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WESTMAN BROS., Big Hardware

Fruit Cake For Christmas

We have a large stock of it, all sizes and shapes, small ones for small families, that are just as good as the larger ones. We should get more money for Christmas Cakes on account of high prices of fruit, but we are in a position to give them to you at last year's prices—25c per lb.

W. S. Richards

G. W. Cornell

Dentist
66 6th and King Sts.,
Over Geo. E. Young's Grocery.

LOCAL BRIEFS

Choice wines and liquors at F.A. Robert's. Chocolate and Molasses chips are delicious, at Richards.

Call on F. A. Robert for your Xmas cheer.

Barrister J. S. Fraser, of Wallaceburg, is in the city to-day.

Leslie Shepley, formerly assistant at the Model school, was in the city to-day.

All kinds of fuffies at Richards', special lines for Christmas.

The total amount of city taxes for 1900 collected at per was \$73,500.

Miss Meta Wilson, is home from Toronto for the holiday vacation.

Miss Pansy Barfoot left this afternoon for Toronto to spend the Christmas holidays.

The Misses Putnam, of Bismarck, spent the day in the city.

Next Monday F. A. Robert will sell one gallon choice wine for 50c.

E. B. Northwood, of Duquith, is spending a few days with friends in the city.

The infant daughter of George Green, Chatham township, passed away Thursday.

A large assortment of handsome pictures, ready framed, at Tilt's, at low prices.

Mr. and Mrs. M. McLachlan, of Grand Rapids, are spending the holidays in this city.

Walker's Superior Lager in quarts and pints at F. A. Robert's.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Plowes and family left yesterday to spend the Christmas in London.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. White left to-day for Toronto, where they will spend Christmas.

J. D. McKerrall, Grocer, North Chatham, will have Celery and Lettuce fresh on Monday.

Your Xmas Cheer! Secure it from F. A. Robert, the noted King street wine and spirit merchant.

Miss Jessie Houston, who has been attending the University at Toronto, returned home last evening.

Xmas Cheer! Your choice of ales and porters Walker's, Carling's, Labatt's white label, and spring Grant's brands at F. A. Robert's.

Reg. Jones, of the Merchant's Bank staff, leaves on Monday for a visit to his home in Forest.

Wm. Holmes, of Detroit, is spending the holidays with his father, James Holmes, Victoria avenue.

Oh, but it's good! What! Maple Walnut Cream Taffy, at Richards'.

Geoffrey O'Hara, of the Bank of Commerce, Hamilton, returned to-day to spend the vacation at his home in this city.

W. S. Richards has everything you want in the line of Candies, Nuts and Fruits.

Miss Edith Tackaberry returned last night from Toronto, where she has been attending Normal School.

The finest box of creams for 25c. You can buy in the world is at Richards'.

Richard Pope is being congratulated by his friends on the addition of another bouncing boy to his family.

Miss Edith Holmes returned last evening from Toronto, where she has been attending at Haverhill Hall.

Xmas Perfumes!



Saturday and Monday are our Perfume Harvest Days. We expect a rush at our perfume cases, but we think we are fully prepared for it. Come with the crowd. You'll find competent salespeople to wait on you.

A. I. McCALL & CO., Druggists

Dr. Patterson

Dentist
First Class Work.
Very Moderate Fees.
Office next to Lawry's, King St., three doors west of Market.

R. J. Brown leaves for Toronto and New Market for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. John Guy and two children leave on Sunday for Peterboro to spend the Christmas holidays.

Chief Young came to this city in 1892. He said he never saw such a crowd in the city as were with us to-day. Many farms couldn't get accommodation at the feed tables for their horses.

The subject for debate at the Macaulay Club to-night is "Resolved that the franchise should be extended to Women." Leader of the affirmative, R. L. Brackin; leader of negative, Fred Hall; reading, Thos. Scullard.

Fred Goodland has received a copy of the *Tiverton Gazette* from friends in England. The paper contains an account of the presentation of a handsome sword, inscribed with gold and jewels, to Gen. Buller. The inscription on the sword is: "Presented to the Right Hon. Gen. Sir Redvers Buller, V. C., C. B., K. C. M. G., by the county of Devon, in recognition of gallant service in South Africa."

KEY IS STILL THERE.

Chief Jacques says that the key has not been removed from the box at the corner of Harvey and West streets, but that he moved the key box to the other side of the post owing to the repeated breaking of the glass. Inside ten days the chief put seven new pieces in the key box. Several times also, the key hole of the alarm box has been plugged with mud. A watch is being kept for the guilty ones. Boys in the neighborhood are believed to be responsible.

K. O. T. M. OFFICERS-ELECT.

The K. O. T. M. held a lunch and smoker after their special meeting, called for the purpose of electing officers. The following officers were elected:

Past Commander—J. M. Pike.

Commander—R. O. Springer.

Lieut. Commander—Wm. Gorman.

Record keeper—Chas. Hammond.

Chaplain—Wm. Courtney.

Segeant—W. Deszela.

Master-at-arms—Jos. Tilt.

2nd master of guards—H. Jacques.

Sentinel—Sydney Woods.

Picket—Chas. Hammond.

Physician—Dr. Tyne.

Auditors—J. M. Pike and Chas. Brandt.

ST. ANDREW'S SUNDAY SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT.

The annual Christmas entertainment of St. Andrew's Sunday school was held last evening and the gathering of scholars, pupils and parents proved a happy one. The school room was well filled with a very appreciative audience. The program consisted of choruses by the school children, a solo by Miss Minnings, a recitation by Edna Huson, and a hoop drill by the girls of the Sunday school under the direction of Miss Kerr. A demonstration of the Fletcher system of music, kindergarten songs, and a play by the children of Mrs. S. H. Marshall. This part of the program was the most entertaining feature of a splendid concert. It showed explicitly and intelligently the case with which children, from six to ten years old, could be taught the rudiments of music. The work of Mrs. Marshall was highly appreciated and it exhibited a thorough understanding of music and piano playing. The entertainment concluded with the annual visitation of Santa Claus with his usual equipment of sweetmeats. James Grant officiated as the venerable old boy to the intense satisfaction of the juveniles.

The Puzzle of the Fay.

What shall I give as a Christmas Present to my son? That question can be solved to the mutual satisfaction of all concerned by buying him a Scholarship in The International Correspondence School, of Beranton, Pa. You want your son to make his way in the world; give him a technical education that will make him capable of filling responsible positions at high salaries. The prices are low and you can pay cash or on easy installments. For particulars, see or write local representative, W. J. Medford, Chatham.

A GREAT MARKET.

There was one of the largest markets in the history of the Square to-day. Everything in fresh meats and poultry to vegetables and fruits were on sale, and in addition to the large number of sellers the market was crowded with buyers. There was probably not enough produce and meats on the market to feed an army a month, as Capt. Bell, of the 21st Battalion, estimated, but aforementioned army would probably have managed to exist on the food that was offered for several days without feeling at all a lack of food. The offerings of poultry were very heavy and the birds were all choice. Turkeys were most in evidence and were ready sellers at from 50c. to \$2. Other poultry was plentiful without any change in value. There was a good supply of fresh meats. Beef sold at 5c. to 5c. per lb. and mutton 7 to 8c. Vegetables were plentiful at the prices that have ranged for the past month. Lettuce sold at 20c. per lb. and potatoes at 35 to 40c. per bag.

SPECIAL TRAIN SERVICE FOR CHRISTMAS.

In order to meet the convenience of the travelling public, the Canadian Pacific Railway will run two extra trains, one leaving the Chatham station for Toronto and eastern points, on Sunday at 2:30 a. m., and another will go west at 1:05 on Monday morning. The usual round rates will be given.

A. O. J. W.

To-day life insurance is studied as never before. Men are becoming better posted, they are coming to know the work as well as the strong points. The insurable quality of men as well as quantity, is what keeps this order in a healthy, prosperous position, while its graded rates, and rapidly increasing reserve fund give added advantages. Further information supplied.

Warren Martin.



We secure our patrons two things—Good goods and unequalled Prices.

The Right Kind of...

Shoes and Rubbers

At the right prices.

LADIES' FINE SHOES

Our assortment in this department is very attractive just now—our prices very moderate.

Ladies' fine Vio Kid Boot, with fine kid lining and Military heel, regular price \$3, our moderate price \$2.50.

Another line of fine Vio Kid Boots with rubber heels, regular price \$3, our moderate price \$2.50.

Another line with fine Box calf uppers, extension soles and Kid uppers, regular price \$3, our moderate price \$2.50.

These three lines are made by the J. D. King Co., of Toronto, makers of ladies fine shoes. We buy from the best manufacturers, we carry up-to-date styles, our goods are reliable. Whether to buy or look you are always welcomed.

The Boston Shoe House:

J. L. Campbell.

George McLoughlin, of Detroit, is holding a party in the Maple City.

In the hearing of claims against the late Chatham Banner Co., in liquidation, at Osgoode Hall yesterday, Mr. Neff, the liquidator, said that the claimants against the company total \$8,000, but half of them are being disputed. The assets are \$5,000, the amount obtained from the sale of the paper.

I was cured of a bad case of Grip by MINARD'S LINIMENT.

Sidney, C. B. C. I. LAQUE.

I was cured of loss of voice by MINARD'S LINIMENT.

Yarmouth, CHARLES PLUMMER.

I was cured of Sciatic Rheumatism by MINARD'S LINIMENT.

Burns, Nfld. LEWIS S. BUTLER.

CALIFORNIA EXCURSIONS.

Every day in the year the Chicago, Union Pacific and North-Western Lines runs through first-class Pullman and Tourist sleeping cars to points in California and Oregon. Personally conducted excursions from Chicago to San Francisco and Los Angeles and Portland every Thursday. Lowest rates. Shortest time on the road. Finest scenery. Inquire of your nearest ticket agent, or write for latest Tourist folder and information to B. H. Bennett, General Agent, 2 King St., East, Toronto, Ont.

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Stepped into Live Coals.

"When a child I burned my foot fearfully," writes W. H. Eads, of Jonesville, Va., "which caused horrible leg sores for 30 years, but Bucklen's Arnica Salve wholly cured me after everything else failed." Infallible for Burns, Scalds, Cuts, Sores, Bruises and Piles. Sold by A. I. McCALL & Co., 25c.

Minard's Liniment Cures Garget in Cows.

Rheumatism in all its forms is promptly and permanently cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla, which neutralizes acidity of the blood.

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PIANOS

Canada's Greatest Pianoforte—Send for Catalogue and Prices

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J. M. DEPEW

180 Wellington St. E., Chatham.

REAL ESTATE EXCHANGE AND BROKER'S OFFICE.

FOR SALE—A few shares of the Chatham Manufacturing Co., Limited

F. Marx

Ask for Minard's and take no other.

A... Fountain Pen For Christmas

Be the gift for a lady or gentle man, nothing that you could give would be more appropriate than a...

Waterman Ideal Fountain Pen

We have them in a variety of points to suit all hands at \$2.50, \$3.50, \$4 and \$5; and in gold and silver mounted handles at \$3.50 and \$5. Every pen guaranteed to give satisfaction or your money refunded.

Yours faithfully,
G. G. TAYLOR.

To the Electors of Chatham.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Your vote and influence are respectfully solicited for my election as alderman for 1901.

Yours respectfully,
A. B. McCOIG.

To the Electors of Chatham.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for alderman for 1901 and if my past services has met with your approval I once more ask for your support. (Thanking you for past favors I am,

Yours respectfully,
A. B. McCOIG.

S. S. CLOSING EXERCISES.

Rev. Fathers Solanus, Herman and Gabriel, and the Mother Superior of the Convent, attended the closing exercises at the Separate school yesterday. Miss Laura McDonald, daughter of D. J. McDonald, read an address to the clergy and each of the priests was presented with a cup and saucer. Father Herman entertained the children with magic lantern views. The scholars on being dismissed were each presented with a package of candy.

FOR SALE.

For Sale—About 28 acres of land, with plenty of fruit and water, modern buildings; half mile from station and 60 acres, excepting lot 166 about the north corner of lot 166 about the north corner of 40 rods square, Talbot Road, Tilbury East.

First—In bulk, as timber stands.

Second—By the thousand cut.

Third—By the thousand cut and skidded.

Fourth—By the thousand delivered in the mill yard.

Where tender is made by the thousand and make two tenders, one for the maple and one for the elm.

If necessary, two years will be allowed to remove the timber.

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

N. H. SHEPLEY.

GRAND OPERA:

Week Beginning December. 17

The Ever Popular

Marks Bros.

Presenting the Comedian

Tom Marks

And a Clever Company of Players, producing the Latest Dramas and Comedies.

Popular Prices 25c, 15c, 10c

Special amusements after regular performance on Saturday night. Seats on sale now.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE

MONDAY, DECEMBER 24

THE EMINENT ROMANTIC ACTOR

MR. ROBERT B.

MANTELL

AND A SELECT COMPANY

UNDER THE MANAGEMENT OF

J. W. HANLEY, IN

"A FREE LANCE"

INTERESTING ALL NEW SCENERY

A GENUINE DRAMATIC TREAT

PRICES - \$1.75c, 50c, 25c, 10c

Curtain Rises at 8:45.

[Mr. Mantell is too well known in Chatham to need any comment. The newspapers all agree this is the best play he has ever had. The company carries absolutely everything used in the production even to the furniture—J. F. O'Brien.]

See our swell line of

Men's and Boys' Reefers,

Suits, Overcoats,

Fancy Vests, Etc.

Just in! Men's Holiday Hats Just in!

Very special lines of Fedoras and Stiff Hats, the latest..... \$1, \$1.50, \$2.00

Men's Fashionable Attire

There is no chance work about buying your clothing here. You try on the suit or overcoat, examine its finish and see the exact appearance of the completed garment before you make your decision. Here you see the final appearance and judge exactly, while our standard of excellence is so high that if the appearance pleases you you're safe in regard to quality and wear, we stand sponsor for that side of the case.

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Carpets Clothing | C. Austin & Co. | Dress Making and Millinery

Everything in Men's Furnishings Clothes to Fit Everybody

Merry Christmas Time....

A time when hearts expand and purse strings loosen, when our greatest happiness is in making others happy. At no time of the year is this store (your store) so attractive as now. Time, money and brains have been taxed in collecting this beautiful array of Xmas novelties full preparations have been made to your gift giving needs. This store has donned its holiday attire and BIDS YOU WELCOME.

What 25c Will Buy

Men's handsome neck ties, knots, puffs, bows, four-in-hands, all styles..... 25c
Men's and Boys' colored bordered lawn handkerchiefs, the latest, 2 for..... 25c
Men's and Boys' nobby neck scarfs, new designs..... 25c
Men's imported cashmere sor, very special, a pair..... 25c
Men's and Boys' winter caps, special values, all sizes..... 25c
Boys' choice holiday cuff buttons, all styles, a