

Michie's Christmas Crackers.

The mirth and merriment contained in every box of these pretty paper fancies are now well known and thoroughly appreciated, and we have this year fully maintained our reputation as headquarters for them.

Six of the leading makers of England contribute to the variety and completeness of our stock—and we can supply almost any kind, colour and style desired, and at any price from 15c to \$3.00 a box.

Here are a few—for example:

- At 20c** Costume Crackers, appropriate designs, in an assortment of colors, enamelled with Christmas pictures, and contain bonnets, hats and caps. Another is a jewel box, made in gold and silver colors, enamelled, contains novelties in miniature jewelry.
- At 25c** One pretty novelty box contains daily necessities, such as soap, tooth powder, etc. Another is a "Comical Owl" box, contains miniature toys and musical instruments. Then come the "Patriotic" boxes, containing naval and military head-dresses, miniature weapons, etc.
- At 30c** You get a good old Santa Claus box, full of the Christmas sentiment, bright, and lots of glitter. Another shows various Scotch kilts, and contains little novel bits of jewelry.
- At 35c** Is a Santa Claus box, in rich crimson, pink and gold colors. Cupid decorations, and original love mottoes. This is one of a dozen more, just as attractive, at this price.
- At 45c** A pretty box, representing outdoor sports, such as football, cycling, skating, fishing, etc., and containing miniature toys.

Santa Claus Stockings are also Christmas features of our Confectionery Department, and we have hundreds of beautiful Fancy Baskets and Decorated Boxes filled with choice Candies.

MICHIE & CO.

Grocers, etc.

7 King St. West
40 Spadina Ave.

FREIGHT RATES ARE EXCESSIVE

Arch. Campbell Will Protest Against Yukon Railway Tariff.

The freight rates that are to be put in effect on the Yukon and White Pass Railway are exorbitant, say the members of the Railway and Transportation Committee of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association. At a meeting of the committee yesterday afternoon the rates were discussed. It was pointed out that the rate on flour will be \$2.50 per cwt., while the railway is only 95 miles long. The rate on iron ore from Toronto to Montreal, a distance of 225 miles, is only 12 1/2 cents per cwt. It was claimed by the committee that the rates being put into operation.

Mr. Archibald Campbell, chairman of the committee, will write to the Railway Commission at Ottawa and urge that the excessive rates as proposed be reduced, and Secretary Russell will write to the Department of Railways and Canals asking for a much lower rate.

New York Representatives.

A large firm in New York was appointed to act as the representative of the association there, to look after all Canadian goods shipped to that port for export to Europe. The committee will also endeavor to obtain space on steamships bound for South Africa from Canadian ports for the carrying of Canadian manufactured goods to that country.

Secretary Russell has received an invitation from Winnipeg to hold the next annual meeting in that city. To-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock the Executive Council of the association will meet, and to-morrow evening at 6:30 o'clock the association will give its first monthly dinner at the Temple Cafe.

VOSS REACHES SYDNEY.

Canadian Crossed Pacific Ocean in a Forty-Foot Canoe.

San Francisco, Dec. 17.—News comes from Australia that Captain Voss and his wife, after a long and arduous voyage, have reached Sydney, N.S.W., having made the voyage safely from British Columbia. At Fiji his mate, L. Luntz, concluded to go to Sydney by steamer. So Captain Voss shipped a sailor named Louis Dudgeon, the finest man he has ever seen, and with him and his wife, he sailed overboard five days out, and Captain Voss made the rest of the voyage alone. He will go to Sydney to complete his voyage around the world.

St. Francis de Winton Dead.

London, Dec. 17.—St. Francis de Winton, secretary to the Marquis of Lond, during the term of Governor-General, is dead. He was born in 1835.

Cures Kidney Disease

Richard Elliot of London Praises Powley's Liquefied Ozone.

Powley's Liquefied Ozone cures kidney diseases by Nature's process, strengthens the system and drives out the impurities from the blood. It is a wonder worker; cures people who have been given up to die; people who will now tell you they owe their lives to its marvelous power to cure. We publish statements of Canadian people, men you can write to, who have been cured of Bright's disease of the kidneys by Powley's Liquefied Ozone. They are all facts; we invite your investigation.

For months past I have suffered with a bowel and kidney complaint, for which I tried many remedies in a vain effort to regain my health. I have used about three bottles of the new remedy, Ozone, and have been greatly benefited thereby. It is the finest remedy I have ever come across. I wish you much success with it and I can heartily endorse all you claim for it.

You have my permission to publish this. (Signed) RICHARD ELLIOT, 31 Bruce St., London (South) Ont.

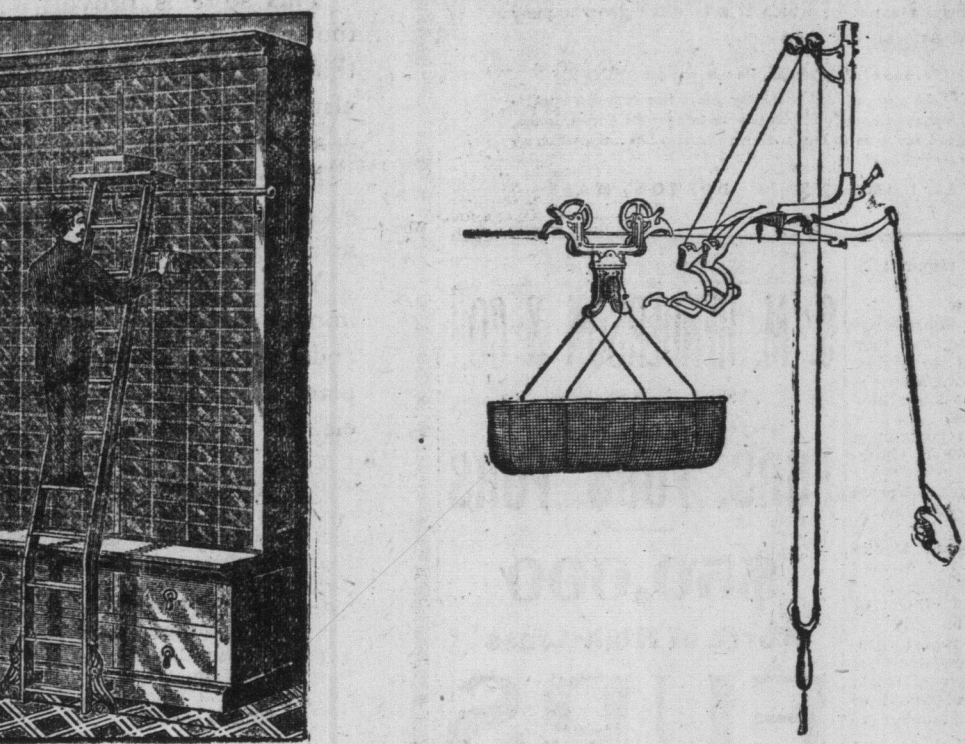
Powley's Liquefied Ozone is Oxygen in liquid stable form. It cleans out the kidneys, soothes the inflammations of the delicate tracts and makes new tissues. It is the greatest discovery of the age.

You don't have to take our word when we tell you it cures kidney trouble; we give you facts—facts you can investigate for your own satisfaction. Powley's Liquefied Ozone is liquid life.

50c. and \$1.00 at all Druggists.

THE OZONE CO., OF TORONTO, LIMITED,
Toronto and Chicago.

Cash and Package Carriers and Bicycle Step-Ladders



MANUFACTURED BY

The Hamilton Brass Manufacturing Co'y,
Limited, Hamilton, Ontario.

THE EARTH OPENED.

Earthquakes in New Zealand Cause Great Damage to Property.

San Francisco, Dec. 17.—New Zealand news received by steamer gives details of great destruction of property in the Chertsey district by an earthquake on Nov. 15. In the town of Chertsey and surrounding country the damage was valued at \$200,000. Scarcely a building was left standing. The fine home of Sir George Clifford was wrecked.

Great fissures opened in the earth and water issued from them. In one office a heavy safe was thrown across the room, and brick chimneys fell like top houses. The people are panic-stricken. The shocks will continue. At Wain River, great cracks opened in the river bed, into which water poured. Then they closed and volcanic water was sent hundreds of feet into the air.

SELL RAILWAY FRANCHISES.

Cleveland's Mayor Proposes to Grant Privileges to Electric Companies.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 17.—An ordinance has been introduced in the City Council, which, if passed, has been prompted by Mayor Johnson. It provides for the asking of franchises for at least 14 new street car routes, some of which will parallel the present two electric systems, and the remainder of which will traverse new territory. A condition of the grant is that they shall be sold to the highest bidder and but three cents fare charged.

GEE ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING.

A wonderful growth is apparent in the business of the Gee Electrical Engineering Company of 11 Colborne-street. When the business was started nine months ago, at 32 Church-street, under the name of Gee & Company, there were only five men on the staff at all. Now there are 35, and business is booming. About six weeks ago the increase of business made a move necessary, and the present site was secured. The plant was installed, an office fitted up, an ad was placed in the paper, and now the company have 30 order contracts, hand and a goodly portion of the trade is coming their way.

Among the big jobs at present, is one for the William Davies Company, at the factory, corner of Front and Beacraft streets; another contract for being filled at once is for the installation of a new electric building of the York Canada Loan Company, and of the Leader Car Company, while in the workshops two large generators for the village of Bancroft are being built.

For a business as yet in its infancy, this has shown phenomenal growth, such as few concerns can show in the short period of nine months. The secret may be found in the man who controls the business, Mr. Gee is a business man, with enterprise, foresight, ability and industry, who believes in advertising and in giving satisfaction to his customers as well as in secure continued patronage, and considers his best recommendation for more extended patronage.

IT IS UP TO THE PREMIER.

A statement attributed to an official source that the Ontario Alliance has not applied to the government for an order in the case of the prohibition of the use of the word "Alliance" in the name of the Ontario Alliance, is officially denied by the Alliance. John A. Nicholls, Ontario Alliance, expressed his regret that the World last night that the Alliance Executive has officially made three applications to the government for a date, and that the only result so far has been a promise that the government would notify the Alliance of an appointment.

The application for the name of the Alliance, made on behalf of the Methodist General Conference Prohibition Committee, was stated at the Methodist offices yesterday to have been so far similarly refused.

Wabash Railroad Co.

If you are contemplating a trip south or west for the winter, please consider the merits of the Wabash line, the short and fast route to the south or west, through the heart of the New World. The Wabash line, the best equipped line in America, everything is up-to-date and first-class in every respect. Passengers leaving Toronto and west via evening trains reach Chicago next morning. Passengers leaving Chicago and west via morning trains reach Toronto next morning. Kansas City same evening 9:30 p.m. Rates, time and other information obtain from J. R. agent, or J. A. Richardson, District Passenger Agent, northeast corner King and Yonge-streets, Toronto.

Throw on the Yule Log.

What is more cheerful at this season of the year than a bright coal or wood grate? What more appropriate present could you give your lady or husband than a brace or article well-known for its place, settle or fire iron set? Rice, Lewis & Son are showing a great variety of patterns in these goods, and invite inspection of their stock. Prices to suit all people.

"Useful Gifts from First Place of Production."

Umbrellas—Travelling Bags

Fine Leather Goods

Direct from East's—at Manufacturer's Prices

Thousands of Beautiful Gift Umbrellas are gathered here in this store—thousands more in our stock rooms. The umbrella has become a popular gift—an extra umbrella is like an extra cane or an extra dress—always useful—and the beautiful handles offer so much pleasing variety and attractiveness.

Gift Umbrellas

"Irresistible" Black Austrian Serge Umbrellas, will outwear many silk umbrellas, 50 different styles handles, many silver trimmed, \$1.00
Fine Gloria Silk Umbrellas, for ladies, pearl, ivory and silver-tipped handles, best frame \$1.50
Same quality, for men, with silver and Gonga horn tips, \$1.50

Gift Umbrellas

Extra quality Gloria Silk Umbrellas, men and women, beautiful assortment of Dresden, ivory, horn and 2.00
Gift Umbrellas, of elegant design, for men and women, imported handles of artistic merit and superb workmanship, made particularly for our Christmas trade, \$3 down to 3.00
Umbrellas, with massive gold handles, real present on umbrellas, highest class goods used in the making, will live to be handed down as heirlooms, each from \$5 to 30.00



Purses—Wallets—Valises—Trunks—Bags.

Trunks
Square top "Going Home" Trunk, one that you will be asked, "Where did you get it?"—\$3.
"Unbreakable" Trunk, square top, deep tray and compartments, hardwood slats, steel clad, reinforced at every joint, \$22 inch \$3.50, 36 inch \$4.
Swell Trunks for Holiday Trips, brass mountings, extra heavy brass corner and leather straps, \$2.
Swell Saratoga Trunks, high barrel top, deep tray and lat compartments, mahogany steel covering, good lock and bolts, sheet steel bottom and rollers, 28 inch \$2.50, 32 inch \$3. A smaller Saratoga Trunk at \$1.50.
Stationer or Cabin Trunks from \$3 up to \$18.
Rare Fine Trunks at \$10, \$15, \$16.

Purses
Extra fine line, with heavy oxidized silver frames, at \$5.50, choice of Chatelaine Bags ever imported into Canada.
Leather Purses, cheap and combination, well finished, 50c.
Best Purses, of fine finish, clasp and combination style, plain and silver mounted, 50c and 75c.
Booklet Purses, Alligator and Walrus, with and without sterling silver corners, \$1, \$1.50 and \$2.
Many of the expensive purses had made, newest leathers, gold and silver, only one of each kind, \$4 and \$5.
"The kind that won't let money be lost," \$5 up to \$10.
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The best kind as much in vogue, plain and leather covered frames, from \$1.25 to \$3.

Chatelaine Bags
Leather lined Chatelaine Bags, nicely finished, 50c.
Sewer Chatelaine Bags, 75c.
\$1, \$1.25, \$1.50.
Fine walrus and lizard skin, fine small calf skin and underlined kid linings, from \$1.50 to \$5.

Travelling Bags
SUIT CASES, the popular travelling bag for men and women now, leather, leather, brass lock and catches, heavy leather corners, our own make, \$4.
SUIT CASES, \$5, \$5.50, \$6, \$7 to \$10.
Cabin Bags, 18 inch, \$5.50, a very strong, serviceable and stylish bag.
"Kit" Bags, the popular English hand luggage bag, leather lined, leather covered frame, large \$5.50, \$6.50.
Silk Hat Boxes for Men, \$1.50, \$2.50, \$3.
Special Square Leather Hat Case, satin lined, will hold silk hat, Chester, straw and knockabout, \$1.50.

EAST & CO., - Corner Yonge and Agnes

A LIBERAL COLLECTION.

Orangeville, Dec. 17.—At the anniversary services of Orangeville Methodist Church on Sunday last, which were conducted by the pastor, Rev. T. E. Barley, at the request of the Quarterly Board, the congregation gave \$748 in cash, the money was asked for only \$200. In addition, several subscriptions payable in a few weeks were received.

FELL ON PLATE OF HOT METAL.

Columbus, Ohio, Dec. 17.—King Irvin, a laborer at the Marine Steel Furnace, was overcome by strong gases and tar fumes to-day and fell upon a plate of hot metal. Death was instantaneous.

Of the Right Sort.

Halifax, N.S., Dec. 17.—Among the passengers who arrived here by the mail steamer Cornishian this morning from Liverpool was a party of 38 young Scotch farmers, who will be distributed thru Manitoba. The men are between the ages of 22 and 30, and are all experienced farmers.

Help your children to grow strong and robust by contracting anything that causes ill-health. One great cause of disease in children is worms. Remove them with Mother Graves' Worm Expeller. It never fails.

FROZEN AT THEIR POSTS.

Liéban, Dec. 17.—The cold weather prevailing here is quite unprecedented. Two sentries have been frozen to death. The River Tagus is full of drift ice. The provinces of Portugal have been swept by a snowstorm.

Elegant New Sleeping Cars Between Toronto and Montreal.

The Grand Trunk have recently arranged with the Pullman Company to place in service on their express trains running between Montreal and Toronto, three elegant new sleeping cars. Each of these cars contains twelve sections and drawing room. The interior decorations are considered by experienced travelers the most artistic in use. The cars have to be seen in order to realize the high perfection of the art of car building has attained.

ASK FOR Labatt's (LONDON) ALE AND PORTER

USED MEDICINALLY: Are recommended by nearly all physicians. Reports of four chemists furnished on application.
USED DIETETICALLY: Stimulate the appetite, aid digestion, promote sleep.

Our Bottled Ales are not carbonated—they are brewed from the finest malt and hops only, are fully matured in wood and bottle and are therefore pure and wholesome as well as mellow and delicious.

ALL DEALERS.

Toronto Brewing Co.
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UWANTA CAPSULE

Cures a Cold

In One Day

Knocks Out Grippe

Pleasant to Take

The Gee Electrical Engineering Co., Limited,

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Late GEE & CO., - - - 32 Church Street.

We have equipped a factory with the very latest and best machines for the building of

Dynamos, Motors and All Electrical Appliances.

We have every facility for Repairing.

We guarantee all our work.

We keep a large staff of competent Electricians and Wiremen and are in a position to do Electrical Work of every description; the wiring of Residences, Business Houses, Factories, etc.

We have a large stock of

Electrical Fittings, Arc Lamps, Telephone Bells, Etc.

We shall be pleased to quote for any work.

ESTIMATES AND PLANS SUBMITTED.

PALMS, HOLLY, MISTLETOE,

AND OTHER XMAS DECORATIONS.

HOLLY with nice green leaves 1 lb. 25c; 5 lbs. \$1.00.
MISTLETOE bunch, 25c.
PALMS KENTIA
12 to 15 inches high.....\$0.50
16 to 20 inches high.....\$0.75
24 to 30 inches high.....\$1.25
36 to 48 inches high.....\$2.00
BOSTON SWORD FERNS—Extra fine quality, green and white, each 50c, \$1.25 and \$3.00.
ARANCARIA EXCELSA (24" or 36" high) \$1.50 each.
AZALEAS to bloom at Xmas and New Year, \$1.25 each.
MOSS WREATHING 100 yards.

The Steele, Briggs Seed Co. LIMITED.
130 AND 132 KING ST. E.
Phone—Main 1922.

CHARGED WITH MURDER.

Washington, Pa., Dec. 17.—As a result of the inquest on the remains of Mrs. Elizabeth Shannon, who was found dead in a field near Warrington yesterday, David Hoge has been placed under arrest charged with her murder. It is alleged that Hoge was last seen driving out of Warrington with the woman, and both were said to have been drinking.

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