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See our special lines in parlor, bedroom and diningroom furniture at Anderson's.

Aylmer and Vicinity

Crokinole and fort at Caughell's. Fresh meats and sausage. Get our cash prices. S. Barrett, Talbot street west. Highest price paid for buckwheat. A. White & Son, Springwater Mills.

Another letter from Mr. Hugh McLean, who is in Havana, Cuba, will be found on page 5 of this issue.

Kindly remember Karn organs are full toned, sweet toned, and always uniform. Karn is King.

Mr. John Hagan has been appointed returning officer for N. 5 District in the coming election for county councillors, and Mr. J. G. Pauling for District No. 6.

Our stock of glassware and crockery is new and complete. Take a look at these handsome dinner sets. Cheap too. R. G. Moore.

Major W. M. Davis, who recently removed from Woodstock to Berlin, is to be entertained at a banquet in Woodstock on Friday evening by his friends.

Messrs. Poustie & Leeson have placed a telephone in their store for the convenience of their customers. They have also put on their new delivery wagon, which is a model for both beauty and convenience.

A number of Mr. E. R. Hutchinson's friends gave him a very pleasant surprise last Thursday evening, and engaged in games, music, etc., after which all partook of an oyster supper, and went home feeling they had spent a very pleasant evening.

Thomas Robins, of Aylmer, was sentenced to six months in the Central prison for stealing a coat at Comber. John Westover, of Springfield, arrested with Robins, got three months in the same place for consorting with a thief.—St. Thomas Journal.

Mr. J. Thody has sold out his stage business to Mr. S. Greer, of Port Barwell, who took possession on Monday morning last, and will continue the business. He is talking of extending it to Port Barwell if he can make arrangements for carrying the mail and parcels to that place.

The East Elgin election trial came to a close on Thursday afternoon last, the judges reserving their decision until Dec. 27th, when it will be given at Osgoode Hall, Toronto. An agreement was arrived at regarding West Elgin, whereby Mr. McDiarmid withdrew, each party paying his own costs, and there will be a new election early next year.

First-class violins a specialty. See our lines for Xmas presents Brown's music store.

In the death of Miss Bessie Arkell, which occurred on Saturday last, Aylmer loses one of its brightest and best citizens. She was 42 years old, and from her childhood has been a faithful member of the Episcopal church, practically devoting her whole life to the church she loved and to charitable works of all kinds, and making herself a general favorite with all who came in contact with her. Her death, which was caused by consumption, made her a great sufferer for months, and the change from the pain and suffering of this world to the pleasures of the better one was no doubt an agreeable one to her. Besides her aged mother, Mrs. Henry Arkell, three brothers and five sisters survive. The brothers are R. H., of the Merchants Bank, St. Thomas; W. H. and J. H., of this place. The sisters are Mrs. Wrong, the Misses Winwood, Helen, Catharine and Mabel, all of whom are at home. The funeral took place on Tuesday morning to the St. Thomas cemetery, the services being conducted by Rev. W. I. Andrew, of Aylmer, assisted by Rev. Canon Hill, of St. Thomas. The pall-bearers were Messrs. D. Marshall, J. G. Heiter, A. H. Backus, R. G. Moore, W. G. Wrong and W. J. Youell.

Watch our window. It's only an index to the stock inside. Brown's music store.

Poultry raising has become quite an extensive industry in this section, and it is astonishing where it all comes from. We thought the turkeys were all picked up around here about Thanksgiving time, but were undeceived on Friday last when we saw low after load of turkeys going through town to the C. T. R. depot. The station yard was full of rigs, and they were at times lined up for some distance down the street waiting for their turn to get in. Over 3,000 turkeys were shipped from here that day by Mr. Elgin Clark. They go to England for the Christmas trade. That same evening we incidentally dropped in at the canning factory, and were shown a sight worth seeing, viz., between two and three tons of dressed chickens, all laid out in regular order on long tables. They were beautifully dressed and scrupulously clean, as was everything around them, and it was certainly a sight not often seen. But this is not all. Over 5,000 cans of poultry and 2,000 cans of chicken soup were packed that same day. Putting these three things together we came to the conclusion that this was quite a good average day for poultry in Aylmer.

Perfumes and atomizers in great variety at J. E. Richards'.

Be sure and see J. E. Richards' fine stock of holiday goods.

Miss Burwell, of Port Barwell, has been spending a few days with Aylmer friends. 5,000 bushels of clover seed wanted. Will pay the highest cash price for good clean seed. J. Sialer.

The pulpit of Knox church was occupied on Sunday last by the Rev. Mr. Anderson, of Parkhill.

Another lot of those nice bed blankets and sheetings just up from the mills. S. S. Clutton.

About twenty-five new members have been added to the R. T. of T. lodge through the efforts of organizer Muir.

Curtain poles, window shades, lace, chenille and tapestry curtains, large line and price low at Anderson's.

Mr. E. A. Caughell has been appointed town agent for the American Express Co. and Pierce & Son have the contract for delivering the same.

Clover Seed—I am prepared to purchase any quantity of first-class clover seed at the highest market price. J. G. Heiter, Red Star Grocery.

At a meeting of the reading club last Monday evening Mr. J. F. Clarke, B. A., led the discussion on one of Browning's poems. The meeting was very interesting.

Private funds to loan at lowest rates of interest on good farm security. A. E. Haines, Barrister, Brown House Block, Aylmer.

In choosing Christmas gifts, remember that a fine photograph of yourself will be greatly appreciated by your friends. Call around to McKenzie's gallery and get some. Come soon before the rush and you will not have to wait so long for them to be finished up.

We have those books with fancy white bindings and in the library bindings which we were showing in our window out in shape to show them. Come in and make your selection—not necessary to take them now—we will lay them aside for you. Caughell, druggist.

Horse blankets and robes at Clutton's.

The 3 Farthings are showing a special line of fur-lined capes of the richest material. The quality is such that we are justified in saying that these capes are the finest ever shown in Aylmer. One of these garments should make a very choice Christmas gift, and no doubt there will be a ready sale of them for this purpose. The 3 Farthings are always up-to-date in showing the best things.

We take subscriptions for magazines at publishers' prices. Caughell, druggist.

Mrs. North celebrated another anniversary of her birthday a few evenings ago by entertaining a large number of her friends to a 6 o'clock dinner. The table was loaded with everything good, and after doing justice to the spread and wishing Mrs. North many happy returns of the day, an hour or so was spent very pleasantly in social intercourse before dispersing.

Choice, beautiful, elegant holiday goods at J. E. Richards'.

The heavy snow storm on Sunday afternoon last has made most excellent sleighing; but it also caused considerable damage. Being wet it clung to the trees, causing many large limbs to break with the immense weight. The electric light wires gave way in two places early in the evening and left the streets in darkness. Traffic on the railroads and all communication by telegraph and telephone were interrupted. Most important of all, it made the editor work shovelling paths.

If you want something in hoisery for boys and girls that will wear try Clutton.

The International Troupe of the Salvation Army will give an entertainment in the town hall this evening, consisting of living pictures, tableaux, etc. Special music, new songs, over 100 yards of magnificent scenery. Among the many scenes that will be brought out with life like effect will be "The Wreck of the SS. Wairarapa," "The Prodigal Son," in three scenes, "The Ten Talents," etc. The entertainment will be a good one. Admission 15 cents, children 10 cents, reserved seats 25 cents.

Carpets, oilcloths and linoleums at A. J. Anderson's. All carpets sewed free.

The town has every reason to feel satisfied with the service given by the new Electric Light Co. this winter, and we do not think there is another town in Canada that has any better service. The incandescent lights are started up about 4 o'clock in the afternoon and are kept on until about 8 o'clock the next morning, giving no cause for complaint in that line. The manager, Mr. D. C. Davis, is always most obliging, and never disregards the wishes of the public or his patrons if their requests are at all reasonable. There is no doubt next year will see many more private residences fitted up for this light, as it is almost as cheap and much more convenient and pleasant than coal oil, and is always ready for use by simply turning a button.

The Xmas goods at J. E. Richards' are useful and ornamental.

Diaries for '99 at Caughell's. Mr. Clark Chute, of Hemlock City, Mich., is visiting at Mrs. B. J. Nichols'.

Elegant toilet sets and cases at J. E. Richards'.

Mrs. Hale gave a most enjoyable "at home" to her many lady friends on Friday afternoon and evening last.

Try A. J. Sanders for picture frames springs, mattresses and parlor furniture, Sydenham street.

Something is wrong with the brand of whiskey sold around here. It makes a man want to fight, and at the same time fixes him so that he gets licked.—Ex.

Good tweed suits made to order \$10 and up, serge suits \$12 and up, black worsted suits \$15 and up. All work guaranteed first-class. S. S. Clutton.

Mr. M. T. Burn has been shipping 300 lbs. of poultry a day, on an average, to the Aylmer Canning Co. for the past two weeks.—Tilsenburgh Observer.

Wednesday next, the 14th inst., is the last day for paying the taxes without an addition of 5 per cent. to the amount. The collector will be at his office on the 12th, 13th and 14th inst. from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m.

Mr. Mac Learn has just placed two handsome new chairs in his barber shop, which are strictly up to date, being of the very latest design, and add much to the appearance and convenience of his shop.

A Christmas tree and entertainment will be held in the Methodist church, Jaffa, on the evening of Wednesday, Dec. 21st. A splendid programme will be given and a good time assured for all who attend. Rev. S. G. Staples will occupy the chair. Admission 15 cents, children 10 cents.

Of course you have all heard of smokeless powder, but did you ever hear of smokeless wood? Well, it's a new one on us too. Westcoke in a load on subscription the other day that wouldn't even smoke. It would sizzle and spit and take on, and finally vanish in a cloud of steam.—Vindicator, Delhi.

Miss Dollie White, of this place, is to be congratulated on her success at Nimmo's Business College, Sarnia, from which school she has just graduated with honors in shorthand, and also passed the teachers' examination, after an attendance of only two months. Her record is unparalleled in the history of the school, and is certainly very creditable both to herself and the school.

A man who keeps a stall in the London market claims to have been a witness of the harging of a sparrow by its bird companions. He says they deliberately twisted a string around the neck of the bird that had incurred their displeasure and swung it off a stone coping of the market building, showing it mercilessly off whenever it tried to regain its footing. It at last gave up the struggle and its life.

Good cutter and buffalo robe for sale. M. Leeson.

\$300,000 to loan. \$100,000 of trust funds at 5 per cent. in sums of \$3,000 and over. \$100,000 at 5 1/2 per cent. in sums of \$1,000 and over. \$100,000 at 6 per cent. in sums of \$200 and over. Double security required on 5 per cent. loans; gilt edge security on 5 1/2 per cent. loans; good security on 6 per cent. loans, with privileges to suit the borrower. Land bought and sold on commission. Real estate valued, rents collected, assignees, trustee, etc. C. O. Leary, real estate broker, Brown House block, Aylmer, Ont.

Diaries in various bindings, shapes and sizes at white drug store.

A concert will be given in the Centreville church on the evening of Tuesday, Dec. 20th, under the auspices of the public school at that place. Miss Sanders, of New Saram, and Mr. W. S. Caron, of Aylmer, are to render recitations; vocal solos are promised by Mr. Smith, of New Saram, and Mr. Davidson, of Sparta, while the pupils of the school will furnish the balance of the programme. The proceeds will be used for furnishing a library for the school, and there will no doubt be a large attendance. Admission 15 cents or two for 25 cents.

Store and rooms above to let. Dorling & Son.

Mr. John C. Caughell, one of the oldest residents of the county, passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. A. C. Marlatt, St. Thomas, about midnight on Saturday night last. He was born near Yarmouth Centre in 1822, and has always resided in the neighborhood, and enjoyed the respect and esteem of all who knew him. He owned a controlling interest in the L. & P. S. gravel road for many years, and was a prominent member of the Masonic order, under whose direction the funeral services were conducted on Tuesday afternoon last. Besides his aged wife he leaves two sons, Walter C., of Yarmouth, and Edward H., of St. Thomas, and one daughter, Mrs. Marlatt, of St. Thomas. Messrs. Henry and Jas. Caughell were brothers.

Mouth organs that chord with other instruments. Ask for the famous Widget & Marine band makes at Brown's.

Beautiful hand mirrors, brushes, combs, etc., at J. E. Richards'.

Full strong-toned autoharps, just the thing for glee clubs, at Brown's.

Mrs. (Rev.) Sanders left a few days ago for Wyoming, where she will spend the winter with her daughter.

We advise you to select your Xmas calendars this week. Nearly half of them are gone already. Caughell, druggist.

A new line of the famous 'Lyon & Healy' banjos arrived to-day. See them! They are beauties. Brown's.

Mrs. Howard, of St. Thomas, spent a few days last week with her daughter, Mrs. A. B. Thom.

Mr. J. C. Dance had a fine shed 56 feet long gaved in by the heavy weight of snow which fell on Sunday last. The roof is a total wreck.

Cash Butcher Shop.—Bring us your cash and we will give you choicest fresh meats cheaper than anyone in Aylmer. Cartwright's old stand. S. Barrett, manager.

American song folio, 50c; Peerless song folio, 50c; Elite song folio, 75c., mailed to any address upon receipt of price. Brown's music store.

Mr. J. E. Richards is giving away with every purchase of holiday goods to the value of \$2.00 and upwards a beautiful picture of Windsor Castle. It must be seen to be fully appreciated, as it is really a work of art and worthy of a position in any home.

The many friends and acquaintances of Mr. Wm. H. Smith, who resided here some years ago, will deeply regret to learn that his daughter, Miss Edith, died in Buffalo as the result of an operation for an abscess in the stomach. The funeral services were held at the family residence, 408 Massachusetts Avenue on Nov. 8th, 1898. She was in the 24th year of her age.

A Xmas tree and entertainment will be held in the Jaffa Baptist church on the evening of Saturday, Dec. 24th, when a good programme will be rendered, including solos by Mr. Davidson, of Sparta, dialogues and recitations by the children, and other features. Mr. Harold Barnum, of St. Thomas, will occupy the chair. Admission 15 cents, children under 12 free.

The annual election of officers of L. O. L., No. 423, Aylmer, on Friday evening, Dec. 2nd, resulted as follows: M. M., W. R. Land; D. M., D. S. White; Chap., W. T. Hare; Rec. Sec., A. W. Johnson; Fin. Sec., W. R. Hare; Treas., Jas. McNally; D. of C., Harry Fisher; Lecturer, J. Connor; Com., W. VanBaskirk, Robert O'Brien, Wm. Duggan, W. R. Hare, Geo. Blashall.

We hope our friends will make an extra effort this year to pay for their paper in advance, owing to the extra expense that we will have to meet in paying postage on the paper after Jan. 1st. The price of the paper will not be increased, and it will be kept up to its full size, twelve pages, but we must ask our subscribers as far as possible to pay promptly in advance. It is just as easy as paying at the end of the year as they once started.

The talk on "Time and Temper" given by Mrs. J. H. Long in the town hall on Tuesday evening last, did not draw a very large audience, but those who were there enjoyed it very much. She handled her subject well, throwing out many bright ideas, and holding the attention of her audience from beginning to end. The chair was occupied by the Rev. J. W. J. Andrew, and Major Faulds' orchestra rendered several fine selections during the evening.

Our town fathers did four things in particular at their last meeting, all of which met with our hearty approval, and we believe will be sanctioned by nine out of every ten citizens of the town. First they decided to put in new furnaces to heat the town hall, which is undoubtedly the best and only correct way to do. Second, they decided to purchase three snow plows, and after each heavy storm to put one of them at work in each of the three wards, beginning first on the principal streets in the ward. This will be less bother, less cost, and secure much cleaner streets than to attempt to enforce a by-law compelling each person to clean in front of his own place. There are always vacant houses and lots, street crossings, etc., which such a by-law never reaches, besides the endless annoyance of seeing that the average citizen makes a path more than a few inches wide, and only in the place where he uses it himself. The plan adopted will lighten the expense, and the cost will fall equally on each one in proportion to their assessment. The third act we refer to is to hold the nomination for mayor and councillors from 7 to 8 in the evening. This will certainly be more convenient, and will allow of a public meeting immediately afterwards. Fourth and last, but by no means least, they gave the usual grant of \$75 to our band, and no money which they spend through the year meets with more general or hearty approval than this grant. Aylmer citizens love music, and they are proud of their band, with good reasons, as there is no better in any town of our size in Canada.

The Maccaebes.

A ROUSING OPEN MEETING IN THE TOWN HALL.

The Maccaebes of Aylmer are to be congratulated on the success of their open meeting held in the town hall on Thursday evening of last week, and the citizens of Aylmer owe this worthy order a debt of gratitude for providing such an interesting and instructive evening. The Maccaebes have for the past few years been making gigantic strides to the front of fraternal organizations, and no individual tent has progressed more satisfactorily than Aylmer Tent. This is due in a large measure to the indefatigable efforts of Commander W. R. Hare, and all credit was accorded him by the distinguished visitors present. When Mr. Hare was elected commander two years ago the membership was 35, to-day it has 101, in addition to several social members, and seven candidates are present themselves for initiation at the next meeting. This is a record of which any society might justly feel proud, and our citizens in general are proud of the order.

The chair was ably occupied on Thursday night by Sir Knight Nairn, who in a neat address cordially welcomed the visitors and granted them the freedom of the town during their sojourn among us. Mr. A. H. Backus, in one of his characteristic speeches, also extended a welcome on behalf of the other societies here.

Dr. Moss, of Port Huron, Supreme Medical Examiner, was the first speaker, and very clearly demonstrated the beneficiary advantages of the order, and at the same time impressed the necessity of good moral character and sound constitutions constituting the requisites of acceptable candidates.

In one sense the absence of Supreme Record Keeper Boynton, the father of the order, who was prevented from being present by important duties in connection with his position, was a disappointment, but he had an able substitute in the person of Sir Knight Rawles, editor of the Michigan Maccaebe. Mr. Rawles is a remarkably clever young speaker, and was listened to with marked attention. He dealt with the general features of the order, and incidentally brought out the factious side of his nature, to the delight of the large audience. Mr. Rawles also made himself solid by his touching reference to "Our Queen," whom we all love and revere, and his hope that the utmost pleasant and brotherly relations should exist between all members of the Anglo-Saxon race was heartily endorsed by vociferous applause. He also spoke of the power which might be exerted for good were the English speaking nations to become more closely allied.

Deputy Supreme Commander T. W. Trussler, of Port Huron, who is not a stranger in Aylmer, also made a brief and acceptable address, extolling the order and complimenting the local Tent, which he said had the best Commander in Ontario, to which statement no exception was taken.

Lady Commander Hollister, of Detroit, was the last speaker of the evening, and sustained the old adage that "the last is the best." Lady Hollister has a pleasing presence, a splendid voice and a free and easy manner, which captured the audience at once. She referred principally to the ladies' branch, and told of the difficulties under which their order was established. It was years before they could even reach the ear of the Knights; then they were told that ladies would make a failure of it; that it was impossible for a lady to keep a secret, and discouraged them in every possible way. Nothing daunted, however, they persisted, and their efforts were crowned with success, until now they had a membership of 100,000 in the United States and Canada, and many, many motherless children live to bless the order which has been the means of placing them in a position to hold their own in the activities of life. Lady Hollister is a forcible and eloquent speaker, and will always find a cordial welcome awaiting her in Aylmer.

Music was furnished by the I. O. O. F. band, an octette under the leadership of Mr. Wm. Faulds, and a flute solo by Mr. John Crawford, which brought forth an encore.

After the programme was concluded the supreme officers, and contingents from St. Thomas, Springfield, Copenhagen, Simcoe and other places assembled in the lodge room, where the Lady Maccaebes served a tempting lunch, which was partaken of by over 350. This was followed by a delightful impromptu programme, participated in by the supreme officers and visitors.

Fancy upholstering a specialty at A. J. Anderson's.

The attention of postmasters is called to the fact that no parcel can be sent from Canada to any other country by parcel post unless it bear a customs declaration setting forth the nature of its contents and its value. As the acceptance by a postmaster of a parcel addressed to any other country, and not provided with a customs declaration, will result in its being sent to the Dead Letter Office, postmasters are specially directed not to accept such parcels without the customs declaration.

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