

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1899.

WESTERN ONTARIO.

The two-year old son of W. Davidson, Thedford, while playing on the floor, swallowed a bean. A physician was called but the child died before help could arrive.

The Geo. E. Tuckett & Son Co., of Hamilton, followed their usual custom of distributing Christmas gifts to the employees. One man received a build tag lot and a check for \$200.

Jos. Peddell, a farmer living a short distance west of Simcoe, became intoxicated while in town, and drove into the river with horse and rig. Peddell and the horse were both drowned. He leaves a wife and a large family.

A Warwick farmer gave his daughter two chickens two years ago and promised to keep them and the increase for four years. The daughter now has a neat bank account and the father is trying to sell her the farm and get out.

At the December sessions for Middlesex Judge Elliott sentenced John Sherlock, convicted of rioting during the street car trouble, to eighteen months in jail or \$500 fine. The fine will be paid. James McDonald was sentenced to ten years' imprisonment. Frank Cahill to five years, for assaulting and robbing Charles Clark several days ago.

James F. Jack, of London, a Grand Trunk car checker, was found lying dead within a block of his home on Saturday evening. Dr. Cline, who was summoned, stated that Mr. Jack's fall was the result of heart failure, but that death was caused by suffocation, his face being deep in the mud. Deceased was a steady and industrious man, 36 years of age, and lived with his parents and four sisters, he being the oldest child and only son.

As William Tait, son of Wm. Tait, of Tait's Corners, was tobogganing with some companions he was thrown off and caught on the end of a sharp stick, which inflicted a severe and possibly fatal wound. Dr. Walker, of Glencoe, was called in, and afterwards Dr. Meek, of London, and later on he was removed to the Victoria Hospital, London, for treatment. The internal injuries appear to have been serious, and the attending doctors hold out but slight hopes of recovery.

The boiler at the Crescent Mill & Timber Company's factory, London, exploded Thursday morning, completely wrecking the brick boiler house and involving a loss of \$1,000. The explosion was due to a defect in the boiler. Joseph Hetherington, timber buyer for the firm, was sitting in the building when the explosion took place, and had a miraculous escape, receiving only a few slight cuts and bruises on the side of the face. The boiler was blown a distance of 50 feet, together with another boiler which was situated immediately to the rear of it. The mill was not damaged in the slightest degree.

COUNTY NEWS.

Rev. Arch. McLean, of Harlem Springs, Ohio, formerly of Crican, has resigned his charge, and expects to locate in the same state shortly.

The Ontario Government has appointed T. H. McPherson, of Windsor, and K. W. McKay, of St. Thomas, to make an audit of the accounts of the city of St. Thomas.

Joseph Gaudiche, St. Thomas, who was crushed between a car and the wall in the M.C.R. shops, died from the effects of his injuries. The deceased was born in Jersey, Channel Islands, and was 52 years of age. He had lived in St. Thomas for twenty-five years.

A very pleasing event occurred at the residence of Mr. James Lowry, Rodney, on Wednesday evening, when his daughter, Miss Eliza, was united in marriage with Mr. Fred Webb, of Petrolia. The ceremony was performed at 8 o'clock by Rev. J. F. Scott, the bride being assisted by her sister, Miss Christie Lowry, while Mr. Neil Baxter performed a similar duty for the groom.

In the case of W. Walker, W. L. Walker, Duncan McArthur and Richard Allison, of Southwold, charged with stealing two horses from Henry French, and heard recently, His Honor Judge Elliott took the matter from the jury and honorably acquitted the prisoners. The horses were ordered to be returned to the elder Walker, who sold them to French, and Walker was given instructions to hand over the note for \$117, given by French in payment.

R. A. McKay, superintendent of the M. C. R. car shops, St. Thomas, died Saturday, after an illness of little over a week's duration. Mr. McKay had been ailing for many months from pulmonary trouble, but continued to discharge his important duties until ten days ago, when he was forced to remain at home. Finally pneumonia set in which resulted in his death. Mr. McKay had been superintendent of the M. C. R. car shops for upwards of twenty years, and was known and respected along the entire system as few men are privileged to be. He was born at Maldenhead, England, in 1828, and served in the Royal Engineers during the Crimean war. Subsequently he emigrated to Canada, and shortly afterwards secured the position in the Canada Southern shops, which he held until death removed him. As a member of the Masonic Craft he was very widely known, and as highly respected as any craftsman in Ontario.

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Cold Weather Goods.

We are well prepared for the Cold Snap. Anything you may require in the following articles we will sell you at Close Prices.

Men's Coats....	\$10.50, 14.00, 18.00, 20.00
Men's Ulster Coats	\$5 to 15.00
Men's Fine Beaver Overcoats	6.00 to 15.00
Men's All Wool Scotch Underwear, each	50c
Men's heavy all-wool Socks, 2 pairs for	25c
Men's all-wool Full Cloth Pants	1.25 and 1.50
Goat Robes, large size	5.50
Lined Horse Blankets	1.00 to 2.00
Men's Fur Gauntlets	1.00 to 3.00
Men's Fur Caps	1.00 to 6.00
Men's Grained Felt Boots, the 3.00 kind for	2.50
Men's Rubbers and Socks, the Granby kind.	
White Wool Blankets, per pair	2.50 to 6.00
White and Grey Shaker Blankets, per pair	75c
Grey and White Shaker Flannel for Blankets, 72 inches wide, per yard	75c
Bed Comforters, each	75c to 4.00
Ladies' all-wool Hose, black, per pair	15c

Ladies' Astrachan Gauntlets from 4.00 up.
Ladies' Grey Lamb Gauntlets, 5.00 up.
Ladies' Astrachan Coats, 22.50 up.
Ladies' Fur Capes, 9.50 to 30.00.
20 only Ladies' Jackets, were 5.00 to 10.00, to clear out at \$2.50 each.
Ladies' Astrachan Caperines, new goods, each 6.00
Our Stock is large and well-assorted in all Lines and must be largely reduced before Stock Taking.

Special Sale of Men's, Boy's and Youths' Clothing.

Men's All-Wool Tweed Suits, 5.00.
Boys' 3-piece Suits 3.50 up.
Boys' 2-piece Suits, 1.00 up.

It will Pay You to Call Here for the Next Two Weeks.
Fashion Sheets for January Free.

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GREAT EVAN RELIST DEAD.

Dwight L. Moody, the great evangelist, passed away Friday at his home, East Northfield, Mass. Mr. Moody suffered from organic heart trouble, and the breaking strain of a crowded life came over a month ago, when he took to his bed.

His work on this continent and in Great Britain has made his name a household word throughout the English-speaking world. When he allied himself with Ira D. Sankey, the famous singing evangelist, it was still Mr. Moody who was the paramount member of the combination.

Mr. Moody was notably unclerical in his manner. He looked more like a successful business man too overpressed with the really serious matters of life to think of the cloth of his clothes, or the cut of his cravat. He was not even eloquent, if eloquence consists in impassioned oratory with metaphorical embellishments. But plain, direct, convincing speech, and his warm and wool-of-common sense—these he had in abundance. The secret of his success lay in his absolute, unmodified belief in the Bible as the Word of God. He took up with none of the compromises of advanced thought. He believed the Bible first and last, from title page to colophon. Withal Mr. Moody was not a doctrinaire. His preaching insisted on the ethical value of the Bible in its application to everyday life. In this lay the great secret of his success.

West Huron Vacant.

Toronto, Dec. 21.—Judges Osler and Rose this morning gave judgment on the case of Hon. J. T. Garrow, Liberal member of the Legislature, on the ground of bribery by agents, the precedent followed being that the East Elgin case. Mr. Watson, for Mr. Garrow, said the case would be appealed. Costs were given against Mr. Garrow.

MORTGAGE SALE.

DEFAULT having been made in the payment of a certain Indenture of Mortgage dated the tenth day of January, 1888 (which said Mortgage will be produced at the time of sale), there will be offered for sale by public auction under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage, at the Queen's Hotel in the Village of Dutton on

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13, 1900
At the hour of two o'clock p.m. the following valuable village property, namely, village lot "B" in Block Four, north of Shackleton Street, in the incorporated Village of Dutton, according to registered plan No. 143 made by Charles E. Fitton, P.L.S. On the said lands there is a first-class brick residence and a good frame stable. This property is one of the most desirable residences in the Village of Dutton, being excellently situated and offers a most excellent opportunity to any person desiring to purchase a good and conveniently located home. The lot is a large one, and being a corner lot possesses great advantages.
Terms of Sale.—Fifteen per cent. of the purchase money to be paid to the Vendor's Solicitor on the day of sale, and the balance within fifteen days thereafter. The property will be sold subject to a reserved bid. For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to
C. ST. CLAIR LEITCH,
Vendor's Solicitor.
Dated at Dutton this 28th day of Dec. 1899.

SLIPPERY AGUINALDO.

Aguinaldo makes pigs in clover look like a cheap puzzle.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

What a magnificent district messenger boy Aguinaldo would have made!—Louisville Post.

Luzon society note—Emilio Aguinaldo is in the mountains for his health.—Duluth News and Tribune.

While Aguinaldo is running the bases it would seem that the advisability of having a good short stop ought to occur to Otis.—Memphis Appeal.

For Sale—A brand new portable capital. Can be moved anywhere at any time at a moment's notice. Inquire of Aguinaldo, Luzon.—Syracuse Herald.

It appears that it was not Aguinaldo who was "hemmed in," but only Mrs. Aguinaldo's gowns—an embarrassing error, but not unnatural.—New York World.

POLITICAL QUIPS.

No man should be permitted to vote until he has sense enough to shut a gate.—Dallas News.

That sprightly journal the Congressional Record will soon resume publication.—Baltimore American.

More voting machines and fewer political machines are what this country needs.—Indianapolis News.

A \$5,000 office ought not to be described as a "plum." It's a whole orchard for the sort of men who seek it.—New York World.

It seems to have become a settled belief in parts of this country that the way to whoop up a campaign is to take the hoops off of barrels.—Philadelphia Times.

HORSE AND HORSELESS.

The horseless age must be preceded by the asphalt age.—Leavenworth Times.
Incidentally the automobile will prove a potent ally in the good roads movement.—Exchange.

To all the prophecies of a "horseless age" there went up from Madison Square a resounding "Neigh!"—New York Tribune.

The automobile doesn't get scared and run away, but its tank is liable to explode, and it can be so manipulated as to give the broncho points in bucking.—New York World.

THREE CITIES.

Denver has more bicycles in proportion than any other city in the country.

Tacoma is second only to New York in the amount of tea imported and is crowding the metropolis closely.

Seattle's public square is to be the abiding place of a veritable Alaskan totem pole—one of those strangely carved symbols of barbarism and superstition which generally grace the front of Indian habitations in southern Alaska.

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In the Surrogate Court of the County of Elgin.

In the Matter of the Estate of Lucy Ann DeCov, late of the Township of Dunwich, in the County of Elgin, and Province of Ontario, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, PURSUANT to R.S.O., 1897, and amending Acts in that behalf made, that all persons having claims against the estate of the said Lucy Ann DeCov, who died on or about the third day of November, A.D. 1898, are required to send by post, prepaid, or to deliver to W. Harold Barnum, Esquire, Ontario, Solicitor for the Executor, on or before the 26th day of January, 1900, their names, addresses and descriptions, and a full statement of particulars of their claims and the nature of the security (if any) held by them, duly certified and that after the said day who executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have notice.
Dated this 18th day of December, A.D. 1899.
W. HAROLD BARNUM,
Solicitor for Daniel DeCov, the Executor.

Unmarried lady teachers who are matrimonially inclined are warned not to apply for a situation at the Windsor public schools. So many lady teachers have resigned to accept marriage, that the committee is seriously considering whether it will be advisable to demand an anti matrimonial bond as one of the first requirements for the position in future. The mean things! Likely half of them are old bachelors, who having proposed to the teachers have been refused and take this method of revenge.

Dunwich and Southwold FARMS FOR SALE.

50 ACRES in the Tenth Concession of Dunwich. Will be sold at a bargain.

50 ACRES in the Fifth Concession South of Con. A. Good house and barn. Farm in first-class shape; well watered and fenced; convenient to church, school and market.

100 ACRES on the Back Street, Southwold. Farm in splendid condition. Good house and barn. Liberal terms to purchaser. Owner wishes to sell on account of his age. Immediate possession given.

100 ACRES north of North Branch of Talbot Road, Southwold. Good farm, slightly broken in front, good house and barn, well watered and drained. Will be sold cheap.

60 ACRES in the Second Concession of Southwold. Splendid farm in a convenient location. Good house and barn; well watered. Immediate possession.

For further particulars apply to

Good Store Property in the Village of Dutton for sale cheap.

W. HAROLD BARNUM,

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NOTICE

THE Annual Meeting of the West Elgin Agricultural Society will be held in the Town Hall, Wallacetown, on

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 1900

At one o'clock p.m., for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year, receiving auditors' report and the transaction of other business. Also applications will be received for the office of secretary for the year 1900.

ARCH. McKILLOP, Pres. DAN. McCALLUM, Sec.

A. McCrimmon and J. S. Robertson will open law offices in West Lorne.