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We have just received a shipment of High Grade Cut Glass and are now showing it in our window. It was made in Canada—no duty to pay—and it will compare favorably in brilliancy with anything on the market.

It comprises:

**Butter Trays
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PROBABILITIES.
Special per G. N. W.

Toronto, Dec. 13.—11 a. m.—Variable winds, cloudy, with light local rain or sleet. Friday, easterly to northerly winds, cloudy, with light snow or sleet, becoming much colder at night.

DIED.

POOLE—On Dec. 12th, 1906, John Poole, aged 23 years and 25 days. The funeral will take place on Friday, Dec. 14th, at 2.30 p. m., from family residence, Murray street, to Maple Leaf Cemetery.

RYLEY—At the residence of her sister, Mrs. H. Bartlett, Grand avenue, at 1.30 a. m. Thursday, Dec. 13, 1906, Mrs. E. J. Ryley, of Terrace, Arkansas, aged 74 years. The remains will be taken to Chicago for burial.

LOCAL

A. G. Mowatt, of Toronto, called on Maple City friends to-day.

W. H. Westman is in Guelph and Stratford on business to-day.

Magistrate Ingalls, of Thamesville, was in the city this morning.

Spencer Stone returned this morning from a business trip to Toronto.

Woodstock's city regiment will have four companies. The county will supply two companies of mounted infantry.

Mr. Armstrong, manager of the local branch of the Dominion Bank, returned from a business trip to Toronto this morning.

Foreman Joseph Tucker, of the waterworks staff, has just completed the installation of a hydrant at the corner of Waddell and William streets.

Jerold Waddell, son of ex-Ald John Waddell, is expected home for the Christmas holidays on Saturday. Mr. Waddell is now putting in his fourth year at McGill College, Montreal, and he will try for his degree next June.

"What is the reason that the local milk dealers are charging seven cents for milk when the same commodity is selling for five cents in London and other places?" was the question asked by Mr. Geo. W. Cowan this morning. "It is especially a hardship on the poor people about the city at this time of the year. I heard this morning that the dealers are thinking of raising the price to eight cents shortly."

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 Breidenbach Plassard
Taylor Stearn Seely Wampole

Radley's Drug Store S. F. PARK & CO., Props
SCANE BLOCK

PAPAL PAPERS ARE SEIZED

Places Important Evidence In French Government's Hands

FRENCH RELIGIOUS WAR

Paris, Dec. 13.—The papers seized at the Papal Nunciature Tuesday, placed in the Government's hands important evidence which may prove embarrassing to the Vatican if open war ensues. They include the diplomatic records covering the correspondence before the rupture with the Vatican, recent instructions from Cardinal Merry Del Val, the Papal Secretary of State, a mass of letters from prelates all over the world, and letters in the handwriting of deputies of the Right party. Mr. Jaures, the Socialist leader, asserts in his paper that the seized documents even prove the existence of a conspiracy.

Delay Increases Excitement.
The day of grace granted to local churches in the execution of the law providing for the separation of Church and State postpones until today the measures for its enforcement. The delay, however, has only served to increase the excitement caused by the expulsion from France Tuesday of Mgr. Montagnini, secretary of the Papal Nunciature at Paris.

Prosecutions have been begun against the ultramontane abbes of the Churches of St. Pierre du Gros Caillou, St. Augustin and St. Roch, where the greatest resistance to the taking of the inventories occurred, and it has been decided immediately to take over the buildings belonging to the ecclesiastics, stop the pensions of the clergy, compel aspirants to the priesthood to fulfill their military obligations, and, if necessary, treat the clergy as subjects of a foreign power.

Catholics Disapprove of Rome.
That the rank and file of the liberal Catholics disapproved of the intransigent attitude of the authorities at Rome is evidenced by the fact that the editor of the Renaissance, Felix Robin, has filed with Prefect of Police Lepine an application under the Public Meetings Law of 1881 for permission to hold religious meetings in all the churches. This affords the single ray of hope in the situation. The Figaro says that Cardinal Richard, Archbishop of Paris, at first declined to approve of Mr. Robin's action, but that later he changed his mind. The application has been accepted as being in accordance with the law.

Vatican Forces Mobilized.
Rome, Dec. 13.—It is believed even now, that notwithstanding the gravity of the situation, France would not find it difficult to conciliate the Vatican if negotiations were opened. In the meanwhile all the Vatican forces have been mobilized to take part in the campaign. Even Father Wernz, the general of the Jesuits, has joined the belligerents.

SUDDENLY CALLED

Mrs. Eliza Riley, of Chicago, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Bartlett, Head St., expired suddenly last evening after retiring to her room.

The deceased had been sitting talking to her sister till about ten o'clock last evening, when she retired for the night. Shortly after going to bed, she called to Mrs. Bartlett and told her that she had a severe pain in her side. Before Mrs. Bartlett could prepare something for her she suddenly dropped back on the pillow and expired. Death was due to heart failure.

The late Mrs. Riley was 74 years of age. Her relatives in Chicago were immediately communicated with, and they are expected to arrive in the city to-night. The funeral arrangements will be made after their arrival in the city.

"CHRISTMAS IN NEW YORK."

The Lackawanna Railroad will run another of their popular fifteen (15) day excursions to New York on December 14th. Round trip from Buffalo \$9.00.

The stores are at their best just before the "Christmas Holidays." Christmas gifts are there in lavish display; theatres have put on their newest plays; it is the climax of the Winter Season in the most wonderful city in the world.

For full particulars, time of trains, reservations, etc., apply to A. Leach, O. F. & P. A., 75 Yonge street, Toronto (telephone main 3647) or E. P. Fox, 230 Main street, Buffalo.

PERE MARQUETTE

BUFFALO DIVISION		
Leave Chatham	Express	Express
Stenheim and West	8.15 a.m.	4.35 p.m.
Stenheim and East	9.10 a.m.	6.10 p.m.
Sarnia	9.35 a.m.	5.30 p.m.
Arrive in Chatham	From	
Walkerville	10.25 a.m.	7.35 p.m.
St. Thomas	9.35 a.m.	6.30 p.m.
Sarnia	9.10 a.m.	6.10 p.m.
All trains run by Eastern Standard time.		
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More beautiful and delightful than ever is the holiday display this year. We have spent months gathering this bewildering assortment from domestic and foreign markets. Everything is here to delight the men, women and children. Every Department is loaded down with exquisite beauty and offers superb assortments. Come here during the Merry Christmas Sale to do your holiday shopping. You will be sure of getting excellent things and the prices they are really remarkably low.

China! China! China!

Big sale of Japanese China, consisting of cups and saucers, bou bon, fern dishes, creams and sugars, vases, spoon trays. See our 25c, 50c, 75c and \$1.25 collection. Very choice pieces at \$1.50 to \$3 each.

Handkerchiefs.

Swiss Embroidered Handkerchiefs, scalloped and hemstitched, special at 12 1-2c.

Ladies' All-linen Hemstitched Initial Handkerchiefs 1-4 in. hem, special at \$1, \$1.35, \$1.50 for a box of six, or 20c, 25c, 30c each.

Ladies' Silk Umbrellas with cold, gun metal or natural wood handles, \$2.50 to \$6.

Ladies' Neckwear.

Our collection of Ladies' Neckwear is more beautiful than ever this year. We have some very exclusive designs at 75c, \$1, to \$2 each. No two alike. A dozen different styles at 50c and 25c each.

Christmas Gloves.

A superb line of Women's Kid Gloves, lined or unlined, made by the best French manufacturers. There is no more acceptable gift for a lady than a pair of kid gloves. All sizes and colors. A guarantee with all gloves at \$1 and \$1.25.

Furs as Practical Christmas Gifts.

Let us make a few suggestions, handsome, appropriate and useful articles at prices to fit the demands of every purse and to suit each individual taste.

A Nice Fur Neck Piece would Make an Ideal Xmas Gift.

\$2.50—A black or brown cone stole trimmed with 6 large tails.

\$5.00—Long boas or stoles, black, white and brown, trimmed with tails.

\$6.50—Isabella cone set, muff is empire shape and the neck piece is a wide stole with long tapering fronts finished with tails.

\$10.00—A broad variety of styles at

at this popular price, the sable marmot, and river mink, ties, stoles and double riffs, very special values.

\$20.00—22 50 and 25.00. These three

lines are all natural alaska sable specially priced for Christmas selling, all have large full double neck pieces with satin-lined or double fronts, trimmed with heads and tails.

A Special Showing of Jackets
At special bargain prices.

\$7.50—Of light or mixed grey and fawn tweed mixtures, loose models trimmed with silk stitched bias, strapping and buttons, newly priced to-day at 7.50

\$10.00—Of black all wool kersy cheviot, light tweeds add plaid effects. Some are the plain tailored and others are trimmed with stitched strapping velvet and buttons.

\$15.00—Of heavy all wool black and white plaid, plain black kersy cloth and light tweeds 7-8 lengths with full sweep, fly front or double breasted cloth or velvet collar and cuffs and splendidly tailored

The Austin Furniture Store is Full and Overflowing

The best buying time is to-day. Delay only means letting the choicest things go to others more prompt. It means crowding everything into the hurry days. We'll both be the better for beforehand buying. Run your eyes over these items of Furniture.

EASY CHAIRS or ROCKERS, solid oak frames, polished, the large comfortable kind. Upholstered seats and backs, best quality oil tempered springs, double stitched spring edges, covered with the best quality Boston leather. Price \$13.50

LUXURIANT COUCHES FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Some splendid new style frames in quartered oak and mahogany, upholstered in fancy figured velours, Verones, imitation and genuine leather. The prices range from \$5 and \$7.50 to \$45 and \$75 for the best Davenport.

WE DO NOT FORGET THE CHILDREN.

We are selling the Little Red Rockers for only 35c each.

ATTRACTIVE LINENS

Whether for gift purposes or for your own use, this stock of linens has much in it to attract you. Plain linens for table use in exceptional values from 25c per yd. up to \$1.00 or choice sets of pattern cloths and napkins to match worth all the way up \$9.00 per set.

Handsome Hand Drawn Linens—The work of the skillful Japanese in beautiful design in many styles and qualities for centre pieces, doilies, sideboard scarfs, toilet sets, tray cloths and other purposes and at prices that make you wonder how they can possibly be made for the money.

Special Table Linen for this Week—Pattern cloths already hemmed with raised border in Rose, Tulip and Floral designs, large size 60 x 72, a regular \$1.25 cloth for special selling this week we have marked them \$1.00.

Special Big Purchase of Manufacturers' Sample Overcoats

Here's Where You Get More Than You Expect For Your Money.

We have purchased at our price from one of the largest Clothing Manufacturers in this country

Sixty-Three Sample Overcoats.

Samples are the overcoats travelling men carry to show the Retail Merchant, and from which the travelling man makes his sales. Of course the coats are perfect in every respect—not many of a kind, but while they last we will offer you the coats for much less than the regular price. If your size is here, you'll buy quickly—you can't help it.

These Samples are made from the best material, and made right up to the hour in style. They must be perfect or they would never be do for samples. CALL SOON, CALL AT ONCE, for these unusual bargains will go quickly.

This Sale of Sample Overcoats Will be Ready Saturday Dec. 15th.

\$9, \$10, \$12 Sample Overcoats at \$5.98

Made from all wool Tweed Cloths in fancy patterns and plain Oxford Grays, extra linings, sizes range 36 to 44.

Lot 2—\$13.50, 15.00, 16.00, 16.50 Sample Overcoats on Sale at \$8.49.

This lot is made up from the finest quality of tweed overcoating, neat dressy effects, and some plain black beavers and meltons in the medium length and the long full coats which are so smart. Sizes range 36 to 44.



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