

Why Not Do Your Christmas Shopping Now?

When you come to think it over there are not many more shopping days till Christmas. Why not anticipate your wants and do the bulk of your buying now? Our two large stores are crowded with merchandise suitable for sensible and serviceable gifts. The present uncertain state of the market makes repeat orders almost impossible. Make your selections now and we will lay away until needed.

FOR WOMEN

Fownes' Kid Gloves, Fancy Linens, hand made, Fur Stoles and Muffs, Fancy Silks, Silk Blouses, Motor Scarves, Motor Hoods, Fancy Neckwear and Collars, Sweater Coats, Mufflers, Woolen Skirts, Mitts and Gloves, Table Linens, Napkins, Guest Towels, Hearth Rugs, Bath Mats, Fancy and Kinono Aprons, Handkerchiefs, all kinds and prices, Silk, Wool or Cashmere Hose.

IN THE MEN'S STORE

Ties in Christmas boxes, 25, 50 and 75c, Hose Supporters, Armbands and Suspenders, separately boxed, Linen, Silk and Excelsa Handkerchiefs with initials, Arrow Shirts and Pajamas, King and Borsalino Hats, Boys' Gauntlets and Leather Mitts, Motor Gauntlets, Leather Mitts, Sweater Coats, Jerseys, Umbrellas, Belts, Silk and Cashmere Hose, Khaki and Souvenir Handkerchiefs, Eastern Caps, Knitted Toques.

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HAPPY THOUGHT RANGES

Still lead the sales in Canada, as they have for the last thirty years. Latest designs on our floor at right prices.

RADIANT HOME BASEBURNERS

Are powerful heaters and easy on the coal bill. Ask your neighbor who has one. We have a few left at last year's prices.

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Are satisfactory and convenient for fall evenings or that cold bedroom in winter. We have them at \$3.50, \$4.00 and \$4.50.

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You need not buy because you come here to look. We are quite content to leave it to your own good taste. We are anxious however that you do not commit yourself to the purchase of furniture, until you have seen what this store is offering and you have no idea unless you have been here very lately. Let us figure on your furniture outfit. Perhaps we can save you money. It will cost you nothing to see anyway, visitors always welcome

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Secretary-Treasurer,
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The Third Party

The Third Party launched by the labor organizations to represent the masses, will seek the approval of the electors on the following platform:
Free compulsory education.
Legal workday of eight hours and six days a week.

Abolition of the contract system on all public works.
Public ownership of all franchises, railway, telephone, telegraph, water-works, lighting, etc.
Tax reform by lessening taxation on industry and increasing it on land values.
Abolition of the Dominion Senate.
Abolition of labor for children under sixteen years and the establishing of equal pay for equal work for men and women.
Abolition of property qualification for all public offices.
Proportional representation with group constituencies and abolition of municipal wards.
Direct legislation through initiative and referendum.
Equal suffrage to men and women over twenty-one years of age.

EAST LAMBTON LIBERALS

D. J. McEachern of Alvinston Nominated for the Legislature

A large and representative convention of the Liberals of E. Lambton convened in Taylor's Lyceum, Watford, on Friday afternoon to select a candidate to contest the riding for the Ontario Legislature at the next provincial election. Every polling sub-division in the riding was represented.

President D. J. McEachern, of Alvinston, called the convention to order, and after the preliminary proceedings were disposed of, called upon former President S. Bailey to preside. Nominations, which were made by ballot, resulted in the following list of names being submitted: R. J. McCormick, ex. M. P. P., H. J. Fowler and C. R. Saugan, London; Wm. Macdonald, Theford; J. E. Anderson, Wyoming; Dr. Brown, Camlachie; H. J. Pettypiece, Forest; W. Fancher, Euphemia; D. White, Bosanquet; A. B. Connor and D. J. McEachern, Alvinston; Warden Wm. Hall, Warwick, and Reeve Annett of Brooke. All the nominees retired with the exception of Messrs. McCormick, McEachern and White.

Mr. McEachern had a clear majority on the first ballot and on motion of Messrs. White and McCormick his nomination was made unanimous.

In thanking the Convention for the honor conferred upon him the nominee referred to his long residence in the County and the interest and part he had taken in the political and municipal history of the riding. Mr. McEachern expressed himself strongly in favor of public ownership and cited the Brooke Township Telephone Co., with which he was prominently identified, as an illustration of its efficiency and economy. He closed by asking for the hearty and unanimous support of all who desired a clean and economical administration of provincial affairs in the most trying time in the history of the country. He predicted that the riding would be redeemed at the coming election. Mr. McCormick referred to his long and faithful services in behalf of the party, and after thirty odd years of active service he was now in a position to enjoy a well earned rest.

Mr. Renan, of Toronto, Provincial Organizer, impressed upon those present the necessity for thorough organization.

J. C. Elliott, M. P. P., East Middlesex, criticized what he termed the "zig zag courses" of the present government, and commented on the alleged inconsistency and lack of back bone shown in the administration of public affairs.

F. F. Pardee, M. P., West Lambton, predicted an early dissolution of the Dominion House and urged the necessity of being prepared. He charged the present cabinet with being weak, wobbly and saturated with dissensions within and without.

Cheers for the candidate and leaders brought proceedings to a close.

Man-Power Inventory

In connection with the proposed inventory of the man-power of the Dominion, a card, it is stated, is to be issued to every man between the ages of 18 and 65, who will be asked to answer twenty-four questions, which are as follows:

1. What is your full name?
2. How old are you?
3. Where do you live. Province.
4. Name of city, town, village or post-office, street, number.
5. In what country were you born?
6. In what country was your father born?
7. In what country was your mother born?
8. Were you born a British subject?
9. If not, are you naturalized?
10. How much time have you lost in the last 12 months from sickness?
11. Have you full use of your arms?
12. Of your legs?
13. Of your sight?
14. Of your hearing?
15. Which are you—married, single, or a widower?
16. How many persons besides yourself do you support?
17. What are you working at for a living?
18. Whom do you work for?
19. Have you a trade or profession?
20. If so, what?
21. Are you working now?
22. If not, why?
23. Would you be willing to change your present work for other necessary work at the same pay during the war?
24. Are you willing if your railway fare is paid to leave where you now live and go to some other place in Canada to do such work?

INSURING THE SOLDIERS

The Canadian Patriotic Fund Helps to Keep Many Policies Alive

The vast amount of work undertaken by the Canadian Patriotic Fund for the relief and assistance of soldiers' dependents will probably never be fully appreciated. In most cases this work is carried on by voluntary effort, and as the organization extends into almost every town and hamlet in the Dominion but few deserving cases can be overlooked. In the Department of Insurance, for instance, the Montreal branch last month saved for twenty-two families policies that would otherwise have lapsed and lost to the beneficiaries. These policies represented insurance to the value of about \$30,000, the annual premiums being over \$800. In all this branch is looking after insurance representing not less than \$60,000. In other words, through carelessness or fancied inability to pay premiums, this amount of protection to soldiers' dependents would have been lost if the organization had not financially assisted in keeping the policies alive. In addition to what the organization is directly financing, the total amount of insurance saved to dependents

within two years by the Committee's advice and counsel is in excess of \$200,000.

The experiences of the committee in these matters is a revelation in human nature. One woman preferred to buy a new skirt rather than renew a policy on the life of her husband, who was battling in a Flanders' trench. Another woman, whose husband's daily facing German bullets, would have allowed her policy to lapse rather than take the amount of the premiums out of the savings bank. Another instance worth recording is unfortunately typical. The woman had an idea that insurance was all right for the rich, but that in her straitened circumstances she should not be expected to make any sacrifice to maintain her husband's insurance, in this case amounting to \$1,000. After an hour's argument with her on behalf of herself and baby boy, she reluctantly consented, to accept a loan of \$50 from the Fund to cover the premium, this amount to be repaid in monthly instalments. The husband was subsequently killed in action, and the wife received the full face value of the policy. It was a grateful mother who called a few days later and tearfully thanked the committee for their advice and assistance.

Since this branch of the work was organized practically every woman interviewed has acted on the committee's advice. In many cases the committee has had to act quickly and without consulting the woman, and here again there was little friction, matters being afterwards satisfactorily explained to the dependents.

In this connection it is gratifying to note that the insurance companies have generally dealt liberally and sympathetically with relief committees.

Sarnia Children Shot

Sarnia, Dec. 3.—Signa Lewis, 9 years old, daughter of R. J. Lewis, Maxwell Street, and Florence Haley, 11 years old, daughter of Wesley Haley, East Street, were badly wounded late Saturday afternoon by gunshot when a shotgun was discharged at a rabbit a few feet from them by a lad named Robert Nelson, aged 14, who was hunting on some vacant property on East Street.

The Lewis child was wounded in the head and on leg, while the other child received two wounds in a leg.

Doctors were called, but the shot grains have not as yet been located, although the Lewis child was operated on. An X-ray examination will be made tomorrow.

The police have received word of the matter, and will investigate.

The Wyoming Enterprise has the adv. of a conscious stricken man who wants information of the present location of a boon companion in a drinking spree some 36 years ago, whom he then relieved of a roll of bank notes. The advertiser is anxious to restore the amount taken.

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Their light weight and keen glass-hard edge have won hosts of hockey players to these guaranteed skates.

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You Never Thought of It

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EYE STRAIN causes much more than dyspepsia, it causes dull headaches, heavy eyes and watery eyes, Nervousness, Insomnia. Strained eyes are never bright eyes. The remedy is not simply to get glasses, but to get the **right** glasses. From our perfect eye tests we know the peculiarities of your eyes and grind lenses to completely overcome all eye strain. Don't let your eyes go begging for help.

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Jeweler and Optician
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