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Dutton, Ont., Dec. 19.—On court re-uming yesterday Magistrate Hunt ansuming yesterday nagarthus mounced that the bench unanimously decided to allow the depositions of A.D. Urlin and George Urlin, taken at the inquest held before Coroner Ling, to be read as evidence at the present trial. nre, and gave evidence. He neard two explosions, "George Urlin ran up to me and put his hands on my shoulders and said in an undertone, 'Come and help me said in an undertone, 'Come and help me to get the books, '" Didn't go with him to get the books, but saw him take the books off the shelf and run out of the

store.
R. A. Kirkland druggist, said he was R. A. Kirkland dreggist, said he was the first to discover the fire, and gave the alarm. His evidence was chiefly in fixing the time the fire took place, which he said was half-past eight. He also heard two explosions. They were both quite loud, and sould be-heard quite a distance. Albert E. Herel, sworn, said he and Sam Ecker were among the first to get to the seens of the fire. After he gut there he saw George Urlin running from the north, yelling that he had the key and he would on n the door it is not true that

north, yelling that he had the would open the door it is not true that would open the door. It is not true that decorate (rhin ran by the store before he door. There w.

THE SPREE RELEASED.

Steamers Alicia and Willowbank Sunk in Collision—Six Lives Lost—Acorn's Seamen D; owned.

Southampton, Dec. 22.—The North German Lioyd steamer Spree, which stranded on Thursday last on Warden Lodge, near Totland Bay, isle of Wight, was got off at 1.50 o'clock this afternoon. She arrived here at 3.40 o'clock under her own steam, but assisted by fugs. She is making no water and has apparently sustained no damage. She will go on the dry dock to-morrow for examination. She is already reshipping her boats, which were removed in order to lighten her.

ping her boats, which were removed in order to lighten her. The cargo of the Spree was wholly discharged at noon on Saturday. Montevideo, Dec. 22—A boat belong-ing to the British warship Acorn was capsized here yesterday and five sea-

ing to the British warship and five seamen were drowned.

The British steamer Alicia, from Middlesborough for Hilbao, has sunk in collision with the British steamer Netley Abbey, from London for British became the people on the Aliola, with the exception of five, who were Abbey. The latter was somewhat damaged.

London, Dec. 22.—The British steamer de Gayo Mono, Captain Pope, from New Orleans for Antwerp, has been in collision with the British steamer Achilles, which was outward bound. The 'Achilles' was outward bound. The 'Achilles' acrobard quarter was damaged, and she returned. The sayo Mono apparently sustained no damage. Port Townsend, Wash, Dec. 22.—The American ship Wechusetts, coal laden from Manalmo to San Francisco, is befrom Nanalmo to San Francisco, is defined to the Nanalmo to San Francisco, is befrom Nanalmo to San Francisco, is before the Nanalmo to San Francisco is the Nanalmo to San Francisco, is before the Nanalmo to San Francisco is the

o American ship Wachusetts, coal laden from Nanaimo to San Francisco, is being towed into this port in a disable condition as the result of her encounters with recent gales off the coast, at the Wachusetts is one of the staunchest and best manned of the coal fleet and the first to be heard from since the storm, grave fears are entertained for other vessels exposed to its fury. Apprehension is especially expresse for the disabled Strathnevis, as it is conceded by favigators that it would have

other vessels exposed to its fury. Apother vessels exposed to prehension is especially expressed for prehension is especially expressed for the disabled Strathnevis, as it is conceeded by flavigators that it would have been impossible for her to weather the hurricane of the past week. In St. Jean Baptist school the attendance was small and many of the pupils were cruiser Blake arrived here to-day from Chatkam. She reports that while off Portland at 5 o'clock this morning she passed a large steamer named Berlin which leads to check this morning she passed a large steamer named Berlin which here is earthing for three hours for had been searching for three hours for had been searching for three hours for list of the stablish a model for Glasgow, with which vessel the form of the Berlin had not say whether or not the Berlin had not say whether or not the Berlin was the steamer of that name belonging to the International Navigation Company. This steamer sailed from Antawerp for New York yestel say, and was reported to have passed Dover to-day. Southampton, Dec. 21.—It is known how what the-wessel that was in collision with the Willowbank was the international Company's steamer Berlin. She passed Hurst Castle this afternoon bound for this port. She had her sails love the providence of the providence of the passed dividence of the providence of the pr

British Atlantic Service and Cable

Ottawa, Dec. 20.—Sir Mackenzie Howell and Mr. Ives, the Minister of Trade and Commerce, had an extended conference to-day with the High Commissioner, Sir Charles Tupper, regarding the fast Atlantic service and the cable project. The matters were under consideration the whole day. In the afternoon Sir William Van Horne and Vice-President Shaughnessy, of the Canadian Facilio railway, were present while the Pacific cable was being discussed Having already an interest in the Atlantic commercial cable, and being the proprietor of the telegraph system across the continent, as also an interest in the project to complete the telegraphic system between England and Australia by way of Canada, the as also an interest in the project to com-plete the telegraphic system between Eng-land and Australia by way of Canada, the views of the representatives of the great railway company on the practicability of the Pacific cable were elicited to day.

weight.
The report of the Provincial Separate The report of the Provincial Separate School Inspectors, Messrs, White and Pendergast, on the condition of the French 1898's schools of the city, was presented before a meeting of the French-speaking members of the Separate School Report before a meeting of the French-speaking members of the Separate School Board last ovening. The its sectors state that in their examination of the schools they found that while the schools were not perfect, a satisfactory improvement was noticeable over the work done a few months ago. In Garneau school the greatest improvement was perceptible. In St. Jean Eapitst school the attendance was small and many of the pupils were

nuclished, while I wrote it down. There as a freat deal more equally ridiculous and absurd drawn up on a subsequent occasion in the same office and the latter letter is in the doctors.

Projects Discussed.

and the latter letter is in the doctors possession still.

"Many of the party leaders were aware from the beginning of what I had done, as I did it after consultation with them. It was no secret for the past year and did not come as any revelation during the present campaign. It is a matter of frequent jest among some of my friends, and is considered a great joke. The doctor learning this, I suppose, became annoyed and now seeks to give the document a serious character.

"Had I been desirous of handing over the county to him after my nomination

"Had I been desirous of handing over the county to him after my nomination on his liberal promises on paper it would have been comparatively easy, but I never had any such intention. A perusal of the document and acquaintance with the doctor and his political status at Ottawa would convince any sensible person of the farcical character of the whole thing. Its publication now arises from the fact that on no terms, however preposterous and absurd, was I willing to resign my romination. The late day at which the document appears shows that it nomination. The late day at which the document appears shows that it was intended as a roorbach. The party and myself have for a long time treated the matter as a huge practical joke."

Toronto, Dec. 23

Three sentences were passed in the Sessions Saturday by Judge McDougall, the most important of which was that of William N. McMillan, convicted of having started the Osgoodby fire, on the night of January 10 last. He received a sentence of ten years in the Penitentiary, and the punishment is regarded by most people as light, in view of the sentence of fifteen years passed by Judge Falconbridge on William Currie for arson a few days ago. James F. Leisand was sent to jail for two months for stealing a plano, and John Free to Kingston for three years for cattle stealing. for cattle stealing.

for cattle stealing.

An indignant man was Mr. T. A. Conrod of 1433 King street west when he entered the Parkdale Police Station shortly after 8 o'clock yesterday morning. Mr. Conrod is the general agent for the Heintzman Plano Company, and on Saturday night left Windsor for Toronto by the C.P.R. About 6 or 7 o'clock, when the train was between Woodstock and Galt, he was lying half asleep in his seat, when was between Woodstock and Galt, he was lying half asieep in his seat, when a man came up the aisle and struck him rather high on the chest, apparently in a playful manner. Mr. Conrod started up, and the man apologized, saying he thought he was a friend of his. When the train reached Galt Mr. Conrod found that a cameo pin, which he values at \$50, had disappeared. He reported his loss at the police station at soon as he argue and the police robber.

TOPICS OF A WEEK

The Important Events in a Few Words For Busy Readers CANADIAN.

The Quebec Legislature was prorogued on Saturday night. R. W. Jameson.was on Thursday last elected mayor of Winnipeg.

Lt.-Col. Moore has been gazetted to the command of the 13th Battalion. Nearly 1,000 workmen are still engaged

Nearly 1,000 workmen are still engaged in completing the T., H. & B. railway.

Archbishop Langevin, speaking at Edminoton, vigorously attacked the present territorial school system.

Gavin Ross has been nominated Patron Candidate for Emerson Man., for the Manitoba Legislature.

The tug Telephone, recently seized for infractions of the fishery laws, will be sold at Amherstburg January 8.

The court has given judgment setting aside the will of Palmer Utter, of Salt-fleet, in the suit of Utter v. Utter.

Track laying on the Tilsonburg & Lake Eric railway has been completed from Tilsonburg to Port Burwell.

The balance in the Dominion savings banks on November 30 was \$27,711,335,as against \$27,202,988 a month previous. A catch of over 600 seals on the Falkland

eported to the Fisheries Department. The writ for Victoria, B. C., has been ssued. Nomination takes place en the oth inst. and the election a week later.

William Irwin, of Wolfe Island, was

Owners of the Coxheath copper mines

The recent death of Rev. Mr. Cullen, London, is attributed by the inspector to defective plumbing in the parsonage of

Askin street church. The Hamilton grand jury, in its presentment on Saturday reper /2 that the comforts afforded to the finnates of the

The division of the Diocese of Ontario will shortly be effected, when the clorical and lay delegates of the new Diocese of Ottawa will be called upon to elect a

Bleakley, a small boy, who was bullet in his head,

YOUR WIFE AT CHRISTMAS.

She finds all business matters new,
To her finance is strange;
A hundred-dollar bill or two She calls a little change.

Each day the dinner is on time, No word she answers back; She shows that she can act sublim To get a sealskin sacque.

Although her taste you'd not deny, You must admit it mars season's joy to have her buy Your neckties and cigars.

She makes you drink of sorrow's cup To gain the kid's applause; For now she likes to rig you up To look like Santa Claus.

Though ready for the yearly strike, It hits you'rather funny;
She wants to know first what you'd like,
Then asks you for the money.

—James Jay O'Connell.

Peterby's Stormy Christm Last year the Peterby family had a Christmas tree, as usual. Mrs. Peterby is a very clever woman, hence the expense for the tree was very light. Of course, she did not use the same tree that had done duty on previous Christmases, but all the ornaments were the same ones that had gladdened the hearts of all the child-ren from the oldest down. As soon as the drowned on Friday while removing fish from nets set in the St. Lawrence river.

There have been 15 applications received from all parts of the Dominion for the position of chief keeper of the Kingston excluded from the parlor until the presententials.

ents were all arranged on the tree, then she called the family into the parlor with

have asked the Government to grant a strength of the family into the parlor with have asked the Government to grant a strand flourish.

The eldest son, Frank got a magnifibounty on the higher grades of copper produced in Canada.

Albert Hudson has announced himself the labor candidate for Ottawa, whether or not he receives the nomination of the Labor Convention.

This is the very thing I have been the convention.

Forest, Ont., Methodist church, dropped dead at his home Friday. The deceased was 65 years of age.

Was 15 years of age.

watting for for years," he exclaimed. "What magnificent illustrations! How true it is that a boy has got no friend like his mother."

He was about

his mother "'
He was about to examine the pictures
when Mrs. Peterby more critically, when Mrs. Peterby wrenched the book from his hand, asking with amazement:
."My son, flave you lost your senses?"

"I guess not, mother; what do you mean?"

mean?"
"What do you mean by trying to ruin
that costly book by looking at it?"
"Why, mother, don't you expect me to
read it?"

read it?"
"Expect you to read it?" replied Mrs.
Peterby, with a wild snort of amazement.
"Of course not. It remains on the center-table, and if any of you children dare to bishop.

The annual resort of the Waterworks pepartment London shows the gross venue for the year ending November 30 be \$74,512, an increase of over \$3,200 be \$74,512, an increase of over \$3,200 be \$74,512, and increase of over \$3,200 be \$74,512, and increase of over \$3,200 begins it. Laura, where are you going

with your new Christmas present?" with your new Christmas present?" "I was going over to Uncle Tom's house to show his folks what a beautiful present Pre got."

"Laura Peterby?" said Mrs. Peterby fixing her eagle glance on the unfortunate girl, who hung her head and cowered be the impending storm, "are you going the house with that beau

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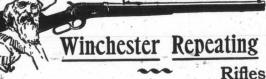
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CRICULTURAL WORKS

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settlement for sopplies and the mail, the Agent, Doc, and Scribe would go up the river to where the railroad crossed it to ascertain if that would be a better way out to civilization when leaving for home than by the way they came. The Dominie and Bert remained in camp to look after the culinary department and take a well earned rest. Both the parties got away in good season, as they knew it would be an all day's trip for each, it being a four mile row and tramp to the river, then a row of two or three miles to the lumber depot, where they hoped to find the mail for the party. miles to the lumber depot, where they hoped to find the mail for the party, but on reaching there they found the mail had not been brought in for some four or five days, and the Ploughboy tramped it far miles out and back to the post offic. Or the way back he found an accommodating settler who sold him a bushel of potatoes and a couple of pans of bread which he backed down to the landing. It was dark when they got back to camp bringing a large amount of mail matter for each of the party. This was the first batch of papes that

of mail matter for each of the party.
This was the first batch of papers that had been received in camp and they were eagerly scanned for news from home and the outside world.

In the meantime, the party going up the river had their share of experiences.

out and hurriedly disposed of and provision pouches packed, and long before daylight the whole party was on periences. For more than half the distance the river was broken up with their way to their different stations. The Agent and Dominie started by trail for the lake watch, Doc and



men going directly posite to the way

great care in keeping the boat from running on the many boulders, some

the eye could reach

f the river, di

rapids in the accompanying cut.

rapids, in many places being so shallow and rapid that two of the party had to get out and sitch a long rope to the front of the boat and drag it up through the swift current to the head of the rapid while the other kept it clear off the rapid while the rapid while the other kept it clear off the rapid while man and the bugling that the unit of the rapid while the rapid w be those of a very large bear. Taking their rifles the Dop and Agent started off on the trail while the Scribe took the boat on down the river to a high launched on the other side, the men, bluff from where he could see a long deer and dogs taken aboard and follow-distance in the direction the bear was ing the other boat, which had floated prosed to have tiken. On going a quarter of a mile. was taken in tow to the landing and the regular hunt taken up, just as the sun rose over the top of the eastern on the mountain he could see the

men going directly piposite to the way it was supposed the animal had gone, and they, seeing that the trail led away to a range of moutains some three or four miles farther on, a bandoned the pursuit and started ack for the boat this took them a fill hour to reach when they all embarked and swiftly glided down stream, in many places going at race-horse speed and requiring great care in keeping the boat from (To be continued next week.)

CLERGYMEN AND LAYMEN UNITE In Their Praises of Dr. Agnew's Catarr-hal, Powder.

the day, as well as convincing that their appetites had been well shar-pened by the arduous work of the day.

The next morning the camp was

astir at an early hour. The remnants of the last night's feast were spread

Bert went to the rapids, while the Scribe, Ploughboy and Pete took the

boat with the dogs down the river.
They reached the ox bow or portage
and Pete branched off to put part of

the dogs out in that direction for a start towards the rapids. The Plough-

boy with three dogs went on to where the other boat lay to continue down

stream a mile or so farther. The boat was shoved off and the Ploughboy

preparatory to shoving off. The Ploughboy chanced to cast his eyes up

the stream and not more than five of

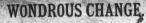
six rods away he saw a fine yearling swimming directly towards the boot.

Taking the Bishop of Toronto, Right Rev. A. Sweatmen, D.D., D.C.L., three of the leading men of the Faculty of McMaster Hall, and men like the partially covered and others just under water. Our artist's pendi gives a very fair illustration of the mining of the Rev. W.H. Withrow, D.D., and others as representing the Methodist Church, all of whom have spoken in high praise of the merits of Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder, and unite with these the warm endorsement of this medi-cine by the well known Toronto Jouralist, Mr. W.L. Smith, as representing the Laymen, and it must be granted that clergymen and laymen are of one mind touching this truly meritorious medicine. The truth is that everyone who uses the medicine has a good word

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When electors have learned to re their professions on "the suprem gh to vote their principles, pel the respect of politi-vitness the decline of e in politics.

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THE STORY OF A YOUNG LADY IN

fered from a Bad Cough and Constant Pain in the Side-Pale and Almost Bloodless—Her Health Again Restored.

From the Smith's Falls Record.

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"I know that if I had not begun taking Dr. William's. Pink Pills I would not have lived much longer." These words were uttered by Miss. Mossop, daughter of Mr. Johnston Mossop, of this town, and a young lady extremely popular among her friends and acquaintances. Miss Mossop had been ailing for several years, and her recovery to health is a matter of great rejoicing among her friends. To a reporter she gave the story as tollows: "I scarcely know how my illness began. The first symptom was a feeling of tiredness upon the slightest exertion. The color left my face and I became as pale as a corpse." Then I was attacked with a pain in my left side and coughed a great deal. At first home remedies were tried, but as they did not do ed a great deal. At first home remedies were tried, but as they did not do any good a doctor was called, and I plenty of sugar, with plates of pie, fried cake, mollasses and canned fruits were ander his care for about a year. care, monasses and canned truts were spread out in bounteous profusion. It was a supper fit for an epicure, and the avidity with which all partocks of the delicious viands was a tribute to the skill of the butler and his assistant for



Could not Go up Stairs Without Resting. But the treatment did not do me any good and I was steadily growing weak-er and weaker. I was unable to go up stairs without having to sit down and stairs without having to sit down and rest when I got there, and the pain in my side became more and more intense. I kept wasting away and lost all interest in life and at last was so low that recovery was not expected. At this juncture my mother saw an article in a newspaper relating the cure of a juncture my mother saw an article in a newspaper relating the cure of a young lady whose case was almost identical with my own, and whose cure was due to Dr. William's Pink Pills was shoved off and the Plougapoy seated in the stern was getting the dogs in their places, while the Scribe with one foot in the boat and the other on land was reaching for his gun and this prompted a trial of that med-icine By the time a couple of boxes were used there was a feeling of improvement and I continued using the Pink Pills until I had taken nine box-Pink Pills until I had taken nine boxes, all the time gaining rapidly, and now I feel that I have recovered my old time health. I can now walk a long distance without being tired and I am no longer troubled with the terrible pain in my side. My appetite has returned and I can now eat almost as much as any member of the family, and I know that had I not begun taking Pink Pills I would not have lived much longer.

much longer.
Mrs. Mossop says she cannot expres the gratitude she feels towards this grand medicine which has restored her loved daughter's health, and will al-

ways speak of it in terms of praise.

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AARON NICHOLS

W. C. T. U. Notes. Don't treat lightly the moral quali-

fications of candidates for municipal honors and responsibilities. "The wisdom that cometh from above is first pure," declares the Apostle. So it should be a first requisite in candidates for public honors that they have good moral character.

If the prohibitionists would always

egister their convictions when they vote, would the politician so slavishly serve a trade that votes only for its business interests.

More Kind Words from Hamilton Regarding the Great Remedy Which Cures Rheumatism in One to Three Days

Mrs. Phillips, sr., corner Hunter and Grath street, Hamilton: "Several months ago I was afflicted with rheumatism, which completely civaled we matism, which completely crippled me. South American Rheumatic Cure being recommended to me I procured a bottle and obtained perfect relief from the first few doses. It is with out doubt the quickest relief for rheumatism I have ever seen, and I heartily recommend it to all sufferers from this disease. Sold by J.P. Lamb.

The Prizes Awarded.

The final awards in the literary competition offered by Dr. Williams' Medi-cine Co. of Brockville, Ont., have just been announced. The decision as to the order of merit of the five stories selected was left to the vote of the readers, and that great interest was taken in the matter was shown by the fact that 16,728 votes were recorded. "A Night on Crookback," by Dua, (Mrs. R.S. Smellie, Toronto) received 4655 votes, the largest number cast and was awarded first prize. "The Lady of Beauce" by Othmas, (Thos. Swift, Beauce" Ottawa,) comes sesond with 4403 votes.

"The Fall of York," by Allen Douglas
Brodie, (T. Herbert Chestnut, Toronto)
s the third with 3004 votes. of Eulalie" by Margery Halifax, N. with 2500.

, (C.B.

Christmas party, and, no doubt,
A loaded Christmas tree;
And girls and boys and toys—and nois
What do they want with me?
And yet-her friendly little note
Declares—thrice underlined—
I must not fail. Well, well, I won't!
She's always sweet and kind.

Now, let me see. I had not thought Upon my wardrobe's state a must look up my evening ves By Jove!it's rather late To rummage for a satin tie
And fish out gloves to matol
Great Scott i my best shirt's
And this one needs a patch.

I'll thread a needle-if I can-

(I am the man who brags
Of single blessedness I) and see
If I can't mend these rags.
This thread's too coarse; or else,
My needle is too slim.
The light is poor or it may be
My sight is getting dim.

Why were men's fingers only made
To drag and thump and jerk?
I'm thinking how her little hand
Would get around this work!
And how she'd smile and bite her thread,
And led's so wise and calm,
And—there! I've stabbed my finger
through! through! Oh, what an ass I am!

The clock ticks on. I must make haste, Since she desires—alas
For those lost opportunities
Our thoughtless youth let pass!
But, as she's single still, who knows,

ARTHUR'S CHRIST-MAS LETTER.

Arthur seated himself upon the floor, in a corner of the room farthest-from his mother; he wrinkled his eyebrows, puckered his mouth and cramping his little fingers around a stifbby lead pencil began to write; and this is what he wrote:

"DEAR SANTY-CLAWS,—Plese dont for Get to Fill my stockin. An Id like A Sied an a par of skaTes. An plese giv MOThEr the YETY picEst thing You got?. We Live on French street, First ChimBly dowN 2 FLighTs.

"ARTHUR HILL."

He stretched out his little numb fingers with a sigh of relief; for printing was hard work for Arthur's chubby fist. Then he glanced furtively over his shoulder, to make sure his mother was not looking—but no; stitch, stitch, stitch her needle went through the heavy coat, and she did not once look up. So he folded the precious letter in a painstaking manner, and sealed it in the envelope addressed:

"MR. SANTY CLAWS," and stuffing it into his little pocket—regardless of opposition on the part of letter or pocket—went softly out of the room; but his quitet movements ended on the landing just outside, and he tore down the stairs and through the streets to the post-office.

Perhaps the thought that there were but two days before Christmas, and the consequent fear that the gentle reminder

but two days before Christmas, and the consequent fear that the gentle reminder might not reach Santa Claus in time, gave the deer-like flectness to his sturdy little

feet.
Arthur's letter lay among the others for a balf hour or so, and then a clerk began assorting them for the mails.
"Here's a good one!" and he laughed heartily as he held up the crumpled en-"Mr. Santa Claus!" and he laughed

again, in company with two or three clerks who had gathered around him.

Just then the door opened and the post-

Just then the door opened and the post-master came in.

The circk held up the letter that, See 4a Claus—address not given! Are you acquainted with the gentleman's residence?

Mr. Morris took the envelope and laughed, also, as he glanced at it, and was about to throw it down when a sudden vision of four little maids, with an unquestioning faith in Santa Claus, rose before him.

"Perhaps I can find the gentleman," he said, with a twinkle in his kind blue eyes; and putting the envelope into his pocket he walked away.

It was Christmas eve. There had been a heavy snowstorm the day before, and it

he walked away.

It was Christmas eve. There had been a heavy snowstorm the day before, and it had cleured off very cold. The people were muffled in furs to their eyes—if they had the furs—and hurried along over the crisp snow, which sang sharp little songs under their feet. The rude wind wrestled with them at the street corners, making the gentlemen catch wildly at their hats, and fluttering ribbons and veils in the faces of the ladies.

Jack Frost played coarse practical jokes upon everybody and everything-within his reach, so that the market boys felt obliged to run with the turkeys and turnips, blowing the while upon their aching fingers or rubbing their smarting ears.

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The newsboys, with mufflers and caps pulled closely down, held, their papers under their arms and their hands in their póckets, and thrashed one foot against the other, while they called in cold voices to the pusser-by: "Paper, sir, paper?"

The heavens were studded with gleaming stars which blinked merrily down on the hurrying throug; and through uncurtained windows were glimpses of gay Christmas trees with happy children dancing around them, and smilling fathers and mothers looking on.

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destoons of evergreen and mistletoe adorned the walls; and over these happy scenes played the flickering light of the "yule"

played the fleckering light of the "yute" log's glow.

The church bells rang merrily, and the organ's deep note peeled forth upon the night winds; lights streamed from the windows and through the doors as they swung to and fro, while softly on the listening ear stole the sound of voices singing, of "Peace on earth, good will toward men."

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But the peace and warmth and glow had

not reached French street, first chimney, two flights down.

There was a little fire—just enough to give it the name—but it seemed an empty

give it the name—but it seemed an empty title.

The curtain was not drawn—what need of that? since the frost had worked so thick a screen that not even a loving star could peep in with a happy Christmas greeting. Mrs. Hill, with an old shawl over her shouldeas, sat close to the table, with a dim kerosene lamp beside her.

She was blue with the cold, and her fingers were so stiff that the needle went laboriously through the heavy seam. Her tired eyes filled with tears now and signin, but she dashed them away—every minute laboriously through the heavy seam. Her tired eyes filled with Ears now and sgain, but she dashed them away—every fittute was precious; for if the coat was not finish ed to-night and taken back there was a sorry outlook for to-morsaw. And the thought of the empty larder and coal-hod nerved her to frantic efforts at faster working; and when the clock outside told the hour of eight it sent a colder firll through her frame.

Arthur, in spite of the cold, had pulled off one of his stockings, and was looking frully at a large hole in the toe.

"Look!" he said, holding it up before his mother, with a comical expression on his little mottled face.

"O, Arthur, how you do wear your stockings out! I mended them all up last Saturday night."

"But it comed right through again!" and Arthur glanced from the yawning stocking toe to his mother's tired face, then back again to the stocking.

"Do you s'pose the presents will come through?"

"No, I am afraid they won't," she said, half bitterly.

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"But I don't want 'em to!" and he look-"But I don't want 'em to!" and he looked up with a perplexed expression at his mother, who was afraid his presents wouldn't come through.

He examined the hole again, taking its dimensions by thrusting three fingers through it and thrusting them apart. Yes, there was no doubt a good sized toy could squeeze through the hole.
"Can you mend it, mother?"

"O, Arthur, don't ask me to do anything!" she answered, fretfully, and Arthur moved away a little; for never in his life before had he heard his mother speak like that.

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But the next instant she reached out her ad snatched him pas

to you," and she kissed the while the tears—so near take over her own face and his. "I am tired, but that is no reason for my speaking crossly to you; and mother will mend the stocking before she goes to bed."

Arthur put his arms around her neck. "You'll have a happy Christmas" he said, looking up into her face with beaming eyes; and her tears started afresh as she looked at his hopeful face and thought of the gloomy prospect.

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"I wish I could make a fire and warm you before you go to bed," she said, rub-bing his blue cheeks with her cold fingers, "and give you something to eat."
"I ain't much hungty," he answered,

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"If I finish this coat in time I shall get something to eat, and I will wake you up and give you some," and kissing him she turned back to her work and began that weary stitch, stitch.

Arthur hung up his stocking, and, going back to his mother, pulled the shawl away a little and kissed her on the neck—a form of caress which did not interfere with the needle—and with a bright face opened the bedroom door and shut himself in. How cold it was for the door had been shut all day, that what heat there was might be kept in the kitchen. He would like to have opened it, for a ray of light from his mother's dim lamp, but it would make her colder; so he kicked off his shoes, not parting with very much else, for it was too cold to undress, and jumped into bed and in a few minutes was fast asleep, dreaming, perhaps, of Christmas feastings and Santa Claus.

Arthur had not been dreaming long whem a low knock startled Mrs. Hill.

What could it mean? And she trembled a little as she walked to the door and opened it.

A kind-faced man with merry blue eyes was standing there; he had very fat pockets, and a sled in one hand, and a parcel in the other; and Mrs. Hill trembled more than ever, but from quite another emotion than fear.

Mr. Morris explained his errand; and as he stepped into the room there was a sound of other footsteps in the little entry, but he shut the door and unloaded his pockets and laid his parcels down.

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thur," he said, laughing, as bags of candy," nuts and raisins came out in company with "jumping jacks" and picture head. "Il hope Arthur won't be offended," and he drew a little doll from the depths of

one pocket.
"My children are all girls, and the youngest one looked so disappointed when I suggested that a doll was not just the thing for a boy that I concluded to bring

t along."

Mrs. Hill had hardly spoken; her eyes
equired a good deal of attention, and her
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lips had an overmastering tendency to tremble; Mr. Morris, to relieve her, looked as little as possible in her direction.

But finally there was an end to apples and oranges, toys, strings of popeorn and candy, and the rest of his errand must be accomplishd; so, clearing his throat, and looding hard at the ceiling, he said.:

"My wife thought the nicest thing for the mother would be a ton of coal and a barrel of flour."

Poor Mrs. Hill—poor Mr. Morris! for it was almost as trying for one as the other; he walked to the window and examined the frost-work; it was so thick and fine that he glanced at the stove next, and then at the empty woodbox and seutile. The table, with its dim light, rows of spools and seither, told the story plainly.

Mrs. Hill looked up at last, and tried to thank him; and Mr. Morris said how happy they had all been in answering Arthur's letter; and he looked so happy as he said it that no one could have doubted him. Then he opened the door and a man set a large basket inside and went awy directly; "I shall see you again, Mrs. Hill, and I

Then he opened the door and a man set a large basket inside and went away directly. "I shall see you again, Mrs. Hill, and I hope you and Arthur will both have a very merry Christmas. Good-night," and he had gone before Mrs. Hill could speak. He went directly to a coal dealer and ordered a bag of coal and a basket of wood sent at once, and did not leave the place until he had seen them on their way.

Mrs. Hill was still sitting in the shalr where Mr. Morris had left her when the heavy step of the men with the coal and wood, and their loud knock at the door, roused her from her reverie.

The first thing she did after they had gone was to make a rousing fire. How it crackled and snapped! and she hent over the stove and rubbed her stiff fingers in the genial warmth. Then she took Arthur's stocking, with the yawning toe, and quickly mended the big toe and put the toys in. The candy bags and strings of popcorn she hung around it, and piled the apples and oranges in a plate on the shelf above, and stood the shining new sled beneath, with the skates, mittens and woolen scarf hanging over it.

What a fine show it made ! and how she longed to catch Arthur out of bed to see it! but she wanted the room to get warmer first; and then there was the basket to be unpacked.

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She folded away the cont—not finished, but that did not matter now—and smiled brightly as she picked up her spools and scissors and thought of the day of rest be-

There was everything in that basket—at least so thought Mrs. Hill. Two pies; a loaf of eake; another of bread; little heart-shaped cakes, sugared in pink and white; a plum pudding; butter; tea; cof-



cranberries; a bag of sy mrs. Hill hung the holly wreath, which

'DO YOU S'POSE THE PRESENTS WILL COM

Mrs. Hill hung the holly wreath, which ad lain on the top of the basket, in the window; then opened the bedroom door.

"Arthur," she said softly, bending ovehim; but Arthur did not move. She kissed him on the lips; he puckered up his mouth, opened it and closed it again, with a deep breath, and was as fast asleep as over.

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"Arthur, do you want to hear about Santa Claus?" The sleepy eyes opened and he rubbed them with his little fists.

"W-h-a-t?"
"I thought you would like to hear about Santa Claus; your presents have come."
Arthur was wide awake—as what boy would not have been—and sprang out of bed.

"Didn't he some quick ?" and he stood the bedroom door, his eyes still blink

in the bedroom door, his eyes still blinking, looking from the chimney to the table, and from the table back to the chimney, and then up to his mother's face.

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"I didn't 'spect so much!" he exclaimed, finding his tongue at last; "but ain't to jolly—jolly!" and clapping his hands to gether he threw his arms so tightly around his mother's neck that he nearly stopped her breath and gave her a sounding kiss.

"The stockin's fell—an' you mended the hole!" and he got down on the floor and peered mader it. "It's all saved up tight!"

Then he pulled down the sled and skates, tried on the mittens, wound the scarf around his neck, scraped acquigintunce with the candy, and took is bite out of the shining apple.

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Words! words were weak for the expression of his satisfaction; so he danced up and down the room, and clapped his hands, and laughed and whistled, and finally turned a somersuit in the intensity of his joy.

Then he and his mother had their Christmas supper in the warm room, with

the fire-next shining through of the usually grim old stove, and the stalked of this glad evening—for so may be a stalked of this glad evening—for so may be from the mother; mind, and the old which sings that "night is passed" all expressed the thought of her and stalk expressed the stought of her and stalk expressed the stalk expresse

ful heart.
"I can see a star!" Arthur orled, an sure enough the frost had melted a little and a star was peeping in; oh, more than one! two, three—yes, several shining down on the poor little home, as they had shone, long years before, on lonely Juda, and telling again the old yet ever new and telling again the old yet ever new and peace on earth.—Annle J. Holland in Household Monthly.

SOME CHRISTMAS COOKING.

Christmas Plum Fuddings

Pick and seed very carefully one pound and a quarter of the best layer raisins, which put in a large bowl with one pound of currants, well washed, dried and picked; one pound of kidney suet, chopped not too fine; two ounces each of candied lemon, orange and citron peel, six ounces of the best flour, half a pound of brow sugar, the grated rind of a lemon, a saltspoon of salt and a grated nutmer. Moisten the whole with eight eggs, the yolks and whites beaten separately, and enough milk to form a very stiff batter. When all these ingredients are thoroughly mixed, an operation which will take the time and patience of several persons, pour into a cloth, which should be well buttered and floured. The best pudding cloths are those made out of thin unbleached muslin; they should always be scalded with boiling water and wrung dry as possible before using. It is always well to lay the cloth, after it has been prepared, in a large bowl, and pouring the pudding batter into the cloth, and, holding the corners tightly together, tie firmly with a piece of strong, white cord. If desired, this pudding may be boiled in a plain or ornamental pudding mound; well butter the finetrior, pour the mixture into it, cover with a sheet of good white note paper, the therior, pour the mixture into it, cover with a sheet of good white note paper, the the mould in a cloth, have on the range a large pot, three-quarters full of briskly boiling water, into which pat your pudding, move it about in the water for a second or two: this may easily be done by keeping the corners of the cloth free of the boiling water for the time required, then cover the pot closely, and allow your pudding to boil steadily for four or five hours, being careful not to allow it to stop boiling even for a moment, else will your labor have been in vain. It is well to keep yous the boil steadily for four or five hours, being careful not to allow it to stop boiling even for a moment, else will your labor have been in vain. It is well to keep yous th

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Yale Record.

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Ploughbor and the settlement for supplies and the mail, the Agent, Doc, and Scribe would go up the river to where the railroad crossed it to ascertain if that would be a better way out to civilization when leaving for home than by the way they came. The Dominie and Bert remained in camp to look after the culinary department and take a well earned rest. Both the parties got away in good season, as they knew it would be an all day's trip for each, it being a four mile row and tramp to the river, then a row of two or three miles to the lumber depot, where they hoped to find the mail for the party, but on reaching there they fought the mail had not been brought in for some four or five days, and the Ploughboy tramped it far miles out and back to the post office. On the way back he found an accumulating settler who sold him? a busifel of potatoes and a couple of pans of bread which he backed down to the landing. It was dark when they got back to camp bringing a large amount of mail matter for each of the party. This was the first batch of papers that had been received in camp and they were eagerly scanned for news from home and the outside world.

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In the meantime, the party going up the river had their share of experiences. For more than half the distance the river was broken up with



the boat on down the river to a high bluff from where he could see a long distance in the direction the bear was ing the other boat, which had floated supposed to have taken. On going up on the mountain he could see the on the mountain he could see the men going directly piposite to the way it was supposed the animal had gone, and they, seeing that the trailled away to a range of mountains some three or four miles farther on, abundoned the pursuit and started act for the boat. This took them a fill hour to reach when they all embarked and swiftly glided down stream, in many places going at race-horse speed and requiring greaters in keeping the boat from great care in keeping the boat from running on the many boulders, some partially covered and others; just under water. Our artist's pend gives a very fair illustration of the minning of the



the eye could reach f the river, d

On reaching camp the party found that the Dominie and Bert had not been idle. Some eight or ten partridge hung from a peg at the camp door when the party left in the morning; these lad been nicely cleaned and made into a delicious stew or pot pie. The frying pens were filled to overflowing with savory trout, a large pot of solutions that the fire with savory trout, a large pot of solutions than the fire, while



tea and coffee with condensed milk and plenty of sugar, with plates of pie, fried cake, mollasses and canned fruits were spread out in bounteous profusion. It was a supper fit for an epicure, and the avidity with which all partook of the delicious viands was a tribute to the skill of the butler and his assistant for the derivative and will as convicious that the day, as well as convincing that their appetites had been well shar-pened by the arduous work of the

day.

The next morning the camp was The next morning the camp was astir at an early hour. The remnants of the last night's feast were spread out and hurriedly disposed of and provision pouches packed, and long before daylight the whole party was on their way to their different stations. The Agent and Dominie started by trail for the lake watch, Doc and Best went to the rapids while the Bert went to the rapids, while the Scribe, Ploughboy and Pete took the boat with the dogs down the river. They reached the ox bow or portage and Pete branched off to put part of the dogs out in that direction for a start towards the rapids. The Plough boy with three dogs went on to where the other boat lay to continue down stream a mile or so farther. The boat was shoved off and the Ploughboy was shoved off and the Ploughboy seated in the stern was getting the dogs in their places, while the Scribe with one foot in the boat and the other on land was reaching for his gun preparatory to shoving off. The Ploughboy chanced to cast his eyes up the stream and not more than five or

six rods away he saw a fine yearling swimming directly towards the boot.

rapids, in many places being so shallow and rapid that two of the party had to get out and sitch a long rope to the front of the boat and drag it up through the wife current to the head of the rapid while he other kept it clear of the rapid while he other kept it clear of the rapid while he other kept it clear of the rapid while he other kept it clear of the rapid while he other kept it clear of the part while he other kept it clear of the part while he other kept it clear of the part while he other kept it clear of the part while he other kept it clear of the part while he oth own nearly a quarter of a mile. It was taken in tow to the landing and the regular hunt taken up, just as the sun rose over the top of the eastern

(To be continued next week.)

CLERGYMEN AND LAYMEN UNITE In Their Praises of Dr. Agnew's Catarr

Taking the Bishop of Toronto, Right Rev. A. Sweatmen, D.D., D.C.L. three of the leading men of the Faculty of McMaster Hall, and men like the Rev. W.H. Withrow, D.D., and others as representing the Methodist Church, all of whom have spoken in high praise of the merits of Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder, and unite with these the warm endorsement of this medicine by the well known Toronto Jouralist, Mr. W.L. Smith, as representing the Laymen, and it must be granted that clergymen and laymen are of one mind touching this truly meritorious medicine. The truth is that everyone who uses the medicine has a good word

to say for it. One short puff of the breath through the blower supplied each bottle of Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder diffuses this powder over the surface of th nasal passages. Painless and delight ful to use, it relieves in ten minutes and permanently cures catarrh, have fever, colds, headache, sore throat, tonsilitis and deafness. 60c. Sample bottle and blower sent on recipt of 10c. in stamps or silver. S.G. Detchon.
44 Church st., Tcronto. Sold by J. P.

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A WONDROUS CHANGE

THE STORY OF A YOUNG LADY IN

fered from a Bad Cough and Constant Pain in the Side-Pale and Almest Bloedless-Her Health Again Restored

From the Smith's Falls Record.

"I know that if I had not beguntaking Dr. William's. Pink Pills I would not have lived much longer."
These words were uttered by Miss. Mossop, daughter of Mr. Johnston Mossop, of this town, and a young lady extremely popular among her friends and acquaintances. Miss Mossop had been ailing for several years, and her recovery to health is a matter of great rejoicing among her friends. To a reporter she gave the story as follows: "I scarcely know how my illness began. The first symptom was a feeling of tiredness upon the slightest exertion. The color left my face and I became as pale as a corpse. Then I was attacked with a pain in my left side and coughed a great deal. At first home remedies were tried, but as they did not do any good a doctor was called, and I was attacked his care for about a year. any good a doctor was called, and I was under his care for about a year.



Could not Go up Stairs Without Resting. But the treatment did not do me any But the treatment did not do me any good and I was steadily growing weaker and weaker. I was unable to go up stairs without having to sit down and rest when I got there, and the parm in my side became more and more intense. I kept wasting away and lost all interest in life and at last was so low that terest in life and at last was so low that recovery was not expected. At this juncture my mother saw an article in a newspaper relating the cure of a young lady whose case was almost identical with my own, and whose cure was due to 'Dr. William's Pink Pills and this prompted a trial of that medicine By the time a couple of boxes were used there was a feeling of improvement and I continued using the Pink Pills until I had taken nine boxes all the time gaining rapidly, and Pink Pills until I had taken nine boxes, all the time gaining rapidly, and now I feel that I have recovered my old time health. I can now walk a long distance without being tired and I am no longer troubled with the terrible pain in my side. My appetite has returned and I can now eat almost as much as any member of the family, and I know that had I not begun taking Pink Pills I would not have lived

much longer.
Mrs. Mossop says she cannot express

the gratitude she feels towards this grand medicine which has restored her loved daughter's health, and will al-

hoved daughter's health, and will always speak of it in terms of praise.

Dr. William's Pink Pills are especially valuable to women. They build up the blood, restore the nerves, and eradicate those troubles which make the lives of so many women, old and young a burden. Dizziness, palpitation of the heart, nervous headache and nervous prostration speedily yield to this wonderful medicine. They are sold only in boxes, the trade mark and wrapper printed in red ink, at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50, and may be had of druggists or direct by mail from Dr. Williams Medicine Company, Brockville, Ont.

HEART DISEASE OF 20 YEARS STAND-ING RELIEVED IN A DAY. Mr. Aaren Nichols, who has Lived One Farm for 70 Years, Tells Wi He Rhows of Dr. Agnew's Cure-the Heart.

"This is to certify that I have bought two bottles of Dr. Agnow's Cure for the He has been troubled for the past twenty years with heart disese. The first few doses gave her relief, and she has had more benefit from it than from all the The remedy doctoring she ever did. acts like magic on the diseased heart. I am pleased to give this certificate. Sold by J.P. Lamb.

AARON NICHOLS

W. C. T. U. Notes. Don't treat lightly the moral qualiications of candidates for municipal

honors and responsibilities.
"The wisdom that cometh from bove is first pure;" declares the Apostle. So it should be a first requisite in candidates for public honors that they

have good moral character.

If the prohibitionists would always register their convictions when they vote, would the politician so slavishly serve a trade that votes only for its usiness interests.

More Kind Words from Hamilton Re-garding the Great Remedy Which Cures Rheumatism in One to Three Days

Mrs. Phillips, sr., corner Hunter and Grath street, Hamilton: "Several months ago I was afflicted with rheu-matism, which completely crippled me. South American Rheumatic Cure being recommended to me I procured a bottle and obtained perfect relief from the first few doses. It is with out doubt the quickest relief for rheumatism I have ever seen, and I heartily recommend it to all sufferers from this disease. Sold by J.P. Lamb:

The Prizes Awarded

The final awards in the literary competition offered by Dr. Williams' Medi-tine Co. of Brockville, Ont., have just een announced. The decision as to the order of merit of the five stories seected was left to the vote of the readers, and that great interest was taken ers, and that great interest was taken in the matter was shown by the fact that 16,728 votes were recorded. "A Night on Crookback," by Dua, (Mrs. R.S. Smellie, Toronto) received 4655 votes, the largest number east and was awarded first prize. "The Lady of Beauce" by Othmas, (Thos. Swift, Ottawa,) comes sesond with 4403 votes. The Fall of York, by Allen Douglas
Brodie, (T. Herbert Chestnut, Toronto)
s the third with 3004 votes.

Have of Eulalie' by Margery
er Halifax, N. with 2500.

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Now, let me see. I had not thought Upon my wardrobe's state ? I must look up my evening vest— By Jove!it's rather late To rummage for a satin tie
And fish out gloves to match.
Great Scott I my best shirt's at the I'll thread a needle—if I can—

I'll thread a needle—if I can—
(I am the man who brags
Of single blessedness i) and see
If I can't mend these rags.
This thread's too coarse; or else, perhaps
My needle is too slim.
The light is poor or it may be
My sight is getting dim.

Why were men's fingers only made
To drag and thump and jerk?
I'm thinking how her little hand
Would get around this work!
And how she'd smile and bite her thread,
And look so wise and calm,
And—there! I've stabbed my finger
through!
Oh, what an ass I am!

The clock ticks on. I must make haste Since she desires—alas

For those lost opportunities

Our thoughtless youth let pass!

But, as she's single still, who knows,

Some joys we may retrieve.

Perhaps she'll mend up life for me

Before next Christmas eve.

—Madeline S. Bridges, in Judge.

ARTHUR'S CHRIST-MAS LETTER.

Arthur seated himself upon the flo Arthur seated himself upon the noor, in a corner of the room farthest from his mother; he wrinkled his eyebrows, puckered his mouth and cramping his little fingers around a stubyl lead pencil began to write; and this is what he wrote: to write; and this is what he wrote:

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"ARTHUR HILL."

He stretched out his little numb fingers with a sigh of relief; for printing was hard work for Arthur's chubby fist. Then he glanced furtively over his shoulder, to make sure his mother was not looking—but no; stitch, stitch, stitch her needle went through the heavy coat, and she did not once look up. So he folded the precious letter in a painstaking manner, and sealed it in the envelope addressed:

"MR. SANTY CLAWS,"
and stuffing it into his little pocket—regardless of opposition on the part of letter or pocket—went softly out of the room; but his quiet movements ended on the landing just outside, and he tore down the stairs and through the streets to the post-office.

office.

Perhaps the thought that there were but two days before Christmas, and the consequent fear that the gentle renjinder might not reach Santa Claus in time, gave the deer-like flectness to his sturdy little

feet.

Arthur's letter lay among the others for a half hour or so, and then a clerk began assorting them for the mails.

"Here's a good one?" and he laughed heartily as he held up the crumpled envelope.

"Mr. Santa Claus!" and he laughed

"Mr. Santa Claus!" and he laughed again, in company with two or three clerks who had gathered around him. Just then the door opened and the postmaster came in.
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The curtain was not drawn—what need of that? since the frost had worked so thick a screen that not even a loving star could peep in with a happy Christmas greeting. Mrs. Hill, with an old shawl over her shouldeas, sat close to the table, with a dim kerosene lamp beside her. She was blue with the cold, and her fingers were so stiff that the needle went laboriously through the heavy seam. Her tired eyes filled with tears now and stain, but she dashed them away—every minute was precious; for if the coat was not finish ed to-night and taken back there was a sorry outlook for to-moreaw. And the thought of the empty larder and coal-hod nerved her to frantice forts at faster working; and when the clock outside told the hour of eight it sent a colder thrill through her frame.

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Arthur, in spite of the cold, had pulled off one of his stockings, and was looking will at a large hole in the toe.

"Look!" he said, holding it up before his mother, with a comical expression on his little mottled face.

"O, Arthur, how you do wear your stockings out! I mended them all up last Saturday night."

"But it comed right through again!" and Arthur glanced from the yawning stocking toe to his mother's tired face, then back again to the stocking.

"Do you s'pose the presents will come through?"

"No, I am afraid they won't," she said, half bitterly.

"But I don't want 'em to!" and he looked up with a perplexed expression at his mother, who was afraid his presents wouldn't come through.

He examined the hole again, taking its dimensions by thrusting three fingers through it and thrusting them apart.

Yes, there was no doubt a good sized toy could squeeze through the hole.

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while the toars—so near time—same this "I am tired, but that is no rea-son for my speaking crossly to you; and mother will mend the stocking before she

goes to bed."

Arthur put his arms around her neck.

"You'll have a happy Christmas," he said, looking up into her face with beaming eyes; and her tears started afresh as she looked at his hopeful face and thought of

eyes; and her tears started afreeh as she looked at his hopeful face and thought of the gloomy prospect.

"I wish I could make a fire and warm you before you go to bed," she said, rubbing his blue cheeks with her cold fingers, "and give you something to eat."

"I ain't much hungty," he sanswered, with a brave smile.

"If I finish this coat in time I shall get something to eat, and I will wake you up and give you some," and kissing him she turned back to her work and began that weary stitch, stitch.

Arthur hung up his stocking, and, going back to his mother, pulled the shawl away a little and kissed her on the neck—a form of caress which did not interfere with the needle—and with a bright face opened the bedroom door and shut himself in. How cold it was I for the door had been shut all day, that what heat there was might be kept in the kitchen. He would like to have opened it, for a ray of light from his mother's dim lamp, but it would make her colder; so he kicked off his shoes, not parting with very much else, for it was too cold to undress, and jumped into bed and in a few minutes was fast asleep, dreaming, perhaps, of Christmas feastings and Santa Claus.

Arthur had not been dreaming long whem a low knock startled Mrs. Hill.

What could it mean? And she trembled a little as she walked to the door and opened it.

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A kind-faced man with merry blue eyes was standing there; he had very fat pockets, and a sled in one hand and a parcel in the other; and Mrs. Hill trembled more than ever, but from quite another emotion than fear.

Mr. Morris explained his errand; and as he stepped into the room there was a sound of other footsteps in the little entry, but he shut the door and unloaded his pockets and laid his parcels down.

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My children sent these thiugs to Arthur," he said, laughing, as bags of candy, nuts and raisins came out in company with "jumping jacks" and picture book. "I hope Arthur wont be offended," and he drew a little doll from the depths of one pocket.
"My children are all girls, and the youngest one looked so disappointed when I suggested that a doll was not just the thing for a boy that I concluded to bring it along."

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Mrs. Hill had hardly spoken; her eyes required a good deal of attention, and her lips had an overmastering tendency to tremble; Mr. Morris, to relieve her, looked as little as possible in her direction.

But finally there was an end to apples and oranges, toys, strings of popcorn and candy, and the rest of his errand mist be accomplishd; so, clearing his throat, and looding hard at the citing, he said:

"My wife thought the nicest thing for the mother would be a ton of coal and a barrel of flour."

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Poor Mrs. Hill—poor Mr. Morris! for it was almost as trying for one as the other; he walked to the window and examined the frost-work; it was so thick and fine that he glanced at the stove next, and then at the empty woodbox and scuttle. The table, withits dim light, rows of spools and scissors, with the unfinished coat in the chair, told the story plainly.

Mrs. Hill looked up at last, and tried to thank him; and Mr. Morris said how happy they had all bean in answering Archur's letter; and he looked so happy as he said it that no one could have doubted him. Then he opened the door and a man set a large basket inside and went away directly.

Then he opened the door and a man set a large basket inside and went away direct. The shall see you again, Mrs. Hill, and I hope you and Arthur will both have a very merry Christmas. Good-night," and he had gone before Mrs. Hill could speak. He went directly to a coal dealer and ordered a bag of coal and a basket of wood sent at once, and did not leave the place until he had seen them on their way.

Mrs. Hill was still sitting in the chair where Mr. Morris had left her when the heavy step of the men with the coal and wood, and their fond knock at the door, roused her from her reverle.

The first thing she did after they had gone was to make a rousing fire. How it crackled and snapped! and she bent over the stove and rubbed her stilf fingers in the genial warmth. Then she took Arthur's stocking, with the yawning toe, and quickly mended the big too and put the toys in. The candy bags and strings of popcorn she hung around it, and pilet the apples and oranges in a plate on the shelf above, and stood the shining new sled beneath, with the skates, mittens and woolen scarf hanging over the

above, and stood the smilling new sactor-neath, with the skates, mittens and woolen scart hanging over it.
What a fine show it made! and how she longed to catch Arthur out of bed to see it! but she wanted the room to get warmer first; and then there was the basket to be

fore her.

There was everything in that basket—at least so thought Mrs. Hill. Two pies; a loaf of cake; another of bread; little hearf-shaped cakes, sugared in pink and white; a plum pudding; butter; tea; cof-



'DO YOU S'POSE THE PRESENTS WILL COM

fee; sugar; cranberries; a bag of swed potatoes; a squash; a turnip; two glasses of jelly, and a turkey. The little tab was loaded; it had never groaned beneat such a weight before.

Mrs. Hill hung the holly wreath, which had lain on the top of the basket, in the window; then opened the bedroom door.

"Arthur," she said softly, bending ove him; but Arthur did not move. She kissed him on the lips; he puckered up his mouth, opened it and closed it again, with a deep breath, and was as fast asleep as ever.

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"Arthur, do you want to hear about Santa Claus?" The sleepy eyes opened and he rubbed them with his little fists.

"W-h-a-t?"
"I thought you would like to hear about Santa Claus; your presents have come."
Arthur was wide awake—as what boy would not have been—and sprang out of bed.

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"Didn't he come quick ?" and he stood in the bedroom door, his eyes still blinking, looking from the chimney to the table, and from the table back to the chimney, and then up to his mether's face.

She drew him to the stove, and settling down took him on her lap.

"I didn't 'spect so much!" he exclaimed, finding his tongue at last; "but ain't it jolly—jolly!" and clapping his hands together he threw his arms so tightly around his mother's neck that he nearly stopped her breath and gave her a sounding kiss.

"The stockin's full—an' you mended the hole!" and he got down on the floor and peered under it. "It's all sawed, put tight!"
Then he pulled down the sled and skates, tried on the mittens, wound the scarf around his neck, scraped acquaintance with the candy, and took wite out of the shining apple.

Words! words were weak for the expression of his satisfaction; so he danced up and down the room, and clapped his hands, and laughed and whistled, and finally turned a somersquit in the intensity of his joy.

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"I can see a star!" Arthur cried, and sure enough the frest had melted a little and a star was peeping in; oh, more than one! two, three—yes, several shining down on the poor little home, as they had shone, long years before, on lonely Juda, and telling again the old yet ever new story of the Christ-child's bitth, and of love and peace on earth.—Annie J. Holland in Household Monthly.

SOME CHRISTMAS COOKING.

Christmas Plum Fuddings.

Pick and seed very carefully one pound and a quarter of the best layer raisins, which put in a large bowl with one pound of currants, well washed, dried and picked; one pound of kidney sust, chopped not tog fine; two ounces each of candide lemon, o'range and citron peel, six ounces of the best flour, half a pound of fine bread crombs, half a pound of brown sugar, the grated rind of a lemon, a saltspoon of salt and a grated nutneg. Moisten the whole with eight eggs, the yolks and whites beaten separately, and enough milk to form a very stiff batter. When all these ingredients are thoroughly mixed, an operation which will take the time and patience of several persons, pour into a cloth, which should be well buttered and floured. The best pudding cloths see those made out of thin unbleached muslin; they should always be scalded with bolling water and wrung dry as possible before using. It is always well to lay the cloth, after it has been prepared, in a large bowl, and pouring the pudding batter into the cloth, and, holding the corners tightly together, the firmly with a piece of strong, white cord. If desired, this pudding may be boiled in a plain or ornamental pudding mould; well butter the interior, pour the mixture into it, cover with a sheet of good white note taper, the the mould in a cloth have on the range a large pot, three-quarters full of briskly boiling water and let it boll quite fast for four hours and a half. Of course, some allowance must be made for the pudding to swell. If boiled in a cloth have on the range a large pot, three-quarters full of briskly boiling water, into which pare, tie the mould in a cloth, and allow your pudding move it about in the water for a second or two; this may easily be done by keeping the orners of the cloth free of the boiling water for the time required, then cover the pot closely, and allow your pudding reven for a moment, else will your labor in a bot stadily for four or five hours, being carefully into a large colander, furnite the cloth,

A Good Soft Saues.
Cream together a teacupful of a sugar and half a cupful of find add a well-beaten egg and it grated peel of a lemon. Had double saucepan some boiling has been thickened with a ful of corn-starch; when the add to this, your other stir slowly until the sauding very careful not to-Add a little grated nutn.
Roast Turkey—Oy Select a young hen times dinner, as the metender and juicy than the Singe, draw and clean, the forth of the carcass with columns of the carcass with columns of tower, and stuff, being soft towel, and stuff, being with.

Freddie-Mamma a wild man o

Mamma-You would like to see a wild man? Well, wait a few minutes until your papa comes in and sees those bills for Christmas presents.—Demorest.



Boil a cup of st

Boll a pound of augar w water and a salispoonful tar, to the large thread derstand this you must le degrees of sugar boiling, has bolled a few minutes

Jones—Did yo this Christmas Brown (who provide for)—No Yale Record.

At Christmas Than wish a mirth.

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Christmas show because the comical together the poput in their prohildhood.

The work or the past lew days had been very ardons and by universal consent the part decided to drophunting for a lay and sile the Ploughboy and Rete was out to the settlement for supplies and the mail, the Agent, Doc, and Scribe would go up the river to where the railroad up the river to where the railro up the river to where the railroad crossed it to ascertain if that would be a better way out to civilization when leaving for home than by the way they came. The Dominie and Bertrenained in camp to look after the culinary department and take a well earned rest. Both the parties got way in good peace as they knew it earned rest. Both the parties got away in good season, as they knew it would be an all day's trip for each, it being a four mile row and tramp to the river, then a row of two or three miles to the lumber depot, where they hoped to find the mail for the party, but on reaching there they four the mail had not been brought in for some four or five day, and the Plonghboy tramped it far miles out and back to the post office. On the way back he found an accumulating settler who sold him a bushel of potatoes and a couple of pans of bread which he backed down to the of bread which he backed down to the landing. It was dark when they got back to camp bringing a large amount of mail matter for each of the party. This was the first batch of papers that had been received in camp and they were eagerly scanned for news from home and the outside world.

In the meantime, the party going up the river had their share of experiences. For more than half the distance the river was broken up with



rapids, in many places being so shallow and rapid that two of the party had to get out and hitch a long rope to the front of the boat and drag it up through the swift current to the head of the rapids while the other kept it clear off the rucks with a pole. It clear off the rucks with a pole. It not nearly four bours to make loss a five miles, and all thoughts of ting out to the railway by that te were abandoned before half the

ance was made. The party at gth reached the bridge spanning the er, near by being the railway track. couple of shanties occupied by rail-y navvies were built near the river d the party were hospitably reed and given a seat near the stove to dry their socks, mittens and clothing which had been pretty well soaked with water by wading and hauling wet rope. No signs of anything larger that a muskrut were seen on where some animal had crossed the river and clambered up the bank. There was about two inches of snow on the ground and on making an examination, the tracks were found to be those of a very large bear. Taking their rifles the Doc and Agent started distance in the direction the bear was supposed to have taken. On going up on the mountain he could see the men going directly apposite to the way it was supposed the animal had gone, and they, seeing that the trail led away of mourtains some three or four miles farther on, abandoned the pursuit and started ack for the boat.
This took sheen a fill hour to reach
when they all embarked and swiftly glided down stream, in many places going at race-horse speed and requiring great care in keeping the boat from running on the many boulders, some y covered and others just under Our artist's penal gives a very fair illustration of the ranning of th rapids in the accompanying cut.



the eye could reach

On reaching camp the party found that the Dominie and Berth had not been idle. Some eight or ten partridge hung from a peg at the camp door when the party left in the morning; these rid been nicely cleaned and ing these rid been nicely cleaned and so the camp deligible at the camp of the camp ing these rid been nicely cleaned and ing these rid been nicely cleaned and ing these rid been nicely cleaned and in the camp in the made into a delicious stew or pot pie.
The frying pans were filled to over-The trying paus were unled to over-flowing with savory trout, a large pot of potatoes hung over the fire, while

plenty of sugar, with plates of pie, fried cake, mollasses and cunned fruits were spread out in bounteous profusion. It was a supper fit for an epicure, and the avidity with which all partook of the delicious viands was a tribute to the skill of the butler and his assistant for the day, as well as convincing that their appetites had been well shar-pened by the arduous work of the

day.

The next morning the camp wa astir at an early hour. The remnants of the last night's feast were spread out and hurriedly disposed of and provision pouches packed, and long before daylight the whole party was on before daylight the whole party was on their way to their different stations. The Agent and Dominie started by trail for the lake watch, Doc and Bert went to the rapids, while the Scribe, Ploughboy and Pete took the boat with the dogs down the river. Scribe, Ploughboy and Pete took the boat with the dogs down the river. They reached the ox bow or portage and Pete branched off to put part of the dogs out in that direction for a start towards the rapids. The Plough-

the stream and not more than five or six rods away he saw a fine yearling swimming directly towards the bot. The dogs saw the game at the same moment and the bugling that went up long distance without being tired and

The dogs saw the game at the same moment and the bugling that went up from that gang of dogs was nearly emough to scare the lite out of any kind of game Wigh an exclamation of (th, look, there's deer! the period of the game with a deer! the period of the game. In the mean the back of the perp in the beat and landed on shore firing at the rate of 60 shots a minute. The momentum given the boat by his springing out caused it to swing off from shore and the movements of the dog running from end to end combined with the current of the stream soon sent the boat out into the middle and so on down towards the wonderful preference. They are shall would not have lived and landed on shore firing at the rate of 60 shots a minute. The momentum given the boat by his springing out caused it to swing off from shore and the movements of the dog running from end to end combined with the current of the stream soon sent the boat out into the middle and so on down towards the wonderful prefice. They are shall wenderful prefice. They are shall will also so the control of the dog running from end to end combined with the current of the stream soon sent the boat out into the middle and so on down towards the end combined with the current of the stream soon sent the boat out into the middle and so on down towards the lake. About fifteen shots in all were fired and it remains a disputed point to this day which marksman fired the lucky shot. The animal was struck in larger that a muserit were seen on the up journey, but when about half way on the return the party saw where some animal had crossed the river and clambered up the bank. There was about two inches of snow the new rate of the deer was on the opposite the party saw where the fatal shot had from Dr. Williams Medicine Company, the party saw where the fatal shot had struck. The deer was on the opposite the party saw where the fatal shot had struck. The deer was on the opposite the party saw where the fatal shot had struck the party saw where the fatal shot had struck. The deer was on the opposite the party saw where the party saw where the fatal shot had struck the party saw where t struck. The deer was on the opposite shere, the boat fast disappearing down stream, and there was no other course but to go over and portage the other boat across, which after a lot of off on the trail while the Scribe took hard lifting, pulling and bauling, was the boat on down the river to a high bluff from where he could see a long deer and dogs taken aboard and following the other host which had floated down nearly a quarter of a mile. It was taken in tow to the landing and the regular hunt taken up, just as the sun rose over the top of the eastern hills.

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THE STORY OF A YOUNG LADY IN SMITH'S FALLS.

fered from a Bad Cough and Constant Pain in the Side—Pale and Almost Bloodless—Her Health Again Restored.

rom the Smith's Falls Record. "I know that if I had not begun king Dr. William's Pink Pills I taking Dr.

would not have lived much longer,"
These words were uttered by Miss.
Mossop, daughter of Mr. Johnston Mossop, daughter of Mr. Johnston Mossop, of this cown, and a young lady extremely popular among her friends and acquaintances. Miss Mossop had been ailing for several years, and her recovery to health is a matter of great recovery to neatth is a matter of great rejoicing among her friends. To a re-porter she gave the story as follows: "I scarcely know how my illness began. The first symptom was a feeling of tired-ness upon the slightest exertion. The rejoicing among her friends. To a reporter she gave the story as tollows:

"I scarcely know how my illness began. The first symptom was a feeling of tiredness upon the slightest exertion. The color left my face and I became as pale as a corpse. Then I was attacked with a pain in my left side and coughed a great deal. At first home remeded a great deal. At first home remedies were tried, but as they did not do any good a doctor was called, and I was under his care for about a year.



Could not Go up Stairs Without Resting. But the treatment did not do me any good and I was steadily growing weak-er and weaker. I was unable to go up the dogs out in that direction for a start towards the rapids. The Ploughboy with three dogs went on to where the other boat lay to continue down stream a mile or so farther. The boat was shoved off and the Ploughboy seated in the stern was getting the dogs in their places, while the Scribe with one foot in the boat and the other on land was reaching for his gun preparatory to shoving off. The Ploughboy chanced to cast his eyes up the stream and not more than five or six rods away he saw a fine yearling swimming directly towards the last towards the fine the stern was getting the cure of a pound whose cure was due to Dr. William's Pink Pills and this prompted a trial of that medicine By the time a couple of boxes were used there was a feeing of improvement and I continued using the Pink Pills until I had taken nine boxes were used there was a feeing of improvement and provement and provement softly out of the room; but his quiet movements ended on the landing just outside, and he tore down the stairs and through the streets to the post-

HEART DISEASE OF 20 YEARS STAND-ING RELIEVED IN A DAY. Mr. Aaron Nichols, who has Lived on One Farm for 70 Years, Tells What He Knews of Dr. Agnew's Cure for tan Reart.

"This is to certify that I have bought two bottles of Dr. Agnew's bought two bottles of Dr. Agacw's Cure for the Heart for my wife, who has been troubled for the past twenty years with heart disese. The first few doses gave her-relief, and she has had more benefit from it than from all the doctoring she ever did. The remedy acts like magic on the diseased heart.

AARON NICHOLS Peterboro

W. C. T. U. Notes.

Don't treat lightly the moral qualications of candidates for municipal honors and responsibilities.
"The wisdom that cometh from above is first pure," declares the Apostle.

So it should be a first requisite in can-didates for public honors that they have good moral character. If the prohibitionists would always register their convictions when they

vote, would the politician so slavishly serve a trade that votes only for its business interests.

recommended to me I procured a bottle and obtained perfect relief from the first few doses. It is with out doubt the quickest relief for rheumatism I have ever seen, and I heartily recommend it to all sufferers from this disease. Sold by J.P. Lamb.

The Prizes Awarded

The final awards in the literary co petition offered by Dr. Williams' Medieine Co. of Brockville, Ont., have just een announced. the order of merit of the five stories selected was left to the vote of the readers, and that great interest was taken in the matter was shown by the fact that 16,728 votes were recorded. "A Night on Crookback," by Dua, (Mrs. R.S. Smellie, Toronto) received 4655 votes, the largest number cast and was awarded first prize. "The Lady of Beauce" by Othmas, (Thos. Swift, Ottawa,) comes sesond with 4403 votes. The Fall of York,"by Allen Douglas Brodie, (T. Herbert Chestnut, Toronto) s the third with 3004 votes of Eulalie" by Margery er Halifax,

with 2500 , (C.B.

A BACHELOR'S CHRI

Christmas party, and, no doubt,
A loaded Christmas tree;
And girls and boys and toys—and noise;
What do they want with me?
And yet her friendly little note
Declares—thrice underlined—
f anust not fail. Well, well, I won't!
She's always sweet and kind.

Now, let me see. I had not thought Upon my wardrobe's state :

Upon my wardrobe's state; I must look up my evening vest— By Jove!it's rather late To rummage for a satin tie
And fish out gloves to match.
Great Scott! my best shirt's at the
And this one needs a patch.

I'll thread a needle—if I can— (I am the man who brags
Of single blessedness I) and see
If I can't mend these rags.
This thread's too coarse; or else, perhaps
My needle is too slim.
The light is poor or it may be
My sight is getting dim.

The clock ticks on. I must make haste Since she desires—alas
For those lost opportunities
Our thoughtless youth let pass!
But, as she's single still, who knows,

Some joys we may retrieve.

Perhaps she'll mend up life for me
Before next Christmas eve.

—Madeline S. Bridges, in Judge.

ARTHUR'S CHRIST-MAS LETTER.

Arthur seated himself upon the floor, Arthur seated himself upon the floor, in a corner of the room farthest from his mother; he wrinkled his eyebrows, puckered his mouth and cramping his little fingers around a statuby-lead pencil beganto write; and this is what he wrote:
"DEARSANTY CLAWS.—Pless dont for Get to Fill my stockin. An Id like A Sled an a par of skaTes. An pless giv MOTHET the vEry nicEst thinG you go?. We Live on French street, First ChimBly dowN 2 FLight's.
"ARRIUR HILL."

He stretched out his little numb fingers

Jack Frost played coarse practical jokes upon everybody and everything within his freach, so that the market boys felt obliged to run with the turkeys and turnips, blowing the while upon their aching fingers or rubbing their smarting ears.

The newsboys, with mufflers and caps pulled closely down, held-their papers under their arms and their hands in their pockets, and thrashed one foot against the other, while they called in cold voices to loaf of cake: another of breads with the day of rest below they will be compared to the control of the day of rest below they will be controlled in cold voices to thought Mrs. Hill. Two pies a loaf of cake: another of breads with the day of rest below they will be controlled to cold voices to the controlled to the cold of the c

pocaets, and thrashed one foot against the ther, while they called in cold voices to the passer-by; "Paper, sir, paper?" The heaven were studded with gleam-ing stars which blinked merrily down on ing stars which blinked merrily down on the hurrying throug; and through un-curtained windows were glimpses of gay Christmas trees with happy children danc-ing around them, and smilling fathers and mothers looking on.

Holly wreaths hung in 'profusion and festoons of evergreen and mistletoe adorn-ed the walls; and over these happy scenes played the flickering light of the "yule" log's glow.

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The church bells rang merrily, and the agan's deep note peeled forth upon the hight winks; lights streamed from the vindows and through the doors as they wung to and fro, while softly on the lis-ening ar stole the sound of voices sing-ng, of "Peace on earth, good will toward was."

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Yes, there was no doubt a good sized toy could squeeze through the hole.

"Can you mend it, mother?"
"O, Arthur, don't ask me to do anything?" she answered, fretfully, and Arthur moved away a little; for never in his life before had he heard his mother search like that.

e that.
e next instant she reached out her
d snatched him passionately to her

goes to bed."

Arthur put his arms around her neck.
"You'll have a happy Christmas," he said,
looking up into her face with beaming
eyes; and her tears started afresh as she
looked at his hopeful face and thought of
the gloomy prospect.
"I wish I could make a fire and warm
you before you go to bed," she said, rubbing his blue cheeks with her cold fingers,
"and give you something to eat."

"I ain't much hungry," he answered,
with a brave smile.

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"If I finish this coat in time I shall get

it along."

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Mrs. Hill had hardly spoken; her eyes required a good deal of attention, and her lips had an overnastering tendancy to tremble; Mr. Morris, to relieve her, looked as little as possible in her direction.

But finally there was an end to apples and oranges, toys, strings of popeorn and candy, and the rest of his errand must be accomplished; so, clearing his throst, and looding hard at the calling, he said: "My wife thought the affect thing for the mother would be a ton of coal and a barrel of four."

barrel of flour."
Poor Mrs. Hill-poor Mr. Morris! for it

or pocket—went softly out of the room; but his quiet movements ended on the landing just outside, and he toredown the stairs and through the streets to the post-office.

Perhaps the thought that there were but two days before Christmas, and the consequent fear that the gentle reminder might not reach Santa Claus in time, gave the deer-like fleetness to his sturdy little feet.

Arthur's letter lay among the others for a half hour or so, and then a clerk began assorting them for the mails.

"Here's a good one?" and he laughed leartily as he held up the crumpled envelope.

"Here's a good one?" and he laughed heartily as he held up the crumpled careloge.

"Mr. Santa Clrus!" and he laughed again, in company with two or three clerks who had gathered around him.

Just then the door opened and the post-master came in.

The clerk held up the lotter "Mr. Se-va quainted with the gentleman's residence?"

Mr. Morris took the envelope and laughed, also, as he glanced at it, and was about to throw-kedown when a sudden vision of four little maids, with a twinklein-his kind blue eyes and purting the envelope into his pocket he walked away.

He was Christmas eve. There had been a heavy snowstorm the day before, and it had cleared off very cold. The people were muffled in furs to their cyes—if they had the furs—and hurried along over the crisp snow, which sang sharp little songs under their feet. The rude wind wrestled with them at the street corners, making the gentlemen catch wildly at their hads, and fluttering ribbons and veils in the faces of the ladies.

Jack Frost played coarse practical jokes upon everybody and everything within his reach, so that the market boys felt obliged to run with the coarse or the lank to the market boys felt obliged to run with the terews and everybady and everything within his reach, so that the market boys felt obliged to run with the turkeys and turnips, blow-

least so thought Mrs. Hill. Two piloaf of cake; another of bread; heart-shaped cakes, sugared in pink and white; a plum pudding; butter; tea: cof-



"DO YOU S'POSE THE PRESENTS WILL COM

fee; sugar; cranberries; a bag of s fee; sugar; cranberries; a bag of sweed potatoes; a squash; a turnip; two glass of jelly, and a turkey. The little tab was loaded; it had never groaned beneat such a weight before.

Mrs. Hill hung the holly wreath, which had lain on the top of the basket, in the window; then opened the bedroom door. "Arthur," she said softly, bending over him; but Arthur did not move. She kised him on the lips; he puckered up h mouth, opened it and closed it again, with a deep breath, and was as fast asleep a ever.

a deep breath, and was a face ever.

"Arthur, do you want to hear about Santa Claus?" The sleepy eyes opened and he rubbed them with his little fixts.

"W-h-a-t?"

I thought you would like to hear another Santa Claus; your presents have come."

Arthur was wide awake—as what boy would not have been—and sprang out of bed.

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"Didn't he come quick?" and he stood in the bedroom door, his eyes still blinking, looking from the chimney to the table, and from the table back to the chimney, and then up to his mother's face.

She drew him to the stove, and settling down took him on her lap.
"I didn't 'spect so much!" he exclaimed, finding his tongue at last; "but ain't!

"I didn't 'spect so much "' he exclaimed, finding his tongue at last; "but ain't it jolly—jolly!" and clapping his hands together he threw hisamms so tightly around his mother's neck that he nearly stopped her breath and gave lier a sounding kiss. "The stockhi's full—an' you mended the hole!" and he got, down on the floor and peere! under it: "It's all sawed up tight!" Then he pulled down the sied and skates, tried on the mittens, wound the scarf around his neck, scraped acquaintance with the candy, and took # bite out of the shining apple.

with the candy, and took a bite out of the shining apple.
Words! words were weak for the expression of his satisfaction; so he danced up and down the room, and clapped his hands, and laughed and whistled, and finally turned a somersault in the intensity of his joy.
Then he and his mother had their Christmas supper in the warm room, with

the fire-not shining through the cracks of the usually grim old stove. And they talked of this glad evening—for somehow the bitterness of the beginning had passed from the mother's mind, and the old carol which sings that "night is passed" most fitly expressed the thought of her thankful heart.

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"I can see a star!" Arthur cried, and sure enough the frost had melted a little and a star was peeping in; oh, more than one! two, three—yes, several shining down on the poor little home, as they had shone, long years before, on lonely Juda, and telling again the old yet ever new story of the Christ-child's birth, and of love and peace on earth.—Annie J. Holland in Household Monthly.

SOME CHRISTMAS COOKING.

"I want a book of fairy tales,"
I want a mest of picture block
I want a book of the swims with
I want a Jack in the Box,"

with a brave smile.

"If I finish this coat in time I shall get something to eat, and I will wake you up and give you some," and kissing him she turned back to her work and began that weary stitch, stitch.

Arthur hung up his stocking, and, going back to his mother, pulled the shawl away a little and kissed her on the neck—a form of caress which did not interfere with the needle—and with a bright face opened the bedroom door and shut himself in. How cold it was! for the door had been shut all day, that what heat there was might be kept in the kitchen. He would like to have opened it, for a ray of light from his mother's dim lamp, but it would make her colder, so he kicked off his shoes, not parting with very much else, for it-was too cold to undress, and jumped into bed and in a few minutes was fast aslicep, dreaming, perhaps, of Christmas feastings and sparcal in a bow knock startled Mrs. Hill.

What could it mean? And she trembled and ittle as she walked to the door and opened it.

A kind-faced man with merry blue eyes was standing there; he had very fat pockets, and a sled in one hand and a parcel in the other; and Mrs. Hill trembled more than ever, but from quite another emotion than fear.

Mr. Morris explained his errand; and she stepped into the room there was a sound of other footsteps. in the little entry, but he shut the door and unloaded his pockets and laid his parcels down.

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This morn said a mmy, full of gle
As to his mother dear he ran;
"Old Santa Claus indeed, must be,
A very nice old man." "I know he heard me when I told You, mother what I wished he'd Beneath he si master of gold She smilled at sun, a thing. It's so," said Tourns, with a bour Phat showed he have trans. "The tays I wished for I just four "Way he has garrest stairs!"

Candy palls are among the most forms of entertainment amon people, in the winter, and althout fun may be had at a candy refuses to become cand refuses to become on "pull," still it is always alest the party to be up in the accomp of making dainty sweets. The business of the party to be up in the accomp of making dainty sweets. The business or the party bon-bons is French can be always always the party bon-bons is French can be always and the party bon-bons is french can be always and the party bon-bons is french can be always and the party bon-bons is french can be always and the party bon-bons is french can be always and the party bon-bons is french can be always and the party bon-bons is french can be always and although the party below. given below.

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have been in vain. It is well to keep your tea kettle boiling that you may have water to add to the pot in which the pudding is boiling, as under no consideration must it be allowed to run dry. When you are ready to serve the pudding, remove it carefully into a large colander, untie the cloth, and turn the pudding out on a hot dish. It shot the pudding out on a hot dish. It shot the pudding out on a hot dish. It shot the pudding out on a hot dish. It shot the pudding out on a hot dish. It shot the pudding out on a hot dish. It shot the pudding out of your, stick a spring of holly in the contains and send the table with either a lord or sallow. säppery as at mrst; unis is un After still further boiling, d mer punctured with holes, quick turn with the wrist, a films of sugar appear, it ha third degree called the fea degree. A little further b

Freddie-Mamma ee the Indians? e a wild man one Mamma-You would like to see a wild an? Well, wait a few minutes until

our papa comes in and sees those bills for thristmas presents.—Demorest.

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DISON.

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Mr. Wm. Howe and family, after an Mr. Wm. Howe and an the Western absence of six years in the Western States, are visiting friends in Ather Monday, Dec. 30.—Mrs. George Burnham is on the road to recovery. A. McDougall is in our midst again. Cark Burnham, in the set of carry-aw across the lake, went through a saved by his brother Wilser

Mr. W. A. Lewis returned to ens on Monday, having spent Amas, in company with Mrs. Lewis, with friends at Saraia.

Mr. J. T. Gallagher, and funily, Newboro, and Miss Violet Lorton, New Dublin, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Wiltse, Church street, on some time there has been gyat a grocery in this place. The has been taken up by Mr. A. el, who will open out a first-ne of groceries, in the Tolyn Mr. A.A. Derrick, who has justices College, has been capaged to Brook illustrates load in finding positions. will open out t hat proceed in the process of the p

The Christmas tree sutertainment in the Methodist church was largely attended and in every respect successful. The superintendent Mr. Fisher, and his capable staff of assistants are to be congratulated on the success of their efforts. lward Cobey and nd Mr. G. Burnham nerite convention in

The applications to the Brockville Business College for office help by the business men of the town and country generally show the confidence they have in the College. Any young man or woman will make no mistake if they go to Brockville. They may if they go

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of Gouverneur, N.Y., in Munro added to the choral ice of the evening a solo, "Ashamed of Jesus," singing it with a power, depth of feeling, and purity of tone seldom. if ever, heard in Athens. Her auditors were deeply moved by her rendering of this familiar sacred ong, and her highly cultivated voice ill undoubtedly be a power for good whatever community exercised. ice of the evening a solo, "Ashamed

Jan. 3, Mrs. Youman's birthday, has been set apart by the Dominion W. C. T. U. as a day of prayer. The W. C. T. U. of Athens will hold a prayer meeting on that day from three to four at Mrs. R. Arnold's. All the ladies of the village are invited to attend.
There will also be a public service in
the Methodist church, when, in adiselves to the satisie receipts were over dition to local talent, Miss Rilance of Cardinal will give a solo and Miss Crummy of North Dakota will give an address on the work of the National hnson, who is ill with n, is slowly recovering. in has been appointed address on the work of the National W. C. T. U. A collection will be taken to be equally divided between the world's W. C. T. U. and our Canadian W. C. T. U. missionary work in

the North-West.

hold their annual meetings on the 8th

Mr. J.D. Wright, student at Trinity College, Toronto, is spending his holi-days at the Rectery. He reports busi-ness generally as being very dull in the

Queen City.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Rebeson, Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Stevens of Delta with their son and daughter, and Mr. Almeron Robeson cere guests of Mr. and Mrs. Delorma Wiltse on Christmas

The mild weather on Christmas day permitted most of the citizens of Athens to thoroughly enjoy the ex-cellent open air concert given by the Citizens' Band.

Last week some of the farmers this neighborhood went on with the work of finishing their fall ploughing. Occasionally, however, one can even yet hear remarks about Canada being cold country.

The Misses Whittaker of North The Misses Whittaker of North Williamsburg returned home yesterday after spending a few days in Athens, guests of their cousin, Miss Ketha Livingston. On the eve of their departure, in company with a number of young lady friends, they were tendered a tea party at the home of Mrs. J. Redmond, Wiltse street.

Mr. John Thompson, B.A., of Princeton College, cousin of Mr. Joseph Thompson, is occupying the pulpit of St. Paul's church during the absence of the pastor, Rev. J.J. Cameron, who is spending the holidavs with his son in Boston. He addressed very acceptably a large audience on Sabbath evening and will preach again next Sabbath at the usual hour.

—Two or three years ago the council of these united counties granted a small sum of money to be expended in the improvement of the lock-up at this village. For several days Chief Phillips has been superintending the work of repairing and decorating the "cage" and making it habitable for some of the birds that would sooner go there than behave themselves.

The Court of Revision for the Township of Rear of Yonge and Escott held by His Honor Judge Reynolds, last Friday evening at the office of I. C. Alguire, Esq., was of very short duration, there being no contest, and all persons interested consenting to have the Judge order the changes made which were sought to be made.

—Early on Friday evening a young man from the country visited Athens with blood in his eye for one person, and an over-weening affection in his mind for another. Inasmuch as both parties he wished to see lived in the same house he determined to kill two birds with one stone so he promptly repaired to the domicile on Welling-ton street, and after having a wordy warfare with the proprietor of the dwelling, in which warfare our young friend from the country used several words with "frills" on them, contrary words with "frills" on them, contrary to the village by-law in such case made and provided. He then proceeded to do up the other part of his business and took away with him the proprietor's wife's sister. On Saturday morning, in answer to a written invitation to do so, our young friend visited Justice Cawley and pleaded guilty to a charge of having used languilty to a charge of having used lan-guage more forcible than polite. After pointing out to the young man that this particular kind of forcible lan-

Giles of Brockville, Miss Mabel Descon-tion at her home here

atives.

—It is said that Mesus, Ross & Earl of the Athens brickyard intend substituting steam for horse power in the spring. We are pleased to learn that their business is increasing to such an their business is increasing to such as what this change necessity.

Last Friday night there appeared to be quite a number of meetings going on at once in such a small corporation as this. The Masons, Oddfellows and Foresters were in session, also the Court of Revision and the Conserva-

—The question of establishing an electric light system here is being quietly and earnestly discussed by some of our business mea, and it is almost a safe prediction to say that before the year 1896 has passed away electric lights will be shining in Athens, and Rockwood's blaze of brilliancy will be found to be not altogether imaginary.

On Friday evening the Conservative Association of the village of Athens held its annual meeting at the Gamble House. The meeting was well at-tended and resulted in the election of tended and resulted in the election of the following officers for 1896: James Duggan, president; Joseph Thompson, Vice-President; James Ross, Secre-tary; and W. F. Earl, Tressurer.

-Any man that wanted a horse and —Any man that wanted a norse and went away from Athens without one last Saturday night ought to be com-pelled to put up with a jack-ass. There were horse traders to be met with all over the village that night, and they were bound to trade. Con sideration was no object with them, for they came to the village determined to trade, take what they could get and

At noon on Christmas, at the res dence of the bride's father, Capt J. S. Boynton, An Sable Forks, N.Y., Rev. D. D. Munro of Gouverneur, N.Y. was married to Miss Mary N. Boyn ton. The bride is a graduate of Pots dam college and musical—a pupil for two years of Madame Capianno. Last week the happy couple visited Athens and were warmly welcomed by the incumbent of the Baptist church here. The Reporter extends congratulations

A New Year's Greeting

To our Customers and the general public: We take this opportunity of wishing you a happy and prosperous new year, and again announce mencement of our new firm in the drug business. We hope to meet you all in the store, whether you want to purchase goods or not. If in optical goods we will give you the best information we can and quote prices; if in any other line, we will be pleased to attend your requirements. Our to de in the future will be conducted on the cash or ready-pay system, and we are satisfied it will meet with your approval.

Yours very truly, J. P. Lamb & Son, Druggists and Opticians MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

REAR YONGE AND ESCOTT.

Councillors, Chas. Johnson,

Councillors, Chas. Johnson, (resigned) Wm. C. Hayes, E. J. Rowsom (resigned), Thos. Moulton, John Mackie, and Jas. W. Wiltse.

At the close of the usual time for receiving nominations, Dr. Giles was voted to the chair and he called on the former electric structure. reeve elect to give a statement of the affairs of the township to the electors present. Mr. Saunders thanked the guage is not permissible in Athens, the Justice casually remarked to him the office of Reeve without opposition. He referred briefly to the fact that while the counties have raised nearly \$6000 more than last year to assist in building the House of Industry the taxes had not been increased to any with me for this once while I give than samething from Ottawa. The W.C. of a project price of the project of the service of the ledits of the ledits

their speeches a large number or randidates resigned and when meeting came to a close all had drawn but the following, who constitute the council for 1896; Reeve—Sheldon Y. Bullis. Councillors—M. B. Holmes, Karley, A. W. Blanchard, and V.

REAR LEEDS AND LANSDOWNE.
Reeve—R.J. Green.
Deputy—J. McMillan.
Councillors—Robert Gardiner, E.F.
Bracken, John Willis, Wm. Webster,
E.C. Sliter, Matthew Johnson. BASTARD AND BURGESS

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Reeve—FS, Harrison, A. Gallagher.
Deputy—Geo. Preston, Geo. Morris.
Councillofs—M. Dwyre, S. Seaman.
Brown, Geo. Johnston, C. Singleton
SOUTH GROSBY. Reeve-Thos. Morris, ac

Deputy—P. Halladay, F.C. Stevens. Councillors—B. Henderson,—Hienek. Brown, B.A. Leggett, F. Preston.

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FRONT YONGE AND ESCOTT.
Reeve—M.J. Connolly, Oscar For-

Deputy reeve-V. Buell, Oscar For-Deputy reeve—V. Buell, Oscar For-rester, James S. Purvis. Councillors—A.W. Mallory, Jr., John W. Thomson, John Franklin, W. H. Warren, Norton Mallory, David Forrester.

RLIZABETHTOWN Reeve John B. Checkly, R. J. Jelly lst deputy—Anson Manhard, D.W.

2nd deputy-Joseph Robinson, accla-Councillors—Cyrenus Cole, Quinn, Ed. Davis, Thos. Pettam.

NORTH CROSBY.
Reeve—E.G. Adams, J.H. Whelan Reeve—E.G. Adams, J.H. Whelan N. Whitmarsh. Deputy—J. Conley, J. Barker. Councillors—J.H. Whitmarsh, R. Forrester, J. Donahoe, W. Scott J. Myers, J. McCornish.

KITLEY. Reeve-R. Mackie, Wm, Ennis, C. H. Brigginshaw. Deputy—E. Ballantyne, Thomas Hunter.

Councillors-Jas. Bell, N. Parker, J. L. Gallagher, A.R. Loucks, - John

FRANKVILLE.

MONDAY, Dec. 30 .- Your corre dent wishes the Reporter a happy and prosperous New Year,
W. C. Dowsley and H. H. Elliott of
Queen's college are home spanding

their holidays.
Walter Landers of Athens is her spending his holidays, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. Richards.

Miss Lockwood of Smith's Falls is

Miss Lockwood of Smith's Palis is the guest of Miss Lena Coud. Mrs. R. Richards gave a party to her Sunday school class on Thursday evening last, when they spent an en-joyable time. The Christmas tree entertainment given in the Methodist church on given in the Methodist church or

Xmas eve was a grand success, as despite the rainy weather and muddy roads there was a crowded house. The tree was beautifully decorated with tree was beautifully decorated with presents, which gladdened the hearts of the little ones. Proceeds of the evening, \$30.

CLOSING OF OTTAWA NORMAL.

OTTAWA, Dec. 21st, 1895. OTTAWA, Dec. 21st, 1895.

DEAR EDITOR,—Looking over the columns of your valuable paper on file in the reading-room of the House of Commons, I have now and then read communications from former residents of Farmersville, now residing in other parts. I may say, with considerable may say, with con

contracting parties were present. Promptly at 5.30 p.m., the bride and groom took their places under a beautiful arch of evergreens and white chrysanthemums when the Rev. Go. Sharpe pronounced the beautiful cersimony of the M. E. church which united the destinies of the happy people for life. The bride was attired in an elegant costume with white chrysanthemums. After a sumptuous repast the bride and groom left amid the congratulations of friends and the conventional shower of rice on the 5.30 p.m. train for Niagara Falls and other points in the west. After an absence of ten days they will return to Hamilton for their future residence. The presents which were many were elegant and showed the high esteem in which the young people are held by their many friends. The decorations of the beautiful parlors were in evergreens and white flowers and were exceptionally fine.

greens and white flowers and were ex-ceptionally fine.

Catarrh in the Head Is a dangerous disease because it is liable to result in loss of hearing or

liable to result in loss of hearing or smell, or develop into consumption. Read the following:

"My wife has been a sufferer from extern for the past four years and the disease had gone so far that her eyesight was affected so that for nearly a year she was unable to read for more than five minutes at a time. She suffered severe pains in the head and at times was almost distracted. About Christmas, she commenced taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, and since that time has steadily improved. She has taken six bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla and is on the road to a complete. She has taken six bottles of Hood's Sar-saparilla and is on the road to a complete cure. I cannot speak too highly of Hood's Sarsaparilla, and I cheerfully recommend it." W. H. FURSIER, Newmarks of Ontario.

Hood's Sarsaparilla is the Only True Blood Purifier nimonety in the public eye today.

Hood's Pills eure habitual denstips

Farm For Sale. The farm known as the Armstrong fars, just below the Village of Athens, being a part of the rear part of it is in the 8th con. of Yonge, bounded on the north by the incorporated Village of Athens, containing forty acros more or less. There is a good frame bar on, the rest. This farm is well-water the very best of land for hay, grain and particular the very best of land for hay, grain and particular the very best of land for hay, grain and particular the very best of land for hay, grain and particular the very best of land for hay, grain and particular the very best of land for hay, grain and particular the very best of land for hay, grain and particular the very best of land for hay, grain and particular the very best of land for hay grains and particular the very best of land for hay grains and particular the very best of land for hay grains and particular the very best of land for land

House and Lot for Sale A new house on Wellington St., Ather near public school and Church. Roomy, su able for boarders, large-cellar, and hard as soft water. Terms very reasonable. Apply WILLIAM HILLIS, Athens Athens, Dec. 2rd, 1895.

MORTGAGE SALE.

Defail having been made in the payment of the money accured to be paid by two certain indefentions of Mortgage bearing date on the Stiff day of January A. D. 1898 and 24th day of March A. D. 1890 and which Mortgages will be produced at the time of the sale:

Public Notice is how all Mortgages will be produced at the time of all Mortgages and by the tension of the sale of the Lonnot and of the Power of Sale therein contained, the following lands and premises being these in said Mortgages, will be sold by Public Auction on Thursday the 2rd day of January 1895 at Seven Octook in 10 evening at the Armstrong Rouse in the Village of Athens in the Caquity of Leeds, in two parcols, at the Armstrong Rouse in two parcols.

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able Hotel property known as "The Armstrong House".

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To the people of Athens and vicinity for their most liberal patronage since opening up our business, and especially during the heliday season. We trust by fair, honest dealings, and always oarrying the largest, purest and most wholesome stock of Confectionery obtainable, to continue to hold the reputation which we have already gained.

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Notice to Creditors.

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Dated at Athens this 2nd day of

LOCAL SUMMARY

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No S. School here yesterday on count of the funeral of late James Gallagher at lem. The funeral was very later than the funera

there being more there than church would contain. Rev.

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The new mail service started to-day A Happy New Year to all our

The village schools re-open Monday next.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyons Davison Kemptville spent 'Xmas in Athens. Mrs. J. L. Gallagher has been spending a few days with friends in Brock

Miss Stella Stevens of Montreal spending vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Stevens. Mr. Wm. Howe and family, after an absence of six years in the Western States, are visiting triends in Ather

Monday, Dec. 30.-Mrs. George ens on Monday, having spent Mmas, in company with Mrs. Lewis, with friends at Sarnia. Mr. W. A. Lewis returned to Ath-Clark Burnham, in the act of carry-

Mr. J. T. Gallagher, and family, Newboro, and Miss Violet Horton, New Dublin, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Wiltse, Church street, on

Mr. A.A. Derrick, who has Mr. A.A. Derrick, who has just completed a course at the Brock ille Business College, has been engaged by the County Bros. of Brock ille. The histmas with W. G. Mo

The Christmas tree intertainment in the Methodist church was largely attended and in every respect successful. The superintendent, Mr. Fisher, and his capable staff of assistants are iward Cobey and eder were guests of to be congratulated on the success their efforts. nd Mr. G. Burnhara

The applications to the Brockville rday. rr of this place is vis-Business College for office help by the business men of the town and country Athens. Tatson of Athens is generally show the confidence they have in the College. Any young man or woman will make no mistake if they the usual hour. n this vicinity. go to Brockville. They may if they go

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listened to a most of Gouverneur, N.Y., in urch on Sabbath even-Munro added to the choralan and sister, Mrs. In whatever community exercised

Jan. 3, Mrs. Youman's birthday, has been set apart by the Dominion W. C. T. U. as a day of prayer. The W. C. T. U. of Atheus will hold a prayer meeting on that day from three to four at Mrs. R. Arnold's. All the ladies of the village are invited to attend. There will also be a public service in the Methodist church, when, in addition to local talent, Miss Rilance of Cardinal will give a solo and Miss Crummy of North Dakota will give an address on the work of the National W. C. T. U. A collection will be taken to be equally divided between the world's W. C. T. U. and our Canadian W. C. T. U. missionary work in the North-West. Jan. 3, Mrs. Youman's birthday, has Methodist church and all who took iselves to the satise receipts were over hnson, who is ill with n, is slowly recovering.

the North-West.

Over a score of inm iner at the Industrial Home. Mrs. W. Elliott and daugh.

Smith's Falls.

An interesting budget of news from our Toledo our espondent is unavoidably held over until next week.

Rheumatism is caused by lactic acid in the blood, Hood's Sarsaparilla neutralizes this acid and ourse rheu-

The cownship agricultural societies hold fur annual meetings on the 8th and the district societies on the 15th of this month.

Mr. J.D. Wright, student at Trinity College, Torento, is spending his holi-days at the Rectery. He reports busi-ness generally as being very dull in the Queen City.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Robeson, Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Stevens of Delta with their son and daughter, and Mr. Almeron Robeson rere guests of Mr. and Mrs. Delorma Wiltse on Christmas day.

-The mild weather on Christmas day The mild weather on Christmas day permitted most of the citizens of Athens to thoroughly enjoy the ex-cellent open air concert given by the Citizens' Band.

_Last week some of the farmers this neighborhood went on with the work of finishing their fall ploughing. Occasionally, however, one can even yet hear remarks about Canada being

The Misses Whittaker of North Williamsburg returned home yesterday after spending a few days in Athens, guests of their cousin, Miss Ketha Livingston. On the eve of their departure, in company with a number of young lady friends, they were tendered a tea party at the home of Mrs. J. Redmond, Wiltse street.

Mr. John Thompson, B.A., of Prince ton College, cousin of Mr. Joseph Thompson, is occupying the pulpit of St. Paul's church during the absence of the pastor, Rev. J.J. Cameron, who is spending the holidays with his son in Boston. He addressed very acceptably a large audience on Sabbath evening and will preach again next Sabbath at

Two or three years ago the council of these united counties granted a small sum of money to be expended in small sum of money to be expended in the improvement of the lock-up at this willage. For several days Chief Philips has been superintending the work of repairing and decorating the "cage" and making it habitable for some of the birds that would sooner go there they have themselves. than behave themselves.

-The Court of Revision for the Township of Rear of Yonge and Escott held by His Honor Judge Reynolds, last Friday evening at the office of C. Alguire, Esq., was of very short duration, there being no very contest, and all persons interested con-senting to have the Judge order the changes made which were sought to be

—Early on Friday evening a young man from the country visited Athens with blood in his eye for one person, and an over-weening affection in his mind for another. parties he wished to see lived in the same house he determined to kill two birds with one stone so he promptly repaired to the domicile on Wellingrepaired to the dominie on wining-ton street, and after having a wordy warfare with the proprietor of the dwelling, in which warfare our young friend from the country used several words with "frills" on them, contrary to the village by-law in such case made and provided. He then proceeded Munro added to decrease the companies of the evening a solo, "Ashamed and took away the companies of Jesus," singing it with a power, depth of feeling, and purity of tone seldom, if ever, heard in Athens. Her auditors were deeply moved by her rendering of this familiar sacred atong, and her highly cultivated voice at a companies of the companie to do up the other part of his business and took away with him the pro-prietor's wife's sister. On Saturday

Miss Edith Giles of Brockville, ac ompained by Miss Mabel Deacon, is

ompained by Miss Mabel Deacon, pending vacation at her home here. Last week Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Will iams went to Gouverneur, N. Y. where they will spend New Year's with rel-

_It is said that Messrs. Ross & Ear of the Athens brickyard intend sub-stituting steam for horse power in the spring. We are pleased to learn that their business is increasing to such an extent as to make this change neces

Last Friday night there appeared to be quite a number of meetings going on at once in such a small corporation as this. The Masons, Oddfellows and Foresters were in session, also the Court of Revision and the Conserva-

-The question of establishing an electric light system here is being quietly and earnestly discussed by of our business men, and it i almost a safe prediction to say that before the year 1896 has passed away electric lights will be shining in Athens, and Rockwood's blaze of brilliancy will be found to be not altogether

On Friday evening the Conservativ Association of the village of Athens held its annual meeting at the Gamble House. The meeting was well at-tended and resulted in the election of tended and resulted in the election of the following officers for 1896: James Duggan, president; Joseph Thompson, Vice-President; James Ross, Secretary; and W. F. Earl, Treasurer.

-Any man that wanted a horse and went away from Athens without one last Saturday night ought to be com pelled to put up with a jack-ass.
There were horse traders to be met
with all over the village that night, and they were bound to trade. sideration was no object with them for they came to the village determined to trade, take what they could get and do no squealing.

At noon on Christmas, at the resi At noon on Christmas, at the residence of the bride's father, Capt J. S. Boynton, An Sable Forks, N.Y., Rev. D. D. Munro of Gouverneur, N.Y., was married to Miss Mary N. Boyn The bride is a graduate of Pots dam college and musical—a pupil for two years of Madame Capianno. Last week the happy couple visited Athens and were warmly welcomed by the host of friends the groom made while incumbent of the Baptist church here The Reporter extends congratulations

A New Year's Greeting.

To our Customers and the genera public: We take this opportunity of wishing you a happy and prosperous new year, and again announce the com mencement of our new firm in the drug business. We hope to meet you all in the store, whether you want to pur-chase goods or not. If in optical goods we will give you the best information we can and quo'e prices; if in any other line, we will be pleased to attend your requirements. Our to de in the future will be conducted on the cash or ready-pay system, and we are satisfied et with your approval.

Yours very truly, J. P. LAMB & SON, Druggists and Opticians.

WUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

REAR YONGE AND ESCOTT.

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Councillors, Chas. Johnson, (resigned) Wm. C. Hayes, F. J. Rowsom (resigned), Thos. Moulton, John Mackie, and Jas. W. Wiltse.

At the close of the usual time for

At the close of the usual time for receiving nominations, Dr. Giless was voted to the chair and he called on the reeve elect to give a statement of the affairs of the township to the electors present. Mr. Saunders thanked the ymited Justice Cavely and pleaded willing anced with the control of the control o Mr. Saunders thanked the of Farmersville, now

E. Donovan. Dr. Harte One of the pre-tiest events

ame as last year.

After the lapse of an hour, a public Montgomery St., Wednesday, Rea. 18, 1895, in the marriage of Wm. Gavin, of Hamilton to Miss Minnie Ritter, of Athens, Ontario, Canada. About forty After the lapse of an hour, a public meeting was organized with E. Loverin as chairman, when short and spithy specches were made by all the candidates present. At the close of their speeches a large number of the candidates resigned and when the meeting came to a close all had withdrawn but the following, who will constitute the council for 1896:

Reeve—Sheldon Y. Bullis.

Councillors—M. B. Holmes, Wm. Keyler & W. Blanchard, and W. F.

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REAR LEEDS AND LANSDOWNE. Reeve—R.J. Green. Deputy—J. McMillan. Councillors-Robert Gardiner, E.F. Bracken, John Willis, Wm. Webster E.C. Sliter, Matthew Johnson.

BASTARD AND BURGESS BASTARD AND BURGESS
Reeve—FS. Harrison, A. Gallagher.
Deputy—Geo. Preston, Geo. Morris.
Councillors—M. Dwyre, S. Seaman,
J. Brown, Geo. Johnston, C. Singleton, SOUTH CROSBY.

Thos. Morris, a s. Morris, acclamation.

Deputy—P. Halladay, F.C. Stevens. Councillors—B. Henderson,—Hicock, Brown, B.A. Leggett, F. Preston. NewBoro.
Reeve—J.H. Singleton, acclamation
Councillers—R. Grothier, John Graam, Samuel Stewart, Wm. Bolton, R.

Leggett, Geo. Lyons.
FRONT YONGE AND ESCOTT.
Reeve—M.J. Connolly, Oscar For

Deputy reeve-V. Buell, Oscar For Deputy reeve—V. Buell, Oscar For-rester, James S. Purvis. Councillors—A.W. Mallory, Jr., John W. Thomson, John Franklin, W. H. Warren, Norton Mallory, David

ELIZABETHTOWN Reeve-John B. Checkly, R. J. elly. 1st deputy—Anson Manhard, D.W.

2nd deputy-Joseph Robinson, acclamation. Councillors—Cyrenus Cole, Quinn, Ed. Davis, Thos. Pettam.

NORTH CROSBY.
Reeve-EG. Adams, J.H. Whelan N. Whitmarsh.

Deputy—J. Conley, J. Barker.

Councillors—J.H. Whitmarsh, R.

Forrester, J. Donahoe, W. Scott J. Myers, J. McCornish.

Reeve-R. Mackie, Wm, Ennis, C. I. Brigginshaw. Deputy—E. Ballantyne, Thomas Hunter.

Councillors-Jas. Bell, N. Parker, J. L. Gallagher, A.R. Loucks, John

FRANKVILLE.

Monday, Dec. 30 .- Your corre ondent wishes the Reporter a happy and prosperous New Year.
W. C. Dowsley and H. H. Elliott of
Queen's college are home spending Walter Landers of Athens is he

Walter Landers of Athens is nere spending his hölidays, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. Richards.

Miss Lockwood of Smith's Falls is the guest of Miss Lena Coud. Mrs. R. Richards gave a party to her Sunday school class on Thursday evening last, when they spent an enjoyable time.

The Christmas tree entertainment given in the Methodist church or 'Xmas eve was a grand success, as despite the rainy weather and muddy roads there was a crowded house. The tree was beautifully decorated with presents, which gladdened the hearts of the little ones. Proceeds of the evening, \$30.

CLOSING OF CTTAWA NORMAL.

OTTAWA, Dec. 21st, 1895. being those in said Mortgages, will be sout of January 1896 at Seven O'clock in the evening at the Armstrong House in the Village of Athens in the County of Leeds, in two parcels, namely;—
and Singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate lying and being in the Village of Athens in the County of Leeds and being Village Lot Number Two in Block "C" as laid down on map of said Village and which is butted and bounded as set forth in said Mortgages. This property is the Valuable Hotel property known as "The Armstrong House. Singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises signification of the County of Leeds being composed of part of Lot number Twenty one in the Eighth Concession of said Township butted and bounded as set forth in said Mortgages and subject to the right of The property is the Valuable Charleston Lake.

Ten per cent down, the balance to be paid in 39 days thereafter. The Vendors reserve one bid on each property. Further terms and conditions will be made known on the day of of said.

Dated this 23rd day of December 1895.

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Vendors' Solicitor.

intimate friends and relatives of the contracting parties were present.

Promptly at 3.30 p.m., the bride and groom took their places under a beau tiful arch of evergreens and white chrysanthemums when the Rov. Geo chrysanthemums when the Rev. Go.
Sharpe pronounced the beautiful ceremony of the M. E. church which
united the destining mony of the M. E. church which united the destinies of the happy people for life. The bride was attired in an elegant costume with white chrysanthemums. After a sumptuous repast the bride and groom left amid the congratulations of friends and the conventional shower of rice on the 5.30 p.m. train for Niagara Falls and other points in the west. After an absence of ten days they will return to Hamilton for their future residence. The presents which were many were elegant and showed the high esteem in which the young people are held by their many friends. The decorations of the beautiful parlors were in ever-

holiday season occurred at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Gavii

ceptionally fine.

greens and white flowers and were ex-

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Farm For Sale.

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House and Lot for Sale A new house on Wellington St., Athens near public school and Church. Roomy, suit able for boarders, large-cellar, and hard an soft water. Terms very reasonable. Apply to YILLIAM HILLIS, Athens.

MORTGAGE SALE.

Defalt having been made in the payment of the money secured to be paid by two certain Inderstages of Mortgage bearing date on the 39th day of January A. D. 1889 and 24th day of March A. D. 1890 and which Mortgages will be produced at the time of the sale:

Public Notice is hereby gir Mortgages and by very condition of the Power of Sale therein contained, the following lands and premises being those in gaid Mortgages, and provided the produced ry 1896 at Seven O'clock in the evening Armstrong House in the Village of in the Country of Leeds, in two parcols, live of Singular that contain parcol of the Country of Leeds of the Country of Leed

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D. McAlpine. D.V.

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House For Sale. subscriber, having decided to re Athens, offers for sale his two-se house with 3-5 acre of land att the B. & W. station, The house has roof, tin covered, is well finished. Athens, Dec. 22rd, 1895.

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quire at Gamble House or communicate i
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