

THE DISTRICT THAMESVILLE

Dec. 19.—Miss Katherine Duncan, of Toronto University, is home for the holidays.

Miss Gertrude McKee returned to-day from Galt.

Mrs. J. E. Ellison was in town to-day on her way home from Kentucky, where she has spent the last two months.

St. Stephen's church Sunday school will hold its Christmas entertainment to-morrow (Friday) evening. St. Stephen's is noted for its good entertainments and this will undoubtedly be the usual success.

J. Beatty and family left to-day for Toronto, where they will spend some weeks before returning to Dakota.

Miss McInnis is the guest of her uncle, Rev. J. McInnis, at the manse. Carrier boys are not authorized to collect subscriptions. Our collector calls in each town once a month; if a subscriber wishes to pay his account before the collector calls he must remit direct to The Planet Office, Chatham, as we will not be responsible for monies paid to carriers.

TILBURY

Dec. 20.—Misses Frost and Irwin, of Quinn, left here last night to spend their vacation at their homes in Owen Sound and Markdale respectively.

Mr. and Mrs. Macdonald, of Seaford, are visiting their daughter here, Mrs. J. L. Hill.

Mrs. Shirk, of Crosswell, Mich., is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. E. Scriven. Public school closes here to-day for the holidays.

The separate school children are holding their Christmas entertainment this evening in the basement of the school.

In a letter to his cousin here Gus Coultas, Ed. McVean writes from South Africa, giving a thrilling account of his capture by the Boers and his escape.

Mrs. Green, of Sombra, is visiting her daughter.

The skating rink opened last night for the season, with a good attendance.

The Daily Planet is on sale at Johnson's Drug Store.

WALLACEBURG

Dec. 20.—Miss Ruby Gordon, of Haverford College, Toronto, is spending her holidays at her home here.

Miss Bonnie Bourne spent a few days in Chatham this week.

W. Burgess and Mrs. Mannie returned here after spending a few days at Hamilton, attending the funeral of their uncle, Mr. Nicol.

A very enjoyable evening was spent at Skinner School House last night, directed by the teacher, Miss Beatty Taylor. A good program was rendered by the children and other talent from Wallaceburg.

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BLENHEIM

Dec. 20.—A quiet wedding took place on Wednesday evening last at the home of Mr. David Eagle, when his youngest daughter, Miss Pearl, was united in marriage with Wm. Muckle, only son of William Muckle, of Ridley.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. G. B. Brown. The many friends of the young couple join in wishing them many years of happy married life.

Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose J. Moore, of Simcoe, are visiting the latter's parents in town Mr. and Mrs. Peter Burd.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Nicol will spend the Christmas holidays with friends in Galt.

Miss Nellie Byram, of Chatham, is visiting her parents in town.

Mr. Archie McIntyre spent yesterday in Detroit.

Mr. Wynott Knight, is in Kingsville to-day.

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DRESDEN

Dec. 20.—Mrs. Austin Pickard left for Detroit this morning, and will return this evening, accompanied by Mr. Pickard, who will spend the holidays with Mrs. Huff, Centre street.

Mrs. John W. Harris spent yesterday in Chatham.

Messrs. J. W. Sharpe, C. E. Watson and Arthur Smith were in Chatham yesterday on business.

The business manager of the Montreal Star was in town yesterday on business.

Mrs. R. Aikin is entertaining this evening in honor of Miss Eva.

The Presbyterian Sunday School entertainment takes place on Monday evening, Dec. 23rd. The program consists of an operetta, "The Crowning of the May Queen," and the pantomime, "The Seasons."

An assembly is to be given in the Grand Opera House on New Year's Eve.

N. Loucks has returned from Sarnia, where he has been employed for the past two weeks.

North Dresden Baptist church holds its annual S. S. entertainment on New Year's night. A good program has been prepared.

Miss Grace Miller has returned from Port Huron, and will spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. E. Miller.

Miss Eva McVean, who has been ill for the past week, is convalescent.

Recently there have been several cases of prominent men suddenly falling in collapse just after eating a hearty meal. These men have all been under treatment for gastric "trouble," and yet the result shows that the treatment they had received had smothered the symptoms but had not retarded the progress of the disease.

There is a real danger in the use of palliatives when there is disease of the stomach and its allied organs of digestion and nutrition. The disease in such cases goes on, while the distressing symptoms are stopped. Presently, like a smothered fire, the disease breaks out in new places, involving heart conditions of the stomach, lungs, liver, kidneys, or some other organ.

The use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery results in a radical cure of the diseases of the stomach and its allied organs of digestion and nutrition. It cures diseases of heart, lungs, liver, kidneys, etc., when the disease of these organs has its origin in the diseased condition of the stomach and its allied organs of digestion and nutrition.

"I will tell you what myself and family think of your medicine," writes Mr. M. M. Wardwell, of Lincoln, Kansas. "I was taken sick nine years ago. I got so weak I couldn't lie down, nor hardly sit up, was that way two or three months. I picked up one of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery one day and saw your description of catarrh of the stomach. I thought it was my case. We had a bottle of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery in the house that was got for my mother. You recommend it for catarrh of the stomach, so I went to taking it. The one bottle nearly cured me. I got two bottles next time and took one and one-half dollars and the doctor cost me fourteen dollars."

Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical Advice, in paper covers, is sent free on receipt of 31 one-cent stamps, to pay expense of customs and mailing only. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

Miss Eva Aikin returns home from Toronto this evening, and will spend her Christmas holidays with her parents here.

Miss Murch leaves to-morrow evening for Clinton, where she will spend her holidays.

Russell Aikin, of Detroit, arrived in town this evening with his sister Miss Eva, and will spend a short time here.

Miss Reba Tassie, who is attending college in Toronto, will return home to-morrow evening, and will be accompanied by her cousin, David Livingstone, of Seattle, Washington Territory, U. S., who is attending the Toronto Medical College.

The Christ Church S. S. entertainment takes place in the Grand Opera House this (Friday) evening. Admission 10 and 15 cents. Reserved 25 cents.

Randal Boylan, 8th concession, Gore of Camden, River Road, fell down stairs yesterday, breaking his leg and sustaining other severe injuries. Mr. Boylan's many friends in Dresden will be pleased to learn of a speedy recovery.

Neil Farnsworth, who was badly frozen on Monday night last, is in a precarious condition.

The oil well was successfully shot yesterday, and produced a good show of oil. Interested parties are highly pleased with their success and no doubt shares will be anxiously sought after.

Wm. Millie, of Lindsay, was found frozen to death in a lumber yard at Severn Bridge.

The situation in Ireland is said to be critical, and more trouble with the Land League is feared.

The Guelph Board of Trade has passed a resolution in favor of making the city market free.

It is reported that the American Locomotive Company may establish branch works in the Dominion, either at Kingston or Montreal.

ADOMON TROUBLE

Thousands Suffer From It Without Knowing Its Real Character.

No trouble is more common or more misunderstood than nervous dyspepsia. People having it think that their nerves are to blame, are surprised that they are not cured by nerve medicines and spring remedies; the real seat of the mischief is lost sight of; the stomach is the organ to be looked after.

Nervous dyspepsia often do not have any pain whatever in the stomach, nor perhaps any of the usual symptoms of stomach weakness.

Nervous dyspepsia shows itself not in the stomach so much as in nearly every other organ; in some cases the heart palpitates, and is irregular; in others, the kidneys are affected; in others, the bowels are troubled, with loss of flesh and appetite, with the accumulation of gas, sour risings and heartburn.

Mr. A. W. Sharper, of No. 61 Prospect St., Indianapolis, Ind., writes as follows: "A motive of pure gratitude prompts me to write these few lines regarding the new and valuable medicine, Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets. I have been a sufferer from nervous dyspepsia for the last four years; have used various patent medicines and other remedies without any favorable result. They sometimes give temporary relief until the effects of the medicines wore off. I attributed this to my sedentary habits, being a bookkeeper with little physical exercise, but I am glad to state that the tablets have overcome all these obstacles, for I have gained in flesh, sleep better and am better in every way. The above is written not for notoriety, but is based on actual facts."

Respectfully yours, A. W. Sharper, 61 Prospect St., Indianapolis, Ind.

It is safe to say that Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets will cure any stomach weakness or disease except cancer of stomach. They cure sour stomach, gas, loss of flesh and appetite, sleeplessness, palpitation, heartburn, constipation and headaches.

Send for valuable little book on stomach diseases by addressing Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich.

All druggists sell full sized packages at 50 cents.

FINE GROCERY

Bennett & Dunn are Offering Many Special Christmas Inducements.

At this season of the year when all the Maple City business places have put on their holiday attire and each and everyone presents a beautiful appearance, a store has to be particularly bright and pretty to attract marked attention. Such a place is the grocery establishment of Bennett & Dunn. The store has been all improved and gaily fitted throughout and the mural decorations harmonize in an agreeable degree with the bright candies and merchandise that adorn the shelves of a well appointed grocery store. In addition to a splendid stock of fine groceries, this firm are winning a high place amongst the purchasing public for the excellence of the fresh imported vegetables, which they sell. They keep all the luxuries of the season, including cucumbers, tomatoes and lettuce. In addition to all the home-grown vegetables sold at this season of special attention and they can always be secured here fresh and excellent. Candies they have, too, of all kinds, and their assortment includes 35 different kinds. The Baltimore oysters sold by this firm, are of special attention and they can always be secured here fresh and excellent. When making your purchases for Christmas, you will consult the interests of your purse, and be sure of satisfaction if you call on Bennett & Dunn proprietors of the bright and pleasant store just across the river.

FINE STORE

Magnificent Christmas Display Made by the Big Firm of Thornton & Douglas.

With a large number of intelligent and gentlemanly clerks and with a stock that cannot be surpassed in any way in the city, Thornton & Douglas are prepared for your Christmas trade. To say their King street window is handsome would not be expressing it at all. It is superb!

What! You have not seen the window? Well, don't fail to, as it is fully worth your while.

The interior of the store is well lighted, very tastefully decorated, and the goods are shown to good advantage.

A full and special stock of Christmas furnishings are on hand, including the latest in neckwear, suspenders, mufflers, gloves, etc., direct from the makers of them.

The haberdashery of this popular place is complete, among the latest arrivals is the Panama soft and Duke of Cornwall hard hats.

A full stock of smoking jackets and bath and dressing robes are kept.

Underwear is a great specialty at this store, it being kept in a line of 78c. a suit to the fine non-catchable Dr. Deynell linen mesh at \$6.00 per suit.

This store is established now here nearly two years.

The firm has the factory in Stratford where it manufactures all its own clothing and it also has a branch store in Guelph.

A consignment of extra long yolk overcoats with Talma pockets has just been received; also a good stock of the Raglanette and Chesterfield overcoats.

Children's and gentlemen's clothing made by the firm are also on sale.

RUSSIAN NAVAL ACTIVITY.

London, Dec. 18.—The Times' Odessa despatch quotes a correspondent at Sebastopol who describes naval activity of every description at that port. He says private quay spaces are gradually being absorbed for the purpose of navy extension. A Russian naval officer recently declared that if Sebastopol had to play an active role, it would be in a position to give a better account of itself than 50 years ago. This sort of allusion is frequent in Russia, says the Times' correspondent, and, coupled with the extraordinary efforts to increase the Black Sea fleet, it is not without significance, especially in view of the tenacity of Russian naval men in clinging to a dream of one day reaching the gates of Constantinople.

DO NOT TAKE A SUBSTITUTE.

The passenger who, on a trip to New York, takes a substitute on the supposition that one is as good as another, will very likely get the worst of it, as there is no substitute for the West Shore, and people should bear this in mind. Through sleeping cars on all trains from Chatham.

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GOT A SNAP

Two Local Liberal Magnates Gather in the Product of Keen Discernment.

It is noted in history that Lord Chesterfield won a wager because another individual thought that the eminent nobleman was merely talking when he bet that he could stand on London Bridge and offer gold guineas at a penny apiece and not be able to sell them. A similar incident occurred yesterday, but some of the Maple City residents are more wide awake than the steady and conservative inhabitants of old London.

It all happened thus: By accident, rather than design, some boxes of Lord Beresford cigars in the window of Geo. Taylor's cigar store were ticked at 75 cents, while some pipes near by, worth 75 cents, were marked \$2.25. The cigars retailed at 10 cents each and a box of 25 sold at \$2.25.

Many were the men who passed the window, but the cheaply quoted cigars they took to an offering of a job lot and wouldn't touch them. Two active members of the Liberal party in the Maple City wandered along. They had never seen Lord Beresford's quoted so cheap before, but they knew a good cigar when they see it. The two at once went in and the clerk, in the absence of the proprietor, not knowing of the mistake, sold each a box of 25 cents.

They elated at their purchase of 25 ten-cent cigars for the price of 25 cents each—total, their many friends of the Liberal party in the Maple City were looking for a bargain. The proprietor, however, had reached the store by this time and he calmly charged each man \$2.25 a box for the cigars. The purchasers objected, but the proprietor told them that he had only sold the Lord Beresford cigars at 75 cents a box from 8 to 10 a. m. as an advertisement. Very few refused to buy at the advanced price after asking for the cigars, and now wonder whether there was really a mistake or they were the victims of a put-up job.

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