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JANUARY ...SALE...

We have never before offered to the people of this community such a magnificent array of bargains we are placing on the counters this month. To-day we call special attention to

DRESS GOODS.

5 pos 42 inch Bumbag Tweeds, 42 ins wide, in a variety of choice shades, regular price 30c and 30c, January sale price 19c.
2 pos Kilmahin Tweeds, 48 inches wide, in a variety of choice shades, regular price 35c, January sale price 26c.
6 pos Honesun, 54 inch wide, all the leading shades for suits, regular price 50c, January sale price 33c.
4 pos Honesun, 56 inch wide, in shades dark grey, mid grey, light grey and fawn, regular price 75c, January sale price 63c.
Blair Athole Suing, 56 inch wide, very fine range, regular price \$1.00, January sale price 73c.
Zibeline Cloth in handsome shades, 46 in wide, one of the prettiest cloths of the season, reg price \$1.25, January sale price 98c.
4 pos navy serge, 44 in wide, regular price 50c, January sale price 43c.

Colored Dress Goods.

3 pos Black Serge, 44 ins. wide, fine quality, reg. price 50c, Jan'y sale price 43c.
7 pos. fancy Black Dress Goods, reg. price from 75c to \$1.50, your choice while they last 43c.
40 yds. Black Cheviot, extra fine quality and finish, reg. price 60c, Jan'y sale price 49c.
50 yds. Black Cheviot, very special quality, reg. 65c, Jan'y sale price 52c.
10 pieces Plaid and Chick Dress Goods for children's dresses, reg. price 50c and 75c, Jan'y sale price 33c.
5 pos Black and White Chick Dress Goods, special for waists, reg. price 50c and 75c, Jan'y sale price 38c.
3 pos. Elder Flannel in fancy stripe, regular price 40c, Jan'y sale price 29c.
10 pos. Art Muslin, yard wide, regular price 15c to 20c, Jan'y sale price 13c.

THOS. STONE & SON.

1904 THE ARK. 1904

While Wishing All a Happy and Prosperous New Year would tender our sincere thanks to our many friends and patrons whose liberal patronage has been the means of making the business in **THE ARK** such a uniform success.

Your interests are ours also. Trusting that past experience and our facilities for buying goods will enable us to supply your requirements in future, even better than in the past.

We are continually adding new lines to our already large stock.

Watch This Space for Specialties at "The Ark."

H. MACAULAY, 89 KING STREET, PHONE 159.
The store closes at 6.30 p.m., excepting Saturdays and Evenings before a Holiday.
Goods Promptly Delivered.

We wish all our friends

A Happy New Year

and a prosperous one. To help make it a prosperous year we will give away money. We take stock in four weeks time. Previous to this we desire to clean out our

Fur Coats, Robes, Blankets, Sleigh Bells, Skates, Hockey Sticks, Pucks, Cook Stoves, Ranges and Base Burners, Silverware, Carving Sets and Cutlery.

As an inducement to you to help us reduce our stock, \$400 will be put in the pocket of each fur coat sold for cash at present prices; \$2.00 and \$3.00 with each fur robe; \$3.00 with each cookstove, range or baseburner and 10 per cent. on all other goods.

GEO. STEPHENS & CO

FRAWLEY RUNS DEATH DIVE

Ex-Chathamite Mixed up in Disgraceful Downfall and Demise of a Young Girl in Chicago

Chicago Paper Recalls Old Murder Case and Demands Investigation—Has Control of the Police

Under the startling headline "Death Lurks in Dive—Tragic End of Girl Brings Frawley Warrant and Demand for License—Revives Old Murder Case—Latest Victim only 16 Years Old, Led Astray in Shadow of Police Station," the Chicago Daily News of Thursday last prints a vigorous front page article condemning the conduct and methods of Frawley, a former Chathamite, who is reported to be running a low dive in that city.

The story upon which the Chicago News bases its condemnation is reproduced in its entirety as follows:—

Once more tragic death—the victim in this case being a girl of tender years—has been brought to the door of James F. Frawley's winery and his all-night saloon at 235 North Franklin street. As a consequence to-day, after years of apathy, the police awakened to the character of the place. A warrant for Frawley's arrest and recommendation for the revocation of his license were ordered by Inspector Campbell.

These form only a portion of the developments due to the awful death of 16-year-old Florence Quill, who was found by Inspector Campbell writhing in agony almost at the door of his office, the fair young face seared and burned by carbolic acid.

BEGS THAT LIFE BE SAVED.

Despite the paroxysm of pain that took away her consciousness and shook her frail frame the girl implored that her life be saved. The deadly acid had been taken by her because she feared to go home after an all-night session at Frawley's. She narrowly escaped dying in the officer's arms as he supported her, and passed away a few minutes after being started for a hospital.

Frown from this shocking experience the Inspector was confronted to-day with an array of questioners anxious to learn how Frawley escaped punishment so easily after the murder of John Cronie, six years ago, why he was allowed to continue in operation after that crime and how a man of his history was enabled to secure a license. All this ante-dated Campbell's appearance on the north side as supreme head of the police in that division and he made no attempt to answer.

SIGNS OF SAME INFLUENCE.

Investigation pursued elsewhere brought out indications that the same influence evident after the murder of Cronie has since operated to permit Frawley to do pretty much as he liked.

Unpleasant stories hinted at at the time of Frawley's trial for murder were revived. Not only was the murder trial disposed of in a couple of hours with the result that Frawley was freed within a few months, but it developed to-day that the records of the murder have disappeared. The portion of the record that is gone includes all the evidence given before the coroner's jury and on which Frawley was held to stand trial for murder. Search of the vaults of the coroner's office showed that the written evidence had been turned over to the clerk of the grand jury long before Coroner Traeger assumed office, and has never been returned. As soon as he discovered that the completeness of his files had been destroyed in that manner Coroner Traeger announced he would make a demand upon the State's Attorney's office for their reproduction.

IN SHADOW OF STATION.

Frawley's saloon backs almost against the Chicago avenue police station and a gateway leading to the rear entrance and the one winery opens into the alley beside the station. It has long been charged that the principal function of the gateway was to enable police officers to slip in and register racing bets in Frawley's back room. One of the first developments of the day was the discovery that hangers-on at the Chicago avenue police station, men closely associated with officers there, lured Florence Quill and her companion to Frawley's, where they remained until 4 o'clock Monday morning.

The gateway leading almost to the police station door was used on that occasion and it was after passing out that realizing her fear to go home that young girl swallowed the deadly poison and fell staggering at the entrance of the building where police authority of the north side centres.

POLICE SUMMON ESCORTS.

Inspector Campbell to-day summoned before him the two young men who escorted the Quill girl, who lived at 89 Chicago avenue, and Rose Crowe, 153 Townsend street, to Frawley's on

Sunday night. Both girls were less than 17 years old. From a dance at Wellington hall in Clark street, near Illinois street, the quartet went to Frawley's. They found no difficulty in entering and the rest of the night the young men bought liquor for the girls. The young men were still in such condition from the orgy they were unable to respond at once when summoned and will be examined later. Such facts as are known of the case were secured from the Crowe girl.

DISCHARGES NIGHT BARTENDER.

Frawley's first action to-day was to discharge his night bartender. Then he hurried out the convenient gateway to consult the powers at the police station and report what he had done. Frawley has always figured as one of the "wise ones" and he left in surprise and dark gloom when he learned what action had been decided upon by Inspector Campbell.

"I don't know anything about the thing," he said, when seen by a reporter for The Daily News. "The minutes later in his saloon. I gathered only information I have gathered from the newspapers. I could see right away that the bartender had done wrong, and I fired him."

TO THE PEOPLE

Victor is North Rantow Says the Credit is due Liberals as Well as Conservatives—Writes to men of West Kent

E. A. Dunlop, M. P. P., the young hero of North Rantow, has written Dr. A. W. Thornton, president of the West Kent Liberal-Conservative Association, acknowledging the telegram of congratulation forwarded from this city on the evening of election day.

Mr. Dunlop ascribes the credit to the people of both political parties. The text of his letter is as follows:—

Pembroke, Ont., Dec. 30, 1903.
A. W. Thornton, Esq.,
Pres. West Kent Lib.-Con. Ass'n,
Chatham, Ont.

Dear Sir,—Many thanks for your kind message of congratulation. It was certainly a great victory, the credit for which is due not to me, but to the people of North Rantow. Liberal as well as Conservative—who so loyally supported us through a long and trying campaign of eleven months' duration.

Wishing you the compliments of the season, I beg to remain,
Yours truly,
E. A. DUNLOP.

TAKES CHARGE

Rev. J. J. Ross Formerly of the Maple City Takes Charge of London Pastorate

A large congregation assembled in Talbot Street Baptist Church yesterday, to welcome the new pastor, Rev. J. J. Ross, formerly of St. Catharines and Chatham. Mr. Ross comes to London with a record for hard, conscientious work. He was born and brought up in the province of Quebec, and graduated at McMaster University, Toronto, in 1898. Mrs. Ross, who has also a reputation as a B. A., of Toronto University. After being nearly five years at Chatham, Mr. Ross went to the charge which he has just quitted for the more extensive and congenial field of London. Rev. Mr. Ross possesses a pleasing presence and an earnest and convincing pulpit style. Unfortunately he has lately been suffering from a severe attack of influenza, from which he is just recovering, and this militated to some extent against his sermon yesterday. Notwithstanding, he delivered an eloquent and pointed discourse.

At the celebration of the Lord's supper, which took place immediately after the service, Mr. and Mrs. Ross received the hand of Christian fellowship from Rev. J. J. Baker, acting on behalf of the members of the church. As the congregation left the building each one received a card of invitation to attend the bible class which will be conducted by the new pastor, in the auditorium of the church every Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.—London Free Press.

SCHOOL OPENING

The Central school was fine and warm this morning at nine o'clock, notwithstanding the intensely cold weather. The school was dismissed at eleven o'clock as there was no water. The plumbers were installing a new meter, as the old one had been frozen during the holidays. Miss McCormick, Park street, is taking Miss Jessie Snell's class until the latter recovers from her illness. Another Fourth class was opened this morning as a result of the recent promotions. Miss Alice Birch was placed in charge, and Misses Ryan, Mounter and McCall advanced in succession. The attendance was splendid in all except the junior rooms, which were about half full.

CZAR MUST AGREE NOW.

OTHERWISE WAR CANNOT BE AVERTED, SAYS THE TIMES.

Lloyds Have Been Reluctant to Believe that Situation is Serious, but Now Think So.

London, Jan. 4.—The Times, in an editorial, says the world cannot feel either surprise or disapproval at Japan's determination not to wait indefinitely until Russia chooses to disclose her real intentions. If war is plainly to be forced upon her, she may, without forfeiting the sympathies of Englishmen and Americans, choose her own time in taking the active steps essential to her safety. There is still a possibility, The Times says, that Russia, at the eleventh hour, may recede from the position she has taken. Possibly, it is suggested, the Czar may intervene. But, The Times says, "If the Czar wishes to avert a war of which no man can foresee the end or its developments, he must interfere with promptitude and decision."

London, Jan. 4.—The correspondent of The Times at Tokio says the situation is extremely critical owing to Russia's repetition of her dilatory tactics. Although twelve days have elapsed since Russia was asked to reconsider her answer of December 11th, St. Petersburg maintains a profound silence. The Japanese Government and nation are plainly resolved not to endure another period of waiting, which Russia would utilize simply to strengthen her armaments. Failing, therefore, some conciliatory action on Russia's part, which there is no appearance whatever, Japan will certainly adopt within a few days active measures to secure her vital interests. After this war would become difficult to avert.

London, Jan. 4.—The Times marine insurance correspondent says Saturday's market in war risks was active and the quotations fluctuated rapidly. Lloyd's has been reluctant to believe in the imminence of war, but there are few sceptics now.

London, Jan. 4.—The Shanghai correspondent of The Times says a local newspaper publishes the full text of the telegram between Li Hung Chang and the Chinese Foreign Office in April, 1896, at the time of the deceased Viceroy's special mission to St. Petersburg. These set forth the negotiations preceding regarding the Manchurian railway convention. The first despatch to Li says M. Caccini, then Russian Minister to Peking, has declared that Russia, unless facilities were given to construct the railway, would make an alliance with Japan. The despatches relating to Li Hung Chang's interview with the Czar, M. Lobanoff and M. de Witte emphasize Russia's alleged object, namely, by facilitating the movement of troops to protect Russian and Chinese territory against the aggression of other powers, principally Japan. There is no reason to doubt the authenticity of the despatches and their publication at this time is sure to intensify the irritation of the Japanese.

The Viceroy of Nankin is unusually active in regard to military preparations. He has purchased large quantities of arms and ammunition from Japan.

TO WORK LONGER HOURS.

E. B. Eddy Company Serve Notice on Their Men.

Ottawa, Jan. 4.—A year ago the E. B. Eddy Co. in compliance with a demand of the Papermakers' Union rearranged the schedule of hours so as to eliminate Sunday labor and give shorter hours all around. Evidently the result has not been satisfactory, as the company served notice of a revision to the old order of affairs. The company state that during 1903 the shorter hours plan was given a fair trial and was disappointing, inasmuch as the output had fallen off considerably and out of proportion to the wages paid.

Previous to 1903 the men started work at 5 o'clock on Monday morning and worked until 5 o'clock on Sunday morning, when there was a lay off to allow the machines to be overhauled. This year they stopped work at 5.30 p.m. on Saturday, thus gaining Saturday nights and all day Sunday. There is likely to be trouble. The union held a meeting on Saturday, but refused to give out anything. They say the mills at Grand Mere, Cornwall, Laurier and other places are working the shorter hours satisfactorily.

Retailer Charged With Fraud.

Toronto, Jan. 4.—At the instance of the creditors, Edward Basken, general storekeeper of Saint Ste. Marie, has been arrested on the charge of fraud. Basken recently assigned to Osler Wade of Toronto, and at a meeting of the inspectors it was decided to make an investigation into his methods of doing business. It was stated that last September Basken issued a statement showing a surplus of \$6,000, whereas when the failure occurred the liabilities were found to be about \$30,000, with assets of only \$7,000. Mr. A. C. McMaster of Macdonell, McMaster & Geary, representing about forty of the creditors, was sent to Sudbury, North Bay and the C. Basken having had stores at the three points, to investigate, and the arrest followed.

Topics of Toronto.

Toronto, Jan. 4.—Eleven below zero was recorded during Saturday night.

A large number of recruits for the Toronto Light Horse were enrolled in suburban districts.

BLACK LIST ABANDONED.

Clarke of British Licensing Fails in London.

New York, Jan. 4.—The Sun has the following special from London: A year ago bibulous London was in a condition of panic over the licensing act, which had provided a blacklist for habitual toppers. Anybody convicted twice of drunkenness could not be served with a drink in any saloon in his district for three years. Under the provisions of the act bartenders received photographs of such persons, and were warned that they would lose their licenses if they served them. The anxious time for the public house people has now passed, for the blacklist was abandoned on New Year's day as impracticable. One of the provisions of the licensing act was that a delinquent might be ordered into an inebriate's home, but Lord Chief Justice Alverstone declared that nobody could be detained in such a home against his will, and this made the whole affair a dead letter. The police also found it impossible to cope with the inebriates, whose photographs were in number far beyond the memory of any barkeeper. One saloonkeeper on the Strand said that during the year 1903 the police furnished him with photographs of 573 persons who were to be placed on the blacklist. Moreover, as showing the poor working of the law, an inebriate who was blacklisted in one district has only to step into the next borough, where he becomes a free man. Those who are too lazy to do this can put on a false moustache or beard. The Magistrates have failed to see the value of the act, and since August last only seven inebriates have been blacklisted in London. Of the year's total of those placed on the blacklist 61 per cent. were women.

ICE IN DETROIT RIVER.

The Situation Somewhat Improved—Car Ferries Working.

Detroit, Jan. 4.—The three car ferries which have worked for the last few days to break up the ice-jam at Fighting Island have succeeded in loosening it, so that the ice field has dropped down about three-fourths of a mile. The Michigan Central service is so improved that the transports are now working in open water. The Wash and Canadian Pacific slips at 17th street are still tied up. It is estimated that about one thousand freight cars have accumulated during the blockade and that it will take three or four days to get rid of the congestion.

KING TO VISIT KAISER?

Paris Figaro Says He Will Do so in the Spring.

Paris, Jan. 4.—The Figaro says it hears that King Edward will pay a long-deferred visit to Emperor William in the spring, proceeding from Berlin to Copenhagen to attend the celebration of the birthday of King Christian.

MONUMENT TO POPE LEO.

Design For a Church in Rome Has Been Approved.

Rome, Jan. 4.—The design for the sculptor Lucchetti for a monumental tomb for the late Pope Leo XIII. inside the Church of St. John Lateran has been approved. It represents Pope Leo wearing the triple crown, sitting on a throne, supported by the world, each hand extended in the act of blessing, the whole symbolizing one fold and one Church. The cost is estimated at \$32,000.

TELEGRAPH BREVITIES.

South Grey Conservatives nominated Mr. C. McKinnon for the Commons. James G. Longstreet, the famous Confederate General, died at Atlanta, Ga., aged 84.

Mr. W. S. Stout succeeds the late John Casalis as President of the Dominion Express Co.

The Bank of Montreal building at Collingwood was damaged by fire to the extent of \$2,000.

Rev. William Craig, Petrolia, has been appointed a canon of St. Paul's Cathedral, London, Ont.

Three Grand Trunk engines and many cars were smashed in collision in the yards at Allandale.

A traveller from Paris named R. Mativier cut his throat at the Savoy Hotel, Montreal, and is dead.

Queen's University will make a generous gift of books to the library of Ottawa University, which was destroyed in the recent fire.

Nearly 1,000 guinea pigs were cremated in a fire on a farm near Mount Clemens, Mich. They were being raised for experimental purposes.

A general strike of all persons employed by the shipping interests at Barcelona has been declared, as a result of which trade and commerce are paralyzed.

Fire gutted the rectory of the famous "Little Church Around the Corner" in East 23rd street, New York. The occupants escaped uninjured.

H. C. MacGuire, accountant in the Union Bank at Shoal Lake, Man., was accidentally shot by a revolver that he kept under his pillow. His condition is serious.

Both branches of the United States Congress will meet to-day after a holiday recess of two weeks. The Panama Canal treaty will be proceeded with in committee. It promises to be a chief topic for the week in the Senate.

JUST A WORD

ABOUT OUR

Stationery



Is there anything so annoying as to find bad materials when you start to write a letter. In order to write a letter with comfort and express your thoughts in a happy vein to your correspondent you should have good pens and good ink and good paper.

These are our specialties, and you might as well have a good supply on hand, as the cost is so small when purchased from us.

We have pens to suit every hand. We have good ink of every color. We have a variety of paper and envelopes second to none in Ontario.

We make special mention of "Dimity" paper and envelopes in all colors. There is nothing nicer for ladies. "ASK FOR DIMITY."

15c per quire, or two quires 25c. Envelopes to match, 15c package, two packages for 25c.

Sent by mail on receipt of price.

Sulman's Beehive

King and Sixth Streets,
Opp. Garner House.

HONORABLY ACQUITTED

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 2.—Alma Hunter, of Petrolia, Ont., formerly employed by Silas P. Hovey, Washington avenue, and recently arrested on suspicion of having stolen a \$300 diamond ring from Mr. Hovey, has been released, there being nothing to show that she had any connection with the theft.

HOPES TO COME AGAIN

Ottawa, Jan. 22.—An invitation was sent from the Dominion Board of Trade to Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, asking him to visit Canada. Mr. Chamberlain writes to President Coates under date of December 12, regretting that he cannot accept.

He adds that he visited Canada on two different occasions, and hopes to be able later on to have another opportunity to see for himself something of the astonishing progress which has been effected during the past few years.

WEDDING AND CHRISTENING

The home of Mr. and Mrs. George Fewster, Head street, was the scene of a double event on New Year's night. Promptly at the hour of six o'clock, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Throslie, of Chatham township, dedicated their little daughter Louie Marie in the rite of baptism. The impressive ceremony was performed by Rev. F. E. Malott in the presence of 60 invited guests, who had assembled to celebrate the crystal wedding of Mr. and Mrs. George Fewster, it being the 15th anniversary of their marriage.

The baptismal services being over, the party seated themselves at luncheon. The tables presented a beautiful appearance, being laden with viands and delicacies and charmingly decorated. All present did ample justice to the turkey and good things provided and by the time dinner was over everyone present was in their happiest mood. The remainder of the evening was spent in playing the great society game of "Piquet" and other amusements, while the orchestra furnished music for the young couples who twirled the light fantastic.

The presents received were numerous and valuable, and presented a brilliant appearance in the rays of the electric lights.

The company retired in the small hours of the morning, after one continuous round of pleasure, all joining in wishing the host and hostess a very happy New Year and many years of wedded bliss.

The Planet.

S. STEPHENSON - Proprietor.

MONDAY, JANUARY 4.

THE 95 PER CENT.

Mr. T. B. Connery, for many years managing editor of the New York Herald, has declined reappointment to the New York Board of Education because he is opposed to tendencies prevailing in that body. For example, the board has just added a year to the grammar school course, though there are not now sufficient accommodations for all the children, and to add a year will deprive about 20,000 children of the primary instruction they need. This is one of the views of many educators; their interests are in the high schools and the higher grades of public schools, which only a small part of the children reach, and the lower grades suffer from neglect. It is against such tendency that Mr. J. P. Whitney, the Conservative leader, has raised a strong protest. He advocated greater thought being given to the needs of the 95 per cent. of school children who never get past the public schools.

DISMISS MCKAY.

A Dr. McKay, of Pembroke, who holds several Government offices, has been taking a very prominent part in the bye-election now in progress in North Renfrew. He has even gone so far as to appear on the public platform and address the electors. At one meeting where himself and Mr. Gamble met, there was a very unseemly scuffle and the two men almost came to blows. We are afraid Mr. McKay has allowed his zeal to overcome his judgment. He has not only acted in very bad taste, but he has actually gone counter to a resolution unanimously passed by the Legislature forbidding civil servants to take any part in elections on pain of instant dismissal. Mr. McKay is the servant of the whole people and receives his remuneration from the people irrespective of party and if he wishes to take a hand in an election he should first resign his offices. Plenty of others will be found to take their place, who would willingly keep their mouths shut on politics for the sake of the emoluments which they ensure. It will be one of the first duties of the Government after the election is over, to dismiss Mr. McKay and if they fail to do so they will render themselves responsible for his misconduct. —Seaford Examiner, Liberal.

SHOWING THEIR HAND.

The Fortnightly Review publishes an article from the pen of Mr. Edward Farrar, in which the writer takes strong ground against the British preference and in favor of free trade relations with the United States. Mr. Farrar, too, boldly proclaims that the day is in sight when Canada will become an independent nation. He views Canadian loyalty as a something which tolerates for the present our British connection, and represents his views as being those of the majority of Canadians. The article is timely and points out to Canadians in no uncertain manner the one true sentiment of the leaders of the Liberal party. Mr. Farrar is no less a personage than Sir Wilfrid Laurier's confidential political adviser. His was the master mind that prepared the Grand Trunk Pacific speech delivered in parliament on July 30th last by the prime minister. The Liberal literature with which the country has been flooded is the work of Mr. Farrar, whose headquarters is the office of Sir Wilfrid Laurier in the parliament buildings at Ottawa. What he says on any important public question, therefore, must be taken as being more than semi-official. His Fortnightly Review contribution is as clear an indication as to the policy the Liberal party intends to adopt towards Great Britain and the United States as can be had. Mr. Farrar, however, has fallen into grave error if he supposes that Canadians will consent for a moment to sacrifice their allegiance to Great Britain in return for Yankee domination—commercial or political. Yet he must be credited with having done the country a great service in placing before it the opinions of his client Sir Wilfrid. The people will soon have an opportunity to pronounce on the reciprocity independence and it is well to know how high in office are the real ignorers of the new crusade of the United States control of Canadian affairs.

The judges who sent Callaghan up for sixty days, said something about "protecting society." Whereupon the Toronto Telegram remarks as follows: Ontario justice never "protects society" to the extent of reaching up to the high places and dragging down the promoters who absorb the earnings of the people with their issues of watered stock.

The Itch Fiend

That is Salt Rheum or Eczema, —one of the outward manifestations of scrofula. It comes in itching, burning, oozing, drying, and scaling patches, on the face, head, hands, legs or body.

It cannot be cured by outward applications, —the blood must be rid of the impurity to which it is due.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Has cured the most persistent and difficult cases. Accept no substitute for Hood's; no substitute acts like it.

society" against the wreckers of loan companies.

Ontario justice does not "protect society" against the pool room that laughs at the law. The triumph of Ontario justice over a man who is prosecuted for taking his affidavit and convicted for taking another man's money does not "protect society" against evils more dangerous and enemies more formidable than W. H. Callaghan.

This is a hard saying, but the hardest thing about it is that there is some truth in it.

The Blenheim News has been "thinking things" and speaks out as follows: The report of the Bureau of Industries just issued places the number of chattel mortgages registered in Kent at 911, of which 876 are against farmers, to secure a total indebtedness of \$186,671. These figures are unapproached by those of any other county in the province, and The News would like to find out the reason. It has been suggested that the legal fraternity in this county could perhaps explain the cause if they chose to do so, but this a reflection to which we are not disposed to give much weight. The adjoining counties of Essex and Lambton, of about the same size and population, though not regarded as so prosperous, as Kent, have but 213 and 227 respectively. We would like to have the attention of our readers and contemporaries directed to the matter with a view to finding out the cause.

THE STAGE

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

At the Chatham Grand: Marks Bros., Jan. 4-18. Ritchie Co., Jan. 25. A Thoroughbred Tramp—Jan. 27. (Submitted to The Planet by Press Agents.)

MARKS BROS. COMPLIMENTED. Marks Bros. will open with a bumper house to-night. There are perhaps no companies so universally popular as Marks Bros. They will open the week's engagement with "A Revealed Mystery," and to-morrow night will put on "His Mother's Vindication."

Manager Brisco is in receipt of the following from the manager of the Guelph Opera House, where Marks Bros. played last week: Guelph, Dec. 12, 1903. Mr. Brisco, Manager Chatham Opera House:

Dear Mr. Brisco,—Seeing that you have Marks Brothers next week, I would feel ungrateful to them if I did not do all I could for their company and themselves personally. Their show is easily the best, cleanest and most up to date I have ever played, and if it wasn't that they were booked for you I would have moved everything to keep them another week. The business was the best the house ever had, beating the record by two hundred dollars.

I have no hesitation if you desire, to make contents of this letter public. Sincerely yours, U. L. RIGGINS.

Prices during their engagement here is 10, 15 and 25c. Matinee 5c, 15c.

D.L. Emulsion
Makes Pounds of Solid Flesh

Any of the Several MAGI WATERS,

Bottled in their natural state, can be ordered from the

MANAGER, CALEDONIA SPRINGS, ONT.

Invitation Cards, Programmes, Pencils, etc., can always be obtained at THE PLANET Office.

Ask for Minard's and take no other.

BEAUTIFYING A STREET.

Some Points by the President of an Improvement Society—Would Utterly Obliterate the Fences.

"Do not expend all your effort on the business portion of the town to the neglect of the residence streets," said the president of a newly organized town improvement society, in giving some advice to the members of the association. "That is the mistake often made by the citizens of a town in their endeavors to make their community a model place of residence. Not that individual houses and lawns are not well and neatly kept, but the dissimilarity of side-walks, fences, etc., makes the whole incongruous and presents an aspect far from beautiful. It is manifest that little can be done without the cordial and earnest co-operation of the great body of citizens, and it may be well to suggest that the best way in which the latter can aid in beautifying the town is to embellish neglected residence streets as far as possible with broad side lawns and trees and uniform sidewalks."

"One of the first things to be done toward bringing about that result is to utterly obliterate the fences which still disgrace so many of the residence streets. They cost money to build and keep in repair, but they serve no useful purpose, and they are unspeakably ugly blemishes on the face of the street. Those who retain them inflict a great injury upon all their neighbors by destroying the chief beauty of the street, the park-like effect of a long belt of green lawn fronting the residences on either side of the street. Where this is broken up by fences, no matter how ornate in construction, the effect is simply that of a hideous defacement. A successful crusade against fences resulting in their removal in all the residence fronts would of itself be an immense stride in the embellishment of the town."

"Improvements of this sort have been referred to by somebody as 'frills' on which it was extravagance to waste money, but these are not frills. They are the garments of the town. They are its regal robes of state and honor. They clothe it with dignity and beauty. They enrich its home life with the sweet influences of a pleasant environment. Nor is there anything which a community can do for itself which yields such large and swift returns in actual money value as in making itself an agreeable place to live in. It binds its own citizens to it by stronger ties of local pride and attachment, and forms the strongest possible inducement to strangers to make it their home and especially that sort of strangers who make pay rolls."

OUR ROYAL CHILDREN.

The Saxette as Recently Photographed in London, England.

How rapidly our royal children are growing is admirably shown in the latest royal group photograph by Messrs. W. and D. Downey, of London, Eng. On one side is the stately figure of the Princess of Wales, with her two eldest sons—Prince Edward of York, who is nine years of age, having been born in June, 1894, and Duchess of Fife, Princess of Wales, Lady Alexandra Duff.



Lady Maud Duff. Prince Edward of York. Prince Albert of Wales.

Prince Albert Frederick of Wales, who was born in December, 1895. On the other side is the Duchess of Fife, Princess Louise, with her two daughters, Lady Alexandra Duff, who is 12 years old, having been born in May, 1891, and Maud Duff, born April, 1893. Both the young ladies are very tall for their age, Lady Alexandra being exceptionally so. Prince Edward of York, though, of course, not so tall as his older cousin, is a fine sturdy lad well above the average height, while his brother is also stout and vigorous, and is shooting up fast.

It is evident that the value of waterways is fully understood in Europe. France, for example, has spent \$90,000,000 on these works during the years 1879-1900, and has increased the total length of her waterways from 906 miles to 2,930 miles, including 401 miles of newly-constructed canals. Austria has spent \$105,000,000 on waterways in the years 1848-1898. But the greatest advance of all has been made by Germany. In 1882 the number of steamers on her waterways was 330, representing 33,155 tons. By 1897 this number had risen to 1,953 steamers, with 104,880 tons. The length of her waterways in 1900, according to Imperial statistics, was 8,798 miles. The total length of British waterways in 1898 was 8,511 miles, exclusive of ship canal.

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THE PATTULLO INQUEST.

The Jury Returned a Verdict of Suicide While Temporarily Insane.

London, Jan. 2.—At the inquest on the body of Mr. Andrew Pattullo, M.P.P., held here, the deceased's nephew, Mr. George Pattullo, testified that his uncle was in good health, but had been subject to fits of depression since the death of his wife, and had frequently complained of loneliness. He then described the finding of his uncle's body on Tuesday last in the latter's bedroom, deceased having (as reported in Wednesday's papers) committed suicide by cutting his throat with a razor. The jury brought in a verdict of suicide while temporarily insane. The remains will be buried in Finchley Cemetery to-morrow at 2 o'clock. Messages of condolence from all over Canada have been received.

"WILLIE" ANDERSON MARRIED.

Open Golf Champion of the United States Now a Benedict.

New York, Jan. 1.—The Tribune today says: "Willie" Anderson, the open golf champion of the United States, was married yesterday to Miss Agnes Stokes by the Rev. Dr. Houghton of the Church of the Transfiguration. The bride's mother gave her away, and Bernard Nichols, professional of the Hollywood Golf Club, was the best man. The bridegroom's father, "Tom" Anderson, professional of the Montclair Golf Club, was present, as well as a number of other professional golfers.

Monkey Brand Soap cleans kitchen utensils, steel, iron and tinware, knives and forks, and all kinds of cutlery.

DISTRICT DOINGS.

Jan. 2.—W. Clark, of Balmont, spent New Year's with friends here. Mrs. C. Ouellette, of Detroit, and Mrs. W. Welsh, of Windsor, are the guests of their sister, Mrs. Lemire. Rev. Mr. McQuarrie, of Valletta, will conduct services in the Presbyterian church here to-morrow evening. There will be no morning service.

Miss Minnie Duff, of Windsor, is visiting her parents here. On Sunday, Dec. 27th, to the wife of John Clark, a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilsabeck, of Illinois, are visiting the latter's parents Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McIntosh, Tilbury East.

B. Johnson of Detroit Medical College, spent New Year's with his brother here, W. A. Johnson.

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DISTRICT DOINGS.

CHATHAM CENTRE.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McEachern, of Battle Creek, Mich., are spending a few days with Mrs. McEachern's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Walker, of the Walker House.

Miss Maud Hooper, of Chatham, spent Christmas with her sister, Mrs. A. Wright.

Quite a number took in the concert here on Wednesday night, and report a very pleasant time.

David Walker left for New York on Saturday, after spending Christmas with his parents here.

Miss Birdie Jenner, of Detroit, is home with her mother, Mrs. A. Jenner, of the Sideroad.

Shooting match held on Christmas day was a complete success, almost every shooter getting a slice of it. They were not all won by one or two persons.

Miss Maud Meloche, of Chatham, is spending a week with her parents here.

Archie Meloche leaves next Saturday on a visit to his old home down in Montreal, Que.

On Tuesday evening last a meeting was held at the home of Mr. Jos. Bennett, of the Middle Road, in the interest of J. A. Stringer, a candidate for the coming Raleigh Council. After a few points of business were discussed—the whole party present were invited to the dining room, where an elegant spread was before them, of oysters and other delicacies.

After ample justice had been done the good things provided, the company returned to the parlor, where the following program was presented:—Chairman—Mr. J. A. Stringer, of Buxton.

Address—Jas. Miller.
Address—Michael Doyle.
Address—A. Wright.
Address—J. A. Stringer.
Address—E. Meloche.
Address—Wm. Scamman.
Song—The Misses Bennett.
Song—Mr. Garrell.
Song—A. Jacobs.
Song—Fred Slade.
Song—B. West.
Song—Jas. Hitchcock.
Song—J. M. Doyle.

Toasts were given by Wm. Scamman and Hy. Morris, after which a hearty vote of thanks was tendered the host and hostess and family for their hospitality and kindness during the evening. A toast of "H's a jolly good fellow" was also sung by all present.

After the singing of God Save the King, all left for their respective homes, well pleased with the evening's entertainment, and wishing Mr. and Mrs. Bennett a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

VICTORIA.

A number of the parents and friends in S. S. No. 4, Tilbury East, were present at the closing exercises of the Victoria school Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 22nd. A carefully prepared program was rendered by the children, all of whom performed the parts assigned to them in an able and peaceful manner. Miss Hill, the retiring teacher, was then presented with a beautiful gold chain and brooch and pin, accompanied by the following address, read by Olive Dent:

To Miss C. M. Hill:
Dear Teacher,—We, the pupils of the entrance and P. S. L. class of S. S. No. 4, Tilbury East, after happy associations which we have had with you, we with sorrow come to the parting time, the good-bye day, and before we say that sweet and word will you permit us to tell you something of our love and respect for you.

In times past the threads of our lives have been constantly woven together, and when we think that in the future they will touch only at long intervals, or possibly not at all, our hearts are filled with sadness, and we feel that we are losing not only our teacher, but a very dear friend.

In leaving you may carry away with you the knowledge of duty well and lovingly performed, and you may rest assured that we will not forget the encouraging help you gave us in preparing for our examinations. And we know that your influence amongst us has always been for good, and shall ever be the better for having known and loved you.

Before we part to-day we would like you to accept this "chateleine brooch" as a token of the esteem and love we have for you. And in the bright and happy days which we feel sure are in store for you, will you think that one of our sweetest thoughts is that should we not meet often here, in the Great Beyond, we may know and love each other again.

(Signed)
Olive Dent, Willie Conley (P. S. L.), Della Kidd, Lila Jones, Geo. Dent (entrance).

Miss Hill feelingly replied, thanking her class and friends for the mark of esteem and appreciation of services cheerfully rendered.

Another presentation followed, consisting of an elegant manicure set and brocade plush work-box accompanied by the following address, read by Olive Dent:

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paid by the following address, read by Bertha Dent:

Dear Miss Hill,—We, the ratepayers and pupils of S. S. No. 4, Victoria school, have met this afternoon for the purpose of your reading to us an expression of our appreciation of your work in our school. We have admired your earnest efforts for the advancement of the school, and have been pleased to know that those efforts have been crowned with success.

We ask you to accept this small gift as a token of the regard which we as a school have for you. We pray that God's blessing may continue to rest upon your labors wherever you may be.

Signed in behalf of the ratepayers and pupils. S. S. No. 4.
After many kind words and best wishes for Miss Hill's success in her new school and future work, the crowd dispersed and the school year of 1903 came to a happy close.

Township Councils.

CAMDEN COUNCIL.

The council of Camden township met on Tuesday, Dec. 15th, 1903, to receive the financial statement for the year 1903, and for general business.

All members were present. Last minutes were read and adopted. Accounts and communications read. The following accounts were ordered paid:

Jas. Steele, sheep killed by dogs, \$12; Jno. Sheffer, shepherd, \$2; J. W. Steeper, inspector, \$2.75; J. W. Stewart, expenses re G. St. Marks, indigent, \$10; Zone township, amount due on Dixon drain, \$150; Zone township, amount due on Crowell's drain, \$26.50; Zone township, amount due on Dauley drain, \$8; Jno. Jeffs, salary as treasurer and sundries, \$107; T. N. Wells, on printing contract, \$16; Alex. Moir, supplies for township use, \$86; Geo. R. Rivers, for concrete and pipe, \$340.

Stewart—Brown—that the financial statement as presented by the treasurer, be read and approved. He is instructed to have 200 copies printed for distribution.—Carried.

McCutcheon—Stewart—that the account of Joshua Wright for sewer pipe be left with commissioners Hughson and Elgie to settle.—Carried.

McCutcheon—Hughson—that the report of Mr. Brown on sale of Logan drain be adopted.—Carried.

McCutcheon—Brown—that the report of the completion of the drainage of the Logan drain be adopted, and the reeve give his commission.—Carried.

Stewart—Brown—that the account of Mayhew & Harmer, for sewer pipe, \$26.20 ordered by J. Paul in 1902 be left with commissioners Hughson to investigate and settle, charging amounts to proper fund.—Carried.

Stewart—McCutcheon—that the report of the completion of the Eglin drain by Hughson be adopted, and reeve give his order for the commission.—Carried.

Brown—Hughson—that the account of Mayhew & Harmer of \$19.86 for sewer pipe for Div. No. 5, be left with commissioner Stewart to settle.—Carried.

Brown—McCutcheon—that the report of sale of Cryderman drain be adopted.—Carried.

Brown—Stewart—that the accounts of the councillors and reeve as rendered be paid, and the reeve give his order on treasurer for the amounts.—Carried.

Hughson—McCutcheon—that the account of Stewart—Brown—that the court of sessions be paid and the reeve give his order for same.—Carried.

revision on Helson drain be adjourned until Monday, January 11th, at five o'clock p. m.—Carried.
Council adjourned.
M. S. BLACKBURN, Township Clerk.

RALEIGH COUNCIL.

The council of Raleigh township met on the 15th of December in the town hall.

Present, Jas. Clayton, reeve, W. H. Irwin, E. A. Dillon, Edw. Randall and John A. Stringer.

The minutes of Dec. 7th were read and confirmed.

Josiah Johns asked the council for payment of building a bridge over the 18th and 19th streets, at a cost of \$1000.00. Referred to the commissioner, John A. Stringer, who refused to pay him as said bridge was not put in according to the specifications.

ations. The clerk of Harwich wrote in reference to the costs of publishing by laws on the Doyle and Crawford drains, also the assessment of the Harwich lands for the Crawford drains. Laid over.

A report was received from Harwich that \$165 was spent on the Raleigh and Harwich townships. Received.

The following reports were received and on motion adopted and commission fees ordered paid, viz.:

Wm. H. Irwin, div. 1, expended \$593.89; com. fees \$35.63.
Edw. Randall, div. 2, expended \$617.9; com. fees \$36.76; and paid \$121.27 due from 1902.
E. A. Dillon, div. 3, expended \$403.42; com. fees \$24.45.
J. A. Stringer, div. 4, expended \$428.20; com. fees \$25.70.
Jas. Clayton, div. 5, expended \$382.42; com. fees \$23.45.

E. A. Dillon, R. and T. T. Line, expended \$130.03; com. fees \$7.80.
E. A. Dillon, R. and T. T. Line, expended \$331.95 in 1902 and 1903.
J. A. Stringer, R. and H. T. Line, expended \$170.04; com. fees \$10.20.

W. H. Irwin, Boyle drain, expended \$197.50; com. fees \$11.87.
E. A. Dillon, Moore drain, paid \$481.00, not completed.
W. H. Irwin, Boyle drain, sold for \$559.45, not completed.

E. A. Dillon, Doane and Gilhula drain not completed.
W. H. Irwin, Payne drain, not completed.
Jas. Clayton, Toll and Sullivan drains, not completed.

P. J. Doyle, Towl drain, not completed.
Edw. Randall, Stewart, Johnston and Martin drains, not completed.
W. H. Irwin, reported repairs of bridges over R. P. drain, Gov. drain No. 1 and Waddick drain and charged expense to the several drains.

The reeve reported repairs of bridges over the Symon, Graham and Carter drains and charged costs to the several drains.
E. A. Dillon reported pipe culvert being placed at the Drake road and 13th concession at a cost of \$28.60, from which he deducted old title, leaving \$23.50 charged to the general funds.

Edw. Randall reported bridge repaired over Carter drain on 8th concession, costing \$20; com. fees \$2, and charged same to Carter drain.

The reeve reported that he had issued orders to the amount of \$1931.92 for expenses in connection with the Pike Pump works as certified to by two commissioners, and nomination day.

The reeve submitted the following report:—In the matter of the gravelling of the Raleigh and Tilbury townships, I beg leave to report that our commissioner, Mr. Dillon has spent a sufficient sum to entitle us to our share of the grant of \$400, and I understand from the commissioner of Tilbury East that they have also spent a sufficient sum to entitle them to their share of the grant of \$400, and I recommend that the clerk be instructed to bring this matter before the council of 1904 at their first meeting and procure our share of the grant.—Adopted.

The clerk reported that the changing of Samuel Wallpool, Jr. from S. S. No. 5 to S. S. No. 6 would decrease the amount payable to No. amount payable to S. S. No. 6, by \$4.05.

The sheep inspector accounts for 1903 were paid as follows:—Wm. Shaw \$12.25, Wm. Pratt \$3.25, and Isaac Green \$4.25.

The account of Dr. Dunean, \$4.00, for attendance on Cupid Martin at the hospital was ordered paid.
The account of Wilson & Co., \$15.48, for one half cost for legal services Harwich vs. Raleigh re Doyle drain, was ordered paid.

The treasurer submitted his financial statement for the year.
Receipts from Jan. 1st to Dec. 31st, 1903:—Total paid to date, \$28,504.73; Overdraft, Dec. 31st, '02, 3,363.25.

Balance on hand, \$1692.41.
The clerk was instructed to have 200 copies of the treasurer's statement printed, and nomination day.

P. J. Doyle submitted his resignation of the Towl drain, which was accepted.

Other orders issued as follows:—For school rates \$3392.75; S. J. Harvey, balance salary, \$150; A. E. Robinson, balance salary, \$250; Jas. Clayton, wages and mileage, \$24; Wm. H. Irwin, wages and mileage, \$26; E. A. Dillon, wages and mileage, \$25; Jno. A. Stringer, wages and mileage, \$25; Edw. Randall, wages, less special meeting, \$18.60; John Dowling, overseeing Helson Gov. Dr. trap, \$8; John Goullet, caretaker of drain, \$4.50; E. A. Dillon, part fees Moore drain \$5; E. A. Dillon, part fees Moore and Gilhula drain, \$10; Jas. Clayton, fees, \$10; Wm. H. Irwin, E. A. Dillon and John A. Stringer resigned as commissioners of all drains etc.

At the close of the meeting a short time was spent in addresses by the reeve and councillors, the treasurer, the clerk, after which the council adjourned.

The adjourned court of revision on the Fargo drain was held on the 15th of December, with all members present.

The interested parties were heard in evidence, after which it was moved by Mr. Irwin and Mr. Stringer, that the assessment of Walter Bennett be reduced \$22, and 37 placed on the S. 1-2, lot 16, con. 12, and the balance on the roads and the court be closed.—Carried.

A. E. ROBINSON, Clerk.

THE GREATEST FAMILY REMEDY

And one well known in most Canadian homes in Nerviline, a perfect panacea for all normal and external pain. Mrs. M. E. Cartwright, of Morris, says:—I couldn't think of being without Nerviline. When I get toothache Nerviline stops it. If I get a sick headache, have a trouble with my stomach, or nervousness, I rely on Nerviline to cure me promptly.

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The actress doesn't need to object to her manager calling her, "Star of My Life."

The mother of a baby generally convinces herself that it looks like some rich relative.

Minard's Liniment Cures Garget in Cows.

KILLED BY ROBBERS.

Aged Woman Slain While Aiding Her Husband.

Denver, Col., Jan. 2.—Mrs. Amanda Youngblood has been shot and killed, and her son Robert seriously wounded by three men who attempted to rob the grocery store conducted by the family at Valverde. The robbers gained entrance to the store on the plea of calling a doctor. They ordered Thomas Youngblood, aged 63, to throw up his hands. The old man refused and grappled with the robbers. Mrs. Youngblood ran to the assistance of her husband, at the same time calling for her son, who was in an adjoining room. The robbers immediately opened fire, killing the aged mother and wounding the son, and then made good their escape.

Charles Arnold, who was arrested later, confessed that two men named Andrews and New on and himself were concerned in the crime. Arnold declared the shooting was done by Andrews. The prisoners are young men, formerly employed in the cotton mill, which was closed several weeks ago.

BLOCKADE IN DETROIT RIVER

Ice Crushers Trying to Open the Channel.

Detroit, Jan. 2.—A meeting of railway officials yesterday decided to send three of the big ice-grushers down the river in an endeavor to open a channel to permit the ice to drift out. The Lansdowne and Ontario were bucking the floes near Fighting Island, while the transfer went down this side of the river in the vicinity of Wyandotte. The day crew of the Lansdowne walked ashore on the ice last evening, and the night shift were sent down on the Canadian shore to Shore Acres, where they went over the ice to her. Just how the three steamers expect to open a channel marine men are unable to understand, as the ice is almost a solid mass to a point 40 miles or more below Bar Point, in Lake Erie.

ALL'S WELL THAT ENDS WELL

A Canoe Accident that Leads to a Wedding.

Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 2.—Mr. A. B. Barker, Manager of the Bank of Toronto at Rossland, has left for Denver, where his marriage to Miss Rose takes place on Wednesday. Their romance began when Mr. Barker saved the life of the young lady in a canoeing accident.

A CLEVER SWINDLER.

Represented Himself as a British Official and Lived by Fraud.

New York, Jan. 1.—The Herald today says: "By means of a carefully pre-arranged scheme, a man calling himself S. W. Spencer, and representing himself to be the British Vice-Consul at Washington, an office that does not exist, has been travelling through Europe since last October, swindling banking houses with spurious drafts and forged checks, drawn on prominent bankers and business men in New York. In most of the cases of which evidence exists the name of C. F. Richard & Co., bankers and shipping agents of this city, was used by Spencer, and this firm discovered the fraud, and this city avoided loss. It is said, however, that the swindler has been issuing checks and drafts on the Park Bank of New York, and forged bills of lading on the North German Lloyd and other steamship companies.

Soo Creditors' Claims.

The long-anticipated development in the "Soo" case has taken place. The creditors of the different "Soo" companies on Thursday night, through Barwick, Aylesworth, Wright & Moss, their solicitors, served notice on C. F. Worthington, general auditor and officer in charge of the "Soo" properties, that a liquidator of the different subsidiary companies to the Lake Superior Consolidated was being applied for, and that the control of the "Soo" properties by Speyer & Co. was being contested.

The petitions to the courts for a liquidator for the subsidiary companies contain some startling statements. In them it is set forth that different financial corporations, including the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and the Fidelity and Commercial Trusts Companies of Philadelphia, finding themselves with claims against the "Soo" companies, and entirely unsecured, advanced a sufficient amount to pay off their own claims and obtained on this advance security which they lacked before. It is alleged that by thus advancing money to pay their own unsecured claims the different banks and trust companies pulled themselves out of a hole, at the expense of the other unsecured creditors.

East Buffalo Cattle Markets.

East Buffalo, Jan. 1.—Cattle—Receipts, 20 head; steady; prime steers, \$10 to \$12.50; butchers', \$7.00 to \$10.00; cows, \$5.00 to \$10.00; calves, \$5.00 to \$10.00; hogs, \$5.00 to \$10.00; sheep, \$5.00 to \$10.00; goats, \$5.00 to \$10.00; poultry, \$5.00 to \$10.00; game, \$5.00 to \$10.00; fish, \$5.00 to \$10.00; fruit, \$5.00 to \$10.00; vegetables, \$5.00 to \$10.00; other goods, \$5.00 to \$10.00.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Jan. 1.—Cattle—Receipts, 1,500; market steady; good to prime steers, \$10 to \$12.50; poor to medium, \$8.00 to \$10.00; cows, \$5.00 to \$10.00; calves, \$5.00 to \$10.00; hogs, \$5.00 to \$10.00; sheep, \$5.00 to \$10.00; goats, \$5.00 to \$10.00; poultry, \$5.00 to \$10.00; game, \$5.00 to \$10.00; fish, \$5.00 to \$10.00; fruit, \$5.00 to \$10.00; vegetables, \$5.00 to \$10.00; other goods, \$5.00 to \$10.00.



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You can make every article white and clean with Sunlight Soap. This soap gives better satisfaction than any other soap because it is pure and possesses a cleansing power that ordinary laundry soap does not and can not.

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All at interesting prices and the best in quality.

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Christmas Goods, Christmas Cakes, Christmas Puddings, Bread, Cakes and Pastry of all Descriptions.

LUNCHEONS AT ALL HOURS. FRESH OYSTERS served in all styles and for sale in bulk. WEDDING CAKES A SPECIALTY.

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Good Clothes..

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Fifty New Method Overcoats, \$12.50 and \$15.00 quality for **\$10.00** each. See East Window.

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Corner Sixth and King Street
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PROBABILITIES.

Special per G. N. W.
Toronto, Jan. 4.—11 a. m.—Fair and cold.
The following figures were registered to-day at seven a. m. at Turner's weather bureau:
Barometer 29.73.
Thermometer 7 below zero.
Highest yesterday 13 above zero.
Lowest yesterday 8 below zero.
Direction of wind, southeast.

THE LOCAL BUDGET

Miss Mabel Wemp, of Toledo, is visiting her mother.
Mrs. F. E. Mallott and daughter are visiting Dr. Hannon, Exeter.
There will be a meeting of the Separate School Board to-night.
Jasper Wilson has returned from spending the holidays at London.
Mr. Wm. Mowbray, of Upper Canada College, is renewing acquaintances.
Ralph Laing, of Flint, Mich., spent the New Year's holidays with Chatham friends.

The first prayer meeting of the week of prayer will be held in Holy Trinity church this evening.
Miss Fennell, who has been the guest of Miss Gertrude Potter, has returned to her home in Newbury.
Miss Ida Powell returns to-night to Chicago, after visiting her mother, Mrs. Powell, matron at the General Hospital.

Miss Kate George, who has been the guest of Miss Margaret Houston, returned to her home in St. Thomas to-day.
Ed. Taylor, a former Chathamite, who has been visiting his wife and family here, returned last night to Chicago.

The Rev. S. T. and Mrs. Martin, of Streetsville, Ont., are visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Martin, Victoria avenue.
Charles Hunt was remanded for a week for trial on the charge of taking his son's furniture. W. Frank Smith appeared for the aged man.

George Hunt, convicted of assaulting his father, was to-day remanded for another week for sentence. He was released on his own recognizances.

Ted. Bogart, of Detroit, an old Chatham boy, and his friend Mr. Armstrong, also of Detroit, spent Sunday with Mr. Bogart's parents in this city.

Roy Benson, who has been spending the vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Benson, Cross street, returned to McMaster University to-day, to resume his studies to-day.

Russell Paxton's picture appeared in a Detroit paper a short time ago as prize winner in a short story competition. Russell is a son of Richard Paxton, school trustee.

Mynard McBrayne, of Detroit, is spending the day in town. Mynard is well known in this city, having occupied a position in the offices of the Taylor Milling Company.

Morton Taylor, of Toronto, who has been visiting P. D. McKellar, Victoria avenue, left to-night for Chicago, where he will spend a couple of days, and return to the city on his way home.

Chamois Vests

During this cold weather you can have solid comfort by wearing one of our Chamois Vests. Prices from **\$1.50 to \$3.00** each. **Chest Protectors**, from **25c to \$1.75** each.

A. I. McCall & Co., Ltd.,
Chatham and Dresden. Druggists.

ROBIN HOOD

Special Rehearsal This Evening with Mr. Slade, of Detroit, who Plays "Will Scarlet."

To-night the rehearsals for the opera "Robin Hood"—which were discontinued during the holiday season—will be resumed in the Standard Bank auditorium, commencing at eight o'clock, sharp.

Every member of the company is earnestly urged to be present this evening, when the full scores will be taken up. Samuel I. Slade, of Detroit, the celebrated basso who plays the part of "Will Scarlet," will be present and assist in the rehearsal. Miss Ruby Gordon, daughter of Mr. D. A. Gordon, of Wallaceburg, the popular contralto, will also be present to take up the work of her part. A number of the patrons and patronesses have expressed their intention of being present.

Everyone is requested to make an effort to be punctual to-night.

A QUIET ELECTION

To-day was election day and the only thing that characterized the day was the little interest taken in the voting. The cold weather no doubt had its effect and that was one reason why, up till noon, a very small vote had been polled. Then, too, there was no contest for the mayoralty, and the school trustees only provided a little excitement in one ward.

Up till one o'clock 40 votes had been polled at Cornish's store, over the creek. This was considered a pretty fair vote but the other polling places did not show up quite so well. Things were a little livelier this afternoon and those aldermen who had cutters were doing some lively work getting their friends to the poll.

Reports from all the polling booths during the morning were not encouraging to those who were advocating the by-laws. At ten o'clock there were only four votes polled at McKay's on Queen street. At 10.30 sixteen had voted at Oldershaw's, and at eleven o'clock twenty-five had voted at Chas. Cherry's, King street east. Similar reports came from the other booths. N. H. Stevens was out early and worked hard to secure the passage of the electric railway by-law.

The polling booths in the Townships adjacent to the city were visited by a good many citizens to-day. All the owners of property at Brieux voted at Kenney's, Park avenue west. The contest here was very warm for the reeveship and the different candidates had rigs busy all day carrying the city voters.

WORLD OF SPORT

THE RING

GARDNER BEATS GRIM.

Saginaw, Mich., Jan. 2.—Gus Gardner was given a well-earned decision over Joe Grim, of Philadelphia, at Arbeiter Hall last night. The bout went the limit, fifteen rounds, but Gardner won the better of every round, landing at will on Grim's head and head. Grim went to the mat twice. Gardner weighed 137 pounds and Grim 160.

BASEBALL

Ban Johnson has announced that the American league season will open next spring on April 14th, with Chicago playing at Detroit, Boston at New York, Philadelphia at Washington, and Cleveland at St. Louis. These dates, however, will have to be officially acted on at the session of the Joint rules committee of the National and American Leagues.

Mrs. (Rev.) Jones is ill in the General Hospital. Mrs. Jones, underwent an operation.

SCHOOLS CLOSED — DIPHTHERIA.

Windsor, Jan. 2.—The Sandwich public school, which has been closed on account of diphtheria in the town, will re-open next Wednesday.

FORTUNE'S "NO."

Fortune is a lady, with a lady's whims and wiles; There is glory in her favor and enchantment in her smiles; She may turn her back to-morrow, though her mood is kind to-day. She may turn from love to hatred in a fickle woman's way.

Fortune is a lady; she may frown on him who tries Through the fairest means to woo her, to find favor in her eyes. And bestow her choicest blessings on some undeserving one Who neglects to give her credit, and insults her just for fun.

Fortune is a lady, and with a willful lady's right To be petulant or merry, to exhibit love or spite, And the man who bleats with bravado, with the heart to take her so, Who declines to think she means it when he hears her murmur "No."

Necessity, remarked the man with the chronic quotation habit, is the mother of invention. That's where you've got a flat wheel, said the contrary person, invention is the parent of necessity. How do you figure that out? Well, take the telephone, for example. There was no necessity for it until after it was invented.

THREW AWAY MILLIONS.

London Firm Had its Radium Carted Away.

London, Jan. 4.—Sir William Ramsay is authority for the statement that a London firm of analytical chemists has thrown away for many years the by-products obtainable from pitchblende in the process of extracting uranium. It is in pitchblende that radium is now found, and these hundreds of tons of discarded refuse contained in varying quantities the element which in a fluctuating market is worth to-day at least £200 a gram. One piece of pure radium weighing an ounce would, if obtainable, be worth £750,000. The firm which thus unknowingly has flung probably many great fortunes to the wind is Johnson, Matthey & Co., Limited, of Hatton Garden; but, as one of the principals remarked the other day, radium had not been discovered at that time. "As a matter of fact," he added, "we actually paid, I believe, three shillings and sixpence a ton to have the stuff carried away in dust carts. It was used for levelling and laying out roads in the city and for filling in the foundations of houses."

For twenty-five years the firm was engaged in extracting oxide uranium from pitchblende. Oxide was used mainly to color expensive glassware, to which gave it a yellowish green fluorescent appearance. The use of uranium for this purpose has been long discontinued in favor of cheaper methods. Much of the pitchblende worked upon by Johnson, Matthey & Co. was obtained from the identical mines at Joachimsthal, Austria, which now produce the finest radium.

Consolidated Lake Superior Co.

New Haven, Conn., Jan. 2.—The annual meeting of the Consolidated Lake Superior Co., which was to have been held to-day, was again postponed, this time to Jan. 23. Four stockholders having proxies for a majority of the stock were present at the hour named for the meeting, but transacted no business.

THE MARKET REPORTS.

War Prices for Wheat—The Live Stock Trade—Latest Quotations.

Saturday Eve., Jan. 2.

A smart advance in wheat prices was caused by the war talk on Saturday. There was more inquiry here from the markets abroad for wheat than has been experienced for a long time. One local firm of exporters said they had more inquiries for wheat than they could supply before on a Saturday, which, it appears, is not a busy day. They declared that if the grain were available for prompt shipment they could have purchased on these orders 300,000 bushels. But the deliveries of wheat have by no means been heavy the past few weeks, especially in Ontario, and it would be impossible to make large purchases at the present time without causing a sharp advance in prices. Owing to the fall, the farmers' deliveries of wheat in Ontario were lighter than usual. This kept the stocks of wheat in the country at a low level. On the approach of winter the deliveries of wheat at the country mills have been very light, and at one time fairly large, but before the holiday season they fell off again, partly owing to the heavy roads in the country.

The truth of the matter is that the Ontario farmers can now afford to hold their wheat in store for a considerable time in the history of agriculture in this Province when the farmers as a whole have been so hard hit by the circumstances. This is the result of a succession of good crops. The local sellers of wheat promptly advanced their prices of wheat three cents per bushel on Saturday. Holders of Manitoba wheat put up the price of No. 1 hard to 92c or 93c, or within a cent or two of the dollar mark, with the grinding mills in trade. The buyers were actively light. On the approach of winter the deliveries of wheat at the country mills have been very light, and at one time fairly large, but before the holiday season they fell off again, partly owing to the heavy roads in the country.

Toronto St. Lawrence Market.

Trade at St. Lawrence Market to-day was limited. The after holiday season was dull, and very little business was done. On the street there was a fair amount of business done. About 1,000 bushels of grain were sold.

Wheat—Two hundred bushels of red sold at 72c per bushel, 100 of white sold at 80c and 300 of goose sold at 73c to 74c. Barley—One hundred bushels sold at 40c per bushel.

Oats—Were steady. Three hundred bushels sold at 32c per bushel. Rye—One hundred bushels sold slightly easier at 50c per bushel.

Butter—Butter is quiet. Quotations are unchanged at 17.5c per cwt. for light weights and 16.75c for heavies. Quotations are easier at 15c to 21c per pound.

Eggs—The offerings were light and prices keep firm in tone and unchanged. Poultry—The offerings were rather light, except in the case of turkeys, in which the demand was brisk enough to pretty well clear up the few on the market. Prices in other lines have an easier tone.

Hay—About 30 loads were on the market. No. 1 timothy sold at \$9 to \$10.50 per ton and mixed or clover at \$8 to \$9. Straw—Two loads sold steady at \$10 per ton.

East Buffalo Cattle Markets.

East Buffalo, Jan. 2.—Hogs—Receipts, 12,500 head; active, 10c to 15c lower; heavy, \$10.50 to \$11.50; mostly \$10.50; mixed, \$9 to \$10.50; Yorkers and pigs, \$4.50 to \$5; roughs, \$4 to \$4.50; stags, \$3 to \$3.50. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 12,000. Sheep—Steady; lambs 10c lower; lambs, \$5 to \$6.25; yearlings, \$4.50 to \$5; wethers, \$4 to \$4.50; ewes, \$3.50 to \$4; sheep, mixed, \$2.50 to \$3.25.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Jan. 2.—Cattle—Receipts, 3,000; market steady; good to prime steers, \$5 to \$5.75; poor to medium, \$3.50 to \$5; stockers and feeders, \$2 to \$4.10; cows, \$1.75 to \$4.25; heifers, \$2 to \$4.75; canners, \$1.75 to \$2.40; bulls, \$2 to \$4.25; calves, \$2.50 to \$6.75. Hogs—Receipts to-day, 28,000; market closed steady; good to choice heavy, \$4.75 to \$4.85; rough heavy, \$4.40 to \$4.50; bulk, \$4.25 to \$4.75; sales, \$3.50 to \$5.75. Sheep—Receipts, 15,000; sheep and lambs steady; good to choice heavy, \$4.75 to \$4.85; rough heavy, \$4.40 to \$4.50; bulk, \$4.25 to \$4.75; sales, \$3.50 to \$5.75. Native lambs, \$4 to \$4.65.

Leading Wheat Markets

Closing previous day. To-day, Jan. 3, May, Jan. May.
Chicago 84 1/2 82 1/2 81 1/2
New York 87 1/2 85 1/2 84 1/2
St. Louis 88 1/2 86 1/2 85 1/2
St. Paul 89 1/2 87 1/2 86 1/2
Minneapolis 90 1/2 88 1/2 87 1/2
Duluth 91 1/2 89 1/2 88 1/2

Clearing Sale

of Men's and Women's Fancy and Felt Slippers

We commence this week to clear out the following:

Women's Fancy Velvet Slippers, all sizes, 6-10, \$1.00 for 50c
Men's Fine Alligator, tan and black, sizes 6-10, \$1.00 for 50c
Boys' Fine Alligator, sizes 1-5, regular size, for 50c
Women's Fancy Felt, sizes 3-7, reg. \$1.50 for 1.00
Women's Fancy Felt, \$1 for 75c

Many others reduced accordingly.

TURRILL
The Shoe Man

NEW ORGANIST

E. B. Arthur, of Hamilton, has been engaged as organist and choir master by the First Presbyterian Church. He played yesterday and the congregation seem well pleased with the choice of the managers and musical committee. Mr. Arthur comes to the Maple City very highly recommended. He has been engaged in music for the last 19 years, and during that time he has filled many positions in large churches, such as the James St. Baptist church, where he was for nine years, the Methodist church, Hamilton, and the Central Presbyterian church, of Hamilton. He played a violin in the famous Harris orchestra of Hamilton, for ten years, and was one of the first players in it. Mr. Arthur will open up a studio here and teach organ, piano and vocal students. He returned to Hamilton to-day, but expects to be settled in Chatham before three weeks' time.

RETURNED TO CHICAGO.

The Gibney Stock Company left for Chicago Saturday night in place of going on to continue dates which had been arranged for. It is understood that they will reorganize when reaching the Windy City. Mr. Boutledge, the leading man, will join the "Rip Van Winkle" Company, which played here New Year's Day.

IN NATURA DEUS

I worship God in every place of wild and unconfined space; Not in a temple made with hands, But amid the flowering lands, The azure heights of sun and star, The dome of my cathedral air; And for my feet are golden aisles, Wide meadow paths where summer smiles, While every wind that bloweth free Deep organ music makes for me.

And there my heart goes out to Him Who sits above the seraphim; Who made this world of nights and days, And set it in such lovely ways; Who clothed the rose and dressed the spring.

With such a perfect fashioning; Who out of nothing did create The wonders of this human state; And at my making breathed in me A spark of Immortality.

—R. G. Coventry.

Foreign Attache—Are they on the same plane socially?

American—Oh, yes; they exchange snubs regularly.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

RANKIN & SOULLARD—Barristers and Solicitors, Victoria Block, Chatham, Ont. J. B. Rankin, K. C., Thos. Soullard.

DOG LOST—On Dec. 11, 1903, from Eberts, a black cocker spaniel, aged about eight months; has a narrow strip in breast. Answers to the name of "Bowser". A liberal reward will be paid for its return to The Planet Office, or to E. H. Moyer, Ebert's post office. 6d4w.

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

Stuffed Dates
Glazed Nuts
Navel Oranges
Oysters Daily by Express.

The Northwood Company,

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

DRESS GOODS SALE. 3 SPECIALS

During the month of January we have decided to make a clearing sale of all our heavy dress goods, suitable for ladies suits and skirts, at greatly reduced prices.

- No. 1 Special.—This lot consists of Fancy Flake Goods, Stripes and Homespuns, in brown, gray, blue and green, 44, 54 and 56 inches wide, worth 75¢ to clear at per yard 55c
- No. 2 Special.—This lot consists of Homespuns, Zebelines, Flake Ends, Basket Cloth, Fancy Stripes and Frieze, in shades of brown, gray, black, blue and green, 56 inches wide, worth \$1.00, sale price per yard 80c
- No. 3 Special.—This lot consists of black and white check, black and white Stripes Basket Cloth, fancy flake and plain goods, 56 inches wide, worth \$1.25, sale price per yard \$1.00

January Bargains

A big clearing up of odd lines, commencing MONDAY, JAN. 5th, 1904. For the first week of the New Year we offer the following at greatly reduced prices:—

Fancy Flannelette Waistings

JANUARY SALE PRICE.

- 1st Lot.—20 pieces choice Flannelette Waist Cloth, this season's patterns, plain finished cloth, in blues, greys and other staple shades, with handsome wide or narrow stripes, regular 12½c value, for per yard 10c
- 2nd Lot.—10 pieces, French Novelty Cotton Waistings, extra heavy fleece or cashmere finish, with fancy stripes and floral effects, on ground work of Nile, sky, rose, reseda, cardinal and navy blue, some have a fancy border for trimming, regular 20c value, per yd 15c
- 3rd Lot.—14 pieces, Fancy American Novelty Flannelette Waistings, cashmere finished, extra heavy cloth, 34 inches wide, warranted colors, representing spots and fancy Persian stripes on grounds of black, pink, light and dark blues, cardinal, tan, salmon and pea green, regular 25c value, for per yard 19c

Apron Gingham.

JANUARY SALE PRICE.

- 8 pieces Plain or Checked Apron Gingham, blue and white, brown and white, red and white, with or without a border, 36 inches wide, regular 12½c value, for per yard 10c

Bleached Tabling

JANUARY SALE PRICE.

- 1 piece, 70 inch Bleached Table Linen, pure flax, rose design, extra heavy superior finish, regular 50c value, for per yard 42c

Black Petticoats and Flannelette Underwear

The petticoats of black sateen are made in a wide variety of attractive styles, and they are serviceable as well as good looking. As to prices \$1.00 to \$3.50 gives some idea of the range.

- At \$1.00.—Of Heavy Black Sateen with deep flounce, finished with narrow ruffles or pleats.
At \$1.25.—with sixteen inch pleating, finished with ruffle and narrow pleating.
At \$1.50.—Extra wide shirt, with deep flounce and finished with 2 ruffles and narrow bands.
At \$1.75.—Of fine quality black sateen, deep flounce, is finished with five small frills and cording.
At \$1.75.—Of Heavy Black Sateen, with 10 inch accordion pleated flounce, finished with 3 small ruffles and cording.
At \$2.75.—Of very fine English Macerized Sateen, with deep flounce and pleating.

Flannelette Underwear for Women and Children.

- At 50c.—Women's Gowns, of Striped Flannelette, colors, pink, blue and grey.
At \$1.00.—Flannelette Gowns, plain colors, pink, blue and white, made with double yoke, finished around neck, sleeves and down the front with ruffles.
Children's Gowns of Flannelette, striped or plain colors, all sizes for children from 2 to 14 years of age. Prices range 39c to 55c.
Children's Flannelette Drawers, pink, blue and grey, sizes:
Size 1—2½ to 3½
Size 2—3½ to 4½
Size 3—4½ to 5½
Size 4—5½ to 6½
At 25c.—L's Drawers of Striped Flannelette.
At 50c.—L's Drawers of Heavy Twilled Flannelette.

C. Austin & Company

IN GROCERY SELLING

It does not do to drop all care and push once Christmas and the holidays are past. Things to eat cannot be good in January, as well as in December. Fish at this time of the year, will be not acceptable—a decided change from the many rich things we have been taking.

FINNAN HADDIE, boned, 10c a pound.
SALT MACKEREL, 12 1/2c a pound.
SALT HERRINGS, 45c a Doz.
LOCH FINE HERRINGS, 50c a Keg.
BONED CODFISH, 3c a Pound.
BONELESS CODFISH, 10c a pound.
FAN DRIED ROLLED OATS, 7 pounds for 25c.
GENUINE RUCK WHEAT FLOUR, 7 pounds for 25c.
QUEBEC MAPLE SYRUP, 30c a Quart.
SWEET ORANGES, 25c a Doz.
FRESH CHEESE, 14c a pound.

H. Malcolmson

The Old Year AND The New.

Just now it is fitting that we express our appreciation of the highly satisfactory business that has been accorded us during the past year. We thank our patrons for their interest and loyalty, and while expressing our appreciation, we wish, also to extend our best wishes for a New Year of happiness and prosperity for all. Your best interests shall be our interests during the coming year. Our service will, if possible, be better than ever before, as a practical acknowledgement of our appreciation of your continued favor and patronage.

Red Cross DRUG STORE.

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

Suitable Holiday Presents.

A nice line of Cane in Boxes and Bulk Nasmith's High Grade Chocolates in box Rowntree's Jubes.
 Terry's Sweet.
 A beautiful set of Ebony Mirrors, Hair Brushes, Clog Brushes and other natural woods.
 A large assortment of Shaving Mugs, Brushes and straps.
 Cigars boxes of 10 and 25 from 50c up to \$1.00.

Badly's Drug Store.
 ...IT PAYS TO...

Dressy Chathamites.

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

W. N. Morley & Co.

TO-NIGHT.

Marks Bros., Grand Opera House, at 8.15.
 Park St. Methodist League, S. S. hall, at 8.
 The Separate School Board will meet to-night at 8.
 Western City Lodge meets to-night at 8 o'clock.
 Election returns at The Planet Office, about 8.15.
 "Robin Hood" rehearsal, Auditorium over Standard Bank, at 8.
 Week of Prayer service will be held in Holy Trinity at 8.
 Regular meeting of Wellington Chapter, No. 47, R. A. M., Masonic Hall, Fifth St., at 8.

THE LOCAL BUDGET

Mrs. Wm. Young, Harvey street, is seriously ill.
 Walter Drouillard, of Windsor, is visiting in town to-day.
 William Moore has returned from visiting friends in Hamilton.
 Smoke Quail on Feast Cigars, 5c. Sold by all dealers. Union Made.
 Will Duff and Ed. Barry have returned from visiting friends at Burlington.
 Miss Jennie Chater, of Windsor, is the guest of Miss Florence Smith, Raleigh street.
 Miss Kate Garrett has returned from spending the holidays with her sister in Toronto.
 Clarence Terry, who has been visiting in the city, returns to-morrow to Wilmington, Delaware.
 H. A. Eckhardt, of St. Catharines, spent New Year's with Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Peate, representative of C. H. Gunn & Co., will start on an eastern trip to-day.
 When you want an artistic design, call up or visit Victoria avenue Green Houses, "Phone 181.

Miss M. M. Askin left Friday for Detroit, where she has accepted a business position.
 Fred Hicks, Detroit, returned home this morning after visiting A. G. Peate, Adelaide street.
 Mrs. A. G. Peate, Adelaide street, returned home Friday after visiting her son Bruce in Detroit.
 Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Snell, and daughter Delight, of Essex, are spending a couple of days at Mr. Snell's home here.

Call on Gabe McIntyre at the Montreal House, corner Bond and Sandys streets.
 Mrs. E. S. Allen and son, Norman, of Ingersoll, are the guests of Mrs. Allen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Reid, Wellington street, west.

We are giving away money. Read how to get \$100, our adv. in this issue tells about it. Geo. Stephens & Co.
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Skates

Occupy a great deal of our attention just now. Although we have had exceptionally large sale this year, our stock is still fully assorted. We can supply you with any size or style you desire. Either spring or hockey plain or Nic-le-riated. We fit them free of charge.
 Spring Skates 50c. to \$1.00 per pair.
 Hockey Skates 50c. to \$3.50 per pair.
 Straps, 10c pair.
 Hockey Sticks, 15c to 50c.
 Pucks 10c, to 25c.

J. C. WANLESS
 4 Doors East of Market, King Street, Chatham.

W. N. Morley & Co.

Chatham's Millinery Store.

ALL KINDS OF Goffered Chiffons FOR MAKING COLLARS, ALL COLORS AND WIDTHS.

For Thursday, Two Dozen Hats, worth from \$3 to sell for \$1.95.

C. A. COOKSLEY, KING ST., CHATHAM.

DR. A. W. THORNTON

Has removed to his New Office, corner King and Fifth Streets, over A. L. Mac all's Drug Store. Telephone Office 14. Residence 25.

Wanted—Good smart boy, for barber shop. Apply to Andrew Day.

Thomas Boon, of Bothwell, was a Chatham visitor on Saturday.

Harry J. French, of Dresden, called on his Chatham friends on Saturday.

Miss Gagne has returned to Munsey, after spending her holidays at her home here.

Miss Helen Young has returned from visiting her sister, Mrs. Arthur O. Oldershaw, Collingwood.

50 New Method overcoats, worth \$12.50 and \$15.00, for \$10.00 each at The 2 Ts.

J. Anderson, of Dresden, spent Saturday and Sunday with his friends in town.

Allan Young, of Leamington, was a Chatham visitor Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Eva and Neil Smith, of Stewart, were guests at the Garner House on Saturday.

The Young Men's Club, of Park St. church are trying to arrange to bring the "Varsity Glee Club" to the near future.

Miss Barrie Weatherston, Hamilton, Ont., is visiting at the residence of her cousin, Robert Gray, William street.

J. W. Young, of The Planet staff, returned last evening after spending New Year's with friends in Collingwood.

Mrs. G. J. Wanless, Lorne avenue, has returned from a month's visit with her daughter, Mrs. Minny Maxwell, Cleveland.

Fireman Joe Tucker has returned to the city, after a week's hunt in Chatham township. He came back laden down with rabbits.

Will Strong returned to the city from Saranac yesterday. Mr. Strong left Chatham in June and went to Saranac in search of health. He comes back looking well.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey O'Leane, of Harwich, are visiting in Dover, State of Delaware. They will return by way of New York, where they will make a short visit.

Jimmie Foster, who left Chatham in the spring, and has since been working in the Northwest Territories, has returned home. Jimmie says that the far away fields are green, and Chatham is good enough for him.

The firemen will flood part of the Central School yard this evening, for skating and hockey purposes. The water commissioners have kindly donated free water.

The regular meeting of Wellington Lodge, No. 48, A. F. & A. M., will be held this evening, and being the first meeting under the new officers it is hoped they will be encouraged by a large attendance.

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

Lazy old maids will not lag long after treatment with Warner's Cream. If the cerate smartly reduce the blood with Western Cream.

It should be pointed out that all election announcements which have appeared in the local columns of this paper were paid advertisements. The Planet has no interest in the candidature of any one individual.

"ROBIN HOOD"

A full rehearsal of all interested in the production of the opera "Robin Hood" will be held this evening, commencing at eight o'clock, in the auditorium over the Standard Bank. A full attendance is specially requested. Mr. S. I. Slade will be present at this rehearsal.

FIRE ALARMS

The following are the fire alarms for the past month:
 Dec. 5, J. M. Northwood's residence Kirk street, Telephone alarm.
 Dec. 12—James Fox's residence, Jeffrey street. Local alarm.
 Dec. 23, Gray's factory, Gray's alarm, box 14.
 Dec. 27, Still alarm, market square Telephone.
 Dec. 31, McBray's tailor shop. Local alarm.
 The total by fire to property in the city for the past month does not exceed \$30.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM

WORLD'S FAIR, ST. LOUIS, APL. 30-DEC. 1, 1904.
 Jubilee presents of late Queen Victoria, valued at millions of dollars, on exhibition.
 Minard's Liniment—Lumberman's Friend.

DISTRICT DOINGS BLENHEIM

Jan. 4.—The Planet extends a Happy New Year to one and all. The carnival held at the skating rink on New Year's night was a great success. Miss E. VonGuten won the ladies' prize as Winter, A. G. Shillington gentlemen's prize as George Washington, Jack Blewett best comic dress. About 140 were present.

Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong, of Port Stanley, are visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. Anger, Raglan.

The many friends of Arthur Pickering will be pleased to hear that their is a slight improvement for the better.

Mr. and Mrs. George Thompson spent New Year's day at Dresden with their daughter Mrs. W. McPherson.

Another of Harwich Township's oldest residents passed away on the 30th December. Mr. Malcolm McPhail, at the age of 95 years. The funeral took place on January 1st and was largely attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Labadie and family, F. Goulet, Miss and J. Peters, Mr. F. and Miss B. Sterling were among the Chatham visitors on New Year's day.

Myron and Percy Clark, of Detroit, are visiting their mother here.

S. S. NO. 1, CHATHAM TOWNSHIP.

The following pupils were successful in the final promotion and review examination:

Sr. IV.—J. Stewart 601, M. Baker 323—absent in part.

Jr. IV.—K. Charteris 589, G. Wright 514, A. Rice 465, Ruby Rice 437.

Sr. III.—J. Riddell 619, S. Warnock 564, G. Haviland 494, W. Marshall—absent.

Jr. III.—O. Wright 437, E. Rice 398, L. Rankin 384, R. Birkby 378, P. Newkirk 372, A. Stewart—817.

Jr. II.—J. Marshall 348, Z. Colby 319, D. Colby 300.

Part II.—C. Marshall L. Steep, V. Wright, O. Rankin, G. Birkby.

Sr. I.—H. Duff, A. Stewart. Names in order of merit.

M. B. Abraham.

The fine new school house is now completed and will be formally opened by an excellent concert on Friday evening, Jan. 8th. Don't forget it!

Chatham Township, South of Chatham's best talent has been secured for the occasion. Music by the District orchestra and many other attractions. Tickets 15 cents. Doors open at seven o'clock.

UP THE RIVER.
 Mr. and Mrs. G. Field, of Chatham, are visiting at Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Rice's home.

Miss B. Rice held a wood bee last week.

Quite a number of the young people are enjoying skating on the river at night.

Mr. and Mrs. Crockett and family, of Detroit, are visiting Mrs. G. Patterson.

Mr. A. Purser of Pontiac, is spending a few days at his old home.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Arnold, of Thamesville, spent Christmas at Mrs. G. Patterson's.

Mr. and Mrs. Purser and Mr. and Mrs. Cummings and family spent Christmas at Mrs. Graves' at Thamesville.

Mr. H. Scobie is at home spending his Christmas holidays.

Some of the sports caught a large moon the other day.

We are all sorry to hear of the sad death of little Gladys Picky.

Mr. and Mrs. McGee are visiting at Florence.

Mr. J. Walters is getting his new home in order and expects to move on a few days.

Rev. Mr. Graham is spending his Christmas vacation at his old home.

The Bridge Building Co. are building a new factory, so as to comply with their large business.

DOUBLY SWEET

are our delicious candies. They are a delight to both the eye and the palate. Skillfully made of the best sugar, cream, chocolate, nuts, fruits and flavors they are indeed toothsome dainties impossible to resist. The poet who talked of "Sweetness long drawn out" must have been thinking of our pulled.

MOLASSES TAFFY.

which everybody likes from the cooing baby to the old grandpapa. Just a suggestion. If "this" birthday comes this month one of our left-over fancy holiday boxes, freshly filled, would be an acceptable gift. Economical, too.

Molasses Sea Salt Kines, 15c pound. Chew and Nat Taffy 10c, 40c, and 50c. Bon-bons and Chocolate at 25c a box. Toasted Marshmallows, a winner. Try them. All candies made fresh daily.

Willard McKay
 Garner House Block.
 and Our Richmond & Queen
 Ask for Minard's and take no other.

JANUARY STOCK-TAKING SALE THE GORDON STORE

will begin a Clearing Sale and continue during the month, prior to taking stock. Everything that smells of winter will be pushed at such reductions in price as will prevent us carrying these goods over. It will pay you to read and heed our descriptions and quotations. You can't find our whole bargain batch here. A friendly visit will open your eyes far better than printers' ink.

Ladies' Cloth Jackets

13 ONLY FINEST CLOTH COATS—Silk, satin and fur lined, all sizes, \$16.00, \$18.00 and \$20.00, sale price

23 ONLY LADIES' JACKETS—Silk and mercerized lined, fancy stitching and braiding, regular \$10.00 and \$12.50, sale price

10 ONLY LADIES' CLOTH COATS—mercerized, lined throughout, prime, \$8.00, \$10.00 and \$11.00, sale price

11 ONLY LADIES' COATS—Mercerized, lined throughout, \$8.50, \$8.75 and \$7.00, sale price

16 ONLY CLOTH, CURL AND TWEED COATS—Lined throughout, \$5.00, special, on sale

25 ONLY GREY CHEVIOT SKIRTS—Well and tastefully made, \$2.50 goods at

25 ONLY LADIES' CLOTH SKIRTS—Black, grey and blue trimmed, with buttons or straps, \$2.50, \$2.75 and \$2.90 goods, at

11 ONLY FANCY CHEVIOT SKIRTS—grey or black, \$5.00 goods at

3 ONLY GREY VICUNA CLOTH SKIRTS—regular \$5.00 value, at

12 ONLY DRESS SKIRTS—Fancy made and trimmed with buttons or straps, \$3.75, \$4.50 and \$5.00 skirts, at

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One \$20.00 GREY SQUIRREL and GERMAN OTTER CAPERINE for

One \$25.00 PERSIAN LAMB and SABLE CAPERINE for

One \$32.50 SABLE CAPERINE for

Two \$10 ELECTRIC SEAL CAPERINE for

One \$8.75 ASTRACHAN and SEAL CAPERINE for

One \$9.00 BLACK CONEY CAPERINE for

Two \$5.75 ASTRACHAN CAPERINES for

Two \$2.50 CONEY COLLARS for

One \$10.00 JAP BEAR BOA, 117 in. long for

One \$14.00 TIBET BOA, 108 in. long for

One \$17.50 SABLE SCARF, 100 in. long for

One \$40.00 MINK BOA for

One \$29.00 STONE-MARTIN BOA for

One \$35.00 STONE-MARTIN BOA for

One \$24.50 CUB BEAR, (Bernhardt) for

Three \$50.00 Persian Lamb Coats at

Three \$30.00 Russian Lamb Coats at

Four \$40.00 ASTRACHAN COATS at

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Heavy Dress Goods

WM. FOREMAN & CO.
Importers.JANUARY SALE OF
Fashionable Dress Goods

We are into the stock taking. Many lines of winter fabrics must be cleared out between now and the end of the month.

- Canvas Suitings, 5 ins wide, in shades of navy, royal and brown, regular at per yard \$1.85, on sale at per yard \$1.50.
- 56 in. Zebeline, in colors grey, reg. at per yard \$1.50, on sale at per yard \$1.25.
- 45 in. Zebeline Suitings, in colors, green, cardinal and brown, regular at per yard \$1.25, on sale at per yard \$1.00.
- 56 in. all wool frieze, in light and dark grey, regular at per yard \$1.00, on sale at per yard \$30c.
- 56 in. Frieze, in greys and blues, extra values at per yard 75c.
- 56 in. Frieze, in knopp effects, in colors black and grey, regular at per yard \$1.00, on sale at per yard 80c.
- 56 in. Frieze, in brown, navy and reds, regular at per yard \$1.00, on sale at per yard 80c.
- 56 in. all wool Frieze, in dark grey, regular at per yard \$1.00, on sale at per yard 85c.

Wm. Foreman & Co.

Timely
TIPS

How can you please any member of the family better than coming to the Boston Shoe Store.

J. L. CAMPBELL,

North Side King St., Chatham.

Boston Shoe Store.

Ayer's Hair Vigor

So young? And hair turning gray? Why not have the early rich color restored? It is easily done, every time.

Save Fuel

Did you ever examine your windows. You will likely find them loose. So much so, they will rattle with the least wind. Windows in this condition will let a lot of cold and wind through.

Stop all this and make your house comfortable by having the Chamberlain Metal Weather Strip attached. See window equipped at my office, opposite the Post Office.

Thos. C. O'Rourke

DOMINION ELECTIONS

are expected in the near future and **Burns & Charters** want every voter to call at their office over Myrall's store, King street, and vote for taking out either a Fire, Life or Accident Insurance Policy, or all three. Money to lend on easy terms of repayment. Agents wanted in Essex, Kent, and Lambton, also city of Chatham. Straight salary to good men. P. O. Box 125, Chatham.

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A Few Doors West of Post Office.

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Ask for Minard's and take no other.

WAR IN THE EAST.

SAID TO BE A QUESTION OF
A FEW DAYS ONLY.

Japan's Preparations—Transports are Ready for the Troops—Glasgow Marine Engineers to Serve With Japanese

Tokio, Jan. 4.—War with Russia is regarded as unavoidable, and the press is urging the immediate opening of hostilities. All of the banks are withholding funds, and it is believed that this is the result of the official instructions. The Government has completed and perfected arrangements for the transportation of the troops and supplies, and the people calmly await developments. The continued dissemination of optimistic views from Berlin causes surprise here.

A squadron, consisting of six armored cruisers, under command of Admiral Kaminira, is expected to leave Sascho tomorrow for Masampo, Corea. Masampo is the port in Corea which Russia desires to possess in order to maintain communication between her outposts at Port Arthur and Vladivostok. It is at the southeastern extremity of the Korean peninsula, not far from Fusan, the proposed sea terminus of the railway from Seoul, which the Japanese Government recently brought under its own control, taking it from the Japanese company which held the concession. Sascho is 100 miles from Masampo.

Glasgow, Jan. 4.—A large number of Clyde marine engineers received cable orders from the Japanese Government yesterday to proceed immediately to Japan. These engineers were engaged by the Japanese six months ago on the condition that they would be called on if active service was probable. Full instructions were sent them in cipher. They will go to the far east by way of Canada, sailing from Liverpool Jan. 5.

Bizerta, Tunis, Jan. 4.—The Russian cruiser Aurora sailed to-day for Alexandria, but in accordance with telegraphic instructions the remainder of the squadron destined for service in the far east has postponed its departure.

Washington, Jan. 4.—The Associated Press learns from a high official source that Japan, in her last note to the Russian Government, announced that the minimum proposal which Russia must accept from Russia is rights in Corea equal to those claimed by Russia in Manchuria. In return, it is said, Japan agrees to recognize the supremacy of Russia in Manchuria. To this proposition, the Associated Press is informed, the Russian Government will not give its approval, feeling that which are under the impression that negotiations in the form of concessions in Corea for her commerce. The Russian Government has not abandoned hope of a diplomatic settlement of the question, in view of the powerful pressure which Great Britain and France are bringing to bear upon Japan to consent to a continuance of the negotiations. It is emphatically stated that Russia will never admit the parallel between her position in Manchuria and that of Japan in Corea.

London, Jan. 4.—The Cunard Line steamer Umbria, which sailed from Liverpool for New York yesterday has among her passengers, Melton Prior, the war artist and correspondent of The Illustrated London News, who is on his way to Japan. The other correspondents who have started include H. J. Whigham and E. F. Knight, both of The Morning Post, London.

No little excitement prevails in the British home squadron, the officers of which are under the impression that they may at any moment be ordered to replace the Channel squadron, which would be sent to the Mediterranean should the Government deem it advisable to strengthen its naval force in the far east. In the home squadron, leaves of absence have been stopped, and extra supplies of ammunition have been taken on board.

EIGHT IN MANCHURIA.

Chinese Pirates and Cossacks in Conflict.

New York, Jan. 4.—The Sun has the following special from St. Petersburg:—Telegrams from Manchuria say that 8,000 Hunhuses (Hunhuses) pirates, who have lately been pillaging in the Liaohe district, had a fight with 2,000 Cossacks of the Russian frontier guards at Liaoyang, 400 yester from Mukden. The Russians had four guns. They had an officer and eight men killed. The losses of the pirates were not given, nor is anything known as to the result of the fight. Another conflict is reported to have taken place with great losses on both sides. No details are given.

JUMPED THE TRACK.

Railway Traffic Blocked at Brighton About Five Hours.

Brighton, Jan. 4.—The engine of the eastbound way freight, York to Belleville, jumped the track in the yards here on Saturday evening, and completely blocked traffic both ways. The westbound passenger train, No. 7, was delayed about five hours. The accident was not serious, and the track was soon repaired.

PASSENGERS INJURED.

Accident to Northern Pacific Express in Manitoba.

Winnipeg, Jan. 4.—Three coaches of the southbound Northern Pacific express for St. Paul, which uses the Canadian Northern tracks to the boundary line, left the tracks near Union Point, Man., Saturday afternoon while going at full speed. About fifteen passengers were bruised and badly shaken up, but no one was seriously injured. Traffic was blocked for about twelve hours.

CORPORATIONS CHARTERED.

Company Formed to Develop Power on the Trent.

Toronto, Jan. 4.—A company to operate power privileges on the Trent Valley Canal has been incorporated under the name of the Trent Power Company, Limited, with a capital of five hundred thousand dollars. The incorporators are Hon. S. H. Blake, K.C., E. W. McNeill and Robert Gowan of Toronto, and David Gilmour, manufacturer, and Robert Weddell, company manager, of Trenton.

Messrs. McNeill and Gowan are clerks in the office of Blake, Last & Cassels. The head office of the company will be in Trenton.

A million-dollar company is the Rainy River Lumber Company, Limited, with head office in the Village of Rainy River, and Development Company, Limited, with headquarters at Port Arthur.

Other companies which have received incorporation are the Ontario Lead and Zinc Company, Limited, \$200,000; Port Arthur Carney Lumber Company, Limited, \$500,000; Village of Massey; the Canada National Land and Development Company, Limited, \$500,000; Toronto Canadian Coal and Lumber Company, Limited, \$100,000; Village of Galetta; W. E. Chalcraft & Company, Limited, \$50,000; Stratford Church & Watt, Limited, harness manufacturers, \$40,000; Simcoe Skedden Brush Company, Limited, \$40,000; Hamilton, the Smith Manufacturing Company, Limited, wool stock, \$40,000; Toronto.

A company known as Granite, Limited, has been incorporated to take over the property now occupied by the Granite Curbing and Statuary Company, Limited. The provisional directors are Charles Boeckh, A. Allan, James Baird, D. S. Barclay, G. H. Gooderham, M. Rawlinson, C. C. Dalton, W. E. Matthews, F. P. Smith, F. G. Cox, E. A. Bazanach and R. L. Patterson. The capital is \$30,000.

The corporate name of George N. Morang & Co., Limited, is changed to Morang & Co., Limited.

BIG SUNDAY NIGHT RAID.

Over One Hundred Chinamen Found in Toronto.

Toronto, Jan. 4.—By means of clever and carefully prepared plans the police last night secured evidence against what is believed to be one of the most extensive Chinese gambling dens in the city. The place is at 103 Queen street west, and the proprietor Quong Yen Ho, a burly Chinese, the extent to which gambling is said to be carried in there for gain may be judged when the police secured the names of 110 Chinamen and three white women. It is estimated that over fifty more Chinamen made their escape in the excitement which followed the entry of the police.

The police descended on the premises a little after 10 o'clock, when it was thought that a game would be under way and the place would be crowded. Inspector Stephen of No. 2 division assigned Policemen Kennedy and Acting Patrol Sergeant Miles to the task of securing the place. The front door of the place was open, and when the officers appeared the Chinamen downstairs gave a strange yell, as if to warn everybody of the visit. The police entered the place, and the Chinamen fled to the upper floors. The police followed them, and the Chinamen fled to the upper floors. The police followed them, and the Chinamen fled to the upper floors.

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The Wilson girl will be arraigned in the Police Court this morning on a general charge of vagrancy.

CHICAGO THEATRES DARK.

Closed Until Safety Ordinance is Obeyed.

Chicago, Jan. 4.—Every theatre in Chicago except the Auditorium, which already meets requirements, was dark Saturday night, and not one of them will be open until their managers have complied in the fullest manner with every section of the ordinance regulating play houses.

The order compelling the theatres to close was issued this afternoon by Mayor Harrison after a conference with Corporation Counsel Tolman, who assured the Mayor that ample legal ground existed for his action. It was announced that every theatre in the city must hereafter comply with the following regulations, before being allowed to reopen:

Steel rod curtains, wide exits, no combustibles of any kind in the house, fireproofed scenery, no calcium or "spot" lights to be used on the stage, skylights above the stage provided with automatic lids to permit the egress of smoke, fire and gas; separate stairways, each exit having its own stairs to the street.

A STORMY MEETING.

TARIFF REFORM LEAGUERS
THROWN FROM PLATFORM.

Crowd Stormed the Platform and Proceedings Were Uproarious—Mr. Barlow Cumberland Present.

London, Jan. 4.—Workingmen stormed the platform at Newton Abbot, Mid-Devon, where a bye-election is in progress, and ejected the tariff reform speakers, Sir John Cockburn, and Mr. Barlow Cumberland, formerly of Toronto, who appeared in place of Hon. Mr. J. H. Turner, Agent-General for British Columbia. Blood was spilt in the several free fights during the meeting, and many women fainted.

J. Tritton, President of the Bankers' Institute, says that protection means restriction. Standing at the centre of the world's trade, with his hand on the pulse of the trade of the world, he created a suggestion that would close the ports of Britain.

The Morning Leader calls the Montreal Herald's references on December 19th to Hon. Geo. Foster "refreshingly candid," and says "no possible payment would be an adequate return for the dumping of 1,500 words of Fosterian eloquence upon the public." It thanks Mr. Goldwin Smith for the warning that these speakers are not representative Canadians, and says they were found out before his (Mr. Smith's) letter arrived.

Mr. P. Laurence in The Contemporary Review urges, instead of a preference, the giving of colonial loans and enterprises the same footing as British and a tax upon incomes of foreign sources of sixpence in the pound additional.

A Bar colonist, writing to The Chronicle, says that any emigrant using his brains can become comfortably off in from five to ten years.

The Dean of Norwich, preaching in the cathedral last night, said that, for world-wide influence, Mr. Chamberlain's mission had had no parallel since the days when Europe trembled at Napoleon. If such a policy had been announced in France anarchy and bloodshed would have followed.

The Daily Express says that Australia's call to Mr. Chamberlain disposes of the idea that Australia does not desire preferential treatment. Mr. Chamberlain's motto is "Let others talk. I act."

The Morning Post says: "In the most explicit terms the Prime Minister and his colleagues of the Commonwealth speak of Australia as one of the intending partners in Mr. Chamberlain's scheme."

The News says: "The interest in the correspondence lies in the new development of Imperial electioneering. We already have had the experience of Canadian orators; Australians are likely to come when that Colony understands what Chamberlain means. Premier Deakin is hard pressed and anxious to obtain Mr. Chamberlain's aid."

SCENE IN A COURT.

Mrs. Barbatto Severed a Man's Jugular Vein.

Orange, N.J., Jan. 4.—In a crowded court room, Mrs. Carmelo Barbatto, about forty years old, drew a razor from the pocket of her dress and slashed Pasquale De Palma across the neck, severing his jugular vein. The man and woman were directly in front of Judge Bray at the time, and the blood that spurted from the wound splattered the Judge's face and clothing. The wounded man was hurried to the Orange Memorial Hospital, where the lies in a critical condition. Mrs. Barbatto had caused the arrest of De Palma, whom she accused of annoying her by his attentions. They were sweethearts fifteen years ago in the town of Prata, Italy.

ICE JAM AT THE FALLS.

Channel on the American Side Almost Dry.

Buffalo, Jan. 4.—Unusual conditions prevail at Niagara Falls. An ice-jam has been formed on the United States side of the river, above the falls, leaving the channels on the American side almost dry, and sending an enormous quantity of water over the Horseshoe Falls. The channels between Goat Island and Three Sister Islands, which under ordinary conditions, are deep, rushing torrents, are now mere rivulets, three or four inches deep. The jam is the second that has occurred in a quarter of a century, and the present one exceeds the one of last March in size and grandeur.

KILLED FELLING A TREE.

Thomas H. Morden of Arthur the Victim.

Arthur, Jan. 4.—A fatal accident occurred Saturday at the bush of Mr. John Morden, West Lough. Thomas Henry Morden, a young man twenty years of age, son of Mr. Henry Morden of this place, was killed instantly while he and several others were engaged in the felling of a tree.

GUELPH BOYS IN TORONTO.

So Drunk That They Could Not Tell Their Names.

Toronto, Jan. 4.—Two little fellows in knee breeches were brought before the Agnes Street Session on Saturday night in an advanced state of intoxication. They were so drunk that they could not tell their names. After a long sleep they told the police they came from Guelph to visit their aunt, who lives on Mallard street. There was no room in her house, so she arranged for them to stay at the Church street lodging house. They were out all day on Saturday, and on reaching their stopping place in charge of two citizens early in the evening were informed that they could not remain. Nobody seemed to care for the boys, and they eventually found their way into the hands of Policemen B. Stewart. The boys intended to prosecute the persons who furnished the boys with liquor.

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DISTRICT DOINGS.

CON. 4, CHATHAM TOWNSHIP.

Sleighting is excellent through here. Miss Maggie McGrail left last week for Newbury. Robert Campbell, of Otter Creek, is visiting relatives here. Hector McDonald, of Bear Creek, was a visitor through here last week. Nelson Faubert is busy heading timber for a barn. A. Hinds being the contractor. Sandy Ross is confined to the house with a painful hand. John Terry, Sr., who has been out West for the past month, returned last Monday.

APPLEDORE.

Miss Dora McKerrall came to teaching in Dawn on Monday. The Lindsay road Sunday school concert was well attended on Friday night. Master Normie Andrews, Kimbal, is visiting his parents here. J. Nollie, Jr., from Dakota, has purchased his father's farm. J. McKerrall has purchased a new farm. Miss Mary Higgin, River Rouge, Mich., spent Christmas with her parents here. Miss Dubs will teach No. 7 this year.

FLETCHER.

The Christmas tree in the Presbyterian church came off on the 22nd and was a decided success. Great credit is due to the teachers for the able manner in which their pupils acquitted themselves. Mr. Frank Murphy and sister Rose, of Chicago, are visiting their parents here. Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Kearns and daughter have returned after spending Christmas with Mrs. Morris, of Detroit. Miss Lily Murphy, of Detroit, is spending the holidays here. Dr. A. Fletcher, of Chicago, is the guest of his aunt, Mrs. Geo. Holmes. Mr. James Finn has returned to Chatham after spending the holidays with his parents here. Mr. John Kearns is all smiles. It is a girl. Miss Kharal, of Durand, is spending the holidays here. David Hoyt paid a flying visit to Tilbury.

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