

Commence Well . . .

This matter of Christmas buying deserves attention now. The fruit is now at its best. Our assortment is complete, you will get just what you want and get waited on properly. When the plum puddings and mince meat are made what a feeling of relief it brings to the housewife. Why not do your fruit buying now.

FINE CLEANED CURRANTS—3 lbs. for 25c.
FINEST SELECTED RAISINS—3 lbs. for 25c.
BEST MIXED PEEL, 20c a pound.
PURE EXTRACTS, 2 bottles for 25c.
SEEDLESS RAISINS, 10c a pound.
SEEDLESS RAISINS—2 lbs. for 25c.
FINE DATES, 7c a pound.
COOKING FIGS—5c a pound.
PURE GROUND SPICES.
OUR PURE CREAM OF TARTAR BAKING POWDER, 25c a pound.

H. Malcolmson

Now

One month and you will need some little gift or gifts for friends and the following may suit at these special prices—

Pearl handle knives and forks at per dozen \$8.00.
Ladies silver and gunmetal watches at \$2.50.
Birthday and gift rings, in solid gold, with all the different stones, at \$1.50.
Genuine ebony Brushes at \$1.
In special and red.

E. J. MacIntyre,

Christmas Cards, New Years Cards, Calendars, Christmas Figaro, London News, Black and White, Pears, Graphic, Holly Leaves Christmas Globe

R. Cooper

Fortify the system against disease by purifying and enriching the blood—in other words, take Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Local Budget

T. McQueen, Windsor, was in the city to-day.
Duncan McCoig, of Mull, is in the city to-day.
F. Collison, of Dresden, is in the city to-day.
John Goodison, of Sarnia, is in the city to-day.
O. Nesly, of Dresden, was in the city yesterday.
Milton Pease, of Leamington, is in the city to-day.
N. Churchill, of Highgate, was in the city yesterday.
Slater Shoe Rubbers, 12 styles, \$1.00 pair, at The 2 T's.
Mrs. Alonzo Ouellette, of Dover East, is seriously ill.
Alfred Jones, of Wallaceburg, was in the city yesterday.
John M. Rea, of Leamington, spent yesterday in the city.
Mrs. Reed, Foster street, who has been very ill, is improving.
Boyd Parnall has returned from harvesting in the Northwest.
Mrs. D. McCoig, of Mull, who has been ill for some time, has fully recovered.

The best bargain yet in kid gloves at Thibodeau & Jacques on Wednesday at 50c.
Special sale of Shetland floss, 60 cents a skein, all colors, at Sulman's Beehive, Garner House Block.
Leon and Karl Goettler, of Stratford, are the guests of their cousins, the Misses Edmondson, Head street.
The best yet. Direct room the manufacturers, 16 dozen kid gloves, in black, new colors and white, to be sold Wednesday, 4th, at 50c, at Thibodeau & Jacques.

There will be a regular meeting of Wellington Lodge, No. 46, A. F. & A. M., G. R. C., this evening, Dec. 2, and the election of officers for the ensuing year will take place it is hoped there will be a large attendance. Visiting brethren will be heartily welcomed.

Hector McGregor has received a letter from his son-in-law, James McLaughlin, formerly in charge of the shipping of the Kent Mills. Mr. McLaughlin is now in Minnesota. He reports that both he and his wife are enjoying excellent health and Mr. McLaughlin has secured an excellent situation.
Something for the gentle—Matchboxes, cigar and cigarette cases, pipes, smoking trays, travelling sets, ebony brushes and combs, canes, umbrellas, etc., make a very acceptable present for a gentleman. The finest and largest stock ever shown in Chatham, at E. J. MacIntyre's, leading jeweller, King street.

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Holiday Fruits

—AND—

Canned Goods

We are just in receipt of a large assortment of

FRUITS and CANNED GOODS

and have recently replenished our stock with new

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HOUSEKEEPERS will find it to their advantage to call and get our prices.

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Residence 215.

R. Phillips, of Windsor, is in the city to-day.
Western City Lodge meets to-night at 8 o'clock.
Eddie, son of Ald. E. A. Mounter, is quite sick.

Rev. J. H. Osterhout is spending the day in Blenheim.

Warden C. L. VonGuten is in the city on business.

Miss M. McGavin spent yesterday at Charing Cross.

Dan Smith, of Coatsworth, spent Saturday in the city.

Wm. Beggs, of Kingsville, was in the city on Saturday.

George Robinson, of Wheatley, was in the city on Saturday.

P. E. Ross, of Detroit, spent Saturday with friends in the city.

Miss May Dalgleish, of the C. J. B. C., is spending a few days in Detroit.

County Commissioner James Ross, of Tilbury, was in the city on Saturday.

Will Shillington, of Wm. Gray & Sons office, spent Sunday in Blenheim.

Ernest Montgomery, who has been ill for the last month, is slowly recovering.

There will be a social evening at the Young Peoples of Christ Church to-night.

Miss Belle Reddell and W. Wrigley sang a duet in St. Andrew's church last evening.

Don't miss the snaps at Thibodeau & Jacques in kid gloves on Wednesday at 50c.

For storm doors and storm windows on short notice, go to Blonde Bros.

Harry Leroy has returned to Woodstock after spending a few days with his parents on Gray street.

Wanted—Experienced shoe salesman. Apply at once, J. L. Campbell, Chatham.

Mr. Hungerford, of London, representative of McPherson Glasgow Co. Hamilton, is in the city to-day.

Miss Belle Angus has returned to Bothwell after spending a few days at her home in this city.

King Buffalo is a high class cigar, that is sold for five cents at all leading cigar stores and by druggists.

Will Dolerty, of Magna Villa, has returned to that place after spending Thanksgiving at his home in this city.

Miss Ethel Spenceburg has returned to her home in Detroit after spending a few days with friends in the city.

When you ask for a five cent cigar you want the best. Try our "King Buffalo" and you will smoke a Jist.

Mr. and Mrs. John Mains, of Detroit, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Ross Walker, returned home to-day.

Miss Mabel Wilson, who has been visiting her uncle, A. J. Wilson, of Detroit, returned to her home in Detroit to-day.

Friday, Dec. 6, is the last day for entering cases for trial at the sittings at the County Court, which opens on Dec. 10th.

Miss Belle Blackburn has returned to her home in Windsor after spending a few days with Miss Flossie Bogart, Cross street.

The First Presbyterian quartette rendered "Lead Kindly Light" at the evening service of the First Presbyterian church yesterday.

The officers and teachers of Christ Church, S. S., will meet this evening at half past seven to make arrangements for the Christmas treat and entertainment for the scholars.

Rev. J. H. Osterhout has just closed four weeks of special services at Providence Methodist church and a grand reception was given last Friday evening to 20 new members.

Four Maple City sportsmen, who registered themselves as Bucksfoot, Chockbore, Black Bites and Hawkshaw, are spending the day at the Eau. They took their guns with them.

In the case of Dealpore vs. Willan, a dispute between landlord and tenant arising out of the working of a farm on shares, Judge Ball to-day gave judgment in favor of the plaintiff for \$88.50.

Arthur Stewart has been urged by many friends to run for reeve of Chatham Township at the ensuing municipal elections. He has declined but it is probable that he will be a candidate for the council.

Novelties of sterling silver—Scissors in all sizes and kinds, tooth brush bottles, vaseline pots, vinegarettes, paper knives, manicure sets, also odd pieces in all sizes, match and stamp boxes, etc., in great quantities and variety, at E. J. MacIntyre's, leading jeweller.

Miss Lillian G. Weldon, who has been spending the past two weeks with her mother, left last evening for Toledo. Miss Weldon has an excellent practice as a trained nurse in that city, and her many friends join in wishing her continued success in her chosen life work.

Robert Mercer, who has been nearly seven years in the employ of Atkinson & Haydon, has severed his connection with that firm and has accepted a position in the city ticket and telegraph offices of W. H. Harper. Mr. Mercer has always been popular with the travelling public and with the business men, all of whom will be glad to meet him at his new post of duty.

John M. Vicar, who died in the hospital, being a member of the Macca-bees, that order took charge of the funeral. They had the body conveyed to the lodge room, where it was laid out, surrounded by palms, and on the coffin was placed a beautiful wreath with the initials of the order, K. O. T. M., worked thereon. The body was taken this morning to Goderich for interment.

For storm doors and storm windows on short notice, go to Blonde Bros.

Dr. and Mrs. Cameron, of Owen Sound, spent Thanksgiving with their son, H. V. Cameron, Elizabeth street.

The seating plan for Jessie M. MacLachlan and the Scottish concert will open next Thursday morning. Seats should be reserved early.

Herbert, the youngest son of Chief Pritchard, who has been confined in the hospital with scarlet fever, is able to be out again.

Bobbie's Mistake.

Bobbie was fond of teasing his sisters Minnie and Cora. One day (it was day before April fool) he came bounding into the kitchen.

"Hello, Aunt Flora, what are you doing?"

"I am shelling walnuts to make a cake."

"Oh, I say auntie, save the shells for me, will you?"

"Certainly. What do you want them for, dear?"

"To-morrow is April fool's day. I want to play a trick on the girls."

"All right, I will glue them together for you," said aunt Flora, with a twinkle in her eye.

The next moment she handed Bobbie a bag with half a dozen nuts in it.

Bobbie was delighted. He ran out into the garden where his sisters were playing.

"Here are some nuts," he said. Cora gave Minnie some, and then handed the bag to Bob.

"No, thank you," he said.

The girls began to crack the nuts. Bobbie smiled, but the smile did not last long, for out of Cora's nut dropped a quarter.

"My!" exclaimed Minnie, and she quickly cracked the nut. The nut contained five and ten-cent pieces.

Bobbie quickly he had not refused. But he wished he had not.

"It was an April fool trick," he said. "but I guess it got twisted wrong side-up."

The children laughed.

"You caught yourself in your own trap," said Cora.

Just for Fun.

Parson Primrose: "Don't you know, little boy, it's wrong to play baseball on Sunday?"

Freddy: "Yes, sir; but our club ain't got the money to run golf links."

Housekeeper: "See here, I ordered a dozen of eggs this morning, and you only sent me ten."

Dealer: "Well, ma'am, two of 'em were bad, and I didn't think you'd want 'em."

Philadelphia Record.

"Your husband is not looking well to-night, Mrs. Rhymer."

"He isn't, and I'm not surprised at it."

"No? Has he been over-working himself?"

"It isn't that so much; it is his originality. Why, that man is struck by so many original ideas that his mind must be one mass of bruises."

Woman's Journal.

An old lady asked Prof. Hadley, of Yale (he tells the story himself), what he was teaching. To his reply, Economics, she said thoughtfully: "Oh you teach the students to be economical! That is good. When I was a young lady they never learned to be economical until they got married."

Another Kind of Vegetable.

A well-known electrical contractor recently told the following story on one of his foremen, an Irishman of ability in electrical installations, but whose knowledge of outside matters is limited. On the day in question Pat left his assistant electrician in charge of the plant they were installing while he trotted down to a jeweller's to buy a ring for his wife-to-be.

After waiting until he could obtain the ear of the clerk without letting others know his business, Pat whispered hoarsely to him, "Give me the best wedding ring you have in your shop."

"Eighteen karats?" queried the clerk.

"No," snapped Pat, drawing back in an offended manner. "Atin on-ty, if its any of your business."

As a preventive as well as curative medicine, Hood's Sarsaparilla is pre-eminent—its great merit is fully established.

Cold and Changeable Weather

PROTECTION FOR THE CHEST

and lungs is of the most importance. Immunity from sudden chills will prevent many serious illnesses.

Chest Protectors, Chamois Vests, Etc., should be worn during the winter by those with weak chests.

We have a large assortment of these goods, various qualities and prices. A pleasure to show stock.

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Chatham, Ont.

Save your Shoes! Between leather-foot and leather-polish, there's an expensive difference. Double wear results from using—

SLATER SHOE POLISH

"Goodbye Wet!"

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To INSURE their property, to RENT a house, to SELL a farm or BORROW money on notes, chattels, farm or city property, call on Fetterly & Brisco, 115 King St. Tel. 297.

Persons who have houses to sell or rent should leave particulars with us. No fee charges if no sale is made.

The Gordon Store

At Our Annual December Clearing Sale

We will wind up the largest year's out-put of Dry Goods and Millinery in our history with a broad gauge clearing sale and with bargains in every department. You can't find our whole bargain Batch here, but a visit to The Gordon Store will open your eyes and your purses.

Tailored Jackets and Suits

4 only, Ladies' short Jackets regular price \$6 to \$8, sale price..... **\$3.98**
6 only, Ladies' Short Jackets, regular price \$7 to \$10, sale price..... **\$4.98**
8 only, Ladies' Short Jackets, regular \$12 to \$15, sale price..... **\$5.98**
17 only, Children's Reefers, from 3 to 6 years, to clear..... **\$1.25**
10 only, Tailor-made Suits, regular value \$8 to \$12, sale price..... **\$4.98**

DRESS GOODS

A Centre Table of plain and fancy Dress Goods, regular 35c to 60c, sale price..... **25c**
Another Table Dress goods special bargains, values 75c to \$1.00, sale price..... **50c**
Shot effects, Velveteens for shirt waists, etc., worth 75c, sale price..... **25c**
20 ends of Astrachan, Golf and Tweed effects, values \$1.00 to \$2.00, sale price..... **69c**

Fur Boas

Are the Latest and Newest
52 in. Electric Seal Boas, 6 tails..... **\$1.50**
48 in. Oppossum Boas, 6 tails..... **\$2.25**
52 in. fine quality Electric Seal Boas, 6 tails..... **\$4.00**
44 in. American Sable Boas, 6 tails..... **\$4.00**
50 in. Hudson Bay Otter, 8 tails..... **\$4.00**
78 in. Mountain Bear..... **\$3.50**
44 in. Wood Martin Boas, 6 tails..... **\$5.00**
108 in. American Sable Boas, 2 large tails..... **\$17.00**
72 in. finest Sable and Cub Bear Boas..... **\$25.00**
All Special Sale Prices.

Blankets and Bed Wear

250 pair 10x4 Fleece Blankets..... **50c**
Our all-wool 10x4 Blankets, the best value offered yet.
8 pairs only, fine quality, 7 lb..... **\$3.25**
16 pairs finest quality, 8 lb..... **\$3.75**
Crib Blankets, fleeced and all-wool.
Baby Buggy Robes and Buggy Rugs.
Comfortable Bed Spreads and lounge Rugs.

SILKS

4 pieces light striped Taffeta Dress Silks, regular value 50c, for **25c**
2 pieces black and white Plisse Silk, regular value 75c, for **37c**
1 piece 36 inch Black Taffeta Silk, reg. value \$1.50, for **\$1.00**
10 ends of fine Silks, regular value \$1.00 to \$1.25, for..... **50c**

Hosiery

Children's seamless Cashmere Hose, sizes 4 1/2 to 8, to clear per pair..... **10c**
Ladies favorite plush lined Hose, per pair..... **25c**
Boys' heavy ribbed Wool Hose, per pair..... **25c**
Ladies' heavy Worsted Hose, per pair 39c to..... **50c**
Fine ribbed Cashmere Hose, all sizes **25c**
German ribbed Cashmere Hose, double knees, spliced toes and heels **50c**

Prints and Gingham

13 pieces Scotch Tartan Gingham, warranted washers, sale price..... **5c**
5 pieces wide Apron Ging. 6 1-4c
7 pieces large and medium check Gingham for cushions and fancy work.
American Indigos warranted unshrinkable and fast colors.
Art Muslins, Silklines and fancy Drapes.

LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S UNDERWEAR

16 dozen girl's Merino Vests and Drawers, three sizes, heavy..... **15c**
Girl's heavy fleeced Vests and Drawers in all sizes..... **25c to 48c**
Women's Vests winter weight..... **15c**
20c, 25c—36, 42, 50—Drawers to match
Women's all-wool fleeced Vests..... **75c to \$1**
Women's and children's Combination, a special line, double front..... **\$4c to \$1**

Special Linens

The popular Shamrock, Rose and Thistle emblematic, pure undressed Linen Damask..... **50c**
Pure white Table Damask, 70 inches wide, fine goods..... **40c**
10 dozen large, heavy Hemstitched Huck Towels..... **25c**
20 dozen large fringed Huck bed room Towels **12 1-2c**

The finest line of imitation French Flannels you have yet seen,

10c, 12 1-2c, 18c, 20c

Flannellette Night Robes

at **50c, 75c and \$1.00**

Special Sale of Laces

A large variety of Oriental Laces at

One-Half Price

MILLINERY MOVEMENTS

See Our Window.

Note Velvet Drape Toques—in black, brown, cardinal, castor, plum—fancy crown, trimmed with broad or ornament from..... **\$2.50**

Note our Special Black Velvet Hats, trimmed with feathers, brocade or rosette, the very newest..... **\$2.50**

Note our Little Fur Toques, the latest novelty—very chic.

Special sale of Children's Bonnets—silk, felt and eiderdown—reduced.

Ladies' Skirts

4 grey Cheviot Dress Skirts, value \$4, for..... **\$3**

2 fancy check all-wool Skirts, value \$4, for..... **\$3**

4 grey and black all-wool Frieze Skirts for..... **\$3.50**

4 fancy deep-stitched Skirts, heavy, black and grey, \$7 for..... **\$5**

And a great variety of petticoats.

The Standard Fashion The December Designer A Daisy, Only 10c.

William Gordon

The Standard Patterns are Just What You Need. See Our Large Stock.

100 WATCHES 100

80c Each

Three days only, FRIDAY, SATURDAY and MONDAY, Nov. 29th, 30th and Dec. 1st. Not one minute before or after can you get one. This is the biggest Watch Sale snap ever held in Ontario by a reliable house. On the above dates

VON GUNTEN BROS.

Chatham's reliable jewelers, will place on sale one hundred nifty case, open face, 15 size, genuine American made Watches, lever movements. A watch that will positively keep correct time and is guaranteed by the makers for one year.

You can order one sent you by mail by adding 5c extra for packing and postage, and if not satisfied return the Watch and get your money back. If all are sold before your letter reaches Von Gunten Bros., they return your money. You positively cannot buy one before or after dates advertised.

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