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STOCK TAKING BARAINS

Odd lines, broken lots and remnants at about half their actual value. Dress Goods, Tweeds, Flannels, Prints, Apron Goods, in fact ends from every department.

A PARTIAL LIST:

Jackets

Every garment new, this season's goods. \$4.00 Jackets for...\$2.00

Men's Underwear

Several dozen Men's odd Shirts, two or three of a kind, regular 75c, \$1, and \$1.25, to clear at...50c

Blankets

10 pairs 10 1/4 Shaker Blankets, good weight, regular \$1 line, to clear...80c

Bed Comforters

7 only Bed Comforters, good size, fancy sateen cover, sold all season at \$1.75, special...\$1.25

Wrapperettes

10 pieces Wrapperette, good patterns, light and dark, regular 8c, special...5c

Wrappers

15 only Ladies' Wrapperette Wrappers, one or two of a kind, former prices \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, reduced prices...98c, \$1.25

Dress Goods

Ends of from one to six yards, some of our best selling lines at about half price.

Mantle Cloths

Beaver Cloths, Curl Cloths, rough tweed effects, at reduced prices to clear.

Ladies' Fur-lined Capes

4 only Ladies' Fur-lined Capes, plain blue, green and black, box cloth and also fancy black, white squirrel lining, Thibet collar and trimming, good value at \$25, special \$18.

Fur Coats

It is a well known fact that Farthings sell the best Fur Coats. We have sold already this season about 75 coats. We have 14 left to sell at greatly reduced prices. If you want a coat, better call early, while your size is here.

Small Furs

Fur Ruffs, Fur Muffs, Fur Collars, Fur Collarets, Fur Gauntlets, Fur Caps, all at greatly reduced prices.

Wool Sox

5 doz Men's Wool Sox the 20c kind, special 15c, 2 for...25c

Ordered Clothing

No competitor in this line of business is able to give you as good values as we can, nor can you find a better choice elsewhere. We find we have too many heavy winter tweeds, and in order to reduce our stock we are going to offer a special discount of from \$2 to \$5 per suit on all winter tweeds.

Beaver Overcoats

Clearing up time in Beavers and Melton.

Beaver Overcoats, well made and in proper style, good trimmings, coats that were worth up to \$20, clearing sale prices \$10, \$12, \$14, and \$16.

Men's Cravats

We have about 2 doz Men's Cravats left from Christmas trade to clear. 75c Cravats at 50c, \$1 Cravats...75c

Men's Fur Coats

2 only Northwest Coon Coats, good heavy fur, \$30 Coats, special...\$20

"UP THE SPOUT" IN CHINA.

Peculiarities of Pawnshop Business in the Flowery Kingdom.

What the public house or hotel is to an English town the pawnshop is to a Chinese community.

Its lofty, solid building rears itself above the houses and forms the most prominent feature of the bird's eye view of any city or town.

In those days usurers charged exorbitant interest for money lent, and very frequently the borrower, disappeared with his booty for good.

The eight or ten storied building stands several feet back from the street line. There is a small doorway, and behind it stands a wooden screen bearing the name of the pawnshop.

Behind the signboard is a life court-yard, where all business is transacted. The front of the shop is fenced off with iron bars, like a lion's cage, six feet above the ground.

The Chinese "uncle" fixes the price, gives the "nephew" a ticket and the money, and the pledge is ticketed and packed away just as in England.

The rates of interest are high. On advances of less than 10 shillings 30 per cent per annum is charged, from 10 shillings to £1 24 per cent and on larger sums slightly less.

But during the winter months articles can be redeemed at a reduction of one-third in the interest, as a concession to the needs of the poor.

A pledge may hold good for three years. After that time it cannot be redeemed.

Periodically the pawnshops sell off their unpredemitted pledges to secondhand shops, sales direct to the public being forbidden.

On migrating to Australia, America or elsewhere, the Chinaman pawns his implements of worship—censer, urn, tripod, etc., thus leaving them in security till his return. Pawnshops are also used as banks.

A man having saved some money consigns it to the pawnbroker for safe custody, paying a small fee for the privilege.

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The Chinese "uncle's" great enemies are fire and thieves. If fire originates in the shop, the proprietor must pay the full value of all pledges destroyed.

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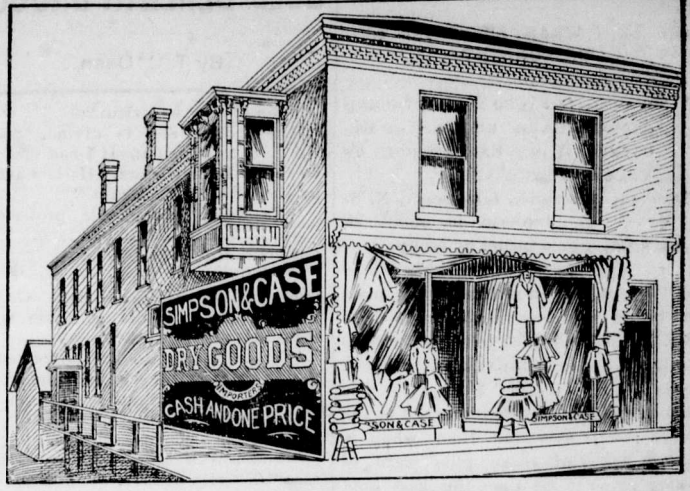
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THE BIG BUSY CORNER.



Clearing Out Odd Lots

At the end of a very busy season we find in each department odd lots of seasonable goods. We want to turn them into cash. If you are in need of any of the following articles the prices should interest you.

- \$1.25 Golf Jackets for 50c-5 only Ladies' Golf Jackets, made from fine pure wool, a very comfortable house garment, reg \$1.25 for... 50c

Simpson & Case, Dry Goods Importers and Clothiers, Aylmer, Ont.

Clearing Sale House Slippers

We have had a mammoth trade in house Slippers this season, but still have a large number of odd pairs. We want to clear out every pair to make more shelf room for spring goods.

Table with columns: Item, Reg. Price, Clearing Price. Includes Men's Carpet Slippers, Women's goat skin, velvet toe Slippers, etc.

The above list will give you an idea of the bargains we offer. There are only a few sizes in each line, therefore it will pay you to come early. The sale will positively close the 12th of January.

The prices on these goods are ...For Cash Only

CHRISTIE & CARON, Established 1879. The Mammoth Shoe Store. The Little Wonder.

New Century Year to all.

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RICHMOND.

The members of the Corinth W. C. T. U. held their monthly meeting at the home of Mr. J. Wintermute. The programme was very interesting and the social part was all that could be desired.

A very pleasant event took place on Wednesday, the ninth of Jan. at the home of Mrs. W. Nellis when the Rev. L. W. Reid, B. D. united in marriage her daughter Miss Mary to Mr. Walsh of Stratfordville, promptly at three o'clock to the strains of the wedding march played by Miss D. Doan.

The bride and groom entered the room. The bride looked very pretty all in white, she was attended by her sister Miss Libbie Brook of Springfield. After the wedding supper the bride and groom left for St. Thomas to visit relatives. On Thursday evening a party was given in honor of the bride by her aunt Mrs. Waterhouse and a beautiful china tea set was presented to them by their friends.

The sweet baby girl of Mr. and Mrs. Hubank died on Monday last. The parents have the sincere sympathy of all in their bereavement.

A very interesting meeting of the Bayham Recording circle was held last Saturday evening at the home of Mr. Hatch. Dr. Riddell gave an instructive paper on eastern question which was accompanied by a lively discussion.

Mr. Doan and Miss Doan attended their cousin's funeral at Eden on Monday last.

First and Foremost

In the field of medicine is Hood's Sarsaparilla. It possesses actual and unequalled merit by which it cures all diseases caused or promoted by impure or impoverished blood.

The favorite family cathartic is Hood's Pills.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box.

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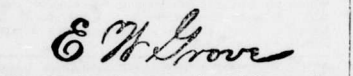
On Sunday evening the Rev. G. Jackson, Ex President of London Conference, preached the missionary sermon to a large congregation. It was listened to with the closest attention to the end.

We regret to chronicle the death of one of Bayham's old pioneers in the person of Mr. Isaac Hayward, who quietly passed away on Sunday the 6th inst. at the advanced age of 82 years. He was born in Ohio, and at the age of 17 years moved to New York State and thence to Canada.

He leaves a widow, one son and two daughters to mourn his loss. He was a member of the Methodist church, and was looked upon as a kind and obliging neighbor. His remains were interred in the Firby cemetery on Tuesday. The Rev. L. W. Reid B. D. conducted the funeral ceremonies.

Miss Lottie Shepherd and Mr. White, of Groshen were united in marriage on Wednesday, the Rev. L. Reid. It was a grand wedding, over 50 guests being present. The happy couple took the nine o'clock train amid a shower of rice for St. Thomas and points west.

You could see to read on the street here on Sunday night, caused by the reflection from the fire in Brownsville, the burning of Mr. Corbett's store.



This signature is on every box of the genuine Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets the remedy that cures a cold in one day VIENNA.

Mr. Lorne Markle returned home from Brantford on Saturday last.

Miss Cora Cochrane of Mt. Elgin is visiting friends in town.

A large crowd attended the party given at Mr. Charles Chandlers on Friday evening.

Miss Minnie Cambell returned home on Thursday from Glen Meyer accompanied by her cousin Miss Bertha Haney.

Equity Lodge No. 299, A. O. U. W.

The following resolution was passed by Equity Lodge No. 299, A. O. U. W., Lyons, at its last meeting,—Where as God in his infinite wisdom has seen fit to remove from our midst Bro. Rev. S. G. Staples, and whereas our lamented Bro., whose memory we fondly cherish and whose death we deeply deplore, was an upright Christian man, and a worthy member of Equity Lodge. It becomes us as a lodge to put on record our appreciation as a brother and "spiritual adviser" therefore be it resolved.

First. That while we bow in humble submission to the will of Him that doeth all things as seemeth best; we no less deplore the loss of our brother and mourn his departure.

Second. That in the death of Bro. S. G. Staples the community in which he lived and labored as well as the lodge loses a good and useful brother, whose example as a christian is worthy of our highest emulation.

Third. That as a lodge tender our affectionate sympathy to the bereaved widow and family in this great loss.

Signed on behalf of Equity Lodge No. 299, A. O. U. W. E. Bowen M. W.

T. G. Winder Rec.

MAPLETON

Mrs. Wm. H. Charlton is on the sick list.

The recent light fall of the "beautiful" has caused quite a revolution in light driving here from wheels to runners. It is hopeful it may continue to grow better.

Our new store-keeper, Mr. McKee, who began business with the new century, is doing a lively business.

Mr. Charlie Deo, of Dorchester Station is superintending the butter factory in the absence of Mr. Brodie, who is teaching a school of dairy instruction at Strathroy.

Mr. James Warwick contemplates re-modeling and modernizing his fine residence in the spring.

Mr. Geo. Williams' two youngest children are recovering slowly from their recent illness.

Serofolia in the blood shows itself sooner or later in swellings, sores, eruptions. But Hood's Sarsaparilla completely cures it.