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January Sale

Great Chances for Money Saving.

It is getting near to stock taking and many lines are still here that must be cleared out. If you are in need of them you will never have a better chance. Read every line of this adv. and if what you want is not mentioned here, come to the store expecting to buy it cheaper than ever before, and you will not be disappointed.

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2-pattern fine English Velvet Carpet, with border to match, regular price \$1.25, Jan'y sale price, made, laid and lined, 98c.
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Two pattern best 4-frame English Brussels with border to match, reg. price \$1, Jan'y sale price 78c.
One piece Wilton with border to match, reg. price \$1.25, Jan'y sale price 98c.
Three patterns best 4-frame Brussels, reg. price \$1, Jan'y sale price 75c.
Three patterns English Tapestry Carpet, reg. price 88c, sale price 58c.
Three patterns English Tapestry, reg. price 58c, Jan'y sale price 49c.
100 pairs Lace Curtains, taped edge, 3 yds. long, 50 in. wide, reg. price \$1, Jan'y sale price 78c.
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Hockey Skates, Nickel Plated
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ed Club Skates. Skates...

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IT ENDED IN STRONG WAGER

Popular Officers Engage in a
Humorous Set-to on Mat-
ter of Musical Taste

Now an Oyster Supper Hangs
on the Public's Verdict—Capt.
Massey Gives the Oast-
ling Vote

They went at it again the other evening, those two popular regimental officers and rival forensic gladiators. It was just after the big Robin Hood rehearsal and the officers were chatting informally over the coming magnificent production.

Os. Lewis started it—the Crown Attorney complains that he always does. Lieut. Smith had been for some moments producing euphonious and rhapsodic eulogies upon the opening May-pole symphony by the beautiful and graceful young ladies.

When he paused for breath Lieut. Lewis put in, somewhat abruptly, "Say, that Tinkers' chorus just caught me right. There's a jaunty rhythm about those fellows that'll make a great hit—mark my words. I tell you it's—"

"Pardonnez-moi," broke in the plaintive and aggrieved tones of the Crown Attorney, who parlez-vous in original Parisian, a la Alphonse et Gaston, "I was speaking of the young ladies, sir; the young ladies—not a band of clever jumping jacks with a catchy tune and a collection of old tin cans. It is good, I grant you, with a courtly bow, 'but, sir, the young ladies in the May day chorus are incomparable! Why, you might just as well compare the grace and gallantry of the men in D Company with your hobgoblins in B."

Lieutenant Lewis' laugh evidently sounded discordant to Lieut. Smith—and probably that was the reason he prolonged it somewhat indefinitely.

"Look here," he declared when he recovered from his mirth, "I'll bet you that Tinkers' chorus is encored twice to the May day dance's once. I guess that'll hold you." Lieut. Smith doffed his cap and saluted. "Permit me to present my card," he murmured musically. "An oyster supper for mine."

"Taken," declared he of B Company. Over in the other corner Capt. Black, who had been expostulating to Capt. McLaren that the "Song of the Old Cross Bean" was the ventilation of a personal grudge of De Koven's against him; and Lieut. Jewett, who had been persisting that the words "It takes nine Taylors to make a man," were a slap at the high school teachers in general, stayed their arguments to record the wager and secure the necessary legal documents, providing for the withholding of all canvassing of the public by the rival speculators, which were duly drawn up by the Colonel and signed, witnessed, sealed and delivered in orthodox style.

"Smith makes an ideal host," declared Lieut. Lewis, "we will heartily enjoy his hospitality."

"Alack, mes amis," quoth the Crown Attorney, "Alphonse of B Company, my friend, who blows and bluffs and makes wild bets, is one grand fake. There is crepe on my arm for him."

"Such a stupid dispute," commented Capt. Massey sotto voce. "As though we all didn't know that the real favorite Robin Hood chorus with both of them was the song of the Brown October Ale."

OFFICERS ELECTED

The L. O. L. District of Howard and Harwich met in the Orange Hall in the City of Chatham, on Thursday, Jan. 12th, with Worshipful District Master, Bro. Herman Bicum in the chair, there being a large attendance, nearly all of the primary lodges in the district being represented. After routine business the following officers were elected and installed for the ensuing year by Past District Master Bro. Wm. Simpson.

Past District Master, Bro. H. Bicum, Blenheim.
District Master, Bro. A. F. Stephens, Chatham.
Deputy District Master, Bro. Wm. Miller, Charing Cross.

District Chaplain, Bro. Wm. Simpson, Ridgeway.
District Rec. Sec., Bro. A. Longmore, Dover Centre.

District Fin. Sec., Bro. Howard Bicum, Blenheim.
District Treasurer, Bro. W. Burroughs, Blenheim.

District D. of C., Bro. Allan James, Blenheim.
District Lecturer, Bro. D. Cromwell, Northwood.

The semi-annual District Meeting was left to the call of the master.

W. SHAW, Scribe.

BIG MINSTREL SHOW

"Now, all together, boys one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, to-de-to-de, to-diddle, to-de, to-de, to-de, to-diddle." "Shep," was rehearsing his minstrels last night. "Shep," why, he's Sheppard, the wonderful minstrel producer, who has been engaged by the local K. O. P. Lodge to put on a minstrel show in this city on January 21st and 22nd. From all indications it will be one of the best performances of the kind ever given here. "Shep" had the boys working hard last night. He put them through their places in a manner that would have done credit to legitimate members of the "profess," and J. M. Pike is the enterlocutor. J. M. performs his duties in up-to-date style.

"Good evening, Mr. Glassford," says Dr. Tye, one of the men.

"Good evening, sir," says Mr. Glassford. "Did you hear about the—the— But far be it from The Planet to print these breezy jokes before they are given from the stage. Suffice it to say they are all new and up-to-date and will make the show a great success."



Colombian troops now are moving in the direction of the Stat. of Panama, with the evident intention of thwarting the plans of the United States there. One of the most distinguished leaders of the Colombians is Gen. Domingo Diaz.

W. A. M. A.

The annual meeting of the W. A. M. A. of Christ Church was held in the school house on Monday afternoon, January 11th, at four o'clock. The Rev. R. McCosh presided. The following officers were elected:

President—Mrs. McCosh.
First Vice-President—Mrs. Hennessy.
Second Vice-President—Mrs. Edgington.
Treasurer—Miss Kingston.

Leaflet Secretary—Miss Knight.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. Fraser.
Corresponding Secretary—Miss Sandys.

The Treasurer reported that the sum of \$145.13 had passed through the treasury during the year, having been given to mission work. A balance on hand of \$8.12 was voted to the Diocesan W. A. Northwest Mission fund. Two fine bales had been sent during the year—one to McCollinson Bull Horn Mission, N. W. T., the other to the Rev. John Ball, of Muncie, Huron.

The Society wish to thank all those who so kindly contributed to these bales, and to assure them that their gifts were much appreciated by the recipients.

GIRLS POP QUESTION

Cleveland, Jan. 12.—Because she took advantage of leap year privileges and "peppered the question" to her beau, Mary E. Perkins has been given a free marriage license by the county clerk; will be married free by a justice, and will receive a number of household articles from local firms. All these offers were made for the first case of the kind and Miss Perkins popped promptly. A similar case is reported from Indianapolis, Ind., where Esther Marer popped to Charles Levinson and was accepted. A free marriage license was the only prize she won.

"ROBIN HOOD"

To-morrow night's rehearsal of the opera Robin Hood will be of a special character. Mr. Slade will again be present, also Miss Ruby Gordon and all the local principals. The libretto will be taken up and Musical Director Wilson requests all the principals to come ready with the speaking parts so that the whole opera may be gone through.

The patrons and patronesses are cordially invited to be present to-morrow night, after which the rehearsal will be private, in order to enable the company to put the finishing touches on their work.

All the ladies and gentlemen taking part are urged to be present sharp on time.

Mrs. John Watson, wife of the well-known customs officer of Windsor, and for many years a resident of Essex county, passed away at her home on Saturday afternoon, after a long illness. Mrs. Watson, who was formerly Miss Lives, had been married to Mr. Watson for forty-five years, and her sickness and death have worried her to such an extent that she is seriously ill. Besides her husband, Mrs. Watson is survived by three daughters and one stepson, J. G. Watson, a resident of Sandwich.

LIVES SACRIFICED.

WHY PASSENGERS WERE KEPT ON THE CLALLAM.

John Davis of Nanaimo Says it Could Have Been Done, and He Believes the Clallam's Captain Kept Them on Board to Help Save His Steamer.

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 12.—John Davis of Nanaimo made a remarkable statement regarding a conversation with Captain Roberts by passengers who remonstrated with him for not placing them on the Holyoke. Davis said he believed the passengers were kept on board the steamer to bail, in the effort to save the property. Davis said when a dozen passengers waited upon the captain and asked why he had not signalled the Holyoke for the purpose of placing the men aboard the steamer, the captain replied: "I am running this part of the work. When I see we are in danger I will signal the tug boat to come back."

After this Davis says that the Clallam was not about twenty minutes. Davis said, "You think we are all right?" and the captain replied, "We can get there all right." The steamer is good for three hours.

"Why don't you run us to some rocks?"

The captain answered, "I am not running the tug; they can take us wherever they like."

"Well," Davis replied, "you could have signalled the tugboat and given instructions when the tugboat was alongside."

The captain in reply stated that he wanted to save the steamer, that was what he was looking after now.

WESTERN DAIRYMEN.

The Annual Meeting Opened in St. Thomas.

St. Thomas, Jan. 13.—The annual convention of the Dairymen's Association of Western Ontario opened here, with the President, Mr. James Connolly of Porter's Hill, in the chair.

President's Address.

In the evening the delegates were welcomed by Mayor Maxwell, who in the course of his address hoped that there would be in St. Thomas once or twice a week a market for butter and cheese.

Mr. L. W. Stewart, President of the Board of Trade, and Warden McKellar also extended hearty greetings, to which the President, Mr. James Connolly replied.

Mr. P. W. McLagan of Montreal said the exhibit of cheese was the highest he had seen in Canada. He wished the dairy associations throughout the western world to compel the railway companies to provide proper cold storage facilities.

The following were appointed a Nominating Committee:—Frank Travis, W. R. Shearer, A. R. Dempsey, W. A. Bothwell and T. O'Flynn.

DEAN KILROY'S DEATH.

One of the Oldest Priests in Western Ontario.

Stratford, Jan. 13.—Rev. Dean Kilroy, for thirty years rector of St. Joseph's Church of this city, passed away here at 5 o'clock yesterday. He had been ill for some time, and his death was not unexpected. He was one of the best-known and oldest priests in Canada, and a vital one of the diocese, having been beloved by his parishioners and respected by all classes and creeds alike. Having received an excellent education and possessing a commanding appearance, he was both an eloquent and a convincing speaker.

EXCITEMENT AT BRANTFORD.

A Bull Carcassing About the Streets—Several Persons Knocked Down.

Brantford, Jan. 12.—A bull broke loose from a wagon her late yesterday, and caused great excitement around town. The animal charged down Colborne street at great speed, and several people were knocked down. Mrs. Edward Hunt was rather seriously injured. It was an hour before the animal was captured.

A HALF MILLION ACRES.

Actually in the Hands of Ontario Veterans.

Toronto, Jan. 13.—With the end of the year the Crown Lands Department have figured roughly the business done in giving land grants to the Veterans of 1866 and of the South African war, who have applied. Since November 1, 1902, the department have sent out no less than 10,250 certificates, entitling each recipient to 160 acres of land for service to his country. Of those so favored some three thousand have already selected their land. This would mean the actual taking up of 480,000 acres, or twenty-one townships, if the settlement were solid, but as only one veteran may locate in each square mile these localities must be scattered over eighty or more townships. The Government set apart one hundred and thirty-six townships in new Ontario from which the veterans might choose land, and besides many townships in the northern parts of old Ontario.



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ABOUT OUR

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Opp. Garner House.

GREAT TIME IN FIRE DRILL

Teachers and Pupils of McKeough School Make Splendid Record

Visit of Managing Trustees to the School This Morning—Trustee Heyward's Hearty Tribute.

Three of the managers of McKeough school, Messrs. Geo. S. Heyward, Jno. McCorvie, and W. N. Morley, visited the school this morning and surprised the teachers by ringing the fire alarm. No one outside the three trustees knew of the visit and Mr. Heyward held a watch to catch the exact time it took to clear the school. One minute and nine seconds after the sound of the alarm, the school was entirely empty and three minutes and twelve seconds after the first alarm the scholars were all in their rooms at work again.

The visit was a complete surprise and the result fully showed that there would be no danger to the children in event of fire in McKeough school.

Trustee Geo. Heyward was interviewed by a Planet reporter after the visit. "I was never more impressed and delighted in my life," said he, "than I was to see those children get out of the school. They marched down in order to music from the piano and the order they kept was something marvellous. I was very pleased indeed. One striking feature was the way Miss Aylesworth handled the little tots of the Kindergarten. She has them completely under control. It is a source of great pleasure to the managers to know that the teachers of that school handle the children so well."

"It was a wonderful exhibition and reflects high credit upon the excellence of the staff."

"What pleased me most was that the test was a genuine one. There have been many fire drills in the other school, but the principal was generally given an inkling of what was coming. The record established in McKeough school this morning was a true one—not a soul knew of our visit."

"The trustees were much delighted with the inspection, and with the whole school. Some equipment—notably some new blackboards—must be secured at once, and there will not be a finer school in the province."

Individual righteousness will secure universal reform.