

We wish you
one and all
**A Very
Happy AND
Pleasant
Christmas**
H. Malcolmson

**Our Holiday
Line is Here**

In variety and novelty our present holiday stock cannot be surpassed. It is unusual too, in the matter of prices. Buying as big a line as we have gave us an advantage in getting bed-rock prices, and all of this advantage we pass on to you. We do this right in the start because

We must sell the goods

We cannot afford to carry such a stock over and so have put prices down to where they will compel buying. We have gifts for both old and young.

Perfumes.—The very latest designs in beautiful package, 25c to 50c.
Nine Toilet Articles.—We have added several new lines this year, in ebony, leather, celluloid, etc.

In these lines we have
Everything that is new,
Everything that is worth giving
and Everything for lowest
price.

THE Red Cross Drug Store

W. W. TURNER.

28 King St., Phone 221.

L. E. & D. R. R. HOLIDAY RATES,
1903-4.

Christmas—At Single Fare, going Dec. 24th and 25th, returning 28th. At fare and one-third going Dec. 23rd, 24th and 25th, returning Jan. 5th, 1904.
New Year's—Single Fare going Dec. 31st, and Jan. 1st, returning Jan. 4th, fare and one-third, going Dec. 30th, 31st and Jan. 1st, returning Jan. 5th, 1904.



Let Us Persuade You

to do yourself a favor. Shakespeare was great in clothing ideas in fine language; like the bard of Avon we are also great.

CLOTHIERS

not of ideas, but of men of style. Why not look like a resident of Prosperity Ave., and put yourself at once inside of a spic and span model of Dame Fashion's latest creation in woolen?

W.N. Morley & Co.

TO-NIGHT.

Catholic Order Foresters, in their hall at 8.
Santa Claus, everywhere, between 10 and 12.
Daughters of Rebekah, Oddfellows' Temple, at 8.
Chatham Encampment, No. 10, I. O. O. F., Temple, at 8.
Court McGregor, No. 6, I. O. F., will meet in their rooms at 8.

TO-MORROW.

Service in Christ Church, at 10.30 a. m.
Service in Holy Trinity, at 10.30 a. m.
Non-Coms. celebrate in the Mesa Rooms.
Young Men's Club, Park St. S. S. Hall at 8 p. m.
Services in St. Joseph's Church at 6, 8.30 and 10.30 a. m.
No. 3 of the Lyceum Course, Grand Opera House, at 8.30.
St. Andrew's Church Y. P. Society, lecture hall, at 8.
O. G. F. Temple, at 8.
The Victoria Ave. Enworth League will meet in the S. S. Hall at 8.
Young People's Society, lecture hall William St. Baptist Church, at 8.
Peninsular Lodge, No. 2, A. O. U. W., in their rooms, opposite Rankin House, at 8.

Local Briefs

Read the Urban Store add., sure!
A nice line of perfume in boxes and bulk, at Ridley's Drug Store.
Wm. Appleyard, Gananoque, is expected home for Christmas.
The nicest lot of carving sets in the city at Westman Bros.
Military Shoulder Braces 40c. each—Mrs. J. E. Weldon's.
Our add. reads 1-4 off for to-night The Urban Store!
John Longwell, Chicago, is visiting his parents, Head St.
John Rice and family will spend their Christmas at Cedar Springs.
Briscoe's store will be open all day Christmas for those who want to purchase tickets for the Grand at night.
Call on Gabe McIntyre at the Montreal House, corner Head and Dundas streets.
Mr. and Mrs. John Lawrence and daughter, of Killarney, Man., are the guests of W. G. Terry, St. Clair street.
McKay's to the front for Christmas Candles. Best in the city! All grades from 3 lbs. for 25c, to 80c. per lb. See special "add" on page 5.
Miss Ruth Brush, Cleveland, Ohio, daughter of Col. E. Brush, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Sprague, Grey St.
Bread knives, table knives, spoons and forks in great variety at Westman Bros.
Harry Pritchard, son of J. C. Pritchard, has returned from Osgoode Hall, Toronto, and is spending the holidays at his home here.
A present that will be useful at all seasons of the year for a Christmas present would be a set of Planet whist trays.

SEWING COMPANIONS

We have some elegant sewing companions left. Nothing more suitable could possibly be procured for a lady. The set comprises scissors, thimble, crochet hooks, pen knife, etc., fitted in swell plush cases of different colors and designs.

\$1 to \$3 per Set

Silver-plated berry spoons, meat forks, pie knives, etc.

J. C. Wanless

Telephone 65.

4 Doors East of Mark et, King Street

William Trotter, of Wallaceburg, spent yesterday in the city.
Smoke Quail on Teas' Cigars, 5c. Sold by all dealers. Union Made.
F. M. Scarff, of Tilbury, was a Chatham visitor yesterday.
Dr. A. A. Hicks is spending Christmas at his home in St. Thomas.
The firemen wish to thank Jack Smith for a box of choice cigars.
W. Moffat & Son, of Tilbury, were victors in the city yesterday.
A large assortment of shaving mugs, brushes, and strops, at Ridley's Drug Store.
Spend your Christmas Night at the Grand Opera House. Splendid attraction.
Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Southcott, Toronto, are visiting at the residence of W. E. Gundy.
Crown Attorney H. D. Smith and family, will spend Christmas with friends in Ridgetown.
Good juicy Valencia oranges, bright color, 15c, a dozen, two dozen for 25c, at Anderson's.
Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Tschirhart, of Detroit, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tschirhart, King street.
E. B. Northwood will spend Christmas in Oshawa. Mrs. Northwood and the children have been visiting in that town and will return with Mr. Northwood.
Special of fancy ready-to-wear at the Urban Store to-night. Read add.
William Robinson has been brought into Chatham jail. He was sentenced from Blenheim to a term of six months for vagrancy.
Christmas holy, Santa Claus stockings, filled with good things for the children, at Anderson's.
Children's Hygiene Waists, 25c, 50c, and 75c.—Mrs. J. E. Weldon's.
Harry Pritchard, who has been studying law in the Toronto University, is spending his Christmas holidays at his home here.
The firemen were called out yesterday to Gray's factory. Fire had caught in a pulley box. No serious damage was done.
Mothers should know that scald head and other obstinate skin diseases which attack children may be cured by Weaver's Gripe. If it smart, reduce it with sweet oil or lard.
Mrs. Robt. Blackburn, Selkirk St., is entertaining her nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Steele, Toronto.
There will be divine service in Holy Trinity Church on Christmas morning at 11 o'clock. There will be two celebrations of the Holy Communion—at 8.30 and 11 a. m.
Nasmith's high grade Chocolates in boxes, Rowntree's Juvels, Terry's Sweets, at Ridley's Drug Store.
H. M. Brown, of the steamer "Steel King," arrived from Milwaukee yesterday, to spend his holidays with his brother, R. J. Brown, West St.
The widows of deceased brethren of Court Hope, A. O. F., were this year presented with the customary gift of a Christmas turkey. W. H. Breen and Ed. Cipe were the committee who had this work in charge.
Notice! Having decided to turn our business into a strictly cash business all accounts now due and owing this firm must be paid before the 24th day of this month. Accounts due must be settled either by cash or note by the above date, as we begin a strictly cash business on January 1st, 1904. Respectfully yours, Stone & Co.

Lot Fields has returned from Moosejaw, N. W. T. Mr. Fields and his two sons have a thousand acres of land near Bowbarn, a thriving place 11 miles west of Moosejaw. Their crop this year, was not very good. Owing to the wet season, the wheat did not ripen and the frost caught it. Two years ago they were cutting wheat on the 14th of August, but this year it was not ripe by the 14th of September. This, however, was a great summer for getting work done. Mr. Fields and his sons have 400 acres ready for crop. Settlers are moving in rapidly, and the Northwest is fast gaining in population.

T. A. and Mrs. Smith will spend Christmas in Detroit.
D. A. Gordon, of Wallaceburg spent yesterday in the city.
Mr. Stover has returned from the Toronto Dental College.

Miss McMullen, Chicago, is visiting at the residence of Dr. Holmes.
Wanted—Girl for general housework; no washing. Apply to Mrs. J. W. White, Park Ave. West.
Fred. Hall, who has been attending the Toronto Medical College, is spending his holidays with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. R. Hall, Third street.
Earl Sheldrick, of Pittsburgh, an old Chatham boy, and a former bookkeeper for the William Gray & Sons Co., is spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Sheldrick.

The hearts of the children at both the city schools were gladdened on Tuesday. In the afternoon, School Trustees and Herbert S. Clements set over a barrel of fine candy to each of the schools. The children all voted the representative of Ward Four, and his wife to be the best.

Rev. and Mrs. D. Stan. Shaw, B. A., of Detroit, were the guests of Mr. Shaw's aunt, Mrs. D. Angus, Lansdowne avenue, yesterday. Mr. Shaw is an old Chatham boy, having graduated from the Collegiate Institute here. He is now associate pastor of the Central Avenue Methodist church, Detroit.

Word was received to town last night from Wallaceburg that George Thomas of this place, who has been dealing with the Indians on Walpole Island for the past month, was missing since Saturday, and it was thought he had been drowned. As Mr. Thomas was reported to have some \$100 on his person, foul play is suspected. Mrs. Thomas left for Wallaceburg last night to investigate the matter. Ridgetown Plandealer.

R. L. Gossell, Blenheim, having decided to devote all his time and energies to his home business, the partnership heretofore existing between him and H. D. Smith, was dissolved on the 21st of December. Mr. Smith will in future attend to the Chatham business and Mr. Gossell to the Blenheim business. Both gentlemen are well and favorably known and their many friends wish that the same degree of success will attend them divorced as did when they were united. The dissolution was a mutual agreement, and both parties are well satisfied.



Santa is King

and the children will all expect some of our finest

Candy

You certainly should play Santa Claus to children, even if you have none in your own family.

Mixed Gandies

make one of the best presents possible, and you can give much happiness in this way with little money.
Send in the order as early as possible, and have it ready.
Guaranteed to be Pure!

Willard McKay

Garner House Block.

and Our Richmond & Queen



DOES THIS SUGGEST

ANYTHING TO YOU?

We think that we wanted to do something extra nice for some one who knew, we'd ask this gentleman to call at "Cowan's" for a pair of his PATENT LEATHERS to deliver to her.

3 DOLLARS

is all they cost.....

THEY ARE as fine as silk, and have a very clever combination of EASE AND PERFECT FIT—just the shoes to charm a very particular woman. AND GOOD—well they pay their taxes.

GEO. W. COWAN.

SANTA CLAUS HEADQUARTERS

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VONGUNTEN BROS.

Vonguntens Bros., the ever popular and up-to-date jewellers, have met with phenomenal success this year, and desire to extend their hearty thanks to their manifold customers of 1903, and also to wish all a very Merry Christmas and Happy and Prosperous New Year.

TURRILL.

Turrill, the shoeman, is closing 1903 by far the best of his eleven years' business experience in Chatham, with a holiday trade well up to most sanguine expectations.
The Empress and Hogar brands of shoes are Mr. Turrill's specialties, as is also the "Acme" ladies' cushion-soled shoe.
With Christmas, slippers in great variety, to fit the smallest and largest in the human race, Mr. Turrill is prepared to meet the demands, and he will be pleased to have you call at his splendid store. See his pretty window!

THORNTON & DOUGLAS.

One of the most magnificent window displays in the city is that of Thornton & Douglas, the popular gent's furnisiers. This firm has more than a Chatham reputation. They manufacture all of their own goods at their factory at Stratford, and they also have another store in Guelph. They have been established here for three years, and Mr. Gordon, the present manager, has been in the city for the past two years. Their business this year is greatly increased, and for which they wish to thank their many patrons.
No firm in Chatham is more deserving of success for they keep the very choicest of stocks and sell at reasonable prices.

NORTHWOOD BROS.

Confectionery is a popular feature of the Christmas trade, and the new firm of Northwoods, (successors to Wigzell's) are enjoying a goodly portion of the Maple City trade. They are well deserving of the liberal patronage they receive as they are doing all in their power to cater to the most exacting. Their store is very elaborately decorated with palms, evergreens and holy, and the windows are very artistically arranged with fancy goods.
This firm recently imported a new candy maker and he has provided himself a wonder. He is also an expert on creams, ice cream and fruit ices. Fine chocolates and bon-bons are also a specialty with him.
If you wish to give a Christmas present of a box of bon-bons don't fail to call on Mr. Northwood.

THE ARK.

The Ark was on of the best spots in town to-day and is beautifully arrayed in Christmas apparel and makes an excellent show. The windows are prettily dressed, one with Santa Claus and his toys and dolls, the other with cutlery and games.

As you enter the store on the right are chateaux purses, and all classes of fancy goods. On the other hand are French and Japanese china goods in wonderful variety and design.
Passing along through the store on the right are beautiful vases and in the centre are doll furniture, books and games, and on the left French and German china, and glassware.

There are five, ten and twenty-five cent counters, with toys in countless numbers, besides fancy little gifts and games for the young and older folks.
A large variety of skates, sleighs, hockey sticks and general skating goods is kept. At the back of the store, too, household sundries are to be found.
Upstairs is displayed a splendid array of dinner sets and lamps. The dinner sets range from \$5.00 to \$50. The variety and quality of lamps to be found in the special dark room are unparalleled elsewhere. Hanging lamps, hall, banquet and library are excellent samples. The toilet ware is so varied that it baffles any attempt at description.
At the extreme rear of the store down stairs are the Pandora and Famous stoves, in which the Ark has a large trade and make a specialty.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC

There will be divine service in Holy Trinity Church on Christmas morning. Rev. T. Beverley Smith will occupy the pulpit. The following program of music will be rendered:—

Opening Hymn—Christians, Awake! Salute the Happy Morn!
Venite—Mendelssohn.
Te Deum—Wm. Jackson.
Jubilate—Wm. Jackson.
Antiphon—There Were Shepherds Abiding.
Hymn—Angels From the Realms of Glory.
Kyrie Eleison—Wm. Jackson.
Offertory Solo—Miss Ada Ross.
Hymn—Hark! the Herald Angles Sing!

Divine Service will be held in Christ Church Christmas morning. The following will be the program for the service:

Hymn—Mendelssohn.
Gloria—Bach.
Kyrie—Lorenz.
Gloria Lillo—Sans Libe—Granby.
Te Deum—Quartette—Misses McKellar and Stephenson, Messrs. Angus and Wilson.
Vulgate—Antiphon—Choir.
Solo—Noel—Miss Florence G. Stephenson.
Antiphon—Christmas Carol—Choir.
Benediction—Rev. R. McCool.
Solo—Christmas Morn—Miss Tracy McKellar.
Hymn—Adeste Fideles.

Bibles!

Hand bibles for Sunday School classes at low prices.
Full Teacher's Bibles, with helps, references, concordance and maps, \$1.
Lodia Paper Bible with references, \$1.
A full line of Oxford Bibles, from 25c to \$1.00.

Prayer Books

Episcopal and Catholic. A full line for you to choose from.

Fancy boxes of

Holiday Stationery

New novelties in all the leading tints and in staple papers, at from 25c to \$2.00.
Fountain Pens.—Practical pens, \$1 each. A good choice of Swan, Waterman and other leaders, up to \$5.00.
Teather Goods.—Purses, card cases, bill books and other useful goods for gift purposes.

KENNY'S

DRY GOODS.

Thibodeau & Jacques

MILLINE

Would You Make a Choice

For Christmas that will surely please? Then you will from this store. Just received a great snap in

Linen Table Cloths and Napkins

in weaver's seconds.

40 Tablecloths in Pure Linen Damasks in 8-4, 10-4 and 12-4, beautiful patterns, almost perfect and worth 25 per cent. more than we are asking. Price \$1.20 to \$3.00.
30 Dozen Napkins to Match. Price \$1.45 to \$2.00.
A large assortment of Doylies, Center Pieces, Shams, &c.
Umbrellas.—The finest stock in the city to choose from. Ladies' and Gentlemen's sizes, handles, all prices, \$1.00 to \$5.00.

Perrin's Kid Gloves.—Nothing could be better for a ladies' present—\$1, 1.25, 1.50, 2.00.
Handkerchiefs.—The largest variety in Chatham, from 10c to \$2.25.
Christmas shopping incomplete without a visit to this store.

Store open every night this week.

THIBODEAU & JACQUES