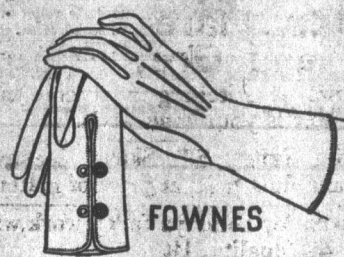


# Christmas Presents..

What is nicer for a Christmas Gift than a nice pair of



FOWNES

They are put up in a handsome box as shown in our window.

Our little window is full of Christmas HANDKERCHIEFS, sold at from 25c up to \$1.50 Each Special prices in half dozen lots.

Our Fur Neckwear talks for themselves. We invite you to come and see them.

It will pay you to buy Ladies' Furnishings in a Ladies' Furnishing Store, the only one West of Toronto—

## The Urban Store

PRIMEAU & PELTIER.  
Garner House Block.

### PROBABILITIES

Special per G. N. W.

Toronto, Dec. 10—11 a. m.—North-westerly winds, cloudy, with snow-flurries. Friday, north-westerly winds and a little colder.

### THE LOCAL BUDGET

Babies' caps and booties at Mrs. Weldon's.

The young son of Alex. Farquharson, Fletcher, is dangerously ill.

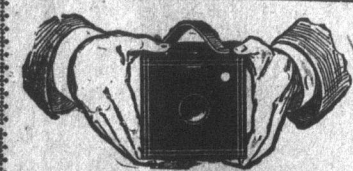
We offer the finest cleaned curtains 3 lbs. for 25c, Central Grocer, Queen street, E. C. Gamme.

The friends of George Wemp, will be pleased to learn that he is getting better.

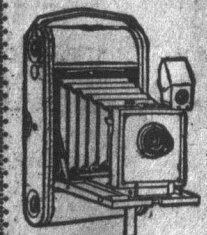
Just received at The Ark, a case of American Beauty. Lovers of fine china will pick these pieces up quick.

## Kodaks, GOOD CHRISTMAS GIFTS

There is nothing more acceptable for a Christmas Gift than a KODAK or CAMERA. It gives not only pleasure but education. There is no better pastime for a boy or girl, or for a lady or gentleman, either, than photographic work. If you will notice who the photographic "fads" are you will find that they are the best people of our land. It's not expensive either. NOTE THE PRICES—



FLEXO KODAK \$5.00



BULL'S EYE, \$8.00

No. 1 Folding Kodak \$10.00

No. 2 Folding Kodak \$17.50

THE BROWNIE KODAKS at \$1.00 or \$2.00 are little gems. They take splendid pictures and are easily manipulated. Any boy or girl over 5 years of age, can take pictures. We teach each purchaser how to take pictures if desired.

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W. H. Brooksbank lost a gauntlet, Monday.

Lost—Gent's gauntlet, on Monday. A reward will be paid for its return to this office.

Fancy work boxes for Christmas presents at Mrs. J. E. Weldon's.

Call on Gabe McIntyre, at the Montreal House, corner of Head and Sandys streets.

Buy the baby a Christmas present at Mrs. J. E. Weldon's.

Chambermaid wanted, one understanding dining room work preferred. D. J. McDonald, C. P. R. Hotel.

Dr. Cornell will attend the convention of the Ontario Dental Society to be held in Toronto on the 8th, 9th and 10th prox.

Cloaks, bonnets and hats, suitable Christmas gifts for baby. Mrs. J. E. Weldon.

The petit jury at the December sessions cost \$313.70. That is the amount paid out to the jurors by County Treasurer J. C. Fleming.

Hugh Kerr, Jr., who is in the Public General Hospital suffering with a dislocated shoulder and other injuries, is getting along nicely and expects to be able to leave that institution in a day or two.

The King's Daughters yesterday received a generous donation of \$5, to be used in charitable work for the poor, from Mr. Henry Dugneau. It was moved by Mrs. W. E. McKeough and seconded by Mrs. McKeough, that a very hearty vote of thanks be tendered Mr. Dugneau.

There will be a meeting of the managers of the city, Sunday school superintendents and assistant superintendents in the offices of Stone, Houston & Stone at 8 o'clock this evening for the purpose of organizing a city Sunday School Association.

Leslie Keitch was tried before his honor Judge Bell at the December sessions on charges of assaulting Harry Hoyle and Roy Hoyle. Keitch was found guilty and fined \$25.00. The case of Rex vs. Duddy, theft, is still in progress. Duddy is accused of stealing a saw, axe and other tools from Mrs. Palm, Chatham Township.

The case of Jos. Martin vs. Martin, et al., occupied the attention of the High Court from yesterday until noon today. This is an action brought by Joe Martin, of Dover, a brother of Donithes Martin, against his mother, Mary Martin, and his two sisters. The claim is for damages for interfering with him in preventing the removal of timber sold to William Drader, and also for the interpretation of a will.

Houston, Stone & Stone for plaintiff; E. F. H. Johnston and J. G. Kerr for Mrs. Martin, and Lewis J. Richards for the two sisters. Judgment was reserved.

Dr. Samson told Mayor McKee that if the people of Chatham knew what they were missing in not having an electric road they would sit up at night worrying about it. People opposed to the line between Amherstburg and Windsor on the ground that nobody would ride in the cars as there were such fine steamers on the river. The fallacy of this argument was proven when the railroad was built. Every car that left Amherstburg was laden. These roads make their own business.

At the special meeting of the Council to-morrow night a by-law will be prepared and submitted to the electors for the securing of a pork packing industry for this city. The proposition is that the city shall lend the industry \$30,000 for ten years at three per cent, and give a free site of ten acres. The gentleman from Birmingham, England, who is willing to build the factory will add another \$30,000. The city's loan will be secured by first mortgage. This factory will actually cost the city \$1,700 and the cost of the site, and will employ 100 men.

A meeting of the property owners on St. Clair street, between Head St. and the bridge, was called last evening in Mrs. Fagall's store. The residents of St. Clair street north of Head St. objected to the pavement, for which the initiative had been taken, on the ground that the business portion of the street, which would benefit the most, should also be paved. The Blonde Co., who are the largest property holders in this block, were quite willing to agree to this, and, at their request, the meeting was called last evening. All the other property owners, however, were unanimous in opposing the pavement. As a result the ratepayers on the balance of the street are busy to-day preparing a petition to knock out the initiative. The time for putting in this petition against the pavement expires to-morrow, and it looks as if the petition would be on hand. It is too bad that the residents on this street cannot agree on a pavement, as it is one of the most important and worst streets in the city.

### NEW BAND

A meeting of the new 24th Regiment brass band held in the sergeants' mess rooms last evening. There were a large number present, including a number of new players who have recently been brought into the city. Bandmaster Colonel Rankin and Bandmaster Walker were present to meet the strangers and welcome them into the Regiment. A lot of new instruments have been purchased and these were handed out to the new players. The band will meet for practice in a short time.

### Municipality of Raleigh

Take notice that the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Township of Raleigh, will meet in the Township Hall, on Tuesday, the 15th day of December, 1903, at 10 a. m.

By order,  
A. E. ROBINSON,  
Clerk.



## For My Lady's Foot...

We have winter comfort not to be found in every shoe store.

Our "Juliet," our Turkish and Felt Slippers; our Worsted Slippers; House Slippers of every size for **Children, Misses' and Ladies** at prices to suit the pocket book.

Repairing done at the store

**TURRILL'S,** 93 King Street, CHATHAM

### LETTER BOX

#### A DESERVING MAN.

To the Editor of The Planet:

Mr. Editor, will you kindly allow us space in the columns of your valuable paper to answer some of the street corner gossip that is at present being very freely circulated concerning the action of the Raleigh Council in granting aid to Mr. A. H. Smith?

It appears that the story is to the effect that we granted the sum of twenty-five dollars to a man in comfortable circumstances, and who possesses a snug bank account. I wonder if these animated news bags are going to charge us with perverting a direct fraud upon the municipality of Raleigh, or are they just talking at random to hear themselves talking on a voice of wisdom and taking chances on being right?

Now, let us ask, can any person acquainted with the long list of calamities that have befallen this unfortunate man in the last fifteen years, believe for one instant such a preposterous yarn. Fifteen years ago Mr. Smith, then a laboring man—head sawyer in a saw mill—lost his right hand at the wrist, which I do not need to describe. This accident started peddling pins, needles, and other trinkets, to make a living for himself and family. From peddling he went into the manufacturing of shingles, having managed to purchase a small shingle mill.

By another misfortune, he then lost the thumb and part of the forefinger of his remaining hand, and again had to lay off from work for a long time. Last of all the long and fatal illness of his wife, which I do not need to describe, has left him with seven children to care for, most of them quite small.

Now, Mr. Editor, is it a reasonable thing that this man, who five years ago had but half of a hand and his wife had lost her hand, and who, in addition, will by dint of daily labor accumulate such a good round sum of the needful? The very idea appears preposterous. We will be responsible for the assertion that Mr. Smith would like very much to draw upon the treasury as he is badly in need of it at present, and if some of the street corner wise ones will just tell him where it is he will reward them with ten per cent of whatever amount they can find standing to his credit.

In conclusion, let me say that if any person can prove that we gave that money to an undeserving man or to one who was not in sore need, to say nothing of his crippled condition, we will guarantee every cent of that twenty-five dollars to be returned to the treasury at once, but until such proof is forthcoming we will treat future street corner gossip with the silent contempt which it deserves.

EDWARD RANDALL,  
Merlin, Nov. 3.

Kouri is Dying.

Montreal, Dec. 9.—Joseph Kouri, the Syrian peddler, who was shot in the head at L'Abbaye some weeks ago, is in a dying condition at the Notre Dame Hospital, an abscess having formed around the bullet in the brain. The only hope lies in the removal of the bullet, and this extremely critical operation will be undertaken to-morrow. Kouri's assailant is in jail at Hull.

### PROMPT MOVE

Dr. W. R. Hall, M. H. O., received a telegram from J. M. Burke, of Blechnam, this morning, asking assistance in disinfecting the residence of W. Thomas, River Road, Raleigh. This case of scarlet fever was reported on the 24th of November and the law requires that the patient and inmates shall be quarantined for six weeks at least. This has evidently not been completed with in this case, and Dr. Hall notified Dr. Young, M. H. O. of Raleigh, that the city shall hold the Township of Raleigh responsible if the six weeks quarantine is not enforced in case of scarlet fever.

Too much precaution cannot be exercised in the treatment of this dangerous disease, and Dr. Hall is to be commended upon the step he has taken.

### A TERRIBLE CHARGE.

Wife Accused of Arranging For Husband's Murder.

Bennington, Vt., Dec. 10.—Mrs. Mary M. Rogers was arraigned, charged with the murder of her husband, Marcus M. Rogers. Mr. Rogers was killed last summer. Levi Perham, by whom Mrs. Rogers was employed, and Stella Bates, are charged with complicity in the crime.

Perham, when arrested first, made a confession, accusing Mrs. Rogers, and then retracted it. Perham said that Rogers, who was not living with his wife, was lured to the banks of the Walomac River by Mrs. Rogers, and while she embraced him Perham and the Bates woman bound him, administered chloroform, and then cast him into the river. Perham said that the chloroform which was used was purchased by the Bates woman, with full knowledge of its intended use. He also said that Mrs. Rogers had previously offered him \$500, the amount of the insurance on her husband's life, if he would do away with Rogers. Both of the women at the time denied guilt.

Ask for Minard's and take no other.

PRINTER WANTED—At this office.

MONEY FOUND—In the fall of 1902, in Reame's restaurant, market square. The owner can have the money by proving property and paying charges of this advertisement. Richard Reame, Chatham.

MONEY TO LOAN ON LAND MORTGAGE—lowest rate of interest. Farmers have a few farms for sale. I also sell buggies and carriages. Call and see me and get my prices and you will save money by doing so. Henry Dugneau, Chatham.

## BOOKS...

### Holiday Gifts

All the Best, Both Old and New...

Some of the choice things—  
"The Mistle of the Pasture";  
"Barbasch of the Guard";  
"Vice-Admiral of the Blue";  
"The Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come";  
"A Checkered Love Affair";  
"The Heart of Rome."

A book is an intelligent gift. It comes with the most grateful sense of remembrance when it represents absolutely the givers own section.

The variety is unlimited.

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### FRESH BUTTERCUPS..

ASSORTED FLAVORS..

All Taffies and Crisp, 10c. per lb. at

**NORTHWOOD'S,**

KING ST.

Up-to-date Millinery. C. AUSTIN & CO. Fashionable Dressmaking.

## White Silk and Wool Blouse Goods

We are showing this week a splendid range of silk and wool goods, suitable for ladies' blouses, consisting of Crepe de Chine, Fancy Dot Effects, Fancy Serges, Eolienes, Silk Sublime, Nun's Veiling, Cashmere, Lustre and Bedford Cords. Here are some suggestive items:—

40 and 42 inch Crepe de Chine, in wool and silk and wool, price 75c and \$1 yard.  
40 inch cream fancy dot effect, price per yard 75c.  
48 inch wide all wool cream serge, in a good heavy material for children's dresses and ladies' blouses, price 60 cents per yard.  
42 inch Eolienne in nice silk effect, price per yard \$1.00.  
Silk Sublime, 40 inches wide, price per yard \$1.00.

More interesting news of

## Boys' Overcoats.

We have just opened up this week another shipment of **BOYS' RUSSIAN OVERCOATS.** The line for the little fellows, ages 4 to 9 years, a full range of sizes, the swellest little overcoats in the market this season, made of handsome blue cloth, button close to neck, velvet collar, double breasted effect, with leather belt, a very appropriate coat for the little men. Prices \$4.00 and \$5.00.

**BOYS' RAGLANETTE OVERCOATS.**—We are still fortunate enough to have a full range of boys' overcoats, in the full long Raglanette styles, in plain Oxford greys, plain black and neat tweeds, for ages 4 to 16 years. Prices range, \$2.50, \$3, \$3.50, \$4, \$5.00 up to \$9.00.

**BOYS' STORM AND DRESS REEFERS.**—A very sensible coat for boys to run and play in is the storm reefers, made from heavy all wool friezes, Chinilla cloths, and plain blue heavy serge, big storm collar, double breasted style, heavy tweed linings, for ages 4 to 16 years. Prices range \$1.50 to \$3.50.

A very nobby boxy reefer, made from the reliable wearing whip cord D. B. style, very dressy and will keep it. Appearance, sizes for ages 7 to 12 years, at \$3.75.

## Stylish Coats and Attractive Prices.

Coats noted for their excellence in both style and workmanship. They are jaunty and trimmed of excellent material, well finished, and now, by reason of a stock adjustment, priced at the following popular figures:—

For \$7.50, worth up to \$10.00.—Of Zibelines and tweeds, popular new styles, with or without collar and capes, double breasted or fly front, neatly trimmed with stitching and black broadcloth.  
At \$10.00.—Of Black Cheviot, military style with single military cape, deep cuff on sleeve, cape plain or finished with deep stitched hand and satin piping.  
For \$9.98, worth up to \$12.50.—Of black or castor broadcloth, loose fitting, double breasted, lined throughout with Surah twill, seams, collar and lapels finished with rows of stitching.  
At \$12.50.—Of black and white tweed, 42 inch Jacket with double shoulder cape, turn back cuff on sleeve, fly fronts and seam down back.

## Special Items of Interest From Our Linen Section

### THIS TIME THEY ARE Pattern Table Cloths.

I.—5 only Bleached Pattern Table Cloths, assorted choice designs, perfect goods, bright satin finish, 67x87 in and 72x90 ins, special \$2.50 each.  
II.—6 only Bleached Pattern Table Cloths, assorted patterns, superior finish 65x83 in, regular \$2.50 for \$1.90 each.  
III.—9 only extra value Pattern Table Cloths, superior quality linen, bright satin finish, handsome designs, 72x108 inches, bordered all around, special \$3.00 each.  
IV.—4 only, choice quality, Irish Linen Pattern Cloths, napkins to match, extra heavy fine weave, assorted choice designs, 58x103 in, special 3.25 each.  
V.—A very choice line of Bleached Pattern Cloth, only one of a pattern, very heavy and fine, 8-10 and 8-12 sizes, at 3.75, 4.25 and 4.75 each.  
VI.—Special cloths for round and square top tables, assorted designs, fine quality linen, bordered all around. 2 1/2 x 2 1/2 5.00 each, 2 1/2 x 3 yds 4.75, 6.50 each.  
VII.—Cloths and napkins to match put up in sets, very fine quality of linen, assorted patterns, Irish and Scotch make, at 5.50, 6.50, 7.50 and 4.50 per set of napkins.  
VIII.—A lot of odd applique centre pieces, 30x30 in, slightly soiled, regular 85c, 1.00, 1.25, 1.50 each, to clear at 75c each.

## C. Austin & Company