

NOT IN STOCK.

RURAL DAME—"Have you any pretty wall paper?"

High Class Dealer (*indignantly*)—"Pretty wall paper? No, madam, we keep nothing but the most highly artistic designs."
—*Philadelphia Record*.

GOOD ADVICE.

"I AM on my way home, doctor," said a citizen, who was after some free advice, "and I'm tired and worn out. What ought I to take?" "Take a cab," replied the intelligent physician.—*Worcester Gazette*.

A SECRET for the Ladies—try Jelly of Cucumber and Roses. It will cure your chapped hands and beautify your complexion. Druggists keep it. Wm. A. Dyer & Co., Montreal.

OUR Canadian press brethren have been trying to outdo the world in the matter of Xmas numbers, and they have succeeded pretty well for the first try. The *Globe* and *Saturday Night* of this city, and the *Star* of Montreal, have each sent forth special publications which are splendid from both literary and artistic points of view. GRIP congratulates them all heartily on their success in shedding glory on our country.

A SIGN OF COLD WEATHER.

MRS. BLIFFERS—"Here is an advertisement for a man weighing not less than 400 pounds. I wonder if he is wanted for a dime museum?"

Mr. Bliffers—"Dunno. Maybe they want him to drive a coal cart."—*Philadelphia Record*.

LITTLE HARRY'S POSER.

"HARRY, you ought not to throw away nice bread like that; you may want it some day."

"Well, mother, should I stand any better chance of getting it than if I ate it now?"—*New York Journal*.

\$25 Sewing-Machine FREE



To at once establish trade in all parts, by placing our machines and goods where the people can see them, we will send free to one person in each locality, the very best sewing-machine made in the world, with all the attachments. We will also send free a complete line of our costly and valuable art samples. In return we ask that you show what we send, to those who may call at your home, and after 25 months all shall become your own property. This grand machine is made after the Singer patents, which have run out, before patents run out it sold for \$25. With the attachments, and now sells for \$50. Best, strongest, most useful machine in the world. All is free. No capital required. Plain, brief instructions given. Those who write to us at once can secure free the best sewing-machine in the world, and the finest line of works of high art ever shown together in America. **TRUE & CO., Box 130, Augusta, Maine.**

Asylum Lands.

Important Sale of Government Freehold Property in the City of Toronto.

The Ontario Government is open to receive offer up to the

27TH DECEMBER INSTANT,

for blocks D, E, H, L, M, N, O, and R, forming part of the grounds of the Toronto Asylum offered for tender on the 30th October last, and which have not yet been disposed of.

For dimensions and location of blocks, designated by letters of the alphabet, see lithographed plans. Tenders are asked for the separate blocks as shown on plan at a price per foot frontage on the street on which they front. The blocks fronting on Queen street on a per foot frontage on that street, "block M," between Abell and Lisgar streets, on one frontage on either street. A marked cheque for \$1.00 must accompany the tender for each block. The cheque will be returned in the event of the tender being declined, or applied upon the purchase money if the offer is accepted.

* The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted. The Government reserve the right up to the 1st May next to remove the brick walls that may be on any of the blocks sold. The deeds will contain a stipulation providing that all buildings erected by the purchaser or his assigns fronting on any of the streets must be of stone, or brick veneered, and not less than two stories in height.

Terms of payment—One-fourth of the purchase money must be paid in cash within twenty days of notification of the acceptance of offer; the balance to be secured by a first mortgage on the property for a term of five (5) years, with interest payable half yearly at the rate of five per cent. per annum.

The mortgage to contain releasing clause and payments thereon can be made at any time in sums of not less than \$2,000.

The purchaser may pay all in cash if he so desires. Further particulars and plans of the property can be obtained at the office of the under signed, who is prepared to receive offers from parties desiring to purchase.

A. M. ROSS,

Provincial Treasurer.

Provincial Treasurer's Office,
Toronto, Dec. 7th, 1888.

Grand Trunk Railway.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAYS.

Return tickets will be issued between all stations east of the Detroit River as follows:

SINGLE FIRST-CLASS FARE on December 24th and 25th, good for return until 26th, and on December 31st to January 1st, good until Jan. 2nd.

FARE AND ONE-THIRD from December 21st to 25th, and December 28th to January 1st, good for return until January 3rd.

FOR SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES—Fare and one-third on presentation of certificates from the principals; good going December 15th to 31st and returning until January 25th.

JOSEPH HICKSON,

General Manager.

John Kay, Son & Co.

"LIBERTY" ART FABRICS.

Having secured the agency for Canada of the Celebrated

LIBERTY GOODS,

We beg to state that we have now got in stock an assortment of

"LIBERTY CHINTZES,"

"LIBERTY MUSLINS,"

"LIBERTY SILKS AND SILK CURTAINS."

None Genuine without Name and Trade Mark.

John Kay, Son & Co.,

34 KING STREET WEST TORONTO.

\$1000 for a Husband!

where in the Bible is the word "HUSBAND" first found. Mention book, chapter and verse. The first person who sends the correct answer will be paid \$100 in cash, the second \$50, the third \$25, the fourth \$15, the fifth \$10, and to the next 135, if there are as many, a **SOLID GOLD PLATE Half Round WEDDING RING**. We want new agents, and for 50 cents will send a **SEVEN HUNDRED PAGE DICTIONARY** of the English Language, well bound, in cloth and gilt. An excellent Christmas Gift. Last year we paid \$20,000 for advertising, and we wish to try the effect of a new method. **LOSE NO TIME** if you would secure one of the Cash Payments, as all answers must be sent before Feb. 1st, 1889. The Premium will be paid Feb. 10th. Send postage stamps, postal note, or silver. Mention this paper. Address at once **WORLD MANUFACTURING CO., 122 Nassau Street, N. Y.**