

AT WILLIAMS' POPULAR MUSIC HOUSE

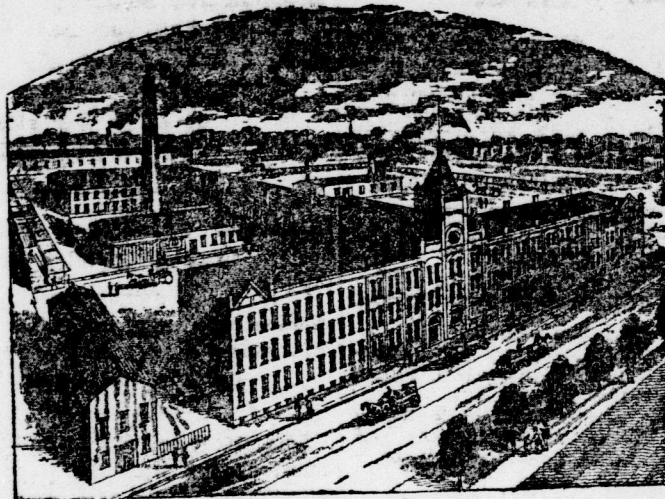
171 Dundas Street, - - London,

THERE IS ONE OF THE SEVEN WONDERS OF THE AGE.
READ THIS AND YOU WILL SEE WHY.

Just a Quiet Word To Santa Claus.

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If you see anything here that you might want just call and leave your order and we will keep the goods all safe and sound until Dec. 24, when you can have them sent to any address.



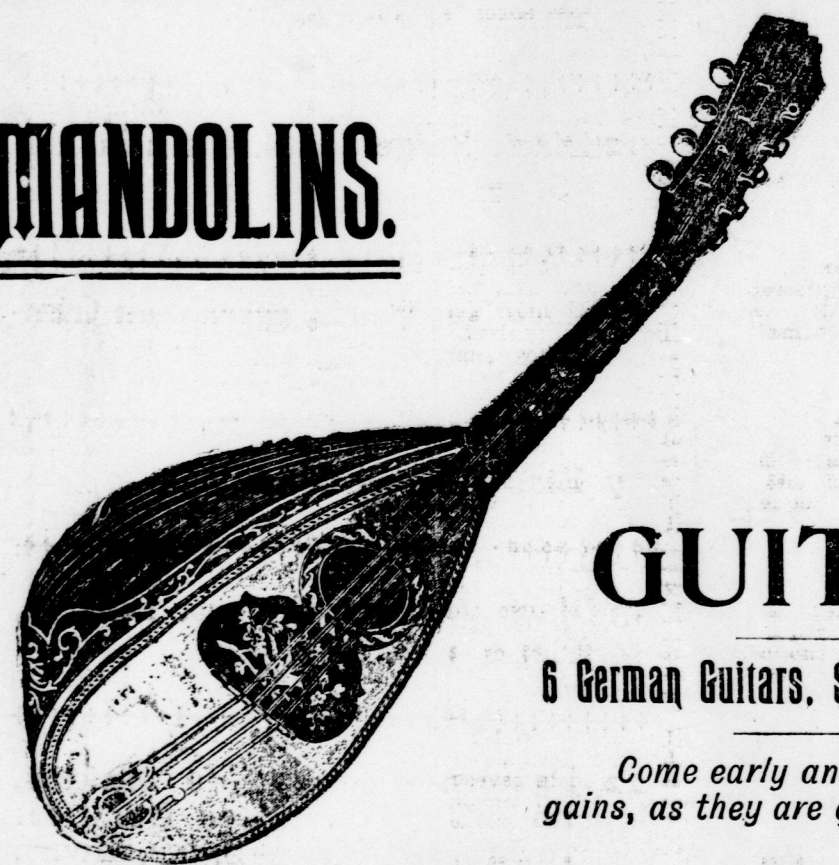
OUR FACTORY.
The Home of the Williams Piano.

Also a Word to The Children.

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If there is anything here that you would like just tell your father or mother to call in our store, and tell us what you want, and we will have Santa Claus take it to you Christmas Eve.

MANDOLINS.

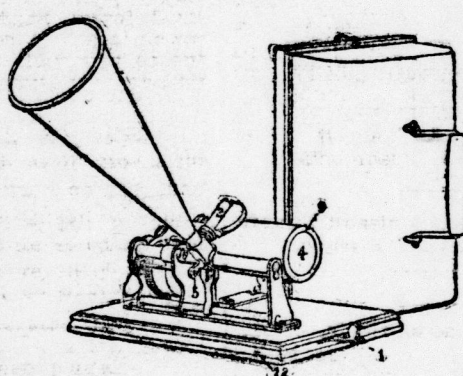


Strings
A
Specialty

GUITARS

6 German Guitars, \$7.50, Special \$4.00

Come early and secure these bargains, as they are going very fast.



PLAYS, TALKS, SINGS.

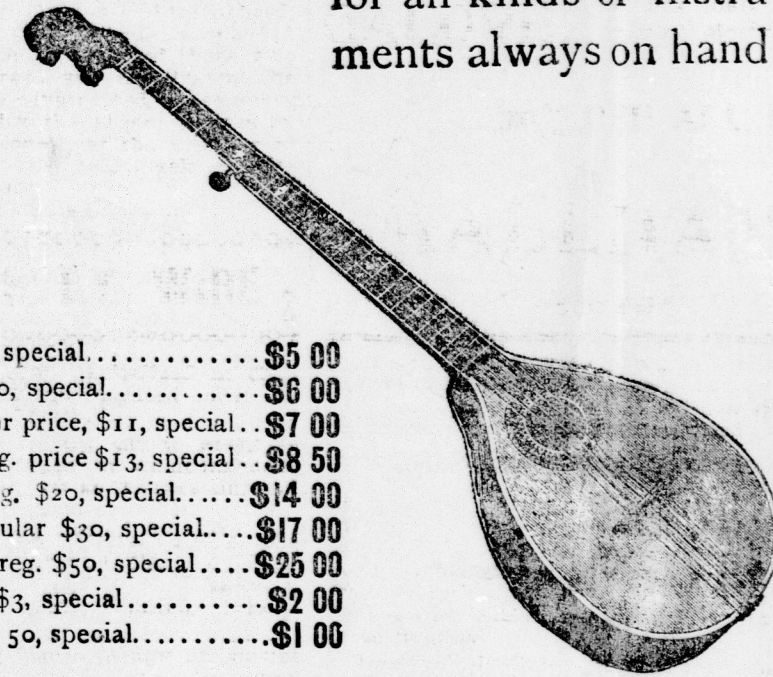
An Elegant Entertainer.

\$12 50 Without Cabinet
\$15 00 With Cabinet

This includes one two-way hearing tube, horn and reproducer.

GUITARS.

We have fittings
for all kinds of instruments
always on hand.



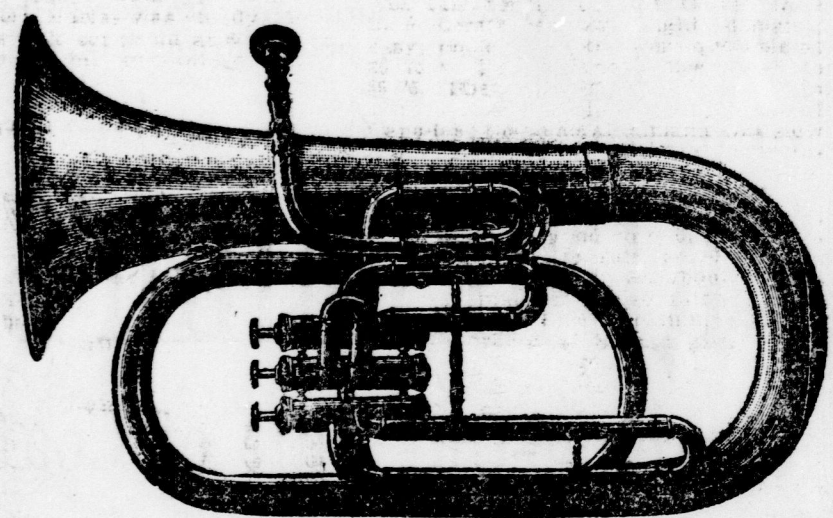
15 Guitars, regular price \$8, special.....\$5 00
7 Guitars, regular price \$9 50, special.....\$6 00
3 Guitars, antique oak, regular price, \$11, special.....\$7 00
2 Guitars, solid mahogany, reg. price \$13, special.....\$8 50
1 Guitar, solid mahogany, reg. price \$20, special.....\$14 00
1 Guitar, solid rosewood, regular \$30, special.....\$17 00
1 Guitar, handsomely inlaid, reg. \$50, special.....\$25 00
Canvas Cases, regular price \$3, special.....\$2 00
Baize Bags, regular price, \$1 50, special.....\$1 00

DON'T READ THIS!

Because you won't believe it. But it is true, nevertheless.
Call and see.

Walnut and Birdseye Maple, regular price \$10, Xmas price.....\$ 6.00
Oak and Mahogany, regular price \$12, Xmas price.....8.50
Rosewood and Birdseye Maple, regular price \$16.50, Xmas price.....12.00
A Beautiful Solid Rosewood Mandolin, handsomely inlaid with pearl and silver, regular price \$60, Xmas price.....30.00
Mandolin Canvas Case, regular price \$3, Xmas price.....2.00
Mandolin Baize Bag, regular price \$1.50, Xmas price.....1.00

We will guarantee the instruments to be first class. If you purchase one and find a defect kindly return to us without delay, and we will cheerfully replace it with another.



STORE-WORN BAND INSTRUMENTS

1 Eb Alto, bell front, regular price \$20, special.....\$12 00
1 Bb Tenor, upright, regular price \$30, special.....14 00
2 Bb Baritone, upright, regular price \$30, special.....14 50
1 Bb Tenor Slide Trombone, good condition, special.....5 00
1 Bb Clarinet, second-hand, good condition, special.....7 00
1 A Clarinet, second-hand, 15 keys, extra, C sharp, special.....10 00
1 Eb Clarinet, new, regular price \$27.50, special.....18 00
1 Bb Trombone, new, value, regular price \$25, special.....15 00
1 Bb Cornet, perfectly new, with case, regular price \$32, special.....20 00
1 Bb Cornet, perfectly new, with case, regular price \$28, special.....18 00
1 Bb Cornet, perfectly new, with case, regular price \$27 50, special.....15 00

Piano and Organ Bargains:

1 Square Piano, good order...\$ 20.00
1 Square Piano, good order...30.00
1 Upright Piano, nearly new...125.00
1 Organ, in good shape.....5.00
1 Organ, in good shape.....10.00
1 Organ, in good shape.....20.00

Bargains To All.

NOTICE---Our Store Will Be Open Every Night From Now Until Christmas.

Williams' Music Store

171 Dundas Street, London.

B. WILLIAMS, Proprietor.



Williams, Piano Makers to Her Majesty the Queen

Liverpool, Nov. 18, 1888.

Messrs. R. S. Williams & Son,
143 Yonge Street, Toronto:

Gentlemen,—I am pleased to inform you that Her Majesty the Queen has chosen one of your Pianos for Windsor Castle. The selection was made by Mr. Dyson, of Messrs. Dyson & Sons, Windsor, specially appointed tuner to the Queen, their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of Connaught and the Duke and Duchess of Albany.

Mr. Dyson was so pleased with your Pianos that he purchased two for himself, and I beg to congratulate you on my being able to dispose of these Pianos for you in such good hands.

I have no doubt that you will now call yourselves "Piano Manufacturers to Her Majesty the Queen of England."

Yours truly, W. H. PELLOW.

Commercial Agent for Canada at Colonial Exhibition.

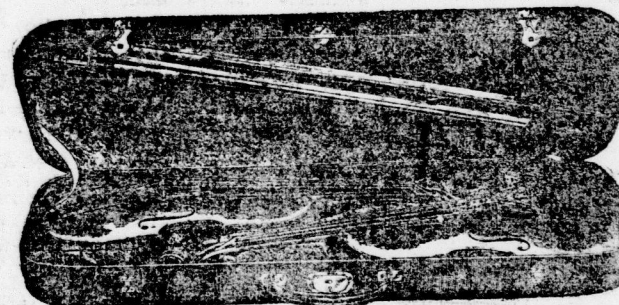
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We have a magnificent stock to select from. Come and see them for yourselves. We are always pleased to show our Pianos whether you intend purchasing or not.

MANDOLIN BANJO A BEAUTIFUL PARLOR INSTRUMENT.

Rosewood, orange top, regular price \$10 00, Xmas price, \$5 00.
1 August Pollmann, solid rosewood, reg. price \$14 Xmas price \$7.00.
These instruments have a very pleasing tone.

We
Mean
What
We Say



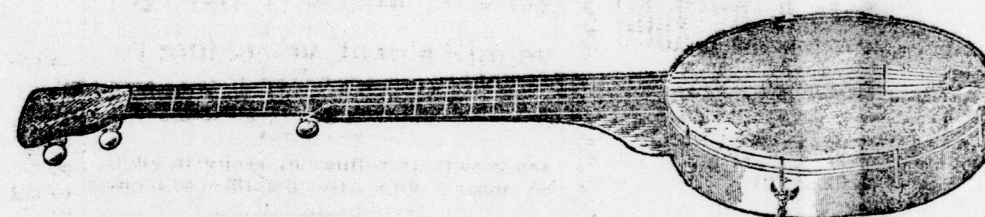
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Paper
With You

VIOLIN OUTFITS

1 VIOLIN, regular price \$15.....XMAS PRICE \$12.50
1 BOW, regular price \$1 50.....
1 BOX, regular price \$2 50.....
1 VIOLIN, Stainer's model, regular price \$10.....XMAS PRICE \$8.50
1 BOW, regular price \$1 25.....
1 BOX, wooden, regular price \$2.....
1 VIOLIN, Stradivarius model, regular price \$10.....XMAS PRICE \$8.75
1 BOW, regular price \$1 25.....
1 BOX, wooden, with lock, regular price \$2 50.....

A number of others from \$2 50 up to \$250. 3 Genuine Old Violins at \$125, \$150 and \$250.

BANJOS.



1 BANJO, regular price \$10, Xmas price.....\$7.00
1 BANJO, regular price \$15, Xmas price.....\$10 50
1 BANJO, regular price \$18, Xmas price.....\$13.50
1 BANJO, special, regular price \$20, Xmas price.....\$14.00
1 BANJO, 14 inch, regular price \$23, Xmas price.....\$15.00
BANJO CANVAS CASES, regular price \$3, Xmas price.....\$2.00
BANJO BAIZE BAGS, regular price \$1 50, Xmas price.....\$1.00

THE BOERS WERE WORSTED

Failure of Their Expedition
Against the Magatos.

The Situation in China—Loss Caused
by the Overflow of the Neva—
Farewell to Curzon.

London, Dec. 10.—The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily Mail forwards a dispatch which the Transvaal Government had refused to allow the Daily Mail's correspondent at Johannesburg to forward from that point. He says that the campaign recently instituted by the Boer Government against Chief Mefu, of the Magatos tribe, in the Zoutpansberg district, has proved a complete fiasco. The chief has outmaneuvered the Boers, and is now in the splendidly fortified mountain stronghold, which he has long occupied as a center of operations, and where he has assembled a large army. Gen. Joubert, the commander of the Boers' expedition sent against the chief, is ill, and with his forces in a state of semi-mutiny, is returning to Pretoria. The Boers have been guilty of wholesale butchery of women, children and unarmed natives.

IN CHINA.

Shanghai, Dec. 10.—Mr. John Barrett, formerly United States minister to Siam, has been visiting Peking and the principal Chinese ports. He says the situation in China is of the most critical nature, and that Manchuria is no longer Chinese but Russian territory. He asserts that New Chwang, the chief northern port for the movement of American products, is also practically Russian, and is liable to be closed any day. The only permanent safeguard to the paramount American and British interests, Mr. Barrett says, is immediate and united action by the interested governments to defend the integrity of the Chinese Empire, to force reforms in the government, to prevent further concessions of ports and provinces, and to insist upon the "open door" policy in all ports of China, including the spheres of influence claimed by Russia, Germany and France. Otherwise, Mr. Barrett contends, the impending partition of the Chinese Empire will seriously curtail the field of trade by disastrously affecting American and British influence in Asia.

THE NEVA RISES.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 10.—The River Neva suddenly rose 9 feet last night, inundating the lower quarters of the city, where communication is now carried on by boats. The inhabitants were panic-stricken, and there was great loss of property, but no loss of life has been reported. The flood is now subsiding.

CURZON'S FAREWELL.

London, Dec. 9.—At the Hotel Cecil last evening a farewell banquet was tendered to Baron Curzon of Kedleston, the new Viceroy of India, and Lady Curzon, by the Duke and Duchess of Marlborough, the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire, Lady Randolph Churchill, the Earl and Countess of Warwick, Mr. Arthur J. Balfour, first lord of the treasury, Mr. Henry White, United States charge d'affaires, and Mrs. White; Baron Rothschild, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Henry Asquith, and other personal and principal friends. At the conclusion of the banquet Lady Curzon started for Plymouth to join the Peninsular and Oriental steamship Arabia, on which her children embarked yesterday. Lord Curzon will join the ship at Marseilles, on her way to Bombay, via Brindisi.

THE MAINE CHARGES.

Madrid, Dec. 10.—The impartial publishes another inflammatory article on the subject of the Maine charges. It intimates that the explosion was the outcome of the intense desire upon the part of certain factions in the United States to see the outbreak of war, which was unpopular with the majority of Americans. The impartial adds: "The partisans of the war realized that something startling was necessary to arouse national sentiment. It was a remarkable chance. Almost all the Maine's officers were on board another ship at the time of the catastrophe. Those who charge the Spaniards with being capable of such a monstrous act are well capable of committing it themselves. Spain cannot remain under such an infamous charge. It would be preferable to give the world the spectacle of national suicide."

CABLE NOTES.

The Spanish steamer Buenos Ayres has arrived at Barcelona from Manila with repatriated Spanish troops. There were 60 deaths on the voyage.

Justice Hawkins, the oldest criminal judge in England, has just broken his own record for endurance. He has been presiding at the Kent assizes for a fortnight, sitting twelve hours a day.

The Queen has given 250 guineas to Gen. Kitchener's fund for the Gordon Memorial College at Khartoum. The fund has now reached \$100,000.

The bubonic plague is spreading in Tamatave, Madagascar.

There was considerable excitement at the meeting of directors of the Humber Cycle Company in London on Friday afternoon. A motion for the appointment of a committee of investigation was carried by an overwhelming majority. The report showed an all-round decline in the profits of the company, and also charged that Martin D. Rucker, the managing director, had overdrawn the company's account.

The new Russian minister, M. De Giers, presented his credentials to the Emperor of China on Friday. The dowager empress was not present. M. De Giers refused to present his credentials to the dowager empress.

Koladernic Skin Food restores youth and beauty.

Tommy—Pa, why are single women called spinners? Pa—I expect it's because they are always a-spinning a web to catch a man.

LIFE SAVED.—Mr. James Bryson Cameron writes: "I was confined to my bed with inflammation of the lungs and was given up by physicians. A neighbor advised me to try Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, stating that his wife had used it for a throat trouble with the best results. Acting on this advice, I procured the medicine, and less than half a bottle cured me; I certainly believe it saved my life. It was with reluctance that I consented to a trial, as I was reduced to such a state that I doubted the power of any remedy to do me good."

Lord Chamberlain's Office,
St. James' Palace,

Dec. 3, 1886.

Sir,—In reply to your letter this day I am desired by the Lord Chamberlain to acquaint you, for the information of Messrs. Williams & Sons, of Toronto, that the pianoforte referred to can be taken or sent to Mr. Heather, the inspector at Windsor Castle. I am, sir, Your obedient servant,

GEO. T. HERTSHET,
Comptroller.

To S. Passmore May, M.D.