

A LITTLE CHAT

About our business will harm no one and will surely help all who ever have occasion to call on us for anything, by letting them know just what to expect from us in service, in goods, and in prices.

To begin with

We can supply you in a perfectly satisfactory manner with anything in the line of Groceries. In Boots and Shoes our stock is of the most reasonable kind—selected particularly for that class of people who want lasting and moderately stylish Footwear.

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In connection with our Shoe store a REPAIR department which we recommend to you with all confidence, not only for NEATNESS, but also for PROMPTNESS. If we say your Repairing will be done in an hour—it will be done in an hour.

We don't want a cent

Of your money unless you are satisfied you are receiving full value for it. That is why we are always glad to have you look around our stores and learn how much better you can do here than elsewhere.

Our Prices

Are consistent with our qualities. There is a point on the down grade of quality where cheapness ceases to be economy. WE NEVER CROSS THAT LINE.

Our Terms

We will extend thirty days' credit to all responsible parties.

What we Want

Is more trade. If you favor us with a share of your patronage we will reciprocate your kindness by doing all in our power to serve you faithfully and well.

W. M. ROBSON,

WEST END 3 STORES

BEFORE THE BATTLE

of Stocktaking, which commences in about a month or six weeks, we purpose giving our customers such Bargains as we never attempted before. We will not quote any articles or prices, but just say that all goods are at Bargain prices. We carry one of the largest stocks in the county and do the Finest Engraving and Repairing. We wish to thank our many friends and public generally for their liberal patronage during the year 1898, and solicit a continuance of the same.

S. J. PETTY

THE JEWELER.

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POST OFFICE.

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Also Chester White and Berkshire Boar for Service

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Hardware, Coal and Iron

EUREKA SMITHING COAL

The best quality Blacksmith Coal that money can buy.

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McLENNAN & CO

Builders' Hardware.

The Watchman and Victoria Warder

THURSDAY, FEB. 2nd, 1899

Reporters at Committee Meetings

Displeasure has been caused in some quarters by the council's action in excluding the press representatives from committee meetings. Since they were admitted last year it may seem hardship to be refused admittance by the new council. It is, however, a matter that lies within the jurisdiction of that body, members of which explain that while they are willing to have all the results of their deliberations made public yet the process by which these results are reached is not always in condition for public perusal. While in favor of the widest possible liberty being given the press, we can see force in the councillors' contention. Committee meetings are for the purpose of discussing and deciding on questions with the fullest information at hand. Very often one can imagine that references of a personal character have to be made and details obtained that are necessary to a thorough discussion but which is neither necessary or wise to make public. Then again in committee subjects are at an immature stage. Opinions are expressed at the outset without full information or careful thought and members are seeking solutions. The process will go more naturally and with better results if councillors feel free to ask questions and offer suggestions without having them brought under the public eye.

Editorial Notes

THE ONTARIO legislature opened yesterday. The session will probably be a short one. Messrs. Fox and Carnegie are in their places.

THE PROBABILITIES are that a by-law will be submitted not later than next January providing for the erection of a House of Refuge.

A WELL DEFINED rumor was current on Kent-st yesterday afternoon to the effect that Mr. Wm. Steers, barrister, and Mr. Elias Bowes, auctioneer, had been appointed to the positions of Police Magistrate and Clerk of the Division Court respectively.

OUR MANILLA correspondent writes this week that his minister declared in a recent sermon that a young man is deeply enough in love to marry when he would bear having his teeth pulled out for the sake of his sweetheart. That is putting the standard higher. Formerly he was supposed to be devoted enough when he was willing to lose his hair.

TO MUCH cannot be said for the ability and dispatch with which the Rider and Kitchener negotiations have been conducted. From the time a committee of citizens arranged the preliminaries and gave a hint of the material we have for a Board of Trade, till the final draft of conditions was agreed upon the matter has been carried on with energy and skill. Of course much of the credit for this is due Town Solicitor Hopkins who is an host in such transactions. Messrs. Rider and Kitchener have likewise showed themselves gentlemen whom we shall be glad to receive as citizens and business men. Mr. Urquhart, their solicitor, also won the admiration of all by his cordial demeanor and evident proficiency in negotiations.

ANNIVERSARY SERVICES

Next Sunday the anniversary services of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church will be held. Two sermons will be preached by Rev. D. C. Hossack, B.A., L.L.B., of Falkdale, Toronto. Mr. Hossack is one of the best preachers in the Canadian pulpit and will doubtless be heard by very large congregations. Special collections will be asked. On Thursday, the 9th, the anniversary will be further celebrated when Rev. Dr. Munro Fraser of Knox church, Hamilton, will deliver his famous lecture on "Jerusalem and the Holy Land." No admission fee is charged, but a collection will be taken for the Talent Workers' fund. All are invited.

THE WEATHER

[From the Lindsay Observatory. Report for week ending Saturday night January 28th.

TEMPERATURE. Highest, 38.60 Tuesday. Lowest, 13.60 Friday. Warmest day, mean of, 31.50 Tuesday. Coldest, 1.75 Friday. The week, 20.77

PRECIPITATIONS IN INCHES

Greatest fall of rain in one day, 0.08 Tuesday. Greatest fall of snow in one day, 2.5 Thursday. Rain fell on 1 day. Snow fell on 4 days. Total rain and melted snow 0.35

THOMAS BEALL

FANCY DRESS CARNIVAL

The first carnival of the season was held on Tuesday night. The weather was quite the thing, the ice prime and the whole carnival was a most enjoyable event. While the crowd was up to expectations, the costumes may be regarded as choice rather than numerous. A decidedly taking novelty was the addition of Miss M. Johns and Miss B. Hopwood to the staff of judges. These ladies performed their duties in a way that showed they appreciate the nice points about an ice carnival. The Citizens' band broke the peace in a most acceptable fashion. Following are the prize-winners: Best lady's costume—Miss Sadie Taylor, Jester.

Best gents' costume—Frank Goulais, Mephistophiles. Best girls' costume—Miss Maud Thorndike, Lady of 16th Century. Best boys' costume—John Thorndike, G-nt of 16th Century. Best comic costume—Ronald L. Forte, Championship. Double race—Two miles, exciting, 1st W. Henders and P. McDonald, 2nd W. Massaw and W. Pillick. Mile race—1st George Brady, 2nd Ed. Powers. Spectators prize was won by little Geo. McDonald, the ticket being drawn by Miss Grace Luky.

Passing through a vacant lot the other day where some boys were having a game of ball I heard one of them who had got a rap on the knuckles from a "foul" exclaim: "Jimmy, that hurts;" and then, after rubbing his fingers a moment, he went back to his place on the field, little dreaming that he had just uttered a solemn invocation to the old Roman demigods Gaster and Pollux. For our vulgar "Jimmy" is but a corruption of the Latin "Geminus," twice, a name applied to Gaster and Pollux, the sons of Jupiter and Leda. These hero gods were the patrons of games and festivals of all kinds, and the especial friends of travellers; hence, when an old Roman exclaims: "O Geminus!" it was a devout appeal to the gods for help or protection, very much the same as when a knight of old called on his patron saint.

Killing Canadian Thistles.

To kill Canada thistles, let them come to bud, or flower, put heavy chain from right hand end of double-tree to plow beam, at where the counter is, or should be; leave slack enough to loop in w, just ahead of the turning in slice; have a good plow that will turn the furrow, and with a steady team you will cover thistles completely, as they will have used all their vitality in maturing flowers for seed will be killed, dead, and will benefit the land as green manure.

ODD CHARACTERS.

The Recent Capture in the Bank of England Recalls Some of the Stock Ones for Years Past.

Public institutions the world over are all more or less infested with cranks, but none of them can boast a more interesting collection of human oddities than the Bank of England, writes G. A. Adam, I am not referring to the casual occurrences, but whose visits are of daily occurrence, but to certain characters who, because of their long continued reappearances at stated times of the year, have grown to be regarded by the bank employees as "institutions."

Most of these notable characters, in the days of my service, were women, and women of very uncertain age. There was, for instance, the "Countess of Windsor." The "Countess" was a short, spare little body, with a drawn, pale face, an abundance of soft, gray curls and an ever-present smile, which would have been pleasant to see had its existence been called forth by reason. Her ladyship—nobody seemed to know her real name—had been a quarterly visitor to the bank as long as the oldest employe could remember, and was invariably treated with the utmost courtesy. Her other regular haunts were the Foreign Office at Whitehall and Somerset House, to the officials of which establishments she was equally well-known. Her history, involving a well-known romance and the sudden loss of a large fortune, was told with so many variations that it was impossible to ascertain the true one, but that she was of gentle birth was patent at once, notwithstanding the curious and altogether out-of-date mode of costume she affected, the main features of which are an old silk gown of brilliant green and a bonnet like a coal scuttle.

The particular bee within that alarming headgear was a belief that a grateful House of Lords had, in consideration of certain services rendered by her late husband, voted the little lady a slight monetary award, a trifle of some ten millions sterling. This was long before the brown curls had turned to silver, and notwithstanding the fact that she had never been able to collect a penny, she never seemed to lose heart. It was all a question of time, she would assure you—time and signatures.

My first interview with the "Countess," of whom I had often heard, took place at the bank's branch temporarily established in the Law Courts building. She came tripping up to the counter early one morning and, as I advanced, greeted me with a courteous bow.

"I am the Countess of Windsor. I presume you are acquainted with my affairs?" she said pleasantly.

"Exactly," replied her ladyship. "I think you will find that the documents are now perfectly in order."

So saying she withdrew from a shabby reticule the most fantastic-looking instrument possible to imagine. It was a parchment roll setting forth the imaginary facts of her case in elegant script, signed (I) by an incongruous crowd of names, I remember, included the Queen, Salisbury, Harcourt, Irving and Bradlaugh, and decorated with a blue ribbon to which was attached an enormous tin watch case, burlesquing the great seal of State. I learned afterward that some of the idle youngsters of Somerset House had manufactured this document, and it seemed to me a sorry joke.

"Of course I don't want all the money down," explained the little woman, as I examined the wonderful sheet and wondered how I was going to get out of the situation creditably. "I am afraid, your ladyship, that you have overlooked an important—"

"I know what you're going to say," interrupted the "Countess." "I ought to have the Duke of Westminster's signature. One of my Government friends told me that, and I actually forgot all about it. I'll attend to it at once."

With this she snailinely rolled the document and began to put it back in its rusty bag, her trembling hands showing in many places through a pair of well-worn gloves. As she turned to go I managed to catch an eye on the corner.

"Your ladyship dropped this, I think," I ventured to suggest.

"Oh, dear, no," she replied, while eyeing the money longingly. "No, sir, it doesn't belong to me."

"Nor to me, nor to the bank," I said. "Won't you take it—on account?"

Her face brightened instantly, and she pocketed the coin, saying: "Then you will please charge it up, sir." With another gracious smile went off to see about the Duke's signature. Another notable bank character was an elderly man who, unlike the poor little Countess, was thoroughly illiterate and of humble origin, but who, like her, had a vague idea of rights to untold wealth. His name was Joe Wallace. Regularly four times a week he would show up at the private drawing office and present a check in rough manuscript for some fabulous sum. When informed that the check was worthless except as a curio he would feign the greatest astonishment. "Is this 'ere intended as a joke?" he would ask defiantly, and being assured to the contrary would stalk out of the building muttering vague threats. On the following day a letter would be received by the chief cashier from the irate Joe. The bank museum contains several of his effusions, all couched in some such terms as these:

Bank of England—Sirs: I rite to say as my father as you no left vun millyon pounds for me in yourse koffers, but wen I cum to draw a cheq-to-day they clarks woddent pay up. Please send me sum as bishnis is pore and oblige, your obedient, JOE WALLACE.

BIRTHS

LYTLE—In Lindsay, on Wednesday, 25th Jan., to Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Lyle, east ward, a son (stillborn). BRYANS—In Lindsay, on Tuesday Jan. 24th, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bryans, east ward, a son. STEVENS—In South Ops, on Friday, Jan. 20th, to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Stevens, a son. STEVENSON—At Hill Head, Ops, on Tuesday, Jan. 17th, to Mr. and Mrs. Stevenson, a son.

MARRIAGES

HUNTER—HURCHMER—On Jan. 24th, at the residence of Mr. H. Hurchmer, Holsay, by the Rev. J. W. Slier, Garner Hunter, Jr., to Caddie Hurchmer, both of Bobcaygeon. FINLEY—GIBBON—On Jan. 25th, in Fencion Falls, by Rev. Wm. Farncomb, B.A., Alfred Finley of Verulam, to Eva Gibbon, of Bobcaygeon. METCALFE—ROBE—At the residence of the bride groom, by Rev. R. H. Leitch, on Wednesday, Jan. 25th, Frederick A. Metcalfe of Fencion Falls, to Ida, eldest daughter of Mr. Francis Robe of the township of Fencion.

DEATHS

PEEL—In Ops, on Saturday, Jan. 28th, Harold Henderson Peel, infant son of Charles Peel. BURKE—In Lindsay, on Friday, Jan. 27th, Mary Burke, wife of Mr. Wm. Burke, east ward. DICK—In Winnipeg, Man., on Friday, January 20th, Sarah Willock, wife of Mr. W. K. Dick, aged 80 years. EVERSON—In the township of Verulam, on Friday, January 20th, John Everson, sr., aged 88 years, 8 months and 4 days. SIMPSON—At Manilla, on Jan. 24th, Mrs. Flora Simpson, wife of Robt. Simpson, aged 75 years. PEEL—In Digby township, on January, 23rd, Mrs. Richard Peel, aged 90 years. WELSH—On January 25th, at Little Bob, James F. Welsh, aged 17 years, youngest son of Mr. R. Welsh. MILLS—At Victoria Harbor, on Jan. 26th, Elizabeth Elcom, beloved wife of Mr. Frank Mills, formerly of Emily. MCTAGGART—At Sornay, on Jan. 17th, John McTaggart, aged 82 years. BUCKLEY—At Sudbury on Friday, 27th Jan., John J. Buckley, aged 30 years. Formerly of Lindsay. JEWELL—In Little Britain, on January 28th, Mrs. Jewell, mother of Mrs. Orlando Jewell. SOPER—In Little Britain, on Tuesday, Jan. 31st, Mrs. Elizabeth Soper, aged 70 years and 7 months. McEACHERN—At Argyle, on Sunday, Jan. 29th, Gilbert McEachern, aged 43 years.

G.T.R. LOCAL TIME-TABLE

Table with 2 columns: Station, Time. Includes Belleville Mixed, Port Hope Mixed, Toronto Mixed, etc.

ARRIVALS

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I. B. & O. RAILWAY

Table with 2 columns: Station, Time. Includes Leave Lindsay, Leave Junction, Arrive at I. B. & O. Junction, etc.

I. E. & O. SERVICE

Table with 2 columns: Station, Time. Includes Leave Bancroft, Leave Junction, Arrive at Junction, Arrive at Bancroft.

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ANOTHER WORD

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Yours cordially,

THOS. BRADY,

One Door East of Benson House, Lindsay

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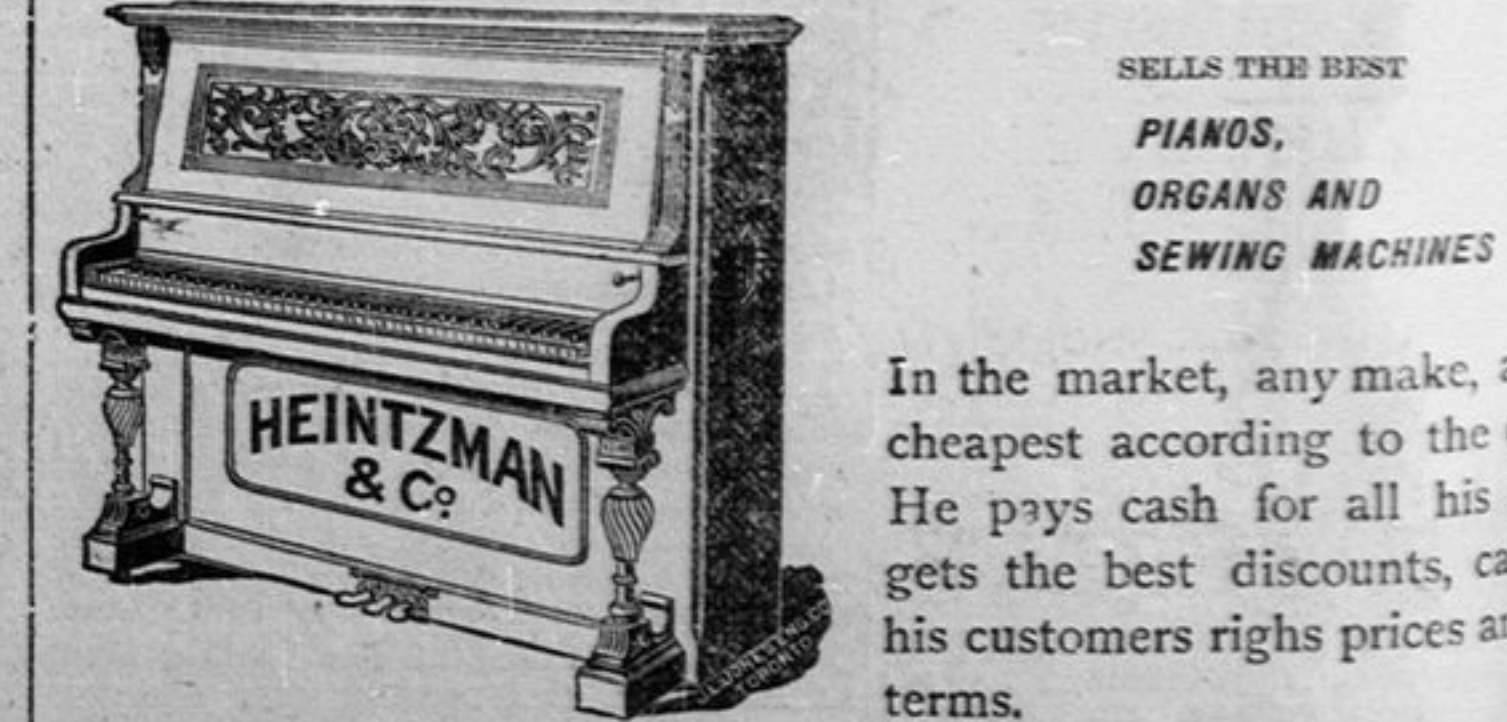
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