

I am giving away a SUPERB

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BOX.

Every customer gets a ticket for each Dollar's worth of goods purchased between now and New Year. Come in and hear it.

J. A. HACKING,

General Railway & Steamship Agent

LOCAL MATTERS

To all our Patrons a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Services will be held in Christ church on Christmas Day at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.

A Jewish peddler named Gamski was robbed at Smith's hotel, Tralee, on Friday last and claims to have lost \$500 worth of cloths and jewelry taken from his wagon.

Messrs. Farquharson and Mowat, two of the assistants at the High School, are resigned. Mr. Farquharson, goes to Kincardine, at an increase of \$100 salary.

Mr. Cope Stinson was given a great send off upon his return to Brantford, to take charge of the training stables there, in the form of a banquet in the Kerby house, which passed off with great enthusiasm.

Mr. Wm. Edwards, of Edwardsville, has decided to remove his saw mill outfit to Listowel and will have the plant thoroughly put into shape and will be prepared to do custom sawing or pay cash for logs.

The Milwaukee Sentinel in an article on the Press operators of that city has an excellent likeness printed of "An" Velle, whose mother is a resident of this town and who is kindly remembered by very many friends here.

Happiness often consists in reading a good paper, one that leaves a pleasant taste in the mouth, one that you can flip up from your pocket with the knowledge that you have gained something of permanent advantage.

CHRISTMAS MARKET. The handsome display of Xmas meats at Porter's butcher shop is worth a visit of inspection.

THREE DAYS MEETING. The S. A. will hold three days special meetings here, commencing on Friday (Xmas Day), and continuing on Saturday and Sunday.

GRADUATED. We are pleased to see that Mr. Richard T. Kidd, of Kidd Bros., who are well known in Ontario as enterprising horsemen, graduated from the Ontario Veterinary College, Toronto, and obtained his V. S. certificate.

Goldsmith's Hall and Central Telephone office is the best place in Listowel to buy a good reliable Gold and Silver Watch, Clock and Jewellery.

Organ for sale, Doherty make. Apply to Mrs. J. P. Austin, Elms Street.

FOUND. A pocket book containing \$6.25 and some papers. Owner please apply to J. Hillary or to Samuel Farrel, Listowel, proving property.

SAW MILL. John Keao will have his saw mill plant at work in Listowel in a few days. Logs taken at once in custom, or for cash. Furniture traded for logs on good terms.

WELL, WHAT AV IT.—For Oranges, Lemons, Nuts, Fresh Meats, Fancy Cans and Sauces, Crockery, Glassware and Lamps, you will do best with us.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS.—Messrs. Bonnett & Bowyer wish to inform every person in Listowel and vicinity that they have a beautiful assortment of Silverware and Fancy Goods suitable for Christmas and New Year presents, which they will sell at prices to suit the times.

GOOD SERVANT WANTED. For small family, to go to Fort William, Ont. Good wages and passage paid. Apply to Mrs. Herbert Marlatt, at Mrs. D. Roy's.

Organ Baking Powder to be sold at 35 cts a tin until first of January, at J. H. McDONALD'S.

WANTED. By Dominion Mfg Co., 1000 cords of Black Ash Bolts, 5 ft. long, also 1000 cords of Basswood Bolts, 3 1/2 ft. long, from 10 to 15 inches in diameter.

JOHN GABEL, Secy-Treas.

VOCAL CLASS. I beg leave to inform the public that I will start a vocal class for the study of music in the parlor in connection with the store on Thursday, 19th inst.

Flour \$2.50 a hundred, at J. H. McDONALD'S Flour, Feed and grocery store.

Look here! If you want to buy right you must buy at the right place. H. Kargess & Co. have a large stock of good substantial boots and shoes of all kinds, which they will sell at the lowest possible prices.

THE OLD ESTABLISHED GROCERY. Mr. James Armstrong wishes to inform the people of Listowel and surrounding country that he is still at his old stand ready and waiting to attend to the wants of the public.

Dr. Sinclair, M.D., M.A., L.C.P.S.O., M.C.P.S.M., of Toronto, specialist for the treatment of all chronic diseases, private diseases, diseases of the brain and nerves, diseases of the heart and lungs, and diseases of women successfully treated.

Pianos, organs, sewing machines, needles, and all kinds of musical instruments, also both instrumental and vocal music at C. C. Loring's Temple of Music.

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WHAT A MAGAZINE COSTS. A very good idea of the amount of money it costs to successfully conduct one of the magazines of to-day is aptly illustrated in some figures regarding the editorial cost of The Ladies Home Journal of this city.

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A NEW CANADIAN MONTHLY. The Dominion Illustrated announces an important departure, and one that will mark a new era in the high class journalism of Canada.

DOUBLE ROBBERY!

The Post Office and the G. T. R. Burglarised.

Professional Safe Crackers get their work in.

They smash a stove full of live coals at the station but carefully extinguish the fire.

No trace of the culprits so far.

On Wednesday morning when G. T. R. Agent Godfrey unlocked the door of his office at about 7.30 instead of the usually trim appearance of the room, a most unexpected spectacle met his astonished gaze.

The door of the safe had been blown off and thrown against the coal stove which was lying in fragments amid a mass of coals and ashes against the opposite wall. An empty wooden pail stood by, which had been brought from the hotel near by full of water and used to drown out the glowing coals.

THE OPERATIONS. Of the burglars was evidently about as follows: Possessing themselves of these tools shortly after two o'clock a. m., they entered the post office, intending no doubt, to crack the safe.

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There were three pails of water under a table beside the safe at the station, but were not noticed by the burglars.

Two suspicious characters came over from Palmerston last week and prowled around town. They spent one night in the cooler here and may have been on a tour of inspection.

The night watch saw nothing unusual on the streets during the night.

H. Kargess & Co. will give the best bargains in town in boots and shoes, for the next 60 days. No bankrupt or shop worn goods, but new stock brought for cash this season.

CHARITY CONCERT.

The Charity Concert on Monday night was patronized with a full house. There was no lack of programme, of which the numbers given by Misses Campbell and Rothwell, and Mr. W. J. Hay, and Mr. Sarvis, deserve mention.

PERSONAL. Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Velle, of Chicago are visiting their mother in town. Mr. Roy Nichol, Toronto University, 2nd year is home for Xmas. The teachers of the Public school migrated to their various homes on Wednesday for the happy holidays.

DEATH OF MR. FOREMAN. Mr. Thomas Foreman, an old time resident of Elms, died at his home on Tuesday last, aged 51 years. He was subject to an attack of the grip last winter and developed a case of pleurisy but it was only the last week that his case was thought serious.

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On Thursday, Jan. 7th, 1892, Mr. Nicholas Wenzell, lot 24, con. 3, Wallace, will sell his farm, 85 acres of good land, and a quantity of farm stock and implements. It is an opportunity to buy an excellent farm on easy terms. T. E. Hay, auctioneer.

TRUWBRIDGE.

With deep regret we chronicle the death last Sabbath of the Rev. T. H. Baylis, son of Mr. Thos. Baylis, Truwbriidge, in the 26th year of his age.

His untimely services on Wednesday were largely attended. The Revs. Holmes, President, G. H. C. Anderson, R. J. Spurr, Chairman, D. H. Nugent, of Anabel, Sherlock, of Elm; Harvey, of Guelph, and others were present and spoke in the highest terms of their deceased brother. A fuller account will be given next week.

MALICIOUS INJURY TO PROPERTY.

Joseph Wilson, blacksmith, had Jas. McIntosh, who had been working for him for 18 months, up on a charge of entering his shop and cutting his bellows. The story is, that McIntosh wanted Wilson to go security for him for some goods he wished to buy for his approaching wedding day.

At 1 o'clock Monday morning a fire alarm sounded and a reflection was strongly visible in the sky in the north. The bell awakened a son of Mr. George Tompkins, about a mile and a half up the town line, and he saw his neighbor Curtis' barn in flames.

Woods returned last night and reports that young Weaver was unconscious about 11 p. m. He threw a match on the floor, but acknowledge firing the building. He cut his throat with a new jack-knife, and came within a few inches of severing the jugular vein. As he recovered, although the constable tried to tear out the sticking in the eye, he talks with difficulty and is unable to say anything.

Preston, Dec. 21.—About half-past 4 this evening Chief Ross arrested a young man who was trying to sell a horse and buggy at a suspiciously low figure. He was taken to the lockup, and was in about half an hour when the chief and Dr. Duck went to interview the prisoner.

There was also found a piece of an old geography map on which the following was written:—"I am gone to the devil—yes, gone. Do not bother yourselves about me. This is the last of me. This has led to the belief that the deed was premeditated, and that if the young man did not steal the horse he was in trouble elsewhere and took this way of ridding himself of the burden. He is still alive

but unconscious, and has been identified.

A description was given of the rig taken and it was stated that the young man was Mr. Amos Weber, on the towline, a man much sympathy is felt in the family affliction. The boy is known to be of a vicious nature, although his temper said to have been better before, although his temper said to have been better before, although his temper said to have been better before.

Woods started home with Curtis' loss will amount to which \$2100 is covered by the Howick Mutual. The circumstance is a most unfortunate even though it should turn out that the barn was not purposely fired.

YOUNG & SONS. A very comfortable house to let in BANNER office.

J. M. Schinbein is the place for coats and clothing; also a lot of groceries for Xmas trade. Try to get gains before you buy anywhere else.

HAY & HAY, Real Estate, Fire & Insurance Agents, Conveyancers, Money Loaning, Collections &c., &c.

Parties having property sell will find it to their advantage to place same in our hands. Farm and Dwelling Loans. Rents Collected.

Special attention will be given to money loaning, either private or company's funds at lowest rate of interest, with good privilege of repayment. Fire and Life Insurance effected at lowest rates in first class companies.

HAY & HAY, W. J. HAY, DUNCAN D. HAY, H. S. McLAUGHLIN, L.D.S., D.D.S., DENTIST—HONOR GRADUATE, will be regular in attendance every day at the practice of his profession. Office—Sibbald Block, Main Street, Listowel, Ont.

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CARSON & McKEE wish all their friends and customers the compliments of the season.

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