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**WE WISH YOU A  
VERY MERRY  
CHRISTMAS**

FOR THE FIFTY-THIRD TIME

**Have You Forgotten  
Anything?**

Handkerchiefs  
Umbrellas  
Rugs  
Neckwear  
Silk Waists  
Dress Lengths  
Lace Curtains  
Comforters  
Blankets  
Furs  
Hosiery  
Gloves  
Fancy Linens  
Table Covers  
Fancy Baskets  
Fancy Work

**THOS. STONE & SON**

Rugs and Curtains  
CHATHAM, ONTARIO

**CLEARING SALE OF  
FURS**

AT THE WHOLESALE HOUSE

EXTRAORDINARY VALUES WHILE THEY LAST.

**AGAR & NEFF, WHOLESALE  
FURRIERS.**

SCANE BLOCK (Upstairs). OPEN EVENINGS.



**MEN'S  
SLIPPERS**

—FOR—  
**Christmas**

Of course, real solid comfort may be possible without a pair of slippers—but it's surely more like the real Simon-pure article when the slippers are there.

That opens the way toward making somebody a present that will

gladden him for a whole year or more.

Low or Opera Slippers - 75c to \$2  
a variety of leathers.

High-Top or Romeo Slippers - \$1.50 to \$2  
A draft resister for winter.

Felt and Warm Lined Slippers - 65c to \$1

Carpet and Rep Slippers from 40c

**GEO. W. COWAN**

## GRAND OPERA HOUSE

Christmas Day

MATINEE AND NIGHT

The Hilarious Musical Comedy  
**'A BELL BOY.'**

Introducing JOHNNY GALVIN as  
Patsy the Hilarity Producer.

Prices, First Floor—50c, 75c, \$1.00  
Second Floor—35c, 50c, and 75c.  
Gallery—25c.  
Matinee—25c, 35c, and 50c.  
Seats selling at Brisco's.

**Tim  
Half-Past 9  
o'Clock**

OUR STORE WILL BE OPEN  
for the Sale of Crockery, Lamp,  
China, and Glassware, of which we  
have a Large Stock bought expressly  
for the Christmas Trade. We want  
your help to clear out these goods  
during the next 8 days. We will help  
you by reducing 7 per cent. from all  
Dinner, Tea, and Chamber Sets, also  
Lamps, China, and Glassware. Come  
Early and Get Your Choice.

### GROCERIES.

Our Stock for Christmas is complete.  
The quality and prices are combined to  
please you:—

Seedless Oranges, 25c per dozen.  
Select Raisins (cleaned), 8c per lb.  
3 lbs. Currants (cleaned), for 25c  
Mixed Nuts, 15c per lb.  
2 lbs. Pure Lard, 25c  
3 lbs. Mixed Candy for 25c.  
Seedless Raisins, 9c per lb.  
3 Cans (1 Corn, 1 Peas, 1 Tomatoes) for  
25c.  
Mixed Pickles, 10c per bottle.  
Mince Meat, 9c per lb.

**John McConnell,**  
Park St. Phone 190

**Get Busy Early**

—ON—

**Saturday  
Morning**

The last day of the year for  
Christmas buying, and we are  
making Special Prices on account  
of the dull weather.

Goods Must be Sold  
Now at

**GRAY'S CHINA HALL**

Special prices on Lamps,  
Dinner Sets and China Tea  
Sets. Come and get low  
prices!

**Some Specials for Saturday**

40 only Child's Sets arrived today  
in beautiful pink lustre. Cup, saucer,  
plate and bread and milk bowl, set 25c  
100 1-pint China Cream Jugs at 10c  
150 blue and gold, with figured cen-  
tre, Bread and Butter Plates, regular  
25c for 18c.

50 Cake plates and Salad Bowls,  
regular 50c and 35c, all on table at 25c.  
9 dozen Heavy silver plated Tea  
Spoons, worth \$2 75 dozen, on sale at  
\$2.00.

100 Nevada Silver Dessert Spoon,  
15c each.

8 only Carving Sets at special prices.

Come Morning, Afternoon  
or Evening.

We deliver goods any place  
in city.

**GRAY'S  
CHINA  
HALL**  
KING ST.

## A GOOD SHOW

Big Christmas Matinee and Night on  
Monday in "The Bell Boy"

The hilarious musical comedy "A  
Bell Boy," starring the well known  
American actor Johnny Calvin, sup-  
ported by an all star cast, some of  
which are Irene Drew, May Morris,  
Henrietta Gibson, James A. Grady,  
Ned Nelson and others, in all there  
are twenty-two in the cast who  
travel in a special car of the Bell  
Boy Company with an extra car-  
load of scenery, and a wealth of  
costumes, with beautiful electric ef-  
fects. There will be presentations  
both in the afternoon and evening.  
Prices 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c and \$1.00.  
Exactly the same performance will  
be given for the matinee as at night.  
Brisco's store will be open all day  
Monday for those who want reserve  
seats in advance.

Remember the "Bell Boy" attrac-  
tion is sparkling, bright and joyful—  
all pretty girls, all smiles and laughs,  
not one dull moment; it's the merry  
side of life. Make your Christmas  
an enjoyable one—attend the Grand.

## NOMINATIONS IN DOVER

The following municipal nomi-  
nations were made in Dover yesterday:

Reeve,  
C. Parker.  
William Elgie.  
Councillors,  
Joseph Lewis,  
Thomas Bourdeau, Jr.  
William Boyer.  
Vernance Cartier.  
George King.  
John M. Terry.  
Peter Crawford.  
Timothy O'Neil.  
Mr. Boyer and Mr. King resigned.

## OFFICERS ELECTED

At the last meeting of Pain Court,  
Court No. 1246, held in Gagnier's  
Hall, Dover South, the following of-  
ficers were elected for the coming  
year:

Spiritual Director—Rev. Fr. Cour-  
tois.  
C. R.—Joseph Trudell.  
V. C. R.—Thos. Bourdeau.  
P. C. R.—D. D. Gagnier.  
R. S.—Eugene Caron.  
F. S.—Geo. Pelletier.  
Treas.—Geo. Bourdeau.  
Trustees—Thos. B. Carron, Ed.  
Gagnier, Wm. Boyer.  
Court Physician—H. J. Sullivan.  
S. C.—Jos. Demars.  
J. C.—Ed. Carron.  
Court meets third Thursday every  
month.

## GET 100 CENTS

St. Catharines, Ont., Dec. 22.—May-  
or Sweet informed a meeting of lo-  
cal shareholders of the York County  
Loan, last night, that he had been  
assured that day by telephone by  
Mr. Cross, the accountant appointed  
by the Government to investigate,  
that holders of terminating shares  
would in all probability receive 100  
cents on the dollar. Until the termi-  
nating shareholders are paid, hold-  
ers of permanent shares will not get  
a dollar.

## CARPET BALL

A splendidly contested game of  
carpet ball, between the S. O. E. and  
the A. O. U. W., last evening, result-  
ed in a victory for the former by one  
shot. The score:

First One.  
S. O. E.—A. Wrigley, J. Keeley, W.  
A. Moore, skip—16.  
A. O. U. W.—G. Arnold, G. Con-  
bear, G. Saueremann, skip—11.

First Two.  
S. O. E.—W. Needham, F. W. Car-  
ter, J. W. Draper, skip—13.  
A. O. U. W.—J. Grandbois, R. Dun-  
lop, John Conbear, skip—17.

## POSTPONED

Out of respect for the late Tracy  
Waddell, and in sympathy with the  
bereaved family, the Children's Fancy  
Dress Ball has been postponed from  
Friday, December 29th, to Friday,  
January 5th, by order of the Committee.

## HARWICH

The nominations in Harwich Tp.  
resulted as follows:—  
For Reeve—R. H. Bentley, James  
Campbell, Richard Young.  
For Councillors—Samuel Bark,  
Jas. K. Laird, Jas. B. Clark, Geo. W.  
Huffman, Jas. T. Walters, Geo. Ger-  
ber, Corlett and Regan.  
Richard Young, who was not at  
the nominations, has intimated his  
intention to go to the polls.

## NO PLANET MONDAY

Monday being Christmas Day and  
a statutory holiday, there will be no  
issue of The Planet; but we wish  
all our readers as Merry a Christ-  
mas as it is possible for them to have  
without a copy of This Great Home  
Journal.

Try our 10c broken cream candy  
at Rhodes.

## STUDENTS NOW GO TEACHING

Results of the Recent Ex-  
aminations at the City  
Model School

Splendid Standing Obtained by Many  
of the Class—Worthy  
Record

The following is the result of the  
Model school examinations:

Henry C. Duffus, 1159.  
Phyllis Reycraft, 1078.  
Grace Smith, 1010.  
Edith Peck, 1009.  
Winifred Durham, 1009.  
Mabel Gesner, 990.  
Roy McKay, 989.  
Mabel Gosnell, 969.  
Rene Faye, 962.  
Edith Stenton, 947.  
Dora Graham, 918.  
Laura Reynolds, 905.  
George Cromwell, 903.  
Lucella Ashton, 891.  
Elizabeth Doyle, 888.  
Helen Roebuck, 886.  
Annie Coulthard, 867.  
May Beattie, 862.  
Bertha Burton, 851.  
Jennie McDiarmid, 823.  
Clara Warner, 823.  
Annie Denholme, 797.  
Martha McGrail, 790.  
Olive Fletcher, 786.  
Herbert Williston, 750.  
Certificates will be granted to the  
following candidates upon furnishing  
proof that they have obtained the  
required non-professional standing:  
Mabel McKerracher, 883.  
Ernest Collins, 850.  
Sarah Shaw, 842.  
The maximum was 1250 marks and  
the minimum required for pass, 750.  
Renewals were granted to Lily  
Dubs, R. Hutchison, E. Lambie, M.  
E. Swisher and E. Wickham, they  
having successfully repassed the ex-  
amination.

## WILLIAM STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

Following is the program of music  
to be rendered at the William Street  
Baptist Church—tomorrow. The  
"copy" was handed to us too late to  
be inserted in the "Christmas Music"  
column:

Pastor—Rev. J. W. Hoyt.  
Organist—Frank Phelps.  
Choir Director—John Reeve.

Morning.

Doxology.  
Hymn—105.  
Carol, Bethlehem's Plain—Wodell.  
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Hymn—108.  
Anthem, We Have Seen His Star—  
Simper.  
Soprano Solo, The Birthday of a  
King, Weidinger—Miss O. Richards.  
Hymn—159.  
Evening.  
Male Quartette—Now the Day is  
Over.  
Hymn—112.  
Anthem, There Were Shepherds—  
Mills.  
Hymn—304.  
Quartette—God So Loved the World  
—Gaul.  
Hymn—326.

The Curse of Drink.  
Calgary, Alta., Dec. 22.—Frank Davis  
of this city, but recently from South  
Dakota, committed suicide Wednesday  
night by taking carbolic acid. He was  
35 years of age and had been drinking  
heavily of late.

## King Refuses Resignation.

Budapest, Dec. 22.—The Emperor-  
King has decided that in view of the  
existing political circumstances he  
cannot accept the resignation of the  
Fejervary Cabinet, tendered yesterday.

## They Want Railway Aid.

Toronto, Dec. 22.—Premier Whitney  
and his Ministers received yesterday a  
deputation from Owen Sound asking  
for aid towards the building of the  
Owen Sound and Meaford Railway.

## Million for Baby Clark.

San Francisco, Dec. 22.—A grand-  
daughter to Senator W. A. Clark of  
Montana, was born yesterday at San  
Francisco, the parents being Mr. and Mrs.  
W. Clark.

## Lumber Schooner Ashore.

New York, Dec. 22.—The lumber  
laden schooner George J. Phillips in  
Coburns near Ely Head, N. Y. Her crew  
has been taken ashore.

## Cambridge Celebrates.

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 22.—The  
275th anniversary of the founding of  
Cambridge was celebrated yesterday.

## Taking Holidays.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Both Congress  
and the Senate adjourned yesterday  
until Jan. 4.

Imprisoned—Delicate odors of the  
lily, the lilac, the rose, imprisoned  
in the daintiest bottles beauty could  
suggest. An excellent Christmas  
gift. Central Drug Store.

## RIVAL POETS

Local Literary Lights Take Diverse  
Views in Matter of Deep  
Sentiment

Everyone has heard of the spring  
poet; but who ever heard of one  
springing his rhymes on love and ad-  
venture in the winter time? In this  
surprising age of wonder, however,  
people are prepared for almost any-  
thing, so much so that no one be-  
came unnecessarily excited when the  
following touching and pathetic love  
tale from the pen of a popular  
Chatham writer appeared this week  
in the Merlin Mirror:

NOW I LAY ME DOWN TO SLEEP.  
A little boy, lisping his evening  
prayer,  
Beyond his Maker, saw a lovely  
face  
With starry eyes, and crown of  
dusky hair,  
A girlish playmate, full of win-  
some grace.  
Together in the garden had they  
played  
At childish games—he, through  
the long, long years,  
Cherished a love that never could  
change nor fade.  
Dauntless in spite of scorn and  
doubt and fears,  
Strong as the torrent's fierce, re-  
sistless sweep.

Man must be brave. He has no right  
to weep.  
"Thy woman's right alone. And if  
she say  
"My love is not for you," he still  
must smile.  
Pretending that his breaking heart  
is gay.  
"Thy so with me. Loving a long,  
long while.  
I found my love was vain. Yet,  
dear, I will  
To you be ever loyal, and for  
aye,  
I'll answer, darling, that I love  
you still.  
Till falls life's curtain and again  
I say  
"Now I lay me down to sleep."  
"Now I lay me down to sleep."  
—Victor Lauriston.

Chatham, Ont.—  
All of which—if the young man  
really means it—certainly places the  
lover in a most awkward and un-  
desirable position. There are two  
things an ordinary man would do  
under similar circumstances—either  
choke off about it or commit suicide.  
It is most disturbing to hopeful  
youths to read other experiences  
with fickle woman and no doubt  
there are many Chatham girls who  
will be agreeably surprised to hear  
of such undying constancy in the  
heart of man. Can it be that the  
author has foreseen this and is still  
on the matrimonial market?

Granting that the latter is not  
true, there is still one spark of hope  
and consolation for the depressed  
young man—to consider the experi-  
ence of others whose so called "love  
affairs" have had what the world  
is pleased to term a happy ending.  
The following lines from a different-  
ly inspired writer (in other words a  
married man) may tend to cool the  
ardor of the dreamer in question by  
leading him to consider what might  
have happened if he had won:  
"Now I lay me down to sleep," the  
little prayer was said,  
The deity my mother's eye saw, was  
one with dusky head,  
Together in the back yard we had  
fashioned big mud pies,  
My little heart went pit-a-pat agazin'  
in those eyes.  
With haughty mien my love she  
scorned, my tongue was stricken  
dumb,  
In memory of that love I wear, a  
huge chrysanthemum.

But time has wrought a marvellous  
change, I take a man's sized  
vest.  
The dusky headed deity still causes  
me unrest.  
The pies she makes are not mud pies,  
but such as young wives make.  
I feel some times I'd like to pray  
the Lord my soul to take.  
At twelve I go for castor oil, at  
two for camp tea,  
A six months' chrys lies between  
me and my deity.  
Laurie Victorston.

## OFFICERS ELECTED

The following officers of Pain  
Court Court, No. 1246, C. O. F., Do-  
ver South, were elected Thursday eve-  
ning:

C. R.—Jos. Trudell.  
V. C. R.—Thos. Bourdeau.  
P. C. R.—Donnie Gagnier.  
R. S.—Eugene Caron.  
F. S.—Geo. Pelletier.  
Treas.—Geo. Bourdeau.  
Trustees—Thodore Carron, Ed-  
ward Carron, Wm. Boyer.  
Court Physician—Dr. H. J. Sulli-  
van.  
V. Conductor—Jos. Demars.  
J. Conductor—Alex. J. King.  
I. S.—Jos. Caron.  
O. S.—Ed. Caron.  
Spiritual Adviser—Rev. Fr. Cour-  
tois.

The meetings are held every third  
Thursday in D. D. Gagnier's Hall,  
Dover South.

Taffies, all kinds, only 10c. per  
pound, at Crump's.

Colors of the Rainbow. Next time  
you enter the Central Drug Store  
just stand to one side of the cur-  
tain show case. You will see if the  
day is bright; all the colors of the  
rainbow. How about that Christmas  
gift?

## THE LOSSES CONCEALED

By Mutual Life by Using Profits  
From Sale of Securities.

Isaac Vanderpool, Chief State Ex-  
aminer, Testified That These Manipu-  
lations of Figures Were Not Appar-  
ent in the Books—President Mc-  
Curdy Instructed These Transfers  
of Profits—Vanderpool Knew.

New York, Dec. 22.—Additional tes-  
timony as to the management of the  
Mutual Life was adduced yesterday  
before the Legislative Committee tend-  
ing to show that the company used  
profits from the sale of the securities  
to conceal the reduction of book values  
of real estate, or losses, as Counsel  
Hughes called them.

Francis Hendricks, superintendent of  
the State Insurance Department, when  
on the stand Thursday said he had  
never heard of such a thing, and that  
it had never been called to his atten-  
tion.

Yesterday after auditors of the Mut-  
ual Life had testified to this fact,  
Isaac Vanderpool, chief examiner of the  
department, declared that he had not  
discovered the matter in his examina-  
tion of the company last year, when in  
his report he gave the company what  
was practically a certificate of "good  
character." He said these manipula-  
tions of the figures were not apparent  
in the books.

These transfers of profits to the debit  
side of the profit and loss account were  
made by the auditors upon instruction  
of President McCurdy and Vice-Pres-  
ident Grannis, and the written instruc-  
tions were produced. They named the  
figures that adjusted the accounts, and  
last year, while there was really a profit  
of almost a million and a half dol-  
lars, when these transfers were made,  
no profit whatever was shown.

Knew, But Said Nothing.  
Vanderpool said he had examined the  
report of 1904, which showed no profit  
from the sale of securities. Although  
he knew this was untrue he did not so  
report it because he did not think it  
was necessary. The same situation  
existed in the New York Life, accord-  
ing to Vanderpool, although the prac-  
tice was not general, and when asked  
what he did in the matter he said:  
"Nothing."

Vanderpool said he had examined the  
Hawover Bank account of the New York  
Life in 1904, and did not find the \$100-  
000 that was paid to Andrew Hamilton.  
He never knew of the year-end loans  
of the Metropolitan Life to Vermilye  
& Co., and never knew how the com-  
pany handled its collateral loans. He  
said he never in an examination of a  
company went back of its ledgers.

## No Special Care.

Henry D. Appleton, second deputy in  
the Insurance Department, was on the  
stand a large part of the afternoon.  
He said that no more attention is paid  
to the statement of a New York com-  
pany than to that of a company in-  
corporated in any other state. No ac-  
tual inspection is made of a report  
unless an examination is made.

The committee will resume next  
Wednesday.

## A far fetched joke is better than one that is fetched too far.

## CARPET BALL

The standing of Carpet Ball League  
is as follows, including last night's  
game:—

	WON	LOST	TO PLAY	PER CT.
S.O.E.	2	2	15	1000
Hops	2	2	15	600
A.O.U.W.	3	2	15	600
I.O.F.	0	1	19	000
S.O.S.	0	1	19	000
C.O.F.	0	2	18	000

## Wholesale and Retail Fruit Dealer.

Next to Rankin House.

He has a large stock of Christmas  
Fruits and Confectionery and all kinds  
of Nuts.  
Give him a call. See his stock.

**A. ZAKOOR**

## THE ARK

Our last ad. before Christmas.

The Rush is on, follow the

crowd to

**THE ARK**

If you cannot come early, come

when you can. We will take

pleasure in waiting on you.

Wishing you a very Merry

Christmas and a bright Happy

New Year

**H. MACAULAY, PHONE 159**