

NOT NECESSARY

It's not necessary that you should suffer the cold. We have many good Fur Jackets left to sell. Sizes 32 to 46; Bust 22 to 34 inches long, \$20.00 to \$150.00 in price. No poor quality, every one guaranteed. We would rather sell them now at greatly reduced prices than to wait until spring to do so.

Come Now. Don't Wait till you are Frost Bitten.

We have no room in our space for descriptions or price list, but, we found plenty of room on the ticket of each garment to write the price in plain English figures that will surprise you.

THE URBAN STORE

PRIMEAU & PELTIER,
Garner House Block.

G. W. CORNELL
DENTIST
Corner Sixth and King Street
Over the Bee Hive.
Phone 317.

PROBABILITIES.

Special per G. N. W.
Toronto, Dec. 28.—11 a. m.—Strong winds, becoming northwesterly to night; milder with light snowfalls. Wednesday, strong northwesterly winds, fair and very cold again.

THE LOCAL BUDGET

Architect T. J. Rutley is seriously ill.
W. J. McLaren, of Winnipeg, is in the city.
Mr. E. Hall, of Blenheim, was in the city yesterday.
John A. Stephenson and daughter, Duluth, are in the city.
Mr. and Mrs. N. Bedell, of Dresden, were guests in the city yesterday.
Dr. Jennie Carson has returned from a pleasant holiday trip to Dakota.
Mrs. W. E. Kendall and daughter, Queen St., are visiting in Ridgeway.
W. H. Reid has returned to Detroit after spending a few days at his home here.
The pupils of Miss A. McLean will hold an assembly Wednesday evening, Dec. 30th.

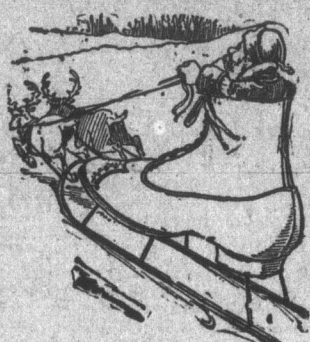
Thos. Weir, of Cathcart Tp., Burford, Ont., spent Christmas with his cousin, Major Weir.
On Monday, 28th inst., the clergymen of the city met and organized a ministerial association for the city. Rev. Dr. Battisby was elected president and Rev. F. E. Malott, B. A., B. D., secretary-treasurer. Meetings will be held the first Monday of each month at 10 a. m.

SPECIAL SALE OF

Ebony Goods

Following our usual custom we shall during this week sell the balance of our Ebony Goods at a discount of 10 per cent. This includes Ebony Brushes, Mirrors, Manicure Sets, etc.

A. I. McCall & Co., Ltd.,
Cor. King and Fifth Sts. Druggists.



Slippers Everyone..

Plenty here to please every man, woman or child. Slippers of all kinds and for all purposes. Slipper economy and slipper elegance.

Slippers from 25c to \$3.

MEN'S RUBBERS, all sizes, for 50c.

WOMEN'S and MISSES' RUBBERS, all sizes for 25c.

TURRILL'S, 93 King Street, CHATHAM

NOMINATIONS

Tilbury East Township—Reeve—Jas. E. Campbell, P. Wilson. Councilors—Clark, Cooper, McGregor, Richards, Wm. Doyle, Geo. Chalmers, R. M. Stevenson.

Romney Township—Reeve—F. J. Fox (acclamation). Councilors—Fetherstone, Jones, Simpson, Edwards, Brown, Potts, McLean and Dawson.

Howard Township—Reeve—H. McLachlan and J. Williams. Councilors—Ed Bryan, D. Wilson, W. T. Galbraith, James Leitch and Albert E. Arnold.

Chatham Township—Reeve—Hugh Cummings (acclamation). Councilors—A. Templeton, W. Abraham, Wm. McGeorge, R. A. Tompkins, Adam Irwin, Wm. Merritt, Josiah Armstrong. All of whom are likely to stand.

Dover Township—Reeve—C. Purser, Peter Crawford. Councilors—Wm. Boyer, Geo. King, Jos. Lewis, John Bagwell, A. Hind, John Bishop, John Calvert. Harper. Mr. Purser was reeve this year, and his opponent, Mr. Crawford, is a this year's councillor. The three following are old councillors and the rest new.

Ridgeway—Mayor—L. J. Reyeract, acclamation. Councilors—L. D. Parney, R. B. Hunter, R. E. Lethian, D. Simpson, W. C. Regan, John McCall, T. F. Routledge, D. J. McLean, P. G. Buckworth, J. Cochrane, John McPherson and A. Long. School Trustees—L. J. Hummel, John McGregor, Norman Steer, Robt. Porterfield, all by acclamation.

MASS MEETING

There will be a Mass Meeting of citizens in the Council Chamber, Harrison Hall, this evening at 8 o'clock, to discuss the three by-laws which will be submitted to the electors.

A DESTRUCTIVE FIRE

Seven Thousand Sheep Burned at Buffalo.

Buffalo, Dec. 29.—Seven thousand sheep were burned to death at the East Buffalo stock yards yesterday. The long, narrow sheds in which they were confined were swept by the flames before any of the animals could be released. The loss is estimated at \$75,000. It was stated by Supt. Leigh that the fire would in no way interfere with the handling of live stock at the yards. Plenty of space is available in the cattle and hog sheds to take care of the sheep arrivals.

The sheep were housed in two long, narrow sheds, covering a total area of 600,000 square feet. Running parallel with them, on either side, were the hog and cattle sheds. The flames were discovered by a watchman in the south end of the sheep shed, shortly before 8 o'clock. Fanned by a brisk wind, the fire destroyed the buildings in an incredibly short time. The firemen turned their attention to saving the adjoining structures, with their squealing and bellowing tenants. The fire was under control at 9 o'clock. The sheep were what are known as "exports," and were in charge of federal officers.

CHICAGO MARKETS

Reported by F. B. Proctor, Broker Northwood Block, Chatham, Dec. 29, 1903.

Wheat	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	CLOSE
Dec.	81½	81½	81½	81½
May	84½	84½	84	84½
July	78½	78½	78½	78½
Corn				
Dec.	41½	42	41½	41½
May	45	45½	44½	44½
July	44½	44½	44½	44½
Oats				
Dec.	35	35	35	35
May	37½	37½	37½	37½
July	34½	34½	34½	34½
Pork				
Jan.	1217	1217	1207	1207
May	1255	1260	1245	1245
Lard				
Jan.	667	670	662	662
May	690	692	686	686
Ribs				
Jan.	630	630	622	622
May	657	659	652	652

Minard's Liniment Relieves Neuralgia.

WHY THE LIGHTS WERE OUT

Robert Coyle, the watchman at the fire hall, was in a funny mood this morning.

"Well," he said, "I noticed that all of the electric lights in Chatham went out last night. Things looked pretty gloomy in that section of the town from the tower. 'I noticed also by this morning's Free Press that the new Council are going to tear up the King street pavement.'"

"Why?" eagerly asked the innocent news reporter.

"Because it is in the road," replied Billy Bounce as he gave vent to a hearty laugh and then took a fresh chew of tobacco.

When a farmer cradles his grain he isn't necessarily engaged in baby farming.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

AGENTS WANTED—\$250 per day! Address Cooper, London, Ont.

FOR SALE—Gladstone sleigh, nearly new. Apply at this office.

GOOD WHITE GIRL WANTED—For general housework. Apply at this office.

TO THE CITY ELECTORS.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for alderman for 1904. Having lived and worked in Chatham for the past 20 years, I think I know the requirements of this city. If elected I shall do my best to forward all measures that will benefit our good city. In my position as a working man I cannot make a personal canvass. Your votes and influence solicited.

JOHN E. AINSWORTH.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am again before you for the position of Alderman for the year 1904. I have served you with pleasure for a number of years, and if again honored by being elected I will still continue to take the same careful interest in the city's business as I have done in the past.

Wishing you all the compliments of the season.

Yours truly,

E. A. MOUNTIER.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

At the request of a large number of ratepayers, I have decided to offer myself as a candidate for alderman for the year 1904. As I will be unable to see many of the electors personally, I would hereby solicit the vote and influence of all, and if elected, will serve the city to the best of my ability. Wishing you the compliments of the season, I am,

Yours respectfully,

ARTHUR J. DUNN.

We Extend TO ONE AND ALL

The Season's Heartiest Greetings . . .

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Box 52, Fifth St. Phone 295.

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Glazed Nuts
Navel Oranges
Oysters Daily by Express.**

The Northwood Company,

Up-to-date
Millinery.

C. Austin & Co.

Fashionable
Dressmaking.

January Sale at Austin's.

Stock-taking time is here and from now until Inventory Day we will bend all our energies towards reducing the stock. All short lengths and odd lots, in every part of the store will have special prices put on them to effect a speedy clearance. Come early and come often, as new lines will be put on sale each day. Below we quote some of the lines which will indicate to you the extra values you many expect all through this store—

CUT PRICE SALE

On Grey Flannels and Plain Shaker Flannel

AT 9c A YARD, WORTH 15c.—About 175 yards, extra heavy flannelette, opera blue shade, soft flannel finish, 32 inches wide, suitable for ladies or children's garments, the reason of this big cut in price is we have too much of this one particular make, clearing price. 9c yard

AT 25c. A YARD, WORTH 35c.—125 yards Maple Leaf Grey Flannel, plain or twilled, dark or light grey, 27 inches wide, extra heavy and soft, guaranteed unshrinkable, suitable for shirts, skirts, etc. clearing price. 25c yard

AT 30c A YARD, WORTH 40c.—2 pieces, extra fine, pure wool grey flannel, 28 and 29 inches wide, plain or twilled, good shades, warranted to wash without shrinking, special for ladies' fine undergarments, clearing price. 30c yard

A STYLISH NEW COAT

Costs Little To-Day.

Here are handsome coats for women, gathered into these underpriced groups to give women a remarkable opportunity to have a fine new coat for New Year's Day, and yet pay wonderfully little for it.

At \$5.98, is a group of handsomely tailored coats in Black and White Tweed effects, double breasted, or fly front, plain or trimmed with black strappings.

At \$6.98, of Fancy Zebeline or plain cloths, Grey, Black or Castor, with collar or collarless, with or without capes, well lined, trimmed with cording, stitching and strappings.

At \$8.50, of Grey Zebeline, collarless, trimmed around the neck, sleeves and down the front, with stitched strap of black and wide broadcloth applique. They were \$12.50.

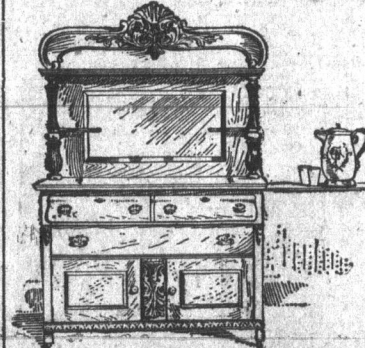
At \$10.00, of Kersey cloth, Broadcloth, and Fancy Tweeds. Some are nicely tucked from the collar strap down. Others are finished with capes, or stitching and strappings.

A Fur Coat or a fur neck piece will delight a woman always. We have some of the finest furs to be found in the city; and we have plenty of the handsome but inexpensive pieces as well. Details of furs make poor reading; come and see them.

January Sale of Furniture

The Difference Between Actual Values and Selling Prices

is so pronounced as to merit the immediate attention of every one, to the least degree interested in purchasing furniture. Those who know this store best are its most faithful friends. Those who know it not know not what they miss. But then—remember—acquaintance with this store is profitable to you. You could not do better than make it during this JANUARY SALE. In proof of this we submit the following:—



Genuine quarter sawed, golden oak sideboard, polished, 6 ft. 6 in. high, top 23½ inches, has 3 drawers, 1 lined with velvet and two cupboards under. British Beveled Mirror, shaped, 18x36 in., regular value \$34, January sale price \$30.

Solid Oak Sideboard, golden finish, polished, quartered oak top and pediment, 4 drawers, 1 drawer lined, top 48x24 in., height 6 ft. 7 in., beveled mirror, elder extension top, reg. value \$27, January sale price \$25.00.

Sideboard, hardwood, golden finish, gloss, top 21x48 inches, height 6 ft. 6 in., mirror 14x24 in., 2 drawers and large cupboard under, regular value \$10.50, January sale price \$9.00.

Bedroom Suite, hardwood golden finish, gloss, height of bed 6 ft. 2 in., stand top 30x19 in., dresser 28x20 in., 3 drawers, mirror 20x24 in., German Bevel, regular value \$18.00, January sale price \$15.00.

Parlor Suites at prices lower than our former low prices.

CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.

OLD PROB. PREDICTS

Snow and Cold Weather

and Austin & Co., (THE CLOTHIERS) have a good selection of Fur Coats, Gauntlets and Caps which will be placed on sale at the end of the season, prices commencing **Wednesday, December 30th.**

MEN'S FUR COATS AT REDUCED PRICES:—\$15.00 Cub Bear Fur Coats (Black and Brown) on sale at \$12.50; \$18.00 Cub Bear Fur Coats (Black and Brown), quilted linings, on sale at \$14.95; \$20.00 Siberian Dog Fur Coats, quilted linings on sale at \$16.50; \$20.00 Walaby Fur Coats, quilted linings, at \$16.50; \$22.00 Russian Calf Coats, quilted linings, at \$19.00; \$23.00 to \$25.00 Russian Calf Coats, quilted linings, at \$20.00; \$44.00 Men's Fur Lined Coats, Otter Collar, at \$35.00.

SPECIAL! SPECIAL!—The Austin Special Lamb Coats, navy black curl, enterlined with rubber, beautifully quilted linings, at \$12.50, reg. price \$18. Men's Fur Gauntlets at Reduced Prices. \$3.50 Dog Skin Gauntlets, heavy Fur Black Facings at \$2.95; \$5.00 Russian Otter Gauntlets, nice soft facings, on sale at \$3.95. Men's Fur Caps at Reduced Prices. \$1.50 and \$1.75 Black Cooney Caps, wedge shape, on sale at \$1.25; \$3.00 Special Persian Lamb Cap, wedge shape, on sale at \$2.50; \$3.50 Russian Beaver Caps, very dark brown shades, on sale at \$2.95; \$4.00 Electric Seal Caps, handsome linings, at \$3.50; \$7.50 Persian Lamb Caps, extra quality, on sale at \$5.95.

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This is the kind of justice which has sprung up under the "Liberal"

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never one has Canada's great Kidney Remedy had to admit defeat.

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