In Grocery Selling

It does not do to drop all care and push once Christmas and the Holidays are over. Things to eat cannot be too good in January as well as in December. Fish at this time of the year will be most acceptable -a decided change from the many rich things we have been taking.

HADDIE, 10c a pound. CODFISH, 8c a pound. BONELESS CODFISH, 10c & 1b

H. Malcolmson

GRAND HOUSE ::

Wednesday January 2nd, 1901 **A FEMALE**

DRUMMER

ALL STAR CAST

-INCLUDING-Willis P. Sweatnam, Harry Ladell, Music. George Richards, Oscar Figman, Nellie Byron, st Madeline Merli, Harry James

AND 40 OTHERS. Highest Salaried Farce-Comedy Organization in the World.

ALL SPECIAL SCENERY Prices \$1, 75e, 50c, 25c.

he lutely the biggest and best farce-comedy a ration that has e-se v sited Chatham. I have the production and this is with one exception, riginal cast which made the come of famous. It am, clever fun by the best people in the business, er ough music for a comic opers. Don's mise it. Calras.

NOTICE

Parties wanting mineral water from the Chatham mineral well on McGregor's farm, can procure the same from Mr. E. hours of 2 and 4 p. m., or in small quantities at Room 9, Victoria Block at any

Chatham Mineral Water Company, Limited

Pure Kettle Rendered Lard 11c lb.

Fine Sugar Cured Smoked Hams and Becon At the Pork Packing House F. Chaplin Opera House Blog

TO CONTRACTORS.

Separate and bulk tenders will be received at the office of the undersigned architects up till 7 o'clock p.m., Friday, the 4th day of January, 1901, for the erection of a Brick Church near Pardoville. Plans and specifications at the office of the architects. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. JAMES L. WILSON & SON.

Chatham, December 24th, 1901.

REAL ESTATE EXCHANGE AND BROKER'S OFFICE.

FOR SALE-A few shares of the ham Manufacturing Co'y., Limited

Give the Boys a Pair of

Skates and a Hockey Stick

.....You can get them st

WESTMAN BROS'., BIg .. Hardwar

AT THE THEATRE. CITY STORES WERE TOUCHED.

Xmas Season.

Pilfered Plunder.

It is estimated that, during the recent holiday season, over \$500 worth of goods were stolen from Maple City

merchants.
This fact is both serious and deplor-

This fact is both serious and deplorable, perhaps the more so because in the large majority of cases the culprits are of the tair sex, who have better facilities for rapidly secreting their pilfered plunder. In many instances, of course, the theft is instantly noted or discovered, but the unwillingness to deal harshly with a patron and the dislike of creating a scene have occasioned the dropping of police court prosecution on the restoration of the article or the purchuse of it.

Over \$500 Worth of Goods Secured by Shop-lifters During Many Instances the Culprits ar Well Able to Pay the Price of

One of the most phenomenal successes of the season, Charles E. Blaney's Female Drummer," will be seen at the Grand tonight. The comedy is written in the prolific author's happiest vein, and is overflowing with refined wit. It deals with the trials and tribulations of Smooth & Silk, the two proprietors of a large department store, and the efforts of Hase Bargain, a female drummer to force her particular line of goods on the market. The troubles of Smooth and Silk are further augument by the antics of Buttons, the elevator boy; Super, a superstitious negro, and Nellie O'Neil as Carrie Cash, whose constant habit of chewing gum causes consternation among the firm and employees. Her style and manner are unmistakably fit for the part. She is ably supported by Oscar Figman, Willis P. Sweatman, George Richards, Albert Favernier, Henry Ladell Madeline Merli, Helen Byron, and the lessor parts are in the hands of a very capable company of 40 people, together with 25 pretty girls who add enjoyment to the performance. The company is equipped with elaborate scenery for the entire three acts of the comedy. Altogether it will be one of the most enjoyable productions to be seen here this season.

ONE MAID'S

Thinks Some Maple City Young Men Have Distorted Ideas of

Vocalism.

Would be inclined to Endorse **Drastic Measures for Their**

She doubtless has musical ideas of her own. She is decidedly a student in all the arts and is an adept in many. But, although it was New Year's day, the season's smiles and brightness were absent from the becoming picture which peeped from the snow-flecked furs, and the chilling, biting sarcasm of her utterances made the winter winds and zeroic atmosphere seem as the balmy breezes and suitry sentiment of the midsum-

She confided her grievance to The The late Robert G. Ingersoll "The late Robert G. Ingersoll and other eminent authorities," she began without preface or preamble, while the reporter covertly secreted the prayer-book he was carrying, in his overcoat pocket, "have held that suicide is justifiable, while the law maintains otherwise, and makes it a penal offence if the unfortunate victim escape with his life after dropping from the bridge, hacking his jugular or eating holes in his coppers with the biting, blistering carbolic.

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"Now the tenor singer of a Brooklyn quartette, who, as I saw by The
Planet some days ago, blew himself to
the contents of a six shooter, in the
middle of the last stanza of Goodbye,
Sweetheart, Good-bye, adds considerable weight to the Ingersollian side
of the argument. The concensus of
public opinion will sustain him.

"And," she continued warmly, "the
spontaneous, sentimentally inclined
amateur quartette is a menace to
society. When four throaty young
bank clerks, whose voices never blend,
assemble on Victoria avenue, beneath
a sleeping maiden's window at 3 a.m.,

assemble on Victoria avenue, beneath a sleeping maiden's window at 3 a.m., and throw their heads back and hay at the moon like so many dogs in discordant concert, the value of human life may be considered inconsequential. If one of the party knows how to pick a mandolin, not only self destruction, but felonious assault and murder in the first degree become clearly justifiable."

No Heart too Bad to be Cured.

Testimony could be piled high in commendation of the wonderful cures wrought by Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart. No case Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart. No case stands against this great remedy where it did not relieve the most acute heart sufferings, inside of thirty minutes. It attacks the disease in an instant after being taken,

F. Marx | Sold by J. W. McLaren, Chatham

Jan. 2.—Miss Metritt and Miss Kate Garrett, of Chutham. are spending New Year's week with Mrs. J. Wright, Hughes St. John Gordon, of Wallaceburg, was in town on Monday. Dr. Armstrong, of London, is visit-ing at Rev. Mr. Galloway's. Mrs. Geo. Caister and family, of Windsor, are visiting friends in town. Alf. Peat, of Chatham, is visiting his parents here.

Annual White Wear Sale

The Gordon Store

... Announces their customary...

January Sale

Of White Wear

... To commence on Election Day ...

Monday, the 7th January

Watch this space for particulars

...William Gordon...

wood will be close and interesting, while there will probably be six or reven aspirants for the four other vacancies at the council board. The contest for school trustees also promises to be a lively one.

chise of it.

The Saturday preceding Christmas proved the gala day of the season for the shop-lifters. The immense throngs which crowded all the leading mercantile establishments and the consequent generous exposure of the goods was all in their favor, and results were as stated. The most inexplicable feature is the fact, as stated by the merchants themselves, that many of the larcenies are perpetrated by individuals whose pocket-books and purses are bulging with greenbacks and coin of the realm.

"One often hesitates to believe their MIDNIGHT MASS. Midnight mass was celebrated in St. Joseph's church, ushering in the Midnight mass was delivered to the St. Joseph's church, ushering in the new century. There was a large attendance, the body of the church being well filled. The choir sang Mozart's 12th Mass. Hubert Robert assisted by the choir, sang Atleste Fidelis in excellent style. During the offertory Miss Lizzie Smith, James Rhody and J. W. Wilson gave the beautiful trio Jesu de Vivi. Ernest Kelly gave an excellent rendition of O Salutaris. The Hymn of Praise, Jubilate Deo, by Miss Smith and the choir was spiendidly sang. During the service, the Rev. Father Solanus delivered an excellent sermon. "One often hesitates to believe their own eyes when they catch a culprit red-handed," said one merchant to the Planet, "when it is a person whose wealth can be measured by the thousands. On one occasion during the past week I saw a wealthy lady from a neighboring town take a piece of silk from one of our counters and place it with n her cloak. In fact, even after she had proffered her contused apologies and settled in full for the silk from her well-filled purse, I found it hardly possible to realize it of her. But we caught eleven culprits during the day and how many got away with us we now cannot tell."

Another theft was spotted in a "One often hesitates to believe their

A SOUR STOMACH

is Often the Real Cause of a Sour Tem

That the condition of the digestive organs has a marked effect upon the character or disposition is a truism as old as the hills. Old Ben Johnson wisely said "the pleasure of living depends upon the liver" and it is a fact which none may dispute that a sunny disposition more often results from a healthy digestion than from any other cause. Another theft was spotted in a dry goods store by one of the clerks, as the result of which a quantity of dress goods were returned from under the cape of a shopper. While the confiscated property was being extricated from its hiding place a pair of rubbers, also pilfered in an adjoining shoe establishment, were disclosed.

On another occasion two young ladies entered a salesroom and re-

from a healthy digestion than from any other cause.

Acid dyspepsia, commonly called sour stomach or heartburn, is caused by slow digestion of food, instead of being promptly digested and converted into blood, bone and muscle, it lies in the estomach for hours, fermenting and decaying, creating gases which cause pressure on the lungs and heart, short breath and general discomfort and irritation.

shoe establishment, were disclosed.
On another occasion two young ladies entered a salesroom and requested to be shown jewelled belts. Deciding not to purchase from the stock exhibited, two spools of thread were ordered. While procuring these one of the purchasers cleverly slipped a belt from the counter into the umbrella she carried. The clerk said nothing but made out his sales bill for "Thread 5c. belt \$250." The account was rettled without question, but with evident confusion.

All branches of trade suffered to a greater or less extent, but none more than the counters for toys and knick-knacks, where an early stock-taking has shown excessive raids.

"What to do is a mystery," remarked a sufferer to The Planet. "I guess we lose and that's all there is to it. But we can pray devoutly that, with the dawn of the new century, these help-yourself individuals may determine to turn over a new leaf and stick to their resolution," and irritation.
Such half digested food is indeed poor neurishment for the body, brain and nerves, and the result is shown in irritable tempers, unaccountable head-aches and that depressing condition usually called "the blues" but how quickly all disappear when appetite and digestion are restored.

Laxative medicines only irritate the already irritated stomach and bowels and have no effect upon the actual di-

gestion of food.

The sensible course to follow is to make use of simple natural digestives like Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets after meals until the stomach has a chance

The natural digestives which every The natural digestives which every healthy stomach contains are peptones, diastase and hydrochloric and lactic acids and when any of them are lacking the trouble begins; the reason Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are so valuable and successful in curing stomach troubles is because they contain, in a pleasant concentrated tablet form all those absolutely necessary essentials for perfect digestion and assimilation of food.

Henry Kirkpatrick, of Lawrence,

sary essentials for perfect digestion and assimilation of food.

Henry Kirkpatrick, of Lawrence, Mass., says: "Men and women whose occupation precludes an active outdoor life should make it a daily practice to use Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablet after meets, I have done so myself and I know positively that I owe my present health and vigor to their daily use.

From the time I was 22 when I graduated from school with broken health from overwork, until I was 34, I scarcely knew what it was to be free from stomach weakness, I had no appetite whatever for breakfast and very little for any other meal.

I had acidity and heartburn nearly every day, and sometimes was alarmed by irregularity and palpitation of the heart, but all this gradually disappeared after I began using Start's Dyspepsia Tablets and I can eat my meals with relish and satisfaction which I had not known since I was a growing boy."

The success and popularity of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets is enormous, but it is deserved, and every druggist in the United States, Canada and Great Britain has a good word for this meritorious preparation.

LEAGUE FOR KENT COUNTY.

Proposal to Organize a New Football Competition Very Shortly.

Manager Laurie Suggests the Dons tion of a Trophy For Costest By County Clubs.

There is every prespect that Kent will possess a strong compact County Football League during the approaching spring sea-

son.

Last week the executive committee of the Darrell club waited on Manager F. D. Laurie, of the Maple City organization, submitted their plans to him and solicited his interest and assistance in the matter of formal organization. Mr. Laurie heartily endorsed the project, promised to attend the meetings of the proposed league and pledged himself and the Chatham Club to

pledged himself and the Chatham Club to do all in their power to further it.

The proposal at present is to form a league consisting of the Darrell, Kent Bridge, McKay's Corners and Thamesville clubs, all of whom are understood to be anxious to enter the lists, while all clubs bona fide within the county limits—with the exception of the Chatham Peninsular League team—will be elligible and every effort will be made to induce as many clubs as possible to enter the competition.

when interviewed by The Planes concerning the matter Mr. Laurie said, "The proposition is an excellent one and I think the county clubs deserve much credit for their externing in entering upon it. When the county clubs deserve much credit for their enterprise in entering upon it. When the Darrell representatives submitted the matter I told them the Chatham club would do all in its power to assist. There seems to be every prospect of an excellent little league being formed and The Planet cannot do better than to suggest that some gener-ous individual donate a trophy for competi-

tion each season. From what I have sees and heard of the four clubs mentioned I know they possess much excellent playing material, that will make the contests at all times fast, interesting and clean. Kent is a county rich in young athletes and has in time past turned outmany excellent players. I am sure there is an equally bright future ahead in the county league.

Mr. Laurie added that of course the Chathamites would not be elligible in this organization, but it was to their interests in every way to entend the interest in the game and build up the standard of proficiency in the district by lending an earnest, energetic, helping hand.

Vapo-Cresolene quickly cures colds, coughs, sore throat, whooping cough and croup.

—Lameness in the muscles and joints indicates rheumatism. Don't dally with it a minute. Take Hood's Sarsaparilla and sure it.

Wanted!—Old pipe and tea lead, at once. The Planet.

To the Electors of the City of Chat ham.

BI SUPPLIED THE BEST I am a candidate for alderman for 1901, and as such would respectfully

To the ratepayers of the Township of Harwich

Ladies and Gentlemen: At the urgent request of a large number of the ratepayars of the township, I have consented to be-come a candidate for councillor for 1901. I would ask each and every one to give me your votes and influence and will promise in return, if elected, to fultill duties of office to very best of my ability.

of my ability.
SHERMAN LANGFORD.

We have just received a large shipment of this well-known favorite remedy for convalescents. We have sold this Malt for years and can confidently recommend it.

Price 35c per Bottle

A. I. McCALL,

DRUGGISTS

Good Tailoring

The young men like the cut and style of our apparel, Tand the old men appreciate the quality.

We have goods to suit the quiet tastes of the one sign for more pronounced patterns of the other.

The value we give will please both.

Morley & Co. Lending

.....HardwareSpecialties Table and Desert Forks and Speens, Electro Plate, Knives, fleat Forks and Children's Sets, Salid Forks Table, Desert and

Pocket Cutlery,

John A. Mortons'

A Large Assortment

Of Scissors.

Hardware Store

day.

In Tilbury North the entire council is elected by acclamation.

At the conclusion of the nominations here on Monday night speeches were delivered by the aspirants for municipal bonors. The candidates for county representatives also had their

DRESDEN.

Jan. 2.-Miss Merritt and Miss Kate

TILBURY.

Jan. 2.—The hockey match which was to have taken place between Til-bury and Chatham yesterday did not materialize, owing to the scarcity of

Married, at the residence of the bride's father, yesterday, by the Rev. T. Dobson, Miss Nellie Elliott to Dan.

Shifer.
Miss How'e. of Chatham, and Miss
Sawyer. of Detroit, were guests of
Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Richardson yester-

Jas. Powell and wife spent yester-

day in Leamington.
H. S. Shaw returns to Toronto to-