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LOCAL BRIEFS

Pictures quickly framed at Tilt's.
John Welsh, Pontiac, Mich., is visiting his father, Head St.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Snell of London, are spending the holidays in this city.

James Innes' Scotch terrier has not yet been returned although a libel reward is offered for its recovery.

Wm. Strong and Jon. McGregor, of Toledo, are spending the holidays in this city.

Pipes, cigar cases and tobacco pouches, a fine line for Xmas at Bennett's, L. O. O. F. temple.

Clairmont Monteth sang an excellent solo at St. Joseph's church last evening.

Benj. Gayman of Buffalo, N. Y., spent a few days with his cousin, Mrs. Geo. Wylie, Tilbury West.

Chas. Renaud, of Belle River, has purchased the flour mill in that village. He is a practical miller.

W. W. Lasey, of Rodney, who has been the guest of the family at R. S. Lasey, returned home today.

Tilbury West paid out during 1900 over \$300 for charity. The House of Industry will prove far cheaper for that municipality.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cooper left today on a week's holiday trip to Toronto.

Mrs. A. James and daughters left this morning to spend Christmas with relatives in London.

Mr. and Mrs. Myrard C. McBrayne, Detroit, are spending Christmas with Maple City relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Fred Stephenson and daughter, Mrs. W. W. Winnipeg, arrived from Ottawa today.

A large assortment of handsome pictures, ready framed, at Tilt's, at low prices.

Roy E. Marcotte, of the Leamington Post, formerly of this city, is spending the Christmas vacation in Chatham.

Fred. Wainwright, of the London News, formerly of The Planet, is spending the holidays with relatives in this city.

Christmas presents at Taylor's Cigar Store. Every person that purchases expects a new pipe and tobacco, or a box of Taylor's Christmas cigars. Two doors east of the Standard Bank.

Divine service will be held in Christ church to-morrow.

The church will be beautifully decorated and the service in keeping with the festival of Christmas. All are very cordially invited.

We must have a number of reliable persons and families in this locality to work for us whole or spare time, good wages paid. No canvassing. Write for position to-day. People's Syndicate, Dept. A, 130 Yonge street, Toronto.

The adjourned annual general meeting of shareholders of the Chatham Manufacturing Company (Limited) will be held at the office of the company on Thursday, the 3rd day of January, 1901, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

The following is the program for the Christmas services in St. Joseph's: 5 o'clock a. m., matins immediately after low mass; 7 and 8:30 low mass; 10:30 solemn high mass and sermon; 7:30 p. m. vespers, sermon and benediction.

Remember the poor—Cash donations, groceries, vegetables, fruits, flowers, bedding, etc., will be thankfully received by the Ladies' Assisting Society. Communications addressed to Mrs. W. R. Landon will be promptly acknowledged.

The costumes worn in Robert B. Mantell's new play, "A Free Lance," were purchased by Mr. Mantell during his visit abroad this past summer.

They were absolutely correct from a historical standpoint as are also the many elaborate settings and accessories provided by Manager M. W. Hanley.

All people wishing to spend Christmas with their friends in the Old Country should call on W. E. Riepin early and make their steamship arrangements, as he is agent for all lines crossing the Atlantic, and will give best possible rates.

Robert B. Mantell, who has spent this summer in Europe, passed much of his time in North Wales.

He devoted himself to the study of the locality and its people. Mr. Mantell is enthusiastic over his role and both he and his manager, M. W. Hanley, believe that it will prove one of his greatest successes.

Gold stamping on Bible and presentation books, or any leather goods at The Planet Bindery, while you wait.

The pulpit of the First Presbyterian church yesterday was occupied by Rev. Mr. Henderson, M. A., of Hensall. Mr. Henderson is an earnest and forcible speaker and a gentleman of exceptional ability and deep thought. His two splendid discourses yesterday were much appreciated by large congregations.

WAR CRY XMAS NUMBER.

The Planet is in receipt of the Christmas number of the War Cry, the organ of the Salvation Army. It is an exceedingly creditable production, both from an artistic and literary point of view. The illustrations are especially good and include several excellent half-tones. The reading matter is both interesting and instructive and gives an admirable idea of the great work being carried on by the Army. Photos of General Wm. Booth and Commissioner Eva Booth are features.

HISTORICAL DRAMA.

Through the characters in "A Free Lance," Robert B. Mantell's new play are actually mythical yet the drama is really historical in that it gives an accurate and faithful picture of life in North Germany in the fifteenth century.

Few writers of popular histories have dwelt upon this locality and in the preparing of the play it was necessary for Mr. W. A. Tremayne the author, Mr. Mantell and Manager M. W. Hanley to make exhaustive research among books and records of which the casual reader knows little.

In order that the atmosphere of the period might be obtained, to the best advantage, the costumes and settings of "A Free Lance" are besides a stirring drama, a new page of history of a period unsurpassed for picturesque and romance.

Wm. Birch, Northwest representative of the Corticelli Silk Co., is visiting at his home on Leane Ave. for Christmas, en route for Montreal and St. John, Que.

The steamer Owen was sold today to Capt. Wm. Simmons, of Kingston, who is in the city closing the transfer. During the winter the boat will be thoroughly overhauled and made ready for next year's work and when navigation opens will be taken to Kingston.

Barrister Geo. G. Martin is in receipt of a letter this morning from his friend, Provost Alex. Macpherson, F. S. A., Kingussie, Badenoch, Inverness-shire, Scotland, stating that there is a costly genuine cairn-gorm stone on the way to Mr. Martin by separate registered packet as a Christmas gift.

Mr. Martin simply says, "Good night, good night, my dear friend, I am in the city closing the transfer of the boat." The Provost is manager of the British Linen Bank, Kingussie.

FIFTY TONS OF CANDY

Have Been Sent to Our Soldiers in the Philippines Islands by the Government.

Fifty tons of candy have been sent to the soldiers in the Philippine Islands by the commissary department of the army during the past three months and large amounts to the soldiers in Cuba and Puerto Rico.

This is done upon the advice of the medical officers of the army, because it is a psychological fact that a moderate consumption of confectionery promotes health and satisfies a natural craving of the stomach.

Candy was never furnished to the United States army before although it has been commonly used as a ration by the French and British troops in the tropics.

This explains another old-fashioned theory that sweets were injurious to the digestive organs, while a moderate use of sweets is actually beneficial.

Very few things are injurious, and the food cranks who advocate the use of a few grains and vegetables and decry the use of sweets and meats are in error, as a wholesome variety of meat and vegetable food is absolutely necessary for the maintenance of the highest condition of health.

The best rule to follow is to eat what the appetite craves, and if there is any discomfort or trouble in digesting meats and sweets, the difficulty can be readily overcome by the regular use after meals of some safe digestive composed of pepsin and dinstase which will assist the stomach, by increasing the flow of gastric juice and furnish the natural peptone lacking in weak stomachs.

The best preparation of this kind is probably Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, which may be found at all drug stores.

Years of use have demonstrated the value and effectiveness of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets in all cases of impaired digestion.

AT THE THEATRE.

"The Female Drummer," which comes to the Grand Jan 2nd., is in Cleveland all this week.

"The Tide of Life," said to be a thriller in the melodramatic line, comes to the local theatre Jan. 14th.

C. J. Whitney proprietor of the Detroit Opera House, the Grand in Toronto, the Grand in Hamilton, and half a dozen other theatres, was in the city on Friday evening.

To-night's production of "A Free Lance," will without doubt prove one of the most satisfactory of the season. Mr. Mantell delighted a crowded house on the occasion of his last visit to Chatham, and comes this season with a new play, which the critics throughout the country have pronounced the best piece he has ever had. It is a romantic drama and is staged most lavishly, the company carrying with it absolutely everything used in the production. On account of being Xmas eve Mr. Cairns has decided to not raise the curtain till 8.45 in order that it may be possible for the theatre-goers to do their Xmas shopping and see the play afterwards.

The Grand Opera House orchestra will, however, be in their places at 8.15 and will play until the curtain rises.

The New System

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It Cures Catarrh

It has only been in this century that the great value of Powley's Liquefied Ozone, as a germ killer, was recognized by the men of science of the world. It was noticed that every kind of disease was benefited when the patient went to live in mountainous districts. It was later discovered that in the rare air of high localities there was a great amount of ozone. Now Ozone kills the germs of disease, and this accounts for the health giving properties of the air.

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Another line with fine Box Calf uppers, extension soles and Kid uppers, regular price \$5, our moderate price \$3, our moderate price \$2.50

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There is no character probably that appears as forcibly to the retrospectors of every class as that of the hero who is really a hero, the gallant knight of the old romantic days, handsome, valiant and daring, ever ready for a just and wishing any danger for the sake of his lady love. This is a character that quickens the pulse of even the most busy and calls forth the aspiration of the gentler sex. All the world looks up to this sort of man, the finest type that history reveals.

In the portrayal of such characters Robert B. Mantell stands foremost and alone. He has won his position by a succession of splendid performances in which great dramatic ability has been combined with a fine physique and a magnetic personality. It is the opinion of Mr. Mantell and his manager, M. W. Hanley that "A Free Lance," the new play that he is presenting this season gives him the best role he has yet had. The play deals with Germany in medieval times and is both original and strong in story. It is mounted lavishly and the scenery and costumes being of remarkable magnificence.

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To Christmas

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WELCOME TO CHRISTMAS; while business waits on the universal joy we stop the news of trade to extend the compliments of the season. The store has done its work, and done it well. It will be closed all day to-morrow.

Now, while the holiday spirit is on the earth and men feel the brotherhood of man, let us unite with you in good wishes and good-will, and help to swell the melody of the bells as they ring it out—a MERRY, MERRY CHRISTMAS.

We, all of us, customers and toilers, and workers, linked by this new touch into a magic good fellowship, keep good holiday, and give and get that first Christmas greeting.

"On earth peace,
Goodwill to men."

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Report for December; names in order of merit:

Class V.—Walter Coulter.

Class IV. sr.—Mary Oliver, Laveria Stark, Ethel Lee, Wilfred Beach, ab.

Class III. jr.—Maggie Henry, Isaac Robertson, Willie Coulter, Roy Henderson.

Class II. —John Stark, Bob Henry, Ed. Yott, Muriel Beach, Burwell Coulman, Bob Bowers, Fred Bowers, Frank Coulter.

Class I.—Rhoda Wicks, Gertie Dorsey, John Colman, Beatrice Henderson, Ruth Wicks, Elmer Beach, Miles Lee, Laura Henderson, Villa Wagner.

Part II.—Donald Henry, Claud Colman, Harry Yott, Hattie Beach, Alice Evans, Maud Colman, Carl Dawson.

Sen. I.—Harold Lee, Eddie Dorsey, Geo. Coulter, Jas. Henderson, Myrtle David, Jno. Wagner, John Yott, Josie Yott.

Jr. I.—Hazel Colman, Evelyn Stark, Nelson Henderson, Eliza Oliver, Forest Bowers, Eddie Bowers, Pearl Meredith, Ruby McNeil.

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Last Moment

Suggestions

No time now to go into details; these last hours are precious to both buyer and seller. If you have forgotten anything or are still perplexed what to give, come with the crowd to the Bargain Centre, where the largest display of suitable and sensible articles for gift giving are displayed at convincing prices.

We have a largely increased staff to wait on you. Shop early to-night and Monday morning. Run over this list of suggestions, what you want may be among them.

Fur Gauntlets

Fur Capes

Fur Jackets

Fur Capes

Silk Waists

Ready-to-Wear Skirts

House Wrappers

Trimmed Hats

Kid Gloves

Hosiery

Handkerchiefs

Silk Scarfs

Tams

Curl Gauntlets

Wool Boas

Purses

Stick Pins

Ladies' Jackets

Children's Jackets

Silk Table Drapes

Silk Mantle Drapes

Piano Drapes

Table Linen

Table Napkins

Chenille Table Covers

White Spreads

Wool Blankets

Toilet Sets of Applique Work

Fancy Towels

Floor Rugs

Chenille Curtains

Tapestry Curtains

Lace Curtains

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A Wardrobe Couch

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A nice Suit

A Fine Overcoat

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