

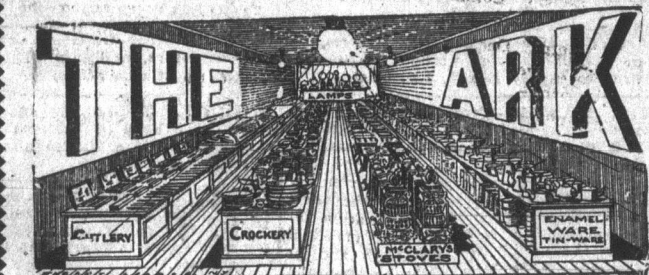
## Do Your Christmas Shopping Now

Do your Christmas shopping now. Don't wait until the last few days. We are all ready for you now and you will get better attention and better selection now than later.

### CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS:

Handkerchiefs	
Real lace handkerchiefs, \$2.00 to \$5.00	
Ladies' fine pure linen hemstitched handkerchiefs, 40	
White Swiss embroidered muslin handkerchiefs, very dainty designs, at 12 1/2c to 35	
Real pure Irish linen, hand embroidered handkerchiefs, at 20c to 1.50	
Men's pure linen hemstitched handkerchiefs, Irish make, at 15c to 40	
Silk Waists	
Ladies' new elegant silk waists in black, white and colors, extra quality at \$5.00	
Shawls	
Knitted Wool Shawls, made of fine soft wool, in black, cream, grey and opera shades, at 80c to 1.75	
Heavy Umbrella Shawls, excellent greys and browns, at \$1.00 to 5.00	
Knitted Scotch Shawls, in cream, sky and pink, at \$1.25 and 2.00	
Knitted wool facinators, in every wanted shade, at 40c to 1.50	
Umbrellas	
Ladies' tight roll umbrellas, large size, elegant handles, \$1.50 to 6.00	
Men's umbrellas, new style handles, excellent values, \$2.50 to 5.00	
Eider Comforters	
Fine imported Eider Down Comforters, covered with fine French satens and satens, at \$5.00 to \$17.00	
Kid Gloves	
Only the best guaranteed makes here, in Glaces and Swede, black, white and all shades, at \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50	
Ladies' Neckwear	
Stock collars, at 25c to \$2.00	
Black Spanish Lace Scarfs, \$1.00 to 15.00	
Lace Collars, \$1.00 to 3.50	
Neck Lace Collars, \$1.50 to 2.00	
Chiffon Collars, \$1.00 to 1.75	
Lace Robes	
Black and Ivory Lace Robes, containing all necessary to make the gown, special at \$12.00, \$22.50	
Black Sequin Robes at \$16 and 17.50	
Waist Lengths	
Fancy silk waist lengths, in every pretty color combination, at a length, \$4.00 and 5.00	
Black Dresses	
Dress lengths of the latest novelties in black dress goods, \$11 to \$22.50	
Dress lengths in fine, unshrinkable, silk, special, at \$9 to 18.00	
Furs of Every Description	

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Much of our Fancy China and other choice and useful goods are now in place. Dolls, Toys, Games, Books and everything in Christmas goods are now being put in place as fast as willing hands can do so.

We want to keep our promise, to be in full swing next week for THE RUSH. The sooner you come to make your selections, the better we can serve you. A deposit on goods will secure them for you, and have them put away if you do not wish them delivered now.

### Our Stoves and Ranges

Are nicely arranged in the rear, with willing help to show them.

Dinner Sets, Tea Sets, Toilet Sets and Lamps are on Second Floor, where you will see the largest and best selected stock in the city at lowest prices. COME EARLY PLEASE.

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MRS. DAVIDSON,

Drawer 66, BRANTFORD, Ont.

### THE TRADE IN EARS.

Man Who Sold One Buys Another From a Miner.  
Ironwood, Mich., Dec. 5.—That the man who sold his car for \$5,000 and a western millionaire will make \$4,000 and have two ears when he gets through has developed from the visit to Dr. C. A. Stebbins of this city of a Hungarian miner from Hurley, Wis. The miner has a letter from the man who sold his car, offering him \$1,000. The miner wanted to know if the operation would be dangerous, and said he would undergo it when told it was safe.

### POOL ROOM CASE COLLAPSED.

The Crown Attorney Could Secure No Evidence.  
Toronto, Dec. 5.—The case against Mr. Frank Baby, the President of the Recreation Club, was dismissed yesterday by Magistrate Elms. The abrupt termination of the case for the Crown was due to a ruling by the Magistrate that no evidence against the club could be received unless the defendant, Mr. Baby, was directly connected with the transaction. Under the statute a company such as the Recreation Club cannot be proceeded against in a Magistrate's court. Mr. Baby was charged directly with keeping a common betting house, and Mr. E. P. B. Johnston, K.C., who appeared for him, raised the objection that evidence of betting on the premises of the club could only be received when it was established that his client had cognizance of it. The court agreed with the view of the chief counsel for the defendant, and Mr. H. H. Dewar, K.C., Crown attorney, who made admissions from the witnesses, was barred by the ruling. At the conclusion of the case the Magistrate said that there was a proper court for the trial of the company, and that the act expressly made provision for it. It was reason for belief that the law was being broken in the Recreation Club, some steps might be taken to have its charter annulled.

### TWENTY-SIX TO SIX.

Montreal Council Rejects Street Railway Franchise Extension.  
Montreal, Dec. 5.—The City Council, by a vote of twenty-six to six, defeated a by-law proposed by Ald. Couture to grant the Montreal Street Railway Company an extension of twenty years in its present franchise. As no offer had been received from the company, the Council refused to entertain any proposition for an extension.

Until December 15th connection will be made at Blenheim Junction on Tuesdays and Fridays with train leaving Chatham at 10.30 a. m. for Rond Eau.

### GRAND OPERA HOUSE.

Thursday, December 10

Billy Clark's MONARCH MINSTRELS

25- ALL WHITE -25

New Songs—New Jokes. Solo Band and Orchestra. NOON-DAY PARADE.

PRICES—25c, 50c, 75c, and 1.00. Seats on sale at 10c.

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King Street West, Chatham.

Large stock of new books in elegant bindings, Christmas cards and calendars. A large assortment of Sunday School supplies at low prices. The Holy Land Booklets, with flowers from Palestine.

Glenn & Co.,

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import direct the finest Ceylon, Assam and China Tea, Black Gunpowder and Young Hyson, Best English Breakfast Tea, 35c and 40c.

### DR. SUTHERLAND HOMP.

### GREAT WEST NEEDS ANOTHER TRANSCONTINENTAL LINE.

Rapid Development of the Country—Danger of Going Too Fast—Foreign and Halfbred Population.

Toronto, Dec. 5.—The Rev. Dr. Sutherland, General Secretary of the Methodist Church, who spent the month of November in the northwest, holding conventions and addressing meetings on behalf of Methodist missions, has returned, full of enthusiasm respecting the northwest empire, as he styles it. The rapid increase of population, and the corresponding developments in agriculture, manufactures and commerce, fill every visitor with astonishment, and make one hesitate to set any limit to the progress of the country in the near future. "The naked prairie of one year is a thriving farming community the next," said Dr. Sutherland. "Villages start up as if by magic, and many of them expand into towns, with handsome churches, commodious schools, electric lights, and telephones, and other appliances of modern civilization, with a rapidity that is bewildering. Everywhere there is growth, movement, expansion, enterprise, and a spirit of buoyant confidence as regards the future that is practically infectious."

Dr. Sutherland sounds a warning note against the danger of overdoing things in some directions. Rapid growth in the towns has sent up prices of real estate beyond all reason. As a typical instance, in a town of perhaps 6,000 inhabitants a lot on the business street, which sold a few years ago for three or four hundred dollars, was recently sold for \$300 a foot frontage. Another lot which could not be sold three or four years ago at any price was recently bought by a mercantile firm for \$25,000. And so it goes. A boom of this sort cannot last forever, and when hard times come, as come they will, who have loaded themselves with real estate for speculative purposes will be buried in the grave of their own greed, and legitimate progress will be checked for years. The typical present is an ascending scale—rents, wages, household supplies, building materials, everything, perhaps, except fixed salaries, which, for the most part, show little or no improvement.

"What have the people to say about the new transcontinental railway?" "Very little. They take it as a matter of course. Another through line is a necessity if the needs of the country are to be met. The people accept the ultra party men, who try to make party capital out of it—regard it as a pure business proposition. Should the Canadian Northern maintain its independence, and push their work at no distant day we shall have three transcontinental lines within Canadian territory. The Canadian Pacific is putting forth herculean efforts to meet the demands of the hour, but both main line and branches are congested, and the rolling stock is overtaxed.

"The religious outlook is most hopeful and encouraging. Not a few people in Ontario and eastward have been under the impression that the western population, for the most part, had little regard for Sabbath or sanctuary, and that prevailing conditions might be expressed in the language of an American cowboy, who remarked: 'There ain't no Temperance movement west of the Mississippi.' As applied to our northwest this is a great mistake. The English-speaking people, as a whole, prize the Sabbath and its associations, and no sooner is a community formed than they set about securing the privileges of church and school."

### PRESENT TO LIPTON.

Gift of a Silver Service From the United States.

New York, Dec. 5.—A silver service consisting of twenty pieces, the gift of the American people to Sir Thomas Lipton will be forwarded by the Eturia to-day to the United States Ambassador in London, under cover of instructions from the American Department of State. Lindsay Russell of New York goes to London by the same steamer as a representative of the American people. The presentation commission has been formed in London, and a dinner, at which General Russell will preside, has been arranged for Friday, December 12, to which all prominent Americans abroad and Englishmen interested in Anglo-American relations, will be invited. The presentation of the service to Sir Thomas Lipton, Baronet, K.C.V.O., who by his good tempered sportsmanship, his generosity to the families of American soldiers, and his hospitality to American at home and abroad, has contributed much to our Anglo-American friendship.

### CANADA TRUE AS STEEL.

### LORD STRATHCONA DELIVERS A STIRRING ADDRESS.

Lord Aberdeen Said the Loyalty of the Dominion is Spontaneous—London Financial News Thinks Mr. Farrer's Article Should Have a Preference.

London, Dec. 5.—Lord Strathcona, speaking at the banquet of the Edinburgh Merchant Company last night, said that thirty-three years ago Canada was the first nation born within the empire, a nation then, and now, true as steel to the motherland. In ten years the population of Canada would be doubled and they would be able to send to Britain every pound of breadstuff the country needed. So conscious of this were the Americans that in the last three years more than 100,000 of them had gone to the northwest and Canadians had no misgiving as to the loyalty of these American settlers. McGill and Toronto Universities were as good as any in the motherland, Britain, he said, must not show indifference to the colonies. To what extent each power, will participate in the organization of an international gendarmerie to be formed for the preservation of the order and which power will be placed in supreme command of the gendarmerie as well as make it settle, must be settled by the negotiations between the powers. This proposal of the two powers dissipates the apprehension which has prevailed in diplomatic circles on the continent that Russia and Austria were arranging a settlement of the Macedonian question in a way to insure their own interests. According to the information obtained by the Associated Press, the powers will then meet in the appointment of a Christian Governor of Macedonia.

While it is intended that the Christians shall be protected, there is also a determination that equal protection shall be accorded to the Mussulmans. All the powers concerned are anxious to settle the difficulties in the Balkans, so that they can no longer menace the peace of Europe. It is believed that identical views with those obtained in Crete are likely to follow from the enforcement of a similar policy in Macedonia. At first a large force was sent to Crete, but at present there are not more than 1,600 men there, representing the Governments of Great Britain, France, Russia and Italy.

REPLY ALMOST READY.  
Russia's Answer, it is Hoped, Will Please Japan.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 5.—Russia's reply to Japan's proposals is almost completed, but will not be ready for transmission to Tokio till next week. A strong hope is expressed in official circles that the answer will prove acceptable to Japan in the main, if not in all the details. Russia will make concessions, but in turn, proposes modifications, which, it is said, will not be of a radical character. It is reiterated that the present state of the negotiations is confined to a determination of the general question relating to the rights of the respective powers in Korea. The Czar and the Foreign Office have freely consulted Vlady Alexieff in the preparation of the reply. While it is not admitted that the meeting of the Japanese Parliament on December 8th has hastened the matter, there has been unusual activity at the Foreign Office for several days.

### SUICIDE AT KINGSTON.

Benjamin Case Quarrels With Wife, Then Uses a Razor.

Kingston, Dec. 5.—Yesterday a young man named Benjamin Case of Gananoque, a laborer in the locomotive works, cut his throat with a razor and will die. He lived with a woman supposed to be his wife and another man claimed her. A row ensued and John McCullough was arrested for creating a disturbance. Case and his supposed wife quarrelled, and Case this morning made a most successful attempt to end his life.

### HOT BATH FOR TYPHOID.

Little Girl the Subject of a New Form of Treatment.

(Associated Press Despatch.)  
New York, Dec. 5.—A despatch to The Herald from London says:—At the London Hospital there is a little girl with typhoid fever who is undergoing an unusual method of treatment. For five days past the patient, who is only five years old, has been kept in a bath of hot water. She lies on water pillows and her body is entirely under the water, which is kept at a constant temperature of 101 degrees by an arrangement of hot and cold water entering the mixing cistern, from which it flows into the bath and thence out by a pipe. In the five days the child's temperature has fallen from 105 to 101 degrees, but the crisis has yet to come. At least three weeks must be spent in the bath before the disease can be shaken off. Some years ago at the London Hospital a man was kept immersed for six weeks and recovered.

### URGENT MEETING

The non-commissioned officers of the 24th Kent Regiment are requested to meet Monday evening in the mess rooms over the Merchants' Bank on most important matters.

All the non-coms are urged to be present, as it will be the last meeting for Sergeant-Major Geo. E. Embley.

### PROPOSAL OF THE POWERS.

### INTERNATIONAL GENDARMERIE FOR MACEDONIA.

To Check Attempts at a New Uprising and Consequent War Between Bulgaria and Turkey.

London, Dec. 5.—The Associated Press learns that in order to prevent another Macedonian uprising in the spring, attended by unspeakable horrors and the danger of a war between Turkey and Bulgaria as a consequence, Russia and Austria have proposed to the other powers that immediate steps be taken to put into operation a plan which in its general outline resembles that now enforced in Crete. This proposal is the result of the acceptance in principle by the Sultan some days ago of the Russo-Austrian note concerning reforms in Macedonia, which was submitted to the Porte after the recent conference between Czar Nicholas and Emperor Francis Joseph. To what extent each power, will participate in the organization of an international gendarmerie to be formed for the preservation of the order and which power will be placed in supreme command of the gendarmerie as well as make it settle, must be settled by the negotiations between the powers. This proposal of the two powers dissipates the apprehension which has prevailed in diplomatic circles on the continent that Russia and Austria were arranging a settlement of the Macedonian question in a way to insure their own interests. According to the information obtained by the Associated Press, the powers will then meet in the appointment of a Christian Governor of Macedonia.

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### A GALLANT DEED.

How a Submarine Torpedo Boat Was Saved.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 5.—The United States naval tug Peoria, towing the submarine torpedo boat Adair, has arrived at the navy yard here. The submarine boat Moccasin is ashore at Currituck, and appears to be only slightly damaged. The Adair was saved during Thursday's storm by the heroic efforts of Boatswain Derry, who responded to a call for volunteers and swam 100 yards with a line to the Adair from the tug and pulled a hawser after him. A thirty-four mile gale with continuous seas was crashing over the Peoria and burying the drifting submarine boats beneath tons of water. Derry, with a slender line fastened around his waist plunged into the ocean and battled with the waves for a side for a tax hundred yards, finally reaching the Adair and gaining her deck. There he hauled the thick hawser aboard by means of the life line and made it fast. Then he went back to the tug hand over hand on the hawser.

### BASIS FOR NEW TAX BILL.

Assessment Committee Agree on Some Principles.

Toronto, Dec. 5.—Before preparing for a fortnight or so, the special Assessment Committee held a discussion yesterday afternoon, which indicates that enough of the new assessment bill will be adopted to greatly simplify and improve the present law. The Chairman, Hon. J. M. Gibson, proposed that the new system be comprised of the three following sources: (1) Real estate; (2) business assessment, and (3) income. This leaves out of account the old personality tax, the proposed new house tax, which was condemned as having a bad name, and not being desirable to any great extent, and for the franchise tax, which the new bill called for, there will probably be a tax on the gross revenue of the corporations which it would have affected. Another idea was to assess the telephone company at the general rate at so much per mile in rural districts. In the cities their real estate and a percentage of their gross income would be the only basis of assessment. The exemption of machinery in general was favored by many, but it was recognized that there were difficulties in the way of carrying that out.

### A TOOL OF SAM PARKS.

Timothy McCarthy Sent to Penitentiary for Extortion.

New York, Dec. 5.—Timothy McCarthy, the walking delegate of the Housewives and Bridgemen's Union, who was convicted of extortion, was sentenced to serve one year in the penitentiary on Blackwell's Island. In sentencing McCarthy, who was found guilty of extorting \$200 from the Loeb and Andrews Company to settle a strike, Recorder Goff said that, in his opinion, McCarthy was simply the tool of Sam Parks, and that he took this into consideration in the sentence.

### HAMILTON PAPER SUED FOR LIBEL.

Hamilton, Dec. 5.—Mr. J. Bidwell Mills, who has been sued by William Victor Mills, has issued a writ against The Herald Printing Company for \$20,000 damages for alleged libel. The writ was issued and served by J. Bidwell Mills personally.

### TELEGRAPH BREVITIES.

Count Von Ballestern was re-elected President of the German Reichstag.

A protest has been entered against the return of Dr. A. A. Mahaffy in Muskoka.

### FOUR CHINAMEN DROWNED.

Were Being Smuggled From Canada Into Buffalo.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 5.—Four of eleven Chinamen, who were being smuggled into the United States from Canada, were drowned in the Erie Canal at the foot of Breckenridge street a few minutes after 6 o'clock this morning. Who they were has not been learned, as to the other seven, although in custody, are unable to talk English. The accident was due to the breaking of the tongue of a big covered wagon in which the Chinamen were being transported from the landing place, just below the foot of Breckenridge street. The horses were freed when the pole broke and the big wagon laden with human beings rolled zig-zagging down a hill into the canal. According to the reports of the affair received by the police, the seven Chinamen, who escaped with their lives, jumped out of the wagon when the accident began. Four, however, got no opportunity to jump and were drowned. The driver of the wagon and another white man who was with him escaped. The only witnesses of the accident were workmen some distance away. They went to the rescue, but were too late. One body has been recovered.

The surviving Chinamen were locked up on a charge of being illegally in the United States. Through an interpreter they made a startling charge against the smugglers who brought them over to Canada. They said the dumping of the wagon into the canal was part of a deliberate plot to drown the whole party. They had paid the smugglers to bring them safely into the United States, and also had advanced money to pay their fare to Chicago. They believe that the smugglers intended to saw them with them and pocket the money advanced for their railroad fares.

### WATERMAN FOUNTAIN PEN.

When you buy a Fountain Pen you want a good one, and there is only one that is first class, "WATERMAN'S." Nothing better for a Xmas gift. Come to the store.

### Sulman's.

Opp. Garner House.

### REGRET LOSS

New Market Church Deploras Departure of Minister for Maple City Pastorate

The Newmarket Era says:—The announcement on Sunday by the pastor, Rev. A. H. MacGillivray, that he had received the unanimous call of the First Presbyterian Church at Chatham, was received with mingled feelings of regret and gladness. Regret that this congregation was likely to lose such a general favorite and spiritual adviser, but glad that one they had learned to esteem, had been counted worthy to be promoted to such an important charge.

### Let's go and have a drink, Smith.

No; I've just sworn off this week for a host.

Why, what are you feeling? Myself. As long as I find I can stop I won't stop. Just as soon as I find I can stop I will stop.

—Barnes, No one funds to Office, week, opp. No. 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

### Headquarters.

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Men's Velvets, Kid or Patent Leather, at 75c, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50.

Ladies' Felt, Velvet, Plush, Kid, Patent Leather, at 25c, 50c, \$1, up to \$3.00....

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## Souvenir Range.

You run no risk in buying this range—it is made on honor without reference to cost.

Every part is so constructed as to render it the most durable and best operating—parts of the fire box exposed to the fire will outlast at least three ordinary ranges.

Makers' Written Guarantee.

The makers have every confidence in this range—they bind themselves in writing that it will operate perfectly and against imperfections in material and workmanship.

Such a Guarantee accompanies no other range—enough said.

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is what the average man most enjoys. We can give you that.

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Largest and Best Assortment of Foreign and Domestic Fabrics to choose from, and First-Class Mechanics in our shop "Does the Trick."

Our motto: "Reasonable Prices, Satisfaction Guaranteed" We ask your support.

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## 20 BEAN PICKERS WANTED.

Highest wages paid. Steady work. Apply to

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The Canada Flour Mills Co., Limited.

**Youth and Age are not questions of years, they are matters of feeling**

The remark is often heard, How she has aged! or, Did you notice how old she looks! when the years may be but few.

What has caused this?

Nothing more than the fact that the body indicates marks of wearing out, which are premature.

It shows that the system has been bearing more than its normal share of burdens. It has been trying to stand against the encroachments of disease silently and gradually creeping on.

Internal disorders and irregularities of the digestive system have resulted in the pulling down of the vital force, and thus destroying the natural vigor and brightness which are always the sign of youth.

On the other hand, How young you are looking! and Why! She is growing younger all time! are words heard of those who in spite of advancing years are able by careful attention and proper treatment of their bodies to preserve the Nerve Force and physical activity which is the right of every human being.

### ANTI-PILL PROMOTES NATURAL HEALTH.

One of the commonest causes of such premature "age-ing" is disorder of the stomach brought on by poor digestion, irregular and infrequent bowel movements.

Very few people are free from one or other of these ailments.

Anti-Pill corrects the stomach by strengthening the glands that secrete the Gastric Juice, lack of which causes these ailments spoken of. It builds up the organs and demonstrates a new principle that influences the stomach, in fact compels it to supply the necessary Gastric Juice.

It also invigorates the muscles related to these glands and organs, so that they are enabled to resume their work and the whole system is naturally and permanently restored to vigorous health.

### FOR DERANGED APPETITE.

Fullness and weight in the Stomach after eating, Dizziness, Headache, Easily Tired, Fagging, Failing Strength, Sleeplessness, Gas in Stomach, Drowsiness and Mental Inactivity, Pain in Back, Hip and Loins, Backache, Heart Palpitation, Breath Heavy and Offensive, Urine loaded with Sediment, Bilioussness, Dyspepsia and Constipation, use Anti-Pill.

### WHAT TWO LADIES SAY.

Mrs. Thos. Tabb, 87 Emerald St., North, Hamilton, Ont., says: For many months Indigestion, Dizziness and Constipation made me miserable. I used many remedies and doctor's medicine without relief. My husband finally got me to try Anti-Pill and the effect has been truly gratifying. This medicine has cured

the constipated condition of the bowels, relieved the stomach trouble and brought such general improvement to my whole body that I can do my house work without any trouble—this result came by the time I had used half a box and Anti-Pill is surely a great system treatment.

**At Over Seventy Years Old.**—I am over seventy years old. For fully twenty years I have been afflicted with Constipation. I have taken all kinds of pills and medicines but never received any lasting benefit until I began taking Dr. Leonard's Anti-Pill. Two boxes entirely cured me.

I also for many years suffered greatly from what seemed to be incurable eczema. I am now cured of that and believe that your Anti-Pill did it. (Mrs. Ruth Hall, 910 B Street, Lincoln, Neb.)

Anti-Pill, 50c a box. All Drug Stores, or Wilson-Fyle, Co., Niagara Falls, Ont., Can.

### House and Furniture.

"Excess of furniture destroys the repose of a lazy man and is in the way of an industrious one," wrote William Morris, and it was also one of his maxims that if houses were built as they should be we should want but a little furniture and be happy in that scantiness. In "The Lesser Arts of Life" he wrote:

"The arrangement of our houses ought surely to express the kind of life we lead or desire to lead. Our furniture should be good citizens' furniture, solid and well made in workmanship, and in design should have nothing about it that is not easily defensible, no monstrosities or extravagances, not even of beauty, lest we weary of it. As to matters of construction, it should not have to depend on the special skill of a very picked workman or the superciliousness of his gine, but be made on the proper principles of the art of joinery; also I think that, except for very movable things, like chairs, it should not be so very light as to be nearly imponderable; it should be made of timber rather than walking sticks."

### Spoke Too Late.

An old New England farmer's wife lay a-dying after seventy years of life and fifty years of steady drudgery as housekeeper and mother. As the end grew visibly near the husband stooped to her ear, the tears forcing their way from his eyes and down his rugged cheeks.

"Goodby, Hannah! You have always been a good wife to me!" came with a straining sob.

The glazed eyes opened; the numb hand was raised in a rebukeful gesture.

"When why in the name of mercy didn't you ever tell me so before?"

The whisper was her last breath. Ah, my brothers, tell the faithful, brave, overworked wives the blessed truth before the tonic comes too late to brace the spirit and tide nervous forces over the sand bars that ridge the channel of weekday toil—Chicago Record-Herald.

### Would You Be a Fidget?

Beautiful women learn calumness and composure. They never wiggle their feet or play with their thumbs, but rest in a chair. Women with a propensity to fidget should cultivate the habit of sitting perfectly still in a chair with their hands loosely clasped in their laps. A quiet, reposeful manner is more to be desired than riches. Fidgety women have nervous fingers, which apparently must always be doing something—playing with a chain worn around the neck, beating a tattoo on the lap, crumbling the bread at dinner or otherwise occupied in irritating the nerves of other people.

### Your Grievances.

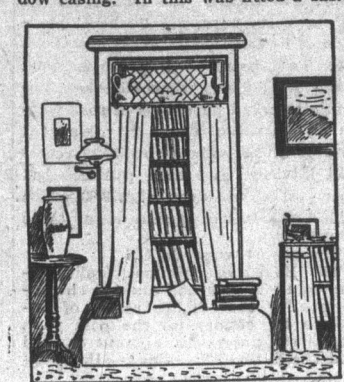
If you want to be loved, keep any grievances you may have to yourself. A woman with sorrows may be interesting, but a woman with a grievance is quickly voted a bore. Weeping, and eyed heronies are all very nice in novels, for one need not have more of their society than he likes, but every-day life cheerfulness is in demand, and the woman or girl who bravely determines to find the silver lining of every cloud is rewarded by gaining the respect and love of her fellow.

Ask for Minard's and take no other.

### A DISUSED WINDOW.

Artistically Treated and Converted Into a Bookcase.

The accompanying illustration from Good Housekeeping presents the artistic treatment of a window whose original purpose was abandoned on account of the erection of a brick wall outside which shut off the view and light. An opening was left a foot and a half deep at the top of the old window casing. In this was fitted a sash



divided in three sections and set with treasured glass, red, yellow and green. Each section was covered with a slight framework in imitation of diamond panes. The transom was not quite so wide as the original opening, making it necessary to board in the sides diagonally from the front to meet it, which arrangement helped to efface the outline of the old window. The small window was furnished with hinges at the top and opened outward, thereby making a most useful ventilator. On the highest shelf were placed two or three decorative pieces and immediately below it a brass rod for the curtains of crimson wool, which shield the remaining shelves and their books. Beneath the original window sill stands a long, narrow box upholstered with the same warm color. This carries the bookcase effect to the floor, making a convenient resting place and receptacle for papers and magazines.

### Women in the Post Office.

The largest number of women employees in any line of work are employed in the United States postal service. Some of the highest salaried women in the world are employed there. More than one-third of the women are post office clerks, and many are post office clerks. Many of the women are mail wagon drivers, having long and lonely trips in unhabited parts of the country. In great numbers they are employed in the rural free delivery. Nearly all the experts in the dead letter office are women. They are to perform tasks which to the average person would seem impossible. It is their duty to take charge of the pieces of mail which go astray every year, and they must see that these waifs get to their proper destinations if possible, and if not they are returned to the sender. Many of the rural post offices are entrusted to women. The work is usually light, and it is the general opinion that women in such positions have performed the best work for the department.

### Stories for the Little Ones.

Every mother should put aside one hour a day in which to read or tell stories to her children. It is best to have the same time every day. In many homes where this has been the rule from babyhood the child's soul is looked forward to by the children as the best one of the day. Often neighbors' children are gathered in, and a valuable missionary work may be done in this way for children whose mothers do not or cannot take time to read to them. In families where the children are of different ages and sexes it is sometimes a difficult problem to find books which will interest all, but by a little judicious selection this can usually be managed, and the mother can direct the child's own reading along the individual lines which have special interest for him.—Chicago Tribune.

### For the Nursery.

A source of great amusement in a nursery is an improvised drawing board made of a width of unbleached muslin. This is tacked as firmly as possible to the wall with four headed tacks. To go with this a box of colored chalks with which to draw the pictures will give much pleasure to a little embryo artist. The drawings may be rubbed out with the same kind of sheep's wool eraser as is used on the blackboard in the schoolroom. This contrivance is so simple and inexpensive and yet gives so much pleasure that it is well worth considering.

### Ribbons.

Soft ribbons, such as liberty satin, taffeta and pearl de soie, may be washed to look about as good as new. Prepare a basin of warm water and castile soap and soak the ribbons, without mixing colors, of course, for fifteen minutes. Spread them one at a time on a smooth surface and scrub gently with a soft nailbrush. Rinse in clear water and press them up between folds of cloth. Iron between two towels with a moderately hot iron. A few drops of vinegar in the rinsing water will keep the ribbons stiff.

### The Baby's Nerves.

One cannot be too careful about shielding infants from all excitement. At their tender age the brain is most susceptible, and dangerous impressions may be made which time will not erase. One should avoid telling young children such stories as "Jack, the Giant Killer." Bring them up to entertain no unreasonable fears, for it is not an uncommon thing that children are frightened into nervous affections, convulsions or St. Vitus' dance.

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both the method and the ability to do so he says Dr. Goldberg, the discoverer, will send the method entirely free to all men who send him their names and addresses. He wants to hear from men who have stricture that they have been unable to get cured, prostatic trouble, sexual weakness, varicocele, gonorrhea, blood poisoning, hydrocele, inflammation of parts, impotence, etc. His wonderful method not only cures the condition itself, but like wise all the complications, such as rheumatism, kidney trouble, heart disease, nervous debility, etc.

The doctor realizes that it is one thing to make claims and another thing to back them up, so he has made it a rule not to ask for money unless he cures you, and when you are cured he feels sure that you will willingly pay him a small fee. It would seem, therefore, that it is to the best interests of every man who suffers in this way to write the doctor confidentially and lay your case before him. He sends the method, as well as many booklets on the subject, including the one that contains the 14 diplomas and certificates, entirely free. Address him at once.

Dr. S. Goldberg, 268 Woodward Ave., Room 404, St. Paul, Minn., and it will all immediately be sent you free. Write him early and well worded and more about. Write at once.

### LAUNDRY LINES.

Iodine stains will disappear if dipped in liquid ammonia.

Borax is the simplest and least harmful washing powder for use with clothes in the boiler.

A spoonful of kerosene in boiled starch keeps it from sticking, but do not use enough to make it smell of the oil.

Handkerchiefs should be ironed while wet and dried by the iron. Thus will they acquire a certain stiffness and will keep clean longer.

Soap should never be rubbed on silk underwear. Put the garments in soap-suds and squeeze gently between the fingers. They should be pressed on the wrong side with a moderately hot iron.

A laundry convenience is a sleeve board, which slips inside shirt waist sleeves and makes ironing them easy. Properly used, the sleeve board obviates the ugly crease down the back of the sleeve.

It is recommended that a little vinegar be added to the water in which stockings are rinsed after being washed. The stockings should then be dried wrong side out. Colored stockings will be unfaded and black ones will retain their original luster.

He's a citizen of Illinois, isn't he? No, he can't be. Why, he gave me that impression. You see, last night he was in my room. He told me he lived just outside the limits of Chicago.



When the life of Mrs. Ruff was hanging in the balance she used Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and was restored to health. Her experience made her the firm friend of the medicine that cured her.

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### TOILET TIPS.

Boil cucumber peelings in water and use as face lotion.

Never put anything on the teeth unless you know its properties.

A pinch of borax in the bath will correct an objectionable tendency toward an oily skin.

Don't be afraid of soap. It is not the enemy to the complexion that many people consider it. It is infinitely better for the skin than the dirt which will collect in the pores.

Don't use a sponge. It no longer fills a long felt want on the toilet table because it is apt to become filled with germs poisonous to the skin. Use a bit of antiseptic cloth or the hands.

An excellent dentifrice is made from two ounces of powdered borax, one pin of hot water, two ounces of tincture of myrrh, one tablespoonful of spirits of camphor and one ounce of concentrated aromatic vinegar.

Some women who are particular over their toilet accessories make their own tincture of benzoin. This they do by breaking up half an ounce of gum benzoin and immersing it in two ounces of pure alcohol. The liquor is then strained and bottled.

### Women Who Ride Astride.

Should women in the hunting field ride astride? Those chiefly concerned have more or less settled the point by deciding that they may if they wish for there is an appreciable number of women in England today who habitually ride astride after hounds. They do so not with the desire to look manly, but simply because it is easier to do a hard day's hunting seated firmly astride than seated sideways. The feminine appearance is strictly preserved by an ingenious arrangement of the skirt, which falls on either side of the horse. After all, ladies do not ride bicycles sideways. Accidents to women who ride astride are few and far between. The point of the hunting habit nowadays is that it must have a safety skirt which shall prevent its wearer being "hung up" in case of accident. The safety skirt is, as a matter of fact, not a skirt at all, but a covering more or less of the apron type that simulates the old flowing drapery habit of years ago, which was the cause of so many agonizing accidents to women in the hunting field.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

### Infants' Eyes.

The eye of a newborn infant turns at once toward the light, significant in more ways than one of the future needs of its being. The eyes of a baby at birth are but imperfectly developed; the eyebrows and eyelashes are short and thin; the eyelids are almost transparent and allow much light to pass through them; the iris is very imperfect and lacks the pigment which comes with the growth of the baby. It is the lack of this pigment that makes the eyes of all newborn infants of the same color—namely, a dark blue. The light, which is the natural stimulus to the eye, if too strong becomes an enemy to the young. Infants should learn to use their eyes little by little, the same as they learn to use their limbs. The resting place of the baby should be turned away from the light of the window and so directed that the strong rays of light will fall directly on the eye. Especially should the eyes be protected from artificial light.

### Children's Reading.

Many mothers fail to realize the importance of carefully supervising their children's reading. They seem to forget that properly selected food for the brain is as necessary as suitable nourishment for the body. If the beginning into the best books are put into the child's hands a taste for the best will be cultivated which will stand him in good stead through life. Later, when he is left free to browse for himself in libraries stocked with all sorts and conditions of books, he will naturally select the good from the bad.

Books serve many purposes in a child's development aside from the cultivation of good taste in literature and the accumulation of knowledge. The wise mother knows that they are her greatest allies in cultivating patriotism, in quickening the imagination and in developing humor. She also realizes that she can make her child strong morally by means of stories as in no other way.—Chicago Tribune.

### Social Functions.

"The most successful social functions are those managed by a host and a hostess," says a society scribe, "not by either alone. Leave a man to make up a party and he is sure to forget that Mrs. B. was engaged to C. before she married D., and that Mrs. C. is aware of this fact, and that the D.'s and E.'s have long been at daggers drawn, and he will have no eyes to detect the designs of Mrs. H. On the other hand, a woman gets nervous and fatigued with the constant effort to keep the ball rolling and loses just where a man would succeed. What is wanted is a division of labor, and if this were done oftener there would be less disappointment on the part of entertainers and entertained."

### Hangnails.

Fingers that would otherwise be pretty are often disfigured by hangnails. Nothing can well be uglier than the little red tags of flesh at the corners of one's nails. Sometimes they are caused by pushing the skin down when it is dry or using a sharp instrument, like the edge of a pair of scissors. When the skin has grown upon the nail soak the finger tips in warm water for five minutes, then push it down gently with the towel. If one makes use of this gentle process two or three times a day or remembers to dry the ends of the fingers by rubbing down instead of by the nails ought to keep a good shape without the danger of making hangnails.

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The following were registered  
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Barometer, 30.1  
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Charlotte Naff was in Sandwich attending the funeral of a Henry Morand.

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Frank Babcock is spending the day in Detroit.

J. W. Couss, of London, is in the city to-day.

Some good horses at various prices. Geo. Stephens & Co.

Mrs. Frank Broderick, of Toronto, is visiting in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kemy, Cleveland, are visiting relatives in the city.

Frank Dumont is spending a couple of weeks in Northern Michigan.

R. McKinlay, of the Chaplin wheel works, went to Brantford yesterday.

Dr. and Mrs. T. L. McRitchie, McKay's Corners, were in the city yesterday.

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Dr. A. W. Thornton leaves to-night for London. He will be present, to-morrow at the Sunday School and Epworth League convention, which will be held in the Wellington Street Methodist Church of that city. The doctor will speak at both the morning and the evening services.

George Swarthout was yesterday tried before Judge Bell and dismissed. He was charged with two charges, getting money under false pretences and stealing. The charges arose out of the sale of a patent right for a coal oil burner to Albert Rumble, O. L. Lewis defended and the Crown Attorney prosecuted.

To-morrow will be the last of the church services to be held in the school hall at Park street church and the congregation won't be allowed to return when they get into their fine remodelled edifice Sunday, December 13th. The interior of the church presents an exceedingly pretty appearance and is indeed a marked improvement on the old.

Both Wellington and Lacrosse streets are now completed and opened for traffic. John Kenna, of the Dominion Co., who has made so many friends in the city, expects to be here all next year in the interests of his company. Mr. Kenna left for his home in Toronto to-day.

Miss Edna M. Martin, contralto soloist, has received permission from the managers of the First Presbyterian Church for a two weeks' vacation at Easter. She will spend the time in Boston studying under her former teacher, A. B. Cheney. She will also sing in one of the Boston Churches on Easter Sunday.

"I would like to ask if there is a by-law preventing people from throwing ashes and refuse into gutters," said a citizen this morning. "When I was coming to work this morning I noticed in several places where citizens are in the habit of throwing ashes, old tin cans, etc., into the gutters. Next spring they will wonder why the water is not carried off the street in front of their houses."

Cool and Mrs. J. B. Rankin were unfortunate in their trip to Toronto to hear Patti. Their train was over two hours late and the concert was over. "We came home last night on the International Limited. We came from London to Chatham at a rate of less than a mile a minute. We were stopped five minutes by a freight just after leaving London and we were held five minutes at Glencoe; yet we came the 85 miles from London to Chatham in an even 60 minutes. There was an American on the train who thought the express was running away. He sat with his watch in his hand and reckoned that the train was going faster than a mile a minute. He was right."

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## OFFICERS ELECTED

The Woodmen of the World held their regular meeting last evening elected officers for the ensuing year. The following was the result of the election:—  
Council Commander—W. E. Merritt, Adv. Lieut.—F. J. Hallinan, Banker—Frank Shoemaker, Clerk—W. G. Burrows, Escort—Homer Turner, Medical Adviser—W. R. Hall, Watchman—John A. Burns, Sentry—B. G. Somerville, Managers—W. E. Merritt, J. J. Ross, and W. A. Moore.  
Delegates to Head Camp—W. E. Merritt and F. Shoemaker.

## FINE BANQUET

The Knights of the Maccabees held a very successful initiation and banquet in the L. O. O. F. Temple last evening. The regular weekly meeting of the Lodge was held during the earlier part of the evening, when 39 candidates were initiated into the K. O. T. M. and 20 into L. O. T. M. The work was put on perfectly by the local degree team and the meeting was a huge success in every way. This Order is the strongest in Chatham in point of membership. They now have about 500 members and they are adding to their numbers at a very rapid rate. The banquet was a huge success in every way. This Order is the strongest in Chatham in point of membership. They now have about 500 members and they are adding to their numbers at a very rapid rate. The banquet was a huge success in every way. This Order is the strongest in Chatham in point of membership. They now have about 500 members and they are adding to their numbers at a very rapid rate.

After the dinner it was decided to give a dance instead of a toast. This proved to be a very happy suggestion and the happy gathering did not break up until the early hours of this morning. Dr. L. C. De Cow's full orchestra was present and gave excellent assistance. The music was good, the floor everything that could be wished, and the guests were in the best of spirits. If this Lodge continues to grow as it has grown in the past, it will be able to hold open air meetings in order that all of their members may attend.

## WEDDED AT UXBRIDGE

At four o'clock on the afternoon of Thursday, the 3rd inst., there occurred at the residence of the bride's father, F. J. Gould, M. P. at Uxbridge, a very pretty wedding in the marriage of his second daughter, Miss Adda, to Donald H. Douglas, brother of Geo. B. Douglas of this city, and partner in the firm of Geo. Stephens & Co., here. Miss M. Gould, sister of the bride, made a very pretty bridesmaid, while J. S. Black, of the Manson Campbell Co., this city, was the best man. Rev. Mr. Coburn, of the Presbyterian Church, uncle of the bride, performed the nuptial ceremonies. The happy couple left on a honeymoon trip for New York and other Eastern points of interest. Upon their return they will take up their residence in the Maple City, on King St. West, and be at home to their friends after Feb. 1st.

## FORESTERS NOTICE

Oronhyatekha, M. D. Supreme Chief Ranger of the L. O. F., will be in Chatham on Dec. 15. A large joint initiation will take place in the Oddfellows Temple, to be followed by a grand banquet in the Auditorium. All Foresters are expected to be present.  
GEO. W. WANDS,  
Chairman Committee.

Ald. Walter Pigott is on a business trip east.

Colonel and Mrs. J. D. Rankin left for Toronto yesterday.

## TO-NIGHT.

Macaulay Club, Auditorium, Public Library, at 8.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

TEACHER WANTED.—For S. S. No. 15, Chatham and Dover. State salary, Address Isaac Arnold, Sec'y-Treas., Box 129, Wallaceburg.

FOR SALE.—A fine farm of 50 acres, being south part of lot 1, concession 15, Orford, one-half mile from Thames River on Townline, between Orford and Howard, well travelled road; land heavily manured; part of it has been used for gardening purposes; house and fine new bank barn 35 x 50, well finished; about ten acres bush balance in good state of cultivation. Possession given Oct. 1st, 1904. Cash or easy terms. Apply Mrs. Geo. Hauley, Thamesville.

The Chatham Loan and Savings Co. 44 Half Yearly Dividend.

Notice is hereby given that dividend at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum upon the paid up Capital Stock of this Company has been declared this day for the current half year ending December 31st, 1903, payable at the Company's Office on and after January 2nd, 1904.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 20th to the 31st December, inclusive. By Order of the Board.

S. F. GARDINER,  
Manager.

Chatham, November 30, 1903.

## COUNTY COUNCIL

The Council resumed Friday morning with the Warden in the chair and the members present.  
W. C. Sifton, Chairman of the House of Refuge Committee, reported that the harvest this year on the farm had been—wheat, 308 bushels; oats, 302 bushels; corn, 875 bushels; potatoes, 250 bushels, and mangolds about 500. The beans will probably yield about 125 bushels when threshed. The committee had purchased a road wagon and a set of single harness at a cost of \$70.50. The two dining rooms and kitchen and both pantries had been painted at a cost of \$29.30, which adds much to the appearance of these rooms.

The report was adopted.  
The Board of Criminal Audit reported that they had audited the accounts for the administration of justice in the county for the past year. The first figure is the amount claimed and the second the amount allowed:—  
December—\$1,303.39—\$2,298.  
March—\$215.33—\$251.28.  
April—\$235.33—\$251.28.  
September—\$2,195.12—\$2,184.79.  
Total amount deducted, \$148.46.

On motion of Mr. Hermal, seconded by Mr. French, the motion carried.  
It was moved by Mr. Reynolds, seconded by Mr. Handy, that in the opinion of this Council, the securing of a stenographer for facilitating the taking of evidence before the courts, as at present the whole of the evidence has to be written down by the presiding judge, thereby prolonging the sittings of the several court sessions at great expense to this county, be it therefore resolved that the Warden be instructed to take steps as soon as possible for the securing of a suitable person for the position at a salary not to exceed \$300.—Carried.  
It was moved by Mr. Grant, seconded by Mr. Chinick, that the treasurer of this county be and is hereby respectfully requested to submit to this Council on Friday Dec. 4th, a statement of the receipts and expenditures for the year.—Carried.

## THAMESVILLE

Dec. 2.—Mrs. (Dr.) Fraser visited London to-day.  
Wm. Miller, of London, was in town this week.  
The supper given by the ladies of the Baptist church proved a decided success. Speeches were made by the resident ministers and a good musical and literary program was provided.  
Sam Ingalls, of Chatham, is in town acting as timekeeper for Mr. E. S. Russell.  
Mrs. W. Stone, of Chatham, is the guest of Mrs. D. J. Davies.  
George Holman, who for a number of years has acted as day watchman at the G. P. R. bridge, died last night at the St. Joseph's Hospital in Chatham. Mr. Holman was a much respected citizen. The funeral will take place to-morrow morning at ten o'clock in the R. C. church.

## THE MARKETS

There was a good market this morning. Produce of all kinds was plentiful in spite of the cold weather. The market for grain was the same in price, the offering was better this morning than it has been for some time. Geese brought from 75 to 80 cents each; chickens from 25 to 40 cents each; butter, 19 and 20 cents a pound and eggs 25 to 30 cents a dozen.

## IN THE SHEDS.

Butter, per lb., 19c to 20c.  
Chickens, 25c to 40c.  
Turkeys, 30c to \$1.25.  
Ducks, each, 35c to 40c.  
Eggs, per doz., 25c to 30c.  
Geese, each, 75c to 80c.

## VEGETABLES.

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

## CHICAGO MARKETS

Reported by F. B. Proctor, Broker Northwood Block, Chatham, Dec. 4, 1903.

	Wheat	OPM	HIGH	LOW	CLOS.
Dec.	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2
May	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2
July	7 7/8	7 7/8	7 7/8	7 7/8	7 7/8

	Corn	Oats	Barley	Rye
Dec.	42 1/2	42 1/2	41 1/2	42
May	43 1/2	43 1/2	42 1/2	43 1/2
July	43 1/2	43 1/2	42 1/2	43 1/2

	Lard	May	July
Dec.	640	640	637
May	647	652	645
July	647	652	645

	Ribs	May	July
Dec.	590	592	587
May	605	605	605

	Butter	May	July
Dec.	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2
May	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2
July	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2

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Mixed Nuts 15c per lb.  
Cream Candy 10c per lb.  
3 lbs. Selected Raisins 25c.  
"best Cleaned Currants 25c  
Lemon, Citron and Orange Peel, mixed, 20c a lb.  
Mince Meat 10c a lb.  
7 lbs Best Rolled Oats 25c  
2 lbs Pure Lard, 25c.  
New Dates 7c lb.

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Round applique doilies at 15c, square ones at 10c, 12 1/2c, 20c, 25c.

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## ABNER DANIEL

By WILL N. HARBEN  
Author of "Western"

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"No, I didn't, for you are just my sort of a Christian—better'n me, a sight, for you don't shoot off yore bazoon on one side or t'other, an' that's the habit I'm tryin' to quit. Ef I could hold in when Dole gits to spoutin', I'd be a better man. I think I'll do better now. I've got a tempenny nail in my pocket, an' whenever he starts to spout, I go to bite it an' keep my hoit on it."



"Ef you are a-goin' home, I'll rest yore leg."

"I'll be stopp. Yes, you are jest my sort of a Christian. You believe in breathin' fresh air into yore windpipe, thankin' God with a clear eye an' a good muscle an' takin' what he gives you an' axin' 'im to pass more of it's handy. You know the Lord has sent you a invite to his table, an' you believe in eatin' an' drinkin' an' makin' merry. Jest like you'd have a body do that was stoppin' over night with you. Yes, I wanted to say some'n else to you. As I got to the Wilder Snowden's house, a mile this side o' Darley, she came out an' axed me if I'd object to deliverin' a couple o' smoke cured hams to a feller in town that had ordered 'em. Of course that's what a old back 'sine's her fer, so I let 'er fling 'em in the back end."

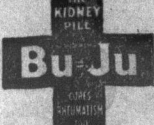
"The 'ingly, Alan noticed that he slowed his horse by drawing firmly on the reins, as he feared that their arrival at the house might interrupt what he had to say."

"Alan," you delivered the message, "you were looking straight ahead." "Yes," he replied, "I was fer Colonel Seth Barclay. I drive up to the side gate, after I'd belloed in front till I was hoarse, an' who do you reckon comes trippin' out o' the dinin' room? It was her. Ef you hadn't never ketched 'er off'n her guard round the house, you've missed a treat. Durned ef I don't like 'er better without a hat on than with all the duffly faddoos that she wears when they go out. She was 'bout as new pin, an' seemed powerful glad to see me. That made me bless the Wilder Snowden fer sendin' me her. She said the cook was out o' the house, an' that old nigger Ned, the kitchen man, was in the garden patch behind the house, so she was thar by herself. She actually looked like she wanted to tote in the hams 'erself, then her mother me, but you bet my old ones hopped off'n this seat quicker'n you could say Jack Robinson with yore outh open."

"I was afeerd my team wouldn't hold, fer feller was a scootin' by on top o' the dogs. Then I went back to wagon. She followed me to the house, an' I noticed that some'n was with 'er. She looked so funny droopy about the mouth, an' kept lookin' like she was afeerd I'd fly off. Axed all about Adele an' how she was makin' out down in Atlanta, an' she'd heard that Sis was mighty an' from the axed about my craps an' the axed goin' on at Big Bethel. Finally she right white about the mouth, an' kinder shaky that she was you was mad about some'n her old about you, an' I never seed a as nigh cryin' as she was with 'er of it."

"Ef I was at the fust of it, but I'd how worried you've looked late, an' so I told 'er I'd been smokin' had come betwixt you an' she put her hand down on all o' the fence an' held it thar a minute. After awhile she put an' told me all about it an' axin' me ef I thought she was in the matter. I told 'er so, an' she said a daddy had acted so that I couldn't hold in. I told 'er so, an' she said what I 'im, an' the more I raked 'im the better she seemed. I tried to pin 'er down to what willin' to do in a pinch ef 'er used to hold out agin you, but too sharp to commit 'er self. It did like she wanted to make up

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with you an' didn't want no row nuther."

The horses stopped to drink at a clear stream of water which ran across the road on a bed of brown pebbles. The bridges were too tight to allow them to lower their heads, so Alan went out on the heavy tongue between the pair and unfasted the reins. When he had regained his seat, he told the old man in detail all that had happened at the dance at the hotel, ending with the advice he had received from Rayburn Miller.

"I don't know about that," Abner said. "Maybe Miller could call a halt like that an' go on like nothin' had happened. I don't say he could n'r couldn't; but it's fool advice. You might miss it, an' regret it to yore dyin' day."

Alan looked at him in some surprise. He had hardly expected just that stand on the part of a confirmed old bachelor like his uncle. The old man's glance swept dreamily over the green fields on either side of the road across which the red rays of the setting sun were streaming. Then he took a deep breath and lowered the reins till they rested on the backs of the horses.

"My boy," he began, "I'm a good mind to tell you some'n that I hadn't mentioned fer mighty nigh forty year. I don't believe anything but my instinct in that town gal an' you would make me bring it up. Huh! Ray Miller says you kin pass 'er over jest as ef you'd never seed 'er, does he? An' go on an' pick an' choose agin. Huh! I wasn't as old as you are by five year when the one I'm talkin' about passed away, jest a week after me an' her'd come to a understandin'. I've seed women, women, women, since I seed 'er corpse that day amongst all that pile o' wild flowers that old an' young fetched from the woods whar me an' 'er used to walk, but ef I live to be as old as that thar bill I'll never forget my feelin'. I kin see 'er right now as plain as I did then, an' sometimes my heart aches as bad. I reckon you know now why I never got married. Folks has poked a lots o' fun at me, an' I tuck it as it was intended, but a lots o' times what they said made me suffer simply awful. They've picked out this an' that an' from spring chickens to bags o' all ages, shapes an' sizes, but the very thought o' givin' anybody her place made me sick. Thar never was but one fer me. I may be a fool, but I believe I was intended fer her. Shucks! Sech skip abouts as Miller may talk sech bosh as that; but

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"It lart me the truth about the after-life. I know that's a time to come, an' a blessed one, ur the Lord never would 'a' give me that taste of it. She's somer's out o' harm's way, an' when me 'n' her meet I'll not have a wrinkle an' I'll be able to walk as spry an' hopeful as I did when she was heer. Thar ort to be punishment reserved fer hard headed fools that separate lovin' young folks beca'se one ur t'other hain't jest so many dollars tied in a rag. Don't you listen to Miller. I don't say you ort to plunge right in an' make the old man mad, but don't give up. Ef she's what I think she is, an' she sees you ain't a-goin' to rug after no fresh face, she'll stick to you like the bark on a tree. The wait won't hurt nuther one of you either. My wait ain't a-burtin' me an' yore'n won't you. I never seed a young woman I liked better 'n I do the one you selected, an' I've sent up many a petition that you'd both make it all right."

The old man raised his reins and clucked to his horses. "Uncle Ab," said Alan, "you've made a better man of me. I've had a lot of trouble over this, but you make me hope. I've tried to give her up, but I simply cannot do it."

"She ain't agoin' to give you nuther," replied Abner; "that's the purty part about it. Thar ain't no give up in 'er. She ain't that sort. She's goin' to give that daddy o' her'n a tussle."

## CHAPTER XI.

ONE morning early in June, as Alan was passing Pole Baer's cabin on his way to Darley, Pole's wife came out to the fence and stopped him. She was a slender, ill clad woman, who had once been pretty, and her face still had a sort of wistful attractiveness that was appealing to one who knew what she had been through since her marriage.

"Are you goin' to town, Mr. Alan?" she asked nervously.

"Yes, Mrs. Barker," Alan answered.

"Is there anything I can do for you?" She did not reply at once, but came through the little gate, which swung on wooden hinges, and stood looking up at him, a thin, hesitating hand on his bridle rein.

"I'm afeerd some'n's happened to Pole," she faltered. "He hain't been home fer two whole days an' nights. It's about time fer 'im to spree agin, an' I'm powerful afeerd he's in trouble. I loved while you was in town that you might inquire about 'im an' let me know when you come back. Thar'd sorter free my mind a little. I didn't close my eyes all last night."

"I'll do all I can, Mrs. Barker," Alan promised. "But you musn't worry. Pole can take care of himself, drunk or sober. I'll be back tonight."

Alan rode on, leaving the pathetic figure at the gate looking after him. "I wonder," he mused, "what Uncle Ab would say about love that has that sort of reward. Poor woman! Pole was her choice, and she has to make the best of it. Perhaps she loves the good that's in the rascal."

He found Rayburn Miller at his desk making out some legal document. "Take a seat," said Miller. "I'll be through in a minute. What's the news out your way?"

"I'm doin' all right," said Alan. "I've been away for two days. Not havin' anything else to do, I made it my business to ride over every foot of my father's big investment, and to tell you the truth, I've come to you with a huge idea. Don't laugh. I can't help it. It popped into my head and sticks, that's all."

"Good! Let me have it," said Alan. "I want you to promise not to ridicule me. I'm as green as a gourd in business matters. But the idea has hold of me, and I don't know that even your disapproval will make me let it loose."

"That's a good way to put it," laughed Miller. "The idea has hold of you, and you can't let it loose. It applies more closely to investments than anything else. Once get into a deal and you are afraid to let it go, like the chap that held the calf and called for help."

"Well, here it is," said Alan. "I've made up my mind that a railroad can and shall be built from these two main lines to my father's lumber bonanza."

Miller whistled. A broad smile indulged the pucker of his lips, and then his face dropped into seriousness. A look almost of pity for his friend's credulity and inexperience came into his eyes.

"I must say you don't want a little thing, my boy," he said indulgently. "Remember you are talking to a fellow that has rubbed up against the moneyed world considerably for a chap raised in the country. The trouble with you, Alan, is that you have got heredity to contend with; you are a chip off the old block in spite of your belonging to a later generation. You have inherited your father's big ideas. You are a sort of Colonel Sellers, who sees millions in everything you look at."

Alan's face fell, but there remained in it a tenacious expression that won Miller's admiration even while he deplored it. There was, too, a ring of confidence in the young farmer's tone when he replied:

"How much would a railroad through that country, eighteen miles in length, cost?"

To Be Continued.

New England are preparing for a grand Christmas entertainment and the Methodist church of North Buxton are preparing for a grand concert about Christmas.

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## DISTRICT DOINGS

### FLETCHER.

P. G. Murphy has bought a farm from Thomas McCarr. Nelson Ball has bought a farm from Frank Bagen. Miss Ida Murphy has returned to Detroit after a few weeks visit with her parents.

Farmers here have very little of their fall ploughing done on account of the early winter. Albert Murphy is visiting at his home here.

Mr. O'Leary shipped a carload of cattle from here on Saturday.

### JEANNETTE'S CREEK.

F. C. Peck received a car of hard coal Tuesday.

H. Forbes returned on Saturday from three days' quail shooting with eighteen quail and two partridges. Mr. Bussey spent Tuesday in Chatham.

There will be a special thank offering service in the Methodist church Sunday.

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"I have had Rheumatism for 17 years, and have been in bed for three months at a time. I tried many different doctors and medicines, but they did me no good at all. The pains attacked the muscles in my shoulders and neck, and they were in such a chronic, painful condition that I despaired of ever getting well. At times I could not stand on my feet, the pains were so frightful. The first bottle of Munyon's Guide to Health gave me a great relief, and the second bottle cured me."—Madame E. Gadbois, 904 Berri street, Montreal.

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### MULL.

Charles Jacques returned home after a couple of months with relatives in Woodstock.

Mr. Philip Green moved to Ridgetown last week, where he recently purchased a valuable house and lot.

Miss Newcombe of Thamesville visited friends and relatives in the neighborhood last week.

A large number from here attended the anniversary services in the Methodist church at Forbes Sunday. Services were conducted in the morning and evening by the pastor, Rev. H. E. Kellington.

Everybody intends taking in the annual concert at Rushton's Corners on Friday evening, Dec. 4. Concert in aid of the school there. The teacher and pupils are doing all in their power to make this the event of the season.

The report of the gun is heard on all sides. The hunters report a scarcity of quail in this section, while the rabbits are very numerous.

Mr. Ed. Reim is moving into the house recently vacated by Mr. Philip Green.

### JEANNETTE'S CREEK.

On Saturday, Nov. 28th, the wife of G. T. R. section foreman W. Ouellette, a daughter, Mrs. C. C. J. students remained in Chatham Monday night to attend the "Pierce Entertainment."

Charles Hadley was here on business a few days last week. Com. Garbutt received three carloads of soft coal for the pumping house this week.

There was quite a large shipment of fish on Monday night, consisting of small mull.

Mrs. H. Forbes entertained our C. C. students to a quail and partidge supper on Friday evening.

There was a large attendance at the Methodist church on Sunday but there was no minister.

The annual Christmas entertainment for the S. S. will be held in the Hall on the evening of Dec. 23.

The Rev. Mr. McCormick's brother visited him here last week.

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### OIL CENTRE.

The Edwards Gusher, which last January was the cause of so much excitement here, has again aroused the interest of the neighborhood. For a long time it has been dormant, and although going through the necessary movements, not a drop of oil has been produced for months.

A few days ago the pump was pulled, cleaned and lowered and operations began afresh with astonishing result. The pump did its work and inside of a week the well had yielded ten barrels of oil and at one time it even flowed of itself. Howard well No. 5 was completed last week and a fair show of oil obtained.

Mrs. Alex. Forsythe is visiting at the residence of Mr. Soutar.

Mrs. McAffey, of Bothwell, visited her brother Richard, of this place, last week.

Austin Soutar has resigned his position with the Kipp Oil Company and has resumed farm work.

### GUILDS.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Moorehouse, of Shetland, were the guests of Mr. T. Guilds one day this week.

George Dennis, who has spent the summer here, has returned to his home in Michigan.

Mrs. Wm. Irwin, of Blenheim, spent a few days this week with her sister, Mrs. Wesley Clow.

Mrs. Thomas Jenner visited relatives in Chatham last week.

This neighborhood was visited by quite a fall of snow last Sunday.

Miss Myrtle Perrin is visiting friends in Raleigh.

Miss Mary Ingram, of Ridgetown, is visiting the Misses Searsons this week.

Mr. Wesley is on the sick list. It is said he will have to stop work.

Mrs. William Spencer is visiting friends in Morpeth.

Miss T. Smith is visiting relatives in St. Paul, Minn.

Rev. Mr. McGee and brother, of Trowbridge, visited Rev. C. W. Bristol for a few days this week.

Miss Bertha Searson is in Duart this week attending the wedding of her cousin, Mr. Searson.

Arthur Bentley left on Wednesday for California, where he will spend the winter. On Tuesday evening his many friends gathered at his home to bid him farewell. A most enjoyable time was spent by all present.

### CHATHAM TOWNSHIP.

At the manse, by the Rev. Dr. Batist, Nov. 25th, at 7 o'clock, Loretta D. Weaver to Miss Anna Huff. The witnesses were Miss Ethel M. Weaver and Alexander Kirby.

Maurice Abraham has entirely recovered and is able to be out again.

We are pleased to say Mr. Robert Fuester, who is in the Public General Hospital with pneumonia, is improving rapidly.

Wm. Abraham is on the sick list. Miss Ethel Weaver, who has been keeping house for her brother, Lovell Weaver, for the past six months, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Arnold and Burwell visited our neighborhood last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. William W. Weaver and Miss Myrtle Weaver visited Mrs. Thos. Shaw last week.

Monkey Brand Soap removes all stains, rust, dirt or tarnish—but won't hurt clothes.

### FLORENCE.

Corn threshing is all the go these days.

Miss Edna Sweet has returned home, after several months' visit in Sarnia.

Rev. Mr. McMullen occupied the Newbury Methodist pulpit, and Mr. Wright, Thamesville, 1st. Sunday evening.

Mrs. Chas. McCreary, Dresden, was in town last Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Olive Weaver has returned, after spending a few weeks in Detroit.

Ernest Webster is visiting his brother in Chicago.

Wm. Carey spent Sunday in Chatham with his brother Richard, who is seriously ill.

Rev. Mr. Blatchford, B. A., of Thamesville, preached an edifying sermon in the interest of the B-concentenary fund in the Methodist Church last Sunday evening.

The Crown Moving Picture Co., under the leadership of Prof. Newman, Thamesville, will hold a concert in the Orange Hall on Friday evening. A treat is in store for those who attend.

### SOUTH BUXTON.

Mr. and Mrs. John Morris, of Detroit, who have been visiting their parents here, Mr. and Mrs. James Morris, returned home yesterday.

The Raleigh plains Sunday school concert promises to be a very pleasant affair. Mr. Bell is working up a fine program.

Court Raleigh Foresters have issued a call for a meeting to be held on the second Saturday in December to elect officers. Every member is requested to be present.

Bert Roy left for Windsor last night.

We are getting winter in good shape.

Miss McIsaac, our popular teacher, is certainly out-doing all former efforts in getting up a school concert program, which takes place on Friday next, the 4th, and on each ticket there is a verse, and the lady that will recite the verse best will get a pair of kid gloves as a prize. Hasten and secure your tickets and learn the verse. The concert is looked forward to with increasing interest.

Mr. J. Pickering and Mr. R. Markaby, of Blenheim, have been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Holland. Mr. Pickering has his celebrated bird dog with him and they were enjoying a cruise through the forest.



The canny Scot knows good tea. He appreciates the delicacy of taste and fragrant aroma of Blue Ribbon Tea.

It's all pure tea—not more than 6 per cent. of tannin—not enough to injure the stomach or cause constipation. The most delicate can drink it without fear.

Obtained exclusively from six tea gardens in Ceylon—the quality is always the best.

**Black Mixed Ceylon Green** **Blue Ribbon Ceylon Tea** **Ask for the Red Label** **40 cts. and worth it**

### DARRILL.

Mrs. Scott, of concession 4, attended the funeral of the late Mr. Right at Botany last week.

Owing to the fact and genius of Mr. Collins, our S. S. Bible class teacher at French's church, the attendance has greatly increased during the past few Sundays. Over forty of the members were present Sunday.

H. French and L. Gregory enjoyed a day's outing to Kent Bridge Thursday. They report game scarce.

The S. S. committee met at Mrs. Jenks' Tuesday evening in preparation of a New Year's program for a concert to be held in French's church at New Year's.

The Misses Clements are visiting with friends of this neighborhood.

The snowfall on Saturday night was almost sufficient to coax out the bells.

Albert Peck, who has resided in this community during the fall season, and who has been an active member of the famous Darrell football team, returned on Monday to Dover, where he will spend the winter with his uncle. Peck holds the high esteem of every member of the team, and it is hoped that he may again be with them in their sport.

Mr. White, agent for the London Fire Insurance Co., drove through this vicinity and did considerable business in his line of work.

Do not forget the place

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Three Doors East of Market.

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Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets will do it—What they did for M. Mongeot, of Masson, Que.

Do you feel nervous and irritable? Do little things bother you? Does your work seem a trouble and life as a whole hardly worth living?

Do you know that it is your stomach that is to blame? That the most frequent effects of indigestion are nervousness, and that irritable feeling and low spirits?

Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets will prove this to you. Carry a few of them in your pocket, take one or two after eating and you will soon find your nervousness gone and yourself in good spirits and at peace with all the world.

Thousands of others have proved this. M. Mongeot, of Masson, Que., says:

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## Skates :- Skates

If you will look in our window, you will see samples of all sizes and kinds of skates, from 50c. up to \$5.00 per pair. We can suit you, as we have the largest assortment in Chatham. Do not fail to call and see us before you buy elsewhere, as we are selling our skates lower than the lowest prices in Chatham.

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## Full Dress Suitings...

WHEN properly clothed you feel more comfortable, and are better able to enjoy yourself. The winter gait has commenced. Have you an up-to-date suit? If not call and get one from a line of cloths specially ordered for these suitings.







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### of Dress Goods Saturday

Next week and this store will be decked in holiday. We want ample room to display Christmas stocks, these reductions of fashionable dress stuffs.

#### On sale Saturday Only.

54 in. all wool Frieze in colors light and dark grey, regular at per yard 50c, on sale Saturday at 38c.

56 in. Frieze, all wool, in colors Brown, Grey and Navy, regular at per yd. \$1.00, Saturday 80c.

56 in. all wool Frieze in colors Black and Grey, with trailing knot, unequalled at per yd. \$1, on sale Saturday at 88c.

45 in. all wool Zebrines in stripes of Brown and Black, Red and Black and Green and Black, regular per yard \$1.25, Saturday 75c.

56 in. all wool Frieze in Grey only, special, for coats, odd skirts or suits, regular at per yd. \$1, Saturday 85c.

56 in. all wool Cheviot, Black only, extra value at per yd. \$1.50, Saturday at \$1.00.

56 in. all wool Basket Cloth in rich shades of Brown, Royal and Navy, regularly worth per yd. \$2, our price per yd. \$1.85, special Saturday per yd. \$1.50.

4 pcs. Mixed Tweed Suiting in Brown, Blue, Green and Grey, very special at per yard, 50c.

WOOL WAISTINGS—In French Flannels, Delaines and Albatrois Cloths, regular at per yd. 50c, Saturday, 35c.

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### King Stub Proof Duck Rubbers

The rubber that won't wear out, cost no more than the ordinary kind, wear longest because they are made from Para Rubber, won't stub because they are made Stub Proof, King's Patent Process, Crack Proof because they are made with Rope Duck. Registered King's Stub Proof Gum Rubbers are the only rubbers made with Rope Duck. Beware of imitations.

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## MY VALET.

will open his place of business, Room 2, McCall Block, on

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## ...SOCIETY...

### DELIGHTFUL AT HOME

One of the most delightful entertainments of the season was the "At Home" given by Mrs. Greening at their beautiful residence, "Wellington Place," on Tuesday evening last. The hostess was dressed in the ever becoming black and white. Miss Greening wore white net over white satin; Miss Bonnie pale blue taffeta; Miss Alice cream voile over pink taffeta. Miss Mickleborough, of St. Thomas, and Miss Curry, of Windsor, who were guests in the house, were attired in cream crepe de chine. The three beautiful reception rooms on suite, which were devoted to the dancers, were exquisitely decorated with Union Jacks and palms. The spacious verandahs had been enclosed and were draped with handsome portiers and flugs, and with the luxurious furnishings made charming "setting out" nooks. A unique feature of the entertainment, which caused much merriment, and added to the enjoyment of the guests, was the serving of supper. Each gentleman was handed a beautiful basket handsomely decorated. When he found the fair companion, with whom he was to enjoy the contents, together they chose a comfortable nook, and tete-a-tete partook of the daintily served repast.

Many of the ladies retained the baskets as souvenirs, though, truth to say, so vividly was each one impressed by the fairy like beauty and novelty of the menu, that no reminder was needed to insure it in the memories of those present, a prominent place among the numerous gaieties of 1903.

A very pleasant social function was given by Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Massey last Thursday evening when they entertained a large number of their friends to euchre. Thirteen or fourteen tables were provided and a very pleasant evening was spent. The prizes were won by Mrs. Manson Campbell, Mrs. Von Gunten, Mrs. (Dr.) Cornell and Jas. Holmes.

The guests were received and welcomed by Mrs. Massey and Miss Massey. Mrs. Massey wore a magnificent gown of black satin and Miss Massey was dressed in blue. Miss Johnston, of Highgate, was the guest of the evening. She was robed in a very becoming dress of champagne colored crepe de chine. Mrs. Gordon, who assisted in the tea, was dressed in crepe de chine muslin over pink. Dan Robertson, Harry, Ed. and James Massey also assisted in the tea.

Mrs. D. R. McGavin gave a charming tea this afternoon in her handsome home and welcomed her friends, wearing gown of willow green canvas, trimmed with lace. She was assisted by her sister, Miss Gertrude Macpherson, who was attired in a beautiful dress of champagne.

page voile over turquoise blue. The rooms were bright with the flowers of the season. The scheme of the decorations was red and this cardinal color added greatly to the brilliancy of the interior of the house. Mrs. John A. Walker and Mrs. Geo. Cowan presided in the tea room, assisted by Mrs. Wm. Anderson, Miss Gemmill, Miss Edith Tackberry, Miss Houston, Miss Lou Campbell, Miss Annie McKellar and Miss Marion Fleming. Mrs. Spencer Stone, Mrs. Harry Stevens and Miss McKeough assisted in the drawing room.

Mr. and Mrs. John Piggott entertained a number of guests last Wednesday evening.

The Misses Stephens will entertain a number of the younger girls to a card party Thursday afternoon. There will be fifteen tables.

Miss Robinson and Miss Steele, guests of Mrs. W. E. Rispin, left for their homes this afternoon.

Miss Rankin, Lorne avenue, entertained a number of her young friends at a five o'clock tea yesterday in honor of Miss Steele, of Dundas, who is the guest of Miss Battisby.

Miss Edna Martin was the hostess at a "Studio Tea" yesterday afternoon.

Miss Battisby introduced the game of "Pit" at a small entertainment given on Thursday evening in honor of her friend, Miss Steele.

Mrs. Pringle and Miss Ermatinger will give an "At Home" on Tuesday afternoon.

Invitations have been issued by Mrs. Richards for an "At Home" on Wednesday evening next.

Miss Alice Greening gave an informal dance for a few young friends last night.

Mrs. W. G. Richards entertained a few friends at cards on Wednesday evening.

Miss Evelyn Jarvis, of Galt, who has been the guest of Miss Holmes, returned to her home this week. Miss Holmes accompanied her.

Miss Robinson, of Orillia, who has been the guest of Mrs. W. E. Rispin, has returned home.

Miss McLean, of Ottawa, the guest of Miss McKeough for some time past, has returned home.

All reading notices of local announcements must be received at this office not later than noon of the day on which it is desired that they appear in The Planet.

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## DISTRICT DOINGS.

### BLENHEIM

Dec. 4.—Mrs. (Dr.) VanVelsor is confined to her home through illness.

Dr. Somson, of Windsor, visited his mother this week.

Mrs. Chas. Vivian has returned home, after a pleasant visit with her daughter at Ann Arbor, Mich.

Arch, Campbell, Ridge Road East, is suffering from a severe attack of indigestion.

Messrs. Alex. Rock y and "Henry" Mussey, Huffman's Corners, have exchanged farms.

Miss Elva McBroom has returned to her home in London, after a few days' visit with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Donheim.

Mrs. Wm. Pardo and children, of Mt. Pleasant, Mich., are visiting relatives on the 3rd concession, Harwich.

Mrs. David Baird has returned from California, where she has been spending a few weeks with her husband.

Geo. Baird has moved into his house on Talbot St. Fred Gales will occupy the house which Mr. Baird has vacated, corner of Elizabeth and John streets.

Frank Sutor, who was recently appointed agent for the McCormick Harvesting Co. here, has purchased the house belonging to Geo. Vester, Jr. Mr. Sutor has disposed of his farm near Huffman's Corners to Mr. Newcombe.

St. Andrew's supper and concert was this year, as always, a big success. The supper was all that could be desired and the many waiters were quick busy from five o'clock till quite late in the evening.

The Opera House was filled to overflowing for the concert and Rev. D. M. Collins made a splendid chairman. The program was very good and hearty applause was accorded each number.

Dec. 4.—C. F. Smith, of Quinn, has returned from a business trip to Newburg, N. Y.

Village taxes are payable Dec. 14. W. Prandegast will run the skating rink this season, and has engaged John Cowley as manager.

Wm. Coutts has taken the agency for the Massey-Harris Co. and opened a warehouse in James Stewart's carriage shop.

James Stewart, Jr., has returned from an extended visit to North Dakota.

Inspector Park, of Chatham, visited the public school here yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Richardson were in Comber on Wednesday last attending the funeral of Mrs. Wands.

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W. C. Crawford attended a meeting of the Handle Factory Association in Windsor this week.

Mrs. S. Sloan left last night to visit friends in Essex.

Geo. Lemire, of Windsor, is visiting relatives here.

Miss Annie Bell, of Wheatley is visiting Miss Mary Adair.

A meeting is to be held this evening at 7.30 to consider the advisability of organizing a hockey club, to be included in an intermediate association composed of Leamington, Kingsville, Amherstburg, Windsor, Walkerville, Tilbury and Chatham.

## WALLACEBURG

Dec. 4.—Dr. Hay has removed to his new residence, opposite Dr. Mitchell. Also his office from the Martin block.

P. T. Barry and family will occupy his former residence.

T. W. Burgess, who has been confined to his house for several weeks through illness, is again able to attend to his duties.

Miss Ethel Mayhew, of Detroit, is spending a few weeks with her parents in town.

The ladies of the Methodist Church held a Christmas sale yesterday, which proved very successful.

It is rumored that Mr. F. Lewis will discontinue the basket ball and dancing classes. This is somewhat of a disappointment to the young people.

A young lady of our town lost her watch while skating on the river Wednesday evening last. It was found the following day in exactly the same spot where lost.

E. S. S. Huntington spent yesterday in Detroit.

Dec. 4.—Miss M. Pickard, of London, is visiting friends in town.

Mrs. W. H. McPherson and daughter Mary, are visiting in Blenheim.

Miss Gifford left this morning for Montreal and Ormston, Que., where she will visit with relatives.

Dr. Ludlow, formerly of Petrolia, has rented the rooms over F. A. McKim's store and will commence a dental business in our town in a day or two.

Daniel Trezise and wife, of Appleton, Wis., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wees.

The different Sunday schools will give their annual Christmas entertainments in the Grand Opera House on the following dates: Christ Church Sunday school, Friday, Dec. 18; Methodist Sunday school, Christmas night; the Presbyterian Sunday school, Wednesday, Dec. 30; and the Baptist Sunday school on New Year's night.

Mr. Barr was in town yesterday in the interests of the Frost & Wood Company.

C. H. Gordon, editor Dresden Standard, was a Chatham visitor yesterday.

The Ladies of the Paragon Guild of Christ Church will hold a sale of fancy work on Friday afternoon, Dec. 18, in the Grand Opera House. This will give an opportunity to residents to obtain appropriate holiday gifts at a reasonable price, and also save them much of the usual Christmas work.

E. E. Boulton will have an orchestra in attendance at his studio opening to-night.

Last winter the local boys organized a hockey club and made quite a creditable showing against other teams of the County. Now why not get to work early this season? We have five or six old players in town and lots of good material to make new players out of.

Organize right away, boys, and there is no reason why we should not have the best team in the County this winter.

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## SWELL OVERCOATS FOR MEN.

It has never been our privilege to place before you such an extensive and magnificent range of elegantly tailored overcoats for men who wish to be absolutely correct in dress, as we are showing this season.

Mostly long, loose, stylish garments, liberally cut from rich, luxurious cloths. Every correct cloth is here, and every correct style.

Men's dark grey cheviot, single breasted, three-quarter length overcoat, all sizes, \$6.00.

Men's fine grey beaver overcoat, three-quarter length, \$10.00.

Men's plain and twilled dark grey cheviot, black beaver and fancy overcoats, long, loose and dressy, \$10.00.

Men's Chesterfield Overcoats, in dark grey chevots, Montenacs and fancy back coatings, made thoroughly up-to-date, a stylish, good fitting coat, \$10, \$15 and \$17.

Men's dark grey Montenac overcoats, cut in the latest correct style and satin lined, \$20.

We are showing an exceptional strong line of men's fur lined coats, that are worth looking at.

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## Toys, Dolls, Games, &c. The Biggest Stock of Toys in the City is at Brisco's.

All the mechanical wonders of Toy Productions ingenuity can produce is here. In fact everything that can be thought of in the Toy Line, and Dolls of every description, all at absolutely the lowest prices.

TOYS.	GAMES	Baby Carriages and Go-Carts	Sporting Goods.	Guns and Ammunition	SPECIALS
Mechanical Automobiles, " Street Cars, " Engines, " Horses, etc.	Flinch, Pitt, Authors, Nations, Lost Heir, Snap, Old Maid, Peter Coddies, House that Jack Built, Golden Locks, Ten Pins, Dominoes, Checkers, Lotto, Ping Pong, Carpet Balls, Raquets, Cortez, Fort, Parcheesi, Playing Cards, Steeple Chase, Pillow Dex, Loto, Herald, Pumpkins, Erry-winkle, Puzzles.	Carriages, \$8, \$10, \$15 and \$25. Go-Carts, \$1.50 to \$9.  <b>Doll Buggies</b> with parasols, \$3.50 and \$2.50. Plain and fancy, 50c, 75c, \$1.00. Go-Carts 25c, 35c and 50c. Cradles 25c and 50c.	Exercises \$2, \$2.50 and \$3. Dumb Bells 50c, 75c and \$1.50 pair. Punching Bags \$2, \$3 and \$3.50. Boxing Gloves \$1.50, \$2, \$2.50, \$3, \$3.50 and \$5. Boys' sizes \$1.50. Footballs, Hockey Sticks, Skate Straps, Indoor Baseball, Basket Ball, Striking Bags, etc.	Double Barrel Shot Guns 10 and 12 gauge \$12, \$15, \$25 and \$35. Single Barrel 10 and 12 Gauge \$10 and \$15. Rifles, 22, short and long, \$3, \$3.50, \$4 and \$5. Revolvers \$3, \$5 and \$7. Specials in small revolvers. Every assortment of Cartridges and Shells at right prices. This is the Hunters' Headquarters. Gun Oil, Gun Cleaners, Tools, etc., Shooting Coats, Duck Calls, etc.	The Griffin Safety Razors \$1.50 Safety Razor Outfit \$2.50 to \$6.50. Jack Knives and Razors. Electric Batteries and Fountain Pens. Bargains in Skates. Bicycles for Presents—Boys' Girls' and Gents—Low Prices

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# The Chatham Daily Planet.

(MAGAZINE AND EDITORIAL SECTION)

CHATHAM ONT., SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1903.

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## The Experiences of a Debutante

Mysterious Letter Found by a Maple City Young Lady and Handed to The Planet for Further Identification.

The Planet received a very interesting communication yesterday with unique enclosure.

The young lady writes that she found the enclosure the other evening on the streets of the Maple City and asks The Planet to assist her in discovering the identity of the owner.

With this purpose in view the enclosure—a letter—is printed. It reads as follows:

Dear Molly,—You certainly missed a fine time when you did not come up for the dance the other night. It was swell. You remember Mr. Dash from Bothwell that you were always telling me about? He was there! Did you say he could dance? Allow me to debate for the negative. He certainly prefers to dance upon any one's feet but his own. I could not keep the refrain of that pretty little song "Beat upon mine little heart." Out of my head when dancing with him, only the words persisted in revising themselves into "Dance upon mine little feet." And finally, my brethren, he had the audacity to tell me that I did not seem to get the step very well. Thank you, one railroad accident right at the beginning of the evening was enough for me, but I was designed to travel on the L. E. & D. R. R. once or twice more before the evening's close. But the next lad I had, goodness! He was just getting over his fourth operation for appendicitis, but he was still alive—and dancing. The ball room had windows all the way round and every one we passed in the mazy dance he would say in a weak little voice, "Would you mind if we rested for a few minutes, I have lost my breath," and down he would flop. It was the same story at every window sill and I was frightened to death that he would faint before he could get time to sit down at the next cosy corner. I think we managed to get half way round the room.

One of the boys came up to me and said, "Dolly, I have two boys here from Ridgetown, may I bring them up and introduce them?" Well, what could a poor girl do but say "certainly." I might have known better, as Jack has had a spite against me ever since we were children together and I told his mother he had gone in swimming on Sunday. He says "first impressions are lasting," but I do dislike spiteful people. Up they came; and I gave them each a dance. The first one, my dear, did you ever try to imagine you were dancing with a "wooden man." Well, this was just about the same thing. The people must have thought we were playing "See the rollers passing by" as he held me at arm's length through the whole dance. The other dancers flew to the sides of the room and in a few minutes we had the whole floor to ourselves, as the people didn't see any fun in being knocked and kicked around by French heels and a pair of "tens" from Ridgetown. The next dance was claimed by the wooden man's friend. I devoutly hoped that it would not prove to be a case of "Birds of a feather flock together," and it did not. This one evidently had the season's of the year slightly confused and imagined that "spring had come," for anything more closely resembling a grasshopper it has never been my fate to meet. The orchestra stopped with a crash and down I sank into the nearest seat possible. He at once whipped out his handkerchief and started to fan me and exclaim all in one breath, "That was fine—lovely dance—arming. I assure you." I murmured sotto voce, (all I had left men and Amen." Just then the orchestra started again for the en- but I made the rush for my partner and grabbing him by coat tails stood grasping for him. But the worst has yet to come. Really it is a mystery to me. A youth prefers the corner of a room to the whole of the floor dance on unless his lady love happens to be sitting out a dance that particular corner. We started off from the corner of the room and that was as far as we got. There we were, whirling around like a cyclone and for the life of him we could not steer us out. When the dance was ended it took me about twenty minutes to find in just what part of the room we were located.

The next dance was a waltz, and you know how I love waltzing! Well, up walked Mr. Linton, and he is a great big six footer and you know how short I am. I looked him over and wondered if he would have to grab me around the

neck. Once more the orchestra started to play, and once more I breathed the maiden's prayer and started to dance. We got around the room about twice, when I heard him shouting down to me "You will have to excuse me if I don't dance very well, as it is so long since I tried that I almost forgot how (almost forgot) he said.

I tried to call up to him "You are doing beautifully," but found my melodious voice was buried in his manly chest.

The floor was terribly slippery and I expected to "land" every minute—and I was not to be disappointed. We were reversing in the centre of the room, and he had evidently been trying to walk up my back, but failing to do so, caught his foot in the frill of my dress on his way down, and we landed with a bang. Even "shooting the shoots" wasn't in it with the beautiful slide we took. Not only the people trembled but also the windows and rafters. Now, my dear, it isn't often one gets the chance of being "cynosure of all eyes," but for once I can truthfully say we were "it." I honestly thought the last hour had come. Up I got (and let me add, quite unassisted) my "crowning glory," hanging around me like a mane, two or three hair pins in my mouth and my poor gown—oh! my gown, call it so for the last time! It hung on two or three threads and the frills that trained behind certainly made it "ten train." I grabbed all that was left of my skirt and made one dive for the door, and Lydette would have been loser in the king's plate if he had ever had to race with me for that dressing room. I happened to turn around in my flight and there puffing like a steam engine, was my poor partner, trying to stammer out an apology with his mouth full of pins. In my mad rush I encountered that blase little fellow of nineteen, Tommie Sommers, who remarked when I passed, "That style of hair dressing is extremely girl-ish."

I fixed my skirt as well as I could and went back into the ball room, wondering if I should ever get hold of a man that could really dance. I took a good look around the room to see if there were any late arrivals, and I was just giving up in despair, when I saw a fine looking chap come in and walk up to Miss S. and ask her for a dance. Well, you know how I dislike that girl and to think that I didn't know who this swell fellow was made me a little bit annoyed. I immediately rushed up to one of the boys and asked him who the new arrival was that stood by the door. I also asked where he was from, what business he was in, and I believe I even asked what his salary was. Yes, I will admit that I had lots of nerve, but then you know it is really useless to try to get along in Windsor without a little of that necessary article.

But to come back to the "new addition" to the ball room; no one who was near me at that time happened to know him, so I had to play "Lydia Languish." After many accidental "bumps," and "I beg your pardon," on his part, he came boldly forward and started to talk to the gentleman with whom at the time I was talking. Not wanting to be introduced just then I turned to walk away, when my old heel caught in my torn frill and rip went the dress. Just when I was trying to be graceful, too. My face was all manner of colors and I was wishing I was any place where that man could not see me. When I looked up I actually caught him laughing so hard that he positively shook. Now just imagine poor me. You would have been sorry for me had you seen but my mortification. While I was still fixing my frill, one of the boys came up to me with a broad smile on his face and said, "Oh, Dolly, Mr. W. would like very much to meet the young lady who tore half a dozen yards of frill off her dress." Before I could make any reply I was being introduced, so at last we actually met. As I had only one dance left, I gave him that. Now I know what you want to know. Did I ever see him again after that dance? Well, rather. Two days after the dance the maid came up to my room with a box. Upon opening it I found a beautiful sheath of roses, also a note asking if he might call that evening. Well he did come, not once, but very often. The first night he came, I don't think he will ever forget. My small brother had heard me say that Mr. W. was coming up. We were calmly sitting in the library, talking, when I heard a small voice say, "Dolly, did he bring those candies he said he might?" I looked for a place to hide, but unable to find one, had to sit still and pretend I didn't hear, but just the same I was trying to plan to what way I could pay that child up. You could have heard a pin drop. I started to talk and so did he, but neither of us knew just what we

were trying to say, when once more a little voice was heard, "Dolly, he isn't as nice to you as Jack was. He used to bring you candies and flowers. I guess he doesn't get as much as Jack did, do you Mr. W." I made a frantic leap for the door and up the stairs, and in two seconds that child bundled off to bed, with a five-cent piece clutched tightly in his fist.

But Mr. W. did not seem to mind how much Billy yelled at him. He used to come up just the same, and was always careful to bring candies with him. One evening we were going to the theatre and we took a car. Evidently Mr. W. thought I could ride for nothing, as he only put in one car ticket. Then he asked for two transfers. The conductor waited for the other fare and the people in the car started to smile. By this time my face was the color of a beet. I nudged him and told him as he had only put in one ticket and as he was not carrying one in his arms, I had to pay also. By this time the people were intensely amused and I took the transfers and started for the door.

Just then the car stopped and I gently sat on an old man's knee. Mr. W. took me by the arm and in a few seconds we were landed in the road and the car sped on its way.

After the theatre I wanted a Sunday Journal, as I had my purse with me I guess Mr. W. thought I should pay. So then the boy waited for the money; he saw a friend he wanted to speak to a minute. Peculiar, wasn't it, just at that moment! So I had five coppers, and glad enough to get rid of them I gave them to the boy. We then walked along, passing a cafe. I exclaimed, "Oh, I am hungry; I could eat a cow." I know it was a terrible thing to say, but he had showed himself so mean in little things I just wanted to hear what he would say. He didn't disappoint me. "Yes," said my dear friend, "when I get home I am going to make a tour of the larder." I simply glared at him. You see, when I told you he was a dandy chap I didn't know him, but now—now! Well, he certainly is still a "dandy chap" to look at, but—"it's all off."



Black beaver, with black ostrich and a white heron plume, forms a striking French novelty in hats. The underbrim is further decorated with a sea gull in white, which rests on the hair, and another black ostrich plume falls on the hair in the back. The full ostrich box has the lines curled in a new fashion, which is said to preserve the curl.

## Julius Cæsar

An Interesting Essay on an Immortal Character Contributed to the Macaulay Club by One of the Members.

The following essay was contributed to the Macaulay Club by one of the members recently. By kind permission of the writer The Planet is permitted to reproduce it:

Julius Cæsar was born in 102 B. C. four years after Cicero. He came of the bluest blood of Rome, of a stock that traced his ancestry to the Royal Trojan line in union with Venus. An aristocrat by birth he spent his early years according to the fashion of young aristocrats of the day. He tasted the sweetness as well as the bitterness of the cup of fashionable life. In pursuance of the custom of his time, he studied declamation under Greek teachers. "Cæsar" is said to have been admirably fitted by nature to make a great statesman and orator, and to have taken great pains to improve his genius this way that without dispute he might challenge first place. More he did not aim at, as choosing to be first rather than among men of arms and power. This

statement of Plutarch is substantiated by all history. In after years men justly commended Cæsar, the orator, for his masculine eloquence which, scorning all arts of the advocate, like a clear flame at once enlightened and warmed.

"Tanto in eo vis est, id acumen, eo concitatio, ut illum eo modo dixisse quo bellavit appareret." And Quintilian might well have added "quod scripsit," for in his commentaries we find the same clear, direct unimpaired virility of style. Like most young men of his day, too, he was early engaged in love intrigues, and like them adopted the prevalent foppishness. Cicero doubts that he has any designs upon the state when he sees his hair so carefully arranged and observes him adjusting it with one finger. Of this womanish vanity, and of his jest for lighter conquests than those of arms, even advancing years did not deprive him. In his younger days he gave himself over to the usual

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## Detroit to Chatham

Interesting Trip by Launch Over Route of the "City"—A Splendid Description of an Outing on the Water.

The Planet clips the following from The Launch, an interesting quarterly periodical published in Chicago.—

From a launchman's point of view Detroit is favored as are few other American cities, being situated at the foot of Lake St. Clair, and, as one can see by a map, has opportunities for a number of very attractive and extended runs—to Mt. Clemens, Pearl Beach and Algona, through Lake St. Clair and the north channel of the St. Clair river, to the Flats resorts at the mouth and along the south channel to the St. Clair. Opposite Algona is situated Walpole Island, on which is located one of the Canadian Indian reservations with its various mission churches and schools. This is an attractive point to visit. Just above Walpole Island opens the channel called the "Sny Earle," which is but another channel of the St. Clair river, and is a veritable waterway through a Canadian former Paradise, as is also the run up the River Thames to Chatham, Ontario. If one desires to make a more extended run, that to Stag Island and incidentally Port Huron is good, there being many interesting places at which to stop on the way. These are all up-river from Detroit. Leaving Detroit there is Fighting, Turkey, Sugar and Bo's Blanc islands and Amherstburg, on the Canadian channel, and Ears, Wyandotte, Trenton and Gibraltar villages and Grosse Isle, which, by the way, is ten miles long, on the American channel, these runs varying from twelve to 136 miles, round-trip distance.

A friend has often told me of his sailing exploits and his having swam the Detroit river on several occasions, the river at this point being a half-mile wide. For the time being we will call him captain, though it hardly fits his profession, which is that of a lawyer. As a lawyer he is, of course allowed considerable latitude in the matter of statement, and besides, I have so far neglected to ask him definitely whether he swam the river from shore to shore and back again, or whether he just swam in it near the shore. Across and back was the impression he conveyed, but, perhaps—I don't know. He had several times expressed a wish to accompany me on one of my trips. I told him to bring a pair of blankets and we would start on the following Saturday.

Usually the owner, being the only one familiar with the running of the engine, must be engineer, and at 3.30 o'clock of the appointed day the captain gave orders of "full speed" ahead. Leaving the boathouse we ran up river, and rounding Peche Island at the foot of Lake St. Clair, held a due easterly course for the Thames river light, a run of thirty-two miles. This never took us more than five miles from the Canadian shore, and after running two hours we could see the Canadian village of Belle River. Although we had some sandwiches and bottled water with us the captain concluded that a hot supper at the hotel would suit his racy oest, and he incidentally remarked that we might be able to replenish the aforesaid water bottles. Changing our course we were some three-quarters of an hour later making our way into the mouth of Belle River, which is rather a grand name for a medium-sized creek. Running up the creek a quarter of a mile we made fast at a saw-mill dock and proceeded to hunt for a hotel, finding which we were soon seated at a table piled high with all kinds of pickles but rather shy of other eatables. When the moon came up at 9.30 we concluded we would continue our trip for Chatham light. Running out from Belle River into the open lake we were again upon our way.

Somewhere ashore we could hear music, which, combined with a full moon and the comfortable feeling of a good dinner, the captain seemed to forget his troubles and be at peace with me at least. After a time, as we got well out into the lake, all that could be heard was the swish-swish of the water and the exhaust from the engine. I don't remember much for the next two hours except occasionally waking up and trying the grease cups on the engine. I was dreaming of sliding down a hill which seemed to be greased, but that, once in a while there was a rock in the way, the effect of which was rather jarring. Suddenly I became aware that it was no dream; the boat had hit the bottom, lifting me into a

standing posture. Suddenly awakened I inquired of the captain where we might be going. "Thames river," answered, at which time we hit bottom again. It was some time before realized that he should have looked for the range light and that in steering direct for the light house that he had come in over some three miles of shallows and was attempting to reach the light house overland.

Working the boat around behind a clump of rushes we got her headed out, and getting everything ready we succeeded in poling her into perhaps two and a half feet of water, where we could again start the engine. The shallows here extend a long way into the lake, perhaps three miles, and as the wind was blowing directly in there certainly were some sizeable waves. Our wheel was so wound up with weeds that we seemed to be making no headway at all, but as we were holding our own I continued to steer north and finally, in about two hours, picked up the range light, during which time the captain several times remarked that he would give a thousand dollars to be ashore.

Running up the river about two miles we found a ridge of earth thrown up by a dredge in making a cut through the marsh. We homed tied up and getting out the boat cushions, a piece of canvas and our blankets we made up our bed and retired at about 3 a. m. The wind blowing strong we were not bothered much by mosquitoes, though I faintly remember the captain yawning in the night at somebody jabbing him in the face with the boathook. We did not get up very early Sunday morning, but Old Sol compelled us to turn out or roast, so finally we got our goods aboard and started up the river.

One who has not made a trip on such a river on a beautiful day has certainly missed one of the joys of life. The marsh continued for a little way and then we came to the higher country. On one side might be a cut bank ten to fifteen feet high, but in such case on the other the bank would gently slope to the water and the sights were enough to make anyone long for the country. We made nineteen miles up river by 11 o'clock.

Chatham is a handsome little town of 7,000, with a pretty park on the river bank, nicely laid out streets and a large number of prosperous business houses. A number of the residences have well kept lawns extending to the river's edge.

There is a good hotel there, and having had no breakfast we were in shape to do justice to the very good dinner served us. We started down river at 3 o'clock, arriving in due time at the river's mouth, where the lighthouse-keeper's wife got us a nice supper. Leaving there at 9.30 we arrived at the boathouse in Detroit at 2 o'clock in the morning, where the captain, to uphold the dignity of his office, must needs like home to enjoy the luxury of a feather bed, while the engineer bunked in the boat, arriving at his place of business on time Monday morning.

CRUISER.

## UNWASHED PRINCE

An amusing story is told of how one of the Kaiser's sons was cured of a habit he had of getting up and going down to breakfast without being washed.

If possible, the little prince would slip out of bed and into his clothes before the nurse arrived on the scene to attend to his dressing, for thus he escaped the matutinal bath which he detested. Before entering the room where the royal family breakfasted the little prince would stroll around the courtyard and each time he passed the sentry he enjoyed being saluted by the soldier. At breakfast he would inform his brothers of the soldier's salutation with great satisfaction, and thus it happened that a lady in waiting was struck with a bright idea, which she communicated to the empress. Acting on this communication, the empress sent for the sentry and bade him notice the little prince's appearance and not to salute him if he appeared with unwashed face.

Next morning the young prince again left his room before the nurse entered; he went for a stroll, but to his great disappointment the sentry took not the least notice of him. Immensely disappointed and upset, he told his mother, with tears in his eyes, that the sentry had not acknowledged him.

"It is because you have a dirty face," said the empress.

From that day forward there was never occasion to reproach the little lad for failing to take his morning bath.

The baker may not be rich, but he always has a roll.







# THE STUDY OF TREES.

DISCLOSES THE INEXORABLE SEQUENCES OF NATURAL CAUSES.

## MAN'S EARTHLY LIFE'S WORK

*If We Plant Sinful Seeds, We Will Reap a Sinful Harvest; If We Plant Spiritual Seeds, We Will Reap a Spiritual Harvest, Because There is a Natural Sequence in Spiritual Laws.*

Entered according to Act of Parliament of Canada, in the year 1903, by William Bailey, of Toronto, at the Dept. of Agriculture, Ottawa.

Chicago, Nov. 29.—In this sermon the preacher takes us into the forests and from the life and death of the woodland monarchs draws an eloquent lesson that is rich in natural beauty and full of spiritual helpfulness. The text is Ecclesiastes ii, 3, "In the place where the tree falleth there it shall be."

Every intelligent student has been impressed with the inexorable sequences of natural causes. If a man standing upon the top of the Eiffel Tower in Paris should leap from its summit, his body would be whirled round and round until it was at last dashed into a mangled heap of unrecognizable flesh when it struck the earth below. Why? The attraction of gravitation which dragged that body down could not be overcome by the vibrating arm as it is by the wings of a bird, launched from such a height, could arrest its fall in midair and fly higher and higher until it disappeared into the blue sky of the heavens' dome. There is an inevitable sequence in nature's laws. There is a natural sequence in spiritual laws. If a man plants the right seed for a spiritual harvest, he will reap a spiritual harvest. If he plants sinful seeds, he shall reap a sinful harvest. Furthermore, by the same kind of reasoning, after a man's earthly life's work is done, whether it be well or badly done, it is done forever. It is like a tree which has fallen to the north or to the south. "In the place where the tree falleth there it shall be."

I am going to use for my pulpit the trunk of a fallen tree upon which we have rested in our wanderings through the woods. I do not care whether this tree lies upon the steep mountain side covered with moss and creeping ivy, whether it spans some brook or whether it lies at the foot of a great precipice over which it has tumbled. The only thing I do care about is that this trunk should have fallen of its own accord. By that I mean it has not been cut down by a woodman's ax. When we study the laws of nature as symbols of the spiritual life we must study them in their simplicity. We must study them as nature was studied by King Solomon, who evidently spent as much time roaming over the Judean hills as he did in the Jerusalem palace.

A tree may live to be very old; but after all, there must come a time when the tree's life shall cease to exist. Then, after it totters and falls, it is always a dead tree. What has been done by that tree has been done forever. Some trees have been known to live 100, 500, 1,000 and some are even supposed to have lived 5,000 years. But, though the tree may live 5,000 years or even longer, there comes a time when that tree must fall. Then a fallen tree is always a dead tree. So there must come a time when a man's earthly life is done, and it is done forever. "In the place where the tree falleth there it shall be."

Is it not a startling thought that after a man's heart once ceases to beat he cannot change anything in his past life? Is it not an overwhelming fact that a man with all the mental powers of a Gladstone cannot arrange his papers after he is once dead, but had to leave them all to his literary executor? Oh, how often we have heard this sentence in a house where there has lately been a sad funeral: "If I could only bring him back for a few moments to ask him what he would like me to do about this matter!" But the fallen tree is a dead tree. What that tree has done is done forever and can never be undone. What has been left undone is left undone forever.

A dying man's last gasp is even more significant and overwhelming than a newborn baby's first cry. One is the rising, the other the setting, sun. The one is the first word of a story which is about to be told and may be told well; the other is the last word of the last sentence of the last page, when the story is ended. One is a bird's note sung among the growing leaves; the other is the snapping of a trunk when the old tree is about to make its last plunge and go down with a crash.

Living man may once have been as strong as the great tree, for whose life George P. Morris pleaded with eloquent verse, but when the human being is dead he cannot even lift himself into the coffin which may have been made from the tree trunk which his own hands hewed down. He cannot even walk out to his own grave, but has to be carried there like a helpless log being dragged to the dam. One second after the pulse has ceased to beat he cannot rise his little finger one inch or change one word in his last will and testament any more than a fallen tree trunk, if it had the power of thought, could lift itself and stand upon the ragged stump which the buried roots are still anchoring in the ground and live its life over again. Choice may be given to the living man—choice to live right or wrong; choice to reach after the higher or the lower life—but the time will come when man, like the tree, which may live many centuries beyond the age of man, shall fall. Then there will be no power of choice. What has been done by him is done and never can be changed. What has been left undone by him will be left undone and will never, never be done by him as long as eternity lasts. A fallen log symbolizes it.

The fallen tree is a dead tree, which nearly always falls in the direction it has grown. I say nearly, because there are exceptions, which, though rare, do occur. Once in a great while a tree does not fall in the direction in which it has grown. A city merchant, loving nature's wilder haunts, might go into the woods to build there a little cottage. The site is selected near the bank of a running stream. When the foundations are laid the architect finds that an old tree is leaning dangerously toward the rising walls. The merchant would like to have the virgin beauty of the trees untouched, but fearing lest the tree might fall upon his future home and injure some one, he gives orders to the workmen to cut the tree down. The ropes are tightly twisted about the branches and tied to other trees growing in an opposite direction from the house. The sharp ax begins to bury its head into the wood. The workmen pull. With mighty groan the old forest monster falls where it never seemed likely to go. Or a tornado sweeping over the valley might push the tree over in a direction toward which it had never leaned. But these exceptions are very rare. They are as exceptional as the man who has always lived a bad life and at the last moment is converted by a deathbed repentance and who is thereby able to tell, when the clock is striking 12, into the outstretched arms of a loving Christ. Most trees—indeed, it might be said practically all trees—when they die fall in the direction in which they have grown. About the tree's trunk and above the tree's roots are the great ever influencing laws of specific gravity. If a tree leans a little to the right, it almost invariably falls to the right; if to the left, it falls to the left.

When a man comes to die, as a rule, the only thing he can do is to die. When the messenger comes, he has not any inclination to think about anything else but dying. If the fatal disease gnaws at the vitals for many months and perhaps years, the doctors and nurses and loved ones conceal the truth from the patient for fear of depressing him. Or death comes like a stroke of lightning out of a clear sky. It comes as it did to my father, one moment clear brained and on a preaching tour, the next upon a deathbed and unable to speak a word.

Death often comes suddenly—as a thief, as a watch in the night. A man dies as a tree falls. He dies as he has lived. Among all the Bible records there is but one exception to this rule. The pages of a deathbed repentance. "Oh," said a young man in my Pittsburgh church, "I am so sorry you said there are no deathbed repentances." "No," answered an elder, "he never said that. He said that though you might want to

repent upon your deathbed in all probability you will have no time to repent. You will have only time to die. You might repent if you would, but you will not." Deathbed repentances are as exceptional among the human race as it is a tree in the forest untouched by human hand to fall in a different direction from the way it has grown.

The fallen tree is a dead tree, the influence of whose past life never dies. Trees have an earthly mission. They are mighty factors in the planet's daily life. Atmospheric changes are more or less influenced by trees. Droughts and freshets are many caused by the lack of trees. Many countries of the far east have been absolutely ruined by the ruthless destruction of the forests. From an inhabitable country they have been changed into great wastes of arid deserts. So the influence of a human life, like that of a tree, never dies.

Earthly demise would not be appalling if when a man died the bad he did while upon the earth should die with him. But the trouble is that the bad lives on as well as the good. The wonderful book of Eugene Sue called "The well known Roman legend" it runs, that when Christ had been condemned in Pilate's judgment hall, the Jewish doorkeeper struck at him and cried: "Move on, man! Move on faster! Why dost thou linger? Move on!" With that the condemned Christ turned and said, "I will go, but thou shalt remain until I come." And so, says the legend, the brutal Jewish doorkeeper wanders up and down the world, begging God for death, but he cannot die. He cannot die. Though that is only a legend, it is a solemn truth that every good word we have spoken or evil deed we have done lives on after we are dead. They live on in the lives of others with whom we come in contact. We live on in the good we have done. Or we shall live on after we are dead in the evil we have done to our neighbors. Down through the centuries has the evil been perpetuated of that first sin when a tempted man and woman plucked the fruit hanging from the branch of a tree. So through all time the influence of our lives for good or evil shall go on bringing forth fruit.

There is another significant reason why the dead tree nearly always falls in the way it has grown—the direction is determined by the influences which were at work upon its younger life. The proverb declares that "old trees cannot be transplanted." The knots are too big. The trunk is too bent. The branches are too heavy. The roots are too wide to be lifted and moved. The imperfections of trees may be the more readily recognizable in their old age, but the influences which caused the tree to grow to the north or to the south nearly always do their work for good or evil when the trees are hardly more than mere saplings. If this fact be true, is it not of utmost importance that parents should carefully look after the work of rearing their children? A middle-aged man said to me, some time ago: "The most awful realization that I have of life's duty is that I am a father. When I look back and see the influence my parents had upon my life, and when I see my boys every day copying me in dress, in speech, in action, in wanting to wear clothes as I wear mine and do things because I do them, it makes me tremble."

Yes, parents, the most important part of your earthly influence is that which you are now exerting over your children. You are now influencing them at the critical time of their lives. They are now young trees, to be easily bent as you will, and if you set the wrong kind of an example before them, as did that parent who one day saw his boys playing that they were intoxicated, as their father often was, you will destroy those young lives as easily as a herd of swine can root up a sagebrush.

Young people, I would like to speak just one word to you. You are apt to think that the period of youth does not amount to much. I want to tell you that you are now forming the habits that will grow stronger and stronger as the years roll on. The bark of the tree is the place where the life is supposed to exist. But if the inside of the tree, or the wooden part, is allowed to be tunnelled by worms the inside of the tree will soon be eaten out. Then the whole tree will soon totter and fall. One small, sinful habit can destroy the human heart. One little tug in youth in the wrong direction can pull off the branches of truth and purity and love and honor and make a lopsided tree. What you do now will decide the moral character of your future. Trees 1,000 years old are neither more nor less than the fully developed and expanded perfections and imperfections of a tree only four, five, ten, twenty, thirty years old.

But though a fallen tree is a dead tree, which nearly always falls in the way it has grown, a living tree, no matter how young or old, can become an ingrafted tree. Grafting may be accomplished in many different ways. In budding grafting a bud is selected. Then a strong young branch is cut crosswise with a sharp knife. Then the bud is placed upon the bare branch and the four pieces of bark are joined at the bud's base and the wound is covered over with Japanese matting. So the young human trees may be ingrafted. They can have Christ's perfections in all their freshness and fragrance made to grow into them. They can grow into the Christian life so gradually and sweetly that they will not be able to tell the exact moment of their conversion. They will be like that young girl who was asked on joining the church when she commenced to love the Lord Jesus. "Why," she answered, "I never commenced to love the Saviour. I feel that I have always loved him."

But there is another way of grafting. There is the sprouting grafting. By this process whole limbs will be cut off and new limbs from other trees will be placed into the fork shaped crotches. If necessary nothing need be left but the trunk of the old

tree. This was the way Christ's life was ingrafted into Paul's. This was the way Baxter and Bunyan and Jerry McAuley and Harry Monroe and the seven-deviled Mary of ancient and modern times have been converted. Whole branches of sin, which have been growing for many years upon these sinful trunks, have been cut off. Gnarled and worm eaten and disease producing branches, which have only produced poisonous leaves of sin, have been lopped off, and into these sinful trunks have been ingrafted the long, healthy, growing branches of the tree of life.

My brother, from the oldest and the weakest and the poorest and the most twisted of human trees there is still hope that the branches of the beams of the cross can be ingrafted in them if they are only willing to have chopped off their branches of sin and to let Christ do the ingrafting.

But there is one thought of my text which ought to be emphasized. I do not believe many people have stopped to fully consider it. All fallen trees are dead trees. Yes, but some trees which are not fallen may be dead trees also. As we have said, the whole life of the tree is in the bark or the outside of the tree. There the sap flows up and down. There the connection is made between the roots of the tree and the leaves. If that bark can be once broken so that the sap cannot flow, then the tree dies. A short distance from my late country home a farm hand became angry at his employer. One night he took a knife and went into the orchard and cut a circle of the bark off each tree. In one night the man killed between fifty and sixty trees. For this crime he was sent to jail. And, oh, my brother, can it be that some one whom I am now addressing shall soon be a dead tree to Christ, although he is not a fallen tree? Can it be that, though receiving the gospel invitation again and again, you are going to let Satan take a knife and circle about the bark or the heart of your spiritual life? Then, indeed, you will be dead to all heavenly pleas. You will be dead to all the calls of the Holy Spirit. You will have no conscience left.

Would that instead of being a dead tree to Christ, we could become a

living tree in God! Arboriculturists declare that the roots are just as wide and strong underneath the grooved as the branches of the tree growing overhead. I myself in climbing a mountain have seen a tree which by the strength of its roots has been able to grow upon the side of a precipice. Let us as living trees sink our roots deep and fasten them about the Calvary Rock. Let us lift our branches high, that our leafy hands may be cleansed with showers of heavenly benedictions. Then when the time comes for the human tree to fall Christ will lift us up and carry us above to become one of the pillars of the heavenly temple, as he once carried his own cross toward Calvary. Upon that cross he died for our sins.

New Zealand has an ivy tree which has a thick, short trunk and heavy branches. It is not a climbing plant.

To put the brake on the wagon going down the hill is a help to the horse, when the wagon is heavily loaded. But what driver would think of applying the brake to a loaded wagon going up hill? If he did, his sensible horse would probably balk. Many a man is in the condition of putting a load up hill with the brake set against him. When his stomach is out of order, and the allied organs of digestion and nutrition impaired in their functions, a friction is set up which has to overcome in addition to the performance of daily duties. A foul stomach makes a foggy brain, and this man with a disordered stomach has often to grope his way through the day's business like a man in a fog. He forgets appointments. Problems seem presented to his mind "wrong end to." This condition is entirely remedied by the use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It puts the stomach and digestive and nutritive system into a condition of perfect health, and gives a clear brain, a steady hand and a light step for the day's duties. When constipation clogs the channels of the body, Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets will work an effectual cure of that disastrous disease.

Find your niche, and fill it. If it be ever so little, if it is only to be a hewer of wood and drawer of water, do something in this great battle for God and truth.

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Catarrh at some stage lurks as an enemy in the slightest cough or cold and thins its stealthy way in the "blighting white plague"—consumption. Few tissues, functions or organs of the body escape its ravages; muscles wither, nerves shatter and secretions are contaminated from its destroying presence. It devastates, destroys, devours and establishes a gloomy empire of misery and death. It is not only a filthy and disgusting disease, making the breath odious and repulsive, but it allowed to run, it in time becomes dangerous to life.

THE POISONOUS SECRETIONS following up the mucous tract, get into the throat and injure the voice, into the head and impair hearing, into the stomach and produce dyspepsia, into the blood and become scrofula, into the respiratory organs and cause consumption. NOT HALF THE BLIGHTING INFLUENCE ing and destructive disease has been cured. So ambitious of cure catarrh that to invent an efficient remedy for it has been the ambition of many aspiring physicians. Is it therefore any wonder that the multitude of people who have been cured by Stuart's Catarrh Tablets are lavish in their praise? Catarrh a practical certainty is not only the testimony of people who have observed or used them, but many medical men declare it to be true.

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## THE AWARD

THE EDITOR, PLANET JUNIOR.

The trip to Willeburg, which was taken in a short time ago by a large number of pupils from the Central school, must still be fresh in the minds of the boys and girls who were lucky enough to be among those pupils. A large number of the young "Juniors" would like to hear about the trip, and the editor of The Planet Junior would like to have a few of the boys and girls who were out, describe their trip as it appeared to them. We would not like the accounts to be too lengthy, but pointed and interesting, and would like to have them in by Thursday noon next.

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## THE NERFIFIED SLEEP.

I was very anxious last night to go to bed to sleep, for the first night on the new Oreston mattress, bought of McDonald's furniture store, but after I had got to bed I could not sleep. I heard the ball strike the side and then I dozed off.

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## A TRUE STORY

The following is the essay of little Norma Wardell, who came such a close second in the competition this month and last month carried off the prize. Norma writes of her own experience and the story is vouched for as a true one. She selected the advice of Thornton & Douglas for her essay.

Norma's "True Story" is as follows:—  
Upon a time there was a little boy, about five years old, who lived in a town called Willeburg. Well, she left her mother in a store on Sixth Street and started out alone. She went as far as the Garret hotel and turned down King Street, looking at all the pretty things in the window. When she was alone, she saw a man who was a little taller than she was, and he was wearing a suit of clothes. He was looking at her and she was looking at him. She was a little afraid of him, but she was not sure.

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## TALENTED TRIO

The following are the three clever essays by little tots in the second book, who received very special mention from the judges. The little folks had been studying a lesson on cotton in their Reader and availed themselves of the advertisement of Thornton Stone & Son to enter The Planet Junior competition. Their work was considered particularly commendable.

## COTTON.

Cotton is a soft white down that grows in a pod of a plant. It is raised in the Southern United States, in Egypt and in India and in other countries. The seeds are about the size of a small bean and they are covered with the white down. They grow from four to seven feet high and are planted in rows like corn. The flower is white and after a while it turns a pinkish color. Then a pod comes after the flower is dead. Inside the pod there is the white down and in the white down there are the seeds.

The negroes pick the cotton in autumn and send it to a gin to have the seeds taken out. Then it is done up in large bales and sent to the cotton mills in Massachusetts. At the cotton mills it is first spun into thread and then woven into cloth, then sold to the merchants all around the world. Some of it comes to Thos. Stone and Son in Chatham, Ontario.

## WILLIE M. JOHNEY.

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## DECEMBER SPECIAL CONTEST

For the December Essay Competition, The Planet Junior intends to secure a special prize—for the competition will be of a special character. The approach of the Christmas Season will be monopolizing the thoughts and plans of the girls and boys from now on and The Planet Junior wants to foster and develop this Christmas spirit in so far as it is able.

With this end in view it has been decided to make the subject of the essay competition this month an original Christmas story. The number of essays has grown with each month and The Planet Junior would like to see the Christmas Story Competition the largest and best of them all.

Every girl and boy has had a Christmas experience which can be made the basis of a splendid story—and a special prize will be provided for the girl or boy who tells the best.

The same rules will govern the preparation and forwarding of essays, all of which must reach The Planet Junior by 5 o'clock on Saturday, December 12th, as it is the intention to publish the prize story in the Christmas number of the Junior.

NOTE THE DATE!

## DON'T GIVE UP

The flowers of the plant are white. After awhile the flowers turn a pinkish color. Then they drop off and a green pod is left. In the autumn the pod gets ripe, then they burst open and show their white down. In the fall it is picked by negroes. Then it is sent to a gin to have the seeds taken out. A gin is a machine to take the seeds out.

Then it is put away in large bales and is sent down to the seaports and sent away to the cotton mills in Massachusetts. There it is spun into fine thread, then woven into cloth. Then it is sold to merchants and put up in sacks, then it is shipped to all the cities and towns in the world. Some come to Thos. Stone and Son, Chatham, Ont.

WILLIE SLATER.

There are lots of people who mix their religion with their business, but they forget to stir it up well. As a result, the business, inevitably rises to the top, and becomes the all-absorbing thought from the beginning to the close of the year.

"Did you put your experience in the plate, Mary?" asked mamma of her bright-eyed girl of seven summers, who had stayed at church with her during the Holy Communion. "No, mamma," was the artless reply, "they never gave me anything to eat, so I didn't give them any money!" Child, be fed when they come to God's house, and naturally say, "No bread, no money, God help preachers to hand out the bread of life."

THE DOWIE FAMILY STORY.

New York Commercial.

## Short Stories

Something to interest the Boys and Girls.

"What would our wives say if they knew where we were?" said the captain of a schooner, when they were beating about in a fog, fearful of going on shore. "Humph! I should care what they said, if I should care that," replied the mate, "if we only knew where we were ourselves."

Tommy: I say, Mr. Flatgum, you aren't much at playing cricket, are you?"

Mr. Flatgum (who is paying his addresses to Tommy's sister): "Well, no, Tommy, I'm no expert; but why do you ask?"

Tommy: "Oh, because I heard that tell-tales that you was an awful poor cackler."

A correspondent tells of a neighbor, one Farmer Brown, who is not well educated. His daughter has attended a boarding school, and lately they resolved to have a party of the neighboring farmers and their wives.

Previous to the party she instructed her father that when speaking of anything, for fear of offending, he should say, "The present company always excepted." He was late for dinner, so Jane invited the guests to begin operations. They had not long commenced when in rushed Mr. Brown, covered with perspiration.

"Why are you so late, papa?" asked Jane.

"The fact is, Jane, I have been visiting neighbor Smith's wife, and they are the finest lot of pigs I ever saw, and the present company all excepted."

DEER HUNTING PHOTOGRAPHS.

Mr. J. W. Swan, official photographer of the Grand Trunk Railway System, has returned to Montreal from a two days' sojourn in the hunting region situated on the Compu's line. Mr. Swan made the trip for the purpose of securing additional photographs of deer at the several large areas which the Company have now, and which are being utilized to expand the great attractions which are found in Ontario for the sportsman.

Mr. Swan was successful in his quest, and has been able to secure a number of excellent views, not only of the deer, but of the surrounding scenery. The photographs are being distributed to the various stations of the Grand Trunk Railway, and are being sold at a price of one dollar each. The photographs are being sold at a price of one dollar each. The photographs are being sold at a price of one dollar each.