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Over Geo. E. Young's Grocery.

TO-NIGHT.

"C" Company drill, drill hall, at 8 o'clock.
Rogers-Griffley, Lyceum Course, at Grand, 8.15.
Public Library Board, Public Library, 8 o'clock.
Court Hope, No. 6244, A. O. F., Odd-fellows' Temple, 8 o'clock.

THE LOCAL BUDGET

F. P. Baldwin, of Pt. Alma, was in the city yesterday.
Boyd Parnall returned last evening from Manitoba.
Mrs. J. R. Walker, of Toronto, is the guest of Mrs. Jewell.
For the balance of the week, great bargains in Dress Goods, at Thibodeau & Jacques.
P. R. Brady, Supt. Western Division of the C. P. R., was the guest of Dr. J. L. Bray to-day.
Arthur D. Huff, London, Ont., travelling Freight Agent, Grand Trunk Railway System, was in the city to-day.
It takes an earnest effort to catch on to all the late styles in men's hats. A look at our line of hats will show if we have caught on. The 2's.
Wanted Immediately!—A good, smart girl to clerk in grocery; must have had some experience behind a grocery or candy counter. G. A. Young.
R. A. McVean, formerly manager of the Grand Opera House, is in the city. He is business manager for Marx Bros. Co., No. 1. He has the same old Mac and was around shaking hands with his many friends. Marx Bros. have three shows out this year, and Mr. McVean is managing No. 1 Company, which shows here next week. The ex-Chathamite says that the Company has been out 15 weeks, and on every night except three they were compelled to stop selling standing room.

Ebony Goods

Our window shows to-day part of our stock of **Christmas Ebony Goods**. We have imported this year a very fine assortment of these celebrated goods made by Looen, of Paris, France.

Ebony Toilet and Manicure Sets from \$10 to \$18. Ebony Toilet or Manicure Sets from \$5 to \$12. Ebony Hair Brushes from 25c to \$4. Ebony Mirrors from \$2.25 to \$4.25. Ebony Cloth Brushes, Hat Brushes, Bonnet Brushes, Shaving Brushes, Face Brushes, Manicure Pieces, etc.

A. I. McCall & Co., Sole Proprietors
Druggists and Opticians.

DIED IN ASTORIA.

Word was received yesterday by Mrs. W. R. Landon, of this city, of the death at Astoria, Oregon, on Monday, of her brother, Charles McDonald, of that place, after a lengthy illness. Mr. McDonald was a native of London, and brother of Alex. McDonald, of San Francisco, formerly of London, and of Mrs. James A. Smith, of London. Mrs. W. R. Landon, Chatham, Mrs. W. Slater, Seattle, and Miss Maggie McDonald, deceased, was a life member of St. John's Lodge, No. 2099, A. F. & A. M., of London, by the older members of which he was held in high esteem. He was a prominent politician in Astoria and previous to last illness was postmaster of that city. Many old-time friends and acquaintances will hear of his death with feelings of deep regret, although for some time past the sad event was not unexpected by those most intimately acquainted with him.

PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

The council resumed at ten o'clock this morning.
A communication was received from Albert Cable, an inmate of the house of refuge committee, asking the council's assistance in securing artificial limbs for himself. Referred to the House of Refuge committee.
A communication was received from the prisoner's Aid Association relative to procuring assistance to provide for the treatment of pauper inebriates.—Referred to Finance.
The account of A. C. Shaw, caretaker of Kent Bridge, for \$11.99, was referred to Finance.
The Planet account, \$7.50, was referred to printing committee.
The account of Dresden, \$26.40, for the expenses of taking a man to the asylum, was referred to Finance.
The account of the county engineer in connection with the repairs to the bridge at Kent Bridge, was referred to Finance. It amounted to \$46.90.
The House of Refuge committee presented their report. The clause referring to the adoption of Lawrence Badgley as a County charge excited some discussion. Commissioner Ross said that he had been told that Harwich had been responsible for the keep of Lawrence Badgley while in the House of Refuge, but that the reeve of Harwich had taken Badgley out of the House onto the road, and after giving the poor unfortunate a dollar, had left him. Mr. Ross said that he would like to know who was responsible for the keep of Badgley and the circumstances surrounding the case before the report of the House of Refuge committee was adopted.
Mr. Vester said that the man Badgley had spent the greater part of his life in Chatham Township and Camden, and had been in Harwich, during which work he had the misfortune to meet with an accident which crippled him for life. Mr. Wilson, the then reeve of Harwich, had sent the man to the House of Refuge as a Harwich pauper. When Dr. McCully was elected reeve, he gathered information that Badgley didn't belong to Harwich. Instead of laying the matter before the County Council, he simply notified the committee that Harwich would no longer be responsible for the support of Badgley. The House of Refuge committee replied that Harwich was liable. Acting on legal advice, the reeve of Harwich then took the man out of the House of Refuge and let him go. He offered the man \$5 but Badgley wouldn't take the money. The man was thus left on the hands of the County.
Commissioner Ross—I have no objections to the County keeping him, but if he belongs to Harwich, they should be compelled to pay for his keep.
Mr. Rankin—This is a peculiar case. There is no doubt that some sharp practice has been indulged in here, but I don't think that the man properly belonged to Harwich still I can't commend the action of the reeve.
Commissioner Ross—I don't like business done in that way. There must surely be some law, and Harwich, if the man didn't belong to them, could have been released from supporting him in a legal manner. I think the House of Refuge committee should have taken the man back and charged his keep to Harwich. I think that the means adopted were a discredit to the man who adopted them.
Commissioner Morrison—I don't think that the people of Harwich are to be blamed but their officials go a little too far. Their reeve goes to a lawyer to get advice, adopting the same tactics as were adopted in regard to the man recently killed on the railroad.
Mr. Sturgis—if Badgley lived in Camden, I never knew him.
The Warden—When Badgley was taken out of the House of Industry he came to Harrison Hall and wouldn't leave here. I told the clerk that he had better send the man back to the House of Refuge.
Mr. Sifton—This matter should be properly investigated. I will move that the reeve be referred back.
Mr. Johns—I us adopt the balance of report and refer back that one clause.
Mr. Sifton—I agree.
Mr. Ross—I'll move in amendment the report be adopted with the exception of the clause dealing with Badgley and that part of the report be referred back for the committee to report on. The amendment of Mr. Ross was adopted.
Mr. Bedford, mail carrier from Louisville to Northwood, addressed the council re the extra expense entailed on him by reason of the bridge at Kent Bridge being closed. The matter was referred to Finance.
The report of the committee re a bridge over Blaine creek, was ordered filed.
It was moved by S. P. Sturgis, seconded by Mr. French, that \$200 be granted the town of Dresden towards the maintenance of the bridge there.—Referred to Roads and Bridges committee. The council then adjourned for dinner.

IS IT MESSAGE FROM DEAD ?

Startling Communication Received by The Planet This Morning.

Enquiries as to the Genuineness so far Fruitless—who is Mary Gordon ?

This morning The Planet received the following communication from Thomas A. Burk, of Blenheim: "The Planet, Chatham.
"Enclosed find message found by me in a bottle washed ashore on the Eau point.
"THOMAS A. BURK."
The enclosure consists of a piece of calendar paper, raggedly torn, upon which is written in pencil the following:

"November 22nd, 1901.
"On board the schooner Eliza Graham.
"Cool. Bound for Sandwich, 20 miles off Cleveland.
"We are sinking. Men worn out at the pumps. Cannot float much longer. Been in the troughs of the sea all night. Yawl torn away with the gale. God help us. I am standing up to my waist in water while I write this.
"Please forward to James A. McDonald.
"Good-bye.
"MARY ANN GORDON."
"Cook."
"P. S.—Please forward to Chatham Planet, Chatham, Ont."
As to whether this is a genuine message or a hoax, The Planet has been unable to ascertain. A wire from Sandwich says that the boat in question had not been in port near there for some time.
Capt. John McDonald, of the schooner Kolfage, when interviewed by a Planet reporter this morning, said: "I know the Eliza Graham quite well and have seen her often. She is a boat probably half as large again as the Kolfage. I don't know much about her as you see she plies mostly in Lakes Ontario and Erie. I didn't hear of her being wrecked, but it is altogether likely it is so as that is what they generally do—throw out a bottle or a seal."
Local men, shipowners and dealers, do not know the boat at all and don't remember ever seeing her here.

Geo. Maris, of Coatsworth, spent yesterday in the city.

FOR SALE
Modern house, all improvements, double parlors, dining room, kitchen, large pantry, four bedrooms, clothes closet off each bedroom, front and back stairs, bath room with all conveniences, furnace, stationary wash-tubs in basement, cement floor, best of drainage, nice lawn front and back.

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Christmas
Announcement

Our Christmas Stock = =

Has been carefully selected for use as well as ornamental.

Call and see our selection of Ebony Goods composed of

Brush and Comb Sets, Hair, Military, Hand, Hat, Oloth, Tooth and Nail Brushes, Etc., Mirrors—Stand and Hand, Bonnet Brooms, Manicure Sets and Files.

Our Perfume Stock

Include all the leading imported and domestic manufacturers, such as

Rogers & Gulets, Soelys Pinard's, Ooligates, Pivers, Woodworth, Bourjois, Lubine, Atkinson Stearns.

Also a choice and complete line of

Toilet Atomizers, Purses, Chatelaine Bags, Etc.

C. H. GUNN & Co., Cor. King St., Chatham.

Christmas Books ...

D'riand I
By Irving Bacheller
AUTHOR OF
EBEN HOLDEN.

Promises to be one of the big selling books of the year. Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage says: "D'riand I" is a rare book, in style vivid, in thought elevated. Its influence will be healthful. I wish every young man and woman might read it for the lesson of its love motive. It makes you see clearly the difference between true and false love; you feel the peril of the one, the beauty of the other. All who are approaching a supreme moment upon which a word may change their destiny for good or evil, may get wisdom out of this book."

FOR SALE AT
DINGMAN'S BOOKSTORE

This is a good time for people who desire to spend Christmas in the Old Country to make their arrangements, as steamboats are all filling up, and we are advised by Mr. Rispien that he is prepared to give passengers for the Old Country the choice of any steamer crossing the Atlantic at lowest available rates.

WANTED—
BOY WANTED—Boy, to learn the barbering business. Apply to A. Day, Market Square. 2td

WANTED!—Experienced girls to whom three dollars per week will be paid. Mrs. John A. Morton, third street. 10

TEACHER WANTED—Male—Holding second or third class certificate. Applications will be received up to Tuesday, Dec. 10th. Address John Coveney, Sec. S. S. No. 6, Dover, Baldoune P. O. m w s 3w

MARRIED MAN WANTED—With some experience in farming, to take charge and work my farm, either by the month or the year. Apply personally, to G. W. Kelly, Queen St., P. O. address, Box 606, Chatham. 10

AUCTION SALE
I have concluded to give up the crockery business and will sell by public auction on Saturday, Dec. 7th, all of my stock of crockery, amounting to over \$500. This crockery, is not old stock, but all nice new goods, also will sell some of my shop fixtures, such as stools, chairs, hanging lamps, etc.
Sale will take place in the old stand, corner King and Sixth streets.
GEO. A. YOUNG.
A. THOMSON, Auctioneer. 1f

Halls' Cafe
Try our Fried Oysters.
Try our Raw Oysters.
Try our Steamed Oysters.
We guarantee them to be the best in the city.
We also keep a fine line of confectionery.
Private Dining Rooms up stairs for special suppers.

Halls' Cafe
108 King Street

WELLSMAN - YUNCK
RECITAL
Grand Opera House
Tuesday Evening, Dec. 17
This undoubtedly will be the social and musical event of the season.
Admission—25c, 35c, 50c and 75c.

A fine assortment of
Baby bonnets,
Corsets,
D'Oylies,
Embroideries,
Floss,
Glasco thread,
Handkerchiefs,
Infant's wear,
Japanese goods,
Kindergarten embroidery,
Lampshades,
Mirrors,
Nightgowns,
Ornaments,
Pillows, shams,
Quilted bath robes,
Ribbons,
Slippers,
Toques,
Underwear and
Vassa combs.

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SALE OF

Navy Dress Goods

THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY

Seasonable Goods, Newest Styles, Most Reliable Qualities, and yet remarkably reduced prices. Thats the synopsis of this advertisement. We place on sale Thursday morning all our Navy Dress Goods and Suitings at prices reduced 25 per cent, and more. Read the details and profit by whatever serves your requirements.

Our \$1.50 navy pebbled Cheviot at a yd. \$1.10

\$1.25 navy 54 in. Cheviot at a yd... \$1.00

\$1.00 navy 54 in. Cheviot at a yd... 75c

75c navy Satin Cheviot at a yd..... 50c

50c navy Amazon Cloth at a yd..... 40c

\$1.00 navy Coating Serges at a yd.. 75c

75c navy Coating Serge at a yd . . 55c

50c navy Coating Serge at a yd . . 39c

40c navy Coating Serge at a yd . . 30c

\$1.25 navy Broadcloth at a yd . . \$1.00

\$1.00 navy Ladies' Cloth at a yd . . 75c

\$1.00 navy Homespuns at a yd . . 75c

75c navy Homespuns at a yd. . . . 50c

50c navy Box Cloths at a yd . . . 40c

50c navy Henriettas at a yd 40c

This list represents over eighty pieces and there are others. They are displayed in Dress Goods Section, ticketed with regular and sale prices. It will take you but a few minutes to look them over. Come early, and have best choice.

Our Collection of Tailor-made Suits is a Prominent Feature of Our Ready-Made Department.

The time's now ripe to wear them and to delay means just this—You will not have the same collection to select from, and its usefulness to you is going.

AT \$7.50
Tailor made suits of cheviot twill or frieze, in navy, black, grey or brown, made in military style or a double breasted Eton, with bell sleeve and velvet collar.

AT \$10.00
Cheviot and frieze tailor made suits, double breasted, tight fitting collar, and lapels stitched, jacket mercer lined, skirt stitched and unlined.

AT \$12.00
Tailor made suits, black or navy, Norfolk jacket, skirt stitched.

AT \$14.00
Suit of grey homespun, jacket double breasted, with shawl collar trimmed with black, skirt seven gore, full flared.

C. Austin & Co. . . . The Bargain Centre