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THE LICENSE INSPECTOR

With the appointment of Mr. W. A. Mills, of Chatham Township, as license inspector no fault is found. It is a much better selection than most of the political shuffles and shieling of the Ross Government.

Mr. Mills is an ex-Warden of the County and a gentleman held in esteem by all who know him. That he has the making of an honest and efficient license inspector no one who knows him doubts. And it is to be sincerely hoped that he will perform the duties fairly and thoroughly and hold himself aloof from all political pulls and favoritism in the performance of his duties.

WHO IS THE TRAITOR?

The conscientious editor of that sturdy Liberal newspaper, the Seaforth Examiner, who is M. Y. McLean, ex-M. P. P., rebukes the rabid Grit editor of the Hamilton Times in this vigorous language:

"The Man in Overalls" who furnishes soubs for the Hamilton Times often says some real smart things, but some times he says some real nasty things. The following is an example of the latter: "Traitor Findlay must be proud of his work." This refers to Jas. Findlay, of Pembroke, an ex-M. P., a Reformer who refused to support the Reform candidate in the recent election in North Renfrew. "Traitor" is a very nasty term to apply to any person, even to Gamey. But applied to a man of Mr. Findlay's standing and character, it is inexcusable. This is a free country, and if Mr. Findlay is sincere in his reasons for the course he has taken, and there is no evidence to show that he is not, he would be a traitor to his own conscience and to his country had he acted otherwise. And a person who will dolefully lie down and permit his party leaders to sit on him is a traitor to his own manhood.

THE LEGAL VIEW.

The Alaska boundary decision has passed into history, but some special interest attaches to an article in the current number of the Canadian Law Journal as embodying the Canadian legal view of that decision. The case is reviewed at considerable length and the gist of the conclusions arrived at is that the finding of the commission was really not a finding upon the evidence, but a "diplomatic compromise" both as regards the islands in Portland channel and the location of the line along the mysterious range of mountains whose existence could not be determined. Speaking more particularly of the decision regarding the two islands the Journal points out:

"Up to the time when the commissioners were called together to have their votes formally recorded, the three United States commissioners had persistently held that Portland channel ran to the south of all four islands, and therefore south of Wales and Pearse islands; and, up to that moment there had never been any variation from the opinion expressed in the original memorandum prepared by the three British commissioners, (and read as embodying their views, to the whole board, as stated in the protest of Jette and Aylesworth) nor from Lord Alverstone's formal written reasons for his judgment, as subsequently made public, to the effect that Portland channel ran to the north of all four islands and therefore north of Stiklan and Kannagundit. In these documents it is also found, as a matter of fact, that the channel running north of the four islands issues into the Pacific at 54 d. 45 m., which is the exact point at which the true Portland channel commences as claimed by the British case. In the face of all this, however, in the reasons of his judgment, published after the making of the award, Lord Alverstone says that the Tongas passage between Wales and Stiklan is Portland channel. Of course, it was quite competent for these four judges to change their findings at the last moment; but the coincidence of their doing so at the same time, and without any suggestion to the other two judges, having all sat together when discussing the case, and giving a judgment, apparently made to fit in with an award, which, but for these changes, probably never would have been made—is so remarkable as to rivet attention. This singular double waterspout could scarcely have occurred as it did without there having been some such compromise as has been alleged, and it gives color to the charge that the award was not a judicial finding and did not give the

'true judgment' of either Lord Alverstone or of the United States commissioners."

There is nothing new in this, nor in the other conclusions arrived at in the article, which is chiefly interesting because, after the lapse of sufficient time to admit of calm judicial consideration, the legal mind endorses the position taken by the Canadian newspapers at the time of the award, namely, that the result of the commission was not a finding on evidence produced, but a diplomatic compromise. And we may add that in such event a diplomatist instead of an 'impartial jurist of repute' would have been the more fitting person to decide the questions.

If the Ross Government were in a minority of three, and if this fact were plain to be seen by any onlooker, then Lieutenant-Governor Clark would be deserving of censure if he allowed that Government to avoid meeting the Legislature, so that it might wrongfully remain in office—Toronto Star.

But the Ross Government is in a minority of nine thousand odd of the people of the Province they essay to represent.

MIGHT AS WELL BE FRANK.

Toronto Mail.

In the speech from the throne his honor the lieutenant-governor should frankly state that the legislature has been called to dodge the election trials.

ONE J. BULL.

Toronto World.

The little Jap is talking to Russia with a boldness that suggests the presence of a big brother in his immediate vicinity.

THE GRADUAL DAWN OF INTELLIGENCE.

Hamilton Herald.

The London Chronicle remarks that the world will be surprised to learn that half of the nickel consumed in the whole world comes from Canada. By and by these English papers will begin to suspect their ignorance of this country's resources.

A TOUGH OLD NORSEMAN.

New York Tribune.

The captain of a storm-beaten Norwegian steamship accomplished one of the most remarkable feats of human endurance known anywhere when he spent eighty hours in succession on the bridge of his vessel in the recent tempests. A true berserker spirit, his! Surely, he must have the blood of the ancient vikings in his veins!

THE MAYBROCK CASE.

Hamilton Herald.

To be condemned by a crazy judge is the unpardonable sin in Britain. Mrs. Maybrick has found it so.—Buffalo News.

And the jury, no doubt, was composed of twelve drivelling idiots. Why is it that American journals persist in regarding this American murderess as an innocent woman? The court records show that plenty of American women have murdered their husbands in their own country. Is it so impossible for an American woman to do that same in England?

NEW YEAR'S WISHES.

A pearl-strewn pathway of untold gladness,
Flecked by no gloom, by no weary sadness;
Such be the year to thee!
A crystal rivulet, sunlight flinging,
Awakening blossoms, and joyously singing
Its own calm melody.

A symphony soft, and sweet, and low,
Like the gentlest music the angels know
In their moments of deepest joy;
Mid earth's wild clamor thy spirit telling
Of beauty and holiness upward swelling,
And mingling with the sky.

A radiant, radiance Eden flower,
Unfolding in loveliness hour by hour,
Like a winged-veiled seraph's face—
Such be the opening year to thee,
Shrouded though all its moments be,
Unknown as the bounds of space.

Blessings unspoken this year be thine!
Each day in its rainbow flight entwined
New gems in thy joy-wreathed crown;
May each in the smile of Him be bright
Who is changeless love and unfading light.
Till the glory seen, to thy transcendent sight,
As heaven to earth come down.
F. R. Havergal.

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Look a leetle odd for der man dot gods so busy dot he cannot find time to attend to his own pizness.—Dinklespiel in New York American.

Only five cents a copy—The Four-Track News for January—New Year's Number. On sale at all News Stands.

Mainly About People.

It is related that the Dowager Empress of Russia once saw on her husband's table a document regarding a political prisoner. On the margin Alexander III. had written: "Pardon impossible; to be sent to Siberia." The Czarina took up the pen, and, striking out the semi-colon after "impossible," put it before the word. Then the endorsement read: "Pardon; impossible to be sent to Siberia." The Czar let it stand.

The late James McNeill Whistler upon a certain occasion appeared at a dinner party with no tie on. A friend of his remarked: "For heaven's sake, Whistler, you've forgotten your tie!" "Not at all," he returned, "not at all! Why wear a tie? My white collar rises from my white shirt, which is fastened by a gold stud. Everything simple, excellent. Why put another white on top of that? I'm much better dressed than you!"

The Rev. Sanford Olmsted, the new Episcopal Bishop of Colorado, noted for the skill with which he can collect money for charity. He once called on a man who was well-to-do, but somewhat close. He asked for money for a worthy charity, and the man said: "I'd give some of the gold, but the fact is I've put aside for my funeral." "You trust with your soul," said Bishop Olmsted, "but you're afraid to trust Him with your funeral, eh?" This comment gained the bishop a generous contribution.

The late J. H. Shorthouse was afflicted with a terrible humor, which he used to say was a blessing in disguise, having led him to use the pen as a great instrument of expression. There were times, however, when the stammer almost ceased, and he could talk on uninterrupted. One very striking and touching habit grew up out of the stammer. At "family prayers," "You trust with your soul," said Bishop Olmsted, "but you're afraid to trust Him with your funeral, eh?" This comment gained the bishop a generous contribution.

Here is a favorite anecdote which Abraham Lincoln was in the habit of relating: James Quarles, a distinguished lawyer of Tennessee, was one day trying a case, and after producing his evidence rested, whereupon the defence produced a witness who swore Quarles completely out of a court, and a verdict was rendered accordingly. After the trial one of his friends came to him and said: "Why didn't you get that fellow to swear on your side?" "I didn't know anything about him," replied Quarles. "I might have told you about him," said the friend, "for he would swear for you just as hard as he'd swear for the other side. That's his business. Judge, that fellow takes in swarrior for a living."

Professor William Clark, D.C.L., in his very entertaining papers on "People and Places I Have Known" in the "Westminster," recalls many amusing stories of celebrities. Of Charles Kingsley, Professor Clark writes: "In spite of a slight stammer, which in his case overcame, he was popular in the pulpit and on the platform. He once lectured in Toronto, but with no great success. In seeking to stimulate the Toronto youth, he recommended every young man to make it his ambition to have a bust in Westminster Abbey." The Toronto youth, he broke into fits of laughter, which were doubled when Mr. Kingsley repeated with still greater emphasis: "I say a bust in Westminster Abbey."

Soon after J. M. Barrie leaped into fame, the editor of three London journals for which he had done a good deal of work determined to give a dinner in his honor. Mr. Barrie accepted the invitation, and in due course the three knights of the pen and scissiors and their distinguished guest sat down together. The host, knowing their contributors by his work, fully anticipated a "feast of reason and a flow of soul." However, the soup and fish were consumed without a word from Mr. Barrie, or at least, with nothing beyond non-committal grunts. Despite frantic efforts to lure him into conversation, it was not until he rose to put on his coat that he made the first and last remark that he uttered during the evening: "Well, this is the first time I've ever had dinner with three editors."

James Lane Allen, the Kentucky novelist, is a man of more than average size, and is not common to all Kentuckians. He always dresses in the best form. One evening he stopped in a small shop just around the corner from the quarters into which he had moved only a few days before, and made a few purchases amounting to a dollar or so. When he came to pay, he discovered that he had left his purse at home. He explained to the shopkeeper, and asked that he be trusted for the goods until next morning, as he was in a hurry and could not wait. The shopkeeper declined to let the goods go without the money. Mr. Allen was nettled. "Do I look like a man who would try to 'beat you'?" he asked with indignant dignity. "Of course you don't," replied the shopkeeper, admiringly. "If you did I wouldn't have bothered with you in the first place. It isn't that kind I have to be on the everlasting lookout for."

In his reminiscences in the "Century Magazine," Andrew Dickson White, United States Ambassador to Germany, repeats an anecdote told him by Hon. Otto Russell, the British plenipotentiary at Berlin. Russell was on one occasion making a call on Prince Bismarck, and the conversation turned on the subject of horses, and how to get rid of them. He explained to the shopkeeper, and asked that he be trusted for the goods until next morning, as he was in a hurry and could not wait. The shopkeeper declined to let the goods go without the money. Mr. Allen was nettled. "Do I look like a man who would try to 'beat you'?" he asked with indignant dignity. "Of course you don't," replied the shopkeeper, admiringly. "If you did I wouldn't have bothered with you in the first place. It isn't that kind I have to be on the everlasting lookout for."

All passes. Art alone
Enduring stays to us;
The coin, the throne—
The coin, the throne—
—Austin Dobson

Stock Note.

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Forgetting the restless feet;
That fared, undaunted, through un-
known lands

Till the path was made complete.

The fathers—the men who dreamed,
And, dreaming, were strong to
dare,
To struggle ahead to the goal that
gleamed,

A prize that was rich and fair.
The fathers—the men who thought
Of all that the future held,
And hearts uplifted, essayed and
wrought

All the work their dreams com-
pelled.

We pluck from the vine they set,
We walk in the ways they made;
We harvest their fields; and their
forests yet

Are giving us rest and shade.
The fathers—the men of old
Who builded a place for us,
A country magnificent; brave and
bold

In their faith all glorious.
We quarrel and dread and doubt,
Forgetting we only hold
The comfort within and the peace
without

By grace of the men of old;
Forgetting the toil and stress,
Forgetting the bygone age

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The doctor realizes that it is one thing to make claims and another thing to back them up, so he has made it a rule not to ask for money unless he cures you, and when you are cured he feels sure that you will willingly pay him a small fee. It would seem, therefore, that it is the best interest of every man who suffers in this way to write the doctor confidentially and lay your case before him. He sends the method, as well as many booklets on the subject, including the one that contains the 14 diplomas and certificates, entirely free. Address him simply:

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Class V.—S. Ellis, A. Tompkins, R. Bennett, B. Mason, Absent, M. Young, A. Garel.

Class IV.—Sr.—D. Pepper, F. Morris, L. Broadbent, H. Young, G. Broadbent, A. Ward, B. Ross, Absent, V. Bennett, M. Graham.

Class V.—Jr.—E. Pratt, L. Roe, L. Broadbent, E. Gilhula, J. Ellis, Absent, E. Pepper.

Class III.—S. Nettleton, T. Bennett, E. Brady, B. Burk, H. Parker, F. Tompkins, E. Ellis, Absent, W. Graham, A. Wallace, P. Haskell.

Class II.—G. Morris, E. Bennett, L. Handcock, B. Broadbent, G. Pepper, O. Shadd, G. Atkinson, Absent, W. Smith, B. Parker.

Class I.—Part II.—A. Holland, E. Gilhula, G. Morris, B. Handcock, Absent, E. Garel, F. Haskell.

Class I.—Part I.—O. Pardo, B. Pratt, L. Tompkins, M. Smith, C. Broadbent, V. Holland, H. Burk, P. Parker, I. Gilhula, E. Pardo, M. Smith, N. Tompkins.

Promoted from Part I. to Part II.—A. Pardo, B. Pratt.

Promoted to Part II.—A. Holland, E. Gilhula, G. Morris, E. Garel.

Pupils enrolled 95; average daily attendance for year, 50; average attendance per month, 40.

Margaret McIsaac, Teacher.

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DENTAL.
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LODGES.
WELINGTON Lodge, No. 46, A. F. & A. M., G. R. C., meets on the first Monday of every month, in the Masonic Hall, Fifth St., at 7:30 p.m. Visiting brethren welcome.
ALEX. GREGORY, Sec'y.
GEORGE MASSEY, W. M.

LEGAL.
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os. G. O'Rourke

is Liniment—Lumberman's

Pain in Left Arm & Shoulder

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A REFORMING KING.

Beneficial Habit of Hard Drinking Opposed by King Edgar.

King Edgar must be credited with doing a noble work in the reformation of his subjects from the baneful habit of hard drinking. This monarch nearly anticipated by a thousand years the legislation proposed by the United Kingdom Alliance. Acting on the advice of Dunstan, says Strutt, he put down many ale-houses, suffering only one to exist in a village or small town. He further ordained that pins or nails should be fastened into drinking cups or horns, at stated distances, so that whoever should drink beyond these marks at one draught should be liable to a severe punishment. Archbishop Dunstan was equally zealous in checking intemperance in the church. The following extracts are from a code drawn up by him:

"Let no drinking be allowed in the church."
"men be very temperate at church work and pray earnestly and suffer there no drinking or unseemliness."

"Let priests beware of drunkenness, and be diligent in warning and correcting others in this matter."

"Let no priest be an ale-sop, nor in any way act the gleeman."

"The Danes drank to great excess, and during the time their Kings occupied the throne of England drunkenness cast a blight over the land."

Many important changes in the social life of the country were brought about by the Norman Conquest. One was the decrease of drunkenness. Sobriety was not the least of the virtues of the Normans.

The custom of pledging has come down to us from an early period in our annals, and few of us, as we perform the ceremony at the festive board, call to remembrance the ancient historical associations connected with the usage. It is generally agreed that the word "pledge" is derived from the French "pledger," a surety or gage. Some students of the past say we derive the saying, "I'll pledge you," from a practice instituted in the days when the Danes were a power in this country.

It is asserted that it was no uncommon occurrence for the treacherous invaders to invite the Saxons with whom they came in contact to drink with them, and while drinking to plunge a knife or dagger into their throats. It came to pass that a man would not drink with a stranger until someone undertook to give a pledge for his safety. The pledge then held up his knife or sword to protect the person who was a victim for a foe when engaged in the act of taking a drink.

Some curious notes on this theme appear in the "History of Great Britain," by the Rev. Robert Henry, D.D. In the second volume, published in 1774, it is stated: "If an Englishman presumed to drink in the presence of a Dane, without express permission, it was esteemed a great mark of disrespect, that nothing but his instant death could expiate. Nay, the English were so intimidated that they would not adventure to drink even when they were invited until the Danes had pledged their honor for their safety. The man who pledged the drinker stood by weapon in hand to protect him."

It is generally believed that young Edward the Martyr was in 979 assassinated at the instigation of his false-hearted step-mother, the infamous Elfrida. He was stabbed in the back while drinking stirrup at Corfe Castle. The object of the murder was to place Elfrida's son on the throne. Some writers believe that from this tragedy we derive the custom of pledging.

The Gentle Voice He Heard.

"Naomi," he said softly as he gazed at the moon above them, "isn't the evening beautiful? Do you know, strange fancies throng my mind on a night like this. Eery zephyr seems to bear gentle voices, perhaps from the spirit world. Do you hear such voices?"

Silence for a moment.

"I think I do, George."

"What do they sound like to you?"

"They are very distinct, but they make me think that papa and brother Henry are calling the dog."—London Tit-Bits.

Injury to Injury.

He reproachfully—Perhaps you forget what happened yesterday. I was cut by my dearest acquaintance, the one I love best in all the world, in fact—

She (coolly)—The ideal! Do you really shave yourself.

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ARMY REFORM WORK

SEVENTEEN YEARS AMONG THE CONVICTS AND CRIMINALS.

Major W. P. Archibald, Prison Gate Secretary of the Salvation Army of Canada, has had an interesting experience of the Dominion Prisons—A Terrible Arrangement of Parents—Boy Criminals, He Says, Salient Reform.

Seventeen years in prison work! Seventeen years among the felons and criminals of the great penitentiaries of North America! This is the interesting experience of a Toronto officer of the Salvation Army—Major W. P. Archibald, Prison Gate Secretary for Canada. The work and misery he has witnessed in the under strata of society in this period, the struggle of men and women to escape the bitter sequel of their ruined lives, and the defeat attitude of the natural criminal element toward restraint, would fill volumes, writes G. C. Porter, in Toronto Sunday World. As a lesson and a warning, the chapter of horrors he could relate ought to be a sermon of practical value to the average individual.

Major Archibald is a thoughtful man, and having lived in an atmosphere saturated with misfortune and failure and human error, he is broadminded. The lights and shadows of ruined lives he has studied in all phases. He has had unlimited opportunities to contrast success and failure, crime and honesty, vice and virtue. The personal equations of things appeal to him. For a generation Major Archibald has enjoyed the confidence of that class that knows what the wages of sin are in the most hideous forms. It is no small matter to earn the trust of these outcasts. He has contemplated the forces that contribute to the prisons and the gibbets. He has followed the thief from his first false step all the way down the line into the sinks of depravity, to the death



MAJOR W. P. ARCHIBALD, Salvation Army Prison Gate Secretary.

bed and witnessed his frantic appeals for Divine mercy when confronted with the great mystery of life. From these sources he has drawn his conclusions, and it is his mission to declare that he calmly declares: "I have yet to meet a man in prison whom I feel his parents had done their whole duty to as a child when under parental tuition."

Here is an aspect of criminology that is worthy of attention—a terrible arraignment of the parent of to-day. Major Archibald reinforces his delicate estimate with statistical material, data from the prisons of the country, opinions of prominent workers in the same line and statements of convicts and wardens of penitentiaries. What is equally alarming, he declares, and again appeals to Canadian statistics to establish his position, is that juvenile criminality is increasing.

Major Archibald is but 35 years old, of compact figure, kindly blue eyes, brown curly hair and a face beaming with warm-hearted impulse. Matters of great human interest appeal to him as the most alluring subjects for investigation. While sitting at his desk in the headquarters building of the Salvation Army, Major Archibald discussed the subject.

"How do I work? Right among the men themselves," observed the gentleman with evident enthusiasm in discussing the theme. "I visit all the prisons, talk with the men at chapel services, and then go to the cells of those who express to the warden a wish to have further talk with me. For this work I find the great Kingston prison the most interesting, since it has among its inmates every kind of the criminal known to the Canadian law. The worst characters are there, but they don't become so desperate as they make up wholly despair."

"And then when the convicts come out! Do you know, a man entering the world again after a long sentence behind steel and granite is like a child, absolutely helpless? I have had a talk with the convict some three months before his release. I then make up my mind if we can handle him. About 85 per cent. of all released criminals we try to reform, and I think we are successful in as many as 85 out of every 100 we take."

"First, let me absolutely disabuse the public mind of the old saw of 'Once a criminal, always a criminal.' I don't believe even the most hardened police officer to-day holds any such theory. There are degrees of criminals just as there are of lawyers and doctors, and laborers in all fields. Then, too, there are criminals who are naturally vicious and whose instincts are too thoroughly confirmed to permit any reforming. These fellows can't be reached, and the only recourse is life imprisonment."

"It is my experience that the first step toward reforming a man who has been convicted of crime is to give him a practical illustration of a desire to help him. The moral aspect must dawn upon him by de-

gress. The religious feature must come as a secondary and wholly in dependent factor in reclamation. Fancy talking religion to a man just released from a ten years' sentence for burglary, liquor house in the world with no friends, not a dollar, no name and nothing to stimulate his honest efforts but fear of incarceration! The convict must be prepared for the new life, and he must see his own savior. He must learn the lesson of honest industry and be made to feel the ennobling effect of earning his bread by the sweat of his brow. The divine injunction reduced to practical application, that is the secret."

"I find by talking with a man weeks before his term expires what trade he has or what he wants to do. Invariably the convict will tell you he is innocent—that is, until he knows you well. Then I find the criminal objects to the so-called 'rescue' some. He don't want to be herded with his kind while awaiting employment. It savors too much of the prison from which he has just come. I candidly regard these places of refuge as rather in the light of spawning grounds for crime. One backward glance and the ruins of half a dozen sincere reformers. That is where the home idea is menacing. I rather prefer isolating the convict from his kind at once."

"If I find the criminal strong, a man of character who does not shrink from contact with the world, I invite him to come to me in Toronto when released. Money is furnished by the Government for that purpose. If the man is addicted to drink, is a long term prisoner who trembles at the thought of again being his own master, I meet him or send some one to even remain inside the prison several days with the man before venturing out. Then if he gets a drink and become helpless we still hold to him. Finding that a man on a certain date to be released is a carpenter, I secure him work. That was hard at first, but now the public is beginning to help in the work. Business men do not hesitate to give money to a convict whom we recommend as a subject of a trial. These are not always orthodox Christian men either, but broadminded fellows who believe all is not bad in a man simply because he comes from a felon's cell. The employer alone knows the record of his new help, unless perhaps the forerun is an especially strong man, and then we let him in the secret."

"If the convict is a man of exceptional strength of character, I invariably insist on him going right back to the scene of his crime and living it down. That is a fine example and is the best evidence of a sincere desire to reform. If he has a family I get them together. I recall one case right here in Toronto where both man and wife had drifted into prison and when they came out we furnished rooms for them and started them in life with ability to earn an honest living. Their gratitude was almost pitiful. In common with the average convict they could not understand our motives. In most cases I have these words say: 'But why do you do this for me? They are incapable of grasping the principle involved. That idea grows, however, on them, and this is the germ of a higher life. 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80 a Pound.

BONED HADDIE, 10c a pound.

BONED CODFISH, 8c a pound.

BONELESS CODFISH, 10c a pound.

SALT MACKEREL, 12 1/2c a pound.

Our finest Mocha and Java Coffee, 40c a pound.

H. Malcolmson

LUCKY FIND

Colonel Young, of London, and Mrs. McGregor, were out shooting Raleigh just a year ago when Colonel lost his gun case. Mr. Young, of the seventh concession, high, found it, and did not know whom it belonged. He took good care of it, however, and in a conversation with Mr. McGregor later mentioned the fact that he had the case. Mr. McGregor went to it and found it to be the long case. He will forward it to Colonel Young. The case is a very valuable one.

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PROBABILITIES.

Special per G. N. W.
Toronto, Jan. 15-11 a. m. Fair and cold today, light snowfalls on Saturday, with a little higher temperature.

The following figures were registered today at seven a. m. at Turner's weather bureau:

Barometer 29.53.
Thermometer 17.
Highest yesterday 30.
Lowest yesterday 12.
Direction of wind, southwest.

THE LOCAL BUDGET

Maccabee Minstrels. Something worth seeing.

W. A. F. Campbell, of Ridgeway, spent yesterday in the city.

Neil Watson, of Mull, is calling on his many Chatham friends today.

To-morrow \$2.00 will buy any stiff of soft hat in the 2 T's store.

Miss Archer, of Bothwell, was a Maple City guest yesterday.

Don't miss glove sale at 50c at Thibodeau & Jacques to-morrow.

Miss Sarah Dauphine, Road St., is visiting her friends in Thibodeau.

The standard make of hats sold at \$2.00. Your choice, Saturday, for \$2.00, at the 2 T's.

Miss Bessie McGee, of Winnipeg, Man., is visiting relatives in the city.

Old pipe or tea lead wanted immediately at The Planet Office if Matinee at the Grand to-morrow, prices 5 and 15 cents.

Skating for the children at the new rink on Saturday from two until five o'clock. Admission 10 cents.

J. N. Steinhoff, of Wallaceburg, was registered at the Garner House yesterday.

A beautiful cutter for sale very cheap; only been used three times. Apply to T. A. Smith.

Fifty dozen Puff, Four-in-hand and Arcoff ties, worth 50c, and 75c, for 25c each, at the 2 T's.

Buy best hard coal at cheapest rate from C. B. Hancock, West street, Tel. 303, F. Marx, office, 101.

Stone the Hatter has having big sales for the next five days. Read his local in this paper.

Miss Marion Glasgow, Taylor avenue, very pleasantly entertained a number of her friends last evening.

Skating for the children at the new rink on Saturday from two until five o'clock. Admission 10 cents.

"The D. & L." Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil will build you up, will make you fat and healthy. Especially beneficial to those who are "all run down."

Mrs. Chas. Wilcox, Raleigh, Miss Aggie Wrighton, and Miss Queenie Taylor left last evening for Sarnia on learning of the serious illness of W. F. Wrighton.

Father, Laurendeau, who was ordered here, is visiting in the city. Father Laurendeau is now living in London; he has not yet received a salary.

80c kid gloves, all sizes, black, white and colors, for 50c Saturday only at Thibodeau & Jacques.

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DENTIST.
Office removed to his new office, corner King and Fifth streets, over A. L. Mac and Drug Store.
Telephone Office 104.
Residence 26.

Dr. R. V. Bray is confined to his home through illness.

Mrs. Orville Dolson is confined to her bed through illness.

Arthur Slade and son Arthur of Milwaukee, are visiting relatives in the city.

This is the 20th anniversary of the wedding of Geo. Taylor, the cigar dealer.

Marks Bros. again to-night. After the performance an amateur contest will be given.

J. W. Aitken has returned from Ottawa. He stopped at Hamilton on his way home and attended the tournament.

Mrs. Charles Willmore, who has been visiting relatives and friends in the city and vicinity for the past three weeks, has returned to her home in Detroit this afternoon.

MEAT-3 lbs. sausage 25c; 3 lbs. pork chop 25c; 3 lbs. beefsteak 25c; 3 lbs. mince meat 25c; 3 lbs. Hamburg steak 25c; 3 lbs. headcheese 25c. E. Putnam.

Sale No. 1-We place on sale to-day five hundred more colored shirts, both soft and stiff fronts, regular priced \$1.35 and \$1.50 each, your price for 75c. Stone the Hatter, Garner House Block.

David Martin stopped a runaway team yesterday. The horses were standing at Frank Crow's place and became frightened. They ran away. Mr. Martin seized on the line and steering the horses into the bridge stopped them.

W. S. Richards has for Saturday a special display of fresh taffies, butter Scotch, peanut and coconut crisp, bon-bons, chewing caramels, peanut wafers, glazed fruits and salted peanuts. He requests the pleasure of your company at his store (to guarantee) and sample, and he will guarantee to goods to purchasers.

Sale No. 2-50 dozen men's wool and fleece lined shirts and drawers, regular 50c lines, on sale for the next five days at 35c a garment. This is less than the factory prices for the above goods. Stone the Hatter, Garner House Block.

Elmer Murphy, second son of the late Alex. Murphy, of this city, died at London, on Wednesday, in his 20th year. The funeral took place in London to-day from the residence of his uncle, Frank B. Wyant, King St.

The solos of Mr. Archibald and Mr. McKinnon, and the selection by Miss Weaver, elocutionist, will be featured in next Tuesday evening's concert. Mr. Smalley, the accomplished master of the banjo, mandolin and guitar, needs no introduction to Chatham.

Six rinks of Chatham curlers went to London to-day. They were Messrs. Dr. J. L. Bray, Waddell, Gunn and Oldershaw; Sheldon, Tillson, VonGuten and Malcolmson; J. McCoig, Kennedy, Gosnell and Kerr; Mounter, Fielder, Scott and Stevens; Marritt, Gordon, Kingston and Rankin; Cornell, Judson, Woodward and Massey.

Sale No. 3-All overcoats, gloves and fur caps at wholesale prices, for the next ten days at Stone the Hatter, Garner House Block.

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For Thursday, Two Dozen Hats, worth from \$3 to sell for \$1.98.

C. A. COOKSLY, KING ST. CHATHAM.

Miss Foy, of Toronto, was registered at the Rankin House yesterday.

Mrs. A. J. Graber, Patterson avenue, has returned from a visit in Stratford.

Mr. Fred J. Crow has returned to his home after a two weeks visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. M. Crow, Bedford street.

Mr. James Green and Miss Green arrived in Chatham from Manitoba on a visit to their grandfather, Mr. James Peterson, Adelaide street.

Capt. Garrett, Inspector for the North American Life Insurance Co., has returned to Toronto, after spending a few days in the Maple City.

Frank P. Weldon was in Dover yesterday adjusting the loss for one of his companies, caused by fire, which took place at the residence of Jos. Larsh, of Pain Court, in which his dwelling was burned. The fire took place on Jan. 10.

The funeral of the late Melvin Cartier, who was killed by a train in Chicago, took place this afternoon at two o'clock, from his late home on Joseph street, to the Maple Leaf Cemetery. Deceased was 21 years of age and a tailor by trade. Fred Cartier, of Charlevoix, Michigan, and George Cartier, who has been travelling in the east, arrived here to attend the funeral.

Marks Bros. presented "The Prodigal Son" to the largest audience during their engagement here. The performance was presented in a very capable manner, and the specialties last night were above the average. To-night the bill is "Driven From Ireland," and after this performance an amateur contest will be given; about twenty competitors will take part. To-morrow there will be a matinee at 2.30, and in the evening "A Convict's Daughter" will be played.

The electric lights throughout the city were out last night because there were no carbons for the lamps. The carbons were ordered in December, but have not reached here yet. The ice blockade in the Detroit river has so congested freight on the river that it is impossible to tell when the carbons will arrive. The railroads for some time have only been moving perishable goods and the city's carbons are held at Detroit. Wednesday the Engineer ordered carbons from Blenheim, but they did not reach Chatham till five o'clock last night, too late for use. There are enough carbons for use to-night and to-morrow. The Engineer has telegraphed to the General Electric Co., Toronto, to have 1,000 carbons sent on by express and 4,000 carbons shipped by freight.

Thomas B. Linton, of Rosland, B. C., an old Chathamite, who left this city for the west about 20 years ago, was in the city to-day en route to Chicago. He was a caller on The Planet.

Mr. Linton speaks enthusiastically of the growth and development of the Maple City and congratulates its citizens upon their splendid progress. With his brother James he now operates two large stationary houses in Calgary and Rosland respectively. He says the west is booming and affords splendid opportunities for the young man.

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This was the experience of Mr. Benjamin Stewart, Zionville, N.B.

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A special London correspondent says: When Phil May, joking to the very end, died of consumption not long ago, the world lost one of its greatest fun-makers, one of its cleverest humorous artists. Phil May could put more jollity into a picture with fewer touches of his pen than any contemporary. As a practical joker Phil May ranked with the late Eugene Field, and he was a genuine humorist, for he wrote his funniest jokes himself. Despite his great success he was one of Punch's leading artists at the time of his death—he never took a drawing lesson in his life.

Since he died the English papers have been full of anecdotes of May. One of them describes him as at a supper party in London, where he made an exquisite drawing on a menu card for the lady in whose honor the party was given. This was seen by a wealthy woman present, who sent the waiter with a ten pound note to the artist asking him to do a similar drawing for her. Mr. May, disgusted at the woman's impertinence, took a good look at her and then made an appalling truthful caricature of her features on the back of the bank note, which he returned.

During his visit to the Chicago World's fair, which he sketched for the London Graphic, May fell in with Frank Verbeck, whose illustrations chiefly depict bears and other animals. They first swore an eternal friendship and then proceeded to pass an agreeable night. Rather late May leaped over the table and said: "Verby, your bears are so charming—by the way, how many bears have you probably drawn in your time?"

"About 3,000," returned Verbeck. "They are so charming that I suppose you must have gone out in the woods and made studies from the life."

"Phil," replied the other, "I have always lived in town. I never saw a live bear in my life. But your delightful street children, now, you've studied them at first hand, I'm sure."

"Verby," answered May solemnly, "I never saw a street child. I always travel in a sedan chair and with the curtains drawn. All my family are dukes except the ladies who are more like what you might call duchesses."

One of the best of May's sketches hangs in the library of Joseph Chamberlain. It portrays a thin, haggard man in the prisoners' bar, talking to a very sympathetic looking judge.

"Your face is familiar here," the judge said.

"It is, your honor—worse luck," returned the prisoner.

"Are you married yet?"

"Not yet, sir."

"How long is it, now, that you have been engaged?"

"Seven years, your honor."

"So long as that? Why in the world haven't you got married in all that time?"

"Because, your honor," the prisoner explained, "Ann and I haven't managed to be both out of jail at the same time."

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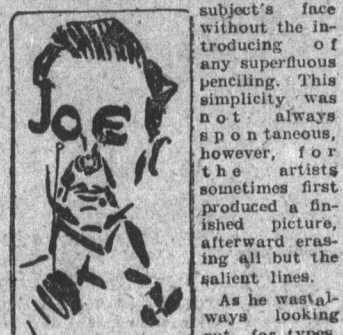
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DISTRICT DOINGS.

WALLACEBURG

Jan. 15.—The sailors ball was held in Stonehouse's Hall on Tuesday evening last and was attended by a large number of young people. The St. Clair orchestra was a most acceptable feature of the evening.

Miss Anna Shaw left to-day for Detroit to spend a few months and again take up her musical studies.

There was a large attendance at the rink last evening. The band was present.

DRESDEN

Jan. 15.—The Missionary meeting held in Christ Church on Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, was quite largely attended. The Rev. J. Cooper Robinson, of Japan, gave a very interesting and profitable address, which was very much enjoyed by the number present.

Mrs. O. Neely and family left yesterday to join Mr. Neely in Toronto, where they will reside in the future.

W. H. Drader, of Chatham, visited J. H. Barrie on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

Special prayer services were held in the Methodist church on Wednesday and Thursday evenings. Another service will be held to-night.

In Detroit on Tuesday, Jan. 12th, Mrs. Hiram Perry, to Henry Perry, both of Dresden.

The local branch of the Bible Society, will hold a public meeting in the Presbyterian church, on Wednesday evening, Feb. 3rd.

Seaton has rented part of H. Waddell's building, and moved his barber shop to it.

The annual meeting of the Port Stanley Navigation Co., was held in Port Stanley last week, when it was decided to keep the steamer Wmuna running from Dresden and Wallaceburg to Detroit and Windsor, for the coming season.

Marks Bros will give a one night performance in the Grand Opera House on Wednesday evening, Jan. 20th.

The Rev. R. Thompson, of Charing Cross, will preach special missionary sermons in the Methodist church next Sunday morning and evening.

Theodore Smith has sold his laundry business to Jim Lee the Chinese laundryman. Jim will amalgamate the two businesses and continue his business on St. George, as hitherto.

Wicks & Co. have taken over the grocery stock of H. Waddell and will continue to do business at Mr. Waddell's old stand. Mr. Waddell will retain the china and crockery department and will conduct that part of the business himself.

Mr. Hazelwood has rented the place formerly occupied by Percy Wicks, and will open up a barber shop in the near future.

Frank Meyers, accidentally sprained his ankle, at the Uncle Sam Dancer works, Wednesday morning.

Chas. Metzger, the new restaurant man, will hold a grand opening next Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. McKim have returned from their visit to Glenora.

Miss Eva Tarrill is spending a few days with Tupperville friends.

Arthur Smith, Jr., has recovered from his attack of la grippe.

Miss Lena Hicks, is quite ill with bronchitis.

BLENNHEIM

Jan. 15.—A very pretty wedding took place on Wednesday evening at 5:30 o'clock, at the home of Mr. Wm. Knott, Gravel Road, Harwich, when his daughter, Miss Mabel, was united in marriage to Mr. Geo. Jenner, of Raleigh township. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Thompson, of Charing Cross. After the wedding the guests, numbering forty, sat down to a sumptuous supper. The bride was attired in brown lace, trimmed with white lace. The

bridesmaid, Miss Eva Jenner, niece of the groom, was attired in pink silk, trimmed with white ribbon. The groom was supported by Mr. Wilbert Knott, brother of the bride. Mrs. Clarence Jenner played the wedding march. The bride and groom left the same evening for their future home in the adjoining township.

Mrs. Horace Miller and two daughters leave to-day for Rochester, N. Y. On their way they will stop off at Buffalo to visit friends. Mrs. Miller and daughters will be missed by a host of friends and especially their church circle.

The remains of the late Mrs. Lane, of London, were brought from that place by the 5:30 train last evening and interred at the Evergreen Cemetery. She was the wife of Mr. Lane, formerly blacksmith here.

George Breaze, formerly of Blenheim, but now of Lytleton, Colorado, is here on a visit to his daughter, Mrs. Frank Sheldon. Mr. and Mrs. F. Sheldon's little girl died on Wednesday morning.

The tobacco buyers were here this week and bought a fine lot of tobacco from this section. We saw two very large loads pass through town.

On Monday, Jan. 11th, 1904, at the Presbyterian Church, Windsor, by the Rev. J. C. Tolmie, Miss S. E. Burk, eldest daughter of Solomon Burk, 3rd concession, was united in marriage to Mr. Edward Burroughs Coolidge, of Cleveland, Ohio. After the ceremony the happy couple left for New York and other points.

The annual meeting of the Gun Club was held on Tuesday evening at W. E. Hill's office, W. D. Samson in the chair. A very satisfactory statement was presented. The following officers were elected:

President—R. L. Goshall.
Vice Pres.—T. Taylor.
Sec.—Treas.—W. E. Hall.
Captain—W. O'Brien.
Official Scorer—W. F. Robertson.

Executive Committee—R. L. Goshall, W. E. Hill, Theo. Pickering, H. L. Merritt, and P. Slater.

It was decided to hold regular shoots every Tuesday at 2:30 p. m., beginning Jan. 19th.

OFFICERS ELECTED

The Oriental branch of the Odd-fellows held a pow-wow and moon feast in the I. O. O. F. Temple Wednesday evening. A number of pilgrims were taken over the sands of the desert to the G. S. H. and afterwards the tribesmen enjoyed an oyster supper in the auditorium. There were about 100 present.

The following officers were elected:—

G. S. H.—S. McCornock.
V. G. S. H.—R. Pritchard.
Rego.—W. C. McArthur.
Banko.—John Turner.
Vice Rego.—W. H. Carswell.

G. M.—F. B. Stevens.
G. H. E.—A. M. Lafferty.
G. C. G.—Wm. Turtle.
G. H.—Wm. Turtle.

FINE LECTURE

Pusica Yocu Yowah, Futer-Saba Yusow Mohammed, of Soudan, Africa, lectured to a fine audience last evening in Campbell A. M. E. Church on Africa and the Mohammed religion. The lecture was very interesting and instructive.

Simmons celebrated Mandolin Club acquitted themselves commendably. Miss Edyth Jackson and Mrs. R. G. Murphy each rendered sweet solos, and were encored.

His Worship Mayor McKough was chairman and presided with dignity and satisfaction.

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BOYS WARNED AGAINST CITIES

Indiana State Board of Instruction Advises Lads to Stay on Farms.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 13. — "The farmer boy of northern Indiana should beware of Chicago."

This is one of the statements in an official bulletin which is being sent to teachers all over Indiana by the state board of public instruction in an attempt to stem the tide of emigration of farmer boys to the great cities of the country.

The state board determined on its action after receiving statistics showing estimates of the number of boys who have deserted the farm for the city during the past few years. It believes the vitality of the state is being snapped and will at once begin a crusade to stop the movement.

"Too many boys from the farms are seeking openings in Chicago, St. Louis and the other large cities of the west," the bulletin continues. "Personal investigations have brought to light the fact that three-fourths of the boys who have migrated to the cities in the last five years have been unsuccessful in their undertakings, many having been forced almost into the unemployed class."

The bulletin then specifies Chicago and deprecates the fact that that city is drawing all the boys from the farms in the northern part of the state, and continues:

"It will be a sad day for our nation when all our young men far from home come to town, when the small, well cultivated homesteads, give way to big landed estates."

The teachers in all the public schools of the country are urged to use all the influence in their power to make their pupils familiar with the hardships of city life and the few chances for them to get started in business in the great centres of industry. They are also urged to make their school-room busy workshops where the nobility of honest toil may be taught.

THE BIG MINSTRELS

Twenty years in Minstrelsy and four years before the foot-lights, in vaudeville and at all in the thirties, a premier in his chosen profession, and most charmingly clever is a record not often equalled in the theatrical world. Such is the successful accounting of G. H. Shepard, a minstrel producer of exceptional ability.

Mr. Shepard is the gentleman in charge of the Maccabee Minstrels to be given in the Grand Opera House on Thursday and Friday, Jan. 21st and 22nd.

Mr. Shepard is a most pleasing gentleman to meet, and for an array of talent and versatility in his chosen field of labor he has surprises for those who watch his daily work. His adaptability in every part of minstrel producing and his rapid perfecting of details at rehearsal is a treat for a spectator who may be present. Over one hundred fancy steps is only a small part of Mr. Shepard's repertoire. In addition to such ability, Mr. Shepard has the crowning accomplishment of imparting his teachings and knowledge to others, which makes him a minstrel producer.

A DESERTER CAUGHT.

Result of Harry McLellan's Quarrel With His Wife.

Forest, Jan. 14.—Harry McLellan, who deserted from the London Military School about two years ago, was arrested here and sent to serve four years in the meantime. He had married in the meantime, but a short time ago forced his wife to leave their home. She, in turn, had him arrested for desertion from the military school.

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10.00 " "	7.50	17.00 " "	12.00

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You Need the Goods, we Need the Money. Consequently we both derive the same benefit, if you take the same interest in this sale as we do, you will make money while we loose, but as you know, the 2 T's always make it a point to not carry any goods over from one season to the other. **What we say we do,** so when you come in make up your mind that you will get **One Dollar and Fifty Cents worth of goods for One Dollar.** Following is a few of the good things we have to offer you for the balance of January.

1st.—We will give you the choice of any overcoat in the store for \$10.00, regular prices were \$12.50, \$15.00, \$17.50 and \$18.50. You know what kind of overcoats the 2 T's keep—best that money can buy. Think of the price—\$10.00 for your choice. One hundred and seventy-six to pick from. First come, first served.

2nd.—We will do the same in the suit department. Choice of any suit in the store for \$10.00, sizes to fit everybody. This is a chance you do not get everyday, so benefit by the occasion and get yourself a good \$12.50, \$15.00, \$17.50 or \$18.50 suit for \$10.00. Remember everything goes, no reserve.

Pants come third. Choice of any pair of pants for \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00 and \$4.50 quality. Underwear comes fourth.—50c quality for 37c; 75c quality for 55c; \$1.00 quality for 75c; \$1.50 quality for \$1.00; \$2.00 quality for \$1.25. Everything in the underwear department goes at nett wholesale prices. Remember these prices, this is a genuine sale, no humbug, stock is too high, we must reduce it.

This is our Eighth Year in Business in Chatham, we have done extraordinary well, gained the people's confidence, which we must keep. So you can make up your mind this sale is genuine, this is the first sale of the kind we ever had, it will be a big one and a money saver to you all. Sale starts **Saturday Morning at 8 o'clock sharp.** Positively no goods sold at the sale price before that time. This sale is genuine. Do not forget the prices. Take time to read this, it will do you good. For the next three weeks we will make no money, but will get rid of surplus stock. Everything will be sold for **cash only**, and one price to all, that is wholesale price, which is all we ask.

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