To all who have made this the busiest Xmas Season we have ever had

We Sincerely Thank You. We Wish You A Happy and Prosperous New Year.

All who have so generously appreciated our earnest efforts to serve them during the past

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BISHOP, SONS & COMPANY, LTD., St. John's.

JOKES ON NAMES OF GREAT MEN. Here comes Mr. Winter, collector of

meeting some one punned upon the name of the late Mr. W. S. Caine, M.P. He retorted, in his speech, that every possible pun of "Cain and Abel" and the like had been made upon his five shillings to anyone who could

The late Sir Wilfred Lawson, who was on the platform, immediately achieved the impossible by crying out: "Don't you be in a hurry,

Some famous jokes have taken the form of puns on names. Good Queen Bess, who liked to show her wit in this direction, once rallied her courstir than my Lord of Leicester."

Urning a Lively Hood.

took leave on his retirement, Sir J. Campbell, the Attorney-General, addressed him in the name of the Bar, and both appeared to be much affected during his speech. In his account afterwards at the Garrick, Murphy, the Irish dramatist, remarked that "Littledale cried a great dale, and Sir John cried a little dale."

Once when he saw Mrs. Grote, wife of the historian, enter the room in a curiously gorgeous bonnet, Sydney Smith, at one time Canon of St. Paul's whispered to a friend, "Now I know what grotesque means."

Christmas Evans, the famous Welsh preacher, when crossing over a mountain on a summer day, met a friend, Mr. Herring, who saluted him by saying: "Who would have thought of meeting Christmas in the middle thought," replied Christmas Evans, case of his client in the course of litigenially, "to have met a Herring on

the top of a mountain!" A joke of this sort was once perpetrated by Theodore Hook. While he was delighting a party at his cottage at Fulham by an extempore comic song, his servant entered and said, "Please, sir, here's Mr. Winter the tax-gatherer; he says he has called for the taxes." Hook would not

Lemon, etc.

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GORDON'S PORT WINE, GINGER BRANDY,

GINGER WINE, HOT SCOTCH, ETC.

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Queen Who Liked Puns. be interrupted, but went on at the piano as if nothing had happened, with the following stanza-

> I'd advise you to pay Excuses won't do, he Though Winter his

ence is summary. Thomas Hood, the poet, was the name. In fact, he said he would give prince of English punsters, and found his own name a fruitful subject of his himself very unlike the original, he declared that the artist had perpetrated a false Hood. When near his end he said he was dying out of charity to the undertaker, who wished "to urn a lively Hood."

John Donne "Un-Donne." One day at Banbury Bishop, Wiltier, Lord Burleigh, about the Earl of of some farmers. He was not hun-Leicester, saying, "Ye be burly, my gry, and declared himself "off his for \$1,000 and a sixteenth century Lor dof Burleigh, but ye make less feed." A burly farmer bellowed, Flemish tapestry representing "The but might not be good for Oxon." the Bishops of Oxford.

had sought had been given to Lord \$700. Ellesmere, signed his letter to her: "John Donne, Anne Donne, un-

Victims of puns have often resented this playing with their name. Thus, Joseph Snow, at one time clerk to the Literary Fund, and afterwards editor of a Welsh newspaper, often had puns made on his name. To such he invariably replied that he could not see the drift of it.

A lawyer named Little-a tall man, by the way-was once pressing the gation. The opposing solicitor was, curiously enough, a man named Biggar who, becoming somewhat heated, turned to the Court and exclaimed: "I may not be taller than Little, but I'm Biggar."

Sir! the next pair of Boots will buy will be "K's". SMALLWOOD'S has just re-ceived a new shipment—dec16,tf

Fruit Syrups, etc.,

Brings \$4,000.

A sixteenth century Flemish tapestry with a design featuring the figure of a standing warrior in Roman solid modern property was disposed at wit. On being shown a portrait of auction. It went to Otto Bernet, agent, for \$4,000. The day's total of bids were \$64,430 and the grand total for the entire sale was \$74,650.

A pair of Indian bronze torches of the seventeenth century was bought by the same purchaser for \$2,000. Argentine Man gave \$1,540 for a pair of French walnut armchairs of the seventeenth century. A seventeenth berforce was dining in the company century Flemish tapestry of a verdure subject was brought by Mr. Owsley "Try Thorley's food, my lord." The Surrender of a City" went to the Bishop immediately replied, "That is same bidder for \$700. Dr. Cadgene good for horses and, I see, for asses, gave \$1,100 for a French Beauvais tapestry of the eighteenth century "Oxon," of course, is the signature of with a verdure subject and Mr. St. Cyr paid \$1,000 for its companion Dr. Donne-who apparently pro- piece. A seventeenth century walnut nounced his name as Dun-a Dean chest of drawers was knocked down of St. Paul's, and a mighty preacher, to L. J. O' Reilly for \$830 and a sevenwhen he acquainted his wife, Anne, teenth century Flemish verdure tapeswith the news that a secretaryship he try was sold to Milton K. Blum for

#### Shooting the Clouds.

FRUIT-GROWERS MAKE

It is very interesting to watch the rain-makers at work in the winegrowing districts around Lake Geneva, in Switzerland.

Dotted about the country are numbers of little sheds, from the roof of each of which protrudes a great bellmouthed funnel. If you could find that they are arranged in great circles. In side each is a gun, the muzzle of which is connected with the bellmouthed funnel. Charges of noisy black powder are used, and the funnel acting in the same way as a gigantic gramophone horn, magnifies the sound of the discharge enormously.

Pity the Poor Sky.

When rain is wanted a man is placed in charge of each hut. Presently a small cloud drifting across the sky comes into the circle of guns. Bang! The cloud, shaken by the noise and the shock of the discharge, begins to float towards the other side of the circle. Bang! bang! The cloud is chivvied about for a time inside the circle, and eventually the shaking up which it receives causes it to break up into rain The writer has seen these rain-guns and her brother, Andre, organized a

They have another use, to. They can French army. Routes through the Arbe used for driving off unwanted dennes forests were laid out by which clouds. When the grape harvest is ap- those about to reach military age, inproaching the farmer's greatest foe is stead of being sent to Germany, could hail; the stones cut his vines to rib- escape to the Belgian frontier, thence bons. When hall storms are about, the through Holland, and so back to batteries once more prepare for action! France. They also organized a courier But this time their method is different. postal service between France and the They open fire whilst clouds are out- occupied department. In 1915, some side the circle, and by means of heavy German soldiers presented themselves firing prevent them from entering it.

### French Heroine Recognized by

Army Order. ed, "But we refuse to say a word," PARIS,-(Associated Press.)-Hel- to die than speak. No trick nor threat ene Jacquemin, who has been distin- could break our resolution. They ruished by a special army order, pub-separated me and my mother so as to lished in the Official Journal, in re- force me to speak but I felt that my cognition of her bravery at the age of poor father was near me, telling me to ten, lived in a little town, Montherme, say nothing." Helene is now at the in the Ardennes, which department Girls' High School at Charleville, was entirely occupied by the Germans where her citation just published has throughout the war. Helene's services made her heroine of the day. He were on the same lines as those of Miss | elder brother graduated from St. Cyr Cavell in Belgium. Her father, Paulin Military College in 1914 and was kil acquemin, with the help of Helene led a few months after at Eparges.

One and All A HAPPY NEW YEAR. End of Season Sale.

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We have reduced the prices of the following for the New Year Trade: -

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service for aiding the young men of

the department to get away to join the

at the Jacquemin home and said that

they had orders to search it. The

father tried to escape to the forest

near, but a bullet brought him down

on his threshold. The mother and

Helene then ten years old, were arrest-

Helene recounts, "we had sworn rather

St. John's.

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Manufacturers, Millmen, Contractors and Trades in general please note when giving your machinery its annual overhauling, remember there are two things to carry out, namely, the Quality and the Price paid for all parts required to replace the worn out ones. Therefore write, phone or call before purchasing else-

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"Charles," said a sharp-voiced woman to her husband in the smoking compartment, "do you know that you and I once had a romance in a tram?" "Never heard of it," replied Charles

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in a subdued tone. "I thought you hadn't, but don't you remember it was a pair of slippers presented to you the Christmas before we were married that led to our union You remember how nicely they fitted, don't you? Well, Charles, one day when we were going to a picnic, you had your feet upon a seat, and when you weren't looking I took your measure. But for that pair of slippers I don't believe we'd ever have been married." A young unmarried man, sitting near by with a girl, immediately removed his feet from the seat.

#### The Bear's Mistake.

Mr. Merrington had been invited to go to a children's Christmas party to help to amuse the small guests. "Must do something really funny," he reflected, "I know; I'll go as a bear. That'll make the little beggars roar with laughter,"

So he procured a bear's skin, wrapped himself up in it, and set off in a

When the vehicle pulled up he prang out, ran up the steps of the ouse, rang the bell, and the moment he door opened he darted into the hall and bounded on all fours into the drawing-room, growling fiercely, but instead of the roar of laughter that he had expected, a frigid silence greeted

He looked up. No children were there only two very prim old maiden ladies regarding him with icy amazement. He had gone to the wrong hous

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