

## ONLY TWO MORE WEEKS

Until Christmas and two weeks is a short time when there are many to think of and to plan for—our stock comprises a careful selection of **Leather Goods, Purses and Chatelaine Bags, Calendars, Fancy Goods, Dolls, Toys and a Large Display of all the Newest Books, Bibles and Prayer Books, specially bound for the Holiday trade.**

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## Fresh Baltimore Oysters at RICHARDS'

## Births, Marriages and Deaths.

### BIRTHS.

CORNISH.—To Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Cornish, Adelaide street, a daughter on Wednesday, Dec. 11.

### DIED.

MARTIN.—In Windsor hospital, Monday, Dec. 9th, at 9 o'clock, Carrie, beloved wife of Daniel Martin, aged 28 years and 2 months.

Funeral will take place to-morrow (Thursday) afternoon at two o'clock from the residence of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Barthe, Hilliard St., to Maple Leaf Cemetery.

## THE LOCAL BUDGET

Mrs. James Daley, of Sombra, is staying with her daughter, Mrs. J. R. Graham, Joseph street, who is seriously ill.

Mrs. Mark Moore, an old lady living on the approach to Fifth street bridge, fell down stairs last evening, fracturing a rib.

C. R. Hancock, one of our enthusiastic poultry breeders, is in Guelph to-day attending the Ontario Winter Fair in the interests of the Kent County Poultry Association.

Snell's Fair is as usual, filled with an assortment of just such presents as you will give your friends. Why not call now and make your selections before the rush is on. We will get your purchases aside till Xmas.

Manson Campbell, Wm. Ball, Hugh Macdonald, Samuel Barfoot, and G. P. Schofield, were elected directors of the Chatham, Ont. Co. at the annual meeting this afternoon. A five percent dividend was declared.

## The Night Before Christmas



Is when the greatest rush is on. If you think it better to wait until then, we promise you that we shall give you the very best attention we can, but at the best it will not be nearly so good as we can give you now.

## WE ADVISE YOU

To do your choosing now and have the articles laid aside for you until Christmas.

We need not mention our **Ebony Goods** to-day. You have seen our display in our window.

To-day our window is filled with rich Perfumes and perfume Soaps—special Christmas stock. When you are passing just have a look at this Perfume display.

**A. I. McCall & Co.,**  
Druggists and Perfumers

## DR. A. W. THORNTON

Jas. Hancock, contractor and builder, of Merla is spending the day in the city. He is building a \$10,000 hotel for Jno. Peate at Merla, which he expects to have completed by Feb. 1.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Daniel Martin will take place to-morrow afternoon at two o'clock from the residence of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Barthe, Hilliard St., to Maple Leaf Cemetery.

Supt. Jones, of the waterworks department, says that it would be a good idea if the Erieau cottage owners would club together and pay Edward Dunkley to look after their summer residences at the East. Mr. Dunkley lives close by and could keep a record of all visitors to the bar and report once a week on the condition of the houses. Mr. Dunkley is at present looking after Dr. McKeen's fine summer residence and Keough's fine summer residence and Altkide cottage, where Supt. Jones passes the hot summer evenings.

## GO TO GUELPH

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Marshall have Accepted a Lucrative Church Position There.

It is understood that Mr. and Mrs. Marshall, of Chatham, have practically been engaged to take charge of the music in Chalmers' Church here, the former as leader and the latter as organist. Mrs. Marshall presided at the organ for yesterday's services and gave general satisfaction to the congregation. Besides being an accomplished organist she is gifted with a beautiful soprano voice, and last evening joined with her husband in rendering "Rock of Ages" as a duet.

Mr. Marshall's voice is a robust baritone and was heard in a solo at each service yesterday in addition to the tenor part which he took in the quartette. It is probable a choir will be formed under his leadership, in place of the quartette which has operated for a few years past. Mr. and Mrs. Marshall should prove quite an acquisition to local musical talent.

—Guelph Mercury.

Mr. Marshall has resigned his position as choir-master in St. Andrew's church here, which he has held for over five years with much success, to accept the offer from Guelph. He will leave about the beginning of the New Year.

## TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am again a candidate for alderman for the ensuing year, and I hope my course at the Council Board will merit a renewal of your support and that of your friends.

W. M. FLEMING.

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## Winter Overcoats and Ulsters

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Sole Agents for the Celebrated Saskatchewan Oats, Robes and Quillets.

## BUY NOW!

- Selected Raisins, 3 lbs. 25c
- Selected Currants, 3 lbs. 25c
- Seeded Raisins, 12 1/2c, 3 lbs. 30c
- Fine Large Dates, 5c a lb.
- Lemon, Citron or Orange Peel 20c a lb.
- Cooking Figs, 5c a lb.
- Table Figs, 15c a lb.
- Cluster Raisins, 20c a lb.
- Shelled Walnuts, 40c a lb.
- Shelled Almonds, 40c a lb.
- Naval Oranges, 40c a doz

## BENNETT and DUNN

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## THE DISTRICT

## A Xmas Gift For All Who Write

## Waterman's Ideal Fountain Pen ::::

Made in all Points—Fine, Coarse, Medium and Stub, to suit any hand.

Prices, \$2.50 \$4 and \$5.

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Under Absolute Guarantee of Satisfaction

## Dingman's Bookstore—Chatham.

## STILL SITTING

Further Proceedings at the December Session of the Kent County Court.

His Honor Judge Bell, in charging the Grand Jury, complimented them upon the fact that the docket was a very light one, there being but three criminal cases to come before them. This was a matter for congratulation, as it evidenced "the excellent condition, morally, of Kent County." His Honor desired, however, to call their attention to the fact that in his estimation our county constabulary was capable of being greatly improved. This was not the fault of the individual members of the constabulary, but was mainly due to the fact that there was no definite way of directing the movements of the individual members of the force, and often the individual members of the body were placed in undesirable situations through no fault of their own, on this account.

The Judge spoke in very high terms of the charitable institutions of the city and county and also of the two very efficient hospitals which Chatham possesses. He expressed the hope that the Grand Jury would execute the duties entrusted to them with as much despatch as possible.

Several of the Grand Jury were not present when called, and the Jury had to be filled up with selections from the Petit Jury and from the audience. The men who compose the grand jury are Messrs. H. G. Reed, city foreman; W. J. Butler, Camden; James Cox, Sr., Blenheim; V. Cartier, Dover; Thomas Eglin, Camden; Arthur Henderson, Dresden; H. Stephens, city; Peter McKerrill, Chatham; T. J. Albert, H. White, City; James Pirie, Tilbury; C. Purser, Dover; John W. Smith, Raleigh; F. Sutar, Raleigh.

They brought in true bills this morning in the case of Crown vs. Shene, for passing counterfeit money; and Crown vs. Everett Edwards for obtaining money under false pretences. Mr. Gardiner, the plaintiff, was the first witness sworn yesterday afternoon in the case of Gardiner vs. Hillman. He stated that the defendant hired a team of horses from him on the first of July to drive to the lake. It was a very hot day, and he warned the defendant to drive slowly and to water at every opportunity. In spite of this warning, the plaintiff drove exceedingly fast, and did not water the horses until after he reached the lake, and as a result one of the horses died, and the other was so exhausted that it could not be worked for a week afterward.

Mr. Lewis claimed that Mr. Hillman drove at the rate of six miles per hour, driving out, and that it was no fault of his that the horse died. The case was resumed this morning and was still under consideration at the time of going to press. The case seems to rest between the conditions, first as to whether or not the horse was fit for use when taken from the stable, and second whether or not the plaintiff drove them too

fast to the lake. Nine witnesses for the plaintiff were examined this morning. Arthur Gardiner, son of the plaintiff, testified as to the horse's good condition at the time he left the stable. Robert Clements testified as to distances. Arthur and William Walker testified as to seeing the defendant on the way to the lake. He stated that he was driving very fast. R. C. Burt gave evidence as to the very severe weather. John Henderson, Judge Bell, Dr. DeCew and others also gave evidence as to how a horse should be used. It is thought that the case will not be concluded before to-morrow night, as there are a number of witnesses for the defense to be examined yet.

## MARKS BROTHERS

Marks Bros. Co. played to a full house last night, but there is no news in that. It would be more unusual were it learned that the audience was limited. The attendance at Marks Bros. performances is only limited by the capacity of the house. "Under Two Flags" was the attraction last evening, and it proved the best play yet produced here by the Marks Bros. Arnold C. Baldwin as Bartie Cecil, was a star. He is excellent, not only in his make-up and stage presence, but also in his acting, and altogether he is a very clever actor. Our old friend Esther Evans is blossoming out as a leading lady and she well deserves the success that is attending her efforts. Tom Marks, the old favorite comedian, had a part that suited him last night, and he certainly got all out of it that was in him. The specialties were excellent and all proved very entertaining. The Pepper Twins are stars individually and collectively and are cordially appreciated by the audiences. They came from Lindsay, Ontario, and Mrs. A. E. Jewett, who came from the same place, showed her appreciation of the clever work of the boys from her home town by presenting them with a bouquet of flowers. The other vaudeville artists with Marks Bros. Co. No. 1, are all bright entertainers too, including Jimmy Field, Chris. Allen, Clyde Long, the Long sisters, who, by the way are short, and Esther Evans. The pictures this year are better than ever and some of them are real works of art in coloring and effect.

Oscar Shea made a good impression in his rendition of "Down where the Cotton Blossoms grow," illustrated. To-night Dublin Dan is the attraction, and the specialties will be just as good, if not better.

Rheumatic sufferers find Hood's Sarsaparilla a permanent cure for their inflamed and swollen joints and stiff muscles.

## WANTED

WANTED!—Experienced girl to whom three dollars per week will be paid. Mrs. John A. Morton, third street.

CHAMBERMAID WANTED—One who understands dining room work preferred. Apply at C. F. R. Hotel.

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Chatham's Greatest Store Chatham's Cheapest Store

## December DRESS GOODS SALE

Dress Lengths, Skirt... Lengths and Remnants

The Dress Goods Section has its own crowd of eager buyers these days. The newest goods at bargain prices is the attraction. If you want a new suit or skirt your best plan is to buy your material in our Dress Goods Department, and have your pet dressmaker make it up (the services of our dressmaking department are at your disposal if you wish). Here are descriptions in detail with sale prices that tell you of several popular lines.

## English Cheviots

54 inches, extra heavy, pure wool, best dye and finish, navy and black, regular price, \$1.25, sale price, \$1.00 up

## Pirle Suitings

Rich silk finish. A material of very dressy effect, warranted not to spot or shrink regular price, \$1 yard, sale price 69c yard

## English Homespuns

56 inches, black, navy and popular grey shades, pure wool, regular price, \$1.00 per yard, sale price 70c yard

## Amaranth Suitings

In all the popular shades, yarn dyed, and shrunken. A splendid material for every day wear, 46 inches, regular price, 75c. Sale price 50c yard

## French Coating Serges

56 inch, navy and black only, popular dustless finish, wear and color guaranteed regular price \$1.00 yard, sale price 75c yd.

## \$1.50 Suitings

for 50c per yard

## Remnants

Another lot of dress goods remnants 2 to 4 yard lengths, your choice 50c each.

38 pieces, odd lines of camels' hair, homespun, Scotch and English tweeds in skirt and suit lengths, regular prices from 75c to \$1.50 per yard. All at one price, 50c yard.

## Wrappers and House Gowns At About Half Price.

Such Christmas offerings are acceptable to all women. In this gathering there is a broad variety of serviceable wrappers, wrapperettes and flannel-ettes, light and dark shades, floral and solid effects. Though there are all sizes in this gathering there are only a few of each design.

AT \$1.25—Flannel-ette wrappers, cardinal and black or navy and black, finished with full around the yoke and deep flounce on skirt.

AT \$1.39—Wrapperette wrappers, large floral designs or small patterns, in dark colors, yoke and pleated back, full from the collar in front.

AT \$1.48, from 1.75 to \$2.75—Black and cardinal, black and green, navy and white, black and beige, and other colors. All are well made and perfect fitting.

A few styles of regular lines.

AT \$1.65—Grey and black wrapperette, extra wide skirt, with flounce, fancy yoke and shoulder caps, finished with full, sizes 32 to 44 in. bust measure.

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It stops all hesitation and guess work. We believe we have the best Clothing made. So do you if you are one of the Great Host that buy here. If not favor us and yourself by comparing the style, quality and prices with those found elsewhere. We would not want you to if we feared the result.



## Men's Overcoats \$5.00 To \$15.00

Made from plain beavers, in blue and black, heavy curls, in the always popular three-quarter lengths; the grey cheviot long loose coats, in the favorite Raglan-ette styles, 48 inch length, cuff on sleeve, also in the three-quarter style; see our special coat at \$12.00, beats 'em all in quality and style.

## Men's Suits

\$3.95 to \$15.00



In the swell pattern worsteds, nobby checks and overblends, genteel grey effects, single and double breasted styles, special values \$10 and \$12.

Our black worsted suits, made from imported black clay twills, in three styles of coats, single and double breasted, sack and skirt, all trimmings, wide facings, equal to any tailor's outfit at \$20, our specials at \$10 and \$13.

Men's honest wearing tweed suits, in neat patterns, single and double breasted coats, reliable wearers, prices range at \$3.95 to \$10.

## MEN'S ULSTERS \$3.95 to \$7.50

Made from heavy friezes, in dark grey, claret, fawn and black shades, big storm collars, slash pockets, heavy lined linings, full of comfort, a very special ulster at \$5.00, in dark grey and claret, good weight, all sizes to 44.

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