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LADIES' MISSES' and CHILDREN'S JACKETS AT ONE HALF-PRICE

Just the naggiest assortment of Jackets you would want to look at, and when you think of buying them at One-Half Prices, makes you feel like getting out your pocket-book. Don't you think? Here they go.

20 Children's Jackets worth from \$2.75 to \$5.00, your choice of them at Half-Price.

Ladies' and Misses' regular	\$5.00	Jackets at	\$2.50
Ladies' " " "	\$8.00	" " "	4.00
Ladies' " " "	10.00	" " "	5.00
Ladies' " " "	12.00	" " "	6.00
Ladies' " " "	15.00	" " "	7.50
Ladies' " " "	20.00	" " "	10.00

SALE OF MILLINERY

35 only Ladies' Outing Hats, Ready-to-wear, choice goods, worth regular from \$2.00 to \$3.75, your choice while they last at **75c.**

Ladies' Trimmed Hats and Bonnets

Some of the choicest of the season's goods, made up in our own workrooms, worth regular from \$5.00 to \$20.00, your choice at **Half-Price.**

THOS. STONE & SON

Have You Tasted Gold Medal Coffee?

The demonstrations by Miss Hendershot, of

EBY - BLAIN'S GOLD MEDAL COFFEE

As Made in the Celebrated

Eby - Blain's Quick Coffee Pot,

Have attracted wide interest.

Miss Hendershot will continue these demonstrations throughout next week at the store of **GEORGE HEYWARD.** No housekeeper in Chatham or vicinity should miss these demonstrations.

Be sure to call at Mr Heyward's Store and taste this delicious coffee as made by simple but excellent process.

Reduction in Gas Coke... FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY

To introduce the use of Gas Coke in the home of every fuel user in Chatham, Gas Coke will be **Reduced to 10c. per Bushel** for Natural Size, and 12 1-2c. per Bushel for Crushed Size, for orders received in January.

A full cart load of 30 Bushel Natural Size or Crushed Size delivered for \$3.25 or \$3.75 respectively.

Unquestionably the cheapest fuel for Furnaces, Range, Grate or Stove. Try it.

Smaller quantities, from one bushel up, will be sold at the above prices at the Works.

THE CHATHAM GAS CO., Limited.

CANADIANS ON CANADA.

Contributors to Special Edition of London Financial News-Sunday Express—Must Give Us Favors.

London, Jan. 23.—(C. A. P.)—The Financial News' twentieth anniversary number contains articles by prominent Canadians. H. S. Scott attributes Canadian trade expansion largely to the natural resources of the Dominion and the prominent position she has taken since the Diamond Jubilee. He finds Canada's trade unsettled touching the trade policy, but is hopeful that her political destiny lies along lines advantageous to the Empire and the colony.

The Hon. Mr. Blair writes of the great part that will be played by the new transcontinental line. Populating the districts about the Great Lakes would require five or six through railways.

D. R. Wilkie, dwelling on the banking system, says that the magnificent Canadian prosperity has only been possible through the assistance of Canadian chartered banks. It is a remarkable fact that the deposits for the past eight years have more than doubled.

Professor Ashley, speaking in a London institution yesterday, said unless Canadian farmers are given British favors, Canada would listen to American overtures. The lecturer had not unbounded faith in the preferential plan, but it was the only chance left. He recognized the risk of friction over preferential negotiations among small British statesmen.

When Will Britain Wake Up? Kinlock Cooke says the Prince of Wales' memorable speech at Guildhall will never be fulfilled until the establishment of a department of emigration in Downing street.

Sir John's Appointment. Sir John Anderson, secretary of the Colonial Premiers' Conference in 1897, and a member of the Duke of York's staff while on his tour of Greater Britain, has been appointed Governor of the Malay States.

MURDEROUS ASSAULT. Young Man in London Strikes Woman With Iron Bolt. London, Jan. 23.—A murderous assault was made on Mrs. Parker, an aged lady who keeps a small grocery at the corner of Colborne and Simcoe streets, this city, yesterday. A young man whose name is thought to be Brooks, stepped into the store and asked for a plug of tobacco, and when Mrs. Parker turned to get it he dealt her a heavy blow on the back of the head with a large iron bolt.

When she turned around and faced him he struck her another blow on the forehead. At this he seemed to become frightened and ran out of the store. His motive for committing the deed was evidently theft, as Mrs. Parker lives alone and is thought to have a little money stored away. Mrs. Parker's condition is serious. She showed wonderful courage, having dragged herself to the door and called for help. The police were notified and have a good description of the young man, and hope to locate him soon.

PAUL KRUGER DYING. Aged Ex-President of Transvaal Passing Away at the Hague.

The Hague, Jan. 23.—"Oom Paul" is dying. His memory gone, his 80 years pressing heavily on his whitened head, his steps feeble, his passion for outdoor life gone, the man who almost brought Great Britain to her knees and staggered mankind in South Africa cannot live much longer.

His friends are fearing and prepared for the worst, and would not be surprised at any moment to hear that the man who was four times President of the South African Republic, had gone to join his fallen companions and his dead wife. The change in his condition began about a week ago. Oom Paul now has somebody with him every hour of the day and night. He is tired of life.

DIED OF STARVATION. Hubbard of "Goring" Lost Life in Wilds of Labrador.

Quebec, Jan. 23.—Word was received here yesterday from Chateau Bay, on the Labrador coast, that a courier had arrived there the day before from Northwest River with the information that Mr. Hubbard of the exploring party sent out by the "Goring" of New York had died from starvation in the wilds of Labrador on the 18th October last, and that the remains were on their way to Quebec by dog train with the other members of the expedition, which expected to reach Chateau Bay some time in March. Northwest River is several hundred miles below Chateau Bay.

Mr. Creelman Appointed. Toronto, Jan. 23.—At a session of the Cabinet yesterday afternoon, G. C. Creelman, superintendent of Farmers' Institutes, was appointed president of the Ontario Agricultural College at Guelph. The salary is \$2,000 a year and a free residence.

The opening chapters of our new story, "Case 113," will be found in tonight's Planet. Start at the beginning. You will enjoy it.

PEN "POETRY" TO BACHELOR MAIDS

Maple City Youths Express Their Leap-Year Sentiments in Souful Song.

Fair Hostesses Inspire Poetical Fervor and Literary Genius in Fortunate Recipients of their Invitations.

The bachelor maids of Chatham will give a dance in the I. O. O. F. Auditorium on Tuesday night, Jan. 26th. They sent out invitations to all the young men and these requests to be present were written in poetry. The gallant youths of this city could do no less than reply in verse. Some of the replies are here given, but don't examine the poems too carefully as the boys are not just too used to writing verses. For obvious reasons the names are withheld with a view not to nipping blossoming genius in the bud but for kindness sake. The public may, of course, figure out the authors for themselves.

THE INVITATION.

Know ye, the bachelor maids in Chatham's bound, Have waited long for Leap Year to come round, And thus enjoy their privilege and their pleasure To gather in their friends to tread a measure.

So mark you well, at place and time recited, At hour precise, you are most cordially invited To join in dance and chase dull care away, Responders tout suite Monsieur s'il vous plait.

THE ANSWERS.

Ken ye bonnie lassies o' Chatham town, O' wondrous beauty and great renown, That it will give the greatest pleasure To ——— the Soot to tread with ye a measure, So at the time and place you name Your Scotch friend you will find the same.

And if a dance you have to spare, Just mark it down for him w' care.

Will ——— to the bachelor maids Presents his best respects, And tho' his hair is not in braids, He pleases there expects. Now if this verse is very bad, Don't send him to the bench, For that would make him very sad, He can't speak any French.

Mr. and Mrs. ———, of Chatham town, Have decided to don their best new gown For the festive dance of the bachelor maid, And forget that they are now old and said; And dance into the wee sma' hours, And enjoy themselves to the best of their powers.

Mr. ——— with pleasure accepts Your kind invitation, On Tuesday to join in the jollification; I'll be there, never fear, at the stroke of the hour, For I'm rather dread being a lovely wall flower.

Mr. ——— accepts with very much pleasure, With the bachelor maids to tread a measure, So with laughter and mirth and many a jest He'll do his utmost to stay with the rest, And if not on hand at the appointed hour, Tis 'cause "Harry's" afraid of being a wall flower.

Bill Smack accepts with many thanks and pleasure, The "Bachelor Maids" request to tread a measure On Tuesday night, the twenty-sixth of Jan, To enjoy a dance as only Smackie can.

Blank, Blank, the well known Satellite, Will be with you on Tuesday night; At the waltz and the lancers he's an adept, But for Heaven's sake, cut out that two step.

Please pardon P. S. added here, For the simple reason that much I fear That newspaper men who seek renown May scatter my ode about the town; So seldom my fancy takes a flight, Lock up the poem of the Satellite.

Mr. and Mrs. ——— consider it a pleasure, To be among the favored ones just asked to tread a measure With Chatham's bright and happy fair, "The Bachelor Maids" may each be there— And cupid in the midst of all, Be carry out "The Leap Year Ball."

With thanks, Dear Maids, and due appreciation, Let me accept your kindly invitation, "To join in dance and chase dull care away," With you on your selected Leap Year day.

Among the most beautiful flowers, That may grace your dancing hall, Will be one of Long Bill Anchored to the wall.

To Chatham's maids I gladly pen this note, Acknowledging your kindness and forethought, To be in line and lightly tread a measure I'd travel twice as far, had I the leisure.

Tho' snows be deep and winds howl o'er the wold, Tho' trains be late or stalled out on the cold, I'll be on hand—excuse my late reply! I've just got over gripper. Sore malady!

To the handsome bachelor maids, to-day, Hec. ——— writes to have his say; Your invitation he accepts with pleasure, For next Tuesday Eve, to tread a measure.

To bachelor maids of Chatham, greeting, To pass the hours—sure to be fleeting January twenty-sixth in Auditorium Hall, Monsieur ——— hopes to tend your ball; And else it be that something then do ail Will sure be present—never fail.

Thank you, ye witty maids of Maple City, For your kind, pretty, and thoughtful ditty; And know ye, that this sixteenth day of leap year Monsieur ——— accepte avec beaucoup de plaisir.

W. ——— is pleased to say, That he'll be present on the day, And 'twill give him greatest pleasure With bachelor maids to tread a measure.

You will find him at the hour With his chaperon, a blooming wall flower.

Mr. ——— is struck with fear, But will appear to girls so dear, On Tuesday Eve, of this leap year, Now please! do not let me shed a tear, At this, the dance of my career.

Oh, ye merry maids of Chatham, Mr. ——— thanks you all, And on Tuesday night he hopes to dance.

At your merry Leap Year Ball, Know ye, I accept with pleasure The invitation to tread a measure; With charming maids in fair bowers, But whatever be the fate leave H. C.

— a wall flower.

This heart hath felt a throb of joy, Incited by your "bid" so coy, Acceptance glad, I humbly send To you, sweet girls, man's dearest friend.

And may each maid and honored swain Glad hearts inspired by Ziekle's strain, Living! long remember and cherish dear This "The Event," of a merry Leap Year.

O, maidens dear, O Chatham's fair, O light of our eyes, O woman rare, O Daughters of Eve—could — dare From thy sweet presence himself to tear.

When thy dear faces and tender glances Are thrilling unworthy man through dreamy dances! But, oh! maidens all—how are the chances! Nay! nay! I were a churl, to refuse the whirl,

Of dainty feet and muses' spell— Of sunshine hair and raven tresses— Of rustling silk and satin dresses— Of eyes of blue, of eyes of brown— Of sparkling eyes and eyes of down— Of whispered nothings—of accents sweet!

Ye gods! man deserves not such a treat! So, to graceful waltz and two-step stride, At beauty's bower I will abide.

But maidens sweet, I pray thee all, Do not leave me a picture on memory's wall.

CELEBRATED BIRTHDAY. Captain George Stranger, King St. West, celebrated his 89th birthday last Saturday. The Captain is still hale and hearty and does considerable work. The Captain when told the other day he was good for another ten years, said he could not tell when he would be called away, but he hoped to be useful till the end. He has been a great sailor in his day and has seen many hardships. His memory is almost perfect, and he remembers every incident of interest from Chatham's foundation.

City Property for Sale. Twelve-roomed House for sale, with basement and furnace. For further particulars apply at once to P. O. Box 598, Chatham.

BEES BETTER THAN EVER

Maccabees Minstrels Present Second Performance to Enthusiastic Audience.

The Show was Even Better Last Night Than Thursday—Ballet Held After Performance.

Although the crowd was not as large last night, as on Thursday night—doubtless owing to the weather conditions—nevertheless the Maccabees minstrel show was even better than the night before. There were no changes in the program, but the actors seemed right at home on the stage, and took their parts with evident ease.

Everything was better, the songs had even more vim, the dances more vigor and the show went off with a smoothness to be envied by any professional troupe.

After the performance last evening adjournment of the entire company was made to Northwood's restaurant, where a pleasing array of good things was done ample justice to.

Speeches and songs were in order, and a general good time for a couple of hours, was spent. All enjoyed the treat, which was a splendid finale for a few weeks' steady work in minstrelsy, which is far from easy work.

Neither side came out as well as they had anticipated, but think had the weather been fine, they would have doubled the receipts. As it was, the producer, Mr. Shepard, and the Maccabees came out fairly well. Each made about \$100.

The Maccabees appreciated the efforts of the pleasing young pianist, Miss Anna Dork, and presented her with a small purse of gold coins.

Mr. Shepard and Miss Dork left this morning for Port Huron, where rehearsals will begin at once for a minstrel show to be put on there. Mr. Shepard has produced six shows so far this season and intends putting on four more before the end of the season.

It was almost decided last evening to have Mr. Shepard here at the time of the convention in May next, and have him put on another minstrel show.

KING HENRY AT THE GRAND

Excellent Musical and Historic Program Provided for Friday Evening.

Ladies Guild and Macaulay Club Have Combined on the Event—Genuine Treat in Store.

A very delightful musical, literary and dramatic treat is in store for Chathamites in the production at the Grand next Friday evening under the joint auspices of the Macaulay Club and the Ladies' Guild of Christ Church.

The programs, which have just been issued from the press, disclose a delightful artistic menu. The first part of the program will be presided over by his worship Mayor McKeough and includes excellent vocal selections by G. A. Nichols, tenor, and M. Oppenheimer, basso, both of Detroit, who hold enviable reputations as popular and talented vocalists. The best local talent has also been secured in Miss Lucy McKellar, soprano; Miss Florence Stephenson, contralto; Miss Pearl White, mezzo-soprano, and Miss Yerna Heyward, soprano. Miss Flossie Bogart will also contribute an instrumental.

Prof. A. M. Straub, of Detroit, the well-known maestro, has kindly consented to act as accompanist for the evening.

The second part of the program will comprise the presentation by the Macaulay Club, under the direction of Mr. J. S. Lane, of the two scenes from the third act of Shakespeare's King Henry VIII. The production will be prefaced by a short resume of the opening acts of the play by Ald. Thomas Soullard.

Those who witnessed the successful presentation of the Trial Scene from The Merchant of Venice by the Club last year will appreciate the possibilities in the scenes selected for Friday's production.

Henry VIII. will be handsomely and historically costumed throughout by Brummer & Co., of Detroit; and special stage settings, and lighting effects are being introduced. Orville B. Cragg, of Detroit, who contributed so much to the success of last year, will be present to stage the production and superintend the "making up."

The scenes to be presented represent the banishment of Queen Katherine, the plot of the nobles and the fall of Wolsey. The Macaulay Club has been fortunate in securing the assistance and co-operation of a number of talented Maple City young

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If you are a customer it is useless to tell you of their quality, but to those who have not been buying at this store, just a word. Why pay just as much or more for ordinary yarns when we can sell you something superior at the same price. We only buy (and we control the brands we do buy) the best makes in the world, whether from Scotland, England or Germany, and we sell at the same or less price than others.

Berlins 70 oz. Saxony, 150 and 250 per bunch. Beehive 3 Ply 80, 4 Ply 100.

Scotch Fingering 600 and 800. Shield Shetland Floss 60 Skein.

We have 30 kinds of wool. Buy from us once and you will continue to do so. All yarns sent by mail on receipt of price.

SULMAN'S Beehive, King and 6th Sts. Opp. The Corner House.

Ladies for this cast, which has already been published. The whole production is under the business management of Mr. Harry Collins and promises to be a decidedly enjoyable one.

NOTHING DOING

The Joint Committee of City and County Arrive at No Decision—Adjourned Until Tuesday Noon.

The members of the Finance Committee of the City Council—Mayor McKeough, and Aldermen Marshall and Soullard, met with the special committee or the County Council, consisting of Messrs. Sifton, Grant and Haggart. The Warden was absent from the County Committee and Ald. Tye from the City. County Treasurer Fleming and City Clerk Merritt were also present.

The meeting was for the adjustment of the administration of justice accounts, opened shortly after two o'clock and adjournment was made at 5:30, until Tuesday, at 12 o'clock. The committee are no further ahead now than at the last meeting with the exception, probably, that the Mayor and Ald. Marshall expressed themselves as decided that the resolution made by Ald. Marshall and seconded by councillor Peter Haggart will be carried or the matter will be settled by arbitration.

The resolution was based on the recommendation of Auditor Macpherson, son's report, with some slight modifications.

The county representatives seemed to think that Mr. Macpherson should show his figures on which he formed his basis of settlement.

Mr. Haggart said he had seconded the resolution of Mr. Marshall before he really understood it. He did not wish to make a division in the committee.

Mr. Marshall said he would allow the seconder to withdraw.

Councillor Grant said he thought no one of the joint committee thoroughly understood the matter in hand and he would favor the motion of Ald. Soullard to have Mr. Macpherson give his figures.

Mr. Marshall said he thought Mr. Macpherson had given his figures. The Mayor—The city was perfectly willing to allow the agreement of last year to continue, but the county wanted a change. In consequence, Mr. Macpherson was called in and asked to make an equitable adjustment. Now it is either the acceptance of the report with Mr. Marshall's amendments, or arbitration.

CHURCH - CHIMES

HOURS OF SERVICE.

Christ Church—11 a.m.; 7 p.m.
First Presbyterian—11 and 7.
Holy Trinity—11 and 7.
St. Andrew's—11 and 7.
St. Joseph's R. C.—8.30, 10.30, 7.30.
Victoria Ave. Methodist—11 and 7.
William St. Baptist—11 and 7.
Park St. Methodist—11 and 7.
Seventh Day Adventists—8 and 7.
Latter Day Saints—11 and 7.
Campbell A. M. E.—11 and 7.30.
First Baptist—11 and 7.30.
St. John's A. U. M. P.—11 and 7.
British Methodist—11 and 7.30.
Union A. M. E.—11 and 7.30.

Pastors and others who contribute news items to this department of Saturday's Planet will confer a favor by seeing to it that their "copy" reaches this office not later than Friday at 4 p. m. Matter received later than that hour cannot be guaranteed insertion.

International Bible Lesson for Tomorrow—Jesus rejected at Nazareth—Luke 4, 16-30.

Golden Text—"He came unto His own and His own received Him not."

We find Jesus in this lesson in the very town where He had grown up in favor with God and man, until, he was 30. One of the devout customs of this holy Jewish carpenter was to attend the place of prayer every Sabbath and to unite in the public worship of God and the reading of His word, and not to depart or believe. He knew "no prophet is accepted in his own country," therefore they would reject Him; our unbelief and impotence can frustrate grace, but cannot escape the day of vengeance of our God.

While Israel's unbelief rejected Elijah and Elisha, the starving Gentile widow was fed from a full barrel of flour and the leprous Naaman was healed miraculously through a faith God's own people did not possess, and so Jesus would have to turn from Nazareth, though He, as mechanic, had done lots of work for their houses. He could do nothing for their hearts. They were filled with murderous wrath and would have killed Him. But His hour was not yet come. He is immortal till God's time for the cross, so passing through the midst of them He went His way; their little synagogue had heard His last sermon. How soon this may be our condition God only knows.

"Accept the dear Saviour to-day, There's danger and death in delay."

CHURCH NOTES.

Rev. A. H. MacGillivray, the new pastor, will occupy the pulpit in the First Presbyterian Church on both occasions to-morrow.

The pastor, Rev. G. H. Cobbleigh, will conduct both services to-morrow in Park St. Methodist Church. Morning subject, "A Prayer for Revival"; evening subject, "A Kingdom Youth"—a sermon to young men.

Christ Church—Rev. R. McCosh will conduct the services and preach on both occasions to-morrow.

The pastor, Rev. D. Battisby, will conduct both services in St. Andrew's Church to-morrow.

The pastor, Rev. T. Beverley Smith, will conduct the services and preach on both occasions in Holy Trinity Church to-morrow.

In Victoria Ave. Methodist Church to-morrow Rev. Richard Hobbs, of Strathroy, will preach at both services.

Evangelist W. A. Cameron will conduct the services on both occasions in William St. Baptist Church to-morrow.

Latter Day Saints' service will be held in their new church to-morrow as follows:—Preaching service at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m., by Elder R. B. Hewlett, of London District, Missionary, S. S. at 2 p. m. Prayer service at 3 p. m. Weekly prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8. Next week special missionary services will be held Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings, commencing at eight o'clock, conducted by Elder R. B. Hewlett.

At the annual church rally of Campbell A. M. E. Church, to-morrow, Rev. A. Benjamin Cooper, D. D., of Buffalo, N. Y., will assist the pastor, Rev. T. H. Henderson, B. A. An excellent program of song will be rendered at the 3.30 p. m. and 7.30 p. m. services.

Usual services will be held in St. John's A. U. M. P. Church to-morrow as follows:—At 11 a. m., Scripture lesson and preaching by the pastor, Rev. A. B. Selvey, S. S. at 3 p. m., will be reviewed by the pastor. At 6.30, prayer meeting and song service by the Spencer Lodge, and sermon by the pastor.

Sunday services as usual in the Union A. M. E. Church, Forest Street, North Chatham; Rev. R. L. Holden, pastor.

Salvation Army, Union Depot—Knee cap at 7 a. m., meeting for promotion of holiness at 11 a. m., Christian fellowship meeting at 3 p. m., soul winning service at 7.30 p. m. All services for citizens and soldiers.

First Baptist Church, King St., A. Jesse Henderson, pastor—Morning service at 11, S. S. at 12.30, evening service at 7. Services will be conducted both morning and evening by the pastor.

*Revival services will be commenced on the 31st inst., in Park St. Metho-

Liver and Kidneys

It is highly important that these organs should properly perform their functions. When they don't, what lameness of the side and back, what yellowness of the skin, what constipation, bad taste in the mouth, sick headache, pimples and blotches, and loss of courage, tell the story.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Gives these organs vigor and tone for the proper performance of their functions, and cures all their ordinary ailments. Take it.

dist Church, in which the pastor will be assisted by Rev. F. E. Moorehouse, of Jackson, Mich.

Preparatory service, before sacrament, will be held in St. Andrew's Church on Friday evening at 8.

The Woman's Auxiliary Missionary Society of Christ Church meets in the S. S. Hall every Monday afternoon at 8 o'clock.

Prayer meeting will be held in the William St. Baptist Church on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

The annual meeting of St. Andrew's congregation will be held on Wednesday evening at 8.

Class meeting in connection with the A. U. M. P. Church is held every Tuesday evening.

Divine service is held every Wednesday evening in Christ Church at 8 o'clock.

Prayer meeting is held every Wednesday evening in the S. S. Hall of Victoria Ave. Methodist Church, at 7.30.

Sunday evening prayer meeting in the William St. Baptist Church is conducted by the B. Y. P. U. at 6.30.

Christ Church Anglican Young People's Society meets every Monday night at 8 o'clock.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed in St. Andrew's Church on the last Sabbath of this month.

Regular meeting of Park St. League Monday evening.

The Victoria Ave. Epworth League meets on Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

The B. Y. P. U. meets in the lecture room of the Baptist Church every Friday evening at 8.

The regular weekly prayer service will be held in St. Andrew's Church at 8 o'clock.

WHAT CHANCE DO YOU STAND

If You Are Afflicted With Catarrh of the Bladder, Discharge, Your Progress Will Be Slow.

Catarrh is a terrible handicap in the business and social world. Of the extreme offensive nature of the disease, the foul and sickening breath, the over-lavishing hawking and spitting, the fetid discharge at the nose, the watery eyes and catarrhal deafness all combine to make the unfortunate victim one of the most avoided and despised of mankind.

Many first class, competent men have lost good positions on account of their unbearable presence due to catarrh. The catarrh victim is tabooed socially and his appearance is secretly dreaded. What makes the matter worse is that he does not know himself how offensive he is as his sense of smell, and frequently taste, is destroyed. Leaving out of consideration the suffering, annoyance and danger of the disease, no man can afford, from a business or social standpoint, to have catarrh for one minute if he can possibly avoid it.

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Catarrh is a deep-seated disease and will not yield to local applications, such as sprays, ointments, inhalations, etc. Stuart's Catarrh Tablets cleanse the system and renovate it thoroughly of all impurities. Under their influence all catarrhal poisons are carried off and the blood becomes pure, the eye bright, the breath sweet, discharges cease, the head clears up, the nose of smell and taste are restored and the sufferer becomes sound and well and fit to associate with his fellow-men.

Stuart's Catarrh Tablets are for sale by all druggists at 50 cents a box. The druggist may not think of getting along without Stuart's Tablets but he would without his prescription case. The demand for them is so universal and their popularity is so great and they have cured so many thousands of people that he would not be considered an up-to-date druggist if he did not keep them and his customers would lose confidence in him and go to some other store to buy their other drugs as well as their Stuart's Catarrh Tablets.

A SERIOUS ACCIDENT.

Mr. Wm. J. Ainslie met with a serious accident Tuesday morning while assisting to load logs in the woods. Ainslie was on the opposite side of the log from which the log was rolling upwards. The log went over striking Mr. Ainslie on the head, throwing him down and rolling on his legs. His left ankle was dislocated, and the limb otherwise bruised. Dr. McNiven, the family physician, who was promptly called, rendered the necessary aid. While Mr. Ainslie will be laid up for some time, we are glad to learn that no fear of serious results are entertained.—Comber Herald.

Bad breath comes from a bad stomach—clear your stomach and sweeten your breath by using

Abbey's Effervescent Salt

At All Druggists. Price, 25c and 50c

THE STAGE

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

At the Chatham Grand:—
Zitche Co.—Jan. 25.
A Thoroughbred Tramp—Jan. 27.
Gorton's Famous Minstrels—Jan. 28.
Henry VIII.—Jan. 29.

(Supplied to The Planet by Press Agents.)

FINE PROGRAM.

Following is the program for Monday night at the Grand for the O. L. Star and People's Popular Course:

Part I.
"Mirth Born of Mystery"—Thirty minutes with Ritchie and his imitable magic, being a display of exceptional digital dexterity.

1. Handkerchief Productions.
2. Mysteries Canine.
3. The Madman's Mistake.
4. Flags of All Nations—"America" Intermission—Three minutes.

Part II.
Humorous Impersonations—Miss Nettie Jackson.

Old Fashioned Songs—Mrs. Ritchie. Shadowgraphy—Ritchie.

Levitator—Gordon defied and all laws of nature set aside, in which a human being is suspended in mid-air with no visible or invisible means of support.

Part III.
Reading, Selected—Miss Nettie Jackson.

Bird Warbling and Imitations—Olas. Hawson.

Part IV.
"Can These Things Be Possible?"—Thirty minutes more with Ritchie.

1. The battle of fire.
2. The flight of the canaries.
3. Wine or water, which?
4. The profane hat.
5. The bunny and the cannon ball.
6. Oriental illumination.
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We now have another item agitating the entire world, it is so shaking the base of our commercial foundation that the whole structure is trembling in the balance. The retreating foe of the past is now the aggressive participant wielding its mighty sword to the right and left, cutting down all those who obstruct their path, "yea even severing their own heads in their eagerness to conquer the enemy," but it is now as follows, "Haste makes waste." The retreating foe is gradually drawing its lines to a focus, scattering bands are reuniting and will eventually prepare an ambuscade into which the pursuing army will dash headlong, unable to defend themselves from being unmercifully massacred and left destitute upon the field maimed and weakened.

This is the warfare existing now between labor and capital, or in other words Trade Unions against Commercial Corporations. I wish that I were powerful enough to stop the mad rush, "that by up-lifted hand I could hold both parties in calm silence for a few moments," that they could be brought together, not as foes, but as friends, convening for the good of all.

I am not against trade unions, on the contrary I am with them, but I am also with the business man.

Let us first look at the word UNION. What is the meaning of this mighty word? Taking recourse to Webster, we obtain this definition: "A union is a combination of forces banded together for some specific purpose and for the good of all. Now, is this what the various unions are doing? Are they not on the contrary joining their hands and attempting to force their employer to run his business to suit themselves. It is one thing to lead a horse to water but it is another to make him drink, especially if his natural instincts warn him that the water is impure. Just what the business man, in his clearness of vision he may be able to see that higher wages and shorter hours would prove beneficial to all concerned, but if in signing this agreement he is also forced to sign away his rights as an employer, "to hire those he desires" and to conduct his business as he sees fit, it is then the pill is too bitter to swallow, and in natural pride he openly avows warfare against such injustice. No one concerned is so far sighted as a man who has worked his way up from the first rung, who has studied every detail and knows the requirements of his fellow workmen.

Let those who belong to unions study carefully the meaning of their organization, let them draft measures that are needed but that are synonymous of this meaning and then present this petition in due form to their employer and I will readily wager that they will never stand before a more appreciative audience.

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Canada—Her Course

Discussed With the Power of an Authority by
Captain Wickham—Some Excellent Thoughts Worthy of Consideration from Canadians

It would seem that there is an undue fear in Canada lest the English should be misled into thinking that Canadian loyalty depended upon their getting a preference in the markets of the Mother Country. I think this anxiety is quite unnecessary on the part of Canadians, and I have read and re-read Mr. Chamberlain's speeches to see if there is any ground for charging him with having given expression to such a view. Mr. Chamberlain believes that unless Great Britain responds to the repeated requests which have come to her in one way or another from the colonies, and notably from the Dominion of Canada, to consider the practicability of establishing preferential trade throughout the empire, she will, by her disregard of her expressed wishes, forfeit all right to complain if the disintegration of the empire should follow as a result. Of course, I believe in sentimental loyalty, and I do not for one moment desire to throw cold water on the after-dinner orators who lay so much stress upon the abiding love of the colonies for the motherland, and so forth. I was myself personally delighted with its expression at the time of the Boer war, but I cannot help thinking that those who insist so much upon this aspect of the case are at the same time diverting the attention of people from the more practical and cold-blooded business issues which are involved. I think we may give this Englishman credit for being fully able to look after his own interests. We ourselves would be very quick to resent any advice from him on our internal affairs, however well intended it might be. If, then, you will allow me, I will take it for granted that the bond of affection is as strong as the most ardent would wish it to be, and that being admitted, proceed to consider the question of imperial unity from a more cold-blooded business point of view.

When we speak of imperial unity, I presume that each one has his ideal with regard to the ultimate destiny of the British empire. We wish to consider what arrangement or what course of action as between the various parts of the empire is most likely to conduce to its permanent stability. It has often been pointed out that to try to substitute for the existing bond of affection a bond of another kind, of what has been called a "cast-iron" kind, in the shape of a written agreement or constitution, would be the most likely way to bring about the result we are trying to avoid, viz., the disruption of the empire. To a large extent I sympathize with this view, but it seems to me to be folly to accept this undefined, gas-olene-like state of affairs, to be considered sufficient, and that we are to let matters go and seek for no further common ground upon which the various members of the empire may unite for mutual support and co-operation. Several years ago—in 1884—I addressed to the members of the old Imperial Federation League in Canada a circular letter, in which I discussed to some extent the grounds upon which, in my view, it was expedient and possible that the parts of the empire should meet and co-operate. The whole subject seemed to me to roughly be divided into three main considerations:

1. Federation for trade purposes.
2. Federation for defense.
3. As growing out of the last federation for dealings with the outside world.

I take the ground that although it is, as a matter of business, necessary to come to some business agreement on some points, that that agreement should cover as few points as possible, leaving each part as free as possible in all matters not absolutely essential to ensure the harmonious working together of the whole.

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rates. The question of transportation is one of the first question. It commences when the farmer in our great North-west hauls his load of grain to the nearest elevator and only ends when safely landed in the European market. The point of view of what I say is demonstrated by the purchase by C. P. R. of the Elder-Dempster Line of steamers so that they may be able to control the through land and water rates. If this is necessary for the point of view of the transportation company, to enable it to pay dividends to its shareholders, it proves that the government in neglecting our maritime interests, are neglecting its trust for the farmers of the Northwest. It is well known that transportation companies can and often do, by the manipulation of rates, entirely subvert and defeat the policy of the government in tariff matters, and unless in the interests of the people the matter of transportation is dealt with as one whole question, as it is the worst kind of folly to be sinking our millions on one end of the problem alone. Now this is a question that I and many others want to give you some of my experiences in search of information on this subject.

In 1894 I read a paper before the Canadian Military Institute, in which I laid down the principle that if Great Britain and her self-governing colonies were to unite in carrying out a comprehensive scheme for the liberalization of steamship lines between the various parts of the empire, inter-imperial trade and inter-imperial power would be thereby greatly strengthened without touching the debatable ground of tariffs.

NURSERY OF NAVAL SERVICE.

I further pointed out that the steamship lines might be made the nursery of a naval reserve on conditions as would be applicable to the whole empire and that such ships might be constructed so as to be available as naval auxiliaries. Incidentally I may mention that the vessels best adapted for the North Atlantic trade, of economical steam powers, and of immense carrying capacity, are the very ones for which there would be the greatest demand in a naval war, as auxiliaries to the fleet. Well, I was anxious to find out what was being done by British sea power as a matter of government policy. I desired to know upon what principles and to what extent foreign nations, as well as England, were subsidizing their steamship lines, and further that, if it was generally on the maritime policies of these nations, what they were doing with regard to fostering the shipbuilding interests, etc. So I wrote to the secretary of the Navy League and made known to him my wants. He sent me an

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immense blue book, containing some reports of our foreign ambassadors on the subject, but these consisted mainly in dry statistical tables and required an expert to tell what they meant. The task of unravelling their meaning without such assistance was altogether too much for my weak powers. Then I thought that perhaps the U. S., having had some experience with mercantile cruisers during the war with Spain, might be able to give me some information from Washington, so I applied to the Secretary of the Navy. To my surprise and delight, I received almost by return mail a book, "The Report of the Commissioner of Navigation for 1898." There was the report itself, dealing with the entire subject of American maritime affairs—shipbuilding, with careful comparisons of cost of material, rate of wages, etc., as between the United States and Great Britain—wages of seamen, engineers, firemen, etc., the policy of subsidization considered in all its bearings. The text of the report refers to matters in the appendixes and really these appendixes are valuable. They contain and available from the reports from the various consular and other agencies of the United States in Europe. All important agreements between foreign governments and maritime transportation companies—the terms upon which they receive government aid, etc., are set out. I learn, for instance, that the German government, by its agreement with the North German Lloyd and by its control of the internal railway system, is able to give through rates of freight to manufacturers who are located far inland in Germany, which enables these manufacturers to compete with British goods successfully in South America. These reports, which I have since got annually, contain the most interesting information. I will read to you a clause contained in a bill which passed the United States Senate about two years ago. It provided for the subsidization of American built ships carrying the mails, and includes the following:

That all steamships of the first to fifth classes employed as above and hereafter built, shall be constructed with particular reference to prompt and economical conversion into auxiliary naval cruisers, and according to plans and specifications to be agreed upon by and between the owners and the Secretary of the Navy, and they shall be of sufficient strength and stability to carry and sustain the working and operation of at least four effective rifled cannon of a calibre of not less than six inches, and shall be of the highest rating known to maritime commerce. The act further contains provisions for the training of American boys as seamen and engineers, upon such subsidized vessels. I find, in short, that the American Government have for years been collecting and considering information and are now crystallizing the results of their enquiries in the form of legislation calculated to promote the maritime interests of the United States.

GOVERNMENT DOING NOTHING.

What is our own Canadian Government doing? If you can tell me I shall be very glad. I have tried hard to find out. I have got the year book and find some tables in it. I find, for instance, that the proportion of overseas Canadian imports and exports carried in Canadian vessels are and have been steadily increasing, and I find that the proportion carried in foreign vessels is increasing, but I have to look to an American source for the following information—American Blue Book, 1902.

The total number of vessels remaining on the registry books of the Dominion of Canada on Dec. 3, 1899—the latest official report—including old and new vessels, steamers and barges, was 6698, measuring 679,852—registered tonnage—being a decrease of 55 vessels and a decrease of 14,430 tons register, as compared with 1898. On Dec. 31, 1877, about 25 years ago, Canada had 7,362 vessels, of 1,810,468 tons.

Thus it will be seen that the vessel tonnage of the Dominion is barely half what it was 25 years ago. I assert that the subject of an intelligent and progressive maritime policy for the Dominion of Canada is one that should be and is crying aloud for attention on the part of her sons. Had I time I could elaborate how Canada could, in the process of developing such a maritime policy, adopt a course which, whilst fostering Canadian shipping interests, would at the same time add to the naval strength of the empire in the most effective and common sense way, but to understand this subject in its various bearings, a good deal of attention and research is necessary. In no field, however, that I am aware of may Canadians look for better results in advancing Canadian interests. When we come to examine these matters calmly we shall find that Canadian interests run parallel to Imperial interests. We cannot lock ourselves up on this continent. Our interests must require more and more the backing of the whole empire to secure our rights. We must take a more direct voice in the settlement of Imperial matters and without further delay assume our just responsibilities. To point out how this may be done without any violation to our autonomy has been the duty of the Toronto branch of the Navy League, to whose program I desire to call attention, and at the same time to invite each and all to join us and push our work forward.

H. J. WICKHAM.

The Petroleum oil producers are in two camps just now over the matter of duty on crude oil. They all agree that the duty on the refined product should remain at five cents a gallon, but a considerable section of them, and the Imperial Oil Co. as well, want to have the duty on crude oil reduced from five to two cents. The reason given is the lack of Canadian oil to keep the local refineries going.

Valetta school is closed on account of diphtheria. The disease is reported to be in two or three families.

DR. WOOD'S NORWAY PINE SYRUP

CURES Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, Pain in the Chest, Croup, Hoarseness, Sore Throat, Asthma, Whooping Cough, Quinsey, and all Throat and Lung Troubles.

It is pleasant to take and is soothing and healing to the lungs. There is nothing to equal it for stopping that tickling sensation in the throat, and the persistent cough that keeps you awake at night.

Price 25c. at all Dealers.

QUICKEST AND MOST EFFECTIVE.

I have used Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup in my family for the last six years, and have found it the quickest and most effective medicine for all kinds of coughs and colds I have ever used. My little boy had a severe attack of bronchitis, but before using half a bottle of the Syrup he was completely cured. I cannot praise it enough.

Mrs. Wm. J. Fawcett, Arthur, Ont.

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Ostermoor Patent Elastic Felt Mattress, \$15.00. First cost is last cost and only cost.

The genuine Ostermoor patent elastic felt mattresses can be handled by one firm only in each town or city. We were given the sole agency for them by the special appointment of the manufacturers some five years ago.

None are genuine without registered trade mark.

Price, \$15 00

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Furniture McDONALD & CO. Carpets...

SAWS

AND...

AXES.

For Almost Nothing.

We are now selling our Cross Cut Saws and Axes at a discount of 20 per cent.

Call and inspect our stock before you buy.

A. H. PATTERSON'S,

PHONE 61.

Three Doors East of Market.

SILVER WEDDING.

On Monday last Mr. and Mrs. Henry Huff, of Cook's Camden, celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of their wedding day. About thirty relatives and friends spent the day with them and enjoyed the good things provided by the hostess, Mrs. Huff. The presents received by this estimable couple were both useful and beautiful. Monday was also Mr. Huff's birthday.—Dresden Times.

SNOWSHOE COSTUMES MADE NEW BY DIAMOND DYES.



If your blanket costume, sash, tunic and stockings worn last year are now faded, soiled or spotted, you can, at a cost of from 10 to 30 cents make them as good as new by using DIAMOND DYES. The work is easy and simple. Diamond Dyes are money savers.

DISTRICT DOINGS.

CORK NEWS.

Two of Laby Bros. and two of Eagen Bros., and James Barry killed 50 hogs in six hours. That is not bad for Cork people.

Miss Julie Dillon, of the Maple City, is spending a few weeks here with friends and relatives.

Mr. Thomas Dillon, as disposed of his farm and has secured a position as bookkeeper for Mr. Shote, of To, ronto.

Wedding bells will soon ring out. James Barry has purchased a new phaeton. Jim intends putting in a good summer.

Fletcher ball was a grand success. Seventy couples were present. Orr's orchestra was in attendance.

Miss Stella Barry and Mr. Frank Gilhousie spent Sunday with friends in Chatham.

Mr. Ed. Donohoe got his toes seriously frozen last week.

Mr. Thomas McCart entertained a number of friends Friday night at cards and dancing.

John Laby met with an accident on Friday last. John was driving driving through Merlin, and his horse fright, ran away, throwing John out and getting away from him. The horse was found next morning at Thomas Brown's stable. John got several bad bruises. But he is about again.

Thomas Dillon and Michael Hickey attended the dancing party at Mr. Noels, and report a good time.

John Finkler spent Sunday the guest of Mr. Michael Dillon.

William Barry put up ten loads of ice. Bill intends keeping cool this summer.

Miss Woods, of Rosedale, is visiting friends and relatives here.

Frank Eagen, Albert Murphy and Lawrence McCart intend starting for Alberta in a few days. We wish them success on the trip.

Ask for Minard's and take no other.

G. W. CORNELL
DENTIST
Corner Sixth and King Street
Over the Bee Hive.
Phone 317.

PROBABILITIES.

Special per G. N. W.
Toronto, Jan. 23.—11 a. m.—Fresh to strong west to northwest winds, light snowfalls and flurries, turning decidedly colder to-night. Sunday, decidedly cold.

The following figures were registered to-day at seven a. m. at Turner's weather bureau:
Barometer 29.28.
Thermometer 26.
Highest yesterday 37.
Lowest yesterday 20.
Direction of wind, southwest.

THE LOCAL BUDGET

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The city's pay sheets for the past week amounted to \$85.44.

Boys' Rabbits, sizes, 1 to 5, only 40c at Cowan's.

J. W. and Harry Smith, of Stewart, are visitors in the city to-day.

Alex. Barry, of Tilt's Art Store, is confined to his home with a gripe.

The Rev. G. H. Cobbledeek, will preach a special sermon to young men tomorrow evening.

John Longwell, who has been home on a visit, returns to Chicago to-night.

Found—On Thursday evening, on King street, a ladies' hand bag. Owner may have the same by paying for this advertisement.

The opening chapters of our new story, "Case 113," will be found in tonight's Planet. Start at the beginning. You will enjoy it.

Probate of the will of the late Archibald J. Macdonald, of Orford, has been granted to Daniel Campbell and J. G. Macdonald.

Probate of the will of the late Solomon Winter, Dover Township, has been granted to William and Daniel H. Winter.

Mrs. Burrows, of Strathroy, mother of Messrs. William and Norman Burrows, of this city, who has been dangerously ill with pneumonia and pleurisy, is now convalescent.

A wholesale meat dealer in this city will be prosecuted next week on the charge of selling lump jaw meat to a butcher in this city. The sanitary inspector seized the meat before any of it was sold.

As the page containing the Church Chimes had gone to press, the following correction is made in this column: Rev. C. N. Bingham, of McMaster University will preach in the William St. Baptist Church to-morrow.

Alex. Clark, law student in the offices of Houston, Stone & Seane, has gone to his home in McKays' Corners, where he will spend the coming week. Mr. Clark is in poor health.

There died at Rovers, California, on January 10th, Mary Evelyn, second daughter of F. Charles and Mrs. May Harvey, at the age of 11 years and six months. Interment was made in Whittier cemetery, California.

Mrs. Mary Anne Soney, one of the oldest residents of Dover, passed away last evening after a lingering illness. Deceased was 70 years of age and was troubled with dropsy. Her husband died 35 years ago. The funeral will take place from the residence of John Soney, Dover, to Owen's burying ground.

After the School Board meeting on Wednesday night the managers of the two schools met with the agency for a Toronto firm of map publishers. Trustee George Heyward was explaining what he needed for McKeeough school in the matter of maps. Trustee Cornish thought that Mr. Heyward wanted too much for his school. "See here, Heyward," broke in Mr. Cornish, "you needn't think that you are going to get all you want for McKeeough school this year the same as you did last year."

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NOTICE

Frame house, six years old, containing square hall and stairway, parlor, arch with sliding doors, back parlor, folding door, diningroom, kitchen, pantry and bedroom, downstairs, upstairs, hall, three bedrooms, bath with all fixtures, clothes closets off each bedroom, furnace, and cellar off basement. Price low.

DUNN & MERRITT,
Box 92, Fifth St. Phone 285.

Bloodroot Cough Cure

At this time of the year it is well to keep a bottle of Bloodroot Cough Cure in the house. Some one in the family is sure to take cold and a few doses will completely cure it. It is a guaranteed cure for coughs and colds, and prevents bronchitis, inflammation and other dangerous affections of the lungs. PRICE 25 CENTS A BOTTLE.

A. I. McCall & Co., Ltd.,
DRUGGISTS AND OPTICIANS
Chatham and Dresden.
Phone 178.

"Case 113!" It's a gem! Read it in tonight's Planet!

Something New! We will give away to every customer good Canadian money. Of course you don't need it, but your neighbor may. Read our advt. in this issue and tell him about it. Geo. Stephens & Co.

Nelson Stringer has in his warehouse an array of con skins that for quality and quantity rival the skins of Daniel Bonythe, the Berts and Capt. Geo. Stringer when they used to buy from the Indians.

"Case 113!" It's a gem! Read it in tonight's Planet!

WORLD OF SPORT

HOCKEY

On Monday evening the fast Riga town hockey club will play here with the local team. As the visitors have only been defeated by one team during the past three seasons and as the team has been strengthened by some fast new material, notably Rimsey, formerly of Orilla, Strickland, of Peterboro, and Montgomery, who was considered one of the fastest forwards in eastern Ontario, the game should be one of the best that will be played on the local ice this winter.

The Chathamites will have their work cut out for them to stay off defeat.

Captain Fraser announces that he will play a couple of new men on Monday night, that will add to his team's strength. The game will be called at 7:30 sharp. Dr. T. W. Walker has been appointed referee.

"Case 113" will be found on page 6. Start it to-night.

BABY DIED

Frank Labadie, concessioner of Dover Township, drove out to his father's one day this week with his family. When the family party reached the home of Mr. Labadie, Sr., the mother was horrified to find that her baby was dead. The little one had been wrapped up carefully to protect it from the cold and the child had been smothered. The terrible accident has caused great grief in the family. The death of the little one should be a warning to mothers to be careful.

MEET MONDAY

The Board of Health holds its inaugural meeting on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock, when the annual health report will be read. The matter of the sale of "lump jawed" beef in the city will be one of the matters to come before the board.

A chairman will be elected. W. S. Richards is the present chairman. The other members are Dr. Cornell, Chas. Hadley, Dr. Gray, O. B. Hulin, and Health Officer Dr. W. R. Hall.

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SCOTCH CONCERT

A very unique entertainment was given in St. Andrew's Church last evening in the form of a Scotch tea and concert. It was the regular meeting of the St. Andrew's Society, and the Ladies' Aid of the church introduced the refreshments and program. Ex-Mayor Hugh Macdonald presided. Everything pertaining to the entertainment was of a Scotch nature, which made the evening a little out of the ordinary and added a charm to the meeting. Scotch foods were served, Scotch songs were sung and Scotch readings were given. Miss Gertrude Somerville, Miss Ada Ross and Miss Belle Riddell each sang; Miss Minnie Cunningham and Miss Mary Gorman gave instrumental music and W. Anderson, Dr. Battisby, Mr. Ridley and Miss Ferguson gave readings.

The refreshments, which consisted of oat cake, shortbread, cheese, buns and tea, were served on little tables lighted with candles on silver candlesticks. There was a good crowd present, and all spent a most enjoyable time. The ladies who assisted in the evening's entertainment were Mrs. Gray, Mrs. Crumb, Mrs. M. Campbell and Mrs. Greening.

GOLD MEDAL COFFEE

The demonstrations by Miss Henderson, of Eby-Blains Gold Medal Coffee, as made in the celebrated Eby-Blains Quick Coffee Pot, will be held in Heyward's Grocery Store all of next week. Housekeepers are asked to step into the store and taste this delicious coffee.

PRINCIPLE AND HONOR

Cause Some Notable Changes in North Oxford Contest.

Rev. Dr. MacKay on R. E. Butler's Platform—Messrs. Whitney and Fay Speak at Woodstock—Housing Conservative Meeting—Dr. Welford Changes His Politics After 23 Years—Oration to the Candidate, R. E. Butler.

Woodstock, Jan. 23.—The largest gathering ever seen in Woodstock under Conservative auspices assembled last night in the City Hall to pay respect to the leader of the party in Ontario and his lieutenants. The hall was tastefully decorated. A most enthusiastic reception was tendered J. P. Whitney, K.C., as he entered the hall, the whole audience rising to their feet and cheering.

The platform was filled with representative citizens of the city, many of whom were accompanied by ladies. Among them were: D. W. Karn, Geo. W. McKee, Rev. Thomas Athoe, Rev. S. W. Falls, Rev. Dr. MacKay, Rev. C. G. Farthing, three Smiths, J. S. Scarf, Peter McDonald, L. Starr, president of the Labor Council, H. G. Doyle and John Pascoe. Among the ladies were Messdames Wallace, Ormsby, Welford and Richardson.

Made Good Impression.
Mr. Whitney was in magnificent form and spoke with a vehemence and fluency that carried the audience with him and there is probably no riding in the province where he has made a stronger impression. For two hours he was listened to without a single interruption.

Mr. Fay also spoke in a most convincing way, but the speech of Dr. Welford afforded an object lesson that apparently had the greatest effect on the audience. He spoke calmly and with the air of a man who had reached a conclusion based on sincere conviction.

Direct Proof of Theft.
Dr. Welford then was introduced, and said there was direct proof of theft and corruption in the Government and that was the cause of his regeneration. "I am not alone, I am not the only Liberal," he was saying when interrupted by a voice: "Have you always voted Liberal?"

The speaker answered: "In 23 years during which I exercised the franchise I never cast a Conservative vote." This statement caused a most terrific uproar of applause, and the doctor then went on to say that he had never asked, received nor wished a political favor. He had made up his mind to change his political affiliations a year ago, but a very dear friend was in the way. Now he had been removed and he would henceforth vote for principle and honor.

Not One Dollar Spent

In opening the meeting Chairman Wallace said that they had met to honor to the future Premier of Ontario. It was not often that the leaders paid attention to North Oxford, but the occasion was such as to demand the presence of the best men in the Province. He then paid attention to the St. Andrew's Review, which he said had every-day black-guarded Bob Birmingham, himself and a few others. They accused Major Beattie of London, as being the machine. He wished to say that not one dollar was being spent corruptly and the paper for some reason was endeavoring to pull the wool over their eyes. The Review was being paid for what it was printing by Col. Munro.

Ormsby and Butler

Mr. Ormsby and the candidate, R. E. Butler, also spoke. Mr. Butler received an ovation, the cheers and applause being continued for several minutes. He expressed confidence in his election and said he was receiving support from many Liberals. He had the workmen of Woodstock behind him, and if he should win it would be said that he had bought them up. He feared his reputation would be gone by the end of the contest, but would like to see any one attempt to buy up the men of Oxford.

Cheers for the King and the speakers then closed the enthusiastic meeting.

STILL ON THE ADDRESS.

End of the Debate Not in Sight on Friday Afternoon.

Toronto, Jan. 23.—The end of the debate on the address in reply to the speech from the Throne is not yet in sight. It is not likely that there will be a vote until the new member for North Oxford is seated. Among the Opposition members who are to speak yet are J. W. St. John, W. J. Hanna, R. R. Gamay and A. A. Mahaffy. Joseph Downey of South Wellington, who led the floor when the House adjourned at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. He will resume on Monday afternoon, probably taking about an hour, and the Attorney-General will follow him. It has not yet been decided what other Government members will speak in this debate.

There were few spectators in the gallery yesterday, when Hon. E. J. Davis took up the debate. He dealt with the barbed editorials and averred that the attitude of a newspaper must be judged from its general tone, and not from a few isolated statements. The Globe had said something of the protest, defending himself from attacks of Opposition speakers. Apart from the speeches, which were able, the only matter discussed was the side-tracking of questions addressed to the Government. Col. Matheson charged that they were put over for fear of the effect they might have on the vote in North Oxford next Tuesday.

MR. MCCORMICK DECLINES.

George Proctor Chosen in His stead by Riding Conservative Association.

Sunderland, Jan. 23.—The North Riding Conservative Association met here yesterday. The utmost enthusiasm prevailed, and there were delegates from all parts of the riding. At 2 o'clock the chairman called the meeting to order, and explained that owing to the George McCormick's large interests in British Columbia he was unable to accept the nomination of the Conservative party of North Ontario, adding that Mr. McCormick would do all in his power to assist in the election of whoever was the choice of the convention.

The following were then placed in nomination George A. Proctor of Beaverton, Hugh Wilson of Cannington, W. J. Gibbs of Brock, Charles Kelly of Uxbridge, and Dr. Gillespie of Cannington. All the gentlemen nominated retired in favor of Mr. Proctor, who was then the unanimous nomination amid great enthusiasm. Mr. Proctor is a young man, who is well and favorably known in most parts of the riding. Speeches were delivered by Mr. Proctor, Mr. P. P. McDermott of Dundas County, and W. H. Hoyle, M.P.P. for the riding. Then followed the presentation to Dr. Gillespie and Philip McRae, the retiring president and vice-president of the Association. The meeting was brought to a close with cheers for the King, the candidate, Mr. Whitney and Mr. Borden.

BELOVED LITTLE ADMIRAL.

Queen Alexandra's Tribute on Wreath for Sir Henry Keppel.

London, Jan. 23.—The remains of Sir Henry Keppel, Admiral of the Fleet, who died on Jan. 17, were removed from London and interred at Winkfield, Berkshire, yesterday afternoon with full naval honors, a detachment of five hundred bluejackets and marines forming the escort and firing party.

The only floral tribute to the Admiral's coffin was a wreath from Queen Alexandra, with a card and an autograph inscription, reading: "In loving memory of my beloved little Admiral, the best and bravest of men. From Alexandra. Rest in peace."

King Edward, Queen Alexandra, Emperor William and the Prince of Wales all sent special representatives, and a large contingent of naval officers in full uniform attended.

SHIPS COST MONEY.

Austen Chamberlain Sees No Reduction in Taxation for Britain.

London, Jan. 23.—Chancellor of the Exchequer Austen Chamberlain, replying to the toast "His Majesty's Ministers," at the Carpenters' Company banquet last night, said that unless there is a great change in the revenue returns in the next few months there will be little prospect of coming up to the budget estimates, and he is afraid he will not be able to propose a remission of taxation at this session of Parliament.

He explained that the Somaliland campaign has proved much more costly than expected, and said that the purchase of the two Chilian battleships was another unexpected financial drain.

He hoped it will not be necessary to increase the State indebtedness, but "there will be special need for economy in the national expenditure for some years to come."

EMMERSON'S OVATION.

Moncton Accorded Him a Royal Reception on Friday.

Moncton, N.B., Jan. 23.—Hon. H. R. Emmerson, Minister of Railways, was accorded an enthusiastic reception here yesterday. In the midst of a monster procession, he was escorted from the railway station to the Opera House by crowds of cheering people. In addressing the large gathering in the Opera House, which was filled to the doors, Mr. Emmerson said that he had been nominated by the Liberals of Westmoreland yesterday for the House of Commons, and that he had accepted. During the course of his lengthy address on railway matters in general, he declared that the eastern section of the Grand Trunk Pacific would be built, and he looked forward to the day when the I.C.R. would be the eastern terminus of another transcontinental railway.

CZAR TO CALL COUNCIL.

To Discuss the Japanese Reply—Public Nervousness Renewed.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 23.—The czar has not called the council to consider the Japanese reply, but it is said at the Foreign Office that the summons may be issued any day.

The delay, coupled with despatches from Tokio, saying that Japan is armed and grimly waiting, has caused a slight renewal of public nervousness which was reflected by the weakness of the Bourse yesterday.

FORBIDDING ENGLISH.

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 23.—A letter from Valdez tells of Russian priests dominating a large portion of the population of Western Alaska, forbidding the teaching of the English language to these under their control, and generally endeavoring to Russify the natives of that section of Alaska.

Capt. Gillies Dead.

Port Colborne, Jan. 23.—Capt. Robert Gillies, an old resident of this place, died at his home last evening after a short illness.

Turrill's Shoe Pic-nic A Grand Success...

We are still selling Men's \$3.00 Shoes, all sizes for \$2.00
Men's \$5.00 Shoes for 3.50
Boys' \$2.00 " 1.50
Women's \$3.00 Empress Shoe for 2.50
Women's \$3.00 Empress Shoe for 2.50
All other lines reduced in proportion.
Repairing Done.

TURRILL
The Shoe Man

YOUNG'S

We have got them all Guessing when it Comes to Coffee.

We have just received and roasted a new supply of that 40c. Coffee of ours that is so good. We would like to have you try a 1-lb or 2-lb pound of it and be convinced that what we say is correct. Our prices are 20c, 25c, 30c, and 40c.

A DELICACY

Genuine Ginger Root, preserved in pure granulated sugar, and sold by us at 20c a pound, that is very cheap, according to the price you have been paying by buying in small pots.

We can guarantee this ginger to equal anything you ever tasted at twice the price of ours.

Geo. A. Young

OUR GROCER. PHONE 151

THE MARKETS

There was a slight change for the better in the market this morning. Although the prices of all produce is still high there was a little better offering this morning. Eggs sell at 30 cents a dozen, and some asked as high as 35 cents.

IN THE SHEEDS.

Butter, per pound, 20c.
Eggs, per dozen, 30c to 35c.
Chickens, each, 25c to 40c.
VEGETABLES
Apples, per peck, 10c to 25c.
Potatoes, per peck, 20c to 25c.
Cabbages, each, 5c to 15c.
Squash, 3c to 25c.
Pumpkins, 10c.
Onions, 25c peck.
Savory, 5c, bunch.
Celery, three bunches for 10c.

CHICAGO MARKETS

Reported by F. B. Proctor, Broker Northwood Block, Chatham, Jan. 23, 1904

Wheat	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	CLOSE
May	90 1/2	91 1/2	90 1/2	91 1/2
July	81 1/2	82 1/2	81 1/2	82 1/2
Oct	49 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2
May	47 1/2	47 1/2	47 1/2	47 1/2
Oct	41 1/2	42 1/2	41 1/2	42 1/2
May	37 1/2	37 1/2	37 1/2	37 1/2
July	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2
Oct	737	737	732	736
May	677	677	672	672

OPEN FRONT

The opening chapters of our new story, "Case 113," will be found in tonight's Planet. Start at the beginning. You will enjoy it.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

GERALS.—If you want nice clean work, send to The Watson Mfg. Co., Paris, Ont., who are needing machine operators and day workers; they pay the highest wages. Apply at once. Don't miss this chance. 2w2ed

NICE CRISP LETTUCE.

THE NORTHWOOD COMPANY

KING STREET

Up-to-date Millinery. **C. Austin & Co.** Fashionable Dressmaking.

HEAVY DRESS GOODS

Three Excellent Groups

More good news for the woman who wishes to add another dress or skirt to her collection. We have made special prices on all our heavy dress goods in order to clear them out to make room for our Spring Goods.

No. 1 Special.—This lot consists of all our heavy tweeds and homespun, 56 inches wide, in brown, gray, black, stripes and fancy flake goods, worth 75c, to clear at per yd 55c
No. 2 Special.—56 inches wide, in grey, black, navy, brown and flake effect, worth \$1.00, to clear at per yard 80c
No. 3 Special.—This includes all our fancy tweeds, basket cloth, stripes and flake goods, worth \$1.25, to clear at per yard \$1.00

Jackets at Half and Less

Several good reasons for these low price valuations on all sorts of desirable jackets. One is the near approach of inventory, another is the season's selling has left many odd numbers, which must be sold at once.

A1 \$4.98.—Instead of \$7.50, \$10.00 and \$12.50. Among these are of black castor shades and tweed effects, loose or fitted backs, bell or bishop sleeves, double breasted or fly front. Never did \$4.98 buy a better coat, than it will, while this lot lasts.

A1 \$5.98.—A very pretty jacket of black and white, loose back, double shoulder cape, broad stitched, strap of black down the front, collar strap of black.

Clothing Dept.

Monday Morning Quick Sale

This next week we will be working late and early at stock taking and in looking over our stock find we have a few more shirts than we should have. We decided to make a quick sale and have put a price on them that will clear them with a rush.

Monday Morning

at 8 o'clock

we place on sale for one day only...

10 Doz. of W. G. & R's.

Celebrated High-class

Shirts at 59 Cents.

TRADE MARK

OPEN BACK OR FRONT

Your choice of regular \$1.00 and \$1.25 qualities, consisting of negligee and stiff bosoms, all with separate cuffs. The public are well aware of the quality of the W. G. & R. Trade Mark, all materials being made from best English Cambrics, Madras and Scotch Zephers, neat and genteel patterns, every color warranted, sizes 13 to 17, boys and mens.

Be here early as they won't last long.

Our Gigantic Sale of

Men's Suits

now in full operation. See east show window for samples. The greatest suit value-giving opportunity we have ever offered in our history.

Over Three Hundred Men's Suits to select from

\$6.50, \$7.50, \$9.00 men's suits for \$5.00

\$10.00, \$12.50, \$15 men's suits for \$7.50

\$3 & \$3 1/2 men's fine worsted pants \$1.98

\$1.25 & \$1 1/2 fancy and corduroy vests, 98c

C. Austin & Co.

KING STREET

OUR GUARANTEE IS JUST THIS.

SHOULD YOU at any time get anything that does not suit you, bring it back, and we shall cheerfully exchange it, or give you your money back.

Surely That Seems Plain Enough!

We mean exactly what it says. When things are not right, why don't you let us know? Have any of you anything to complain of, is anything you bought here not as represented, not what you expected? If so we would like the opportunity of making it right.

H. Malcolmson

Hot Bricks

Woolen cloths or flat irons do in part what a hot water bottle does perfectly. Heat helps pain, any kind, anywhere, but the application of it is always clumsy and largely ineffective unless you have the modern appliance.

The soft, yielding HOT WATER BAGS

maintain an even temperature for hours. We have them in best quality and all sizes.

Red Cross DRUG STORE.

W. W. TURNER.
28 King St., - Phone 221

Money! Money!

Parties wanting money to pay off a mortgage or to buy a house and lot will find it to their interest to call and see **SMITH & SMITH**, who have money to loan at lowest rates of interest. Office opp. the Market.

STOCK FOR SALE
Shorthorn Bulls, Cows and Heifers. Pedigreed Stock.
Apply to or address
OHAS. MCGUIBAN,
CEDAR SPRINGS.

Dressy Chathamites.

The season is getting pretty well along and yet there are many social functions on the tapis. Chatham has had her share of these occasions, and evening dress was never more on call than this season. Morley & Co. claim speciality in the making of these garments.

W. N. Morley & Co.

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DENTIST.
Has Removed to his New Office,
corner King and Fifth Streets,
over A. L. McAllister's Drug Store.
Telephone Office 164.
Residence 264.

FO-NIGHT

(Macaulay Club, rehearsal at C. C. I. assembly hall, at 8.)

THE LOCAL BUDGET

Old fashioned songs at the Grand on Monday night.

Shadowgraphy at the Grand on Monday night, "The Ritchie Co."

Boys' Rubbers, sizes 11 to 13, 35c at Cowan's.

Humorous impersonations at the Grand on Monday night.

Hear Rev. R. Hobbs to-morrow in Victoria avenue church. Special music.

When you want an artistic design, call up or visit Victoria Avenue Green Houses. Phone 151.

"Mirth Borne of Mystery" at the Grand on Monday night, "The Ritchie Co."

Help Wanted: male—Reliable, energetic workers to distribute circulars, samples and advertising matter. Good pay. No canvassing. Co-operative Advertising Co., New York.

Reading, bard warbling and imitations, at the Grand Monday night, Ritchie Co.

It's easy to let a cold hang on. Finally the cough becomes hard and dry. Even then Allen's Lung Balm will check its advance and restore health.

Dr. Piper, dentist, graduate of the Royal College of Dental Surgeons, of Ontario, and of the University of Michigan, is now associated in practice with Dr. A. W. Thornton, of this city.

Umbrellas and sewing machines repaired at Cuyler's, Queen street.

The Golden Sunshine Circle will hold a special meeting at the residence of Mrs. R. V. Bray on Monday next at 4.15.

A. P. McKinnon, division superintendent of the International School of Correspondence, has won the cash prize offered by the president for the division superintendent who does the best all round business in Canada. This is the fourth time that Mr. McKinnon has won this prize.

The Union Assurance Society, of which Messrs. Dunn and Charteris are the enterprising local agents, have issued a very handsome souvenir calendar. The agents have a number of them to distribute among Chathamites who may desire or call for them.

The T. H. Taylor Company has just installed new machinery for making Whole Wheat and Graham Flours. They are pronounced the genuine article, and they are having a great call for them. Their "Gluten Grits" a perfect breakfast cereal, is also meeting with well merited success. All grocers carry these lines. Try them.

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...SOCIETY...

Mrs. N. H. Stevens entertained at a delightful tea on Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. William Hall, Cross street, entertained on Thursday evening next, January 28th.

Miss Bertha Northwood gave a delightful tea on Wednesday afternoon for Mrs. Robert Ferguson, of Port Stanley.

Mrs. James Taylor entertained to a charming evening "At Home" on Wednesday evening at her home, Riverside Terrace.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Landon observed the seventh anniversary of their marriage by a very enjoyable "At Home" on Wednesday evening. It was a delightful social function and fourteen tables of snare were selected. A particularly unique and charming feature were the score cards, on which the letter "L" and the figure "7" were gracefully intertwined.

Mrs. Bert Malcomson's tea, given in honor of Miss Otis, of Toronto, was a charming function. The house was beautifully decorated with the drawing room with pink roses; the tea room in green and white. Mesdames Malcomson, Monteth and Robert Gray assisted in receiving, while Mesdames Rispin, Taylor and Griffith and Misses Riddell, J. Gemmill and Stephenson served tea.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Babcock were host and hostess at a charming dance at Mr. Babcock's studios on Tuesday evening. The rooms were richly and gracefully decorated with roses and foliage and the function was a most delightful one. Ruthven's orchestra, of Detroit, were in attendance and furnished exquisite music for the dancers.

The sister lodge at Florence on Tuesday night and report a very enjoyable evening.

Theodore Smith left yesterday for Chatham, where he expects to reside for some time. He will work in the Maple City and play in the 24th Regimental Band.

An unusually large amount of timber has been bought in Dresden this winter. There are three buyers in town and the price paid has been fifty per cent. higher than in former years.

Thomas McCallum, Chatham Township, held an auction sale of farm stock yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. F. A. McKim is spending a few days with relatives, 14th concession, Chatham Township.

The annual stock taking has been commenced by some of the local merchants.

Mrs. Rose Minstrel played yesterday afternoon and last evening in the Grand Opera House and, notwithstanding the unfavorable weather, were greeted with fair houses, both at the afternoon matinee and at the evening's performance.

The social evening, announced in these columns, to be held at the home of Mr. Jas. Whitney, concession 4, is under the auspices of the Ladies' Parsonage Guild, net of Christ Church Young People's Society. A further announcement will be made next week.

TILBURY
Jan. 22—Mrs. J. S. Richardson visited her daughter, Mrs. Veale, in Windsor, yesterday.

C. C. Kippen, of Toronto, is visiting friends here.

J. C. Bisillon, of Montreal, was renewing acquaintances here this week.

Windsor hockey club was defeated at the rink here on Tuesday night by a score of 6 to 8.

Harry Magee has purchased a lot on Carlyle avenue, opposite James Powell's residence, where he purposes erecting a brick dwelling.

Dressed pork, \$5.75.
Local Oddfellows meet this evening for the installation of officers, and at the close will hold an oyster supper.

Levi Beno expects to leave next week for Alberta.

Mrs. Girard, of London, and Mrs. Calonde, of Alpena, Mich., are the guests of their brother, H. Montpetit, of Tilbury North.

Severin Ducharme, formerly teacher of St. Francis, has been appointed clerk of the sixth division court, Belle River, to succeed F. P. Bontellier, deceased.

Mrs. J. Balmer, of Woodstock, visited her parents here, Mr. and Mrs. James Stewart, this week, and has left to visit friends in Windsor.

Two rinks of Tilbury curlers were defeated in Windsor on Tuesday night by 14 points. The two Tilbury rinks are to be pitted against the same two Windsor rinks in Chatham next Tuesday. The score:

Tilbury—W. C. Ferguson, W. A. Johnson, Dr. Ferguson, C. Johnson, skip—13. Windsor—Wigle, skip—17.

Tilbury—W. H. Stewart, F. M. Scarff, J. W. Laird, W. C. Crawford, skip—12. Windsor—Pacard, skip—22. Total—Tilbury, 25; Windsor, 39.

James Magee has been elected to the village council by acclamation.

Arch. Daneau, of Manitoba, is visiting friends here.

Jan. 20—A. J. Duncanson and T. Anderson were in Detroit yesterday.

Miss Holmes, of Ottawille, is visiting her brother here.

The banns are announced for the wedding of Miss Angela Coutts, of this village, and James Lewis, of Raleigh, to take place during the first week in February.

The Aberdeen hockey club, of London, want a game here.

Mrs. Adair is spending the week with Mrs. Robert Bell, Trinity.

Dr. Owens, of London, was in town yesterday on professional business.

The carnival advertised for last evening was postponed, owing to the unfavorable weather and poor condition of the ice in the rink.

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CHILDREN'S WOOL VESTS—Long sleeves, sizes 1 to 3, 10c; 5 to 7, 12c; 8 and 9, 15c.

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One Fur Lined Broadie Cape, fur trimmed, former price \$40.00 now \$29.00.
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One Black Beaver Cape, Fur Lined and Fur Trimmed, \$18.75 now \$11.00.
One Black Broadie Cape, " " " " \$27.00, now \$20.00.
One Kersey Coat, Muskrat Lined, Sable Trimmed, \$65.00, now \$45.00.
Ladies' Astrachan and Persian Lamb Coats at Net Cost.

All our Men's Fur Lined Overcoats at the Net Cost Price.
Children's Ours! Gauntlets, Grey or Black, now 25c and 30c, and 60c for Ladies.
Fur Caps, Grey or White Lamb and White Coney, from 75c up.
BARGAINS in this sale are plentiful. We consider it is seed time to the seller, but harvest time to the buyer.

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BLENHEIM

Jan. 23.—At the police court yesterday before P. M. James Greenwood, J. Sterling was sentenced to six months' hard labor in the Central Prison, Toronto, for stealing a watch the property of Walter Sterling, of Rondeau.

T. G. Stegmann, of Messrs. Gordon Mackay & Co., Toronto, is in town on business.

Mrs. W. E. Biggar, who has been quite sick, is slowly improving.

The annual meetings of the Presbyterian Churches under Dr. Jameson's charge, have been held, and very successful reports read, which are pleasing to all concerned.

Mrs. A. Schrader, of Hamilton, is visiting Mrs. C. L. VonGuten.

The many friends of the Rev. J. M. McLaren, of Lachute, Que., will be pleased to hear that the church and people to whom he is ministering are prospering. At the recent annual meeting his stipend was raised to \$1,200.

Miss Sleep, of Boston, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. W. H. Lugsden, left on Wednesday for other points, before returning to Boston.

Jan. 12, at Morpeth factory, by the Rev. Mr. Softly, Mr. Thomas Coleman was married to Miss F. Baillie, both of Haward.

Dr. Schreck, specialist, of Detroit, was called to town last week to see Miss Flo Byram, who is no better.

Misses Ethel Addaman and Ida Coleman, of Highgate, were in town last week visiting friends.

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Ladies' and Children's Worsted Wool Hose, good value 35c, for **25c**

Blanket sale still continues.

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Red Jack Lee

The Innocent Looking Police Sergeant of the Northwest Mounted Police Put up a Job on Him—His Pinto was Slow for the Fast Race Horse.

Red Jack Lee had been a stage driver on the great plains before any of the transcontinental lines of railway had gone into the far West; but when I met him he was an instructor on and manager of a little farm away north on the international boundary and on the trail that led from Fort McLeod to Fort Edmonton. Although well past the half-century mark at the time, he had but few gray hairs scattered through his abundant shock of fiery red; his lean, red face was freckled, but it showed few wrinkles, and his long, gaunt form seemed to bear about in it the slenderness and suppleness of a youth of twenty.

How he came to secure the appointment of Indian Farm Instructor I never learned, but I was morally certain that he knew much more about Indians than agriculture.

The farm, as he expressed it, had been only a "modified" success. The first frost had caught his oats while they were still very green, and when they were threshed out they weighed only about ten pounds to the bushel. It had also caught the wheat when it was somewhat green, and the bread made from it was sodden, sticky, and about the color of a soiled and water-soaked buckskin glove. Upon the whole he was sick of trying to initiate the North Cree into the mysteries of farming in a region 53 degrees north of the equator, and where snow fell early in October and lay on the ground until June.

"I didn't come to this country until I had to," he added, after telling me a series of hard luck stories of his experience in trying to teach the North Cree the art of farming under the most adverse climate conditions. "You see, it all came down to this: some Blackfoot horse thieves down at the Big River Crossing. I had a smart little roan pinto filly down in Montana that I thought could beat any quarter horse that ever looked through a bridle. I was down at Fort Walsh with a wagon train from Fort Benton and used to take Bessie wherever I went, as I never knew when or where I might pick up a match for five hundred or a thousand dollars, and I am ashamed to say I had often raced her for as low as a hundred dollars a side.

"You see, whenever I got on a match it was as good as won, and money when anybody wanted a race. At Fort Walsh they all knew about Bessie, and there was nothing doing there; but there was an innocent-looking kid, a sergeant in the Mounted Police, who took a great fancy to my little pinto mare, and, of course, that made him chummy with me. I was kicking about no match at the fort.

"Now, says he, 'if you were only over at Blackfoot Crossing we could have some fun with the Indians, but it's too far to take a big outfit like yours.'

"How far is it?" says I. "About sixty or seventy miles." "How's the trail?" "Bully."

"Have the Indians any money?" "Loads of it, an' no end of fine furs. They had their payment this week, they've just sold their robes an' pemmican, and they've fished an' other an' silver fox till you can't rest."

"That settled it as far as I was concerned. I'd sold off everything in my wagon train, and I was willing to make the cayuses haul the empty wagons over to the Crossing for the sake of having Bessie pick up them fine furs an' the money. I thought I needed it in my business.

"My newly made friend, who belonged to the force, took some trouble to hunt up a half-breed who acted as a guide and interpreter for me, and for I had no idea of the trail, and could not speak a word of Blackfoot. I thought it very kind of him, and invited him to go along; but he said he couldn't get away from his duty, and so I went without him.

"We got along all right, reaching the Crossing in a little over three days; for, you see, the wagons were light and I was afraid some one else would beat me to the big Blackfoot camp, which I looked upon as a real find.

"The first man I met at Blackfoot Crossing was this kid I had left at Fort Walsh. Of course, I was surprised, but he explained that after I had left he had been entrusted with a message for a minor chief who was camped at Medicine Hat, and from there his orders sent him to the police post at Calgary, so that his route took him right through the big camp which, of all

others, he most desired to visit. "You see," he explained to me, "this is a thing that comes to a man only once in a life-time. The Canadian Government has sent up an agricultural station to improve these cayuses that the Indians have. He is not exactly a draft horse, but just a nice, compact farm horse that can get about over the prairie moderately well, and at the same time is heavy enough to cross on the cayuses and get good, solid, little farm horses. Of course, he can't run a little bit, but the farm instructor has jollied the redskins into believing that they have the greatest race horse that ever crossed the plains, only he takes care never to start him, for the ponies here would gallop his head off at any distance."

"That afternoon, young Jack took me over to see his agricultural horse, and I must say right here that he looked to me like a pretty smooth farm horse. He was a bright chestnut, with three white stockings and a broad blaze, and he had good enough outlines for a quarter horse, only he was a lot heavier than anything I had ever seen saddled for a race. He had a long, full tail and a mane that hung below the point of his shoulder. There was a lot of quality about his head, and it came into my head that there might be some mistake about his being just a smooth farm horse, and, seeing that I looked at him rather suspiciously, Jack took me over to the farm instructor, who showed me the letter that had been sent him by the Indian Department when the horse had been shipped out there.

"This document described a chestnut horse liberally marked with white, weighing about 1,000 pounds in full flesh, and added that he had been bred for agricultural purposes, having been sired by a Clydesdale horse, his dam being a Royal George—trotting bred—mare."

"After reading over the pedigree I felt just a little bit ashamed of myself. To think that I had had doubts about starting Bessie against a smooth farm horse, and, seeing that I looked at him rather suspiciously, Jack took me over to the farm instructor, who showed me the letter that had been sent him by the Indian Department when the horse had been shipped out there.

"Arrangements for the race were soon made. The farm instructor had turned the chestnut over to the Indians, and my intention was to go out to make the best match he could with them. He came back in half an hour, and he had succeeded beyond my most sanguine expectations. The match had been made for \$2,000, a side, cash; and then the Indians were ready to bet thousands of dollars' worth of fine furs and a more money when the horses were ready to start the next evening an' before sunset.

"The only thing that didn't like about the deal that the Indians had made was that the distance, instead of being a quarter straightway, was a sort of circle around a level stretch of bottom land, the distance being something over half a mile. Quarter, and I was not sure how much I would like it; but I concluded that that farm horse, that was big and fat, would tire in the deep, sandy going quicker than she would, and so I did not kick at the greater distance.

"I never did like to go into particulars about that race, and I shan't bore you with them. The next afternoon I was down on the bottom in good season, so as to get on all the money I could, but I never saw a camp of Indians with as much money as they had, and they were betting it like drunken sailors. Before their money was all up I had my wagon ponies in hock, and then when it came to the fine furs I simply skinned myself of weapons, harness, saddle ponies, tops, blankets, and, in fact, everything I had except Bessie herself, one pair of blankets, a saddle, a Winchester and a six-shooter.

"Bessie raced away from the big horse for the first quarter, but he carried her along at a wonderful clip to the turn for home, and then, just where the going was deepest he came to her up and beat her home by some three lengths. "A few days later I found out what I ought to have known before I went broke. It was a job that the young policeman from Fort Walsh and the farm instructor at Blackfoot Crossing had been cooking up for some months. They had held out the farm horse which had been forwarded by the Indian Department, and had put in his place at the Crossing a thoroughbred horse that had cost them two thousand dollars or more, though he was only a sprinter. He came of a family that always ran very high in flesh, and he liked heavy going. Those two thieves were just waiting to catch some one else, and all they had to do was to run me up against the unsophisticated Indians and then give me the double cross for every dollar and everything else I had in the world.

"As for Indians in general, I hope to live long enough to get even with them, for I expect to be teaching them farming for the rest of my life, and I'm the funniest farm instructor that ever stole rations."

Hope springs eternal in the human breast and the bold head.

It is never worth while arguing about the religion you haven't got.

It is easy to make a woman believe she is a person of consequence. A minute may read what an age cannot mend.

Some men's idea of popularity is to have a great, big funeral.

Mrs. Elizabeth King Gets Rid of Her Rheumatism After Years of Suffering.

Mrs. Elizabeth King, of Cedar Hill, Victoria, B. C., writes thus:—"I have been troubled with rheumatism all my life, and about eight years ago I had a very severe attack, almost losing the use of my right arm. A friend recommended Paine's Celery Compound, and gave me a bottle. I was so much benefited by that one bottle that I took three more, and was quite cured. Since then it has been almost my only medicine for all the ailments from which I have suffered, and will my family have benefited from it. I am sixty-five years of age; I live on a farm, get up early in the morning, and am quite equal to a day's work."

PAINE'S Celery Compound Cured Her.

Medical advice free to all who desire it. Address "Consulting Physician," The Wells & Richardson Co., Limited, 200 Mountain St., Montreal, P. Q.

Storm "Awful" and "Furious." Toronto, Jan. 22.—From Western Ontario the telegraphic reports tell of "the awful snowstorm" which covered the section during Wednesday night. From Petrolia it is announced that the storm was "something terrific, and considered by local residents as one of the most awful known here in years." The political campaign in North Oxford had lots of difficulty in making the rounds along the side-roads yesterday and last night.

CATARHAI, DEAFNESS IS CAUSED

By a thickening of the lining membrane of the middle ear owing to prolonged inflammation from catarrhal germs. The only cure is fragrant, healing Catarrhose, one which is carried by the air you breathe to the remotest part of the throat and ear; it reaches the source of the trouble and cures deafness permanently. Every sufferer from impaired hearing should use Catarrhose, which has effected many wonderful cures. You simply breathe its healing, medicated vapor—very easy and pleasant. Do this and your hearing will be restored. Catarrhose never fails; it is guaranteed. Two months' treatment for \$1.00 at drug-gists.

An Ambitious Woman. "My grandmother was an awful ambitious woman," said a native of a well known island off the coast of Maine, "and when she was dying and the doctor had told her she had only about an hour to live she asked her daughter to bring her some green apples. She sat up in bed and pared two painful of them and then lay back with a satisfied sigh. 'Well,' said she, 'I'm determined that the folks that come to my funeral shall have enough apple sass for once in their lives.'"

Contentment is the best cure for wrinkles.

The plain man is often the one the women fancy.

Could Not Lie On Her Left Side.

WAS TROUBLED WITH PAIN IN HER HEART FOR SIX YEARS.

Expected Her Friends Would Find Her Dead.

Mrs. C. Bondreau, Campbellton, N.B., was completely cured by

MILBURN'S Heart and Nerve Pills.

She tells of her experience in the following letter: "I was troubled with a pain in my heart and weakness for six years. Most of the time I could not lie on my left side. I consulted a doctor but got no relief and was completely discouraged. I did not think I would live long and expected my friends would find me dead. A friend brought me a box of Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills and I took them to please her, not thinking they would do me any good. I had not used half the box when I commenced to feel myself getting better and by the time I had taken two boxes I was completely cured and can recommend them to all sufferers from heart trouble."

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BAND OF BLACK WATCH

Fifty Strong, With Twelve Pipers, Is Coming to Canada.

Manager Orr, Now in England, Has Made Arrangements For Them to Play at the Industrial Exhibition Three Hours Daily During This Year's Fair—Chamberlain Will Visit Canada If There Be No General Election in England.

London, Jan. 22.—(C. A. P.)—Speaking to the Canadian Press Association representative last night, Dr. J. O. Orr, manager of the Toronto Exhibition, stated that he had made a contract for the appearance of this year at the Fair of the full band and pipers of Scotland's premier regiment—the 42nd Royal Highlanders, better known and famous as the Black Watch. The band is fifty strong and with twelve pipers, all under command of Major Rose, will sail for Canada on Aug. 18, and will be away for six weeks.

This, Dr. Orr thought, would create great enthusiasm throughout Canada. It was likely Col. Duff, commanding the 1st Battalion, would accompany the men, and the band would give three concerts daily.

Chamberlain Coming to Canada. The Right Hon. Joseph Chamberlain has informed a prominent London Canadian and a close personal friend of his own, that he will visit the United States this summer should a general election not be held in Britain. In that case he will probably attend Toronto Exhibition.

An Imperial Exhibition. The proposal, suggested by Mr. Walton, M.P., that an Imperial Exhibition be held in Canada, is being boomed in London just now. A number of members of Parliament and Government officials favor Toronto and 1907—the fiftieth anniversary of the Confederation—is talked of as a very suitable date. The Agent-General for New Zealand is enthusiastic in support of the idea, which is considered a very happy one.

The Black Watch. Scotland's premier Highland regiment, is the direct descendant of a semi-military organization established in Edinburgh in the early part of the eighteenth century. From this a regiment of the British army was afterwards formed, and became the 42nd Highlanders. No other Highland British army has had a longer or more honorable record of service, and, indeed, are the notable campaigns in which British forces participated which are not blazoned in its colors. The Peninsula, Waterloo, Egypt, India, the Crimea and South Africa, have all heard the pipes of the "Black Watch," and drenched with the blood of many a warrior of the dark tartan, whence the regiment derives its famous and popular sobriquet. The "Black Watch" is the only Highland regiment carrying its red kilt, in the leather bonnet—that most picturesque of head dresses. It is one of the honorable distinctions which are so rare in the British army, commemorating as it does their heroic gallantry in battle. The regiment was commanded by the ill-fated Brigadier-General Wauchope, and suffered heavily in the disastrous attack which cost the life of that gallant soldier and so many of his brave comrades-at-arms.

When the British army was reorganized under the new system of territorial and linked battalions, the 42nd and 73rd regiments were united and now form the first and second battalions of the "Black Watch," or Royal Highlanders. From Dr. Orr's statement it would appear that the arrangement he intimates has been made with the officers of the first battalion, which is the proper representative to-day of the "Black Watch" of history. No regiment in the British army stands higher in its old fame and none is prouder of its record or more zealous for its honor.

Brother Succeeds Him. London, Jan. 22.—(C. A. P.)—Mr. Nettlesford has resigned the treasuryship of the Midlands Liberal Unionist Association, and his kinsman, E. Nettlesford, a Protectionist, has been elected in his stead.

Has Its Share. London, Jan. 22.—(C. A. P.)—The Financial News, referring to the Nova Scotia budget, says one does not hear so often of this old-fashioned province as of the younger parts of the Dominion, but it shares in Canadian prosperity.

On the Race Issue. London, Jan. 22.—(C. A. P.)—The Times' Cape Town correspondent, wiring concerning the elections, says the Boers have succeeded in forcing the Progressives to fight the battle at the polls upon the race issue, and if the Bond wins it means the temporary exclusion of Cape Colony from the South African federation. The Kaffir vote holds the balance of power. A Kaffir editor is standing for the Assembly in the Bond interest.

After Canadian Business. London, Jan. 22.—(C. A. P.)—The Houston Line is arranging to run the steamers formerly sailing to Africa to Canada from Liverpool. The Cunard Line is also fitting up steamers to ply between Liverpool and Boston. The object of both lines is to secure Canadian emigrants.

Violet Day is Toronto. Toronto, Jan. 22.—The Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire request that the public will observe this, the 22nd January, as Violet Day, which was inaugurated in Canada by the Order, by wearing violets in commemoration of the third anniversary of the death of our late beloved Queen Victoria. A memorial wreath will be placed on the statue of Her Late Majesty in the Queen's Park by the members of the Order.

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Ceylon Natural Green Tea same flavor as Japan on y more delicious. It is displacing Japan tea j at as Salada Black is displacing all oth r Black teas. Sealed lead packets only 25c and 40c per lb By all grocers.

The Men Are Still Idle. Pittsburgh, Jan. 22.—The expected settlement of the Pittsburgh building lockout and the return to work of 2,000 idle men failed to take place yesterday. The plumbers walked out Oct. 1, the builders exchange retaliating with a lockout of all working men affiliated with the Building Trades Council. The conference could not agree.

Thibet to Oppose British Advance. Calcutta, Jan. 22.—Reports from the British expedition to Thibet, indicate that the Thibetans are likely to show fight. The native priests declare they will appeal to Russia if the advance continues.

HE DESERVED PITY

His suffering from Sciatica was too great, but thanks to Nerviline he was cured. "I suffered for three years from sciatica," writes E. S. Jenkins, of Portland, "and no man ever suffered more. I spent a small fortune on different remedies, but the only one with real merit was Nerviline. I used a few bottles of Nerviline and was perfectly cured. I can recommend Nerviline as a sure cure for sciatica; it's excellent also for rheumatism and neuralgia." Try Nerviline, 25c. at all drug-gists.

Fatal Position. "I told you she would dismiss you if I came in between." "Yes, she has, all right; but you're a dead one too." "Why?" "She told me everything between us was at an end."

ALMOST EVERY WOMAN.

Is inclined to habitual constipation and should use Dr. Hamilton's Pills of Mandrake and Butterum, which cleanse the system, and regulate the stomach and bowels. For mild and sure relief use only Dr. Hamilton's Pills. (Price 25c.)

There is love, and there is justice. Justice is for ourselves; love is for others.

He who commits injustice is ever more wretched than he who suffers it.

THE WATCHWORD OF WOMEN.

Modesty is woman's watchword. Whateer threatens her delicate sense of modesty, frightens her. For this reason many a woman permits diseases of the delicate womanly organs to become aggravated because she cannot bring herself to submit to the ordeal of unpleasant questionings, offensive examinations, and obnoxious local treatments, which some physicians find necessary. Doubtless thousands of the women who have taken advantage of Dr. Pierce's offer of free consultation by letter, have been led to do so by the escape thus offered from a treatment repugnant to modesty. Any sick woman may write to Dr. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y., in perfect confidence, all letters being treated as strictly private and sacredly confidential, and all answers being sent in plain envelopes with no advertising or other printing upon them. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription has been long hailed as "a God-send to women." It makes weak women strong and sick women well. "Favorite Prescription" contains no alcohol, neither opium, cocaine or other narcotic.

Some people acknowledge that they have a skeleton in the closet, and don't make any bones about it, either.

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Even a versatile woman musician may have a propensity for harping on one string.

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The more thanks you give the more you'll have to give.

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at its next session on behalf of the Lake Erie & Detroit River Railway Company and the Pere Marquette Railway Company for an Act confirming an agreement made between the said companies with reference to the use by the Pere Marquette Railway Company of the lines of railway of the other Company, and extending the term of the said agreement until ninety-nine years from the date that the same comes into force; Also for an act confirming an agreement between The Canadian Southern Railway Company, The Michigan Central Railroad Company, and The Pere Marquette Railroad Company, extending the term of the said agreement until ninety-nine years from the date that the same comes into force. Dated at Walkerville, Ontario, the 20th day of December, 1903.

J. H. COBURN,
Solicitor for the Applicants.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the matter of the estate of Abraham Cooley, late of the Township of Harwich, in the County of Kent, Yeoman, an unmarried man, deceased.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1897, chapter 129, that all creditors and others having claims against the estate of the said Abraham Cooley, who died on or about the twenty-ninth day of November, 1903, are, on or before the twenty-sixth day of February, 1904, to send by post prepaid or deliver to Messrs. Houston, Stone & Scane, of the city of Chatham, solicitors for Wm. Cooley, the administrator of the estate of the said Abraham Cooley, deceased, their Christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the particulars of their claims, a statement of their accounts, and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them. And further take notice that after such mentioned date the said administrator will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of those who shall have notice, and that the said administrator will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person or persons whose claims shall not have been received by him, and all persons whose claims shall not have been received at said date will be temporarily excluded from the benefit of the said estate at the time of such distribution. Dated at Chatham this fourteenth day of January, A. D. 1904.

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Ladies' Felt Shoes, fur topped, very warm and comfortable, in sizes 5, 6, 7, reg. \$2.00, now \$1.00.

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A CYCLONE IN ALABAMA THE ESTRANGED UNITE

Blow Persons Hundreds of Feet From Their Beds.

Twenty-Eight Persons, Mostly Negroes, Killed, and Over 100 Injured—Whole Families Fled in Terror From Their Homes in the Darkness of the Night, and Their Furniture Was Scattered For a Distance of Ten Miles.

Tuscaloosa, Ala., Jan. 23.—The most disastrous cyclone that ever swept over this section visited Tuscaloosa, Ala., a town of 300 inhabitants, 15 miles south of Tuscaloosa, yesterday morning, at one o'clock, and as a result twenty-eight (mostly negroes) were killed, and more than 100 injured and every business store in town, with the exception of a small drug store, was completely destroyed. The cyclone struck the town from the southwest, its path was a quarter of a mile wide right through the town.

By the force of the storm, persons were blown hundreds of feet from their beds in the darkness of the night. Through terror, a father, mother and three children fled from their home to seek refuge, and in their excitement left a five-year-old boy in bed. Yesterday morning he was pulled from beneath some timbers, and thus far it is impossible to find the other members of the family. Beds, carpets and wearing apparel are scattered for a distance of ten miles through what was forest, but is now as clear as if it had been cut by the woodman's axe.

Freight cars were torn into strips; the trucks under them being buried hundreds of feet from the track. The depot, the hotel, warehouses, glass, thirty homes and several store-houses were completely destroyed. Where they stood it is impossible to find even the pillars on which these structures rested. Bales of cotton stored in warehouses were blown to atoms; the fragments of lint, together with the debris, lodging in trees, making it appear as if that section had been visited by a snowstorm. Heavy iron safes were carried away by the storm and the doors torn from their hinges.

Crushed by Snow Flow.
Barrie, Jan. 23.—James McPherson died Thursday night from the injuries received near Phelpsstone on Wednesday morning. He was foreman of a G.T.R. snow plow, which had been lifted from the rails by the hard packed snow, and was under it, helping to replace it on the track. It is said that the air leaked out of the brake, and let the engine move a couple of feet. McPherson was caught under the snow wheels, both thighs being crushed. He was brought to the hospital, and one leg amputated, but it was impossible to save his life. A widow and two children survive him.

Fell Seven Stories and Lived.
Toronto, Jan. 23.—Bert Clark, aged 19, 29 Morse street, while working in the new J. B. Brown & Co. building, on Yonge street, fell seven stories, being precipitated from the top to the bottom. He stepped over a plank which had been placed over an opening. There were no bones broken, but he was injured internally.

While three men were at work on a scaffold at the Toronto Railway Company power house yesterday afternoon the plank upon which they stood gave way and the ground, 25 feet below. When picked up he was found to have fractured his left thigh and his left arm above the elbow.

Martin Ryan Dead.
Belleville, Jan. 23.—Martin Ryan, who was badly crushed at the G.T.R. workshops on Jan. 18, died in the hospital yesterday morning.

DOCTOR WENT INSANE.

Frank Zwick of Stirling, Ont., Arrested in Rochester, N.Y.

Rochester, Jan. 23.—Demented because his wife was suing him for divorce, a well-dressed stranger who gave his name as Dr. Frank Zwick of Stirling, Ont., Canada, was brought into Police Court yesterday morning. Zwick was taken violently insane while on a New York Central train and delusions of the company's property, for which he was fined by paying \$50. Because he thought the factory of the Defender Photo Company was a hotel and was refused admission, he broke windows and was arrested. Zwick claims, he had intended to go to Lowville, N.Y., after a witness.

WHOLESALE FRAUDS.

Hundreds of Ballots Tampered With in Ward Six, Toronto.

Toronto, Jan. 23.—Interest in the civic election scandal suddenly shifted to the Board of Education ballots yesterday when 176 "summons" were issued for many returning officers and clerks. Wholesale frauds have been discovered, and Judge Winchester's assets that more than half of the ballots in the subdivisions investigated show gross irregularities. He declared that the most atrocious condition is revealed by the examination of the votes cast in subdivisions 3, 4 and 9, Ward Six. The accused officials will appear in court to-day.

Australia's New Governor Is.

Melbourne, Victoria, Jan. 23.—Lord Northcote, appointed Governor-General of Australia in succession to Lord Tennyson, landed here at noon yesterday, was met by the Federal Ministry, and others, by the Parliament House and was sworn in.

To Be Electrocuted Week of Feb. 29.

Buffalo, Jan. 23.—Charles Bonier, the 26-year-old murderer of Franz and Johanna Freier, was sentenced to be electrocuted in the week beginning February 29. Motion for a new trial was denied.

Rosebery and Harcourt Work Together Under Devonshire.

Parliamentary Commission to Investigate Fiscal Changes Suggested For Defeating Chamberlain—Working of an Imperial Council Discussed—Sir Edward Grey Says Empire Free Trade Is Impossible With Protection at Home.

Birmingham, Jan. 23.—(C. A. P.)—The Post yesterday said the movement for placing the Duke of Devonshire, president of the Liberal Unionists, at the head of the Free Trade party has incidentally effected a complete healing of the breach between Lord Rosebery, former Premier, and Sir William Vernon Harcourt, the well-known Liberal, and that the latter will shortly make clear his position and will warmly support the Devonshire-Rosebery combination, which is opposed to the protective tariff policy advocated by Lord Chamberlain.

Many influential Conservatives are urging the Premier, Right Hon. Arthur J. Balfour, to refer Mr. Chamberlain's proposals to a grand Parliamentary commission for investigation and report. It might be stated in this connection that should the proposals be referred to the commission as suggested it will mean their complete burial.

AN IMPERIAL COUNCIL.

Writer Suggests How Ready Work Is Formed and Work.

London, Jan. 23.—(C. A. P.)—The Post publishes an article on an Imperial Council, where the writer suggests that such a body would force two Houses of Parliament to combine and elect 125 members for the Council, each member to be elected for five years, one-fifth resigning each year. The leader of the strongest party in the Council could organize a Cabinet with the assent of the Crown as an essential to the validity of every measure of the Cabinet. The legislative power and taxation will be retained by the Parliament. Ultimately representatives of colonies and India would be admitted to the Council.

Says It Is Impossible.

Sir Edward Grey, speaking at Morphet yesterday, said he long wished to see the development of an Imperial Council which would make the colonies feel that questions of foreign policy did not affect them in England alone, but affected the whole Empire. "The colonies either misunderstand Chamberlain," or Chamberlain was misunderstanding them. If Chamberlain meant to propose free trade within the Empire, he ought to state so immediately, and the colonies would say it is impossible to have a fiscal policy that would work with free trade within the Empire and ensure protection at home.

Chamberlain Sees Them.

The Joseph Foster Foundries at Preston have received orders from an American firm which they say is that Chamberlain's success will result in the manufacture of printing machines "hitherto made exclusively in America." Another large American firm, for similar reasons, had made overtures for amalgamation with the Foster firm.

Managers Preposterous.

Campbell-Bannerman, addressing the Eighty Club last night, dwelt on the temptations offered to manufacturers by Chamberlain. He had a 10 per cent. advantage, but he believed the common sense of the country would reject the scheme.

James Smart in London.

London, Jan. 23.—(C. A. P.)—The Canadian Deputy Minister of the Interior has arrived in London. Ebenezer Howard is going to Canada to look around with the object of establishing a garden city as a branch of one about to be established in England.

Importation Considered Justified.

London, Jan. 23.—The Transvaal Government, replying to Australia and New Zealand Premiers, said that in view of the inadequacy of the local labor supply and the difference in the conditions of the respective colonies and the restrictions imposed on the importation of labor, they consider the importation of colored labor fully justified.

To Be Tried For Murder.

Campbellton, N.B., Jan. 23.—On July 23, Richard Mann was killed during a row, and since then three men, Richard and Mike Murray and Archie Gerrard, have been behind the bars, awaiting trial. The grand jury has brought in "no bill" against Gerrard and Mike Murray. Richard Murray will be tried alone for murder.

Charged With Embezzlement.

Ottawa, Jan. 23.—A. H. Bruncker, who was allowed to go on suspended sentence by Magistrate O'Keefe on a charge of fraud yesterday morning, is held by the police on a telegram from London, Ont., which says a warrant has been issued against him on a charge of embezzlement.

Died in Windsor.

Windsor, Jan. 23.—Dr. Robert Lambert, aged 76, the oldest physician in Windsor, passed away at an early hour yesterday morning, of a general breaking down, caused by old age. For over 40 years he practiced his profession in Windsor, and at one time was the City Health Officer.

Grand Duke Breaks Monte Carlo.

New York, Jan. 23.—A dispatch to The Sun from Nice says: The Russian Grand Duke Alexis has broken the bank at Monte Carlo, winning \$50,000 in half an hour playing roulette.

SACHEL

OF THE SATELLITE

The most of that poetry ought to have been labelled.

I don't think that The Planet's Case 113 is a very hard case.

I'm making a collection of valentine times. My friends will kindly take notice.

The scenery for the Big Robb Hood Show, has been ordered from Tams, New York.

The only thing I like about leap year is the extra day, for which I draw extra pay.

If this weather continues visitors to Chatham will think they have found a Canadian Venice.

Russia wants at any price. Perhaps it is unnecessary to add that it is a piece of China that the Bear wants.

The bachelor who has a lot to answer for causing so many young men to write poetry. The girls ought to have known better.

The sidewalks Thursday night were like our Provincial Premier rather slippery, and the streets to-day were like his speeches, rather slushy.

A citizen has come forward and said that he had seen a robin. About the only robin that is engendering the minds of Chathamites just now is Robin Hood.

This weather has given the excuse that the Satellite has been looking for. There is so much water on the streets, that the Satellite had to get down off the water wagon.

If T. L. Parbo, M. P. P., had tried to walk down Wellington street yesterday, he would have been able to appreciate Premier Ross' predicament. The residents on that street were navigating on rafts yesterday.

THE MODERN WASHINGTON.

George Washington, Sr. (as he gazes on the wreck of the cherry tree)—"Who cut down my favorite tree?" George Washington, Jr. (as he slowly appears from behind the woodpile, where he has concealed the axe)—"I cannot tell, but I did it, I did it, but it was an axe-cut."

The bachelor girls in their invitations to their dance Tuesday night, state that they wish to gather in their friends. I would like to know if this means that the girls are going to rope the boys in that night for silk dresses and diamond rings. They've got me scared.

If by ether you mean to rope, you inspire my heart with hope. Now to you I must confess, I'll buy a ring and not a dress.

NEUTRAL ZONE IS GONE

Only Trouble Now Remaining Relates to Manchuria.

Japan's Domestic Loan Will Amount to \$50,000,000—Japs Suffering at Hands of Russians at Vladivostok—Czar Said to Be Wavering in Favor of War—Russia's Latest Reply to Japan Is Conciliatory But Holds on to Manchuria.

London, Jan. 23.—A statement is published here this morning with an air of authority to the effect that the question of a neutral zone, has disappeared from the Russo-Japanese negotiations. This agrees with other inspired statements that Russia has acquiesced to Japan's views regarding the integrity of Korea, and that the only trouble now remaining relates to Manchuria. With reference to the ordinances adopted by the Japanese Privy Council at the meeting of Jan. 20, this statement explains that Russian troops have not been ordered to move along, even to the Japanese port of Nagasaki.

Japan's Domestic Loan.

It is stated that Japan's domestic loan will amount to \$50,000,000, and that her ordinary disbursements already amount to \$15,000,000. The Tokio correspondent of The Times cables "all possible" necessary to remove the entire Japanese population from Vladivostok, as they are suffering greatly at the hands of the Russians.

The Czar is Wavering.

Cabling from Moscow a correspondent of The Times says that Grand Duke Vladimir, in-chief of the St. Petersburg military division, and Grand Duke Sergei, the military commander at Moscow, are strongly supporting Viceroy Alexei, and that the Czar, although anxious to avoid war, is now wavering. The volunteer corps has been ordered to Sebastopol shortly with a full complement of men and a cargo of military stores.

Russia's Latest Reply.

Despatches from St. Petersburg assert that Russia's reply to the latest Japanese note was drawn up at the Ministerial Council yesterday, at which the Czar presided. The tenor of this reply is conciliatory but firm, and it was approved without a dissenting voice. It is understood that Russia maintains that Manchuria must remain amenable politically and strategically to Russian influence, the concessions made being only of a commercial character.

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The Model, Detroit's Greatest Clothier's Entire \$100,000 Stock.

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Save This and Wait Until Wednesday, January 27, at 9 a.m. when the Entire Stock of Model Clothing Co., 1618 Monroe Ave., will be sold in Ten Days.

The Model, Detroit's greatest clothier, hatter and fur dealer's entire stock consisting of \$100,000 worth of fine, tailor-made clothing, furnishing, fine, tailor-made clothing, furnishing goods and hats, will be placed on sale and sold at retail at 27 cents on the dollar, beginning Wednesday, January 27, at 9 a.m., and positively closing in ten days. The entire stock must be sold, as the stock has been sold to the Chicago Salvage Co., the largest institution of its kind in the world. As this sale will only last ten days, everything will go rapidly. This is the first sale of its kind and magnitude that has ever occurred in this city, and it may never occur again.

The opening will be made a gala day. Bring the children. There will be music all day, and in order to prove to you what tremendous sacrifices must be made, we mention a few of the extraordinary bargains that will be offered. And keep it in mind that there are 1,000 different articles that we cannot mention here. We advise you to save this and bring it with you, so that you get exactly the goods mentioned in this document. Remember, no postponement. This great Chicago Salvage Co.'s sale will begin Wednesday, Jan. 27, at Model's stand, 16 and 18 Monroe Ave. in Detroit, and closes in ten days.

Just think of the following propositions and remember that all goods priced in this document can be brought back any time during the sale: SPLENDID OVERCOAT IN MED. HEAVY OR LIGHT WEIGHT AT ONLY \$2.89.

This coat is of the finest material and positively worth \$10. We will allow you to take this coat home and keep it 5 days, and if you do not think it worth \$10 or no matter what the cause may be, you may return the same and we hereby bind ourselves to refund the \$2.89. Men's nice, good durable overcoats, in black and brown, for Sunday wear, \$5.85, positively worth \$15. Men's fine overcoats, in silk and satin linings, \$8.98, worth \$18, or your money refunded, no matter what the cause may be. Men's fine Royal Standard Kelsey overcoats, in black, blue and brown, worth \$30, Chicago Salvage Co.'s price—\$7.98. The finest quality of custom tailor-made overcoats, and imported Royal Standard Kersleys, solid, with plush silk or Astrachan, \$12.99, positively equal to a \$30 custom tailor-made garment, or your money refunded at any time during this sale.

A fine suit of men's clothes, all to match, \$2.98. This suit is positively worth \$12.50 or your money refunded during the sale.

Men's fine suits, in chevrons and Scotch plaids, \$4.98. Worth \$15 or your money refunded at any time during the sale if you are not satisfied.

Men's splendid suits, in velvet finished cassimeres, all sizes \$5.85. Silk and satin lined dress suits, in plain checks and stripes, \$7.48. This suit is positively worth \$22. Men's extra fine dress suits, in all the latest styles and shades, heavy silk and satin lined, equal to the finest \$40 tailor-made-to-order suit, at only \$12.50.

These goods are fresh. Our sales are large. The closest price we always charge.

7 lb. pails Jam, 50c.
7 lbs. green peas for soup, 25c.
9 lbs. Buckwheat Flour, 25c.
Soda Biscuits, 8c per lb.
1 lb. can's Sunlight Baking Powder, 10 cents.
1 lb. Fresh Ground Coffee, 15c.
Dried apples, 5c per lb.
Quebec Maple Syrup, 30c per qt.

CROCKERY.

A quantity of Dinner, Tea and Chamber Sets, China Lamps and Glassware still to be cleared out at a small margin above the cost price. A great opportunity for anyone needing these goods. Call and see us.

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Men's fine dress pants, 98c.

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Erieau in the Fall

A Story of Duck Shooting on the Popular Bar and Other Stories Incident to the Narrative—The one-eyed red head decoy.

The following is a true account, (that is, it is true in places,) of a trip which two Chathamites took to Erieau last fall:—

I met Stammers last week and he was full of accounts he had heard of the great number of wild ducks at the Eau, and wished me to accompany him and have a good old time. The bringing home of a few dozen brace as eye-openers to friends and relatives was to be by no means the least important undertaking in connection with our outing. I was not quite so enthusiastic as my friend, I had had some experience in duck shooting, or rather, hunting. It is true, the hunting, and plenty of it, was to be had, but a full game bag of something I was not personally acquainted with. However, I decided to accept the invitation and go.

We first had to consider the most important, the food and other supplies, namely, the bait. Bait is as good for duck hunting as it is for fishing. So I'm told. All these things no experienced duck hunter ever neglects, especially the selection of several brands of choice—cigars, I guess. Well, anyway, you know the Eau water is a little too strong to drink barefooted, so we thought it advisable from a sanitary point of view, and from private reasons of our own, to use certain brands of microbe killer for diluting purposes and for bait.

The most important part of the food supply being settled, we left the eatables to chance. We started to drive from Blenheim about 7 a. m. The wind was blowing a gale from the north. We arrived at the summer house at the Eau in due time, unloaded the rig and arranged our provisions so as to have them handy.

After dinner we sauntered along the beach to gather information from the many hunters camping there. As yet, we had seen no signs of ducks and as we were quite ignorant of their time schedule, we ventured to question some of the bunch of shooters. An old, grizzled veteran of the gun informed us that the ducks were at present attending a reunion of old boys near the Government Park dock at the foot of the Eau, and they would probably return in force when the wind changed to the south-west. At this time it was blowing about 60 miles an hour from the north-west, and tearing the Eau into rags and tatters. I asked when he thought that the wind would fall enough to change and break up the re-union. He didn't answer at once, but after some hard thinking remarked that it might be a week. He explained that he had been waiting over three weeks and noticed that it took a wind about a week to make up his mind as to the direction it would jolly blow. You know there is a deal of backing and filling out the wind, especially when you are waiting for it to blow from a favorable quarter. In my experience, however, I found that you must always pretend not to care a jiffy how the wind blows, and above things don't show that you are tired at the non-arrival of the ducks. Just go on telling your stories around the camp-fire, smoking and enjoying yourself generally. Don't make any notice of your handkerchief which you hold up your handkerchief in which you are blowing. Follow these instructions and the blow thing you know the wind is right and the ducks plentiful. Then get in your work and you return to camp, in the evening, feeling well satisfied with your day's bag and port in general.

After thanking the veteran of the gun for his really sensible advice, we strolled along the Eau beach toward the coal hoist. We found several recently stranded bottles bearing familiar legends, giving a clue to the several tastes of the many hunters. There being no ducks to shoot, we examined the tower of the new hoist, now being constructed. It stands at the east end of the site of the Pavilion. The tower form than the old hoist. It somewhat resembles the Eiffel Tower. An air compressor is used to do the riveting and clipping incidental to the construction of the tower.

After seeing all the sights at this end of the bar, we strolled toward about a mile and a half to our camp. Towards sundown we went through the form of waiting for the ducks to come. The wind was freezing cold and it was freezing sharply. We were thoroughly chilled through when we returned to camp. I may not be a very enthusiastic hunter, but it struck me that it takes very strong and persistent faith to sit quietly with the wind blowing in a wet punt, with the temperature being freezing, and your gun freezing to your wet gloves, all for a chance shot and slim chances of even that. Above all, when duck hunting lay in a plentiful supply of patience. You

will need it. To be a duck hunter requires plenty of time, patience and provisions, a pack of cards, a bit of tobacco, (either kind,) a wee drop of cold cure and a chum or two.

There were two young men camping some distance to the westward of us. They shot at anything and everything with wings that came in sight, so Stammers decided to give them some sport free of charge. In shooting along the beach we had picked up a stray, one-eyed, red-head decoy. Stam proposed to find a bit of iron for an anchor, to which he could attach a small iron pulley block, and through the block he put a trolley line. His plan was to fasten the line to the breast of the decoy, take the anchor and decoy about 50 yards out in the Eau and in plain view of our neighbors' camp, and then run the free end of the line to our camp. This we did after dark.

Next morning, early, our neighbors were up looking for ducks on drakes. We were up, too, but we were up to, didn't know what the boys spied the lone duck, and we saw him drop to earth and crawl through the long grass till he judged that he was near enough to shoot. At this juncture we pulled the string and the duck dived as naturally as could be. The young man, being an enthusiast, the shot pretty well and merely dived. The duck again dived. The young man now stood up at the ready and he must have felt sure of the duck when he should have a chance to give it the other barrel. The duck, however, only disappeared under the water for a moment, to reappear again. Then the young man let the duck have both barrels, but the tough old chunk of wood stood the shot pretty well and merely dived. The hunter looked as if his faith in his gun had received a jolt, but, wiping his eyes, and re-loading his gun, he once more prepared to fire. The duck bobbed up as serene as ever. He fired and the duck disappeared, only to come up again. His chum now came out with his gun and the two tried to shoot at the decoy. The boys began to think there was something wrong with this particular duck, besides all the hunters on the bar were coming our way to share in the flight shooting which they thought we must be enjoying. We saw the game was about up, so Stammers put in an appearance and asked the boys what all the shooting was about. Just then I let the duck appear. They pointed to it and both fired.

"You idiots," yelled Stammers, "that's my live decoy you are shooting at, and if he don't come up again I'll have to ask you to pay for my duck. I anchored him there."

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escaped death in his wonderful flying trip I know not." (N. B.—This is only one of Stammers' wonderful lies.) We finally got all the duck hunting we needed, and came home. We

had eight bags filled with hay and ballasted with stones. Unfortunately, the baggageman was curious and wanted to look at our game. He saw our game and gave us the laugh, but we didn't care."

...A SIGNIFICANT CENTENARY...

The centenary of the British and Foreign Bible Society, to be celebrated on the 18th of March next by a "Universal Bible Sunday," calls to mind what a humble event led to the founding of an institution which, in one respect, has had a greater influence on the spread of Christianity in the last hundred years than, perhaps, all other branches of the church's work. The longing of a poor Welsh girl to have a Bible of her own, and her delight at being the possessor of a copy, after years of toil and self-sacrifice—for pennies were as hard to earn a hundred years ago as dollars are to-day—came home with such force to the Rev. Thomas Charles, of Bala, in Wales, that he urged upon London to urge the publication of the Bible in the Welsh language. He was received at the office of the Tract Society, and it happened that a committee of the society

the United States, which afterwards became the American Bible Society, organized and maintained on similar lines—that is for the publication of the Word of God, and that alone "without note or comment." Other Bible societies have been formed since then, but the British and Foreign has remained the premier of them all, having circulated more copies of Christian Scriptures than all the others combined, and having spent, since its inception, about four million pounds sterling in the work. It and like institutions have the means of reducing the Bible to such a low price that the poorest may now have a copy. For some years the society has had on the market a legible edition of the New Testament at a penny, and of this edition 7,500,000 copies have been sold. When the society was established the price of an octavo English Bible in small pica type was twelve shillings—



A special linen makes a good medium for hand embroideries, and in the illustration is shown with hemstitching and veining. It is made with solid embroidery. The shape is plain, the fronts being plaited into the long shoulder seam and fastening with hand-stitched pearl buttons. The sleeves have a full wrist puff, and cuff and collar are worked to match.

was in session at the time. On stating the case to the ministers, they agreed that a Welsh edition of the Bible ought to be published, and the idea of a separate society organized to give the Bible to every nation in its own tongue, took shape from the remark of one of the members that a society should be formed for publishing an edition of the Bible for Wales, "and if for Wales, why not for the world?"

Thus the "immortal longing" of an obscure little girl was the immediate cause of the establishment of a society which has circulated, up to the present year, over 180,000,000 copies of the Bible, and has translated those Scriptures, in whole or in part, in 367 different languages and dialects, while, at the present moment, it is promoting translations and revisions in over 100 languages. The labor and research involved in these translations and revisions are without parallel in the history of literature, and the records of the work contain incidents and special providences as strange and romantic as anything to be found in the realm of professional fiction.

The British and Foreign Bible Society came into existence in the year before Trafalgar, in the very gloomiest crisis of Britain's awful struggle with Napoleon and his continental allies, while the poor were starving, trade was depressed and crippled by the war, and the dread of French invasion weighed upon all, from the King on his throne to the laborer in his hut. Yet the new society not only won generous support from all classes in Great Britain, but the enthusiasm of its workers became a contagion which spread into Europe, and it was the direct inspiration to the formation of a Bible Society in

a sum equivalent to not less than five dollars in Canada at the present time. A century ago the Bible was a sealed book, and unknown to four out of five of the world's inhabitants; now it is open more or less completely, in languages representing seven-tenths of the human race, and this year the British and Foreign Bible Society has issued over 6,000,000 copies. It is remarkable to note in connection with its spread in new languages, that in many cases the tongue into which it was rendered had never been reduced to writing before, so that the Bible was the beginning and creation of the literature, as well as the instrument of recreating the religion of the people affected.

There are in Canada twelve auxiliary societies, formed for the purpose of aiding the British parent Society in its work in this country and abroad, and some of these societies are over 70 years old. These auxiliaries combined contribute more largely to the funds of the parent society in London than those of any other group of British colonies or foreign branches, although the society receives substantial aid from many foreign sources, a recognition of catholicity to which it has every claim, for the British and Foreign Bible Society embraces every race, nation, creed and prospective operations. The Canadian auxiliaries have always operated as separate units, but the approaching centenary brought them together for the first time in their history at a conference in Montreal last year, when some closer form of union was discussed, and it was decided, in the meantime, to unite in a celebration of the centenary.

The parent society had already de-

The G. T. P. Deposit

The Provisions of the Act have not been Complied with and the Contract thus Becomes Null and Void. A Striking Illustration.

The Family Herald and Weekly Star has, from the first, taken a decided stand against the Grand Trunk Pacific scheme on the ground that the construction of such a road through unexplored regions was not in the best interests of the country; that the cost was excessive, and that the terms of the contract between the government and the company were not definite enough, nor sufficiently binding on the company to ensure the proper carrying out of the scheme.

Striking proof of this latter contention is afforded by an examination of the facts in connection with the deposit which, it was provided, should be made by the company as a guarantee of good faith and ability to carry out its obligations. The time within which the deposit was to be made and the nature of the security to be put up were clearly set forth in the contract between the government and the company. This provided that within thirty days after the passing of the Act, ratifying the contract, the company should deposit with the government "five million dollars in cash or approved Government securities, or partly in cash and partly in securities." Moreover, Mr. Fielding, the Minister of Finance in a speech in parliament on August 12, represented the company as ready with the money. "The amount pledged," he said, "will be in the Treasury of Canada within a month of the passing of the Act," and in answer to a question he stated definitely that if bonds were deposited "they must be government bonds, approved by this government, bonds of some recognized government, and not of private corporations."

Despite these statements and promises, however, neither of the two essential conditions of the contract respecting the deposit has been complied with. In the first place, the deposit was not made within the thirty days specified in the Act, and as a consequence the contract becomes null and void, and can only be renewed by another act of parliament. Moreover, when the deposit was made it did not consist of cash or Government securities, as provided for by the contract, but of guaranteed stock of the Grand Trunk Pacific Company. This is illegal. This is so not only because the terms of the Grand Trunk Pacific Act have not been complied with, but also because the Grand Trunk stock is used for a purpose not provided for in the act authorizing its issue. This provided that the stock was to be used for expenditure or improvements to the roadbed, additions to rolling stock, etc., and its use as a security for the benefit of the Grand Trunk Pacific Company is thus a direct contravention of the law.

It is thus doubly sure that the contract between the government and the Grand Trunk Pacific Company has lapsed, and that the powers and privileges conferred on the latter by the Act no longer exist and cannot be exercised until Parliament renews the authority. The acceptance by the government of the bogus deposit is difficult to understand, and can be explained only by the supposition that it is intended to throw dust in the eyes of the people and make them believe that the terms of the contract have been complied with. This is hoped by the government, and tend to assuage the indignation that would be sure to be aroused if the truth were known, and so give the government a better chance at the next election.

Apart altogether from the above features of the case, the cost of the scheme is an insurmountable objection to it. Hon. Mr. Blair, the only practical railway man in the Cabinet, figured out the total cost at \$139,000,000, and Mr. Blair is regarded as such a good railway man that the government has made him chairman of the railway commission. This estimate of Mr. Blair is enormous, so enormous, in fact, that the ordinary mind almost fails to appreciate how much it means. A true idea of the actual amount of wealth it represents is best obtained by comparison. The population of the Dominion at the last census was 5,371,315, and dividing this into \$139,000,000, we find that the per capita cost of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway is \$25.87, that is, every man, woman, and child in Canada will have to contribute this amount directly or indirectly for the carrying out of the scheme. It is interesting, too, and highly instructive to note what will be the contribution of the various constituencies throughout the Dominion. Taking the per capita cost at the round figure of \$25, which is 87 cents less than the actual fact, we find that the cost of this gigantic scheme to each constituency will be as follows:—

Constituency.	Cost.
BRITISH COLUMBIA.	
Burrard	\$1,051,500
New Westminster	595,530
Vancouver	679,950
Victoria	592,200
Yale and Cariboo	1,547,225
MANITOBA.	
Brandon	982,625
Lisgar	1,123,860
Macdonald	925,776
Manitowish	851,775

Provencher

Saskatoon	821,550
Saskatoon	815,150
Winnipeg	1,058,500

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Albion	273,125
Carleton	540,525
Charlotte	568,375
Gloucester	698,400
Kent	598,950
Kings	541,375
Northumberland	713,575
Restigouche	264,650
St. John, City and County	1,293,975
Summers and Queens	422,500
Westmorland	1,051,500
Victor	528,400
York	790,500

NOVA SCOTIA.

Annapolis	471,050
Antigonish	340,425
Cape Breton	1,229,150
Colchester	622,500
Cumberland	504,200
Digby	508,050
Gustafburg	458,000
Halifax, City and County	1,866,550
Hants	501,400
Inverness	608,825
Kings	548,425
Lunenburg	809,725
Pictou	836,475
Richmond	337,875
Sherbrooke and Queens	610,700
Victor	264,275
Yarmouth	571,725

ONTARIO.

Addington	612,520
Algoma	1,596,250
Bothwell	630,575
Brant	667,675
Brockville	397,525
Bruce	482,825
Bruce-East	532,425
Bruce-North	469,350
Bruce-West	326,500
Cardwell	484,425
Carleton	676,050
Corrville and Stormont	493,925
Dundas	361,600
Durham-East	327,600
Durham-West	681,200
Elgin-East	532,425
Elgin-West	835,450
Essex-North	631,150
Essex-South	300,200
Frontenac	553,275
Glengarry	320,775
Grey-East	634,675
Grey-North	676,275
Grey-South	501,300
Haldimand and Monck	498,825
Halton	1,315,850
Hastings-East	436,150
Hastings-North	601,825
Hastings-West	444,300
Huron-East	431,675
Huron-South	436,200
Huron-West	469,350
Kent	796,500
Kingston	449,025
Kingston-East	576,125
Lambton	559,950
Lambton-West	454,500
Lanark-North	487,175
Lanark-South	341,175
Leeds and Grenville-North	528,925
Leeds-South	335,525
Lennox	689,150
Lincoln and Niagara	601,375
London	665,225
Middlesex-East	436,375
Middlesex-North	470,075
Middlesex-South	396,075
Muskoka and Parry Sound	841,850
Nipissing	468,425
Norfolk-North	522,475
Norfolk-South	512,375
Northumberland-East	326,375
Northumberland-West	517,225
Ontario-North	419,825
Ontario-South	417,875
Ottawa	1,441,000
Ottawa-East	544,925
Oxford	342,175
Oxford-South	678,650
Perth	446,525
Perth-North	557,250
Peterborough-East	425,125
Peterborough-West	675,875
Prince Edward	446,600
Renfrew-North	619,900
Renfrew-South	679,150
Russell	981,925
Simcoe-East	674,100
Simcoe-North	481,775
Simcoe-South	719,125
Toronto	1,140,525
Toronto-East	2,042,600
Toronto-West	408,450
Victoria-North	498,825
Victoria-South	678,100
Waterloo	636,750
Welland	652,250
Wellington	514,250
Wellington-North	595,025
Wellington-South	594,175
Wentworth	467,925
Wentworth-South	610,800
York	1,010,025
York-East	469,450
York-West	1,343,525

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

Kings	495,650
Prince-East	497,850
Prince-West	501,875
Queen-East	535,700
Queen-West	548,400

QUEBEC.

Argenteuil	410,175
Bagot	497,275
Beauce	1,078,225
Beauharnois	543,300
Bellechase	467,650
Berthier	474,550

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NORTH OXFORD

Strikingly indicative of the spirit that pervades the forces that find common cause against the Ross Government was the campaign inaugurated in North Oxford on Saturday last. That constituency may well be termed the historic stronghold of Liberalism in Ontario. The past record of no other riding justifies so emphatically its claims to being a safe seat for the government. If North Oxford could be depended upon to give a decisive verdict in favor of Mr. Ross not a single seat on the Government side is safe. Yet, so strong is the wave of popular indignation running against the Ontario ministers that many confidently look for the redemption of North Oxford.

Hopeful it indeed is to note the enthusiasm with which old-time Liberals in North Oxford have joined hands with Conservatives and Independents in an earnest effort to end the period of distress and disgrace through which our province is now passing. The meeting in Woodstock on Saturday was the most successful ever held in the riding. A spirit of hope, almost of confidence, was displayed on all sides. A strong, clean candidate was selected in Mr. Butler, and he was given the encouraging assurances of the support of many old-time Liberals. It is too much to hope for the success of the Conservative candidate in North Oxford, but it is not too much to look to the men of North Oxford to further stagger the Ross Government by a substantial reduction in the Liberal majority there.

THE CASE OF NORTH OXFORD

The independent Toronto News recently had an ably written and pungent article on "The Duty of Oxford Liberals." It says: "The contest in North Oxford for the vacant seat in the legislature will greatly test the spirit and quality of the old Liberal element of the population. Ever since the settler's axe rang in the western forests the soil of Oxford has bred the flower of Canadian Liberalism. Loyal to the best traditions of civil and religious liberty, with a touch of puritanism and a genuine public spirit, the men of Oxford have stood staunchly by the higher Liberal principles, and many a time have set aside local interests and ambitions in order to provide a refuge for those upon whose shoulders rested the heavy tasks of leadership and government."

The News briefly reviews the political history of Oxford since the days of Hinks and Brown and Macdougall, Mowat, Cartwright and Hope Mackenzie, and says: "The Liberals of Oxford are the descendants of that sturdy stock which stood with Mackenzie and Papineau against the arrogance of the Family Compact, and the tyranny of Downing Street, which battled with Baldwin and Lafontaine for responsible government, which stood with Brown and Dorion for religious equality and equal representation. They are the type of men who have a genuine love for the serious performance of public duty, and can know no real satisfaction in the arts and stratagems, the sordid intrigue and the corrupt devices which aim only at the maintenance of party ascendancy."

A contrast is made of the cases of North Renfrew and North Oxford, and aathing rebuke is administered to the government for keeping North Renfrew vacant for a year and a half while the late member for North Oxford was scarcely cold in the grave before the writ was issued and the election ordered. The article says:

"All considerations of fair play and of constitutional obligation were set aside. The best traditions of Liberalism were dishonored, intrigue and cowardice dominated the councils of the government. No device, however contemptible, was neglected, which promised to embarrass the Opposition or to enable Ministers to cling to office. The powers reposed in the cabinet for the protection of the constitution and the high purposes of government were boldly prostituted in order to serve the exigencies of a desperate party organization."

The News recalls the shameful attempt to rob Mr. Donald Sutherland of the seat for South Oxford and the appointment in the old country, of Lawyer Jackson, of Ingersoll, the principal instrument of the machine; and refers also to the West Elgin rascalities in severe terms.

The writer says:

"This is perhaps an old story, but it has to be remembered that the conspiracy was plotted by some central organization, that the ring-

leaders were maintained by party contributions, and that they have neither been exposed nor punished. More, the element in West Elgin which co-operated with the expert corruptionists from outside have since controlled the local administration of patronage and dictated appointments to Ministers at Toronto, while the timely destruction of the ballots saved from prosecutions for forgery and from the Central Prison the scoundrels who forged upon every ballot the initials and signed to the official statements of the polling the names of the deputies whose places they had usurped. Whatever may be the responsibility of Ministers for this infamy their deference to the corrupt element in Elgin has an ominous significance, and even more ominous is the retention in the confidential employ of some of the chief instruments in that and other notorious election rascalities. It would be a saving shock to the country if North Oxford would join South Oxford in condemnation of these grave scandals and irregularities and thus go far towards redeeming the Liberal party from the bad repute into which it has fallen in this Province."

Dealing with the Gamey episode, the News is severe:

"It is likewise incumbent upon the Liberals of North Oxford, whether or not Mr. Gamey goes into the riding, to consider seriously the charges laid against the Provincial Secretary and the evidence adduced before the Royal Commission. They should first recall the desperate measures taken to open South Oxford, and the vital need to increase the Liberal majority in the Legislature. Then they should ask themselves if the organization, which was ready to buy evidence in order to unseat one Conservative member, would hesitate at direct purchase of another? They should recall the men who menaced Gamey with an election protest, who met him for confidential discussion of a 'stock speculation,' who introduced him in Queen's Park, and kept track of all his movements. What were their relations with the Government, and the Central Liberal Organization? Why was the protest withdrawn and the patronage vested in Mr. Gamey? What was there for Mr. Hammond to forget? Was there ever before an interview obtained under such extraordinary circumstances as that in the Globe in the name of Gamey? Let the Liberals of Oxford honestly examine all the facts and circumstances in these tortuous negotiations, and, admitting Gamey's pitiful dimensions as a popular hero, ask themselves if this chapter of provincial history does not constitute a discreditable story and call for such wholesome condemnation of their leaders in Queen's Park as the Conservatives of Canada pronounced upon Sir John Macdonald in 1874 and as the Liberals of Quebec pronounced upon Mr. Mercier in 1892. In other days it was the proud boast of the Liberal party that their leaders were the guardians of public morals in Canada, and when the leaders fail, it becomes the duty of the masses of the party to maintain the record in all its force and integrity."

The News article closes with this: "At the worst, there cannot be many days of life for the Administration which came so ignominiously out of the Gamey disclosures; which resorted to the rascally methods that were practiced in Sault Ste. Marie; which was beaten in Muskoka and routed in North Renfrew; which is in a popular minority of thousands in the Province; which escapes the judgment of the election courts by the constitutional trick of calling the Legislature, and which has outlived its power to give the Province efficient and progressive government, or to maintain the high standards which must forever be consonant with the aims and traditions of the Liberal party."

THE WHIP FOR VILLAINS.

Dundas Banner.

It is time we wiped out the villainy that is abroad in the land, for every footpad or burglar is when hard pressed a murderer. Let the laws be changed so that the lash may be applied in all such cases. Then unrepentant people may walk abroad in safety after dark and, if they wish, retire at night with unlocked doors.

NORTH OXFORD.

Ottawa Free Press (Liberal). "The Ontario Government," a dispatch says, "will make a determined effort to win North Oxford." Such courage will doubtless succeed. Last year the vote was:

Pattullo, Liberal	2,254
Ross, Prohibitionist	1,150
Muma, Conservative	1,054

In the previous election, 1898, the candidates and voting were as follows:

Pattullo, Liberal	2,338
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When you think you have cured a cough or cold, but find a dry, hacking cough remains, there is danger. Take

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Kauffman, Independent.....1,815
Montague, Conservative..... 604
Previous to that, the elections in the county used to go Liberal either by acclamation or by majorities in the neighborhood of a thousand.

So the Ross government has some reason for courage in North Oxford.

Yet, who can tell? South Oxford, the adjoining constituency, was long a Liberal hive, with a Liberal majority in 1898 of 700, yet in 1902 it went Conservative by 125. Who can tell what North Oxford may do? If as many votes were to change this time in North Oxford as changed in North Renfrew last month the Liberal candidate in North Oxford will have a close call.

SOUR STOMACH AND HEARTBURN

Are Among the Disagreeable Features of Indigestion—Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets Cured Them For Isaac Jenkins and will do as Much For You.

Indigestion is becoming a menace to the general health of the people of Canada. It is one of those stealthy diseases that creep quietly on its victims—a little discomfort, then a slight ache, growing into pronounced pains till the weakened body of the sufferer is racked with torture and is as well an easy victim for any disease that floats in the air or water.

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Roxton Pond, July 4, '01.

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The man who demands everything is rarely willing to give anything.

The lucky man is the man who sees and grasps his opportunity.

TALE OF...

—THE—

...KINDLY SEA

Dozens of barrels of wine, from the wreck of the steamer Vesper off Ushant have lately been washed ashore on the adjacent islands, and in spite of coast guards, the peasants from Cape St. Mathieu to Roscoff are salving the welcome wrecking and enjoying themselves to the utmost. Drunken scenes are taking place in every village and hamlet, and men women and children are everywhere to be seen under the influence of liquor. At Plouigneau a cask was found wedged so securely in the rocks that it could not be dislodged, and thirty fishermen lay hopelessly drunk. In another village, another man who notified the authorities of what was happening, was bound fast to a barrel while the villagers drank the contents before him, and was left tied fast until the revelers had slept themselves sober.

A young girl who was leaning over a barrel to drink the wine, fell in and was only rescued in time to save her life. Her companions then finished the wine. Some Kerlous fishermen who found a barrel, broached it, and took off their sabots, which they used as drinking vessels.

DAYS OF AULD LANG SYNE

Interesting Events of Ye Olden Times Gathered from The Planet's Issues of Half a Century Ago.

From Planet files, Aug. 10th, 1857, to Aug. 26th, 1857.

Birth—Mrs. James Lutes, of Gee's Ferry, of twin boys, on the 18th inst.

An international cricket match was played between Canada and the United States, at Toronto. The following were the teams:—U. S.—Sharp, Hyman, Barker, Crossley, Wilby, Lang, Wright, Comery, Bury, Barlow and Senior. Canada—Heyward, Parsons, Pickering, Hardinge, Phillips, Phillips, Head, Heare, Dykes, Sutton, Bradbury.

Victoria College was opened in October, 1857. The first professors were Hon. John Ralph, M. D., M. R., G. S.; Walter Gekie, M. D.; John Reid, M. D.; Chas. V. Berryman, M. D.; E. A. Ogden, M. D.; and Prof. Croft.

We observe gazetted in the last Canada Gazette, the following militia appointments for the Second Battalion Kent, viz.:

To be Captain—Lieutenant Roderick N. Peck.

To be Lieutenants—Ensign John DeClute and Ensign William Henry Pardo.

To be Ensigns—Miles Miller, gentleman, and Ninian Holmes, gentleman.

Our townsmen and countrymen, too, will be glad to learn that one of our oldest citizens is re-established in business once more. Mr. Slagg has just completed his new and fine brewery, and as soon as he can procure a sufficient quantity of new barley will once more commence the manufacture of his splendid ales and other drinks. We trust that Mr. Slagg will meet with that encouragement which his abilities and perseverance merit.

It gives us pleasure to announce to our townsmen and countrymen that Messrs. D. R. Van Allen & Co. have made arrangements for greatly increasing their variety of merchandise and otherwise improving their facilities for trading, and that in about one month they will be in receipt of one of the largest and best stocks of dry goods, groceries, hardware, etc., ever brought to this market. The Messrs. D. R. Van Allen & Co. have always, we believe, had the reputation of dealing fairly with those patronizing them, and by invariably adhering to the rule of "one price only" have uniformly given the greatest satisfaction to their many customers.

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On the 20th ultimo, by Rev. A. Campbell, Alfred Gracey to Milla Walker, both of the town of Chatham.

On the 5th inst., by the same, Wm. G. Betts to Mary Annie, third daughter of R. K. Payne, Esq., of this town.

On the 5th inst., by the same, Daniel Wilson to Roxannah Williams, both of Chatham.

On the 7th inst., by the same, Henry Joseph Matzen, of the village of Morpeth, to Margaret McCarty, of this town.

On the 7th inst., by the same David Braerton, of Harwich, to Jomina Bagnell, of Dover East.

NEW CRICKET CLUB.

The members of the new cricket club met for the election of officers on Tuesday evening last, when the following gentlemen were chosen, viz.:

President—R. J. Earl.
Vice-Pres.—W. A. Lillie.
Secretary—Rufus Stephenson.
Treasurer—Henry Duck.
Business Committee—Little, Duck, and Stanton.
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Regular practice was set down for every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at three o'clock. Meetings for despatch of business, on the first Wednesday in every month during season.

Good Length—On Wednesday last Mr. J. P. Flood, land agent, placed in our sanctum for exhibition a cucumber measuring one foot six inches in length. Some cucumber that.

On Aug. 24th, 1857, appears an account of a cricket match between teams composed of the officials and professional men of the town, and the non-professional men. It resulted in a victory for the non-professional men. The following were the players:—
Non-Professionals—Hall, R. Purser, M. Purser, Goodyear, A. Purser, F. Read, J. Reeves, Fletcher, J. Smith,

G. Purser, J. Oldershaw and Hobbs. Officials—Malcolm Monck, Fletcher, Jos. Eberts, Goodyear, Atkinson, Captain Glendenning, Reeves, W. B. Wells, Edwin Lawell, Hunt, G. Williams and Walter McCrae.

The whole playing was admirable. The bowling on both sides was exceptionally good and the hitting of R. Purser, B. Monck, G. Purser, Jos. Eberts, Fletcher and M. Purser was praised. The scorers were William Mayhew and Thomas Russell, and the umpires were Joshua Biles and Mr. Purser, Sr.

CROUP.

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THE DIVINE FLAME.

WARNING AGAINST QUENCHING MOTIVE POWER OF SPIRITUAL LIFE.

PAUL MIGHTY PHRASE MAKER.

His "Quench" in the Text "Quench Not the Spirit" Has a Superlative Meaning—Question Is a Practical One, and Must Be Answered By Everyone Who Has Ever Felt the Flames of Divine Love.

Entered according to Act of Parliament of Canada, in the year 1904, by William Bailey, of Toronto, at the Dept. of Agriculture, Ottawa.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 17.—How to kindle and keep alive in the heart the divine flame which energizes and spiritualizes the whole life is the preacher's theme in this discourse, which deals with a practical religion for everyday people. The text is I. Thessalonians v. xix., "Quench not the Spirit."

The mighty phrase maker Paul is a coiner of many superlatives. He is no stupid platitudearian. Everyday commonplace, insipid, tasteless, comparisons have for him no attraction. His force is always red-hot; his arms are cranes, his hammers pile drivers, his doors floodgates; his streams are fathomless, onrushing rivers of molten iron; his sparks are stars, and his seconds millenniums.

We would, for our present lesson, use one of Paul's impressive, significant words. His "quench" has a superlative meaning. "To quench" means to smother, as a mother would extinguish the flames consuming the dress of her burning child by wrapping about the flimsy garments a heavy, wet blanket, jerked from off the clothesline. "To quench" means to deluge, to submerge, as the Johnstown fires were put out when the Conemaugh dam broke and houses and stores and factories were floating about in the flood like chips tossed in an eddy. In that word "quench" Paul startlingly warns all believing Christians against the sin of extinguishing the power of the Holy Spirit, which is now burning within them as a living flame. "Quench not the Spirit" is the command to the Thessalonians. Smother not the divine flames.

Now comes the practical question: How do many believing Christians open the floodgates of sin and drown out their spiritual fires? How do many of our new converts chill their holy enthusiasm and dry their cheeks, wet with penitent tears, and harden again their hearts in sin? First and foremost, by neglecting God's place of public worship. By turning their backs upon the Sunday church services. By claiming that they can pray to God just as well at home as in the week night prayer meetings. By asserting, that the "communion of the saints," in a building which has been dedicated to God as a "house of prayer," is not essential for true spiritual life. No true convert should ever be guilty of casting a slur upon the public altar of Jesus Christ. It is hard work for a live coal to keep warm and to remain a live coal outside of the grate. It is hard work for a warm hearted, loving Christian to remain a spiritual "live coal" unless he continually lives in close contact with other loving Christians. It is by the commingling of prayers that the best prayer is produced. It is by the commingling of testimonies that the best testimony springs from our lips. It is by "the foolishness" of preaching that sinners are saved. Yes! And also by the foolishness of preaching that they are brought nearer week by week to the personality of Jesus Christ.

If public worship is not essential for true spiritual life, why did God decree that Moses should build a tabernacle as soon as the hosts of Pharaoh had found a watery grave in the depths of the Red Sea? At that tabernacle the Hebrews were compelled to worship. If not essential, why did Christ during his earthly ministry again and again go up to Jerusalem to attend the feasts and again and again go into the synagogues to worship and to pray? If not essential, why did Christ command his disciples to assemble in one place in Jerusalem and await the coming of the Holy Ghost?

Public worship is absolutely essential for the spiritual life of the average man. Some years ago a country boy was riding in the cars toward Philadelphia. In the seat sitting next to him was an old man. After a long conversation, in which the young man told his seat mate that he was going to Philadelphia to find work, the aged man asked him for his letters. "Oh, yes," said the young fellow, "here is one from my old employer. Here is one from my school-teacher. Here is one from my physician." "Is that all? Have you not one from your minister?" asked his seat mate. "Yes, I have that also." "Well, my young friend," said the old man, "I would advise you to present that letter to some church at once. I am an old sea captain, and I have found out by bitter experience that it is safer when in harbor to tie my ship to a wharf than to anchor it out in midstream, to be floated around in the tides. By bitter experience I have also found out that no young Christian is safe unless he is bound up in Christian fellowship with other Christians in Sunday service and in the week night prayer meetings." The old sea captain's experience has been mine. I never saw in my life a church member go astray unless you could first trace his spiritual degeneracy in growing absence from the prayer meeting and Sunday services. If you want to keep close to God you must keep close to his praying disciples. Never neglect, unless compelled, a church service. For your spiritual welfare especially, never neglect your week night prayer meeting.

How may the new convert in another way smother the divine flames burning within him? By throwing away the golden key which unlocks the closet door of secret prayer; by neglecting to have a "trysting place," where, as a lover, he can meet with God and talk over his plans and hopes.

A Christian convert should never get out of prayer touch with the heavenly city. It is a fatal manoeuvre. It will ultimately mean the Christian falling a victim to spiritual ambush, entrapment and overthrow. You have no more reason to expect the flames of a candle to burn in a chemical retort emptied of all oxygen than you have a right to expect your spiritual fires to burn in your bedroom which is not charged and surcharged with the holy atmosphere of secret prayer.

It is necessary for true spiritual life to pray in public. Oh, yes! But it is just as necessary to pray in private. "The Lord thy God is a jealous God." That means in one sense that there are times when God wants us to be alone with him, alone as Christ was alone with the Heavenly Father when Jesus again and again went off alone to pray. He wants us to be alone with him in holy fellowship, as some of us have often been alone with our mothers. Blessed and tender were those hours of sweet communion with our mothers, who have now gone beyond. After the rest of the family were all in bed we used to sit up toward midnight, telling her what we wanted to do and asking her if she thought it was best for us to do it. So God, the Heavenly Father, wants us at times to come to him when we are alone. He wants us to tell him all our plans. He wants us to come to him with the abiding faith of a little child. And the Heavenly Father, "who seeth in secret, shall reward thee openly."

Prayer in public necessary for spiritual development? Oh, yes! Prayer behind the locked door, prayer in secret, prayer where only God's ear can hear and God's eye can see, just as important for the spiritual life and hope. During the Revolutionary war a Highland soldier was caught creeping into camp during the darkness of the night. He was charged with being a spy and taken before the commanding general. Being asked why he had left the camp, the soldier replied, "I merely left in order to go out into the darkness of the woods and be alone with God and have secret prayer." "Then down on your knees!" thundered the officer. "Within twenty hours you shall be shot as a spy. You never needed to pray as much as you need to pray now." The soldier dropped on his knees and offered such a simple, earnest prayer of faith and love that the tears sprang from the commander's eyes. He turned to the guard and said: "Let that soldier go. He is trying

the truth. He must have often been on his knees in prayer drill or else he could not have prayed so well in public review." The great Heavenly Commander judges the sincerity of our professions by the earnestness and consecration of our private devotions.

The closed lids of God's Bible are often used to extinguish the divine flame burning within the Christian's heart. They can become the barred and bolted doors of superstition, barred and bolted by gross ignorance, endowing the most monstrous of heresies in the darkest of cells. They may become red-hot irons putting out the calm, deep blue eyes of faith and love. By an ancient eastern law no blind prince is allowed to sit upon the throne of Persia. By a divine law no Christian can reach that stage of enlightenment fitting him to occupy one of God's spiritual thrones without earnest and prayerful study of the Bible.

My friends, how are you going to find out what is the law of God and the will of God unless you read his holy word? In Isaiah he distinctly says, "My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways." Are you and I trying to find out by studying the Scriptures what are God's thoughts and to harmonize our lives with his life? Are we trying to find out what is the deeper, richer meaning of the Saviour's name? Are we seeking to understand what is the mission of the Holy Spirit and how God with the weak things of this world is going to confound the mighty? Or are we going around day after day singing a senseless, silly, siren song: "Jesus will save! Jesus will save! Oh, I am so happy, Jesus will save!" when some of us merely look upon the name of Jesus as an amulet, because we do not know or care who Jesus is or take the trouble to read the words which he has spoken for us? Are we going to look upon the closed lids of the Bible in a superstitious way, as did the peasants of Europe during the dark ages, as though they were something they had no right to touch? Or are you going to look upon the Holy Scriptures as a divine letter written by the Heavenly Father to his children, which letter ought to be carefully studied and its commands to be strictly followed out?

Supposing that your mother died of consumption when you were a child of four years. Supposing that when the hectic roses of that fatal disease were blooming in the garden of her pale, sunken cheek she one day had you, her sleeping baby, placed by her side. Then while you slept she wrote you a long letter. In this letter she gave her maternal advice and parting benediction. Then she folded that letter and gave it to your father, saying: "Husband, give this to my baby boy on the day he graduates from the public school. Before he decides upon life's work I want to give him my advice and tell him what I want him to do." Supposing twelve years had now passed and you, at sixteen, were now given that letter. What would you do? First you would kiss it. You would say: "Mother wrote it with her dying hand! Mother wrote it with love! Then you would reverently open the yellow leaves and carefully read that letter, line by line. If you were a true son, if possible you would follow out the desires of that maternal letter word by word. Now convert in the gospel life and Christian of older standing, the Holy Scriptures are God's letter to us. If we are the Heavenly Father's true children we will take the letter and study it. We will translate the desires of that letter into our own lives. We will make God's thoughts our thoughts and his ways our ways.

"But," some new convert says, "if the knowledge of the Holy Scriptures is essential to a truly developed spiritual character then I am not a true Christian. I practically know nothing about the word of God except that 'God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son that whosoever believeth on him should not perish, but have everlasting life.' That is all I know. Cannot I now accept Christ as my Saviour? Oh, yes, my brother, you can. You are now a Christian, if you want to be. If you accept and truly believe that one verse just quoted, you are as much a Christian as a little fledgeling just hatched out of an egg is a bird. If you accept truly with your whole heart that profound truth and should die to-night, he who promised salvation to every soul who believes and trusts him would take your soul into his safe keeping. But if you live you should grow and develop. You are saved that you may serve him as an example and as a soul winner, and this you can never do unless you learn to know him and his teaching through the study of his word. Remember you are now a Christian only as the bird just hatched out of the egg is a bird. You are a spiritual fledgeling; you must eat spiritual food. That spiritual food is to be found in the Word of God, as the breath for your spiritual lungs is to be found in the atmosphere of prayer.

Paul said to young Timothy, "Preach the word!" I say to you, "Study the word." Study it in the church and in the home. Study it on your knees and at your desk and in your bed. Yes, new convert, read the Bible and continue to read it, because God commands you to read it. Read it, because your deeper spiritual life depends upon your reading it or in having it read to you. Study it, and continue to study it, because when you read the Bible God is talking to you, as when you pray you are talking to God.

But there is still another way for the Christian to quench the spiritual flame which is now burning within him. That way is to neglect the family altar, which should be raised in every home. That way is for the husband and father to hurriedly arise in the morning and quickly dress, and then off to business without gathering his children about him for family worship and without having any blessing asked at the breakfast



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table. That way is for every father to think that all that he has to do is to say his own prayers and do his own Christian work, and then his children will say their own prayers and fulfill their own Christian tasks.

Every man's home to a certain extent is his own castle. He can lift what standards he pleases over his own fireside. He can emphatically say, as did God's servant of old, "Let others do as they will, but as for me and my house we shall serve the Lord." Or he can open his own home to shelter and entertain evil temptations of all sorts. But let no man think if he surrenders his house to evil practices and yields himself and his home to the seductions of the world that he can at the same time live a spiritual life, nor can he expect that those around him, who are bound to him by ties of blood and love, will lead spiritual lives. He must, if he would live right, not only consecrate his own life every morning to God, but in the presence of his children he must offer a petition to God for them to consecrate their lives to Christ also.

So completely do I believe the true spiritual life to be dependent in many ways upon the family altar that I would have the fathers and mothers, as soon as possible, teach their little children to publicly pray at family worship and to publicly ask the blessing at the daily meals. I remember, many years ago when traveling in Scotland, noticing how general was the custom for the youngest child of the household who could utter the words being called upon to ask the blessing at the family meal. I thought then, as I think now, that it was an excellent practice, tending to accustom the child from its earliest years to acknowledge the goodness of God and to address him in prayer.

Thus, no matter which way we may look at the Pauline word "quench," the whole trend of the matter is this: As Christians we cannot live a true spiritual life unless every moment of every day we are in touch with Christ. We cannot preach to others unless by searching God's word we hear Christ preaching to us. We cannot pray for others in public review unless we have had much knee drill in ourselves wholly to God's service unless at the same time at the family altar we give our loved ones also to him.

In welcoming the church members to Christ's altar I have but one more question to ask and to answer. In what, O struggling friend, does the chief definition of being a Christian consist? Ought you to say, "I want to be a Christian to escape the evil effects of sin?" I want to be a Christian to be happy? "I want to be a Christian in order that I may reach heaven?" Oh, no. You should want to be a Christian, not for your own beatification, but in order that God may be glorified. In order to glorify God we should work for him. In order to glorify God we should give to him of our temporal substance. In order to glorify God we should pray to him. We should read the Bible that we can further find out how Christ may continue to be glorified. May our lives be filled with holy zeal for the glorification of the blessed Saviour on earth and in heaven. I congratulate you in this, the supreme moment of your life, when you start in the service of Jesus Christ. Christian brother, give me thy hand.

Tom—You called on Miss Milyun last night, didn't you?
Dick—Yes.
Tom—Spent the evening indulging in small talk, eh?
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THE G. T. P. DEPOSIT

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Champlain	878,975
Charlevoix	483,350
Chateauguay	392,325
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Compton	661,500
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Dorchester	525,175
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Joliette	556,375
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Labelle	773,275
Laprairie and Napierville	438,075
L'Assomption	374,825
Laval	493,575
Levis	655,250
L'Islet	360,975
Lotbinière	500,975
Maisonneuve	1,629,450
Maskinonge	395,325
Megantic	590,525
Missisquoi	462,050
Montcalm	325,025
Montmagny	368,925
Montmorency	307,775
Montreal—St. Anne	584,200
Montreal—St. Antoine	1,191,325
Montreal—St. James	1,065,450
Montreal—St. Lawrence	1,220,200
Montreal—St. Mary	1,015,775
Nicolet	664,750
Pontiac	643,050
Portneuf	678,975
Quebec—Centre	509,150
Quebec—East	983,125
Quebec—West	228,725
Quebec—County	552,525
Richelieu	464,400
Richmond and Wolfe	853,425
Rimouski	1,003,925
Rouville	399,750
St. Hyacinthe	538,575
St. Jean and Iberville	488,400
Shefford	590,700
Sherbrooke	460,650
Soulanges	248,200
Stanstead	474,950
Temiscouata	729,625
Terrebonne	670,400
Trois-Rivières and St. Maurice	654,175
Vaudreuil	261,125
Wright	1,120,000
Yamaska	405,100

UNORGANIZED DISTRICTS.

Abitibi, Ashuanipi and Mistassini	60,125
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NORTHWEST TERRITORIES.

Alberta	1,646,900
Assiniboia—East	1,242,325
Assiniboia—West	442,300
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UNORGANIZED TERRITORIES.

Arctic	165,375
Franklin and Keele	213,650
MacKenzie	130,400
Ungava	127,825
Yukon	680,475

No matter how it is looked at, the above constituencies will have to contribute the amounts set opposite them.

These figures are appalling, and are worthy of the serious consideration of every resident of Canada, no matter whether he be a voter or not, for every single soul in the Dominion will have to contribute to this scheme in one way or another. If all the constituencies were asked to declare by a referendum whether they wanted these mortgages placed on them, can any one doubt the result?

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