

G. W. Cornell
Dentist

Cor. 6th and King Street,
Over Geo. E. Young's Grocery.

THE PROBABILITY

G. N. W. Special.

Toronto, Dec. 20—10 a.m.—Strong south and west winds, fine to-day and to-morrow, with stationary or a little higher temperature.

LOCAL BRIEFS

Ladies house slippers from 25c. a pair, at Cowan's.

The relief board of works will hold a special meeting at two o'clock this afternoon.

Stone the Hatter has a large range of ladies' and gentlemen's fur garments of every description, which he is selling at a sacrifice price.

Boy's house slippers, 25c. a pair, at Cowan's.

Mr. Justice Robertson arrived in the city this morning to hold the supplementary sittings of the assizes.

Children's slippers, nice looking, and good to wear, for 25c. a pair, all sizes, at Cowan's.

Cigars, 10 in box and put up expressly for Xmas trade, and a full line of smokers' sundries, at Bennett's, King street, opposite new Oddfellow's block.

The provincial board of health in its weekly statement respecting small-pox, reports that there have been in Essex county 184 cases.

Patients have recovered 122 are sick. Young men's patent leather and fine kid dress shoes at Cowan's, from \$1.50 up.

No one has ever seen such bargains as are being offered at Stone the Hatter's bankrupt sale.

Think of this before making your Christmas purchases. Stone the Hatter, Garner House Block.

Friday, Dec. 15, T. Fisher, resident on lot 5, 2nd con., R. T. Harwich township, lost 25 shots, apparently from some strong poison. No evidence can be traced to show how or where the poison came from, as no further losses have taken place.

Ladies fine slippers for evening wear; you'll see just what you want at Cowan's.

Briar pipes, with and without cases, cigar and cigarette cases and tobacco pouches, at Bennett's, opp. new Oddfellow's block.

The public should bear in mind that they can get peckwear and men's furnishings at Stone the Hatter's for about half the price that they would pay elsewhere.

In the model school examinations only two candidates out of the twenty-four failed to pass. It was erroneously stated that 22 out of 25 had succeeded.

Comfortable shoes for old ladies; a nice line for the Christmas trade at Cowan's.

Wm. Horn has leased VanAllen's flats for use as a fishing ground. He has already begun operations and is catching some fine fish.

Dr. Carson, of Detroit, assisted by Drs. Hall and Tye, removed a twenty pound tumor from Mrs. Chas. W. Bay, of Mitchell's Bay, this morning.

The operation was most successful, and the prospects of Mrs. Raymond being completely restored to health are very encouraging.

John Carr died suddenly Monday night at the Public General Hospital, from heart disease. Mr. Carr was in his 78th year and was for many years a resident of this city. The remains were taken to Dresden for interment.

Ladies overcoats, high buttoned, warm lined and waterproof, \$1.50 a pair, at Cowan's.

There is nothing that is more pleasing to a young man or more appropriate for an Xmas gift than one of the beautiful Oxford mufflers in assorted colors or one of their new and specially imported neckties. These new Xmas ties can be had in either puff, tuck, imperial, four-in-hand or string styles and it is worth the time of any prospective buyer to call at the Black and White Store and see them.

Gentlemen's slippers, best value, and biggest lot to choose from at Cowan's.

The fact that John Griffith, familiar to our readers in the character of Faust, takes the leading role in The Three Musketeers is a sufficient guarantee that it will be good.

There is nothing that makes a more useful or handsome present than an ebony hair brush, with a sterling silver mount. The Central Drug Store has them from \$1.25 up.

William D. Turner, harness maker, and Timothy J. Sullivan, formerly with Hugh McDonald, have volunteered for South Africa. Major Rankin forwarded their names to Ottawa.

Miss Mamie A. Hinde, daughter of the Rev. Wm. Hinde, St. Thomas passed away in this city on Monday last.

Miss Hinde had been in poor health for a year past. She was well known in this city, having been stenographer with Lewis & Richards for several years.

FOR CHRISTMAS DAY.

"Manager McVein deserves the thanks of the citizens for securing us some good amusement for Christmas day," said a local theatre-goer.

Theatrical companies usually avoid Chatham on holidays some way, but this time we are to have two as fine comedies as will be seen in Canada.

It is to be hoped there will be good houses so that in future holiday attractions may be encouraged to come here.

MRS. BOYES DEAD.

Mrs. Ann Boyes, Lacroix street, passed away this morning at 2:30, in her 81st year.

Mrs. Boyes came to Kent County about 50 years ago from Montreal.

She settled on the 14th con., Raleigh, but shortly afterwards purchased the Boyes farm at Charing Cross, where they lived until 14 years ago when they retired and built the house on Lacroix street, where Mrs. Boyes has since resided. A grown up family of four survive.

CARLYLE CAMP.

The annual meeting of Camp Carlyle, Sons of Scotland, was held on Tuesday evening for the despatch of regular business and the election of officers for the ensuing year.

There were two institutions and a number of accounts were passed. The following officers were elected for the ensuing term:

Chief—Dr. F. W. Charteris.
Chieftain—Adam Taylor.
Chapter—W. Robertson.

Recording Secretary—Jas. McLaughlin.
Financial Secretary—Wm. Rennie.

Treasurer—Sec. H. Macaulay.
Marshal—Jas. Robertson.

Stead Bearer—W. L. Pife.
Senior Guard—Chas. D. McDonald.

Junior Guard—P. G. Charteris.
Physician—Dr. Charteris.

Trustees—W. Robertson, Robt. Riddle, John Cunningham and James Waugh.

Ero. Alex. McDougall was elected an honorary member.

The Camp has decided to leave the rooms in which they are at present located and occupy the large rooms over the public free library.



Candy for Christmas

Should be above the ordinary—our rich and pure confectionery is all that you will make a big mistake if you do not come and see them.

Let us show you what we can do for you. A one lb. box of candy for 30c. A large stock of fancy boxes and packages, especially adapted for holiday trade. Come in and see them.

W. S. RICHARDS

KENT BAKERY

Our Removal Sale

A Great Success—This Week We Offer

1000 Horse Brushes, at 10c, 15c and 25c each

500 Curry Combs, at 10c and 15c each

Horse Blankets from 50c to \$2.00 each

Cross-Cut Saws, Axes, Lanterns, Leather Mitts, all at

SALE PRICES. Remember the place.

Westman Bros.

CHATHAM.

THE ASSURANCE OF

PERFECT FIT

Means more to some men than quality of material.

They will sacrifice durability to style.

But why not have both?

The fabrics we are showing are made from the best wool by the best mills and finished in a superior manner at prices consistent with first class workmanship.

The patterns are new, attractive and refined.

We guarantee that the fit will be absolutely correct.

MORLEY & CO.

The Leading Tailors

BULLER'S LOST GUNS.

Reported to Have Been Recovered in the Night Time.

London, Dec. 20.—A special from Durban, Natal, dated Dec. 19, says it is rumored that Gen. Buller called for guns after the Tugela River battle, and that a party issued from the camp at midnight and brought in the guns.

Revised lists of the casualties at the battle of Tugela River show that 137 non-commissioned officers and men were killed.

BOERS COULD NOT REACH THE GUNS.

London, Dec. 20.—It seems doubtful whether the guns that Gen. Buller abandoned at Colenso are in the possession of the Boers. According to a despatch from Durban, sent on the evening of the battle, the guns remained where they were left by the British troops and were covered by British heavy guns of Gen. Buller's brigade, occupying an entrenched position.

The despatch adds that the Boers have thus far not attempted to cross the river and carry off the guns, while advice from Pretoria under the same date says an official Boer despatch reports two guns, 13 wagons and a quantity of ammunition captured, besides 200 prisoners.

Further accounts of the Tugela river battle emphasize the ignorance of the British intelligence department in regard to the disposition of the Boer forces. The British were not aware that the Boers were entrenched along a series of low-lying hills immediately northward of Colenso bridge, until a staggering fire compelled them to retreat, when the attack seemed about to succeed. The Boers were also in greater strength than anticipated.

A Mafeking despatch describes a novel method of sending a message, adopted by some Boers, Dec. 4th. A five-pounder shell fired into the town that day did not explode. It was opened and found to contain a letter, as follows:

"Dear Powell (Col. Baden-Powell): Excuse my message. No other means of communication. Please tell Mrs. — mother and family all well. Don't drink all the whiskey. Leave some for us when we get in. The sender's signature was torn off. General Buller cannot relieve Ladysmith without assistance and Gen. Warren and the Fifth Division may go to his aid. This would bring his force up to 32,000 men."

Stone the Hatter has just returned from Toronto, where he has purchased over \$500 worth of the finest neckwear ever displayed in the city. You must remember that you can get these goods for at least 25 per cent less than in any other store in the city.

DOESN'T LIKE IT.

Mr. Macdougall Ought to Give Others a Show.

Says Mr. Holmes, in the Selection of the Civic Rules.

"Say," said Sam Holmes, briskly hailing The Planet this morning, "I want some information."

"With pleasure. You came to the right source."

"No doubt, no doubt," but Mr. Holmes spoke somewhat meditatively. "Well I just want to know who this Alexander Macdougall is that holds the civic corporation in his pocket."

"Then you don't agree with Mr. Macdougall's ideas?"

"I didn't say that. But I'll tell you I don't believe in this so-called 'the town business.' Now I don't think Chatham altogether belongs to Mr. Sandy Macdougall, do you? And yet he seems to have catered off with a sublime notion that he does. Some one ought to rouse him up a bit and just intimate that there are others—citizens and taxpayers of Chatham."

Every man has a right to his own views and ideas, but I think it would be a kindly act to notify Mr. Macdougall that there are lots of people in Chatham who would just as soon he didn't pick out all the civic governance for his own private use. Just say his memory a little on these matters through The Planet, will you?"

CASES GO OVER.

Owing to the illness of Mr. Justice Robertson, his honor Judge Bell presided at the supplementary sittings of the High Court, which convened this afternoon. On behalf of the accused G. J. O'Neill made a motion for the enlargement of the case of Queen's spring sitting of the High Court. W. R. Riddell, Q. C., for the crown, consented on a renewal of the bail. The cases of Robt. Duncan and Walter Beggs, on perjury were also traversed. J. B. Rankin, B. A., Q. C., appearing for both prisoners.

DRESDEN

Dec. 20—Miss Charlotte Jaffe, who has been ill with a gripple, is better and able to resume her duties on the P. S. staff.

Harold McVein will return from Toronto where he has been attending the University.

Examinations are being held in the public schools.

The English church S. S. entertainment takes place to-night. Admission 15 and 10 cents.

Miss Nina Wallis was in Chatham yesterday.

Alt. Peate, of Chatham, was in town on business yesterday.

Mr. Minifer, of Saratoga, is in town on business.

The following gentlemen's names have been mentioned as candidates for mayor for 1900:—Wm. Rudd, George Oragg and Wm. Ward.

A scrap took place in Lintie's barber shop yesterday. Ed. Thompson, having ribbed too freely, started to wipe out the establishment. The proprietor on interfering was pushed through the window and sustained severe gashes on his hand.

The council of 1899 held their last session last evening. There were present Mayor Sharpe and all councillors except Messrs. Rudd, Warner and Bader.

Laird Bros. for \$350.10, and a bundle of small accounts were all passed by council and ordered paid.

A discussion followed as to whether they should pay Mrs. Ward, North Dresden, a weekly sum, Mrs. Ward having refused to go to the House of Refuge. It was decided to grant \$1.50 a week until different arrangements were made.

The council, considering the year's business ended, moved a final adjournment.

Miner's Liniment is used by Physicians.

Minard's Liniment—Lumberman's Friend.

Minard's Liniment Cures Colds, etc.

Gift Suggestions

For Ladies

Purses from 25c to \$3.50.
Portfolios from \$1 to \$5.
Party Fans from 40c up.
Chaine Bags, Shopping Bags, Comb and Brush Sets.
Manicure Sets.
Handkerchief and Glove Boxes.
Hand Mirrors.
Fancy Boxed Stationery.

For Men

Fountain Pens.
Ink Stands.
Collar and Cuff Boxes.
Neckwear and Handkerchief Boxes.
Pocket Diaries for 1900.
Walking Sticks.
Travelling Companions.
Bill Wallets, Pocket Books, etc.

For Boys and Girls

Winter Evening Games.
Picture Books, Moral Organs.
Fancy Pen Holders.
Books of Adventure, Scrap Books.

For Everybody

Books, Bibles, Hymn Books.
Prayer Books, Albums.
Stationery, Christmas Cards.
Calendars, Pictures, etc.

Dingman's
King Street, Chatham.

Christmas Goods

Quality and Prices Right

English Holly and Wreathing.

Candies, Oranges, Nuts, Dates, Figs, Raisins, Grapes

See our Windows for Prices. We have everything you may require.

Geo. S. Heyward

STORE OPEN UNTIL 8 P. M.

Sulman's

Beehive

GARNER HOUSE BLOCK

Toys and Novelties

20th Century Stock Of Yuletide Gifts

A CALL SOLICITED

Open each night this week till 10 o'clock.

Saturday night till 12 o'clock.

Sulman's Beehive,

Garnier House Block

Gift Giving Suggestions

All Pure
20 Per Cent
Regular Price.

This Store Will Be Open

Wednesday, Thursday
and Friday Evenings

Xmas Novelties in Dress Goods

Opera Shades

6 pcs. 42 in. wide all-wool Serges, in all the evening shades, such as light blue, pretty pink, silk green, bright green, cream, very pretty cloth for shirt waist or child's dress, very special 25c.

6 pcs. 44 in. wide all-wool Henrietta, in shades of pink, opera blue, cream, royal blue, cardinal and drab, very fine finish, cloth for waist or children's wear, a look at them; our special price 40c.

7 pcs. 45 in. wide, very fine all-wool Henrietta, in all the opera shades, such as pink, cream, opera blue, silk green, holly, old rose, corn color, excellent bright silk finish, our special price 50c.

3 pcs. only, fancy figured poplin, in cream, silk green, pretty pink, beautiful cloth for shirt waist, come and buy a Xmas present, our special at 75c.

3 pcs. 42 in. wide, shot lustre, suitable for shirt waists, in cardinal and blue; fawn and blue, blue and cardinal, very pretty cloth and special at 25c.

3 pcs. 44 in. wide silk and wool fancy poplin, in a pretty mixed coloring, such as cardinal and green, blue and green, pink and green, very special cloth for shirt waist or a fur dress, you should see them, our special at 60c.

4 pcs. 48 in. wide colored poplins, in shades of bright green, royal blue, corn, brown, pearl gray, very desirable goods for special dresses, actual value \$1.25, our special prices \$1.00.

7 only, shirt lengths, in fancy plaid camel's hair cloth, in the city, a season, no two alike, come and secure a skirt length, great value, our prices are \$5.25, \$5.50, \$6.25, \$6.75.

1 only, dress robe with embroidered trimmings, complete, former price \$12, the last one for \$5.00.

4 specials, black brilliantine, the best silk alpaca ever shown in the city, a rough finish cloth, very suitable for shirt waist, our special prices 35c, 45c, 50c, 60c.

Clothing and Men's Furnishings Holiday Shoppers

Are now out in full force, they are finding us better prepared for them than ever before. A large stock to select from and extra clerks to ensure prompt attention to your wants. No matter to whom you intend giving a present you will find something pleasing here. From grandpa to grandchild all have been thought of, months have been spent in gathering together the most complete assortment of Ready-to-wear Clothing and Men's Furnishings we have ever shown. Whether you intend purchasing or not we cordially invite you to call. These are a few suggestions, we haven't room to give more.

What Austin & Co. Are Doing For Xmas Shoppers

Holiday Gloves

Just opened up, men's and boys' knit gloves, in black, special at 25c.

Men's and boys' kid gloves, in brown and tan shades, all sizes, at 50c.

Men's special moquette and kid gloves, nice shades of brown, 80c and 70c.

Men's very fine kid and moquette gloves, drab, at \$1.

Men's special silk lined gloves, at \$1.

Men's pure Mocha gloves at \$1.50.

See our men's and boys' special yarn mitts, heather mix, fine, 25c.

Our Great Suit Sale

Is pleasing everybody, prices that tempt you whether you want to buy or not. All high-class goods, the best values shown this year, at \$6, \$10 and \$12, your choice for \$7.50.

Men's and Boys' Dress Overcoats, prices and styles that distance all competition, blue and black bearers, chinillas, whips and novelty goods, \$5, \$6, \$7.50, \$8, \$10 to \$15.

Boys' 2 pc. and 3 pc. Suits that please the mothers pocketbook and makes the boys smile, all the new things, see values for ages 5 to 16 yrs., \$1.45, \$1.95, \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3.50, \$4.50 to \$6.00.

That are full of comfort and have the style and fit, in fancy and storm coats, at \$2.50, \$3, \$3.50, \$4, \$4.50, \$5, for ages 5 to 17 years.

Special line of boys' odd pants just in, tweeds and fine English Serges, for ages 5 to 16 years, at 75c and 50c.

Men's and Boys' Hats and Caps.

Nobby and up-to-date styles, no fancy prices.

Caps, 25c, 50c, 75c to \$1.50.

Hats, in fedora and derby styles, \$1, \$1.50, \$2 to \$2.25.

Holiday Neck Scarfs

Handsome goods, in silk and wool mix opera silk, mercerized and cashmere, in dots, stripes and checks, 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c and \$1.

Holiday Neckwear

Showing our 2 prices in Xmas Neckwear, all displayed so it is easy for you to see and select, all styles, knots, four-in-hand, puffs, bows and string, see 'em, 50c and 60c.

Men's and Boys' Underwear

In fleece and wool, bought direct from the mills and sold at factory prices, see our values.

See Our Collars, Cuffs and Shirts

The best makers' goods, no fancy prices, swell patterns in colored goods, just opened up for Xmas trade.

Leading and Reliable Clothiers

C. Austin & Co.

The Bargain Centre

Market Square, Corner

The Money Saving Spot for Men