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Nicholas August Dedier, who is well known in Toronto and Western Ontario in his business relations and his marriage with Miss Ida Joy, daughter of Dr. of Tilsonburg, has died of typhoid fever, at Alleghany, Pa., in the 39th year of age, after an illness of five weeks. He, who was born in Sept-Fontaines, went to the United States in 1878, where he found employment with the smelting works, and for the last year was in charge of the Crescent and Construction Company, of Alleghany. His wife, who has an international reputation as an artist, survives and has four children.
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ASTRONOMICAL.
London, Tuesday, December 31, 1895.
Sun rises.....7:52 a.m. Moon rises.....1:37 a.m.
Sun sets.....4:51 p.m. Moon sets.....3:05 p.m.
Day of the year, 355th.
MOON'S PHASES.
Full Moon.....December 2nd.....1:38 p.m.
Last Quarter....." 9th.....2:09 a.m.
New Moon....." 15th.....1:30 p.m.
First Quarter....." 21st.....12:23 a.m.

METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE OF CANADA.
Cooler, with Snowflurries.
Toronto, Ont., Dec. 30, 11 p.m.—Depression over the Lower Mississippi Valley yesterday has moved northward, and is now central over Southwestern Ontario. It is causing a general fall of rain and snow throughout Ontario. Fair weather and high pressure continues in Eastern Canada. In the North-west it is fair and moderately cold. Minimum and maximum temperatures:—Calgary, 8-24; Qu'Appelle, 6 below-16; Winnipeg, 12 below-2; Parry Sound, 28-32; Toronto, 32-38; Kingston, 34-42; Montreal, 30-36; Quebec, 26-36; Halifax, 32-50.
Probabilities:—Lakes—Colder, with snow flurries.
Local Temperatures—The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the Observatory on Monday, Dec. 30, 1895, were:—High est, 31°; lowest, 27°.

A quarter buys a bottle of Kur-a-ko for colds. Sold by Anderson & Nelles.
James L. Armstrong, Stratford, met with an accident there the other evening. He was leisurely walking along the sidewalk in front of J. Rankin's residence, when he slipped and fell, breaking several small bones in one of his ankles.
If you want a good, bright, cheerful light for the long nights, get Lilywhite oil. Ask your grocer for it. It's the best lamp oil now offered. We don't supply pedlars. Gasoline, benzine, cylinder and machine oils at lowest price. Phone 307.—Empire Oil Co.

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CITY NEWS.
Miss Lena Young, of London, is visiting friends in Ingersoll.
Mrs. C. W. Austin, of this city, is visiting friends in Newark and vicinity.
A severe winter is still possible, but a long one is almost out of the question.
Mrs. Waddell and son, of Ethel, are visiting under the parental roof at London.
Mrs. Bunker, of Niagara Falls, has been visiting Mrs. Wan. Duffield, Queen's avenue.
Miss Francis Beatty, of Sarnia, is visiting Miss Cullen at the parsonage, London South.
Mr. and Mrs. Fred. Bowman, of this city, formerly of Ingersoll, are visiting friends there.
This is the day to make new resolutions, and to-morrow will be a good time to enforce them.
The idea seems to be that it is worth while swearing off for the fun of swearing on again.
Mr. John Barnhill, of this city, is making a holiday visit with relatives in Brussels and locality.
Mrs. Cartwright, of Stanley Barracks, Toronto, is the guest of Mrs. Malcolm Kent, London South.
Mrs. E. Horning, of this city, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob, Liverpool street, Guelph.
Mr. Fred. Jeffries, of Toronto, is spending the holidays with his father, Mr. Arthur Jeffries, Dundas street west.
Hon. David Mills, M. P., purposes giving a short address this evening before the Young Liberal Club on the "Monroe Doctrine."
Mr. J. B. Smallman, of Messrs. Smallman & Ingram, dry goods merchants, left yesterday for a trip to the British and foreign markets.
Mr. Edward Young, who has been the guest of his aunt, Mrs. Geo. Beck, at Ingersoll, during the summer, has returned to his home in this city.
Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Morehead, of Minneapolis, are visiting relatives here. Mr. Morehead represents Hibbard, Spencer & Bartlett, of Chicago, and is a former Londoner.
"A Gay Old Boy" served to enliven a large audience, considering the weather, at the Grand last night. The company all round is very good, and give an entertaining show.
Mr. James H. Bennett, formerly with Messrs. Cairncross & Lawrence, druggists, is visiting here for a few days. In a class of 200 students he recently passed the primary examination, being the 22nd on the list.
Messrs. Ben. S. Murray, inspector, and J. H. Moore, manager of the Canadian Express Company, of this city, attended the funeral of the late John D. Irwin, general agent of the company at Toronto, the other day.
Stratford Herald:—"Henry Walton, sen., Gore street, had a family reunion on Christmas day, when he had the pleasure of entertaining his sons Ernie and William and wife, from London; Harry, wife and family, this city, and his brother George, from Chicago. It was a pleasant gathering and most heartily enjoyed."
Last week G. A. McGillivray, of London, purchased a very desirable oil producing property in this town, consisting of 19 wells, pumping rig, dwelling house, etc. The above property joins Mr. McGillivray's 100 acre oil farm, with 91 wells. It is his intention in the spring to connect the two properties and have one engine to pump the 106 wells. This gentleman now owns about 400 acres of land here, well covered with elm, oak and ash. This property is a good oil territory, the greater part of which is still undeveloped. Oil Springs crude is worth from 1 1/2 to 2 cents more a barrel than Petroleum oil, being of a higher grade, and large producers are picking up all desirable wells to be had, and everything is booming accordingly.—Oil Springs Chronicle.
The annual Christmas entertainment of the Knox Church Presbyterian Sunday school was held last night, the attendance being very large. Refreshments were served during the evening, and all who participated enjoyed the treat very much. Subsequently, Rev. Mr. Stuart, the pastor, assumed the chair, and delivered an interesting address, after which the following programme was carried through most successfully:—Recitation, Myrtle McMillan; song, Gordon Wall; recitation, Charley Perley; song, Nettie Gould; recitation, Roy Colquhoun; chorus by the Sunday school; recitation, Blanche Golden; song, Ralph Maybank; chorus by infant class; recitation, Jennie Gilmour; chorus by the Sunday school; duet, Miss Laura Brown and Mr. James A. Stewart. The national anthem closed an entertainment, which was thoroughly enjoyable throughout.

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The opening "At Home," at the new St. Matthew's Church last night, was a decided success. The chairman, Mr. Brown, ably filled his position, and made the evening a pleasant one to all present. Tea was served from 6.30 to 7.30 p. m., and after having satisfied themselves with the good things, which were plentiful there, they retired to the church, where an excellent programme was rendered as follows:—Chairman's address, Mr. Brown; chime bells, Mr. Toombs; recitation, Miss Rebecca Sharp; song, Dr. Sealborn; violin solo, Miss McCarty; piano solo, Mr. Watts; song, Mrs. Lilley; clarionette solo, Mr. Blinkhorn; song, Mr. Gardiner; solo, Mr. Toombs; recitation (comic), Mr. Althouse; song, Miss F. Mutch; piano solo, Mr. Watts; song, Mr. Chadwick; baritone solo, Mr. McKenna; duet, Mrs. Lilley and Miss Chadwick; song, Mr. Welsh; song, Mr. Hungerford; song, Mr. Lockhart. The national anthem brought the entertainment to a close, and all present seemed to enjoy themselves immensely.
Miss Lida Hall, of London Collegiate Institute, is at Ethel for her vacation.

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Rip Van Winkle
Like some of the merchants of London, was twenty years behind the times. When he awoke from his long sleep he found his hair had turned white with age. You can go into a number of local stores and find goods with the same tokens of antiquity. Rip had one great desire, and that was to drink. Their great desire is large profits. Small profits and doubled sales are not in their line. This accounts for the aged appearance of the goods on their shelves. They had
Slept 20 Years
When we awakened them. They only stirred when we first started business. But when they found that, by being satisfied with small profits, we were doing nearly all the dry goods business of the town, they had but one alternative: wake up and hustle or shut up shop. They have been following us right along, but we have a few things for this week which will fairly take the breath out of some of our esteemed contemporaries who think themselves in our class.

Plaids
We have all kinds of plaids—big plaids and little plaids, Scotch plaids and Irish plaids, and every one of them a stylish triumph and a quality triumph. English, French and German artists have had a hand at them. No wonder plaids are in such favor. The following prices will convince you that we don't intend to let them turn white on our shelves:
25 pieces Tartan Plaids..... \$0 20
50 pieces Tartan Plaids, very fine..... 25
6 pieces Fancy Plaids..... 35
54-inch Scotch Tartan..... 85

Ladies' Underwear
To put it modestly, there isn't any better made underwear sold in London than passes over our counters. Neither is it sold as cheap. Ideas of fashion may differ, ideas of fashion may be widely apart, but they must all unite in satisfaction with our offerings. Don't wake up and find you are behind time, but come now while these prices last:
Ladies' Fleeco Finish Vests, 2 for..... \$0 25
Ladies' Wool Drawers, very heavy..... 48
Ladies' Wool Vests, very heavy..... 45
Children's Natural Wool Vests..... 25

Fancy Dress Goods
They are not for dealers, these fine all-wool imported stuffs. But dealers come for them and get them just the same, and they will make somebody somewhere pay just double what we ask. If we had time we could tell you a good story about the way they mark them up. But a mile a minute is the trade world's pace and many fall behind.
Snow Flake, tweed effect, light or dark..... \$0 25
27 pieces Fancy Tweeds, all-wool, light or dark..... 50
54-inch Small Check Tweed..... 50
54-inch Heavy, dark colors..... 71

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44-inch Black Henrietta..... \$0 25
52-inch Fine Black French Serge..... 35
46-inch Silk Finish Henrietta..... 50
44-inch Black Solid Silk, figured..... 50
44-inch Silk Warp Henrietta..... 72 1/2
50-inch Balmoral Costume Serge, in black and navy blue, fast dye..... 75
41-inch Reversible Black Cord..... 1 00

Hosiery
You cannot buy hosiery too carefully. We think we do some wonderful selling. The qualities we are fortunate enough to get could command better prices. If large profits was all we had in mind, such quotations as these wouldn't be made.
Children's Wool Hose, the pair..... \$0 10
Ladies' English Ribbed Cashmere Hose, double sole..... 23
Boys' Extra Heavy Ribbed Wool Hose, all sizes..... 18
Ladies' Heavy Cashmere Hose, merino heel and toe..... 35
Ladies' All-wool Hose..... 17

Graniteware
Old bachelors are not liable to be very much interested in cooking utensils of any kind. But we want the ladies to come and see our graniteware. You can't break it, you can't bend it, it won't rust and won't wear out, easy to clean, fire won't hurt it, it will last a lifetime.
Large Size Saucepan..... \$0 17
Very best Graniteware Teapot..... 35
Preserving Kettle..... 27
Pudding Dish..... 15
Large Teakettle..... 85

Crockery
There is a lot of humbug talked and printed about bargain making with manufacturers' samples. The lines we are selling are not manufacturers' samples, but are composed of the very latest designs from the Staffordshire potteries, in England.
Half Dozen White Ironstone China Cups and Saucers, with handles, not second..... \$0 25
White ironstone China Bowls..... 4
White Chamber, medium size..... 19
Beautifully Decorated Cup-boards..... 12
Handsomely Decorated Toilet Set, 10 pieces..... 1 69
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