1906

The Biggest Year's

Business We've

**Ever Enjoyed** 

May your cup of happiness

be filled to overflowing—and

grief-may you never know

May your success in-

crease a hundred fold-and

reverses - may they never

Here's Health Weal-

th and Joy and

Once Again

FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Keelet cele

Decorating

Special importation of Fine

New French China for the

Cups and Saucers, 20c, 25c, 35c, 50c.

Sugar and Cream Sets, 85c to \$1.50. Candle Holders. 25c and 50c Vases, many new styles and shapes, 25c to \$3.00.

Gider and Lemonade Jugs, 50c to \$3.00.

Plates, all sizes, 15c, 20c. 25c, 30c.

Tea Trays, 75c, \$1.00 to

CHINA HALI

OPEN EVENINGS

Plates, special at

China Decorators.

its meaning:

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TWO DAYS MORE THEN WE ARE IN THE MIDST OF

## Stock Taking

We would like to have the stock down to its lowest possible point at stock taking.

#### Come Saturday

and see the goods that have been reduced in price. Nobby Tweeds in light colors, a big range. Regular at per yard, 50c. To clear 25c.

All-wool Serges, in heather mixtures, 44 in. wide, extravalue at per yard, 50c. To clear 25c. 25c to 35c All-wool Cashmeres and Serges, to clear at per yard,

If you are needing a School Dress for your children the above abers will help you do it at very little cost.

### MILLINERY YOUR OWN PRICE

The season's Nobbiest Hats can be had at this store for half price.—See them.

Wm. Foreman & Co.



# \_ CHRISTMAS

There is nothing better than a pair of Shoes or House Slippers for a

Men's Fancy Velvet Slippers, all sizes, 75c. to \$1.00. Men's Leather Slippers, all

sizes, 75c. to \$3.50. Men's Leather Elastic Side Iouse Shoes, \$1.25 to 3.50 Men's Women's and Children's Felt House Slippers, Fancy and

4 DOORS WEST OF MARKET CHATHAM



### GREAT 1-4 OFF SALE

From now until the end of this month we will give 25 per cent. off all Suits, Over- DR. E. O. MILLAY coats and odo Pants.

STONE "THE HATTER."

#### **VACANT SENATORSHIP**

It is pretty generally believed in Lambton County that if a local man is appointed to fill the seat in the Senate, made vacant by the death of Senator Vidal, of Sarnia, that John Fraser, Esq., of Petrolea, ex-M. P. for East Lambton, will be the lucky man. His claims are said by Lambton people to be better than any one else named, and his appointment to the position would be popular with a large number of people.

#### DEATH'S CALL

The death occurred in Toronto on Dec. 27th of Mrs. Mary Ann James, elict of the late John James, foruerly a resident of King street east, his city.

The late Mrs. James is survived as her sen George, who is survived

The late Mrs. James is survived by her son George, who is connected with the Hudson Bay Company, at Winnizeg, and two daughters, living in Toronto. The funeral took place this afternoon from the local C.P.B. depot to Maple Leaf Cemetery at 1.11. Rev. W. S. Rutledge officiated.

#### **GOOD SECRETARY**

The first rural school annual The first rural school annual re-ort to reach the inspector was that from No. 3, Zone, promptly mailed o Inspector Colles by Mr. Ben. Booth-oyd, who has been secretary of the ection for over twenty years, and has never failed to have his report in has never failed to have his report in the Inspector's fands the day after the annual meeting. Want of promptness in this matter, by any one secretary, causes a vexatious de-lay of the whole county returns to the department. Mr. Boothroyd is a model secretary. His report, was cor-rect in every particular.

#### **FAVORITES RETURN**

The Morris-Thurston Co. pfay at the Brisco all next week. On Monday night the play is "Hand of Man," New Year's maintee, "Who's Baby Are You?" New Year's night "Way Down East." The plays for the balance of the week will be announced later. The company includes besides Wm. Morris and Grace Thurston, Pat Conroy, formerly of Conroy & Mack Co.; Agnes Earle, formerly of Conroy & Mack Co.; P. D. Quinn, formerly of the Lafayette Stock Co., Detroit; Tom Waldort, formerly of the Lafayette Stock Co., Detroit; Tom Waldort, formerly of the Grace Hayward Co.; Nan Verona, formerly of the Grace Hayward Co.; Tom Kreston, formerly of the Grace Hayward Co.; Tom Kreston, formerly of the Grace Hayward Co.; Gordon Marshall, formerly of the Summers Stock Co.; J. R. Field, formerly of the Marks Bros. Co.; Bessie Field, formerly of the Marks Bros. Co.; In More Powers, formerly of the Majestic Stock Co.

#### LECOCQ---STEVENSON

A very pretty Christmas wedding was solemuized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lucas Lecocq, 7th concession, Raleigh, when their eldest daughter, Margaret Grace, was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Oliver E. Stevenson, of Tilbury. Rev. Mr. McQuarrie, of Valetta, officiated.

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The bride's home was beautifully decorated in Christmas colors. The wedding took place in the parlor under an arch of holly and bells. At seven p. m. the bride entered leaning on the arm of her father, who gave her away to the strains of the wedding march rendered by Miss Ida Clements, of Chatham, cousin of the bride.

The bride was attired in cream silk crepe de chene with trimmings of lace and chiffon and carried white carnations. The bridesmaid, Miss Mary Leccoq, sister of the bride, wore a costume of fawn crepe de chene trimmed with lace and ribbon, and carried pink carnations. The groom's gift to the bride was a turquois ring, to the bridesmaid a ring set with olivenes and pearls, to Miss Clements an amethyst brooch, and to the best man a stick pin.

After the ceremony the bridal party and guests sat down to a wedding feast.

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The many beautiful and costly gifts testified to the esteem in which the young couple are held by their many friends.

I was cured of Rheumatic Gout by MINARD'S LINIMENT. ANDREW 'KING

Halifax. Halifax.
I was cured of Acute Bronchitis by
MINARD'S LINIMENT.
LT.-COL. C. CREWE READ.

I was cured of Acute Rheumatism by MINARD'S LINIMENT. Q. S. BILLING. Markham, Ont.

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EYE, EAR, NOSE AND THROAT

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GLASSES PROPERLY FITTED

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R. A. MURPHY Real Estate, Insurance and Finan-cial Broker MONEY TO LOAN

OSTEOPATHIST

#### WAS A BIG CHEQUE

\$158,000 Paid Over to Province by the T. & N. O. Railway as Part of the Year's Net Earnings.

Toronto, Dec. 29.—The Provincial Treasurer has received from the Temiskaming & Northern Ontario Railway Commission a certified cheque for \$158,000, which represents part of the net earnings of the Government railway line for the year just closing.

#### BLAIR CALLED TRAITOR.

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St. John, N.B., Dec. 29.—A lively sensation was provided near the close of the banquet to Hon. H. R. Emmerson by the St. John Liberals Thursday night by the action of Hon. A. G. Blair, who was present, in declaring that he was again desirous of becoming a candidate for the City of St. John, and hoped again to represent this constituency in Parliament.

This was received with tumultuous applause by some and dead silence by others.

In response, Col. H. H. McLean, who is also an aspirant for the nomination, made a bitter attack on Blair, calling him a traitor to Liberalism and declaring it unlikely that the party should again endorse him.

This was followed by applause and counter calls, indicating the presence of two strong factions. Blair tried to speak again, but was prevented, and the banquet broke up.

Party Reorganization.

The Liberal convention called by Mr. Emmerson closed last night after three well-attended and enthusiastic sessions, in which the party organization was remodelled, and A. B. Copp. M.P.P., for Westmoreland, appointed official organizer. The new president of the Liberal Association is A. O. Skinner of St. John. Morning and afterneon were given over to business sessions, and last evening a mass meeting was held, at which the Minister of Railways and several other speakers aroused much enthusiasm.

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#### PRUSSIAN AND FRENCH LAWS.

Comparison by the Vatican—Briand Measure Ignores Heirarchy.

Rome, Dec. 29.—An official note issued by the Vatican yesterday says:

"The comparison between the Prussian cultural law of 1875 and that of the Clemenceau Cabinet as made in the French Senate was entirely wrong. The Prussian law, attheugh hard and unjust towards the church, explicitly recognizes the Catholic hierarchy as the foundation of the church, while the fundamental principle of the church and state separation law and of M. Briand's bill is to ignore the hierarchy and to impede in an unjustified manner the ordinary practice of religion."

Broke Up Masonic Meeting.

Paris, Dec. 29.—There were rather serious disturbances at a late hour Thursday night at the Masonic headquartgrs in Paris, where the police dispersed a crowd of Catholics who had forced an entrance to the building and expressed their intention to carry out certain Masonic rites.

Certain members of this crowd had previously made legal declarations at the prefecture of their intention of holding a public meeting.

The demonstrants said they considered that the formalities required for the holding of religious meetings apply equally to Freemasonry. Comparison by the Vatican—Briand
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King St. - Chatham

#### HOLLWEY DISCHARGED.

Charge of Conspiracy Against Real Estate Agent Fails. Toronto, Dec. 29.—The charge of conspiracy to defraud the University of Toronto, preferred against T. W. conspiracy to defraud the University of Toronto, preferred against T. W. Hollwey, real estate agent, has failed, but Judge Winchester, in discharging the accused, declared that the evidence showed that he had intended, and had succeeded in detrauding the and had succeeded in defrauding the

university.
"The charge is conspiracy. The charge is constructed in the charge is constructed in the charge in

#### ANOTHER ASSASSINATION.

Gen. Litvineff Is Struck Down In the Street by Unknown Men.

Omsk, Asiatic Russia, Dec. 29.—
Gen. Litvinoff, governor of the Province of Akmolinsk, was assassinated in the street close to his office yesterday by two unknown men.

Russian Police Activity.
St. Petersburg, Dec. 29.—The secret police made 588 arrests here during the last three days.

The prisoners, who include thirty-three women, are charged with "revolutionary activity and illegal election agitation." Further arrests and searches are proceeding vigorously.

Arbitration Costs \$75,000.

Ithaca, N.Y., Dec. 29.—The decision of the commissioners in appraisal of the noted suit for municipal ownership of the waterworks system of the City of Ithaca was made known yesterday. The cost. to the city will amount to about \$75,000. The decision is that the city pay the old water company \$660,000, with interest from Jan. 1, 1905. Altogether the cost to the city will be \$900,000.

Swindler Sentenced.

Hamilton, Dec. 29.—John Tait,
known also as Patterson and Bradshaw, was sent away for 15 menths
yesterday for representing himself as
agent of a Canfield firm, and swindling a number of floor and feed and ing a number of flour and feed mer-chants for small amounts.

## End of The Year Specials!

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Saturday and Monday we wil put on sale a line of fleece lined ribbed underwear—in two colors and all sizes-regularly sold in most stores at 75c our regular price 621/2c per garment. Saturday and Monday we will clear them at 50c.

#### 25 per cent. off

All house coats, bath robes and dressing gowns from now till New Year's.

### hornton & Douglas

Store Open Monday Evening. 

BRISCO OPERA HOUSE

TO-NIGHT

MARKS BROS.

### **Country Kid**

..... 10c, 20c and 30c. Reserve Seats at Briscos

He gives double who gives unasked. fortune has denied it.

**BRISCO OPERA HOUSE** 

ALL NEXT WEEK

Monday, Dec. 31

Special New Year Matines

MORRIS-THURSTONCO

EW PLAYS and SPECIALTIES

THE HAND OF MAN PRICES-10c, 20c and 30c

LADIES FREE MONDAY

# This Will be Bargain Week at

Until Monday Evening December 31st

As an inducement to quick buyers, we are clearing out everything in Fancy China, Ornaments, Vases, Jardiniers, Pedestals, Gold-Plated Mirrors, Photo Frames, Fancy Plates, Cups and Saucers etc., Toys, Dolls, Games and Purses at 1 off regular prices.



#### 10 per cent. Off



Fancy Lamps, Table and Pocket Cut'ery. Big cut in prices of Dinner sets, Tea sets, and Toilet sets and water sets.

O fer. Cent. off any Stove in The

This will be a big business week at "The Ark." If you want to save money, come quick, we have the big stock. SPOT CASH.

> H. MACAULA PHONE 159.

### \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* NEW YORK CLOAK STORE.

## Stock-taking Sale For 10 Days.

SUITS.—Lot No. I consists of the finest collection of imported Broadcloth Suits we have ever shown—every one an exquisite model. Some are
plain tailored in long and short coat effects. Others are beautifully trimmed
and embroidered in the most artistic effects. The styles are varied, original
and sure to please you. The colors are navy, brown, smoke and black.
Sizes to 44 bust measure. High Grade Suits that sold from \$22 up to \$30
are offered now at the sale price \$13.50.

Lot No. 2 consists of an elaborate collection of beautiful Suits, made in
broadcloth, chevioteand fancy worsteds, long and short coat models. Pony
coats and Haton blouse styles, in fact, every popular and effective style
shown this season. They include all the new shades of color worn this season and the popular two-tone plaids and checks. All sizes. Regular \$15 to
\$18, sale price \$11.50.

Lot No. 3 consists of 25 Suits made in broadcloth and Cheviot, all styles
and colorings, sizes to 44 bust measure. Reg. \$10 to \$12, sale price \$5.50.

Skirts.—Reg. \$6.50 to 10.00 for 4.95. Reg. \$4 to 5,00 for 2.75. Reg.

2.75 to 3.50 for 1.98. Reg. 2.00 for 1.49.

Coats.—Ladies' Coats, tight-fitting and loose-made, in kersey and black
broadcloth, beautifully tailored. Worth \$18 and 20.00, sale price 12.00.
Misses' and Children's Coats \$5.50 to 7.00 for 3.98. Raincoats, 10 00 to 16.50
for 8.98. Raincoats 6.50 to 8.50 for 4.89. Jackets, 6.00 to 8.00 for 1.49.

Waists.—Silk and Net Waists in all colors. Reg. 6.50 to 8.00 for 4.98.
Silk waists in every wanted shade. Reg. 3.50 to 4.50 for 2.95.

Underskirts, Underwear and Hosiery all go at half-price. Come in and
see them.

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