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JANUARY ...SALE...

Bargains from Our Staple
and Linen Department...

500 yards Bleached Tabling, the very finest quality bought from one of the largest Glasgow Linen Manufacturers, as seconds. We have cut all the imperfections out and can give you any length cloth without a spot in them at **75 Per Cent. Less than Regular Cost.**

Regular \$1.00 Bleached Tabling at 75c.
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" 85 " " " 60

Men's Underwear at 1-2 Price.

13 dozen men's all wool union and fleece-lined shirts and drawers, regular price 50c, January sale price 25c.
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One dozen men's white dress shirts, reg. price \$1.25 and \$1.50, January sale price 75c
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Westman Bros.

Cross Cut Saws, Axes, Files,
Horse Blankets, Robes, etc...

All at interesting prices and
the best in quality.

WESTMAN BROS. CHATHAM.



The ARK Stock-Taking Snaps.

This week at The Ark we are selling you lines of BANQUET and RECEPTION LAMPS, handsomely decorated in assorted tints.

3 Doz. Regular price \$1.25, now \$1.00
2 " " " 1.50, now 1.13
2 " " " 3.00, now 2.25
2 " " " 5.00, now 3.75

The \$3.00 and \$5.00 Lamps have lift founts. These Lamps are all up-to-date 1903 patterns.

12 Doz. No. 1 Incandescent Burners, regular 25c, now 20c.
These Burners give a very brilliant light; it is a great oil saver.

This Special Sale will continue until Saturday Evening.

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GEO. STEPHENS DULY CHOSEN

Gathering of West Kent Liberals Renew Allegiance to Present Member.

Mr. Pardo Makes a Significant Statement—Address of Mr. Stephens and Other Speakers.

The convention of the West Kent Liberal Association, which is being held in the I. O. F. temple to-day, was opened this morning about eleven o'clock. Although the convention was announced for ten o'clock there were only about a dozen people there, including the president and secretary of the Association, and Geo. Stephens, M. P., who was seen, wending his way, through the crowd throughout the entire convention shaking hands and appearing jovial.

About half-past ten o'clock the crowd commenced to come and by eleven, when the convention opened the auditorium was about three quarters filled with delegates, a large number of whom were from the city. The riding was very well represented by delegates and the affairs of the morning which were mostly routine, were carried through harmoniously.

Among the delegates present were: From Blenheim, Jno. S. Laird, C. L. VonGanten, Geo. Thompson, J. H. Ferguson, D. Denholm, F. Haggart, W. C. R. O'Connell, James McQuigan, S. Burke, H. Burke, Jas. Sterling, David and M. Samson, From Div. No. 2, Rieghel, Fred. Dolsen, A. Chrysler, N. Newcombe, Jno. Trudell, A. Edwards, Geo. Hitchcock, and D. Smith, J. E. Tremblay, Tilbury Centre; Dr. Sambson, of Windsor; From Dover—P. Demaree, P. Caron, C. Gore, A. Pock, J. D. LePlant, Ed. Caron, Wm. Fessenden and C. Hart; From Harwich—Richard Young, A. Nelson, J. Galbraith, D. Galbraith, Alex. Young, R. Johnson, J. Johnson, Jas. Nash. From the city the faces of Dr. Fleming, W. Anderson, J. Colby, M. Gardner, W. Benson, G. B. Douglas, Dr. Charteris, Frank C. Charteris, J. W. Humphrey, Col. Sam Holmes, W. Stone, W. A. Hadley, Jno. A. Walker, A. Jahnke, and N. H. Stevens, were noticed.

J. G. Kerr, the president of the Association, opened the meeting with a short address explaining the object of the convention. "I am glad to see so many here," said he. "I do not intend to speak on any political subject. There are many interesting ones which will be spoken upon this afternoon. I shall, however, only speak on what is directly concerned with the organization."

He then read the constitution and explained that as there was no competition as to the nomination, there would be no call for credentials and that every one present would consider himself a delegate.

The election of officers then took place and the following gentlemen were elected:—President—Fred Stone, Vice Pres.—J. W. Smith, Tilbury. Secretary—A. McColg. Mr. Kerr announced that he was not a candidate for the presidency and Mr. Stone was the unanimous choice. A. B. McColg's name was mentioned, but he declined. Mr. Smith had no opposition for Vice-President.

Archie McColg asked that another secretary be appointed in the place he filled during the last election, but the meeting insisted upon him setting again in the capacity of secretary.

Mr. Stone, the new President, then walked to the front and as he took the chair he was greeted with loud applause. He said:—

"Gentlemen, I don't know whether to thank you or not. There is no great honor attached to the position, but there is also a great amount of work. During the last election I was close enough to the centre to learn that there is enough work to do. Perhaps that is why I have veered from the presidency in the past. Some have said, however, that the honors should go round, and so I feel gratified in accepting the presidency from this representative convention to-day. I see no reason why we cannot carry this election as we have carried those in the past. We have everything in our favor."

The following gentlemen were then nominated for the executive committee:—Thomas Brady, Chatham; Jas. Ross, Tilbury; J. H. Ferguson, Robert Smith, Dover; H. Y. Thibodeau, Dover; J. W. White, Chatham; Wm. Haviland, Dr. Rutherford, Chatham; W. C. Estabrook, Merlin; C. L. VonGunt, Blenheim; G. W. Resborough, Harwich; N. H. Stevens, Chatham; Dr. McFarlane, Chatham; W. A. Hadley, City.

A committee consisting of Dr. Charley, Tilbury; J. A. Walker, City; D. Denholm, Blenheim; Jno. Grant, Dover; Dr. Oliver, Merlin, and R. Young, of Harwich; selected the following gentlemen for the executive committee, and the action was carried:—Thomas Brady, City; Jas. Ross, Tilbury; J. H. Ferguson, Blenheim; Robert Smith, Dover; N. H. Stevens, Chatham.

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A WINNER IN MR. WILLSON

East Kent Liberal-Conservative's Enthusiastic over Their Chosen Candidate

One of the Largest and Most Representative Conventions Ever Held in the History of the County

From The Planet's Correspondent.

Dresden, Jan. 5.—The largest and most representative convention in the history of Dresden was held in the Grand Opera House yesterday afternoon. Delegates from every municipality in the new riding of East Kent were in attendance, and the spacious opera house was crowded to the doors with enthusiastic Liberal-Conservative.

The object of the meeting was the selection of the Conservative candidate to contest the riding of East Kent, at the coming Federal election, and judging by the large and enthusiastic gathering, we can safely predict that Mr. B. W. Willson, of Ridgeway, the unanimous choice of the convention, will be the first member for the new riding of East Kent.

The meeting opened at 2 p. m., with J. W. Sharpe, President of the East Kent Liberal Association in the chair. Nominations were called for at once and after a short eulogistic speech, Mr. A. B. Carscallen, of Wallaceburg, proposed the name of Mr. B. W. Willson, of Ridgeway, the motion being the signal for a storm of applause.

Mr. Buller seconded Mr. Carscallen's motion and the nomination was made the unanimous choice of the convention and an outburst of enthusiastic applause.

Mr. Willson's appearance was the signal for continued applause, after which he gave a short forcible address, accepting the nomination and pledging himself to support the progressive policy of the Liberal-Conservative, and if elected to vote always in the best interests of his constituency and of his constituents. He was heartily and unanimously supported, and the delegates present, and promised that if such were given him he would be their representative in the next Dominion parliament.

Richard Blain, M. P., for Peel, was next introduced to the audience. He first congratulated the candidate upon the large and intelligent gathering which had pledged him its support, and declared that such a meeting was a rare and a credit to the county. He then went minutely into both provincial and Dominion political conditions, making a conclusive arraignment of the Reform party, for the corruption in their own province, and for the expenditures of the government in power at Ottawa. Mr. Blain's rousing address was listened to with interest and attention, and was liberally punctuated with applause.

Unanimous resolutions were passed expressing the confidence of the convention in the Conservative leaders, Messrs. Borden and Whitney.

Short addresses were given by John Langford, Mr. Graham, Mr. Buller and Mr. A. B. Carscallen.

A discussion on followed as to the necessity of proper organization, and steps were taken to ensure the formation of a central fund and to place the organization of the riding upon an efficient working basis.

A hearty vote of thanks was unanimously tendered Mr. Richard Blain for his able and profitable speech, after which this splendid meeting dispersed with enthusiasm, cheering for our King, our coming member, Mr. Willson, our leader, Mr. Borden, and the president of the Association.

MARKS BROS. CO.

Marks Bros. Company, who are holding forth at the Grand this week, are pleasing large and appreciative audiences. The play presented last night was "Larry Brogan's Promotion," with the clever young Canadian comedian, Ernie Marks, in the lead. Judging from the applause that attended his every appearance, he lost none of the prestige which he gained here last season, while special mention might be made of M. S. Goldsine, Oscar O'Shea, Frank Fielder, Ed. Paull, Esther Evans, Edythe Winchester and Mabel Grace Purdy, who all played their respective roles in an acceptable manner. Clever and up-to-date specialties fill all waits between acts, making each performance continuous. Each evening prize coupons are being distributed for the ton of hard coal, which is to be given away on Saturday night. At the Saturday matinee numbers will be given to all school children attending for the choice of a suit of clothes from Geo. Meynell and choice of a pair of hockey boots from Fred. Briscoe's store.

Matinee prices, 5 and 15 cents. Night prices, 10, 15 and 25 cents. Seats on sale at Briscoe's.

INSPECTOR PARK ALLUDES TO GOOD WORK OF PLANET JUNIOR

Official Report of Inspector Complimented by Public School Board—Trustee Heyward Pays High Tribute to Principal of McKeough School—Congratulations to Chairman and Re-Elected Trustees—Some Humorous References to Busy Izzies.

One of the best reports ever read before the Chatham Public School Board was presented last evening by Inspector Park. Mr. Park in his report made a brief review of the work done by the two Public Schools during the last term, and made some excellent recommendations along the line of bettering the Public school work in Chatham.

The following is the report as read:—

Chatham, December 30, 1903. The Public School Board, Chatham.

Gentlemen, I beg herewith to report upon the progress and condition of the city schools for the term just closed. Although the classes in both schools have been considerably broken and the attendance at times seriously affected by outbreaks of contagious diseases, the term just closed has been marked by more uniformly excellent work through the various rooms than hitherto, and as these contagious diseases seem now to have vanished we shall begin the work of the spring term under most favorable conditions.

McKEOUGH SCHOOL.

Notwithstanding that school work was much interfered with in the middle of the term through considerable contagious sickness the McKeough school has never done better than in the term just closed. The Christmas promotions have been very satisfactory and as a result the higher forms of the school are full and this is the best evidence of progress. The Principal's form has about 45 pupils preparing for the high school entrance examination and with excellent prospects of success. Great progress has been made in drawing in all the rooms, while color work has received considerable attention in some of the junior rooms.

With respect to the Kindergarten, and with excellent results, I expect this school to make a good showing at the Art examinations in April next. That the English work of this school is not neglected is fully borne out by the many excellent essays written by the pupils of the various classes for the Planet Junior-Competition in essay writing. In general management and discipline I do not think the McKeough school is surpassed.

THE CENTRAL SCHOOL.

Like the McKeough school, the Central has suffered from the outbreak of contagious diseases, and particularly in the closing month of the term, but notwithstanding this neither the Principal nor myself were ever so well satisfied with the work accomplished in the fall term before. Indeed, we have made such progress that, as foreshadowed in my report of July last, we shall have four large Fourth Book classes at the opening of the schools in January instead of three as heretofore, and this advance has been maintained throughout the school. We have now from 80 to 85 pupils, Senior Fourth, needing two rooms; for Entrance work; from 100 to 105 Junior Fourth, needing two rooms; 110 Junior Third, needing two rooms; 80 Senior Second and 75 Junior Second, needing three rooms; 165 Senior First, needing two rooms, and 140 Junior First, needing three rooms. That is, instead of four Second classes and three Fourth classes we shall have three Second and four Fourth classes. This advance makes it necessary to promote some of the teachers, and after mature consideration of the merits of the teachers and in conjunction with the Principal, I beg to recommend that Miss Birch be changed from Senior Third to Junior Fourth, Miss Ryan from Junior Third to Senior Third, Miss Mounter from Senior Second to Junior Third, and Miss McColl from Senior First to Second Class.

At the McKeough school, the Central is also making excellent progress in drawing and color work, the latter especially so in the Kindergarten. Nowhere in the school is there a weakness in discipline, and the general management of the whole school is excellent.

In connection with our schools there is nothing more gratifying than the general advance in popularity of the Kindergarten. To-day we rarely find a parent expressing a desire, and it may be said now that every pupil who enters the schools now passes through the Kindergarten first. The Kindergarten was thought to be a playhouse, nothing more, but results have proven that the child who passes through the Kindergarten is much farther advanced in school work at eight

years of age than if he had spent his whole time from entrance at regular school work. That parents and others have learned this is best shown by the very large numbers attending the recent closing exercises of our three excellent Kindergartens.

If Kindergarten work has become so popular, is this not an evidence that the people desire the extension of Kindergarten methods farther into school life? In other words, is there not a strong desire for something in the direction of Manual Training? I am firmly convinced that this is so, and I am certain that both of our wide-awake Principals are convinced of it, too. If we had a room at the Central school that could be fitted up for the Second Section of Manual Training I would recommend the Board to establish the whole work at once. There is nothing, however, to prevent us from taking up the first section, Drawing, Cardboard Exercises, Weaving and Modeling, but a lack of material, and, as the expense of supplying it for the experiment will be slight, I, in conjunction with both Principals, recommend this matter to the immediate consideration of the Board. We are willing and anxious to attempt to carry the first section of this work to a successful issue.

Any further information the Board may require of me will be cheerfully supplied, if within my power. I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,
ROBERT PARK.

Mr. Morley moved that the report be adopted and that the recommendations contained therein be referred for consideration to the Board. "We ought to be proud of our Inspector," said Mr. Morley. "He has given us an excellent report."

Mr. Heyward—I would like to second that motion, and I would also like to congratulate Mr. Park on his report. It is the best report I have ever heard read at the Board. I am glad to know that the McKeough School is making such progress under Miss Abraham. When McKeough school last closed the former principal was imaged by some that the school might be handicapped. I am glad, however, to see that, according to the Inspector's report it is in better position than ever before and making strides second to none in the province, for which I wish to congratulate Miss Abraham. Since the Board have engaged Miss Abraham she has proven herself to be a far superior teacher and principal to any the school has ever had. The managers appreciate this fact very much.

Mr. Morley—I would like to add to what Mr. Heyward has said, that the teachers of that school are at present paying out their own money to buy paints for the color work, which is so highly recommended by Inspector Park.

Mr. Bensen—I heartily corroborate the statements made by Mr. Heyward, and the progress being made by the Central school. I would say that the schools of Chatham are inferior to none in the province.

The motion for the adoption of the report was carried unanimously. Those present at the meeting were Chairman Robertson, and Trustees Dr. R. V. Bray, Bensen, Heyward, Morley, McCorvie, and Cornish.

The following was the report of the Finance Committee:—

Your committee beg leave to recommend the payment of the following accounts:—

Central School—
Gas Co \$1.28
Drug Store55

Kindergarten No. 1—
Planet \$1.00
Northway Co.81

Insurance—
W. E. Rispen \$24.00
W. E. Rispen 1.20

McKeough School—
Drug Store \$1.00

Grand total \$32.94

The report was adopted. The Central School teachers wrote the Board thanking them for their increase in salaries.

The Kindergarten committee reported the engagement of Miss Farquharson as assistant in the Central school kindergarten. The action was endorsed by the Board.

The Finance committee were empowered to consider an offer for the King street property and report back to the Board at the next regular meeting.

Mr. Robertson reported that a new water meter had been installed in the Central school. He also hinted that the heating of the school will soon have to be changed from hot air to



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Hot water or steam. The money expended in heating the Central School this year will be double the amount required to heat Harrison Hall.

COMPLIMENTARY EXCHANGES.

Mr. Morley—I am glad to see all of the old members of the Board back in their places again, and I hope they may remain here for many years to come.

Mr. Cornish—I would like to take this opportunity of expressing the thanks of the Board to our retiring chairman, Mr. Robertson. He has been a good chairman.

Mr. McCorvie—I never spent a more pleasant year at the Board than I did last year, and I second the motion to the chairman.

Mr. Bensen—We have had a successful business year in the School Board, and I am glad to see all of the old members returned. I can but echo the sentiments of the mover and seconder of the vote of thanks to the retiring chairman.

Mr. Heyward—Mr. Robertson has been an excellent chairman and has conducted the affairs of the board in a business-like manner. Referring to the congratulatory comments on his re-election, Mr. Heyward added, smilingly, "I am glad to be here again for another two years. I must say I was up against a stiff proposition, owing to the fact that a few busy-bodies made it their business to look after the business of the people of Ward 5—which, by the way," he added, laughing, "was none of their business."

Mr. Morley—I can endorse everything which has been said in regard to our worthy chairman.

Mr. Macnabb, the secretary, then put the motion, which carried unanimously. Mr. Robertson made a suitable reply. He said:

"I have always tried to make everything as pleasant as possible. I always felt also that I was well supported in that chair. I don't think I ever met a more congenial lot of men than are here gathered around this Board.

"As regards Mr. Heyward, I am exceedingly glad to see him back. Mr. Cornish made a good return, and I also pleased that he was returned."

"I have been asked why I did not run for the Council. I was there for one year, and I tell you I would rather be on the School Board and receive kind words and pleasant smiles from the parents, teachers and scholars of the city."

The Board then adjourned.

Aid John Edmondson says that he may have surprised the people but he didn't surprise John Edmondson. He was bustling all the time and, while he knew he couldn't get first place, he had a pretty good idea that he could win second place, and he did. Mr. Edmondson is busy thanking all his friends and, at the same time, has his eye on the Property committee chairmanship.

The Planet. S. STEPHENSON - Proprietor. WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6.

THE PLANET JUNIOR AND ITS MISSION

The kindly reference by Inspector Robert Park in his official report presented at the Public School Board meeting last evening to the essay competitions of The Planet Junior is much appreciated.

That the work is bearing such encouraging results as the Inspector intimates is highly gratifying. If the publication of the little paper each week is not only interesting our young people, but also aiding them in the development of their mental faculties and advancing their interest and success in the school work, its mission is being accomplished.

EAST KENT'S CHOICE.

The enthusiastic and unanimous selection of Mr. B. W. Willson, of Ridgeway, as the Liberal-Conservative standard bearer in East Kent was the picking of a winner. Victory was in the very atmosphere of the convention—and the wave went forth to every corner of the constituency.

Mr. Willson will make a magnificent candidate. He is an ex-Warden of the County, a man esteemed and beloved by all who know him—a sturdy veteran of the good old days of personal integrity and uprightness in political affairs.

Few men have an abler or better grasp of public affairs than Mr. Willson—none has the interests of the constituency and the country more at heart. His presence in the Canadian Parliament will prove a distinct advantage, not alone to Kent, but to the whole Dominion.

Benjamin Willson—honored veteran of proud record and achievement—and Herbert Clements—filled with the zeal and enthusiasm of intelligent and earnest young manhood—will prove two worthy representatives of our fine county.

CLANCY FOR WEST LAMBTON.

Every Conservative in the riding expected that the convention at Bridgen on Friday last would be a record-breaker, and it is safe to say there were none present who did not agree that the results exceeded the most sanguine expectations.

The attendance was the largest at any similar gathering in the history of the party in the riding; the personnel of the convention was a representation of the electorate of which the party might well be proud, and the sentiment which pervaded the meeting was one of enthusiasm and confidence which presaged victory.

The manly and generous utterance in which Mr. LeSueur moved to make the nomination of Mr. Clancy unanimous sounded the keynote of the gathering, which was a spirit of loyalty to the Conservative cause, and a determination to combine all the energies of the party in the work of carrying West Lambton over to the Conservative column.

In Mr. Clancy the Conservatives of West Lambton have a candidate of whom they have reason to be proud. Mr. Clancy is recognized as one of the ablest men on the Conservative side of politics; a keen debater in the House of Commons, an eloquent and effective public speaker, and a Liberal-Conservative of the staunchest and most courageous type.

As to Mr. Clancy's power as a campaigner, his great victory over Hon. David Mills in Bothwell in 1896 stands as an achievement almost unparalleled in the history of Canadian politics. Hon. Mr. Mills carried the constituency of Bothwell in 1891 by 550. Facing this tremendous adverse majority, Mr. Clancy went into the fight against Mr. Mills in 1896, and defeated him by 59, a change of over six hundred in the vote.

If the Bothwell Conservatives with Mr. Clancy as their candidate could overcome a majority of 550 against them under the conditions which existed in 1896, the West Lambton Conservatives, with Mr. Clancy as their candidate, should have a comparatively easy task in redeeming West Lambton in 1904.—Sarnia Canadian.

DUNDONALD.

Lord Dundonald is becoming a great favorite in Canada. His speech at the opening of the Canadian club at Ottawa has won for him the approval and admiration of all Canadians. Although but a short time in this country, he has learned to understand our people, and to appreciate their devotion to the empire. In a word, the Earl of Dundonald finds himself to be perfectly at home among the "colonials" of Canada.

The Gleaner (Alexandria, Ont.) reproduces Dundonald's address to

Rheumatism Does not let go of you when you apply lotions or liniments. It simply loosens its hold for a while. Why? Because to get rid of it you must correct the acid condition of the blood on which it depends. Hood's Sarsaparilla has cured thousands.

The Ottawa Canadian club says: "We commend it to the perusal of each one of our readers. It is not merely an appeal of the highest order to the patriotism of the people of Canada, but is a complete exposition of the new militia system outlined by Sir Frederick Borden, the minister of militia and defense, towards the close of the late session of parliament, and as initiated by Lord Dundonald.

"To command respect in international councils, there must be a knowledge that behind all argument and conciliation, there are the rifles of an armed, and organized and patriotic people," is the noble and appropriate peroration of the author of the new system in his clear, manly and soldier-like utterance, wherein he delineates his scheme and submits it to the judgment of the Canadian people; and we much mistake our fellow-countrymen if the answer which they will give him and the readiness with which they will respond to his call will not be such as a soldier like himself, animated by a stern, solemn sense of duty will appreciate to the full and regard as his highest reward.

It is a lofty and paramount sense of duty, and that alone, which brings to this country and to our service, at the severance of every family and social tie, this great and highly-placed nobleman, whose example is an inspiration to the whole community, and whose words of earnest appeal must quicken the loyal and patriotic impulse of every Canadian citizen; while as for every man connected with the militia force of Canada it will, in the distant years yet to come, be his proudest boast to declare, "I served in the Canadian militia when we had as our commanding officer that gallant soldier the Earl of Dundonald."

How are the New Year resolutions holding out? They say the drafting of civic statutes is occasioning much wincing of the eyes.

"Build up Ontario!" and "Remember Ross!" have been called in. The motto now is, "Power at any Price!"

The Globa would have us believe that the personal popularity of Mr. Dunlop overcame the personal popularity of the machine in North Brant.

When the Lamp of Life Burns low the strain on all the delicate organs of the body is very great. The stomach and bowels are weaker—the liver more sluggish. Constipation paves the way for dreaded kidney and liver diseases.

Abbey's Effervescent Salt Nature's own aperient, is extracted from the pure juices of fresh fruit. It is not a purgative but a gently effective and insistent laxative. It relieves the system of all impurities and acts upon the most sensitive organ without discomfort. Abbey's cleanses and purifies the blood, regulates the bowels and brings sound refreshing sleep. It cures constipation by removing the cause, and brings the entire system back to healthy vigor. Directions on the bottle. At all druggists etc. and food.



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Any of the Several MAGI WATERS,

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It is to be hoped that in the speech our old friend, Archie Campbell, M. P., is billed to make this afternoon, he won't overlook some allusion to the coal oil question. If we remember aright it's a little matter that used to interest Archie's somewhat in the long ago.

IN THE WRONG SET. Louisville Courier-Journal. The Rev. Morgan Dix tells us that the woman of to-day smokes, sweats, gambles and drinks. Can't somebody introduce Mr. Dix into a little decent society?

KING EDWARD A LECTURER! Exchange. King Edward, when Prince of Wales, was asked, according to a late London club story, what he should do if he should meet with a sudden reverse of fortune, or if the monarchy were overthrown. The reply credited to the Prince was: "Well, I think I might support my wife and family by lecturing in the United States on how it feels to be Prince of Wales."

CZAR TOOK THE HINT. Argonaut. Once, so the story goes, Emperor Nicholas of Russia asked Liszt to play in his presence. The musician complied, but during the performance the Czar started a conversation with an aide-de-camp. Liszt stopped playing at once. The Czar, asked what was the matter, "When the Emperor speaks," said Liszt, "everyone must be silent." The Czar smilingly took the hint, and the playing proceeded.

HERBERT SPENCER ON BOY RAISING. Exchange. Herbert Spencer, the great English philosopher, who died a few days ago gave the following advice concerning the raising of a boy. Do but gain a boy's trust; convince him by your behaviour that you have his happiness at heart; let him discover that you are the wiser of the two; let him experience the benefit of following your advice and the evils that arise from disregarding it.

A MYSTERY IN ILLINOIS. Salem, Ill., Herald. A Jefferson City man told his wife when rebuked by her for his late hours, that he stayed away because his home was not made pleasant for him, so the faithful wife next day took up the parlor carpet, scattered sawdust over the floor, brought in some tables covered them with glasses and bottles and cheese and crackers and bologna, provided a glass of beer and waited contentedly the return of her better half. She can't understand why, after one glance at the arrangements, he faced about, slammed the door, and stayed out later than ever. —Salem, Ill., Herald.

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THE STAGE

"All the world's a stage and all the men and women merely players."

ANNOUNCEMENTS. At the Chatham Grand— Marks Bros.—Jan. 4-16, Ritchie Co.—Jan. 25. A Thoroughbred Tramp—Jan. 27.

WELL PLEASED AUDIENCE. A large and appreciative audience greeted Marks Bros. at the Grand last evening, when they presented "Larry Brogan's Promotion," and judging from the applause from those present they were thoroughly satisfied.

Ernie Marks, the clever comedian of the company, kept the audience in continual good humor and made them forget life's troubles for the time being. All the other members of the cast were good.

The specialties are all clean and clever and well received by the audience. Mabel Grace Purdum made a charming soubrette. Ed. Paul certainly has proved himself an expert musician, while Ferguson and Cramp, sketch artists, are of high class order. Harry Fay, in his illustrated songs, also took well with the audience. All the specialties had to respond to frequent encores.

During the week the company will give away three handsome presents, to be awarded to the persons holding the lucky coupons on Saturday next. The bill for to-night will be, "A Woman's Vengeance," with entire change of specialties.

The dentist knows that even the truthful person's mouth needs looking into.

Cut Price Sale

Twice a year it is customary to clean house. We go through our stock and clean out the broken lines. This is a stock-cleaning time with us, and it ought to interest you, because of the good things it puts within reach at very low prices.

Our House-Cleaning Sale is a tempting time for bargain hunters. If one-half the men in Chatham knew how little money it takes to buy one of our good Suits or Overcoats during this Sale, we'd need a store ten times the size, to-morrow, to wait on them.

It's your loss if you don't take advantage of this Sale! \$10.00 buys Suits and Overcoats that were \$12.00, \$12.50, \$13.00 to \$15.00. Bargains in Every Department! Men's Odd Coats, \$1.98!

Meynell's

3 Doors West from Market, King St

A Curious Defense. A correspondent writes with reference to the adoption of the decimal system in England: The other day I heard an Englishman defending our system of coinage on the ground that we are the only nation on earth who can say that the system is bone of our bone; for there are 240 bones in the body, and 240 pence in the pound; there are 120 bones in the head and trunk, and 120 in the limbs, and 120 pence in half a sovereign; each limb contains 30 bones, and a half-crown contains 30 pence; in the spinal column there are 24 bones, and in a florin 24 pence; and as we have 12 ribs on each side so we have 12 pence in every shilling. See how the proportions of the skeleton of our commerce conform to Nature's teaching. No wonder it is vigorous. And with regard to our measures of length, did not Mr. Piazzi Smith, in his work on the Pyramids, prove, with a great expenditure of labor and learning, that it was the special favorite of heaven, because our standard yard is of the divinely-appointed length; and that all the woes of France are due to her adoption of the goddess metre? Such arguments as these are thought weighty by lots of good people.

HOW IT SPREADS. The first package of Ham-Roid (the infallible Pile cure) that was put out went to a small town in the State of Nebraska. It made the cure of a case of Piles that was considered hopeless. The news spread and although this was only two years ago the demand prompted Dr. J. S. Leonard, of Lincoln, Neb., the discoverer, to prepare it for general use. Now it is being sent to all parts of the world. It will cure in any case of piles. There is a month's treatment in each box. Sold for \$1.00, with absolute guarantee.

Sold by C. E. Gunn & Co., Central Drug Store, Chatham.

Women always hold to a pet idea until it is worn down to a point so fine it cannot be seen.

The materials of work are almost as important as the work itself. The name of Phidias would be unknown to-day had Phidias wrought in wax.

STOMACH TROUBLES. A disordered stomach may cause no end of trouble. When the stomach fails to perform its functions the bowels become deranged, the liver and kidneys congested, causing numerous diseases, the most fatal of which are painless and therefore the more to be dreaded. The important thing is to restore the stomach and liver to a healthy condition, and for this purpose no better preparation can be used than Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. For sale by all druggists.

A checked career often ends in stripes. It's the disappointed genius who gets his hair cut.

WIDE AWAKE

People, when looking for Dinner, Tea or Chamber Sets, seek the store where they are positive they are receiving the greatest value. Many persons purchasing from us have proved to their satisfaction that our prices for China, Lamps and Glassware are the lowest in the city, as we are clearing all out very near the cost price. Lots yet to come from. Come and buy your goods from us. Remember it is a genuine clearing-out sale. Every thing in the Crocker Line goes.

GROCERIES.

8 lbs. Best Rolled Oats, 25c. 6 lbs. Tapioca, 25c. Maple Syrup, Imp. qt., 30c. Fresh Ground Coffee, 15c. per lb. 7 lbs. Rolled Wheat, 25c. Sunlight Baking Powder, 10c. 1-lb. tins. Corn Starch, 7c. per package. Pickles, 10c. per bottle. Great values in teas and coffees.

John McConnell,

Phone 190, - Park St.

Big Clearance of Ladies' Jackets

We place on sale Thursday morning our entire stock of Ladies' and Children's Stylish Coats without thought of cost or value with but one effect in view—their immediate disposal. Such decided bargains in new up-to-date garments are seldom offered, and we would advise you to come early if you want to secure the choice.

- At \$2.95—Ladies' all wool frieze and boucle cloth coats, out box back, fly front, some lined, regular \$4.50 and \$5.00, clearing at \$2.95. At \$4.95—Your pick of 23 handsome coats, this season's best styles and sellers, in all wool frieze and fine beaver cloths, colors Oxford grey, navy and black, box back, fly front, pouch or kimono sleeve, rich satana linings, regular \$6.50, \$7.00 and \$7.50 values, clearing at \$4.95. At \$6.90—Your choice of 19 stylish coats, beavers, frieze, boucles and zobelina mixtures, in range of perfect fitting styles, all this season's latest, worth regular \$8.50, \$9.00, \$9.50 and \$10.00, clearing at \$6.90. At \$7.90—Some of the handsomest coats shown this season, fine kerseys, frieze, beavers, mixtures and zobelina, box back, fitted or corset styles, beautifully finished, some with capes, others plain, coats worth regular \$9.50 to \$12.00 each, clearing at \$7.90. At \$9.90—Your pick of eighteen beautiful coats in range of latest New York styles, Zobelina, Kerseys, Frieze, etc. loose or fitted neck, with latest sleeve, regular \$11.50, \$12.50 and \$13.00 coats, clearing at \$9.90. Girls' Coats—Long, medium and short lengths, in range of pretty styles and colors—\$3.00 and \$3.25 Coats clearing at \$2.48. \$3.50, \$3.75 and \$4.00 Coats clearing at \$3.89. \$1.00 Coats clearing at \$3.48. \$4.50, \$4.75 and \$5.00 Coats clearing at \$3.89. Girls' Dress Skirts—Navy, Oxford and Black Cheviots, cut in latest styles, well tailored, special at \$2.90. Girls' Skirts—Fine quality Cheviot in Oxford and Navy, prettily trimmed with bands of satin and steel buttons, assorted lengths, special at \$3.50. FURS of every description clearing at special prices. See them before buying.

Seven Stores THE NORTHWAY CO. Limited. Two Large Factories

Chamberlain's Umbrella Story. Joseph Chamberlain, in one of his recent tariff reform speeches, told an umbrella story that has not been recorded. Mr. Chamberlain wished to point out that ignorance was to blame for much of the failure of the tariff reform movement. He said: "Why, my friends, many of my opponents are as ignorant of my proposition as was a certain farmer, many years ago, of the umbrella. This farmer had made a journey of some twenty miles on foot to a small town. As he was about to set off for home again a hard rain came up, and his host loaned him an umbrella—a novelty at the time—opening it himself so as to save his friend all possible trouble. A week later the farmer brought the umbrella back. The weather was bright and fine, but he held the instrument open over his head. 'This contrivance,' he grumbled, 'is more trouble than it's worth. There wasn't a doorway in the village I could get it through, and I had to tether it all the week in a field.'

CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY. This preparation is intended especially for coughs, colds, croup, whooping cough and influenza. It has become famous for its cures of these diseases over a large part of the civilized world. The most flattering testimonials have been received, giving accounts of its good works; of the aggravating and persistent coughs it has cured; of severe colds that have yielded promptly to its soothing effects, and of the dangerous attacks of croup it has cured, often saving the life of the child. The extensive use of it for whooping cough, has shown that it robs that disease of all dangerous results. It is especially prized by mothers because it contains nothing injurious and there is not the least danger in giving it even to babies. It always cures and cures quickly. Sold by all druggists.

THE LATER SONG. Give me the song and take the sigh— Times will be better by and by; The rainbow'll shine in the stormy sky; The lights beam bright from the hills on high; Clouds will be rolled from the stormy sky, And we'll all sing joy in the morning!

TAKE NOTICE! During the year the space devoted to advertising MINARD'S LINIMENT will contain expressions of no uncertain sound from people who speak from personal experience as to the merits of this best of Household Remedies.

Many an opportunity is wasted on the wrong man. Coughs, colds, hoarseness, and other throat ailments are quickly relieved by Crocker's Tablets, ten cents per box. All druggists. Misery loves company—and she usually has a household of it. Monkey Brand Soap cleans kitchen utensils, steel, iron and tinware, knives and forks, and all kinds of cutlery. Discretion in speech is more than eloquence.

Let your religion make you more considerate, more loving and attractive, more able to think of and enter into the pleasures and interests of others.

GRAND TWO WEEKS OPERA HOUSE Monday, Jan 4. MATINEES—Wed'y. & Sat'y. The Popular Price Favorites. MARKS BROS., Dramatic and Vaudeville COMPANY. Opening Monday with the Sensational Comedy Drama 'THE REVEALED MYSTERY.' LIST OF PLAYS TO SELECT FROM: 'Sin and its Sorrow,' 'The Irish Hero,' 'The Redeemed Pawn Ticket,' 'A Mystery Revealed,' 'The Jail Bird,' 'Mack Money's Troubles,' 'His Mother's Vindication,' 'Larry Brogan's Promotion,' 'Resurrection,' 'The Black Flag,' 'East Lynn,' 'Dublin Dan,' 'The Mormon's Daughter,' 'The Prisoner of Windham,' 'A Woman's Revenge,' and others. ILLUSTRATED SONGS AND 10-BIG SPECIALTIES—10. Prices 10, 15 and 25 cents. Seats on sale at Brisco's, Matinee prices, 5 and 15 cents. Minard's Liniment Cures Dandruff.

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Commercial Printing.

When in need of anything in the Fine of Commercial Stationery—Visiting Cards, etc., leave your order at the Planet Job Department.

Save Fuel

Did you ever examine your windows. You will likely find them loose. So much so, they will rattle with the least wind. Windows in this condition will let a lot of cold and wind through. Stop all this and make your house comfortable by having the Chamberlain Metal Weather Strip attached. See window equipped at my office, opposite the Post Office.

Thos. G. O'Rourke

MAGAZINES AND PERIODICALS. By Annual Subscription. At lowest rates to the public. If you are a subscriber to one or more periodicals, I can save you time and money. A post card will bring price lists.

G. W. SPRAGUE, CHATHAM, ONT.

DOMINION ELECTIONS

are expected in the near future and Dunn & Chamberlain want every voter to call at their office over Meynell's store, King street, and vote for taking out either a Fire, Life or Accident Insurance Policy, or all three. Money to lend on easy terms of repayment. Agents wanted in Essex, Kent, and Lambton, also city of Chatham. Straight salary to good men. P. O. Box 125, Chatham.

J. P. DUNN F. W. CHARTERIS Residents, Phone 201A.

OLIVER TYPEWRITERS!

Exclusively in use in many of the largest Mercantile Houses in Canada! If you intend purchasing one of the best typewriting machines call and amine sample and get our prices.

THE "PLANE" Agents.

LOTS FOR SALE—One and one-half acres at the head of Victoria avenue. Apply to Mrs. Tlissman, P. O. 5, Victoria Block.

HOUSES FOR SALE—A house Grant St., and house and lot on Victoria Ave. For particulars, apply Thomas Scullard, Victoria Block, at this office.

Cook's Cotton Root Compound.

Ladies' Favorite. Is the only safe, reliable regulator of which woman can depend in the hour and time of need.

DENTAL.

A. A. HICKS, D. D. S.—Honor graduate of Philadelphia Dental College and Hospital of Oral Surgery, Philadelphia, Pa.

LOGGERS.

WELLINGTON Lodge, No. 46, A. F. & A. M., G. R. C., meets on the first Monday of every month.

LEGAL.

J. B. RANKIN, E. C.—Barrister, Notary Public, etc., Victoria Block, Chatham.

RANKIN & SCULLARD—Barristers and Solicitors, Victoria Block, Chatham.

M. F. SMITH—Barrister, Solicitor, etc., Office, King Street, west of the Market. Money to loan on Mortgages.

J. B. O'FLYNN—Barrister, Solicitor, etc., Conveyancer, Notary Public, Office, King Street, opposite Macpherson Bank, Chatham, Ont.

SMITH & GOSNELL—Barristers, Solicitors, etc., Harrison Hall, Chatham. Herbert D. Smith, County Crown Attorney, R. L. Gosnell.

WILSON, PIKE & GUNDY—Barristers, Solicitors of the Supreme Court, Notaries Public, etc. Money to loan on Mortgages, at lowest rates. Office, Fifth Street, Matthew Wilson, E. C., W. E. Gandy, J. M. Pike.

ROUSTON, STONE & SCANE—Barristers, Solicitors, Conveyancers, Notaries Public, etc. Private funds to loan at lowest current rates. Office, upstairs in Sutherland Block, opposite H. Macpherson's store, M. Rouston, Fred. Stone, W. W. Scane.

MONEY TO LOAN

ON LAND MORTGAGES at lowest rate of interest. I also have a few farms for sale. I also sell buggies and carriages. Call and see me and get my prices, and you will save money by doing so. Henry Dagnear, Chatham.

MONEY TO LEND

ON LAND MORTGAGE OR CHATTEL MORTGAGE OR ON NOTE To pay of mortgages. To buy property. Pay when desired. J. W. WHITE, Barrister, Opp. Grand Opera House, Chatham.

Money to Loan

—ON MORTGAGES— 4-1/2 and 5 per cent. Liberal Terms and privileges to Borrowers. Apply to LEWIS & RICHARDS

Money to Loan on Mortgage at 4 1/2 and 5 per Cent.

Brick house, two stories, 7 rooms, of 40 feet front by 208 feet deep, \$1100.00.

FOR SALE—FARM AND CITY PROPERTY.

Brick house, two stories, 7 rooms, of 40 feet front by 208 feet deep, \$1100.00.

Invitation Cards, Programmes, Pencils, etc., can always be obtained at THE PLANET Office.

RUSSIA'S ANSWER.

No Definite Reply to Japan's Last Request.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 5.—The Associated Press has the authority of the Foreign Office for the statement that the Russian reply will be transmitted to Japan in a day or two.

SEEKS OHIO CAPITAL.

Mr. F. H. Clergue is in Cincinnati Now.

Springfield, O., Jan. 5.—Mr. F. H. Clergue has been in Ohio for several days on an important mission.

THEATRICAL PEOPLE IDLE.

Orders Issued at Chicago Thrown Many Out of Work.

Chicago, Jan. 5.—Mayor Harrison has vetoed the plan proposed by some theatre managers to open their play houses and admit patrons to the main floor only.

NEW YORK'S DEBT.

Sixty-seven Millions Added in One Year.

New York, Jan. 5.—Mayor McClellan has sent to the Board of Aldermen a statement of the city's finances, and his first message.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Local option was defeated in York county.

THE OGLIVE MILLING COMPANY HAS RAISED THE PRICE OF FLOUR.

The Windsor Avenue Methodist Church, Windsor, was burned down.

DR. R. MCINTYRE OF HESPELER DIED SUDDENLY WHILE VISITING A PATIENT.

Mr. Thomas Nixon, formerly C. P. R. right-of-way agent, died at Fort Dodge, Iowa.

THE BY-LAW TO ESTABLISH A FREE LIBRARY CARRIED BY A MAJORITY OF ABOUT 300 AT WOODSTOCK.

The Oracle newspaper office at Olds, Alberta, and several stores were destroyed by fire.

JOHN BURNS, M.P., SAYS MR. CHAMBERLAIN HAS NO CHANCE IN SCOTLAND, AND IN ENGLAND LABOR IS SOLD FOR FREE TRADE.

The Canadian Pacific Railway's west-bound express was wrecked near Kirkella, Man., two sleepers leaving the track. No one hurt.

THE LONDON ASSIZES OPEN ON MONDAY NEXT BEFORE MR. JUSTICE BRITTON. FANNY MCGARVEY'S TRIAL FOR MURDER IS SET DOWN FOR THIS COURT.

Qu'Appelle Indian Industrial School was destroyed by fire. Loss, \$40,000. There were 200 Indian children in the building, but all escaped.

AUSTRALIANS ARE MUCH CONCERNED THAT THEIR NAVAL SQUADRON SHOULD BE ORDERED TO CHINESE WATERS IN CASE OF WAR BETWEEN RUSSIA AND JAPAN.

Russell Allen, aged seventeen, son of Mrs. George W. Allen, a widow, of Kingston, died from the effects of an overdose of carbolic acid.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S MESSAGE AT THE OPENING OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE U. S. CONGRESS WAS AN ELABORATE DEFENCE OF THE GOVERNMENT'S ACTION REGARDING PANAMA.

CAN MAKE MEN SOUND AND STRONG

DR. S. GOLDBERG, The Possessor of 14 Diplomas and Certificates Who Wants No Money That He Does Not Earn.

Detroit Specialist Discovers Something Entirely New for the cure of Men's Diseases in Their Own Homes.

You Pay Only if Cured

Expect No Money Unless He Cures You—Method and Full Particulars Sent Free—Write For It This Very Day

A Detroit specialist who has 14 diplomas and certificates of men in their own homes; so that there is no doubt in the mind of any man that he has



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both the method and the ability to do as he says, entirely free to all men who send him their name and address. He wants to hear from men who have structure that they have been unable to get cured.

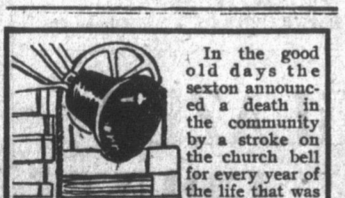
The doctor realizes that it is one thing to make a name and another thing to back them up, so he has made it a rule not to ask for money unless he cures you, and when you are cured he feels sure that you will willingly pay him a small fee.

As the pen is sometimes mightier than the sword, so the laugh is on occasion as powerful as in eloquence the spoken word.

There are many different kinds of conversational accomplishments, remarked a man well up in the ways of the world, "and I have paid due attention to the cultivation of such as lie within my range.

"I don't mean pleasantry and mirth, as domestic social graces, but as defensive business artillery. Of course a man's first impulse when another misguided man makes a palpable move to 'do him up' or asks some unreasonable and preposterous business favor is to enter on wordy opposition, strenuous naturally and perhaps violent.

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"SO YOU COULDN'T CARRY THEM, DORIS?" HE CHIEF ROARSELY.

Hastily he wrote on the card, "If you care for me a little bit, Doris, carry this tonight."

Then he sealed it up and gave it to the man. "Send the flowers at once to 37 West—th street," he said as he paid for them.

"Arrah, thin, I want some flowers, a false brilliant design, for me cousin, Mrs. O'Flannagan, who's dade," exclaimed a voice.

Dick went out of the shop filled with mingled feelings of doubt, uncertainty and a great love for Doris.

That evening while he was waiting for Doris he roamed restlessly about the great drawing room.

"So you couldn't carry them, Doris?" he cried hoarsely, while his hand clasped the back of the chair.

"I don't see how you could have asked such a thing," she said lily. She was still standing and did not make any movement to come nearer him.

"I know it was presumptuous," he admitted mournfully.

She laughed mirthlessly. "I thought at first that you meant it as a joke," she said. She walked over to the fireplace, her long, fluffy skirt trailing behind her on the polished floor.

"No, he couldn't," answered his sister curtly.

"Oh, please, mum, I can't find the egg beater anywhere. Baby had it yesterday, and now it's lost."

"Good heavens! Do you people think my baby is an ostrich?" cried the indignant mother.—New York Press.

WHITE ROSES

By ELSIE CARMICHAEL

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Dick walked down the avenue slowly, so deeply absorbed that he looked straight at Mrs. De Peyster Jones and cut her, to that young woman's surprise.

"Why, what can the matter be with Dickie?" she said to herself, with an almost irresistible impulse to turn around and look after the melancholy figure sauntering down the street.

Mildred Jones had been a friend of Dick Eton's ever since they had played in the park and gone to dancing school together.

"I believe Dick's in love again," she exclaimed, half aloud, "or perhaps this is the real thing at last. I wish it were and Dickie would settle down."

"I'll settle it tonight," he said to himself. "I'll make Doris say whether she cares for me or not. If she won't have me I'll, I'll"—His eyes wandered up and down the crowded avenue, brilliant in the spring sunshine. I'll do something desperate," he threatened.

He went into the shop, heavy with the fragrance of roses and violets, and tried to decide what he would send her. He was going to take her to a musicale at Mrs. Schuyler's that evening, and as he had forgotten to ask her the color of her gown he chose white roses.

He took out a visiting card and stood hesitating, pen in hand. Should he leave it to the flowers or ask her tonight at the musicale? He remembered a particularly cozy and retired corner behind the paints in Mrs. Schuyler's conservatory.

"No, I cannot wait until then," he thought. "I'll let the flowers speak."

He was with different feelings from those of the night before that he stood by the fire in Doris's drawing room that evening listening for her footsteps.

"Hello! Is that you, Dick?" she said and there was a joyous ring about it that set Dick's heart to beating. "Did you send me white roses yesterday?"

"Yes," he cried exultantly, "white roses and maidenhair."

Doris laughed. "Well, Dick, can you come up this evening?" She hesitated. "If you will come I will—er—carry your flowers." She shut off the telephone instantly, and Dick was left with the receiver at his ear and a beatific expression on his face.

"Good heavens, Doris! Where did you get that awful thing?" he exclaimed.

Doris, with a merry laugh, held up a hideous form of red and white on mottles with stiff, red roses wired on toothpicks, spelling out the word "Hope." "Your flowers," she explained.

"Good Lord!" he gasped. "Doris, you didn't think I sent you that monstrous, did you? Where are my roses?" Then his face cleared. "It was that miserable Irish woman!" he cried. "She came in as I went out to order some flowers for a funeral, and that stupid florist got the cards and addresses mixed."

"Never mind, Dick," she said, looking at him coquettishly. "You don't seem to realize that I am carrying your flowers." But the last word was almost lost as Dick crushed her in his arms, the "illigant design" and all.

"Compendious a Prescription," "I noticed," said the druggist to his assistant, "that a gentleman came in with a prescription and that you took it and gave him the stuff in about three minutes. What do you mean by that?"

"It was only a little carbolic acid and water," replied the assistant. "I simply had to pour a few drams of acid into the bottle and fill it up with water."

"Never mind if you had only to do that," the druggist declared. "Don't you know that every prescription must take at least half an hour to dispense, or the customer will think he isn't getting anything for his money?"

"When a prescription for salt and water or peppermint and cough syrup is handed to you you must look at it doubtfully, as if it were very hard to make up. Then you must bring it to me, and we will both read it and shake our heads. After that you go back to the customer and ask him if he wants it today. When he says he does you answer that you'll make a special effort."

"Now, a patient appreciates a prescription that there has been so much trouble over, and when he takes it he derives some benefit from it. But don't you do any more of that three minute prescription business, my boy, if you want to become a first class druggist."—Boston Herald.

"Not an Ostrich." "Baby was playing with my thimble this morning, and I can't find it anywhere. Do you know what he did with it, Aunt Ella?"

"No, I have not seen it, Marjorie. Look on the floor."

"I cannot find it," said Marjorie. "I am sure he swallowed it."

"Don't be absurd! How could a baby swallow a thimble?" replied her aunt.

"Ella! I say, Ella! Have you seen my pearl necklace pop? Baby had it yesterday, and now I cannot find it. Do you think he could have swallowed it?"

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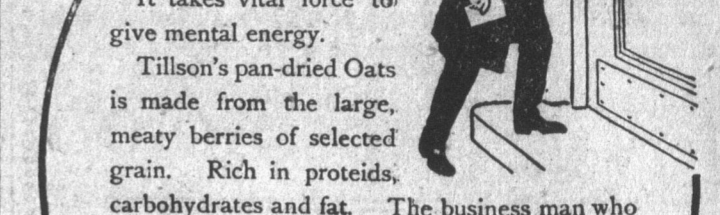
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Brain Energy

It takes vital force to give mental energy.

Tillson's pan-dried Oats is made from the large, meaty berries of selected grain. Rich in proteins, carbohydrates and fat.

The business man who takes a steaming dish of Tillson's Oats every morning is ready for the day's business struggle. It's a food, not a fad.



Tillson's Pan-dried Oats

The City Bakery

STILL TO THE FRONT WITH Christmas Goods, Christmas Cakes, Christmas Puddings, Bread, Cakes and Pastry of all Descriptions.

LUNCHES AT ALL HOURS. FRESH OYSTERS served in all styles and for sale in bulk. WEDDING CAKES A SPECIALTY.

WM. SOMERVILLE.

Problem of Immunity.

Prof. J. J. McKenzie of the University of Toronto lectured at the Canadian Institute on Saturday night on "Recent theories in regard to the causes of immunity to infectious disease."

He sketched the history of our knowledge of immunity and said Ehrlich's observations have shown that the conditions which determine the death of a microbe introduced into the blood depend upon the presence of two substances, the first of which is specific and acts only upon the specific microbe, the other of which is common to the blood of most animals.

The practical endeavor of bacteriologists has been not only to increase the amount of specific substances which has proved fairly easy but also to increase the amount of the non-specific substance which so far has proved difficult. These observations have shown also that the question of immunity is of much broader bearing than the mere question of prevention or cure of infectious disease, because it is evident from the results so far obtained that it has a bearing upon the whole question of the nutrition of the animal body.

Success or Harper's Bazar, 1 year, \$1.00. The Housekeeper, 1 year, 60c. Our Club Price, \$1.25.

Woman's Home Companion, 1 year, \$1.00. Cosmopolitan or Success, 1 year, \$1.00. Leslie or Pearson's, 1 year, \$1.00. Our Club Price, \$2.00.

Cosmopolitan, 1 year, \$1.00. Twentieth Century Home, 1 year, \$1.00. Our Club Price, \$1.25.

Leslie or Pearson's, 1 year, \$1.00. Cosmopolitan or Success, 1 year, \$1.00. Our Club Price, \$1.50.

Success or Harper's Bazar, 1 year, \$1.00. Cosmopolitan or Youth, 1 year, \$1.00. Leslie or Pearson's, 1 year, \$1.00. Woman's Home Companion, 1 year, \$1.00. Our Club Price, \$2.50.

The Art Interchange, 1 year, \$4.00. Leslie or Cosmopolitan, 1 year, \$1.00. Woman's Home Companion or Harper's Bazar, 1 year, \$1.00. Our Club Price, \$3.00.

Ladies' Home Journal, 1 year, \$1.00. Saturday Evening Post, 1 year, \$2.00. Our Club Price, \$2.25.

Review of Reviews, 1 year, \$2.50. Success (no substitute) 1 year, \$1.00. Leslie or Cosmopolitan, 1 year, \$1.00. Our Club Price, \$3.00.

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AT LIFE'S EVENING. To those well along in years there comes, according to the condition of the system, their measure of ills and suffering. Some are young at 70, while others are old at 40.

WHO THEY ARE.

Canadians Who Were Honored With Decorations on King's Birthday, Nov. 9, 1903—Sketches of Their Careers.

Louis Felix Pinault was born at Rimouski, November 6, 1852. His father, a farmer, realized the value of a good education, and made many sacrifices to secure it for his children.

Louis Philippe Hebert was born at Ste. Sophie d'Hallifax, Megantic county, Quebec, January 27, 1850. Educated at the local schools, he became at fourteen clerk in a county store, and in 1871 went to Massachusetts, where he worked on a farm.

Dr. Robert Bell, Director of the Geological Survey of Canada, was born in the township of Toronto in 1841. He was educated at the Grammar School, L'Original, Que., and McGill University.

Sweetheart Abbey. There is in Galloway, Scotland, an ancient ruin known as Sweetheart abbey. Within its ivy covered, storm battered walls lies buried the affectionate and devoted Dervorgill, with the heart of her husband, John Balliol, embalmed upon her breast.

The Sudanese Baby. A Sudanese baby when dressed up in its best clothes is probably the most uncomfortable infant in the world. The coat or outer garment which fashion dictates should be worn reaches to its very heels.

The Cradle. Peter Cooper had fifty-five years of domestic happiness and morning fire building. Mr. Cooper was an ingenious man. When a cradle became necessary in his home, as was sometimes the case years ago, Peter rigged a self-rocking cradle, with a fan attachment.

The Loser. "He's what I call a 'good loser.'" "He didn't seem that way to me." "Why, I saw him lose \$150 at poker last night, and he didn't kick at all."

Quickly Solved. "Yes, for a year and a half she was in doubt as to whether she loved him enough to marry him or not."

The Means. Old Lawyer—Why do you feel that your client will lose his case? Have you exhausted every means at your disposal to— Young Lawyer—No, but I have exhausted all the means at his disposal.

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"About as common, Mr. Miller," said Pole. "My wife's gittin' younger an' younger ever' day. Sence she moved in'er new house an' got to whitewashin' fences an' makin' fower beds an' one thing another she looks like a new person."

"That's fer you uns to make out," said Baker. "Now, I ain't a-goin' to give away my authority, but I rid twenty miles yesterday to substantiate what I heard, an' I know it's nothin' but the truth."

"Do you think so?" said Alan, who was still under his cloud of displeasure with his friend. "Yes, it simply means that Wilson intends to build that road. He's been quiet and pretending indifference for two reasons—first to bring us to closer terms, and next to secure more land."

CHAPTER XXVII. IT was a cold, dry day about the middle of January. They were killing hogs at the farm. Seven or eight negroes, men and women, had gathered from all about in the neighborhood to assist in the work and get the parts of the meat usually given away in payment for such services.

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office manner. "I've got a proposition to make to you, Mr. Bishop," he opened up, with a slight flush on his face.

"You think so?" grunted Bishop, pulling a long face. "Yes, but I now want to do it to show him indirectly that we are independent of him."

"How do you propose to get around the knuckling process?" asked Alan, who had caught the depression influencing his parent.

"I was not thinking of having your father disturb his investments," he said. "The truth is, I have met with a little financial disappointment in a certain direction."

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"You are a jim dandy, young man," he said to Miller. "That's all there is about it. You take the rag off the bush. Oh, my Lord! They say in Alf's meeting house that it's a sin to play poker with no stakes, but Alf's in a game with half the earth put up again another fellow's was as big as a bale o' hay."

"But I assure you it is merely a matter of business with me," declared the lawyer. "You know I'm interested myself, and I believe we shall come out all right. I'm simply itching to do it."

"Bishop's face was ablaze. The assurance that a wise young business man would consider a purchase of his of sufficient value to put a large amount of money on pleased him, banished his fears, thrilled him.

"So it was finally settled, and no one seemed so well pleased with the arrangement as Miller himself. Adele entered the room with the air of one half fearful of intruding, and her three relatives quietly withdrew, leaving her to entertain the guest."

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IOWA'S CAPITOL BURNED.

One Wing Gutted—The Loss Will be Very Large. Des Moines, Ia., Jan. 5.—Fire gutted the northwest wing of the Iowa Capitol, causing a loss of \$300,000.

IT'S WHAT IT LEADS TO.

That makes Catarrh such a dreaded disease. If you have Catarrh taint, dropping in the throat, if you hawk and spit and have a stuffed-up feeling in your nostrils you should use fragrant healing Catarrhzone.

A cablegram from Northern Nigeria announced the death of a Canadian missionary, Mr. Albert Taylor, whose home was in Beachville, Oxford county.

HURRIED AND WORRIED ALL DAY.

And the worst of it is you are a little run down and have mighty little chance to catch up.

Cosmopolitan For January. This popular Illustrated Monthly for January is on sale at the Book Store.

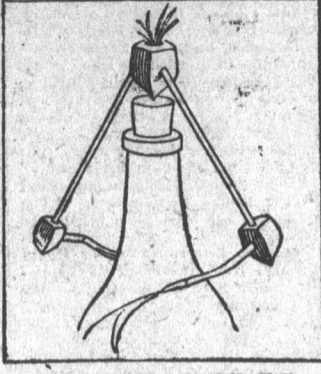
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AN INTERESTING TOY.

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THE TURN TABLE IN OPERATION.

empty the nut of its meat with a piece of wire or pin. Now unite the small nuts with the walnut by a couple of straws about five or six inches long.

This is a rustic imitation of the well known principle of the hydraulic turn table given in the treatise on physics.

The Magic Javelin. Take a medium sized sewing needle with a very sharp point. Take up a position about three feet away from the door, and holding the needle between your finger and thumb, endeavor, strongly launching it, to throw it, point forward, into the wood.

He Loves Wild Animals. The young emperor of Morocco is passionately fond of animals, especially wild ones, and a large, open square outside his favorite portion of the palace is entirely given over to them.

Why It Bites. A little boy was looking at a drop of water under a microscope and seemed much impressed by the presence of microbes.

Susan and Sally. When Susan sews the needle goes so swift and sure and steady. That almost ere we Sally knows Her dolly's dress is ready.

SUFFERED FOR THREE YEARS.

HEADACHES AND RUSHING OF BLOOD TO THE HEAD.

APPETITE WAS GONE.

TRIED MANY DIFFERENT REMEDIES BUT

BURDOCK BLOOD BITTERS CURED

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She says: "I suffered for three years with terrible headaches and rushing of blood to my head. I lost my appetite and became very thin and weak.

IT LOOKS LIKE PEACE.

EFFORTS OF BRITAIN AND FRANCE ARE PREVAILING.

The Despatches From Paris and Berlin Regarding the Far Eastern Situation Are Optimistic.

London, Jan. 5.—The Times correspondent at Paris says the situation at the moment in the far east corresponds with the optimism of diplomacy rather than the pessimism of the press.

THE GREATEST FAMILY REMEDY

And one well known in most Canadian homes in Nervilins, a perfect panacea for all internal and external pain.

Why It Bites.

A child can put a twist in a tree that an army cannot take out.

A childless home is a cheerless home. The maternal instinct exists in every woman, and when it is ungratified she is deprived of much of the happiness of life.

Cupid Anno Domini

By RICHARD BARKER SHELTON

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Clifford Worthington Todd was lonesome. Indeed as he sat disconsolately on the veranda rail swinging his short legs he could not remember a time in the whole course of his eleven years' experience in this vale of tears when he had been so utterly alone.

Three days before his father and mother had started for Ohio to attend the wedding of Dr. Todd's favorite niece, and Clifford Worthington, given his own choice of accompanying them or remaining at home with Aunt Elinor, had chosen the latter course.

As a general thing, to stay at home with Aunt Elinor in charge of the household was about as near paradise as one could hope to get.

They found Aunt Elinor in the library. She rose as they came in. "Tom," she said angrily, "how dared you?"

"I have it on the authority of the eminent Blackbeard," he said gravely, "that you've been—er—what was it?—'bawling' ever since I left. Elinor, dear, it was all my fault!"

"Tom," she said brokenly, "I called to you when you left—and—ah—'Oh, Lord, to think I didn't hear you. Heavens, talking to the amazed Clifford Worthington and thrusting another half dollar into his hand."

"Dear little Cupid Anno Domini!" said Aunt Elinor, stooping to kiss the sleeping god.

Chickens and Morality.

"Er—hm—Mister Speaker," began the moss green member from Shell-back county, rising in his place in the legislature.

"If we don't have a law payin' a bounty for killin' 'em nobody will kill 'em hawks. If nobody kills the hawks the fatch stalk hawks will kill the chickens.

Clifford had had a wild chase after them, but finally, after he had brought them back, struggling and squealing and himself perspiring, he had bumped into Mr. Caverly, who was making across the back lawn to the pier.

"I think you'll have to do without me this morning, old chap."

Her tone had a forced cheerfulness about it more doleful than groans. Still dabbling her eyes, she went up stairs, and Clifford heard her lock the door of her room. It was all very disheartening.

For a time he sat on the veranda. Then he decided to seek Tarpey. Tarpey was an eighteen-year-old mulatto, gardener, man of all work and engineer of the launch.

Tarpey rose as he saw Clifford, made some remark about fixing the pany bed and strode leisurely away, leaving the book behind. Clifford picked it up and began to read. It was filled with the adventures of Blackbeard, the pirate, and his trusty lieutenant, Yardarm Bill. It was bulky reading, and by lunch time Clifford had read the book nearly through and was burning for adventure.

Aunt Elinor came down to lunch with very red eyes. She said they'd spend the afternoon in the woods, but Clifford said he had rather finish something he was doing. Aunt Elinor looked relieved.

After lunch he sought out Tarpey and divulged his scheme. Tarpey laughed and scouted it. Then Clifford showed him the half dollar Mr. Caverly had donated for the chase of the guinea pigs, and Tarpey succumbed.

At 5 o'clock the launch put out from the pier and headed for the yacht. At the bow of the launch streamed a black flag with an attempt at skull and crossbones on it.

"That was a neat line."

"Exactly—my wife. And my wife, not being acquainted with the fallings of these key thumpers, thinks the poem was printed exactly as it was written."

board. Mr. Caverly met them grave-

"Sur-render!" shouted Blackbeard. "Certainly—certainly," said Caverly, with well simulated terror.

"I am Blackbeard," said Clifford, "and this," waving to Tarpey, "is my trusty lieutenant, Yardarm Bill."

"Charmed, I'm sure. Won't you come aft and discuss the terms of surrender, Mr. Blackbeard?" said Caverly suavely.

"Now, what are you going to do with me?" said Caverly when the steward had brought the tray.

"Pay tribute and leave these waters at once," said Blackbeard. "Yesterday you came to our—our—er—lair and gave pain to the heart of a woman."

"It's Aunt Elinor," said Clifford. "She's been—been—bawling like time ever since you left."

Caverly sprang to his feet. "See here," he said, "I'll go back with you as hostage."

"Yardarm Bill," said Blackbeard, "conduct your craven captain to our craft. I'm much obliged for the truce," he added, his mouth full of the last one.

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FATAL LONDON FIRE

CHIEF ROWE KILLED ON DUTY THIS MORNING.

London, Ont., Jan. 6, 2.30 a.m.—Chief Rowe was killed and four injured in Stirling Bros. fire, which broke out here at 1.30 this morning. The fire has completely gutted the warehouse, and the aerial truck was put up at 2.10.

ONE HUNDRED YEARS' WAR.

All Nations Will be Engaged—A Doleful Prophecy. Bangor, Me., Jan. 6.—Dean W. E. Wals of the University of Maine Law School, who for twelve years held an educational position in Japan under the Emperor, says that in the event of a conflict between Russia and Japan, a man who at twenty-five years of age hears the first gun fired will never live to see the end of the strife.

RUSSIANS ARE WATCHING.

Are Again Sending Patrols From Mukden Across Liang River. London, Jan. 6.—The Pekin correspondent of The Times says the Russians are again sending patrols from Mukden across the Liang River. Yesterday a Russian officer, with eighteen men, arrived at Hsinmintun, and questioned the railway officials regarding the number of Chinese troops and British employees outside the great wall.

A QUID PRO PRO.

What Colonies Will Get Under New Fiscal Scheme. London, Jan. 6.—Hon. Mr. Chamberlain, writing to the Agent-General of N.S.W., points out that details of his scheme cannot be settled until all parties are ready to negotiate. He is confident that nothing he will ask in the way of surrender by the colonies will be more than a fair return for the large concessions he is prepared to give.

TRIMMED "UNCLE JOSEPH."

Speaker of U.S. Congress Pays Tribute to Book Agent. Washington, Jan. 6.—In transmitting payment by check to a publishing house for sixty volumes of an American historical work, Speaker Cannon has made this endorsement on the back of the check: "This check is in full payment, both legal and moral, for sixty volumes of books called in the contract with the payee, and are high at that."

Death of Lady Campbell.

News was received by cable yesterday of the death of Lady Campbell, widow of the late Sir Alexander Campbell, K.C.M.G. Lady Campbell had lived in Switzerland and England for some years. A son, Mr. C. F. Campbell, K.C., of Montreal, and a daughter, Mrs. W. Wallace Jones, now living in Toronto, survive her.

Topics of Toronto

Toronto, Jan. 6.—Mayor Urquhart is elected Chairman of the Police Commissioners. An application will be made to-day for an order to inspect the ballots cast in the recent election.

LOOKS MORE WARLIKE.

LANDING OF TROOPS IN COREA THREATENED

Conflict Would Follow—Japanese Government Forbids Press Messages Dealing With Military Preparations. Paris, Jan. 6.—The Chefoo correspondent of the Paris edition of The New York Herald cables as follows: "Eight thousand Japanese troops are ready to land at Masampo, and their landing will probably mean war."

DR. PARKIN'S TOUR.

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INCOMES IN BERLIN.

Interesting Figures Are Contained in the Latest Official Statistics. London, Jan. 6.—The correspondent of The Times at Berlin says that, according to the income statistics of last year, the highest Berlin income was over two million nine hundred thousand marks; the next was over two million six hundred thousand marks.

FIRE AT WINDSOR.

How Mrs. Boomer's Scotch Terrier Was Saved. Windsor, Ont., Jan. 5.—The beautiful home of Mrs. William M. Boomer, of this city, was damaged by fire and water last night to the extent of \$4,000. A defective furnace is held to account for the destructive blaze.

AGAIN REMANDED.

Prosecution Not Ready in the Abeel Case. Welland, Jan. 5.—Jas. N. Abeel of New York, who is charged with forgery, appeared in Judge Well's court this afternoon, but the prosecution, who had been granted one adjournment, and hoped to be able to go on to-day, were not ready, and asked for another remand until Friday next.

RICE WILL COST MORE.

Advices From Japan Show Heavy Rise in Price. Victoria, B. C., Jan. 6.—There has been a big advance in the price of rice, as a result of the war scare in the far east. The total increase has been \$3 per ton, \$4 some little time ago and \$3 yesterday, according to cables received here from Japan. The quoted price is now \$101.50.

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U. S. STEEL EARNINGS.

Great Shrinking in Business During the Year. New York, Jan. 5.—The dividend on United States Steel common was passed at the quarterly meeting of the directors of the corporation to-day, but the regular 1 3/4 per cent. was declared on the preferred stock. This was practically what Wall Street expected.

THE MARKETS

There was the usual Wednesday market this morning, with little or no change in quotations from last Saturday. Following is the price list: IN THE SEEDS. Butter, per lb., 18c to 20c. Chickens, 25c to 40c. Turkeys, \$1.75 to \$2.25. Ducks, each, 35c to 40c. Eggs, per dozen, 25c. Geese, each, 80c to \$1.50. VEGETABLES. Apples, per peck, 15c to 20c. Potatoes, per peck, 20c to 25c. Cabbages, each, 5c to 6c. Squash, 5c to 25c. Pumpkins, 10c. Onions, 25c peck. Savory, 5c. bunch. Celery, three bunches for 10c.

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We wish all our friends A Happy New Year and a prosperous one. To help make it a prosperous year we will give away money. We take stock in four weeks time. Previous to this we desire to clean out our Fur Coats, Robes, Blankets, Sleigh Bells, Skates, Hockey Sticks, Pucks, Cook Stoves, Ranges and Base Burners, Silverware, Carving Sets and Cutlery.

GEO. STEPHENS & CO. As an inducement to you to help us reduce our stock, \$4.00 will be put in the pocket of each fur coat sold for cash at present prices; \$2.00 and \$3.00 with each fur robe; \$3.00 with each cookstove, range or baseburner; and 10 per cent. on all other goods.

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