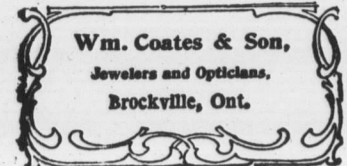


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Select Oysters at Wilson's.

Born, on November 23, to Mr and Mrs George H. Hawkins, a daughter.

When you want choice confectionery go to McClary's grocery.

Read Phil Wiltse's 30-day sale adv't in this issue.

Announcement is made of the serious illness of Mrs (Rev) J. Scanlon.

Mr and Mrs Arthur Hayes of Glen Buell spent the week end with friends in Athens.

Extra value in tea sets and dinner sets is offered at McClary's grocery this month.

Mr S. Gray who has extensive farming interests in the Canadian West, has returned home for the season.

Mrs Booth of Charleston is spending the winter in Athens at the home of the Misses Webster, Elgin Street.

When you think of gift-giving, visit McClary's grocery—you will be helped to a decision.

Clearing sale of ladies and children's up-to-date cloth jackets at less than cost of production. See them at H. H. Arnold's.

Rev. D. Strachan, Brockville, has been invited to Rosedale Presbyterian church, Toronto. His removal would be a great loss to Brockville Presbytery.

B. W. Falkner will give special reduced rates on Photographs from now until Jan. 1st. A fine Photo for 75c per doz.

At the fair held here on Friday last only about 600 lbs of poultry were sold. Turkeys (undressed) sold at 12c and 18c.

Miss Addie Wilson has prepared a quantity of art goods for Christmas and invites those interested to call at her home on Mill street.

Edgar Flood, telegraph operator, son of Anthony Flood of Delta, was shot and killed in St. Louis last week. The body is being shipped to Delta.

Many articles of utility and rare beauty are now on sale at McClary's. See the Japanese table of artistic china goods.

The table of fancy dishes ranging in price from 10c to 25c, at McClary's grocery, contains just what your little boy or girl would like to receive as a gift.

The ladies of the W. C. T. U have shipped a bale of clothing and comfort bags to their missionary, Miss Sproule, who is laboring in the lumbering and mining camps of New Ontario.

The weather and sleighing both favor the big poultry fair here to-morrow. Preparations have been made for a great day.

The local option wave has struck Morrisburg. A petition is being circulated which will be presented to the council asking that the question be submitted to the people.

For using "grossly insulting language," aimed at Mr Stephen King, an Athens boy was summoned to Brockville last Saturday. The case was settled out of court and cost the youth \$7.90.

The Anglican Church S.S. will hold their Xmas entertainment in the town hall on Monday, Dec. 21st. A first class programme of cantata, dialogues and recitations is promised. Admission, 25c and 15c.

Mr A. M. Eaton has been busily engaged during the past week in fitting up the Athens skating rink. Unusual interest is being manifested in skating this season, and under Mr Eaton's efficient management the sport should prove so popular as to tempt many of the seniors of the village to renew the joys of their youth.

The anniversary services of Athens Baptist church will be held on Sunday next. Rev Dr Stobo of Smith's Falls will preach at 10.30 and 7 p. m., and there will be special music. On Monday night (14th) the ladies of the church will serve supper in the basement from 6 to 8 o'clock. This will be followed by a literary and musical programme, and a lecture by Dr Stobo on "Workers, Shirkers and Jerkers." Rev F. A. Read will occupy the chair.

G. B. Chocolates and Perrin's fancy bon-bons, in boxes, at McClary's.

Miss Ethel Arnold, who has spent the past eight months in British Columbia, is expected home this week.

Special sale of ready to wear suits and overcoats for men, boys and children, at H. H. Arnold's.

Good time now to get out basswood and white ash stove bolts for Athens saw mill.

Miss Jean Bryson of Lvn has been for a few days the guest of Mrs W. H. Rowsom.

Call at the woolen mill and see our special lot of Pure Wool Blankets, size 72x90, for holiday trade; also we have a large stock of Tweeds, Flannels and yarns of all kinds.

The municipal council of Rear Yonge and Escott will meet in the township hall at 1 p. m. on Tuesday, Dec. 15.

For the next three Sundays, at the close of the Methodist S. S., short addresses on Temperance will be given by men of the village.

At the various poultry fairs held last week along the B. & W., about thirty tons were bought. The prices are quoted as follows: turkeys 13c, geese 8c, ducks 10c, chickens 9c.

A parlor lamp is always an acceptable gift. The display of these goods at McClary's grocery will give you pleasure in buying and delight your friend in receiving. Make your selection now.

The line of Christmas Chins, Glass ware, and Lamp Goods, at McClary's grocery will probably suggest just the article you wish to present to your friend. You are invited to call and inspect.

Boys and girls all through Leeds County will be pleased to learn that Toyland at the store of Robert Wright & Co., Brockville, is now open to their inspection. It contains the latest and best in Christmas goods for the young folks and a visit gives joy to both old and young.

Last week Arthur Murray and George Watson, graduates of the Kingston Business College, accepted positions as stenographers with the West & Wood Co., Smith's Falls, and the Canadian Pacific Railway Co., respectively. Any one interested in a business education should write to the principal, H. F. Metcalfe.

At the close of the Methodist S. S. on Sunday last, Mr C. McKinnon, principal of the A. H. S., gave a brief educational address on the subject of Temperance. His manner of presenting the subject was clear, logical, impressive, and at the conclusion of his address he was accorded a hearty vote of thanks, on the motion of Mr D. Fisher, seconded by Mr M. B. Holmes.

On Saturday night Queen's students to the number of 500 stormed the Grand Opera House, Kingston, and the result was a red hot row with the police. Clubs, stones, and eggs were used by the students, while the police aided by citizens, protected the doors of the opera house. The police were obliged to use their batons and threaten with revolvers. Eight of the rioting students spent Sunday in the cells.

The Business men of to-day pay large salaries only to the well-trained, and the young man or woman contemplating a business education must use discretion in the choice of a college. Our highgrade courses never fail to bring success to our graduates. Write for full particulars and secure our beautiful 1909 calendar free. Frontenac Business College, Kingston, T. N. Stockdale, Principal.

Seriously Injured
On Saturday last Mr John Wiltse met with a serious mishap. He had assisted in putting on a load of hay and was taking a position on top of the load when the team started and he was thrown to the ground. He was unconscious for a time, and a medical examination disclosed the fact that several ribs had been broken and that he was injured internally, besides receiving several minor injuries. For a time his condition was precarious, and he is not yet out of danger, though his condition is improving.

About two years ago he was seriously injured by being struck with a rig while walking on the road. In this latest misfortune he has the sincere sympathy of his many friends.

SWEeper No. 3

Dear Mr Reporter,—I have been very glad to see some nice letters in your paper lately about cleaning the crossings, and if my neighbor of whom I borrowed the Reporter will keep on lending it to me I hope to see more about it right off.

I don't believe there are more than forty crossings, besides the driveways in the village, and to keep them clean and swept winter and summer, 365 days, would be just nice enough, and I think it hard enough to ask us to clean the walks in front without taking one shovelful off the crossing at my corner either of mud or snow.

Why those forty crossings, besides the driveways thrown in, could be done for \$10.00 each per year, and it might be done for even less than that.

Now, Mr Reporter, I hope you do keep up the agitation, for I don't like to clean the crossing at my corner. I'll just wade the mud and snow before I'll do it; and even if it does raise the taxes some, let us have them swept anyway, and the man for the job will be on hand when the job is ready, but don't let on that any body told you.

Taxius.

Yorkshire Boar

The undersigned has for service at his farm, Temperance Lake, a thoroughbred Yorkshire Boar, 25-21 YATES AVERY, Athens P.O.



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In Xmas decorations we will have our usual good supply of Holly, Mistletoe, Xmas Bells, Wreathing, Holly Wreaths, etc.

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The People's Column

Tamworth Boar
I have for service at my home east of Athens a Tamworth Boar, 45-49 W. L. STEACY, Athens.

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The undersigned offers for sale the Barlow cheese factory, situated 1 1/2 miles north of Addison.

Farm for Sale

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By special arrangement with The Toronto Globe, The Reporter is in a position to offer to new subscribers The Weekly Globe and a Magazine Section and The Reporter to January 1st, 1910, for \$1.75. That is two dollar weeklies for all of 1909 for \$1.75, and the balance of this year free. The Magazine Section is the same as supplied with the Saturday edition of The Daily Globe, which sells for 5 cents, and is, therefore, worth more than the price asked for the two papers. Readers of The Reporter will confer a favor upon their friends by making this unparallelled offer as widely known as possible. Subscriptions should be sent to Reporter.



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