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Kid Gloves!

Just arrived. A little late in coming, but they're in time for Easter.

The Famous Alexandre Kid Gloves

In the leading pale shades for Spring. Guaranteed at per pair, \$1.00 and \$1.25.

A splendid showing of Easter Mill nery. A most complete stock of Easter Neckwear

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DISTRICT DOINGS.

TILBURY

April 8.—W. Atkinson, of Hamilton, is visiting friends here. Rowland & Young's Bijou Comedy Company is billed here for the week commencing next Monday, 13th inst. Public school closed here yesterday for Easter vacation, the staff going to Chatham to-day to attend the convention there. Laing Bros. will present their moving pictures, showing the King's coronation, and many other interesting views, in the Methodist church here next Monday evening, under the auspices of the Ladies Aid of the Methodist and Presbyterian churches. Dr. Milligan leaves to-night on a visit to his home in Toronto. Miss Helen Young, of the Public school staff, will spend the Easter holidays at her home in Sarnia.

WALLACEBURG

April 9.—Miss B. Nicol is a visitor at her home in London. About 30 delegates attended the E. L. convention, which was held here on Tuesday and Wednesday. A special from Chatham also brought about 50 delegates to the session Wednesday night. Rev. F. C. Stephenson, of Toronto, and Rev. J. McDougall, of Calgary, were very clever and interesting speakers. Miss S. Walker is spending the holidays at her home at Duart. Miss Sylvia Schoof is holidaying at her home at Ridgetown. Miss Williams and Mrs. Took are spending Easter at Chatham. Miss M. McDonald, of Sarnia, is the guest of Miss Lora Powers. Mr. and Mrs. W. Colwell were Sarnia visitors yesterday. A banquet, in honor of Mr. McCausland, is being given this evening. Mr. and Mrs. McCausland intend leaving Wallaceburg soon and will be missed by the many friends which they have made while residing here.

The regular meeting of the Town Council was held Tuesday evening, 7th inst., all members present except Coun. Shaw. Minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted. A long list of accounts were presented and passed. Jas. Armstrong was engaged to swing the North Branch bridge at \$80 for the season, Mr. McKenzie having resigned his post. Gilbert Merritt has leased the vacant ground of the cemetery, at \$25 for the season. Dan Martin made application for the privilege to water the streets for the season. Referred to Fire & Light Com. Moved by Stonehouse and Chubb, that, provided the Agricultural Society allow the corporation citizens the privilege of using their grounds for athletic games, the grant for the present year be increased to \$75. Carried. Coun. Chubb suggested the painting of the bridges. The suggestion will be carried out. The auditors' report was placed before the Council and will be dealt with at next meeting. J. A. Johnson, former owner of the River House, is making application for the balance of his license. Council adjourned.

DOVER CENTRE

Bruce Asher sold his driver's last week and is trying to replace it. Bruce

THE STRIKE CONTINUES.

Dutch Workmen Repudiate the Committee.

Amsterdam, April 10.—The Workmen's Defence Committee decided this morning to proclaim a cessation of the general strike at mid-day. At a monster mass meeting held later in the day the Federated Trades Unions repudiated the action of the Workmen's Defence Committee, and decided to continue the strike without the consent of the committee. The tumult prevented the members of the committee from securing a hearing. With the exception of the diamond cutters, all the men will remain out. Berlin, April 10.—An agent of the Dutch strikers is here arranging for German Socialist support. The Socialist leaders are asking for financial aid, and to-day were contributors against sending money through the post to Holland, but request them to send contributions to a committee in Berlin, who will forward the sums collected by messenger. The dock laborers of Bremen and Hamburg have been informed that an effort may be made to divert to German ports cargoes destined to Holland, in which case the Hanseatic harbor unions plan to refuse to handle them. The Vorwaerts says the mails across Dutch territory are irregular and belated.

THE BAPTIST CONVENTION.

New Officers—Will Meet in Hamilton Next Year.

Toronto, April 11.—The convention of the Baptist Young People's Union of Ontario and Quebec concluded last night with a closing meeting at College Street Baptist Church. Every seat in the large church was occupied, and extra seating was required. Mayor Urquhart briefly addressed the convention at the invitation of President W. E. Robertson. The following are the new officers elected: President, W. E. Robertson of Toronto (re-elected); Vice-Presidents, J. H. Rowe of Dunnville, Rev. J. C. Syme of Brockville and Rev. C. H. Emerson of Meaford; Recording Secretary, A. S. Woodbourne of London; Corresponding Secretary, R. S. Daddon of Toronto; Treasurer, Rev. Geo. J. Webb of Toronto. A hearty vote of thanks was passed by the visiting delegates to the Toronto Baptist Young People's society and particularly that of College Street church, for so hospitably entertaining them at the convention. Next year's convention will be held in Hamilton. It was expected that Rev. Dr. Eaton's Secretary, stating he was to give an address at one of the sessions, but a letter was received from Dr. Eaton's Secretary, stating that he is confined to his home with illness. The convention passed a resolution expressing its hearty approval of the action of the Dominion Parliament in passing a resolution prohibiting the manufacture and sale of cigarettes, and expressing the hope that Parliament would shortly pass a law to that effect.

TRAINMEN KILLED.

Engine Derailed and Thrown into a Pond—Three Men Dead.

Elizabeth, N.J., April 10.—Three lives were lost to-day in the derailling of a drill engine on the Central Railroad of New Jersey. Owing to the spreading of the rails the engine plunged down a twenty-foot embankment into a pond. The engineer and fireman and a brakeman were buried under the wreckage. The brakeman was taken out alive, but died soon after he had been taken to a hospital. The dead—Engineer Arthur Bogart, of South Amboy, Fireman Brooks of Jersey City and Brakeman Klinge of Elizabeth. When the engine went over the embankment the engine driver, the engineer, and the brakeman were killed. The engine was a 2-6-0, and was carrying a load of coal. The cause of the accident was the spreading of the rails.

Mitchell Says End Strike.

Philadelphia, Pa., April 11.—The numerous small strikes in the anthracite region, resulting from the disagreement between operators and miners regarding the Strike Committee's ruling on the number of hours to constitute a day's work, has brought forth a letter of instructions from President Mitchell to district officers, calling upon them to end all strikes, and induce the idle men to return to work. If they still refuse to do so, Mr. Mitchell suggests that the grievance committees representing the colliery employees be appointed to confer with the companies in an effort to adjust their differences.

The C. W. A. Meet.

Toronto, April 11.—Free from financial encumbrances, with a good membership and the brightest prospects, the C. W. A. convention held in the Architects' building yesterday was a very successful one. The work of the association, which has been a marked advancement in the past, was a result of good management and the legacy of debt left the new administration a few years ago has been totally wiped out. It was a sign of the times that the consideration of the situation of the Dominion Day meet, which not so very long ago was the big topic of discussion, was settled in short order. The only application presented was that of the Vancouver B. C. and that club was accorded the privilege of holding the championship races on Dominion Day. There were no contests for the various offices, the following gentlemen being elected: President—W. G. Ayling of Montreal; Vice-President—E. C. Clarke of Vancouver; Membership Committee—John A. Raze of Toronto; Roads and Touring Committee—A. W. Campbell of Toronto (Chairman); Rights and By-Laws—Dr. Mark McKinnley of Ottawa; Rules and Regulations—E. R. Bronsfield of Toronto; Transportation Committee—Louis Rubenstein of Montreal (Chairman); Dominion Racing Board—G. S. Peary of Toronto (Chairman). Chief Counsel for the various districts were appointed as follows: District No. 1—British Columbia—C. J. Vancouver; District No. 2—Manitoba—Thos. Boyd of Winnipeg; District No. 3—W. J. Kruger of Waterbury; District No. 4—York and Toronto—R. H. Hines of Weston; District No. 5—Barren Ontario—E. D. McFarland of Kingston; District No. 6—Quebec—F. J. Bacon, Montreal; District No. 7—Maritime Provinces—J. M. Barnes of St. John, N.B.

FOR "SUNDAY DINNER."

Try a cup of Red Rose Tea, the tea which was used by our future King and Queen. If you do, you will perhaps enjoy your dinner better. And the grade of Red Rose served to the Royal Party was the Gold Label; 60c. per lb.)

Munyon's

FREE DISTRIBUTION

10,000 Vials of His Famous

Rheumatism Cure...

TO BE GIVEN AWAY.

Will be distributed absolutely free from The Office of The Chatham Planet.

Prof. Munyon Cordially Invites Physicians, Sceptics and Don't-believers to take advantage of this offer and report through the Newspapers of Chatham.

The distribution will commence promptly 9 a.m. on

Wednesday, April 15
ONE DAY ONLY.



"No punishment is too severe for those who deceive the sick."—MUNYON.

"Six years ago I announced to the citizens of Chatham that I had discovered a positive cure for Rheumatism, and to prove my assertion I distributed nearly 30,000 vials in the Province of Ontario. The name of each person who accepted a vial of this cure was taken and each person was invited to report through the medium of the newspaper the result of his experience with this remedy. It will be remembered that many hundreds of testimonials were published from people who declared most emphatically that this remedy had positively cured them. Many testified that three or four doses of these little sugar-coated pellets relieved them entirely from all pain. Affidavits were taken showing that one or two bottles had cured old chronic cases, which had baffled the skill of leading physicians in Canada. "Notwithstanding these unimpeachable facts, there are thousands of people in Ontario to-day suffering from Rheumatism, Sciatica and Lumbago. They have tried so many remedies without benefit that they have little faith in anything they see advertised. It is to overcome the prejudices of this class of people that I have decided to make another free distribution of this cure. I want the public to know the truth about this specific. I want every physician, no matter how prejudiced he may be, to prove as many vials of this remedy as he may desire and make a thorough test of it. I know that it will relieve nearly all rheumatic pains in a few hours. It does not put the disease to sleep; it drives it from the system and enriches the blood, strengthens the nerves and builds up the general health. The remedy has a larger sale throughout the civilized world than any other remedy. I emphatically state that this cure will do all that I claim for it. There is no 'catch' in it. It cures and cures permanently. "This distribution must not in any sense be considered a charity, but is answered promptly and free advice as to treatment will be given.

Arrangements for Distribution

The distribution of Prof. Munyon's Rheumatism Cure will take place from The Planet Office, where all who call will be promptly supplied. Those who cannot call may phone their names and address and their vials will be attended to without delay.

Munyon's Remedies

Munyon's Cold Cure prevents pneumonia, and breaks up a cold in a few hours. Price 25c.

Munyon's Rheumatism Cure cures Rheumatism permanently. Price 25c at all druggists.

Munyon's Dyspepsia Cure positively cures all forms of indigestion and stomach troubles. Price 25c.

Munyon's Cough Cure stops coughs, night sweats, allays soreness and speedsily heals the lungs. Price 25c.

Munyon's Kidney Cure speedsily cures pains in the back, loins or groin and all forms of kidney disease. Price 25c.

Munyon's Headache Cure stops headache in three minutes. Price 25c.

Munyon's Pile Ointment positively cures all forms of piles. Price 25c.

Munyon's Blood Cure eradicates all impurities of the blood. Price 25c.

Munyon's Female Remedies are a boon to all women.

Munyon's Vitalizer restores lost power to weak men. Price \$1.

Personal letters addressed to Prof. Munyon, Philadelphia, U. S. A., containing details of sickness, will be answered promptly and free advice as to treatment will be given.

Easter Essentials.

The overcoat of course is wanted, the suit is needed, hat a question of must, necktie imperative, and perhaps you fear it will cost a little more than you feel you can spare—that's where we come in to help you out; you dislike make-shifts, and want those things that will carry you well through the season as well as over the day, and naturally you will turn to us.

These things that we offer you are known by us and all our clothing is made in our own factory—that when reasoned out stands for the trinity of price, style and quality.

Easter Hats Easter Shirts
Easter Gloves Easter Collars
Easter Ties Easter Handkerchiefs

The newness of Easter and of Spring pervades the store. Come in and enjoy the new things.

Thornton & Douglas,
Limited.

Buy China for Easter Presents

Nothing so pretty and so much appreciated as a pretty piece of Fine China. New goods just arrived for the holidays. Fancy Plates of all sizes, 10c. to \$1.00. Fine Cups and Saucers in many new Shades and Patterns—10c. to \$3.00. Berry Bowls, newest colorings and decorations, from 20c. to \$3.00.

FANCY PARLOR LAMPS,

A new lot—\$1.00, \$2.25, \$3.50, \$4.00 and \$5.00.

GRAY'S BAZAAR AND CHINA HALL

\$50 TO CALIFORNIA AND RETURN

Via Chicago & North-Western R'y. First class round-trip tickets on sale from Chicago May 3rd and May 13th to 18th, to Los Angeles and San Francisco. Correspondingly low rates from other points. Favorable limits and stop-over privileges. Low one-way settlers rates to Western points in effect until June 15th. Three trains a day from Chicago to the Coast through without change. Daily and personally conducted tourist car excursions to California, Washington and Oregon. For particulars apply to your nearest ticket agent or address B. H. Bennett, 2 East King St., Toronto, Ont.

INITIATIVE NOTICE.

Asphalt Block Pavement and Glazed Pipe Sewer.

Notice is hereby given that the Municipal Council of the city of Chatham will proceed, under section 669, of the Municipal Act, and under the General Local Improvement By-Law No. 377, 1899, to construct an asphalt block pavement and a concrete sewer with sand cushion and combined concrete curb and gutter on King street from the bend at Dr. T. K. Holmes' residence to Robertson avenue, and on Robertson avenue from the south side of King street to the north limit of the Windsor road (River road), width to be 21 feet 6 inches over all and a twelve inch glazed pipe sewer on King street from Jacobus street to manhole at Inches avenue and a 12 inch glazed pipe sewer on King street from bend at Dr. Holmes to Lacroix street manhole, all to be considered as one work or improvement, after the expiry of one month after the last publication of this notice for two weeks in the Chatham Daily Planet and the Chatham Daily News, and the assessment of the costs of such work made upon the real properties to be benefited thereby, unless the majority of the owners of such real properties, according to the last revised assessment roll, representing at least one-half in value thereof, petition the Council against the same within one month after the last publication of this notice. City Clerk's office, April 11th, 1903. W. G. MERRITT, Clerk of Chatham. First published April 11th, 1903. Last published April 11th, 1903.

Auction Sale of Household Furniture.

Andrew Thomson, Jr., auctioneer, has received instructions from Mrs. W. J. Bedford to sell all her household effects at her residence, Water street, opposite the goal, on Tuesday, April 21st, at one o'clock sharp, consisting of the following: One Mandelstam piano with all modern attachments, this is a very fine instrument; one mahogany folding bed with wardrobe, secretary combination, this article cost \$150; one magnolia parlor table, cost \$25; parlor carpet, lace curtains, oak rockers, miniature ship, cheillie curtains, oak sideboard, dining room table and chairs, linoleum, hanging lamp, china and glassware, one oak bedroom suit, mattress and spring; Brussels carpet, cane rockers, three toilet sets, four bedroom suits, mattresses and springs; one wardrobe, bedding, one coal or wood range, kitchen fender, hose, lawn mower, and other articles too numerous to mention.

Remember day and date, Tuesday, April 21st, at one o'clock sharp.

MRS. W. J. BEDFORD, Proprietress.

ANDREW THOMSON, JR., Auctioneer.

NEW Tinsmith and Plumbing SHOP.

The undersigned has opened out a Tinsmithing and Plumbing Shop on 44th St., nearly opp. the Rankin House Stables, where he is prepared to do all kinds of tinsmithing and plumbing. Furnace work on the shortest notice. Estimates cheerfully given.

CHAS. GORSELTZ, Fourth St

It is just as natural for some people to use wrong words as it is for them to eat.

Auction Sale Household Furniture.

Andrew Thomson, Jr., auctioneer, has received instructions from Mrs. James Carroll to sell all her household effects, at her residence, St. Clair street, opposite Poplar street, North Chatham, on Thursday, April 16th, at one o'clock, consisting of the following: Parlor carpet, centre table, two platform rockers, lace curtains, pictures, fine couch, parlor chairs, one sideboard, one parlor stove, sofa, dining room carpet, several rockers, extension table, dinner set, complete; tea set, complete; china and glassware, one sewing machine, Singer; fall leaf table, dining room chair, clock, bedroom suit, walnut; mattress and springs, matting, lace curtains, toilet set, bedding, one bed mattress and spring, one cook stove and cooking utensils, cane chairs, kitchen furniture, garden tools, and other things too numerous to mention.

Remember day and date, Thursday, April 16th, at one o'clock sharp.

MRS. JAS. CARROLL, Proprietress.

ANDREW THOMSON, JR., Auctioneer.

Auction Sale of Household Furniture.

Andrew Thomson, Jr., auctioneer, has received instructions from Wm. C. West to sell without reserve, all his household effects on Tuesday, April 14th, at one o'clock sharp, at his residence, corner of Harvey and Centre streets, consisting of the following: Parlor table, brass parlor lamp, rocking chair, wicker chairs, rug, small tables, large mirror, one adjustable chair, blinds, lace curtains, walnut extension table, lounge, sideboard, large arm chair, dining room chairs, hall carpet, 11 pictures, dining room carpet, matting, Brussels carpet, stair pads, curtain poles, fine lot glass, china and silverware, one music box, one Anglo German cornet, Chamber's Encyclopedia, choice oil paintings, walnut bedroom set, springs and mattress; oak bedroom set, springs and mattress; oak bedroom set and springs, three bedroom chamber sets, bedding, blankets, etc.; cooking stove, in good order; parlor wood stove, new; stove furniture, one Kitchen cupboard, one refrigerator, four lamps, fruit jars, large bird cage, carpet sweeper, tubs, one lawn mower, garden tools and other articles too numerous to mention.

All will be sold without reserve, as Mr. West is giving up housekeeping.

Remember day and date, Tuesday, April 14th, at one o'clock sharp.

WM. C. WEST, Proprietor.

ANDREW THOMSON, JR., Auctioneer.

The 1903 Easter Girl

SHE HAS A BOWER OF BEAUTIFUL THINGS AT HER COMMAND. MANY CHARMING NOVELTIES NOTICED—MARVELS IN MILLINERY.

The 1903 Easter girl will be a picture with the beautiful things at her command if she has learned that the secret of appropriate dressing is to study herself and her own individuality, and then to see that her dress and herself harmonize, as it were.

Much depends on the attention given to the little details of her costume. It is the little things that prove a woman up-to-date, and being up-to-date in details means style.

The new Easter gowns are as varied in design as the girls who will wear them. Many of the new spring gowns will carry out the one color idea, and all black costumes will be decidedly the vogue. Dresses of black cloth combined with heavy black lace will be seen in the Easter parade. Black etamine frocks will be embroidered in black, and black cloth and canvas gowns will be elaborately braided. More than half of the street costumes for the early spring will show the shoulder cape in one form or the other; in fact, it is the originality of this shoulder cape which stamps the gown distinctive and new. It must be deep; it must accentuate the sloping shoulder effect, and it must either be elaborately trimmed, or made of different lace or a combination of silk or linen appliques and lace.

Soft, clinging materials are among the favorite fabrics this spring. According to the latest fashion, and much of the new spring gowns will be made up in almost every instance the spring costumes will be used in profusion, and the lace applique upon another will be seen.

In contrast to the all-black costume many delicately colored gowns will be worn. Ibsen color is a fashionable shade, as well as orange, pale gray, a delicate tint of blue and apricot, and burnt orange in combination. A touch of green in varying tints will often be seen in the new gowns, and all the shades of brown are modish.

Skins are a much more difficult problem than they were a few seasons ago; they are plaited, tuckered, shirred; they show rows of pipings and insets of exquisite trimmings. In length they will continue long, with graceful, flowing skirts, with the exception of the walking skirt, which is now invariably made in a length, escaping the ground all the way around.

The scarf is certainly having a triumphant career. It appears in a host of materials and forms.

In chiffon, velvet or soft silk the scarf is attractive, but it is in its flimsy, diaphanous form that it is altogether charming, and if a beautiful lace echeque is out of the question because of its price, the scarf of chiffon, mousseline or gauze may be almost as effective. There is everything in the way one wears these graceful things. When they cling correctly around sloping shoulders and float prettily over the crown front as they should they are deliciously feminine.

In planning the Easter wardrobe some sort of a fascinator coat must be included. It may be of high weight cloth combined with heavy lace; it may be of silk richly embroidered or it may be of satin lavishly trimmed with jet. But in design it must be picturesque, loose fitting, with full, flowing sleeves, and made collarless, with a shoulder cape of beauty.

As a substitute for this style of wrap there are fluffy boas in a most tempting variety. Quite a fad right at the present time is to have the boas match in color the gown with which it is worn. With a wood brown etamine dress, for instance, the boa would be of mouseline in the same shade of brown with many graduated pointed frills, and trimmed with loops in varying shades of brown velvet ribbon arranged in different lengths.

Among the very new wraps are silk pelisses, with long side ends, trimmed with raised chiffon flowers, long sleeves of braided chenille cords, copying in shape the styles of the winter, are also among the spring novelties.

The Easter hat has never been more varied in shape than this year. As long as it is light and airy in effect the rest can be left entirely to the individual taste of the wearer. The flower hats with big flower muffs to match will be a feature of the spring millinery. And a very new idea is the hat of lace-trimmed with bunches of flowers, the lace applied with tiny velvet flowers. For instance, a picture shape will show the brim covered with lace applied with little cut-out pieces of red velvet shaped to represent geraniums, while the rest of the hat will be formed of an artistic arrangement of green geranium leaves with their stems showing plainly and bunches here and there of the brightly colored geranium blossoms.

Hats with a low, flat crown, entirely of flowers are the modish with the brim draped with embroidery frills worked in silk threads which match in color the flowers used. On many of the very expensive hats long, short, ostrich plumes will be seen. The fruit hats will be out in full force at Easter time, and berries will be seen quite as much as the larger fruits. A particularly novel idea in spring millinery is the jet pendant trimming. Turbans and picture hats will both show oftentimes a fringe of jet out-lining the brim. An effective hat—picture model—is made of folds of white mouseline reeled with black illusion, flecked with jet sequins; from the brim dangles all the way around a fringe of glistening jets, while at the back a cluster of white roses are caught.

Many of the Easter hats will owe their chief charm to their under-brim effects. The under brim is often of folds of mouseline worked with an embroidery design, or it may be made of overlapping cherry leaves and here and there a few small cherries half hidden among the leaves. Other pretty effects are produced by small ostrich tips artistically tucked under the brim, and still another novel idea is to show this under brim either of some delicate straw braid or shirred chiffon, perhaps appliqued with small frills of such dainty flowers as forget-me-nots or tiny pansies.

THE WATER CARRIER.



A common scene in the streets of Jerusalem is that of the carriers of water, who go from door to door with water in goat skins.

Satchel of the Satellite

The London old boys are going to hold a re-union this summer. Judging by the London old boys who visit Chatham, this re-union will not be a dry affair.

Judge Houston's suggestion, to re-union of a number at a concert, was acted upon by the musicals in the Auditorium Tuesday night and the result was excellent.

Some men hate a dress suit as much as other men do. A lawsuit, I refer now to the little short, stout fellows. An evening dress makes them look so comical.

A grand March sounds very nice, but it is seldom we see the real thing in the matter of months.

I think that the residents of King street west have solved the good roads problem in this city in deciding to put down a macadam block pavement.

It was real mean of John Lee to perpetrate that explaining joke on his constituents.

A Chatham citizen found a \$500 cheque on his doorstep. Talk about being checked, why it stopped the gentleman for a whole minute, and you know it takes a lot to stop a Chatham man.

I don't want to cast any reflections but the Joker is the only useless card in the deck.

From my young days, I always knew that hooky was a sort of early spring fever. The School Board has got wise, too. They have set the health Inspector after truants.

There was many a bun feed yesterday morning.

The man who carries life insurance never considers it much of a load.

The way of the transgressor is said to be hard. He must travel via Queen street.

That Athletic Bungalow will have lots of lockers, but it needs no knockers.

The young man was proposing to the young girl in the front hall. It was a new undertaking for the young man and he was at a loss for what to say until the girl's dad, a muscular sport, came in and helped the young man out. The young man left so rapidly that he isn't sure whether he is engaged or not, but he is quite sure, from a general inability to sit down comfortably, that he was in active engagement with dad's boot for some several seconds and it all happened so quickly that he didn't have time to ring off.

Moral—When you propose to a young girl under such circumstances carry a sofa cushion concealed where it will be most useful. It may prevent the necessity of carrying a cushion around with you for several days after.

It is related of one of the recent importations of the class known as English farm hands that he had a penchant for the popular drink of his native land. When he went to the farmer's home where he had been secured a situation, he took a keg of beer with him. The family objected to the contents, not to the keg, so he hid himself off and secured a situation where the keg was no bar.

Joe as a Student of Character

BEING THE FIRST OF A SERIES OF SKETCHES ON THE EXPERIENCES AND PHILOSOPHY OF A MAPLE CITY "SHINER."

Don't know Joe? Well, perhaps not. But Joe knows you—he knows everybody. If you don't believe it, ask him. A dime-fifteen cents or "two bits" is better still—and Joe will give you "a shine," and, incidentally, a good deal of information. You may have known it all before, but, somehow, you never realized it till Joe told you.

Joe has only one trait in common with the social aristocracy of Chatham. He delights in exploring, and talking about other people's business. This makes him "so entertaining," as the cooking cherubs of the drawing room tell you. But it leaves you guessing about Joe. It is recorded that once, under the influence of judicious tip-coupled with a genuine gold-tipped Turkish cigarette—Joe was tempted into an autobiographical mood. The diplomat who manipulated the channel of Joe's oratory on this isolated and unique occasion said afterwards that he was a born philosopher.

If this estimate prove a truthful one, Joe's doings and sayings may be of interest, from time to time, to readers of The Saturday Planet, and for this reason the great home journal has cultivated his acquaintance. Had he been an ordinary dirty-faced boot-black, without a fertile brain that reasons things out for itself, he might never have flattered you, Mr. or Mrs. or even Miss—Planet Reader, with the privilege of his acquaintance. For Joe's exclusive, "Why don't I make friends?" he said on one occasion, "Cause friends is or nament that costs too much. There's just me and my partner Jim—and it keeps me busy watchin' Jim."

Joe inaugurated his career as bell boy and boot-black in one of Chatham's fine metropolitan hotels. Everybody around there liked Joe—or diplomatically said they did. The proprietor took a fatherly interest in him and when the boy was spe- cially for the red, neither went a-begging.

As a result Joe early began wisdom. "I believe, in usin' ordinary boss sense," was the way he put it. "I was crested in unless I got something on him so I pretended to pull a gun. He got. He was big, but he faded at my bluff. Bluff ain't a bad game if you know when to use it."

"A fellow gets on a booze and gets his shoes shined eight or nine times on his face. The buzzer is all right. You can trust him. He'll pay when he comes out of it, but it's different with the guy who buys gold studs and flowers."

"Be ware of this geezer. When he comes here he has to show the real stuff or it's nit wid him. They can't

Joe had a stand in with the rough and burly porter who had no friends and wanted none. Joe believed in "the eternal fitness of things," and he knew where the porter would fit. Accordingly he struck up an acquaintance.

One fruit of the coalition between brevity and billiousness was that Joe was enabled to enjoy tobacco. The porter became official custodian of Joe's smokes. When the hot escaped the watchfulness of the proprietor he would unconsciously ask the man of hard work and harder words to let Joe see Joe's tobacco.

Joe acquired other accomplishments besides smoking—but he must be allowed to speak for himself. "All sorts of fellers come here," he remarked as he nuzzled an apple on his stand and kept a sharp look-out for the boss and trouid, "just the same as other business. It's interestin' sometimes."

"You know these men what goes around readin' the bumps on people's heads. They're crazy, they're all there's been two or three of them fellers in Chatham—professors, they calls themselves. Now that business is all right, I guess—for the profess- sors, 'cause they seems to do well offer it. But I can do it too. I learned it in no biz. I've shined a feller for a few weeks and I'll tell you a few things 'bout 'em. I read his shoes, bootiehy, I calls it. Course I don't make no big pile offer it, but I guess that's 'cause I ain't called professor."

"I shines a whole lot of different kinds of people every day and, after I had been done several times, I got onto my job and began to size my customers up. When you are wise, it's no trouble to tell the paying possibilities of a customer from his boots, but faint every shiner who is next to his job in that way."

"I noticed that customers got good, then they changed and got bad. As soon as they begin to get too friendly now I have to stop them 'cause I don't like to see fellows running round putting on style with my money. I let some fellows run as high as 50 cents on me, then I stop them. Never let a fellow run a bill over 50 cents or it is all off unless you can get something on them."

"One fellow owed me 50 cents once but he don't now. I knew that 50 was crested in unless I got something on him so I pretended to pull a gun. He got. He was big, but he faded at my bluff. Bluff ain't a bad game if you know when to use it."

"A fellow gets on a booze and gets his shoes shined eight or nine times on his face. The buzzer is all right. You can trust him. He'll pay when he comes out of it, but it's different with the guy who buys gold studs and flowers."

"Be ware of this geezer. When he comes here he has to show the real stuff or it's nit wid him. They can't

marry you know because they can't gather the necessary dough and I guess that makes them reckless. "The farmers try to beat you down but the white cuff fellow does the buncoing."

"White cuffs and gold studs are no recommend for running his face with the shiner. Those fellows have to show their money or there is nothing doing. Then there is the easy going guy. He makes enough money to have a little spending chink after he has paid for his grub. His shoes are generally full of holes, but he is good to pay. He comes in Saturday night and gets a shine for Sunday. He's not a particular gent, he ain't about week days, but he wants his shoes at their best for Sunday. He's money when he has it and he don't forget when you trust him."

"The stinky man is the worst of all. You can spot him. The holes in his shoes are broken and short. He makes both ends meet with a very small piece of string and his money sticks like glue. This guy wants his work done half price. If he gives you full price, you can suspect something. I calls him his money to see if it is good."

"The good natured man is easy to guess out. His shoes are full of wrinkles and his jokes make you forget what you are doing. He always gets his shoes shined quicker than any one else."

"The cranky man, I know the minute I get my peepers on his feet. His shoes are just so, not a wrinkle in the leather and the laces are tied so tight that you would most think a feller had done it. I get rid of him quick because he wants his shoes shined for ten cents. He's just as bad as the stinky man."

"The cranky man isn't in it with the cracked man. His shoes are as hard as his face. I do him off in a hurry."

"The lazy man is easy to guess out. He toes in for one thing and the careless frame of his shoes tells you something else."

"The business man is all right. He is always chasing round in a hurry and the look of his boots are always worn off. This is done by his quick walking. The business man generally has thick soles on his shoes. He hasn't time to bother with rubbers."

"The white cuff and high collar fellows always have fine looking shoes, but they are cheap and hard to shine. They look as if they were made out of paper. Perhaps they are. These guys expect as fine a shine as you can put on a 88 pair of patent leathers and then they want me to trust them."

"Why don't I blacken my own shoes? Well, I'll tell you," remarked Joe in a patronizing manner, as if he were revealing state secrets. "I'm in the white cuff class. I is. I ain't got de price. I asked the boss for a week's holiday so I could do the job myself, but he refused; said a week wasn't long enough; that I would take a month, and that I wouldn't look no more with my shoes shined."

"No thanks, I don't drink," remarked Joe as the interviewer departed. Joe hadn't been invited. It was just Joe's way of hinting that he wasn't adverse to doing most anything.



"JOE"

CHIEF ON WAR PATH

"The police in London have been getting after the merchants for blocking the sidewalks with goods," remarked Chief Holmes this morning. "There have been many complaints in this city and the police will have to move in the matter. The trouble is that when merchants are allowed a little privilege they take a whole lot."

"There is another city by-law that is being broken, and we have also had several complaints about it. The small signs, which project out over the sidewalk, are not allowed, but there are many offenders on King St. The police will begin a crusade of these days and find out whether these signs are to be permitted or not. I don't purpose prosecuting any poor man, either, but the first charge will be laid against some one who can afford it. If the suit is successful, then all the signs will have to come down."

Knowledge and timber should not be much used until they are well seasoned.



A very stylish walking suit of dark blue and green plaid with pipings of green broadcloth. It has a new full bishop sleeve, and the blouse jacket is made with a peplum. The broad effect which is considered so desirable just now is obtained by the strap which extends around the jacket at the shoulders.

Kent Teachers Elect Officers

CONCLUDE THEIR CONVENTION WITH AN ADDRESS FROM PROFESSOR DEARNESS—THE TEACHING OF ARITHMETIC.

The Central school bell changed its horrid clang at 9:30 Thursday morning, and divers and certain pretty teacher-girls who had been dawdling out in the halls in company with divers and certain handsome teacher-boys, came trooping to their seats. The morning attendance was, if anything, better than that of the previous day.

Nor were the teachers deterred by the fact that the secretary still sat at the receipt of custom ready to garner in from all comers the annual fee of five and twenty cents apiece.

After balloting for officers had taken place, Prof. Dearness, Vice-Principal of London Normal School, took up the subject of "Arithmetic."

Arithmetic is "the logic of the school room." It is a most important subject.

Some regarded arithmetic as merely the manipulation of figures. In his early experience as an inspector he had encouraged rapid, accurate manipulation of figures. But in the later years of his inspectorate he noted that the work of pupils trained on this plan abounded in mistakes. Since noticing such things, and since reading Mr. Wilson Taylor's arithmetic, he had reached the conclusion that this method of teaching was introduced at the wrong period of school life.

Were he revising the curriculum he would introduce arithmetic gradually and incidentally in connection with nature study and object work. Thus gradually the subject would be developed as the child advanced.

Too many teachers trained their pupils to rapid and accurate manipulation of figures. It was better to make the children strong on the fundamental numerical relations. Exactness could come later.

Prof. Dearness proceeded to quote the figures regarding teaching of various subjects, compiled by W. T. Harris, U. S. Commissioner of Education. The teaching of arithmetic should be divided into three stages—objective, representative and symbolic. He condemned type questions. Too many teachers allowed the solving of questions by algebraic operations instead of by arithmetical operations. Children should be taught to bridge the relations in problems.

Prof. Dearness closed by thanking the teachers for their attention.

Mr. W. Taylor, B. A., of the C. C. I., thanked the speaker for his kind references to his own work. While he concurred entirely with Prof. Dearness, he would be inclined to go further. He would make the power of expressing himself the test of the child's knowledge. Mr. Taylor illustrated his theory by examples.

Principal Plewes spoke briefly in commendation of what Prof. Dearness had said.

Inspector Park agreed with a great deal of what Prof. Dearness had said. He referred to his own experiences. The unitary method, once adored, was responsible for a good deal of evil.

The paper was also discussed by Miss Abram, Mr. C. Ross McColl, Miss Walker and Mr. T. W. Leigh.

The results of the balloting for officers were then announced:

President—T. N. Leigh, Principal of Wallingford Separate school, Aed.
Vice-Pres.—Miss Mounteer, Central school.

Sec.-Treas.—R. Park, I. P. S., aed.
Committee—Vote in the order named—Messrs. C. Ross McColl, Valetta P. S.; D. S. Paterson, M. A., Prin. of the C. C. I.; Misses Nellie Young, McKeough school; M. Rowe, S. S. No. 6, Chatham; K. Campbell, Merlin P. S.

Principal J. S. McAllum, Tilbury P. S., took up "Commercial Work in the Fifth Classes." The school course

during the past eight years had been fitting pupils for the High school. But they had been doing nothing for the pupils who did not go to the High school. These were the pupils who were unable or unwilling to take up the course preparatory for High school work. These were not dull-heads by any means. Often they went to the commercial colleges, and achieved success in after life.

The public school had been teaching only the one class of pupils—the pupils going to the Collegiate Institute. They should give a start to those who had to go out into the world and earn a living.

What are we doing for this class of pupils? Nothing. The public school is not for the one class of pupils, but for all. The commercial course in the public school should be emphasized. Such a course would start the majority of pupils, those who could not go to the High school, into life. Penmanship should be better taught. Shorthand and book-keeping should be taught.

The paper was discussed by Mr. J. C. Stewart.

Moved by Inspector Park, seconded by J. C. Stewart, that the thanks of the Association be tendered to Messrs. Thornton, Cowan, McCall, Austin and Westman for their generous gift of \$25 to encourage the improvement of school premises. Carried unanimously.

A resolution was moved by Messrs. Park and Plewes, and carried unanimously, endorsing Morang's Geography and Phonetic Primer and urging their introduction into the schools of West Kent.

Prof. Dearness then addressed the convention on "Nature Study." What is nature study? The popular opinion is that it consists in instruction on natural objects. His idea of nature study is using the child's activities in order to teach the child to know himself, to put him in proper relation with his environment. It was a method rather than a subject. A means of teaching a child to use his own faculties. Better to train the child to learn facts at first hand, for himself. Nature study was chiefly beneficial in that it trained the child to learn by investigation. We teach some subjects for their mental discipline, some for the power they give, some for the culture they give, some for their practical utility. The chief value of nature study by its discipline, training pupils to grasp the problems of daily life. If we properly teach nature study for purposes of discipline the other things will follow in the course. Observation did not consist in being able to remember a multitude of little things, but in being able to see things as they are related to one another, to see the relation between cause and effect. In nature study the child does something, he finds something, he works out something, he learns to express himself. How may nature study be taught? By leading the children to find out facts for themselves. By obtaining information, not from books, but direct, through seeing the thing itself. There will never be any natural study worthy of the name till this method is followed, till teacher and children investigate for themselves.

A vote of thanks was passed to Prof. Dearness, to which the Professor responded suitably.

J. W. Plewes, Inspector Park and others briefly discussed the subject.

On resolution the thanks of the Association were tendered to the City School Board for the use of the school buildings.

Resolved that this Association learns with regret that Mr. H. W. H. Williams has severed his connection with the profession, and tenders him its heartfelt wishes for the future.—Carried.

Mr. Williams briefly responded.

A vote of thanks was also tendered the city teachers for their splendid reception on the previous evening.

It was decided to hold the next convention in the Central school, Chatham, on the Wednesday and Thursday before Easter, 1902.

CHARMING EVENING CAPE.



Evening cape with stole ends, made of white taffeta, appliqued with white chiffon with black lace braid and jet. Ruffles of white chiffon, and trimming of white marabout with black tufts of the same.

Maple City Thespian Art

MACAULAY CLUB WILL ENDEAVOR TO REPEAT THE SUCCESS OF CHATHAMITES A QUARTER OF A CENTURY AGO—PRINCIPAL PATERSON, OF THE C. C. I. AND CAPT. BELL ALONE REPRESENT THE OLD CASTE.

In Captain Edwin Bell Chatham is about to lose one of her most enterprising and progressive citizens. During the years he has been a resident of Chatham his sympathy and whole-souled support has been with every public movement which tended towards the advancement of our city, and he will be greatly missed when the time comes for his departure.

Mr. Bell, with the spirit of a true lover of manly and athletic sport, is taking a deep interest in the movement which is now on foot, to erect an athletic bungalow and club house on Tecumseh Park.

"I am glad to hear that on April 24th you are going to put on a benefit in the Opera House for this laud-

able purpose," said he during the course of a pleasant conversation with a Planet representative, "and I hope you meet with unbounded success. It is a good plan to divide the concert in two parts, the first of music, and the second a trial scene, and there is no reason why the entertainment should not be a success in every way."

Mr. Bell is particularly interested in the staging of the Merchant of Venice, having at one time played the part of Antonio in a former local production.

"I remember well when the trial scene from the Merchant of Venice was put on in Chatham by local talent in June, 1878," he continued. "I was attending High school at the time under Mr. Paterson, who is still principal of the school. The scene was staged by Mr. Paterson and the parts were taken by scholars from the school. We were all comparatively young then and amateurs in acting, but we were given a crowded house on the night of the performance and everyone apparently enjoyed it."

"It was put on in Hunter's Hall, which was then located where the C. P. R. station now stands. The production will, no doubt, be remembered by a number of the older residents, as it was quite the talk of the town at the time. Mr. Paterson took the part of Shylock, and he was a good one. Miss Sophia Fox, afterwards a famous elocutionist, played Portia. Miss Nettie Ryan, now deceased, took Nirissa's part; Dr. Bell, now of Merlin, Gratiano; James Paterson, a nephew of ex-Mayor Paterson, Bassanio, and John Foxton, then of Raleigh, now in the Northwest, the Duke."

"The costumes were all made by the actors themselves, with the exception of one or two, which were procured from Detroit. They were very elaborate indeed and original in design. We held rehearsals for about a month before the entertainment came off and we all felt very proud over the success of our first attempt in acting, as every one in the case, with the exception of Mr. Paterson, was under 18 years of age."

Mr. Bell is taking an active part in showing his good will towards the promoters of the bungalow scheme and will, at his own expense, take all of the members of his company in uniform, to the entertainment. This will not only serve as a material assistance to the building fund, for which the concert is given, but also as a farewell treat to the boys of his company, with whom he has ever been popular.



This beautiful robe is of white silk and the finest white black chenille. The applications are of white and black velvet, and ruffles of black and white chiffon. The blouse waist is decorated with deep color and bretelles of lace, the large puff sleeves having a fall of chiffon over the wrists.

A Fuel Relic

Frank Moore, Pine St., has a gold mine on his place. Of course, it is not a real gold mine, but some people would have considered it as such last winter. Mr. Moore's treasure consists of some ten or fifteen cords of good, sound beech and maple, cut in stove-wood lengths. That Mr. Moore is proud of his possession goes without remarking. The wood is all carefully piled in his barn, and has been there for past twenty years and more. He put it there when he retired from his farm in Raleigh Tp., and the fuel is still there. It is, perhaps, a good thing that the fuel was unknown during the past winter, when there was an appalling scarcity of fire-wood, or Mr. Moore might have awak-

ened some morning to mourn the loss of his treasure store. Burning coke and coal he has no use for the wood, and only keeps it as a memento of the past.

In a brown study, eh?
Yes, I was just thinking.
Thinking what?

I was just wondering why a fellow never has as much trouble borrowing trouble as the trouble he has borrowing other things.

If you please, Ma'am, exclaimed the nursemaid in great excitement.
I can't keep the baby from going to the scullie and trying to eat coal.

Dear me! exclaimed Mrs. Languid, that child is going to take after his father for extravagance.

I have no doubt you have heard some stories to my discredit, he said.
I don't like to put it in that way, she quietly replied.
How then? he hopefully asked.
I have never heard of any stories to your credit, said she.

May I ask you for the loan of a dollar?
Certainly.
(After a pause)—Well, where is it?
Where is what?

Why, the dollar.
Blessed if I know. Wish I did—I'd divide with you. Haven't got an extra cigar in your clothes; have you?

An odor of perfume about a man is apt to check expressions of friendship.

EASTER SCENE IN JERUSALEM.



This picture from a photograph taken in the Holy City, shows the inhabitants preparing for Easter feasting. All day the cooking, eating and bargaining go on.

EASTER IN JERUSALEM.



Strange as it may seem to us, Easter is nowhere more generally observed than by all the people of Jerusalem, whether believers in Christ or followers of Mahomet. The above picture is taken from a photograph of a Turkish woman of rank in Jerusalem, and she will observe Easter as enthusiastically as a Christian.