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The Reliable Store **THOS. STONE & SON** The Store of Quality
Established 1852.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS FOR SATURDAY NIGHT.

—FROM—

6 O'CLOCK TILL 10.

For the benefit of those who will be doing their Christmas shopping on Saturday Evening we have laid out some attractive lines of Christmas Goods at Special Prices. Read the list carefully, and come in and see them Saturday night.

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| Ladies' Hand Bags 48c.
Very suitable for a Christmas Gift. They come in black, brown, green and navy blue with gilt frames. Each one contains a small purse. They are great value at 48c. | 25c Silk Belts & Collars 25c
Out of our immense stock we will show for Saturday night a special lot of Ladies' Fancy Silk Belts, in a variety of styles, as well as a choice assortment of Silk Belts in black and white, all at the popular price of 25c each. |
| Laundry Bags, 19c
In a good useful size, made of nice quality of white cambric and stamped in a variety of floral designs. This is certainly a wonderful value at the low price of 19c each. | Ladies' Hand Bags, 69c.
In a fine, pliable leather, the kind usually sold at \$1.00 each. They come in black, navy, brown and green. Each bag is well-lined with moire, has gilt frame, good clasp, and has a small purse of same leather. They are very cheap at 69c. |
| Fancy Match Scratches, 10c
These are reduced in price from 25 cents each. We want to clear the lot on Saturday night, so come early if you want one. | Sideboard Scarfs and Pillow Shams 59c.
A special purchase for Christmas selling of Swiss embroidered muslin. A variety of patterns, the best we ever had at the money. On Saturday night we will sell the lot at 59c. |

Thos. Stone & Son

The Christmas Bargain Sale At Westman Bros.

A GREAT SUCCESS.

LARGE NUMBERS SHOW APPRECIATION.

ALL NEW GOODS. ALL MARKED IN PLAIN FIGURES.

Look at Some of the Reductions.

\$1.00 Carvers	\$0.80	\$1.00 Nickle Teapots	0.80
1.25 "	1.00	1.00 Coffee Pots	0.80
1.50 "	1.20	0.75 Granite Teapots	0.60
5.00 Tea Knives	4.00	1.00 Leather Mitts	0.80
3.00 "	2.40	0.75 "	0.50
1.75 Pic Knives	1.40	0.50 "	0.40
2.25 Salad Spoons	1.80	2.00 Horse Blankets	1.60
0.50 Nut Cracks	0.40	1.75 "	1.40
1.00 Butter Knives	0.80	1.25 "	1.00
Safety Razors	1.50	10.00 Robes	8.00
"	3.50	6.50 "	5.00

COME AND GET SOME OF THE BARGAINS.

—AT—

WESTMAN BROS.' BIG SALE.

Cut Glass

See Our Assortment Before Purchasing

It is Complete and Prices Right.

Central Drug Store
G. H. GUNN & CO.

PROGRESS OF THE WEEK

What The Operators Are Doing In The Tilbury Oil Field

TERRITORY EXTENDING

As showing the confidence entertained in the permanency of the Tilbury East oil field, it is reported that the Campbell Oil Co. has sold its lease of 7-8 of the output on the Matthew Campbell farm of 100 acres in that township, s. 1st, 4, Con. 8, to C. M. VanCuren, of Bolivar, N. Y. and A. D. Aken, of Lima, O., for \$55,000 each. This is so far the biggest deal in the field. Mr. Campbell retained a 1-8 interest when he originally leased to the Campbell Oil Co., composed of Detroit people.

At a depth of 1,325 feet on the George Adams farm, Tilbury East, Tuesday night, the drillers struck gas, which communicated with the furnace above, causing a fire, which burned everything about the derrick, tank, etc. It is owned by Mr. Bradley, of Wellsville, N. Y.

A second rig from the Stewart-Ainslie well at Glenwood has been moved to the McFaggan farm at Quinn, where a hole will be drilled and upon which work has been commenced.

It is reported that the owners of the Burgess gas well at Valetta, have the offer of \$10,000 from the company supplying natural gas to Chatham.

At a depth of 280 feet, the Tremblay well in Romney—which burned out a few weeks ago—another strong flow of oil and gas was struck, the former being estimated at 100 bls. per hour—according to a sensational report received here yesterday. Mr. Tremblay returned from the farm last evening, and reports that the flow yesterday must have been 5,000 bls. before it could be checked, but unfortunately there was no tankage room, and the oil caught fire and with difficulty extinguished. He will put four or five rigs at work on his next lot.

The Coste syndicate will finish drilling what wells they have on the field now and will close down until spring. Next year, the amount of work in the field will be enormous.

The Coste syndicate are drilling two new wells on the farm of Mrs. Wm. Finn, lot 2, Con. 5, Tilbury East. By the agreements of the lease, the company is bound to drill three wells inside the farm inside of 90 days, providing well No. 1 produces ten barrels per day, 30 days after drilling in. Well No. 1 is doing 40 bls.

The David Fletcher well on lot 1, Con. 9, Tilbury East, was shot last week by Reith-Barnard & Co., and turned out almost a dry hole. Burk, Simmons and McMillen were the contractors.

No. 1 on the Gowman & Kinley-side lease, John Sinclair farm, lot 5, Con. 9, is expected in to-day. The indications are excellent. It is being drilled by W. E. Knowles, Palmer & Willey are drilling a second well on this lease for the same parties, and are down 700 feet.

A rig is being put up on the John Richardson farm, lot 6, q. 14, M. R. N., Tilbury East, by Malone and associates.

The Lesperance well, two miles to the south—"the mystery"—struck a crooked hole this week at a depth of a little better than 1,800 ft., with the result that 20 feet had to be re-filled, putting them where they were last Saturday. It should be in this week—but that has been said before.—Tilbury Times

"DOLLY VARDEN"

The Aborn Company, of New York, presents Dolly Varden, the greatest comic opera success of recent years, at the Brisco Opera House Monday night. The company carry the strongest singing organization of the season, and the most lavish and beautiful costume and scenic equipment ever seen in comic opera.

OFFICERS APPOINTED

At a meeting of Wellington Chapter, R. A. M., No. 47, held Thursday evening, First Principal J. M. Pike appointed the following officers for the ensuing Masonic year:
S. S.—J. W. Plewes.
J. S.—E. Erenlin.
Fourth Veil—Rev. J. W. Hodgins.
Third Veil—Alex. Carter.
Second Veil—H. S. Clements, M. P.
First Veil—Dr. Neil Smith.

LAI'D AT REST

The funeral of the late Mrs. Wm. E. B. Carter took place in Sarnia on Thursday at 11 o'clock, from the residence of her son Wesley, to the English Church Cemetery.

The late Mrs. Carter passed away last Tuesday morning, at the ripe old age of 81 years. She had been in poor health for the past six years. She is survived by the following children:—Mrs. McKitterick, Petrolia; Mrs. Taylor, Brook township; Mrs. Weir, St. Mary's; Mrs. Ireland, Flint, Mich.; Mrs. Thompson; John Carter, Moore township; Wesley Carter, Sarnia; and Alex. Carter, of this city.

NEWS OF LODGES

Blenheim Oddfellows Elect Officers And Maccabees Hold A Banquet

From Our Own Correspondent.
Blenheim, Dec. 21.—At the regular meeting of Point Aux Pins Encampment, No. 73, I. O. O. F., the following officers were elected:
C. P.—L. F. Johnson.
S. W.—A. Finley.
J. W.—J. M. Denholm.
H. P.—G. J. Gibb.
Scribe—W. J. Baird.
F. S.—D. Muckle.
Treasurer—P. Bursae.

At the regular meeting of the K. O. T. M. on Monday evening nine candidates were initiated into the Order. The provincial organizer, C. O. Truesler, being present, after the business of the evening was over, the brethren had an oyster supper at E. W. Knight's restaurant.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Irwin, who left for Stratford a short time ago, have returned to Blenheim.

The Latter Day Saints held their annual Christmas entertainment on Wednesday evening. It was well attended and was a success in every way.

Miss Jennie Allen, Kingsville, is visiting at Mr. W. H. Ferris', Talbot street.

Miss Nellie Denholm returned from Lucan this week for her holidays. She has been in charge of a millinery department at that town this season.

Mrs. W. Labadie and children, and Mrs. E. Stevens, who have been visiting relatives here this fall, have returned to their home, Cranbrook, B.C.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Buchanan and family, who have been residents of Chatham for a few years, have returned to their farm at Bond East.

The municipal nominations will take place on Monday, Dec. 31. The deputy returning officers for town are Richard Coburn, Jas. McVittie, Sydney Burk, J. J. Cookson, W. B. Redford.

Bert Muckle, Langdon, Alta., is here on a month's visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Muckle, Talbot street.

ANNUAL TREAT

The children of Holy Trinity S. S. enjoyed their annual treat last evening. Three long tables were set in the main room laden with a plentiful supply of good things provided by the teachers and friends of the school.

After tea Rev. Mr. Hodgins called the children to order and introduced a program of carol singing, recitations and selections on the gramophone by Mr. N. H. Stevens.

An interesting feature was a contest in answering questions in the Church Catechism. The prize in the junior class was won by Dorothy Hodgins, and in the senior by Sarah Haskell.

The children all received an orange and bag of candy, and in addition every child in the infant class received a book or toy. The Matthew Wilson prize for regular attendance will be announced on Sunday next.

XMAS

DECEMBER IS THE DIAMOND MONTH.

We have the Diamonds that make sales. The prices will interest you, and the high average in excellence of the goods will please holiday buyers. Our large stock has met with the most exacting diamonds. Never before have I had as large an assortment of holiday goods. A call at the big clock and you will be convinced. Only three weeks more.

Sign of Big Clock.

A. A. Jordan

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THE WATER COMMISSIONERS

They Have Made An Excellent Showing During The Last Year

ANNUAL REPORTS MADE

The annual report of the Water Commissioners as presented at the regular monthly meeting held last evening, shows that the waterworks department is in a very flourishing condition. Last year when the Board handed over \$5,000 to the city as a present, it was thought that the limit for success had been reached. This year, however, the reports show that the success of this department has been equally as great as that of last year, and while the amount to be handed over will not be as large, the Commission have added more than the difference to their capital account in the way of improvements to their plant, extension of mains, and other unexpected and hitherto unnecessary expenditures for maintenance, etc.

The Water Commissioners have now about \$3,000 in the bank. Besides this they have contributed during the year \$2,100 for new boilers, \$800 for extra stock on hand, \$5,370 as an extra amount for coal over the amount paid last year, caused by the sudden rise in the price, \$2,003.59 for extensions to mains and \$71 for free water to public fountains, making a total with the bank balance of \$13,364.59. The amount which the city pays for waterworks debentures each year is \$10,120.36, which leaves a profit to the city of \$3,244.23. This has been accomplished in spite of the fact that the Board was forced to pay \$1,205 extra for coal over last year, and other expenditures in the way of extraordinary repairs to the system, which brought the amount of these unforeseen expenses up to \$2,026.18 over last year. This amount added to the profits made makes \$5,270.41 which the Commissioners would have cleared had the condition been the same as last year. With this amount to their credit, they would again be able to give the city \$5,000, the same amount as that paid last year. This is considered an exceptional showing.

The Chatham waterworks system has always been a profitable investment to the city, managed as it always has been by a Commission of capable business men. They have since the system was first installed in 1889, contributed in cash to the city's funds the sum of \$17,030.

Commissioners Sheldon and Cornell deserve the congratulations of the citizens on the profitable manner in which the plant has been managed this year.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.
Superintendent E. B. Jones' annual report was read. Condensed, Mr. Jones' report was as follows:

One hundred and twenty paying house services have been installed during the year, and the extension to main lines totaling up to 1,901 feet, at a cost of \$520.87.

One hundred and one metres were put in service during 1906, making a total of 708 metres now in use. Total number of fire hydrants 187. There are about 1,920 house services in use.

Total length in feet of mains 133,966.

Repairs to pipe at Third street crossing \$296.18.

Repairs were made to the pumping water at 20 feet \$140.38.

The stand pipe was thoroughly cleaned, painted and renovated at a cost of \$299.62.

It was found necessary to provide two new boilers of 100 horse power each and carrying with safety 125 pounds per square inch at a total cost of \$2,120.98: \$300 credit was given on the old boilers, leaving the cost of the boilers and settings at \$2,120.98.

A new dwelling house was put up at a cost of \$77.91.

The pump house and dwelling were wired for incandescent lighting at a cost of \$37.50.

Many other minor repairs were made to pipes and house services.

The total number of tons of coal consumed during the year was 1,655.95, costing \$6,175.25.

Coal in stock credit 132 tons, worth \$491.60: 414,621 tons of coal were consumed in the electric light department, costing \$1,561.32.

Total consumption and cost coal electric light \$6,175.25, Board of Works and sundries \$1,561.32, cost of coal for waterworks only 1,241,329 tons, \$4,613.93.

The total cost of putting down extensions, etc., \$11,076.08.

Total cost of maintenance of plant, \$1,573.33.

Total cost of operating, \$12,112.11.

Total amount of water pumped in 1906, 291,043,012 gallons.

The report referred to the recent test of the pumping capacity at the Water Works.

The pumps pumped per hour during the trial 96,000 gallons, and the water used by the city during the trial amounted to 28,537.

The amount of water required by six lines of hose during the test was 67,463 per hour.

The average water pressure on the gauge at the pump-house was 101.01 pounds to the square inch, while the hydrant gauge showed an average pressure of 83.3.

The pumps during the test, were worked to their utmost capacity.

The capacity of each of the two

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BRISCO OPERA HOUSE

Monday, Dec. 24.

RETURN ENGAGEMENT
The Dresden-China Comic Opera Success. The famous Lulu Glaser production.

"DOLLY VARDEN"
The greatest production since "Robin Hood" with a

Cast of Operatic Favorites

The Musical Event of the Season

PRICES—25c, 35c, 50c, 75c, 1\$ and 1.50
SPECIAL CAR TECH WALLACEBURG

BRISCO OPERA HOUSE

5 nights commencing

Tuesday, Christmas Day

With a special Christmas Matinee at 3 p. m.

MARKS BROS.
New Specialties and a Continuous Performance

Christmas Matinee

"THE GARRISON GIRL"
Christmas Night

"FOR HIS SAKE"

PRICES—MATINEE, 10c and 20c.

PRICES—NIGHT, 10c, 20c and 30c.

Reserve Seats at Briscos'

ChinaStore News.

LAST DAYS OF HOLIDAY SALE
FINDS US VERY BUSY.

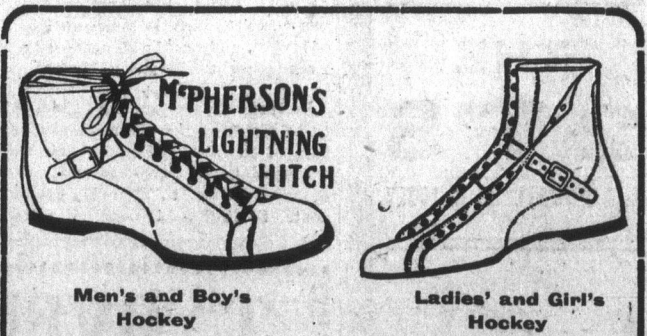
To clear out our Stock more completely we will sell Dinner Sets at big reductions. About forty-five sets to choose from, ranging in price \$8 to \$25.

Our New China is the talk of all who see it, and is selling very fast.

Come early Monday morning and have your parcels delivered safely and promptly.

GRAY'S CHINA HALL

OPEN EVENINGS



Skating Shoes!

Must have And Also You Want As well as **Strength Flexibility Moderate prices All Sizes**

Add these up and you get a fair idea of our line of Skating Boots.

GEO. W. COWAN

For The Accomodation Of Our Large Patronage

Who find it inconvenient to buy their Christmas presents and toys during the day our store will be open every night this week till 9 o'clock. Our large assortment of Toys and Christmas Presents is still perfect, and we have every thing you can think of in our line of goods. Come to the store with the stock.

SULMAN'S BEEHIVE,

King and Sixth Streets...
PHONE 96

FAMILY BUTCHER.

STALL No. 1, MARKET SQUARE, AND 'PHONE 414.



BEST FRESH AND SALT MEATS, SAUSAGE AND POULTRY.

Orders Promptly Delivered.

W. J. EASTON.