

GRAFTON & CO., Limited
High-Grade Union Clothing Manufacturers

Ready for Christmas

It's the part of wisdom not to delay your preparations until the last day. Better begin now, when you can do it more leisurely. The whole store has caught the holiday spirit, and you are welcome to inspect an array of useful and beautiful gifts such as is seldom your good fortune to see. It's a stock to enlist the interest of every taste, and satisfy the demands of any pocket-book. Whatever is wearable is givable and acceptable for a Christmas present. We have everything that's new, beautiful and excellent in

Overcoats! Overcoats! Our Boys' Department

\$8.50—This is the price for Christmas for a long, loose-fitting, stylish Goodwood, or a ¾ Box Overcoat, made from Canadian Frieze, English Cheviot, or Carr's Melton. Perfectly tailored and trimmed. Fully guaranteed to equal any \$10.00 overcoat sold elsewhere. **\$8.50**

\$10.00—We pride ourselves on being able to put a Coat at ten dollars before you that will equal any coat at \$14.00 you will be shown anywhere. They come in the long Raglanette or the ¾ walking lengths, in black, Oxford and mid-gray, swell, stylish garments, perfectly tailored and guaranteed positively all-wool fabrics. Well worth \$14, but Christmas special. **\$10.00**

\$15.00—A rare collection at this price. Coats that merchant tailors would unblushingly charge you \$20.00 for. The styles are the long Goodwood form-fitting back, with square, shapely shoulders. The fabrics are Cheviots, Vicunas or Frieze, dark gray, mid-gray, olive or black. Very special Christmas. **\$15.00**

Like the rushing tide this Great Sale of Boys' Clothing is gathering enthusiastic impetus with each succeeding day, and is building a record to overtop the most brilliant of our past achievements in this section.

Boys' Overcoats, \$4.95, Worth \$6.50

This is really the greatest offer this department has ever sent forth. It is a gathering of the finest Overcoats made from pure all-wool Cheviot and Frieze, grade or olive shades, belted or plain back. Regular values \$6.50. Christmas Special **\$4.95**

Just a Word to Shoppers

We advise all who can possibly do so to shop in the FORENOON, and help us relieve the inevitable rush later in the day. This will not only add to your own comfort in shopping, but will help our hands to get through earlier in the day.

STORE OPEN EVERY NIGHT UNTIL CHRISTMAS.



PRACTICAL CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

Men's Black and Fancy Silk and Satin Mufflers, quilted, satin lining, shaped neck, fine qualities. 50c, 75c, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50

Men's Black, White and Fancy Silk and Cashmere Square Mufflers. A nice Christmas gift. 25c, 35c, 50c, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2, \$2.50

Christmas Suspenders
Men's Fancy Silk Suspenders, elastic backs, kid ends. Each pair in a fancy box. Per pair **50c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.25**

Men's Pure Irish Linen Handkerchiefs
Put up in fancy boxes, ¼ and ½ dozen in a box. Price, per box. **60c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50**

Fancy and white Silk Handkerchiefs
A beautiful Christmas gift. **25c, 35c, 50c, 75c, \$1 and \$1.50**

Christmas Neckwear
SPECIAL—Our quarter-dollar Tie is a very special line with us. The assortment is always very large, including fancy patterns, plain colors, polka dots and stripes, in all the newest shapes for Christmas. These are made in narrow and medium four-in-hand bows and strings. Your choice, each. **25c**

Fine Silk Four-in-Hand Ties
New French Seam Style. Correct width, latest New York and English patterns. In light and dark colors. Price **50c, 75c and \$1.25**

Men's Umbrellas
We carry a large assortment for Christmas trade. We can suit you in any style you wish. Neat wood and fancy handles. **\$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$3.00**

Men's Silk Embroidered Black Cashmere Socks
New designs **25c, 35c, 40c and 50c**

Men's Fancy Vests
In all the up-to-date patterns **\$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50**

Men's Kid and Mocha Gloves
A very acceptable Christmas Gift is a nice pair of Gloves. They are always appreciated whether the recipient has many pairs or few. **50c, 65c, 75c, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2, \$2.50**

Men's Fancy Colored and White Shirts
All the leading makes. **50c, 75c, \$1 and \$1.50**

Men's Fur Caps
In Persian Lamb, German Otter **\$2.50, \$3.95, \$4.95, \$5.50, \$8.50, \$10.00**

Fur Gauntlets, Gloves and Mitts
A good assortment at the following reasonable prices **\$2.95, \$4.50, \$5.95, \$7.50 to \$15**

Cardigan Jackets
Men's Fine Imported Wool Cardigan Jackets, fine elastic stitch, close-fitting jackets, dark brown, navy and black shades **75c to \$5.00**



STORE OPEN EVERY NIGHT UNTIL CHRISTMAS

Factory and Warehouse—
Dundas.

Branch Stores—
Hamilton, Brantford, Woodstock,
London, Peterboro, Dundas and
Owen Sound.

Grafton & Co. Ltd.

Dundas and
Carling Streets
J. M. HICKEY, Manager.

TRAVELERS' GUIDE

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

SARNIA TUNNEL TO SUSPENSION BRIDGE AND TORONTO.
Arrive from the east—3:50 a.m., 10:56 a.m., *11:12 a.m., *11:23 a.m., *6:25 p.m., *7:48 p.m., 10 p.m.
Arrive from the west—*12:09 a.m., *3:15 a.m., 8:50 a.m., *11:13 a.m., 1:14 p.m., *4:10 p.m., *6:25 p.m.
Depart for the east—*12:14 a.m., *3:20 a.m., 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., *11:23 a.m., 2:05 p.m., *4:25 p.m., *6:53 p.m., (Eastern Flyer).

The trains leaving at 7:30 a.m. and 2:05 p.m. stop at all stations.
Depart for the west—*2:35 a.m., *3:55 a.m., 7:40 a.m., *11:13 a.m., *11:35 a.m., 1:49 p.m., *8:05 p.m.
The 7:40 a.m. and the 1:40 p.m. trains stop at all stations.

LONDON AND WINDSOR.
Arrive—10:40 a.m., *4 p.m., *6:58 p.m., (Eastern Flyer), 11 p.m.
Depart—6:35 a.m., *11:27 a.m., 2:20 p.m., *7:55 p.m., (International Limited).

STRATFORD BRANCH.
Arrive—*3:15 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 6:35 p.m., 11:10 p.m.
Depart—6:10 a.m., 11 a.m., 2:50 p.m., 5 p.m.

LONDON, HURON AND BRUCE.
Arrive—10 a.m., 6:10 p.m.
Depart—3:30 a.m., 4:50 p.m.
Trains marked thus * run daily. Those not so marked run daily except Sunday.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.
Arrive—From the east *11:30 a.m., 8 p.m., *11 p.m. From the west—*4:30 a.m., *8:20 a.m., *5:20 p.m.
Depart—For the east—*4:40 a.m., 8:43 a.m., *5:28 p.m. For the west—*11:38 a.m., *8:10 p.m., *11:10 p.m.
Trains marked thus * run daily. Those not so marked run daily except Sunday. **From Chatham only. ***Runs only to Chatham.

PERE MARQUETTE RAILWAY.
Depart—5:40 a.m., *6:50 a.m., 9:45 a.m., 2:30 p.m., *3:40 p.m., 7:35 p.m.
Arrive—8:45 a.m., *12:15 p.m., 1:50 p.m., 4:40 p.m., *9:20 p.m., 10:30 p.m.
*To and from Walkerville, without change. Trains not "starred" to Port Stanley. †Between London and St. Thomas only.

MICHIGAN CENTRAL RAILWAY.
Arrive—6:55 a.m., 11:10 a.m., 5:10 p.m., 9:50 p.m.
Depart—7:15 a.m., 2:20 p.m., 5:35 p.m., *10:25 p.m.
*Runs through to Waterford.

ROYAL MAIL TRAINS

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY

THE MARITIME EXPRESS

Leaving Montreal 12:00, noon, Friday, carries the European mail and lands passengers, baggage, etc., at the steamer's side, Halifax, avoiding any extra transfer the following Saturday.

Special Trains
When inward mail steamers at Halifax do not connect with the regular train, the Maritime Express, west-bound special train, with through sleeping and dining cars attached, for passengers, baggage and mail, will leave Halifax for Quebec and Montreal, connecting with trains for Ottawa, Toronto, and all points west.

CANADIAN PACIFIC CHRISTMAS and NEW YEAR RATES

RETURN TICKETS between all stations in Canada east of Port Arthur, and to Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Detroit, Mich., and Niagara Falls and Buffalo, N. Y., on sale at
SINGLE FARE
good going Dec. 24 and 25, returning until Dec. 26; also Dec. 31 and Jan. 1, returning until Jan. 2, 1908.
FARE AND A THIRD
good going Dec. 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25, also Dec. 28, 29, 30 and 31 and Jan. 1, good returning until Jan. 3, 1908.
Tickets and
Full information at London office:
W. Walton, M. Dandridge,
J. Houston, C.P.R. Station,
or write C.E. Foster, D.P.A., C.P.R., Toronto.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S EXCURSIONS

between all stations in Canada, also to Detroit and Port Huron, Mich., Buffalo, Black Rock, Niagara Falls and Suspension Bridge, N. Y.

AT SINGLE FARE
good going Dec. 24 and 25, 1907, returning until Dec. 26, 1907; also good going Dec. 31, 1907, and Jan. 1, 1908, returning until Jan. 2, 1908.

AT FARE AND ONE-THIRD
good going Dec. 21 to Dec. 25, 1907, returning until Jan. 3, 1908; also good going Dec. 28, 1907, to Jan. 1, 1908, returning until Jan. 3, 1908.

For further information and tickets apply E. DE LA ROQUE, C.P. and T.A. Richmond and Dundas streets; E. RUSSELL, depot agent.

WABASH SOUTHWESTERN TRACTION CO.

Hourly Electric Service to St. Thomas Every Two Hours to Port Stanley.
Cars leave London for St. Thomas every hour from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m.
The following cars continue through to Port Stanley: 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 a.m., 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 10:00 p.m.
Cars lay over at Port Stanley 40 minutes and leave at 7:20 a.m. and every two hours thereafter until 11:30 p.m.
Cars wait for London and St. Thomas Trains.

Musical Treat in First Methodist Inspiring Interpretation of Messiah

Madame Maconda Scores a Big Success—Praise for Mr. A. D. Jordan.

Undoubtedly the musical event of the season and one of the most delightful treats ever afforded music-lovers in this city, took place last night at the First Methodist Church, when, under the direction of Mr. A. D. Jordan, Madame Charlotte Maconda, one of America's greatest sopranos; Miss Pearl Ellar, contralto; Mr. William Sherlock, tenor, and Mr. H. Whorlow Bull, basso, assisted by a chorus of over one hundred voices, gave a most exquisite rendition of Handel's famous creation, "The Messiah."

and many found it impossible to obtain seats.

First Appearance Here.
It was the first appearance of Madame Maconda in this city, and her rich soprano voice was heard to great advantage in the parts assigned to her.

Madame Maconda was first heard in the pastoral symphony, when after the beautiful music descriptive of the shepherds keeping watch peacefully over their sheep, she took up the soprano recitative at the point where the angels come to announce to the shepherds that a Savior is born into the world.

Madame Maconda brought forth the full dramatic force which gives to Handel's music unrivaled sublimity in the treatment of sacred subjects, and when she was joined at the close of the number by the full chorus representing the angels singing "Glory to God in the Highest and on Earth

Peace, Goodwill Toward Men," she was accorded a reception that showed plainly that she had won her way into the hearts of her audience.

Madame Maconda took four numbers and never for an instant did she lose her hold on her audience. Many expressions of regret were heard that she did not sing more.

To many one of the most effective as well as beautiful portions of the whole oratorio was the alto aria at the commencement of the second part. This was sung by Miss Pearl Ellar, and when she sang of the passion of Christ, "He was despised and rejected of men, a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief," she put such pathos and feeling into her voice as touched her hearers deeply.

Miss Ellar sang well throughout and received hearty applause.

The Hallelujah Chorus.
A very pleasing feature which last night's audience observed, was the custom of rising during the performance of the hallelujah chorus at the close of the second part.

This custom originated in 1742, when the entire audience followed the example of the sovereign George II, who rose to his feet to pay tribute to the King of Kings.

The singing of Mr. William Sherlock, who has a magnificent tenor voice, and of Mr. H. Whorlow Bull, basso, was greatly appreciated. Both gentlemen had considerable work to perform and they acquitted themselves in a manner that was most creditable to themselves. Mr. Sherlock appeared to sing better as he went along, and his rendition, with the chorus, in part two gained for him the hearty applause not only of the audience but of the entire choir.

Too much cannot be said of the work of the chorus. Their singing was most effective at all times, and under the leadership of Mr. Jordan, they took the most difficult parts with ease, and received hearty encores throughout.

The Chorus.
Those who took part were:
Miss G. Brock, Miss A. Bott, Miss B. Bradford, Miss N. Comfort, Miss E. Catermole, Miss E. Childs, Miss L. Chamberlain, Miss E. Deacon, Miss E. Davidson, Mrs. Darlington, Miss B. Elliott, Miss M. Elliott, Miss L. Fowler, Miss M. Fowler, Miss M. Fox, Miss K. Hazelwood, Miss B. Hunt, Mrs. G. Hooper, Miss M. Hamilton, Miss H. Ivery, Miss P. Jenson, Miss E. Kidd, Miss E. Lister, Miss M. Mordie,

Miss M. Mackintosh, Miss E. Rowe, Miss C. Sherwood, Miss L. Summers, Miss P. Sifton, Miss M. Wells, Miss Wilkinson, Miss Wilson, Mrs. Ed. Wyatt, Miss Boomer, Mrs. R. H. Chown, Miss D. Deacon, Miss N. Dunn, Miss P. Ellar, Miss Fleming, Mrs. George Grant, Miss M. Ludwig, Miss M. Mountjoy, Miss M. Mortimore, Miss C. O'Neill, Miss E. Plewes, Mrs. Perdue, Miss St. George, Miss Sifton, Mrs. George Stead, Miss Skelton, Miss L. Tanner, Miss M. Tolhurst, Miss M. Taylor, Miss M. Wardell, Mrs. H. Johnson, Miss Kilborn, Mrs. Watson, Miss Martindale, Miss Bilton, Mr. G. Bott, Mr. John Chapman, Mr. Darlington, Mr. A. M. Eby, Mr. Fairley, Mr. C. Gibson, Mr. Gay, Mr. Hardy, Major G. W. Hayes, Mr. Maynard, Mr. Looker, Mr. F. W. Robins, Mr. H. E. St. George, Mr. W. E. Saunders, Mr. S. Southcott, Mr. John Ward, Mr. J. Yeo, Mr. Atkinson, Mr. J. P. Abrams, Mr. A. E. Barbour, Mr. E. Beech, Mr. B. Beech, Mr. H. Boyd, Mr. Corpe, Mr. P. H. Coles, Mr. Ellis, Mr. P. G. Fitzgerald, Mr. A. Green, Mr. A. R. Greene, Mr. W. N. Humphries, Mr. L. W. Johnstone, Mr. Mayo, Dr. C. W. Milligan, Mr. George McCormick, Mr. A. C. Norton, Mr. J. Nash, Mr. E. W. G. Quantz, Mr. W. P. Reynolds, Mr. Simpson, Mr. F. N.

Soper, Dr. E. P. Smith, Mr. E. Smith, Mr. C. E. Tanney, Mr. A. N. Udy, Mr. P. J. Watt, Mr. W. Wolf.

The London Express says the golf links of the country are fast becoming "vast hatpin cemeteries" and that unfortunately most of the millions of hairpins in them are only half buried, "with their business ends uppermost" to the annoyance and even danger of the players.



If you are contemplating a trip for the winter to Texas, California, Old Mexico or any point, south or west, consider the merits of the great Wabash line, the short and true route between the east and west. Round trip tickets on sale daily at lowest rates. Write your nearest Wabash agent for full particulars, or address J. A. Richardson, district passenger agent, 63 Yonge street, Traders' Bank Building, Toronto.