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BUTTERICK PATTERNS

THOMAS STONE & SON

FASHION SHEETS FREE

Christmas Gloves!!!

We planned to have our glove stock in perfect assortment for Christmas. A most acceptable gift is a pair of gloves—or better half a dozen pairs, you like to be sure of the quality of gloves you give as a present—our reputation for keeping the best is well established and we assure you that our stock at the present time contains nothing that we cannot guarantee, knowing them to be perfect in every respect. Special at \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$2.00.

Why Not a Jacket

An especially when you can buy them so cheap, the very latest styles in both skirt and long coats, box back and tight fitting, all at reduced prices.
Reg. \$10.00 quality for.....\$7.95
Reg. \$11.00 quality for.....\$8.25
Reg. \$12.00 quality for.....\$8.50
And all the others at a corresponding reduction.

Umbrellas

Of course we all know that an Umbrella makes a most acceptable gift for either lady or gentleman, and if you buy them here the quality will be the finest, and the prices are \$1.50, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00 and \$5.00.

Carpet Sweepers

Have supplanted the broom, every modern home should possess one. Take advantage of the Christmas tide and make your wife a present that will lift the drudgery of sweeping days and make them a pleasure—present her with a sweeper, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4.00.

Fancy Linens

We made an important capture—a manufacturer's samples of Fancy Linen Battenburg Centre Pieces, Etc., we secured the lot at greatly reduced prices, we pass the saving on to you, all prices 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50.

THOMAS STONE & SON

Direct Importers,
78 and 80 King St.

For Christmas:::

What Men Want

Is what they wear—not useless knickknacks. They want Neckties, Mufflers, Gloves, Rain Coats and other articles that come under the head of haberdashery. If you buy his present at The 2 T's, where men themselves not only find what they want, but find it right, it will certainly please him. You can't buy old goods here, we have none—all fresh and new. And many of our finest fancies cannot be duplicated, we urge early buying to those who wish the exclusive fashions.

In Furnishings

MUFFLERS of plain and fancy silk, \$1.00 and \$1.50.

GLOVES—The products of the world's best glove makers are to be found in our stock—size lines complete, too. Gloves of domestic make, \$1, \$1.50 and \$2. Dent's, Fown's, Perrin's, Reynier gloves at \$1.75 to \$3.50.

NECKWEAR—We have always the choicest creations of this and other countries' leading makers. This Christmas season we out-do all past efforts. All of Chatham's stores combined can't equal our selection or values. No old stuff either, but everything bright, new and of the latest colors, in all shapes.

Four-in-Hands and Imperials, 50c.
Puffs, of the finest silks, woven in exclusive patterns, 50c and \$1.00.
Our line is at its best these days—have you seen the new comers?

EVENING DRESS-PROTECTORS—the new shapes of silk and satin, quilted lining, \$1 and \$1.50.

UMBRELLAS—not the ordinary kind, something a little better. Handles of natural wood, ivory silver trimmed, buck horn and Cape horns, \$1.50 to \$3.

NIGHT SHIRTS—of cotton and flannel, \$1.00. Pajamas, \$2, the suit.
HANDKERCHIEFS, 25c, 50c, 75c and \$1.
SHIRTS—plain white, 50c to \$2; fancy patterned, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50. Full dress, \$1.50.

SUSPENDERS, plain and fancy, 25c to \$3.
SWEATERS—\$1, \$1.50 and \$2.50.
COLLARS—10c and 25c each. Cuffs 25c the pair.

RAIN COATS OR MACKINTOSHES—also now recognized as an absolute necessity for men. Useful summer or winter. Get them at their best here.

The 2 T's

Slater Shoes \$3.50 and \$5.00.
Slater Slippers \$2.00.

Centre of Attraction Santa Claus at "The Ark"

Citizens
Please
Do Your
Shopping
Before
Saturday



Farmer's
Day is
Always
Saturday
Our
Market Day

Some one, come all.
Something for the Children—Dolls, Toys, Games, Picture Books.
For the Young People—Purses, Mirrors, Hair Brushes, Art China, Paper Knives, Travelling Sets, Albums, Companions and odd Bric-a-brac.
For the Older Ones—Parlor Lamps, Dinner and Tea Sets, Fruit Sets, Vases, Silver Knives, Spoons and Forks, Toilet Sets, Famous Stoves—an endless assortment.
Don't miss the place.

"THE ARK"

89 King Street,
Chatham.

Open Evenings

AT THE THEATRE.

To support Robert B. Mantell in his new play "A Free Lance," Manager M. W. H. has this season engaged a company of superior excellence. The handsome and historically correct scenery and costumes, that always characterize Mr. Mantell's productions are again noticeable. The play is a romantic drama, with its scene laid in North Germany in the year 1450. It is described as strong and full of action and gives Mr. Mantell special opportunity for the display of his talents. At the Grand Monday, Dec. 24.

Robert Mantell's magnificent production of "A Free Lance" which comes to the Grand next Monday night is the most complete in scenic effects and properties that we have had at the local theatre this year. The baggage transfer contract signed by the agent yesterday calls for the transportation of two full loads of scenery and nineteen trunks. The property man merely says "We carry all our own furniture and properties." The production will without a doubt be one of the very best of the year. A feature of Saturday night's show at the Grand will be the contest for amateurs after the regular performance. It will be really a double show, as Tom Marks and his clever company of entertainers will give their regular performance with all the specialties, and this will be followed by a contest among local performers for \$2.50 in gold. Seats may be reserved for Saturday night. They will be placed on sale Friday morning.

"Hans Bargain," the Female Drummer, will amuse the patrons of the local theatre Jan. 2nd. The company is the largest playing farce-comedy in America to-day and the production is said to be very clever.

The Houdou service cancelled on and after Dec. 19th.

CLEMENTS WILL AGAIN GIVE DELLRAY BATTLE.

The Situation in South Africa Considered Very Ominous—Cape Colony Dutch Aiding the Invaders.

London, Dec. 20.—A despatch dated Krugersdorp, Sunday, Dec. 16, says: "A pitched battle is imminent between the British under General Clements, who has been reinforced, and the Boers under General De la Rey." A despatch from Pretoria reports that many Boers were killed and injured by an explosion of powder among the stores abandoned by the British at Nooitgedacht. The Boers fired the supplies for the purpose of destroying them.

The British losses at Nooitgedacht, according to the official accounts were 82 killed and wounded, with 44 missing and still unaccounted for.

It is reported that Gen. Knox has been forced to give up the pursuit of Gen. De Wet, because of the Boers crossing into Cape Colony. Three thousand burghers are said to have entered Cape Colony, and a similar number have reached Philippstown. The report adds that De Wet with about 4,500 men is northeast of Ladybrand, and that an attack on Winburg

is momentarily expected. The war office last evening could give no information regarding the reports of a Boer invasion of Cape Colony. Having regard to the customary methods of the war office, this can only be interpreted as confirming the reports.

Lord Kitchener in the meantime keeps a tight rein over the news, which increases the public disquietude. There is a persistent rumor that he has demanded heavy reinforcements. According to the Daily Mail, private telegrams received in London yesterday depict the situation in Cape Colony as somewhat ominous. It seems that the invading Boers are receiving considerable assistance from the local Dutch, and that the troops at the disposal of the British authorities are not sufficient to cope with any serious spread of military operations. It is believed the government has at last awakened to the seriousness of the situation, and is making the utmost efforts to provide Lord Kitchener with horses and mules.

HOW MUNICIPALITIES CAN SPEND MONEY IN LAW.

Thousands in Law Costs Already Incurred by Howard and Orford in a Drainage Suit Involving Only \$4,000.

"I should estimate that there has been \$11,000 spent on the entire scheme. This would be made up of \$4,000 in work and \$7,000 in law costs and damages."

This statement, made in the witness box yesterday during the hearing of the appeal on the Butler and McGregor Creek drainage works before Referee Rankin at the local court house, by the treasurer of Howard township, is liable to set several seriously thinking.

It is an experience of not an unusual character in many municipalities and is calculated to cause the unsophisticated to wonder.

The present trial, too, is an interesting one. It is the case of Orford vs. Howard—an appeal to the Referee by Orford against the action of Howard in assessing them for injury and liability in the construction of the Butler and McGregor Creek drains. The cost of both drains was in the neighborhood of \$18,000, while the amount involved in this appeal is some \$4,000.

The hearing of the appeal opened on Monday and those interested in the plan that it will occupy the attention of the court until Saturday, or maybe longer. It is interesting to form a rough, although necessarily imperfect, estimate of the cost of the sittings. There are four lawyers engaged, three of whom are authorized to attach the "Q. C." to their signatures, six expert and some 25 other witnesses present and the expenses of Referee, court officials and mileage to be calculated.

An estimate might be made as follows: Six surveyors at \$5 per day for six days—\$180.

Four lawyers, two at \$25 per day, two at \$15, for six days—\$480.

Twenty-five witnesses at \$1.25 per day for six days—\$187.50.

Mileage for 30 witnesses, averaging 30 miles, 10 cents per mile one way—\$90.

Referee at \$25 per day for six days—\$150.

Court stenographer at \$7.50 per day for six days—\$45.

Sheriff, clerk, crier and constables at \$15 per day for six days—\$72.

This makes a total of \$1,204.50, costs of the case. Incidentally will run this up several hundred dollars more.

And yet this is considerably cheaper than taking the case to the high court, or even adopting the old system of three arbitrators at \$20 per day, when the arbitrations dragged along without legal strictness almost ad infinitum.

However, Kent county has been wonderfully free from such cases. The last trial in this county took place in January, '99—almost two years ago—when the Raleigh plains drain was under dispute.

THE ESSEX GAS FAMINE.

Users of natural gas all over Essex county have received a scare by the notice sent to manufacturers by the gas company that they must prepare to use some kind of fuel other than gas. The factories at Kingsville may have to close down, as there is no other fuel available. James Brown, manager of the Kingsville woolen mills, was in Windsor interviewing M. K. Cowan, M. P., with a view to having the Canadian Government take a hand in the dispute and compel the company to live up to its agreement, which is that so long as gas is exported to Detroit manufacturers near the wells are to be supplied with gas at the same rate as given to Detroit. Mr. Cowan promised to lay the matter before the Government at once.

LOOK OUT FOR DEAN.

The Great Northern Express Co. have issued circulars offering \$100 reward for the arrest of W. L. Dean of Hinton, Iowa. Dean absconded from the office of the Northern Express Company, and took with him money orders Nos. B543411 to B543419 and B577960 to B577979. These he is filling out and cashing and agents are warned to look out for these bogus orders.

THE NORTHWAY CO., Limited

THE BUSY CASH STORE

THE NORTHWAY CO., Limited

A Holiday Carnival

Every section of this store is a centre of special interest these days. If there is a merchandise want of any kind it is safe to assume it is here and for less money than ever before. Its worth something to know where the right things are without loss of time or worry. That's what this advertising is for—to point the way. These items and prices are of special interest to shrewd cash buyers. Our advice to intending buyers is to shop early and avoid the afternoon rush.

Fur lined Capes, fine black and colored broadcloth, mattalases, etc., lined throughout with rich Caluga fur, full sweep, edged all round with rich Thibet and Sable fur, large Thibet collar, handsome wraps clearing at each \$15, \$19, \$24.50 and.....\$29.50
Sable Ruffs, rich brown Alaska sable ruffs, full shaped, trimmed with 6 to 8 tails and heads, extra values at \$8.75, \$9.50 and.....\$11.00
Capelines handsome styles in most fashionable furs, full sizes at \$6.75, \$7.50, \$8.50, \$10, \$14.50, \$20, \$25, and.....\$30.00
Ladies' Hats, handsome, stylishly trimmed Hats, clearing now at half price—regular \$7.00 hats at.....\$3.50
Regular \$6.00 hats at.....\$3.00
Regular \$5.00 hats at.....\$2.50
Regular \$3 and \$4 hats at \$1.50 and \$2.00
Tailor-made Suits—A snap, 6 only hand-somely tailored suits in fine all-wool checks and plain homespuns, beautifully finished, manufacturers

samples made to retail at \$10 to \$14 have your pick at.....\$5.90
4 only Tailored Suits up-to-date styles, regular \$8.00 to \$10, take your choice at.....\$4.35
Fancy Lawn Aprons, beautifully made with fine Swiss embroidery, insertion and val lace trimming, selling for what the material alone would cost you, see our special lines at 25c, 30c, 35c, 40c, 50c, 60c, 75c and 85c
Ladies' Astrachan Gaiters in gray and black kid facings, wool lined, quilted cuffs, special at \$1 and.....85c
Misses' Astrachan Gaiters in gray cardinal, white and black, good firm cut, kid facings, wool lined, extra values at 75c and.....80c
Silk Seal Gaiters, made from fine quality seersucker, flannel lined, kid facings, special at \$1.25 and.....\$1.00
Waterproof Sealette Gaiters, extra quality, kid facings, at per pair.....\$1.00
Handkerchiefs, the finest stock and best values we have ever shown, beauti-

ful Swiss embroidered hdkts at each 10c, 12 1/2c, 15c, 20c, 25c, 35c, 40c, 50c, 75c and.....\$1.00
Fine Hemstitched Irish Lawn Hdkts at 5c, 8c, 10c, 12 1/2c and.....15c
Fine Irish Linen Hdkts, hemstitched and lace trimmed at 12 1/2c, 15c, 20c, 25c, 40c and.....50c
10 doz. Linen Handkerchiefs, square, fine quality, extra value at each.....10c
100 Rolls Fine Vaseline Tissue Paper, any color at each.....5c
Floor Rugs, rich Moquette Rugs, beautiful designs and colorings, size 72x36 in. at.....\$4.50
Size 63x27 in. at.....\$3.00
Size 36x18 in. at.....\$1.00
Reversible Rugs, fringed ends, new designs and colorings, large sizes, special at each \$2.75, \$3 and.....\$3.75
Blankets—10 pr fine heavy Wool Blankets, soft fleecy finish, size 66x98 in. in fancy borders, warranted unshrinkable, extra good value at \$3.25, special.....\$2.75

The NORTHWAY COMPANY, Ltd. CASH ONLY AND ONE PRICE



Christmas Chimes...

Will Soon be Ringing

Sensible Holiday Gifts...

What would make a better or more sensible Christmas present for Father, Mother or the Children than Shoes or Slippers?

Papa and Mamma don't care for nick nacks, and Baby is sure to eat the paint off the monkey on the stick and make himself sick.

Our Men's Shoes - Men say good things about our Shoes—Newest shapes, good leather, all sizes. Men's shoes at \$1.00 to \$5.00.

Our Ladies' Shoes - We have Ideal Shoes—Shoes that suit our Lady patrons. When there is a good thing on the market in Ladies' Shoes, we have it. Ladies' Shoes at \$1.00, \$1.25 to \$4.00.

Our Boy's and Girl's Shoes - We have Shoes for boys and girls of all ages and sizes—School shoes and dress shoes. Bring the children in and we will please them and save you some money. Boys' and Girls' Shoes \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$2.00.

Shoes for Baby - Come in and see what handsome shoes we have for baby. New ideas and pretty colors—25c to \$1.00.

Christmas Slippers for Everybody - If we have neglected to buy any good style for our Slipper stock, come in and tell us about it—we think we have a full assortment. This is the Christmas Shoe Store.

Geo. W. Cowan

LOCAL BRIEFS

John McCoig and J. G. Kerr are spending the day in Detroit.

W. E. Gundy, barrister of Ridgeway, is in the city to-day.

Ties, mufflers and men's gloves in great variety at Thibodeau & Jacques.

Miss Addie Lillywhite leaves to-day to spend the Christmas vacation with relatives in London.

Miss Ida Powell, who is attending the Ontario Normal College at Hamilton, is spending the Christmas vacation in Chatham.

Melvin Stanfield, traveller for the London Tobacco Co., spent yesterday with his brother-in-law, Fireman Alex. Holmes.

Fur ruffs and capelines from 50c. to \$20 at Thibodeau & Jacques.

The 25c and 50c silk counters are a great attraction at the Gordon store.

Miss Clara Blight leaves to-morrow for New York City, whence she will spend the holiday vacation.

The nine-year-old son of Mrs. Claus, Adelaide street, was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital on Monday.

Court Chatham, I. O. F., will elect officers at their regular meeting to-night.

Buy a pair of Perrin's kid gloves for your mother, sister and lady friend for Xmas gift. Thibodeau & Jacques have a full assortment.

R. C. Burr has mounted a fine specimen of an English pheasant for J. C. Smith, of Ridgeway.

Alma, the young daughter of James Gammage, Kirk street, was taken home from St. Joseph's Hospital to-day.

James McConnell, the well-known grocer, has received a large assortment of Christmas china, opal and glassware, most suitable for Christmas presents. An these goods are purchased specially for the holiday trade they must be sold and there are bargains awaiting customers.

A RUNAWAY.

Jos. Chapman, Taylor Ave., had just finished unloading logs at the market scales when his horse became frightened. They ran down the market to King St., where one of them fell and stopped the runaway. Had not the horse fallen the team would have crashed into the grocery of Mr. Brennan. One of the animals was badly cut on the fore leg, and Dr. Kline used 20 stitches in dressing the wound.

NEWS FROM THE HAU.

Contractor Richard Paxton was in the city to-day. He has finished repairing the west pier from the railroad track south, and has begun work on the north end. The Shenango arrived at 8 o'clock, with a load of coal and steel. The steamer at the Eau is 15 inches slower than it was last summer. Mr. Paxton attributes this to the heavy west winds that have been blowing of late.

HOME MISSION WORK.

There was a children's social given Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. S. C. Walker. The girls of the William St. Baptist Church Mission Band arranged the whole affair. A collection was taken up and proceeds went toward a Christmas dinner for a needy family. There were potatoes, bread, fruit, coffee, tea and cake donated. The children had Mr. Walker act as chairman, and the program rendered by the boys and girls was a surprise to all present. Miss Rose Swan acted as pianist. Miss Revere and Mrs. Walker served refreshments and at the close all the children promised to take this mission work up next year and years to come.