

# Births, Marriages and Deaths.

**DIED.**  
**MECHAN**—In London, West, on Thursday, Dec. 17, 1896, at the residence of his father, 6 Napier street, Michael Mechan, aged 29 years and 7 days.  
 Funeral on Saturday at 8:15 a.m. Friends and acquaintances will please accept this intimation.  
 Please omit flowers.

# Amusements and Lectures

Advertisements under this heading two cents per word or ten cents per line each insertion.

# Variety Glee Club Concert.

Grand Opera House, Saturday, Dec. 19.  
 Subscribers list open at Anderson's.  
 Plan opens for subscribers on Wednesday, Dec. 10th.  
 Box plan Thursday. 85c xixxvvt

# MUSIC HALL—

TONIGHT AND EVERY NIGHT THIS WEEK, MATINEE ON SATURDAY.

PROF. JOHN REYNOLDS,  
 The Greatest Living Musician.

Admission 25c and 50c. 7th

# GRAND OPERA HOUSE—ONE WHOLE

week, commencing Monday, Dec. 21, matinee daily, except Monday, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wayne, supported by a first-class company. Change of play at each performance. Popular prices—10c, 25c and 50c. Note—Extra lady that fails to receive one of the complimentary tickets at her home, can secure one at the box office.

# TONIGHT—AT LEMMONS BOXING

Academy—Mr. Jack Crawford will appear in a boxing contest with Alf Jenkins, of Toronto. A good programme in connection. b

# CUNARD LINE—FRANK B. CLARKE,

agent, Richmond street, next door to Advertiser office.

# CHRISTADELPHIANS—JAMES LAIRD,

of Inverclyde, will lecture in Dufrail block, Saturday, 7 p.m., on the following interesting subject, "The Signs of the Times in Their Relation to the Return of Christ to Earth." You are welcome. Seats free. No collection. 30u

# ALBANI—GRAND OPERA HOUSE,

Friday, Jan. 1st. Subscription list opens at box office, Monday, Dec. 21st. Prices, \$1, \$1.50 and \$2.

# WHEN HAVING CHRISTMAS PARTIES

and your friends to spend a jolly evening, try the wonderful Christmas, Church and school entertainments. J. C. LOCKHART, 45 Park avenue.

# DANCE—DANCING ACADEMY—ADVANCED

class opens Jan. 6. New classes for beginners: Gentlemen, Jan. 1; ladies, Jan. 6; children, Saturday afternoon, Jan. 3. Terms and the cycle. Satisfaction guaranteed. Lessons any hour.

# MEETINGS.

One cent per word each insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

# S. O. E.—CHESAIRE LODGE MEETS THIS

Friday evening, visiting brethren welcome. GEO. TAMBUNG, president. b

# Domestics Wanted.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

# WANTED—FOR GENERAL HOUSE-

WORK. Apply 103 John street.

# HELPS! RINGUP! HOTEL COOKS

dining-room girls, kitchen girls, general, waitresses, chambermaids, nurses, barkeepers and coachmen. Dwyer's Employment Agency, 201 Richmond street.

# Male Help Wanted.

WANTED—AN IDEAL—who can think of some simple thing, to potentiate your idea, then bring your wealth. Write JOHN WEDDERBURN & CO., 45 Park avenue, Washington, D. C., for further particulars and list of two hundred ventures wanted.

# AGENTS—WANTED—25c PER WEEK.

Apply to GEO. MARSHALL & CO., 104 Dufferin street, 25c per week.

# Lost and Found.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

# LOST—ABOUT A WEEK AGO—BLACK

collar. Reward. 181 Dufferin avenue. 92c

# LOST—TUESDAY NIGHT—A BULLDOG

head; spots on back near tail. Had string around neck. Informer to be rewarded by N. MILLS, 25 Elmwood avenue. 91c

# PURSE LOST—BETWEEN COLBORNE

and Wellington on Horton, Thursday evening; reward at this office. b

# LOST FOX TERRIER DOG—TAN

markings; answers name of "Jinks." Reward at 301 Richmond street south. b

# Real Estate.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

# FOR SALE CHEAP—TWO DOUBLE

roughcast cottages, corner Dufferin avenue and Elizabeth street. Apply LEWIS CLARK, 25 Dufferin street.

# S. CHADWICK & SON—REAL ESTATE

Agents, 104 Dufferin street, 25c per week. Speculation. Call Room 2 Aldon Building.

# Money to Loan.

SOME MONEY TO LOAN ON MIDDLE SIX PER CENT property at 5 and 6 per cent on city property at 4 and 5 per cent. WILKES & SCANDRETT, solicitors, 95 Dundas street, London.

# MONEY TO LOAN ON FIRST AND

second mortgages, notes and other securities at lowest rates. G. W. FRANKS, 79 Dundas street, London. Branch offices, Stratford and Watford.

# Livery Stables.

STAR LIVERY—OPEN DAY AND NIGHT. Hacks, coupes, etc. Light livery a specialty. THOS. THORNTON, 625-627 Richmond street. Phone 428.

# LILLY'S LIVERY—NO. 610 DUNDAS

street, East London, Ont. Telephone No. 606.

# Educational.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

# MR. J. W. G. ANDIAS PREPARES

14 pupils separately for university and professional examinations: 303 Waterloo street. 301

# Musical Instruction.

MRS. NOBLE, TEACHER OF PIANO, organ and harmony; terms moderate. Residence 506 King street.

# CHARLES E. WHEELER, LATE FROM

Leipzig, Germany, organist St. Andrew's Church. Instruction given in organ, piano, harmony and singing. Address 315 King.

# W. H. HEWLETT, ORGANIST OF

St. Dundas Center Methodist Church. Teacher of piano, organ, harmony and composition. Address 648 Waterloo street.

# Articles For Sale.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

# FOR SALE IN LARGE OR SMALL

quantities, screenings, broken barley and dry skimmings for horses, chickens, etc., and meat dust for stoves, well-known food for cattle, sheep and hogs, at Labatt's brewery, London, Ont. 624 1/2 St. 10

# FOR SALE—TEN SILVER LACED

Wyandotte cockerels. Will sell at low price. JAMES ARTHUR, 721 Lorne avenue, London. 53c lw

# FOR SALE—NEW AND SECOND-HAND

Pianos. One Piano \$25. Organs from \$10 upwards; \$1 and \$2 per month instalments. Houtman & Co., 236 Dundas street. H. W. Houtman, manager.

# IRON AND LEAD PIPE, STEAM AND

water fittings of all kinds. SMITH BROS., 370 Richmond street.

# JUST FINISHED, 20 CHILDREN'S

Trunks for Christmas trade; going fast at 50c; much less than other charges. All kinds of Trunks at manufacturers' wholesale prices. P. HENDERSON & Co., 245 Dundas street, London. 61c 3/4

# FOR SALE—ONE 20 HORSEPOWER

automatic "Brown" engine, built by Goidie, McCulloch & Co. Galt, Cycle, 10 inches, stroke 2 1/2 inches; can be run at 60 revolutions, or as high as 90 revolutions; also tubular exhaust feed water heater. The engine is in daily operation and can be seen. The Advertiser office, London, Ont. 61c 3/4

# FOR \$1.25 PURCHASE AT PARSON'S

Fair, you receive free a bread knife, sold by hardware merchants for 25c.

# ONE THOMAS ORGAN AND A GOOD

assortment of coal cook stoves to be sold cheap at the Advertiser office, 303 Waterloo street.

# 50 SIT HARNESS FROM \$7 UP.

Blankets, bells and robes. J. DARC & Sons, 27-29 Talbot street.

# STOVES SOLD CHEAP AT KEENE'S

store and furniture warehouse, 12 Market Temple, Market Square.

# RUBBER STAMPS, SEALS—RAZORS

sharpened; guns, rifles, revolvers and sporting goods. D. McKENZIE & Co., 388 Richmond street.

# PIANOS, PIANOS—NEW AND SECOND

HAND, for sale at a bargain. Call into Anderson's Book Store, 245 Dundas street, London, Ont. 13c Dundas street.

# Agents Wanted.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

# ARE YOU MAKING FIVE DOLLARS

per day? If so, don't stop to read this; we cannot guarantee it, but we promise you ten per week (have some representing us making \$500 per week) and you know how to make it. If you are not afraid of work, write immediately; both sexes, but no idlers. J. L. SHERMAN & Co., 30 Richmond street, Toronto. 61c 3/4

# WANTED—MALE AND FEMALE

agents to sell Mexican Remedies to families in and out of city. Mexican Medicine Company, 525 Dundas street.

# Houses, Etc., To Let.

First insertion 1c per word. One-half cent each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

# TO LET—NICE TWO-STORY BRICK—35

St. James street; furnace, bath; splendid location. Apply at 733 Wellington street.

# TO LET—WELL-FURNISHED HOUSE

near Victoria Park; all modern conveniences; moderate terms. H. L. C. 31c

# BAKERY TO RENT—IN GOOD REPAIR—

Apply to T. M. SHERBURN, 247 Dundas street, or St. James Park. 52c

# TO LET—WARM AND COMFORTABLE

newly furnished, 108 Kent street. 80u

# TO LET—HOUSE—321 DUNDAS STREET

between Maitland and William; 4 bedrooms; parlor, dining-room, kitchen and summer kitchen; well-lighted; apply to Mrs. WILLIAM CAMERON, 321 Dundas street. 41c

# HOUSE TO LET—428 PARK AVENUE—

5 bedrooms, parlor, dining-room, kitchen; all modern conveniences; apply to J. C. TAMBUNG, 235 Dundas street. 241

# Wanted.

No better than "THE MURKIN" 20c for 10 words—three insertions.

# WANTED—LOAN OF FOUR HUNDRED

dollars on house and lot in city. Apply to WINNETT, barrister, 129 Talbot street, city. 91c

# WANTED—25 BICYCLE RIDERS TO

get their low frames made high at HUTCHINGS'S, 631 Dundas street.

# Personal.

PERSONAL—WESTMINSTER TOWN. SHIP Notice—I will be at the Fraser Hotel, London, each Thursday and Saturday of this month, and the 2nd of January, to receive notices and answers. All taxes must be paid by the 2nd of January or collected with cost. K. S. HUNT, Collector. 91c 1/2

# HEIRS WANTED OF JAMES STEVENS,

deceased. He was unmarried. His father, mother, brothers and sisters predeceased him. In his will he said he be reposed in Canada. W. H. BARTHAM, solicitor, 39 Dundas street, London, Ont. 91c lw

# Architects.

MCBRIDE & FARNCOMBE—ARCHITECTS and surveyors, 215 Dundas street, Block B. H. C. McBRIDE, F. W. FARNCOMBE.

# MOORE & HENRY—ARCHITECTS AND

civil engineers, Aldon Buildings, London. JOHN M. MOORE, FRED HENRY.

# HERBERT MATTHEWS—ARCHITECT—

(formerly with C. C. Haight, New York), Carling Block, Richmond street.

# Jewelers.

SPECIAL ATTENTION TO REPAIRING—J. T. WESTLAND, Engineer and Manufacturer, Jeweler, 240 Richmond street (up stairs), London, Ont.

# Artists.

MRS. LAURA DOUGLAS, 159 ALBERT street, receives pupils oil and pastel painting.

# TO THE ELECTORS OF NO. 1 WARD:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—Your vote and influence are respectfully solicited for

Joseph Johnston

For Alderman for No. 1 Ward, 1897.

TO THE ELECTORS OF

No. 5 WARD

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—Your vote and influence respectfully solicited for

Frank Plant,

THE WORKINGMEN'S CANDIDATE

AS ALDERMAN FOR 1897.

# The Unseated.

In this Province, so far, two members of Parliament, returned at last general election have been unseated.

They are:

John A. McGillivray, North Ontario.

Robert Henry, South Brant.

Both are Conservatives.

Who goes next?

# Paterson Keeps His Seat.

Hon. Wm. Paterson, Controller of Customs, holds his seat in North Grey. When he captured the constituency from the Conservatives last summer, we were told by his opponents that the victory was accomplished by the report broke off in the hands of the judges presented themselves at Owen Sound yesterday afternoon for the purpose of trying the alleged charges, they were notified by counsel for the petitioners that there really were no accusations against the Minister or his supporters, and the petition was promptly dismissed. The Conservative managers will have to pay all costs.

The telegraph agencies are having great fun with Cuban affairs these days. They are really in the hands of the Spanish commander on the one hand, and the Key West, Fla., correspondents in the other. One day, Maceo, the Cuban hero, is dead beyond a doubt; the next, he is alive and kicking; then again, they are not so sure. At the hour of writing it "Maceo is alive," but at any moment we expect to have the dead version sprung on us.

# LABOR CONGRESS.

Canvassing for Officers—A Toronto Man Prominent in the Contest.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Dec. 17.—When President Gompers called the American Federation of Labor to order for its fourth day's session, the roll call showed a full attendance. There was considerable canvassing today for the election of officers, which takes place tomorrow afternoon.

It is the general opinion that all of the general officers will be re-elected except Secretary McGrath, who is opposed by Frank Morrison, of Chicago, the representative of the International Typographical Union.

# KILLED HIS COMPANION.

A Sham Fight That Proved a Sad Reality.

Somerville, N. J., Dec. 17.—Herbert Hayes and Wm. Swenson, two companions 14 years of age each, were giving an imitation of the struggle between Spain and Cuba, when young Hayes was shot and killed by his companion.

Hayes had a stick, which he used as a sword. Swenson, who was acting as a playmate, was armed with a 22-caliber rifle as his weapon. The fight was a sham, and the bullet entered the breast of young Hayes, and he died in a few minutes.

# Trouble in Syracuse

Big Strike on the Erie Canal Job.

Syracuse, N. Y., Dec. 17.—A big strike is going on on the work on the Erie canal, west of the city. The morning about 200 Italians decided to riot. Arming themselves with pickaxes, they started in on the canal at 8 o'clock, and worked their way westward. Intense excitement prevailed in the city, and the police were called out to the plank runways and induced or rather intimidated other workmen to quit work.

They went to the work being done by John Dunfee & Co., and further on by Belting & Seely, who are subcontractors under Dunfee & Co., and induced the workmen to quit. Complaint was made because the men were not paid, and they declared their intention of going over the entire contracts mentioned, which cover fifteen miles.

Sheriff Austin has been asked to send a posse to suppress the riot, and it is understood that he sent a deputy to overtake the Italians. At 9 o'clock today Cunningham, superintendent for McBride & Sayre, who had about 30 Italians were determined to make trouble, and he endeavored to reason with them, but to no purpose. The Italians armed themselves with stones and threatened to hurt them. Mr. Cunningham got a rifle, and declared he would shoot the first man who hurt a stone. For a time he held them at bay, but with increased numbers he was completely surrounded and beat a retreat as a matter of self-protection.

Merit in medicine means the power to cure. The great cures by Todd's Sarsaparilla prove its unequalled merit.

An unmarried woman has made a reputation in Gage county, Neb., as a corn husker, doing 75 bushels a day with them, but to no purpose. The four H's—health, happy homes, and hospitality—fostered by Angostura Bitters. Sole manufacturers, Dr. J. C. B. Sieger & Sons.

No snake has ever been known to eat the meat of any animal which it did not kill.

Give Holloway's Corn Cure a trial. It removed ten corns from one pair of feet without any pain. What it has done once it will do again.

# NOTICE.

WELLAND CANAL.

Tenders for Supplies for the Year 1897.

THE TIME FOR RECEIVING TENDERS for supplies for the Welland Canal has been extended to Saturday, Jan. 2, 1897.

By order, W. G. THOMPSON, Supt. Engineer.

St. Catharines, Dec. 11, 1896. 91c

# London Election Trial.

# Voters Imprisoned and Drugged with Drink in the Conservative Club Rooms.

# Plenty of Whisky, Barrels of Beer on Tap, With Ham and Beef Galore.

# The Victims Tried to Escape, but Were Slugged and Otherwise Maltreated—Sensational Evidence of Several Witnesses.

# FITZHENRY'S CROSS-EXAMINATION.

At the time of going to press last evening, the report broke off in the midst of Wm. Fitzhenry's cross-examination by Mr. I. F. Hellmuth. Fitzhenry, it will be remembered, swore that he and other Detroit and Windsor men received money and railway tickets from N. P. Graydon and Harold Richardson, of London, for their votes. Appended is a continuation of the report:

Witness further swore that in the Russell House, Detroit, Richardson gave Eastland a ticket and some money in witness' presence.

Q.—Are you prepared to contradict Eastland if he swears that he never gave a copper, and that he paid his own fare to London?

Witness said he could not swear that Eastland told him he had got a ticket and money.

Q.—Did Fitzhenry tell you that he received money?

A.—Yes.

Q.—From whom?

A.—Mr. Richardson, I think; I am not sure.

SAYS GRAYDON GAVE MONEY.

Q.—Did you see Graydon give Richardson \$5 and a ticket to give to Ludington?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Do you think Richardson is an honest man?

A.—Yes.

Q.—And if Richardson swears that he got no money from Graydon





Beautiful eyes grow dull and dim  
As the swift years steal away.  
Beautiful, willowy forms so slim  
Lose fairness with every day.  
But the still is queen and hath charms to  
spare  
Who wears youth's coronal—beautiful  
hair.

### Preserve Your Hair

and you preserve your youth.  
"A woman is as old as she  
looks," says the world. No  
woman looks as old as she is  
if her hair has preserved its  
normal beauty. You can keep  
hair from falling out, restoring  
its normal color, or restore the  
normal color to gray or faded  
hair, by the use of

**Ayer's Hair Vigor.**

### Sailor Sharkey.

Wins in His Legal Battle With  
Fitzsimmons

Corbett Signs Articles to Fight With  
Fitzsimmons.

### ATHLETICS.

**SHARKEY WINS AGAIN.**  
San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 18.—The  
Fitzsimmons-Sharkey case was con-  
cluded yesterday. General Barnes,  
counsel for the sailor, proved to dis-  
miss the injunction on the ground that  
there was no distinction between a  
violate contest and a prize fight. Judge  
Sanderson held that boxing and fight-  
ing were synonymous words. If the  
men were boxing they were fighting.  
It was elementary law, and if the  
complaint was true the principals  
might be indicted, and those who wit-  
nessed the contest were liable to ar-  
rest for misdemeanor. The super-  
visor, he said, had no more right to li-  
cense boxing contests than they had  
to license a duel. The court ordered  
the injunction dissolved and the com-  
plaint struck from the files. Fitz-  
simmons went away very much crest-  
fallen. Sharkey was not there. The  
\$10,000 check is still in the possession  
of the bank, where it will remain un-  
til all doubt as to who owns it has  
been dispelled.

### CORBETT VS. FITZSIMMONS.

New York, Dec. 18.—James J. Corbett  
signed articles of agreement yester-  
day in Jersey City to fight Robert  
Fitzsimmons for a glove fight to  
finish under Marquis of Queensbury  
rules, the contest to come off on  
BOXING TONIGHT.

Jack Crawford, the champion mid-  
dleweight of Canada, will appear in a  
three-round contest with Alf Jenkins  
at Lemmon's boxing academy tonight.  
Crawford has a good record. His six-  
round go with Joe Choyinski was de-  
clared a draw; he outclassed Young  
Griffin in a four round go, and knocked  
out Arthur Schram, of Hamilton, in  
six rounds. Crawford has been match-  
ed to box Shadow Maher, of Australia,  
in Toronto shortly.

### THE WHEEL.

**STEARNS WON EVERYTHING.**  
One of the largest and most hotly  
contested cycling contests of the  
season was run at Terre Haute, Ind.,  
recently, under the auspices of the  
Wabash Cycling Club. E. C. Stearns  
& Co. have received a telegram from  
their Indiana representative, George  
C. Russell, stating that in this con-  
test "Stearns" bicycles won first,  
third, fourth, fifth, eighth and ninth  
places.

### "JIM TOWN" BURNED.

And a Thousand People Are Without  
Homes.

Sonora, Cal., Dec. 18.—The old min-  
ing town of Jimtown, famous in  
California literature as "Jintown,"  
was almost completely destroyed by  
fire yesterday. All the buildings were  
of wood, and the fire, which started  
in the bakery, was unchecked until  
all but two or three isolated dwell-  
ings were consumed.

Jimtown was the supply station for  
an important group of mines, includ-  
ing the well-known Rawhide mine.  
One thousand people are homeless as  
a result of the fire. The town had no  
fire department.

### FROM PULPIT TO STAGE.

Saginaw, Mich., Dec. 18.—Rev. Bert  
T. Frego, of St. John's Episcopal  
Church, has resigned. On Jan. 1, it  
is said, he will leave the active min-  
istry and take up the stage, of which  
he has long been an ardent student,  
having written several meritorious  
plays.

### THE WORLD'S BEST NATURAL APERIENT WATER

**Hunyadi János**

Prof. Dr. C. Hunyadi, of the University of Bonn, writes:

"A Safeguard of Health"

FREE FROM ANY DISAGREEABLE OR IRRITATING EFFECT.

CAUTION: None genuine without the signature

of the firm "Andreas Sarkisner" on the label.

### Over 100 Deaths

Result From the Plague in the  
City of Bombay.

The Panic-Stricken People Desert  
the Place.

Wide Area of the Earthquake in India  
Uprising in Portuguese India.

**OVER A THOUSAND DEATHS.**  
London, Dec. 18.—It is officially an-  
nounced at Bombay that there have  
been 1,151 cases of bubonic plague in  
that city, and 1,004 deaths from that  
disease up to date. The exodus from  
Bombay continues. It is stated that  
300,000 persons have fled from the  
city.

### RIISING OF THE RANES.

Bombay, Dec. 18.—Advices have  
been received from Goa, the capital  
of Portuguese India, that the in-  
surgent Ranes have made an attack  
upon Penem, where they burned  
and looted the treasury. The Por-  
tuguese sent 60 troops to punish the  
Ranes, who were dispersed and a  
number of them killed.

### MILLIONS FOR FETES—NOTHING FOR THE POOR.

Paris, Dec. 18.—The credit asked  
for by the French Government to  
meet the expenses of the visit of the  
Czar and Czarina to Paris was grant-  
ed by the Chamber of Deputies by a  
vote of 495 to 21.  
Before adopting the credit, the  
Chamber, by a vote of 246 to 136, re-  
jected a Socialist amendment to add  
to the credit 4,000,000 francs to be de-  
voted to the aid of the unemployed.

### AREA OF THE ENGLISH EARTH- QUAKE.

London, Dec. 18.—The area of the  
seismic disturbance in England recent-  
ly was unusually wide, extending hun-  
dreds of miles from London north to  
Lincoln, thence west to Lancashire,  
south through Wales to Taunton and  
southeast to Southampton, over 200  
towns and villages being affected.  
There were, however, no fatalities ex-  
cept in the case of the woman who  
died from fright at Hereford. The  
telegraph lines were not affected. The  
attaches at the Greenwich Observatory  
say that the galvanometer, which regis-  
ters the earth currents, showed a  
very slight disturbance at the time  
of the shocks. The authorities at the  
Stoneyhurst Observatory say that  
their galvanometers showed no indica-  
tion whatever of a seismic distur-  
bance.

### CABLE NOTES.

The big prize in the Panama lot-  
tery, amounting to \$20,000 (\$100,000),  
has been won by a Marseilles market  
woman, the Widow Bodelere.  
The Spanish colony in Uruguay has  
offered to Spain a man-of-war. The  
Government of San Domingo has se-  
ized 300 rifles and 10,000 cartridges  
destined to Cuba.

Lord George Hamilton, Secretary of  
State for India, speaking at a pub-  
lic meeting in London, hinted at an  
early agreement of the powers to stop  
Turkish misgovernment.

Mr. Tim Healy keeps up the cam-  
paign for his special fund for the  
Irish Roman Catholic priests in good  
numbers send their contributions to  
the offices of the National  
Hon. Thomas F. Bayard, the Ameri-  
can Minister, went to Bristol, in re-  
sponse to an invitation, and distrib-  
uted the prizes and delivered an ad-  
dress to the students at the annual  
commencement of the Technical School  
of the Society of Merchant Vintners.  
Mr. Bayard's great-grandfather was a  
Bristol man.

### TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES

Archbishop Fabre's condition re-  
mains practically unchanged.  
Mr. W. W. Ogilvie has presented  
\$1,000 to the Winnipeg General Hos-  
pital.

For the past year 5,137 vessels lock-  
ed through the Canadian Soo Canal,  
carrying 4,577,337 tons of freight.  
Five broke out on Thursday in the  
shoe shop of Harry Russell, Toron-  
to. The damage was \$900 to stock and  
\$1,000 to the building.

Ernest Butler, formerly a clerk at  
Toronto, but lately of Winnipeg,  
quarrelled with his wife and took a  
dose of carbolic acid, which killed him.

John S. Hammond, at one time  
prominent in railroad circles as general  
freight agent of the Erie Railroad,  
crawled under a Lake Shore freight  
train at Erie, Pa., on Thursday. The  
train started up, and Hammond was  
cut in two.

The first cargo of corn which has  
ever been shipped from the United  
States to India will be carried by the  
German steamer Rur from Philadel-  
phia. The British Government has  
purchased 140,000 bushels of corn in  
this country, which will be distributed  
by Government agents in India and  
planted there.

### POLITICAL NOTES.

Stratford, Ont., Dec. 18.—The in-  
augural meeting of the Stratford  
Young Liberal Club was held last  
night in the city hall, which was  
crowded in every part. Hon. Thos.  
Bailantyne presided, and an excellent  
programme of music was interspersed  
with speeches by Mr. Wm. Preston,  
the newly-elected president of the  
club; Hon. Charles Fitzpatrick, So-  
lietor-General; Hon. E. J. Davis, Pro-  
vincial Secretary, and others.

Officers elected by East Elgin Con-  
servative Association: President, D.  
Marshall, Aylmer; vice-president, G.  
Nunn, St. Thomas; secretary-treasur-  
er, E. A. Miller, Aylmer.

Officers elected by West Huron Con-  
servative Association: President, Jos.  
Beck, Salford; vice-presidents, Dr.  
Cass, Dungannon, and Peter W. Scott,  
Belgrave; secretary-treasurer, James  
Mitchell, Goderich.

### Gift Seekers Galore.

Reid's Crystal Hall Attracts Many  
Buyers.

Conspicuous in Art Goods Delight in the  
Elegant Display and Low Prices.

Among the chief reasons Londoners  
have had for rejoicing at the re-  
turn of Christmas is the fact that  
presents always to be secured at Crystal  
Hall. In selecting their immense stock  
Messrs. W. J. Reid & Co. have chosen  
with a view to suiting the scant as  
well as the pithy purses of their  
customers. No taste too rich or none  
too simple to be gratified.

The first sight that arrested the eye  
of the reporter as he approached Cryst-  
al Hall from the west was the dis-  
play of real onyx top brass tables (not  
imitation onyx). They are being sold  
below manufacturers' prices, and many  
are taking advantage of the rare offer.  
In the same window are a large num-  
ber of elegant parlor and banquet  
lamps, some as low as \$1.88. The next  
window contains a collection of ele-  
gant cut-glass, Royal Worcester,  
Doulton and Crown Derby ware, that  
delights every artistic eye. (Inside is  
the finest collection of these goods ever  
exhibited in London—such delicate  
coloring.) Another attraction here is  
the wonderful life-size figure of a  
darky bootblack, so realistic that  
many at first believe it to be a human  
being.

On entering the store one is con-  
fronted with a striking collection of  
the richly-tinted, lustrous ware—  
something which is now all the rage  
in fine art goods in Great Britain and  
Europe. In the wall cases at one side  
are works of art such as Dyvian  
statuary, Parian marble work, rich  
Venetian and Bohemian vases. Other  
cases contain electro-plated and ster-  
ling silver ware. The counters are  
laden with fine chocolate sets, and 5  
clock tea sets in French, German and  
Austrian china. Fruit, dinner and  
breakfast sets are in great quantities.  
In this room there are also brass tea-  
kettles, chafin dishes, gongs, coffee  
percolators, etc.

Passing into the toy department, one  
sees an immense stock of ingenious  
toys and thousands of dolls, which are  
being sold at half price. The firm  
advertises a closing out sale of this  
branch because of their vastly grow-  
ing business in the other departments,  
which require all their care; hence the  
hitherto unheard of bargains. For  
example, dolls two feet long are sold  
at 12 cents each.

In the show room upstairs are tea  
sets in all styles—rich semi-porcelain,  
French and Carlsbad china, and are  
priced from \$1.25 up to suit the rich-  
est buyers. Toilet sets from \$1.49 up;  
dinner sets, \$4.40 up; dessert, fish  
and game sets to suit all classes. An  
elegant china dinner set, 100 pieces,  
decorated in rich colors and gold, is  
sold at \$15.95; usual price, \$20. Another  
set, 102 pieces, of richer decoration, is  
selling for \$17.95; usual price, \$25. The  
cases cut and engraved  
wine services, water tumblers, goblets,  
finger bowls, etc., at reduced prices.  
So far as the toys and dolls are con-  
cerned, the store has been the most suc-  
cessful Christmas sale ever held by  
this firm. Gift seekers go away  
pleased. The reputation earned by  
selling at such low prices is well sus-  
tained. The reduced prices last  
only till the holiday season is  
over. The store closes at 10 p.m., and  
till every customer is served.

Worms cause feverishness, moaning  
and restlessness during sleep. Mother  
Grave's Worm Expeller is pleas-  
ant, sure and effectual. If your drugg-  
ist has none in stock, get him to  
procure it for you.

One baby recently christened in  
Madison county, Ky., should be as-  
sured of good studding ability, the  
parents having named him William  
Bryan McKinley Stevens.

### A Prominent Lawyer Says

"I have eight children, every one in  
good health, not one of whom has  
taken Scott's Emulsion, in which my  
wife has boundless confidence."

### Navigation and Railways

**GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM**

**Christmas and  
New Years Holidays.**

Return tickets between all stations of this  
company in Canada will be issued on Dec. 21  
and 22, good for return until Jan. 2, 1897, at  
Dec. 31 and Jan. 1, good for return until Jan. 2,  
1897, at

### SINGLE FARE.

And on Dec. 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, and Jan. 1,  
at Dec. 31 and Jan. 1, good for return until Jan. 2,  
1897, at

Teachers' and Students' tickets will be  
issued on standard rates from Dec. 11 to  
24, inclusive, good for return until Jan. 11,  
1897. Commercial travelers from Dec. 19  
to 24, inclusive, at SINGLE FARE, good for  
return until Jan. 4, 1897.

E. DE LA HOOKE, City Agent.  
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### CANADIAN PACIFIC RY.

FOR Christmas and  
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HOLIDAYS—  
WILL ISSUE ROUND TRIP TICKETS  
AS FOLLOWS:

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Single First-Class Fare,  
Going December 22 and 23; Returning  
until December 25, 1896.  
Going December 31 and January 1; re-  
turning until January 2, 1897.

Single First-Class Fare and One Third,  
Going December 22 to 23, December 29  
and 31, and January 1; Returning until  
January 4, 1897.

### TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

(On surrender of certificate signed by prin-  
cipal.)  
Single First-Class Fare and One Third,  
Going December 11 to 24; Returning un-  
til January 11, 1897. To all stations in  
Canada—Windsor, Sault Ste. Marie,  
Fort William and East.

### COMMERCIAL TRAVELERS

(On Presentation of Commercial Traveler's  
Railway Certificate.)  
Single First-Class Fare,  
Going December 19 to 22; Returning un-  
til January 14, 1897. To all stations in  
Canada. Ask your agent for a Christ-  
mas card.

THOS. R. PARKER, City Passenger Agent,  
101 Dundas street, corner Richmond and Dundas  
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The quality of the Coffee we sell under  
our trade mark is our best advertisement.

This Seal is our trade mark,  
and guarantees perfection of  
quality, strength and flavor.

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LONDON,

Are Retiring From Business

On Jan. 1, and will sell their Who'e-  
sale Stock of . . .

Hats, Caps, Furs, Robes, Rugs,  
Waterproof Goods and Horse Blankets  
**AT RETAIL**

Below Wholesale Prices for the Balance of This Month Only

### NOTE THESE PRICES:

Ladies' Large Full-Sized Mink Cape, was \$250, reduced to \$185.

Ladies' Mink Lining, with tails, was \$55, now \$30.

Mink Lining, for Gentlemen's Coats, was \$95, now \$60.

Ladies' Black Persian Lamb Cape, was \$65, reduced to \$45.

Ladies' Extra Dark Coon Coat, \$50.

A large variety of Sable, Mink, Bear and other furs, in Ruffs, Storm Collars and Muffs,  
Fancy Shoulder Capes, Fur Ruffs from \$1 up. Fur Gauntlets. Gentlemen's Persian  
Lamb and Seal Caps. Robes—Gray and Black Goat, Cow Robes, Fancy Robes. Traveling  
Rugs. Men's Fur Coats, in all kinds of fur. Ladies' Fur Capes, immense variety. Water-  
proof Coats for Ladies and Gentlemen. Horse Blankets and Waterproof Covers.

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—AT—  
SINGLE FARE FOR ROUND TRIP.  
Going Dec. 21 and 22, returning Dec. 26; going  
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For all particulars call at City Office, 255  
Richmond street, Phone 255.

JOHN PAUL, City Agent,  
O. W. HUGGLES, JOHN G. LAVERN,  
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### WHITE STAR LINE

New York to Liverpool via Queenstown

S.S. GERMANIC, Dec. 23  
S.S. TEUTONIC, Dec. 30  
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S.S. MAJESTIC, Jan. 13  
S.S. GERMANIC, Jan. 20

Rates as low as by any first-class  
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### E. De La Hooke,

Sole Agent for London,  
"Clock" Corner,  
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Royal Mail Steamships, Liverpool, Call-  
ing at Movilla.

Laurentian, . . . . . Dec. 31  
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Sundaland, . . . . . Jan. 22  
Laurentian, . . . . . Feb. 11  
Mongolian, . . . . . Feb. 27

RATES OF PASSAGE.  
First cabin, Derry and Liverpool, \$22.50 and  
\$20; return \$40 and \$35. Second cabin,  
Liverpool, Derry, London, \$34. Steerage,  
Liverpool, Derry, Belfast, Glasgow, London,  
everything found, \$24.50.

Glasgow-New York service—From New  
York, State of Nebraska, Dec. 30, Cabin, \$40  
to \$50; return \$80 to \$110; second cabin, \$30;  
return \$55.

AGENTS—E. De La Hooke, "Clock" corner  
Richmond and Dundas. Thos. R. Parker,  
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No. 5 Steel Spring Skates,  
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snakes, and P. S. Clarke, 116 Richmond street, when in danger.

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Fresh and Salt Meats  
Beef, Mutton, Poultry,  
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269 DUNDAS STREET

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To Whom It May Concern:

Our special representative, MR. C. H. FORRESTER, will  
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the purpose of attending to matters connected with accounts due  
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limited number of our new High-Class Pianos AT COST PRICE,  
and a large number of slightly used Pianos at LESS THAN COST  
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Nearly opposite Market Lane.

The cobra is the only snake that  
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## Santa Claus at the Telephone: "Hello, Little Ones!"

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OAK EASELS FROM 50c UP.

Brass Easels,  
Gilt Easels,  
Silver Easels.All pretty and suitable for a present.  
Photogravures.  
Pictures,  
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Recent purchases for the holidays.Photographs,  
Photo Stands,  
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Admired by all and reasonable in price.

A HANDSOME MEDALLION FOR 75c.

O. B. GRAVES,  
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## Medical Batteries,

ONLY... \$6.00

Highly recommended by the Medical  
Faculty for rheumatism, etc.London Electric Co., Ltd.,  
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—It is always more pleasant to  
—give than to receive. Then  
—select your Xmas gifts from  
—our store, and there will be no  
—doubt that the recipient will  
—be well pleased. We've a  
—splendid stock of furs.  
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We keep them, all  
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Xmas Slippers, All Kinds of Footwear, Trunks &amp; Valises

SEE OUR XMAS SHOW WINDOWS.

Stylish Rubbers and Overshoes at Low Prices.



AT SUCH PRICES AS THESE:

60c TO \$2—Men's—Dozens of styles, silk, plushes, velvets, fine leathers, in all the popular shades, alligator and fine carpet, cozy felt. Also Boys', in all the popular styles, at low prices. Men's, Boys' and Youths' Skating and Hockey Shoes, tan and black leathers, \$1.50 to \$2.50. Men's Patent Leather Dress Pumps and Oxfords.

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The gifts that bear most of the giving spirit are gifts of value—gifts of use.

## POCOCK BROS.

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SEE OUR WEST WINDOW.

Brocade Taffeta Silks Silk Laces  
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Allay irritation and produce a soothing effect upon the vocal organs. TRY THEM.

## UNSETTLED—RAIN OR SLEET.

Toronto, Dec. 17.—11 p.m.—The storm off the Nova Scotia coast yesterday has moved northeastward across Newfoundland, having caused a strong gale in the Maritime Provinces. The pressure is now high from the lakes to the Atlantic, accompanied by fine weather. The pressure is generally high, with fair, cold weather in the Northwest.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Toronto, 2 below-16; Edmonton, 12 below-6; Qu'Appelle, 2 below-zero; Winnipeg, 14-20; Port Arthur, 28-34; Pelly Sound, 10-34; Toronto, 16-36; Ottawa, 6-24; Montreal, 8-20; Quebec, 4-14; Halifax, 23-32.

## PROBABILITIES.

Toronto, Dec. 18.—1 a.m.—Probabilities for 24 hours for lower lake region: Unsettled; local falls of rain or sleet tonight; colder, northwesterly winds on Saturday.

## LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory yesterday were: 24 above, and 4 above.

## OLD SANTA CLAUS

In his array of Christmas gifts has nothing so appropriate, or so much appreciated, as a nice flowering plant, a box of cut flowers, a fern pot with a lovely, dainty fern, or a majestic and graceful palm. We will deliver when required, so.

## ORDER NOW!

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For the Christmas Trade.  
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leaves corner Dundas and Richmond streets daily as follows:  
7:30 a.m. 2:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m.

## London Advertiser.

TELEPHONE NUMBERS.  
107.....Business Office.  
134.....Editorial Rooms.  
175.....Job Department.

## London and Environs

—J. D. Saunby, city, was in Hamilton yesterday.

—Mr. Alex. Milne, city, has gone on a three months' business trip to New York.

—Mrs. Bagshaw, of Exeter, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Graham, in this city.

—Mrs. Will Davis, of London, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Fisher, Huron street, Exeter.

—Miss Oliver, of London, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Horrell, Wellington street, Exeter.

—Pte. Smith, of the Twenty-first Battalion, Windsor, is dangerously ill at the barracks hospital.

—Miss E. Leonard will receive the McRoberts gold medal at Princess avenue school next Tuesday afternoon.

—Mrs. T. Winders and son, of Ingersoll, have returned from visiting Mrs. Winders' mother, Mrs. Casswell, here.

—Mrs. Mulreath, city, who has been spending a week with Mrs. J. Hacker, at beachville, has left for Woodstock.

—Mr. W. J. Martin, of the C. P. R., Streetville, has secured a permanent situation in the London office, and will move his family here shortly.

—Lieut. Liston, of Ingersoll, will assist Adjutant Cass in the local corps of the Salvation Army in the arduous task of obtaining billets for 75 officers who will shortly be in this city.

—Dr. W. R. and Mrs. Hobbs, of Omaha, are returning home from New York, where Dr. Hobbs has been attending the leading hospitals. They will remain in town for a few days.

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—Superintendent Copp and Assistant Superintendent Dunn, of the Askin Street Methodist Sunday school, entertained the teachers and officers of the different societies connected with the church to a social evening in the school room.

—Over 500 Collegiate Institute pupils signed a petition to Dr. Campbell, chairman of the Board of Education, asking that Monday and Tuesday be holidays. The request was granted, on condition that they return to school on Jan. 4.

—The bazaar in the City Hall closed last night, and the result was very gratifying to the ladies of the Southern Congregational Church, who have been conducting it. The winners of the children's competition were presented their prizes by Mrs. Cannon, president of the Endeavor Society.

—Henry Chapman, of Thorndale, and Wm. Thornton, of Petrolia, occupied the dock at the Police Court this morning. Chapman came to town to shop and became intoxicated in the attempt. Thornton came from Petrolia to get work on the sewer. He found getting drunk was much easier. Both were discharged with a warning.

—Rev. Mr. Thompson will conduct a Christmas service, and say good-bye to his congregation next Sabbath evening. During his stay in London, Mr. Thompson has endeavored himself to the people there, and all join with the church in regretting his departure. Rev. Mr. Thompson has been appointed assistant to the rector of the Memorial parish in London.—Concord Herald.

—At the last regular meeting of Woodbine Lodge, No. 331, A. O. U. W., the following officers were elected: M. W., T. F. Kingsmill; I. P. M., W. T. Glover; foreman, G. Werner; overseer, F. Bartsch; recorder, J. Ward; financier, A. Carrothers; receiver, J. B. Cox; guide, C. J. Hevey; I. W., A. Carrothers; O. W., J. Hance; medical examiner, Dr. Treadall; representative to Grand Lodge, W. Nichols; alternate, T. Glover. A committee was appointed to arrange for a banquet to celebrate their next anniversary.

—All next week our theater-goers will again have the pleasure of seeing Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wayne and their company of players. This season this organization is stronger and better than ever, and will present an entire new repertoire of plays, changing the bill at each performance. During the engagement a matinee will be given daily except on Monday, and this should be a treat for the ladies and children. On Monday Byron's great drama, in four acts, entitled "Ten Thousand Miles Away," will be presented. Ladies who fail to receive one of the complimentary tickets at their home can procure one at the box office free of charge. The sale of seats opened at 9 o'clock today.

—The second of the series of lectures was delivered last night in the Waterloo Street Presbyterian Mission by Rev. J. G. Stuart, his subject being "Glorious Habits and Customs of the Chinese." He told his hearers the result of his five months' observations on the Pacific slope, and the audience was delighted and instructed. Rev. Walter Moffatt, the popular pastor, was chairman, and previous to the lecture introduced the following programme: Reading, "How the Mission was Saved," Miss Higgins; solo, "Kilnarnock," Miss Templeton; duet, Mrs. Miliken and Miss Kermahol; solo, "Singing Baby to Sleep," Mr. Pirie; Mr. V. Colwell presided at the organ in his usual efficient manner.

—The meeting of Kilwinning Lodge, No. 64, A. F. and A. M., at the blue room, in the Masonic Temple last night, was attended by members and visiting brethren. W. Bro. W. F. W. Findlater occupied the East. The election of officers resulted as follows:

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We have received a new lot of delicate odors, put up in very dainty cases. One of these makes a most desirable Christmas gift. Come in and examine them. We have also a very fine assortment of English, French and American Perfumes in bulk.

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CHEMIST AND DRUGGIST,  
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Academy of Shorthand and Typewriting  
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I have solved the problem what to give a gentleman for an Xmas gift. My stock of Pipes, Cigar Cases, Cigar Holders, Pouches, Walking Canes, Cigars, etc., is complete. You can buy a present here that is inexpensive, and at the same time appropriate.

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Bro. Austin D. Hodgins, W. M., Bro. John Paul, S. W.; Bro. T. W. Scudrett, J. W.; W. Bro. Chas. C. Reed, chaplain; W. Bro. A. A. Campbell, treasurer; W. Bro. John Overell, secretary; W. Bro. C. W. Davis, W. H. Morgan, Geo. Laing, representatives to board of finance; W. Bro. W. H. Morgan, representative to Board of Benevolence; Bro. Thos. Woolley and S. M. W. Fyfe, auditors; W. Bro. John Robertson, Tyler, R. W. Bro. Munson and Broderick acted as scrutineers. After the election the brethren adjourned to the banquet hall, where a pleasant social hour was passed.

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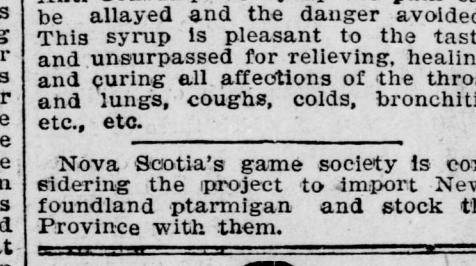
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## A CHILD'S CLOSE CALL.

The little daughter of Mrs. John Draper, 14 Partridge street, North London, was narrowly saved from being burned to death yesterday morning, when the fire was starting in the fire, and little Fannie, who is only 2 or 3 years old, came close to the stove to dress. The father turned away for a moment, and when he turned to the child again her clothes were on fire, having ignited at the stove. He fired on his own hands severely in the act. The little girl was quite badly injured. Dr. Finch was summoned, and the little sufferer is now out of danger.

Why will you allow a cough to lacerate your throat or lungs and run the risk of falling a consumptive grave, when by the timely use of Eick's Anti-Consumptive Syrup the pain can be allayed and the danger avoided? This syrup is pleasant to the taste, and unsurpassed for relieving, healing, and curing all affections of the throat and lungs, coughs, colds, bronchitis, etc., etc.

Nova Scotia's game society is considering the project to import Newfoundland ptarmigan and stock the Province with them.



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SICK HEADACHE

Positively cured by these Little Pills.

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IN ALL DEPARTMENTS.

SENSIBLE, SERVICEABLE, ECONOMICAL, JUDICIOUS, ATTRACTIVE, APPRECIABLE CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

GLOVES.

Perhaps throughout the whole inventory of drygoods stock nothing strikes one as being more desirable for a gift thing than GLOVES. Our Ladies' Glove Department is the best assorted in the city. We are exclusive agents for four leading manufacturers. Ask to see our

NO. 1. C. J. ROY, QUEEN IDEAL, ALEXANDRIA, MAJESTIC, A special line Red and Tan Mousetraps, worth \$1. for 75c. Special line Ladies' Black Silk Mitts, worth \$1. for 50c.

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Give-away prices—100 Dress Patterns, all colors and styles:

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|---------|----------|---------|
| NO      | (\$2.00) | NO      |
| EQUAL   | (\$3.00) | EQUAL   |
| VALUES, | (\$4.00) | VALUES, |
|         | (\$5.00) |         |
|         | (\$6.00) |         |
|         | (\$7.00) |         |

## WOMEN'S IMPORTED COATS, \$5.

Last week we started the selling of about 200 Ladies' Imported Coats at \$5. The number fell to 50. We have received another lot, and there is still about 100 to choose from. These garments started the season at from \$8 to \$15, and at those prices were unmatched values. They are made principally from Beaver and Cheviot Cloths, plain or broad-trimmed, or fur-trimmed. We ask you to examine these before you buy.

## HANDKERCHIEFS.

Our assortment embraces over 1,000 dozens of all kinds, from 5c to 35c. Every one has been reduced. Our buyer took a whole day, at the job of cutting the prices—some lots a quarter off, others a third, and some others a half. They are here for your inspection and choice. Inquire for our Silk Handkerchiefs at 10c and 25c each.

## EIDERDOWN QUILTS.

Warm, light, pretty, cheap. Nothing shows better taste in selecting a Christmas reminder than a nice Eiderdown—real Eiderdown—Quilt. We have them covered with cotton, satin, and all satin, ranging in price from \$4 to \$17, and every one a bargain. A line of our own make Satin-covered Comforters, extra large size, reduced to \$2.25 and \$3.25 each.

If there's one thing more than another we're proud of it's our Silks. We are strictly within the bounds of truth when we say our silk stock is larger than the combined retail stocks of town. That means big business and big selling, also cheap buying and cheap selling. Just now we are making special dresses in the most fashionable Black Dress Silks. The dress at from \$9 to \$12; former prices, \$15 to \$18.

## DRESS SILKS.

There must be a reason for this blanket selling passing all former records. It is worth money to you to understand the reason and be guided to this one best blanket store. It isn't what we say that keeps the old store a hive of busy bees. It is what we do. See the marvelous values offering at \$2.50, \$3 and \$4 a pair.

## BLANKETS.

DUNDAS STREET KINGSMILL'S CARLING STREET

## TAKE A HINT ON WHAT?

FROM THOSE WHO KNOW.

## Large, Beautiful Doll FREE!

A few of our specialties which we would ask you to call and examine are:

Purses at.....\$ 15  
Purses at.....25  
Purses at.....50  
Purses from \$1 to.....5 00  
Portfolios, all leather.....1 00  
Portfolios, extra, \$2 to.....12 00  
Cigar Cases, crushed calf.....3 00  
Playing Card Cases, cards, case and counters.....2 00  
Cold Tea Flasks.....10  
Card Cases, leather.....10  
Gentlemen's Bill Wallets, 25c to.....4 50  
Card Case and Purse, combined.....40  
Nurses' Chatelaines.....2 50  
Handkerchief Cases, leather.....1 50  
Necktie Cases, leather.....1 50  
Glove Cases, leather.....1 50  
Lunch Cases.....40  
Music Cases, solid leather.....1 00  
Music Cases, solid leather.....1 50  
Drinking Glasses, leather case.....25  
Shawl Straps.....20  
Razor Straps.....25  
Razor Straps, extra.....50  
Rubber Sponge Bags, 35c and.....50  
Opera Glass Cases.....1 00  
Surgeons' Grips.....4 80

Barristers' Brefs.....\$4 20  
Ink Bottles, for pocket, leather case.....25  
Hat Boxes, heavy leather, with spring lock.....60  
Leather Shopping Bags.....25  
Dressing Cases, ladies'.....75  
Dressing Cases, gentlemen's.....75  
Dressing Cases, ladies', extra, with Brush, Comb, Mirror, Manicure Set, Scissors, etc.....3 00  
Dressing Cases, gentlemen's extra, with Brush, Comb, Nail Brush, Tooth Brush, Razor, Razor Strap, Leather Brush and Soap Box, in solid leather case.....4 00  
Skate Straps.....5  
Skate Straps.....10  
Skate Straps, long.....15  
Trunks.....1 00  
Valises.....45

Ladies' Fancy Slippers; Gentlemen's Fancy Slippers—several hundred pairs to be slaughtered for Christmas at cost. Also over 50 samples of Collar and Cuff Sets from 25c up

We are still giving a Large Doll with every pair of Boots or Shoes. See our window.

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