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## Ladies Assisting Society

### How the Women of Chatham aided its Principal Charity.

ONE has said that the philanthropic activity among the women of Canada is greater than that to be found among the women of any other country. When we consider our own city we find that the women of Chatham are in no wise less active than their Canadian sisters in helping those less fortunate than themselves, for they have always been found ready and cheerfully willing to assist in every good work.

From the inception of the scheme for establishing a General Hospital,

secretary being Miss Kate McCall and the treasurer, Mrs. George T. McKeough. As this was the Jubilee year the ladies undertook, as their special work, the erection of a Queen's Jubilee Memorial which took the form of a Nurses' Home. In the early days of the hospital accommodation for the nurses was found in the main building, but the work and usefulness of the institution had grown to such an extent that the nurses were crowded out, and forced to find accommodation in various private residences near-by. Recognizing the fact that the nurses in their arduous and fatiguing

## Growth of a Single Idea

### How this Edition of The Banner-News was Produced.

TO TELL THE STORY of this edition but few words are needed. Two weeks ago to-day the writer met Mr. Hunter, of Hunter and Crossley, on King Street.

The idea of interesting the women of Chatham in a scheme, intended to aid the funds of a deserving charity, had been suggested by the story told by Mr. Malcolmson, of the work, and destiny, and needs of the Public General Hospital.

"Would you and Mr. Crossley undertake, with the assistance of the Ladies' Assisting Society, to get out an issue of The Chatham Banner-News?"

Without a moment's hesitation Mr. Hunter said, "We would." This was encouraging, and Mr. Malcolmson was seen. He conveyed the suggestion to the officers of the Ladies' Assisting Society. After a conference with Mrs. S. T. Martin, Mrs. S. F. Gardiner and Mrs. W. A. Thrasher and Mr. Woodward, it was decided to present the matter at a meeting of the Society.

On Monday, March 25th, Mr. Woodward and the writer met the members of the Society at the home of Mrs. G. G. Taylor, and briefly outlined the plan.

After some natural humility in facing a scheme of this character, and of such magnitude, the ladies by a standing vote unanimously decided to undertake the project.

The Banner-News proposition was to reserve 1,700 copies for its subscribers and give to the ladies 3,200 copies for sale at 5 cents a copy; to give them the entire proceeds of all special advertising; they to pay the Banner-News the actual expenses of issuing the edition.

With a will the ladies went to work. A room in the Victoria Block was donated by the executors of the Garner Estate, a telephone was secured from the Bell Telephone Company, a rate card was struck off, and a complete business and editorial staff was appointed.

The results are apparent in this issue. It is not expected of The Banner-News that it tell the merit of this production. That may fairly be left to its readers, and critics.

Suffice it to say, that without an exception this effort is the product of the women of Chatham, all produced under the editorial management and control of Messrs. Hunter and Crossley, and Mrs. E. W. Seane.

Managing the business end of the venture was Mrs. S. T. Martin, whose conservatism and shrewdness contributed much to the success of the venture.

The advertising department has had an executive head, of whose services any business might be proud, in Mrs. C. C. Greening. Several hundred dollars have been added to the funds of the Society. It is safe to say that the ladies have made more out of this one combined effort than they made during the whole year of 1900.

In contributing to this splendid result, Mr. Woodward and the writer owe a debt of gratitude to the faithful employees of the editorial and mechanical departments of the Banner-News. The editorial features were prepared by Mr. J. H. Macdonald, and the pressman, Mr. J. H. Macdonald.

A. T. MACDONALD.



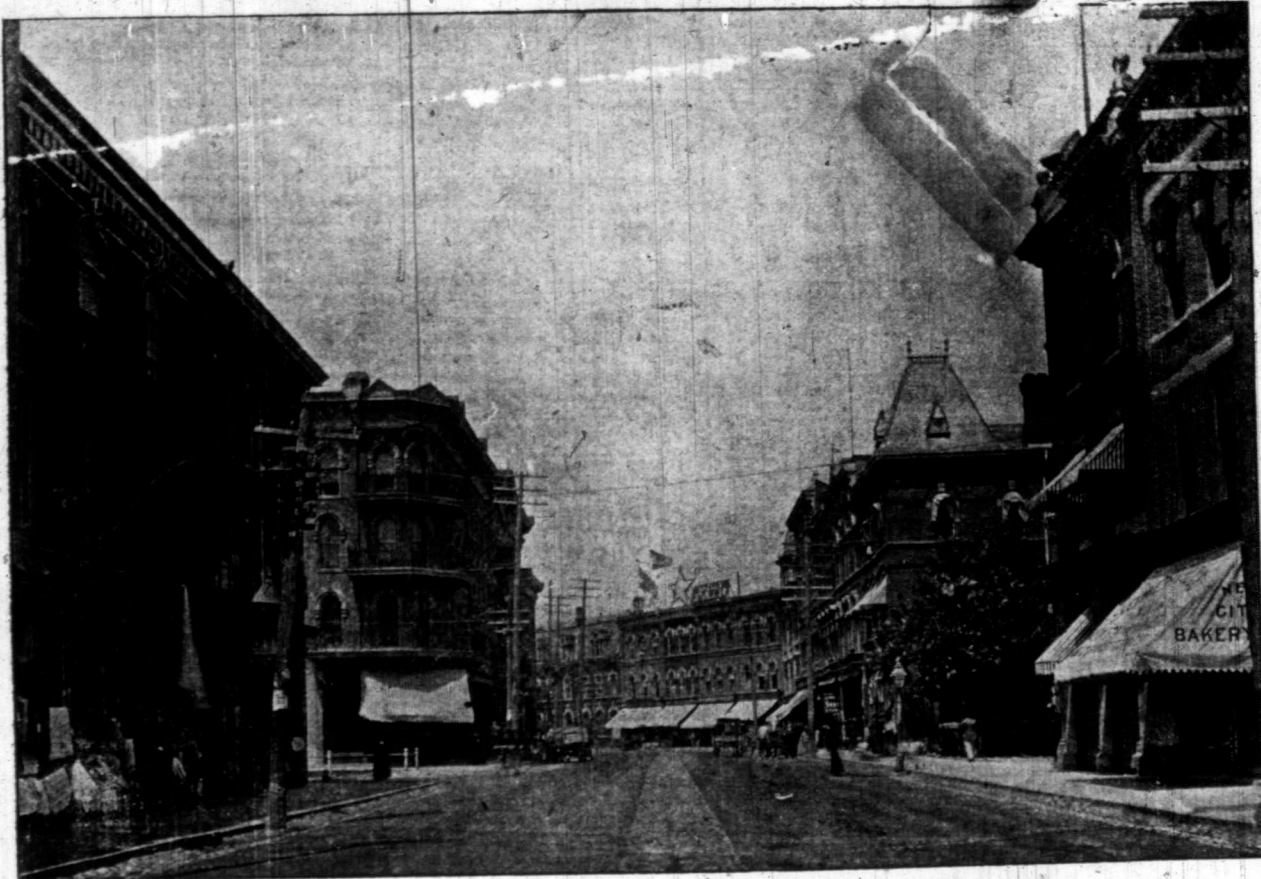
PUBLIC GENERAL HOSPITAL.

the ladies of Chatham showed a marked interest in the undertaking and aided the members of the Board, by being present at all the meetings, and by showing in many ways their sympathy and support.

In 1893, however, it was thought that the ladies would be freer to act and better able to accomplish results more satisfactory to themselves were they to organize. The members of the Board thought the plan an excellent one, and a meeting called for February 21st, in Harrison Hall was largely attended. The Ladies' Assisting Society was then organized with the purpose of raising money to be spent in making the

ing duties required more seclusion and more home comforts, the Ladies' Assisting Society went to work with unflagging enthusiasm and so successful were they that, though the Home project was first mooted in March, the building was completed and formally opened on September 2nd. Best of all within two years the memorial, this beautiful home for nurses, was paid for at a cost of \$1400. The money was raised by means of various schemes: Mite collections, lawn socials, graduation exercises, bazaars, automobile excursions, benefit concerts, teas and "At Home."

In 1899 Mrs. S. T. Martin was



A VIEW OF KING STREET, LOOKING WEST FROM THE BIG CLOCK.

hospital a more comfortable home for our sick. The officers elected were:

President, Mrs. Garner.  
Vice President, Mrs. S. M. Jarvis.  
Treasurer, Mrs. S. T. Martin.  
Assistant Treasurer, Mrs. S. F. Gardiner.

Secretary, Mrs. George T. McKeough.

The Mite System of collecting money was adopted and the end of the year showed a paid membership of 51, and the amount collected \$1,188.13.

In the second year of its existence the Ladies' Assisting Society had a membership of 82. The Mite System was dropped and the total amount collected in 1894 by means of entertainments and highday bags was \$224.13. In 1895 the membership had dropped to 21. Taking in the Mite Syst again the sum of \$69.09 was collected. During the year 1896 the membership increased to 103. The money received was simply from membership fees and private subscriptions and amounted to \$90.92.

In 1897 the late Mrs. Garner retired from the Presidency and was succeeded by Mrs. S. T. Martin.

electd President and is now, in 1901, entering upon her third term of office. The work that appended especially to the ladies, after the completion of the Nurses' Home, was



NURSES' HOME

the purchase of sterilizers for use in the new operating room. After gathering information from all quarters and consulting competent judges, the ladies ordered sterilizers from the King-Secheer Company, of New York. On February

3rd, 1900, these were placed ready for use at a cost of \$900 which sum has been paid in full. The new sterilizers consist of four pieces, one for hot water, one for cold water, one for instruments and another for dressing. They are thoroughly scientific in their equipment and, with their white frames and silver mountings, are an ornament, as well as a necessity to this modern operating room.

In July, 1899, by subscriptions raised by Mesdames Gardiner and Fleming a water bed was purchased for the use of Mr. Bachman, the young German who was so terribly injured on the railroad track. The water bed greatly alleviated the sufferings of this poor fellow, a helpless stranger in a foreign land, who was unable to speak or understand the language of those about him. More was eagerly contributed and the surplus amount, \$103.30, was spent in purchasing luxuries for Bachman.

Among the special efforts put forth for raising money since 1899 may be mentioned the amount of \$68.00 collected by Mesdames Martin and Campbell and the "Hospital year"

scheme, suggested by Miss Edith Holmes, by which the amount of \$130.05 was raised.

During the eight years of its existence the Ladies' Assisting Society has raised \$427.96. In connection with bazaars, entertainments, etc., \$444.75 was paid out and the balance \$1,183.26 has been spent in furthering the work of the Public General Hospital.

The Ladies' Assisting Society is grateful to the "Brooke Circle" of King's Daughters for the numberless ways in which they have helped the hospital. A glance at the annual report gives but a faint idea of all that the "Brooke Circle" has done. The donations, including the Thanksgiving and Christmas offerings, have been most generous and not only the sick and suffering ones, but also those noble women, the nurses. With gratitude for what they have been enabled to accomplish in the past, the Ladies' Assisting Society is looking forward to a future of busy usefulness in this corner of the Master's Vineyard.

EFFIE LAFFERTY.

## "The Dance"

### A Verbatim Report of Last Night's Sermon by Messrs. Hunter and Crossley.

THE PARK STREET METHODIST church was crowded to its capacity Wednesday evening by an audience eager to hear Messrs. Crossley and Hunter give their views of the dance. Those who attended were rewarded by the hearing of two powerful addresses in which the points were well brought out, and which gave the upholders of the dance much food for reflection. Following we give a pretty full synopsis of the addresses:

Rev. Mr. Hunter said:—There are three things you should look out for. They all begin with D.

1st. Look out for debt. Some of you have been there. It tears up the carpets. It throws out the piano. There are a good many broken hearted people because they are bound hand and foot with debt.

2nd. Look out for the next D, the devil. If he calls at your place tell him you are not receiving visitors to-day, and shut the door in his face.

3rd. The next D is the dance. I am going to give you first a lady's ten reasons why she does not dance.

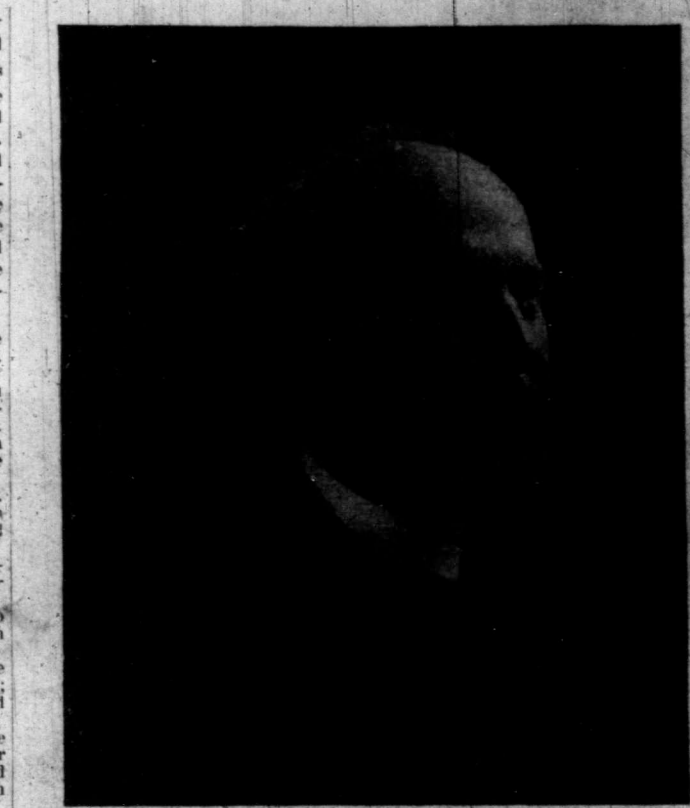
1st. Dancing will lead me into crowded rooms and late hours, which are injurious to health and life.

2nd. It will lead me into very close contact with perilous company; and evil companions corrupt good manners.

3rd. Dancing will allow me to use and permit freedoms with the other sex of which I would be ashamed under other circumstances, and which I believe to be wrong.

4th. My parents and friends would be anxious if I were out late in company with them.

5th. Ministers and good people in general disapprove of dancing, and I don't think it is wise to set myself against them.



REV. M. T. CROSSLEY.

Psalm cxlv. 3, "Let them praise His name in the dance." Did you ever see a man or a woman who eulogize the name of the Lord in the modern dance?

In Eccl. 3:4 "A time to dance." The Bible also says there is a time to kill. Go and kill somebody and see how you get along. This is not a commandment nor a permission. It is a mere declaration. If there is a time to dance I want to know when it is, whether it is at a funeral,

who go around teaching your children to dance. God have mercy on the mother who has no more sense



MRS. S. T. MARTIN,  
President Ladies' Assisting Society of Public General Hospital, 1899, 1900, 1901.



THE LATE DR. MCCALL.



THE LATE MRS. GARNER.

6th. Dancing has a bad name, and I want to study things that are pure and of good report.

7th. Dancing is generally accompanied by drinking, which causes a great deal of evil.

8th. It is a great temptation for young men, and I do not wish to have anything to do with leading them astray.

whether it is when my child is at the point of death, whether in Lent or out of Lent. There is no more similarity between the religious dance of the Bible and the modern dance than there is between the Lord's Supper and a drunken revel.



REV. AND MRS. J. E. HUNTER, MAYBELL, ETHEL, AND ERNEST CROSSLEY HUNTER.

9th. Dancing unites the mind for serious reflection and prayer, and I mean to do nothing that will estrange me from my God and Saviour.

10th. There are plenty of graceful exercises and cheerful amusements which have none of the objections that there are against dancing.

Consider now the religious dance of the Bible See Exodus xv., 20. The women danced together. You cannot find a case in the Bible from Genesis to Revelation where the sexes danced together. Nor can you find it in the heathen world. I have seen the Indians in their war dances, the men dancing alone and the women dancing alone.

In 2nd Samuel vi., 14, "David danced before the Lord with all his might." Talmage says that the dancers danced before the devil with all their might.

The dance of the ungodly. 1st Samuel xxx., 16—"Eating, drinking, dancing." These three things go together. You ladies who are accustomed to go to dances, notice the boys go out after a dance and come back with breath smelling of cloves or candy to conceal the smell of fluor on their breath. Watch those fell w's who are eating cloves. I want also to say to the girls: Never give your hand in marriage to the man that tampers with strong drink.

In Job xxi., 11-14, we find another description of the dance and the dancing schools, to my mind one of the most terrible descriptions of the modern dance in the Bible. Did you ever see one of these dancing masters? If there is any one I despise more than another it is one of those men

Another passage, Luke xv., 25, refers to the return of the prodigal. Some people say, "Does not the Bible encourage dancing?" The Bible says we are to abstain from the appearance of evil. It says further, that in eating or drinking, and whatever we do we are to do all to the glory of God. Can

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"THE DANCE" As Viewed by Messrs. Hunter and Crossley

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you dance to the glory of God. Let us suppose your child had been wayward and he is converted. You are so rejoiced over it that you say, now there is no meeting Saturday night and we will get up a modern dance for our boy, and invite his associates to it. What would be the result? He would be led back into the ways of sin. Do not distort and misinterpret scripture like the toper who, in justification of his conduct asked, "Does not the bible say that we are to try the spirits?"

1st. Avoid the amusement which will lead you into bad company. I have no respect for a man or woman in the church that will be found in a ball-room. All men who attend public balls are not impure, but there are many young men who attend such places that are impure, and do you want to see them with their arms around your wife or daughter?

2nd. Avoid that amusement that will weaken your spiritual life. Any Christian that will go to a dance will find that it injures his devotion. 3rd. Avoid that amusement which will bring reproach on the cause of

gentleman with his affianced. No matter how pure people are the liberty should not extend further. I have not said or thought of impurity on the part of the dancers. The question is propriety or impropriety, and not purity or impurity. Remember this. The only excuse that any can assign for the liberty in the dances is that it is customary. This is no reason. What right has any person or persons to prescribe a custom in the dance that outrages our sense of propriety out of the dance? Whether you are a Christian or not your sense of propriety should turn you against the dance. You ladies if you want to dance, dance together, and I say the same to you men. A man would as soon eat an egg without salt as to dance with a man. I don't object a particle to dancing per se, but it is the impropriety in the liberty allowed in the modern dance which is the objection.



The Hunter-Crossley Church, St. Thomas, Ontario.

Jesus Christ. Dance is most assuredly a young lady attended a meeting and was much impressed. The mother urged her to come to Jesus. She said, "Mother, I can't see my way clear to-night. You are invited to that dance on Tuesday night, but I promised you I will come on Wednesday and give my heart to Jesus." On Sunday night she was the subject of this dream. During the night she dreamed that she heard a voice say, "Arise, open your Bible at the 7th chapter of the book of Ezekiel, and read the 8th and 9th verses." She was very much impressed with the dream and she awoke and couldn't go to sleep for some time, but fell asleep by and by and the second time she dreamed the same thing, that the voice said to her, "Arise open your Bible at the 7th chapter of the book of Ezekiel, and read the 8th and 9th verses. Again as she awoke she was very much troubled, but she was afraid to get up to open her Bible, and couldn't go to sleep. Towards morning she fell into a doze again, and dreamed the same thing the third time. She thought, "This is very strange. This is surely the voice of God to me." She arose and dressed and set down in her rocking chair. As the morning came her mother went in, and said, "Why, daughter, what is the matter with you? Have you been sick?" "No, mother," she said. "Arise, open your Bible at the 7th chapter of Ezekiel, and read the 8th and 9th verses; and, mother, I dare not do it." She said, "Will I read it for you, daughter?" "If you please, mother." Her mother got the Bible and read to her these words: "Now will I shortly pour out my fury upon thee; and I will judge thee according to thy ways, and will recompense thee for all thine abominations that are in the midst of thee; and ye shall know that I am the Lord that smiteth." The mother looked upon her daughter. She was a corpse.

5th excuse. "I dance and my conscience does not condemn me." So much the worse for you when the spirit of Christ and his word show that you are wrong. Your conscience like your watch needs regulating.

6th excuse. "If we don't dance, what shall we do? This is a difficult question. Some people do not seem to have enough brains to do anything but dance; but if you will ask seriously what shall we do, I would say, get more brains, more accomplishments. Those who have the lightest brains are most enamored with the 'light fantastic.' More-

taken part in a parlor dance in the home of Martha and Mary. Should you, then as a Christian, not recoil from the practice of dancing. 3rd. Is it in accordance with propriety for ladies and gentlemen to dance together? If I, at a parlor dance, met wishing to act as a wall flower, were to put my arm around a lady's waist in a promenade, she would be apt to slap me in the face, and people would condemn my act; or suppose I was standing at the window with my right arm around a lady's waist while her left rested on my shoulder and our other hands were clasped, and we were talking animatedly, I would be apt to go through the window if her big brother were there. What did I do? No more

ANOTHER WORTHY INSTITUTION.



St. Joseph's Hospital.

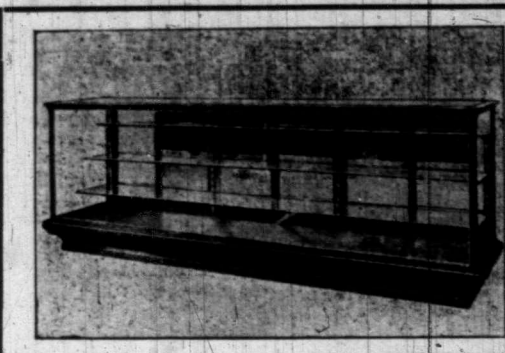
Rev. Mr. Crossley's address. 2 Tim. 27. Consider what I say, and the Lord give thee understanding in all things. Speaking on the subject of the parlor dance, I may say that I know what I am talking about, for I began to dance when I was such a little fellow that the ladies used to lift me off the floor in swivling. But I gave up dancing many years ago; because I did not like to take liberties with other people's sisters that I would not wish them to take with mine. I shall not speak of balls, but only of parlor dances. You need not be afraid that will

over social gatherings should disperse not later than eleven o'clock. 7th Excuse. "Our church and clergy men are not opposed to dancing." You are certainly mistaken. Your church is not a congregation, but a great body or association. The leading bishops, ministers, and best people in the English, Baptist, Catholic, Presbyterian and Methodist churches are most pronounced against the dance. Follow their worthy example and you will have no occasion to regret that you did so.

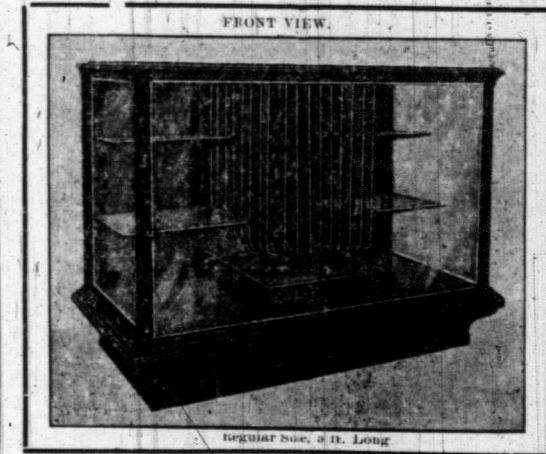
than the others. Now if this liberty is all right in the dance it is all right in the promenade and standing at the window; but if it is an impropriety in the promenade or standing at the window, it is equally or more so in the dance, under the same gas light and before the same company. There is no impropriety in the particular movements of the feet in the dance any more than in walking, but in the adjuncts of the dance. There is no objection to a gentleman putting his arm around a lady's waist providing he has a right to do so, but that right is conceded to a husband with his wife, a brother with his sister, an uncle with his niece, a nephew with his aunt, a son with his mother, and a

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Society.

Being a record of the Social Events of the last week of Lent.

HER Majesty Queen Alexandra is enjoying a visit with her aged father the King of Denmark, to whom she is devotedly attached.

The Duchess of York who is accompanying her husband on his Colonial tour, although severed from her four interesting children, has her beautiful apartments on the "Ophir" handsomely furnished and made homelike by the pictures and photographs of the little ones at various ages in their pretty sailor costumes.

On dit that a marriage has been arranged between a rising young physician of our city and the beautiful daughter of one of his fellow practitioners.

Mrs. W. E. McKeough, of "Rathenny," left Monday on a visit to her sister Mrs. F. C. Jarvis, of 436 Jarvis street, Toronto, where she will spend the Easter holidays.

The Misses Anle and Hattie Stephens are enjoying their European trip very much. From the last account they were in Dresden, delighting in its great galleries of art and its wonderful Sistine Madonna.

They will likely return home the latter part of May.

Mrs. John Wilson, of Prospect Hill, is with her daughter, Mrs. Albert White, King street, west.

Miss Gilbert, who made so many friends during her sojourn in Chatham last summer, as guest at "Bleakhouse," has been spending the winter with her parents in Florida.

Miss Beatrice Ernautinger arrived home yesterday to spend the Easter holidays.

Mrs. Beattie, Mrs. Coats and Miss Phyllis Coats will spend their Easter in Detroit.

Mr. Phillip Coats left yesterday for Montreal for a few days.

Mrs. Mandell, who with her family spent a winter in Chatham some years ago with Mrs. James Beattie, is passing the winter in California.

Miss Pearl White, of King street West, one of our favorite sopranos, is enjoying her Easter in Detroit with her brother, Dr. Ollie White.

Mrs. John Cooper, Miss Pratt, Miss Ross, and Mr. Will Brackin, a musical quartet will spend Good Friday in Detroit.

Toronto Junction will be made brighter at Easter by the presence of Miss Mabel Campbell, who is going home for the holidays.

Mrs. John McKeough and Miss McCrea, who have been wintering with friends in Charlotte, Mich., have returned home.

Miss Gertrude Scott, of Park avenue, is swelling the population of the "City of the Straits" during this week.

The sewing club met last Saturday at Mrs. W. H. Taylor's, Lacroix street. Owing to so many members being engaged with the Banner-News special issue the attendance was unusually small.

Mrs. J. F. Thomas, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Percy Ives, in Detroit, returned home Saturday.

Miss Rive Stegman will be accompanied home immediately after the holidays by her friend and hostess, Miss Louie Davies, of Toronto.

Miss Ruby Gordon, of Wallaceburg, will be the guest of Miss Edith Holmes for the vacation. Both young ladies are students at Harvard Hall, Toronto.

Dr. and Mrs. Duncan will have as their Easter visitor their brother, E. J. B. Duncan, of Toronto.

Mr. Ross Ball and Miss Marjorie Cowan are Easter guests of Mrs. W. A. Barker, (nee Ball) of Paris.

Miss Godard who has been a guest of her sister Mrs. Marx for some time has left for Ottawa.

The Misses Garrett spend their holidays in Detroit.

Miss Samson spends her Easter holidays in St. Thomas and Mrs. Willison goes to Dr. McKitchee's, Harwich.

Miss Nellie Clements has entered Dr. Thornton's office as bookkeeper.

Mrs. S. F. Gardiner who has taken such a deep interest in this issue of the "Banner-News" left this morning for Toronto.

Sergt. Max Fraser goes to London for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Sutherland and Miss Sutherland leave for New Orleans next week remaining away about a month.

It is rumored that Mr. J. G. Kerr has purchased one of Chatham's most beautiful homes "Bleak House," King street, the late residence of Mr. H. A. Patterson.

The many friends of Mrs. Steele will be pleased to learn that she will spend a few weeks with her sister Mrs. Rispin.

The engagement is announced of Dr. Alfred Northwood, to Miss Hinde, and it is expected he will bring his bride to Chatham in May.

Miss Aylesworth, principal of the McKeough School Kinder garden, leaves for Toronto on Good Friday, to attend the annual meeting of the Ontario Educational Association, where she will read a paper, on "The Problems of a Kinder garden director."

Mrs. G. W. Cornell expects to spend the holidays in Toronto.

Mrs. W. Williams, of Dufferin Ave., is in attendance upon her sister in Florence, who is seriously ill.

Miss Meta Wilson and Miss Edith Holmes who are attending Harvard Hall, Toronto, and Miss Florence Stephenson, of Miss Veal's School, returned home yesterday.

Mrs. P. Curran, Joseph street, has recovered from a severe attack of grippe.

Miss Mary McKeough, of Trafalgar Institute, Montreal, will spend her holidays at Mrs. McLaren's, Ottawa.

Mrs. James Scott Gray returned home a few days ago after having spent a pleasant week with friends in Detroit.

Miss Longwell, Miss Irving, Miss McKellar and Miss Macpherson, members of the teaching staff in Chatham, are going to the teachers' convention in Toronto.

Mrs. E. W. Scane, Mrs. William McKeough, Mrs. S. F. Gardiner, Mrs. S. J. Sutherland and others have entertained Messrs. Crossley and Hunter.

Miss Helen Thomas spends her Easter holidays with Miss Kyno, of Galt.

Mrs. O. L. Lewis leaves this week for a visit in Detroit and Petrolia.

Mrs. Mackean visits Hamilton this week with her sister Mrs. Fearmon.

Dr. J. W. Scane who has been spending the winter at the University of Breslau Germany, returns this week to resume his practice in Montreal.

Judge Bell's wife and family who have spent the winter in Vienna are at present in the Island of Sicily after remaining there a few weeks they will visit the principal cities of Italy, afterwards spending the season in London, England.

Mr. F. O. Harrison, of the Standard Bank, goes to Cannington.

Mr. A. S. Thornton, Bank of Commerce, goes to Detroit; Mr. P. H. Turnbull goes to Goderich; Mr. A. W. Larmour, Bank of Commerce and Mr. Mercer, of the Bank of Montreal, go to Guelph, for their holidays.

Miss Lena McMillan, of Detroit, will spend Easter Sunday in town.

Mr. Bert Riddell leaves for Tacoma on Sunday night.

Miss Grace Wanless will visit friends in London Easter week.

Rev. Stanley and Mrs. Shaw, of Detroit, are visiting Mrs. Idle.

Mr. Claire Monteth, is expected home on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Monteth, U. S. Consul, April the 20th.

Mr. S. F. Gardiner and his son, Noble, will spend their Easter holiday in Detroit.

Mrs. Walter Jarvis and family, of Toronto, will be the guests of Mrs. Edwin Bell, during the holidays.

Miss Ethel Brock, London, is visiting her brother, Mr. I. E. Brock, Victoria avenue.

Mrs. Sandys has returned to the Rectory and expects her daughter, Mrs. Denison of Toronto, for Easter.

Mrs. George McKeough and Joseph McKeough left this afternoon for Montreal for a few days.

Miss Elma Philp, of London, will spend Easter in Chatham.

Misses M. Tilson and M. Holmes go to Detroit for the Easter holidays.

Miss Pearl Brock will assist in the special musical services of Ridgetown Methodist church on Easter Sunday.

Miss Young, of the McKeough school staff, is spending Easter with friends in Hamilton.

Mrs. Spencer Stone and Miss Campbell are visiting their mother, Mrs. Archie Campbell, Toronto Junction.

Invitations are out for an "At Home" at Mrs. Allister MacKay's, Centre street.

Mrs. Larkin, and Mrs. Alexander Wilson, of Senarth, will be the guests of Mrs. Allister MacKay for Easter.

Mrs. Kingsmill and family spend their Easter holidays at Mr. F. A. Kingsmill's, of London.

Mrs. E. W. Scane left for Montreal to meet her son Dr. J. W. Scane, who has been spending the winter in Germany.

Dr. Pentland, of Brantford, will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Pritchard for Easter.

Dr. T. K. Holmes returns on Friday from John Hopkins' hospital, Baltimore, where he has been the guest of Drs. Ocker and Kelly for the past fortnight.

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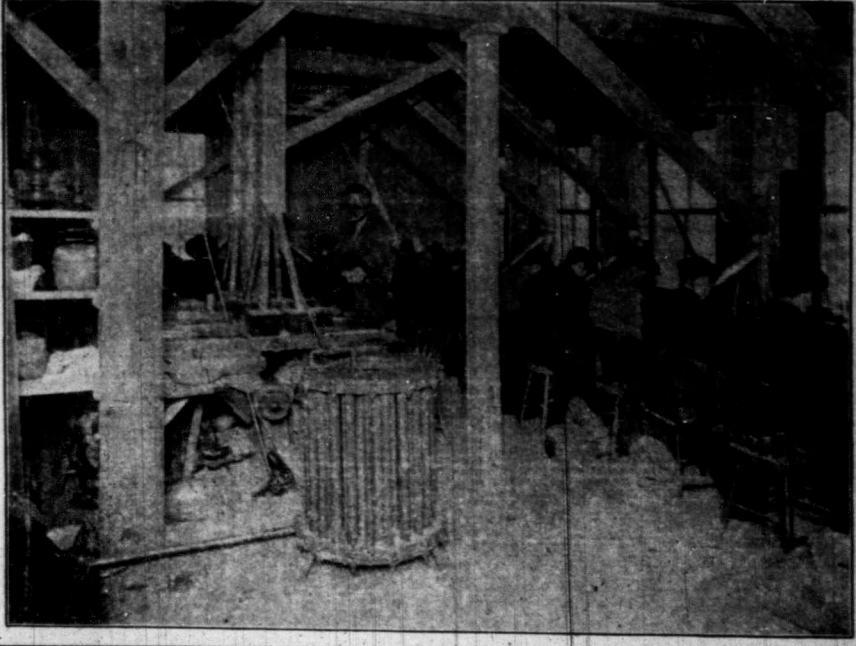
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"I Hurt so Here, and Hurt so There"

(A poem by Jean Blewett, formerly of Blenheim, suggested by a visit to the Sick Children's Hospital at Toronto.)

A LITTLE crippled figure, two big pathetic eyes, A face that seemed unchildish, so wan it was, and wise I held her hands the homesick tears came stealing down her cheeks: "I had to come," she whispered, "I was so sick and weak; It is my back; I used to be so strong and tall and straight; I went to school and learned to read and write upon a slate, And did up figures, such a lot, and play with all my might, Until I hurt my back; since then I just ache day and night. 'Tis most a year since I could stand or walk around at all; About all I am good for now is just to cry and crawl." Poor little thing! There came to us the laughter gay, and sweet, Of little ones let out from school, the sound of flying feet; She listened for a moment, then turned her face to the wall; "I wish," she said, "that I was dead, I'm tired of it all. I hurt so here and, hurt so there; why can't I run and shout. Like others do?" "When you are cured you shall," I said; but doubt was in the eyes she turned to mine, and doubt was in her tone. "Perhaps," she said, and then the pain grew harsh, though pain-tive moon. "Sinote sharply on my heart, I knew she had but lately come From mother's care and father's love and all the ties of home. "I wish I'd lived on earth," she said, "a long, long time ago, When Jesus came at eventide, he came, he loved folks so, And made the cripples walk again, and made the sick ones well; It was now, instead of then, I'd hurry up and tell Him where the hurt was hardest; I'd kneel down low and say: 'It is my back, dear Jesus, please to cure it right away; I'm tired of being lame and weak, I want to jump and run And laugh like I used to laugh, and have a lot of fun; Be good to this poor little girl. And he would touch me—so— And all the hurt and crookedness and all the ache would go"

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# "A FAIR JAPANESE" An Original Story by Eva Hamilton Young

This Story by Mrs. George E. Young, of Chatham, was written for the Hospital Edition of the Banner-News.

TIFFIN had just been served at the "Villa of Falling Flowers," the residence of Yokohama's English consul, to a company of native and foreign officials, their wives and daughters, and the officers from the fleet lying at the granite piers and landing places of the gay Japanese seaport.

On rising from the table they went out on the wide veranda, facing the harbor. Here the oppressive heat was tempered by the refreshing wafts of briny air which percolated through the vine-covered bamboo lattice.

Two or three of the men strolled to the far end of the veranda, ostensibly to smoke, in order to talk of their neighbors' affairs. But, attracted by the teeming life of the city, they stood silent awhile looking and listening to the tumult. In the distance, there is the sound of voices and beating of drums and gongs as processions of pilgrims pass to and from the temples and shrines, or to the "lotus viewing." It is a festival day, and the broad short street, lined on either side with quaint buildings with varied frontages of projecting eaves, paper lanterns, and open loggia fronts, presented a picturesque scene. Here were tea-houses, toy-shops, restaurants, temples, shrines, tempting booths for the sale of household gods, lacquered ware, incense-burners, ornamental hair pins, and other useful and useless articles to attract the thronging multitudes. Here, too, were men and women with large parasols spread over their heads to keep away the sun's rays. Women, old and young, with branches of feathery, pale green bamboo in their hands and wise-looking babies tucked into the backs of their dresses, Japanese dandies in European clothes, Chinese merchants in silky array and sporting the skull cap and red button of their rank, Kuruma runners in short blue-cotton drawers, blue cotton shirt with wide sleeves, and bright cotton kerchiefs knotted around their heads. Merry, laughing girls in holiday attire, jugglers, musicians and singing-girls, swarmed and buzzed in the hot June sunshine like bees in a garden of flowers.

"Jack Manners is playing the fascinating game of love with a vengeance, and the lovely Japanese seems not averse to his winning the game," said the gray-bearded Captain of a man-of-war, turning with a slight gesture towards a large white chair whereon sat Hakodate Kenji, the belle of Yokohama.

Behind her chair stood a white-clad fan-bearer waving a fan of gorges and plumage. She was surrounded by her little court of admirers she looked a very queen of love. The beauty of her skin—which was as fair as that of any Westerner—was enhanced by the glory of her purple-black hair which, refusing to be confined by jeweled comb or pins lay in soft coils about her shapely head. Her silken kimono (dress) was confined at the waist by a richly brocaded obi, or scarf which was the envy of all her lady friends—not only because of its great beauty and value but because of the peculiar grace it gave her. A mild, but animated expression was on her face as she took part in the gay talk going on about her; but for Lieutenant Manners was reserved the rare sweet smile that showed the white, even teeth.

"Playing! If it were only playing!" exclaimed Frank Ellacott, "tell you Captain Newton," he continued vehemently, "that Jack Manners is in dead earnest; he is making a fool of himself too. Worse than a fool for a good, true-hearted Canadian girl is waiting to become his bride when we return to Canada."

Ellacott looked so hot and indignant, and fanned himself so vigorously, that his companion laughed, and offered him his cigar case.

"Keep cool, my friend," he said, "Keep cool; but this is a merry game indeed, and the end of the play is not yet."

"No, the end of the play is not yet!" repeated Ellacott, soberly. "The girl is beautiful enough to turn any man's head, if he were not all but how an enlightened Christian can think for one moment of taking a wife of the Buddhist faith, is more than I can comprehend. I believe the girl has bewitched him with some heathen charm."

"The personality of the girl is enough to charm any impressionable man," said Captain Newton. "Perhaps," he continued humorously, "in some far distant stage of transmigration her soul inhabited the form of a serpent and some of the serpent's power of fascination has clung to her present personality or perhaps she was one of the Pterodactyls which roamed the earth in the secondary period, and her mind and fan are the rudimentary remains of the wings with which she lulled her victims into unconsciousness."

"You speak lightly and jokingly," replied Ellacott, "but it is no light matter to see a man like Manners wearing such a tangled web for himself; and when you think of the little CANADIENNE why, its for my part, I wish the fair Japanese was in her blissful Nirvana."

Before his companion could reply, Ellacott turned on his heel and walked to the other end of the veranda, and seated himself near Hakodate.

"I'll make a study of the girl," he said to himself, "and break the charm if I can."

Hakodate was softly plucking the strings of her SAMISE, the native guitar which she played with much skill and effect. Quaint monotonous notes rose and fell in weird cadence lulling the men and maids into wondering, spellbound quietude, and still the white hand strayed among

the strings; until the sweet subtle cadence, died away into a long mournful wail; then panting, moaning, writhing, growing ever wilder, it rose to a penetrating cry, that was like the cry of a lost spirit.

As the last notes died away into silence, a wave of mystery passed over them. Ellacott alert, watching, saw his friend Lieutenant Manners, draw a long breath of relief, and wipe away the sweat that had beaded on his brow during the playing; and feeling that his own nerves were somewhat overwrought, he determined to break the eerie spell that the music had thrown over the party.

"Good people all," he cried gaily, "there is a steam yacht lying at the wharf which I am at liberty to use whenever I wish; steam is already up or will be at short notice, and if you will come, we will try to keep cool, and forget the aches of life for the rest of the afternoon."

There was some demur at first among the elder members of the party, who preferred to remain where they were rather than walk to the quay, but, going into the street Ellacott called, "Oh! KUMAMAYA! Oh! KUMAMAYA!" and presently with the aid of chairs propelled by coolies and jostling jin-ri-ki-sha men, they were all on board the handsomely appointed yacht, and sailing over the Bay of Yedo.

Frank Ellacott stood talking to the mate for some time, watching meanwhile the pretty Japanese packing the deck with Lieutenant Manners.

"I like her face; it is full of earnestness and thought," Ellacott muttered to himself after the mate had left him. "And oh, how beautiful she is! Perhaps I have been mistaken! I wonder—"

The young man felt a sudden desire to know her better. Watching his opportunity, he saw her after awhile, standing alone, resting one

heathen girl, for so you call all those of my faith—a faith to which more than a third of mankind owe their moral and religious ideas—a faith which is full of beautiful thought and teaching. Listen!"

*Kokoro da ni makoto,  
No nigiri ni kana ni naba,  
I no koto to be no koto,  
Jano no ranoo.*

"Upright in heart be thou and pure,  
Should the blessings of God  
Throughout eternity be upon thee."

As she quoted the lines, a strange light shone in her eyes, dispelling for the moment the look of weariness that had been there.

Ellacott started slightly and looked questioning into the girl's sweet face.

"You are surprised," she said, "that he who would take the high Nirvana-way must conquer love of self and lust of life; and far hath he gone whose foot treads down one fond offence."

Ellacott sighed audibly; but it was from relief; from pleasure; keen, subtle, strange, as though some wondrous, sweet perfume had flitted past him. He wondered why he had been so anxious to save his friend from the enchantment of this girl. He told himself that he was not in the habit of interfering with other people's business, and so could not understand his strange overpowering desire to do so now.

"Lieutenant Manners is not worthy of you," he said to her and there was reverence in his tones for the girl at his side.

Hakodate had acquired the English language and reserve at an English school—and through association with foreigners and visitors of the diplomatic corps. But, now, under the influence of Ellacott's sympathy of manner and tone—through a sort of words—the childlike trust and freedom of her race asserted itself and she told him how Lieutenant Manners had enthralled her by his admiration and seeming tender-

"Lieutenant Manners has told you of my engagement," he said. "It was madness for him to think of any one else—now."

"Yes," she faltered, "he has just told me."

"And you?" he asked gently, pityingly.

"I—I have bidden him to go back to her and—forget me—and"—she continued frankly, "I love him; but he is not true; and my idol is broken!"

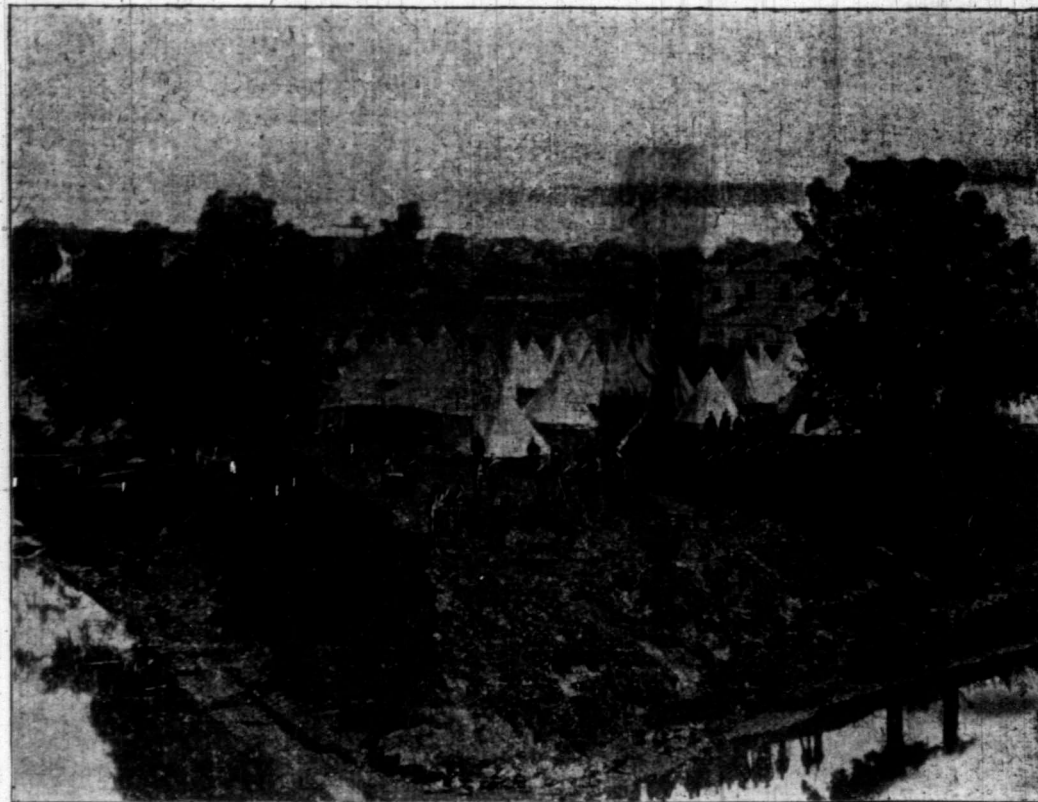
They stood silent for a while; she in the calm of exhaustion after the storm, the swish, swish, of the waves soothing her into quietness and peace; Ellacott quiet because of the surging tumult in his breast—the pulsing throbbing of the engines seeming but the echo of his heart beats—could not dare not speak for a while, for fear of betraying the feelings which possessed him. And so he stood quiet, drinking in the beauty of the face before him, hearing to speak or move lest he should startle her, realizing that his highest dreams of human loveliness and perfection were more than fulfilled in the girl who stood before him; that the beautiful casket was but the outward reflection of the brightness and purity within, and longing with an almost irresistible longing to gather her to his arms for all eternity.

Quitting himself at last with a determined effort, but with a curious tremor in his voice, he broke the long quivering silence:

"Is it not always so? We set up an idol which we think is pure gold; but by-and-by it becomes tarnished, or dulled by too close an intimacy, and, if kept long enough, the gilding may wear off altogether, and behold! the thing we thought gold, is but brass—an alloy of base metals! But, the law of compensation still holds good, and so other hopes will come—other idols may be set up."

"Miss Hakodate," he continued

## TECUMSEH PARK, AS IT WAS



This picture was made in the early days and shows the old 24th Battalion in camp on the old military reserve.

huddled on the shining brass hand-rail, looking with a far away expression on her lovely face, across the bright waters. He walked across the deck to her side with some trepidation—he was not a ladies' man, and somehow the lovely Japanese had a way of making people feel that she could read their very thoughts.

"Are you enjoying this refreshing coolness?" he asked her brightly, when at last he stood by her side.

"I love to be on the water," was her simple answer.

Her face was turned from him, but Ellacott thought there was a sob in her voice; he affected not to notice this, however, and talked far more than was his wont. He was not a curious man—but curiosity set for him the task of finding out what had caused this girl, who a little while ago was the sweetest of the gay, to shed tears. He was certain now that she had been weeping, for he saw her take a flimsy bit of lace—a mere apology for a handkerchief—from the large sleeve of her kimono and press it furtively to her eyes. He was certain that Hakodate was not a girl to weep without a reason, and he was equally certain that Lieutenant Manners had something to do with the tears in this case.

"Miss Hakodate," said he, gently, "I won't mind if I speak plainly to you."

"She was silent a little while; but suddenly she turned to him and began to speak excitedly:

"It is about your friend you would speak; you need not fear for him; I am not the kind of person you'd think me."

There was sore pain and protest in her sweet high-toned, and Ellacott twisted his moustache perplexedly.

"It's needless for you to speak," she continued, "I have seen it all in your face every time you looked at me. You have said to yourself, why should my friend ruin his life for this

ness for herself. But, to have him confess his love for her, and then tell her of his engagement to another, was more than she could bear; her notion of honor were thoroughly Japanese and she shrank from such an exhibition of inconstancy."

It was a strange tale for a maid to tell a young man; but the pathos and sincerity of it all redeemed it from any impropriety. It was not a continuous narrative; but rapid broken sentences—into which many Japanese words and terms were interpolated—and long pauses, more eloquent than words.

"And this," said Ellacott to himself is the girl whom I have always regarded as the embodiment of self-possessed and secretiveness; as a cold, crafty, designing maid, using one victim of her charms to lure another, until the ulterior object of her ambition was obtained!" and now, as she unburdened her heart to him, he began to realize how utterly unjust he had been in his estimation of her and in his comments upon her character. Astonishment, regret, reverence, pity, love, fear, tore him with their various emotions as he listened to her story and when she had finished and stood with half-averted face looking out over the water, the strong man trembled, as with the palsy.

"It is strange," mused Ellacott, as they stood silent for a moment. "How a great joy, a great sorrow, sudden peril, sudden excitement or emergency will cause people to reveal their true selves to whoever may chance to be with them, and carefully acquire habits, barriers of pride and position and race and religion are swept away by the resistless tide of nature, and the ego, the soul of the being, stands forth in all its beauty or all its deformity; 'verily as a man thinketh in his heart, so is he,' and happy is the one who, like this lovely Japanese, is without guile."

with quiet earnestness, "I want to beg a favor of you: I want you to forgive me my past lack of appreciation of your worth, and let me be your friend; will you?"

For one brief second of time he laid his hand persuasively on hers as it rested on the hand rail, and the touch sent the blood thrilling through veins like fire.

"Will you," he repeated eagerly, "will you forgive me and let me be your friend?"

She flushed a little, and said musingly, "Can you really wish to be my friend, now?"

"Try me and see," said he, laughing softly.

"Well, then," she replied, "I'll promise to forgive you if you—"

She did not finish the sentence—a blinding flash of lightning, followed by a mighty roar, drew from her a cry of dismay.

They had not noticed the gathering gloom, but during their conversation one of those sudden violent storms peculiar to tropic seas and lands had rushed up from the southward and was about them in all its fury and terror. As the yacht reeled in the wind, a sudden lurch brought her against him somewhat unceremoniously, she put out her hand seeking blindly for something to steady herself by. Ellacott grasped it, and throwing himself as he drew her gently to him, for he saw that she was afraid, her eyes betrayed her, and she was in danger of being dashed off the board, or carried away by the waves.

With a sailor's quick comprehensive glance he took in the whole situation and saw that there was great danger for all of them. The gale was rapidly increasing, and black, vicious waves roared and rushed around them in angry menace; the horizon was a dull glare, and a sky seeming but one mass of writhing

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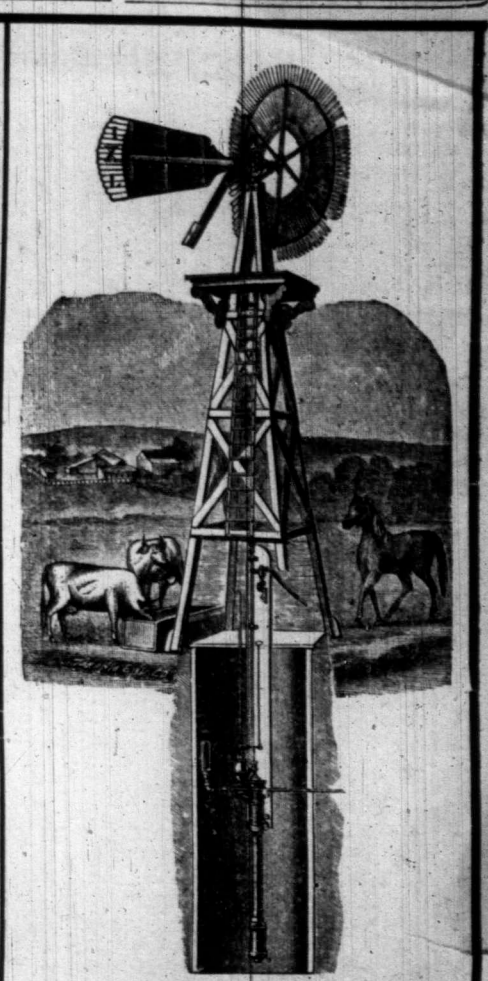
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WHILE EDITORS may sometimes criticise the preaching, and preachers occasionally censure what is published in papers, it is evident that preachers can manage a church much better than a newspaper, and editors can better fulfil the functions of their present position than those of preachers.

Training and practice are required to make a success in any department of life. We learn to do things by doing them. Pastor Sheldon and Rev. Dr. Parker signally failed to impress the public that they would make successful editors. Moreover, the editors of this edition of the Banner-News have no thought that it is an ideal paper, but being willing to encourage business and benevolent enterprises they accepted the position for the day.

PREACHERS AND PAPERS—The preachers and editors and reporters of our newspapers should be well acquainted and on intimate terms. We have often seen the great mutual advantage of this, whereas we have known instances where the preachers and those representing the papers had each other by the ears, so to speak, and the results were disastrous, not only to the parties concerned, but also to the community at large. It would be wise for preachers and papers to emulate one another in carrying out Paul's maxim, "Let every one endeavor to please his neighbor for his good to edification."

PULPIT AND PRESS—These in their functions are complementary of each other, and each is required for the enlightenment, regeneration, edification and general betterment of humanity. The press has one advantage over the pulpit in having a much larger audience, but the pulpit has a great advantage over the press by reason of the potency there is in the living voice. Instead of the pulpit or press losing its power, we believe that each has more power to-day than in any other age of the world.

PREACHERS AND POLITICS—It is manifest that it is wise and prudent for ministers not to take a public part in politics. Of course they should be posted in the politics of the country, and should not be censured for having a strong preference for one side, or the other, or for exercising their privilege, as citizens, in casting their ballot; but in view of both sides of politics being represented in their congregations, while it might be lawful for them to publicly discuss party politics, it is certainly not expedient.

POLITICS AND RELIGION—It is not to be commended to mix politics with religion, but it is essential to the purity of politics that religion should be mixed with them. There is evidently a tendency to do in politics and to palliate when done, things that would be scorned in private life. It would be well for our country if principle, not mere policy, were the controlling power in our politics, and then most assuredly would the adage prove true: "Honesty is the best policy."

THE CHURCH AND THE WORLD.—We believe that both are getting better each succeeding year. Of course, if a person's liver is out of order, or his mental-vision defective, or if he unconsciously beholds things through blue glasses, he may differ from us, but the fact is apparent to every optimist. Moreover, the church and the world are coming closer together; not by the church drifting nearer to the world, but by the world coming nearer and still nearer to the church in its ideals and practices. For example, the temperance sentiment of the world today is higher than it was in the church fifty years ago. There are more today who are counted of the world who are upon the very threshold of the church than in any other age.

PASTORS AND EVANGELISTS—There is no necessary conflict between pastors and evangelists, as both are in the divine order. Paul tells us that in the divine ideal, evangelists, in their work, are placed between pastors and settled preachers. Some few people try to reflect against pastors by speaking as if evangelists were doing the work that the pastors should accomplish. Not so, for while every pastor should, as far as possible, do the work of an evangelist, the evangelist by doing his distinctive work, instead of doing the pastor's work, rather facilitates and increases his work. The field is large enough for all workers.

PULPIT AND PEW—There should be a very close sympathy between pulpit and pew. There are many ways of facilitating this, but we will only venture to make two suggestions.

FIRST—The minister when preaching should not stand too far from his people. There should not be more than ten or twelve feet between the preacher and those in the pews nearest to him. Moreover, ministers could feel more at liberty and come in closer touch with their people by not having a pulpit in front of them when they are preaching. One has said that the person who invented the old box pulpit must have had in his mind this verse: "The Lord taketh no pleasure in the legs of a man."

SECOND—The minister should never fail to carry out Paul's rule: "Speaking the truth in love." There is usually a similar resemblance between the pulpit and the pew to, that between the one who stands before a looking glass and the one who appears in it. A kindly look receives a kindly look, sympathy begets sympathy, and love reciprocates love. Though a preacher should speak with the eloquence of men and of angels and yet should fail to speak in love he might as well shake a cymbal or beat on brass.

PREACHERS AND PEOPLE—There are certain things that encourage a preacher which his people will be the richer for contributing: such as regularity and punctuality at the services on Sabbath and week evenings, hearty singing, reverent participation in the devotional service, cheerful attention to the sermon, a cordial hand shake and a kind word of appreciation.

There are also many ways in which a preacher may gratify and benefit his people, such as by cheerful recognitions on the street, familiar greetings to the young people and children, dropping into the business places, offices, and workshops as well as visiting in the homes, wearing faultless attire from shoes to necktie and hat, giving special attention to the sick and sorrowing, making much of the week night service, keeping in sympathetic touch with the young people's societies, preaching practical scriptural sermons with such animation and fervor that the pulpit on fire will draw all classes to enjoy its warmth, and by being like John "a burning and shining light" and so be a living example and confirmation of the power of the gospel.

H. T. C.

#### HATS OFF IN CHURCHES.

IT WOULD GREATLY contribute to the interest, pleasure and profit of church services, if the ladies were to remove their hats during the delivery of the sermon. This is a common custom in many churches in the United States, and, we are informed, that ladies remove their hats in theatres in our own country. Certainly church-going people should consider the convenience of others as much as those who attend the theatres.

An audience looks much better when the hats are off; as most assuredly heads and faces are a much more imposing sight than hats and bonnets. Moreover, it is a practical way of carrying out the "Golden Rule," by not hindering the view of others by big hats and feathers.

The ladies, who are always so obliging, are heartily in favor of the practice; but in modesty they hesitate to adopt it as individuals until the request is made to remove their hats so that the rule may be generally carried out. It is certainly appropriate that very early in the 20th century this practice should be generally adopted in all our churches. The practice may be facilitated by the minister being cordially requested to make a kind suggestion from the platform that the ladies remove their hats.

There may be some few people who are so far behind the times and so inconsiderate of the comfort of other people, as to think this idea an unnecessary innovation; but we believe the thought and practice will soon be generally received and adopted. Let us hasten and hail the day.

J. E. H.

### To the Matron of the Public General Hospital:

To the womanly woman who day by day Is giving her time and thought, To making a home of a hospital gray, Giving what cannot be taught.

A sympathy, tender as it is rare, Whose life-work is this: to bless The sick and sorrowful in her care, With her own sweet cheeriness.

Whose voice and whose touch are both aids to health, Whose presence can strength impart Wherever she goes, there is such a wealth Of God's sunshine in her heart.

JEAN BLEWETT.

"Please Excuse Writing I Have to Lie Down To Pen This Letter."

By Jennie Illingworth....

JENNIE ILLINGWORTH entered the Hospital the end of September last a very delicate child, small for her years, suffering from curvature of spine and its attendant afflictions, but a brighter, cheerier, more industrious little soul never was in the Hospital, always good natured, even on her "blue days." She remained five months, but though gone, her example still remains and you still hear Jennie quoted for her patience and forbearance. This little patient writes the following letter "for the Ladies' Aid Paper" Jennie writes:—"Please excuse writing, as I have to lie down and write." "I was a patient in the Public General Hospital for over five months, stricken with paralysis and other weakness. My age is fifteen years the 1st of March, 1901. I experienced much comfort "Cheering and being cheered," although at times I had the "blues." Yet through wholesome conversation my affliction seemed light. "Speaking to a patient in an nearby room I said: "Good morning—how are you feeling this morning?" "Blue! Jennie." "I said: "Well, we all have our blue days, but we'll be better bye and bye." "I often think of how Christ suffered whilst on earth: The foxes hath holes: the birds of the air hath nests; but the Son of Man hath no where to lay his head." Then, think, oh, think how thankful we should be for beautiful hospitals, loving, kind matrons, nurses and doctors. Everything grand! Sent by Him Divine for our comfort. For my part I can truly say: "Oh for a thousand tongues to sing, my great Redeemer's praise." JENNIE ILLINGWORTH. Raleigh Township.

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### JESUS' ATTITUDE TOWARD CHILDREN.

"Suffer the little children to come unto me: and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God."—Mark, x., 14.

(An Editorial from The Chicago American, described by many critics of the press as "A Yellow Journal.")

**J**ESUS gave to the child his place in the world's society. With all the power of divine authority he built around the feeblest among us a wall that has protected them through the ages.

Before His day the child existed only by sufferance. It had no rights. It was but a counter, an infinitesimal atom. It was considered simply the property of the parent. Its father had power of life and death over it. The homeless dog that roams the streets to-day is more effectively shielded from cruelty than was the friendless child before Jesus came to live, and to die, for the weak and poor.

The law had said: "The parent is ruler of the child, and may dispose of it as he sees fit."

But Jesus said—and these are the most beautiful and affecting words in all the moral law of the world: "For I say unto you, that in heaven they do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven."

No threats so terrifying as those aimed at men who should harm little children:

"It were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depths of the sea." Matthew, xviii, 6.

It is impossible now to conceive the horrid indifference to childhood's rights which preceded the birth of Christianity. Infanticide was not the exception, but a settled custom. So much so, that in Rome the exposure of children in desert places was almost a virtue, since it gave the child some slight chance of surviving.

Not a few, but thousands and tens of thousands of children were thus "exposed." They fell a prey to wild beasts, or to the human beasts, still more ferocious, who took the children to make slaves or criminals of them.

Jesus came, and a miracle was worked—a miracle that no man will deny.

This was the miracle: Jesus said: "Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones, which is in heaven."

Jesus spoke, and thousands of millions of men, through nineteen centuries, have obeyed the command.

Every man was warned that the child dying goes straightway into the presence of God, and there, looking upon his face, bears witness to the treatment meted out to him here.

Well might it be said of the man who mistreated such a child: "It were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea."

Every man should study with awe and reverence the sad, lonely, misunderstood life of Jesus, the friend of the children. He had no family, no home, and for companions only a few humble fishermen to whom he spoke in simple parables, as to children.

"The foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man hath not where to lay his head." Matthew VIII, 20.

It was this childless, homeless Man that ever used His marvelous power to protect children.

It was He who gave to children their definite share in the kingdom of God.

Before His coming the wisdom of the world was devoted to telling the child of its duty.

But Jesus explained to grown men Their duty toward children. The family life was His ideal.

All men were His brothers, and, with Him, sons of God. "The Kingdom of Heaven" was given to Godward helpless men and women. They should be "to help children."

Under the rights now the Wisdom of children must be despised: "I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes, even so, Father; for so it seemed good in thy sight." Luke, X, 21.

Wherever Jesus went, children followed Him, and the finest little soul, in its mother's arms or tottering along in wide-eyed curiosity, could arrest His loving attention.

How beautiful is the picture that the Bible story presents to the mind.

Jesus is at Capernaum, on the sunny shore of the Sea of Galilee.

The Disciples—simple, honest men, often excited as to precedence and filled with deep longing to stand first in the Master's esteem—ask Him:

"Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" Matthew, xviii, 1.

Around them is gathered the typical Oriental group, and many olive-skinned women, with their children:

"And Jesus called a little child unto Him, and set him in the midst of them."

"And said: 'Verily I say unto you, except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.'"

"Whoever, therefore, shall humble himself as this little child the same is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven."

"And whoso shall receive one such little child in my name receiveth me."

Teach your children to think of and to love the divine Soul that pleads their cause. Teach them that in all words He uttered there can be found only love for them. No threats, no warnings—only love.

THEIRS is the kingdom of heaven. To care for THEM is man's chief duty here. To hurt THEM is to call down God's swiftest condemnation.

"THESE angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven."

### W. C. T. U.

The Women's Christian Temperance Union, of Chatham, was organized twenty-five years ago in the Methodist Church, King Street, by Mrs. Letitia Youmans. The officers were Mrs. Paterson, President; Mrs. VanAllen, Vice-President, assisted by an efficient staff of helpers. The departments of work taken up were Band of Hope and Gospel Temperance meetings, visiting the Gaol, distribution of literature and evangelistic work. The Union, faithful to its purpose in waging war against the liquor traffic, made its influence felt during the Scott Act campaign, by the dissemination of literature, lectures and otherwise contributing to the passing of the Act. Through the failure to enforce the Scott Act the efforts of temperance workers were for a short season paralyzed. Reorganization was effected in December, 1891, by Mr. J. Hess, of Clarendon, N. Y., brought to the city by the Royal Templars of Temperance. The following officers were elected: Mrs. (Rev.) Sowerby, Pres.; Mrs. (Dr.) Richardson, Treasurer; Miss M. Wemp, Cor. Sec.; Miss M. Reddick, Rec. Sec. Weekly meetings of the Union have been held regularly since that period. The year following the Band of Hope was organized with Mrs. Shackleton as President. At this time the departments of work taken up were—prison work, evangelistic, literature work among colored people, exhibition and fair work, flower mission, press work, work among sailors, scientific tem-

perance instruction, unfermented wine. Since this, other departments have been added, viz.—Lord's Day Alliance, parlor meetings, work among lumbermen, young woman's work and temperance in Sabbath schools. A County W. C. T. U. was organized in 1892, through the efforts of the Chatham Union. Five local Unions were included in this organization. Three others have been added since, Ridgeway, Salem and Tibbury. In 1893 the Union furnished a room in the Public General Hospital, and continues to maintain same. The same year a drinking fountain was placed in front of the market square, and presented to the city after being unveiled. Through the agency of the W.C.T.U. the number of licenses in the city was reduced. The Union assisted in sending to the Gold Care Institute, Windsor, a number of men who returned effectually cured from the drink habit, and who remain steadfast to this day. Yearly appropriations are made towards the support of Miss A. Sprout and Mr. J. Leckie, who are missionaries among the lumbermen of the Camps of Muskoka and Algoma; and special attention has been given to Young Women's Work recently by sending contributions to assist in the maintenance of the Francis Willard Home, Toronto. The present officers are: Mrs. Wm. Tristram, President; Miss M. Reddick, Vice-President; Mrs. A. Pike, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Cartier, Corresponding Secretary; Miss A. Sibbald, Treasurer.

### "A FAIR JAPANESE"

(Concluded from Page Three.)

tortured demons, the black terror of the waters beneath being but the reflex of the blackness above, and naught to hold one from the other save the frail craft buffeted about between them. "Come," said Ellacott, "let me take you to the cabin; you will be safer there. Do not fear, the yacht is a staunch one, and, please God, we will weather this gale in safety. I will protect you with my life."

His reverent loving tones and words of manner, and the strong but gentle pressure of his encircling, sustaining arm, revealed the wondrous love and passion which had so suddenly sprung into being in the man's heart; and as he guided her along the wet heaving deck, with frequent pauses for rest and safety, all her fear and sorrow seemed to be blown away by the wind; a strange sweet presence and rapturous light which nestled in his heart as a third child in the arms of its mother! She thought she was in love with Lieutenant Manners; whereas it was Ellacott that held the key to her heart. Ellacott's concern for his friend was simply the subtle, jealous promptings of his love for Hakodate which had so suddenly claimed his recognition. Manners was the connecting link in the chain of events which brought their kindred souls together.

As Ellacott left her at the door of the cabin with words of cheer and comfort, she raised her beautiful eyes, and looking into the man's face, filled their liquid depths shone into his, thrilling his whole being with its intensity.

To Hakodate, the descendant of a long line of warrior princes, the scene presented a picture of a most great shock. She had been startled by the sudden onslaught of the storm into a temporary fear, but like finely tempered steel, her inherent fortitude had quickly recovered from the blow and she was prepared for any emergency. She could not understand the abject fear exhibited by her friends. Pity and contempt struggled for the mastery as she surveyed the cowering crowd.

Hakodate alone of all the party had been caught outside by the storm, the others having been warned in time to seek shelter in the cabin, were clinging to everything solid enough to keep them from being thrown about by the sudden lurches of the vessel. Some of the girls had seated themselves on the floor and were hugging the legs of the table in a frantic embrace. Every lurch of the vessel started a shriek and sob and sigh and moans, like the dismal wailing of a whistling buoy on a wind swept reef, and the ludicrousness of it all appealed so forcibly to Hakodate that she laughed merrily. But though she laughed at them, she strove to imbue them with some of her cheerfulness and hope.

Lieutenant Manners and Ellacott both remained on deck assisting the crew and neglecting no device or precaution which their skill and experience could dictate. Fortunately the mate had seen the storm approaching and had secured the hatches and everything movable, and putting the yacht about had headed her straight into the teeth of the gale. But the wild choppy sea, caused by the continuous and sudden veering about of the wind, pounded and twisted the little craft terribly, and there was great danger of her broaching to and being swamped in the swirling waters. So fierce was the gale that the yacht, despite her powerful engines, could not make head against it and was rapidly drifting out to sea.

As night settled down upon them the horrors of the situation increased—great forked flashes and blinding sheets of lightning followed by crash upon crash of awful thunder in an almost continuous roar, the fiendish shrieks and howls of the wind as it tore through the rigging and about the vessel, the driving torrents of rain, and the oppressive gloom and blackness were enough to appal the bravest hearts. But Ellacott and Manners had fought many a battle with the demons of the tropics, and so they went about their task with a calm, cool courage and quiet confidence, which nerved the crew to heroic effort.

Fastening a couple of spars, some tables and chairs from the cabin securely together, and binding a bag of oil thereto, they threw it over the bow. The effect was magical. The drifting mass of furniture remained in the water as a hundred feet ahead, and the oil, spreading out like a wedge, forced the tossing waves away from the sides of the yacht, leaving it in comparatively smooth water. The leaping and shakings and the sickening downward plunges of the yacht were changed into an easy rise and fall. The mad rancings of the engines, as the propeller was lifted clear of the water, was stopped, and the drag checking the leeward drift of the yacht, the engines were slowed down to lessen the danger of a break-down.

But the danger was still imminent and neither of the two young officers thought of deserting their post until perfect safety was assured, no matter how strong the temptation might be to one of them.

All night Ellacott seemed to feel the flutter of the bird which had nestled in his breast away from the storm; the light in her beautiful eyes as he left her at the cabin door, had been as a beacon guiding and cheering him through the gloom and danger.

And now as the morning dawned and the storm, baffled of its prey, howled itself away, Ellacott and Manners went to the cabin with the glad news that all was well and that soon as the sea calmed down somewhat they would be home ward bound, but that it would take some time to reach port, for they had drifted many miles during the night despite the drag and engine.

It had been a night of terror and anxiety for the merry party which had set sail with such pleasant anticipations—and their pale faces and disheveled appearance bore mute testimony of it—and they were proud in their praise and thanks; in-

stating that they owed their preservation from a watery grave to the bravery and mastery seamanship of Ellacott and Manners.

Hot, strong coffee was served to guests, and extra grog passed to the crew, and the fear of death and disaster removed, the exuberant spirit of youth asserted itself and merry jest and laughter rang through the cabin.

Hakodate Kenji, alone of all the party, remained silent and aloof. Ellacott watched her furtively for awhile, then rose and drew a chair close to hers, bent his head over and said in a low, intense voice:—"It has been a cheerless night with you, I fear."

"Oh, it was dreadful!" Hakodate declared with an expression of relentless misery. "Personal fear had nothing to do with it, however, for I delight to be out in a storm on sea or land. I think it is grand to watch the lightning playing about among the clouds and to hear the thunder roar and crash from one side of the world to the other. Of course," she again replied, "I do not mean that one of your countrymen brought lightning down on a kite string, and," seriously, "I know the scientific theory of the thunder; nevertheless, it is a great mystery, and because of its mystery, I like to listen and wonder and question. I could have enjoyed the storm last night if my friends had not been in such danger and distress."

Ellacott marvelled, as he listened to her and watched the play of emotions on her mobile countenance—like shadows over a summer landscape—that he had been so egotistically blind to the character of this wonderful girl. "Dolt, coward, blockhead," he muttered as he recalled his previous treatment of her. She seemed to deny light in bringing the treasures of her heart for his inspection, and how he revealed in their gleaming beauty.

A merry burst of laughter rang through the cabin as she ceased speaking.

"Judging from present symptoms," said Ellacott, smiling, "there trouble was not very serious—only a slight mare, which the first rays of the sun has dissolved."

"You should not judge too hastily from appearances, they are the most unreliable of shadows, laughter is too often the mask of tears."

"Yes, sailors say it is like Mother Carey's chickens, a sure sign of a 'squall.' But I must not repeat ship lore to you, though a young lady like you should not be so storm as that of last night deserves."

"Oh, but I was frightened!" interrupted Hakodate, "that is at first, when the storm broke so suddenly and unexpectedly, and you—" and she started to say something more, but her words were cut off by a flash and crash and darkness and tempest and the awful struggles with the wind and waves, his protecting loving care and the utter trust with which she yielded herself to him, and the long blackness of the night, struggling with the tempest for her sake as he said, and the dreams of the future with him as the central figure, for she knew that she loved him, loved him, loved him, and she had said, "I loved him with all the passion of her race; but woman-like, she would not reveal her secret until forced to."

"He had saved her life at risk of his own. Let him, and out if he could, that it belonged to him utterly. But she could not restrain her blushes nor hide the lovelight in her beautiful eyes—and the quiet self-possessed bells of diplomatic circles became confused and hesitating in her speech—and covering her face with her hands she exclaimed: "I think I must have acted like a child last night in my fright." Ellacott smiled and said, "A very beautiful child."

Never had Hakodate's maidenly modesty received so rude a shock. She had been accustomed to flattery all her life, her great beauty had ensured her that, but in the subtle dialectic of society, not in such plain blunt speech as this! Started she dropped her hands from her face, turned towards Ellacott and searched the face and eyes so near her own with a steady, penetrating, questioning look, as if to probe his most secret thoughts.

Ellacott returned her gaze with interest. Having nothing to conceal from her he left the windows of his soul wide open, uncurtained, while she gazed upon the face before him. Gradually her tense nerves relaxed and a soft tender smile fluttered about her mouth, the hard questioning look disappeared and once again Ellacott saw that wondrous light in her eyes, and other had simply been a flash of gratitude and admiration; this, which danced and sparkled there now, was the flame of undying love, thrilling every fibre of his being with its intensity. And so these two sat there oblivious of the merry crowd so near them, silent, yet telling with their eyes that old story of human love—as sweet and tender as the flowers of spring, yet greater than the hoar frost of time.

And now the scene changed; there was a babbling of tongues and a bustle of seamen on deck, and the voices of the sailors were jubilant, and full of gladness as they sailed into the harbor singing.

On the shore, there was a stir of animated excitement. The gloom of despair on the faces of the waiting crowds quickly changed, to smiles of delight as the yacht's relief occasioned to all was vented in ringing cheers, immediately followed by salutes from the hundred boats moving to and fro about the harbor.

The return of the yacht safe and uninjured after her perilous voyage was looked upon as a miracle in shipping circles, and Ellacott and Manners were much applauded for their persevering gallantry and nautical skill, but when Captain Newton heard of Lieutenant Ellacott's engagement to Hakodate Kenji he smiled knowingly under his gray beard as he recalled Ellacott's denunciation of the "fair Japanese maid."

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Although much sought after in the "smart world" she showed a preference for her own home and clung with longing tenacity to the shelter of her husband's heart.

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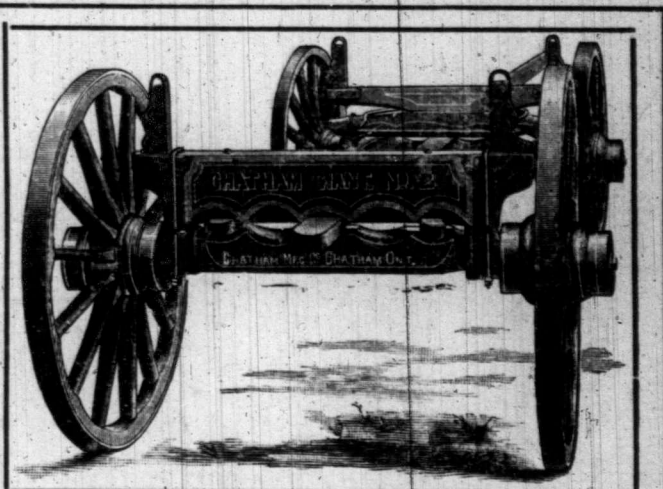
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WONDROUS INDEED is the virtue of a true book. O thou who art able to write a book, which once in the two centuries or oftener there is a man gifted to do, envy not him whom they name City-builder, and inexpressively pity him whom they name Conqueror or City-burner!—Carlyle.

Though the amount of contemporary literature is vast, it is not given unto us to know what will win immortality, what will be consigned to oblivion. Some tell us that the fittest and best will survive, others declare it is chance that decides what shall live, what die. Yet it is pleasantest to believe that it is the best products of the best minds which will be honored by posterity. If we examine the works which have survived from past ages, we shall find that they are the ones which owe the least to their own time and place, but contain in themselves elements which appeal to all men in all times. Thus, Lyly who had immense popularity in his day, is now scarcely known even by name except to scholars, for he entered to his time.

On the other hand Shakespeare's characters can be understood and appreciated by us as well as by his contemporaries. Kent has produced its authors who are striving for success, will it be their deserts, or mere chance that decides their reward? In the history of literature prose appears after the various kinds of poetry, and has been developed from its first rudiments to the "fine-lined phrase" of our classics.

In the field of prose we have Mrs. Geo. E. Young, whose stories appear in our best newspapers and magazines. Mrs. Denison, whose books are well known to us, E. Sandys who is a journalist, and A. Brille, Robert Barr and "Ralph Connor" who have won reputations for themselves as writers of fiction, claim Kent as their home. Poetry was the earlier form of literary expression and in beauty has not yet been surpassed by prose. On the honor roll Kent has the poets, Mrs. Jean Blewett, Arthur Stringer and the late Mr. Luppman.

The April number of Scribner's Magazine is very attractive and well illustrated. There are in it six stories; several poems; an article on the "Southern Moralizer" and his part in preserving the union by John Fox Jr., contributions on art by Edwin Lord Weeks and Will H. Low; and the conclusion of the stage production of "The Merchant of Venice" by Charlotte M. Martin. Walter A. Wyckoff's narrative, "A Day with a Tramp" is told with simplicity and directness. Mr. Wyckoff is favorably known in "The Worker" and other books, and his writing on a vagrant life is made very interesting by being based upon his actual experiences with tramps and their conditions of life. Edwin Lord Weeks in "Two Centuries of Moorish Art," shows a student appreciation of the architectural beauties to be found in the quaint towns of Morocco.

GRACE McDONALD

From "THE PHILISTINE"—ON "Chicago Tongue" by Frai Elbertus—

1.—Despondency follows fast where good cheer is reinforced with drinks.

2.—The man who cannot enjoy a good position without plotting to dislodge someone else is laying a fuse that will cause himself to be lifted into space very shortly.

3.—The hate we sow finds lodgment in our hearts, and the grip is settles that Fate unrelentingly demands we shall gather.

4.—There is only one way to win the favor of god men, and that is you care for the approbations of any other?—and there is only one way you can secure the smile of God, and that is to do your work as well as you can, and be kind.

From "April, Success"—

It is as impossible to find real pleasure in wrongdoing as it would be to sweeten one's tea with vinegar.

It would seem, from glancing at the April Magazine, that interest in "the only animal which has a capacity for progress in the race" is being shared by inventors in miniature, "that make no use of metals or artificial clothing, nor invent and use machinery." Writers are indeed noticing not only "the young man's fancy," but also the "robin, the lapping and the dove."

In McClure's there is "The Story of the Beaver" by Wm. Davenport Hulbert; in connection with THE CANADIAN MAGAZINE a continuation of "Mooswa of the Boundaries" by W. A. Fraser, and "Fighting among the wild animals" by W. I. Harnday, in MENSEY.

In LESLIE'S, too, there is one—"When Twilight falls on the Stump Lots" by Charles G. D. Roberts. These animal stories emphasize two statements made by Ernest Seton—Thompson—"I have known wild animals I have known" viz.—The animal mother love for her young is strong to desperation, and (2nd) that "No wild animal dies of old age. Its life has soon or late a tragic end; it is only a question of how long it can hold out against its enemies." "Robert's" story is about a cow, her calf, a bear and her two cubs. In closing he says, "The fate of the calf was ordinary; within a few weeks it found its way to the cool marble-slabs of a city market."

THE LABOR GAZETTE says: "The importance of Canadian Fisheries in the industrial life of the Dominion may be seen from the fact that above one hundred thousand men and a capital of about ten millions of dollars, are engaged in their development. It also calls attention to the protection



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of employees in mines, prohibiting the use of single shafts. The most notable article in MONTHLY CULTURE for April is the "Friendship of Carlyle and Emerson," by Johnson Brigham, also "Native Life in the Philippines," in the concluding paper of Mrs. Sara Denton Wilson's interesting series, "Holy Week in Sevilla," by Andre C. Fontaine, and "The Lily in English Poetry," by Anna C. Wiket, are suggestive of Easter.

From the former we take the following—"Sevilla is the city of song and laughter; it is a place where, more than elsewhere one enjoys living; no rush, no important business—all are cheerful and "sunsoaked" Here under heavens, always blue and clear, religion thrives in a wonderful manner. Every morning Sevillian consults his calendar to see what religious ceremony will, a little later on, fill the streets with gorgeously-gowned men and women. When he finds out he immediately saunters toward the cathedral to witness the preparation. The construction of the cathedral, at the end of the middle ages, was practically the result of a wager. The Canons heretically ruined themselves; they wanted to outdo the Christians of Toledo. They desired to surpass the Moors of Cordova; they wanted a marvel for Sevilla and Sevilla got the marvel.

This religious ceremony born in that great edifice break forth into Sevilla with a character of grandeur and brightness they seek to speak in the streets of the city. Be it a grave epidemic to be feared or a great joy to be celebrated, all the prestige of a gorgeous ceremonial is resorted to as a means of appealing to all the inhabitants. Procession follows procession, each one larger, richer and more imposing than its predecessor. On Easter, Sunday there is a procession of another kind more cheerful, more noisy—Christ has risen again! In the afternoon, strange proof of the Spaniards' logic everyone finishes the day by witnessing a bull fight."

In this month's CANADIAN MAGAZINE appears a story by Arthur Stringer, "The woman in the snow," also a poem by Jean Blewett entitled "At Easter-time, the earth to the Twentieth Century," the two concluding stanzas of which are quoted below.

"Past centuries have not trodden out my greenness

With all their marches, and I have no fears,

That ye will bring me barrenness or leanness,

March on! what to me are thy hundred years?"

March on O century I am safe 'till God's right hand—the garner house of truth,

The hand that holds the treasure rich and golden

Of life and sweetness and eternal youth."

From the "EASTER DELINEATOR" we get the following list of new books:—"A Sister to Evangeline," by Chas. G. D. Roberts; "Old Bits of Travel With Brush and Camera," by Chas. W. Taylor; "The House of Egremont," Molly Elliot Sewall; "The Healers," Meredith Nicholson; "A Plucky Girl," Laura T. Mendel; "The Girl of Bonnie Castle, Ezola Forrester; "The Eagle Heart," Hamlin Garland; "The Hosts of the Lord," Flora Annie Steel; "The Influence of Christ in Modern Life," by Rev. Newell Dwight Hills; "The Rulers of the South," E. Merton Crawford; "With Christ at Sea," Frank T. Buller. And from "THE OUTLOOK" of March 30—J. M. Barrie and His Books, by J. A. Hamner; and "Joseph Chamberlain—the Man and the Statesman," by N. Murrell Marris; "Uncle Terry" (of the type of David Harum) by Charles Clark Munn, is also a new one.

Laura M. Pilkey, Jane Coltart.

SIDE LIGHTS ON LIFE.

No man was ever so much in love that it interfered with his appetite.

The young man who has to scratch for a living seldom sows any wild oats.

We have three kinds of people in the world—the wilds, the warts and the caits.

The man who takes no thought of tomorrow is apt to wake up some morning and find it yesterday.

Some men use Sundays as a sort of sponge to wipe out the sins they committed during the previous six days.

There are times when one should speak gently; but, as a rule, it is necessary to use a megaphone if you want the world to hear you.

MUSIC AND ART

They Go Hand-in-Hand, and Here are Some of the Hand Maids.

THE KRAUSE CONSERVATORY of music was founded and is directed by Mr. R. Victor Carter, who is one of the most advanced institutions of its kind in Western Ontario and being affiliated with the Toronto College of Music, affords its students excellent advantages.

The faculty consists of prominent and experienced musicians and represents the best schools of Germany, France, England and America. The initial year of the Conservatory opened with an enrollment of over two hundred students which has steadily increased since that time.

The Conservatory faculty is composed of R. Victor Carter, Musical Director, who is too well known in musical circles in Chatham to need any further comment; Miss Clara Bright, Mrs. R. Victor Carter, Miss Lillian Pratt, Miss Dorothy Sheldon, the Misses Louise and Florence Hillman, Miss May E. Donell, and Miss Nora Stephenson, piano; Miss Elda Idle, A. T. C. M., and Mrs. J. Cooper, voice culture; Henry McCaw, violin; Miss M. Maud McCosh, elocution; Miss Lillian Pratt, organist of Park Street Methodist church, and Miss Louis Hillman, of Victoria Avenue Methodist church, also have charge of the organ department. A New Department, the Fletcher Music method, Simplex and Kindergarten, conducted by Miss Mabel Campbell, has been added to the Conservatory since its opening, and is becoming deservedly popular with the children, some of whom, no doubt, will be our coming musicians.

There is to be a new addition of "The Enigma Gallery" by E. Kate Simmons. This was probably one of the best known popular compositions. The Gallop was composed by Miss Simmons during an attack of illness and was the work of half an hour. The royalty received from this was \$5,000, with which Miss Simmons endowed a bed in St. Luke's Hospital in New York.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Marshall are successfully conducting a large class.

We are glad to hear that Claire Montel, who is continuing his vocal studies with George Sweet in New York, is making such rapid progress. We expect to hear great things of him in the future.

Miss Nellie Rhody, organist of St. Joseph's church, is, we understand, to play the piano for "The Pirates of Penzance."

Browse Smith's many friends will be delighted to hear that he is steadily coming to the front in Comic Opera. He is at present in India.

Mrs. Westcott, of Kingsville, formerly of Chatham, has two new compositions ready for publication. "The Essex Hero," a two-step and a Nocturne. Mrs. Westcott is also working on a song which will be published later.

Miss Ellen Vavasour Noel, another talented Chathamite, a sister of Mrs. (Dr.) J. L. Bray has composed a very pretty march "Memorial March" which was very loyally dedicated to Lord Roberts.

Gilbert & Sullivan's masterpiece, "The Pirates of Penzance," will be presented at the Grand Opera House on the evening of Thursday, April 18th. The cast throughout on this occasion will be of the highest me it and is chosen mostly from local talent. Below is given the cast in full:—

The Pirate King, Byron Bronté, Major General Stanley, R. Victor Carter.

Samuel (King's Lieutenant) R. R. Ball.

Frederic (a Pirate Apprentice) Smith Fish.

Sergeant of Police, Thos. Stegman, Mabel (Gen. Stanley's Daughter) Miss Elda Idle.

Edith (Gen. Stanley's Daughter) Miss Pearl White.

Kate (Gen. Stanley's Daughter) Miss Maud Weese.

Isabel (Gen. Stanley's Daughter) Mrs. Milton Bogart.

Ruth (a pirate's maid of all work) Miss Addie Munford.

And a chorus of 40 voices.

The costuming of the opera will be of the most elaborate scale and be perfect in every detail. Mr. Bronté, who sings the role of the Pirate King, (this originating part) was associated with Gilbert and Sullivan in England for a period of ten years as their principal baritone and was also the original English Mikalé company that was presented at the Fifth Avenue Theatre, New York.

Smith Fish, operatic-tenor, who has been engaged to sing the role of Frederic, is considered one of the best of the younger operatic singers, and comes very highly recommended by some of the best musical critics. The other principals in the cast are all well known locally.

The choruses of forty voices is purely local and promises to be one of the best balanced choruses ever heard in Chatham.

ART.

The Art Committee of the Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo, has decided to exclude all art, save that of painters and sculptors of the American continent. But there will be an collection to which American collectors will be asked to contribute. This decision is in line with the purpose of the Exposition, which is devoted to the commercial interests of the nations of North, Central and South America.

Mrs. R. S. Woods is the possessor of some very valuable oil paintings. One family group painted in Philadelphia, by O'Connell, one portrait painted in Vienna by one of the old masters. There are also several pictures painted in Quebec, from life, by celebrated Canadian artists.

Miss Burns' studio, Thames street, is a very pleasant place to spend a very delightful half hour in. There are many beautiful pieces of china here, the work of the artist and her

pupils. One in particular, a small tea set and tray done by Miss Burns, being exceptionally fine. From Miss Burns we learn that conventional designs are coming in and that dark tints for base work and back grounds are much used, at present.

A visit to the Ursuline Academy proved very enjoyable and instructive and many interesting facts in reference to art were gleaned. Two oil paintings, one of "St. Augustine," taken from a Convent in Vienna and some five or six hundred years old, both from the old masters, were particularly fine. Reference might also be made of the picture of the "Venerable Mother of the Incarnation," foundress of the Ursulines in Quebec.

The new chapel of the Academy contains four beautiful stained glass windows imported from Munich, which are splendid specimens of this branch of art.

Tapestry and miniature painting have lately been added to the subjects taught and some good examples were shown. China painting is also very extensively taken up and many beautiful designs were shown, one especially, a very effective one put in dragon's blood was noticed.

A. M. Fleming, artist, has recently had an offer (by Prof. Griffith) of space in the Detroit Art Museum to place on view and for sale, his large picture "Scene on the Coast of Cornwall." The professor thought it worthy of space, and the probabilities of a sale, good, but the offer may be declined, owing to trouble with the customs and the prospects of a more ready sale in London. Mr. Fleming has a large class, including, besides Chathamites, some from Blenheim, Fletcher, Thamesville, etc., who are progressing very satisfactorily. Mr. Fleming is more engaged than ever before in Chatham and has a good supply of summer work ahead, consequently he has decided to stay in Chatham this season and not leave for the west as he expected.

WOOD CARVING, AND OTHER NOTES.

That a radical change has taken place in the public taste is evident by the revival of wood carving for interior decoration. This is a very fascinating branch of art and not by any means beyond the capacity of women. It is artistic, useful and highly remunerative. In the Industrial School at Sandringham, England, which Queen Alexandria founded and sustains, special prominence is given to wood carving.

Etching on leather and burning on wood are also coming into prominence and promise to do much towards developing artistic taste.

A certain artist has a very unique studio, known as "A Picture Hospital." Here pictures, which have been mutilated by accident, cracked or faded by age, are renovated and restored. There is a field in this branch of art for many workers and there are many who, in a short time, would become very proficient and find it a pleasant and profitable occupation. The knowledge and sympathy of the artist combined with the natural and mechanical genius is required. Industry, care, patience and confidence will be necessary, but success in a moderate way, at least, is assured to any one who is interested enough to give the work a study.

MRS. JOS. HADLEY.



CONTAGIOUS WARD, Public General Hospital.

SOME OLD TIMERS.

Dr. Jesse C. Green of West Chester, Pa., 84 years old, is said to be the oldest active wheelman in the country.

Daniel Wark, a Dominion senator from Fredericton, N. B., is said to be the oldest legislator in the world. He is 97 on Feb. 23.

Former Governor Boutwell of Massachusetts is the only living man who was the executive of a state 50 years ago. He was only 31 years old when in 1851 he was inaugurated governor of Massachusetts.

Former Chief Justice Lozan E. Bickley of Georgia has matriculated at the State university for a course in mathematics. He is 70 years old and engaged on a book, part of which treats of a branch of mathematics in which, as he says, he has "grown rusty."

Timothy T. Sawyer, the president of the Banker Hill National bank of Charlestown, Mass., is the oldest bank president in New England. He has been connected with the institution over 50 years and has been its president since 1884. He is now 84, but attends to all his duties at the bank.

George W. Putnam, a descendant of the famous Revolutionary general, is said to be the oldest railroad mail clerk in the country. He was appointed by Lincoln in 1861 and has been in the service ever since. His home is in Westfield, O., but his duties are between Ashtabula and Oil City, on a branch of the Lake Shore road.

During a recent speech in congress Senator Morgan, with a brief intermission, was on his feet for six hours, talking steadily. He is 77 years old; but, in spite of his own language, he is not as rapid in his action and speech as his colleague, Senator Pettus, who is 80 years old. "I cannot keep up as closely with the profession," he said. "I only stagger along."

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Local Jottings.

PROBABILITIES.  
Special to The Banner-News.  
Toronto, April 3, 10 a. m.—Fresh to strong north easterly to northwesterly winds, clearing to-day.  
Thursday—Fair with a little higher temperature.

THE WEATHER.  
CHATHAM, APRIL 4, 7 a. m.

Barometer 75.30  
Thermometer 52  
Highest yesterday 57  
Lowest yesterday 40  
Direction of wind, northwest.

John Piggott is in Windsor to-day. Bert Anderson left Tuesday for the "So."  
"B" Co. (Capt. Bell) will drill to-night.  
Dr. Battisby left for Toronto to-day.

Mr. Houston P. M., is much better to-day.  
Mr. Mercer will spend Easter out of town.  
Beverly Campbell will spend Easter in the city.

Miss Helen Thomas is visiting friends in Galt.  
Miss McKellar will spend Easter at Poplar Hill.  
Mr. Larmour is going to Detroit for Easter.

Mr. Jardine's holidays will be spent in Tilbury.  
Miss Lissie McNaughton is visiting her brother in Chicago.  
Whitton Bell returned last night from Ridley College.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Douglas will spend Easter in Detroit.  
Mrs. John Wall, Jr., of Cleveland, who has been ill, is recovering.  
Dr. Thornton and family will spend Easter in Detroit.

Mr. Mercer, Bank of Montreal, will spend Sunday in Guelph.  
Miss Annie Walker is visiting her brother Dr. Walker, Toledo.  
Judge Bell has been out of town since Monday on an arbitration.

Mr. Fraser, of the Merchant's Bank, is going to London for Easter.  
Mrs. Patterson, Indian Creek road, who has been ill is slightly improved.  
Miss Buzzard, of Blenheim, returns home today from the General Hospital.

Mrs. Turrell who has been visiting her mother Aglmer, returns home to-day.  
Mrs. J. M. Northwood left to-day for Windsor, where she will spend a few days.  
Master Tom Jarvis, of Galt, is visiting his grandmother, Mrs. Mackenzie.

Mr. Duckett underwent an operation at the General Hospital this morning.  
Miss A. Rowe, of Darrah, is the guest of Mrs. Jno. McLewie, Joseph street.  
Miss Maggie Henry, of Blenheim, is the guest of Mrs. Bauning, Victoria avenue.

Dugald Brodie, who has been ill in the General Hospital, does not improve any.  
Wm. Douglas K. C., who has been in Toronto since Saturday returned last evening.  
H. S. Northwood, Detroit, will spend Sunday with his parents, Head street.

C. Keller, of the Post office, has recovered from a recent attack of la grippe.  
F. G. McKay, London, route agent of the Dominion Express Co., is in the city.  
Mrs. Salter Jarris and family, of Toronto, are spending the holidays in the city.

Mrs. James Anderson, Barthe street, will spend Easter with relatives in Woodstock.  
John McCorvie will spend Good Friday with his sister Mrs. McVior, in Windsor.  
The Resident rolls for the year 1900 are being forwarded to the County Treasurer for entry.

A. N. Rose, of Montreal, will visit Mrs. S. J. Sutherland, Victoria avenue, for a few days.  
A large number intend availing themselves of the opportunity of going to Rond Eau to-morrow.  
Christ Church Rectory is out of debt. The ladies talk of celebrating the occasion by holding a social.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Hunt, of White Oak, are the guest of Mrs. Ivor E. Brock, the sister of the former.  
Don't forget that you can buy gentlemen's or lady's nobby shirts and ties at Tilden & Jacques.  
Smith's carry store, West side of market, carries the largest and best assortment of seeds in Western Ontario.

Cooper's Book Store has just received a large consignment of wall paper, beautiful new patterns and remarkably cheap.  
You want an Easter tie and a pair of kid gloves for Easter, buy them at Tilden & Jacques, the best selection in the city.  
Thomas Hurley, of the Bell Telephone Co left on Monday for St. Catharines. W. J. Stanley, of Barrie, will take Mr. Hurley's place here.

Ex-Mayor R. Atkinson, of Dresden, has just received the first shipment of spring goods in all patterns; nothing but the latest styles are carried.  
Messrs. Crossley and Hunter have received several requests for copies of today's issue. This morning's mail brings requests from Pembroke, Ont., and Mount Pleasant, Michigan. Similar requests have been received from various parts of the country.

How Aguinaldo was Converted.

Manila, April 4.—Chief Justice Arellano, who administered to Emilio Aguinaldo the oath of allegiance to the United States Government, described yesterday the conditions leading up to and attending the ceremony, which was semi-private.  
Aguinaldo had expressed himself as anxious to learn more regarding the American system of Government. The justice carefully explained the various measures passed by the Philippine Commission, headed by Judge Taft, and showed him what provisions were made for education and progress, and for municipal and provincial self-government.  
Listening with deep interest, Aguinaldo finally exclaimed: "I never believed the Americans would be so fair and liberal."  
Here the conversation had ended, he happened to take the oath of allegiance, and this was immediately administered.

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Facts About the Filipino Leaders Taking the Oath of Allegiance.

Manila, April 4.—Constancia, Probet, the daughter of the former chief of the Kalipuna Society, has intervened, imprisoned, Aguinaldo. He expressed himself as confused, as to what he should do about swearing allegiance to the United States.  
As to his present position, he said: "By the trickery of the Americans, I was captured. Now that I am a prisoner, I must consider what is best. Liberty is sweet, but those whom I deserted would hate me. If paroled, I would respect my word, but sometimes I think exile and imprisonment would be preferable."  
It is said it was only after much persuasion that Aguinaldo swore allegiance, and this was immediately administered.  
Aguinaldo's wife, mother and sister visit him daily.  
Americans Picking Up Filipinos.  
Washington, April 4.—The following cablegram was received yesterday at the War Department from Gen. MacArthur at Manila:  
"Brigadier-Gen. Robert P. Hughes reports surrender at Banga, North-west Panay, March 31, 30 officers, 185 men, 105 rifles. Gen. Kobbe reports 21 men and 21 guns surrendered March 31, Northern Mindanao."  
"Commissary frauds being investigated; not sufficient gravity to cause concern; apparently due irregularly sales savings. Press reports inexact and misleading."  
"(Signed), MacArthur."

Here and There in Town.

J. W. Doelle of Toronto, a former Chathamite is at the Hotel Garner.  
Wm. J. Hopp of Mansfield, Ohio, representative of the Company which supplied the brick for the King St. pavement is in the city.  
Mrs. Emma of Winnipeg, a niece of Captain Steinhoff, is registered at the Hotel Garner.  
T. Levy Edmundson of Montreal, is registered at the Hotel Garner. Mr. Edmundson was through the Heli rebellion, and also with Col. Steele in the Strathcona Horse, has been invalided home on account of fever.  
Major W. B. Brunell, of Toronto, is a guest at the Garner.  
Mr. O. L. Lewis is in Ridgeway on the L. E. & D. R. Railway arbitrations.

The "At Home" held in the Canada Business College last night was very successful.  
Bert Riddell, one of the members of the "Apollo Mandolin and Guitar Club" will be banqueting at Hall's Cafe to-night.  
Miss Bessie Taylor, of Wallaceburg, returns home today after attending the Teacher's Convention.  
The road scraper is at work on Richmond street today.  
A. Philip is able to be out after an attack of la grippe.  
John McCorvie goes to Detroit this afternoon.  
Wm. Terry, Queen street, is out again after a week's illness.  
Harry Phillips is improving.  
Miss Kew, of the G. T. R., city ticket office, goes home on a visit to-day.  
Misses Howie and Hayton, of Northway's, go to Detroit to-day.  
W. A. Turner, of the C. H. Gunn Co., has purchased the business of A. B. Brander, druggist and stationer, Wallaceburg, and takes possession to-day.

(MRS. BESSIE HADLEY.)  
Brief Items of News.  
The annual meeting of the Chatham Boy Club will be held on Monday, April 1, at the Garner House.  
The funeral of the late Mrs. J. H. Sullivan will take place to-morrow from the G. T. R. station on the arrival of the 1.07 Wabash. Deceased was a sister of G. A. Sayer.  
Rev. A. C. Crews, Editor of the Epworth Era, Toronto, will arrive in the city today on the noon train and will be the guest of Mrs. Charles Austin, King street.  
Mrs. H. W. Crews leaves today for her home in St. Thomas.  
Mrs. C. Austin's little daughter was somewhat better this morning.  
Miss Westcott will visit Miss Lamont, Dufferin avenue, during the Easter holidays.  
There was no police court this morning.  
(MRS.) ANNIE GLENN.

Maple City Creamery.

The Maple City Creamery has paid over \$15,000 for milk and cream up to date. With the present very encouraging prospects for a much larger supply of milk and cream, especially cream from outside places, to be shipped in by express, we feel quite safe in expecting to pay to the farmers of Kent County. Arrangements have already been made with large dealers in Scotland who will take all the butter we can possibly make all summer. As the trade proved very satisfactory last season, we have no doubt that it will be equally pleasant and profitable this year.  
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Mr. Stephens' Praise.

George Stephens, M. P., is in the city for Easter. He is his lost ten pounds through his work in behalf of his constituents. He approves of the business-like spirit of our Chatham women.  
The Ministering Circle will hold their annual tea in aid of the General Hospital on Tuesday, April 9th, in the I. O. O. F. auditorium. Tickets 25 cents.

"Toronto the Good."

A surprise! We were more than surprised to read today that "Toronto the Good" was going to be disgraced on GOOD FRIDAY by boxing bouts. These things ought not to be.  
There will be Litany Service followed by an Illustrated Lecture on "The Life of Christ" in Holy Trinity S. S. Friday evening, at 8 o'clock.—Silver collection.

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Fathers of Confederation :

Judge Taschereau Invites Surviving Members to a Dinner.

Ottawa, April 4.—Judge Taschereau has issued invitations to a dinner on Wednesday, April 17, to the surviving members of the Provincial Parliament of 1865, who voted for Confederation. These are: Sir Henri Joly, Sir Richard Cartwright, Hon. William McDougall, Sir W. P. Howland, Sir Hector Langevin, Hon. J. C. Aikins, Sir John Carling, Hon. G. W. Allan, Hon. J. J. Ross, Hon. J. P. Ormand, Hon. A. Vidal, Hon. C. E. B. DeBoucherville, Judge Taschereau, Judge Caron, Hon. James O'Halloran, Hon. Joseph Perrault, Hon. Edward Remillard, Hon. D. Brousseau, Hon. P. G. Hunt.

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A CARD.

The Ladies' Assisting Society of the Public General Hospital, take this opportunity of expressing their thanks to Messrs. Woodward and Macdonald, of the Chatham-Banner News for their forethought in suggesting the idea of special edition, their generosity in placing their paper at our disposal, and for their untiring efforts in assisting in every way to make this special edition such a profound success.  
The thanks of the ladies are also extended to Messrs. Crossley and Hunter for their hearty and sympathetic interest in our work. Their generosity in devoting their time and abilities in aiding us to edit the special issue of the Banner-News calls forth our most sincere thanks.  
We trust that Providence will now and always abundantly bless them and their efforts in their Evangelistic work.  
(For the information of the public the Ladies' Assisting Society wish to state that over seven hundred and fifty dollars will be realized by the ladies as the result of the scheme which was suggested to them less than ten days ago.)  
MRS. S. T. MARTIN, President.  
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IN REPLY.

In acknowledging the above the publishers of the Banner-News beg to convey to the Ladies' Assisting Society their sincere appreciation of this expression of their approval.  
It has been a work in which we were deeply interested; and, repeating the words used in our first reference to this project, we can only say: "If we have contributed anything to relieve suffering and to aid a worthy cause, we will be amply rewarded in the consciousness of a duty most willingly performed."  
It would be ungracious of us if we did not again acknowledge the debt of gratitude we owe to a loyal and earnest a business, editorial and mechanical staff as has ever graced a newspaper office.  
At the same time we beg to convey our thanks to the Planet for courtesies most freely volunteered and as freely accepted.  
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Football Club RE-ORGANIZES.

A large number of football enthusiasts met in the Garner House last evening. Those present were F. D. Laurie, Percy Piggott, R. L. Cook, Fred Sowerby, Charles Bowers, Richards H. W. Conpland, W. Angus and a number of others.  
The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Hon. President, Robert Gray; First Hon. President, Dr. Fleming; Second Hon. President, Dr. H. V. Bray; Vice-President, John Piggott, Sr.; First Vice-President, James Fleming; Second Vice-President, James Innes; Manager, F. D. Laurie; Secretary-treasurer, Max Fraser; Captain, R. L. Cook; team committee, captain, manager, secretary, treasurer and Harry Anderson.  
The team this year promises to be the best that it has been for some time. They however will not enter the provincial league but will come in with double force next year. This year will be spent in developing new players. It was suggested at the meeting that Chatham should enter into the Intermediate W. F. A. League with the teams of Listowell, Berlin, Elmira, Woodstock and Stratford, but it was thought that the expense would be too high. They may however enter into this league another year. A vote of thanks was given to Alex. Eberts for the use of his parlors.  
P. H. McEwen, of the Dresden Times, and Miss Mattie Daugherty, of Leamington, were united in marriage last evening by Rev. Dr. Hannon, at the Park street Methodist Parsonage.

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"No Smoking."

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There were many contributors from outside towns who did not ask for space or paper.  
George J. Wainman, who has been for 25 years and is still a valued employee, says: "I feel sorry for Steidon."  
Mr. McEwen, of the Dresden Times, was a caller to-day. This is not McEwen the hypnotist, as this one was hypnotized into a matrimonial alliance, reported by Dr. Hannon.  
We are doing very nicely, thank you, without cigars.  
A grateful subscriber called to-day with a gift of a box of cigars. Mr. Crossley contacted it.  
The first boat left the river to-day. It was the W. S. Ireland.  
Nature smiled upon the Banner-News-Crossley-Hunter-Ladies-Hospital scheme, this is certainly the finest day this spring.

Little of Everything

R. A. Hughes Inspector of Weights and Measures is in Thamesville today.  
The Chatham Binder, Twine and Cordage Company have decided to locate their factory on Colborne St.  
Mr. Proctor of the Standard Bank at Brighton, is spending Easter in the Maple City.  
Mrs. Duncan McNaughton is spending a few days in the city on her way home to Chicago.  
W. Mowbray, will leave for Detroit today and while there will search the Archives in regard to the Gun Boat.  
Mrs. Bishop, who underwent a serious operation performed by Dr. Meek, of London, is progressing very favorably.  
There will be divine worship in Christ Church, Friday morning at 10.30, and in Holy Trinity at 11 o'clock.  
The annual meeting of the Ladies Aid of Park St. Methodist church will be held in the School-room, April 10th.  
Mrs. Flater, for two years assistant Treasurer for the Hospital, has been visiting friends in the city for a few days.  
All members of the Maple City Gun Club are requested to attend a shoot at the Agricultural grounds on Friday afternoon.  
Miss Ruby Gordon of Wallaceburg returned from Haverhill College, last evening and is the guest of Miss Edith Holmes, while in Chatham.  
Miss Lillian Brady has returned from Sarina convent to spend her Easter vacation at her home in this city.  
Miss Hinton left to-day for Toronto where she will spend a few days with her sister Jessie, who is attending Toronto University.  
Reserved seats at the Crossley-Hunter meeting last evening were occupied by about one hundred of the teachers of Kent, who are holding their annual convention in the city.  
The Girl's Mission Band, of Park street Methodist Church will give their annual entertainment Friday evening, April 12th. A good programme is promised, fine taffy tables. Admission 10 cents.  
Application for probate of the will of James Scarlett, late of the Township of Howard, farmers, has been made by Mrs. Catherine McCommins, of the same place. The estate is valued at \$12,149.  
Application for letters of administration to the estate of David Conway, late of the Township of Howard, farmer, has been made by Charles W. Conway, of Southampton Co. Bruce, carpenter. The estate is valued at \$4,973.

EAST BUFFALO CATTLE MARKET.

East Buffalo, April 3.—Cattle—Receipts about three cars. The market fairly steady. Calves steady. Top veals, \$1.25 to \$1.50; fair to good, \$0.50 to \$0.75; light to fair, \$0.40 to \$0.50; heavy fat veals, \$0.40 to \$0.50; fed calves, \$3.75 to \$4.50.  
Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 26 cars; market steady for all kinds; native yearling wethers, choice to extra, \$3.50 to \$5.00; do., fair to good, \$3.10 to \$3.20; common to good, \$2.75 to \$3.00; native sheep, mixed breeds, choice to extra, \$4.50 to \$5.10; do., fair to good, \$4.50 to \$4.80; culls, common to good, \$3.50 to \$4.00; good to extra, heavy wethers, \$5.10 to \$5.25; clipped heavy wethers, \$4.50 to \$4.75; heavy fed Western sheep, \$5.85 to \$5.90; choice to choice, \$3.75 to \$3.80; common to good, fat, light, \$3.40 to \$3.70.  
NEW YORK CATTLE MARKET.  
New York, April 3.—Receipts—Receipts, 2300; steers 50 to 100; bulls steady; cows rarer except fat stock; steers, \$4.00 to \$5.00; fat oxen and stags, \$4.00 to \$4.50; bulls, \$3 to \$4.25; choice and export, \$4.25 to \$4.80; cows, \$2 to \$3.50; choice fat, \$4 to \$4.25. Calves a trifle weak for day; cattle, steady. Exports, 327 cattle and 8000 quarters of beef.  
Calves—Receipts, 4000; steady to 27c lower; veals, \$4 to \$7.50; mainly \$5 to \$7.50; Hattie calves, \$3 to \$3.50.  
Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 10200; sheep steady; 100c off; good to prime steers, \$5.5



Easter Music In Churches

Special Offerings by all the Choirs for Sunday. Solos and Choruses.

HOLY TRINITY.

ON GOOD FRIDAY there will be service in the church at 11.00 a.m., and a lantern service in the evening at 8.00 o'clock.

CHRIST CHURCH.

The Easter services in Christ Church will be bright and appropriate. The church will be beautifully decorated and the music, which has been under preparation for some time, will be specially attractive.

MORNING.

"Christ Our Passover," Barnby; "Welcome Easter Morning," Schaecker, soprano solo; Miss Louise Richards; "Te Deum," Hopkins; "Jubilate," Nevin; "Hearken Unto Me," Gillett, soprano soloist; Miss Maud Oliver; "Easter Morning," Sheldy, Miss Ida St. C. Colles; Kyrie.

EVENING.

Magnificent Woodward, Nance Demitille, Beardsley, "O, That I Had Wings Like a Dove," Thatcher, soloist; Miss Oliver; "Gloria In Excelsis," (from Mass in B-flat) Concone, soloist.

ST. ANDREW'S.

Next Sabbath Dr. Battisby will preach on "The Resurrection of Christ," both morning and evening.

MORNING SERVICE.

"Praise God from Whom, etc.," Invocation; Hymn 58; Bible reading; Hymn 59; Prayer; Solo, "Our Suffering Lord," Lorenz; Miss I. Martin and choir; Intimations; Hymn 62; Collection; Anthem, "The Shout of Victory," Ashford—solos by Miss G. Somerville and W. Wrigley, choir; Sermon; Anthem, "Risen with Christ," Porter; Solo, Miss Stewart and choir; Hymn 67; Benediction.

EVENING SERVICE.

"Praise God from Whom, etc.," Invocation; Hymn 46; Bible reading; Solo, "My Jesus, as Thou Wilt," Lorenz; Miss Watson, Messrs. Wilson, Marshall and Choir; Hymn 54; Prayer; Solo, "Beyond the Gates of Paradise," King; J. W. Wilson; Intimations; Hymn 60; Collection; Anthem, "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"—Davis—Duet, Miss Jackson, Mr. Tomson. Solos, Miss Dalgleish, Miss Bella Hiddell and Choir; Sermon; Prayer; Anthem, "Unto Him

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

The climate of New York is abating. Our Indian population is not skillful in any line of manufacture save its own crude industries.

To copy nature seems to work well. The Holland submarine boats are built in the shape of a whale.

A piano manufacturing company in Ontario claims to have in its shop a piano made by the company's founder 60 years ago while he was in business in Buffalo and sold by him to General Grant's mother.

The Massachusetts Frog company has just been incorporated in Maine, with a capital of \$5,000, its object being declared in the application to be "to buy, sell, breed and import frogs and like animals."

In at least three American cities there are athletic clubs in which the membership runs far up into the thousands. This is claimed as showing the marvelous development of high class athletics in this country.

In Sweden they have a land arrangement of this kind: The farmer will give a tenant so many acres of ground, provided the tenant will give him so many days' labor for so many years, the labor to be paid as wanted.

A little more than one-eighth of the amount annually expended for pensions goes to the south. Of the nearly 1,000,000 pensioners of the civil war 17,553 were residents last year of the 15 southern states, including Maryland and Missouri.

Tearing up a will is supposed to revoke it, but a Brooklyn woman, after tearing up her will, placed the shreds in an envelope, on which she wrote, "This will is all here." The fragments were pasted together, and the will was probated in regular form.

Facts that come to light after the suicide of a young Russian in London last week give some idea of the misery involved in sweatshop labor. The unfortunate youth was paid 37 cents a dozen for "finishing" shoes, a process that comprises nearly half the work of making the shoe.

Married Daughter—Oh, dear! I don't have a minute's peace when my husband is in the house. He is always calling me to help him do something or other.

Mother—What does he want now? Daughter—He wants me to go up stairs just to thread a needle for him so that he can mend his clothes—Stray Stories.

who Loved Us"—Hughes—Miss A. Johnston and Choir; Hymn 69; Benediction.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN.

MORNING. Organ prelude, hymn; anthem, "Consider the Lilies," Topliff, choir; solo, "Immortality," Shepperd, Mrs. Jno. Cooper; hymn, sermon, hymn.

EVENING.

Organ prelude, hymn, anthem, "Agnus Dei," "Donna Nobis," Francis Mass, choir; solo, "Hosanna," Gramer, Miss Jessie Taylor; hymn; sermon; duet, "Glory to Thee," Gounod. Mrs. Cooper and Miss Ross; hymn.

PARK STREET METHODIST.

Choir director, Miss Elda Idle. Organist, Miss Lillian Pratt.

MORNING.

Hallelujah Chorus (Mount of Olives) Beethoven—Choir; Trio, "O, Blest Redeemer," Marchetti—Miss Elda Idle, Mrs. Shaw, Mrs. Bogart; Duet, "Calm as the Night," Gotze; Miss E. Idle and Mrs. D. S. Shaw; Air, "I know that My Redeemer Liveth," (Messiah) Handel—Miss Elda Idle; "Blessed is He that Cometh," Gounod—Choir.

EVENING.

"I waited for the Lord" (Hymn of Praise) Mendelssohn—Misses Idle and Weese; Air, "Come unto Him (Messiah) Handel—Miss Alice Humphrey; Solo, "Glory to Thee, my God, this Night," Gounod—Mrs. Milton R. Bogart; "Now, God be With Us," (unaccompanied) Smart—Choir.

VICTORIA AVENUE METHODIST.

MORNING.

Prelude in G, "Albert W. Belg." Anthem, "He is Risen," E. A. Clare. Miss Jackson, W. J. Ratley and choir; offertory "Christ the Lord is Risen to-day," Danks, Miss Baxter and choir.

EVENING.

Organ voluntary; anthem, "King of Kings," Stimper, Miss Jackson and choir; offertory solo, "The Heavenly Song," Gray, Miss Baxter.

WILLIAM STREET BAPTIST.

MORNING. Anthem, "Praise the Lord," Bass and soprano solo, arranged from Mozart; Soprano solo, "The Light of the World," Adams; Solo and chorus, "At Early Morn," Excell.

EVENING.

Anthem, "Oh, be Joyful," Maxwell; Soprano solo, "Consider the Lilies," Topliff; Tenor solo, "Hosanna," Jules Gramer.

SALVATION ARMY.

On Easter Sunday there will be meetings as follows: 7.30 p.m., Love Feast; 11 a.m., Hobbies; 3 and 8 p.m., Farwell meetings of Mrs. Capt. Roak and the officers in charge. They will proceed on Monday to London to attend a series of councils, and from there to their new appointments.

MRS. C. AUSTIN.

Worthy to be Written in Letters of Gold.

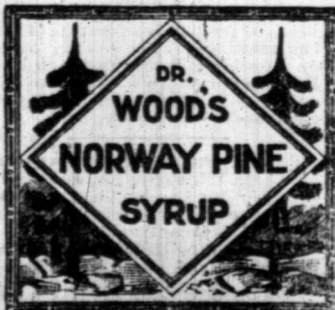
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SEARCHING FOR A BOY BOYS' SHOES

ARCHIE'S DISAPPEARANCE, CAUSED QUITE A COMMOTION.

Everybody at the Family Reunion Joined in the Hunt, and For a Time There Was Great Excitement at the Rankin Home.

Archibald had been distinctly naughty all the morning. As Mrs. Rankin, his mother, explained to Cousin Martha, there were some days when the young one just got a mean streak, and then there was no doing the first living thing with him. This, apparently, was one of those days.

There was a sort of family reunion at the Rankin homestead, which made it all the more aggravating. Pa and Ma Conklin were there, and Uncle Alonso and his family, and Ben, and Miss Beebe, as well as Cousin Martha, and the dinner was to be according. When you have a dinner for 11 to get up and the girl you have can't be trusted to boil water without burning it, you may be excused for becoming somewhat frustrated.

Mrs. Rankin ordered herself to be in that condition. She told Archibald that if he didn't behave himself and if she heard another word out of him she would paddle him good. She said it as if she meant it, and Archibald believed it. At this Uncle Alonso felt in his coat pocket and produced something in the way of a trumpet, which he said was a bubble blower.

"I should have thought that you would know better than to give him a thing like that," said Mrs. Rankin. "He'll want to blow bubbles now, and I just won't have him in the kitchen under my feet."

"Let him blow them in here," suggested Cousin Martha. "And then have him stopping sons all over the carpet?" "He won't do that," said Uncle Alonso. "He'll be careful. Was't you, Archibald?" "No," answered the boy, who had no notion of committing himself.

The end of it was that he had a bowl of soapuds, which he was cautioned under penalty of skinning not to spill, and he became so quiet that for the next half hour he was almost forgotten. Then he tried to climb on to the chair, which the bowl had been placed in order to give the bubbles a longer descent. That overturned the soapuds on the carpet. Nobody was looking at the time, and, being a bright child for his age, 3 years, he concluded that was a good time for disappearing and forthwith disappeared.

Presently somebody inquired, "Where's Archibald?" But there was no immediate uneasiness. Half an hour later, however, the inquiry was repeated, and then Cousin Martha began a search. She went up stairs and down stairs, and into the kitchen and outdoors to the barn, but no Archibald responded to her falsetto. When she came back to the kitchen, where Mrs. Rankin was concocting a "floating island," she looked worried.

"Where do you suppose that young one can have got to?" she asked of his mother. "Why, isn't he in the sitting room?" "No, and nobody has seen anything of him for an hour."

Mrs. Rankin laid down the fork with which she was beating eggs and with a hasty directing to Hilda to look after things, hurried into the sitting room. The inverted bowl that had held the soapuds was on the floor, but no other trace of the child. Mrs. Rankin, followed by Cousin Martha, went to the back of the house, where the stone foundation had fallen down, and stooping shouted into the darkness that Archibald had better come out of that if he knew what was good for him.

Uncle Alonso now came up and was dispatched to the barnyard, and Rufus, the long legged, gangling hired man, was sent to the chicken house. Just then Ma Conklin ran up at a surprising pace for a woman of her age and informed them, with a great deal of agitation, that there was a beam up with the cistern. "Oh!" exclaimed Mrs. Rankin and pressed her hand to her side. For one moment she looked as if she would fall, and Cousin Martha put her arm around her. The next minute she was running toward the cistern, screaming as she went. When she got there, she began frantically to tear the covering boards away, and Rufus and Uncle Alonso ran up just in time to prevent her from jumping in. Rufus ran back to the barn for a rope, and the rest crowded around the cistern and peered down.

Rufus came up with a length of rope, and the men lowered him down into the cistern so hurriedly that he splashed into the water and disappeared. His rope gasping and told them to pull on the rope a little, as he could touch bottom and keep his mouth clear by holding it tight. They hauled fast and at last stretched the rope to a board laid across the mouth of the cistern, and the hired man began working to and fro, feeling with his feet.

"I don't think that he's here," came hollowly from below. "Thank God," ejaculated Uncle Alonso. "Are you sure?" called Pa Conklin tremulously. "Wait a minute, I've— Ah, here he is!"

The men groaned, and Mrs. Rankin fell unconscious into Cousin Martha's arms. At the same moment a window in the second story of the house was thrown open, and Hilda, the hired girl, leaned out and screamed to them.

"He's here!" she cried. "I've found him. He was in my room, down behind a trunk, hiding. He said that he had spilled the seeds on the floor and was going to lick him. Here he is!"

There was a rush to the house, and in another moment the cause of the trouble was being hugged and kissed and shaken and scolded and blessed as he never was before in the whole course of his existence. He was howling his disapprobation when his mother revived, and then he had cause to howl, for in the joy of her heart she took him across her knee and spanked him vigorously.

At last—in the course of an hour, perhaps—quiet and order were restored, and Mrs. Rankin, between smiles and tears, with the restored Archibald pressed close to her maternally bosom, said she guessed their dinner was spoiled now sure enough.

"Don't worry about that, my dear," said Ma Conklin; "just think how much worse it might be."

"By the way," said Uncle Alonso, "what's come of Rufus?" They all looked at each other blankly until Pa Conklin voiced the general thought. "I guess," he said, starting up, "that Rufus is up to his chin in the water waiting for some of us to come and pull him out."—Chicago Record.

BOYS' SHOES

FOR BANNER-NEWS READERS.

Platted goods will continue to be worn, and the thin, delicate tissues brought out for spring wear will be used for them. Although they have been essayed in cloth, such goods are really too thick to be successfully manipulated in that way, and so fashion has fallen back upon lighter materials. When warm weather really becomes established, we may look for a renewed vigor in platted styles.

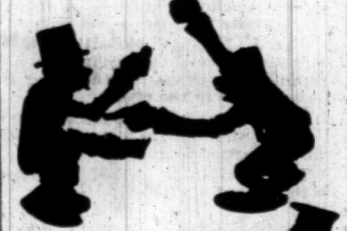
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'Twas Ever Thus.



Fair Maid of Cairo—Is my jar on straight?—Chicago News.

The Rustic Scored.



Tourist in Village (pointing to a peculiar chimney on a cottage, which is bent and twisted in a most fantastic manner)—I say, my man, does that chimney draw?

Rustic—Deed, an it does, sir. It draws the 'tention of every fool that passes here!

Talking Shop.



"Ah, fraulein, this is a beautiful place! The silver brook, with golden grapes hanging over it, dew glistening like diamonds on the leaves and the general green of the fields!" "How poetic you are! Do you write verses?" "No, fraulein; I'm a jeweler!"

Daily Fashion Hints.

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FAILLÉ BOUCLE. An illustration is given which shows a new model for a silk bodice. The bodice itself is made of pink faille, accented plaited. Over this is a bolero of the faille laid in stitched plaits, which run diagonally, trimmed with an application border of white panne dotted with gold cabochons. The collar and little gumpers are of the panne also, as is the wide corset belt, which is fastened across the front by bands of velvet and gold buttons. The sleeves are of stitched faille, like the bolero, and have puffs at the wrists of the accented plaited faille gathered into cuffs of the gold-dotted white panne. Black velvet is used across the gumpes by means of gold buttons, and the velvet ends terminate in gold tags.

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The tablet form is undoubtedly the most convenient and most effective, but with nearly all advertised catarrhal remedies it is almost entirely a matter of guess work as to what you are taking into your system, as the proprietors, while making all sorts of claims as to what their medicines will do, always keep a close secret as to what they are.

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I used to swell up terribly, my urine was scanty and highly colored and had a very offensive odor. If I eat a hearty meal I would suffer agony for hours after. The several physicians whom I consulted advised me to go to the hospital and have an operation performed, as they said I was suffering from womb trouble. I tried all the good they have done me.

After the third dose I began to feel the benefit of them, and eight days after starting I could urinate freely and without the scalding sensation, the swelling has all disappeared, and I do not know what a backache is since I took the first box of Doan's Pills.

I can now attend to my household duties without any trouble, and can enjoy a good night's sleep, things I have not been able to do for five years. I am now 57 years old, but feel like 30, and never felt better in my life, thanks to Doan's Pills. I cannot praise them too highly and trust this will meet the eyes of some poor suffering woman.

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OUR EXPERIENCE AS EDITORS.

WE HAVE COME to the conclusion that the work of editors is almost as hard as that of evangelists. However, our experience has been very pleasant indeed. The other editors and newspaper men in the city have been most cordial. The association with the first ladies of the city, who worked with us in this Banner-News Hospital enterprise, has been most delightful. They have shown excellent business and literary talents, and, though both sides of politics have been represented by the ladies, as well as by the editors-in-chief, there has not been the slightest discord in the music.

The papers, throughout the country, have been very considerate and complimentary in their references. It is gratifying to all concerned that, from a benevolent standpoint at least, the enterprise has been a success, as by this issue of the Banner-News, we are informed, the ladies have secured for the General Hospital upwards of \$450.00.

We join with the ladies of the staff and the citizens of Chatham generally, in heartily thanking Messrs. Woodward and Macdonald and the members of the staff of the Banner-News for the hard work done and great cordiality shown in this their benevolent enterprise.

For over twenty years we have been intimately associated with newspaper men, from coast to coast, who have shown us every kindness and who have used the columns of their papers to help on the good work in which we are engaged.

We have always had kindly feeling and cordial sympathy with editors and men of the press in general, but most assuredly our short experience, as editors, has intensified our sympathy with and admiration for the representatives of the press.

H. T. CROSSLEY, J. E. HUNTER.

HYPNOTISM CRAZE.

WE HAVE BEEN amazed beyond measure, that so many intelligent people throughout the country have been, during the last few months, carried away by the hypnotism "craze". We are glad that people are now coming to their senses, and are not only seeing that such exhibitions are an insult to our intelligence and a degradation to humanity, but also by legislating against the practice of hypnotism have made it a crime.

The following extract from a timely sermon by Rev. J. M. McLaren, of Blenheim, preached last Sunday, will stir up the pure minds of intelligent people.

"Some of you have been subjecting yourselves to a good deal of very spurious amusement during the past week; but that you have been glorifying God I very much doubt. God is glorified in the perfection of his creatures. But where the perfection has come in during the senseless exhibition of the past week is difficult to divine. Many of you possibly have been wonderfully amused, but I venture to say your feelings are even less refined than they were before and your respect for man as an intelligent creature of God has not been increased.

I am literally surprised at many who are indeed possessed of a refined Christian sentiment, yet allowing themselves to be carried off their feet with such degrading art and entertainment. Instead of that the whole thing should be drummed out of town as but a species of refined drunkenness and idleness. For an intelligent community to submit to being entertained by what seems to be nothing more than glossed devilry is indeed deplorable. We are not denying the possibility of producing hypnotic sleep. But what we denounce most emphatically is the so-called entertainment of the crowd by the temporary induction of idiotic conditions, the continuance, of which we are profoundly convinced would lead to utter weakness. From a moral standpoint we see no difference between the entertainment of a crowd by fifteen men or boys rendered senseless by strong drink and the entertainment of a crowd by an equal number of boys or men under so called hypnotic states. In both cases the will is overthrown and reason temporarily dethroned, the manner or method of bringing about the condition being immaterial.

HAND-SHAKING.

THERE ARE VARIOUS elements which contribute to success in any department of life. It is essential for any one, who will be appreciated and attain the highest possible success, that we shall be sociable in the true sense of the word. Some, however, degrade sociability by treating and by being treated to intoxicating liquors. A good rule is this: Never drink the health of any person with that which will injure your own health and happiness. Shaking hands is a suitable way of expressing sociability.

There are, however, certain kinds of hand-shaking that we would hardly recommend. For instance: The vice shake that some people give, when they almost crush the fingers or crack the joints of the hand they clasp. This may be hearty but it is not appreciated by the recipient.

The pump-handle shake that vigorously swings the hand up and down several times, does not look graceful and is rather embarrassing.

The duple and dudine hand-shake which has recently been introduced, when persons elevate their arms and take hold of the tips of each others fingers, is silly and burlesque on hand shaking.

The dead-fish hand-shake is the worst of all. In it the person merely puts out the hand and gives no clasp, but leaves the fingers extended, so that if you did not take hold of the hand it would certainly fall. We would about as soon clasp the tail of a dead fish as such a hand. We pity such persons, however, for they either lack heart or strength of character.

The truly social handshake that everyone enjoys is expressed by a hearty clasp of the hand, a sparkle of the eye and a general lighting up of the face, indicating a largeness of heart and cordiality of spirit, which is inspiring and much appreciated.

Now, as we say adieu to the regular staff of the Banner-News, to the estimable ladies with whom we have been associated in issuing this special edition, to those into whose home this edition may come, and to our many, many friends of every church and home in the City of Chatham and surrounding country, we wish, literally or metaphorically, to give you a hearty Christian hand-shake.

TURK AND KERBY.

TURK AND KERBY, or Kerby and Turk, will be the name of a new combination that will enter the field of evangelists after the Methodist conference next June. We have conversed with them upon the subject during the past eight years, and now rejoice at their decision and welcome them as co-laborers in the field.

Rev. G. R. Turk is now pastor of Carleton Street Church, Toronto, and Rev. G. W. Kerby is pastor of the Douglas Church, Montreal.

They are both strong and magnetic preachers. In song their voices blend most exquisitely. They have been firm friends, like David and Jonathan, for years. Few ministers have been as successful in the pastorate as they. They are still in the meridian of life, and we believe and hope that for years to come they will have a very successful career in this new work, to which they have been called, and for which they have exceptional ability.

CROSSLEY AND HUNTER.

In Parliament.

At Toronto

Special to The Banner-News.

Toronto, April 4.—The Legislature met yesterday at half-past 11 a. m. A number of bills received third readings, including Mr. Harcourt's High School Bill, Mr. Dryden's bill to amend Ontario Shops Regulation Act, Mr. Bridgland's bill to amend the Agricultural and Arts Act and Mr. Carscallen's bill to amend the Municipal Arbitration Act.

A resolution moved by the Premier for an annual grant of \$6,000 to the Kingston School of Mining was adopted. The bill to amend the act respecting the Kingston School of Mining was referred to committee for the insertion of a clause embodying the grant. A discussion followed on the clause empowering the School of Mining to mortgage the appropriation. Mr. Whitney urged that this practically committed the Legislature to continue the grant and charged the Premier with proceeding in a roundabout cowardly way to accomplish an object he dared not openly avow. The Premier pointed out that while the Legislature were bound in honor to continue this grant there were considerable larger appropriations for the benefit of the school in the estimates which were under their control. Hon. Mr. Harcourt repelled the charge that there had been anything tortuous or roundabout in the action of the Government. The matter had been thoroughly considered. Several Opposition members protested that the question had been sprung on the House at short notice. Col. Matheson said it would be better to make a grant of \$300,000 in a lump sum. Hon. J. M. Gibson said that if members were to discuss every item in this spirit the House had better sit a week longer, a suggestion which was greeted with applause from both sides of the House.

Mr. Carscallen raised the point that the School of Mining had not been defined and that the money might go to support sectarian teaching. Mr. Harcourt replied that the subjects of instruction were set forth in the act which would prevent the grant being diverted to such purposes. The committee reported progress. The House went into committee on Mr. Graham's Trading Stamp Bill. Mr. Carscallen expressed the opinion that such legislation should be general instead of optional with municipalities. Mr. Reid (Addington) moved that the committee find, which would throw out the bill, that a pamphlet was prepared to accept the principle of an absolute measure, but said that the bill had been prepared by the merchants on the best legal advice. Premier Ross approved of leaving the matter in the hands of the municipalities. Mr. Barr denounced trading stamps as a species of gambling that should not be allowed. Mr. Farwell spoke in defence of the trading stamp system. Dr. McKay said that the very fact that the solicitors for the trading stamp companies asked for time to enable them to get out of the business showed that it was not a legitimate one. Mr. Pattullo thought it would be a kindness to many merchants now compelled to use trading stamps to pass the bill. Mr. Whitney did not think the bill was necessary, and he considered that the introduction of the local option principle would result in confusion. Mr. Carscallen moved that the committee rise and report progress. Mr. Reid's motion was defeated and Mr. Carscallen carried by a large majority, so that the bill stood over for further consideration.

The Government bill respecting the University was considered in committee. Col. Matheson strongly denounced Government control in university matters, more especially in connection with the appointment of professors.

Premier Ross emphatically denied that political considerations had ever influenced the appointment of professors. No appointment was ever made without consulting those interested in the university. The best evidence that the appointments of professors had been good was the success of the students of the University whose standing sufficiently indicated the excellence of the faculty. The Senate of the University were consulted respecting the bill and they believed the Government should be responsible for appointments.

Mr. Whitney urged the Government to reconsider the features of the bill and contended an advisory board would prevent ill-considered appointments and put the university in a more independent position.

Hon. R. Harcourt said that when a professorship was vacant it was widely advertised and frequently applicants were selected from beyond the bounds of the Province. The only question was to get the best man obtainable regardless of their political views. He did not know what the political opinions of the university professors were and he did not care.

Mr. Carscallen said the Senate would not hold themselves responsible for the success of the university so long as it was under Government control. The committee reported progress, some sections of the bill being allowed to stand over.

Hon. F. R. Latchford introduced a bill respecting aid to certain railways, the grants amounting in all to \$329,000, which was read a second time.

Premier Ross announced that the Government bills to amend the Assessment and Municipal Acts would be withdrawn. The latter measure was the one authorizing municipalities to exempt from taxes or make bargains as to the annual assessment of the property of corporations operating public franchises. As to the Assessment bill, the Government did not propose to abandon the proposal to amend the "scrap iron" law, and he therefore introduced a substitute measure for the Assessment bill restoring the law

as it stood before the war from decision and providing that the plant of corporations holding municipal franchises should be assessed as that of going concerns.

Mr. Whitney accused the Government of having yielded in this matter to the threats of the corporations.

The Premier—"That's not true." Mr. Whitney, continuing, said that the Premier's Municipal bill ought to have been burned by the common hangman. It had been given as a measure of relief for the corporations, but the latter had refused to accept it as such.

Mr. Pattullo fully approved the course of the Government. The question of assessment was such a large one that it could only be dealt with in a comprehensive way. The entire report of the Assessment Commission should be before them when it was dealt with.

Mr. Carscallen said all that the Opposition desired was that corporations should pay their fair share of taxation.

Hon. J. M. Gibson thought that the questions involved were so important and far-reaching that it was well that another year should be given for their consideration. He urged that there were many complaints in the smaller places which would be paid no dividends and were practically run at a loss which municipalities might very well be permitted to relieve of taxation. The bill was reported.

The Sublime.

The twilight gathers on the grey lake's breast.

And silence deepens on the reed-grown plains;

While far across the waves, from out the west,

Fly slowly in two solitary cranes.

And softly through the reeds the night wind strays,

Half faint with odours of the marsh-land musk;

And somewhere deep within the inland haze,

A whip-poor-will cries loud across the dusk.

A stray sail drifts within the evening shade,

And all the weary swallows landward soar.

Far, far away, the purple headlands fade

Where waves wash lazily along the shore.

And through the silence, where the grey waste dreams,

The sound of far off voices swell

And off the shadowy point one pale star gleams,

And slowly dies the whip-poor-will's last call.

O waste of flowing waters, soft with sleep,

O passionless tranquillity unknown

To us who pace beside the dreaming deep;

Will not, some day, some day be idly blown

Across thy ways the secret of thy sleep?

—ARTHUR STRINGER.

The Ridiculous.

A fisherman on Lak San Claire,

'Bout six miles off from shore,

Fished hard for one, two, three four

hour,

By an' by he fished some more.

Some time he fish with old dry bait,

Some time he fish with wet—

He gives the dry bait to the fish

The wet bait—nit, you bet!

Long time some fish did never come,

Then one, two, three passed by,

They smell of that old dead, dry bait,

And wink the other eye.

By an' by one great big bass comes

long,

'Bout five, six, seven-pound weight,

So old he neither smell nor see,

And ate that old, dry bait.

The fisherman stood very still

And reeled out yards of line—

He worked that poor old blind black

bass

So very, very fine.

By an' by the fish began to pull,

By an' by he pulled some more,

'And then was fun in Lak San Claire,

'Bout six mile out from shore.

The fish he plunge like one mad

horse,

And then he pulled like ten—

He towed that boat nine miles an

hour—

Big boat and four big men.

He pulled, like bass 'bout six feet long,

May be he be 'bout seven.

May be, if not pulled out right quick,

'He'll grow to be 'bout eleven.

By an' by they pull that bass half

out,

By an' by they pull him more,

An Lak San Claire fell four, five feet,

'Bout six miles off from shore.

The Lime Kiln Crossing' got so low

The boats they could not pass,

And Dan, he say the river fell

When he pull out that bass.

THE PEARLY GATES AND GOLDEN.

(As arranged and sung by Rev. H. T. Crossley.)

Do you ask me where our loved ones are,

Whom we lament have vanished?

They are very near, yet very far,

But neither dead nor banished.

They live in that better-land today.

With the saints of ages olden,

And we'll enter in by the holy way

Through the pearly gates and golden.

It's the land of saints so fair and bright,

That land of secret glory,

But the heart must be pure and the conscience right

That would reach that realm of glory.

The worldly man for his joys may yearn

When pride and pomp embolden,

But never for him will the hinges turn

Of the pearly gates and golden.

While the innocent child, with eyes undim

As the sky in its blueness o'er him,

Has only to touch the portal's rim,

And it opens wide before him.

Some day when our sun in darkness dips,

And we'll enter in by the holy way

Through the pearly gates and golden.

Revival Notes.

Despite the weather last night, one of the largest week night congregations of the series, was present to hear the evangelists talk on "Dancing."

Mr. Crossley created an innovation by asking the ladies to remove their hats. Many complied much to the relief of those who happened to be sitting directly behind them.

Some "Do-nothings" to think about: Do nothing that will impair your health.

Do nothing that involves needless expenditure.

Do nothing that will lead others into a life of sin.

Do nothing that will cause others to stumble.

Do nothing that will bring reproach upon the cause of God.

Do nothing in defiance of God.

If a thing be even doubtful, be on the safe side.

Girl why are you bigger fools than men? What man is there that will marry a girl that drinks?

To-night the evangelists' theme will be "Card playing." Friday will be a series of farwell series at 11 a. m., 3.30 afternoon and the last final meeting at night. The evangelists leave on the Wabash train at eleven o'clock for their home in St. Thomas.

Every day of finest quality of wool, perfect in dye, weave and finish, all colors, including black and cream, 44 inches wide at \$1.00.

Agents of Mrs. Leland Stanford are negotiating to secure certain exhibition buildings at Paris which could be taken apart and erected upon ground already purchased in a pleasant suburb of Paris to serve as an American hotel.

A license was issued the other day for the marriage of Mrs. Anna Dunmire and Enoch Allen. Mrs. Dunmire was the widow of Charles J. Guitau, who was hanged for the assassination of President Garfield in 1882. Allen is to be her third husband.

Lady de Gray, who, with her husband, is said to have furnished the inspiration for the clever comedy, "Lord and Lady Algy," is about to open an afternoon tea room in Grafton place, London.

Lady de Gray is a member of the Prince of Wales' set and has found it necessary to go into business from a financial standpoint.

Mrs. Victoria Jackson, who owns a fashionable dwelling in New York, saw that a strip of land adjoining might prove troublesome if the owner chose to build on it. Her apartment house has many little windows overlooking this lot. So she bought 19 feet of the vacant lot for \$40,000, which will prevent the erection of other buildings.

Miss Nevada Stout of Dyersville, O., has received an engineer's license to operate a stationary engine, having answered 24 questions out of the 25 propounded. The examiner found her in full charge of a mill and running a 50 horsepower engine, and she speaks of her ability as leaving nothing to be desired. Miss Stout is 15 years of age and is considered a very handsome young woman.

Astronomers figure out that the diameter of the earth at the equator varies 3.048 feet, so that our planet is not only flattened at the poles, but slightly squeezed in the middle.

In France aluminum will be made into paper as sheets one four-thousandth of an inch have been rolled, which will not oxidize and are practically fire and water proof and indestructible by worms.

Radium, the new metal, is an illuminant of great power. Half a pound of it will make an ordinary sized room light as day for a million years. At present the price of the metal is too high for general use. One ounce is worth \$1,000.

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THE NEWEST FASHIONABLE MATERIALS FOR SPRING SUITS, COSTUMES AND SKIRTS

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These are some of the lines asked for every day.

- New Venetian Broadcloths, a very fashionable material, exceedingly dressy, in all the leading shades, including black and navy, 50 inches wide, at per yard.....90c.
New Pirle Suitings, a material of exceedingly bright finish, warranted not to spot or mark, with water, all pure wool, nice weight for Spring wear, new shades, 46 inches wide, at.....75c.
New Cheviots, exceedingly popular on account of dressy appearance as well as for its wearing qualities, all pure wool, and it comes in all leading shades, perfect dye, 54 inches wide, at per yard.....\$1.00
New Box Cloth Suitings of fine, pure wool, correct Spring weight, a very fashionable material for tailor-made suits, 42 inches wide, at.....50c.
New Cashmeres, rich henrietta finish, every yard of finest quality of wool, perfect in dye, weave and finish, all colors, including black and cream, 44 inches wide at.....50c.
New Poplins, all pure wool, medium and small cords. This material has no equal for wear and effect when made up. Black and colors, 44 to 46 ins. wide at 50c, 75c, & \$1.00

THE CARPET STOCK

In this store is not simply a conglomeration of colorings, patterns and weaves, but a selection secured by an intelligent knowledge of quality and style, well bought, from the world's best weavers of Carpets. We have already received congratulations on the artistic quality of our floor coverings for this season, and, better still, the more tangible compliment of numerous purchases.

We want you to see our stock of

- Axminster Carpets
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Tapestry Carpets
Wilton Carpets
Velvet Carpets
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Austin & Co.'s Ready Tailored Clothes

The kind that fit and stay in shape, fabric, style and making same as a well tailor gives, decidedly better than the average tailor turns out, but costing less because tailored in advance of your order. In short Ready-to-Wear clothes for men who appreciate Quality and Correct Fashion without the merchant tailors' high price.

NEW GOODS ARRIVING DAILY

- New Spring Top Coats
A very special Spring Top Coat, made from dark grey cheviot, medium three-quarter length, very dressy. Sizes 36 to 42, special at.....75c.
Men's Black Worsted Suits
A very special black clay worsted, made in coats and vests only, sizes 35 to 44, special.....\$5.00
New Whipcord Top Coats
In plain fawn shadings, nice weight, wide facings, piped edges, sizes 34 to 44, value.....75c.
Men's Imported Black Worsted Suits
Cloths imported, fine black clay worsteds, made in three styles of coats, S.B. necks and D.B. necks and shirt, best make and trim. You pay the tailor from \$18.00 to \$22.00. All sizes 34 to 44. Our prices.....\$12.00 and \$13.00
Nobby Gray Cheviot Top Coats
Made from plain grey cheviot, dark Oxford grey, all silk faced, very fine, sizes 36 to 42, gentee.....10c.
Men's Nobby Pattern Suits
Made from all the new things shown in pattern goods, neat checks, over-plaid, with single breasted and double breasted vests, S.B. coats, sizes from 34 to 44. Prices range \$3.95, \$5, \$6, \$7.50, \$10 and \$12
Boys' Nobby Suits For Easter
We have passed into stock many new lines, comprising all the new things for the coming season, blue worsted serges, neat pattern goods, all the leading colorings for all sizes of boys. Prices range in 3 piece suits at.....\$3.50, \$4.50, \$5.00 and \$6.00
2 piece suits at \$1.95, \$2.50, \$3, \$3.50
Special Neckwear For Easter Trade
All the new things shown this season are here, Bows, fawn ends, four-in-hand, strings, knots, &c., hand-some goods, at.....25c. and 50c.
Swell Headgear for the Men Folks
Men's Nobby Derby Fur Hats, black and beaver, 5th Ave. style.....\$2.25
Men's Feather-weight Stiff Fur Hats black and slate, nobby black.....\$2.00
Men's New Golf Fedoras in black, agate, giraffe, slate, new.....\$2.25
Men's New 'Golf Fedoras in black, pearl and beaver, a snap.....\$1.50
Men's Very Special Fedoras in black, brown, tobac, pearls, slate, value 98c
Men's and Boys' Special Venetian Caps, latest yacht style, rubber peaks.....50c.
Men's and Boys' Special Blue Serge and Tweed Caps, all styles, cloth-glaze peaks.....25c.

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PHONE 178 NIGHT BELL

All Around Town.

Walter F. O'Hara has returned to the Northwest to resume his Government Engineering duties.

Rev. Robert Knowles, of Toronto, will spend Easter with his son, Rev. W. E. Knowles.

J. C. Shaw, the Wallaceburg merchant carries a full line of new prints both dry and mixed for the spring clean up.

Rev. D. M. Robertson, of Botany, will preach in the First Presbyterian church, at the Preparatory services on Friday, April 12.

Easter Novelties in fancy eggs, chickens, fancy plates, salt and pepper shakers are shown this week in "The Ark" window.

Special train to Rond Eau Good Friday, leaving Chatham at 9 a. m. Returning, leaves Rond Eau at 3 p. m. Single fare for round trip.

Rev. A. C. Crews, editor of the Epworth Era, Toronto, and family will spend a few days in Chatham, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. Austin.

Rev. John Wakefield, D. D., of Paris, formerly pastor of the Park street church, is spending a few days in the city, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Scane.

"We were very much pleased with the design you sent; it was beautiful and appropriate." The Victoria Avenue Green House receives such words of commendation every day.

For the accommodation of Rond Eau property owners and anglers for perch, special train to Rond Eau Good Friday, leaving Chatham at 9 a. m.; returning, leave Rond Eau at 3 p. m. Single fare for round trip.

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Our Dressmaking Department is at your disposal—if you require a swell evening gown, made up in Madame Skirving's faultless style

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It's all here—with all the newness and difference that makes it attractive to your eye—so many stocks have that sort of "set look" or stereotyped appearance—that lends a look-alike-ness to what you see—not so with our

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Thos. Stone & Son.

BENEFIT OF SOCIETY TO THE HOSPITAL.

From its incipient stage until the present time, it has been the greatest boon to the hospital, to the Board of Managers and myself.

When I think of the inconveniences the nurses had to contend with at first, sleeping in rooms adjoining patients; no rest for their night or day, and see the comfortable home they have to retire to now, (though there are complaints of being crowded) I feel a warm spot in my heart for the Ladies Assisting Society.

When the nurses were crowded out of the hospital, we rented the cottage now occupied by Mr. Sowerby, paid \$80 (80) dollars per month and occupied three rooms in it. Speaking of that one evening to a patient he proposed building on the grounds on the instalment plan. I talked it over with Mr. Gardiner, the president, who laid it before the Assisting Society and from that evolved Chatham's Jubilee Memorial, the pretty Nurses' Home, standing in the Hospital ground, at a cost of over \$1,500.

The Sterilizers are composed of four pieces, one for hot water and one for cold, each holding about fifteen gallons, one to both the instruments in and one to do the dressings, towels, gowns, sheets and aprons used at a serious operation. All this is done to render the technique in surgery perfect, and our results show they have been an unlimited factor in our success. The cost of these sterilizers was \$600.

Besides these great achievements, we have to thank the Ladies Assisting Society for furnishings, repeatedly, whenever called for, in the shape of sheets, towels, pillow cases, etc. I personally am always glad to see the Visiting committee and take great pleasure in showing them about the Hospital.

As the sun is to the earth these bright, warm spring days, just so is the Assisting Society to the Hospital. I. R. JOHNSTON, Matron.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

Aldermen Grant Permission to Binder Twine Company to Build a Spur.

A special meeting of the City Council took place in Harrison Hall Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The members present were, Mayor Sulman, Aldermen Scane, Cowan, Marshall, Pritchard and W. M. Fleming.

The Mayor stated the meeting was called for the purpose of considering the question of granting permission to the Chatham Binder Twine Company to put a spur from the L. E. & M. Railway on Colborne street.

Into their proposed premises. A deputation from the company, composed of Messrs. D. Hutchinson, M. Wilson, S. Bullis, A. McKay and L. Howard were present. Ald. Scane moved that the spur be granted to said company, with proper protection to citizens and that a by-law be prepared for next meeting of council. Motion seconded by Mr. Pritchard. Carried unanimously. M. DUNCAN.

AN IMPORTANT DECISION. We read, with satisfaction, in the papers of our own city (St. Thomas) the following paragraph: "The Chief of Police has instructed his men to arrest every person whom they hear using profane language on the street, and the orders will be strictly carried out."

We have learned that, even in Chatham, profanity is heard on the streets; not only from strangers, but from a few unworthy citizens who disgrace themselves and the city by their bad language.

Chatham, with its usual enterprise and high regard for morality and religion, will certainly fall in line with St. Thomas and other cities by announcing to the public that the police have been instructed to enforce the law of the land against public profanity. A few arrests of lowlived swearers will do good.

HUNTER AND CROSSLEY. OUR VISIT TO THE HOSPITAL. It was our pleasure to visit the hospital on Tuesday afternoon of this week. It is needless to say that the matron and nurses received us most cordially, and that everything about the Hospital pleased us.

We called upon the thirty-five patients, thirty-three of whom seemed to have caught the radiance from the faces of the nurses, for they all looked so cheerful. The memorial "Jubilee Home" for the nurses, which is a building apart from the hospital, is an excellent idea.

HUNTER AND CROSSLEY. ANNUAL MEETING. The regular meeting of the ladies of the Home of the Friendless was held Monday afternoon in Harrison Hall. There were present Messrs. Stevens, Ferguson, Fleming, Scane, Tyhurst, Tlesiman, Ebefts, Snook, Ball, McDonald and Miss Ryan.

The accounts for March were ordered paid.

The visiting committee for April will be Mrs. Ball and Mrs. Snook. The ladies desire to thank Messrs. Crossley and Hunter for kindly conducting the services at the home Thursday afternoon.

E. M. McDONALD, Corresponding Secretary.

Every one should call and see the unrivalled display of carpets and spring patterns in all lines of dress goods that are now on display at F. A. McKim & Co.'s dry goods emporium in Dresden. A large stock of lace curtains is also carried.

FRY BURT'S ELECTRIC COUGH CURE To Cure Grip in two Days. Laxative Bromo Quinine remove the cause

In the Household

BREAKFAST. (Mrs. STEGMANN) Oranges, Cereal and Cream, Potatoes, Fish Balls with Egg Sauce, Frenched on Toast, Graham Gems, Coffee.

DINNER. (MRS STEGMANN) Puree of Green Peas, Radishes, Boiled Salmon, Egg Sauce, Cucumbers, Lettuce Salad, Creamed Potatoes, Green Peas, Easter Pine Apple Cream, Confections, Coffee and Water.

SUPPER. (MISS J. F. STEGMANN) Boned Fowl, Ripe Olives, This White Bread and Butter Sandwiches, Cakes, Soda Biscuits, Strawberry Jelly, Glace Fruit, Charlotte Russe, Ice.

GALATINE OF CHICKEN.—(Miss J. H. Stegmann) Bone a chicken, boil 4 eggs hard, 2 pounds sausage, beat. After the chicken is boned spread out flat and put into the legs and wings sausage meat to fill them and put alternate layers of the meat and sliced eggs till chicken is well stuffed, then sew it up and wrap carefully in cheese cloth. You can add bread crumbs to the meat if desired. Then dip the rack and put it in a pot with the glaze and cover with cold water. Place chicken carefully on top and cover tightly, steam three hours, then remove it and put in oven for about twenty-five minutes to brown, basting well. Serve cold.

TURKEY may be done like mackerel, only it requires two turkeys. Put one inside the other or else a large chicken and then proceed to stuff with meat, etc.

PUREE OF CAULIFLOWER OR ANY OLD VEGETABLE.—Mix 1 tablespoonful of water and the same of flour together. Season with salt and pepper and a dash of cayenne. Add to it a pint of Cauliflower (after it has been put through a sieve) and a pint of water and a pint of milk.

POACHED EGGS.—To every quart of water add half cup salt and bring to boiling point, not bubbling. Break egg into cup and drop carefully into water and let it cook five eggs well. Salt water greater resistance than fresh, therefore keep eggs in compact form.

EASTER PINE-APPLE CREAM.—(Miss J. H. Stegmann) Cook a canful of grated pineapple and a cupful of sugar in water till the pineapple is soft. Add to it half a package of gelatine, moistened in cold water and the juice of a lemon. When almost chilled fold in the whip from three cupfuls of this cream. Shape in mould. When cold turn out and garnish with maraschino blossoms in the centre and grate pineapple cooked with sugar and a little lemon juice around the base.

PUREE OF GREEN PEAS.—(Miss J. H. Stegmann) I can of peas (French are the best as they are a better color) 1 pint of milk and a tablespoonful of oil. Fry the peas in butter and add the milk and the peas gradually. Then season and add the peas. Have one pint of whipped cream in tureen and stir puree in gently.

PINEAPPLE SHAPE.—(Mrs. Wm. Pringle)—Whip one quart of cream, 1 cup of grated pineapple, 1/2 box of gelatine, sugar 3 tablespoonfuls. Put in a mould until set and turn out.

CHEESE SOUFFLE.—One cup of grated cheese, 1/2 cup milk, 3 eggs beaten, butter the size of a walnut, pepper and salt to taste. Bake in a buttered dish fifteen or twenty minutes.

PEANUT SOUP.—(Mrs. Thos. MacKennd)—One quart of rich milk, 1 large cupful of peanuts, measured after they have been shelled and skinned, put on to cook in a double boiler and add salt and season highly with black and red pepper. Add the peanuts which have been put through a meat chopper two or three times until they are ground fine (Cook twenty or thirty minutes. Put a cupful of whipped cream in the tureen, strain the soup through a fine wire sieve cover it and serve immediately.

LITTLE MOCHA CAKES.—(Mrs. T. K. Holmes)—One cup sugar, 1/2 cup butter, 1/2 cup sweet milk, 2 eggs, 2 cups flour, 2 teaspoonfuls Baking Powder. Bake twenty-five or thirty minutes in a slow oven.

ICING.—(Mrs. T. K. Holmes)—Two cups icing sugar, four ounces butter (or four tablespoonfuls) 1/2 pound shelled almonds, blanched, 1 tablespoonful vanilla and water mixed, cake in small squares and lightly around sides then dip into nuts.

FRUIT SALAD.—(Mrs. T. K. Holmes) Beat the yolks of four eggs until very thick and light colored, then beat into them slowly one cup of sifted sugar, powdered sugar, add 3/4 cupful of water and beat until the sugar is dissolved, add juice of two lemons and beat again. Slice thin six bananas and four oranges, put in a dish a layer of fruit and then dressing alternately.

USEFUL HINTS.—To remove the greenness from a cucumber, cut about half an inch of the stem end off and rub the two raw ends to-

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gether for a few minutes. A white foam will be excreted and this is the bitter principle of the vegetable.

ORANGE PUDDING.—(Mrs. T. K. Holmes)—One cup sugar, 1/2 cup butter, 1/2 cup of milk, 2 cups of flour and 1/2 cup of baking powder, grated rind of 1 orange, 1/2 of two eggs and 1 whole one. Bake in individual tins.

ORANGE SAUCE.—(Mrs. T. K. Holmes)—Whites of 3 eggs, 1/2 cup powdered sugar, juice of 2 oranges. Beat the egg with the sugar and then add the juice, pour over the pudding when ready to serve.

EGG GEMS.—(Mrs. T. K. Holmes) Mix together one pint of finely chopped meat, pieces of roast or fried and one pint of bread crumbs, season with salt, pepper and a little butter, moisten with milk. Heat this thoroughly, then fill the gem pans with the mixture, break an egg on the top of each and put them in the oven until the eggs are cooked.

USEFUL HINTS.—(Mrs. T. K. Holmes) A small quantity of yeast powder in the water for yeast flowers are placed will keep them for a long time.

BROWN BREAD.—(Mrs. T. K. Holmes) 2 cups graham flour, 1 cup of white flour, 1 1/2 cups of sour milk, 1 egg, 1 teaspoonful soda, 1 teaspoonful salt, 1 1/2 tablespoonful coffee sugar. Bake in slow oven.

CHEESE STRAW.—(Mrs. T. K. Holmes) 1 cup grated cheese, 1 cup flour 1 egg, small piece butter, salt and pepper to taste, milk enough to roll like pie paste.

EASTER SALAD.—(Mrs. T. K. Holmes) Cut the potatoes into long narrow straws for straw, boil in salted water until barely done, drain and while still warm sprinkle with oil, lemon and onion juice and let stand until cold.

Arrange these straws into little nest shapes on crisp lettuce leaves, make little balls of cream cheese and roll them in grated yellow cheese and lay them in the nests. Serve with mayonnaise for the potatoes.

AN EASTER DESSERT.—(Mrs. T. K. Holmes)—Soak 1/2 box Knox gelatine in 1/2 cup cold water five minutes, beat 2 cupfuls of milk, add the gelatine and when it is dissolved sweeten with three tablespoonfuls of sugar and flavor with two teaspoonfuls of vanilla. Wash one dozen large eggs, make a hole in the large end and pour out the egg, pour water in the hole and when it is dissolved sweeten with three tablespoonfuls of sugar and flavor with two teaspoonfuls of vanilla. Wash one dozen large eggs, make a hole in the large end and pour out the egg, pour water in the hole and when it is dissolved sweeten with three tablespoonfuls of sugar and flavor with two teaspoonfuls of vanilla.

HEN'S NEST.—(Mrs. T. K. Holmes)—Make blanc mange and set in egg shell to cool. Cut lemon peel in strips the size of a straw and boil in syrup of sugar and water until clear. Put a custard and put in flat dish, put lemon peel in shape of nests, take the shells from the blanc-mange and place them in the centre.

MINT JELLY TO SERVE WITH COLD LAMB.—(Mrs. T. K. Holmes)—Wash and dry two bunches of mint and steep in one pint of boiling water. Soak 1/2 box of Knox gelatine in 1/2 pint cold water two minutes; add juice of two lemons, one cup sugar. Pour over this the boiling mint, stir until thoroughly dissolved, strain and pour in mould to harden.

TABLE DECORATIONS.—(Mrs. T. K. Holmes) This should be green and white or yellow and white with a touch of green. However, all delicate spring like colors are appropriate. The idea is to give the dainty woman and freshness of the fresh life just budding forth all around us. Of course the lilies rank first having a significance all their own, but crocuses are dainty showing their brave faces so soon after the snow-they deserve second place. Then come the daffodown dillies, tulips, hyacinths and violets. The Easter lilies are not in strictly good taste, suitable for table decorations, their color too heavy and neither the plant nor flowers bear themselves gracefully to such purposes. They are better for open hall decorations. Let the table decorations be light and not overdone, remember at this season there is only a suggestion of bloom about our Northern homes a promise of the fullness to come. If small lilies, crocuses or violets are used have them growing in a bed of moss.

For special occasions, the desserts and less may be molded in shapes representing flowers, eggs, rabbits or any appropriate design for Easter.

THE EASTER HOLIDAY ATTIRE.

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Easter Offerings in Kid Gloves, &c.

Easter Kid Gloves 2 dome fasteners, all sizes, Tan and Black 75c

Easter Marcelle Kid Gloves, Grey and Castor, White, Black, White Stitched and Self..... \$1.00

Easter Daphne Kid Gloves, Grey Castor, Tan and Black..... \$1.25

Easter Suede Kid Gloves, Grey Castor and Black..... \$1.50

Easter Tan Washable Valler Kid Gloves..... \$2.00

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Hemstitched, Windsor, Lace L'Aignon Collars, Belts and Ties

Easter Handkerchiefs

Linen, Silk, Lawn, Hemstitched and Embroidered from \$1.00 to.....5c

Easter Tailored Suits and Jackets.

Ladies who cannot spend time and trouble to have a spring suit made to order can be just as well or better suited from our splendid stock of Travellers' Spring Samples of Ladies' Tailor-Made Suits at cut-in-two prices.

\$5.00 to \$12.00

Spring Jackets in all the leading styles and colors, mercerized or silk lined, from

\$3.75 to \$6.75

Easter Capes, chiffon, lined in Black and Matrons, large capes in Black Cloth.

Easter Offerings in Silk and Silk Waists.

Silk Flannels, leading colors are Rosewood, Willow, Tobac, Antoinette, L'Aignon, Porcelain.

Easter Lines—Universal Diagonal Silks, colors Tobac, Pink, Blue, Willow, Old Rose, Cream and White.

Easter Waists, Black Taffeta Silk Waists, Black and Gold Buttons, very tasty..... \$5.00

Easter Waists, extraordinary fine Black Waists, Taffeta Silk, Tucked, etc..... \$6.00 to \$6.50

New York, Taffeta Silk Waists, White, Blue, Cardinal, Tucked and Hemstitched, Bishop Sleeves, etc., very choice..... \$6.00

Easter Muslins, Shirt Waists and Gingham, Dimities, Lawns, India Linens, French Cambrics, Cross Bars, Mulls, Swiss, Dotted Swiss, Long Cloth.

EASTER SHIRT WAIST, Percale Print, etc., warranted colors, Bishop Sleeves, etc., 40, 50 and 60c.

EASTER LAWN WAISTS, 25 tucks in front, Bishop sleeves, FINE LAWN SHIRT WAISTS, tucked and embroidered, tucked cuffs, \$1.00.

FRENCH CAMBRIC SHIRT WAISTS, 4 rows of insertion in front, 4 rows on back, Bishop sleeves \$1.75.

FINE COLORED LAWN WAISTS—Pink, Blue, Black, Red—\$1.00 and \$1.25.

FINE AMOSKING DIMITY GINGHAMS, warranted colors, 10 and 12c.

SATEENS, NEW SILKS, MERCERIZED GOODS, &c.

WILLIAM GORDON

Standard Fashions Head the Procession. Standard Patterns Stand the Test.

Smith's seed store, West side of market carries the largest and best assortment of seeds in Western Ontario.

Leave your order now at Tilt's for painting and papering.

Any one wishing a good, first class turn out in either a buggy, carriage or hack should see Geo. Jamieson at his livery barn on Queen street, before ordering elsewhere.

Happy is the man who buys his clothing from J. W. Webb. Special value now Order early, please.

If you intend doing any painting or papering, now is the time to leave your orders at Tilt's before spring rush starts.

Smith's seed store, west side of market, carries the largest and best assortment of seeds in Western Ontario.

Warts Are Unightly. That is the reason no one is clamoring for a few more warts—make them fashionable and a remedy for warts would quickly be made a financial success. Yes, Putnam's Corn and Wart Extractor removes them; works quickly and without pain—any druggist will tell you more about this remedy.

For Easter Holidays W. E. Rispin will issue return tickets at single fare to all points on Grand Trunk Ry. in Canada, on April 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th. Tickets good to return April 9th. For students and teachers he will issue tickets at fare and one third March 29th to April 16th, good returning April 16th.

For purifying the blood and toning up the system use Rudley's Sarsaparilla. Price 50c. per bottle. The best spring tonic.

For a good Berlin Piano, Call on Tschirhag-Eberle.

Valuable Advice to Rheumatics. Eat meat sparingly, also very little sugar; avoid damp feet, drink water abundantly, and always rely on Nerviline as an absolute reliever of pain. Five times stronger than any other, it never over-pains it simply beyond belief. Get a bottle at your druggists, test it and see if it is not so. Medicine dealers sell it everywhere.

WE MUST HAVE THIS WEEK. House within 15 minutes' walk of Post Office, \$6 to \$8 a month. Also House with bath in good locality, \$11 to \$13 a month.

Owners will consult their own interests by seeing us.

Insurance Money to Loan. DUNN & BRISCO. 115 KING STREET. Opp. I.O.O.F.

WOOLLENS FOR SPRING 1901

The larger part of our Special Importations for the Spring Season have been passed into stock.

We issue a cordial invitation to Gentlemen of taste and discernment to call on us, and become intimate with all that is most stylish and novel in the high art of good dressing.

ALBERT SHEDRICK, Merchant Tailor and Direct Importer



# The Metropolitan Life Insurance Company

(INCORPORATED BY THE STATE OF NEW YORK)

"The Leading Industrial Insurance Company of America," is Represented in all the Principal Cities of the United States and in Canada.

The METROPOLITAN is one of the oldest Life Insurance Companies in the United States.

It began doing business more than THIRTY-TWO YEARS AGO.

It is the most Progressive LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY in America to-day.

A Present Clientage of over FIVE MILLION, FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND POLICY HOLDERS attests its Popularity.

The Payment of More Than Two Hundred and Fifty Death Claims Daily Tells of the Good it Does.

## FROM A CANADIAN STANDPOINT

It is usually a painful matter to hear what others, even our best friends, think of us, but in this instance the Metropolitan views with gratification how the Company appears from a Canadian standpoint.

## MORE CANADIAN THAN EVEN THE CANADIANS SIZE

Last year the Metropolitan wrote in Canada	\$9,122,330
Which is as much as the insurance written by any two of the other 32 Companies, British, American or Canadian	
The Metropolitan has in force insurance outstanding of	\$923,877,917
On Policies of no less than	5,494,057
So the Company has as many subjects as the Dominion's entire population.	

## TRADE ASSETS

What a stupendous business enterprise the Metropolitan is, can be best realized by stating that the aggregate trade of the Dominion of Canada for 1899, 1900, was	\$381,517,036
Very little larger than the amount of new business written by the Metropolitan of	\$349,764,606
The Metropolitan's strength can be gauged by stating that its Assets of	\$62,158,034

## REVENUE

The International Grand Trunk Railway, with its lines throughout Canada and the United States, revenue last year amounted to	\$27,800,000
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## SURPLUS GROWTH DEATH CLAIMS

Which is millions behind that of the Metropolitan for the same period	\$33,803,256
We Canadians felt pleased at the magnificent surplus our Dominion finances showed of	\$8,054,714
But even that was surpassed by the Metropolitan's of	\$11,395,936
Just think of it, the Metropolitan gain in policies of	\$513,353
is almost equal to the combined populations of our two greatest cities of Montreal (320,000) and Toronto (220,000).	540,000
The sum of	\$8,761,597
The amount the Quebec (\$4,569,587) and the Ontario (\$4,192,000) Governments had the expending of last year, is less than what the Metropolitan paid in death claims	\$9,799,124
And the number of death claims paid out by the Company	87,178
Is almost six times the amount of the loss of life incurred by the British Army in South Africa	\$14,880

The Metropolitan Life Insurance Company has on deposit with the Canadian Government, for the protection of Policy-holders in Canada, \$444,862; in Dominion of Canada Registered stock.

## THE METROPOLITAN

HAPPILY COMBINES  
In its Business Methods and Results

### The Vigor of Youth

New Insurance written in 1900 - \$349,764,606  
Insurance in Force, Dec. 31, 1900 - 923,877,917

### The Strength of Manhood

Assets, Dec. 31, 1900 - \$62,158,034.33  
Liabilities - 53,413,599.42

Re-Insurance Fund and Special Reserve, \$52,527,961.00  
All Other Liabilities, \$885,938.42

### The Wisdom of Age

Surplus over all Liabilities, Dec. 31, 1900  
\$8,744,434.91

### The Metropolitan's Progress by 5-Year Periods

Year.	Income for the Year.	Assets at end of Year.	Surplus at end of Year.
1885	\$3,528,877.39	\$2,784,954.01	\$706,382.41
1890	9,863,018.67	10,781,173.01	2,117,928.11
1895	19,386,613.82	25,592,063.78	4,477,939.71
1900	33,803,256.96	62,158,034.33	8,744,434.91

## TO THE PUBLIC

The Chatham Staff takes this opportunity of thanking its many Policy-holders both in Chatham and Wallaceburg for the very liberal patronage it has received in the past, and hopes that it may always retain their good-will and confidence along the lines of safe protection and investment which so characterize our matchless Insurance Contracts that they have become a household by-word.

Further particulars will be cheerfully given by the Staff, consisting of E. B. Macdonald, R. L. Cook, E. Menard, and A. E. Wilson in Wallaceburg.

I have the honor to be  
Respectfully yours,

JAS. W. AITKEN,

Merchants Bank Building, Assistant Superintendent.  
King St., Chatham.

## The Metropolitan Life Insurance Company

In Its Ordinary Department issues

Policies from \$1,000 to \$100,000

On such plans and conditions as offer the best there is in life insurance, both for

### Protection and Investment.

It writes the standard contracts of Life and Endowment, together with some novel and attractive forms exclusively its own.

### A Distinctive Feature

of Metropolitan contracts is the absence of uncertainty and consequent disappointment.

Everything is Guaranteed. Nothing is Estimated.

Assets of Over Sixty-Two Million Dollars.

And a surplus of

Over Eight Million Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars

Give a positive financial backing to its attractive contracts.



In the House of God . . .

What is being done in the churches of Chatham.

THE SPECIAL SERVICES that have been going on for five weeks in the Park street Methodist Church are now about to be closed.

One is often led to wonder how some people criticize such meetings as these, because they do not like certain methods.

The Pastor works the soil, and sows the precious seed. Evangelists come to help the Pastor reap the harvest.

CHRIST CHURCH.

Church of England services were held in Chatham as early as 1820. The first resident missionary of Chatham was the Rev. Thomas Morley.

The next appointment to the incumbency was that of Dr. Sandys, who died on the 5th of March 1894.

The present church was opened August 25th 1891. There are 200 families connected with the church.

This church was organized in 1841 and worshipped in the building now occupied by the Salvation Army.

The present edifice, corner of Park street and Dufferin Avenue, was built in 1888 during the term of Rev. Alexander Langford.

The choir consists of about thirty voices and is led by Miss Idle, with Miss Lillian Pratt as organist.

Ladies' Aid, President Mrs. E. W. Scame, Secretary, Mrs. Charters. Women's Missionary Society, President, Mrs. S. F. Gardiner.

This congregation was organized nearly sixty years ago. The Rev. Mr. McLaren (father of Mrs. Robt. Gray) and Rev. McFadyin supplied for a time.

The first regular pastor was Rev. John Robb, then Rev. John Rennie and lastly Rev. John R. Battisby, who was ordained and inducted in September, 1877.

The William Street Baptist church was first organized about the year 1854. The mother church, was the Louisville church, and in Chatham they erected a nice commodious building on the corner of King and William streets.

After the fire, the only money available was two thousand dollars with which the congregation purchased the site, where the present church now stands, which was erected at the cost of some sixteen thousand dollars.

The church has now a pastor greatly beloved by every member of the congregation. He has just refused a call to a large church in Detroit, with a large increase in salary, which shows that his first object is service to his Master, and not salary and position.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN.

The first organization of Presbyterianism in Chatham was in 1835, when the United Presbyterian church of Scotland formed a congregation.

The two former ministers remained as joint pastors till 1860 when they retired on superannuation. Mr. Walker dying two years later and Rev. Dr. McColl passed away only last week.

The present place of worship is a beautiful edifice, having a seating capacity of 750 in the main auditorium, and also a modern and spacious lecture room.

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Campbell African M. E. Church, cor. King and Prince streets. Rev. H. T. Henderson B. A. pastor. Sunday services at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.

St. John's A. U. M. P. Church, Rev. A. B. Selvey pastor. Sunday services at 11 a. m. and 7.45 p. m. Number of members 47.

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INSURANCE FOR DRUGGISTS. Protected From Blackmail and Mistakes in Mixing Drugs.

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ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL. The Truth Plainly and Briefly Told.

IN 1890 the Sisters of Charity, at the invitation of Fr. Paul O. F. M., came to the city and erected the present splendid Hospital on King Street, which is a charity institution in the true sense of the word.

The great distinguishing feature of the Sisters of Charity is their self-sacrifice and self-devotion; the members work without pay and they work for God.

Medicines, Brox., are offering eggs from their prize winning pens of W. Wyandottes and Barred P. Rocks at \$1.50 per setting.

Get your magazines, papers and books bound at Bressy's bindery, King street east.

Thomas H. Nichols, Adelaide street, north, has two very fine horses, one a colt thoroughbred, and the other a work horse, which he is offering for sale at a very reasonable price.

Spendid, quiet drivers and up-to-date, stylish and comfortable buggies and carriages can always be had at "Edwin's Livery," opposite the Post office, King Street, Telephone No. 91.

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"Straight Front." Low bust, long waist, cut away hips - that is fashion's latest corset decree.

It gives a graceful curve to the back and hips; it supports, but does not press the abdomen. Correct in every line. See that it is branded: N.C. TAILOR-KUT

National Corset Mfg. Co., Quebec and Toronto.

THE growth of this Institution during the last two years has been wonderful. The attendance has been doubled on account of the thorough course of training which we give.

Young People are foolish to spend the best part of their lives in learning Latin, French, and the dead languages, when a few months spent in our Commercial or Short-hand Department will fit you to earn salaries like the above.

Enter and complete a three months' course before Midsummer.

SPRING TERM BEGINS APRIL 1st. CATALOGUE FREE. H. T. GOUGH, PRINCIPAL.

WANTED - Wheat, Beans, Barley, Oats, Buck wheat at the Kent Mills Elevators.

Since building over the Kent Mills at Chatham, and Blenheim Mills at Blenheim, with our new Bolting and Dust Extracting process, we find our Flour makes two loaves of bread more to the barrel, and a larger, whiter and sweeter loaf than flour made under any other system.

The Canada Flour Mills Co., Limited, Successors to The Kent Mills Co., Limited.

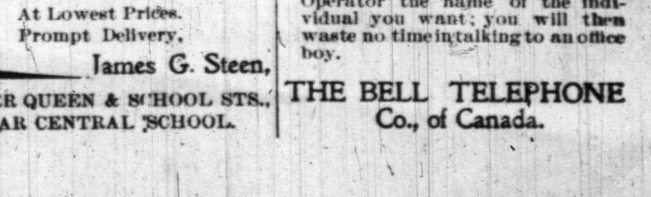
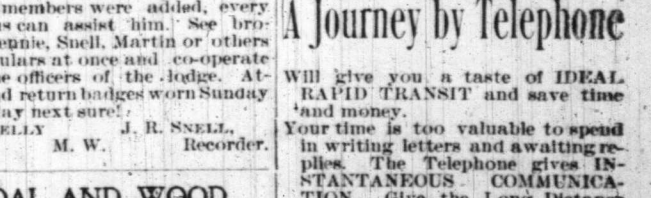
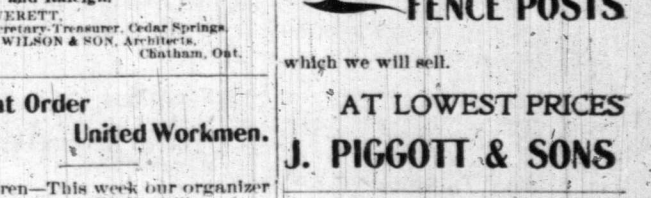
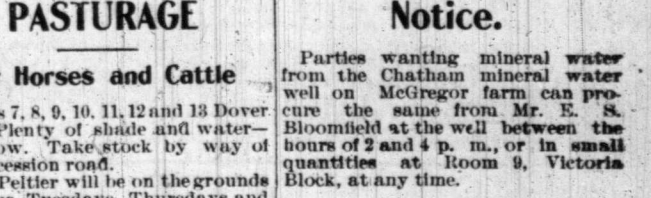
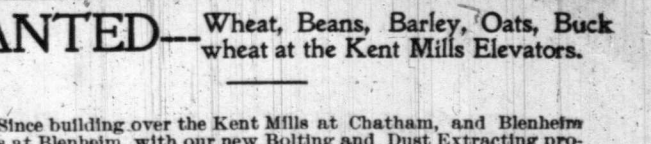
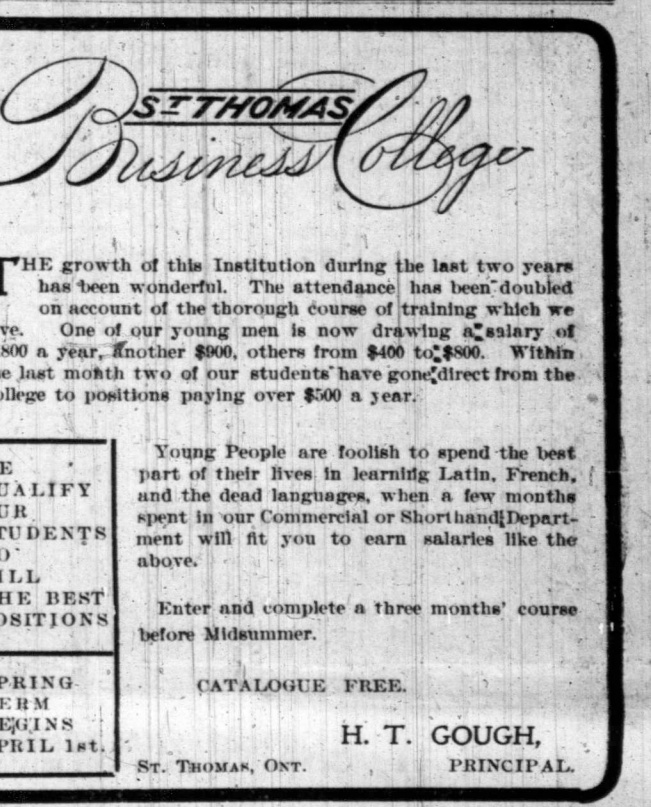
PASTURAGE For Horses and Cattle. On Lots 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 Dover West - Plenty of shade and water - rates low. Take stock by the way of the concession road.

Notice. Parties wanting mineral water from the Chatham mineral water well on McGregor farm can procure the same from Mr. E. S. Bloomfield at the well between the hours of 2 and 4 p. m., or in small quantities at 4 p. m., in Victoria Block, at any time.

Chatham Mineral Water Company, LIMITED. Posts! Posts! Posts! We have on hand a large and well-assorted stock of FENCE POSTS which we will sell AT LOWEST PRICES

J. PIGGOTT & SONS A Journey by Telephone Will give you a taste of IDEAL RAPID TRANSIT and save time and money. Your time is too valuable to spend in writing letters and awaiting replies. The Telephone gives INSTANTANEOUS COMMUNICATION. Give the Long Distance Operator the name of the individual you want; you will then waste no time in talking to an office boy.

THE BELL TELEPHONE Co., of Canada.



Advertisement for Absolute Security, Genuine Carter's Little Liver Pills. Must Bear Signature of Aunt Hood. Cure Sick Headache.

Advertisement for SALADA Ceylon Green Tea. Sold only in sealed lead packets.

Advertisement for St. Thomas Business College. THE growth of this Institution during the last two years has been wonderful.

Advertisement for Free Rupture Cure. Wonderful Method Sent Free to all Who Are Ruptured.

Advertisement for The Canada Flour Mills Co., Limited. Successors to The Kent Mills Co., Limited.

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Deals Directly With the Young.

Some facts about The Kent Children's Aid Society.

UNDER the provisions of the Children's Protection Act of Ontario, Children's Aid Societies have been formed in nearly all the leading cities and towns of the Province...

The co-operation of citizens generally is solicited, for undoubtedly the most important and vital branch of all charitable work is that which deals directly with the children...

Table with columns for 1899 and 1900, listing statistics such as Letters written, Visits made, Cases reported, etc.

An Admirable Will.

A lady named Mrs. Crawford who was converted at meeting held by Messrs. Crossley and Hunter some years ago, died recently in Colborne...

Recently a 6-year-old pupil in one of the public schools was told to write an essay on "Man." The following was the result:

A Casket of Fears.—Dr. Von Stan's Pineapple Tablets would prove a great solace to the disheartened dyspeptic...

Home of the Friendless.

A few remarks on the early days of one of our public institutions.

In 1881 a number of well disposed ladies and gentlemen conceived the idea of organizing an undenominational society for benevolent purposes...

The ladies have educated their deaf and dumb children at Belleville and one blind man at Brantford thus enabling them to earn their own livelihood...

SOCIETY.

Mrs. Wellwood, is visiting her sister Mrs. Idle. Mrs. Will Hadley is spending the day in Detroit.

London, April 4.—The Bloemfontein correspondent of The Morning Post asserts that the Boers have tried for treason and executed Mr. Dekokke...

BRITISH ENVOY MURDERED.

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Danish Government Ousted.

Copenhagen, April 4.—The elections to the Folketing have resulted in a sweeping victory for the Opposition, and an overwhelming defeat for the Government.

Killed by a Yard Engine.

London, Ont., April 4.—Edward Simcoe, a G. T. R. railboy, was run over by a yard engine in the local yards yesterday afternoon at 1.30, and instantly killed.

Babies Buried to Death.

St. Thomas, Ont., April 4.—Walter Alex. McGinnis, farm laborer for C. R. Stevenson of Southwood Township, near Fingal village, was cutting wood yesterday...

Duke of Cornwall to Present Medal.

Ottawa, Ont., April 4.—Lord Minto has received a cablegram from Hon. Joseph Chamberlain stating that His Royal Highness the Duke of Cornwall and York, had been asked by cable to present the South African medals to the members of the first and second contingents on his arrival in Canada...

Found Dead on the Track.

Moncton, N. B., April 4.—The mangled form of Harry Weatherbe of Amherst was found on the railway track here last night at 1 o'clock.

THE CYNIC.

Every man makes the mistake of thinking he can fool his wife as easily as he used to fool his mother. No woman's children were ever so much trouble that it influenced her younger sisters to be old maids.

TIPS FROM THE WIRE.

D'Oyly Carte, famous theatrical manager and lessee of London, died on Wednesday.

The physicians in attendance have discovered a fresh abscess in the throat of M. Waldeck-Rousseau, the French Premier.

The verdict of \$13,500 granted to Charlotte A. Bridgwood of Hamilton has been reduced to \$8,000, all that she asked for.

Gen. Weyler, Spanish Minister of War, has ordered the exclusion of nuns from Madrid Military Hospital till the budget provides funds permitting them to return.

The playing schedule adopted by the Eastern Baseball League consists of 126 games. The season opens on Thursday, April 25, with Montreal at Buffalo, Toronto at Rochester, Hartford at Providence, Syracuse at Worcester.

Chas. F. Jones, the valet of the aged millionaire, W. M. Rice of New York, has made a second confession of the details of the murder of the old man implicating Albert T. Patrick, a lawyer. Patrick was the suggester of the crime to secure the money bequeathed by a forged will in Jones' favor.

London, April 4.—The Vienna correspondent of The Times takes a serious view of the Russian political situation, believing that the first symptoms of far-reaching military movements are confirmed by the reports of sanguinary disturbances in Palyatok, where there is a university. The disorders there, in his opinion, show that the rioting is no longer confined to students.

Tramster Crushed to Death. Hamilton, April 4.—George Bodden was killed last night in Rodgers' coal yard, being crushed between a wagon and a post. Bodden was un hitching the horses when they started forward, and before he could get free he was jammed against an upright in the shed, and instantly killed.

Guilty of Manslaughter. Winnipeg, April 4.—Donald Todd was found guilty yesterday of manslaughter. He shot John Gordon over a year ago.

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MARKET REPORTS.

Liverpool Wheat and Maize Options Down - Chicago Wheat Lower - Latest Quotations.

Liverpool, April 4.—Yesterday wheat futures declined a net 1/4 per cent, and maize options a net 1/4 to 1/2 per cent.

Chicago, April 4.—May wheat futures declined yesterday about 2c a bushel from Monday's close, and corn declined sharply near 3c. Oats declined.

Table with columns for Cash, April, May, July, and various market items like Liverpool, Chicago, St. Louis, Toledo, etc.

Liverpool—Wheat—Wheat spot easy: No. 1 standard Cal., 6s 3/4d to 6s 4d; No. 2 red winter, 6s 1/4d to 6s 1/2d; No. 3 Northern spring, 6s 1/4d to 6s 1/2d; Walls, no stock; Futures, May and July, 6s 11 1/2d; Spot corn quiet; mixed American, 6s 1/4d to 6s 1/2d; new, 3s 1/2d to 3s 11/4d; Putros, 3s 1/2d to 3s 11/4d; Flour, Minn., 15s to 16s 8d.

London—Close—Wheat cargoes arrived off coast since last report, 11, willing for sale in port. 1. Wheat on passage quieter and hardly any demand. Cargoes La Plata, March, 28s paid, on sample. Maize on passage very inactive. Cargoes La Plata, yellow, steam, April-May, 18s paid. Putros, mixed American, steam, March, 15s 8d paid. Spot American, mixed, 20s. Flour, spot Minn., 24s 6d.

Paris—Close—Wheat, spot easy: No. 1 Northern, 17 1/2; No. 2 Northern, 17; No. 3 Northern, 16 1/2; No. 4 Northern, 16; No. 5 Northern, 15 1/2; No. 6 Northern, 15; No. 7 Northern, 14 1/2; No. 8 Northern, 14; No. 9 Northern, 13 1/2; No. 10 Northern, 13; No. 11 Northern, 12 1/2; No. 12 Northern, 12; No. 13 Northern, 11 1/2; No. 14 Northern, 11; No. 15 Northern, 10 1/2; No. 16 Northern, 10; No. 17 Northern, 9 1/2; No. 18 Northern, 9; No. 19 Northern, 8 1/2; No. 20 Northern, 8.

Antwerp—Close—Wheat, spot easy: No. 1 Northern, 17 1/2; No. 2 Northern, 17; No. 3 Northern, 16 1/2; No. 4 Northern, 16; No. 5 Northern, 15 1/2; No. 6 Northern, 15; No. 7 Northern, 14 1/2; No. 8 Northern, 14; No. 9 Northern, 13 1/2; No. 10 Northern, 13; No. 11 Northern, 12 1/2; No. 12 Northern, 12; No. 13 Northern, 11 1/2; No. 14 Northern, 11; No. 15 Northern, 10 1/2; No. 16 Northern, 10; No. 17 Northern, 9 1/2; No. 18 Northern, 9; No. 19 Northern, 8 1/2; No. 20 Northern, 8.

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