

CHRISTMAS AT CLARKE BROS.

HOW often has the question "What would be a suitable gift?" come before you, and what an amount of time and thought has been expended in deciding on the right thing for the recipient. The "quiet of the home" has many advantages over the "hustle of the store" for the selecting of Christmas presents, and the object of this adv. is merely to suggest suitable Gifts before starting on a shopping expedition. Show it to every member of the household, thus finding out what would be appreciated, and allow us to show you the articles themselves. This will save you an endless amount of trouble and reduce your worries to a minimum.

When visiting our store if you should see any article that you would like later on, we will gladly put it aside for delivery at a future date. We would suggest, however, that you do this at once while our stock is complete and before the best is taken.

Fancy and Useful

We have purchased many novelties in fancy and useful things for Christmas Gifts, including Mirrors, Manicure Sets, Photo Frames, Leather Goods, Hand Bags, Music Rolls, Work Baskets, Ink Wells, Tobacco Jars, Brass Novelties, etc. Many other articles that space does not permit us here to mention.

Gifts for Women

Had you thought of a Dress Pattern for Christmas? Such a practical gift as this would be welcome surely and then it would serve to remind the one who wears it of the giver. We offer you from now until Xmas a CASH DISCOUNT OF TEN PER CENT (10 p. c.) on all Dress Good purchases. Among the multitude of things she needs, likes and would appreciate are Fancy Neckwear, Handkerchiefs, Table Linen, Napkins, Towels, Plain and Fancy Towelling, Gloves, Boots and Shoes, Rubber Footwear, Rain Coats, Coat Sweaters, Winter Jackets, Umbrellas, Fancy Linens, etc.

Special Discount Sale

Women's and Children's Winter Jackets. From now until Christmas we offer you a Special Cash Discount of twenty percent (20 p. c.) on all Women's and Children's Jackets you purchase.

Gifts for Men

There are many nice appropriate things to give a man and yet when one sits down alone to think of something suitable and serviceable it is not an easy task. What to give Father, Brother, Husband, Son or Friend can be found in our store. Neckwear, Gloves, Boots and Shoes, Rubber Footwear, Handkerchiefs, Suspenders, Hosiery, Coat Sweaters, Fancy Waistcoats, Hats, Caps, Mufflers, Overcoats, Suits and Underwear.

Special Discount Sale

We offer you a Special Cash Discount of Ten Percent (10 p. c.) on all purchases of Men's and Boys' Overcoats and Suits from now until Xmas.

Xmas Cards and Booklets

We have them in endless variety, remembrances of the Season such as everybody is looking for.
Cards 12c per dozen
Booklets 15c up

Bibles

You will find at our counter just the styles and type you need.

Prices 50c to \$2.50 Each

Books

A good book for the boys or the girls is the choice of Gifts. We invite you to our Book Department.

Holiday Stationery

Always an acceptable gift and will be appreciated by young and old. We have a most attractive assortment: dainty boxes containing high class fashionable Stationery; quality the very best and style strictly up to date.

Prices 15c to \$1.00

Fountain Pens

What could be more acceptable than a real Fountain Pen? But let it be a good one. We can recommend and guarantee the Waterman. There are none better and very few as good.

Prices \$1.25 to \$5.00 each

Calendars

The pretty Calendars must not be passed over. These are useful for the whole year, and will be a reminder of the giver more than many other articles.

15c to \$1.00 Each

Soliciting your Christmas trade and wishing you a Merry Christmas, we are
Yours very truly,

Silverware and Cut Glass

Among the prettiest novelties for Christmas gifts. There are many dainty things in Silverware and Cut Glass which not only add attractiveness to the table, but in themselves are serviceable. We invite your inspection when visiting our store.

Xmas Jewelry

Our assortment consists of Lockets and Chains, Beauty Pins, Rings, Scarf Pins, Cuff and Collar Buttons, Watches, Watch Fobs, Brooches, Veil Pins, Hair Pins etc., etc.

Men's House Coats

Many of them through special purchasing and special care in manufacture are not only distinctive in character but very much under the usual price. These you will find on the centre counter to the right as you enter our store.

Prices \$4.50 to \$7 each

Perfumes and Toilet Powders

We carry all the popular and most asked for lines

Perfumes 15c. to \$1.75 per bottle
Two cans of Toilet Powder for 40c

Christmas Candies

'The Sweetest Gift of All.' Nothing makes a more acceptable Xmas remembrance than a box of Ganong's Chocolates. These chocolates are known to everyone as being the standard of purity and excellence. Packed in attractive packages of two, one, and half pound boxes.

30c. to \$1.00 per box

In our Candy Department we have a complete line of Ganong's Pure Candies, Xmas Mixture, Fruit Jap, Cocoa Gems, National Creams, Caramels, Maple Cocoa Gems, Butter Cakes, Peanut Crisp and French Creams.

We are selling regular 20c Chocolates for 15c per pound, three pounds of mixed candy for 28c

Fruits, Nuts, and Raisins

We have purchased quantities of Oranges, Grapes, Figs, Nuts, Raisins which will be sold at small profits which will give long life to your dollar.

Ten Cent Counter

Don't fail to visit this counter. Many articles on this counter are worth twice what we ask for them.

Special Sale on Sunray Tungstan 40 Watt Lamps

This special 40 Watt Tungstan Lamp is thoroughly made, every lamp tested before it leaves the factory.

Price from now until Xmas 35c. each

French Chocolates Given Away

To every customer who purchases \$3.00 worth of Men's Furnishings or Boots and Shoes, we will give a one pound box of French Chocolates.

FINAL WORD

Buying early is an immense advantage. In the first place it is possible to make better selections as the stock is more complete. In the second place you have more leisure and can take your time in buying. We are always pleased to put away goods selected early and deliver them at any time you desire.

CLARKE BROS.

BEAR RIVER, N. S.

Bear River

Dec. 21st.
Miss Alice Harris went to Boston on Saturday.

Mr. Ira Clark, of Acadia College came home on Saturday.

Mr. Herman Rice, of Boston, is spending the Christmas season at home.

Miss Melita Harris arrived from Boston on Saturday and is visiting her sister Mrs. Reginald Benson.

Mr. Wilbur Ryerson left for Boston on Saturday to spend Christmas with his son, Mr. Harry Ryerson.

Mr. Clifford Copeland, who is teaching at Glenholm, Colechester County, is home for the Christmas vacation.

The ladies of the Baptist Church intend serving a supper in the vestry on Tuesday, Dec. 29th. Proceeds for church purposes.

Owing to the late arrival of the report of Oakdene School examinations, the Monitor is unable to publish the averages this week. These will appear in our next issue.

On Thursday afternoon the closing exercises of the first and second Primary and Elementary Departments of Oakdene School were held in the hall and were listened to by about one hundred of the parents. The little folks as well as their teachers deserve to be congratulated on the splendid way in which they performed the various numbers of the programme.

On Friday evening the teachers and pupils gave a concert in Oakdene Hall to a crowded house. The following programme was well rendered:—

Carol—"Praise the Lord"
Exercise—Tiny Tim's Surprise Party
..... Pupils of the Intermediate

Scene from Dickens's Christmas Carol High School
Chorus—Prince of Peace
Star Drill by seven girls

Recitation—"The Way of the British"
..... Mildred Harris
Recitation—Lord Kitchener
..... Vorhies Dittmars

Three Kings of Orient—Three Girls
Song—"It's a Long Way to Tipperary"
..... Four Boys

Tableaux—Tenting To-night
Mama's Boys by Miss Dodge.
Recitation—"A Call From the Hills"
..... Miss Lulu Zwicker

Evergreen Drill by eight girls
Recitation—Lord Roberts
..... Miss Ruby Annis

Exercise—Canada
Tableaux—Rule Britannia
God Save the King

The gross receipts were \$54.30, after expenses are paid the remainder will be handed to the local Red Cross Society.

CLEMENTSPORT

Dec. 21st.
The Misses Lockwood, of Halifax, are spending their Christmas vacation at their home here.

Mrs. Samuel Potter recently went to Boston to spend the Winter with her sister Mrs. Ada Symonds.

Mrs. Matilda Dittmars, who has been absent some weeks at Pictou and Wolfville, has returned home for a time.

On Saturday last, Merchants' Day at Annapolis Royal was well patronized by the people of our village and vicinity.

Schooner Mercedes, Captain LeCain, arrived in port this morning with a cargo of flour and feed for H. Hicks, from Boston.

Owing to the great European War which is now raging our people have felt their pleasure of the Christmas time somewhat marred.

Mrs. A. D. Roop, the proprietress of our Summer Hotel here, left for Sharon, Mass., last week to spend the Winter with her daughter.

Our merchants seem to be busy, and doing a very good business in their different lines taking into consideration the war cloud that hangs over us at present.

Mr. Harold Vroom of Alberta, is spending a few days with his grandfather W. V. Vroom. He has been in the West for the last twelve years and has made good.

Recently two teas have been held, one by the ladies of the Methodist Church, the other by the ladies of the Baptist Church. We are pleased to state that both realized substantial sums.

Our schools have closed for Christmas vacation. Just before closing the pupils collected \$17.68 for the shilling fund for British children by the direction of their teachers, Miss Minnie Whitman and Miss Dora Muscels.

We learn that there is a blacksmith shop opened here again for the shoeing of horses and oxen, which is certainly much needed. We hope that it will be well patronized by the public and that it may prove a permanent thing.

Captain David Robinson, of Parker's Cove, arrived in the village last week to take charge of the Schooner Emma B. Potter loaded with lumber for Boston. Captain A. Walker, formerly in charge has been obliged to remain at home. This vessel is again ready for sea after the damage done to her some weeks ago in a wind storm in the Bay of Fundy.

DEER BROOK

Dec. 21st.
Miss Nina Adams spent part of last week with friends in Digby County.

Miss Dora Winchester spent the past week here the guest of Miss Marion Spurr.

Mrs. Blaney, of Lower Granville, lately paid a visit to her daughter, Mrs. H. Adams.

Miss Mildred Adams, teacher at Mt. Pleasant, is at her home here for the holidays.

Mrs. Lucy Murray has bought the Nichols cottage at Victoria Bridge and taken up her residence there.

Mrs. Scott Chute, who has been at the home of her aunt Mrs. John Nichols returned to Bear River on Friday.

H. Vroom, M. Nichols and G. Adams have gone to Windsor, where they are employed at bridge construction.

A number of our people took advantage of the special train service to do Christmas shopping in Annapolis on Saturday afternoon, the 19.

Several of our people attended the patriotic concert given by the pupils of the Bear River High School in Oakdene Hall last Friday evening and speak very highly of it.

On Thursday evening in Union Hall a most creditable concert was given by our own children. We hear many words of praise for teachers and pupils. A silver collection for Belgian relief.

Miss Nettie Shortliff spent part of last week with friends here. Miss Shortliff is in training for a nurse at the Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, and has the best wishes of many friends.

The Dorcas Society sale and supper on Wednesday evening the 16th, was a great success every feature being highly spoken of by the large number in attendance. We congratulate those in charge. Proceeds \$80.

PRINCE DALE

Dec. 18th.
Mr. George Feener returned to Granville, Tuesday.

Mr. Charles Dunn, of West Springhill, spent Sunday with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Fraser spent Tuesday with relatives in Bear River.

Mr. F. T. Wright and daughter Miss Violet, spent Thursday in Bear River.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Davis, of Bear River, were Sunday guests at Mrs. J. A. Fraser's.

Mr. and Mrs. Manning Dowdall and daughter Elsie spent Thursday in Annapolis Royal.

Mrs. Samuel Wright and children, of Virginia East, spent Friday at Mrs. G. Wright's.

Mrs. John Berry and son Charles, of Clementsvalle, were Sunday guests of her brother, Mr. T. E. Milner.

CLEMENTSVALE

Dec. 21st.
Miss Winnie Potter came home from Kettville, Saturday.

Miss Marie Danielson, of Acadia College, is home for the vacation.

T. B. Chipman, of Bridgetown, was here on business during the week.

A. L. Danielson is enjoying a short visit among his many friends in Boston.

Albert Potter of Horton Academy, is also spending the holidays at home.

Mr. Fred Taylor arrived home from Boston, Saturday, to spend Christmas with his family.

Miss Effie Potter, of Tremont, is spending her vacation with her parents Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Potter.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Chute, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Marsten, of Clements-
port, spent Sunday with their friends, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Chute.

Blames Own Country for War

AMSTERDAM via London, Dec. 10.—Dr. Karl Liebknecht, the Socialist member of the Reichstag, who was the only one to vote against the war credit at the recent session of the Reichstag explains his action in an article just published in Berlin. He says:—

"This war was not desired by any of the peoples affected nor was it kindled to promote the welfare of the Germans or any other people. It was created by the common action of the German and Austrian war parties in the obscurity of semi-absolutism and secret diplomacy, in order to anticipate their adversaries."

"At the same time, the war is a Napoleon attempt to unnerve and crush the growing Labor movement."

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A safe and sure remedy in all cases of over-stimulation; also indicated in all cases of Brain Fatigue, Nervous Exhaustion caused by over-work or malnutrition, unequalled for nausea or general depression.

A general tonic and body builder. Mail orders filled by Rezistol Chemical Co., Boston, Mass.

Christmas

Now is the time to buy your

Christmas Groceries

Candy, Nuts, Fruit and Toys
Before the rush and the best is sold out

We have our new stock in. Give us a call and see if we cannot please you.

FRED SCHMIDT

BEAR RIVER, N. S.

"Good Dress Goes Hand in Hand With Good Manners"

To be well dressed you must first select stylish goods and then find a first-class tailor. If you can find Bear River any one can direct you to.

F. A. BURRAGE'S

where a complete assortment of foreign and domestic wools can be found including all the latest shades and designs in browns which lead this season

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Stiff, Enlarged Joints Limber Up! Every Trace of Rheumatism Goes!

Even Chronic Bedridden Cases are Quickly Cured

Rub On Magic "Nerviline"

Nothing on earth can beat good old "Nerviline" when it comes to curing rheumatism. The blessed relief you get from Nerviline comes mighty quick, and you don't have to wait a month for some sign of improvement. You see Nerviline is a direct application; it is rubbed right into the sore joint, thoroughly rubbed over the twitching muscle that perhaps for years has kept you on the jump. In this way you get to the real source of the trouble. After you have used Nerviline just once you'll say it's amazing, a marvel, a perfect wonder of efficacy. Just think of it, five times stronger

and more penetrating than any other known liniment. Soothing, healing, full of pain-destroying power, and yet it will never burn, blister or destroy the tender skin of even a child.

You've never yet tried anything half so good as Nerviline for any sort of pain. It does cure rheumatism, but that's not all. Just test it out for lame back or lumbago. Gee, what a right line cure it is for a bad cold, for chest tightness, even for neuralgia headache it is simply the finest ever.

For the home, for the hundred and one little ailments that constantly arise, whether earache, toothache, stiff neck, or some other peculiar pain—Nerviline will always make you glad you've used it, and because it will cure you, keep it handy on the shelf a 50c family size bottle; it keeps the doctor's bill small; trial size 25c; all dealers, or the C. A. Tarbozon Co., Kingston, Canada.

To Archangel and Back

(Eastern Chronicle)

James MacPherson, of Hopewell, who was steward on the ice-tracker "Earl Grey," has been spending the past couple of days at his home, on his return from Archangel, Russia, where he went as one of the crew of the steamer. Mr. MacPherson had a very interesting trip, and enjoyed it immensely. On the way over they made a wide detour to avoid any interruption from stray German cruisers, going north of Iceland, and between that island and Greenland. The "Earl Grey" proved a good sea boat, except that she rolls considerably. They saw nothing of German "Kultur" in the shape of an armed pirate, and arriving at the Northern Russian port were given a great reception. Archangel is a fine city, situated quite a bit up the river from the White Sea, a bay of the Arctic Ocean, and on fresh water. Already the ice has begun to form there to a considerable thickness, but the "Grey" was equal to the breaking of it up. The Russians were anxious to do all they could for the Canadian visitors, and welcomed them in their stores, the city being able to boast of very fine departmental establishments. There also Mr. MacPherson saw many German prisoners, who were being put to work, and he conversed with them. They blame all atrocities on the officers, who they assert, were overcharged with wine, and not responsible in a sense for their actions.

On his way back to Canada Mr. MacPherson was given a day off in the Old Country, and visited his native home in Scotland, where he had not been for some eight years previously. His parents reside near Edinburgh and he gave them a great surprise when he walked in upon them. Curiously enough, another brother, who emigrated to Canada about the same time, eight years ago, gave his parents a similar surprise about a week before our Mr. MacPherson had. He had been a resident of British Columbia, and volunteering with the Canadian Contingent, had a day off from Salisbury Plains, and spent it with the old people.

Mr. MacPherson has gone to Halifax, where he will be connected with the dockyard during the war, having volunteered his services for his country.

While in England Mr. MacPherson saw evidences of the German atrocities as practiced on the suffering Belgians.

Clothes Made of Wood

It will probably not be very long before we can go into one of the dry goods stores and say to the clerk, "Let me see what you have in the line of wooden suits." He may reply, "Hard or soft?" whereupon it will be our part to specify that we want a suit of "good" pine, "with-out any cheap sawwood." Vests of this kind are already worn by the carding-room foremen in some of the woolen mills. The material resembles a stiff, thick cloth, and is apparently as durable as leather. It is not improbable that in the future cheap suits, costing about 60c., and guaranteed to last for years, will be made of spruce and pine. Napkins, shirts, collars of the finest quality have long been made from the fibre of hemp; and in using wood for heavier cloth the process is equally simple. The wood is first ground into soft pulp, and this pulp is pressed through holes in iron plates. It comes out in long ropes about one-half inch in diameter. These ropes, which are easily broken at this stage are dried and then twisted tightly, till finally they become as small as threads. Part of the threads are used for the warp and part for filling.—Technical World Magazine.

Expulsion of Germans from Petrograd

(Sympathetic Witness.)

The "Novoe Vremya," has published an explanation of the recent wholesale expulsions of Germans from the capital, saying it was due to the discovery of subscription lists for the building of ships for the German fleet. The newspaper prints in detail the amount subscribed, as well as the names of the subscribers, many of the names being those of prominent German manufacturers. The paper says that many directors and managers of important German concerns in Petrograd or the vicinity took part in collecting the sums, using their employees or the wives of their workmen as canvassers. The "Novoe Vremya" alleges that the campaign was started by Count von Pourtales, the German Ambassador to Russia, during the months immediately preceding the war, in the guise of funds for German Lutheran missions in heathen countries.

Mingre's Liniment cures Disasters.

Warsaw is too Strong for the Germans

LONDON, Dec. 18.—A despatch from Warsaw, under date of December 13th describes the great strength of the Russian defences, between the present battle line and Warsaw, and states that the opinion of the authorities of Warsaw is that, unless the Germans capture the town within a week all hope of their doing so will be gone forever as strong Russian reinforcement are arriving. The correspondent adds that the Germans are said to be very strong in artillery, especially so in heavy field guns.

Thousands of Prisoners have Been Exchanged

BERNE, Switzerland, Dec. 18.—The exchange of fraternal civilians in Germany and France has almost been completed. About 8,000 from France and 3,000 from Germany have passed through Switzerland bound for their home countries up-to-date. It is believed that all the French in Germany now have been repatriated, but that there are still some thousands of Germans detained in France. It is hoped, however, that all these Germans will be at home by Christmas. It is understood that Austria has interned no French civilians.

Christmas Dinner for Canadian Troops

OTTAWA, Dec. 10.—The Government has decided to provide a Christmas dinner for every man on active service in Canada. This will include the men of Second Contingent and also those who are being recruited for future contingents and reinforcements. There are now over 30,000 men on active service, besides the 8,000 on guard duty, so that the Government will have at least 50,000 Christmas dinners to provide.

Do not let the children play with matches.

At Annapolis, the 5th day of December, A. D. 1914.
EDWIN GATES, High Sheriff.
EDWIN DUGGLES

There will also be lectures on soil cultivation and manures and fertilizers.

subject is one of very great importance.

Gasoline is more dangerous than powder and more explosive.

filling the church with the choking fumes of the splendid old oak ceilings.