

The Traders Bank OF CANADA.

(Incorporated by Act of Parliament 1885.)

Capital Paid Up \$300,000.00
Reserve Fund 70,000.00
Assets, Nov. 30, 1899 \$617,787.00
Reserve, consisting of gold,
Government bills, bonds, etc., \$209,407.00
Deposits Nov. 30 \$657,162.00

DUTTON.

Notes Cash. Drafts issued on all Points.

SAVINGS BANK.

Deposits of \$1 and upwards received and interest allowed at 3 per cent. per annum, compounded half-yearly.

NO DELAY IN DRAWING MONEY.
NEWMAN BOOKER, Manager.

Children's Overshoes at Half Price.

We have 60 Pairs Children's Overshoes, with five buttons on the side, sizes 5 to 10, regular \$1.00 Overshoe, for only 50 cents a pair.

T. HOCKIN.

Agent for Granby Rubbers.

LOCAL NEWS.

The schools will re open on Jan 3. Your vote and influence are requested next Monday.

Mrs. Ruthven intends removing to West Lorne.

The collection in Knox church last Sunday amounted to \$226.

Miss Drake has been appointed organist of Knox church.

Merchants report the Christmas trade to have been larger than for a number of years.

MONEY TO LOAN on real estate at lowest rates. Apply to W. Harold Barnum, barrister, Dutton.

Good old American corn for sale at Dutton flour mills—The per 100 pounds, for 76c per 100, ground.

The Baptist church Sunday school entertainment, will be held in the opera house to-morrow (Friday) evening.

The final meeting of the Board of Directors of the Dunwich Insurance Co. for the year will be held on Saturday.

We are now told that binder twine is likely to jump to 20 or 25 cents a pound next year, as manilla is up to 15 cents.

Over 150 volumes are being added to the Public Library, by which addition the library will contain over 1,000 volumes.

Phillips Company held forth in Uncle Tom's Cabin in the town hall on Tuesday to a crowded house. The worn out chestnut has still attraction for many.

The passenger traffic during the holidays has been the largest for years, and many former residents of this locality are enjoying the merry season with friends.

The reason 1900 is not a leap year is that, according to the Gregorian calendar, all centennial years that are not multiples of 400 years are not to be made leap years.

At the school meeting yesterday the retiring trustees, Thomas Woodbridge, Silas Brown and Colin McGregor, were re-elected. John Dromgould and D. Blue were elected trustees of the Wallace town school.

The Traders Bank will not be open the two Saturday evenings preceding the holidays, Christmas and New Years, Dec. 23 and Dec. 30, from 7.30 to 9.30 as usual. After the holiday season is over the bank will open every Saturday evening from 7.30 to 9 o'clock for the convenience of customers.

The Sunday school Christmas entertainment of Knox church, held in the town hall on Monday night, was largely attended and a well enjoyed program of music, recitations, drills and a cantata entitled "School Holiday" provided. The chair was occupied by Rev. J. Steuen. The proceeds amounted to \$22.

At the residence of Rev. Thomas Wilson, London, a pleasant event occurred yesterday, being the marriage of Mr. Duncan Stewart and Miss Mary Duncan, daughter of Mr. Alex. Duncan, all of Dunwich. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Wilson, only a few immediate friends being present. The young couple will take up their residence, west of Campbellton.

Word has been received by friends at Southwold Station from the Warden of the Kingston Penitentiary that George Young, who shot Fred Glover about six years ago, is hopelessly ill and that he cannot live many months. Young was sentenced to imprisonment for life, but the Minister of Justice will be asked to relieve him so that he may spend his remaining days with his friends.

A physician who is an authority on dieties, urges that when work must be resumed immediately after a meal, that meal should be as light, and digestible as possible; better still, too, if the half hour preceding the meal can be filled with some diverting occupation or perfect idleness. Children should not rush from the school room to the luncheon table, eat with one eye on the clock and hurry off again to begin study at once. This is done all over the land, and is one of the reasons that the health of children suffers during school life.

At the Knox church Sunday school entertainment on Christmas night, Miss Frances Ruthven, who has resigned her position as teacher in the school, was asked to step on the platform and was presented by her class with a Bible and an address, expressive of the appreciation of the members of the class for her valuable services and also their regret at her leaving the village.

On Monday, 18th inst., a very pleasant family gathering took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Stimers, who reside near Corinth, it being the celebration of their golden wedding. The children of the aged couple were all present, Mr. Abraham Stimers, M.C.R. agent, of Muirkirk; Mr. Alonzo Stimers, M.C.R. agent, of Essex; Mrs. C. Winger, of Springvale; Mrs. A. W. Bearss, of Dutton; Mrs. Chas. Hall, of Tilsonburg; and George W. and Hattie Stimers, at home. The husbands and wives of the children were also present at the gathering. Mr. and Mrs. Stimers have eight children, ten grandchildren and four great grandchildren living.

The Xmas. entertainment of the Methodist church held on Wednesday was a decided success. The opera house was crowded and the different dialogues, recitations, drills, etc., were very well rendered. Mr. Cape's "Boy's Brigade" was much praised, the seventeen boys of which it was composed, went through the different military manoeuvres like old hands. A novel feature was the arrival on the stage of a life like elephant, which moved his proboscis, tail, ears, opened and shut his eyes in a most natural manner; yes, he actually roared with a true Jumbo voice. One gentleman was heard to remark that he "had seen many elephants in circuses that was not half as natural." The proceeds amounted to over \$35.

PERSONAL.

Harry Hollingshead is home from Duluth.

James Royal, of Detroit, spent Xmas. with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Booker spent Christmas with Hamilton friends.

Mrs. A. C. Gordon, of Toronto, is visiting friends in the village.

J. M. Blue, is spending a week with friends at Cass City, Mich.

Miss E. Cox, of Detroit, spent Christmas at the Methodist parsonage.

Mr. R. Scott, of Toronto, is the guest of Malcolm McArthur, Hogg street.

Misses Maud and Edith Hodder are visiting relatives at Ironwood, Mich.

Duncan McCallum, of Seaford, is on a short holiday visit with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Porter are spending a few days with their son in Chatham.

Mr. Tilman Nighswander, of Mongolia, spent Xmas. with M. S. Smith.

Mrs. Cascaden is on a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Carpenter, at Hamilton.

Miss Ada B. Sutton spent her Xmas. holidays at Mr. P. J. Henry's Ridge town.

Mrs. R. S. McMillan and Mrs. Matheson spent a few days with friends in Detroit.

Alvin Cochrane, of the Walker House, Toronto, spent Christmas with his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Fletcher had Xmas. dinner with the latter's parents at Tilsonburg.

Miss Carrie Sharp, of St. Thomas, spent Xmas. with Miss Annie Campbell, Dutton.

Alex. McIntyre, of Morden, Man., is spending a few weeks with his mother at Wallace town.

Thos. Urquhart, an old Wallace town boy, is a candidate for aldermanic honors in Toronto.

W. A. Hertel has passed his examination at the School of Pharmacy with first class honors.

Roger Black, operator on the C.P.R. at Portal, Dakota, is spending the holidays with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Milloy, of Detroit, are spending a few days with relatives at Dutton and Port Talbot.

Mayor Gunn, of Seaford, and Dr. Gunn, of McGill University, spent Christmas with their mother at Wallace town.

G. H. Ling, M. A., of Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn., is spending the holidays at his home at Wallace town.

Death of a Dunwich Pioneer.

The death occurred at the home of her daughter in Detroit on Friday of Mrs. McRae, relict of Colin McRae, one of the pioneers of Dunwich. The deceased settled with her husband on the second concession of this township about fifty five years ago, which was then a dense wilderness and without any conveniences for the comfort of the pioneer settlers. Her husband died 52 years ago, and the deceased continued to reside on the homestead until she made her home with her son, the late John C. McRae, in this village, and at his death she moved to Detroit to reside with her daughter. The deceased, who was born in Lower Canada, had reached the great age of 95 years, her death being due to the infirmities of her long life. One son and two daughters survive her, namely, Philip, in California; Mrs. K. Finlayson and Mrs. Gordon, Detroit. The funeral took place in Detroit on Sunday.

The reeve has called a meeting of the ratepayers for Friday evening to discuss municipal matters.

NEW Shoes

FOR MEN
FOR LADIES
FOR CHILDREN
FOR BOYS.

The Newest Lasts.
Strictly Up-to-Date.

CALL AND LOOK OVER THEM.

T. SMITH.

THE MAJORITY 17.

The Recount in The Recent Election Makes No Material Change.

The recount of the ballots cast in the West Elgin election was held Thursday and Friday before Judge Ermatinger at the court house. R. A. Grant, of Toronto, and W. L. McLaws appeared for Mr. Macnish, and T. W. Crothers, W. K. Cameron and S. Price appeared for Mr. Macdiarmid.

All the ballots, excepting St. Thomas, had been counted, leaving Mr. Macdiarmid a majority of 21.

There was no change in St. Thomas, until Division No. 4 was reached, when a rejected ballot marked with two crosses, was allowed for Macnish reducing Mr. Macdiarmid's majority to 20.

In Division No. 5 two ballots marked for Mr. Macnish in red pencil and rejected were allowed, making Mr. Macdiarmid's majority 18. In the same division a ballot marked with a double cross for Mr. Macdiarmid was allowed making his majority 19.

The next change was in Division No. 8, where one ballot counted for Mr. Macnish was thrown out because the voter's initials were on the back furnishing a means of identification. This made the majority 20. In the same division three ballots marked for Mr. Macnish in red lead pencil and rejected by the deputy returning officer were allowed by the judge, making the majority of Mr. Macdiarmid 17.

In Division No. 11, a ballot marked with two crosses and another with a cross at the left of the ballot were allowed, making the majority of Mr. Macdiarmid 15. One rejected ballot for Mr. Macdiarmid marked to the left was counted, making the majority 16.

In No. 12 Division each candidate was allowed a rejected ballot. The one allowed for Mr. Macdiarmid had a cross opposite his name and a stroke opposite Mr. Macnish's. The one allowed for Mr. Macnish had a cross and stroke opposite his name.

In Division No. 14 a ballot counted for Mr. Macnish was disallowed because there was a number on the back of it and there were no initials of the deputy. This makes the majority of Mr. Macdiarmid 17.

THE NEW YEARS' GIFTS

The Boys Are Anxiously Looking For John Dowswell—The reeve's chair, Thomas E. Lilly—A majority of the ballots.

Thos. Hockin, C. W. Hodder, James Law, Duncan McLean and Fred. Millard—Your vote and influence.

BORN.

BACKUS.—In Dunwich, on the 21st inst., to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Backus a daughter.

WALKER.—In Dunwich, on the 22nd inst., to Mr. and Mrs. William Walker a son.

Don't forget to write it 1900 next Monday. Get ready to swear off.

ELECTION CARD.

To the Electors of Dutton:
At the solicitation of a large number of the electors of Dutton I have consented to become a candidate for the reeve ship for 1899, and if elected will exercise my best judgment for the welfare of the village. It will be my constant aim to keep down expenditure, consistent with the progress and requirements of the village.

THOS. E. LILLY.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

To the Ratepayers of the Village of Dutton:
ELECTORS.—At the urgent solicitation of a number of ratepayers of the Village of Dutton I have consented to offer myself as a candidate for councillor at the coming municipal election, and as I do not intend making a personal canvass, I take this means of soliciting your vote and influence. If elected I will always be found on the side of economy.

JOHN DOWSWELL.

NOTICE.

At the request of a number of ratepayers of the Village of Dutton I hereby call a public meeting in the town hall on Friday evening, Dec. 29, for the purpose of discussing municipal matters.

W. HOLLINGSHEAD, Reeve.

HERTEL BROS.

Wish their many customers

A Happy and Prosperous New Year.

We will talk business to you through this space next week.

BIG SALE

—OF—

Men's and Boys' Long Boots

At A. E. WHITE'S.

We show the Best \$1.75, \$2 and \$2.25 Goods Ever Offered.

Our \$2.50, \$2.75 and \$3 are Special Value.

Our \$3.25, \$3.50, \$3.75 and \$4 are all Hand Made and every pair warranted.

Don't Fail to See Them.

Highest Prices Paid for Hides and Furs.

A. E. White, Leader of High Grade Goods at Lowest Prices.

DUTTON PLANING MILLS

Having bought the above mentioned business from A. C. GORDON, we are now prepared to furnish

All Kinds of Lumber, Lath, Shingles, Cedar Posts Cement, Lime, Hair, Etc.

Also a Full Line of House Furnishings—Doors, Sash, Frames, Etc.

Being Practical Builders and Manufacturers, we feel confident that we can give the public satisfaction, and hope to merit a share of your patronage by courteous treatment and honest dealing.

DOWSWELL & SMITH.

P.S.—Plans and Specifications Prepared for all kinds of Building.

To all my Friends and Customers I extend a Hearty Greeting, wishing you a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

D. H. TAYLOR.

NOTICE.

THE Annual Meeting of the Southwold and Dunwich Agricultural Society will be held in MORRISON'S HALL, SHEDDEN, on WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10, 1900 at 1 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of passing reports, election of officers and other business. A full attendance of members is requested.

L. ELSE, Secretary.

HOUSES TO RENT.

That desirable residence on Nancy street, at present occupied by Mr. Alex. McWilliam; possession after Dec. 15. Also that residence opposite the station, of which possession will be given immediately. Apply to

R. S. McMILLAN, Dutton.

FOR SALE.

TWO thoroughbred Bulls, extra, aged 18 and 2 months; one York Boar, 6 months old; also at all times pigs of all ages. Orders taken for spring pigs.

ALEX. LOVE, Breeder of Berkshire Hogs, Eagle, Ont.