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Snappy Bargains For Thursday

This cold change will remind you that you have yet to procure some necessary winter wear.—Our winter is in reality only commencing, and those who have not yet made full preparation for cold weather will find their wants here at very low prices.
Winter Underwear, Winter Mitts and Gloves, Winter Hosiery, Winter Jackets and Furs are yours for the asking at very small prices.

For Thursday Selling

Bleached linen Napkins, tea size, very special on Thursday for a doz. 22c
Bleached linen Napkins, dinner size, very special on Thursday for a doz. 28c
2 pos. of black and white Wrapperettes, and 2 pos. of light color fancy Wrapperettes, reg. price 10c a yd., on Thursday for..... 5c
4 pos. of extra heavy good striped wool Skirtings, reg. 40c and 45c a yrd., special on Thursday for..... 14c

Fur Coats

We have a very choice lot still of Ladies Astrachan Jackets, fine curls, well lined and in all sizes, to fit any figure. The regular prices are:
\$25.00, \$30.00, \$37.50, \$40.00
but the prices at which you can buy them will make you an easy owner of a good health preserving garment.

New Cloths

25 pos. of new Costume Cloths are to hand in the new color shades for the coming season.
54 in. Camel's Hair Cloth in fawns, browns, new blues, reds and greens, elegant new finish, all-wool, suitable for tailor made suits, excellent value for \$1.25 a yard.

For Thursday Selling

2 pos. heavy double nap Shaker Flannel, in pink and sky, and red and sky, reversible colors, reg. 15c a yd., on Thursday for..... 8c
Men's all-wool Underbreeches and Drawers, good weight and quality, very special on Thursday for a garment..... 90c
5 pos. of all-wool Homespun Dress Goods, 40 in. to 44 in. wide, worth regular price 60c, 75c, and \$1.00 a yard, splendid goods for suits or separate rainy day skirts, very special on Thursday for..... 48c

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Friday Bargains

Exceptional buying opportunities brings many lines of goods to our counters at less than the cost of production. Quite often we are accused of selling at a loss when its only a case of good buying. We turn the buying power of this SIX STORE ORGANIZATION to the benefit of our customers at every opportunity. To-morrow's list of specials will be an unusually interesting one. Here is but a partial list.

10 pos New Prints choice patterns in light and dark colors, worth 6c and 7c Friday..... 5c	300 Bunches Bats 8 oz size in good quality, special per bunch, Friday..... 5c	10 only Ladies' Flannelette Gowns, extra fine quality, new styles, med. in shades of blue and blue, sold regular at \$1.00, Friday..... 60c
2 pos Heavy Ticking fine firm quality in good stripe patterns, wide width, sold regular at 20c Friday..... 14c	3 doz Boys' Fleece Lined Shirts and Drawers, extra quality, odd sizes, sold regular at 35c to 50c each, Friday..... 25c	300 yds Linenette Lining extra quality, tafetta finish, firm weave, full 40 in. wide, in black and slate shades, the best 12 1/2c lining in the city Friday..... 9c
2 pos Table Oil Cloth 1 1/4 yds wide best quality in new designs regular 19c yd, Friday..... 14c	14 Only Ladies' Wrapperettes made of fine quality wrapperette in medium and dark colors, hand-somely trimmed, fitted lining, regular price \$1.50, Friday..... \$1.00	25 doz Standard Dress Steels the best in the market, all shades and sizes, sold regular at 20c per doz, Friday..... 12 1/2c
13 pr Lace Curtains, extra quality, Nottingham lace, extra wide, 3 1/2 yds long, handsome design, tapered finish, sold regular at \$1.75 and \$2 Friday..... \$1.19	13 pr Children's Gauntlets fine quality Astrachan, faced with kid and Mocha, lacelined in white or red, regular 75c, Friday..... 48c	500 yds Dress Trimmings, fancy braids, gimps, insertions, etc., long range of styles and shades, sold regular up to 25c per yd, Friday..... 25c

The Busy Cash Store

John Northway & Co.

WANTED
VIOLEN WANTED—A good instrument. Address with full particulars to Box 187, Chatham, Ont. **EXPERIENCED GOLF WANTED**—For general housework. Apply to **MR. P. D. McKEILLAR**, Victoria Ave.

WANTED—An experienced carman to drive and assist Agents. No canvassing. Salary and expenses paid. Drawn 60, Bradford, Ont.

WANTED—A good girl for housework—Apply to **MRS. W. S. MARSHALL**, 15 West Street.

WANTED—A competent girl for general housework. Apply to **MRS. W. E. RISPIN**, King Street, West.

AGENTS WANTED FOR THE GREATEST AND—to test selling book ever published.—Biography of Dwight L. Moody, by his son, W. E. Moody, assisted by I. R. D. Barker. A splendid life story of the great evangelist's high, unselfish service in the cause of Christianity. Published with the authorization of Mrs. Moody and the family. Only authorized, authentic biography. Beautifully illustrated. Large handsome volume, 1000 more agents wanted—men and women. Sales Immense. Harvest time for agents. Freight paid, credit given. Address: The Dominion Company, Dept. K, Chicago.

FOR SALE OR TO RENT.
TWO HOUSES FOR SALE—Corner Barry and Lauriston Sts. See gardens attached to each, city water. About eight minutes walk from Post Office. Apply to **LOUIS STANISLEWICZ**, Pianist Office, 202-11.

LOTS FOR SALE—One and one-half acres at the head of Victoria Avenue, and six lots on Maple Street. Apply to **MRS. TIMMAN**, 196 St. Victoria Avenue, or the Pianist Office.

TWO LOTS—House on King Street, opposite the Gas Works—last occupied by the late James Le-much. Apply to **W. FRANK SAITS**, Barrister, King Street.

FOR SALE OR TO RENT—Store on King Street, lately occupied by J. G. Wastley, about 3 doors from market. Apply to **MRS. McNAUGHTON**, 25-10.

GAME COCKS FOR SALE—Six, per cock, \$1.00. Pedigree guaranteed, for sale cheap. Address **R. J. Carr** or apply to this Office.

COWS FOR SALE—Two good milk cows, 5 years old. Apply to **THOMAS ANDERSON**, 2nd Con. Dover.

FIREBUG IN THAMESVILLE.
He Tried to burn Robt. Ferguson's Barn For the Second Time.
Special to The Planet.
Thamesville, Jan. 25.—About two months ago the barn of R. Ferguson, M.P.P., was destroyed by fire the origin of which has never been discovered. A new barn was built and on Tuesday night a neighbor going home about nine o'clock noticed a light in the direction of the barn and on going up found one corner burning, the wood about it being saturated with kerosene, proving that it was the work of an incendiary. The fire was at once extinguished but slight damage resulted. A general anxiety is manifested by the public to discover the perpetrator of a such scoundrelly deed.

OLD FLAG NOW WAVES

Over the Commanding Boer Position on Spion Kop.

GALLANTLY CARRIED BY GENERAL WARREN JUST BEFORE DAYBREAK.

IT DOMINATES THE BOER POSITION AND WILL OPEN UP THE ROAD TO LADYSMITH—GENERAL WAR NOTES.

London, Jan. 25.—A message just received from General Buller says that General Warren's brigade carried the main Boer position on Spion Kop just before daybreak this morning. The British losses were not heavy, the open ground having been crossed during the darkness.

THE REPORT CONFIRMED.

New York, Jan. 25.—A despatch from London announces that General Warren carried Spion Kop, the key to the Boer position, just before dawn this morning. No particulars have yet been received from General Buller.

SPION KOP.

Spion Kop is the highest part of a rocky plateau. Eastward for eight miles are the Boer positions along the Tugela. North-westward from Spion Kop, the plateau runs gradually up to a great spur of the Drakensburg. General Warren's infantry, to reach the summit of Spion Kop, must cross a natural glacis three-quarters of a mile wide and climb 500 feet up a steep slope.

London, Jan. 25.—The British losses up to date in killed, wounded and captured, according to Gen. Buller's last list, total 8,216 men.

British reinforcements, arrived 12,000, at sea 19,000, yet to sail 15,000.

MONDAY'S FIGHTING.

The Daily Telegraph publishes the following despatch from Spearman's Camp, dated Jan. 23, 9:30 p. m.:—On Monday Sir Charles Warren's force cannonaded and fustigated the Boer position west of Spion Kop, near the Aetion Homes road. A lyddite battery co-operated with the other batteries and Maxim. Certainly the fire was effective, causing the enemy serious losses. The Boers, however, clung desperately to their works, from which they are only being very slowly driven.

To-day (Tuesday) the enemy fired their guns oftener, using also the captured 15-pounders, with shrapnel. Our casualties to-day were less even than those of yesterday. Fighting began about six in the morning and continued until dusk, but there has been nothing like a general engagement. The naval big guns assisted from Portgieter's Drift in shelling the Boer positions.

A despatch to the Times from Spearman's Camp, dated Tuesday, 9:30 p. m., says:—"The Boers to-day had more guns and are prepared to fight almost interminably, having entrenched their ridge, which stretches in an almost broken line from Drakensburg, many miles eastward."

TOOK ONE POSITION TUESDAY.
A despatch, dated Spearman's Camp, Tuesday, Jan. 23, 9:30 p. m., says:—"The British field artillery and howitzers shelled the enemy, posted on the crest of the ridge, this morning. The infantry, under excellent cover, kept up an effective rifle fire. The Boers resigned a kopje, of which the British took possession. When retreating, the enemy sheltered themselves of the kopje, stone wall on the slope of the kopje, which they held for hours. This afternoon they ran across the ravine. The British artillery poured shrapnel and lyddite into them and the infantry took the stone wall. The British casualty list was small.

Firing continued throughout the day. We have not advanced any further, but we threw up entrench-

IS APPRECIATED.

The Good Work Being Done by the Children's Aid Society.

County Council Waited Upon by a Deputation and a Contribution of its Support Asked.

At the county council yesterday morning, a deputation from the Children's Aid Society waited on them. The members of the deputation were: Rev. Dr. Battisby, Hugh Macaulay, Dr. R. V. Gray and ex-Ald. Fred. Stone. On motion they were heard.

Dr. Battisby said that the Children's Aid Society had done a good work during the past year. Six children had been taken care of from Harwich, two from Raleigh, one from Tilbury, four from Dover, one from Chatham, three from Dredon, and 56 children in addition were assisted in some manner. No distinction is made by the society as to creed or color, except that Roman Catholic children are given out to Roman Catholic families and Protestant children to Protestant families.

The difficulty that had faced the society was their inability to take care of the children. A home, however, has now been secured, and the society hoped that the county council would render some financial aid.

Councillor VonGuten asked whether the society dealt with neglected children or just with those going astray. There were a couple in Blenheim who had a little girl going to the bad in her mother's footsteps and the Children's Aid Society was asked to step in.

Dr. Gray said that he was acquainted with the case and that he had had considerable correspondence in regard to it, but the Children's Aid Society was unable to do anything through the refusal of the people to give evidence. The aim of this benevolent association was to help all neglected children. There were at present at least ten children in the county whom the society would take as soon as shelter was provided. The doctor received letters every week from the people who had given homes to children, and all were satisfied with them. The object of the society was to lift up the children and place them where they would amount to something.

THERE IS PRAISE INDEED.
Mr. VonGuten thought that the work of the society kept the children out of jail, and in this more than repaid any grant made by the council. It was doing more good work than any other institution in the country.

Fred Stone said that the statement of the finances of the society for the past year had been published in The Planet after the annual meeting. The principal expenditures from which no money is received in return were the travelling expenses and fees of constables in looking into cases reported to the society. The receipts last year were \$100 from the county council,

\$35 from the city, \$10 from the Sons of Scotland, \$5 from the Harwich Society of Christian Endeavor, donations from citizens and fees from members.

Hugh Macaulay stated that there was only one thing that might be emphasized and that was the expenses in connection with the children taken care of. The society felt indebted to the county council for having recognized its work in a substantial manner.

Mr. Hickey gave notice that he would move a grant to the society on Thursday, and the deputation retired.

Mr. McCoy presented the report of the special committee appointed to investigate the salaries of county officials. The report was laid over till the afternoon session.

A motion by Mr. Caughill, seconded by Mr. Willson, to give \$200 to the Canadian patriotic fund, was referred to finance.

The motion to draft a committee to take steps to have the poor in the House of Refuge sustained by a general county rate, was laid over.

A motion by Mr. Goanell, seconded by Mr. Leverton, to grant \$25 to the public libraries of the county, was referred to finance.

January 25th, 1900.

Shoes Going At A Sacrifice

The way our shoes are going will surprise you. And the prices that are making them go will surprise you still more. It will be profitable for you to be surprised. Drop in and try it. See windows, goods ticketed plain.

Ladies' Kid Laced and Buttoned Boots in either hand turn or heavy sole, narrow toes, regular price \$3.00, Cut to..... \$1.50

Men's Wool Lined Rubbers, Cut to..... 50c

Ladies' Wool Lined Storm Rubbers, sizes 24 and 3, Cut to..... 40c

Slater \$3.50 Shoes, Cut to..... \$3.00

Slater \$5.00 Shoes, Cut to..... \$4.00

Geo. W. Cowan

Chatham

The Ark

We Have too Many China Plates

In order to reduce the quantity quick. We have put them in the window this week until Wednesday evening at

10c each

the regular price being 15c, 18c and 20c—marked in plain figures. Also Japanese Plates for 25c, regular price on these 35c, 40c and 50c, until Wednesday evening.

From Friday morning until Saturday night, 27th, we will have a

Cut Sale of China Cups and Saucers

As these goods are used in every household we offer every one the opportunity of securing choice necessities at small cost. If you don't get first choice do not blame us.

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The Planet

S. STEPHENSON, Proprietor.

THE PULP BUSINESS.

The Quebec government has done what it can to preserve for Canada the manufacture of pulp and paper from Canadian pulp, says the Hamilton Spectator. It has fixed the stumpage duties at \$1.95 a cord, allowing a rebate of \$1.50 a cord on all pulp wood manufactured in the province.

The trouble with this regulation—and the same fault is found in the Ontario regulation—is that it does not apply to pulp wood owned by private citizens, and these may be able to supply the American mills for a time. Again, neither the Ontario nor the Quebec regulation applies to the export of pulp, which may still go out of the country free.

What is wanted is a law that shall give Canadians the whole business of manufacturing for and supplying paper to the world. To bring about that very much-to-be-desired state of affairs all that is necessary is that the Dominion government shall impose a prohibitive export duty on pulp wood and pulp.

Why does the government not do so? Is the government—as was alleged by Hon. Mr. Davies in respect of the decision to send soldiers to Africa—waiting to ascertain whether the "great heart" of Canada is "beating in sympathy" with Sir Wilfrid Laurier before it does its duty?

Is not the fact that the Ontario government and the Quebec government have both declared for making the pulp and paper at home, sufficiently indicative of the opinion of the people of Canada to justify immediate action?

After the relief of Ladysmith, what? By-elections are taking place today in three Dominion constituencies, one in Manitoba and two in Quebec.

The Dublin says they will go through the Irish-Boer brigade like the Devil through Athlone. Now, we don't know just how the Devil went through Athlone, but the fact that he did go through and found no inducements to stop, shows that Athlone is nothing like St. Thomas. But let that go. What we want somebody to do is to tell the history of the famous excursion referred to.

The Attorney-General of Massachusetts is in favor of supplanting the death penalty for murder in that state in the case of women and minors under the age of eighteen. Why should a woman murderer escape full responsibility for her crime?—London Advertiser.

Don't know. Can't see any reason why a man should monopolize the privilege of being hanged any more than he monopolizes the right to exercise the parliamentary franchise for the whole family.

The recent order received by the British agents at New Orleans to stop shipping mules to South Africa has been explained by a subsequent order from the British War Office providing for the inoculation of the animals as a precaution against glanders. This action is the result of the alarming development of the disease among American mules either while on their way to Cape Colony or just after they were landed. The inoculation, which will now be performed before shipping, is made with carbonized melina, a Pasteur preparation which does not prevent the mules from having the disease, but which develops it in a few days. All the mules in which the glanders appear will be rejected, while those which withstand the treatment, will be sent to South Africa. A large force of veterinarians is engaged in the work, but fully a week must pass before the inoculation of the animals now at New Orleans will be completed.

NO SO IN ENGLAND.

Chicago Times-Herald.

Under circumstances like these which confront England, France would be able to point with pride to at least one hundred and twenty-seven cabinet crises since the beginning of the trouble.

PROPER ATTENTION TO BUSINESS.

Philadelphia Record.

Any business that is worth engaging in is worth while increasing. No business can be increased without the help that advertising lends to the energy and enterprise which makes the business possible. Publicity reaches its highest development in the artistic advertisement. Those who freely patronize the advertising columns of a daily newspaper help themselves to commercial supremacy.

HUSBANDS SPOILED IN COOKING.

Philadelphia Telegraph.

A good many husbands are entirely spoiled by mismanagement in cooking, and so are not tender and good. Some women keep them too constantly in hot water; others freeze them, others roast them, others put them in a stew, and others keep them constantly in a pickle. It cannot be supposed that any husband will be good and tender managed in this way, but, as a class, husbands are really delicious when

properly treated. When selecting your husband you should not be guided by the silvery appearance, as in buying mackerel; nor by the golden tint, as if you wanted salmon. Be sure and select him yourself, as tastes differ. Do not go to the market for him, as those brought to the door are always best. It is far better to have none than not to know how to cook him properly. It does not make so much difference what you cook him in as how you cook him. See that the linen in which he is wrapped is white and nicely mended, with the required number of strings and buttons. Don't keep him in a kettle by force; he will stay there himself if proper care is taken. If he sputters or fizzes do not be anxious. Some husbands do this; add a little sugar in the form of what confectioners call kisses, but no vinegar or pepper on any account. A little spice improves them, but it must be used with judgment. Do not try him with anything sharp to see if he is becoming tender. Stir him gently the while, lest he stay too long in the kettle and become flat and tasteless. If thus treated you will find him very digestible, agreeing nicely with you, and he will keep as long as you want.

WHY PRINTERS SHOULD ADVANCE

PRICES.

Practical Printer.

The great advance in the cost of all materials used in production of printed matter has made it necessary for the printer who would make a living to proportionately increase his charges. In many cases the cost of paper—usually the principal item—is now fifty per cent. greater than it was a year and a half ago. Other materials have also greatly advanced. At the present writing it would be difficult to mention anything used by the printer which can be purchased at the same price at which it was obtainable two years ago.

CENTURIES BEGIN WITH 1 AND

END WITH 0.

London Leader.

I have resolved, and announced my resolution again and again, that I will not trouble my head to explain why the next century begins on Jan. 1, 1901. It seems to me that if a man does not see this at a glance he is an outsider whose ignorance cannot be enlightened. Of course the whole trouble begins in this way:—If the first year is the "Year 1," then the twentieth century begins when 1901 dawns. But there are poor creatures who say that the first year is the year zero, and so when Dec. 31 is reached at the end of the first year we are supposed to call it "Dec. 31, year nothing." That seems to be absurd to me. I am prepared to put it in this way:—If the first year is the year nothing, then the other fellows are right. But it strikes me that the first year which came along should be called No. 1.

And with apologies to those who would like to call it "year number nothing," I beg leave to ignore the subject from this time forth and forevermore. Or, at least, I may be allowed to add this:—If you like to call the first year "nothing" or "zero," why should you call any other year anything? One year is as good as another. And if the first year does not count, then why should any other year count? I know this subject has caused fearful trouble in families, and has split fire side circles into little segments. But I have given my decision, and I will not refer to the subject again as long as I live, my final decision being this:—If the first year is nothing, then all other and following years are nothing.

THE AFTER-MONEY BEGGAR.

St. Thomas Journal.

Now you've elected your councillors and chosen your trustees, and have done some holidaying with your friends, there's a fellow that is asking your attention, if you please, and the matter is not when the century ends.

He's an after-money printer, and he wants that dollar due on subscription for the paper that he sends. He's been waiting, waiting, waiting, and still he waits on you, Come forward now, you absent minded friends.

Shoe bill—grocery bill—bill for your last year's hat, Forget them all, and think of him that talks to you to-day, This is the month you've got to come, you can't get away from that, Dig in your purse for your credit's sake and pay—pay—pay.

A CONTRACTOR WRECKED.

Constitution Undermined by Nervous Complications.—South American Nervine Worked a Complete Cure.

Nervous prostration and dizziness complicated as afflicted J. W. Dinwoody, contractor, Campbellford, that physically he was almost a total wreck. His druggist recommended South American Nervine. A few doses gave him great relief, indeed sound sleep, and a him so that to-day he is as strong and hearty as ever.

Sold by J. W. McLaren.

When is a blow from a lady well come? When she strikes you agreeably. Often the pretensions of liberty are joined to the morals of the slave.

LAUGHING GAS.

The Cry of the Hostess.

Oh, I am weary, heart and hand, And weary and worn and strained; So tired of entertaining and Of being entertained!

So prostrate is my weighted soul With dinners, luncheons, teas, I'd build a house at the north pole To get away from these.

And with what joy I'd wait about In hourly growing gloom If no one came to ask me out Or ever called on me.

Oh, what delight to sit and gaze Over the wastes of snow, Quite sure no form would cross the space Either of friend or foe!

Fearing for friend, man nor child, For even the postman's ring, The cards and invitations piled That he is sure to bring.

Yes, could I pay my calls and see My list quite clear again, My score wiped out, my tablet free, My mind at ease—oh, then

I'd ask of fate, with grateful tears This dearest blessing shown— For the remainder of my years Just to be let alone.

—Life.

A Shameless Impostor.

"I am 98 years old," he insisted. Of course we laughed him to scorn. "How," we retorted, "if you are as old as you say, does it happen that you cannot read fine print without the aid of spectacles?"

Whereupon the fellow, perceiving that his imposture was discovered, broke down and confessed that he was only 83.—Detroit Journal.

Just to Forget! Just to Forget!

"Remember," said the moralist, "that property is no disgrace."

"I've been remembering it all my life," answered the young man with a cynical tone. "I've been remembering it so hard that I am getting brain fog. I'd like to have a chance to get rich and forget it awhile just for the sake of the rest."

Washington Star.

The Way to the Front.

He longed to reach the front, To lead in the maddening race; He struggled and strained, But he never gained.

A glimpse of the coveted place, He longed to reach the front, The way was free and fair, But he dodged in and out, Ever treading about.

What the others were doing there, He longed to reach the front, To lead on the toilsome track, But he failed, for instead Of just going ahead, He tried to keep others back.

Chicago Times-Herald.

Changing a Maxim.

Hopewell—I expect to make \$20,000 out of that deal within six months. Glumbird—I wouldn't count my eggs before they're hatched.

"That's a poor maxim. If you can get any fun out of counting them, it's so much gain. What you don't want to do is to discount them."

Brooklyn Life.

Its Protective Features.

"Ruggles, if I had such a cough as that, I should do something for it."

"That cough, Whiggins, is indispensable. When a life insurance agent calls to turn it on, and he never stays longer than about three minutes."

Chicago Tribune.

The Tale of a Manuscript.

He "dashed it off." "Twas but a moment's idle inspiration, And yet it might be sung to thrill a nation, Patriots their hats unto the strain might doff.

He "dashed it off." He "dashed it off." To view it; The editor a moment paused; He saw the inspiration running through it; Then to that basket at which poets scoff.

He "dashed it off." Atlanta Constitution.

Proof Positive.

"I wonder if all men are fools," snapped Mrs. Snepke during a little domestic tiff the other morning.

"No, indeed," replied her husband, "I know a number of men who are bachelors."—Chicago News.

The Sun Did It.

"I didn't know Bozer was so bow-legged!" He wasn't until a few days ago. He went to sleep in the sun and that wooden leg of his warped.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Lucky Man.

He loitered at the festive board, A man of might and power; A modest feast adorned the face Of this hero of the hour.

And strange it is, but true, He caught the only order that was swimming in the stew.

Chicago News.

No Damage Done.

Indignant Young Man—Waiter, your coat sleeve dipped into this lady's soup.

Obliging Waiter—Don't mention it, sir! It was wash out. What kind of fish, please?—Ohio State Journal.

A Stolen Kiss.

"Jones' wife left him because he stole a kiss."

"She is. He stole it from the cook."

Philadelphia Bulletin.

The Fault.

In lovers' quarrels one, with shame, Most truly say, "I am to blame."

Then one will add, with face aglow, "Yes, dearest, and I told you so."

Chicago Record.

She Could See a Chance.

"What did George say to you when he proposed?"

"He didn't say anything; he just looked."

Chicago Times-Herald.

Room For the Duke.

Let all the silence be preserved That is just now demanded; New York's hush ton is quite unswayed, For Manchester has landed.

Cleveland Plain Dealer.

His Literary Tastes.

"You don't seem ambitious to keep up with current fiction."

"No, I'm ambitious to keep away from it."

Chicago Record.

Bitterness.

Here the misanthrope's sad holler As the autumn falls away— "Vow! which once were worth a dollar, Aren't worth a cent today!"

Washington Star.

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OR SPECTACLES

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Dated at Chatham, this 22nd day of January, 1900.
(Signed) R. O'HARA,
Local Master at Chatham.
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE MATTER OF the estate of Catherine O'Keefe, late of the City of Chatham in the County of Kent, widow deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given in pursuance of the 17th statute of Ontario, 1897, chapter 129, that all creditors and others having claims against the estate of the said Catherine O'Keefe, who died on or about the 28th day of November, A. D. 1899, are required on or before the 20th day of February, A. D. 1900, to send by post prepaid or deliver to Messrs. Scane, Houston, Stone and Scane, of the City of Chatham, in the County of Kent, solicitors for Albert S. Jahnke, the administrator of the estate of the said deceased, their Christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, a statement of their accounts and nature of the security (if any) held by them.

AND NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that after said mentioned date said administrator will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the parties entitled thereto having regard only for the claims of which he shall then have notice and that the said administrator will not be liable for the assets of any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claims he shall not have notice at the time of said distribution.

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Here some friends among the officers who knew his history made up a purse and sent Kasee to Suez to intercept the steamer, so that good and evil came aboard the Alhambra at her stop there.

As Mynheer Joe has really given the other up for dead, his delight is all the deeper on that account. Kasee acts as his guardian angel during the remainder of the trip, and the explorer feels safer on account of his comrade.

Another thing occurs during the voyage. Molly makes a discovery. It is entirely an accident and puts Joe to no end of confusion but he finds himself in for it, and makes the best of a dilemma.

This event is nothing more or less than a complete explosion of his secret, which is shattered one bright morning. All of them are seated upon deck, when the conversation turns upon the old pipes of nations, and Molly, who is making a collection of these things, declares that she has never yet run across a Persian kalkan, or water pipe; whereupon Joe, without reflection, declares that he has one in his luggage to which she is welcome, beckons the ever-hovering Kasee and gives him an order.

When the Hindoo, a few minutes later, lays in the hand of the fair American girl the object mentioned, she returns her thanks in no stinted tones, for the smoking apparatus is a beauty, jeweled and fit for the use of a king.

They are talking of the Persians, and Joe is narrating some queer scenes he has witnessed in that country, when an exclamation breaks upon their hearing.

It comes from Molly, and, as they turn toward her, they find her gazing with distended eyes at the article she holds.

Mynheer Joe suddenly realizes the truth. A tide of crimson flushes his face, and he hastily moves away from the party, to the side of the vessel. "What is it?" asks Demosthenes Tanner, who sees that something unusual has occurred.

"Listen!" Then Molly, still holding the odd water pipe, set with precious stones, reads: "A present from the Shah of Persia to his friend, Joseph Miner Carrington, 1884."

Demosthenes is not blind or dumb. He can see a pretty good-sized rat now. "What! Mynheer Joe the very party we have been scouring the earth after? Bless my soul, now, this is an odd occurrence! I can hardly believe my senses. Are you sure, child?"

"Read for yourself, governor. And if that isn't enough, what do you think of his actions? It is quite evident he forgets there was an inscription on this pipe."

With that, the young lady leaves her chair, and in another moment gains the side of the traveller, who leans over the rail looking at the flashing green water; her hand falls lightly on his arm and sends a mighty thrill, like a shock of electricity, to his heart.

"Give an account of yourself, Mynheer Joe," she says, gravely; and, turning, he looks into her clear eyes, smiles and finally laughs.

"Really? To do you an explanation, Miss Molly. Since the cat is out of the bag now, I am willing to confess all."

So he tells her what is necessary, and Molly drinks it all in with eagerness. It sets her heart to beating wildly at the thought that this hero, the man who has saved her life and been with the devoted Gordon at Khartoum, should of all persons prove to be the Joseph Carrington whom she seeks, the missing heir, whose inheritance will fall to her in case he fails to materialize within a limited time.

It is both singular and romantic, and how can she help weaving delightful theories and plans out of the wool thus begun.

After that, her manner toward Joe changes.

He marks it himself, and at first marvels at the fact, for although a campaigner who has seen much of the world, Mynheer Joe is really a novice in all that pertains to love.

Molly has taken upon herself a new reserve. She treats him, not rudely, but with the manner of a lady on her dignity. He poor fellow is on nettles, so to speak. Has he done anything to offend this girl, for whose love he stands ready to peril his life if need be?

It is only the day before they reach Bombay that he gains an inkling of the truth. It comes from Mr. Grimes, who has been keeping his eyes open all this while, and is able to gauge the state of affairs.

To him Joe goes for advice; he has learned to respect the other greatly, and this matter is of so much importance to him that he can afford to take no risks.

Consolation is given to him. When, through various questions, he learns all that has happened, Mr. Grimes smiles serenely.

"Easy as falling off a log, my boy. Don't believe Miss Molly cares the less for you since learning your identity. The truth is she thinks even more of Joe Carrington than she did of Mynheer Joe, and the consciousness of that fact has alarmed her. I know, the symptoms well, my boy. She fears lest she may show her love—that it may look as though she were trying to win the heir. Depend upon it, my dear fellow, all you have to do is to boldly storm the citadel, and the prize is yours."

This kind of talk cheers Joe up. He cuts down the lump in his throat and

looks relieved. "I really feared I had lost her through some blunder on my part," he admits, shaking the sand of his good friend and adviser.

"Nonsense! You were never so near victory in your life. The trouble is your battles have never been fought upon the field of love, and you don't understand the signs of distress. I'm an older man than you, Joe; take my advice, strike at the first favorable opportunity, and the blessing of Heaven attend you and yours."

Thus matters stand when the Alhambra comes to anchor before the great and wonderful city of Bombay, with its three-quarters of a million inhabitants—Europeans, Hindus, Mohammedans, Parsees, Christians, Buddhists, Jews, etc.—one of the most delightfully interesting cities upon the face of the earth.

As soon as it is possible, the whole party, with their luggage, are transferred to the shore, where vehicles are secured to take them to a hotel.

These native shigrams, or, as they are generally called, pulkee gharrys, are peculiarly built affairs. They look like an oblong, black box with four wheels; a sliding door is on either side, and there are also windows. Two seats face each other, and the whole equipage is drawn by a couple of sturdy bullocks, or the species used in India for nearly every purpose, decked in showy blankets, with a driver to walk alongside and urge them on.

Mynheer Joe knows where to go. He has been in Bombay before, and the rest may now profit by his experience.

A small hotel is to be found among the bungalows of the rich foreigners and Parsee bankers upon Malabar Hill, a suburb of a charming character, where the grounds of nearly every house are so filled with cypress, and banyan-trees, coconut-palms and tropical vegetation, such as plantains, guavas, custard-apples and the like, that the building can rarely be seen over the wall. There is also a cool fountain splashing in every yard, which adds to the beauty of the scene.

At the hotel they managed to find accommodations, and Mynheer Joe even lives what little space there is to spare. The wisdom of this is made apparent when, later, a palkee gharry arrives, bearing the baron and his companions, who are compelled to go back into the city and seek accommodations at one of the leading hotels, near the Esplanade, where the government buildings are to be seen.

Molly's first act is to secure a lady's maid, for in this enervating climate one does as little as possible, and an ayah is almost indispensable to the comforts of my lady, fanning her, dressing her hair and doing worlds of small things.

The gentlemen, of course, find the customs of the country at once, with shaking upon their heads.

Mynheer Joe presently makes his way to the barracks, known as cantonment in this tropical country. He has business with an officer whom he hopes to find in Bombay. Disappointment awaits him, since the party in question is at present away. His return from Benares is daily expected—Benares, the sacred city, where one of the yearly melas, or religious fairs, that draw thousands of pilgrims anxious to wash in the waters and be made well, is in progress. So Joe can only await his coming. Meanwhile, there is no reason why he should not be enjoying the passage of time.

When he contemplates the pleasure with which he will show Molly over this peculiar city of the Hindus, gazing upon its many strange sights, he finds no reason to feel down-hearted over the matter.

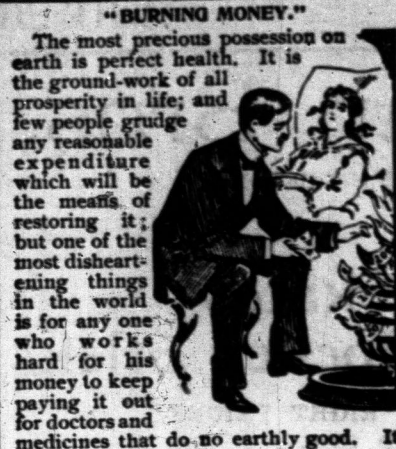
He knows it all like a book, from the Towers of Silence on the hill where the Parsees bring their dead for the vultures to prey upon, to the horse markets, where sit, cross-legged, Persians wearing their blue or green cotton kurtans, belted at the waist, and smoking their kullians, together with more active Arabians, with their striped mantles and silk kaffiyas, or tasseled handkerchiefs, or twisted about their heads, all having horses for sale, that have been brought by sea from the land of Mecca.

The mysteries of the native quarter are well known to this man who has travelled, and he is almost as much at home among the shops and bazars of the famous Bhandy Bazar Road as on Broadway, New York.

Thus, the party can in a measure be free from the tyranny of the chowkidar, or guide, although they secure several of these illustrious personages to be useful. They are ready to do almost anything, even to waiting on the table or pulling the cord of the great punka fan that keeps the air cool at meal times.

As in almost every part of the globe, the traveller finds money an important factor to bring comfort, and the mighty rupee in Bombay will go far toward making one's stay a round of pleasure.

The weather is delightful, and it looks as if our travellers from the Nile may have a very pleasant stay in Bombay. Sometimes coming events do not cast a shadow before. The cyclone may burst upon a community with startling rapidity. Perhaps these good folks who have malice in their hearts toward none may yet be surprised by the sudden and awful coming of a storm. As the dreaded monsoon sweeps across the Indian Ocean at certain times, bringing ruin in its path, so the hatred of one man may leave a trail of desolation behind.



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In company with Demosthenes Tanner of a chowkidar or two, he proceeds to take in as much of Bombay as can be done during a single afternoon.

They visit the Towers of Silence, enter magnificent bazars, watch the worshippers in the mosques, where the venerable moulajee chants in a harsh voice or reads the Koran, while the devout Mussulmans bow in the direction of the setting sun, for Mecca lies thither, far away over the Persian Gulf. They see life upon the great Bhandy Bazar Road, where porters carry loads, state elephants are occasionally met, bullocks draw native vehicles; where stride the rich Brahmin, the poor gwalla, or cowherd, the lordly rajah and his attendants, and the lower grades of Hindu people, of different castes, each picking his or her way along without touching others, which faculty makes a crowd in India more endurable than in any other place on earth.

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The meeting of musicians and other ladies and gentlemen interested in the patriotic concert will be held this evening in the parlors of the Hotel Garner.

The Maple City hockey team will journey to Glenora to-night. The members who will go are Samuel Mercer, goal; M. McLeod, point; F. Stinson, cover point; M. Frazer, W. Brackin, W. Campbell and W. Mercer, forwards. This is the first game the hockey team have engaged to play this season. They are a strong aggregation, however, and should give a good account of themselves.

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Third number of the series Friday, Jan. 26, at 8 p. m. Popular lecture on "The Ice Age of Canada," by Prof. P. Coleman, University of Toronto, and School of Practical Science. Prof. Coleman is a fluent, pleasing speaker, and will illustrate every topic of his lecture by beautiful time-light views, superb bits of mountain scenery, glaciers, ice-bergs, the great ice dammed lakes, the Belkirk, Switzerland, Greenland, Niagara Falls, etc., etc. Solos by Miss Elida Idie, music by the Apollo Mandolin Club, Pantomime "Maud Muller and the Judge" by C. C. I. pupils. Admission, 25c. (adults); 15c. (pupils). Seats reserved without extra charge at Central Drug Store, on Wednesday for season ticket holders, Thursday for all others.



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W. S. RICHARDS**Society Dress Hints....**

The correct dress for gentlemen for social functions occurring after 6 o'clock is the full dress suit.

There is but one exception permissible, that is the Tuxedo or dinner coat. These may be worn at theatre and dinner parties respectively.

The livery is worn as an easy top coat over dress suits.

The Frock is becoming quite a favorite among good dressers, while the frock suit is the correct day dress.

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VICTORY VERY BLOODY.**Boers Fought Desperately---Repeated Attempts to Recapture Spion Kop.**

London, Jan. 25.—The War Office has just issued the following from Spearman's Camp, dated Jan. 25, 12.10 a. m.:
 General Warren's troops last night occupied Spion's Kop, surprising the small garrison, who fled. It has been held by us all day, though we were heavily attacked, especially by a very small annoying shell fire. I fear our casualties are considerable, and I have to inform you, with regret, that Gen. Woodgate was dangerously wounded.
 General Warren is of the opinion that he has rendered the enemy's position untenable. The men are splendid.

STORY OF THE FIGHT.
 New York, Jan. 25.—The Journal publishes the following from London: At last the terrible suspense has been relieved by the news of a British victory, which, though not final, has raised the hope that Gen. Buller will yet succeed in pushing his way to Ladysmith.
 Warren's division carried Spion Kop by storm Tuesday night and held it all day yesterday, though heavily attacked by the Boers.
 The British loss was heavy. Among the wounded was Gen. E. R. P. Woodgate. Warren believes the position of the enemy beyond Spion Kop is untenable.
 Warren's left flank began the attack, slowly but surely fighting its way toward the last position held by the Boers. The field batteries supported the advance. The infantry crept forward at every available opportunity, maintaining an accurate and searching fire.
 The Boers held the position with stubborn tenacity, showing themselves charitably above the trenches. The kopje was finally taken by the South African light horse, who made a rush up the precipitous slope. The British infantry now occupy all the strong positions. Gen. Warren's skillful efforts of the Boers to recapture the kopje. The Boers poured in a fierce shell fire all day, but the British held on.

IN A TRAP.
 body and left a small force to withstand the British advance.
 It is even suggested that the Boers inveigled the British into occupying Spion Kop and have now surrounded them.
 It is evident, in spite of the fact that the British hold Potgieter's drift and the hills above, that the Boers have succeeded in bringing up enough artillery to inflict considerable losses on the British force which seized Spion Kop, although Lord Dundonald is supposed to have been scouring the country beyond the ranges in order to prevent this very thing, and although Gen. Lytton ought to have got near enough to Spion Kop to either intercept the retreating Boers or prevent a serious attack once the British had taken possession of the hill.

MUST BE DONE.
 keeping the hill all day long, they will manage to retain it until Gen. Warren plants guns enough on it to dominate the Boer trenches right and left. There is the usual disposition to exaggerate the importance of the points scored, but the best informed people realize that Gen. Buller still has a task ahead of him calling for the most dogged persistence and untiring attack, and that the difficulties will increase as the position develops.
 The relief of the tension on the stock exchange was very marked. Business began more cheerfully all around and with an upward move.

MORE FIGHTING.
 London, Jan. 25.—The jubilation over Gen. Warren's achievement in capturing Spion Kop Wednesday night is chastened by the realization that his success is only provisional, as it appears clearer from Gen. Buller's despatch that the Boers fully recognize the strategic importance of Spion Kop and at the same time have not abandoned the hope of recapturing the position.
 Nevertheless a heavy load of anxiety has been removed from the nation, and the general expectation that as the British have succeeded in

STEWART GUILTY. We Sell

The Essex Murderer Admits That He Killed Jim Ross.

Retracts the Story he Told at the Trial Which Implicated His Mistress and Another Man.

Levi Stewart, the colored murderer lying in Sandwich Jail awaiting the hanging yesterday morning that he alone was responsible for the killing of "Old Jim" Ross.

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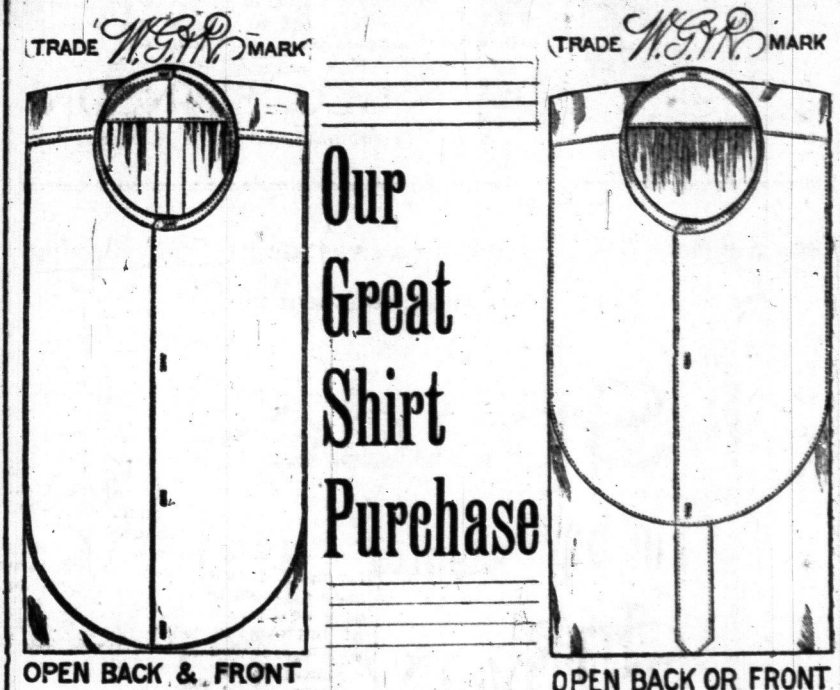
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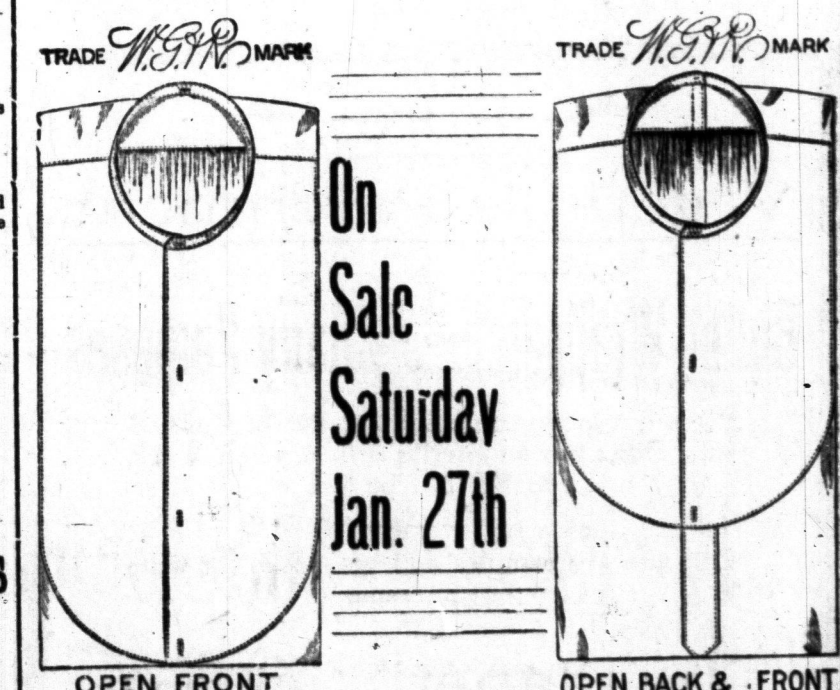


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Of Cloth Pins, at the Red Star Store

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And we will sell 5 doz for 50c, the next 20 days. And as all wooden ware has advanced, Cloth Pins certainly will go up, so call quick and get a good supply before they are cleaned out. First come, first served. We also still sell good groceries at lowest prices.

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Big Overcoat Sale

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Overcoats for \$2.50, were.....	\$5.00
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Overcoats for \$7.50, were.....	\$12.00

Every Coat in the store must be sold at some price.—Boys' Ulsters, Youth's Ulsters, Men's Ulsters, Boy's Reefers, Youth's Overcoats, Men's Overcoats, Men's Working Coats.

Gloves and Underclothing &c. Prices almost cut in two. It will pay you to buy now for next winter. Boys' Odd Pants 40c. Come to the Sale.

Ridley's 46 King St.

Hats, Clothing and Furnishings. Cash Only.

THE MARKETS

Latest Quotations Which are of Interest to Everybody.

Retail Prices in Chatham—Gossip About Grain.

Planet Office, Wednesday evening, Jan. 24.

J. B. Stringer & Co. give the following gossip:

Wheat—The market is a little brighter. The Chicago market has been better for the last few days. Some of the bears are evidently turning into buyers.

Beans—Market quiet after the rush of the past fortnight. Stocks not being large the market is holding firm at last week's advanced prices. Receipts from farmers are light.

Coarse Grains—Oats, barley and buckwheat are in light supply but fair demand at the prices quoted.

Dressed Hogs—The market is acting better and dealers' bids are up from 10 to 15 cents per cwt. The price now being paid is from \$4.25 to \$4.50, but \$5 pork is looked for.

Wheat, standard, 63 to 65c.

Mixed oats, 23c.

White oats, 24c.

Barley, 75 to 75c, cwt.

Corn, new, shelled, 31c.

Beans, \$1.20 to \$1.30.

Buckwheat, 50c.

Clover seed, \$4 to \$4.75.

Alfalfa, \$5 to \$6.50.

Red Clover, \$4.50 to \$5.50.

Timothy, \$1 to \$1.25.

HAY AND HOGS.

Hay, timothy, per ton, \$7 to \$7.50.

Hay, clover, \$5.50 to \$7.

Hay, baled, \$5.50 to \$10.

Live hogs, \$3.80 to \$3.90 for hogs weighing from 140 lbs. up.

Dressed hogs, \$4.50 to \$4.95.

LOCAL WOOL AND HIDES.

Wool, washed, 16c, cash; 18c, trade.

Wool, unwashed, 12c, trade; 11c, cash.

Calves, 8c.

Sheep skins, 30 to 75c.

Lamb skins, 40 to 55c.

Pelts, 20 to 30c.

Horse hides, \$1 to \$2.

Skunk skins, \$5 to 75c.

For skins, \$1 to \$1.50.

Coon skins, 25 to 75c.

HOUSEKEEPERS' PRICES.

There was a good showing of vegetables and fruits on the market on Wednesday. Prices, however, show no change. Apples were fairly plentiful at from 20 to 25c. There was a small amount of dressed pork offered at 5 to 6c, according to quarter.

In the shed there was a small offering of dressed fowl. Chickens were high at from 20 to 30 cents and ducks sold at from 25 to 30c. The offering of butter and eggs was almost nil, and there was not sufficient to base quotations on.

Eggs, 20 to 22c.

Butter, 20c.

Apples, 15 to 25c, a peck.

Cabbages, 5 to 12c, each.

Potatoes, 65 to 70c, per bag.

Onions, yellow, 25c, white, 30c.

Carrots, 10c, a peck.

Paranips, 10c, a peck.

Turkeys, 15c, a peck.

Beets, 15c, a peck.

Celery, 4c, up.

Chickens, 20 to 30c.

Spring chickens, 15 to 20c.

Ducks, 25 to 30c.

Turkeys, 75 to \$1.25.

Ceese, 50 to 65c, apiece.

Lamb, 6 to 7c.

Mutton, 5 to 6c.

Pork, 5 to 6c.

Beef, 4 to 5 to 5 1/2c.

Walnuts, two quarts for 5c.

Hickory nuts, 5c, a quart.

Cucumbers, in brine, 30c, a peck.

FISH MARKET.

Manitoba white fish, 10c, a lb.

Salmon trout, 10c, a lb.

Haddock, 10c, a lb.

Steak cod, 10c, a pound.

Mullet and carp, 10 to 40c apiece.

TORONTO BEAN MARKET.

Toronto, Jan. 25.—Beans—Choice hand-picked beans sell at \$1.40 to \$1.50, delivered here, and resell at \$1.60.

TORONTO DRESSED HOGS.

Toronto, Jan. 24.—Deliveries of dressed hogs not free, and market fairly firm. The demand for provisions is steady, and values steady. Select weights, dressed hogs, car lots, on track, delivered, sell at \$5.25 to \$5.30, and at \$5 to \$5.15 for heavy, and mixed lots; hogs are 50c to \$1 off these prices. On the street, in farm-

ers' loads, choice bring from \$5.30 to \$5.40, according to quality.

THOMAS WANLESS DEAD.

He Had Been Connected With the Opera House For Many Years.

Thomas Wanless, one of the best known residents in the city, passed away last evening in his 30th year. Mr. Wanless had been suffering for two years from diabetes but, although in poor health, was able to work at his vocation almost to the time of his death. He was employed for 14 years as ticket-taker for the pit of the opera house and was in his accustomed place last Saturday evening. Sunday he was also able to be around but Monday had a more than usually severe attack of the malady from which he suffered. Tuesday night he lapsed into unconsciousness from which he never recovered until he passed away last evening at 10.15 o'clock.

Thomas Wanless, youngest son of the late T. K. Wanless, was born in this city in 1863 and has resided here all his life. Some twenty years ago he learned the trade of carpenter with the late John F. Heath. Mr. Wanless was a noted player in the industry and activity. His good nature and hearty recognition of everyone endeared him to all who knew him, both rich and poor. For a number of years he served on the school board and made an excellent trustee. He married the daughter of the late Francis Maine, Miss P. A. Maine, who with two children, May and Ida, survive him.

Henry Wanless, of Bay City, John C. and George J., of this city, are brothers.

Mr. Wanless carried \$2,000 insurance in the A.O.U.W. and was also a member of the A. O. F. Mr. Wanless was Past Chief Ranger of Court Hope, No. 3,744, A. O. F.

The funeral will take place Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the family residence, Laurier street, to Maple Leaf cemetery.

IN OTTAWA VALLEY

Reuben Draper, of Bristol P. Q., Reports That he is Cured of Gravel by Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Passed a Large Stone One Week After Commencing Dodd's Kidney Pills—Now Completely Free From This Trouble—Recommendations Used's Kidney Pills to all Sufferers From Bladder Complaints.

Bristol, P. Q., Jan. 24.—The people on the Quebec side of the Ottawa River are fully alive to the boon they have in Dodd's Kidney Pills as is witnessed by the large number who are publicly testifying to the merits of Dodd's Kidney Pills in the press. One of these is Mr. Reuben Draper, of Clarendon, near here.

Mr. Draper was troubled with that painful and dangerous bladder complaint known as gravel. Dodd's Kidney Pills cure Gravel, and when it is remembered that a surgical operation was formerly the only means of assailing this disease, the value of Dodd's Kidney Pills is apparent. Dodd's Kidney Pills were recommended to Mr. Draper, and he tried them, with complete success, as the following letter will show.

Jan. 3, 1900.

Dodd's Medicine Co. Gentlemen,—About three years ago I was taken ill with what I thought was gravel. I was suffering great pain, so I sent for a doctor. He gave me some medicine and said he would call again. He came twice more and charged me fifteen dollars. I was a little better but not well. One short time after I had another attack, so I tried another doctor with about the same result, only I was getting weaker all the time. Then a man advised me to try Dodd's Kidney Pills, for he said they had cured his mother. So I thought I would try them, and in just one week I passed a stone as large as a small bean, and in four days after I passed another about the size of a grain of barley. This gave me great relief and I commenced to feel better and to gain strength. That is two years ago, and I have not had any trouble that way since. I have the stones still in my possession and can show them to anyone who doubts this story. Hoping this may be of some benefit to someone suffering as I did.

I am yours truly,

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Blenheim whist club try conclusions with Chatham next Wednesday evening, the 31st.

A MISTAKE CORRECTED.

Chatham T. P., Jan. 22nd.

To The Planet.—In looking over The Planet I saw a statement regarding the amount I received from the council as commissioner of the Skinner drainage works. You stated I received fifteen dollars for one day's work when in reality you should have said fifteen dollars for fifteen days' commission. Kindly rectify the mistake in next week's issue of The Planet and oblige, M. O'NEIL, Commissioner.

See Standard January and February Fashions

GORDON'S ANNUAL WHITE FAIR AND STOCK REDUCING SALE

Next week we enter stock, for this week, in addition to our January Bargains in Ladies' White Underwear, Flannels, Knit wool goods, White Spreads, etc. We offer some specials in Linens, Cottons and Bedding wear, all new goods, best qualities at reductions. As all classes of goods are advancing in price it will be to your profit to take advantage of our offerings now.

Linen Specials

60 in. Cream Table Damask, medium and heavy goods, choice patterns, 34c, 30c, and 25c yd.
58 in. Cream Damask, bright satin finished Irish Linens, 40c yd.
70 in. wide, Cream Damask, heavy, 75c, 60c, and 50c yd.
Fine Bleached satin finished Damasks, 50c, 62c, 75c, 80c to 25c yd.

Unbleached Cottons

Good wide Cottons, for linings, etc., 40c yd.
Yard wide heavy Sheetings, 60c and 50c yd.
36 in. heaviest Sheetings, 10c and 9c yd.
36 in. twill Sheetings, 10c and 9c yd.

These goods cannot be replaced to sell at these prices.

Bleached Cottons

36 in. wide, white cotton, 7c yd.
36 in. heavy grass bleached, 8c yd.
36 in. close fine undressed cottons, 10c and 8c yd.

Pillow Cottons

Hochalga heavy Pillow Cottons, pure finish, per yard 40 in. at 10c, 42 in. at 11c, 44 in. at 12c, 50 and 54 in. 18c, 61 in. at 20c per yard.

A Sheetting Special

9-4 bleached Sheetting plain or twilled, 25c yd.
Bed Tickings, 12c, 16c, 18c, 20c, 22c, and 25c yd.

A FEW PAIR OF SCOTCH BLANKETS TO SELL AT MANUFACTURER'S PRICES.
Comforters at \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.50 to \$3.50, we clear them out at \$1.50 each.
Rider Down Comforters, \$15 for \$10, \$10 for \$6.50, and \$3.00 Comforters at \$3.50.

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Corporal John Northwood Writes Home From There.

He is Not in Love With South Africa—Now a Boer Who Tried to Escape Was Shot Down.

Corporal John Northwood, of Windsor, formerly of Chatham, writes as follows to his parents from the battlefield of Belmont:—

15 miles from the front. Belmont, South Africa, Dec. 12, 1899.

When I last wrote you we were at De Aar. Since then we have moved to Orange River, thence to our present camp. This place was the scene of a fierce battle with the Free State Boers in which our men charged up an almost impenetrable hill and captured it, after losing 230 men. The Boers held the hill behind our camp, called Scott's Ridge, and our men charged for 500 yards in the face of a murderous fire. To look at it now seems almost impossible that we could have captured such a strongly entrenched position.

We are at present almost the only troops stationed here and we have to patrol the country for miles around as the Boers have been reported to be in force in the near vicinity.

We have to turn out under arms every morning at 3.15 and stand in the trenches until daylight, waiting for an attack. It is particularly disagreeable because of the weather, the days and evenings being very warm, but toward morning growing bitterly cold. When we return from the trenches, we partake of a sumptuous breakfast of coffee and hardtack.

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To The Planet.—In looking over The Planet I saw a statement regarding the amount I received from the council as commissioner of the Skinner drainage works. You stated I received fifteen dollars for one day's work when in reality you should have said fifteen dollars for fifteen days' commission. Kindly rectify the mistake in next week's issue of The Planet and oblige, M. O'NEIL, Commissioner.

The war has been prolonged more than expected, but I don't think it will last much longer, but if I don't get pinked I will be home next spring.

Dick Boden, Walt White and all the boys send kind regards and compliments of the season.

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A MATTER OF ENVIRONMENT

She Thought Her Sitter Was a Mere Dancing Man—Afterward She Changed Her Mind.

BY W. R. ROSE

When Roger Hendricks suggested to his only daughter that she might find it pleasant to accompany him on a journey across the continent she eagerly agreed with him. When he added that she would have to rough it for a week or more she was delighted.

"I must stop at our new Midas mines in Nevada, and there'll be a wagon ride of 35 miles from the railway and no telling what rude accommodations after we get there."

"Don't say another word, daddy," she cried. "I'm just dying to get away from all these commonplace luxuries! I want a change. I'm sick of the effete east. I want to lose myself somewhere beyond the odor of factory smoke and the glare of electric lights."

"You'll be glad to welcome both," said Roger Hendricks a little grimly, "when you find yourself where there isn't the slightest tint of smoke on the distant horizon and where your electric light is an evil smelling lamp or a sputtering tallow candle."

"Trust me," laughed Grace. "You'll find my romantic views have a very practical background. And we are to visit the mines, are we?"

"Yes," replied Roger, "the new Midas. I want to look them over myself. They are the coming wonders of the mining field and I'm anxious to see just what shape they are in. By the way," and he looked at her narrowly, "an old friend of yours is our assistant superintendent at the mines."

"A friend of mine? Who?"

"Robert Conklin."

"Robert! I knew he was going away, but had no idea where. It's certainly a strange environment for the price of the german. Daddy, I want to tell you something. Robert asked me to be his wife just before he went away."

"Did he? Well, there are worse young men than Robert."

"Are there, daddy? I thought they were all monotonously alike, the same clean shaven faces, the same dress suits and white ties and patent leathers and languid drawls and inane small talk. Robert was a charming fellow—of the conventional type—and he had beautiful white hands and a lovely complexion, but he was too much like all the others to please your fastidious child."

"What did you tell him, my girl?"

"When he popped? Oh, I told him bluntly that he wasn't my ideal, and I sent him away."

Roger smiled.

"And he came to me," he said, "and I sent him away still farther. But it will not embarrass you to meet him at the mines?"

"Not in the least, daddy. Why should I?"

"I don't know," He laughed and turned away.

He did not tell his spoiled darling that he was Robert's sworn ally or that he was plotting at that very moment to secure what he thought was her happiness.

Three weeks later a two-seated wagon drawn by a team of stout, though very tired, horses mounted the last hill that intervened between the railway station and the Midas mines. In the wagon were Roger Hendricks and Grace and an extremely taciturn, though highly skilled, driver, who had been sent over to meet them.

As they mounted the crest of the last long hill Roger Hendricks turned to the driver.

"Is Superintendent Ingersoll well?" he asked.

"Dunno," said the driver.

"Don't know?" echoed the capitalist. "Isn't he at the mines?"

"Nope. He's across in California."

"What for?"

"Health."

"I didn't know he was ill," said the capitalist. "What's his trouble?"

"Knife in ribs. Couple o' fellers from Skinner's Flat came over an started a fuss. Superintendent tried to stop 'em an' got jabbed. Bobsy run in an' floored the fellers biff bang! an' then he toted superintendent over the line to a doctor, an' sent me to Carson City with the fellers."

"And the mines?"

"Mines is runnin' all right. Bobsy's runnin' 'em."

"Who is Bobsy?"

"Dunno his other name. That's him comin'."

He pointed with his whip at an approaching figure.

It was the figure of a tall young man in a slouch hat, a coarse flannel shirt, rough breeches and long, clay stained boots. He had a plentiful crop of hair, a face extremely sunburned where it wasn't covered by a brown curly beard, and his arms, exposed by his rolled up shirt sleeves, were brown and sinewy.

He took off his hat to Grace and extended his hand to her father.

"By George," cried the latter, "it's Conklin—it's Robert!" And he leaped over and vigorously shook the young man's hand. Grace gave a little gasp. Was this rough young Adonis, bearded and tanned, the white handed darling of the ballroom?

Then Robert quickly stepped to the wagon, and reaching up swung her lightly to the ground.

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"Glad to welcome you to the mines, Miss Grace," he said in an easy manner, with no trace of self-consciousness. And what astonished Grace most of all was that he made no excuses for his decidedly unconventional garb.

"Hold on," cried the capitalist as they walked toward the superintendent's cottage. "Are you Bobsy?"

"That's what the Chinese cook calls me," laughed the young man, "and I believe the rest of the camp has adopted the title. We all have our nicknames out here, you know. But this is the superintendent's cottage. Miss Grace will take my room, and you, sir, will take Mr. Ingersoll's. The Chinese servants will serve your meals here."

"And will you not join us?" asked Grace in her sweetest manner.

"I should be pleased to," he answered simply and stepped away to talk with her father.

Robert came to supper and the only changes he had made in his toilet were the removal of his slouch hat and the addition of a rough sack coat. But he was nowise embarrassed. He certainly talked well, and Grace saw that her father was greatly taken with him.

Robert went away early, knowing they were tired and presumably sleepy. As the sound of his footsteps died on the gravel walk the capitalist turned to his daughter.

"Seems a little different, doesn't he?"

"Different from what, daddy?"

"Why, from the whole tiresome lot of conventional young men."

"He does," said Grace lightly.

There was a pause.

"Aren't you just a little sorry now you refused him?" chuckled the old man.

"This isn't the man I refused," said Grace softly.

The ten days of their stay passed rapidly. Thanks to the preparations made by Robert for their coming the roughness of camp life was greatly softened. He had worked like a Trojan to make them comfortable. He had actually brought water in sluice pipes from a spring in the mountain side and fitted up a rude but very serviceable bathtub in the cottage for the use of Grace. In fact, she heard of his energy and industry on every hand. And she noticed, too, that her father leaned upon him more and more.

Once she took her parent to task a little for absorbing so much of Robert's leisure time.

"The boy is full of business," said her father shortly. "He's carrying a big load here, and there's no shifting it till Ingersoll comes back. I've been doing what I can to lighten it a little."

Whenever she saw Robert he was in his rough and ready mining garb—stout, sunburnt, sinewy. He never alluded to his clothes, and Grace came to believe that he never thought of them. He was always at ease in her presence.

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ence, and yet, strange to say, paid her no compliments. A fact which seemed all the more remarkable when she glanced in her little mirror and saw the pleasing effects of the pure mountain air and the simple, wholesome diet.

She couldn't understand it. Had he—had he ceased to care for her? and she whispered this contingency with a sinking heart. Had she, like the ignorant Ethio, thrown away her pearl? Had this splendid, unconventional fellow quite outgrown her earlier fascinations? It sadly looked like it.

Then came the day of their departure, and still Robert hadn't spoken. But along in the early morning he said to her:

"Shall we take a farewell look together at the happy valley?"

So they walked up the hillside path a short distance to a wooded plateau that overlooked the valley and its foaming stream for many miles. Robert had made a little seat just within the thicket, and they sat down. For a moment both were silent. Then Robert spoke.

"Well," he quietly said, "have you reconsidered?"

Grace looked up with a start. There was a masterful air about him that fairly paralyzed her tongue. She could only stare and wonder.

"Time is slipping by," said Robert as he consulted his watch. "I must seize the first opportunity to speak to your father."

Grace tried to say the cutting things that surged in her mind. But when she caught Robert's eye looking down upon her with a tenderness of expression that altogether belied the businesslike form of his speech she gave a little gasp and incontinently surrendered.

Fifteen minutes later Robert and the capitalist clasped hands warmly.

"All right, eh?" queried the latter, with a broad smile.

"Yes, sir," replied Robert. "It worked just as you wrote me it would. But it has been a hard part to play."

"But you played to win," it was the old clothes and the brusque manner and, above all, the environment that served to clinch her affection, for I'm sure my little girl has loved you for a long time, my boy."

He took Robert's arm affectionately and walked with him to the company's office, and Grace, watching at the cottage window and quite unconscious of the plot that had brought her happiness, knew that all was well.

"I'm coming east as soon as Mr. Ingersoll returns," said Robert when it came time for the adieu, "and then I can enjoy the luxury of a change of wardrobe." He watched her smilingly as he spoke.

She laughed softly.

"I learned to love you, dear," she murmured, "in that garb. Bring it with you, lest I forget."

"It shall be my negligence," he laughed.

"And another thing, Robert."

"Yes, Grace."

"There mustn't be any razor."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

PROTECTED BY ARMOR

Many English Officers Wear it Under Their Tunics.

A Strange Battle Between an Otter and an Eel—The Former Won.

Many officers of the British army are wearers of armor. As a general rule the mail is inclosed in a leather casing, which is sewed inside the tunic, so as to be invisible unless the garment is picked to pieces. And the same with helmets—a similar device is fixed in the lining, so as to give additional protection in case of need. Some officers are not above wearing mail vests underneath their tunics and perfectly oblivious of their comrades, who, although they may scoff in times of peace, would only be too glad to don one themselves when in the middle of hostilities. The majority of the maker's customers are officers, because the suits are very expensive, costing about 10 guineas each.—Regiment.

A Curious Battle. An interesting spectacle was witnessed the other day on the banks of the river Soar, near Hathern, by a gentleman resident in the district. Being attracted by a peculiar cry, he turned aside and came upon a young otter and a huge eel engaged in a deadly struggle. The otter had evidently caught the eel, which had retailed by winding itself tightly round the former's neck. The fight lasted several minutes, the otter eventually freeing itself and making off with a part of the eel, which it had bitten in two.—London Telegraph.

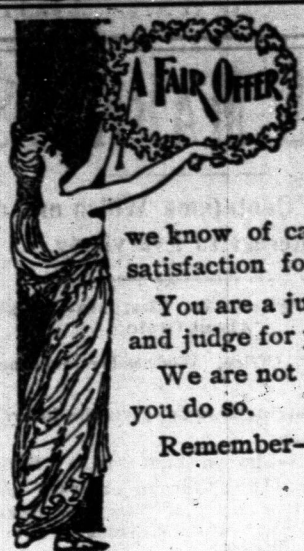
A Shock to Boston. An English woman, a visitor, grieved all Boston by irreverently asking a citizen, as she walked through the Common and saw the cherished gilded dome of the statehouse, "Beg pardon, sir, but what building is that with the brass top?"

Accommodated. "You haven't any smokeless tobacco, have you?" asked the smart young man.

"Lots of it," said the matter of fact person behind the counter, producing a box of snuff. "How much do you want?"

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Last evening about 10 o'clock a citizen notified Officer Tom Groves that the upholstery shop of Hugh Macdonald was on fire.

An immediate alarm was sounded and the department turned out quickly to the scene of the blaze. The shop is covered with sheet-iron and is situated on the creek bank to the rear of Mr. Macdonald's warehouse. It was found that the fire had started from the store and a hole had been burned in the floor and the blaze had been communicated to the pile of waste material under the building. The flames were easily extinguished, the damage being slight.

Chief Jacques, however, felt that the building needed looking after. He visited it himself once and then sent Fireman Frank Crump over about 11 o'clock to see if all was right. Frank smelled fire and on going into the building discovered that the whole south corner behind the door was on fire. When he went to leave he found his retreat cut off by the flames.

With great presence of mind and coolness Mr. Crump rushed to the window at the back, broke the glass and dropped out. The drop was a nasty one, however. The building abuts back almost on the piling and there was only a space of two feet between Mr. Crump and the fire waters of McCreary Creek. He, however, escaped with a badly cut hand and turned in the alarm. By the time the department arrived the whole building was a mass of flames. The material used in upholstery, light and highly inflammable, burned rapidly. With some difficulty the fire was got under control, but the stock was destroyed and the building badly damaged. Five hundred dollars, however, will well cover the loss. The building was insured in one of W. H. Harper's companies.

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AGRICULTURAL BULLETIN.

Very Satisfactory Conditions of Prosperity Among the Farming Class in the Province of Ontario.

The reports of the Ontario Bureau of Industries afford a valuable insight to the condition and prospects of the Province and record of its development highly useful for purposes of reference. The annual report for 1898, just issued by the Department of Agriculture, points to some very satisfactory conclusions regarding the prosperity of the farming class and the steady growth of the leading branches of agriculture industry. It is particularly pleasing to note that for the first time in ten years the aggregate valuation of farming land, so long depreciated, shows an increase, while in connection with other items the growth in value has been very decided.

Farm Acreage and Value.

The total rural area assessed amounted to 23,892,584 acres, being an increase of 32,166 acres over 1897. Of this 7,198,905 acres were woodland and 3,200,065 were swamp lands, the percentage of cleared land being 55.5. The area devoted to pasture comprised 2,708,043 acres, being 49,798 more than the previous year, and the acreage under cultivation was 8,835,272 acres, an increase of 133,567 acres. The value of farm lands was \$556,246,569, as compared with \$554,054,552 in 1897. Buildings had increased in value from \$206,090,159 to \$210,054,552, implements from \$51,299,092 to \$52,277,232 and live stock from \$93,649,804 to \$103,744,222. Taking all these items together the total augmentation in value of farm property amounted to nearly eighteen million dollars, the figures being \$923,022,420 in 1898, as against \$905,095,613 in 1897.

Creamery Butter Output.

Most of the statistics embraced in this volume as to the output of farm products have already been presented in the bulletins issued by the Department, but the details with regard to some leading industries are here given for the first time. The figures as to the production of butter and cheese have not been previously published, as there was considerable delay in compiling the returns, owing to the fact that the output of the factories is frequently not marketed for some months after the end of the year. The returns are of interest in showing the rapid growth of the creamery system, whereby butter is coming to the front in competition with cheese. The total number of creameries in Ontario was 282, whereas in 1897 they numbered 214. Statistical returns were furnished by 93, which formed a basis for an estimate of the total production, which was placed at 9,008,922 pounds, being 1,300,727 pounds in excess of the previous year's output. The production of creameries was 282, whereas in 1897 they numbered 214. Statistical returns were furnished by 93, which formed a basis for an estimate of the total production, which was placed at 9,008,922 pounds, being 1,300,727 pounds in excess of the previous year's output. The production of creameries was 282, whereas in 1897 they numbered 214. Statistical returns were furnished by 93, which formed a basis for an estimate of the total production, which was placed at 9,008,922 pounds, being 1,300,727 pounds in excess of the previous year's output.

Cheese Manufacture.

The production of cheese has been somewhat lessened by the development of the creamery system, showing a slight increase. There were 1,187 factories in operation in the Province, a net increase of 26 over 1897, and the output, though larger than any preceding year, was considerably less than that of the large yield in 1897, the figures being 137,362,215 pounds for '97 and 128,116,924 for '98. The value of the cheese manufactured was \$11,719,468 in '97 and \$10,252,240 in '98, the price having decreased half a cent per pound. The amount paid to patrons for milk was \$9,709,004 in '97 and \$8,417,535 in '98—being equivalent in the latter year to 61.2 cents per 100 pounds. The falling off in cheese manufacture is confined to the western counties, which show considerable decreases, while many of the eastern counties produce more than ever. The banner county in cheese production is Hastings, which with 96 factories produces 11,505,082 pounds, while Oxford, with 9,922, 533 pounds, takes the next place.

Hogs and Poultry.

Another feature worthy of notice is the very large increase in hog production. The total number of swine of all kinds was 1,640,787, being an excess of 355,824 over the output of '97. A department which is also attracting much more of the attention of farmers lately is that of poultry raising, the progress of which is indicated by the augmentation of the number of poultry of all varieties, which stands at 9,084,273, an increase of 618,923 over the previous year. In both these departments much has been done to promote the export trade, and with increased knowledge of the requirements and tastes of the British market and greater skill in breeding and raising of profitable varieties it is to be hoped that shortly the profits of the Canadian farmer will be largely augmented from this source.

Climate of Saskatchewan.

The report comprises a full review of the weather, compiled from returns furnished by the Dominion Meteorological Service, showing the temperature, rainfall and sunshine during the growing season. There are also seasonable notes from the Temiscamie District of practical interest as showing the mildness of the climate and the length of the growing season in that portion of the Province, where the snow had disappeared early in April and the first real frost of the fall was experienced until the 6th of October. The document is interspersed with the remarks of correspondents concerning the condition and prospects of different branches of agriculture, appropriately classified, which contain many practical suggestions. Those relating to the difficulties in the way of procuring farm labor and domestic service are particularly interesting as illustrating the present unsatisfactory condition of the labor question, and a great many remedies are propounded, some of which are worthy of consideration.

The closing portion of the volume relates to chattel mortgages.

Life Saving Collar.

Consul Lee Burt, at Ghent, has sent to the State Department a description of a new life-saving collar, which he believes far superior to either the life buoy or cork jacket, as the body is submerged with the exception of the head, which prevents exposure and congestion, while the arms are perfectly free, and it is impossible to capsize. The Chicago Tribune. The invention consists of a cork collar, having an exterior diameter of sixteen and one-half inches; the neck opening has a circumference of eighteen inches, and is composed of two half collars fastened together with a hinge, in which there is a strong spring, destined to maintain the collar always closed and firm. The opening is opposite the hinge. On each side the opening, there is a smaller holder, made of oak, three inches in height and two inches in diameter, securely fastened. When pressure is exerted on the two holders the collar spreads open and allows the head to pass in. On letting go of the holders the collar claps itself automatically. The collar is formed of 80 pieces of cork each piece having the form of an isosceles triangle, with angles rounded, of which the base is four and three-quarter inches and the height five and five-sixteenth inches. The points are directed towards the interior, which gives the collar an elevation at its periphery of four and three-quarter inches, while at its interior there is a thickness of one and three-sixteenth inches. The pieces are cut radially and are strung on two heavy steel wire stems concentrically riveted to the hinges. The weight of the apparatus is about five and one-half pounds, and its displacement of water about twelve quarts; consequently, its ascensional strength represents constantly from eighteen to twenty pounds of iron.

He Was a Wolesey.

The death of Trooper Wolesey at the battle of Elandsdlaagte demands a record, says The Newcastle Chronicle, that will not be given to it by those whose eyes were not on the scene. The trooper was a young man, only 21 years of age, and was the nephew of Sir Charles Wolesey of Wolesey, ninth baronet, who holds to-day the deer park his ancestor enclosed in the reign of Edward IV. He was a trooper, who was so gallantly slain at Elandsdlaagte, a fine target for Boer bullets, was a fine horseman, and when the war broke out he left the mines in Johannesburg and went forth under Colonel Chisholme to meet the Boers. He did so gallantly, that he was reported as "missing," only because his dead body was not found. In the forefront, until it had rested there for six days.

Extinction of the Boer.

Judging from the recent report of the Registrar-General of New Zealand, that fine martial race, the Maoris, is going the way of all aboriginals whose country has become colonized by the whites. They may not become absolutely extinct, but a few more decades, and their doom is signed. Among the causes officially assigned for the thinning of their numbers are the high infantile mortality resulting from improper food, exposure and the want of ordinary care, constitutions debilitated by past debauchery, the belief in native doctors and neglect of the sick and the adoption of European habits and costumes leading to diseases of the respiratory organs. A Maori M.A., Mr. Ngata, in addressing a recent conference of his countrymen, said that drink was pauperizing them and sapping their vitality.—London Chronicle.

Sanskrit Epic Books.

A proposal is being ventilated among scholars of Hindoo literature for the formation of a Sanskrit epic texts society, with the object of instituting a systematic collection of manuscripts of the Mahabharata and other texts relating to India, says the Pittsburgh Dispatch. The society would also provide for and superintend the publication of texts, translations or any treatises tending to throw light on the history, religion, philosophy, the laws and customs and the civilization of ancient India. The proposal for the formation of the society will be brought before the Indian section of the forthcoming international congress of orientalists at Rome with a view to the appointment of a committee which shall enlist the support of various governments and academies and learned societies in Europe and America.

Naturalist's Scheme.

A naturalist found that black ants were devouring the skins of some bird specimens on a table, so he made tar circles on four pieces of paper, and put one under each leg of the table. Ants will not touch tar. Pretty soon he found the ants busily at work again, and looking at the tar circle, found each one was bridged by bits of sand which the clever ants had brought in from the street.

Knapsacking.

Jack—It must be pretty tough to have a knapsackman order you to have a knapsack.

Harry—I suppose so; but heavens, it's nothing to have a policeman tell you to move on!

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COUNTY COUNCIL.

That Body Takes up the Question of Salaries.

Some Increased and others Cut Down --A Good Deal of Discussion.

Wednesday afternoon's session of county council was largely monopolized with a lengthy consideration in committee of the whole—of the report of the special committee appointed to investigate and consider the salaries of county officers. The County Clerk Fleming submitted a statement of the amount paid for care-taker, salary, supplies and minor repairs to Harrison Hall for '99, the expense of which is borne jointly by county and city. The total was \$1,042.90.

Ex-Warden Leverton reported that he had secured the services of Judge Houston to try county cases up to the present session.

Mr. VonGuten asked where the county was at on this matter. The Warden said it looked as though they would have to fall back in the old way.

Mr. Hickey said they got along well enough before and believed they could again.

Mr. McCoy said the county should have a police magistrate at once. The council should ask the Government to introduce legislation to indorse the county's appointment.

COUNTY SALARIES.

The council then went into committee of the whole on the salary report, which was considered clause by clause. Clause I.—That the duties of jail surgeon and physician to the house of refuge be amalgamated at a salary of \$275.

Mr. Wilson moved in amendment, that the duties be left as they were.

Mr. Campbell moved that the jail surgeon be receiving too large a remuneration for the services he was rendering, and the house of refuge physician too little. He thought the two offices should be left, but the salaries altered.

Mr. McCoy supported the report and denounced what he termed the present unfair division of the salary.

Mr. Wilson said if the physician at the house of refuge was not getting sufficient pay, he thought the council should increase it, but Dr. Bray had proved a competent jail physician for many years and he did not think his office should be removed.

Mr. Campbell favored the report. One was getting much too little and the other much too much. The man who did the most work should get the most pay.

Mr. Wilson's amendment was lost and the clause adopted.

Clause II.—That the turnkey and jail keeper be paid \$500, an increase of \$70, less \$14, jail keeper's fees.—Adopted.

Clause III.—That the salary of the jailer be reduced from \$800 to \$600 with light and fuel.

Messrs. Leverton and Stewart moved in amendment, that the salary remain as it was.

Mr. Leverton said the jailer was always most efficient in the interests of the county and had done a great deal of work. He was charged with great responsibility.

He had done it, too, willingly and freely. He believed in keeping the jailer in his position for 25 years, and it was only now the county had found out he was getting \$200 too much.

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successful work on the improvements. Mr. Marshall favored the reduction. The amendment was lost and the clause adopted.

Clause IV.—That the salary of the matron of the jail be reduced from \$200 to \$100. Adopted on the same division.

Clause II.—That the salary of the county solicitor be \$200.—Adopted.

The salaries of the county constable, treasurer, clerk, caretaker Harrison Hall, caretaker and matron of house of refuge and inspector were left as before. Messrs. Hickey and Wilson moved that the matron's salary be increased from \$150 to \$200, but the motion was lost.

A clause was also adopted requiring the services of all officers without that if not made to be allowed.

Mr. Gosnell—Why, there's nothing about the councillors' indemnity?

Mr. Wilson—Yes, why not complete it and take it back at ourselves.

The council then resumed and the report was adopted as a whole.

THURSDAY MORNING.

The Council resumed at 10.15 this morning.

County Clerk Fleming tendered his report of all persons who had taken out auctioneers and pedlars' licenses.

Adopted.

The Ridgeway Coll. Inst. was submitted and referred to the education committee. In a brief discussion Messrs. VonGuten, McCoy and Sturges maintained that if the county was paying the lion share of the expenditure, the county pupils' fees should be no more than those of the pupils from Ridgeway.

Mr. Sturges brought up a matter of the account of Constable Peters, in which \$10 had been held out. He asked redress.

Messrs. Leverton and McCoy said a grant of \$10 was made to remunerate him for unsuccessful for time and trouble. He was successful and his account was honored by the criminal audit.

Motion of Hickey and Robinson that \$100 be granted to the Children's Aid Society.—Finance.

Motion of McCoy and Stewart that \$15 be granted each county pupil doing the account of Constable Peters, in which \$10 had been held out. He asked redress.

Motion of Willson and Campbell that Harry Martin be nominated for course at Guelph Agricultural College.—Agriculture.

Motion of Caughill and VonGuten that \$27.75 be refunded to Harwich for disbursements on county pauper.—Finance.

Motion of Marshall and VonGuten that the clerk be instructed to ask for tenders for the position of physician to jail and house of refuge, applications to be noon to-morrow.

The council adjourned to visit the house of industry.