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Local Notices.
All advance notices in the local columns of THE SIGNAL of meetings or entertainments at which an admission fee is charged, or from which a pecuniary benefit is derived, must be paid for at the rate of one cent per word each insertion, no charge less than twenty-five cents. Where advertisements of entertainments are inserted a brief local will be given free.

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KILGAT—On the 7th ult. the wife of Mr. Alex. Kilgat, Lake Range, Ashfield, of a daughter.
BROWN—On the 28th ult. the wife of Mr. Henry Brown, Lake Range, Ashfield, of a daughter.

MARRIED.
FISHER—WALTERS—At the residence of the bride's father, on the 10th inst. Mr. Jacob Fisher and Miss Elizabeth Walters were united in bonds of holy matrimony by Rev. J. Harris.

HOWELL—BISSET—At the residence of Mrs. Robert Bisset, Newgate-st., on the 11th inst. by Rev. H. W. D. D., assisted by Rev. Jas. A. Anderson, R. A., William Howland, of Chatham, and Winogene Evangelina Bisset, of Goderich.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.
Bargains—D. Gordon.
Wanted—John Linklater.
Plush Goods—Jas. Wilson.
Xmas Tree—G. C. Robertson.
Champ Goods—M. Proudfoot.
Clearing Sale—C. F. Stranbel.
Extra Calves—Donald McPhee.
Christmas Greeting—W. C. Goodie.
System Renovator—J. M. McLord.
Card—Eureka Council, R. T. of T. Board Wanted.—Box 228, Guelph, Ont.
Bloxam's Hair Restorer—J. Spencer Case.

TOWN TOPICS.

THE BIRTH OF A NATION.—If you are in need of goods for presents, before you buy look at the variety at Bisset's.

A GOOD PRESENT.—The most useful gift you can make is to give a Wirt Pen. Apply to Bisset's for a catalogue.

Goods.—The druggist has a splendid assortment of gift goods for Xmas. He shows all the latest novelties in photos. Call and examine.

Messrs. Wm. Acheson and Jas. A. Reid are the agents for the sale of the new and improved "The Christmas Union" next, for carver of North St. Methodist church.

The Women's Christian Temperance Union meet in the basement of North St. church every Tuesday afternoon. Praying meeting at 7.30 p.m.

The spring-like weather. We have been having lately is only the weather-bender for the hard frost to follow. The weather, the tailors, and the business meeting at 7.30 p.m.

War declared on high prices. The slaughter commenced by Saunders & Son. Special prices on school and church supplies, and Christmas trees. The high art Christmas cards from England, Turk & Son are admired by everybody. Albums, plush goods, antique brass, china and satin ware, at low prices. Goods must be sold. The cheapest horse under the sun.

A HIGH LIFE WEDDING IN JERSEY CITY.—The Jersey City *Aspis*, of Nov. 21, contains a lengthy report of the marriage of Dr. Burdette P. Craig, one of the most popular physicians and leading society men of that city, to Miss Isabella McKenzie, daughter of Gen. Ross McKenzie, the well-known millionaire. The ceremony was performed in the Scotch Presbyterian Church, Mercer street, after which some 300 guests partook of the bridal breakfast. Among the congratulatory messages received was one in Gaelic which pleased the father of the bride greatly. It was from the ministers and bankers of Kingusson, Scotland, and read: "Caed mille beannaich du chu-pailig." The literal translation of which is "A hundred million blessings to the couple." The event has a local interest owing to the bridegroom being a nephew of our townsman, Dr. Nicholson, dentist.

THE CHATEAUX CONCERT CO.
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THE COSMO POLYTON FOR DECEMBER.
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Information Wanted.
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Well, good taste generally keeps civil servants or public annuitants quiet politically. The only other way of shutting off "offensive partisanship" is to wait till the opposite side gets in, and then "cut their heads off," so far as the salary or annuity is concerned. That's the way our Tory friends do, and we don't think it a bad cure for the disease. A man under obligation to the people of the country, irrespective of party, for salary or annuity, should avoid being an active political worker.—Ed. SIGNAL.

"Citizen" and his Light Leaf.
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Dear Sir,—I desire to say a word or two in reply to the unknown person who, though he makes a serious charge against the town bakers respecting the alleged lightness of weight of the loaf, has not the courage to add his name to his statement. He casts a deep reflection upon the bakers in general of our town and upon "two" in particular. I take the earliest opportunity to assert emphatically, as far as to my business is concerned, that I have never during the seventeen years in which I have been in business in this town been guilty of selling to the public a loaf which I have represented as being of 2 lb weight without its being the absolute truth. I challenge "Citizen" or anyone else to contradict my words. Further, I am very loth to believe that any baker in this town would be unscrupulous enough to deduct anything from the regular 2 lb weight of the loaf. The bakers of this town have as keen an appreciation of principle and honor as any venture to say, even "Citizen" can lay claim to. If he is honest in his would be public spirited statements, let him come out as a man and bring the culprits to justice. It might be the story once more of the Chinese gun going off the wrong way. The amount of material weighed out for each loaf in my bake-house is 2 lb, 3 oz, and not a whit less. That this amount will produce a full weight 2 lb loaf I leave to any one who knows anything about the baking of bread. This amount of 2 lb, 3 oz, of material is placed in every loaf—"common" or "fancy." As "Citizen" is doubtless but an amateur baker with unlimited digestion I beg leave to inform him that in the bread market these two classes are always recognized. It is fair to expect that the bakers of Goderich should expend extra labor in pampering to the taste of people who are not content with the ordinary common loaf, but who, though the same amount of material is used as for the common loaf, despite the fact of more labor in-

Mr. Chas. Symonds, the popular West-st. barber has erected a handsomely decorated "pole" in front of his cozy shaving parlor. adv.

CORRESPONDENCE.—Some of our correspondence arrived too late for insertion this week. We would like to reinsert it by Wednesday at latest.

AGAINST THE TOWNSHIP.—The *Globe* Wednesday last contained the following in its legal notes, which refers to a case that has become somewhat celebrated in this section: *Ross v. Township of Wawanosh—Garrow, G.C.*, for the plaintiff, moved to continue an injunction granted by the local Judge at Goderich, restraining the defendants from illegally taking gravel from lands belonging to the plaintiff. M. G. Cameron, for the defendants, contra. The defendants have entered upon the land under a by-law. The learned Judge was of opinion that the by-law was so general as to be valueless, and that the defendants were therefore trespassers and must be restrained. He was also of opinion that the plaintiff had made out a prima facie title to the land in question, the tenant for life under the will by which he claims to be remainder-man being in possession. Injunction continuing till the trial. Costs to be disposed of by the trial judge.

REV. DR. WILLIAMS' DAUGHTER DEAD.
Toronto Globe: Mrs. Boyce, daughter of Rev. Dr. Williams (formerly of Goderich), died Wednesday morning under very sad circumstances. She came from her husband and her home in Dallas, Texas, last July to remain with her father, through what it was feared would be a fatal illness. In September her sister, who lives in Montreal, being ill, Mrs. Boyce went down to that city and waited upon her until her recovery. Since her return her health became such as to necessitate a surgical operation. This was successfully performed on Saturday, but on Sunday there were bad symptoms, and the patient sank rapidly. The funeral will be a private one, at the deceased's request, and the remains will be interred in the Boyce family plot in the Hamilton cemetery. Mr. Boyce came from Texas during the summer, and after a visit returned and left his wife with her father. Rev. Dr. Williams is weaker than he was last Friday, and there is little hope that he will long survive his daughter.

WEST HURON CONSERVATIVES.—The annual meeting of the West Huron Conservative Association was held at Carleton Place on Tuesday afternoon. There was a fair representation from every part of the riding except Wingham, which was unrepresented. Mr. Robert Birmingham, the Conservative organizer from Toronto, was present. The following officers were elected:—Joseph Beck, President; Robert Medd, Vice-President; James Mitchell, Secretary-Treasurer; R. Radcliffe, Goderich, was appointed on the Executive Committee, vice W. Campbell, resigned, and W. T. Whiteley, of Clinton, was also placed on the Executive. Resolutions were passed endorsing the policy of Sir John Macdonald, expressing confidence in Robert Porter, M.P., and sustaining the leadership of W. P. Meredith, M.P.P., in Ontario. Orders were made by Messrs. Porter, Birmingham, Kelly, F. W. Johnston and others, after which it was decided not to nominate a candidate at this Convention, in view of the fact that the elections would probably not come off before June next.

THE EDITOR'S TABLE.
A word or two about New Publications that Have Come to Hand.

THE CHRISTMAS GLOBE.
We have received the Christmas *Globe*, which surpasses all previous efforts of the Conservative organ from Toronto. It contains a number of fine pictures accompanying it, "Friends," and "The Canadian Militia," are certainly deserving of handsome frames.

THE CHRISTMAS STAR.
From Montreal we have received a copy of the Christmas *Star*. It is away up in artistic and literary quality, and is well worthy of more than the price at which it is offered. Enquire at the bookstores.

CANADA'S CHRISTMAS.
Wm. Bryce, the Canadian publisher, has sent out "Canada's Christmas," which is handsomely printed and illustrated. A series of Canadian views entitled "Across the Continent," is one of the features, and two stories by H. Rider Haggard and a number of pieces of Canadian poetry make the work decidedly entertaining.

CANADIAN ALMANAC FOR 1900.
The Canadian Almanac for 1900, published by Copp, Clark & Co., is out in an enlarged and greatly improved form. It contains a vast amount of interesting material, and is simply invaluable as a book of reference, and this year's issue contains several new features that add much to its merit. There is for the first time a list of the physicians of Ontario, the political color of members of the Dominion and Ontario Houses of Parliament is given, as well as the salaries paid the officials of the Government. In addition a neat lithograph of the new Parliament Buildings in Toronto accompanies each copy of the Almanac.

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Tree Planting on Farms.
To the Editor of THE SIGNAL.
Sir,—Many inquiries have been lately made as to the best method of establishing small plantations of hardwood on farms where the natural supply of timber has run short. The best reply that can be given to these is that, to insure rapidity of growth, we must plant enough young trees to shade the ground to a considerable extent, that is to say, plant young trees, say three or four feet high and about four feet apart each way. This is about four times as many trees as will ultimately be needed, and, therefore, it will to plant three fourths maple, which are cheap, common trees of easy growth, and make every fourth tree a tree of better and more durable variety, such as the ash, hickory or cherry. As the plantation gets too close the maples can be cut out, and will make a good fuel, leaving the more valuable trees, which will yet stand quite close enough to answer the purpose. Of course my readers understand that to grow clear timber fit for manufacturing purposes, the tree must grow, otherwise they will run into branches. This is the mode practised by the best United States planters. The maples will get above the others, which will do good, but do not let them get too far above. Yours, &c., R. W. PHIPPS, Toronto, Dec. 7th, 1899.

DUNGANNON.
From our own correspondent.
Entrance Examination commences here on Wednesday next at 9 a. m. Division Court will be held here on the 21st of December. All concerned govern themselves accordingly.

Mrs. W. Lane during last week has been rusticiating and visiting her relatives and friends in the vicinity of Amherst and Kintail.

The municipal council of West Wawanosh will meet in the town hall on Monday, 10th inst., at 8 p.m., and on Sunday. All concerned will please take note.

Mrs. Jas. and Mrs. Arthur Wilson, who have been visiting their niece, Mrs. B. J. Crawford, for some time past, returned homeward to London on Thursday last. They enjoyed themselves during their visit.

Some of our young farmers in this vicinity deserve great credit for ambition in raising good stock. As an instance Mr. Rose Anderson, of the township of Ashfield, near Duncannon, is the owner of a fine colt, one and a half years old, which weighs 1,350 lb. We would like to hear from any one who can surpass him in this line.

The lecture which was given by Rev. W. Casson, of Seaford, on the "British Empire," is pronounced to have been an interesting, instructive and intellectual treat. The Rev. A. Potter ably presided over the meeting, which was composed of a large audience. We were credibly informed that it was quite a success, financially as well as intellectually. We congratulate the Young People's Society, and hope the course of lectures under its auspices will continue to succeed.

Mr. Luther Brown, formerly a resident of Duncannon, who left here about nine years ago and located in Qu'Appelle, North West Territory, is at present visiting relatives, friends and old acquaintances. He avers that his beautiful hamlet has wonderfully increased in appearance and dimensions during that period, so much so that he scarcely knew it on account of its growth, there having been so many fine buildings erected. We presume, according to present prospects, that were he permitted to visit us nine years hence a more marvellous change would be in store for him. The Northwest climate seems to agree with him, as he looks and feels healthier than when he left here.

On Friday of last week, after having completed a new survey of the property recently bought here by the syndicate, referred to in recent issues of THE SIGNAL, into town lots, parks, etc., Messrs. Jas. Warren, P. L. S., and G. W. Berry, of Lucknow, left for their respective homes. We are informed that Mr. Warren did his work to the satisfaction of all concerned. He is a good practical gentleman in his line. Plans of the new survey will be on hand shortly, when, we presume, town lots will be offered for sale. Quite a number are prospecting already.

As announced, Rev. J. Carrie preached the eleventh anniversary sermon in the Episcopal church here on Sunday last, in the afternoon. As the weather was very unpropitious, there were not many present on that occasion, which is to be regretted, as the rev. gentleman expatiated largely on the history of the Church, in its various departments and in its denominations. On the whole was very instructive. His elaborate disquisitions evinced Christian charity to all denominations differing from his. His text was "Christ is the Head of the Church."

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Your cemetery committee beg leave to report that they have examined and compared with the books and maps pertaining to the cemetery the deed of Joseph Whiteley, and find that Mr. Whiteley has the lots called for in his deed. Some mistake must have been made by Mr. Whiteley, he evidently having gone into Range E, instead of Range F, where the lots mentioned are. ROBERT THOMPSON, Chairman.

By-law No. 10, of 1899, to provide police places, and appointing deputy returning officers for the holding of elections for town council and public school board and to provide for the payment of same, was read three times and declared carried. The letter of condolence to Mrs. Morton prepared by the committee appointed for the purpose was read, when it was resolved that it be adopted and forwarded to Mrs. Morton. By-law No. 10, of 1899, to provide police places, and appointing deputy returning officers for the holding of elections for town council and public school board and to provide for the payment of same, was read three times and declared carried. The letter of condolence to Mrs. Morton prepared by the committee appointed for the purpose was read, when it was resolved that it be adopted and forwarded to Mrs. Morton.

COMMUNICATIONS.
We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions of our Correspondents. Contributors to this department must confine themselves to publications, and be brief.

Information Wanted.
To the Editor of THE SIGNAL.
Sir,—I observe by the published report that Mr. R. Radcliffe is now president of the local Conservative association of the town, and was on Tuesday last elected a member of the Executive of the West Huron association. Is this Mr. Radcliffe our old friend who draws a superannuation from the civil service of this country? I was under the impression that civil servants—active and on superannuation—were supposed to be non-partisan. Isn't there some way of stopping such partisan exhibitions on the part of men drawing pay from the country at large? A reply will oblige. A CIVIL SERVICE REFORMER.

Well, good taste generally keeps civil servants or public annuitants quiet politically. The only other way of shutting off "offensive partisanship" is to wait till the opposite side gets in, and then "cut their heads off," so far as the salary or annuity is concerned. That's the way our Tory friends do, and we don't think it a bad cure for the disease. A man under obligation to the people of the country, irrespective of party, for salary or annuity, should avoid being an active political worker.—Ed. SIGNAL.

"Citizen" and his Light Leaf.
To the Editor of THE SIGNAL.
Dear Sir,—I desire to say a word or two in reply to the unknown person who, though he makes a serious charge against the town bakers respecting the alleged lightness of weight of the loaf, has not the courage to add his name to his statement. He casts a deep reflection upon the bakers in general of our town and upon "two" in particular. I take the earliest opportunity to assert emphatically, as far as to my business is concerned, that I have never during the seventeen years in which I have been in business in this town been guilty of selling to the public a loaf which I have represented as being of 2 lb weight without its being the absolute truth. I challenge "Citizen" or anyone else to contradict my words. Further, I am very loth to believe that any baker in this town would be unscrupulous enough to deduct anything from the regular 2 lb weight of the loaf. The bakers of this town have as keen an appreciation of principle and honor as any venture to say, even "Citizen" can lay claim to. If he is honest in his would be public spirited statements, let him come out as a man and bring the culprits to justice. It might be the story once more of the Chinese gun going off the wrong way. The amount of material weighed out for each loaf in my bake-house is 2 lb, 3 oz, and not a whit less. That this amount will produce a full weight 2 lb loaf I leave to any one who knows anything about the baking of bread. This amount of 2 lb, 3 oz, of material is placed in every loaf—"common" or "fancy." As "Citizen" is doubtless but an amateur baker with unlimited digestion I beg leave to inform him that in the bread market these two classes are always recognized. It is fair to expect that the bakers of Goderich should expend extra labor in pampering to the taste of people who are not content with the ordinary common loaf, but who, though the same amount of material is used as for the common loaf, despite the fact of more labor in-