ENTERTAINMENT OF NEW YEAR.

The Local Houses Were Well Patronized Yesterday.

EVENTS THAT ARE COMING

McEwen, the Scotch Hypnotist, Will Close His Engagement Here on Saturday Night—Marriage at the Star To-night—Indian Princess at Grand on Saturday.

Hall Caine's impressive play, "The Christian," was given its third presentation in this city at the Grand Opera House on Tuesday evening and a good sized audience was present. It has proved to be one of the most successful plays of the past decade and a drama in these days must be wonderfully constructed to live long. In "The Christian" can be found that which appeals to the finest emotions of the people, and the people like to be preached to in a theatre. The stage has given no better tribute to the worth of the church. The Christian ministry is elevated, and in striking contrast the salacity of the fast set is exposed in all its abominableness. Some of the strongest scenes known in modern drama are to be found, and these never fail to thrill an audience. On Tuesday evening the climaxes to the third and fourth acts called forth a spontaneous demonstration.

The company is not quite the same as appeared here last season, but is well balanced and capable and gave a first rate performance. Mr. W. S. Hart, who played the role of John Storm is a clever actor. He was dignified and impressive, but does not possess the polish and grace which marked the performance of Mr. J. Henry Kolker in the same role last year. Mr. Hart is a little stilted in his style. He has a good voice, but uses it too much in a monotone. A little more expression would make it more acceptable. Mr. Herbert Fortier, a Toronto boy, and well known here, gave a capital presentation of the part of Horatio Drake. He is making great strides in his art and his work Tuesday night was finished in style and in the exacting portions most striking and convincing. Miss Lilla Vane again appeared as Glory Quale. She is an actress of consummate merit, and no better emotional work has ever been seen here. She has a splendid voice and a very charming manner, and made a decided hit with the audience. The play was admirably staged and mounted. A word of praise should be given to the members of the great unwashed who made up the mob. No better stage mob or one more realistic could be wished for.

Mam'selle Awkins.

"Mam'selle 'Awkins," the much-heralded musical comedy by Richard Carle and Alfred E. Aarons, was the New Year's day attraction at the Grand. There is a very considerable difference between the presentation of the piece as a metropolitan success and its performance here yesterday by Miss Della Stacey and a company of medium size and ability. The Arctic weather had brought New Year gifts to many of the cast, in the shape of severe colds, and the few good musical numbers scattered throughout the score suffered in consequence. Last evening's audience found it difficult to divest itself of the assistance of old Jack Frost in the reception it accorded the company and the performance was not a huge success. The plot holds together a number of pretty singing and dancing specialties. The chorus was sadly lacking in male voices and Miss Stacey, who was vivacious in a strenuous way, was not as successful in the title role as was Miss Huestis as Dolly Hawkins. Harry W. Wilson, as Lord Belford, sang and acted well. The funny men of the cast included J. P. Sullivan as the MacGregor, a Scotch Celt; J. J. Cluxton, as a physical culture crank; Eddie Smith, in the role of Noah Snuffles, a hotelkeeper, and C. C. Patterson, a crook masquerading as a clergyman.

"Mam'selle 'Awkins" will be repeated to-night.

Are You a Mason?

One of the best attractions that will be seen at the Grand this season is said to be the farce comedy, "Are You a Mason?" which comes here shortly. Speaking of the performance, the Buffalo Courier says: When the curtain rang up last night on "Are You a Mason?" at the Star Theatre, nearly every seat in the house was occupied. The members of Ancient Landmarks Lodge, A. F. & A. M., occupied a block of 200 orchestra chairs, and heartily enjoyed the many funny references to the Masonic fraternity.

A Novelty.

Two members of the "Fads and Follies" Co. will be married on the stage of the Star Theatre tonight. The couple are the clever sketch team, which open the olio, Mr. John Lond and Miss Carmeletta Meck.

McEwen's Last Nights.

On Saturday night McEwen will terminate a remarkably successful two week engagement at Association Hall. He certainly richly merits all his success. His entertainments are extremely funny, without a suggestion of coarseness. While his mindreading and cataleptical tests are of the most wonderful nature, he simply holds his audiences spellbound by his remarkable power. The programme is changed every night, and many people have attended every entertainment. To-night, to-morrow night, Saturday matinee and night will close the engagement. A specially interesting programme will be given at the matinee, and as a special inducement children will be admitted to the best seats for ten cents. Nothing does a child more good than a good hearty laugh, and the funny antics of their elders, while under hypnotic influence, is a source of great glee for them.

The Flaming Arrow.

At the Grand next Saturday afternoon and evening, Lincoln J. Carter will present the famous Indian Princess Go Won Go Mohawk in "The Flaming Arrow." [illegible] Mohawk has the distinction of being the only woman of her race who never entered the theatrical [illegible]. The name of her play is significant of blood and thunder in a superlative degree, and the fact that it is produced by a company composed largely of real live Indians naturally strengthen the impression. But by the time the curtain [illegible] on the last act, the audience begins to realize that there is [illegible] much in a name after all, and that Indians under certain circumstances can present another phase of character other than that usually depicted in a dime novel. The show is clean and wholesome, well staged and has some of the best scenic effects Mr. Carter has as yet turned out.

Something Grand.

The attention of theatregoers is called to the coming engagement at the Grand here of Mrs. Sarah Cornell Le Moyne, in the "First Duchess of Marlborough." It is said to be one of the season's greatest productions.

Sergt's Mess Concert.

About 2,000 persons attended the annual concert of the Thirteenth Sergeants' mess in the Drill Hall last night. The band of the regiment rendered an excellent programme, and was encored several times. The soloists of the evening were Miss Alma Gayfer, city, and Mr. Harry Rich, of Toronto. Both were in excellent voice and were recalled.

Sybil Sanderson to Wed.

Philadelphia, Dec. 31.—Mme. Sybil Sanderson announced to-day her engagement to marry Comte de Fitz James. The ceremony will take place in Paris some time late in January.

It was the wish of Mme. Sanderson to be married in this country, but she decided to sacrifice her own wishes in order that her mother, who is now in Paris, might be present at the ceremony.

SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY.

Fifteen Hundred Children at Centenary Church Yesterday.

Nearly fifteen hundred children assembled in Centenary Church yesterday morning at the fifth annual rally of the Methodist Sunday Schools of the city. The different schools had each an appointed section of the church, and were in charge of their respective officers and teachers. The Superintendents occupied seats on the platform.

Mr. J. Orr Callaghan, the Chairman, began the service promptly at 10.30 by having the children sing "Heavenly Father, Send Thy Blessing," after which Rev. J. E. Hockey led in prayer. The twenty-third psalm was then read in unison and the Lord's Prayer repeated. Rev. G. F. Salton in his usual happy manner made a few appropriate remarks, welcoming the children to the church. Rev. W. F. Wilson, on behalf of the conference, and Rev. J. H. Hazlewood also, had some helpful remarks to make. Miss Clara Smith, of Winona, sang a solo during the offertory. Rev. J. A. Jackson said a few words in memorlam, referring to the translated fellow workers and scholars during the year 1901. The closing prayer and benediction was repeated by Rev. T. J. Atkins. At the conclusion of the service each of the scholars was presented with a bag of candies and nuts. The committee had prepared two thousand bags.

Messrs. J. Orr Callahan, Chairman; C. H. Thompson, Secretary; James Johnson, Musical Conductor; Prof. L. H. Parker, Organist, and H. A. Martin, Chairman of the Programme and Music Committee, were the gentlemen who had charge of the affair.

The Present Only is Ours.

We are like to Him with whom there is no past or future, with whom a day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day, when we do our work in the great present, leaving both past and future to Him to whom they are ever present, and fearing nothing, because He is in our future as much as He is in our past, as much as, and far more than, we can feel Him to be in our present. Partakers thus of the divine nature, resting in that perfect All-in-all in whom our nature is eternal too, we walk without fear, full of hope and courage and strength to do His will, waiting for the endless good which He is always giving as fast as He can get us able to take it in. G. MacDonald.

AT GIRLS' HOME.

Annual Visit and Presents From Zion Sunday School.

New Year's morning, 1902, was made a bright and happy morning for the children of the Girls' Home by a visit from Zion Tabernacle Sunday School, accompanied by the pastor, Rev. T. Albert Moore, Mr. Kerr, the Superintendent, teachers, scholars and friends, to the number of about 200, making with them baskets of oranges, boxes of candy and beautifully illuminated text cards and other gifts, for every child. For twenty years Zion Sunday School has kept up this practice.

After the singing of some hymns by the Sunday School, and the children of the Home, one of the teachers, on behalf of the school, presented Mrs. Lucas, the President, with $6 for the funds of the Home. Mrs. Lucas, in the name of the children, thanked them cordially for their great kindness in giving them this annual treat, saying that it was looked forward to through the whole year, and would remain a happy memory with them, even after they had left the Home.

Mr. Kerr and the Rev. Mr. Moore made happy addresses, after which the fruit, candies, and other gifts were distributed to the different children, whose bright faces testified to the pleasure they felt. The visitors went over the house, to see how the children lived, and left, feeling the happier for having contributed so much to the happiness of others.

A donation of $3.25 from friends of the Home in Kerr & Cooper's laundry was made at the same time.

SANDERSON'S MOUNTAIN DEW SCOTCH

The modus vivendi covering the oyster fishing on the French shore of Newfoundland expired with the old year.

An amicable adjustment of the Toronto pianoworkers' strike was reached yesterday.

The Prince of Wales will visit Paris on the occasion of the Emperor's birthday, Jan. 27th.

MANY TRAPS LAID FOR STAGE MANAGERS.

They Have to Be Very Careful in Dealing With Women.

"I have been very greatly amused," said the manager of a well-known dramatic star yesterday afternoon, "by reading in a Western newspaper one of those periodical attacks upon the men in my business who are pictured in a hysterical sort of way as devoting much of their time to leading astray young girls seeking a foothold upon the stage. The point about this sort of thing which brings a smile to my lips is that nobody seems to imagine there is any other side to this frequently painted picture.

"If you will take the trouble to go to any man of long experience in the field of management, and you can induce him to speak with entire frankness, he will tell you of countless instances where female applicants for positions in his companies have either made him flat-footed propositions that made him blush or have sought in other ways to win his individual attention in the hope of securing his influence in their behalf.

"Only yesterday morning I was sitting in my office when a stately and fine looking girl of about 20 entered and asked me if there were any vacancies in my organization. I told her we might be using some extra women to appear in one of our scenes in decollete court gowns, and said if she would go to the wardrobe woman that person would decide upon her adaptability.

Asks an Embarrassing Question.

"She looked at me fixedly for a moment and asked me if there was anything about her appearance which would lead me to think she hadn't a fine plump neck and shoulders.

"I replied that it wasn't my custom to pass on such measures, which invariably I left in the hands of the wardrobe woman but she was persistent. She went on to inquire if I hadn't a low-cut waist somewhere around the office which she could put on then and there, and when I replied that I didn't keep such articles of apparel in my desk, she chaffed right along, saying she imagined she had a pretty fine figure in all respects.

"As I didn't exhibit an investigating spirit, she proceeded to draw her skirt tightly around one of her lower limbs, and the only thing I could do was to compliment her upon her shapeliness and as politely as possible laugh her out of the office.

"Without any feeling of boastfulness, I may with entire truthfulness say a great number of such occurrences have been presented to me, and the memory of them makes me chuckle whenever I read one of the frantic tales of the wrongs we managers are supposed to be constantly hatching for the degradation and ruin of novices."

Manager Relates Experience.

An hour or so after this statement had been made the writer met a prominent stage manager associated with the interests of a New York man, very widely engaged in the promotion of original productions. The stage manager laughed outright when the foregoing talk was repeated to him and immediately took up the subject.

"It is a part of my duty," he said, "to engage a great many of the minor actors and actresses for our numerous companies, as my chief hasn't the time to give to those matters personally. I could devote the remainder of the afternoon to detailing my experiences in the line you have just described, but I'll tell you only one as illustrating how far an ingenious woman will go to secure an engagement.

"I was sitting in my room in the theatre one afternoon two or three weeks ago, when a very pretty girl came in and took a chair close beside me. I thought I could foresee her tactics from the start, but I must confess I wasn't quite prepared for what ultimately happened.

Is Prepared for Blackmail.

"After attempting in various ways to wheedle me into assuming a compromising attitude, suddenly she shifted her method and told me I'd got to engage her whether I wished to do so or not. I inquired as to how she was going to compel me to transact business with her and she said:

"'If you refuse I'll go out of here and say you attempted to take advantage of me. If anybody doubts my word, I'll show my torn garments, which I have prepared for just such an outcome.'

"'Do you mean to say,' I retorted, 'that you have been tearing your clothing to shreds with the deliberate intention of placing me in a false position?'

"She went on to assert that this was precisely what had taken place. Then I said to her:

"'You would be in a fine attitude if you were to make such a statement and I were to prove you were lying. On the other side of this thin partition sits my stenographer, and she has taken down every word of this conversation, as she takes down every sentence at all times when young women like yourself come in here to put up jobs.'

Girl Departs in Tears.

"My visitor evidently believed what I had told her, and I proceeded to give her a pretty sound lecture, with the result that she went away crying. Of course there wasn't any stenographer anywhere around the place, but I was so shaken up by the episode that I immediately took steps to protect myself in the future."

In Chicago not so many years ago a dashing young damsel undertook a tour of the managers' offices, endeavoring to induce them to make love to her. Some of them fell into the trap, and some didn't. When it was all over, the temptress wrote out the story in full, possibly adding a few details of her own invention, and published it in a Sunday newspaper, making some fine sensational reading.

Upon that occasion the theatre men who had declined the opportunity to flirt with a pretty creature of the other sex warmly congratulated themselves and "had the laugh" on their comrades.—Leander Richardson, in New York Telegram.

I. P. B. S. CHRISTMAS.

Thanks to Those Who Helped to Make it Happy.

The Irish Protestant Benevolent Society desire to thank the following for kind contributions towards the Christmas cheer funds: Henry Kuntz, Hon. A. T. Wood, R. A. Lucas, Gartshore, Thomson & Co., Burrow, Stewart & Milne, Norton Mfg. Co., Hamilton Steel & Iron Co., C. E. Doolittle, Balfour & Co., W. H. Gillard & Co., Long & Bisby, Sanford Mfg. Co., Coppley, Noyes & Randall, Hamilton Cotton Co., Geo. Moore, jun., J. Osborne & Son, Edward Martin, F. C. Bruce, M. P., Dowswell Bros., Alfred Powis, Stuart Strathy, Ontario Tack Co., James Turnbull, J. E. Riddell, John Billings, James Turner & Co., T. B. Phepoe, Geo. Rutherford, T.H. Brown, A. G. Ramsay, Walter Woods & Co., S. F. Ross, Grant's Spring Brewery, Kennedy Bros., Hamilton & Toronto Sewer Pipe Co., J. S. Hendrie, J. J. Mellister, Geo. W. Robinson, Alex. McKay, D'Arcy Martin, W. L. Ross, A. K. Melbourne & Co., Lees, Hobson & Stephens, R. T. Steele, Henry Carscallen, M. P. P., Fowler's Canadian Co., A. H. Moore, Laking, Patterson & Co., Walter Graham, the Misses McLaren, Hamilton Distillery Co., Samuel Barker, M. P., Pilgrim Bros., John Wilson, E. D. Cahill, T. C. Hasslett, Ed. Cathels, W. J. Waugh, J. G. Cloke, John Temple, Wm. Magee, jun., John Pottinger, R. Duncan & Co., A. D. Braithwaite, Stanley Mills & Co., C. O. Dexter, Harry Maxey, Rev. Geo. Forneret, F. H. Smith, James Dunlop, J. T. Middleton, Joseph Hopkins, Samuel Groves, G. H. Bull, Adam Brown, H. S. Brennen, Kirwan Martin, Wm. Nuan, Robt. McFarlane, Henry McLaren, Dr. Reynolds, Geo. Vallance, Charles Gambert, P. Grossman & Sons, H. H. Champ, Jos. Prentice, R. J. Harron, W. A. Robinson, Eagerton Healey, J. A. Culham, Robt. Graham, Seneca Jones, J. J. Morrison, Thomas Wilson, Dr. C. V. Emory, Parke & Parke, Henry Taylor, Grafton & Co., Mr. Vallance, C. H. Peebles, Lowe & Farrell, Thos. Lees, Finch Bros., Mr. Doughty, James Charters, Chas. Judd, W. G. Walton, J. M. Peregrine, H. P. Coburn, T. S. Depew, J. V. Teetzell, E. W. O'Dell, Mrs. Chas. Hurton, Andrew Ruthven, Chief Smith, John Gompf, C. J. Myles, John Alexander, H. A. Eager, Wm. Griffith, Robt. Wilson, Ald. W. J. McFadden, Joseph Ross, T. H. Clappison, Harold Lambe, N. D. Galbreaith, W. J. Harris, J. E. Reche, Miss A. M. Hamilton, E. W. Bateman, Wm. Smye, Aitchison & Co., Thos. Burrows, M. Brennen & Son.

"Not Just as Good."

So-called pure cream of tartar baking powders are sold at 25c pound by many dealers. These powders are, however, much inferior to Gerrie's Perfection Baking Powder, manufactured by J. W. Gerrie, druggist, 22 James street north, which is prepared from chemically pure cream of tartar and soda, and is Canada's highest grade baking powder.

Mr. Cuthbert Hall, manager of the Marconi Company, expects that within six months the wireless ocean service will be in operation.

THE CORPSE SNEEZED.

Frederick Thompson, the Midway show man, whose illusion "Darkness and Dawn" was one of the few successes at the Pan-American Exposition last summer, tells the following story of the only actor he ever had to discharge because he acted too well:

Early in the season he was almost persecuted by a young fellow who wanted to be an actor. Thompson could not get rid of him; he followed him everywhere, and at last became so persistent that the manager decided to use him. The start off of "Darkness and Dawn" was a chamber of horrors filled with coffins, skeletons whole, and skeletons in pieces, and other gruesome objects. The would-be actor was painted to represent a corpse; was dressed in a shroud, and, with crossed hands, laid out in one of the coffins.

The young fellow made a good dead man, and soon became the object in the chamber of horrors that attracted the most attention. The make-up, together with a faint green light that suffused the room, made him quite deathlike.

All went well until on Fourth of July, when the crowds were biggest and the whole atmosphere full of powder smoke and dust, and just at a time when two women were discussing as to whether he was made of wax or was a real corpse, an uncontrollable desire to sneeze took hold of the young actor.

He sneezed, but he lost his job and almost broke up the show at the same time.

By a strange coincidence the electric light current gave out just after the corpse had half raised in his coffin and indulged in the noise that relieved the tickling sensation of his nose. The women nearest him promptly screamed and fainted and a panic occurred during which a dozen women were knocked down, trampled upon and almost killed before the lights could be gotten on again.

A rumor spread that an accident had taken place in "Darkness and Dawn" and that several women had been killed, and the result was that the place was boycotted for a week or more.

Water, Crackers and Gruel

Is the usual dyspeptic bill of fare. There are no sausages, no banquets, no little suppers and no fun. Take Merrill's System Tonic and get a healthy stomach, lots of vigor, and then eat mince pie and cabbage with the best of us. System Tonic is par excellence the most perfect tonic cathartic known. 50 pleasant-to-take doses 50c. Sold by Parke & Parke, the druggists.

The Venezuelan Government has declared the steamer Ban Righ a pirate, and offers a reward of $10,000 for her capture.

The five-year-old son of Mr. Geo. Morris, of Lethbridge, was fatally burned while attempting to light a fire with matches.

SONS OF SCOTLAND.

Annual Hogmanay Concert on New Year's Eve.

The annual Hogmanay concert, supper and ball of Hamilton Camp, No. 21, Sons of Scotland, in Arcade Hall on New Year's eve, was a very successful affair and largely attended. Admission was by ticket only, with the result that the audience, like the programme, was almost entirely Scotch. Chief J. D. Patterson was Chairman, and in the absence of the Grand Chief, who was expected to be present, Mr. W. McClemont, the new Chief of Hamilton Camp, made a short address, referring to the prosperity of the local Camp in particular, and closing with a dramatic recitation of "Our Dominion." That clever family of young dancers, the Misses Campbell, danced a Scotch reel, Sean Trubhas, and an Irish jig in character. Mrs. McArthur is a sweet singer of Scotch songs. Her "Loch Lomond," "Lang, Lang Syne," and "Auld Robin Gray" were finely rendered and encored. Miss Findlay sang "Annie Laurie" and "Jock o' Hazeldean," receiving well-merited encores each time. Mr. J. F. McDonald sang "The March of the Cameron Men," and a duet with Mrs. McDonald, "Hunting Tower." Both song and duet were well sung and encored. "Duncan Gray," "Afton Water" and "Tulloch Gorum" were selections sung by Mr. Davenport. He also received an encore. Mr. W. A. Spratt sang "The Highlandman's Toast" and he sang it so well that the audience compelled him to sing another song. Miss Mathieson recited "Dargai Heights" and some other selections, receiving an encore for the same. Miss Fraser recited like a professional, and no doubt a career is cut out for her in that line if she chooses to adopt it. Her enunciation is clear and distinct, her voice robust and not unpleasant, and her style is intensely natural. She is sympathetic and touching in the more serious pieces and her humorous selections are a whole show in themselves. Mr. E. Pearce was the accompanist. At the close of the concert refreshments were served to the large audience, after which they danced the auld year out and the new year in. Mr. John Fotheringham was master of ceremonies, and Anderson's orchestra supplied the music. The wives and daughters of the members of the Camp deserve thanks for helping to make the affair so successful.

DECEMBER MILK.

Report of the Tests Made by Health Department.

Following is the November milk report made by Inspector MacDonald:

4.80 per cent. butter fat—G. H. Parker, Mary Gleason.

4.60—Wm. Galvan, D. Duncan, E. A. Ryckman, Brown Bros., C. Sclater.

4.40—J. O. Ryckman, No. 1, Wm. Pearson, D. Pearson, Wm. Berry, D. H. Gallagher.

4.20—F. Dairy Co., No. 2, J. I. Baker, J. Newman, Buttram Bros., No. 1, F. Regan, H. Binkley, H. W. Hill.

4.00—Wm. McDermott, J. Ofield, W. J. Anderson, W. W. Horning, H. McNally, Louisa Forman, Frank Buttram, Wm. Hall, S. Tope, Mrs. Stevens, Cameron Bros., D. Mitchell, J. E. Henry, J. Anton, F. Dairy Co. No. 8, D. McDonald.

3.80—J. L. Long, S. Wotton, A. V. Hall, W. H. Ptolemy, T. W. Blakley, J. Wilkinson, Shepard Bros., M. Lowden, William Hopkins, F. Dairy Co., No. 6.

3.60—J. Rasberry, M. Margerus, G. H. Willey, Jos. Fletcher, Buttram Bros., No. 2, O. Macklem, William Lyons.

3.40—Wm. Bennett, A. Nugent, H. Speers, Ed. Shepard, Nellie Allan, Robt. Paisley.

3.00—W. P. Chapman.

The Toronto Canary Cage Bird Society and the Queen City Homing Pigeon Club held one of the most successful exhibitions in their history in St. Lawrence Hall.

SHEA'S Specials To-morrow

Ladies' Coats.

32 only Ladies' Handsome Beaver Coats, fawn, brown, and black, the newest styles, $8.00, for $4.95

Skirts.

15 only Handsome Tweed and Cloth Skirts, prettily trimmed, $5.00, for $2.75

Dress Goods.

14 pieces All-wool Cheviot Suitings, 56 inches wide, new mixtures, regular 85c, for 59c

40 yards All-wool Frieze for unlined skirts, 85c, for 50c

Linens.

3 pieces only Turkey Red Table Linen, regular 40c, for 28c

Flannel.

7 pieces extra wide Flannelette, pink and blue stripes, regular 12½c, for 10c

Underwear.

Men's Heavy Scotch Wool Shirts and Drawers, regular 75 and 85c, for 49c

20 dozen Ladies' Ribbed Wool Vests, lace trimmed, 40c, for 25c

Blouses.

Ladies' Flannel and Velvet Blouses, regular $2.50 and $2.75, for $1.25

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DUNDAS SHORT OF CANDIDATES.

A Second Election Necessary to Make Up Council.

OPENING OF NEW Y.M.C.A.

Many Visitors in the Town for the Holiday—A. F. Pirie Will Represent Press Association on a Western Trip—Other Valley City News.

Dundas, Jan. 2. — Two municipal elections may be required in the town in order to have the full quota of Councillors. Eleven nominations were made, but the following declined to stand: Walter Holmwood, Robt. M. Arthurs, Geo. Thompson, J. J. Grafton, John A. Davis and G. C. Wilson. This leaves only five, which will be declared elected by acclamation, viz., Wm. Lawson, S. J. Lennard, E. A. Latshaw, Wm. Clark and Wm. Dilks. The withdrawal of G. C. Wilson was not expected, although it was with much reluctance that he consented to act last year.

Yesterday the Dundas Y. M. C. A. was formally opened, and during the day over one hundred callers had a look through their handsome homelike and central rooms, over Davis' grocery. The association was organized on a small scale some months ago, with a membership of about 25, and meetings were held occasionally in the board-room of the Public Library. Now that permanent quarters have been secured, efforts will be made to largely increase the membership, and their efforts will doubtless meet with a hearty response by citizens of the town. The rooms the association has secured are handsomely furnished, lighted and heated. A cosy parlor, a reading-room supplied with magazines, papers and various games, and a gymnasium well equipped, are among the provisions made for the comfort and entertainment of the membership. The rooms are open every evening except Sunday and on Saturday afternoon. The present officers are: John Douglas, President; A. C. Thompson, Secretary, and C. A. Morrison, Treasurer. A meeting for Bible study will be held every Friday evening. The association starts out with good prospects of success and usefulness.

Rev. Wm. B. Chegwin, an old Dundas boy, now at Fort McLeod, N. W. T., was waited on by the young people of his congregation, on Christmas, and presented with a purse of one hundred dollars in gold, and an address.

The Chosen Friends have elected the following officers for the ensuing term: Past Councillor, Bert Call; Chief Councillor, John Kerwin; Vice Councillor, Mrs. Swanson; Recorder, Alex. Ross; Treasurer, W. H. Knowles; Prelate, Mrs. McDonald; Marshal, Miss Tessie Reynolds; Guard, Mrs. Carson; Sentry, Mrs. Sutton; Physicians, Drs. Bertram and Smith; Representatives to Grand Lodge, Alex. Ross and James Newlitt; Alternates, J. P. Burton and W. H. Knowles; Auditors, Wm. Kerwin, W. G. Mallett, and W. McGrath; Trustee, Dr. Smith.

James Keagey leaves to-morrow for Philadelphia to resume his studies in the University of Pennsylvania.

Skating was good on the rink last night. Music was furnished by the newly organized 77th Band. The trolley bringing skaters from Hamilton owing to some accident was nearly an hour late.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Comfort spent New Years in Toronto.

The New Year's visitors in town were quite numerous and among them were: With Wm. Fortnum, son Fred. and wife, from Buffalo; with A. S. Cain, Mr. and Mrs. Hausle and Miss Lorine Hausle, of Buffalo; with Mrs. Forrest, daughter, Mrs. (Rev.) J. R. Patterson and Mr. Patterson, of Grand Valley, and Mr. and Mrs. George Moss, of Hamilton; with Wm. D. Nelson, Mrs. Nelson's father, John H. Wilson, of Orillia; with Wm. Clarke, daughter, Mrs. Thompson, and Mr. Thompson, of Hamilton; with Wm. Mitson, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Mitson, of Galt; with John Lumsden, Mr. and Mrs. James Lumsden, of Hamilton; with H. W. Ralph, R. E. Ralph, of Hamilton; with H. G. Clarke, Mrs. Harry Alderdice, of Hamilton, and Miss Jennie Lyons, of St. Catharines; with John Powell, Mr. and Mrs. John Greenlees, of Hamilton; with Mrs. Mountain, daughters, Mrs. Garvin, of Brantford, and Miss Annie, of Hamilton, and son, Alfred, and wife, of Hamilton; with Wm. Powell, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Powell, of Hamilton; with Alderman Lawson, Mr. and Mrs. John Grout, of London; with W. H. Keagey, Will Rupert, of Toronto; with Mrs. Lamb, her son, John, of Hartford, Conn.; with Mrs. Pirie, W. K. Booth, of Toronto; with Patrick Brady, his son, Joseph, of New York; with Mrs. Fleming, Governor's Road, her son, Dr. Peter Fleming, of Western Medical College, London; with Mrs. Geo. F. Burrows, John T. Burrows, of Cleveland, Ohio.

Miss Annie Clarke and Miss Hattie Quackenbush are visiting friends in Toronto.

A. F. Pirie leaves to-morrow for St. Paul, Minn., where he will, by special invitation, join the Western Press Association excursion, which takes in Omaha, Denver, New Mexico, Arizona, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Salt Lake City and other places. He will represent the Press Association of Canada, and will be absent about four weeks.

The ball held in the town hall on New Year's eve by the Canadian Order of Foresters was a very successful affair. The District Deputy was present and gave an interesting address on the standing of the order, and the good work being done by it.

The shipments of Canadian cattle and sheep from Portland last year were nearly three times the number of the previous year.

The new chime of twelve bells in St. Peter's Church spire at Berlin, Ont., pealed out for the first time at midnight on Tuesday to usher in the new year.

11, 13 and 15 King Street East, Hamilton, Thursday, Jan. 2nd, 1902.

STANLEY MILLS & CO.

Friday

The Second White Sale Day

To-morrow we will again emphasize our White Graniteware and Stationery. No better opportunity will present itself to you to restock your kitchen and pantry shelves with reliable ware. None of the following goods are "seconds," each piece is the best of its kind, free from all checks, flaws or imperfections.

Discount Sale in White Enamel Graniteware

10 Per Cent. Off every piece of White Enamel Graniteware in Stock.

The following is not more than one half of what is included in the sale, but enough to show you that our January White Granite Sale is no half hearted attempt.

FRIDAY'S LIST.

White Soap Dishes	14c	White Dippers	32c
White Tea Steepers	32c	White Pitchers	45c
White Tea Pots	45c	White Bowls	14, 17 and 23c
White Coffee Pots	45c	White Pudding Dishes, round, oval, or oblong shape at	18 and 23c
White Mixing Bowls	36c	White Pie Plates	11 and 14c
White Drinking Cups, 8 and 9c		White Cake Plates	14c
White Covered Butter Dishes	36c		

1,500 Quires Note Paper Friday White Sale 3c Quire

To-day we gave you a big bargain in White Envelopes. To-morrow we will give you a big bargain in Note Paper. The White Sale in the Stationery Department is a splendid thing for business men or those who have a heavy correspondence.

Friday we will sell—

1500 quires White Note Paper, Niagara brand, ruled, smooth finish, good quality, Friday sale 3c quire.

10 Dozen Pretty Handkerchiefs on Sale at 4 for 25c.

Friday morning at 9 o'clock sharp—

10 dozen Fine White Cambric Handkerchiefs, with 1 inch hem, nicely hemstitched and finished with tucks, regular price 10c each, Friday white sale, 4 for 25c.

Other good values worth mentioning are:

Fine Linen Finished Lawn Handkerchiefs, with medium and narrow hemstitched hem...5c each
Pretty Lawn Handkerchiefs, trimmed with valenciennes edging... 5c
Linen Finished Lawn Handkerchiefs with hemstitched tucks and lace edging... 10c
Very Dainty Handkerchiefs with trimmings of drawn work and lace edging... 12½c
Irish Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, medium and wide borders 15, 20 and 25c each
Fancy Swiss Embroidered Handkerchiefs, dainty patterns, at 18, 25, 35 and 50c

Ladies' and Children's Mittens and Gauntlets.

This store has never had a fuller or a better stock of Children's and Ladies' Mittens and Gauntlets than it is now showing.

All the good, practical, comfortable sorts are here at easy prices.

Ladies' Black Woollen Mittens, with ribbed cuffs, price ... 25c
Ladies' Black Wool Mittens, double throughout, and made of nice, fine fingering yarn ... 30c pair
Same, with fancy backs and ribbed cuffs, at ... 35c pair
Fleece Lined Woollen Mittens, ribbed cuff ... 35c pair
Woollen Mittens, double throughout, fine silk finish, fancy backs, satin ribbon bows ... 50c pair
Children's Black Woollen Mittens, double throughout, ribbed cuffs 20 and 25c pair
Infants' Woollen Mittens, in black, blue, pink, red, brown, with ribbed cuffs ... 15c
Children's Black and Grey Gauntlets, lined with lambs' wool, faced with leather ... 50
Ladies' Black and Grey Gauntlets, lined with lambs' wool, faced with leather ... $1.00 and $1.

Stylish New Idea Patterns, All One Price 10c

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RIBBONS.

We're always in the front rank in Ribbons. Our department stands for style and quality combined with moderate prices. If you have a Ribbon need of any kind, quality or shade we can fill it.

SCOTT 23 KING STREET EAST

Plain Satin and Plain Silk Ribbons, in all shades and widths ... 5, 7, 10, and up to
Baby Ribbons, in corded silk, plain silk and plain satin, great variety of shades ... 2, 2
Fancy Dresden and new Warp Pointed Ribbons, from ½ inch to 6 inch at ...
Splendid assortment of Dresden Ribbons, just the thing for sashes ...
Ribbon Bows made free of charge.
Hair Bows in all the latest designs, and made to order.

NECKWEAR.

It is generally conceded that we are the leaders in neckwear, and the daily additions to this department fully justify our reputation in this respect. We are constantly making additions to our dainty styles in Ladies' Collars.

Our new Embroidered Muslin Washing Stock ...
New Insertion Collars, with ribbon trimming ...
Folded Satin Stocks, in black and colors ...
Real Brussels Turn-over Collars ... $2.25,
Very pretty Honiton Turn-over Collars ...
Fancy Fichus, in all the leading styles, and made ...
Fancy Silk and Chiffon Neck Ruffs ...
Ostrich Boas, long fibre, full curl ...

GLOVES.

The enormous holiday trade in this department was due to think that every lady in Hamilton had received Gloves for a Christmas gift.

To those who are still in need of thoroughly dependable goods we would say that our Trefousse brand is near perfection as possible to get.

Peerless, $1; Grey Lock, $1.25; Dorothy, $1.50; Dent's Suede are fully guaranteed.

Ladies' Fancy Ringwood Gloves 25c, 35c and 50c; Children's Ringwood Gloves, 25c and 35c; Ladies' Plain Cashmere, black and colors 25c, 35c, 45c and 50c.

SMALLWARES.

This is a great department with us, and we never relax our efforts to keep it filled with the many small items required for everyday use.

Best Frilled Elastic, all colors ... 18 and
Black Silk Elastic, all widths ... 15, 18, 20 and 22c yard
White Silk Elastic, all widths ... 15, 18, 20 and 22c yard
Black and White Cotton Elastic, all widths, from ... 5 to 20c yard
Round Elastic ... 3 and 4c yard
Good Dressing Combs ... 10, 12, 15, 20, 25 and 35c each
Good assortment of Whisks, Hair and Clothes Brushes.
Feather Stitch Braid, 12-yard lengths (special) ... 10c bunch
Brilliant Crochet Cotton ... 5c spool
Kleinert's Hose Supports, in all sizes, from ... 13 to 25c pair
Clark's Mending Cotton ... 4c spool or 3 for 10c
Clark's Mending Wool, black, white, tans and grey ... 3 for 5c

MISS HILL Fine Dressmaking — **SCOTT'S** — Tailor-Made Skirts Dress Goods Dept.

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