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## NOTED PORTRAIT PAINTER.

Mr. Alyn Williams, the noted portrail painter of London, enroute to his present home in Norfolk, Ill., was a visitor last week at the home of his cousin, Mrs. John Donaldson, Port Williams. This makes the twenty-ninth trip across the ocean for Mr. Williams. He has painted the portrait of the present King and Queen of England and others of the Royal of England and others of the Royal Family and the various Presidents and leading celebrities in the United States. He is the founder and President of the Royal Society of Miniature Painters of London, England.

ONE NIGHT ONLY DEC 31st.

# Oddfellows' Night

OPERA HOUSE

THE PICTURE IS MAY ALLISON

Five Big Acts of Vaudeville Between the Picture

## Mack Sennett Comedy

Orchestra Under the direction of DON CAMERON

Don't Forget the day, New Year's Eve Prices 35c. to all. Tickets sold by members of Orpheus Lodge

EAST END GROCERY

AND CHINA STORE.

We wish all our Friends and Customers a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

W. O. PULSIFER PHONE 42

Good Things for New Years.

We have secured a few Geese, Turkeys, Fowls and Chickens for our New Year's Trade. We will also have nice

Beef, Pork, Lamb, Veal, Sausage, L

Potatoes, Cabbage, Carrots, Pa and Squash.

Oranges, New Figs, Grape Fruit, Table Raisins, Cranberries.

Moir's Chocolates in Fancy Boxes and Bulk.

Low Prices Ouick Delivery

SUGAR-If its the best grade you want, or

To all friends who have extended courtesies to us in the past, as well as those we look forward to serving in the future, we extend our cordial wishes for a Happy and Bountiful New Year.

Dry Goods, Men's Furnishings, Boots and Sh

# To Our Friends Customers

We wish you one and all a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Acadia Pharmacy Hugh E. Calkin

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WOLFVILLE, N. S.

Now is the time to do your Christmas Cooking

New Raisins, Dates, Figs, Citron, Orange and Lemon Peel, Spices and Flavoring

Christmas Candies, Nuts and Fruits lceing Sugar, Almond Paste

> Layer Table Raisins Fancy Biscuits and Grapes

Xmas orders taken now for Turkeys, Geese, Ducks and Poultry

Choice Beef, Lamo, Veal, Sausage, Pork, Hams and Bacon

## **Editorial Notes**

THE ACADIAN makes its fast appear ance for the year 1920 to-day and takes advantage of the opportunity of wishing all its readers and patrons a happy and prosperous New Year. The year that ends to-night has been good to us. May its successor bring similar opportunities of giving our best endeavours for the public weal. THE ACADIAN intends to do its utmost to make the coming year a happy and prosperous one for its patrons and bespeaks the hearty co-operation of correspondents and advertisers and readers in the endeavour. Here's to 1921.

Christmas was a great day in Wolfville, enjoyed for its many family re-unions and vule-tide cheer. Following unions and vule-tide cheer. Following an urusually open and mild season the weather authorities selected Christmas Day as the date upon which to inaugurate Day as the date upon which to mangurate the winter of our discontent. Cold winds and low temperature made the the home fires decidedly attractive. Saturday night the temperature got down dangerously near the zero mark and Sunday was the coldest day of the search. Taken wholly by coursing many citison. Taken wholly by surprise, many citizens were unready for the cold wave and in pipes frozen up and plumbers were in demand. Winter can now be said to have regularly set in.

### DEATH'S HARVEST.

Hattie Van Zoost, age nine years, passed away at the home of her parents on Highland Avenue, on Christmas Days She had been ill for about six weeks, and everything that medical skill and loving care could do was done for

Hattie was a very lovable little girl, and had many friends both young and The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon, the services being conducted by Mr. Miller and Mr. Watts

## THE TOWN OFFICE.

For several years the expense of conducting the Town Office has been steadily ncreasing, with no prospect of any halt.
Now at one time in our history, the town
clerk collected all our taxes, paid all the
bills and did the other business of the
office in addition to doing the book-keeping of three or four stores in town. Now the civic rulers find it necessary to have the entire time of two persons. This is to be explained partly by the multiplicity of books kept there. I went in at one time to pay a bill and did so, getting my receipt alright, as I thought. A few days after-wards the town clerk asked me to bring back the receipt to have it changed, as he had given me a receipt from the wrong book. Oh, my, what a blunder! I could see no difference that was apparently vital but perhaps there was.

It would be interesting to the rate payers to know why it is necessary to have two (or perhaps six) different books from which to take blanks for receipts. What would be more interesting to rate payers would be a cash book showing the daily receipts and expenditures so than any person might see, at any time what money was received and what money was paid out and what for as well as to or from whom. As it is, if one

as to of from whom. As it is, if one wanted any such information, he would have to go through half a dozen different books with a lot of bills to boot.

The whole system at the office is much like a case I knew where an old bookkeeper went to work in a grocery store in town. He at once found there was not enough to keep him busy, and so proceeded to make work. He took all the counter-slips, and after an elaborate classification, copied them all into a large and expensive day book. The next procedure was to day book. The next procedure was to copy them all into a large and of course expensive ledger. After this he object them on the bills sent out. Then when the customers did not pay, which was free quently he copied the bill again and sent it out. This was one of the reasons why the said grocer went out of business.