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.....Dentist

Co. 6th and King Sts.

Over Geo. E. Yoon's Grocery.

## LOCAL BRIEFS

Mrs. W. G. McGeorge, Queen street, is seriously ill.

Miss Neddie Young is visiting friends in Amherstburg.

Mrs. Newcombe, Fifth St., is visiting friends in Blenheim.

A watch meeting will be held in St. Andrew's church to-night at 10.30.

Miss Juanita Crookshanks, of Blenheim, is visiting at the residence of Chief Young.

Miss Hannah Baxter left this afternoon to spend New Year's day in Detroit.

Will Scott, of the Sutherland-Innes Co.'s New York office, is in the city renewing acquaintances.

Anon Nickerson, of the Rush Medical College, Chicago, is spending his vacation with his parents in this city.

Special services are being held each evening this week in St. Andrew's church, commencing at 8 p. m.

The infant daughter of Edward Matthews, an employee of the Kent Mills, passed away Saturday night.

A union watch night service will be held in the Park St. Methodist Church this evening at 10.30, to be addressed by city ministers.

Jos. Purvis, of London Township, who has been attending his brother's funeral at Guilds, was a Chatham visitor to-day.

Rev. Stanley Shaw and Mrs. Shaw have returned from their western trip and were in the city today.

They will spend New Year's day with Mr. Shaw's parents, Wallaceburg.

O'Brien Bros., in appreciation of the good-nature and ability of Barrister George Gordon Martin, made him a box of Lord Lake cigars specially for himself. As there is no hog about Mr. Martin, in his own genial phraseology, he liberally shared the contents of the box with The Planet staff.

POOR BILLY.

"Billy" Klock, night porter at the Hotel Merrill is losing much sleep these days over the approaching new century. For weeks back "Billy" has been worried nearly every person in and about the hotel enquiring how and why the 20th century commences with 1901, and he will be pleased to have any person call and convince him that the 19th century did not end with the year 1899.

A GAS STRIKE.

J. L. Scott received a telephone message Saturday from the man in charge of the boring operations at the post works at the Eau, stating that gas had been struck in considerable quantity. Mr. Scott left this afternoon for the Eau to investigate the strike.

### Pure Kettle Rendered Lard

11c lb.

Fine Sugar Cured Smoked Hams and Bacon

At the Pork Packing House

F. Chaplin

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# WYETH'S... MALT

We have just received a large shipment of this well-known favorite remedy for convalescents. We have sold this Malt for years and can confidently recommend it.

Price 35c per Bottle

DRUGGISTS

## WITNESSES ARE ON THE STAND.

Further Important Evidence Submitted at the Kennedy Inquest This Morning.

The adjourned inquest on the body of Patrick Kennedy was re-opened this morning in the city clerk's office, the council chamber being in use for the municipal nominations, at 10 o'clock.

In addition to the witnesses, W. G. Richards and J. W. White were present as counsel for the colored witnesses, against whom charges are pending in the police court.

John Pigott, Sr., sworn, said he went out and met hook and ladder of fire department opposite Westman's, horses walking. They had taken a number of ladders off. In passing, witness asked driver of wagon who was in the river. He said he did not know. Witness then ran down to river bank and saw Mrs. Innes there. She said: "O, can anything be done to save the poor man?" Witness ran up the hill to get the ladders. After being there a couple of minutes no team or wagon in sight. Witness asked one of firemen lighter than himself if he would go to save the man. Fireman replied that he would not go but witness might. Witness took the torch from this fireman and a pike-pole and went out on river to twenty feet from hole. Witness saw only the man's hat there.

Witness could hear somebody calling out and just when he came back for boat, Mr. Innes said, "I know he's gone." I heard the water gurgling in his throat. With the torch and lines belonging to the department witness was satisfied that deceased could have been reached and saved in three or four minutes. They could have slipped the ladder over the open hole. Even in open water the ladder would have supported two or three men.

Witness was out about 80 or 90 feet on the river.

Thomas Wangelheim, Mr. Pigott's foreman, testified to having heard a man shouting in the river. Witness hailed him, and he replied:

"After we went down there about one minute fire department team with ladders, etc., came down. Chief Jacques, Side and Crump, and probably four torches. Witness told Chief Jacques to stand and locate drowning man. Jacques did so and was answered. He took the torch and went away along the shore and up the hill and never saw him any more after that. He left one torch with either Crump or Side. Witness asked Side why he did not bring the ladder. He said that they were not there for that purpose. Witness went to Stringer's and saw fire department team going down King street. The firemen were gone ten minutes before Kennedy went down. The ladder was not put out. Witness could not conceive any reason why the man's life could not have been saved. The only reason given by the ladders were not put out was that given by Side, that they were not there for that purpose."

Three colored witnesses Richard Duckett, James Browning and Chas. Montgomery, were examined as to quarrelling and fighting during the day of Kennedy's death, and during which an assault on the latter is said to have been committed.

The inquest was further adjourned till 7 p. m.

STAND REMANDED.

At the police court this afternoon the crown amended the charge of fighting on the public streets, preferred against the three colored men, Browning, Montgomery and Duckett, to that of assault on the late Patrick Kennedy, doing grievous bodily harm. The case was remanded for one week. O. L. Lewis appeared for Montgomery and Duckett, and J. W. White for Browning.

MUSICAL SERVICE.

The music at the midnight service in St. Joseph's Church will be especially fine. The choir, under the direction of Miss Nellie Rhody, will render Mozart's Twelfth Mass. In addition the following program will be given: Adagio Fideles, Choir, Hubert Robert taking the solo parts.

Jeune de Viva, offertory, trio, Miss Lizzie Smith and Messrs. J. W. Wilson and James Rhody.

Jubilate Deo, Hymn of Praise, by the choir.

MASONS ATTEND DIVINE SERVICE.

About sixty local members of the Masonic craft attended divine service in a body at St. Andrew's Church last evening.

The pastor, Rev. Dr. Battisby, gave a very interesting sermon, taken from the third verse of the 4th chapter of Ezra—"An Unholy Alliance"—in which the Samaritans proposed to help the Israelites to rebuild the temple. He pointed out first, that it was a plausible thing; secondly, that it was a perilous thing; and lastly, that it was unhesitatingly rejected. He also showed that proper attention should be taken in the building up of character.

Special music was rendered by the choir. Miss Somerville and Mr. Marshall both sang solos, which were much appreciated by the large congregation present.

A CORRECTION.

Owing to a typographical error the statement was made in The Planet's report of the council proceedings on Thursday last that the Board of Works reported the actual cost of the King St. pavement was \$12 less than the estimate.

This was incorrect. The report showed that while the estimated cost of the new pavement was \$22,000, the actual cost was \$1,200 less than that sum. This is a most commendable showing.

A BAD FALL.

On Saturday forenoon Mrs. Thomas Guttridge, Baxter street, fell on the grassy walk, nearly opposite the residence of R. C. Hurt, Wellington street. The fall was caused by the ice and snow on the sidewalk. Mrs. Guttridge was quite seriously injured, but is now on a fair way to recovery.

Bereaved Citizens Greet the New Century in Sombre Mourning For Departed Relatives.

Charlie Robinson, the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Robinson, Stanley Ave., passed away Saturday afternoon in his 18th year. Charlie was a bright young fellow and his early death is regretted by a large number of friends and relatives.

The funeral of Miss Sarah Hales took place this afternoon from the residence of her father, Selkirk street. Rev. Rural Dean McCosh conducted the services. Among the floral tributes were the following: Pillow, by the family; sheaf, Mrs. T. K. Holmes; anchor, W. Scott; crescent, A. C. Woodward; wreath, 24th Batt. Band; cross, Mrs. D. H. Hales; and carnations, Mrs. T. A. Smith, and sickle, T. Huff.

On Friday morning last Wm. Purvis, who has spent nearly all his life at Guilds and who has been an invalid for some years, was called away to his long home. Mr. Purvis was stricken with his second stroke of paralysis on the 22nd while in Blenheim on business and had to be taken home. The funeral service was conducted by the Rev. Mr. Malott, of Guilds, was largely attended. Mr. Purvis was highly esteemed by his neighbors and will be greatly missed. He was 47 years of age and leaves a wife and four children, the youngest being seventeen.

At noon to-day there passed away at her residence on Water street Mrs. John Waddell, relict of the late John Waddell, formerly sheriff of the county, in her 81st year. The deceased was the last living representative of the old Eberts family, the following brothers and sisters have preceded her to the great beyond: W. D. Henry and Walter Eberts, Mrs. Alex. Robertson, Mrs. Ingram Taylor, and Mrs. Wm. Smith. The deceased leaves the following children to mourn her loss: Mrs. R. X. Rogers, Brampton; Mrs. W. G. C. city; Mrs. A. E. Mallory, Colborne; Mrs. Waddell, city; Henry Waddell, Pt. Lambton; and Hamilton Waddell, Dresden. The funeral arrangements will be announced later.

TO CONTRACTORS.

Separate and bulk tenders will be received at the office of the undersigned architects up till 7 o'clock p. m. Friday, the 4th day of January, 1901, for the erection of a Brick Church near Pardoville. Plans and specifications at the office of the architects. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

JAMES L. WILSON & SON, Architects.

Chatham, December 29th, 1900.

## 20th Century Art Calendars

Balance of our stock of handsome calendars are clearing at

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Everyone should have a calendar for the first year of the new century.

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### ALDERMEN.

To the Electors of This City.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for alderman for this city for the year 1901, your votes and influence are respectfully solicited. Wishing you all the compliments of the season, I remain,

Yours etc.,

DAVID A. HUTCHISON.

To the Electors of the City of Chatham.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for alderman for the coming year. I think my record in the council in the years 1899 and 1897 was such as to merit with your approval. Your vote and influence, respectfully solicited.

E. A. MOUNTERR.

To the Electors of the City of Chatham.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for alderman for the coming year, and if my past record meets with your approval, I shall be glad to have your vote and influence.

W. S. MARSHALL.

To the electors of the city of Chatham.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

At the request of a number of citizens, I have been induced to offer myself as a candidate for alderman for 1901. Your vote and influence I respectfully solicit.

Yours truly,

JOHN WADDELL, Grain Merchant.

Dec. 21st, 1900.

To the Electors of Chatham.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Your vote and influence are respectfully solicited for my election as alderman for 1901.

Yours faithfully,

G. G. TAYLOR.

To the Electors of Chatham.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for alderman for 1901 and if my past services has met with your approval I once more ask for your support. Thanking you for past favors I am,

Yours respectfully,

A. B. McCOIG.

To the Electors of Chatham.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

At the request of several representative citizens, I have consented to offer myself as a candidate for alderman for 1901.

I would like your support.

Yours, W. F. SMITH, Barrister.

To the Electors of the City of Chatham.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

It is my intention to again offer my services as Alderman for 1901. I trust that my record as alderman during 1899 and 1897, and as chairman of the finance committee in the latter year is such as to entitle me to your confidence. If elected, I will, as before, strive to look after the city's interests to the best of my ability, and I respectfully solicit your support.

Yours faithfully,

S. B. ARNOLD.

To the Electors of the City of Chatham.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I have entered the field as a candidate for the office of alderman for the year 1901. I respectfully ask your votes and influence, and should you see fit to honor me with election I shall endeavor to serve your interests to the best of my ability. Wishing you the compliments of the season, I remain,

Yours faithfully,

JOHN EDMONDSON, Architect.

Chatham, Dec. 21st, 1900.

Carpets Clothing | C. Austin & Co. | Dress Making and Millinery

# We Are Just Closing

The most prosperous year in the history of "The Bargain Centre" and want to thank our many customers for the patronage extended to us.

We want more of your trade next year—watch this space for store news in the coming months of the new Year.

Better Service  
Better Values  
Bigger Business

Will be the features of this business the coming year.

We wish you one and all  
A Happy and Prosperous New Year.

### Box Divans

Have you seen them. If not, come in, admire, and buy one of the prettiest most useful and cheapest pieces of furniture you ever saw. We have only a limited number to sell at the prices which we now quote, \$4.00, \$5.00 and \$6.00

### See Windows Wednesday

We are very busy in our upholstery department, which at this time of the year must indicate that our goods are right in style and quality, with the prices incomparably low. Allow us to show you some new ideas for Psyche Corners.

A reduction sale of Mantle Cloths, consisting of Beaver Cloth, Curl Cloth, Rough Cloth, Sealettes, all this season's goods, below we quote them at clearing prices.

1 pc. Black Silk and Wool Curl, 50 in. wide, very new and special at \$2, sale price.....	\$2.50	1 pc. Blue Black Beaver Cloth, new, and elegant value, fine finish, former price \$1.50, sale price....	1.35
1 pc. Black Silk and Wool Curl, 50 in. wide, the best value at \$4, sale price.....	\$3.50	1 pc. Blue Black Beaver Cloth, heavy and fine finish, new and special, former price \$1.75, sale price....	1.55
1 pc. Cream Wool Curl, kersey black, washable cloth, suitable goods for child's coat, reduced to.....	\$1.00	2 pcs. All-Wool Heavy Frieze, suitable goods for separate skirt, in navy and black, \$1.25 value, sale price.....	1.00
3 pcs. navy and black Rough Cloth, 54 in. wide, heavy weight, former price 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25, sale price 65c, 90c and.....	\$1.00	1 pc. Silk Sealette in pretty seal brown, Linters best make, 50 in. wide, extra value, former price \$4.50, sale price.....	3.90
6 pcs. Beaver Cloths in solid shades green, brown, fawn, navy, cardinal and black, all this season's goods, former price \$1.25, sale price.....	1.10	1 pc. Silk Sealette in pretty seal brown, Linters best make, 50 in. wide, extra value, former price \$6.50, sale price.....	5.90
1 pc. Black Beaver Cloth, fine finish and heavy goods, former price \$1.00, sale price.....	90c	2 pcs. Moreen Skirting in solid shades of gray and cardinal, 40 in. wide former price 60c, sale price.....	50c

### STAPLE DEPARTMENT!

Wednesday, Jan. 2nd, 1901

# The First Business Day Of the New Year

What we want and what we intend to do is to make our sales for the month of January, 1901, surpass all others of the same month in former years. In our STAPLE DEPARTMENT we are offering extra values to early buyers of COTTONS, SHEETINGS, LINENS, FLANNELLETTES, LAWNS and such goods that should be made up for the early spring wear. All lines mentioned below are still the same qualities and at old prices.

Cotton Sheetings	Linens
Extra heavy full 37 in. factory sheeting, soft even yarns, free from black specks, worth 7½c, special per yd. 6c	Special, 56 in. extra heavy cream damask, choice patterns, per yd. .... 30c
Special, 36 in. fine soft finish, pure bleached cotton, worth 10c, special per yd. .... 8½c	New roller toweling, at per yd. 8c, 9c and..... 10c
8-4 Plain or twilled unbleached sheeting, extra good value at 17c a yd., special..... 15c	Extra special, 64 in. cream damask, very choice designs, at per yd. .... 40c
Good heavy yard wide bleached cotton, at per yd. .... 6c	See our 90c, 75c and \$1 values in pure Irish table linens, grass bleached, extra fine finish, choice designs, wide widths.
Good factory cottons at per yd. 3½c, 4c and..... 5c	Flannelettes
8-4 Best factory plain bleached sheeting, even yarns, at per yd. .... 22c	New patterns, in 32 in. fancy striped flannelettes, bright colorings, heavy quality, at per yd. .... 8c
Special 33 in. bleached factory, no starch, soft finish, per yd. .... 7½c	Best 34 in. fancy striped flannelette in the city, new patterns, fine soft finish, special per yd. .... 10c
46 in. best quality plain pillow cotton, only per yd. .... 12½c	Fancy striped shakers for men's and boys' shirts, English manufacture, looks just like all-wool, fast colors, special per yd. .... 12½c
48 in. best quality plain pillow cotton, per yd. .... 15c	Lawns
46 in. best quality circular pillow cotton, only per yd. .... 17c	Special 45 in. linen finished victoria lawns, worth 17c and 20c a yd., for 15c and..... 17c
THESE PRICES ARE MONEY SAVERS—TAKE ADVANTAGE.	New fancy open lace striped lawns for waists and children's dresses, per yd. .... 12½c

C. Austin & Co. The Bargain Centre Market Square Corner