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We have the best and most up-to-date line of Christmas Stationery in the city.

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Phone 222. King Street, East.
The Society.

The Local Budget

J. L. Wilson is in Goderich to-day on business.

T. Draper, of Leamington, was a Chatham visitor yesterday.

Miss Edna Steele, of Ridgeway, is spending the day in the city.

Fred G. Morley, Dufferin avenue, will spend Sunday in Detroit.

H. N. Caracallen, of Dresden, was a Maple City visitor yesterday.

Miss Putnam, of Benhaim, is visiting Maple City friends for the day.

Thibodeau & Co. are showing attractive lines for Christmas gift buyers.

A Sale of Hand-painted China at Miss Burns' Studio, Thames Street, Monday, Dec. 18th.

Harry Nichol, of Cleveland, is spending a couple of days in the city. Harry is an old Chatham boy.

What nicer than Perrin's French kid gloves in a neat box for Christmas at Thibodeau & Co.

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The new Business College, being erected by D. McLaughlin, is fast nearing completion. It is now ready for the roof.

Miss Meta Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Wilson, Wellington street, leaves on Monday for Galt, where she will visit Miss Evelyn Jarvis. She will go from Galt to Toronto, where she will spend Christmas.

Rev. Mr. Rutledge will address the Gospel Temperance meeting in the O. O. F. Auditorium to-morrow afternoon on the subject "If I were a boy again." Mr. Rutledge will sing a solo and music will also be provided by the orchestra. These meetings are growing in interest every week.

Pearl Rings, Pearl Rings

In Great Variety. Single, Two Stone, Three Stone, or Five Stone. Pearl Opera Glasses, from \$5.00 a Pair to \$15.00. Pearl Knives and Forks from \$7.00 Per Dozen Upwards.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

E. J. MacINTYRE, Leading Jeweler and Optician

YOUNG SKATER LOSES LIFE

Tracy Waddell and Fred Monroe Broke Through Ice on the River.

Monroe Finally Rescued—Firemen Raise Waddell's Body After Diligent Search.

The whole city was thrown into a state of intense excitement this afternoon about three o'clock, when the news was circulated that Tracy Waddell, the 17-year-old son of ex-Ald. John Waddell, fell through the ice in the river and was drowned.

The sad report proved altogether too true. The young lad lost his life despite the efforts of a brave companion.

Tracy and four companions, Harry McCosh, Shirley Holmes, Fred Monroe and Clarence Stringer, were together on the ice during the early part of the afternoon. They were playing a game of hockey on the ice on the creek, which is generally safely safe, and about a quarter to three they decided to try the ice on the river.

Stringer was the farthest ahead, Holmes and McCosh were behind him, and Monroe and Waddell followed them. When just off Teumessah Park at the foot of Stanley avenue, Waddell fell through the ice. Monroe, who was with him, tried to get Waddell out of the water. He was unsuccessful in this, and sank with Waddell, both lads coming up under the ice.

McCosh and Holmes were back by this time and shoved a plank out to Waddell, who was now in the water. The ice was breaking around him and it was with difficulty that he could keep to the surface.

When his companions shoved the plank out to him he tried to hold on to it but the water was cold and he was evidently becoming exhausted. With the words "I can't hold on to that, boys!" he sank below the surface of the ice and disappeared.

His companions who were all around at the time and had to watch him disappear, helpless to save him, mourn his untimely death. He was Harry McCosh said to The Planet: "He was cool and collected through it all and spoke to us, telling us before we could get anything to save him with."

Waddell was a general favorite with his companions and they all mourn his untimely death. He was a quiet boy with good habits and pleasing gentlemanly manner. His parents are prostrated with grief.

The fire department was called out and Fireman Tucker and others worked with ladders and pole poles in their efforts to locate the body.

Fun and accident has cast a gloom over the entire community and everywhere sympathy is expressed for the bereaved parents.

BODY FOUND.

Chief Pritchard threw out ladders and grappling irons and the ice, which was a mere tissue, was broken in all directions. Meanwhile he had sent to Hadley's for a punt and manned it with Messrs. Fullerton, Bell and Tucker.

After a short time the trio located the body with their grappling hooks and at 3:45 it was brought to the surface.

McCosh was sent for but, in spite of the most earnest efforts by physicians it was impossible to restore life.

BROKE THROUGH

Young Boys Who Are Skating on The River Are Running A Great Risk

Alex. Bounnall, a young lad employed in W. J. Kenny's book store, took a quick escape from falling through the ice on the river on Thursday.

Some young boys were skating on the creek and young Bounnall tried to do the same. He went out too far, however, and the ice cracked and would have let him down had the water had not made a quick move back. As it was one of his feet went through the ice and was drenched with water.

Young boys should be careful on the ice at this time of the year. Although the river in some places is not frozen over small boys are venturing on the ice and several narrow escapes have already been reported.

It is only a matter of a couple of weeks now when the boys will have good skating, when the ice is safe.

THE FAST TRAINS

To California are run over the Union Pacific, via Omaha, 16 hours other line. No change of roads, no detours, "The Overland Route" all the way. Be sure your ticket reads over the Union Pacific. Inquire of B. E. Carter, T. P. A., 14 James Building, Toronto, Canada, or F. B. Choate, G. A., 128 Woodward avenue, Detroit.

In the City Carpet Ball Bowling League game between the Workmen and the Ancient Order of Foresters, last evening, the A. O. F. won by 4 shots.

REALLY LUCKY.

Blame the luck, anyhow! What's the matter? Ah, my wife always stays up for me when I'm out late at night. You're very lucky. Mine always comes after me.

SWEET CIDER.

We have some very fine Home-made Cider. It is made from good apples and has a lovely flavor. We also have some Baked Cider for Mince Meat.

If you need any more Seeded Raisins come in and see ours before buying. We have the very finest to be had. They won't cost you any more than others that are not nearly so good that most of the stores are selling.

SWEET ORANGES

20c to 50c Per Dozen.

KING EDWARD

GROCERY

PHONE 51

SHORTAGE MADE GOOD

Tilbury, Ont., Dec. 15.—At a special meeting of the Tilbury East Council, called to consider the shortage of W. F. Robertson, ex-treasurer, a settlement was effected. The sum of \$800 was realized from the assignment of Mr. Robertson, \$1,500 being secured from the sale of the farm and \$1,300 from the chattels. In addition to this the bondsmen have paid \$1,400, making a total of \$4,000, which was accepted by the township in lieu of the alleged default of \$7,000.

THE REASON.

Why did you ask that woman's youngest child to recite?

Because, answered Miss Cayenne, was the only way to keep the eldest child from playing the piano.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

STRAYED—From Lot 4, Con. 7, Tp. of Chatham, on or about Dec. 2nd, a black sow, weighs from 250 to 300 lbs. Any information that will lead to her recovery will be rewarded. Daniel Hendricks, Bear Line P. O.

FOR SALE OR RENT—One of the best dairy and grain farms in Western Ontario, containing 175 acres, just outside city limits, city of Chatham, Ont., stabling for 12 cows, 14 horses, besides box stalls, etc., with all necessary buildings; three good dwellings, two never failing wells, about 900 young apple trees now bearing, land in high state of cultivation. Retail dairy business in connection with farm; for 25 years running two wagons. Business will stand the strictest inspection. To be sold with or without the farm. Price reasonable. For sale, particulars apply to W. P. Huff, Box 15, Chatham, Ont.

I testate Oscar Petroleum Co., operated by Douglas, Lacey & Co., New York, offer for sale a limited number of shares at \$100 per share. Dividends at an early date. Apply to GEO. BEECH, Room 19, Victoria Bldg.

Plum Pudding.

Fruit Cake.

Oyster Patties.

Ice Cream.

CHRISTMAS ORDERS WILL BE PROMPTLY FILLED.

W. E. SMITH.

Somerville's Old Stand, King Street.

Poultry Meats

Having Purchased the Business of Mr. W. H. Curran we desire to inform the public that we have had many years experience in the business. We shall maintain the same high standard of Meats and Poultry the public have been getting. Hoping to have the old customers and many new ones.

McLEAN & WEAVER.

Successors to W. H. Curran, St. Clair Street.

DR. A. A. HICKS

DENTIST

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A FEW

Christmas Suggestions

FOR YOUR GENTLEMEN FRIENDS

TO BE FOUND IN THE

2 T's Store.

Men's Lounging Gowns, Bath Robes, House Coats,

Fancy Braces, Dents and Perrin's Gloves, Lined, Silk Lined and Unlined.

Neckwear

A Fancy Vest makes a swell gift.

Fine Umbrellas, Linen and Silk Handkerchiefs, Fancy Hosiery, Sweaters, Silk Mufflers.

A nice Hawes \$3.00 Hat or J. B. Stetson's \$4.00 or \$5 Hat makes a good present.

None newer than these we show, and a grand variety of the latest shades and patterns, including the newest novelties, all shapes

and patterns 25c to \$2 from.....

The 50 cent. line is the largest and most complete ever shown in this city.

Slater Shoes

FOR MEN AND BOYS

Night Robes and Pyjamas

Anything that a man wants you will find here.

Men's and Boys' Overcoats from \$7.50 to \$20.00.

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TRUDELL & TOBEY

Home of S. H. & M. Clothes and Slater Shoes.

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Enjoy the Sport

of skating while you can, and Buy your Skates Here. We have them in all the reliable makes, made of the best steel.

NICKLE PLATED or plain. You'll find our prices right. Sizes and styles for the young and the old.

MPHERSON'S LIGHTNING HITCH

This has been Our Leading Skating Shoe, and gives perfect satisfaction. We have all sizes in both Men's and Boy's.

THE OLB

An extra light Shoe, well-made, used by Professional Skaters, and guaranteed to stand the test.

Ladies' Lightning Hitch, our leading Ladies' Shoe, and perfect satisfaction guaranteed.

SKATE STRAPS, HOCKEY PUCKS, ANKLE SUPPORTS, HOCKEY STICKS, HOCKEY PADS.

SPECIAL DISCOUNT IN PRICES. When Skates and Shoes are Bought Together No Charges for Putting Skates on Shoes.

Skates Sharpened by Special Machinery.

OPERA HOUSE BLOCK

HOLIDAY SUGGESTIONS IN FANCY LINENS

Out of the multitude of Christmas suggestions, one turns naturally to Fancy Linens. Here you have a combination of attractiveness, daintiness, and usefulness, and an always Pleasing and Acceptable Gift. We have a Splendid Collection of Fancy Linens for Christmas Gifts.

Entirely New—Japanese Drawn Work Pieces—6 inch at 25c each, 8 inch at 50c each, 12 inch 50c and 75c each. Tray Cloths, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75. Dresser Covers, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00, \$4.50, \$5.00, \$5.50, \$6.00, \$6.50, \$7.00, \$7.50, \$8.00, \$8.50, \$9.00, \$9.50, \$10.00, \$10.50, \$11.00, \$11.50, \$12.00, \$12.50, \$13.00, \$13.50, \$14.00, \$14.50, \$15.00, \$15.50, \$16.00, \$16.50, \$17.00, \$17.50, \$18.00, \$18.50, \$19.00, \$19.50, \$20.00, \$20.50, \$21.00, \$21.50, \$22.00, \$22.50, \$23.00, \$23.50, \$24.00, \$24.50, \$25.00, \$25.50, \$26.00, \$26.50, \$27.00, \$27.50, \$28.00, \$28.50, \$29.00, \$29.50, \$30.00, \$30.50, \$31.00, \$31.50, \$32.00, \$32.50, \$33.00, \$33.50, \$34.00, \$34.50, \$35.00, \$35.50, \$36.00, \$36.50, \$37.00, \$37.50, \$38.00, \$38.50, \$39.00, \$39.50, \$40.00, \$40.50, \$41.00, \$41.50, \$42.00, \$42.50, \$43.00, \$43.50, \$44.00, \$44.50, \$45.00, \$45.50, \$46.00, \$46.50, \$47.00, \$47.50, \$48.00, \$48.50, \$49.00, \$49.50, \$50.00, \$50.50, \$51.00, \$51.50, \$52.00, \$52.50, \$53.00, \$53.50, \$54.00, \$54.50, \$55.00, \$55.50, \$56.00, \$56.50, \$57.00, 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