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A Carnival in Black Dress Goods On Wednesday

On Wednesday we offer you a magnificent collection of plain and fancy black dress goods at extremely low prices. The time of year, near approach of stock-taking and desire to reduce stock, all contribute to the cause of these sharp reductions.

Sale of Black Dress Goods

1 pc. 44 in. all-wool Black Brocade, reg. \$1.00 for..... 42c

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1 pc. Plain Black Bedford Corduroy, 42 in. wide, all wool, reg. 50c a yd. for..... 34c

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4 pos. bright finish neat design, all-wool, fancy black dress goods, 42 in. wide, reg. 75c for..... 46c

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2 pos. Check Apron Linen, full yd. wide in red and white, and brown and white checks, firm fine quality, fast colors, good value at 18c, Sale Price..... 12c

3 ends Flannellette Skirting, 38 in. wide dark stripes, with 1-1/2 inch borders, reg. 12c quality, Sale Price..... 7c

1 pc. Apron Gingham, 36 in. wide, in blue and white checks, fast dye, reg. 10c, Sale Price..... 7c

Canadian Yarn, best quality 2 and 3 ply, thoroughly scoured, in white, red, black, grey, and mixed black and white, Sale Price per lb..... 38c

2 pos. Curl Crocheting, 54 in. wide, in green and black, and blue and black firm close curl, regular \$1.25 quality, Sale Price..... 68c

2 pos. Heavy Halifax Tweed, pure wool in grey and brown shades, guaranteed to wear well, worth 35c, Sale Price..... 23c

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Men's heavy Wool Flannel, fine Fure Wool Scotch Knit, and fine all-wool

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Ladies' Vests, fine union quality, long sleeves, open front, silk trimming on neck and yoke, shaped elastic, finish, worth 45c to 50c, Sale Price 33c

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Plaid Skirts, fine Camel's Hair plaid and checks, in desirable colorings, best grade lining, waterproof facings, reg. \$5.00 and \$6.00, Sale Price..... \$3.48

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linenette, lined throughout with deep soft finish flannellette, good value at \$2.25, Sale Price..... \$1.89

Dress Goods, 1 table fancy and plain dress goods, in 44 in. costume cloths, all-wool serge, cashmere, covert cloths, etc., sold regular up to 40c, Sale Price..... 19c

Black Crepons, 2 pos. 44 in. crepons, in raised effects, bright silky finish, firm weave, good value at 55c, Sale Price..... 54c

Ladies' Jackets, 9 only, black boule cloth coats, these are what we have left of last season's styles, good comfortable garments, with storm collar, clearing at Sale Price..... \$1.48

Ladies' Jackets, fine Beaver and Frieze Cloth, stylishly made, some silk lined, sold reg. up to \$10.00, Sale Price..... \$4.98

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IS WORRYING 'EM

General French has the Boers Cut off at Colesburg.

New Zealand Lancers Keep the Burgers Guessing Over Their Movements.

London, January 16. — It is said in a despatch from Cape Town that advice have been received there from Colesburg dated Friday, January 12, saying Cpt. Porter, with the mounted New Zealanders and the New South Wales Lancers, were worrying the Boers from kopje to kopje by plucky, hazardous moves. The colonials, it is added, were completely nonplussed by the burghers. A party of Remington's scouts, including the Boer pickets entered Nerval's camp and secured valuable information.

ROBERTS' REPORT.
The War Office has published the following despatch from Lord Roberts, dated Cape Town, January 15, 6:30 p.m.

"French reports that a reconnaissance yesterday (Sunday) shelled the Colesburg road bridge. No casualties. Returned today. Methuen and Gatacre on change."

ROUTED OUT THE BOERS.
London, Jan. 16. — General French's forces have succeeded in dragging a fifteen-pounder to the summit of the steep, rocky Coloskop, a thousand feet above the surrounding plain, and on Jan. 12 they successfully routed a Boer camp on the plain three miles away from Sterroom.

An interesting item of news is that 300 Boers, escorting a party of reporters, have successfully garnered all the crops within two miles of the colonial camp at Bird's River, the British forces being too weak to interfere. A despatch from Rensburg, under date of Jan. 12th, says—General French is now behind the Boers shutting off their possibilities of retreat.

FIGHTING NEAR STORMBERG.
A small detachment of Carbineers reconnoitered the enemy's flank and discovered the enemy 800 strong, in larger five miles to the south and east of Stormberg. The British scouts retired safe, and Cpt. Porter soon followed up the reconnaissance with a force composed of the Household Cavalry, the New Zealand troops and a contingent of four guns. They succeeded in occupying Slingsfontein, five miles east of the enemy's position and five miles from Nerval's Point. The Boers discovered the movement and made a vigorous attack, but the British guns forced them to retire. Simultaneously, another British battery advanced on the plain, near the railroad connecting Frickberg with Rensburg. The Boer guns, however, proved too much for the British, both in range and accuracy, and the latter were forced to retire, having several killed.

THE ENEMY'S STRENGTH.
London, January 15. — The British finally have secured something like an accurate estimate of the Boer strength. This estimate indicates that the Boers had a total of 87,000 men at the beginning of the war, divided as follows:

Transvaalers,	40,000
Mercenaries,	4,500
Uitlanders, naturalized since 1897,	3,000
Uitlanders, naturalized before 1895,	5,000
Free-States,	27,500
Foreigners,	3,500
Cape rebels,	4,500

How many should be deducted for

losses is uncertain, though the number undoubtedly is smaller than the losses to the British, as the latter have taken comparatively few prisoners.

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SCENES AT THE FRONT.

A large number of Kaffirs have attached themselves to Lord Methuen's advancing column, and Mr. Lester Ralph, artist, sends this sketch of their camp among the tents. The Kaffirs are very proud at being allowed to accompany the British soldier.

FIGHTING IN PROGRESS

Buller Attacking the Boers all Along the Tugela River Line.

LADYSMITH PROBABLY RELIEVED—SIR CHARLES WAPREN TRYING TO CUT OFF THE RETREAT OF THE BOERS WHO APPEAR TO BE RAPIDLY EVACUATING THEIR POSITIONS.

WAR SUMMARY.

Buller has crossed the Little Tugela and is attacking the Boers on the Big Tugela. A great battle is believed to be raging there. News of General Warren's success in flanking the Boers and cutting off their retreat is expected at any moment. The enemy are abandoning their positions south of Ladysmith. British Hussars found Grobbler's Kloof, one of their strongholds, evacuated. The Boers are believed to have decided on a new position for defensive purposes, somewhere north of Ladysmith. Large quantities of supplies for the beleaguered garrison at Ladysmith have started north from Pietermaritzburg, indicating that if the siege has not been yet raised, the way is expected to be opened at any moment.

London, January 16.—The Standard gives prominence to the following despatch dated Saturday, January 13, from Durban:

"A man who has just arrived here from Springfield, says that a British column, proceeding to the relief of Ladysmith, has crossed the Little Tugela. When he left it was facing the Boer position on the Big Tugela and a howitzer was shelling the Boer trenches.

"He says also that 270 wagons, laden with commissariat stores for Ladysmith, had left Frere, and it was expected that the column would join hands with Gen. White Monday evening.

"The traction engines have been doing excellent work in hauling heavy wagons out of holes and swamps. This they accomplish with the greatest ease.

"British patrols have discovered parties of Boers in the direction of Ennerdale, between Frere and Eastcourt."

A FLANKING MOVE.

Cape Town, January 13, Saturday.—There is good reason to believe that the statement that Sir Charles Warren, with 11,000 men, has gone to ward Weenen, is correct, and we may expect important news shortly. Reports have been received here that dysentery is very rare in Ladysmith. Everything is phenomenally quiet at Sterkfontein.

BOERS DEMORALIZED.

The correspondent of the Daily Telegraph at Pietermaritzburg telegraphing Thursday, Jan. 11, says:—"The gallantry of the Ladysmith garrison last Saturday appears to have demoralized the Boers. It is believed that they lost at least two, if not three, killed, as against our one. Many Boers are believed to be trekking southward. The magistrat at Ngema, Zululand, telegraphs that scouts report, having seen many Boer families with wagons proceeding north via Zululand, while a European who formerly resided at Dundee, declares that after the repulse at Ladysmith, a number of Boer wagons, loaded with dead and wounded, passed through the mining township, and that the Boers burned some of the public buildings as they departed. Five days have passed since then."

SOMETHING ABOUT TO DROP.
It is not necessary to believe unconfirmed stories of the Boers being in full retreat from Colenso because it has been learned that a column is proceeding via Weenen to Helpmakaar to cut off their retreat. At the same time credible information from many different sources indisputably points to momentous changes in the disposition of the republican forces. Advice from Pietermaritzburg, dated Saturday, Jan. 13, says that since their defeat on Jan. 6, the Boers have been removing their guns from the position south of Ladysmith. The same despatch confirms the report that the 13th Hussars reached Grobbler's Kloof without meeting the Boers. As the trenches at Grobbler's Kloof were perhaps the strongest position held by the burghers, the evacuation

LADYSMITH RELIEVED.

Cape Town, South Africa, Jan. 16.—Pietermaritzburg reports that General Buller's advance has been successful and that the road to Ladysmith is now open.

There has been considerable fighting, but it is believed to have been done mostly to cover their retreat. Boer prisoners say that the retreat from the Tugela was due mainly to the difficulty in getting up supplies.

January 15th, 1900.

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ENFORCE THE SNOW BY-LAW.

What has become of the snow by-law? There is a happy medium between the tyrannical enforcement of a necessary measure and the non-enforcement of it at all. Yesterday our sidewalks were in a disgraceful condition. They couldn't have been worse if there were no such things as a by-law in existence. Now, the authorities have been very easy-going in the enforcement of this by-law. But the time has arrived when even they must see that patience has ceased to be a virtue, and that no attempt is made to clean the snow off 90 per cent. of the walks.

This condition of things cannot continue. If we may not be able to help our muddy roads we can at least clean off our slushy sidewalks. There is no hardship in asking a man to shovel the snow from in front of his own door when you give him 24 hours to do it in. As for the owners of vacant lots, if they have to hire men to clean their walks that is only one of the penalties of wealth. In the winter time in large cities many poor men make their living cleaning away snow. Where the owner of vacant property does not have the work done within 24 hours the engineers' department sends out corporation laborers, and, like street sprinkling, the cost is charged to the property. That is what the by-law provides for in Chatham. A reference to it shows that its enforcement belongs to the board of works. It is questionable if the police have any authority in the matter. As to Ald. McKough and the city engineer we must look for relief.

WHY E. D. MARTIN HAS BOLTED THE NEW LIBERALISM.

"We cannot but view with alarm the large increase of public debt and of the controllable annual expenditure of the Dominion, and the consequent undue taxation of the people under the governments that have been continuously in power since 1879, and we demand the strictest economy in the administration of the government of the country."

The above quotation is taken from a document that is now regarded in some quarters as obsolete literature. It is one of the resolutions adopted at the Ottawa convention of the Liberal party, which was held in 1893, under the patronage of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. The set of resolutions comprises the platform on which Sir Wilfrid Laurier's party claims to have been supported by the people. It is interesting to note that Hon. W. S. Fielding, now minister of finance, was chairman of the committee which prepared this resolution, and that he was one of the chief supporters of the economy and retrenchment plank.

This platform is brought into notice at this moment on account of two events. In the by-election at Winnipeg, E. D. Martin (brother of Fighting Joe) is a candidate for a seat in the house of commons. Mr. Martin is an old-time Liberal. But he is not a Tarte Liberal, nor a Blair Liberal, and especially not a Sifton Lib-

eral. These ministers represent in the mind of Mr. Martin all that was most extravagant and most dangerous in the methods and principles of the Tory party, which he and they opposed. In addition Mr. Martin's Liberal friends discover the element of personal corruption in some of the present leaders, and he is grieved to find an absence of political principles in the policy of the government. Now, since it came into power. Now, Mr. Martin was, three years ago, the chairman of the Liberal organization in Winnipeg. In that position he delivered an annual address vigorously denouncing Mr. Sifton and all his works. Thereupon the machine undertook to depose him. It was a hard fight, but Mr. Sifton won. Every government official who could be drawn to the convention and all the hangers-on of governments who have drifted over from the Conservative party when the leaves and fishes shifted their positions, were there and Mr. Martin was voted out by a small majority.

Thereupon Mr. Martin solemnly announced himself a candidate for the vacant seat in the house of commons. Mr. Sifton selected a government candidate, but the nominee looked over the situation, and would not run. Another and another refused, and Mr. Sifton is still without a man. Meanwhile Mr. Martin and his friends joined the Conservatives in turning out the Greenway Government and bringing in Hugh John Macdonald. The Manitoba Conservatives consider that they cannot do better than allow Mr. Martin to go to Ottawa to continue his campaign against the extravagance and mismanagement of the ministers there. They will put up a man of their own at the general election, but for the present will permit Mr. Martin to fight his anti-Sifton battle on the floor of the house of commons. In view of the fact that Mr. Martin has adopted the financial clauses of the Ottawa platform as his campaign policy, and is applying them with great force against the Laurier Government, the Fielding resolution becomes once more a live issue in the west.

But what gives more point to the quotation at the head of this is the recent publication of Mr. Fielding's financial statement for the year that closed last June. Mr. Fielding invited the country to view with alarm the increase of debt. The alarm was thus called for at the close of the fiscal year 1899. In that year the increase of the net debt had been \$549,605. The average increase for the four years, 1890, 1891, 1892, and 1893, had been \$1,037,500 a year. The total increase for the four years was \$4,150,000. Mr. Fielding viewed this increase with alarm.

Now, Mr. Fielding has had control of the finances (subject, of course, to Mr. Tarte's supervision) for three years and a half. The accounts for the half year are not closed, but in the three full years he has added to the debt the handsome amount of \$9,776,000, or more than twice the addition that Mr. Foster made in four years. Here is a question in proportion. If an increase of a million a year ought to be viewed with alarm, with what feelings should Mr. Fielding and his friends view an increase of three millions a year?

The increase of debt last year was \$2,317,000, or four times as much as it was in the year when Mr. Fielding viewed it with alarm.

In 1893, the Laurier party decided to "view with alarm" the increase in the controllable expenditure.

In that year the outlay on current account was \$36,814,000.

Last year Mr. Fielding spent on current account no less than \$41,903,000.

This is an increase of \$3,071,000 over the expenditure of the previous year. It is an increase of \$3,554,000 over the expenditure of Mr. Fielding's first year.

It is an increase of \$4,954,000 over the expenditure of Mr. Foster's last year.

Finally, it is an increase of \$5,089,000 over the payments made in the year in which the convention was alarmed.

We are pleased to see our Liberal exchanges horrified, or pretending to be horrified, over the revelations in South Ontario. Perhaps, now, we will be able to get an act through the legislature designed to properly ferret out and punish corruption. The last time Mr. Whitney tried it the attempt was blocked by Hon. A. S. Hardy.

Barrister Walter Thrasher may be too juvenile in Mr. Pardo's estimation to hold a government position that somebody else wants, but when election times come around again his age will prove no barrier to Mr. Thrasher raising his voice and marking his ballot in favor of the Ross candidate, even in the eyes of the gentlemen from Cedar Springs.

General Clery is the only British General in South Africa who has not made a mistake. He is also the only general who has not made anything else.—Hincardine Review.

Gen. Clery is Britain's greatest instructor in strategy. The fact that he knows enough to keep in out of danger is proof positive that he knows his business. None of the other fellows did.

Robert Ferguson, M. P. F., is not to blame for insisting, on having his way in the matter of the county court vacancy. If Robert proves to be a stronger representative than Mr. Pardo that is West Kent's misfortune and East Kent's gain.

In Great Britain and South Africa the idea seems to prevail that the Canadians are old fighters whose experiences stalking Indians and killing bears has created a thirst for gore which can only be quenched by wading through blood into Pretoria.

DISAPPOINTING CONDUCT.

Belleville Ontario.

It is said the Boer general telegraphed the following message to Pretoria after the recent battle at Ladysmith: "I regret to report that Gen. White again failed to walk into a trap."

HE HAD THE SINNERS SPOTTED.

Bainford Courier.

The members of a Bridgeport, church chased the minister out of the pulpit and up into the organ-loft for picking out the sinners of his congregation by name. He had undertaken too large a contract.

HAS GREAT FAITH IN ENGLAND.

N. Y. Commercial Advertiser.

The British troops may have grown reckless fighting niggers, but the people is the same that faced Napoleon across the channel and bided its time in Portugal for the march to Paris and the afterpiece of Waterloo. It was almost worth while to endure defeats to show the union and resolution of the British people and the unpopularity of the policy of foreign intervention. These are moral victories.

THE BLACK MAN'S BURDEN.

Who is it That Would Care to Take up the Poor Black's Burden, Reluctantly, it to Bear.

Take up the Black Man's Burden, since by cunning and device Brought to the land to labor and a source of merchandise, He tilted the soil that brought the gold that wove monopoly's wreath, His only earthly recompense was realized in Death.

When slavery's curse, the patriots of the Kingdom put to shame, The North arose, to deal in souls resolved they would disdain, Unto the South, they dealt the blow, and broke was Slavery's chain, The Black is free, so let it be a proclamation claim.

Take up the Black Man's Burden, The angry master's soul now reeks with animosity, He sees his purchased souls go free and knows that his defeat Is a laurel for the North to wear upon their homeward beat.

Take up the Black Man's Burden, now, no shelter for his head; Left at Confederate mercy, at which sympathy is dead, Yet he survives and lives, from joy an absolute exile, to stand, His burden now has cast a gloom o'er his familiar smile.

From America to Cuba, there sailed the mourned Maine, With Mercy for the native Black then held by cruel Spain, Through Spanish treachery and a plot, two hundred of the crew, of that great ship were drowned, for of a hidden mine none knew.

Take up the Black Man's Burden, to arrange the Sunken Maine, He's called upon to come with gun and help to conquer Spain, With swift step from his humble home he volunteers to stand, Both White and Black, they sail away; today a man's a man.

Take up the Black Man's Burden, he fights, he bleeds, he dies, To see Old Glory waving high against the Cuban skies, Spain is conquered with war honors from her foe America, The Filipino Black's life now pays war indemnity.

Take up the Black Man's Burden, Assume old Aquinaldo's place, you'll find it not so bright, Armed with bow and arrow, his warriors starting in the sun Face to face with drilled America, with Krupp and Gatling gun.

Take up the Black Man's Burden, whose profession has attained, Before a wise employer his mission is explained; His answer is, "No doubt you would prove unto our firm advantage."

But I have men I know would quit; your barrier is race prejudice, Take up the Black Man's Burden, as crestfallen home he'll tread, Because of color, with his brain power, He'll say, "My sons, why study art or science, we have no power To execute, we're black, so seek an occupation loven."

Take up the Black Man's Burden, snow down in the Southern States, Accused of crime, by law untied; he knows that there awaits A heartless band into whose hand delivered he must be, And without ceremony, swing from some convenient tree.

With far expanding sympathy, millions have been entombed, Rights to provide for foreign Blacks, still Lynch Law lingers home, The mother bird that hopes to hatch a brood that credit pay Ready upon her nest, if not, her eggs decay.

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"A dangerous combination of a man to be at large, capable of doing a tremendous amount of mischief in the world, and the sooner he turns up his toes under the sod the better for humanity," is the mental comment of Mr. Grimes.

He meets the baron at the bar of the gallery, in a friendly spirit, and wishing to see more of his pistol practice soon banter him into a little wager.

Mr. Grimes has always prided himself on his marksmanship, but he has a poor show beside this man of the quick eye and steady hand.

His main object is to discover whether the baron has any weak point about his marksmanship, so that he can turn it to good account. Even in this a fair measure of success falls to his share, enough to pay him for his trouble.

At fifteen and twenty-five paces the Russian duelist is almost a dead shot, but strange to say, the American beats him at twenty paces. It would be hard to understand just why this is so, and to make sure of it Mr. Grimes is not content with the one trial but goes through it all again.

That settles it. If there is to be an exchange of shots between the rivals, it must be at twenty paces. He feels that he is doing only what is right in learning these facts. Doubtless this man without a conscience has in times past spitted more than one boar at the duello, and against whom he had a grudge. He deserves neither sympathy nor pity, and such a man asks nothing of the world.

Perhaps the baron has already sized up the other and remembers that he saw him with the man he plots to destroy. That does not appear to disturb him very much; indeed, he may even take a savage satisfaction in showing the American how he will make crow's meat of his friend when the time comes.

Mr. Grimes has seen enough. At his first opportunity he must warn Joe, so that the other may not stumble into the pit which the baron would dig for him, at least without a knowledge of the consequences.

After leaving the gymnasium where the stalwart British officers spend an hour or so every day, he looks around for the explorer, but can see nothing of him. Molly and her distinguished father are also among the missing. Presently he runs across some one he knows.

"Ah! there, Sandy, my boy, where away?" he calls out, whereat the bustling little correspondent brought in a heap of consents to halt briefly.

"Off to wire for a passage on the 14-monthly steamer for India. Touches at Alexandria, you know, and then direct to Port Said for the Canal."

"When is it due?"

"The Albatross arrives on Saturday." "Secure passage for me, but hold on; perhaps you'd better wait and see. I understand Tanner and his daughter, together with Mynheer Joe, are heading in that direction. If we all go on one steamer, it will make a jolly party."

"Sandy strikes an attitude. 'Who look like a soldier?' 'The fellow looking like a Hindoo.' Mr. Grimes smiled.

"I wish you had noticed that fellow closely, Sandy," he remarks, quietly. "Well, now, that's just what I did. You see he had a lordly air yesterday, as though he owned the whole of Egypt, while this morning he limped painfully, had a bruise on his forehead, and his left arm was tied up in a great ball of cotton, while his face had a look as though intense pain and devilish fury were fighting for the mastery."

At this Mr. Grimes no longer smiles. He chuckles.

"Something has evidently befallen the fellow. Brains since night closed in. What did you conclude was the matter?" he asks.

"Well, I thought the fellow had evidently been barking up the wrong tree," says Sandy, solemnly.

"This time Mr. Grimes laughs aloud. "Good guess, my boy. He owes the goose-egg on his forehead, the halt in his gait and the bandaged arm to someone we know."

"Ten to one it was that Mynheer Joe!" exclaimed the correspondent, quickly.

"Go up, young man. You are an ornament to the guessing class. Sure enough, it was our Joseph who handled the Thug without gloves. The beast was on a mission for his master, and was thrown through the window by the messenger from Khartoum."

Of course Sandy pricks his ears up at this chance for a sensation, and pines the other with questions, which Mr. Grimes answers to the best of his ability. The story is soon told, and followed by what he has, this morning, seen the baron do—exercise his skill with sword and revolver, as though there is work ahead.

"As sure as you live, it's going to be nip and tuck between those two yet. I'm ready to bet on Joe; but I admit the case is awfully doubtful, with that human devil against him. Still Joe's star of luck has never yet deserted him. He's the only foreigner to come out of Khartoum alive. Let us hope and pray he will finally outwit that baron and carry off the prize."

Sandy has never been more earnest

and all his life, and if something would only come up whereby he could show his friendship, he stands ready to clasp in, no matter what the cost.

Thus Joe's friends talk over matters and endeavor to discover some way whereby the explorer can be benefited. They feel sure the baron has made up his mind to push matters to the wall, and that he will not hesitate about the means he employs.

If Joe is challenged, of course, he may have the choice of weapons, time and place. He can, therefore, make the best of the bargain. The one thing they fear is that the baron may arrange it so that the insult comes from him. Well, if so, Joe will probably average it on the spot and not dream of sending in a challenge.

Thus they draw consolation from the situation and hope for the best.

Where can Joe have taken him to? They fail to find anything of him, nor do they see Tanner and his daughter. This delay is not to Sandy's liking, as he is anxious to send a telegram to the city on the Mediterranean, engaging his passage for India, and treads under the lap of time.

The morning has gone and the afternoon with it.

It is evening when the two friends run across Tanner in the hotel—Tanner, who greets them in his usual boisterous manner, as he does all his friends.

Sandy sees his opportunity and makes the best possible use of it. He asks the orator his intentions about travel, and hints at how nice it would be if all of them could go on the same steamer to India, which proposition quite takes the other by storm.

Making inquiries as to date of sailing and a few other things, Tanner figures on his own plans, and then announces that Sandy may include himself and daughter in the party.

"How about Mynheer Joe?"

"You have to see him personally," returns the orator, with a sly twinkle in his eyes, as though he can make a pretty good guess that the party mentioned will not be far away when they leave Alexandria.

"Where may he be found?" asks Sandy.

"Think I know. You see a party of English officers and leading men were bound to fete the brave boy who came from Khartoum with the last news of poor Gordon. They took him over to the barracks, where a spread had been ordered. I was pressed to go, but Molly would be waiting for me at the hotel here, and as I am a dutiful parent and never disappoint her, I gave up the idea."

Sandy has a cloud on his brow. "How long ago since the party went in?"

"More than half an hour, I reckon," replies Tanner, consulting his time-piece. "They must have reached the wine and cigars."

"Very probably."

"Mr. Tanner, was the baron present?" "Certainly. That man is everywhere!" It is evident that he does not bear malice against the baron, or at least fails to show it.

Sandy and Mr. Grimes exchange glances.

"It will be done there," says the latter.

"No doubt of it, sir," replies the correspondent.

"What's all this about?" asks Tanner, noticing their peculiar nods and glances.

"We're off to see if Joe goes with us or stays in Cairo."

And with these words the two friends leave Tanner, heading for the barracks. As they reached the door of this institution, loud voices are heard, excitement seems to reign, and the colonel can be heard exclaiming:

"Gentlemen, remember you are under a military roof! Reserve all demonstrations until we separate!"

CHAPTER XII.

The words are deeply significant and Sandy clutches his companion's arm; the look exchanged between the two denotes that they understand the true importance of this affair; it hardly needs the glare they take into the mess-room to corroborate their suspicions.

It is a scene they will never forget as long as they live. A dozen or more officers and gentlemen have been at the table; the cloth is removed and cigars with wine served. At one side of the colonel stands Mynheer Joe, the hero of Khartoum; he holds an empty wine glass in his hand, while upon his face can be seen a contemptuous look. His eyes are bent across the table.

Nearly opposite to him is the baron. With a sassy handkerchief he wipes the wine from his face; it has also discolored his shirt front where it blazes a wonderful diamond, worth a small fortune.

Sandy observes his face and discovers hardly a trace of anger there; indeed, from the sardonic smile, one would imagine that this incident is just what the Russian duelist has played for.

Returning the sardonic smile to his pocket, he coolly tosses his card across the table in the direction of Mynheer Joe.

"You will speedily hear from me, sir," he says, with cutting emphasis.

"The sooner the better, baron! Remember, I leave on Saturday's steamer," returns the American, while the officers look astounded; for, brave men though they are, there is not one among them who would care to be in Joe's shoes.

The Russian bows and leaves the room; he can no longer remain at the

PREMATURELY OLD.

A man ought not to feel old, or to be old until well up towards the nineties, but now-a-days you don't see many such men. Instead, you hear people no older than 40 or 45 who begin to complain of tired backs

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The reason I delayed writing was because I wanted to wait and see after I had taken the medicine before giving my statement, and now I can give you a good conscientious testimonial. I was Chas. H. Sergeant, of Plain City, Madison Co., Ohio. During the summer and fall of 1896 I became "run-down," nerves and stomach were out of order. I wrote to Dr. Pierce for advice. He said I had general debility, and advised Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, and I used six bottles. Since I stopped taking it about one year ago, I have not taken any medicine of any kind, and have been able to work every day. My appetite is good. I can eat three square meals a day, and do not feel that miserable burning in the stomach after eating."

Table with the man who has thus publicly insulted him, and as Mynheer Joe is the guest of the occasion, it becomes his duty to depart from the mess table.

Sandy is joined by one of the officers, a fine young fellow, who has taken quite a fancy to the war correspondent. The latter declares it will be his pleasant duty to see Lieutenant Hans Fletcher become a general some day. He has the greatest faith in his dashing qualities.

"Tell us, how did this ugly affair come about?" he asks, eagerly, for those at the mess table appear to have forgotten it in listening to Joe's glowing story of Gordon's death.

"Willingly—what little I know," replies the British officer. "I was at the other end of the table and failed to distinctly catch the full meaning of the baron's insult."

"Then he brought it on purposely, as I supposed."

"We suspect as much, though his reason is not plain. Perhaps you gentlemen know it."

"The same old story—rivals in love."

"Ah! That's the truth of it, eh?" "Was the baron's remark about Miss Tanner?"

"I am glad to say it was not. From the little I heard, I believe it concerned Mynheer Joe's country—some insulting allusion to the flag that covers our cousins across the water."

"Good! And Joe resented it, as any true American would, no matter if his death was a foregone conclusion," says Sandy, hotly.

"But, you see, it's a serious thing to bring on a row at the colonel's mess table."

"And a still more serious thing to be quickly insulted there. The colonel should have seen to it that only gentlemen were invited and not the miserable bound who thinks his title of baron can cover up all his iniquities."

The lieutenant glances rather nervously around, hoping no friend of the baron will overhear what is being said by the fiery little correspondent, or there may be a double duel on the tapis.

"Honestly, now lieutenant, if you had been at the mess table of a German regiment, an invited and honored guest, and this man should say exactly the same against your flag, that he did against our stars and stripes, what would have been your action?" pursues Sandy.

The officer bites his military mustache.

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BREVITIES FROM BLENHEIM.

The sleighing yesterday pressed every available service.

The lady Macabees held their regular meeting last night.

Wm. Morgan, of this town, is visiting friends in Cedar Springs.

Mrs. Branditt has accepted a position as governess in Chatham.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gardiner, of Chatham, are visiting friends in town.

Miss Lottie Gilby, of St. Thomas, is the guest of Miss Otley McGregor.

Mrs. W. Newman will entertain at her residence next Thursday evening.

Chas. Tull is giving up his farm in Quivy and will probably move into town.

Miss Dolly Sheldon, of Chatham, spent Sunday with relatives in Blenheim.

Mrs. Bass and Miss Eva Bass, of Chatham, are the guests of Mrs. J. M. Gardiner.

Bert Bissett, who has been in Rodney, was in town spending Sunday with his wife.

A large number of Blenheim young people attended a dance at Cedar Springs last night.

The sixth assembly of the Blenheim young people will be held in the Opera House this evening.

Invitations are out for an enjoyable party to be given by Miss Ida Laird Hall on Friday week.

Wm. Vester has purchased a ferret, with which he is proving very successful in hunting rabbits.

Thos. O. Macnabb and Jos. E. Reeves, of Chatham, were registered at the Sheldon House yesterday.

Police Magistrate R. L. Gosnell returned to-day from a few days' visit to his old home in Highgate.

T. W. Piersen is going to re-engage in the grocery business at his old stand. He will open on Feb. 1st.

Mrs. VanZandt, of Leamington, who has been the guest of Mrs. D. W. Samson during the past week, returned home to-day.

A large number of Blenheim marksmen will attend the shooting match of five birds and blue rocks to be held at Morpeth next Friday.

W. C. White left this morning for Detroit. He will be absent for a month or more, taking in the state of Michigan in his travels.

The Daily Planet is on sale at J. N. Babcock's Drug Store, where subscriptions will be taken, and the paper delivered to any part of the town.

The annual congregational meeting of the Blenheim Presbyterian Church will be held this evening in the church. A large attendance is requested.

Mrs. G. A. Holland will entertain a large number of friends at an enjoyable assembly to be held at her residence next Friday evening.

An entertainment will be held at the English Church this evening, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society. A capital program has been provided.

Mayne Peter Haggart, grain and provision merchant, reports that the quotation for beans has jumped to \$1.25 and \$1.30. Deliveries, however, are not very heavy on a rising market.

Bert Bissett, who formerly ran the East End Meat Market, is moving to Rodney, where he has taken a responsible position with a lumber firm. Mrs. Bissett accompanies him.

The installation of the officers-elect of the Blenheim Lodge, A. F. & A. M., previously enumerated in The Planet, took place last evening. Rt. W. Bro. Thos. C. Macnabb, of Chatham, officiating.

The Blenheim Tribune, editorially urges the appointment of R. L. Gosnell to the vacant county court clerkship, and the editorial is universally

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Rev. J. M. McLaren, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, on Sunday evening preached the first of a series of sermons on the closing of the century, on the words "A thousand years as one day." Next Sunday evening he will speak upon the Gentiles.

The Blenheim Presbytery are forwarding the papers of George Gray, to Kingston. Gray is an old Blenheim boy attending military school in Kingston, where he has joined the second Canadian contingent to South Africa. The city of Kingston is going to maintain his lodge insurance.

Frank Watlin, a little lad of four years, yesterday mounted the sleigh of Jas. Greenwood, who drove to his farm two miles and a half north of town for a load of wood. While loading, the child strayed away and was only found in the bush by the workmen after some hours of anxious hunting.

A most enjoyable musicale was held at the residence of Dr. and Mrs. S. G. Story last evening. The program was presented by Prof. Jos. E. Reeves, assisted by Mrs. C. L. Vancutten and Miss Hanson, Cedar Springs; guitar solos, Mayor P. Haggart and Dr. Holmes, vocal solos, and Miss Vancutten, piano solo. Prof. Reeves' program was as follows:

Harp solo—Last Rose of Summer.
Banjo solo—Georgia Camp Meeting.
Harp solo—Remania Waltz.
Banjo solo, with variations—Annie Laurie.
Harp solo—Georgia Camp Meeting.
Banjo solo—The New Gaiety Dance.
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THE SNOW BY-LAW.

To The Planet.—What kind of a town is this any more? It is a regular old city. What with your mud and slush in wet weather, now the snow on sidewalks, it is enough to make one sick. Are the police too busy to enforce the snow by-law or is all their time taken up in hunting sealskin jackets? Yours,

A. WALPOLE.

A BOOK REVIEW.

Canada Law Journal.

The Law of Mortgages of Real Estate, by Edwin Bell, L.L.B., and L. Dunn, B.A., of Osgoode Hall, barristers-at-law, Toronto, 1890. The Canada Law Book Company, law publishers, 32 Toronto street.

Messrs. Bell and Dunn, the editors of "Practice Forum," a necessity to Ontario solicitors as regards the multifarious documents of court procedure, have, in their present work on "Mortgages of Real Estate," presented to the profession an excellent treatise on that subject, with citations of both English and Canadian authorities.

The subject matter is divided into five parts, viz.: The Contract of mortgage, the Rights and Liabilities of the mortgagor, the Rights and Liabilities of the mortgagee, the Rights and Liabilities of the parties claiming under the mortgage, and the Rights and Liabilities of the parties claiming under the mortgage.

Each of these parts is appropriately subdivided into chapters, 36 in all, including separate chapters on Interest, Limitation of actions, Foreclosure, Sale under power of sale, Indemnity of mortgagee selling his equity, Rights of purchasers of an equity of redemption, Rights of executors, Rights of dower in mortgaged lands. Although the text is devoted primarily to the law of Ontario, references are made to the statute and case law of the provinces of Nova Scotia, British Columbia, Manitoba, New Brunswick and of the N. W. Territories, which will make it of great value in all of the provinces except Quebec. An examination of the text with a number of the citations that the cases have been carefully and accurately abstracted, and the work cannot fail to be of great value to practitioners. Its typographical arrangement and execution is of the first quality.

"Take time by the forelock." If your blood is out of order, begin taking Hood's Sarsaparilla at once and prevent serious illness.

DRESDEN

Jan. 16.—Miss Armstrong, of Rond

Eau, is the guest of the family of Albert Tyherst.

Miss Jean McGibbon, who has been quite ill for the past week, is recovering.

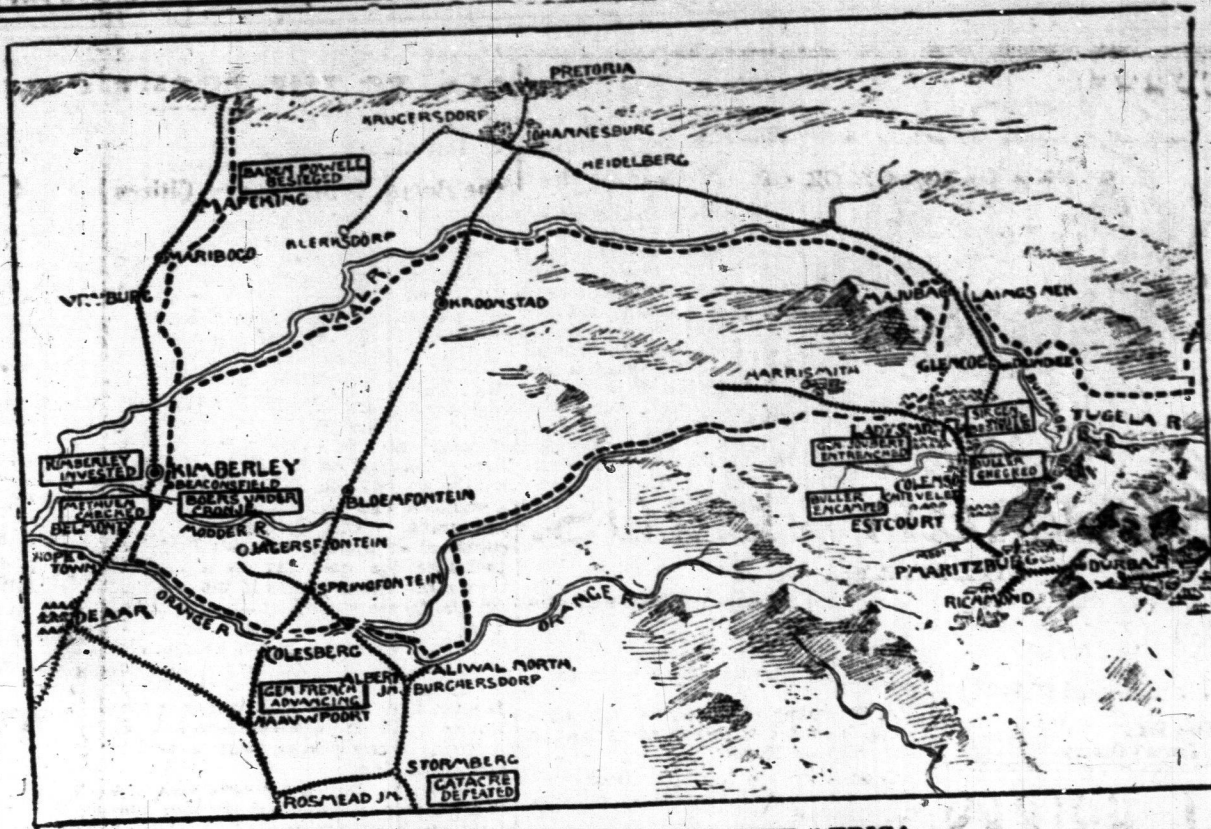
The management of Christ Church S. S. have been so many times to repeat the comment given by them last Christmas, that they have at last decided to do so. Part of the proceeds, it is understood, will go to assist the Canadian contingent at the Transvaal.

On Saturday morning, the wife of George Claster, of a daughter.

The gentlemen of Dresden, are giving an assembly in the Grand Opera House to-night.

Mrs. George Madison, wife of Geo. Madison, of Peter's livery stable, is dead.

With children, to lose half the day is the best way to make the other half profitable.



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My application in.
An' with th' pull I've got, I guess
It's likely I'll win;
I won't take any handicap,
I'll toe th' scratch right square;
An' run the race fer clerk with these
'Ere members of th' bar.
T. L.'s a right good friend o' mine,
An' Bobby is as well;
Though what I've done fer them be-
gosh!
I ain't a go'n to tell,
Leastways I won't unless they turn
This staunch supporter down.
In which case hang th' flags half-mast
An' drape th' bloom'n town.

Well qualified to fill th' post
I am, for don't you see,
Th' skin games o' th' lawyer chaps
Air strangers unto me,
An' though I know each one o' them,
Would like my prestige, well
They should have hustled more fer
Bob.
'Er swiped fer friend T. L.
Thet letter of last night it said,
A layman wan't no good;
Th' office should be given to
A lawyer—so it should;
An' though I have some sympathy
With lawyers, as a rule,
The man that toots his horn too much
Is apt to play th' fool.

Th' Law Association, so it reads,
Petitions 'Ross, B. A.'
Say'n of a layman gits th' sit,
There'll be th' dnce 't pay.
Ontario's premier must fade,
As fades th' bloom'n rose;
Should he rebel an' fail 't grant
What these learned men propose.
But Ferguson he winked his eye at me,
An' Pardo shook
My han', an' Irish Jack he wrote
My name down in 'is book;
So we'll let th' lawyers storm,
My friend, Long Green, an' me;
I'll bet a layman gits the sit,
An' that same layman's me.

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FOR THE MISSIONS.

The services held in Christ Church on Sunday were of a missionary nature and hence interesting and instructive. The offering made at both services will be devoted to the foreign mission work of the church. It was largely in excess of any former offering. Christ Church for the above purpose, Rev. R. McCosh, the rector, preached both morning and evening. In the morning his sermon was founded on Isaiah 55: 11. He spoke of the encouragement to Christian workers flowing from the divine declaration contained in the text and showed that true laborers in the vineyard of the Master never labored in vain. He referred to the present condition of the church in the world and in the British Empire, pointing out the vast changes that had transpired, the results of faithful sowing of the Divine Seed. Mr. McCosh urged his hearers to do their utmost to spread the Kingdom of God, pointing out that the unparalleled blessings they enjoyed were the result of toil and sacrifice from the Roman 10: 14, 15. The four questions which St. Paul propounded for the consideration of all Christians were earnestly discussed. The music, which was appropriate to the occasion, was exceptionally good. The young boys now under the efficient training of Prof. Forsythe, the accomplished organist and choir master, sang some portions of the evening service in a very pleasing and effective way. There were over forty in choir at the evening service.

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BOYS CAUSE TROUBLE.

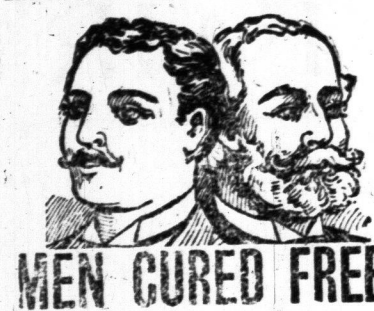
For some time past Manager McVean, of the opera house, has been annoyed by boys who go down to the opera house early, hide in the building and when the play begins slip from their places of concealment. Last evening just before the play began a cupful of the pit were started by a crash of falling plaster. A large surface over the corridor of the pit had fallen. P. C. Desella was summoned and with Manager McVean and Constable Clements, he went up stairs just in time to see two young lads named Waggoner and Bowers emerging from a small room in the corner of the hall on the second floor. There is a small square hole in this room giving access under the raised seats of the balcony to the darkness and in climbing about had knocked off the plaster. Young Waggoner and Bowers said that a third boy named Ernie Magge was still in time to see two young lads named Waggoner and Bowers emerging from a small room in the corner of the hall on the second floor. 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RALEIGH COUNCIL.

The Members Hold the Initial Meeting of the Year.

Raleigh Council-elect met on the 8th January, in Town Hall. Members present, N. H. Shepley, Reeve, P. J. Doyle, Jas. R. Irving, and A. J. Crowe, councillors; Jas. Clayton, councillor, being absent. The statutory oaths were made, subscribed to and filed with the clerk.

Communications.

From the Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, asking for donation of \$5 or \$10 for assistance.—Laid over.

Applications received for Medical Health Officer from S. N. Young, M. D., and J. C. Bell, M. D.

Applications received for assessor from J. J. Payne, salary \$100; Jas. E. Dillon, salary \$100; George Earley, salary \$85, and Edw. A. Dillon, salary not stated.

From the clerk, showing the number of births registered during 1899 to be 116, marriages 21, and deaths 50.

From Clerk of Tilbury East, stating that the cost of the railway fare for the reeve of Raleigh for trip to Ottawa, re railway amendment act, was \$12.20 advanced by him. Ordered to be paid.

From C. A. Williams, in which he states he has, for the benefit of the ratepayers at large as well as for the council, made a settlement of the case of Douglas, Walker & Co. vs. Raleigh, which he is prepared to produce and give all information in regard to the same, and it is for the council to either accept or reject the settlement.

Mr. Williams also submitted a statement in reference to the above under date of Nov. 23, 1899, which is as follows:

Had the township settled through the solicitors of Mr. Williams, they would likely have to pay for debt \$850, for law costs \$2,500, or a total of \$3,350.

They, the township have paid Williams \$400, leaving a balance of \$2,950.

The solicitors would now, as a settlement of all these claims, accept, including the costs of their motion and appeal, \$1,350; so that if the township agree to pay this sum to the solicitors they would still make by the settlement \$1,600.

Charles Johnson submitted an agreement executed by W. H. Williams and himself in reference to the division of lot 7, Front Con., by which W. H. Williams assumes the payment of the tile drainage tax on said lot as the township now owned by the Johnsons, and it is for the council to either accept or reject the settlement.

The following persons addressed the council:

Mr. Conley, Merlin, in reference to some tile he placed in the road ditch in front of his place, and wanted to be allowed statute labor for the same. Referred to the Comr. of Div. No. 3.

Mr. Conley, in reference to his road work returned undone, and stated he had been warned out by the overseer to perform the work in front of his place, but the overseer would not accept it and returned him undone.

C. A. Williams, in reference to the drainage tax on the property of W. H. Williams, who was paying over a dollar an acre, and he thought there must be something wrong.

The clerk compared the entries in the roll with the by-laws and found them correct.

L. A. Pardo submitted report re the repairs of bridge over Gov. drain, Con. 9, at a cost of \$5, and relating to the (the) culvert on 18 and 19 sideroad, 12th Con., also repairs bridge on 12th Con., lot 21, and Con. 14, McGuigan drain, costing in all \$25.50. Comr. fees \$2.60.

The reeve reported that in the matter of the grievance of J. J. Bradley and others, re the outlet through the G. T. R. lands, the Company would allow the township to repair the outlet at their own expense by signing an agreement to that effect.

Moved by Irving and Crowe, that the Drainage Board be appointed until next meeting.—Carried.

Moved by Doyle and Irving, that the matter of J. J. Bradley and others, re the outlet through the G. T. R. lands, be referred to the reeve and clerk, with power to execute the agreement with the said company.—Carried.

Moved by Doyle and Irving, that the matter of C. A. Williams, re the law costs of Douglas & Walker vs. Raleigh, be referred to a solicitor, Mr. Crowe, to interview a solicitor, and report at next meeting.—Carried.

Moved by Irving and Doyle, that Jas. Laurie ask the overseer for a receipt for his road work and, if refused, to get a statement signed by the overseer in his division, showing that the road work was performed.—Carried.

Moved by Irving and Doyle, that the report of L. A. Pardo be adopted and Comr. fees, \$2.60, paid.—Carried.

Moved by Irving and Doyle, that Jas. Brady be paid \$1 for one sheep killed, and O. Horne \$2 for one wounded by dogs.—Carried.

Moved by Doyle and Crowe, that J. Marriott be paid \$1.75 for one sheep killed by dogs.—Carried.

In the sheep case of S. Wellwood, where three dogs were found killing the sheep, two of them being known, John Peet owner of one of the dogs, which dog was only two months old, deposited, by mutual consent, \$5 with the clerk as his share of the damages, to be paid to Mr. Wellwood when the case is settled, which was laid over until next meeting. The damages to the sheep killed and wounded is \$23.

Officers appointed by by-law:—Commissioners—R. R. Div. No. 1, P. J. Doyle, No. 2, A. J. Crowe, No. 3, J. R. Irving, No. 4, N. H. Shepley, No. 5, Jas. Clayton.

Medical Health Officer—S. N. Young, M. D.

Auditors—Jas. N. Halliday and Louis Gault.

Assessor—Edw. A. Dillon, salary \$90.

A by-law to borrow \$15,000 for current expenditure was passed.

For D. R. officers, D. McPherson \$8.50, R. A. Wilcox \$8.50, E. S. Dyke \$8.50, G. R. Shreve \$8.50, M. Doyle \$8.50, S. S. Gibula \$7, J. H. Harvey \$7, Jas. Gault \$7, W. H. Pardo \$7, and \$4 for each polling booth; A. E. Robinson, Reg. B. M. D., \$38.60; Merlin Mirror \$1.15.

A. E. ROBINSON, Clerk.

SMOKER'S ALTERNATIVE.

"What's good for the heartburn," asked Mr. Johnson, from his chair by the self-feeder where, feet on the rail and pipe in mouth, he was "taking his comfort" to the best of his ability.

"Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets," said Mrs. Johnson.

"Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets are for indigestion, aren't they?" said Mr. Johnson.

"That's what heartburn is caused by," said Mrs. Johnson.

"I thought it was caused by smoking too much," said Mr. Johnson.

"Well, smoking spoils the digestion," said Mrs. Johnson, "and heartburn is one of the results."

Mr. Johnson took the pipe from his mouth and looked at it.

"Then there are only two ways for a fellow to get over heartburn—give up smoking or take Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets."

"Yes," said his wife. "They are the only alternatives I know."

"Well, I can guess which one I'm going to take," said Mr. Johnson, putting his pipe back into his mouth.

"Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets," said his wife.

"Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets," exacted Mr. Johnson. "How much are they?"

"Fifty cents a box."

"All the druggists, I suppose?"

"Oh, yes, any store that handles medicines at all carries Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets."

"Take them after meals, don't you?"

"Yes; one after each meal, unless you are very bad when two are recommended."

"Well, I must get some. A man's certainly got to have his pipe, but it's hard lines to lose his health for it."

"You're picking on a reliable article in Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets," said Mrs. Johnson.

A letter was read from Angus Smith, C. E., asking for some drainage engineering during the coming summer.

A letter was read from Owen McKay, engineer for Erie & Huron Railway, stating that he will have the culvert under the railway at the intersection of the 1st and 2nd Con. road, North Gore, repaired as soon as the weather will permit.

A report was read from Robert Warrick, Comr. Brown drain.—Adopted.

A letter was read from Wm. Mackenzie, Comr. Simpson drain.—Adopted.

Applications were read from the following persons for the office of assessor:—William L. Boyington, Albert Mickle, Michael O'Neill, Austin Turrell.

The following applications were read for auditors:—J. W. Simpson, Philip McKerrall, Wm. Smith and Myles McCarron.

Moved by Armstrong and Cumming, that Michael O'Neill be appointed assessor for the year 1900, at a salary of \$125.—Carried.

Moved by Wickens and Abraham, that J. W. Simpson be appointed one of the auditors to audit the accounts of 1899, at a salary of \$30.—Carried.

Moved by Abraham and Wickens, that Wm. J. Smith be appointed one of the auditors, at a salary of \$30.—Carried.

Moved by Abraham and Cumming, that Dr. Charteris be re-appointed M. H. O.—Carried.

Moved by Wickens and Abraham, that James Henderson be appointed to fill the vacancy in the board of health.—Carried.

Moved by Abraham and Wickens, that the commission on drainage be not allowed to expend any money unless authorized by council, and the clerk notify all drain commissioners to that effect.—Carried.

The bill to arrange a bank credit was finally passed.

The following accounts were passed and orders given:

To deputy returning officers presiding at election, rent of polling booth, constable fees, returning ballot, etc.

Rolling sub division, No. 1, S. S. Arnold, \$12; No. 2, J. Fleming, \$12; No. 3, J. W. Brown, \$12; No. 4, T. McKerrall, \$13; No. 5, J. G. Brown, \$13; No. 6, Levi Whitcomb, \$13; No. 7, J. H. Harvey, \$13; No. 8, J. H. Harvey, \$13; No. 9, Wm. Howe, \$13; No. 10, John McKay, \$8; R. Warrick, \$14 day Com. Brown drain, \$12; Wm. McKerrall, 1 day Com. Brown drain, \$2; M. O'Neill, 1 day Com. Skinner pump, \$15; E. H. M. goods furnished indent, \$22.50; O. B. Hulin, sewer pipe, \$3.84; Planet, printing, \$1.35; Banner, printing, \$1.25; county registrar, \$6.75.

A CARD.

We the undersigned do hereby agree to refund the money on a twenty-five cent bottle of Dr. Williams' English Pills, if, after using three-fourths of contents of bottle they do not relieve constipation and headache. We also warrant that four bottles will permanently cure the most obstinate case of constipation. Satisfaction or no pay when Will's English Pills are used. J. W. McLaren, chemist, 54 King St., Chatham, Ont.; Powell & Davis, chemists, King St., Chatham, Ont.; C. H. Gunn & Co., druggists, King St., Chatham, Ont.; R. G. Burt, chemist, King St., Chatham, Ont.

Courage among men is not as rare as people say; see how many of them marry.

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JINGLES AND JESTS.

The Cow That Kicked Melinda.

She went to milk the cow with her hair pulled round her brow.

And a happy little smile upon her lips; Her hands were brown and strong, and she trilled a happy song.

But many of the safest of us slip. The hired man ran in and made a fearful din. As he hammered on the little cookhouse window, And filled the house with fright as he yelled with all his might.

"The cow has kicked Melinda!"

That silence for awhile could be heard for half a mile.

And the horror of it sunk in every heart; But when the shock was over, like bull calves into clover.

You ought to've seen that little household start. They found the story true, for she was black and blue.

And her granny piped an order through the window.

"If the milk she milked is spilled, then the animal must be killed!"

The cow that kicked Melinda.

In spring halls adorning you sit tomorrow morning.

Aid spread your little napkin for a feed; If you're disappointed much and your teeth do frequent touch.

Something that is very tough indeed. As you struggle and you stare to masticate you cry.

And the trolley gong is sounding through the window.

Your spirits I might fear if I whispered in your ear.

"That's the cow that kicked Melinda!"

—Toronto Globe.

A Courteous Inquiry.

A prominent San Josean reached the Third street depot of the Southern Pacific company in an inebriated condition and asked for "a first class ticket, please."

"Where do you want to go?" said the ticket clerk somewhat pointedly.

There was a pause, while the inebriated one musedly reflected, and then he blandly and politely asked:

"What trains have you?"—San Francisco Wave.

The Scullery Drudge.

(Women are pouring into the professions. . . . In consequence of the difficulty of procuring domestic servants it is proposed to employ men for general housework.—Daily Paper.)

Mamma is a bishop in gaiters.

Aunt Flo is a brilliant Q. C.

They say that no better debaters Are heard in the commons than she.

Aunt Amy's an eminent surgeon.

Aunt Jane is a chancery judge.

Aunt Kate is a greater than Surgeon.

And I am a scullery drudge.

I've female relations in dozens.

I've them with awe from afar.

For most of my female cousins Are lights of the church and the bar.

They are crowned with a halo of splendor, A glory I cannot but grudge.

For, being of masculine gender, I'm only a scullery drudge.

Time was I had other ambitions.

Then I saw a girl or a pair; Alas, I forgot my conditions— I forgot I was merely a man!

But some of my friends cried a bit for my notions.

"Pudge!"

My dear, what is any man fit for But the lot of a scullery drudge?"

—Punch.

It Applied Either Way.

Critic—Well, old man, how's the new theater going?

Manager—Badly, badly! There's nothing but the caput mortuum of our former audiences left.

Critic—Caput mortuum. Let me see, that is a Latin idiom meaning "the worthless remains," is it not?

Manager—Yes; I meant the deadhead.

—Puck Me Up.

Overamiable.

He never makes no kick at all.

No matter how things are.

Life's tribulations, great and small, He banishes afar.

The slight injustices of life Do never him to distress.

Says he: "I won't have any strife. It ain't worth while, I guess."

His patience some reward should bring.

I wish that I could say.

That all his earthly cares look wing.

But things don't work that way.

His hopes grow weak by week more all; His goods more light in belt;

The man who never kicks is him That's allus gettin' left.

—Washington Star.

Not the Only One of the Kind.

"There, sir," said the professional rat catcher, "I've cleared your premises of the varmints, and I take 'em all away with me. You don't have no bother looking after dead rats. The bill is \$3.75."

"Don't I get anything for the rats?" inquired Mr. Tyte-Phist indignantly.—Chicago Tribune.

A Family of Candidates.

He ran for office all his life.

And, dying out of place, He left his fifteen stairway sons To finish up the race.

And all of 'em are in it—

Sleep onward by the flood.

They cannot keep from running; The thing runs in the blood.

—Atlantic Constitution.

Cautious.

"One word, Emile! Would you mind if I tell you that I love you to distraction, that I can't live without you and that I'll kill myself if you refuse to listen to me?"

"Yes, I should mind, for I can never care for you!"

"Then I won't say it!"—Lustige Blätter.

Age.

A woman is old when she talks about The grandson on whom she dotes.

And then are old when they wait for help To get into their overcoats.

—Chicago Times Herald.

Called and Answered.

"I wish that I could think of a good example of 'simultaneousness,'" sighed Mrs. Pendereose as she looked up wearily from her Chautauqua course text-book.

"That's dead easy," growled her husband. "Just think of your answer to my proposal!"—Harlem Answers.

He Didn't Mind.

He paid her bills with careless ease

And smiled as sweet as honey;

It was a pleasure-keen, he said,

Since she gave him the money.

—Lila.

Variety.

Slightly—I often wonder why it is that Rhones should be so fond of vaudeville.

Lofty—Guess he considers, don't you know, that variety is the spice of life.

—Baltimore News.

No Disputing Taste.

The last rose of summer for others may be.

But autumn's first pickle's the trophy for me.

—Detroit Free Press.



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IN THE SAME ROLE.

A Funny Story of Four Sisters Who Went on the Stage

Jefferson got used to it and when the last left him was nearly sending for the dog.

an actress manager, Rosenthal, the husband of Katherine Osterman, tells the following story:

"There were four of the Osterman girls who went on the stage, and it is a singular fact that they all made their debut in the same role. It happened this way: The family live in Toledo, and when Charles Jefferson put on 'Hands Across the Sea' Annie Osterman, who was then an ambitious amateur, was engaged to take the part of Lucy. She adopted the stage name of Belmont and scored such a success that she got a handsome offer to join Sol Smith Russell.

"Before she left Jefferson asked her whether she couldn't suggest somebody to take her place, and she replied very modestly that her sister Bessie was a bright girl and anxious to go on the stage. So Bessie was sent for, and also made a hit, but before long she went to Mr. Jefferson and told him she would have to quit, as she was about to be married to Chief Wall of the Toledo fire department. 'However,' she said hesitatingly, 'I have a sister of the name of Katherine, who—'

"'Great heavens!' exclaimed Jefferson. 'This family beats the record! Telegraph for Katherine immediately!' Katherine arrived and proved such an acceptable substitute that the management was delighted, but in the course of time she attracted the attention of Stuart Robson, who engaged her to be his leading lady. Again Jefferson was in despair. 'I suppose there are no more sisters?' he said ironically. 'Oh, yes,' replied Katherine. 'I was just about to recommend my sister Lillian.'

"'Glorious!' yelled Jefferson. 'Send for Lily!' Lillian came on and played the part successfully until she made up her mind to retire from the stage. When she announced that intention, Jefferson never turned a hair. You see, he had become accustomed to it. 'Sorry, very sorry,' she said. 'And will you please wire to your sister this evening?' 'There are no more sisters,' said Lillian mournfully.

"'No more sisters?' exclaimed Jefferson. 'No, sir,' she replied. 'All we have left now is the house dog, but he's very intelligent.'—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

IN THE HIMALAYAS.

The Workman Exploring Expedition to the Orient Makes New Climbing Records

They Reach a Height of 19,450 Feet—None of the Party Suffer From Mountain Sickness.

Dr. W. H. Workman and Mrs. Fanny Bullock Workman, F.R.S.G., authors of 'Algerian Memories' and 'A Journey to the Fin de Siècle,' accompanied by the noted Swiss guide, Mr. Zurbiggen, have made a mountaineering record in the Korakoram Himalayas in the past season. In July they spent eighteen days on the great ice glacier, North Baitian, following it up for thirty miles to Snow Lake, which lies at 16,000 feet. Crossing this, they ascended the snowy Hispar Pass (17,500 feet). Sir W. Martin Conway and his party, with the guide Zurbiggen, made the first crossing of the Hispar in 1891. The Workman expedition is the second to visit this almost inaccessible ice world and the first to see and photograph the unnamed snow-capped peaks, bordering Snow Lake and the Pass. Mr. Conway crossed this portion in a snowstorm and saw nothing of the higher landscape. The lowest camp was 12,800 and the highest, on ice, at 16,400 feet.

Returning to Askole, new coolies were taken for an exploring trip to the circle of snowy peaks adjoining the Skoro La Pass (17,000 feet), the upper passage from Askole to Shigar. Here moraine and glacier camps were made at 16,000 and 17,400 feet and two virgin snow peaks ascended. The first, which was partly of rock and partly of snow, was made from the lower camp. Photographs were taken on the highest summit, which is a narrow white horn, and a stone cairn built on a slightly lower rock-summit. In this a jar was placed, containing names of climbers, name given to peak, the 'Siegfriedhorn,' height 18,600 feet and details of ascension.

Three days later, from the upper camp, a higher peak, wholly of snow, was ascended. Two porters were of the party, which was roped from camp. After a short bit of glacier the whole ascent to the narrow knife-like summit was over steep snowfields. The top was reached between 10 and 11 o'clock a.m., from which the grandest known and unknown peaks of this part of the Himalayas were visible. Nanga Parbat, 26,600 feet; K2, 28,250; Machharun and Gusharun, each 26,000 feet, the lovely golden throne of the Baltora glacier and the endless unnamed, but equally immense, snow kings of the Bialto and Hunza regions.

None of the party suffered from mountain sickness, although at that height, 19,450 feet, any sudden exertion caused sudden loss of breath. The peak was named Mount Bullock Workman. The height of both these peaks was taken from the average aneroid, which was judged to be approximately correct by comparison with the officially measured height of the pass, 17,000 feet. Mr. Workman, says the London News, has thus exceeded all previous climbing records for her sex by nearly or quite 3,000 feet.

The man who tells you a secret and asks you not to tell, doesn't treat you right. He enjoys telling it, and forbids you having just as good a time.

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THE PROBABILITIES.

Toronto, Jan. 16—10 a. m. — To-day
and Wednesday, generally fair, not
much change in temperature.

LOCAL BRIEFS

Arthur Wilson, Tilbury, was in the
city yesterday.

P. T. Barry sold the Benton House,
Ridgeway, to Mr. Hopkins, for \$5,200.
Two inmates of the House of Refuge,
Stephen Philpot, formerly of Wallace-
burg, and John Macaulay, in from
Dover, are dead.

The C. P. R. Telegraph Company is
generously sending all messages from
the South African volunteers, now on
their way to Halifax, free.
Ross Lickin leaves to-day for To-
ronto to take a position in the drug
store of Walton & Co., Queen street
East, Toronto.

John Smith, wine clerk at the Gar-
ner, has returned from a trip to Den-
ver, Chicago, and other American
cities.

Evangelist McCrossan has publish-
ed a most interesting work entitled
"Love and Life," that he has placed on
sale at Dingman's book store.

The great amount of design work
done at the Victoria Avenue Green
House is sufficient proof of the ex-
cellence of the work. Nothing but the
best at the lowest prices. Phone 181.

Miss Mary McKeeough, daughter of
Dr. Geo. T. McKeeough, returned yes-
terday afternoon to resume her stud-
ies at the Trafalgar Educational In-
stitution, Montreal.

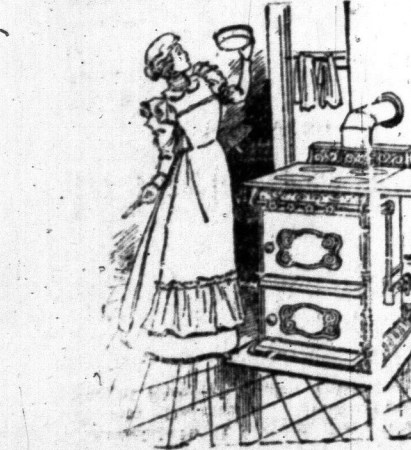
Have you read Evangelist McCrossan's
book, "Love and Life"? Beautifully
bound in cloth, 25c. On sale at
Dingman's book store.

"If your eyes could talk," what a
story of suffering and of abuse they
could tell. How we strained them;
how we taxed them with overwork,
and then, because they were tired we
rubbed them to make irritation worse.
And to think that the most they need-
ed, in fact, all that they were asking
for in their quiet way, was a rest,
a little help in the shape of a good
pair of glasses, properly fitted. I
have helped other tired eyes. I can
help yours. Examination free. E. J.
MacIntyre, leading optician, opposite
Grand Opera House, Chatham.

ADVANCE IN COAL
Hard coal is now \$6.75 per ton. In
consequence of the advance in railway
freight the dealers have been compelled
to put the price up 25 cents per ton.
G. L. W.

BOOK BINDING.
Orders for bookbinding should be
left at The Planet office. It is sur-
prising how nice a volume can be
made of magazines, even though they
are somewhat soiled from much hand-
ling. Books, magazines, or periodicals
bound or rebound in any style at very
reasonable prices.

BROKE HIS LEG.
W. H. Taylor, of the T. H. Taylor
Co., met with an unfortunate accident
yesterday at the Beaver Mill. He was
coming out of the building, when he
slipped on the damp walk and fell,
breaking both bones of his right leg
just above his ankle. He was car-
ried into the office and Dr. Holmes
summoned. After an examination of
the fracture the doctor had the in-
jured man removed to his home, where
the bone was set and the patient is
resting easily.



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The proper time to have a Gas and put it
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OH, THAT COUNTRY

The Chatham Boys Don't Like
South Africa.

Say It Is Sand, Mountain, Storms and
Bad Water—Letters From
Privates Burrell and
Wilson.

De Aar, South Africa, Dec. 6, 1899.
To The Planet.—I write you a few
lines to let you know we have
reached South Africa. I'm one of the
four who left Chatham to fight for our
Queen. We left Quebec on Oct.
30th, and we reached Cape Town on
Dec. 1st. There we camped for two
days and then we struck camp, packed
up and took the train for the front.
But we only got as far as De Aar. On
Sunday we put up tents and now are
waiting orders to go further. There
have to be a certain number of soldiers
here to guard De Aar. A troop came
in here yesterday and we expect to
leave to-day, Dec. 8th, for Orange
River, where an attack is expected at
any time. There is now a body of
6000 men to guard De Aar. We were
all awakened up on the night of Dec.
5th. An attack was made about 20
miles from us during the day and our
officers thought they would make for
us during the night. We all made
ready for them but they did not come.
There is quite a lot of sickness in our
regiment. About 30 have been left at
base, at Cape Town. I wish you would
send me a Planet here. Do not stop
my paper at home. Send it to my
father, James Burrell. He will take it
until I come back. Yours truly,
H. BURRELL.
B. Co., Canadian contingent, South
Africa.

AT ORANGE RIVER.

The following letter, dated Orange
River, Dec. 8, has been received by
Mrs. Tichbourne from her nephew, A.
R. Wilson:

Dear Auntie.—I take great pleasure
in answering your kind and welcome
letter, which I received a few days
ago. I found me well and happy, and
I hope this will find you all the same.
Well, Auntie, I was glad to get a
letter from you. It is the first I have
received since I left. It does seem a
long time since I saw you. It did seem
nice to get a letter. There were lots
of the boys very disappointed over not
getting any mail. I got a letter from
Henry, in Clinton, and one from Jack
(at Terry's).

Well, Auntie, I wrote to you on the
train from Cape Town the night we
left there. We were only one day in
Cape Town. Then we went to De Aar,
where we camped for four days. Then
we moved to Orange River, where we
are now. They are rushing us right
to the front, so you will hear of half
of us being cut down. We do see lots
of wounded. There are lots of them
in Cape Town; that is the place where
they send all the wounded and pris-
oners. They will be carrying some of
us down there one of these days. We
left De Aar for Modder River, but
when we got to Orange River the rail-
road was all torn up, so we had to lay
over here. We are running into dan-
ger every day. We cannot tell when
we are going to be shot. They have
guards all along the railroad to pre-
vent the Boers from tearing it up.
Men are kept there day and night.
Where we are now is a place where
for ten miles. The guards that were
on last night shot two of their own
men, just because they did not halt
when the guards told them. The
guards are supposed to shoot a man
when he won't stop.

Well, Auntie, this is a frightful
country. It is nothing but sand and
mountains. We thought it was bad
enough in De Aar, but it is worse here.
There was a frightful storm here last
night. We got wet through and had
to sleep in our wet clothes. I have not
had my clothes off since I got off the
train. This is a rough life. We do
get lots to eat, but it is what we buy
ourselves. If we had to live on the
government rations I think we would
starve. We buy everything we eat,
and we have a hard time to get water
here. The water we do get is not fit
to drink. When we are on the train
we have to get someone to bring us
water, for they won't let us out of
the train. Tell Walter I wish he had
been along with me. He would have
passed all right. I will be glad to get
back to Chatham. I don't like this
country.

How is Uncle getting along?
I guess you will hear lots of news of
us before you get this letter.

A. R. WILSON.
"B" Company,
Canadian Contingent,
South Africa.

MR. BLOOM'S LETTER.
J. H. Bloom has also received a letter
from Private Wilson, which covers
much the same ground as Mrs. Tich-
bourne's, so that the excellent descrip-
tions of South African life contained
therein need not be republished.

THAMESVILLE.

Jan. 16.—The annual meeting of the
U. C. Bible Society will be held in the
Methodist Church on Wednesday even-
ing at eight o'clock.

The Foreign Mission Society of the
Presbyterian congregation will meet
in the church on Friday evening.
O. A. Fraser is coming to his new
residence on Mary St. this week.

A Morehouse, of Shetland, was in
town yesterday en route to Ridgeway.
Mr. and Mrs. McCallum and daugh-
ter, also Miss Jean Laughton, of Both-
well, visited friends in town on Sun-
day.

Mrs. Sanford is very ill. Her son
Charles was summoned home to see
her, and arrived last night.

Chas. Williams, residing near Kent
Bridge, died yesterday, after a long
sickness.

A BOON TO BUSINESS MEN.
The man who, from business pres-
sure has to bolt his food, suffer mental
worry over business and then lose his
sleep, will find Merrill's System Tonic
a pearl of great price. This medicine
purifies the blood, builds up the sys-
tem, strengthens the nerves and is the
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We purpose making our annual inventory on the 31st of the month and as we have decided our stock is far too heavy to suit our ideas and moreover having contracted for immense shipments of goods for spring trade, to be delivered early in February, we have decided to offer our immense stock at

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This is the first time in our history of retailing dry goods in Chatham that we have ever advertised a General Cut Price Sale all over the store and we intend to sustain our reputation of doing exactly as we advertise, so you can count on getting some genuine bargains.

Every Department in the house will be represented:—

Ladies' and Children's Gloves,
Ladies' and Children's Hosiery,
Ladies' and Children's Underwear,
Ladies' Wrappers,
Laces and Ribbons,
Handkerchiefs, Nic-Nacs,

Dress Goods,
Silks, Velvets,
Dress Trimmings, Mantle Cloths,
Flannels,
Tweeds,
Shaker Flannels.

Special Note

Our immense stock of staples including cottons, sheetings, table linens, towelings is included in this sale and in view of the recent heavy advances in cotton goods will afford you an opportunity to supply your needs at prices that cannot be duplicated during the coming year.

Carpets and Rugs

Every piece less than 30 yards marked at clearing prices and all made and laid free of charge if sold during sale.

Suits and Caps, Underwear

The whole stock has been carefully gone over and all reductions are marked in plain red figures. A chance to buy your next winters overcoat at snap prices.

Men's, Boys' and Children's Overcoats, Reefers and Pants. The balance of our Underwear and Top Shirts marked at sweeping out prices.

FURS—Ladies' Jackets
The balance of our Fur Stock and Ladies' Jackets must all be sold, and the prices are going to do it.
Blankets About 100 pairs left, will be all marked at special prices

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BILL IS FURIOUS.

Thinks England's Seizure of Ger-
man Ships a Breach of Faith.

Hunting Rifles Found on Board the
Bundersath but They are Con-
sidered Unimportant.

Berlin, January 16.—Emperor Wil-
liam still takes the deepest interest
in the Bundersath case and holds fre-
quent conferences on the subject with
the foreign secretary, Count von Bue-
low. The Associated Press was in-
formed that the emperor is still fur-
ious about the seizures, which he re-
gards as particularly ungrateful and
unexcusable for the part of Great Brit-
ain, inasmuch as he was led to believe
during his recent visit that England
would hereafter do everything in her
power to preserve amicable relations.

in view of all this, his majesty regards
the seizure of German vessels as "ap-
parently bad faith on the part of Lord
Salisbury."
The German ambassador in London,
Count von Hatzfeldt, has informed the
German government that the seizures
were made upon the order of the Brit-
ish admiralty and not of the foreign
office. The Kaiser, however, considers
this a mere subterfuge.
At the foreign office it was asserted
in reply to an inquiry, that the reported
discovery of a quantity of rifles in
the cargo of the Bundersath was
unimportant, since it was already
known through the manifest, that
there were several cases of hunting
rifles on board.

NO DEATHS HAVE RESULTED.
From consumption where the patient
was not first afflicted with a common
cough. This ought to warn people to
take Hux's, the great guaranteed
cough cure, which cures coughs in 24
hours, the worst colds in two days,
and is the only positive cure known
for bronchitis and pneumonia. Large
bottles 50c. at the Central Drug Store.

TILBURY.

Jan. 16.—Mr. Olney intends leaving
to-morrow for a six weeks' trip to Lon-
don, England.
Mrs. J. J. Balmer returns to her home
in Woodstock to-day after a two weeks'
visit to her parents here.
The box social which was to take
place to-night, has been postponed ow-
ing to the death of Mrs. Richardson.
Miss Aviary, a milliner for J. S.
Richardson, leaves to-morrow for Blen-
heim previous to returning to her home
in Ingersoll.
Mrs. Sutherland returned to her
home in Woodstock on Saturday after
visiting her mother, Mrs. McDonald.

Why buy imitations of doubtful
merit when the Genuine can be pur-
chased so easily.
The proprietors of MINARD'S LIN-
IMENT inform us that their sales the
past year still entitle their prepara-
tion to be considered the BEST and
FIRST in the hearts of their country-
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brain, Urinary or Stimulant. Mailed on receipt
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