

## Lowney's Chocolates For Christmas

We have just put on display our Christmas assortment of Lowney's Celebrated Chocolates. Every person buys Chocolates for Christmas, no matter what else. Why not try these this year?

- 30c**—Half pound box, decorated with holly.  
**50c**—One pound of Chocolates, box decorated with holly.  
**\$1.00**—Two pounds of Chocolates, with fancy box decorated with holly.

In fancy boxes we have a beautiful assortment ranging in quantity from half-pound to five pound in each box and ranging in price from 25c to \$5.00 per box.

Then, of course, we have Lowney's regular lines from the popular 5c cream cake to the American Beauty package in half pounds and pounds. The price is now reduced to 50c a pound.

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### PROBABILITIES.

Special per G. N. W.  
Toronto, Dec. 14.—11 a. m.—Easterly winds, cloudy, with light snow or sleet. Saturday, easterly and southerly winds, and milder.

### LOCAL

Santa's headquarters, Briscos, P. T. Barry, of Wallaceburg, is quite ill.

James Kimme ly, of Dresden, spent yesterday in the city.

Follow the crowds to Briscos.

Isaac E. Simpson was a city visitor from Merlin yesterday.

Chas. E. Beeston is steadily improving at the General Hospital.

J. F. Main, of London, called on Maple City friends yesterday.

Rev. Dr. Hannan will speak at the service in Victoria Ave. Church tonight.

Rev. F. E. Malott will begin a series of sermons to young men next Sunday evening.

George Wanda has returned from Tilbury, where he attended the funeral of his late father-in-law, David Henderson, yesterday.

Lee Lung, Sing Dewey and Hong Sing, three laundrymen, who have been working in this city for some time, left for Hong Kong yesterday.

No action was taken by the City Council last night with regard to the petition of Queen St. South residents who asked for aid in fixing a tile drain.

Charles Watson, foreman for the Gas Co., will have all the mains for natural gas completed by to-morrow. The erection of the stations will be commenced at once.

Her many friends will be pleased to learn that Mrs. Thos. Crouch, of Lacroix St., who recently underwent a serious operation at St. Joseph's Hospital, is improving rapidly.

The members of the First Presbyterian choir are now busy preparing for the Christmas music. Mr. Dingman has been added to the male quartette to take the place of Wilfrid Smith, who is now in Detroit.

The quartette as re-organized will be heard for the first time in the First Church Christmas morning.

## Xmas Perfumes

To meet the Christmas rush we have just received a complete assortment of Christmas Perfumes ranging in price from 10c to \$5.00

**All the Leading Lines**  
Piver Roger and Gallet Bredenbach Plassard  
Taylor Stearn Seely Wampole

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## THE MESSAGE FROM ROME

Parishes Observe Law  
Despite Instructions From  
Vatican

### VICTORY WITH FRANCE

Paris, Dec. 14.—Yesterday was marked by the total absence of any sensational incidents in connection with the execution of the law of separation.

The parish priests everywhere celebrated mass in the presence of unusually large congregations, but the actions of the authorities were confined to noting infractions of the law.

Everywhere legal notice have been served for the evacuation of the ecclesiastical buildings. Several of these buildings were abandoned without further ado, but a majority of the prelates, while fully prepared to go, announced that they would not depart except under duress.

**Victory For the Government.**

In many parishes laymen came forward yesterday and spontaneously filed declarations for the holding of services in the designated churches during the coming year. If this practice is generally followed it will be a distinct victory for the Government.

The net result of the uncompromising attitude assumed by the Vatican in this conflict with the French Government seems to be the clergy will lose its pensions, that all aspirants to the priesthood will be compelled to perform military service, and that the taking over of the episcopal buildings by the State Department and the communes will occur immediately instead of in December, 1907.

### A MAD SCRAMBLE

Fleet of Forty Ships Rush From See For Home Ports.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 14.—A fleet of over forty steamers, delayed at the Soo by the ice blockade, are now in Lake Huron in a mad scramble down the lakes to the unloading docks at Erie ports. All are now running without insurance.

Eleven up-bound steamers held in Mud Lake got through the locks yesterday. There are yet about a dozen downbound boats to pass through the Soo locks before navigation will be officially closed.

A year ago the last boat downbound passed Detroit Dec. 16, but this year the date will probably be much later, as vessels are yet sending vessels up to Lake Michigan ports with coal.

### Sent For Trial