



**Y**OU'D think to look in here that good old St. Nick had known just what you wanted—there's sure to be the style that pleases you most. And don't forget how welcome a gift a nice, new pair of shoes is for ANYBODY—or some comfortable slippers.

### MEN'S SHOES

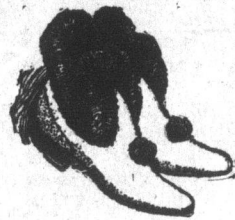
Our stock ranges all the way from the splendid solid shoe we sell at \$1.50 to those wonderful examples of superior shoemaking, the Kneeland shoes at \$5; also slippers in various fancy leathers, 40c to \$3.

### WOMEN'S SHOES

You can begin at \$1.25, for which you get a first-class well-made shoe or you can work along by easy stages to \$4 which gets the very best. Pretty house slippers in patent leather and party slippers of every hue and color.

### FOR THE CHILDREN

The best for each price—from 25c to \$2.00.



**GEO. W. COWAN**

The BIG BOOT Shoe Store

**DRS. CORNELL & FISHER**  
DENTISTS  
Corner Sixth and King St.  
Over the Bee Hive.  
Phone 317.

### THE LOCAL BUDGET

S. Elder, of Toronto, is in the city. Harry Massey left for Hamilton this morning.

Cap. Stevens leaves this afternoon for Guelph.

Fred. Stone was in London to-day on business.

F. Shaw, of Toronto, is a Maple City visitor.

D. Hussy and wife, of Blenheim, are visiting here.

Urban kid gloves \$1.00 to \$1.50. Good Christmas gifts.

J. Halloran, of Toronto, was a Maple City visitor yesterday.

Thomas Robinson, of Coatsworth, was a visitor in the city yesterday.

The many friends of Cliff Nagle will be pleased to see that he is out again.

Mrs. W. H. Cracker, who has been poorly for some time, is improving slowly.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Sulman have returned from a few days visit to Chicago.

There is a belt social at the Urban. Better attend. Right thing for Christmas presents.

A beautiful line of berry spoons ranging from \$1 to \$8. E. J. MacIntyre, leading jeweler and optician.

The annual week of prayer services are being held in the S. D. A. Tabernacle, McKeough avenue, from Dec. 10th to 17th.

Sterling silver tea spoons, dessert spoons and forks in great variety. Prices the lowest. E. J. MacIntyre, leading jeweler and optician.

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Geo. Burns, of Walkerville, is in the city.

H. A. Settering, of Leamington, spent yesterday in the city.

You need furs, we need the money; and need, now. Urban Store.

The best piano, the Mason & Risch, is now sold by Geo. Stephens & Co.

R. C. Duncan, of Petrolia, is a guest at the Rankin House to-day.

John S. Fraser, of Wallaceburg, was in the city yesterday on legal business.

Master George Mooby, Richmond street, is quite ill. Dr. McKeough is in attendance.

J. E. Gray says he does not advance the prices on his goods at the holiday season. He will pay \$10.00 to anyone proving such to be a fact.

I still have a few of those Rodger's Bros. 1847 knives and forks left and you might as well get the benefit while they last. E. J. MacIntyre, leading jeweler and optician.

The Ontario authorities are investigating the murder which is supposed to have been committed when Forepaugh & Sells circus visited here last summer. Detective Greer was in Chatham yesterday in connection with the case. Perhaps it is unnecessary to add that The Planet exclusively mentioned a week ago the fact that the authorities were investigating this alleged murder.

Last night a very enjoyable time was spent at the Ladies Aid Surprise Social in Park street Methodist church. It was Irish evening and Dr. Thornton occupied the chair. Delightful solos were admirably rendered by Miss White and Mrs. Bogart, and an entertaining address delivered by Walter Seane, after which an Irish lunch was served up, a most pleasant evening being spent by all.

Editor Philip Bowyer, of the Ridgeway Dominion, has been nominated by the Conservatives for East Kent. One of the features of the nomination was the presence of Walter Mills, son of the late Hon. David Mills, who said he was a life-long Liberal, but that he believed it to be in the interest of the province to turn out the men who had tarnished the good name of Ontario. He was pleased and proud to back Mr. Bowyer.—Hamilton Spectator.

**Hot, Cold, Medicated and Electric Baths**

Massage, Electric Treatment and Physical Culture. Try my treatment for Rheumatism and Neuralgia.

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## AT YOUNG'S CHRISTMAS

Only a few days in which to do your buying so that if you wish to have no mistakes and get the best goods with prompt delivery, give us your order, and avoid all trouble and worry as the goods we sell satisfies and pleases

### For Saturday

As the weather is now cool enough we will have our first shipment of

### Fresh Fish

Frozen Manitoba White Fish

Sea Salmon

Fresh Mackerel

No. 1 Smelts

Finnan Haddie, first quality

Smoked Yarmouth Blasters

Salt Fish

Labrador Herring

Salt Mackerel

Whole and Boneless Codfish

### Holly

It is the finest we have had in years. Any quantity you want, 20c. lb.

### Figs

Choice Layer Figs at 1c, fully equal to most 20c. kind.

**GEO. A. YOUNG,**

PHONE OUR GROCER, 151

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## A Useful Store for Useful Gifts

THIS year we have bent our energies to have a stock for Christmas buyers that would not only be pretty but useful too. A gift will be doubly appreciated if it is something serviceable. You can step into this the largest store in the city and find something suitable for every member of the family.

Pretty China, Fancy Silks, attractive Neckwear, Handkerchiefs of all sorts, Kid Gloves, Rich Furs, Stylish Jackets, Home Comforts such as warm Wool Blankets, Eiderdown Comforters, Fancy Linens, up-to-date Carpets and Rugs, Tapestry and Lace Curtains, elegant Furniture, useful and ornamental, in fact think of almost anything you can wear or use in a home, come to Austin's and you will find it here.

## FURS. FURS. FURS. FURS

Nothing more appropriate at Christmas time than furs. This year our stock is extra large owing to the open season, so we are making a special offer to induce heavy buying for Christmas.

ALL FURS AT 1/4 OFF. 1/4 OFF PRICE UNTIL CHRISTMAS  
We have only four Jackets left and they go at the same reduction as on the Ruffs, Bos, Muffs, etc., Quarter Off

## 1-2 Price A Special Christmas Offer in Ladies' Jackets 1-2 Price

We have only 125 Jackets of all kinds left in the stock now. This is not many, considering the number we started the season on, so we feel we can indeed afford to be generous with this balance by giving a Special Christmas Bargain to our customers, and at the same time making a clean sweep of the stock Winter Weight Jackets.