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Annual ... February Carpet AND Curtain Sale.

This is the month in which to buy Carpets and Curtains. Many lines are here that we intend clearing out during the quite seasons. These are choice goods, and if you need anything in Floor Coverings, Lace Curtains or Drapery Curtains you will do well to come in and look the different lines over.

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PHONE 159

RUSSIAN SHIPS WERE SURPRISED

Japs Stole a March on Them
Completely Wrecking All
Three on Short Notice.

Before Dazed Russians Could
Reply to the Attack the Vig-
orous Japs Had Done
Their Work.

New York, Feb. 9.—A special cable from London to the Evening Journal says: Japan has won her first great naval victory. A despatch from St. Petersburg says that an attack has been made by a Japanese torpedo fleet on the Russian battleships and cruisers lying at anchor within the entrance of the harbor at Port Arthur and that the battleships Osearvitch and Retzivan and the cruiser Pallada were torpedoed and wrecked.

Shortly before midnight of Monday a large Japanese fleet, presumably that which left Sasebo early Saturday, was reported off Port Arthur. The Russian fleet, which had been anchored outside the harbor, had been warned and had retired within the harbor entrance. The Russians felt that their torpedo system would protect them, but even then took no chances, but kept their searchlights working both from the ships and the shore batteries, particularly from that portion of the land called the "Tiger's Tail."

The Japanese fleet outside did some maneuvering and then apparently went off to the southward, so many thought, to join the remainder of the Japanese fleet, known to be in the neighborhood of We-Hai-Wei. At 1.40 a.m. Sunday, as the watchers and searchlights were becoming laggard and the alarm at first felt was about dying out, a black streak was observed crossing the harbor mouth by one of the lookouts on the Osearvitch. He gave the alarm. A dozen searchlights flashed out and the sight paralyzed the Russians, according to the dispatches sent to St. Petersburg. Half a dozen torpedo boats were making their way toward the moored warships.

Before any move could be made a torpedo was launched from one of the Japanese boats at the Osearvitch and striking her, exploded, tearing her apart. At almost the same moment another torpedo was fired at and hit the Retzivan, the most modern ship in the Russian navy, and made a wreck of her. The deadly missile struck the Retzivan just forward of her forward turret on the port side and tore a gaping hole in her side. The consternation among the Russians had now increased to a panic and hardly any attempt was made to repel the attack being made. The Pallada, a fine cruiser, was lying inside of both the battleships and to her the torpedo boats next turned their attention. The Pallada's crew had got her rapid fire guns to work and were trying to hit the Japanese. The latter launched half a dozen torpedoes at the Russians before one took effect. It left the Russian cruiser a hopeless wreck. By this time several Russian torpedo boats had got into the fight, and the Japanese, finding affairs becoming rather complicated and more critical than they cared to meet, withdrew as they came. Attempts were made from the shore to fire the mines in the entrance to the harbor. Some of them exploded but not while any torpedo boat was near, while others failed utterly to answer the electric spark. By the time the Russians had got over their consternation and got into condition to fight back the Japanese had disappeared. By daylight there were no Japanese in sight.

CHILDREN COMING

General Superintendent Wool-
latt Gives the Young Folks
a Half-Rate Fare on the
Robin Hood Special.

General Superintendent W. W. Woollatt, of the Lake Erie railroad, telephoned yesterday afternoon that it had been decided to allow all children from Wallaceburg and Dresden, on the big Robin Hood special train on Friday evening, a rate of half of single fare for the round trip. A large number of Robin Hood tickets were secured by the young folks in these towns and a liberal contingent of children are coming to see the magnificent production. L. E. Tilson, local agent for the Pere Marquette, received two cars of coal yesterday, one of which was delivered to the Waterworks Department, and the other to the Chatham Gas & Electric Light Co., so that there will be no more cause for complaint as to light. It is not probable that the railroads will be blocked with freight again, and sufficient coal will be brought into the city to avoid embarrassing conditions.

At the hospital sale Austin & Co. are going to sell one cage of each cotton, bought at the old price of 10c, although to-day it cannot be replaced for less than 12 1-2c.

JAPANESE REPORTED TO HAVE SCORED ANOTHER VICTORY

Her Warships Attacked Those of Russia at Port Arthur and
Chemulpo and Destroyed Two at the Latter Port.

Tokio, February 9.—It is reported here that the Japanese fleet engaged and defeated two Russian warships, whose names have not yet been learned, at Chemulpo, to-day. It is said the engagement began at 11 a. m. and continued until 3 p. m.

The smaller Russian vessel is reported to have been sunk, and the larger one fired and hopelessly disabled. A part of the crew is reported to have escaped to the shore and to have been captured. The Japanese ships are reported to be slightly damaged. Official confirmation of the report is unobtainable.

London, February 10.—In a despatch from Tien Tsin, dated February 9, a correspondent of the Daily Mail says it is reported there that the Russian cruisers Variag and Korietz hauled down their flags without firing a shot and that 8,000 Japanese immediately landed at Chemulpo and the march to Seoul commenced.

It was reported from Peking to-day

ed anchor in order to participate in the battle.

A third telegram from the victory says that after a bombardment lasting one hour the Japanese squadron ceased its fire and steamed southward.

"Our losses," the victory continues, "are two naval officers and fifty-one men wounded and nine men killed and on the coast batteries one man killed and three wounded."

"During the engagement the battleship Poltava and the cruisers Diana, Askold and Novik were each damaged on the water line. The damage to the fortress was not important."

Admiral Alexieff, amplifying his first telegram to the Czar on the torpedo boat action, telegraphs as follows:—

"I most humbly report to your imperial majesty that the three injured vessels were not sunk nor were their boilers or engines damaged. The Tzarevitch received a hole in her

NINE SHIPS KNOCKED OUT

Japs Take Another Round Out
of the Russians This
Morning.

Two Signal Victories By Jap-
anese Fleets Cripple Rus-
sian Forces.

(Special to The Planet.)

London, Feb. 10.—Signal victories for the Japanese have marked the opening days of the Russo-Japanese war. Nine Russian warships have been put out of commission by Japanese torpedoes and shells and as the Russians have no dockyard facilities in the far east to repair the damages inflicted on their ships it follows that the vessels are useless for service in the present war.

Over 2,000 Russian troops have been taken prisoners by the capture of three Russian transports of the volunteer fleet off the Korean coast.

The Russian warships which were put out of commission at Port Arth-



MAP OF THE SCENE OF EASTERN STRIFE

The accompanying map will enable readers to see at a glance that portion of the world which is the seat of the great war. To the south is Manchuria, of which so much has been lately heard, and which Russian aggression has made the cause of alarm to diplomats, both in the eastern and western hemispheres,

and which, bordering on Mongolia, seems a convenient stepping stone to that vast territory if the latter supremacy ever comes to be an acknowledged fact in the great northern province. The map shows also very clearly the profound importance of Korea in its relation to the Island Kingdom of Japan, both from the

commercial and strategical point of view, and the paramount necessity to the Mikado that he should not tolerate any attempts on a peninsula which would serve so admirably as a base for the subjugation of both his own dominions and those of his Chinese neighbors, whose seaboard territories are also very clearly shown.

that the Japanese had disembarked Chemulpo notwithstanding the presence there of two Russian warships, and another despatch from Che Foo said Japan had the Variag and Korietz caught at Chemulpo.

Japanese troops also landed in all the chief points of Southern and Western Korea. One division of the Japanese guards holds Fusan and Chemulpo and altogether three divisions of the Japanese guards, each of 12,000 men, have been mobilized.

It appears, the correspondent continues, that the Russian warships at Vladivostok are icebound.

The Russian war vessels at Vladivostok are the armored cruisers Rurik, Rossi, Gromoboy and the Bogatyr, a screw corvette built in 1890.

Russia has a thousand tons of coal at Port Arthur, but the coal must be taken out to the battleships in lighters until the battleships disabled by the Japanese are floated.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 10, 6.10 a. m.—A second telegram, has been received from Viceroy Alexieff. It is dated Feb. 9, and says:—

"A Japanese squadron of fifteen battleships and cruisers to-day began to bombard Port Arthur. The fortress replied and the squadron weighed

steering department, and her rudder was damaged; the Retzivan was damaged in her pumping apparatus under the water line, and the Pallada was injured amidsthips, not far from her engines.

"After the explosions the cruisers hastened immediately to their assistance and in spite of the dark night measures were taken to bring the damaged vessels to the harbor. We had no loss in officers. Two marines were killed, five were drowned and eight were wounded. The enemy's torpedo boats received a heavy fire. Two exploded torpedoes were found after the attack."

Admiral Alexieff's report of the attack by the Japanese torpedo boats, which was received yesterday, is as follows:—

"I most respectfully inform your majesty that at about midnight of February 8-9 Japanese torpedo boats made a sudden attack by means of mines upon the Russian squadron in the outer road, of the fortress of Port Arthur, in which the battleships Retzivan and Tzarevitch and the cruiser Pallada were damaged. An inspection is being made to ascertain the character of the damage. Details are following for your majesty."

ur, according to Admiral Alexieff's reports, were the battleships Osearvitch, Retzivan and Poltava, the cruisers Pallada, Diana, Askold and Novik.

At Chemulpo the Japanese sent two more to the bottom—the Variag and the Korietz, making a total of nine.

A special despatch from Tokio, dated to-day, says it is reported that three transports of the Russian volunteer fleet, conveying about 2,000 troops, have been captured by the Japanese off the Korean coast.

JAPS SINK RUSSIAN WARSHIPS

Also Capture Chemulpo and
Practically Control Korea
—Japs Suffer No Loss

Special to The Planet.

London, Feb. 10.—2 p. m.—Official dispatches from Tokio received by Baron Hayashi, say the Japanese minister, on arriving at Chemulpo, Korea, sent in word to the two Russian cruisers, Variag and Korietz, giving them a time limit in which to leave. Shortly afterwards the Russians came out and attacked a Japanese torpedo boat, which replied with a torpedo effectively. A general exchange of shots then followed. After a hot fire the Russians returned to Chemulpo and sank at the entrance of the harbor. It is not yet known Continued on Page Four.

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THE SHOE MAN.

The Planet.

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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10.

JUGGLING WITH BYE-ELECTIONS.

"A democrat up to the hilt" writes the Ottawa Citizen, arguing that the present method of holding bye-elections, revives on a small scale, the abuses which prevailed long ago in general elections. "The system which prevailed 35 or 40 years ago was liable to abuses. The government, having in its hands the whole election machinery, manipulated it to suit its own purpose—to contribute to the success of ministers and their supporters. The election campaign, from dissolution to the return of the writs, usually extended from 70 to 100 days. This, of itself, with the excitement and turmoil consequent thereon, was far from being a commendable feature. On receipt of the writ the returning officer fixed the duties of nomination, polling and declaration within the limits prescribed by the statute. The interregnum between dissolution and polling was practically subdivided into three periods. In the first period only writs were issued and rushed for the strongholds, the safe constituencies of government candidates. Many of these went by acclamation, or by overwhelming majorities. These successes added éclat and prestige to the final triumph of the government. In the second period doubtful constituencies were attacked. One by one was government influence concentrated upon them; and too frequently the result bore testimony to the methods pursued. It not infrequently happened that the government merged from the denouement with an absolute majority of the representatives as avowed supporters. In the third period, with the increased prestige and éclat which the presumption gives, the government went into the strongholds of the opposition, sometimes capturing seats, considered almost hopeless."

The writer gives the Liberals credit for introducing the system of holding all the general elections on one day, but says that the abuse has crept up again in the bye-elections, both Conservative and Liberal governments having been guilty. The long delay in North-Railway was a bad case, and another was the St. James Division of Montreal. No government ought to have the right to delay a bye-election at its pleasure.

WAR, RED WAR.

The rupture of diplomatic relations between Russia and Japan unquestionably means war. That which has so long been feared has come at last. All those energies which have hitherto been devoted to its avoidance will now be diverted to the restriction of its area to the nations more immediately and seriously concerned. But the conflagration once lit it is impossible to say how far it may extend. The interests involved are numerous and vital and affect so many of the nations of the world almost despite themselves one or more may be drawn in for their own self-protection or to arrest developments which may conflict with their political aims and ambitions. The dread of this will during the continuance of hostilities hang like a pall over the nations, demanding eternal vigilance and absolute preparedness for any contingency.

In no case will there be more acute tension than throughout the British Empire, and in none of the self-governing colonies more so than in Canada. While her immediate trade concern is not so great yet as that of some other countries, as a matter of future expansion the preservation of the open door in Northern China becomes a momentous question. In this her interest is as intimate as that of the United States. If the Pacific is to rival the Atlantic as one of the commercial highways of the world, no nation will profit more from it than Canada, providing, as it will, the natural outlet for the vast wealth of field and mine lying unexploited in the Far West.

Apart from her position as an integral part of the empire, Canada has special reason to watch the progress of this conflict with keen attention, nor will it be possible to avoid a sympathetic feeling for the cause which holds within it such great possibilities for her.

There will be much speculation as to the chances of Britain being involved as an active participant. A few months ago such an issue would have been more readily anticipated. The conclusion of the British-Japanese treaty was hailed at the time as a masterly counter-stroke to the influence of the dual alliance between Russia and France and as restoring the supremacy of Britain in the eastern seas. Had the conditions then existing remained unaltered, the United Kingdom could not have seen

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unmoved the naval triumph of Russia over Japan, nor France remained a passive spectator of a war which threatened to cripple the fighting strength of her only European ally. That these alternatives no longer operate as they then did is due wholly to the recent growth of friendship culminating in the arbitration treaty between the United Kingdom and the French Republic and in the sympathetic attitude which has replaced the estrangement that had so long prevailed.

It has been distinctly stated that Great Britain has made it unmistakably plain to Japan that under no circumstances will she interfere unless in the contingency contemplated in the treaty, and that France has made a similar intimation to Russia. That Britain and France have been unitedly striving for peace is certain, and there is no reason to doubt that a mutual understanding prevails between them as regards their future conduct. This, of course, does not mean that the sympathies of the British people and the Imperial Government are not now enlisted on the side of Japan. It would be futile to deny that a Japanese victory means much for British interests in the East, both direct and indirect. That was a significant remark of the British envoy to Japan when in a recent speech he quoted the legend graven on the historic sword—on one side, "Be slow to draw me," and on the other, "Nor sheathe me save with honor." Military honor is a tradition in Japan, and the chivalry of the middle ages holds up no nobler examples than have been given by her nobles during the ancient regime.

Admiration cannot but be felt for the courage and determination which Japan has exhibited and has now crowned. Either it is justified by the consciousness of assured strength or it is a remarkable example of self-deception and folly. But the Japanese have displayed during these last years such exceptional qualities and their fleets and armies have won so many encomiums, that it is difficult to imagine them to be now guilty of a rashness little short of madness.

Any moment may now bring word of a naval engagement, as the first and absolutely necessary strategic move on the part of Japan is to obtain supremacy at sea. Russia's fleet is an unknown quantity. Strong on paper, it will belie all the known corruption of Russian officialdom if it proves in all respects efficient. A naval triumph for Russia means early and complete success, the retention of Manchuria and the extension of her influence over Corea. A Japanese victory at sea, seriously as it would damage Russian prestige, is but the beginning of a protracted war, in which financial troubles would be the most formidable factor, and in which, however safe Japan might be from actual invasion, her success on land is well nigh inconceivable. But an indecisive issue would be about as fatal to Russia in many ways as a defeat and could not but leave Japan infinitely stronger than she at present in. The position strikingly illustrates Captain Mahan's contentions regarding the decisive value of supremacy at sea, and ensures for Great Britain, should she be forced to intervene, a preponderating influence which no nation can successfully hope to emulate.—Toronto World.

NO APPLAUSE.

Toronto Telegram.

Canada must simply decline to applaud those thrilling lines in the King's speech which seek to popularize the Alaska award.

WORTH CULTIVATING.

New York Herald.

If, as Dr. Savage says, Henry Ward Beecher delivered his most powerful sermons while in a trance, would it be inadvisable to suggest to some of the cloth, that it would be well to get in that condition?

DREAM FORTUNES.

Bobaygon Independent.

Currency has been given to a little pipe dream about a lady in Peterboro being heir to some three or four millions in England. Just such dreams have been heard before. A reasonable line of credit at the corner grocery is generally worth more than the best of these dreams.

OUR PREMIER JOURNAL.

Ottawa Journal.

The exports of Canadian farm produce—our sales to other countries—were fourteen millions greater last year than all our other exports put together—greater than all the combined sales abroad from our forests, our fisheries, our mines, our many factories, our ships. Canada's total sales to other countries last year came to \$214,000,000. Farm produce gave \$114,000,000 of that.

Such is the meaning of agriculture to Canada. It means more than all other industries put together. To this supreme Canadian industry it is that Chamberlainism proposes to give a tremendous advantage in the world's greatest market.

PROTECTION IN ENGLAND.

Pittsburg Gazette.

Great Britain prospered in free trade for years and the United States prospered and grew under the protective system. That far the war of ideas seemed even. Then Britain began to lose and the United States advanced by leaps and bounds. To make the lesson more impressive, Germany adopted the American policy, and it has now almost overtaken its neighbor on the other side of the North sea. America had boundless undeveloped resources. Germany was as densely populated and almost as fully developed as England. These are the facts that have induced Joseph Chamberlain to lead the English free trade idol, and the struggle is of intense interest. The natural advantage is with the policy in vogue for fifty years, but even if it wins at first the irrepressible conflict must ultimately end in a victory for protection in England.

WHAT DOES HE MEAN?

"Stylander" in Weekly Sun.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, it seems, adheres to his demand of the treaty-making power. What does he mean by it? If he simply means the power of treating, he has it already. Every community and every person has it. But when the treaty-making power is claimed, we take it to mean a power which is the attribute of sovereignty alone. The imperial government may, and does, in the exercise of its treaty-making power, listen to the representations of Canada when Canada is specially concerned. It is morally bound so to do. It even authorizes Canada to treat for herself, subject to its own final approval. But no one can suppose that it will undertake to ratify or enforce any treaty not of its own making. A proposal to separate the King from his British advisers and use his name and authority apart for Canadian negotiations would not for a moment be entertained.

TOO LITTLE BLOOD.

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Among the many thousands who testify to the value of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills as a blood and nerve tonic is Miss Mary Jackson, Normandale, Ont., who says:—"I have used Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and have derived such benefit from them that I consider it my duty to let others know their worth. For upwards of three years I suffered from anaemia, and grew so weak that I could scarcely walk about the house. I had no color in my face, my lips and gums were bloodless. I lost all ambition, suffered from headaches and dizziness, and fell away in weight until I weighed only ninety-four pounds. I doctored a great deal, but it did not seem to do me any good. I was then advised to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and before I had taken them ten days I felt better and my people could see a change in me. I continued using the pills for some weeks and am now in the very best health. Every depressing symptom has passed away and I have gained fourteen pounds in weight. I think there is no medicine as equal Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and I strongly recommend them to all weak and ailing girls."

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FOR LOSS OF HER HUSBAND.

Hamilton, Ont., Feb. 8.—Mrs. Jane McPherson, widow of the late Alex. McPherson, school trustee, who was struck by a street car and almost instantly killed on December 26th last, has issued a writ against the Hamilton Street Railway Company to recover \$5,000 damages for the loss of her husband.

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THE MARKETS

Planet Office, Tuesday evening, February 9.

GRAIN

Ex-Ald. John Waddell, of J. B. Stringer & Co., gives The Planet the following grain prices:

All grains are in very light demand, and also light delivery. Business is small. Prices remain practically unchanged. The following are the prices for this week:

Wheat, new, 78c.
Barley, 70c.
New white oats, 27c.
New corn, shelled, 32c.
Beans, humped, \$1.10.
Buckwheat, per bushel, 45c.
Buckwheat flour, per cwt., \$2.35.

SEEDS.

There is a moderate quantity of seeds showing on the market. Timothy this year averages good. Red clover, \$5.00 to \$5.50. Alsike, \$3.00 to \$4.00. Timothy, \$1.00 to \$1.25.

HAY.

F. B. Stevens reports as follows as to the prices of hay:

Choice Timothy Hay brings \$7.50. Hay, clover, \$6.00 to \$7.00.

DRESSED HOGS.

O'Keefe & Drew report the market in dressed hogs very dull. There will be practically no change during the rest of the season. The price is from \$5.00 to \$5.50.

WOOL AND HIDES.

Nelson Stringer gives The Planet the following quotations:

Wool, unwashed, 14c to 15c.
Wool, washed, 15c.
Calf skins, 7c to 10c.
Lamb and shearlings, 25c to 40c.
Sheep skins, 50c to 85c.
Cow hides, 5c to 6c per lb.
Horse hides, \$1.00 to \$2.00.

FURS.

Coon skins, 25c to \$1.00.
Fox skins, \$1.00 to \$2.00.
Mink skins, \$1.00 to \$2.50.
Skunk, 25c to \$1.00.
Muskrat, 10c to 15c.

There was a better market Saturday than we have had for some time, which is largely due to the pleasant change in the weather. Although the vegetable department was much better. All prices are high. Turkeys sell for as high as \$1.75 for small birds, geese from 90c. to \$1.00, chickens as high as 50c. each and eggs at 35c. a dozen. Other prices remain about the same.

OUTSIDE MARKETS

TORONTO GRAIN MARKET.

Toronto, Feb. 9.—Prices in the local market are generally steadier, on account of a better demand. This applies more particularly to Ontario wheat, but American corn is also firmer. Manitoba wheat, on the other hand, is easier.

Wheat—Ontario—Firm, No. 2 red, white and mixed are 10c higher, at 83c to 84c for milling. Spring is also 1c higher, at 76c to 77c, for No. 1 east. Goose is quiet and unchanged at 72c to 73c for No. 2 east.

Wheat—Manitoba—No. 1 hard is unchanged at 90c, but other grades are 1-2c lower. No. 1 northern is quoted at 92 1-2 to 93c. No. 2 northern at 89 1-2 to 90c, and No. 3 northern at 86 1-2 to 87c on track, lake ports. Milling in transit price for each grade is 6c more.

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Ten pairs only heavy wool blankets, large size, warranted unshrinkable, lofty finish, clearing at a pair \$2.75.

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Seven only full size heavy comforters, reversible chamois coverings, closely quilted, pure filling, regular \$1.50, clearing at \$1.25.

Five only comforters, regular \$1.75 to \$1.90, clearing at \$1.50.

New Prints—Over 8,000 yards just placed in stock; all bought before the advance in price; the choicest patterns and colorings we have ever shown; come in and buy them at the Old Prices.

15c. Pillow Cottons at 12 1-2c.—200 yards fine heavy, pure bleached Pillow Cotton, 42 in. wide, regular 15c. yard, special at 12 1-2c.

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Corn—Canadian is dull at 38c for yellow, and 37 1-2c for mixed, cars west. New American is 1-2c higher at 53 1-2c for No. 2 yellow, 63c for No. 3 yellow, and 52c for No. 3 mixed, in cars on the track here.

Oats—Are 1-2c higher. No. 1 white are quoted at 32c, low freights, 31 1-2c middle freights, and 30 1-2c high freights. No. 2 white are quoted at 1c less.

Barley—Market is stronger; No. 2 is quoted at 43 1-2c to 44c middle freights, No. 3 extra at 42c middle freights, and No. 3 at 40c east or middle.

Rye—Is steady; No. 2 is quoted at 53c low, middle or high freights. Peas—Are unchanged; No. 2 are quoted at 62c, any freights.

Buckwheat—Quiet and steady; No. 2 is quoted at 48c low freights, 47c middle, and 46c high freights.

Flour—The movement of 90 per cent. patents for export is very light, but dealers here are bidding \$3.20, buyers' bags, f. o. b. main line west. Some holders are asking \$3.30. Manitoba flour is firm. First patents are quoted at \$4.80 to \$4.90, second patents at \$4.50 to \$4.60, and strong bakers' at \$4.40 to \$4.50, bags included, on the track, Toronto.

Milled—Ontario shorts are unchanged at \$17 to \$17.50, and bran is 50c higher at \$15 to \$15.50, in bulk, cars west. Manitoba milled, is unchanged at \$20 to \$21 for shorts, and \$18 to \$19 for bran, in car lots, both included on the track, Toronto.

Oatmeal—There is no change in the price of car lots on the track here, which are quoted at \$4.10 for bags and \$4.35 for barrels. Broken lots are quoted at 40c above the price of car lots.

TORONTO HIDES, SKINS, ETC.

Toronto, Feb. 9.—The market is quiet, with a steady tone. Steers' hides are quoted at 8c for No. 1, and 7c for No. 2; cows at 7 1-2c for No. 1 and 6 1-2c for No. 2. Horsehides are quoted at \$2.50 to \$3.00 each.

Skins—Calfskins are steady at 9c per pound for No. 1, and 8c for No. 2. Sheepskins are quoted at 50c to 60c each. Sheepskins are unchanged at 90c to \$1 each.

Tallow—There is very little business, and prices are steady. Dealers are asking 5 1-2c to 5 1-2c per pound, and are offering 4 3-4c to 5c.

TORONTO DRESSED HOGS.

Toronto, Feb. 9.—Dressed hogs—market is easy, and buyers are not anxious to do business. Offerings are light, as the railways cannot undertake delivery. Holders are asking 65c per cwt. for car lots on the track here, and packers are offering 65-65c.

Hog product—Prices have a slight downward tendency, but there are few changes in prices. Short cut pork, shoulders and backs, are quoted lower; other lines are unchanged.

TORONTO FRUIT.

Toronto, Feb. 9.—The return of cold weather puts a heavy damper on business, and the movement of fruit is greatly restricted. Another break at the close of last week was beneficial, as it enabled local dealers to fill some of their orders. Lemons and oranges are in chief demand at present. Prices are unchanged.

Oranges—

Jamaica, per bbl., \$3.00 to \$3.75. Florida, per case, \$2.75 to \$3.25. Mexican, per box, \$2.00 to \$2.50. Navel, per box, \$2.75 to \$3.25. Valencia, 420's, per case, \$3.50 to \$4.00.

Valencia, 714's, \$4.00 to \$4.50. Apples—

Baldwins, firsts, per bbl., \$1.00 to \$1.50. Baldwins, seconds, 75c to \$1.00. Spys, firsts, \$1.50 to \$2.00. Spys, seconds, \$1.00 to \$1.50.

Greenings, firsts, \$1.25 to \$1.75. Greenings, seconds, 75c to \$1.25. Kings, firsts, \$1.75 to \$2.00. Kings, seconds, \$1.00 to \$1.50. Russets, \$1.00 to \$1.50.

Miscellaneous—

Lemons, 300's, per case, \$2.25 to \$2.50. Lemons, 300's, \$2.50 to \$2.75. Grapes, Malaga, per keg, \$6.00 to \$7.00. Bananas, per bunch, \$1.00 to \$2.50. Cranberries, per bbl., \$8.00 to \$10.

Sweet potatoes, per bbl., \$4.50 to \$5.00.

TORONTO SEEDS.

Toronto, Feb. 9.—Buyers are hesitating about making commitments around present levels, and are waiting for a decline in prices. The demand, therefore, is rather slow, and trade is dull. Offerings are fair. Quotations are unchanged. Red clover is selling at \$5.50 to \$6 per bushel, with slightly better prices for fancy stock. Alsike is quoted at \$4.25 to \$5.50 per bushel, and more would be paid for extremely good samples. Timothy is selling, according to quality, at \$1.50 to \$2.25 per cwt.

TORONTO HAY AND STRAW.

Toronto, Feb. 9.—Baled hay—The scarcity of cars is interfering with business, and stocks are small. Prices are firm, and car lots on track here are quoted at \$9 per ton.

Baled straw—Quiet and steady, with no change in prices. Car lots on track here are quoted at \$5 to \$5.50 per ton.

TORONTO COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Toronto, Feb. 9.—Eggs—Prices are higher for all grades. The short spell of mild weather did not work any improvement in the situation, and supplies are still very small. Advance of 1c to 4c are voted today.

Eggs, new laid, per doz., 33c to 35c. Eggs, selects, per doz., 32c. Eggs, storage, per doz., 30c. Eggs, lined, per doz., 29c.

Butter—The shipments of dairy rolls are light at present, as market conditions do not warrant their being sent forward by express. With a freight blockade on, it is not easy to send anything in. Large stocks are carried in storage here, however, and the needs of the market are amply supplied. When any relief to the freight situation comes, there will be enormous consignments of roll butter to handle here. Prices are unchanged. Creamery is quiet and steady.

Creamery, patents, 20c to 22c. Creamery, solids, 19 1-4c to 20c. Dairy, pound rolls, 16c to 17c. Dairy, large rolls, 14c to 15c. Dairy, tubs, best, 15c to 17c. Dairy, common to medium, 12c to 14c.

Cheese—There is an easier feeling, and prices are 1-4c to 1-2c lower. Available supplies are heavy, and the demand is indifferent.

Large, per pound, 10 3-4c to 11c. Twins, per pound, 11c to 11 1-4c. Potatoes—There is a firm feeling, and the demand is still active. Offerings are small, and are easily taken. Prices are unchanged. Car lots on track, Toronto, are quoted at 80c to 85c per bag. Potatoes out of store selling at 95c to \$1.00 per bag.

Poultry—The market is steadier. There is an excellent demand for choice young stock, but no good stuff is now coming forward. Fresh-killed young chickens are quoted at 15c to 16c per pound, frozen stock at 8c to 11c, and old hens at 7c to 8c. Turkeys are unchanged at 12 1-2c to 14c per pound.

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WHAT HAPPENS AFTER FIVE HOURS.

Dr. Bouchard, the eminent French physician, has furnished facts which show that if food is retained in the stomach more than five hours it becomes fermentative and putrefactive, not digestive, and that this is the starting-point of disease.



This food mass becomes putrid. Generates gas. The stomach dilates. There is a seething lump-weight, burning or belching.

Blood, fibre, tissue, and cells begin to absorb poison from the stomach and alimentary canal instead of nourishment, and right here is the producing cause of Constipation, Diabetes, Bright's Disease, Uterine and Ovarian troubles, Rheumatism, Gout, Nervous and Mental Disturbances, Bronchitis, Heart Affection, Pulmonary Consumption, Jaundice, Liver and Skin Diseases.

Inability of the stomach to properly handle food is mainly caused by overeating, drinking too much liquid, gases generated from slow digestion, preventing the mixing of food with gastric juice to properly prepare it for use in the body.

Dr. J. B. Leonard worked for years in perfecting Anti-Fill, so that it would guarantee regular stomach action, and its astonishing cures are proof of its mission being fulfilled, of its being the greatest System Treatment in the world. 30 cents a drugstore or mailed to any address by WILSON-PIKE CO., Niagara Falls, Ont. Sample free.

ICE-BATH CURE

Patients Plunged into a Hole Chopped in the Frozen Rivers of Russia.

Ice-cold baths for the purpose of curing disease are the rage just now among a certain class of Russian physicians. This does not mean simply cold water as it runs from the faucet, or is pumped from the well or cistern. It means to go to the lake or river, frozen over several inches thick, and after chopping a hole in the ice, the patient is plunged into the water up to his neck, the temperature being 32 degrees Fahrenheit. Marvellous virtues are attributed to this heroic treatment, but it is obvious that a person must be of a robust constitution to be able to stand for the fearful shock of the bath. However, it is said that when rolled up in blankets, and perhaps stimulated with a little brandy, very pleasant after effects are experienced, and the vigorous efforts of the body to recover from the paralyzing effects of the icy water are said to be sufficient to banish any more or less imaginary disease.

The ice-bath cure is similar to the Knapp snow-cure. At the little village of Worshofen, near Munich, thousands of suffering people are said to have been cured by means of cold water. Pure air and icy cold water bring about a proper circulation of the blood. The patients not only take baths of every kind, but walk bare-footed on the snow and rub themselves all over with it. They drink water from morning to night, wear cotton underwear as socks next the skin, and eat very rich nitrogenous foods, such as meat, cheese, fish, milk, peas, beans and lentils.

Most of the famous cures ring the changes on water. Bouchard's treatment of typhoid fever consists of bathing the patient eight times a day. The remainder of his waking hours is spent according to a medical authority, in taking medicines, so that the microbes are content on the defensive and cease to worry the patient.

The most remarkable point in connection with cures is that a most every remedy has its contrary. Dr. Knapp's cure is Dr. Knapp's water cure is Dr. Schroth's dry cure—an ordeal which no disease ought to survive. In this method the food is freed from all moisture, and the patient has nothing to drink except one small glass of hot wine morning and night. Dinner consists of boiled vegetables thoroughly dried, with pepper and salt. For all other meals the patients eat only dry bread. This is said to cure colds, rheumatism in the joints, and those painful effusions of fluids between bones and their surrounding membrane, the periosteum.

Every year some new cure is added to the long list. Quite 50 different kinds of baths are used, including blood baths, saline baths, peat, sand, glue, wine, alcohol, milk, bran, and acid baths. Some people pin the cure, cure, electricity, music, needles, and percussors—and in spite of all one might get the rounds of the medical profession and fail to get cured of an ordinary little cold in the head.

HELD POTLATCH

Indians Slashed Themselves With Knives and Practiced Other Barbarities.

Yorktown, Assa., Jan. 28.—Edward Field, who arrived here last night, reports the drunken orgies of Indians holding a potlatch at Fishing River. Inspired by whiskey supplied by a trader, the Indians held a sun dance. This did not content some, who wanted a potlatch, in which knives are freely used to test the courage of the Indian braves.

One got his companions to cut the tendons of his back to insert sticks, after the custom of the ancient dances, but could not bear the pain when one tendon had been cut. Another put pine needles in his arms and then applied a light to them, severely burning himself, but his bravery was established when he bore the pain without a murmur.

Others slashed themselves with knives, inflicting bad flesh wounds, and then retired from the dance, to be attended by medicine men. The dance continued for three nights, more than a hundred Indians taking part in the performance on the snow, with the temperature 30 below zero.

PENETRATED THIBET.

AN ENGLISHMAN'S JOURNEY BY MULE BACK TO VATUNG.

A People Whose Religious Rites Are a Mixture of Pagan, Buddhist and Christian—Power of the Priest Government—Prayer Wheels, Curious Inventions of Devotion, Seen on All Sides.

An English lady, one of the few white women who have ever penetrated Thibet, recently returned from a rough journey to Vatung, the trading town where Thibetans meet the rest of the world. In 1888 the grand lama of Thibet gave permission to his subjects to admit "foreign devils" as far into his domain as a certain point specified, eight miles within the Thibetan border. At that point the village of Vatung was built, a more hamlet of little wooden houses. One or two foreign commissioners of trade live there. The commissioner for the Chinese Government is an Englishman, and it was on the invitation of him and his wife to visit them that the adventurous English lady set out with two friends and a troop of pack mules with Thibetan drivers and guides.

The road leads uphill all the way. To reach Thibet the party passed northward through the Province of Sikim, crossing a mountain pass nearly three miles above sea level. This is Jelap pass, and from it one can look down into the forbidden land. At the top of the pass a rough stone wall marks the boundary between Sikim and Thibet, and every traveler who crosses the boundary must add one stone to that wall. It is a curious custom, but observed by all. In addition to the stone, pious Thibetan Buddhists push often into some crevice a stick to which is tied a rag or paper having a prayer inscribed upon it. The people in Thibet are tremendous on prayers, so zealous that they cannot say them fast enough or often enough.



THE SALAM IN THIBET.

by mere force of tongue, so they call machinery to the hand. At Vatung may be seen on all sides that curious invention of Thibetan devotion, the prayer wheel.

Once at Vatung, every traveler of course is wild to go farther on, to penetrate to Lassa itself. But a wall is built behind Vatung, and no white man may go. The wall is guarded by Thibetan soldiers, very dirty and somewhat dangerous looking. Up the hill above Vatung is a lama monastery, where the travelers visited—that is, to say, they visited the outside of it. They begged to be allowed to enter, but the lama priests drew their forefingers across their own throats. That indicated the fate awaiting them if they let the travelers in.

Thibet is a hierarchy whose priest rulers terrorize their people. Thibetan religious customs and observances bear a weird resemblance to those of western civilized nations. There are monasteries; there are also choirs, nuns, fasts, holy water, nuns, rosaries and bells. The nuns are expected to give their time to prayer and nursing the sick.

Thibetans wear a queer loose garment with a belt. It is so long and full that they drag it up in front above the belt, making it form a sort of bag or pouch, and in that receptacle they carry often food enough to last them for days—a very convenient arrangement. The Thibetan salaman is a very odd form of oriental, bowing his head low and spreading his hands apart. Then after the bow is over and his head is raised again he sticks out his tongue at the person he is bowing to. He means it as a compliment.

The women's dress is nearly the same as the men's, except that on great occasions the female adorn their heads with a fantastic silver hoop, having turquoise studs around it. They pile their hair around this hoop. One queer thing about both Thibetan men and women is that they rarely either cut or comb their hair from birth till death. To make up for that, however, both men and women wear many turquoise ornaments. Of these gems the English lady says, "One sees stones hanging from a dirty ear that would cause pangs of envy in the breast of many a London belle."

Thibetan women are handsome, many of them, and decidedly better looking than the men. All wear long boots to enable them to wade through the snow. At the lama monastery where the lady was not allowed to go into there was a great row of hideous looking masks, or false faces, put out upon the fence to air. These masks are worn by the priests in religious festivals. The object is to familiarize the people with the looks of devils, so they, the good Thibetans, will not be scared at the evil spirits when they see them in the other world.

AT THE TOP.

It is a laudable ambition to reach the top of the ladder of success. But many a man who reaches the topmost rung finds his position a torment instead of a triumph. He has sacrificed his health to success.

A man can succeed and be strong if he heeds Nature's warnings. When there is indigestion, loss of appetite, ringing in the ears, dizziness, spots before the eyes or palpitation of the heart; any or all of these symptoms point to weakness and loss of nutrition. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery cures diseases of the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition. By perfect and abundant nourishment distributed to each vital organ it enables the co-operation of all the organs to preserve the perfect health of the body.

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CRUSADE IN ENGLAND AGAINST CIGARETTES

A new crusade against juvenile cigarette smoking has been inaugurated in the columns of the London Times by the publication of a man's manifesto calling for legislation to check the serious hindrance to the young life of the nation which is caused by this practice.

The manifesto bears 129 signatures including those of numerous prominent statesmen, scientists, doctors, headmasters, clergymen of the Church of England, Nonconformist divines, lawyers, authors and philanthropists. The movement also has the support of the Duke of Fife, the Archbishop of Canterbury, and the Bishop of London.

The extraordinary dimensions to which the cigarette smoking evil has grown is attributed mainly to the lack of home discipline. Teachers do their best to repress the habit, but parents, it is alleged, give them no support.

Some astonishing revelations with regard to the evil were made at a recent inquest the other day at Tredegar on a boy of sixteen who died from nicotine poisoning.

The doctor in the case referred to a boy who killed himself by smoking five packets of cigarettes, two cigars, and a pipe of tobacco in one day. Boys fourteen, he said, were frequently brought to him suffering from the effects of smoking, and he gave an instance of the habit in the case of a baby of five.

Miss Antique—I wonder if I shall ever live to be eighty?
Miss Gastique—Not if you keep on being twenty-six much longer.

A martyr is a man who lives up to his wife's expectation of him.

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She says: "I wish to add my testimony to the many others who have spoken so highly as to the unfailing virtues of Burdock Blood Bitters. I was all run down, had no appetite, lost all ambition, could not sleep much and had terrible headache and backache, and my food did not digest properly. I saw B.B.B. advertised, so concluded to give it a trial, thinking it did so good it could do no harm. After using one bottle I began to feel better, and by the time I had used three bottles I was feeling like a new person. I am so glad there is such a remedy provided for suffering humanity, and cannot praise it enough for I think there is no medicine like it on the market."

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THE DEATH CUP.

This Deadly Fungus Resembles Several Edible Mushrooms.

Perhaps the most deadly of the poisonous fungi of our woods and fields is the fairly well known death cup (Amanita phalloides), particularly dangerous from its resemblance to several of the edible mushrooms, though gathering fungi for the table should be undertaken by none save those thoroughly acquainted with the different species, as it is altogether too easy for the ignorant enthusiast to make an error which may prove fatal to his friends.

The death cup referred to has a round cap, white, yellowish or greenish in color, and the stem has a swollen base, surrounded by an envelope, or veil, of a white filmy substance, which parts as the stalk extends upward. This stalk is pithy when young, but hollow at maturity, and the gills of the cap, which in the meadow mushrooms are pink or brown, are white in the deadly variety, as are also the spores, which can be plainly seen if the cap is laid gills downward, on a piece of colored paper for a few hours. The swollen, or bulbous, base is a distinguishing characteristic, and no fungus of that appearance should be gathered for cooking. One of the liabilities is that these caps may be broken off without due observance of its base, which is often covered with earth or dead grasses, hence not distinguished from some of the lepotos, which, however, are never surrounded with the filmy veil of the death cup.

The poisonous property of this fungus is largely the same as that found in the venom of a rattlesnake and also in cholera and diphtheria, and so far science is unable to produce any satisfactory antidote, atropine, the stomach pump and all purgatives being about the only resources.

A KOREAN CINDERELLA.

The Quaint Story of Peach Blossom.

In Korea the people tell a Cinderella story that is much more ancient than that familiar to western people. The key of the latter story is the slipper, but not so theirs. Peach Blossom, the Korean Cinderella's name, was the family drudge. One day as the mother was starting off with the favorite daughter to a picnic she said to Peach Blossom, "You must not leave until you have hulled a bagful of rice and filled the broken crock with water." While sitting there bemoaning her hard lot she heard a twittering and a fluttering of wings. Looking up, she saw a flock of sparrows pecking the hulls off the rice. Before recovering from her surprise a little imp jumped out of the fireplace and so skillfully repaired the crock that but a few minutes of work was required to fill it with water. Then she went to the picnic and had a royal time.

On another occasion the mother said, "You must stay until you have pulled up all the weeds in the field." This time a cow came out of the forest and ate up the weeds in ten mouthfuls. Peach Blossom followed the cow into the woods and was led to where there was an abundance of ripe, luscious fruit. Gathering a large quantity, she went to the fete and was the most welcome guest. Her jealous sister asked about it and, on being told, determined she would get some of this fruit for herself.

When the next gala day came the sister stayed at home and let Peach Blossom go. The cow came out of the woods as before, and the sister followed it through tangled briar and thorn bushes, with the result that her face was much scratched and her skin deep beauty all gone.—Exchange.

A Lacy Man.

On a hot summer's day a gentleman who was waiting for his train at one of our country stations asked a porter who was lying on one of the seats where the station master lived, and the porter, not moving, lazily pointed to the house with his foot.

The gentleman, very much struck at the man's laziness, said, "If you can show me a lazier action than that, my good man, I'll give you two and sixpence."

The porter, not moving an inch, replied, "Put it in my pocket, guv'nor."—London News.

Definite Information.

"How much are these Scotch flannels, please?" asked a woman in one of the large department stores one day last week.

"This lady will show them to you," airily replied the clerk, indicating with an indifferent nod a girl about three feet distant.

"But," persisted the woman, "I don't want to buy now. I simply want to know how much they are."

"Oh, different prices and up," was the nonchalant answer.

A Judge of Human Nature.

"Doctor, tell me honestly whether my health is improving or not."

"My dear sir, you're getting on unusually—famously."

"You are not speaking the truth, doctor, but I can tell without your assistance whether I am getting better or not."

"How can you judge?"

"By the behavior of my hairs."—Paris Gaulois.

The Serious Part of It.

Actor—Hurry, or we'll miss the train. Actress—I can't find my diamonds or my purse.

"Oh, well, never mind."

"Yes, but the purse had \$10 in it."

For everything you have missed you have gained something else.—Brampton



When you have to use hard water it is not an easy matter to wash household utensils. To do good washing you should have good soap and soft water (rain water). If you use hard water you must have good soap, and the best soap you can get is Sunlight Soap because it softens the hard water and makes a copious creamy lather. Use Sunlight Soap for all household purposes and the results will surprise you.

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CHANGING ONE'S NAME.

The Method Is a Rather Costly One in Great Britain.

Many people change their names without asking permission from any one or paying any fees whatever. This is certainly the simplest way of getting rid of a name you do not appreciate, but it is apt to prove expensive. For instance, such a course is strictly illegal, and the government could step in at any time and demand the payment of a heavy fine; and, further more, if the individual who changed his name without consulting anybody happened to come in for a large sum of money unexpectedly the authorities would decline to recognize his claim if he had failed to pay the fees due to the heralds' college for assuming a name not given in baptism.

There are two ways of changing your name, and they are both rather costly. One method is to have a private act of parliament passed for your benefit. This course is generally followed only by peers and people to whom money is no object, for it costs £750. This nearly all goes in fees to minor officials for bringing your case before the legislature, inasmuch as the actual passing of the bill costs practically nothing. And the only advantage you will gain from this expensive way of going to work is that it acquiesces in the fact that your past history, which by the other alternative are unavoidable.

The usual method adopted for legally changing the name is somewhat tedious, if less costly, and you must have very substantial reasons for so doing or your claim will not be allowed. If, for instance, you inherit property which makes it conditional that you change your name you can do so on payment of about £50 in fees.

In the first place you must communicate with the home secretary, who, if he considers your claim valid, will refer you to the heralds' college and the king of arms. These officials will make full inquiries into your history and satisfy themselves beyond question that your reason for wishing to make the change is in every way legitimate. This done, they will again communicate with the home secretary, who will lay your claim before the king, for he alone has power to authorize the change being made. Eventually, after some months of waiting, you will be informed by the heralds' college that his majesty has approved of your claim and the change of name is published in a remote corner of the London Gazette.

Finally it is worthy of mention that no one can hold a public appointment under government who has changed his name without the consent of the king, however brilliant may have been his services to the country. The reason for this is rather curious. The name given you at your baptism is in theory ratified by the sovereign as head of the church, and by assuming another on your own responsibility you are deliberately breaking a law of the land.—London Tit-Bits.

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

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TO-NIGHT.

Prayer meeting, city churches, at 8 o'clock.
Revival Services, Park St. Methodist Church, at 7.45.
Robin Hood rehearsal, Grand Opera House, at 7—final dress rehearsal.
Court Hope, No. 6244, A. O. F., in the A. O. U. W. Hall, at 8.

PROBABILITIES.

Special per G. N. W.
Toronto, Feb. 10—11 a. m.—North-
erly winds, fair and very cold.
Thursday, northerly winds, con-
tinued very cold.

The following figures were regis-
tered to-day at seven a. m. at Turn-
er's weather bureau:
Barometer 29.99.
Thermometer 0.
Highest yesterday 10.
Lowest yesterday 2 below.
Direction of wind, north.

THE LOCAL BUDGET

Ladies vesting cloths at The 2 T's.
Roy Cameron, Winnipeg, is in the
city.

G. S. Weir, of Dresden, is in the
city to-day on business.
William Campbell, Raleigh St., was
confined to his home yesterday.

The annual meeting of the Chatham
Loan Co. was held this afternoon.
Mrs. Grandy, Second street, who
has been seriously ill, is improving.

A. J. Fitzsimon, of Dresden, was
registered at the Rankin House yester-
day.

George Elsey, of the Dresden
Sugar Company, was in the city yester-
day on business.

Read the New York market cotton
report, and then benefit by the old
prices on cottons at the Hospital sale.

Walter Mattice and J. G. Mont-
gomery, of Ridgeway, were visitors
in the city yesterday.

Choice of any \$10.00 New Method
Overcoat in The 2 T's store for
\$5.50.

Alderman Tyhurst, of Dresden, has
been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. E.
Kingsworth, Pine street.

Miss Edythe Complin returned to
her home in London to-day, after a
pleasant visit at the residence of Wm.
Ball, Victoria Ave.

St. Joseph's Court, C. O. F., will
hold their regular fortnightly meet-
ing to-morrow night, in their lodge
room.

Regimental orders call for all
members of the 24th Regiment to
wear their uniforms at the presenta-
tion of Robin Hood to-morrow night.

The costs in the Oxford vs. How-
ard drainage suit, re the Buller and
McGregor Creeks drains, were taxed
to-day before Taxing Officer John
McColl. G. B. Douglas appeared for
Oxford, and H. D. Smith for Howard.

Parrott & Rothwell, real estate
agents, have sold the Denhardt prop-
erty on Lansdowne avenue to Leon-
ard Holmes, of Darroel. They have
also sold the Geo. Everett property
on Park street, east, to William
Russell, Queen street.

Bloodroot Cough Cure

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

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DRUGGISTS AND OPTICIANS
Phone 178.
Chatham and Dresden.

JAPANESE SINK RUSSIAN WARSHIPS

Continued From 1st Page.
Whether their action was due to the
Japanese fire or to the Russians' own
action, but it is believed to be due to
the former. The crews of both Rus-
sian vessels took refuge on a French
warship at Chemulpo. There were
no casualties among the Japanese, and
their vessels sustained no damage.

A force of Japanese troops were dis-
embarked at Chemulpo. The easy
capture of Chemulpo is regarded as
the most important event of the
war, so far. Chemulpo is the port
of Seoul, the Korean capital, with
which it is connected by railroad.
The Japanese in control of Chemulpo,
will necessarily have command of
Korea and its capital and resources.

In a despatch from Tien Tsin a
correspondent of the Daily Mail says
it is reported that the Russian cruis-
ers, Varig and Korietz hauled down
their flags without firing a shot and
that 8,000 Japanese immediately landed
at Chemulpo, and the march to
Seoul commenced.

Japanese troops also landed at all
the chief points of southern and west-
ern Korea. One division of the Jap-
anese guards holds Fusan and Che-
sons of the Japanese guards, each of
12,000 men have been mobilized.
The Russian warships at Vladivos-
tok are icebound. The vessels there
are the armored cruisers Rurik, Ros-
sia, Gromohoy and Bogatyr.

Another correspondent of the Daily
Mail telegraphs from Port Arthur
that the Russian advance has com-
menced. General Krastinsky will
leave Liao-Yang to-day for the Yalu
river at the head of the third bri-
gade of artillery, consisting of 24
guns and three regiments of infan-
try. The third, fourth and fifth in-
fantry brigades are entrenched along
the railroad at a distance of 40
miles from Hai-Chang and three bat-
teries of the fifth brigade are at
Kin-Chow. The greatest activity pre-
vails here and ammunition is being
served out lavishly, at an average
of 150 cartridges per man. New re-
cruits are being enrolled with fever-
ish haste, drilling being dispen-
sed with in favor of incessant target
practice.

CEMETERY DISPUTE

The case of Smith vs. Logan is an
interesting dispute over the posses-
sion of a cemetery in Camden, that
will occupy the attention of Judge
Bell on the 18th inst.

In the year 1888 and for many
years before, one Joseph Wright was
the owner of part of lot 7, conces-
sion 13, Camden Township. On the
first day of December, 1888, the said
Joseph Wright sold the property to
George Wright, save one-half acre
reserved for a burying ground. On
the 11th day of June, 1888, George
Wright, who had owned the prop-
erty for over 20 years, sold the same
to George Wilson for \$1,200, ex-
cepting the burying ground, which
he did not own. On the 11th of
January, 1889, George Wilson sold
to the defendants, Albert and Ella
Logan. Upon the death of Joseph
Wright his title to the half-acre lot
used as a cemetery passed to his
children, and Mrs. Logan is one of
the children.

The plaintiff owns the adjoining
farm and claims the cemetery by
right of possession. M. Wilson &
Co. for plaintiffs, J. B. Rankin
contra.

A POLITICAL CURIOSITY.

Toronto News.
The New National museum at Ot-
tawa will not be complete if it does
not contain in the curiosity depart-
ment the portrait of some statesman
who never got a government job for
a relative.

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Jelly Powder

We have as good as there is on the
market, but find that we are overstocked
with some flavors, and in order to clear
them out we will sell

4 Packages for 25c.

The flavors are Vanilla, Cherry, Grape,
Pistachio, Calif's Foot and Chocolate.
This is a bargain and won't last long.

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Our stock is large, and we are sure that
we can please you with strictly first-class
goods. We start with the small Manza-
nilla Olive at 10c., 15c., 20c. and 25c.
The 25c. bottle is a winner.

The Queen Olive at 40c., 50c., 60c. and
75c. You will buy them if you see them.
Stuffed Olives at 25c. and 40c. We
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Dry Goods Thibodeau & Jacques Millinery

Thursday and Friday

- 5c. -
Lace and Embroidery Sale.

Torchons, Valenciennes and Pillow Laces in edgings, inser-
tions and headings.

Embroideries in beadings, insertions and edgings, all new
goods, just received, worth 8c and 10c.

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY AT 5 CENTS.

Thibodeau & Jacques.

Public General Hospital Ladies' Aid Society Sale

At AUSTIN'S.

2 Days Only, Friday & Saturday

FEBRUARY 12th and 13th.

The ladies will have charge of the entire store for these two days and will be
there personally to wait on the patrons of the sale. One-tenth of the
whole proceeds of the two days will belong to the ladies and is to
be used to start a fund for building and equipping a maternity ward at the hospital.

SPECIAL FEATURE---A HOT LUNCH

During both days the space usually used as a Millinery show room will be
converted into a lunch room. A very full menu including oysters will be provided,
everything will be on the European plan so you can spend what suits you on your
luncheon. The entire proceeds from the luncheon will belong to the ladies so you
can materially assist them by arranging to have your DINNER with them both
Friday and Saturday.

ANOTHER FEATURE

A booth filled with the most delicious of home made confections will be found
on the first floor presided over by Mesdames James, Innes and J. MacGregor. As
the confectionery is the contribution of members of the Society the total proceeds
will go to swell the funds of the society.

AUSTIN & CO.

have received during the past ten days some forty odd cases of spring goods, com-
prising lines for almost every department. The showing of Dress Goods, Cottons,
Prints, Muslins, Dimities, Table Linens, Embroideries and White Wear is especial-
ly large. Contracts for all cotton goods were made months ago and have been
marked on the basis of last year's prices, which, in many instances, is below what
the manufacturers are asking for the same goods. The moral of this is that it will
pay you to buy NOW and to buy LARGELY.

Remember that every Ten Dollars you spend at this sale will mean ONE
DOLLAR for the hospital and a saving of fully two dollars for you on the prices
of many lines in the near future.

THE STAFF

Three floor walkers and a corps of Forty Salesladies will be in charge, assisted
BY THE REGULAR STAFF when necessary.

In addition to the special display of spring goods all of the bargain lines
which remain from our January stocktaking sale will be included. . . .

Sale of MEN'S OVERCOATS to be continued.
Sale of LADIES' JACKETS to be continued.
Sale of FURNITURE to be continued.
Sale of CARPETS to be continued.
Sale of BED COMFORTERS to be continued.
Sale of LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S UNDERWEAR continued.

The Ladies' Assisting Society of Public General Hospital.

MRS. W. TAYLOR, President.

MRS. J. C. PRITCHARD, Secy.

Remember the dates } Friday and Saturday, Feb'y 12th and 13th.
Remember the place } C. AUSTIN & CO, Chatham.

THE MARKETS

There was practically no market
this morning. The cold weather is
evidently keeping the farmers at
home. There is therefore no change
in the prices.

IN THE SHELS.

Butter, per pound, 10c to 20c.
Eggs, per dozen, 35c.
Chickens, each, 40c to 50c.
Turkeys, \$1.25 to \$1.75.
Geese, 90c to \$1.00.

VEGETABLES.

Apples, per peck, 10c to 25c.
Potatoes, per peck, 20c to 25c.
Cabbages, each, 5c to 15c.
Squash, 3c to 25c.
Pumpkins, 10c.
Onions, 25c peck.
Savory, 5c bunch.
Celery, three bunches for 10c.

CHICAGO MARKETS

Reported by F. B. Proctor, Broker, North-
west Block, Chatham, Feb. 10, 1904.
Wheat—OPEN. HIGH. LOW. CLOSE
May..... 95 97 94 96

July.....	86 1/2	88 1/2	86 1/2	87 1/2
May.....	54 1/2	56 1/2	53 1/2	53 1/2
July.....	52 1/2	53 1/2	52 1/2	52 1/2
May.....	43 1/2	43 1/2	42 1/2	42 1/2
July.....	39 1/2	39 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2
May.....	1490	1492	1465	1475
July.....	1482	1482	1475	1480
May.....	790	790	770	770
July.....	785	787	780	780
May.....	712	720	710	715
July.....	720	730	720	727

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FARM FOR SALE—North east half
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ship of Harwich, 133 acres. All
cleared, clay loam, two good sized
frame houses. Large frame barn
and cattle shed; stable and drive-
barn combined; granary and im-
plement house. Buildings all in
good repair; about five acres of
orchard; artesian well, windmill
and pump; three other wells.
Price \$5,000.00. Apply on the pre-
mises to Mrs. John J. Walpath,
or to W. F. Smith, barrister and
solicitor, Chatham, Ont.

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PACKAGES.

So many articles of food, especially breakfast foods, have been put up in packages, that it is getting to be a perplexing matter to know what to choose. Outside of this is the fact that packages of necessity increase the prices of the foods. The cost of packages, the price of boxes, and the labor of packing these does increase the cost of breakfast foods to the user. The old way of getting breakfast foods in barrels is just as clean, and just as convenient for the user as getting it in packages. Of course it must be carefully handled, and kept covered as we always do. You can rest assured that when you buy BULK OATMEAL HERE you are getting the best possible.

PAN DRIED ROLLED OATS, 7 pounds for 25c.
ROLLED WHEAT, 4c. pound.
BREAKFAST FOOD, 4c. pound.
GOLD DUST CORNMEAL, 10 pounds for 25c.
GRAHAM FLOUR, 3c. pound.
SPLIT PEAS, 4c. a pound.
POT BARLEY, 5c. a pound.
BLUE PEAS, 5c. a pound.

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Get our prices on any articles you may desire, then get prices elsewhere and compare them. You'll find our prices will be nearly always the lowest. Hundreds of persons have found this to be a fact and as a result our business is increasing very rapidly. And then, when you come here to buy you're sure of being courteously treated. May we cater to your wants? It will please both of us very much.

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THE LOCAL BUDGET

Sleds at Patterson's. J. N. McCoy, of Wallaceburg, spent yesterday in town.

Old pipe or tea lead wanted at The Planet immediately!

D. J. Thompson, of Dutton, was a Chatham visitor yesterday.

Let the children enjoy themselves with one of Patterson's sleds.

Mrs. James H. McVean, of Dresden, was a guest in the city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Jacques, Jr., of Mail, visited at Mrs. Ed. Smith's, Maple Grove Farm.

A very large display of embroideries will be one of the features at the Hospital sale at Austin's.

The electric light at the corner of Raleigh and Cross streets was not lit last night.

Don't forget the Lace and Embroidery Sale at Thibodeau & Jacques tomorrow and Friday.

Mrs. J. C. Harris, of Hamilton, visited at Mrs. Ed. Smith's, Maple Grove Farm, last week.

Have you ever used Madapolam cotton, the nicest finished English cotton in the market, 10c and 12-12c at the Hospital Sale.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Stephens, Forest street, entertained about 40 of their friends last evening. Cards and dancing were enjoyed.

John Anderson, one of Wallaceburg's most popular young men was a Chatham visitor yesterday.

Frank Gonne, of Detroit, formerly of this city, who has been visiting his parents here, has returned home.

A first class boarding house has been opened on Wellington street west, on the McLean property. For terms, etc., apply to Mrs. Field.

Walter Harland Smith will be at Wm. Gray & Sons Co. on Saturday, 13th inst., to buy carriage horses and good blocky drivers.

Waist, Skirt and Coat Makers, also Apprentices for the Dress Making and Millinery Work Rooms, wanted at Thibodeau & Jacques.

The choir of Victoria avenue Methodist church took part in the re-opening concert of Northwood Methodist church on Monday evening last.

When you want an artistic design, call up or visit Victoria avenue Green Houses. Phone 181.

John K. Smith and Barney Weldon were entertainers at the Forester's banquet last night in Sarnia.

Mr. and Mrs. Moffat, and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Scarff, of Tilbury, were guests at the Garner House yesterday.

Yes, the same cut rates on Ladies' jackets will apply to the days of the Hospital sale. All the stock is put in two lots, \$3.95 and \$7.95. Help yourself and help the Hospital.

A sleighload of young people went out to William Edmondson's place, Dover Township, last night. They had a good time and returned about five o'clock.

BAD FIRE NEAR DUART.

The residence of John McKim, a well known farmer near Duart, was totally destroyed by fire in the early hours of Friday morning. Mr. McKim and family retired at the usual hour on Thursday night, leaving, as was the custom, a fire in the dining room heater. About four o'clock they were awakened by the bursting out of the flames and their noise and roar as they made rapid headway toward the house. All the members of the family fortunately escaped from the burning house in their night clothes and made their way through the deep snowdrifts to the barn, where they found shelter.

The daughters saved their jewelry, watches and a couple of fur jackets. All the other contents, valued at \$1,800, were totally destroyed. Suffering from the severe cold of what was perhaps the most disagreeable night of the winter, the family was forced to remain in the barn until daylight, when the son managed to hitch up a rig and driving to Mr. Sinclair's, notified him. That gentleman hitched his team to a bob-sleigh filled with straw, and taking with him blankets and clothing, went after the remaining members of the family and took them to his home.

The loss is a severe one to Mr. McKim, as the contents were insured for only \$300, and the house, valued at least \$1,000, was insured for only \$500. The present condition of the weather and the mountains of snow make it impossible to do much towards rebuilding, and the chances are that it will be some months before a new home is in readiness.

Mr. McKim has the sympathy of all in his misfortune.

The insurance was in the Howard Farmers', and as usual a prompt settlement was made. The fire was on Friday, and by Tuesday noon the amount of insurance stood to Mr. McKim's credit in a Bidgetown bank.—Bidgetown Dominion.

DR. A. W. THORNTON

DENTIST.
Has Removed to his New Office
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over A. J. McCully's Drug Store.
Telephone Office 104.
Residence 25.

FATHER LOISELLE

he Pastor of Big Point Left for a New Field of Labor on Thursday—Receives Many Tributes

It is greatly regretted by all the people of Big Point, that their pastor, Rev. Father Loisel, is to be removed from their midst. The sad news was received on the last day of January, and he will leave on Thursday, a petition was at once sent by the parishioners to His Lordship Bishop McEvay, praying him to let their dearly beloved pastor remain with them; but it was in vain; it was already too late.

When this response was announced the people wished to show their appreciation in some other way, and on Sunday an address was read on behalf of the congregation by Mr. Zephire Chiff, accompanied by a well-filled purse. Sorrow was plainly evident in the faces of all at the thought of separation from their priest, who had been their faithful friend and holy adviser for more than nine years.

Fr. Loisel, who was deeply touched by the beautiful sentiments expressed in the address but was too overcome to reply at any length. He said that this was the saddest day of his life, but that having a superior he must obey the divine call. He thanked them for their love and thoughtful-ness, saying that he had never found more pleasure than with the children.

He advised them to study hard, although he would be far from them, he would follow them in their studies and would know who gained the medals which he had presented to them this year. He said he wanted them to grow up perfect men and women and to be an honor to the country.

Father Loisel goes to take charge of the parish of St. Joseph, Huron County.

"ROBIN HOOD"

A full rehearsal of all interested in the production of the opera "Robin Hood" will be held this evening, commencing at seven o'clock, sharp, in the Grand Opera House. A full attendance is specially requested, as this will be the final dress rehearsal before the production to-morrow night.

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Use Dr. Hamilton's Pills of Mandrake and Butterfat. They cleanse the stomach and bowels, assist the liver in removing bile, and cure thoroughly. Use only Dr. Hamilton's Pills. Price 25c.

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The Council has a petition from the cattlemen for seals and in consequence are duly weighing the matter.

They had rather a scummy time at the Council meeting Monday night and still the cattlemen waited for weights.

Joe Sagram is sick at Waterloo. Gee, I hope my friend Joe gets better. There's more than me drinking to his health right now.

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CATTLE CASE

Daniel Payne, appeared this morning at the police court to answer a charge of selling lumpy-jaw beef.

O. L. Lewis appeared for Mr. Payne and admitted that the client was technically guilty. The Ontario statute specifies lumpy-jaw beef. The report of the Dominion Minister of Agriculture for 1884, says that lumpy-jaw is not contagious.

Dr. Joe Kime, V. S., testified that he had told Payne that the meat was fit for food. Dr. Kime is an inspector under the Dominion Government.

Mr. Payne consented to be fined, and the court was adjourned to enable the judge to find out the least possible fine.

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"You know me well enough, Prosper, to be sure that the blow can strike you without reaching me at the same time. You suffer, I suffer with you."

"You drove me away," said Prosper, "and to obey you I told every one that I had left you voluntarily. You told me that an invincible obstacle had arisen between us, and I believed you, fool that I was! The obstacle was your own heart."

As white and motionless as a statue, Madeleine stood with bowed head before the storm of passionate reproach.

"I told you to forget me."

"Forget!" exclaimed Prosper excitedly. "Forget! How can I forget? Is it in my power to stop by an effort of will the circulation of my blood? Ah, you have never loved! To forget, as to stop the beatings of the heart, there is but one means—death!"

"Good heavens, this suffering is beyond endurance! Prosper, if you only knew—"

"I know but one thing, Madeleine, and that is that you no longer love me and that I love you!"

He was silent. He hoped for an answer. None came. But suddenly the silence was broken by a repressed sob. It was Madeleine's maid, who, seated in a corner, was weeping.

Prosper had been so moved at finding Madeleine that he had not noticed her. He turned in surprise and looked at the weeping woman. He was not mistaken—this neatly dressed waiting maid was Nina Gipsy.

Slowly and almost unconsciously Madeleine had put on her wraps, which were lying on the sofa. When she was ready, she approached Prosper.

"Why did you come here?" she said. "We both have need of all the courage we can command. You are unhappy. Prosper, I am more unhappy. You have a right to complain. I have not the right to shed a tear. While my heart is slowly breaking I must wear a smiling face. You can seek consolation in the bosom of a friend. I can have no confidant but God."

Prosper tried to make a reply, but his pale lips refused to articulate. He was stifling.

"I wish to tell you," continued Madeleine, "that I have forgotten nothing. But, oh, let not this knowledge give you any hope. There is no hope for us. But if you love me you will live. You will not add to my already heavy burden of sorrow the agony of mourning your death. The day may come when I can justify myself in your eyes. And now adieu, adieu!"

She kissed his forehead and rushed from the room, followed by Nina Gipsy.

Prosper was alone. He seemed to be awaking from a troubled dream. He tried to think over what had just happened and asked himself if he were losing his mind. When M. Verduret entered the little parlor, he strode to ward him and in a harsh, threatening voice said to him:

"Who are you?"

The fat man did not show any surprise at this burst of anger, but quietly answered:

"A friend of your father. Did you not know it?"

"This is no answer, monsieur. I have surrendered my will to a stranger, and now?"

"Do you want my biography—what I have been, what I am and what I may be? What difference does it make to

you? I told you that I would save you. It is essential that I save you."

"Madeleine has ceased to love me, and of what importance is anything else?"

His heartbroken tone aroused M. Verduret's sympathy, and he said in a kind, soothing voice:

"Then you suspect nothing? You did not fathom the meaning of what she said?"

"You were listening!" cried Prosper fiercely.

"I was. It was a presumptuous thing to do, perhaps, but the end justified the means. I am glad I did listen, because it has enabled me to say to you: Take courage, Prosper. Mlle. Madeleine loves you; she has never ceased to love you."

"She loves me, she is free, and yet she shuns me."

"She is not free. In breaking off her engagement with you she was governed by some powerful, irrepressible motive. She is sacrificing herself—for whom? We shall soon know, and the secret of her self sacrifice will discover to us the secret of the plot of which you are the victim."

As M. Verduret spoke Prosper felt all his resolutions of revolt slowly melting away and their place taken by confidence and hope.

"If what you say were true!" he mournfully said.

"If you persist in obstinately shutting your eyes to the proof I place before you? Can you not see that Mlle. Madeleine knows who the thief is?"

"Impossible!"

"She does, but no human power can tear the secret from her. She sacrifices you. But, then, she almost has the right, since she first sacrificed herself."

Prosper was confounded, and it nearly broke his heart to leave this little parlor where he had seen Madeleine.

"Alas," he said, pressing M. Verduret's hand, "you must think me a fool! But you don't know how I suffer."

For a moment Prosper was silent, then he said:

"I have finally decided. My honor is a sacred trust for which I must account to my family. I am ready to follow you to the end of the world. Dispose of me as you judge proper."

That same day Prosper, faithful to his promise, sold his furniture and wrote a letter to his friends announcing his intended departure for San Francisco. In the evening he and M. Verduret installed themselves in the Archangel.



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duret, a Roman triumphal arch which is of unparalleled beauty and a Greek mausoleum, but no Lagors. St. Remy is the native town of Nostradamus, but not that of our friend."

"Nevertheless I have proofs."

"Naturally. But proofs can be fabricated; relatives can be improvised. Your evidence is open to suspicion; mine are authenticated. While you were playing in prison I was preparing my batteries and collecting munition to open fire. I wrote to St. Remy and received an answer."

"What was it?"

"Have patience," said M. Verduret as he turned over the leaves of his memorandum. "Ah, here is No. 1. Bow respectfully to it; 'tis official.'"

He then read:

"Lagors. Very old family, originally from Malthe, settled at St. Remy about a century ago."

"You see?" cried Prosper.

"Pray, allow me to finish," said M. Verduret, who proceeded:

"The last of the Lagors (Julie-Rene-Henri), bearing without warrant the title of count, married in 1829 Mlle. Rosalie Clarisse Fontaine of Taramon; died December, 1848, without male heirs, but left two daughters. The registers of the province make no mention of any person in the district bearing the name of Lagors."

"Now, what have you to say to that?" said the fat man.

Prosper looked amazed.

"But why did M. Fauvel treat Raoul as his nephew?"

"You mean as his wife's nephew. Let us examine note No. 2. It is not

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"He had no son, but left two daughters, one of whom is a teacher at Aix, and the other married a retail merchant at Orlon. His widow is supported entirely by one of her relatives, the wife of a rich banker in Paris. No person of the name of Lagors lives in the district of Arles."

"That is all," said M. Verduret. "Don't you think it enough?"

"Really, monsieur, I don't know whether I am awake or dreaming."

"Now I wish to remark one thing. Some people may assert that the Widow Lagors had a child born after her husband's death, not acknowledged, but bearing the father's name. This objection is destroyed by the age of your friend. Raoul is twenty-four, and M. de Lagors has not been dead twenty years."

"But," said Prosper thoughtfully, "who is Raoul?"

"I don't know. I confess it is easier to find out who he is than to know who he is not. There is one man who could give us all the information we seek, but he will take good care to keep his mouth shut."

"M. de Clameran?"

"Yes."

"I have always felt the most inexplicable aversion toward him. Ah, if we could only get his record in addition to what you already have!"

"I have been furnished with a few notes concerning the Clameran family by your father, who knew them well. They are brief, but I expect more."

"What did my father tell you?"

"Nothing favorable, you may be sure. I will read you the synopsis of his information:

"Louis de Clameran was born at the Chateau de Clameran, near Taramon. He had an elder brother named Gaston. In 1842, in consequence of an attack in which he had the misfortune to kill one man and badly wound another, he was compelled to fly the country. Gaston was an honest, noble youth, universally beloved. Louis, on the contrary, was a wicked, despicable fellow, detested by all who knew him."

"Upon the death of his father Louis came to Paris and in less than two years had squandered not only his own patrimony, but also the share of his exiled brother."

"Disgraced, harassed by debt, Louis entered the army, but behaved so disgracefully that he was dismissed from the service."

"After leaving the army we lost sight of him. All we know is that he went to England and thence to a German gambling resort, where he was mixed up in a scandalous affair."

"In 1865 we find him again in Paris. He was in great poverty, and his associates were degraded."

"But he suddenly heard of the return of his brother Gaston to France. Gaston had made a fortune in Mexico; but, being still a young man and accustomed to a very active life, he purchased an iron mill near Orlon, intending to spend the remainder of his life in working it."

"Six months ago he died in the arms of his brother Louis. His death gave our De Clameran an immense fortune and the title of marquis."

A light began to break in on Prosper.

"Then," he said, "from all this I judge that M. de Clameran was very poor when I met him for the first time at M. Fauvel's."

"Evidently."

"And about that time Lagors arrived from the country?"

"Exactly."

"And about a month after his appearance Madeleine suddenly banished me."

"Well," exclaimed M. Verduret, "I am glad you are beginning to understand the state of affairs."

Prosper concentrated all his attention upon this superb domestic. He thought he recognized his face. He had certainly somewhere seen that retreating forehead and those little restless black eyes, but where and under what circumstances he could not remember. Meanwhile Master Joseph had taken a seat at a table adjoining the one occupied by M. Verduret and, having called for some absinth, was preparing it by holding the water aloft and slowly dropping it in the glass.

"Speak," said M. Verduret.

"In the first place, I must say that the position of valet and coachman to M. de Clameran is not a bed of roses."

"Go on. You can complain tomorrow."

To Be Continued.

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The University of Toronto is prepared to examine candidates in Chatham for their local examinations in music, which include primary, junior, and senior grades, in the practical branches (piano, organ and violin) and the junior, intermediate and senior grades in the Theory of Music.

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GOVERNMENT'S FISCAL POLICY

Official Declaration Against
Protection—Will be No
Retaliation

Without Consent of Parliament
A Preference Not on the
Government's Program

London, Feb. 9.—In the House of Commons last night Hon. Gerald Balfour refused to commit the Government outside the Lines laid down by the Premier in his Sheffield speech. Replying to Hon. Mr. Morley in the Commons Mr. Gerald Balfour declared that the Government was against protection. "A preference," he said, "is not part of our program, nor any particular way to carry it out. I should be glad to see a state of public opinion which would admit the adoption of a preferential agreement with the colonies, but I decline to pin myself to any method of carrying it out."

He did not think the member for West Birmingham had said a 10 per cent. duty was essential to his scheme. The policy of the Government did not admit a tax on food, which limitation made it impossible to retaliate against Russia and the United States, but they could act against France and Germany. Britain had a weapon against the Americans in countervailing duties. There could be no retaliation without Parliamentary consent. He believed the policy would contribute to the establishment of more free trade than at present.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach insisted that the speech meant a complete repudiation of Mr. Chamberlain's policy.

NEW SENSATIONS IN MEDICAL WORLD

Colingwood Bright's Disease Cure
Brings to Light Others Equally
Wonderful.

Mrs. Fred Philip, of Eglinton, Tells
of Her Remarkable
Experience.

Discharged From Two Toronto Hospitals—Dodd's Kidney Pills Brought Back Her Health.

Toronto, Feb. 8.—(Special).—The report from Colingwood of the wonderful cure of Mrs. Thomas Adams of Bright's Disease by Dodd's Kidney Pills has aroused great interest here and the discussion of it has brought out the fact that Mrs. Adams' case is not an isolated one, that right in Toronto there are people who, suffering from the most dread disease of Bright's Disease, have found a positive and permanent cure in Dodd's Kidney Pills.

One of the most striking cases that has been brought to light is that of Mrs. Fred Philip, now residing on Broadway avenue, Eglinton, one of the northern suburbs of the city. That Mrs. Philip was suffering from Bright's Disease and was in a most dangerous state, there is no doubt. She was in two city hospitals, Grace and the General, and left both places without a hope for the future.

IN THE HOSPITALS.
In Grace Hospital the doctors wished to operate on her but she objected, and leaving the hospital she sought another doctor. He told her at once that she had Bright's Disease and had her removed to the General Hospital. The doctors here demurred to an operation on account of the danger.

On being discharged a second time without benefit Mrs. Philip stopped the doctors and started to take Dodd's Kidney Pills. The result is that to-day all the terrible aching is gone, she is able to do all her own work as well as look after her bright little four-year-old child.

In an interview Mrs. Philip spoke freely of her terrible trouble and gave unstinted praise to Dodd's Kidney Pills.

MRS. PHILIP'S STORY.

"I was sick for six months," she said, "before taking Dodd's Kidney Pills. During that time I was six weeks in Grace Hospital and two months in the General Hospital. I was told in both places that nothing more could be done for me. I started taking Dodd's Kidney Pills in April and am still using them. They have done me a world of good. The Dropsy has all left me and I am now doing all my own work just the same as I was before I was sick."

The talk these cases has caused has also served to show how general the use of Dodd's Kidney Pills has become and how numerous are the cures effected of Pain in the Back, Rheumatism, Dropsy, and all the other results of diseased kidneys. In fact, cures by Dodd's Kidney Pills can be found by the hundred, but a case in which they have failed to cure has yet to be reported.

AN OLD SUBSCRIBER

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DISTRICT DOINGS. WALLACEB.JRG

The reserved seat plan for the big Robin Hood opera production in Chatham on Friday evening is open at Leigh's Book Store, where the best seats can be secured. A special Lake Erie train will run from Chatham that night after the opera. Return railroad tickets at single fare, children half-fare.

DRESDEN

Feb. 9.—Miss Martin, of Sterling, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Wm. Harris, Jr.

Miss Grace Miller visited friends in the Maple City yesterday. Arthur Wright, of Wallaceburg, spent Thursday and Friday of last week with his parents, North Dresden. Quite a number of parishioners of St. Michael's Church, Dresden, drove over to Thameville on Sunday to attend the opening of the new Roman Catholic church in that town.

Christ Church Young People's Society will hold a Valentine Social on Monday evening, Feb. 15th, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Williams, Hughes street. Come and bring your friends, or your valentines, whichever it happens to be.

The revival meetings in the Methodist church are being quite largely attended, and Rev. Mr. Bond is well satisfied with the first week's work. This week he has the assistance of Rev. Mr. Kerr, of Ridgeway.

Mrs. Alonzo Wilkieski and daughter, Mary, are visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Austin, North Dresden.

On Friday evening, Jan. 29th a number of local hockey enthusiasts gathered at Thameville and played a friendly game with the team of that place. Last week the Thameville Herald and the Dresden Standard both published reports of the game, and we could not but remark on the different unfavorable reports. The Herald said in writing up the game described the Dresden boys as "gentlemen both on the ice and off," and in a true sportsmanlike spirit gave them credit for playing a much better game than would be inferred from the one-sided score. It is to be regretted that the local sheet mentioned did not take a similar view of the game instead of referring to the town boys as "would-be hockeyists" and giving only a brief report of the match. It is no wonder our boys lose, when the local papers which should be patrons of all manly sports, give them such scant encouragement and such one-sided unfavorable write-ups in their weekly columns.

The reserved seat plan for the big Robin Hood opera production in Chatham, on Friday evening, is open at Wilson's drug store, where the best seats can be secured. A special train will run to and from Chatham for this event. Return railroad tickets, for adults, 40c, children 20c.

BLENHHEIM

Feb. 10.—The regular quarterly service and administration of the Lord's Supper was held at the Methodist Church last Sunday by the pastor, Rev. W. E. Kerr. The young people in connection with the Epworth League of that Church will hold a book sale in the basement of the church on Thursday, Feb. 18th. A good program will be provided.

W. Barclay, of London, was in town yesterday on business.

A special meeting of the Town Council was held last evening for the purpose of passing the local option by-law, which is now ready for publication.

Miss L. Butler, Detroit, is visiting her friend, Miss Laura Sharov.

Mr. Peetham, who has been sick with grippe, is able to resume work again.

Robert and John, sons of John Nichol, last season planted about half an acre of ground with tobacco. Last year they sold the tobacco raised, which realized \$70.

Miss Tyrrell, of Bothwell, is visiting her cousin, Miss Maude Pardo.

The At Home and Assembly, given by the bachelors and bachelorettes of the town, was one of the events of the season. The hall was very prettily decorated for the occasion, and about eighty couples were present. At nine o'clock the assembly was opened by the grand march, to the strains of Zieff's fine orchestra, of Detroit. The dancing was kept up with great spirit until four o'clock in the morning. The varied costumes of the ladies present were very pretty. Luncheon was served at 10 o'clock, the out of town guests were the Misses Page, Viola and Florence Muckle, S. Rowe, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholson, Mr. and Mrs. W. Taylor, Messrs. C. Huffman, H. Sadlington, H. McCall, H. Muckle and others, of both, Miss Butler, of Detroit, Mrs. Morris, Rodney, Mrs. H. DeClute, Sandusky, O. Mrs. Poole, Tilbury, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McPherson, Dresden, Mr. C. and Miss Bragg and Geo. Higley, Chatham.

A sound throat and robust lungs are most keenly enjoyed by people who, having suffered all the consequences of a "little cold," have been rescued from misery and danger by Allen's Lung Balsam.

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THE LUMP JAW CASE

This case came on for trial this morning when the Crown Attorney stated to the Police Magistrate that he had carefully investigated the matter and was satisfied upon the evidence that Mr. Payne had acted in good faith and in reliance upon the opinion of Dr. Kime, the Dominion Inspector. Dr. Kime was in court and corroborated the statement made by O. L. Lewis, counsel for the defence, that he had expressed his opinion that the animal in question was sound and fit for food and for slaughter, and that after he had expressed his opinion, Mr. Payne, relying upon it, purchased the animal and slaughtered it. The judge vet. Mr. Payne and the evidence that the present consensus of opinion was that local lump-jaw does not render the animal unfit for human food, and that it is not a contagious disease or passed from the animal to the human species by the eating of the meat thereof.

The difficulty was that under the Ontario Act, all lump-jaw beef is forbidden to be used as human food. The offence, therefore, in the case of Mr. Payne was purely a technical one, as he had taken the precaution to get the opinion of an experienced veterinarian, who, in open court, declared this morning that he had examined the beef and found it sound and fit for human food, and that he would have no hesitation in eating it. It was also stated in court that three other veterinaries had examined the beef and pronounced it fit for human food, and that one of them had actually taken a piece of it home and had it prepared for the table and had eaten it.

Under the circumstances, therefore, the Crown Attorney, Mr. Smith, felt it his duty to say that the offence was a purely technical one, by virtue of the provisions in the Ontario Act, which is not in accord with the views of the Dominion authorities or the department of agriculture for the Dominion, as shown by its 1902 annual report. In consequence, the Magistrate imposed the smallest fine possible, namely, \$1.00 and costs; evidently being of the same opinion as the Crown Attorney, that there was no attempt to evade the law or break it on the part of Mr. Payne.

NO MAN OR WOMAN CAN HAVE DYSPESIA

And Still Be Agreeable, Attractive
And Popular—A Certain Cure In
Reach Of All.

There is nothing that will put you to the front so rapidly in the business or social world as a cheerful disposition and a pleasant appearance. Other things being equal people will go out of their way to give the fellow a little extra attention and a cheerful countenance. The man or woman with a cranky disposition and a sour face will always meet with an indifferent if not a chilly reception. The commercial traveler, who is the recognized business barometer, appreciates better than any one the value of this rule and governs his actions accordingly.

Dyspepsia destroys all the agreeable qualities that enter into a man or woman's make-up. It is almost a human impossibility for anyone with a severe case of dyspepsia to look pleasant. The continuous, miserable, cast-down feeling is bound to make itself shown in the appearance and conversation.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are the sufferer's certain cure. They are so recognized all over the world. The cures they have brought about and the happiness they have caused and the suffering they have relieved has made their name a household word in all the English-speaking world.

The reason that Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are a certain cure is that they are a natural cure. There is nothing to prevent them curing. They contain the essential ingredients of the digestive fluids of the stomach and simply do the identical work of the stomach, restoring its weakened organ and permitting it to rest and recuperate. Could anything be more simple or natural? They are bound to cure. They cannot help themselves. It is just like putting a new stomach into a man—if that were possible—and letting the old one go off on a vacation. Rest is what it needs. Nature will do her own work of restoration, never fear.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are for sale by all druggists at 50 cents a box. All druggists means all druggists. They have become so necessary to the people that the druggist simply has to keep them anyway. There are other remedies that he can make much more money on if he could sell them, but he can't. He will not take chances on losing his customers by not always having on hand a supply of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.

WINDSOR BOYS WANTED TO FIGHT FOR JAPAN

Canadian Militia Department
Says They Cannot

The news that Japan and Russia had opened hostilities created great interest in Windsor and the papers yesterday were eagerly scanned for news from the far east. The sympathies of a great majority of Windsorites appear to be with Japan. No better proof of the feeling could be found than in the offer of a number of young men of Windsor to enter the Japanese army. They were informed by the Canadian militia department that no Canadians will be allowed to fight with the Japs.

Several varieties of delicious home made candy will be offered for sale by the Ladies' Assisting Society of the Public General Hospital at Austin's Friday and Saturday.

YOU WILL

always find it a safe rule to take a thing as it is offered, especially a job or a bargain. We are offering mostly all goods pertaining to winter at prices that you cannot afford to overlook, even if you do not really need the article till next winter.

Big reductions on all mens, young mens and boys' winter overcoats. 25 per cent. off all fur caps. Fur lined coats are also on the reduced list.

Here are a few sample reductions:

\$5.00 OVERCOATS, \$3.95	50c UNDERWEAR, 39c
8.00 " 5.95	35c " 19c
10.00 " 7.50	50c BRACES, 25c
14.00 " 10.00	25c " 15c
15.00 " 12.00	50c NECKWEAR, 25c
17.00 " 12.00	25c " 15c

THORNTON & DOUGLAS, LIMITED

WHITEWARE SALE.

GRAY'S CHINA HALL.
NEW STOCK WHITE CHINA FOR HAND-PAINTING

12 Dozen Plates, all sizes—\$1.50 to \$3.00-Dozen.
Chop Plates, Cake Plates, Chocolate Pots, Creams and Sugars, Spoon Trays, etc.

10 Per Cent. Off All This Week.

GRAY'S CHINA HALL, King Street,
Opp. Merchants Bank.

Bargain Sale....

ALL SILVERWARE,
CUTLERY,
CARVER SETS,
HEATING STOVES,
OIL HEATERS,
HORSE BLANKETS,
ROBES, etc., etc.
All at Bargains Prices.

WESTMAN BROS.

Big Hardware.

Fountain Pens.

We keep a full assortment of the celebrated

PARKER PEN With all the Up-to-Date Improvements

Give the lucky curve a trial.

CENTRAL DRUG STORE.

C. H. GUNN & CO., Chatham, Ont

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral

for all diseases of the throat and lungs. A doctor's medicine for 60 years. A household remedy everywhere.

A BROOKVILLE K.O. PLACED IN JAIL

Brookville, Ont., Feb. 9.—When it became known a day or two ago that the well-known legal firm of Hutchison and Fisher had been dissolved by mutual consent there was much speculation as to the causes leading up to this step. To-day Mr. James A. Hutchison, K. C., surrendered himself to the law, and made a confession to the effect that he had appropriated to his own use large sums of money belonging to his clients. He was given a hearing before the magistrate, and was remanded to jail pending the action of his victims. The amount involved is about \$25,000. Much sympathy is expressed for Mr. Hutchison, who attained prominence in his profession, and in public life. He is solicitor for Brookville town, and for many large corporations. His troubles are said to be due to unfortunate speculations.

Climb the mountains and get their good tidings. Nature's peace will flow into you as sunshine flows into trees. The winds will blow their own freshness into you, and the storms their energy, while cares will fall off like autumn leaves.

Mrs. M. A. Pe
Local Manager of Gunn's Home Treatment. . .
At home to ladies every Wednesday afternoon. Resides west of Fair Grounds
Quebec
Minard's Liniment for Sore Throat.