaming coat of beautiful white and black spots; it shifted and shone like a nebula of precious stones, and I knew the king snake claimed a victim.

The newcomer was smaller than the rattler, its ground color was a greenish gray, and the spots scintillated in the sunlight which shined down upon the scene from the tangled branches overhead.

At the first rustle of its approach the rattler lost all interest in the squirrel, which ran back into the tree. The king snake had his head high and raced round the rattler in a wide circle while the rattler tried to slink away. The king darted forward as if to attack, and the rattler threw himself into a coil. The king was again away and racing around, with a swiftness the rattler seemed unable to follow with his eye. The rattler was cowed already; his crest was lowered, his buzz was jerky and uneven, and although he presented a very different appearance from the self-confident arbiter of the woods which he had seemed when I first saw him, I could think of nothing but some human bully surprised in the act of torturing his helpless victim, and suddenly compelled to face an adversary worthy of his strength. The king snake seemed to enjoy the situation as a cat does her cruel dallying with a mouse.

Round and round went the king snake, and the rattler followed the movement till his neck was twisted. Whenever it attempted to turn the king would spring forward, and it was evident that the first failure of the rattler in swiftness would be the signal for muscle to clench with venom.

The king would race from left to right and then reverse, and if the rattler failed to follow that would be the end of him. This happened, and I saw the king in the air, but could not catch the strike so instantaneous was it.

There was a confusion of flying pine needles in a cloud of white dust, and I saw that two inches of the king's coil was about the throat of the rattler. Over and over they went, the king's head above that of his enemy, and a curve of his body acting as a buffer to keep up the motion which enabled him to take another turn and still another.

And so the struggle continued, till the rattler could not writhed freely, and he was held as a vulture's foot. When he lay still the king snake began to uncoil himself slowly, and at every motion of his enemy the constrictor's folds contracted and crushed with killing effect. Even when there was only a quiver of the tail, the king still gripped the throat. It was plain he had a wholesome respect for the fangs, but were still terrible.

As a last precaution the king applied his nostrils delicately to those of the rattler, and repeated that several times, as if to detect the faintest breath. Satisfied at last, it released its enemy, but still watched ready to resume its hold at the slightest sign of life.

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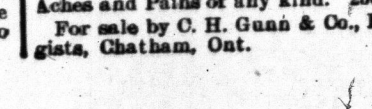
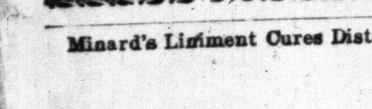
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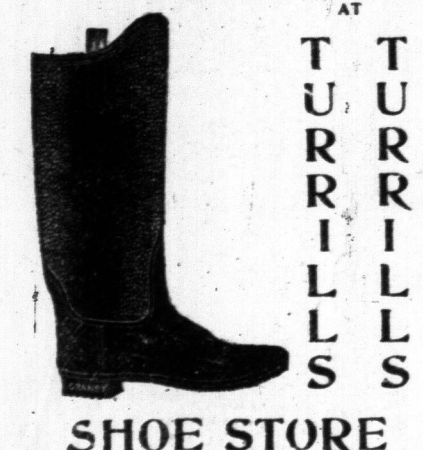
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# WALLACEBURG.

March 12.—Miss Kate Farman, after a short visit to friends in town, returned to Marine City yesterday.  
Miss Abbie Little, of Chatham, is the guest of Miss Grace Collings.  
Mrs. J. H. Fraser is visiting Mrs. A. L. Shambles, Chatham.  
The glass in the amber tank at the glass factory has been changed to green and now both tanks are in full blast.  
Mumps are prevalent in town.  
The corporation books are being audited by Messrs. Arthur Fisher and Albert Little.  
A great many links have been forged to Miss Gould's endless chain patriotic fund in town. The fund already amounts to \$3,500.  
Rev. Dr. Cook preached an eloquent sermon on Moody Sunday evening in the Methodist Church.  
Joe Casmer left for St. Thomas yesterday morning.

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Special to The Planet.  
Ottawa, March 12.—The gerrymander bill is now ready for the Senate. Mr. Ellis's vigorous protest against Mr. Blair's scheme to gerrymander St. John, New Brunswick, was successful and that part of the bill was withdrawn without even an apology. The rest of it stands, as presented last year. We have still 45,000 people in a Conservative district electing one member and 15,000 in a Liberal district electing one member. We have the general result that the Conservative countries which were under represented before, have still less representation in proportion to population. The parts where the representation is the largest, being the places where the government appear to have the best prospects, are not disturbed. The ministers claim that they desire an end of partisan arrangement of ridings, has been put to the test. Sir Charles Tupper proposed an amendment withdrawing the whole matter of the arrangement of constituencies from the control of parties and handing it over to a commission of judges. Sir Wilfrid Laurier was a little confused at first with this proposition. When he saw that the occasion he called upon his supporters to vote it down.

### A NON-PARTISAN AMENDMENT

The following is the amendment which the government rejected: "That in the opinion of this house, it is expedient to introduce, in place of the present bill, a measure based on the following provisions: First, That a commission, to consist of the chief justices of the highest courts of judicature in each of the provinces of Canada, shall be appointed for the purpose of fixing the boundaries of each constituency entitled to elect a member or members to the house of commons in each province of Canada, and to determine the number of members to be elected for each constituency in accordance with the B. N. A. Act. That such commission in so doing shall consider the distribution of population according to the then latest census of Canada, and the public interest and convenience, and shall particularly have regard to the principle of representation by population, and to the equality of representation of counties, municipalities and cities. That such commission shall be appointed as soon as possible after the completion of the next census, and shall complete their work with all convenient speed."

### PREFERENCE THAT DOES NOT PREFER

In a few days we shall have the budget speech and Mr. Fielding will try to explain away Mr. Patterson's trade returns. There will be a somewhat difficult task with these figures before him for the finance minister to show an increase of imports from Britain as a result of the preferential tariff. He could easily show an enormous increase in imports from the United States, if that were necessary to his argument. For while the imports from Great Britain were \$37,000,000, those from the United States were \$35,000,000, or two and a half times as large.

The increase in goods purchased from the United States was \$14,000,000 over that of the previous year. The increase of purchases from England was \$4,500,000, or less than one-third as much.

Compared with last year of the Conservative regime there is an increase of purchases from the United States of thirty-five millions, while the increase in purchases from Great Britain was four millions only. The imports of British goods for Canadian use were less than in any year from 1880 to 1895, and less than the average for the last five years before the change of Government. The imports of goods for Canadian use from the United States were greater by \$35,000,000 than the largest value imported in any year under the late government, and \$39,000,000 more than the average for the last five years before the late election. This shows how the preference has worked in not diverting trade from the United States to England.

### BRITAIN AND OTHER COUNTRIES.

The following table gives the percentage of increase in imports for home consumption from all the principal countries, comparing the year 1899 with the year 1896:  
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# MEDIATION ASKED

President McKinley Takes it up Gieger v

## While Germany Fatly Declines to Interfere—Great Britain will Tolerate no Intervention.

Washington, March 13.—Secretary Hay, acting under an order from the President, last night forwarded to Ambassador Chalmers at London a copy of a cable appeal from President Kruger, urging the United States and the continental powers in Europe to use their good offices to restore peace in South Africa. Accompanying the message of the Transvaal to the President is believed to be a statement to the effect that the President of the United States is prepared to London ask of the secretary of state, is satisfied that Lord Salisbury will politely but firmly turn down the offer. His answer, in this respect, is expected to reach the capital during the next 48 hours.

There is hardly any reason to doubt that Lord Salisbury has been of the Kruger despatch to Secretary Hay. The recent gossip from London about Presidents Kruger and Steyn having sent a joint message to London for peace, which appeared on the face of it to have received the endorsement of the British prime minister, has its origin in the knowledge that President Kruger was contemplating making an appeal to the powers of the world urging intervention for peace.

The statement that Kruger had asked Salisbury if it is believed here was a publicity in order to permit the prime minister to indirectly serve notice on the world that Great Britain will not tolerate interference with her military operations as well as her military operations of complete surrender and submission by the armies and authorities of the Dutch republics.

The Kruger despatch to Secretary Hay, which was cabled from Pretoria by young Adelaar, son of the secretary, contains among other stated conditions under which the Boers are seeking peace, that they must have intervention in the fullest meaning of the word. Concessions are offered to England, however. Just what these are Secretary Hay declines to discuss. It is understood, however, that they embrace a number of matters that ordinarily are included in war settlements between opposing nations.

### GERMANY DECLINES

Durban, March 13.—The Transvaal, having appealed to Germany for mediation of intervention in the war with Great Britain, Germany has replied that she declines to interfere, as she is in no way concerned in the conflict.

### GOVERNMENT WILL DECLINE

London, March 13.—All the morning papers take the line that the government will decline to open negotiations with the Boer republics, except upon the basis of a complete surrender, and will also make it perfectly clear that nothing in the shape of foreign intervention will be tolerated.

The Standard says: "There is an idea in some quarters that on arriving at Bloemfontein, Lord Roberts will issue a proclamation which will leave little doubt as to the future of the republics."

The Times says: "President Kruger and President Steyn should have counted the cost before they made war. They played for a great stake and have lost. Until they are ready for unconditional surrender they may save themselves the trouble of sending communications to Her Majesty's government."

"We are glad to see that it is understood in the United States, as well as on the continent, that any offer of mediation will be distinctly repugnant to this country. It would be more, it would be wholly inadmissible; and the Dutch minister at Washington is entirely mistaken in the course of sending letters to such proposals if only they came from a nation on terms of cordial intimacy with us. We mean to settle this controversy ourselves, and in our own way."

# THE PROBABILITY

G. N. W. Special.  
Toronto, March 13—10 a. m.—Comparatively mild to-day; strong north-west winds to-night. Wednesday, strong north-west winds and colder again.

# LOCAL BRIEFS

Mrs. Hugh Macaulay is visiting her sister, Mrs. (Dr.) Ferguson, Tilbury. New ideas in American Collars every week at The 2 T's.

Ben. Blonde left for Georgian Bay yesterday afternoon on a business trip. Divine service will be held in Christ church this evening at half past seven.

Mrs. Newcombe, Fifth street, spent Sunday with her daughter Essie in Detroit. "Come back to Erin" is to be sung at St. Patrick's concert, March 19th, by Miss Lizzie Smith.

Every Barrington Hat guaranteed. Price \$2.50. Two T's Sole Agents. If "Barney O'Brien" is a pleasing Irish song and must be heard to be appreciated, Mrs. John Cooper will sing it at St. Patrick's Concert, March 19th.

Mrs. Latimer and R. Spencer, who have been visiting Mrs. George Dunkley, Queen street, have returned to their home in Grand Rapids, Mich.

A well attended and successful practice of the musical service in connection with the opening of the new organ at Victoria Ave. Methodist church was held last evening.

Rev. Dr. Hannon, of this city, occupied the pulpit in the First Methodist Church on Sunday last at St. Thomas, while the Rev. Dr. Philip Breached in the Park Street Methodist Church, of this city.

Miss Edith Idle, formerly of Toronto, now of this city, possesses a soprano voice of great flexibility and power. Miss Idle will sing "Barney O'Brien," a pretty Irish song, at St. Patrick's concert, March 19th.

Two sleigh loads of young people from this city drove out to the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Lowrie, Con. 8, Raleigh, last evening and spent a most enjoyable time at the hospitable home.

Slater Shoe Polish in Black and Tan, at The 2 T's.  
Tom Moore, Ireland's sweetest song-writer, composed and sang "The Harp that Once Through Tara's Halls" in first time (then enraptured people, Miss Lizzie Smith will sing this well known and always admired ballad at St. Patrick's Concert, March 19th.

The annual meeting of the Brockville King's Daughters, will be held on Wednesday at the residence of Mrs. Thomas Stone, Queen St., at 3.30 p. m. Officers will be elected for the coming year. All members are urged to attend and friends will be welcomed.

Money to Lend on Mortgages—Farmers and others wanting to borrow money on mortgages at best rates and save expense and time, and secure other advantages, should apply personally to the Chatham Loan & Savings Company, 125-127, d&w 1st J.

The annual meeting of the officers and teachers of Christ church Sunday school will be held in the S. S. hall this evening at 8.30. The election of officers will take place and other business of importance transacted. A full attendance is requested.

Robert J. Burdette says that Evangelist McCrossan's book, "Love and Life," now on sale at Dingman's Book Store, is one of the finest religious story books he ever read. Bound in cloth, 25c.

Mrs. Thiborne, Joseph St., has received a letter from Private Wilson in which he stated that he was enjoying good health, but that the time was passing slowly at Belmont. Since the writing of this letter, however, the Canadian boys have seen real warfare. It is just possible that the next English mail may bring accounts of the battle on February the 18th.

For a genuinely agreeable entertainment there is none on the road that appeals more strongly to popular fancy than "The Sleeping City," which will be seen here Thursday evening. It is an up-to-date melodrama, with a plot of great strength, eccentric humor and originality. Reserved seats can be secured at the Central Drug Store.

What is said to be one of the strongest travelling attractions, "The Sleeping City," will soon make its appearance in this city. It is a modern melodrama with striking situations, startling surprises and powerful climaxes. The humor is original and the witticisms eccentric. Bright specialties are introduced. The company is composed of players who have achieved success in their respective lines, and they will appear in the Grand Opera House on Thursday evening next.

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# AS JESUS WOULD.

Rev. Mr. Sheldon is now Editing the Top & Capital.

## Theatre Notice Banish J. Police Reports Curtailed and Advertising Matter Strictly Censored.

Topoka, Kansas, March 13.—Rev. Mr. Sheldon assumed control of the Capital newspaper for a week yesterday and will apply the test to every item and advertisement that goes into it. "What would Jesus do?" The first issue appeared this morning. All editorial and important local matter was signed by the writers. There will be no Sunday paper, but a Saturday evening paper, suitable for Sunday reading.

"May God bless the use of this paper to the glory of his kingdom on earth," says Rev. Mr. Sheldon, in concluding his letter.

The first item on the first page was a prayer written by Bishop John A. Vincent, of the Methodist Episcopal Church. It is as follows: "A morning prayer and resolution: I will try this day to live a simple, sincere, serene life; repelling every thought of discontent, self-seeking and anxiety; cultivating magnanimity, self-control and the habit of silence; practicing economy, cheerfulness and helpfulness."

"And, as I cannot in my own strength do this, or even with the hope of success, attempt it, I look to thee, oh, Lord, my father in Jesus Christ, my Saviour, and ask for the gift of the holy spirit."

Editor Sheldon went to the office at 8.30 o'clock yesterday morning, and was on duty until the paper went to press at 3 o'clock this morning. At 10 o'clock he had a conference with the correspondents for eastern papers and promised to meet them each evening at 7.30 o'clock, and give out certain information concerning his work. At 11 o'clock he met the local force of the paper and gave out the assignments for the day.

A page devoted to local news and the leading features for to-day were reports of a temperance revival and an anti-cigarette meeting. Mr. Sheldon instructed the police reporter that in cases of a murder or other crime, to write a bare statement of the facts. If he had the space to spare, instead of filling it up with the usual details he would go into a discussion of the causes leading up to the crime.

During the conference the sporting editor remarked that there would be a bowling contest at the Y. M. C. A. rooms.

"I think," said Mr. Sheldon, "that that is good clean sport. You may print it." The dramatic editor asked instructions about theatres.

"We shall not want anything of that kind," Mr. Sheldon said. One page has been reserved for telegraph news, which ordinarily occupies about three times that space. The Associated Press reports is necessarily strong. "Blue pencil" with a vengeance. The market reports will be cut from four columns to one. All quotations on stocks and bonds, giving options and other matter involving transactions in futures, have been consigned to the waste basket, and only the actual cash price of grain, produce, etc., will be quoted.

A notable feature of the paper will be the method of handling advertisements. They will be banished from the news and editorial pages, and will be bunched in places reserved for them. The censorship here is even more rigorous than in the news columns, and a large quantity of this class of matter has already been cut out, including all relating to patent medicines, and familiar pseudo advertisements of the magazines, accompanied by cuts, have sought in vain for space. No retail advertisements from Kansas City, or other out of town traders, will be accepted. Mr. Sheldon holding that this would be an injustice to home merchants. The 20-dollar-suit, of clothes for \$14.75 style of advertising is also barred.

### BEATEN AGAIN.

The Maple City curlers met their Pardeburg at Thamesville yesterday and after firing 33 shots to the enemy's 38, the Chatham club's position became untenable, owing to the town to the east having fired five more of the shots and the western city's men from the Maple City Club's headquarters state that President Young of the Curling Club, has received no official confirmation of the success of Gen. Skin G. G. Taylor. Other messages are as follows:—

Chatham—Rank 1.

J. C. Fleming, J. P. Dunlop, W. E. Merritt, Dr. Bray, skip—25.

Thamesville—Rank 1.

Sherman, DePencier, Hardy, Trudell, skip—20.

Chatham—Rank 2.

D. A. Huchison, A. McCoig, J. McCoig, G. G. Taylor, skip—13.

Thamesville—Rank 2.

Davis, Fleming, Sims, Young, skip—23.

### THE POLICE COURT.

There are evidently some few minor points in which Joseph Kovinski and the ethics of British law differ. "I don't take any von for honest till I finds dem out," the voluble Hebrew told Barrister W. G. Richards at the police court this morning, when the attorney asked him when he first came to the conclusion that the accused, John Barley, was not built on the Moody & Sankey plan.

Kovinski had Barley in the toils for the alleged embezzlement of \$250, money which he advanced to him, and put up a sufficiently strong argument as to the righteousness of his case to warrant Judge Houston to say in releasing the prisoner with a warning that had the case been a civil one he would have had no doubt in finding a verdict for the plaintiff.

Chas. VanDusen, a colored man, was charged with the same offence and dismissed with a like warning. J. A. Walker, Q. C., appeared for the crown, and W. S. Richards acted for the defence.

A Dressy Couple—A pair of \$350 Slater Shoes and a \$250 Barrington Hat. The 2 T's.