

## Look at This...

STERLING SILVER NOVELTIES  
ALL AT 35c EACH...

CORN KNIVES  
NAIL CUTTERS  
TEA BELLS  
BUTTON HOOKS  
SHOE HORNS  
DARNERS  
NAIL FILES

## Westman Bros

Big Hardware and Implement House  
CHATHAM.

### 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  
On 6th and King Sts.,  
Over Geo. E. Young's Grocery.

### BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

**MARRIAGES.**  
GLOVER-CLARK—At the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. D. Clark, Dover, by Rev. C. F. Clarke, Miss Elsie Clark, of Dover, to William Glover, of the same place.

### THE PROBABILITY.

G. N. W. Special.  
Toronto, Dec. 19/10 a. m.—Fresh westerly winds, mostly fair and mild. Thursday, fair, not much change in temperature.

## LOCAL BRIEFS

John Weitzel, Raleigh, will spend Christmas in Toledo, Ohio.  
The Salvation Army Sunday school Christmas entertainment, S. A. Citadel, Thursday night, tickets 10c.  
An umbrella is a suitable Xmas gift for ladies or gentlemen—a full assortment at Chisholm's "Jacques" from \$1.00 to \$5.00.

## EYES

ARE  
BREAD  
WINNERS

### Do Not Neglect Them

EXAMINATION  
FREE

### F. C. Dunne & Co.

JEWELERS AND OPTICIANS

## Christmas Perfumes

We think we are not speaking too strongly when we say that our stock of Christmas Perfumes this year would be hard to excel. We have perfume in bulk of almost every known odor and the same in fancy cases.

The makers include:  
—Roger & Gallet, Paris, France.  
—Pinaud, Paris, France.  
—Colgate, New York.  
—Seeley, Detroit.  
—Taylor, Toronto.

And others of minor importance.

### A. I. McCall & Co.

Phone 178—Night Bell. Druggists and Opticians.

## Good Tailoring

And our name stands together—the one is never seen without the other.  
The young men like the cut and style of our apparel, and the old men appreciate the quality.  
We have goods to suit the quiet tastes of the one or the design for more pronounced patterns of the other.  
The value we give will please both.

### Morley & Co.

Leading Tailors

## LAST CHANCE IN THE PRESENT CENTURY

To Remember the Sick at the  
Public General Hospital.

The regular monthly meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary Society was held at Mrs. Mansie Campbell's on Monday afternoon, twenty-two members being present. Mrs. Scane, of the visiting committee, reported that 23 patients were admitted to the hospital during the month; 35 patients were discharged; five births, no deaths.

Mrs. McKay, and Glenn will visit during January.

The treasurer reported \$180 was the net proceeds from the recent bazaar, and as they ladies have worked hard during the past year, they now desire to draw the attention of all to the needs of the hospital.

There only remain two weeks before a new century will be ushered into existence, and surely, with the beautiful harvest and general prosperity which all have enjoyed for the year just drawing to a close, their appeal will not be in vain.

Every effort is made during the year to bring the hospital to a higher state of efficiency, and the question "How much am I doing personally for the hospital?" should be answered by one and all. The institution, as its name implies, is a Public General Hospital, and should be maintained by the public at large. It is not necessary to point out the benefits to be derived from such an institution, as its workings are mostly confined to local cases, and consequently nearly all of us have seen the results, either directly or indirectly.

The ladies of the society are very enthusiastic in their work, and devote a considerable share of their time during the year to further the interests of the hospital, and it is only fitting that at this festive season their efforts should be appreciated by such a liberal response from the public as will lighten their responsibility for some time to come.

Remember this is the last chance you will have for joining in the good work during this century. Donations in cash, groceries, vegetables, fruit, flowers, bedding, etc., will be gladly received and acknowledged. This grand work is carried on at the smallest possible expense, and is deserving of the heartiest support. In making up your Christmas gifts, therefore, do not forget the Public General Hospital, but remember liberally.

**OFFICERS OF THE CLAN.**  
The election of officers at the meeting of the Sons of Scotland last evening, resulted as follows:—Chief, Jno. McKay; Secretary, Jas. W. Marshall; Treasurer, J. P. Cunningham; Physician, Dr. Charles; Recording Secretary, Joe Turner; Editor, Secretary, Wm. Rennie; Chaplain, Wm. Robertson; Treas., H. Macdonald; Standard Bearer, Herb. McPherson; Senior Guard, Jno. Longwell; Junior Guard, Chas. D. McDonald; Piper, Alex. McDonald.

Good stamping on Bibles and presentation books, or any leather goods at The Planet Bakery, while you wait.

Wanted—Old pipe and tea lead, at once. The Planet.

**THE MISSING COLORED.**  
John Graham, of this city, has reported to Lieut.-Col. Rankin the alleged whereabouts of the regimental colors of the old 24th Battalion. Mr. Graham claims that they are in the possession of Mrs. Duck, who formerly resided over Snell's Bar, and that she utilized them for decorating her window on May 24th three years ago.

**KING'S DAUGHTERS.**  
A largely attended and very interesting meeting of the Brooke Circle of King's Daughters was held at the residence of Mrs. Falls on Tuesday afternoon. The treasurer, Mrs. Pike, gave the following report: Total receipts from King's Daughters' booth at sale, \$43; total expenses in connection with same, \$1.50; paid to ladies' assisting society, \$21.25; leaving balance on hand from sale \$20.25. Miss Kate McColl reported as follows for Miss Bessie McKee and Miss Winnifred Gray, who had a booth at the sale and whose efforts proved a grand success. Total receipts, \$30.86; expenses in connection with both \$5.49; paid to ladies' assisting society \$12.65; paid to Brooke Circle King's Daughters, \$12.72. Mrs. Greening moved, seconded by Mrs. Falls that a hearty vote of thanks be given to Miss Winnifred Gray and Miss Bessie McKee for their generous gift. After full arrangements were made for distributing their usual Christmas cheer the meeting adjourned.

## ONE OF THE BOYS HAS GONE INSANE.

He Had Distinguished Himself at  
Paardeberg by a Successful Bluff.

Ottawa Ont., Dec. 19.—The following cable was received from the war office to-day—Roslyn Castle left Cape Town 13th December, due Halifax 5th Jan., with 45 officers, seven nurses, 793 men Canadian contingent. Message adds—Private Hambrick, 48th Regiment, Toronto, insane on Lake Champlain. H. Hambrick specially mentioned for bravery at Paardeberg.

Hambrick performed a feat of valour at that place which is one of the most notable in the history of the war. Having become separated from his comrades during the night he found himself the next morning, while struggling along, unarmed and alone, confronted by an armed Boer, who demanded his surrender. Hambrick in turn called to an imaginary force behind him to "come on," and at the same time called on the Boer to surrender. The bluff worked. Thinking he was at the mercy of a British detachment, the Boer promptly handed over his rifle, and was marched by his captor into the British lines, where he proved to be an officer of Cronje's army.

**SHOT HIS OFFICER DEAD.**  
Kragerskorp, Dec. 19.—Lieut. Burgess, of Kitchener's Horse, was shot dead by a sergeant of the same regiment. The latter was believed to have been drinking too much, and on being ordered out of the ranks, he turned round and deliberately shot his officer.

### WANTED

GIRL WANTED—For general housework. Apply to Mr. Wm. Ball, Chas. St.

DRESSMAKER APPRENTICE WANTED. Apply at The Planet.

GIRL WANTED—for general housework. Apply to Mrs. W. G. Morris, C. Fraser Head and Thames streets.

ROOMERS OR BOARDERS—In comfortable furnished house, in good location, near business center, apply to Mr. J. P. Cunningham, Grant St. Apply to Mr. James Lammont.

WANTED—Young man of good address, as a man for Chas. St. 17. Terms: a d. sup. ples. Apply by letter or reference. The Canadian Typewriter Exchange, 47 Ad. St. East, Toronto, 101.

### FOR SALE OR TO RENT

\$2500 will buy the only vacant lot in the business center on King Street, 48 ft. long, the Central Drug Store back to the River. 7 1/2 percent. No incumbrances. Apply to S. T. M. R. 11.

TO RENT—House in good repair. Apply to F. W. K. GILBERT, Victoria avenue.

### ALDERMEN

To the Electors of Chatham.  
Ladies and Gentlemen:  
At the urgent request of several representative citizens, I have consented to offer myself as a candidate for alderman for 1901.

I would like your support.  
Yours, W. F. SMITH.  
Barrister.

## 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.

### Dingman's Books & King St. Stationery Chatham.

**GRAND TRUNK SYSTEM**  
Christmas & New Year Holidays  
1900-1901

RECEIVE ALL STATIONS IN CANADA.  
From all Stations in Canada to Detroit and Port  
Huron, Mich., Port O. Victoria, Bombay, Yok., Helsing-  
fors, Sweden, Copenhagen, Copen., and Helsingfors, Fin-  
land, N. Y.

**GENERAL PUBLIC**  
GIVE DATES AND LIMITS.—At Lowest One-way First  
class Fare, December 22nd, 23rd, 24th, and 25th.  
Tickets good returning from destination not later  
than December 26th, 1900, and also on Dec. 26th  
27th, 28th, and 29th, and January 1st. Tickets good  
returning from destination not later than Jan. 1st, 1901.

**SCHOOL VACATION**  
To teachers and pupils of schools and of Clergy, on  
surrender of Standard form of School Vacation  
Railway Certificate, signed by Principal.  
Give Dates and Limit.—At Lowest One-way First  
class Fare and One-third, from December 26th to 31st,  
inclusive. Tickets good returning from destination  
not later than January 24th, 1901.

**COMMERCIAL TRAVELLERS**  
On presentation of Commercial travellers' Railway  
Certificate for 1900.  
Territory—Between all Stations in Canada.  
Fare.—Give Dates and Limit.—At Lowest One-  
way First class Fare (not Commercial Travel-  
lers' Fare) from December 26th to 31st, inclusive. Tickets  
good returning from destination not later than Jan.  
1st, 1901.

Tickets—All tickets good for continuous passage  
only in each direction.  
For further particulars and all information  
apply to agents Grand Trunk Railway  
or to  
**W. E. Rispin,**  
City Passenger Agent, Chatham.  
M. C. DICKSON, Dist. Pass. Agent,  
Union Station, Toronto

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

## Open To-night

For the accommodation of customers  
who cannot come during the day to do  
their Christmas shopping this store will be  
open until nine o'clock during the balance  
of the week.

**CHOOSE** something for use as well as beauty—for com-  
fort as well as pleasure. We keep a line of most de-  
sirable goods—things that will give pleasure to the recipi-  
ent, not least because something different to what you find  
in the ordinary store.

This is also to be remembered—that our range of  
goods is of a size and variety that makes a choice easy,  
and very little money is needed in a great many cases to  
buy a really beautiful and artistic present. Looking  
around for Christmas you make a mistake if you don't be-  
come acquainted with the stock of this store.

## Every Person Expects a Christmas Gift

Now is the time to select your gifts, don't let the price  
deter you. Our varied assortment of Holiday Goods, in  
Linen, Fancy Table Covers, etc., cannot be excelled in  
the city, and at such low prices you can easily be suited.

### Fancy Tapestry Covers

An excellent assortment of fresh, new  
goods, just arrived this week for the  
Xmas trade. A choice range of colors, as-  
sorted sizes.  
6-4 size, heavy fringe.....\$1.65  
8-4 size, heavy fringe.....1.50  
8-4 size, special value.....2.25  
8-4 extra special value.....3.00  
Chenille Covers at 50c, \$1, \$2 and.....2.50

### Fine Linens

A choice range of Fancy Piece Linens for  
the Xmas trade. We mention a few  
specials.  
33 x 33 inch pure Linen Centre Pieces,  
open work centres, plain or hem-  
stitched designs, special 85c and.....\$1.00  
The finest assortment of fancy bleached  
Towels in the city at 25c, 30c, 40c,  
45c and.....65c  
Fancy hem-stitched D'Oylies, in 3 sizes  
at.....10c, 17c and 25c  
Tray Cloths, fringed, hem-stitched, with  
fancy open worked corners and  
centres at.....30c, 40c, 45c and 60c  
A fine assortment of Fringed D'Oylies to  
choose from—bleached, plain or  
fancy Red Borders, 7c, 7 1/2c, 10c and 15c

### Silk Waist Lengths

Select one of our silk waist lengths at  
your Xmas gift and you'll have the pleasure  
of knowing you are giving a good as well as  
a beautiful gift. You might pick from these  
without risk of error.  
Waist lengths in pure silk quality, in  
handsome patterns or plain shades,  
very rich quality, each.....\$2.00

### Curtains and Christmas

Nothing more essential to a finished,  
comfortable and "homelike" appearance of  
your house than Portiere Curtains, and a  
no time have you a greater desire for these  
effects than at Christmas.  
We are showing every conceivable col-  
or in these goods, and at prices surprisingly  
small, for instance—  
Satin finished cotton Tapestries, fringed  
both ends, a \$2.50, \$3, \$3.50 and \$4.00  
Heavy Repp Tapestries, heavily fringed,  
at \$4, \$4.50, \$5, \$5.50 \$6 and \$7.00  
Double faced silk Warwicks at \$12.50,  
\$15 and.....\$18.00  
And of course Chenilles at \$3, \$3.50,  
\$4, \$5 and.....\$6.50

### Choice Applique Work

Applique Centre Pieces—A big assort-  
ment, lots of open work, all sizes, at  
prices 7c, 10c, 12 1/2c, 20c, 30c, 38c, 45c,  
50c, 65c, 85c and.....\$1.00  
Bureau or Sideboard Covers at 50c and 85c  
Stand Covers or splashes at 25c, 40c, 50c

### Tucked Lawns

A new and fancy assortment of choice  
Tucked Apron Lawns just arrived,  
extra fine sheer cloth and wide  
widths, a very acceptable Xmas  
gift at per yard 17c, 20c, 25c, 29c,  
30c and.....35c

### Table Linens

A look through our Christmas stock of  
Table Linens and fancy pattern cloths will  
certainly tempt you to purchase a table  
cloth for some one of your friends. We  
take great pleasure in showing our linens,  
so don't be afraid to come in and trundle us.

### Wool Blankets

Where is there a lady that wouldn't ac-  
cept a pair of nice warm Blankets for an  
Xmas gift. I guess she would be hard to  
find.  
You should see the excellent quality we  
are selling at 50c a pound and all pure wool  
too—weights, 6, 7, 8 and 9 pounds.

### Waist Lengths

In very special designs in checks and  
plaids, all pure silk, large assort-  
ment of patterns and colors, price  
for Xmas, each.....\$1.50  
8 Waist Lengths in heavy broche de-  
signs, the very best on the market,  
no two alike, our special Xmas  
price for 3 1/2 yards.....\$4.00

### SILK TABLE COVERS, heavily em- broided, some have also drawn thread borders or corners and fin- ished with extra heavy silk fringe, \$1.65, \$2 and.....\$2.65

### Just Passed Through Customs To-day

10 pcs. new evening shade, extra fine  
sheer, soft finished Organza, col-  
ors blue, cardinal, three shades of  
pink, helio, canary, light blue,  
white, black and buff, reg. 35c  
value, to clear at per yd.....25c  
6 patterns, Costume Muslin, fancy,  
open lace stripes, suitable for waist  
and dresses, very special value at  
per yd.....12 1/2c  
10 pcs. striped and dotted Swiss Mu-  
slins for curtains, nice, fine, soft  
sheer material, special value per  
yd.....12 1/2c

## Piano and Mantle Drapes Chair Drapes and Table Covers

New designs in Silk Chair Drapes in all the popular light shades, at 25c, 50c, 75c  
and.....\$1.00  
Silk Mantle and Piano Drapes, embroidered and finished with heavy silk fring.....\$1.39

## C. Austin & Co.

The  
Bargain Centre  
Market Square Corner

## Don't Come Down Town Without Visiting Our.....

# Toy Department

If you haven't children of your own you will surely  
want something for some of your friend's children. Toys  
that will make the little ones dance with glee and bulge  
with wonder and astonishment.

The mechanical Toys that run, squirm and perform  
various antics exactly as in real life—Dolls that are lifelike  
enough to talk, in fact some of them do say Papa and  
Mamma; Games that will keep the boy off the street; Iron  
and Wooden Toys of all kinds, Etc.

For your own interest do not put off buying a day  
longer. You know the value of early choosing.

....Come in Forenoon if Possible.....

## Sulman's Behive

Garner House Block