

WHISKARD'S

Three Busy Stores, 228, 230 and 232 Dundas St. Christmas Headquarters For Sensible and Useful Gifts for Christmas.

GIFTS OF FUR will be acceptable this holiday season, no matter what the thermometer may say, for FURS are so very popular just now that the up-to-date maid or matron will wear them on all proper occasions whether the weather demands their use or not; and when you can buy them at a straight 50 off the regular price, there should be no trouble in your being able to buy furs. We know we have sold Fur Caperines that were worth \$12 wholesale, for \$7.

LADIES' FUR CAPERINES,
\$5.00 each.
LADIES' THIBET FUR CAPERINES, worth \$24.00, for \$11.50.
LADIES' GERMAN BEAVER CAPERINES, worth \$13.00, for \$6.50.
LADIES' ELECTRIC SEAL RUFFS, cheap at \$5.00, for \$3.95.
LADIES' Black Opossum Ruffs, worth \$4.50, for \$2.35 each.
LADIES' Blue Opossum Ruffs, regular \$5.00, for \$3.95 each.
LADIES' Alaska Seal Gauntlets, \$1.25 pair.
LADIES' Black and Gray Astrachan Gauntlets, \$1.00 pair.
Misses' Alaska Seal Gauntlets, \$1.00 pair.

Our Dress Goods Department Has Many Lines Suitable for Christmas Gifts

Four lines of Plaids, regular \$10.00, that we are clearing for 25c yard.
SPECIAL LINE OF DRESS SERGES, in blue, black, brown, cardinal and green, at 25c yard.
Heavy Homespun Dress Goods, worth \$1.00, for 75c yard.
Splendid line of Costume Cloth, in brown, fawn, black, navy and green, 25c yard.
Very fine line of Cardinal Cashmere, in different shades, worth \$1.00, for 35c yard.

Western Ontario.

The new Listowel furniture factory is completed.
The name of the new principal of Walkerton's public school is Chisholm. Berlin collected \$60,000 in taxes last year. The amount this year is greater.

Rev. Wm. Roadhouse, of Toronto, has been appointed Baptist pastor at Tavistock.

The death occurred on Wednesday, at his home in Ingersoll, of Edwin Dixon, in his 64th year.

Neal McIntyre has secured the principalship of the public school for 1901 at a salary of \$300.

C. St. C. Leitch, of Dutton, has been appointed deputy high chief ranger of the High Court of Ontario, I. O. F.

McLands and Campbell shipped 2,100 turkeys from Dutton, and 1,200 from West Lorne for the old country markets.

Mr. Robt. White, of Union, was married to Miss Bertha Oke, of Sparta, at the parsonage at Port Stanley, last week. Rev. J. G. Fails performed the ceremony.

Antoine Mitessier, aged 67, who was janitor of the Park street school, Windsor, for several years, died this morning at his home on Janette avenue from dropsy.

On Friday morning C. A. Ostrander's cheese factory at Dutton was destroyed by fire. There were between 40 and 50 cheese in the factory, which were also destroyed.

James Seamon and Louis Mathews, the men arrested while passing stolen Dominion Bank bills, will appear before Judge Horne at the Essex county assizes, charged with uttering fraudulent money.

On Friday morning while piling lumber in the J. B. Armstrong manufacturing company's yard, Thos. Ballister, an employee, was hurt by the pile of lumber falling on him. One of his legs was broken and he was otherwise injured.

A very pleasant event occurred at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Neely, Fingal, on Wednesday evening, Dec. 5, being the occasion of the marriage of their only daughter, Jennie B., to Mr. John C. Williams, of the same place. Rev. A. McFadyen officiated.

The Ontario Legislature may be persuaded.

Saves Others.

When one of the children has diphtheria, scarlet fever, or measles, why not keep the others from having it? You can do so with our Vapo-Cresolene. Put some Cresolene in the vaporizer, light the lamp beneath, and have them breathe in the vapor. This vapor destroys all the germs of disease. The contagion can't spread—you save others. It is the only known specific for whooping-cough. Ask your doctor about Vapo-Cresolene.

Vapo-Cresolene is sold by druggists everywhere. A Vapo-Cresolene outfit, including the Vaporizer and Lamp, which should last a life-time, and a bottle of Cresolene, complete, \$1.50; extra supplies of Cresolene 50 cents and 10 cents. Illustrated booklet containing physician's testimonials free upon request. Vapo-Cresolene Co., 210 Fulton St., New York, U.S.A.

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We are showing many useful things for Christmas Presents—

MANTEL DRAPES, SILK TABLE COVERS, SILK CHAIR SCARFS, CHENILLE CURTAINS, CHENILLE AND DAMASK TABLE COVERS.

Silk Mantel Drapes, worked in gold, from \$1.25 to \$3.25 each.

Silk Table Covers, from \$1.00 each.

Silk Chair Scarfs, from 25c each.

Ribbon Department.

Baby Ribbon, all colors, 20c for 36 yards.

Double-faced Satin Ribbon, 3c and 5c yard.

Three-inch wide Taffeta Ribbon, 12c yard.

Handkerchief Department.

Special line of 30 dozen Ladies' Fancy Handkerchiefs, embroidered, hemstitched, drawn thread, regular 15c, for 10c each.

Ladies' Lace Handkerchiefs, linen centers, also insertion, special, 25c each.

ditioned to enact the necessary legislation permitting the Windsor Board of Education to turn over St. Francis and St. Alphonsus schools to a separate school board. The law at present is that the board has no authority to dispose of the schools.

The Rodney Mercury understands that S. B. Morris and other capitalists are now negotiating with parties interested in the manufacture of beet root sugar, and there is every probability that next season will see a beet root sugar industry established somewhere on the L. E. and D. R. railway.

At a mass meeting of the citizens of Leamington a resolution was adopted asking the school board to reconsider its action in dismissing the teachers in the public schools and lowering their salaries. The teachers at present are paid \$300 per year and the board wishes to reduce this amount to \$250.

Mr. George Moore, of Berlin, who exhibited three teams at the big Chicago horse fair, swept everything in the horse fair, winning two gold medals. Isaac Groff, of Elmira, says Mr. Moore's horses were away ahead of anything shown, though 400 horses from all parts of the United States and England competed.

Irvine James has been engaged as teacher of school section No. 7, Dunwich, at a salary of \$300. Miss McArthur has been re-engaged at Coyne's Corners at an increased salary. Miss Sarah S. McMillan has also been re-engaged in Union school section No. 8, Dunwich, and 20, Southwold, at a salary of \$300.

Colin Bethune, treasurer of the town of Seaford, died at his residence on Saturday. Mr. Bethune had been in ill-health for about a year and had been confined to his residence most of the time for the past three months. He was about 64 years of age. His wife, four sons and three daughters survive him. Mr. Bethune was G. T. R. station agent at Seaford from 1876 until two years ago, when he retired.

W. Westbrooke, of Woodstock, has received another letter from his brother-in-law, Charles Mole, of the second Canadian contingent in South Africa. The letter is a brief one, and merely stated that Mole had recovered from his illness, and instead of being sent home on the invalided list, he had become temporarily attached to the East Lancashire. At the time of writing Mole was near Elandsfontein, where the brigade he was with had to stand to arms at 4 o'clock every morning, owing to the supposed close proximity of Dewet.

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