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## On Sale Wednesday

To-morrow we place on sale many very special items. This is our first advertised list for January selling and it is a sample of what great bargains you may get from day to day during this month. It will be well worth your care and attention to watch this space of ours very carefully during this month—you will see many items of interest to you and point out many ways of saving money. Our great need of reducing our stock is ample reason for you to expect greater bargains this January than in any of our previous January sales.

**Men's Kid Gloves**  
12 pairs Men's best quality Kid Gloves—dark and light tans, sizes 7, 8, 9, regular \$1.00, per pair to-morrow 50c.  
10 pairs Men's extra quality Kid Gloves—medium tan, sizes 7, 8, regular price \$1.25, per pair to-morrow 50c.

**Linen Lace**  
3 pieces very fine all Linen Lace and sections from 4 to 2 in. wide, special for trimming underwear, on sale to-morrow for 1c per yard 3c.

**Knit Jackets**  
Ladies' black Wool Knitted Jackets—extra fine and warm, very useful, regular \$1.00, to-morrow 50c.

**Black Dress Goods**  
1 pc. 42 in. all-wool black satin cloth, extra fine finish, regular 60c, Wednesday for 25c.  
1 pc. 42 in. all-wool fine black Serge—reg. 60c, Wednesday 32c.  
1 pc. 44 in. all-wool very fine black Serge—with over plaid of white, nice for skirts or house dresses, regular \$1.00, Wednesday for 40c.

**Colored Dress Goods**  
7 only dress lengths of 7 yds. each, worth \$7.60, \$10.00 and \$15.00 each, on sale Wednesday for \$2.75.

**THOMAS STONE & SON**

**Napkins**  
4 1/2 doz. all Linen Napkins, full 3 size regular price \$3.25 a doz., to-morrow \$2.30.  
3 1/2 doz. all Linen Napkins, full dinner size, reg. \$2.50 a dozen, to-morrow \$1.60.

**Skirtings**  
4 pcs. striped cloth skirtings, warm heavy durable, just the thing for winter skirts, 38 in. wide, reg. 50c to-morrow 25c.

**Handkerchiefs**  
25 doz. Ladies' very fine, hemstitched Lawn Handkerchiefs, on sale to-morrow only for 3c.

**Tinselled Drapery**  
4 pcs. pretty Tinselled Drapery, in suitable colors, regular 10c a yard, to-morrow for 6c.



\$2.00 and \$2.50 Shoes

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..Geo. W. Cowan..

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## January Clearing Sale

Our buyer is now in the European Markets making large purchases for our SIX STORES spring trade. In the meantime we must be making shelf room for the immense shipments that will shortly begin to arrive. In order to do so we have determined to clear out every dollar's worth of winter goods regardless of cost. It will pay you to watch this store closely during this month, clean, crisp bargains that means a big saving on every dollar you spend will be the means of making this usually quiet month one of the busiest in the year at The Busy Store.

**WINTER CLOTHS**—3 Pc. Curl Cloth, 3 toned, in black and blue, black and red and black and green, firm round curl, jersey back, 54 in. wide, regular \$1.50 quality, sale price..... **59c**  
2 Beaver Cloth, pearl gray, fine quality, winter weight, regular \$1.50 quality, Sale Price..... **59c**  
3 Clockings, in shades of pink and blue, fine firm quality, regular 40c, Sale Price..... **23c**  
4 Fax Tweeds, pure wool, heavy weight, in shades of brown and gray, extra strong for boys' wear, regular 35c, Sale Price..... **23c**  
5 Heavy Shakers, in dark colors, for shirting, neat patterns in checks and stripes, fast dyes, regular 10c Sale Price..... **8c**

**Men's Underwear**, fine Scotch lambs wool, plain knit, sixteen facings, rib skirt, regular \$1, Sale Price..... **75c**  
**Men's Fleece Lined Underwear**, heavy weight, fine heavy fleeces, warranted not to shrink, sale price each..... **44c**  
**DRESS GOODS**—10 Pcs. Suiting Tweed, 54 in. wide, in checks and mixtures, assorted colors, regular 75c and \$1, sale price..... **39c**  
3 Pcs. Scotch Homespun Suiting, 48 in. wide, in new mixed shades, winter weight, regular 50c quality, sale price..... **28c**  
15 Pcs. Fancy Waist Silks, assorted patterns and colors, sold regular at 35c, 40c, 50c and 60c, sale price..... **23c**  
10 only, Ladies' Jackets, in fine beaver cloth, black, navy and fawn shades, up-to-date styles, sold reg. up to \$7.50, sale price..... **\$3.89**

Watch these Columns for Further Announcements. The Busy Cash and One Price Store

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## ANDY

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**TURNERVILLE.**  
At the annual meeting of S. S. No. 8, George Peters was elected trustee for the year 1900.  
On Christmas day the wife of William Shaw presented her husband with a fine son.  
William Needham, who has been working on the lake shore this summer, has returned home.  
H. Knight, on leaving his school for a new field of labor, was presented by the scholars with a magnificent shaving set.  
John Lane is very poorly.  
Frank Morningstar is laid up, having been kicked by one of his horses.  
The Junior Epworth League were entertained at the home of Miss Mabel Pelling on Tuesday.  
Bruce Hooper, of Raleigh, was the guest of Thomas Buckingham on Thursday.  
There is some talk of John R. Shaw renting his farm and moving to the

Northwest in the spring.  
The Sunday school is closed for the next three months.  
We understand that the 15th of January is the date for the Ladies' Aid Social to be held in the Lindsay Road church.  
The Bible Class will be conducted by Thomas Buckingham, in the Lindsay Road Church, on Sunday evening, Jan. 7th.

### ANNUAL MEETING.

The Annual Meeting of the members of the Raleigh Agricultural Society will take place at the Township Hall, on Wednesday, 10th, instant, at one o'clock, p. m., for the election of officers for the current year. Directors will please meet at 12.30 p. m.  
A. H. WHITE, Secretary.

## THE CIVIC ELECTIONS

### Light Vote Polled in Chatham.

**ALL THE OLD ALDERMEN AND SCHOOL TRUSTEES RE-ELECTED—O. G. TAYLOR AND ARCH. McCOIG THE NEW BLOOD IN THE COUNCIL.**

The election yesterday passed off very quietly. About 1800 voters of the 2500 on the list went to the polls, but the vote cast was smaller than usual because very few electors voted the full ticket.  
The result, as a whole, was not unexpected, but the relative totals of the candidates was in some cases surprising. For a new candidate, Arch. McCoig made a wonderful sprint. All old aldermen who offered were successful.

FOR ALDERMEN.															
Div.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15—Total
Cooper	33	37	18	26	34	17	7	16	36	29	28	26	32	29	388
Fleming	83	121	35	49	30	25	23	38	61	65	40	45	78	28	786
Hendershot	62	71	31	32	16	19	19	30	44	43	32	41	41	14	491
Liddy	77	87	35	60	34	43	23	24	51	51	45	44	60	34	694
McCoig	85	98	41	68	36	30	30	34	61	80	48	74	82	41	845
Marshall	121	122	51	49	34	34	27	35	70	70	53	60	90	27	895
McKeough	81	76	37	49	45	28	17	30	45	69	40	58	69	23	646
Marshall	32	21	18	11	12	9	9	14	27	28	27	31	15	11	278
Mount	71	96	34	54	30	28	30	37	53	53	74	47	28	37	784
Shane	91	116	66	76	39	37	28	65	54	73	44	67	90	46	878
Stephens	84	90	40	64	58	45	28	41	53	71	49	69	75	41	832
Sulman	49	63	35	62	50	33	27	29	39	48	31	52	65	33	629
Taylor	49	63	35	62	50	33	27	29	39	48	31	52	65	33	629

**HOW THEY STOOD.**  
The first nine candidates in the following list are elected:  
McKeough, 895.  
Stephens, 878.  
McCoig, 845.  
Sulman, 832.  
Shane, 784.  
Fleming, 760.  
Liddy, 694.  
Marshall, 686.  
Taylor, 629.  
Hendershot, 581.  
Cooper, 388.  
Mount, 278.

**FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEES.**  
Ward No. 1.  
Sub-divs. Nos. 13 14 15 Ttl.  
Carawell..... 28 12 15 55  
Maines..... 28 12 15 55  
Robertson..... 14 29 24 127  
Majority for Robertson 23.  
Ward No. 2.  
Sub-divs. Nos. 10 11 12 Ttl.  
Gregory..... 52 23 59 134  
Wilson..... 49 41 45 135  
Majority for Wilson 1.  
Ward No. 3.  
Sub-divs. Nos. 7 8 9 Ttl.  
McKeough..... 79 99 79 257  
VanGuten..... 47 17 13 77  
Majority for McKeough 180.  
Ward No. 4.  
Sub-divs. Nos. 4 5 6 Ttl.  
Holmes..... 48 27 44 119  
Thomson..... 55 52 50 157  
Majority for Thomson 38.  
Ward No. 5.  
Sub-divs. Nos. 1 2 3 Ttl.  
Jobston..... 98 109 44 251  
Pike..... 68 56 33 157  
Majority for Johnston 94.

**THE LAST ELECTION.**  
For Mayor.  
Smith, 1106.  
Patterson, 421.  
Wafer Commissioners.  
Sheldon, 951.  
Bray, 828.  
Smyth, 810.  
For Aldermen.  
Stephens, 1098.  
Shane, 916.  
Marshall, 867.  
McKeough, 858.  
Liddy, 842.  
Sulman, 781.  
Fleming, 739.  
Marshall, 683.  
Cowan, 601.  
Scott, 579.  
Oldershaw, 457.  
Hendershot, 457.  
Dillon, 441.  
Cleave, 418.  
Weaver, 380.  
Reid, 379.  
Carpenter, 349.  
Burrows, 319.  
Watt, 313.  
Dyer, 284.  
Campbell, 114.  
For Trustees.  
Ward 1.  
Bray, 212.  
Cooper, 107.  
Ward 2.  
Paxton, 185.  
Thornton, 152.  
Ward 3.  
Morley, 172.  
Walker, 171.

**ELECTION NOTES.**  
Ald. Liddy goes up one place over last year.  
The odds were 100 to 20 that Arch.

McCoig would not run third or better.  
Dr. Fleming was one of the favorites in the betting for first, second and third place.  
It is to be hoped that the New Year's resolutions of the aldermen-elect will all be of the progressive sort.  
A No. 5 ward woman, when she got to the poll, forgot all the names of her candidates but that of Ald. Sulman. He got a plumper as a result.  
The school board will please note that (1) the electors are indifferent to the salary question, and (2) that they appear to have every confidence in the present board doing justice. Messrs. Wilson, Thomson and Robertson voted for the recent increases, and Dr. McKeough and Mr. Johnson against. All were elected.  
Robert Cooper deserved better of the electors. He is a man of decided ideas who is able to do his own thinking. With a candidate of that character the electors should not wait to be canvassed for. Mr. Cooper is independent enough to do without a seat at the council board before he will personally canvass votes to secure his return.

**RALEIGH.**  
In Raleigh N. H. Shepley beat Mr. Pardo for reeve, and P. Doyle, J. Clayton, A. Crow, and Jas Irwin were elected councillors.

**CHATHAM TOWNSHIP.**  
The returns from Chatham township show that J. L. Holwell was elected reeve, and W. Abram, Hugh Cummings, George Wickens, and Joshua Armstrong, councillors. The vote was as follows:  
For Reeve—J. L. Holwell 541, L. Stephens 309, W. George 249.  
For Councillors—W. Abram 548, H. Cummings 537, Geo. Wickens 521, Joshua Armstrong 496, Reuben Tompkins 327, J. F. Harper 287, Abraham Blackburn, 211, Edward Overstreet 141.

**HARWICH.**  
The result of the Harwich elections as reported in the city are as follows:  
Reeve—E. B. Toles, elected by a majority of 11 over Dr. McCully.  
Councillors—Peter Morrison, Richard Young, Chas. Buchanan and James McCormick.

**DOVER.**  
Returns as far as received indicate the return of the following candidates: Reeve, Grant; Councillors, O'Neill, Lewis, Wright and Trudell.

**RIDGETOWN.**  
Ridgetown, Jan. 2.—W. B. Graham was elected mayor of Ridgetown over A. Long, by a majority of 9.

**THAMESVILLE.**  
Thamesville, Jan. 2.—The electric light by-law was defeated yesterday. The school trustees elected were Messrs. Albertson, Davies and Hubbell.

**TILBURY.**  
Tilbury, Jan. 2.—Our council was elected yesterday, being the following: Messrs. Jos. Stewart, A. Rozell, Charles Clark and Weldon. The reeve will be nominated on Friday and elected on the following Friday.

**DRESDEN.**  
Dresden, Jan. 2.—Yesterday's elections for municipal honors for 1900 resulted as follows:  
For Mayor—W. G. Cragg, 177; Wm. Rudd, 156.  
Councillors Elected—John I. Wiley, M. D., 206; Chas. Bassie, 192; Thomas Steeper, 182; Frank McKim, 175; Thos. King, 166; Chas. Badger, 140.

Defeated Candidates—Norris Caracallen, 134; Wm. Ward, 109; S. Sager, 105; Editor T. N. Wells, 103; Wm. Bedford, 76.  
Vote for and against electric light on streets—For, 222; against, 110.  
School Trustees—Sandy McVein, John Robinson, J. B. Caracallen.

**WALLACEBURG.**  
Wallaceburg, Jan. 2.—Election day was very lively here, every available vote being polled by both sides. Every livery rig in town was in use and both parties worked hard for victory. D. A. Gordon has been re-elected mayor by a majority of 185. In St. George's ward Jas McCallum defeated J. C. Shaw by a majority of three. Last year Mr. McCallum was defeated by J. C. Shaw by a majority of 5. In St. Andrew's ward L. H. Side defeated Dr. Mitchell by a majority of 54 votes. The council of 1900 will be composed of the following gentlemen: Mayor, D. A. Gordon; councillors, J. N. Gibb, Wm. Bremner, H. Stonehouse, M. Martin, W. J. McDonald, and T. S. Hodgins; school trustees, C. B. Jackson, Jas. McCallum and L. H. Side. Below is a table showing vote polled in each ward, by the candidates:

**For Mayor.**  
St. A. St. J. St. G.  
D. A. Gordon..... 104 125 92  
W. H. Heath..... 54 36 49  
School Trustees. St. Andrew's  
Dr. Mitchell..... 45  
L. H. Side..... 99  
St. George's  
Jas. McCallum..... 70  
J. C. Shaw..... 67

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## The Planet

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### ADULTERATION OF FOOD STUFFS IS VERY COMMON.

The majority of the people have little exact knowledge of the exact nature of the ordinary supplies which they purchase over the counters of provision stores, and which constitute their staple foods. The surprising extent to which our commonest foods and drinks are adulterated and counterfeited, and the crying necessity for legislation which will control and check the evil, have been well proved by the results of the senatorial investigation which was made in Chicago last spring. Before the senatorial committee, appointed just prior to the adjournment of congress, and headed by Senator Mason, several prominent experts gave testimony. Dr. Wiley who has been chief chemist of the agricultural department at Washington, for many years, asserted that nearly every kind of food upon the market is, to a greater or lesser extent, adulterated, misbranded, or otherwise rendered harmful or fraudulent. More Vermont maple sugar is made every year, in Davenport, Iowa, from cheap yellow sugar, flavored with vegetable extracts, than can be produced from all the maple trees in the whole state of Vermont! Currant jelly is manufactured; glucose, sugar, a vegetable acid, and some coloring and flavoring matter complete the delicacy! Nearly all of the "pure olive oil" imported to this country is cotton-seed oil made in the Southern States, sent abroad, and there refined and returned to us as the product of the Mediterranean olive!

Don't date your correspondence 1899 any more.

The fighting editor of the Ottawa Citizen is going to South Africa. That announcement ought in itself to have a crushing effect on the Boers.

The Detroit Journal reassures Canadians with the following: The story of a threatened Fenian raid should not alarm Canada. All that would be necessary would be to make the raid dutiable in round sums.

The spelling of South African proper names is a sort of go-as-you-please business. Natal papers spell it Ladismith, which is analogous to the spelling of Harrismith, originally Harry Smith. While Kimberley, should, according to the Standard dictionary, be formed without the final e, thus, Kimberly.

Another man who has found out that advertising pays is W. H. Scroggie, of Montreal. Mr. Scroggie didn't advertise, but planted his store very skillfully between two big stores that did and got a slice of the overflow business. Now he thinks he may as well get more of it and has placed large advertising contracts. The moral is, that you may make money if you don't advertise, but you'll make more if you do.

The more responsible members of the physical force wing of the Irish Nationalist party in this country deny that any invasion of Canada is intended, and they are probably telling the truth.—Buffalo Express.

We didn't know before there were any reasonable members of the force party. We didn't know any of them had enough intelligence for that. The estimate this country has of the O'Donovan Rossas of the States is that they talk mainly to secure contribution from poor deluded victims whose contributions they put into their own pockets.

The hanging of the murderer, Hilda Blake, will be one more proof of the equality of the sexes in the eyes of the law.—Hamilton Herald.

Hoo! David Mills, in letting the law take its course in this case, showed that he was not to be swayed by any appeal on account of a criminal's sex. In that respect Mr. Mills has shown himself a better minister of justice than many of his predecessors.

## PHONOGRAPH

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### ON THE LINE OF MARCH.

Simcoe Reformer.

Omaha is a good distance off and a good place from which to start a Fenian movement on Canada. The saloons on the way are numerous and well stocked.

### THE MAN FOR THE OCCASION.

Toronto Telegram.

The slab-sided round-shouldered rustler who can shoot is infinitely more useful to Britain than the trained cavalryman who knows how to ride into the front end of a bullet according to all the laws of military good form.

### EFFECT OF PORRIDGE AND THE SHORTER CATECHISM.

Scottish American.

Looking over the criminal statistics of the five penitentiaries in Canada for 1898 the following is the religious classification of the convicts: Roman Catholics, 723; Church of England, 270; Methodists, 192; Presbyterians, 120; Baptists, 84; others, 51. According to nationality there were: Canadians, 1,039; American (U. S. A.) 131; English, 123; Irish, 56; Scots, 30; others, 64. Porridge and the Shorter Catechism are not food to be sneered at after this.

### CAN HE NOT BE HIRED TO STAND PUNISHMENT.

Hamilton Spectator.

Duncan Bole, the long absent witness in the West Elgin case, has returned to Toronto. The Government should give him a shaking he will never forget. It cannot ignore him without seriously compromising itself.—Kingston Whig.

Then the Government will compromise itself. There is one very good reason why the Government will not make any movement toward punishing Bole, and that is that Bole will not give the Government permission to do so.

The Government cannot move against the machine without the machine's permission; the Government is under the machine's metaphorical thumb. When Premier Ross, to influence elections, recently promised to punish the machine men he did not intend to keep his promise. He dare not prosecute Bole. Bole knows too much.

### A CHRISTMAS CORRESPONDENCE.

N. Y. Sun.

From her to him:

"Dear Jim,  
I'm so perplexed,  
So altogether tired out and vexed;  
I've tramped through miles and miles  
and miles of store,  
I've handled gloves and ties and trash  
galore.  
The girls are all disposed of — any  
stuff,  
That looks expensive's always good  
enough—  
But you men, who grow humorous at  
a tie,  
And mock us for the poor cigars we  
buy,  
(This wisdom isn't cribbed from out  
the pater's—  
For my enlightenment, see comic pa-  
pers)  
You know a smoking cap would make  
you mad;  
Please, is there anything you haven't  
had?  
Just mention any trifle you prefer—  
What is it that you want for Christ-  
mas, sir,  
And I will bless you with my last  
breath,  
Most cordially, your friend,  
Elizabeth."

"Dear Girl," he wrote,  
"I'm sorry that you're harassed,  
Although you've made me frightfully  
embarrassed,  
Each Christmas of my life I've been  
so haunted,  
By all the awful things I haven't  
wanted,  
I hardly can believe the tale is true.  
That I'm at last to have a thing I  
do,  
In fact, your letter really seems to  
say,  
You are to dictate, I am to obey.  
So poor, rash child, no longer I de-  
burr.  
These are the little trifles I prefer:

## EYE

## GLASSES

## OR

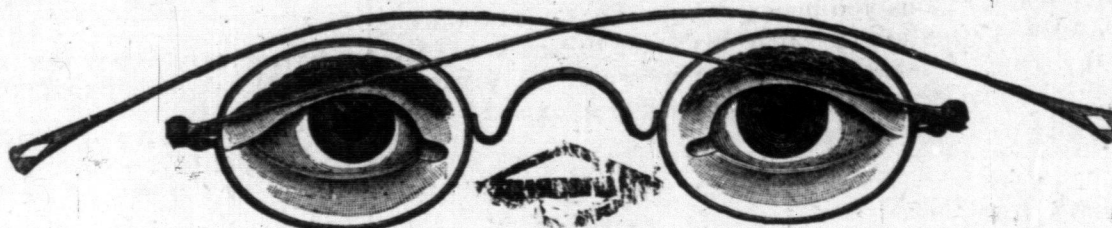
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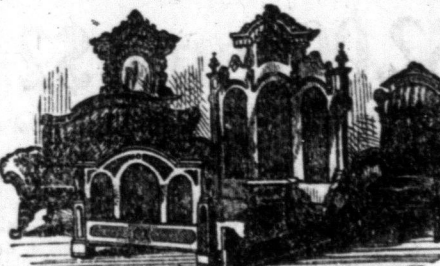
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That tell the hidden thoughts of you;  
Second: your strong, young hands, alert to lend,  
Their tender strength to help and hold a friend;  
And third: that laugh of yours, that rings as gay  
As happy bells upon a holiday;  
And fourth, your sweetness, tender, true and true,  
The glory and the gladness of your youth,  
Dear little Madam Santa Claus, a line  
To tell me if this present may be mine,  
Oh, child, be generous this Christmas day,  
And your petitioner will ever pray  
The right to sign himself, with sweet intent,  
Always your grateful, glad recipient."

### CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT.

The following is the program of the Christmas entertainment held in Holy Trinity Church on Friday evening, reference to which was made in Saturday's issue of the Planet:

Guitar Solo. Miss Ethel Ball.  
Song—Soldiers of the Queen, Roger Butler.  
Recitation—The Ruggles' Dinner Party, Miss B. Baxter.  
Recitation—Shedrack Brown's turkey, Miss Mae Arnold.  
Christmas Cantata—Santa Claus impersonated by Harry Horsted, accompanied and singing that he is King in the Children's Happy Dreamland, is duly challenged by Mother Goose. Finally they agree to leave the matter to the decision of the children themselves. Mother Goose (Mabel Edmondson) summons many of her well-known children, who at once appeared in their fantastic dresses: Jack and Jill—John Waller and Mary Kerr.  
Daffy-Down-Dilly—Myrtle Fielder.  
Humpty-Dumpty—Rolie Webber.  
Bo-Pop—Carrie Brunker.  
Jack Horner—Harold Johnston.  
Sky Sweeper—Lucy Arnold.  
Polly Flinders—M. Arnold.  
Jolly Miller—Tom Baxter.  
Mistress Mary—M. Kerr.  
Miss Muffit—Sara Tate.  
Little Boy Blue—Roger Butler.  
Tommy Tucker—Harry Campbell.  
Mother Hubbard—Gracie Carpenter.  
After all these had been heard, Santa Claus again appealed to the children to say who was their sovereign, whereupon Jack Edmondson, for the children wisely said that at other times they liked Mother Goose best, but at Christmas time they preferred Santa Claus.  
Chorus—All Hail Santa Claus.  
Quartette—Dunkie's Cradle Song—Stanley Ball, W. Brackin, G. O'Hara, H. Anderson.  
Santa Claus emerges from fireplace with stockings, etc.  
The M. Wilson prize was presented to Sarah Tate, not missed a Sunday for two years, and special prizes to Roger Butler, Miss Sauerbann, A. McLean.  
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SYNOPSIS OF THE OPENING CHAPTERS.

The story opens at Cairo, where Mr. Grimes, who passes as an American silver king, Sandy Barlow, a newspaper correspondent, Mr. Tanner, a millionaire traveller, and his daughter Molly, all meet. Mr. Grimes informs Grimes that his dahabeah on its way down the Nile picked up Mynheer Joe, a messenger from Gordon. As both Grimes and Sandy know Joe they go down to the boat to find him. Joe gives them the first news of the fall of Khartoum and Gordon's death.

Sandy has ceased making his biographies upon the pages of his note book. His face beams with enthusiasm at the thought of being first with this authentic account of Gordon's death. At the same time, out of respect for the feelings of Mynheer Joe, he endeavors to subdue this mark of journalistic pride and appear sober, but it is really beyond him.

As for Mr. Grimes, he has observed the narrator with deep interest all the while he tells of the strange things which happened to him. Whatever is passing in the mind of the silver king, he does not allow it to be shown upon his face, which is as expressionless as that of the Sphinx.

The messenger from Khartoum sits there for a brief interval, with that look of sadness on his face, as though the thoughts surging through his mind have been too much for him.

"Come, rouse yourself, my boy! You are among friends at last, thank Heaven, and will be the lion of Cairo when it is publicly known that you were with gallant Gordon when he fell," says Sandy, but the other holds up his hands, and says quietly:

"That is a distinction I do not crave. Somehow I feel guilty in not leaving my body beside Gordon. At best, I see nothing to boast of in having escaped his fate."

"The brave are ever modest," says Sandy. "At least, you will make a report to the proper officials to-morrow and verify my dispatches?"

"Yes, a very brief one. That is only just. I would, for certain reasons of my own which you cannot understand, keep it as quiet as possible."

"Just as you like," remarks the silver king, in such a peculiar way that Mynheer Joe glances at him, and then finds his attention caught by a photograph on the wall, which he sees for the first time.

"That face again! Whose picture have we here?" he demands, with an alarming interest.

### CHAPTER IV.

Sandy turns his head and sees what has attracted the explorer's attention. He smiles, too, for the words of Mynheer Joe would indicate that this is not the first time his eyes have rested on the picture or its original.

"That is the daughter of the gentleman who hires the dahabeah upon which we are just now," returns the war correspondent.

"Name?" asks Joe.

"Demosthenes Tanner."

"Can it be possible?"

"That is her father, of course. The girl—"

"Stupid! It was her name I asked for."

"Ah, I see. She is called Molly," replies Sandy, with a wink in the direction of Mr. Grimes, who is, however, too deeply interested in watching Mynheer Joe's face to notice such things. He seems to be not a little fascinated by something in connection with the other.

"Molly? A pretty name. Somehow it just seems to fit those features. Molly Tanner is it? Good! I will remember. What a strange freak of fate that I should be picked up by her father's boat, of all on the river?"

Mynheer Joe is muttering to himself, as though indulging in some reminiscence of the past; a slight smile has appeared upon his rather worn and haggard though always striking face. Evidently the thoughts that slip into his mind are pleasant ones.

It is not in the nature of Sandy Barlow to let a comrade enjoy a secret alone. Not that he has any desire to be meddlesome, but he wishes to share the joys as well as the sorrows of those in whose company he travels life's highway. Hence he nods his wise little head sagely, and, cocking it on one side in a manner peculiar to himself, remarks:

"I say, Joe, this isn't the first time that face has flashed before your enchanted vision? Own up, now, like a man. We're all in love with the divine Molly; every single man in Cairo at this hour yearns for her smiles, and you'll be only one of scores. Speak up, man! Where did you ever meet her? I've never heard her mention your name, to my knowledge, and, I love, she thought you were a Dutchman, when she sent me down here! Leave it to Grimes if it ain't so."

Mynheer Joe smiles.

"For once, friend Sandy, you have hit the bull's-eye. I have met this lady before."

"And still she does not recognize your name—that by which the whole world of scientific geographers has learned to call you? When she spoke of Mynheer Joe, she showed an emotion; and, as I said before, told us to do all for the poor unfortunate German we could. She even wanted to come herself to hear of Gordon. He's her hero, you know, as he is of many thousands. Yes, and we had

even to promise to bring you back with us. So, what do you say to that?"

"I suppose I shall have to go. A woman's will is law, generally, especially one whose face is as charming as that photo betrays."

"But, your former meeting?" hammers the man of pencil and note book, who does not deviate from a course he may have marked out, and as a consequence, generally gets there with both feet.

"Ah, you will have it, Sandy," laughs the other.

"Why not? There is something eccentric about it, I'll be bound. You didn't meet Molly in the ordinary orthodox way, or you'd know her name, while she could never forget yours."

"Well, you see, it's a poor place to ask for a name when salt water is running into mouth and eyes," returns Mynheer Joe.

The correspondent appears to have received a tremendous shock, for suddenly springing to his feet he clutches the explorer by the arm to whirl him around so that he may look in his face.

"Confusion! Were you the hero of that little episode at Malta a year ago?"

"I don't know about being a hero, but I did have the extreme pleasure of jumping from my sail boat and saving, from a watery grave, a young girl who had fallen overboard from a boat that nearly upset in a squall," returns the man from Khartoum, modestly.

Mr. Grimes puckers up his lips as if to whistle, and his whole manner says: "So, that's the way the wind blows, is it—in truth, coming events cast a shadow before."

As for Sandy he shrugs his shoulders and pretends to look dreadfully disappointed, though there is a twinkle in his eye that tells of a sly humor. You cannot always take Sandy as he appears. He has often turned out to be a sly rogue.

"And then you sailed away without even leaving your name, nor has the young lady ever been able to learn who it was so gallantly jumped overboard after her. One thing is settled—you've got a clear road there, Joe. Not another man will have a chance when once Molly recognizes you as her preserver."

Instead of looking flattered the party addressed has something of bored appearance. A man who has devoted his life to science and exploration has no business to fall in love. His heart is supposed to be wrapped up in his work.

"Don't mention it, Sandy, I beg. I was bound upon a very curious errand at the time and didn't mean to be rude, but time was money. I could spend five minutes saving a girl's life, but deliver me from an hour of thanks from her relatives. When I got back to Malta they had gone."

"But will you come with us now—that is, if you feel able?" asks Sandy, who, having nobly given up all his chances of winning the prize—they were about equal to one grain of sand in comparison with the sea shore—desires to bring the conquering hero to his fate.

"I feel like a new man. That was the first decent one I've enjoyed for months. While the men lived on coarse food, Gordon would not allow the officers to feast. One thing, however, may prevent me from going with you."

"What's that?"

"My clothes are in a dilapidated condition. See, here a vagabond cut a piece out entirely; it would have taken my leg, also, if better aimed. Then there are other slits and jagged openings. I don't remember where they came from, so I must have received them during the engagement. A few trifling wounds under them have healed up, and I am feeling very well, thank you. In day time, I can draw money from the bank in Cairo and buy what I need. Meantime, you will have to excuse me to the young lady."

"Hang me if I will! We'll find some other means of reaching the same result," cries Sandy, who is a great hand for surmounting obstacles.

Mr. Grimes here puts in his oar in the quiet way he has. Stepping up, he places himself alongside the intrepid explorer.

"Just about one size, I believe," he remarks.

"Yes, it is so," says Sandy, with a chuckle, for he has always had the reputation of being able to see through a grindstone with a hole in the centre.

"Then, consider the matter settled. The gentleman will accompany us to Shepherd's; he will go with me to my room and select from several travelling suits I keep on hand."

"But this is too much—"

"I never accept a refusal, Mynheer Joe; so look upon it as arranged," with a wave of the hand that a prince might envy.

The explorer looks at him curiously for a few seconds, and then gives in. "I thank you, sir, I will accept the loan until morning comes and the bazaar is open."

"Good," ejaculated the newspaper man. "And now let's be tramping back to the hotel. Left the beggar with the light on deck. Hope he hasn't been tossed into the Nile. Glad to see you meet Molly. Hanged if I wouldn't! Then I've got an hour's work making up and sending my dispatch. I fancy one man in Cairo will want to cut his throat in the morning. 'Tisn't often the Herald gets left."

He is all excitement, and there is no need of further delay. Mynheer Joe turns to the rear.

"Ben Hassan Effendi, I shall remember your kindness always," he says, taking the brown hand of the old captain.

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"But you said he was drowned?" cries Sandy. "I have it down so in black and white."

"I trust you may have to alter it, for somehow I can't force myself to believe him as one dead. Now I am ready, gentlemen."

They pass out of the cabin and reach the deck of the dahabeah, where the link boy is found in conversation with the crew, the members of which are naturally curious to discover all they can about the stranger they picked up in the river, who cried out that he was from Khartoum before Ben Hassan could rescue him.

They might as well question one of Cairo's four hundred mosques as this lad. He can and does tell them about the brilliant fight made by the two Franks when assailed by the mob of beggars in the street, but knows nothing of their relations to the guest of the reis.

The flambeau-bearer goes ahead, and one by one, the others walk the narrow plank that stretches from the roof of the cabin to the bank. When all are safely landed, they strike off through the same street where their previous engagement took place. Evidently these men are not made of material to shrink from any hidden danger. If the rascals who lay in wait for them before choose to try conclusions a second time, doubtless they will find means to accommodate them.

They are not molested while en route. Once or twice they see shadowy figures glide from dark arches about and vanish in the gloom, who, in all probability, belong to the same gang with which they had their former adventure; but the fellows have received too severe a lesson to think of enduring such rough handling a second time.

(To be Continued.)

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returned home to-day.

A. McDowell, D. L. S., returned to  
Cornwall yesterday to attend court.

George Lidster, treasurer of the  
township of Zone, is in the city to-day  
on township business.

Mrs. Alice Benette, an aged lady, of  
Sandwich East, was burned to death  
by her clothing catching fire from the  
cook stove.

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section have been accepted at London  
for the second contingent. They are  
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the appeal of George Schweitzer and  
others of the township of Orford,  
against the refusal of the township  
to alter the boundaries of S.S. No. 6,  
Orford, is being held to-day in Harrison  
Hall. The next meeting for the  
hearing of evidence in the above matter,  
will be held in the township hall,  
Highgate, at 10 o'clock, on Friday the  
12th inst. The arbitrators are Judge  
Pell, and the inspectors for East and  
West Kent.

#### A BAD GASH.

George Atkin, Bridge End, was pre-  
paring to cut some feed and was haul-  
ing his cutter into the barn. The  
horses slipped and the machine swung  
round part of it, striking Mr. Atkin  
on the head and inflicting a nasty  
scalp wound. An artery was severed  
and Mr. Atkin lost a lot of blood be-  
fore the services of a surgeon could be  
procured. Dr. McKeough dressed the  
wound and the unfortunate man is doing  
nicely.

#### A RIDGETOWN FIRE.

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conflagration this morning. At an  
early hour, fire was discovered in the  
Green block, adjoining the blocks re-  
cently burned. The block was occupied  
by Green's Hardware store, and  
Bawden's drug store. On the second  
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companies in particular, and combines  
and monopolies in general, defeated  
both ex-Mayor E. F. Clarke, the well-  
known Conservative (M. P.), and John  
Hallam, a leading Liberal alderman  
and wealthy merchant, engaged in the  
wool and hide trade.

The complete returns give Mac-  
donald, 11,555; Clarke, 9,212; Hal-  
lam, 5,237. This gives Macdonald 2-  
643 majority over Clarke. The con-  
test during the past few days developed  
into one in which a number of promi-  
nent Conservatives, headed by W. F.  
MacLean, M. P., tried in every way  
to secure the defeat of Mr. Clarke,  
because they represented in this con-  
test the MacKenzie interests, which  
control the street railway, and which  
are regarded politically as hostile to  
the Conservative party. The World,  
Mr. MacLean's paper, took this ground  
very strongly, and the result was a  
falling away in Mr. Clarke's vote. Mr.  
Macdonald represented those who  
want to discipline the street railway  
and other big companies and make  
them stick more closely to the condi-  
tions imposed by their franchisees. He  
appealed to the "strap holders," the  
people who cannot get seats on the  
cars at night on the way home, and  
the strap holders big majority. Mr. Hal-  
lam was not a large factor in the contest,  
but by staying in the field he made  
Macdonald's victory possible.

#### THE SOCIALIST BEATEN.

London, Jan. 2.—The Socialists put  
up a candidate for mayor and a non-  
inee for alderman in each ward. They  
elected one alderman. The vote for  
mayor: Darch, Socialist, 2,419; Rum-  
ball, Liberal, 2,637. No Conservative  
ran.

#### RETURNS ELSEWHERE.

Colchester South—Reeve—Jas. How-  
ie.

Harrow—Trustees—C. J. Hasterms,  
A. E. Sinaas and Hyherdman.

Enniskillen—Reeve—Mr. Graham.  
Councillors—Geo. Pearce, Mr. Hollings-  
head, Mr. M. McLean, Mr. Aikin.

Watford—Reeve—Thos. Howden, ac-  
clamation. Councillors—Geo. Wise,  
P. Fuller, Joshua Saunders and W.  
Virgo (by acclamation). For Trustees—  
John White, Frank Kenward, E.  
Roland Hill, E. Swift, W. Fitzgerald  
and T. Harris (by acclamation).

Warwick—Reeve—John McCormick,  
Councillors—John Baycroft, Peter  
Graham, Frank Crawford and John  
Blain.

Brooke—Reeve—Mr. McVicar, Coun-  
cillors—D. McEwen, John English,  
P. Atkinson and Wm. Kelly.

Windsor—Mayor—John Davis. Wat-  
ter Commissioner—R. Purser. Coun-  
cillors, 1st ward—J. H. McConnell, R.  
Barr, D. H. Bedford; 2nd ward, G.  
Gagnier, Ralph Thorne, Henry Walker;  
3rd ward, Thomas Blackburn; 4th ward,  
W. C. Coyle, E. Jacques, R. G. Davis.

Essen—Mayor—H. M. Johnson,  
Councillors—Dr. J. W. Brien, O. H.  
Bricker, R. R. Brett, A. Raines, John  
Laing, and G. J. Thomas. Public  
School Trustees—John Reddick.

St. Thomas, Mayor—P. Meahan.  
Kingville—Jas. Sweet, Alex. Wigle,  
Robert Fleming, H. Seratch.

Leamington—Mayor—Dr. P. Hughes,  
Councillors—Geo. Craig, Wm. Prosser,  
C. L. Coultis, C. L. Coultis, C.  
Curtis and W. S. Hulford.

Amherstburg—Councillors—J. W.  
Gibb, Dr. Teeter, Fred. Curtis, Thos.  
Moffatt, Thos. Lukes, J. R. Ferris.

Sandwich—Councillors—Wesley  
Smith, Joseph Melochie, Richard Mc-  
Kee, Chas. Lucier, sr.; Joseph Lasa-  
line, James Laidlaw, sr.

Castroville—Reeve—Jas. Selkirk. Coun-  
cillors—J. A. White, A. White, J.  
Drummond and C. L. Wingrove.

St. Thomas voted for the abolition  
of the ward system by 1166 to 813, and  
London by 3660 to 1292.

### BLENDHEIM

Jan. 2.—New Year's day passed off  
very quietly in town. Beyond voting  
on the night watch by-law, there was  
no election. The by-law was carried  
by the handsome majority of 93. Al-  
though some declared it illegal, yet  
there is no doubt but it will become  
law.

J. W. Morris, Edmonton, N. W. T.,  
arrived home yesterday and will  
spend a few weeks with his father,  
Postmaster J. K. Morris. He was ac-  
companied by Mrs. Jas. Crookshank's  
mother, from Winnipeg.

E. Brown, V. S. Merlin, was in town  
yesterday, looking up old acquaint-  
ances. He reports Merlin booming.

Miss Edna Samson entertained a  
few friends last night to a deligh-  
tful dance.

Morse & Jack intend going out of  
the millinery business and putting in  
other lines in its place.

Miss Holland, milliner, for Morse &  
Jack left to-day for her home in  
Exeter, the season being over.

#### CHICAGO MARKETS.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—Dec.	69 1/2	70 1/2	69 1/2	70 1/2
May	69 1/2	70 1/2	69 1/2	70 1/2
July	69 1/2	70 1/2	69 1/2	70 1/2
Corn—Sept.	33 1/2	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
May	33 1/2	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
July	33 1/2	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Oats—Sept.	23 1/2	24 1/2	23 1/2	24 1/2
May	23 1/2	24 1/2	23 1/2	24 1/2
July	23 1/2	24 1/2	23 1/2	24 1/2
Pork—Dec.	10 1/2	10 3/4	10 1/2	10 3/4
May	10 1/2	10 3/4	10 1/2	10 3/4
July	10 1/2	10 3/4	10 1/2	10 3/4
Lard—Dec.	5 9/8	6 0/8	5 9/8	6 0/8
May	5 9/8	6 0/8	5 9/8	6 0/8
July	5 9/8	6 0/8	5 9/8	6 0/8
Ribs—Oct.	5 6/8	5 7/8	5 6/8	5 7/8
May	5 6/8	5 7/8	5 6/8	5 7/8
July	5 6/8	5 7/8	5 6/8	5 7/8

#### DOVER RETURNS.

The full returns from Dover are:  
For Reeve—Grant 390, Newkirk 301.  
For Councillors—Clements 202, Lewis  
306, O'Neil 257, Terry 180, Trudell 338  
and Wright 443.



## Tired Eyes

Sensations exist for our guidance.  
They are Nature's warnings.  
Over-worked eyes demand rest.  
Eyes that tire easily call for help.  
Properly adjusted glasses afford the  
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We make a specialty of relieving  
tired eyes and guarantee satisfac-  
tion.

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OPTICIANS AND DRUGGISTS,  
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FANCY GOODS  
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Sacrifice  
Prices

We are also booking sub-  
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tions for any Newspaper  
or Magazine



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The Canadian Pacific  
Tourist Car service of-  
fers the traveller a  
maximum amount of  
comfort at a minimum  
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available through-  
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An experienced and competent por-  
ter is in charge of every car.

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gladly give you further particulars and  
secure you accommodation in one of  
these cars.

A. H. NOTMAM, A. G. P. A.,  
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W. H. HARPER City Pass.

#### A PLEASANT GATHERING.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Somerville cele-  
brated the twenty-fifth anniversary  
of their marriage at their home, Well-  
ington St. West, to which a large num-  
ber of friends and relatives were invited,  
of forty of whom accepted. Letters  
of regret were received from others who  
could not be present. Among the guests  
were Rev. Dr. Battisby, of Chatham,  
Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Jamieson, of Blen-  
heim, Dr. and Mrs. McDonald, of Grand  
Rapids, and Mrs. J. McLean, of  
Woodstock, and Mrs. F. Johnston, of  
Chicago. Rev. Dr. and Mrs. McColl  
were unavoidably absent, on account of  
the health of the former, which was  
much regretted, as Dr. McColl offici-  
ated on the occasion of their marriage;  
one novel feature was the presence of  
the lady and gentleman who acted as  
bridesmaid and groomsmen. After due  
justice had been done to the elegant  
spread, which comprised the delicacies  
of the season, Dr. Jamieson proposed a  
toast to the health of Mr. and Mrs.  
Somerville, which was ably seconded  
by Dr. Battisby and McDonald. To  
this Mr. Somerville responded, thank-  
ing their friends for the many kind  
wishes and congratulations tendered  
them. Dr. McDonald proposed the  
health of the bridesmaid and groom-  
smen, which was seconded by Blake  
McDonald, and responded to by the  
groomsmen, after which a chime pro-  
gramme was rendered, comprising songs  
and recitations. Among these were a  
dramatic recitation by Mrs. (Dr.) Mc-  
Donald, and a song by Mrs. (Dr.)  
Jamieson for the benefit of the married  
people and those contemplating matri-  
mony. After the singing of "God be  
with you till we Meet Again," the  
company dispersed, all well pleased  
with the evening's entertainment.

#### MCCOY DEFEATS MAHER.

York, Jan. 2.—Yesterday at  
Coney Island, Kid McCoy knocked  
Peter Maher out in the fifth round.  
It was sharp work and McCoy showed  
up in fine form. He is now regarded  
as the coming champion.

Dress Goods and Millinery | C. Austin & Co. | Carpets Clothing

## Great Stock Taking Sale

Commences Tuesday  
Morning, January  
the 2nd, 1900

THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS WORTH MUST BE SOLD to reduce the stock  
to its proper proportions before the end of the month. All surplus stock in every de-  
partment will be sold at prices to commend them to every probable buyer in the  
county. We have no old goods to foist off upon you marked at fancy figures and then  
reduced to absurd prices when compared with the original. The immense trade be-  
ing done here requires large stocks to do it with, now the surplus in all lines must  
move quickly.

Prices Will Tempt You All Over The House

Tuesday Morning We Sell

200 yards Check Lawns for aprons, our special 5c, Tuesday.....3 1/2c per yard  
120 yards Swiss Check Muslin, regular 10c and 12 1/2c, for.....8c yard

TUESDAY MORNING WE SELL OUR ENTIRE STOCK OF FLANNEL-  
ETTE GOWNS AT SPECIAL PRICES:—

Flannelette Gowns, in plain colors, mother Hubbard style, trimmed with frills of  
same goods, at.....65c  
Heavy Striped Flannelette Gowns, trimmed with frills, full sizes, regular 90c  
quality, balance of stock at.....65c  
Pink and Gray Striped Flannelette Gowns, extra fine quality, double yoke, frills  
finished with fancy cord, regular \$1.00 quality, now.....75c

## Our Wrapper Stock

These goods are made of the finest wrapperettes in the market, and as a rare  
chance of this kind is seldom offered, we would advise our customers to come early  
while the assortment of sizes is complete.

A number of lines in flannelette and wrapperette Wrappers, made with fitted lin-  
ing to waist, with or without yoke and with real full skirts, regular \$1.58  
and \$2.00 lines for.....\$1.48

3 LINES REDUCED TO \$1.89

Three specially good lines of wrappers, new patterns and new styles, each gar-  
ment has a lining to the waist, and with or without lining in the sleeves, popular  
colors, cardinal and black, green and black and black and black.

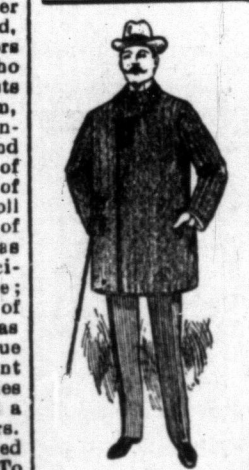
Navy and white and black and white wrappers, lined waist and sleeves, small  
patterns and stripes, square yoke, trimmed with shoulder caps, narrow frills  
and braid, at.....\$2.95

## Buy Your Clothing Outfit

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## Great Clothing Department

Where You Get Value  
For Your Money  
Nothing Misrepresented



#### Men's Suits

Men's solid tweed suits.....\$5.00  
Men's all-wool serge suits.....\$8.50  
Men's novelty lined suits.....\$8.00  
Men's special suits, were  
\$10, now.....\$7.50  
Men's clay worsted suits.....\$7.00  
Men's fine worsted suits.....\$9.00  
Men's dress worsted suits.....\$10  
Men's Tailor made worsted  
suits.....\$12

#### Boys' Suits

Boys' 2 pc. tweed suits.....\$2.50  
Boys' 2 pc. serge suits.....\$2.50  
Boys' all-wool serge suits.....\$3.00  
Boys' 3 pc. fancy tweed  
suits.....\$4.00  
Boys' 3 pc. fancy tweed  
suits.....\$5.00  
Boys' 3 pc. worsted.....  
suits.....\$6.50

#### Men's Ulsters

Men's heavy frieze ulsters, special.....\$5.00  
Men's extra frieze ulsters.....\$5.50  
Men's fine frieze ulsters.....\$7.50

#### Boys' Ulsters

Boys' heavy frieze ulsters.....\$2.50  
Boys' heavy frieze ulsters, special.....\$3.50  
Boys' heavy frieze ulsters, special.....\$4.00

#### Men's Dress Coats

Men's heavy frieze dress over-  
coats.....\$6.00  
Men's fine beaver dress  
overcoats.....\$7.50  
Men's tailor-made dress  
overcoats.....\$10.00

#### Men's Reefers

Men's heavy frieze reefers,  
big collar, all tweed and lined,  
all sizes, special \$3.50 and \$4.

Men's and Boys' Pants at prices to tempt you, 50c, 75c,  
\$1.00, \$1.25, \$2.00, \$2.50, in tweeds, serges, friezes and  
worsted.

Snap in Men's Sox.  
See our Men's Underwear prices.

Leading and Reliable Clothiers

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The  
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## THE WHITE FAIR

THE  
GORDON  
STORE

Our Big Annual January Sale of Ladies' Muslin Underwear, White Goods, Embroideries and Insertions begins to-day. We have been preparing for this sale for a long time, gathering the best the market produced, and now we are ready for you with the largest and the best stock of Muslin Underwear, unequalled for quality, price or style in the city. We give below a few pointers for buyers well worth a careful reading:



## Night Gowns

At 50c—Night Gowns, good bleached Cottons, square yoke, tucked, 4-metric frilled on collar front and cuffs.  
At 50c—Night Gowns, square yoke, embroidery front and cuffs.  
At 60c—Night Gowns, square yoke, embroidery front and cuffs, with up to 10c a yard.  
At 60c—Fine and heavy Cambric and Muslin Embroideries and Insertions up to 34 inches wide.  
At 70c and 80c—Fine wide Swiss and Cambric Embroideries and Insertions, worth 12c to 16c a yard.  
All-over Embroideries, All-over Lace Yokeings, Fancy Shirred and Tucked Muslins for Yokeings.  
Tartans, Organdies, Swisses, India Linens, Lawns, Malls, Long Cloths, Lonsdale, Linen Lawns, Linens for India work.  
A special line of fine, White Corded Dimities, at 12c.

## Corset Covers

15c Corset Covers, good materials, well made.  
25c Corset Covers, cambric frilled on neck and front.  
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25c Corset Covers, Lonsdale cambric fine pearl buttons, embroidered sleeves and neck.  
50c Corset Covers, Lonsdale cambric fine pearl buttons, embroidered neck and sleeves.  
50c Corset Covers, Lonsdale cambric fine pearl buttons, embroidered neck and sleeves.  
Best at 75c, 82c, etc.

## Chemise

50c Chemise—Fine American cotton, and fine embroidery trimmed neck, sleeves and fronts.  
25c Chemise—Good plain cotton, cambric frilled neck and sleeves.

## Embroideries

As usual we show a very large line of fine Embroideries, Insertions, All-overs, etc. All the newest patterns and finest qualities. Our quantities and prices are magnetic attractions.  
At 3c—Cambric Embroideries, fine qualities, 1 in to 2 1/2 in. wide.  
At 5c—A large line at this price, of Swiss and Cambric Embroideries and Insertions, worth up to 10c a yard.  
At 6c—Fine and heavy Cambric and Muslin Embroideries and Insertions up to 34 inches wide.  
At 7c and 8c—Fine wide Swiss and Cambric Embroideries and Insertions, worth 12c to 16c a yard.  
All-over Embroideries, All-over Lace Yokeings, Fancy Shirred and Tucked Muslins for Yokeings.  
Tartans, Organdies, Swisses, India Linens, Lawns, Malls, Long Cloths, Lonsdale, Linen Lawns, Linens for India work.  
A special line of fine, White Corded Dimities, at 12c.

## Ready-made Pillow Cases and Sheets

Coronet Pillow Slips, 19c each  
Defender Pillow Slips, 18c each  
Defender Sheets, 72 x 90, plain, 72c each  
Defender Sheets, 81 x 90, plain, 78c each  
Defender Sheets, 90 x 90, plain, 80c each  
Defender Sheets, Hemstitched, 72 x 90, 80c each  
Defender Sheets, Hemstitched, 81 x 90, 80c each  
Defender Sheets, Hemstitched, 90 x 100, \$1.00 each

## Ladies' White Skirts

62c—Skirts, good material, 6 rows of tucking, Lonsdale Cambric frilling.  
75c—Skirts, 4 tucks, deep embroidery frilled, very attractive.  
\$1.00—Skirts, 6 tucks, fine and deep embroidery frilled.  
\$1.33—Skirts, 6 tucks and fine deep, deep embroidery frilled.  
\$2.00—Skirts, Lonsdale Cambric, 6 fine tucks, wide insertion in deep flounce.  
\$2.33—Fine Umbrella frilled Skirt, wide insert on, mullin and embroidery trimmed.  
\$2.50—Beautiful Lonsdale Skirt, fancy embroidery or lace trimming.  
Skirts in large variety at \$2.75, \$3.00, \$3.75, \$4.25, \$4.50, \$5.00, \$5.50 and \$7.00 each. It is our pleasure to show them.  
Children's Skirts, hemmed in 6 sizes 23c to 50c, embroidered. Trimmed 50c to 75c.

## Drawers

At 25c—Drawers, fine Muslin, 4 rows tucking, torchon lace trimm d.  
At 25c—Drawers, Hill Cotton, 4 rows tuck ng, cambric frilled.  
At 44c—Drawers, embroidered frill or lace trimmed and tucked.  
At 48c—Drawers, our special.  
At 50c—Drawers, 12 fine tucks and fine embroidery trimmed.  
At 82c—Umbrella Drawers, extra wide, 14 rows tucking, fine embroidery trimmed.  
At \$1, \$1.25 and \$1.35, special value, beautifully trimmed with lace insertion and embroidery.  
CHILDREN'S DRAWERS, in 6 sizes, plain hem and tucked 25c all sizes. Embroidery trimmed 25c to 48c.

We want everybody within reach of this sale to call and inspect

It is impossible to give full descriptions in print.

Remember early buyers secure the best choice.

## Our Guarantee

Is just this—"Should you at any time get anything that does not suit, bring it back, and we shall cheerfully exchange it, or give you your money back. Surely that is plain enough—we mean exactly what we say.

A customer said—"That last office was not so good as the former lot, I thought your office was always good. I'd never complain, but you talk so much about it I thought I would let you know."

There's the trouble; when things are not right why don't you complain? We're not infallible though we're trying hard to reach that point. Have any of you anything to complain of, is anything you bought here not as represented, not what you expected? If so, then come plain, give us the opportunity to make this wrong right.

This is the basis on which we ask you for your trade for the year 1900. We promise you civil attention the best of goods, low prices and prompt delivery. We hope to have your kind patronage

## H. Malcolmson

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Special Sale  
Stamped Linens

We have bought the entire line of samples of Stamped Linens of a large New York house, consisting of 3000 different pieces Table Cloths, Centres, Doylies, Cushion Covers, Laundry Bags etc., etc., which will be placed on sale

Thursday morning  
Jan. 4th, at 9 o'clock  
at the wholesale  
cost price

This is a good chance to secure bargains in new goods and to have something different from anyone else, as of the entire lot no two pieces are the same.  
(None of these goods will be on sale till Thursday morning)

Sulman's Beehive  
HARWICH-TAX NOTICE

I will be at Geo. Sullivan's store, Chatham on Saturday Dec. 30th, and January 13th, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. to receive taxes.  
WILBER J. HUFFMAN,  
1st 1m34-w Collector.

## WALLACEBURG.

Jan. 2.—B. Broderick, of Cleveland, is visiting relatives in town.  
Dan. J. Taylor and Miss Ethel Allan were to-day married at the residence of the bride's father, Orlando Allan, by the Rev. J. S. Cook.  
Jas. Duggan, of Detroit, was in town a few days this week.  
Mrs. W. H. McKay and children, of London, are visiting Mrs. M. Macdonald, East Branch.  
C. F. Farman, of Marine City, was in town yesterday.  
Mrs. Sam. Judson is visiting friends in Blenheim.  
Midnight mass was celebrated at the R. C. church Sunday night.  
Watch night services were held in the various churches.  
The rink was opened on Saturday night for the first time this season.  
Miss Maude McKelvey is home from Tweed, Ont.  
Clare Deming, of Port Lambton, was in town over Sunday.  
Miss Ada Henderson is spending a few days here the guest of Mrs. D. F. McDonald.  
Union services are to be held in the various churches here this week, beginning to-night in the Methodist church.  
A large crowd skated at the rink last evening.  
Post office store to rent in the village of Port Alma. No opposition.  
Box C, Port Alma, Ont. 1w

## THAMESVILLE.

Jan. 2.—That we are not yet in the twentieth century is a fact that many are not able to realize.  
The New Year was ushered in by the ringing of bells and the blowing of trumpets and a general serenade by a number of young men.  
The Methodist S. S. entertainment proved very interesting and was well patronized last night.  
The first sleigh-ride of the season was enjoyed by a number of our young people yesterday afternoon.  
Minard's Liniment Cures Burns, etc.

## LOCAL BRIEFS

The schools re-open to-morrow.  
Fred. Cowan spent yesterday in Detroit.  
Mrs. J. W. McWhinney, London, returned yesterday.  
W. S. Verrill, of Toronto, spent yesterday in the Maple City.  
George J. Mitchell, of Toronto, is home on a short holiday visit.  
John A. Stephenson, wife and daughter, Duluth, are in the city.  
Miss A. W. Morehead, representing Fleischmann & Co. is in the city.  
J. Partridge, of Detroit, is visiting his uncle, John Turner, Richmond St.  
A. Vinter, Comber, is the guest of Mrs. H. Wilcox, River Road, Raleigh.  
Wm. Hartrick, of Detroit, formerly with The Planet, was in the city over New Year's.  
Miss Dolie Verrinder, of Thamesville, spent New Year's with Mrs. J. W. McWhinney.  
E. Fred. Stephenson, Winnipeg, spent New Year's in the city. He left for Ottawa to-day.  
Mrs. J. V. Marsh, Dawn Mills, is visiting her mother, Mrs. W. H. Walters, Selkirk street.  
G. W. Surbey, Brantford, business manager of "The Expressor," spent New Year's in the city.  
Colin Shaw, a former Chathamite, now residing in Detroit, is visiting friends in the Maple City.  
E. Francis, of Dresden, passed through the Maple City yesterday en route for British Columbia.  
Ernest Maxwell, who has been visiting friends in the city, returned to his home in Windsor to-day.  
Willard Flint, of Pittsburgh, Pa., is spending the New Year's holidays in the Maple City with friends.  
Arthur McRener and family of Detroit, spent Sunday with Mr. McRener's mother, Wellington St.  
Mr. and Mrs. William R. MacDonald, spent Xmas in London.  
John Fraser, of the Montana House met with a nasty accident while opening a pop bottle. The head came off and severely cut his hand.  
The Rev. De Paul returned from Cincinnati, Ohio, Sunday morning, whence he accompanied the remains of Brother Thomas.  
Sydney H. Thompson, formerly of Chatham, is going to the Transvaal with "B" Squadron of the Royal Canadian Dragoons, Winnipeg.  
Miss Mabel Birch left for Morpeth this morning, having been engaged as assistant teacher in the public school in that place for the year 1900.  
The great amount of design work done at the Victoria Avenue Green Houses is sufficient proof of the excellence of the work. Nothing but the best at the lowest prices. Phone 181.

"If your eyes could talk," what a story of suffering and of abuse they could tell. How we strained them; how we taxed them with overwork, and then, because they were tired we rubbed them to make irritation worse. And to think that the most they needed, in fact, all that they were asking for in their quiet way, was a rest, a pair of glasses, properly fitted. I have helped other tired eyes. I can help yours. Examination free. E. J. MacIntyre, leading optician, opposite Grand Opera House, Chatham.

NICE HANGING BASKETS.  
The firemen have a unique flower show at the fire hall. They took horse carrots and cut them off about a inch from the large end. The root was then dug out so as to hold about half a cup of water. It was then suspended by a wire. The water, as it rose, covered the whole of the root showing nothing but green foliage and making an exceedingly pretty hanging basket. Four of the firemen are engaged in the business and the growing of hanging baskets by them has developed into a regular contest.

## A GALLANT FIGHT.

Scouring Party Sticks by a Wounded Officer

And is Surrounded by the Enemy—Boers Driven Off with Considerable Loss.

London, January 2.—Owing to lack of news from important points interest in the war centres on the comparatively unimportant skirmishing near Dordrecht. Capt. Montmorency's sortie with a patrol of 120 men of the 21st Lancers and his retreat Dec. 30 were followed up the next day by a successful engagement and the rescue of a small party supposed to be men Capt. Montmorency left behind him. Under Capt. Goldworthy a force of 110 men with four guns, accompanied by Capt. Montmorency's scouts, sallied out of Dordrecht during the morning of Dec. 31 to relieve Lieut. Turner and 27 men left behind at Lonschagen Nek. The over night at Lonschagen Nek. Lieut. Turner's party was rescued. Eight Boers and 13 horses are known to have been killed. The Times, in its second edition, publishes a despatch from Sterkstroom, dated Dec. 31, which says:—Capt. Montmorency's scouts were cut off owing to their refusal to leave a wounded officer, Lieut. Warne, under Lieut. Milford and Turner, of the frontier mounted rifles, defended themselves most gallantly against the repeated attacks of some 800 Boers. The enemy resorted to sniping during night, but were repulsed with loss. At 3.15 a.m. Captain Goldworthy, with the Cape Mounted Rifles, arrived and the enemy immediately fled to the hills. Turner's party, whose horses had nearly all been killed, were rescued. They displayed splendid pluck, and the brilliant manner in which Capt. Goldworthy effected their relief on his own responsibility is deserving of the highest praise. Our loss was two men wounded. The Boers lost about 30 men, including eight men killed. Another account says:—"The success of this little party will arrest the progress of the enemy's recruiting in that vicinity."

## BURIED IN STRAW.

A Hog That Lived 134 Days Without Food or Drink.

Adrian, Mich., Jan. 2.—On the 13th of August last John Henry, of Ogden, threshed his grain. He had a large amount of straw and the stack tippled over, burying a hog, which was little use of its kind legs. Henry concluded that the pig would be smothered anyway, and took no steps to remove it. Saturday before last Christmas the stack was being removed, and what was the astonishment of the workmen when they heard the grunt of a hog. When the straw was removed, the animal crawled out and began eating greedily of the straw with which he was buried. He was a mass of skin and bones, and unable to stand. He was given food and drink, and bled fair to stand on its feet for a sufficient time to enable a photograph to be taken. The hog was 134 days without food or drink.

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## TILBURY.

Tilbury, Jan. 2.—Dr. and Mrs. O'Keefe, of Mt. Clemens, are visiting the latter's parents here.  
Mr. and Miss Holland, of Cleveland, are visiting friends in town.  
Miss Howie, of Chatham, visited Mrs. J. S. Richardson Sunday and Monday.  
Miss Vinnie Pook is the guest of Mrs. Sam. Sloan.  
The midnight mass in the Catholic church was well attended on New Year's eve.  
The Chatham Daily Planet is on sale at Johnson's Drug Store.

## BOOK BINDING.

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## DRESDEN.

Jan. 2.—Woodford Shain and Miss Ada Shain returned to Detroit to-day, after a week's visit with their sister, Mrs. S. Shaw.  
Miss Annie McDonald entertained about 35 of her friends last evening, a very enjoyable time being spent by all.  
Miss Walker, of Glenora, has been the guest of Miss Lillie Campbell for the past few days.  
Chas. Shaw's skating rink was flooded last Saturday and was open to the public for the first time last evening.  
Public schools re-open to-morrow.  
W. R. Ward left for Toronto yesterday, after spending his holidays with his parents.  
The Baptist S. S. entertainment given in the Grand Opera House last evening was well attended, and the program was an excellent one.

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reeds,  
And over it circling bats  
And the sound of the klondike's crying,  
And around it the sigh of the wind in a network  
of shivering weeds.

Dash on the wide, low plain,  
And a star in the distance peering  
Over the surly peaks of shifting, vanishing blue,  
And an oak tree black on the sand,  
And a hare leaping off through the clearing,  
And, out where the tarweeds toss, the bleat of a  
wandering ewe.

Dash on the wide, low plain,  
And a crane to the pools descending,  
And soft where the multitudes wait the fit of a  
ground owl's wing,  
And a hawk beating home to his perch  
Where the clouds with the crests are blending,  
And shades of the hastening night round the less-  
ening foothills cling.  
—William Higgs in Youth's Companion.

### HE ATE ANOTHER DINNER.

And Even at That He Didn't Get His Money's Worth.

"Speaking of the man who 'wants to get even' reminds me," said the room clerk, "of something that happened last season when I was working in Chicago. A man from South Bend, Ind., put up at the hotel on the corner side with a friend. When he came to pay his bill that evening, he found he had been charged for the meal and immediately raised Cain. The clerk tried to explain that the American plan was based entirely upon time, and if he chose to eat elsewhere it was his own lookout, but the man from South Bend couldn't get it through his head. He paid the bill under protest and inquired whether dinner was still on.

"Yes, sir," said the clerk, "it lasts till 9 p. m."

"Then, by jings!" he exclaimed, "I'll just go up and tackle it! I've eaten one dinner already, but you bet I'm going to get my money's worth out of this old house if I bust!"

"He rushed into the dining room, grabbed a bill of fare and ordered everything he could think of, his sole idea being to get even for that charge. It was a sumptuous repast, and what he couldn't eat he messed up so it would be of no use to anybody else. When he finally got through, the waiter handed him a check for \$4.10.

"What's that for?" he asked in surprise.

"Your dinner, sir," said the waiter. "But I've already paid for it in my bill," he protested, "I'm staying here on the American plan."

"Then you should have gone to the other dining room," said the waiter. "This is the European plan cafe."

"The man from South Bend paid the bill in silence and walked out. When he reached the sidewalk, his pent up emotion exploded, and he said things that shocked even the cab drivers."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

### An Alien From Arkansas.

"When I was on the bench," relates Judge J. J. Du Bose, "I was once making up a special jury for a murder trial. The lawyers were examining the venire, and I wasn't paying much attention to what was going on till one of the lawyers attracted my attention by saying:

"Your honor, this man is incompetent for jury service. He's a foreigner."

"I looked at the man under examination and didn't think he looked like a foreigner. He looked, anyway, like he was acclimated. So I asked him:

"Have you ever been naturalized?"

"No, sir," he answered.

"And you say you're a foreigner and not naturalized? What country are you a native of?"

"Arkansas."

"Well, everybody in the courtroom laughed. I told the man he could go. He wasn't much of a foreigner, but too much to sit on a jury in my court."

—Memphis Scimitar.

### Secret Drawers.

"Most people seem to think," says a maker of furniture, "that secret drawers and hidden receptacles in furniture only exist in novels and plays, but this is by no means so. I very frequently take orders for such items, and I employ a clever woman designer, who shows positive genius in planning places of concealment, which no amount of tapping or measuring could reveal. In most cases, even were the hollow receptacle discovered, the wood-work around would have to be cut away, so complex are the fastenings. Most of the orders come from women—and rich people, of course—and I have no doubt that a desire to hide articles from too curious servants dictates the orders."

### A Grave Request.

A solicitor in a Georgia court is responsible for the following:  
He overheard a conversation between his cook and a nurse, who were discussing a recent funeral of a member of their race, at which there had been a great profusion of flowers. The nurse said:

"When I die, don't plant no flowers on my grave, but plant a good old watermelon vine, and when it gets ripe you come dar, and don't you eat it, but jes' bust it on de grave and let dat good old juice dribble down through de ground."—Youth's Companion.

### Not Particular as to Weapons.

The waiter girl knew a thing or two about table etiquette, so she sniffed scornfully as she said, "It's not our custom to serve a knife with pie."

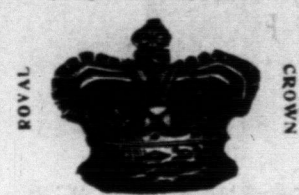
"No?" remarked the patron in surprise. "Then bring me an ax."—Philadelphia Record.

A bride must feel rather cheap when a relative gives her away.—Chicago News.

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Considerable comment has been occasioned among officials of the State Department within the past few days over the fact that the new commercial treaty between Mexico and China is written in English. The use of the English language in drawing up international agreements is something unprecedented. French has had the distinction of being the diplomatic language, but the State Department officials now think that the drafting of the Mexican-Chinese treaty marks the beginning of the end of the general use of the French in this particular.

For the past 200 years in a large majority of negotiations looking toward the formation of international agreements, the language of the French people has been widely used by diplomats in official correspondence and in the actual drawing of the treaty itself. This rule, while general, has not been universal, but the few exceptions have only gone to prove the rule. French has been the social language. Nearly all men of education have been taught it, and in the social intercourse of Europe it has been generally spoken. From the fact that the diplomats of the world have been familiar with it, it has crept into diplomatic intercourse to the almost total exclusion of other languages.

The treaty of peace between the United States and Spain was written in French, as have also been the majority of international documents during the past two centuries. With in recent years a rule has been made in diplomacy by which a diplomatic representative in official correspondence may employ the language of his own country, or that of any other if he chooses. Notwithstanding this rule the French has been retained in perhaps a majority of instances.

The German Ambassador now uses German in his correspondence with the State Department, and England's representative the English. The Swedish, Norwegian, Russian, Belgian, Turkish, Italian and Greek diplomatic representatives all employ the French, while those of China and Japan use English.

In a large measure English is supplanting the French both as a social and commercial language. The statistics of the International Postal Union gave the number of letters addressed in English from all parts of the world as being about 75 per cent.

In foreign universities the tongue of the Anglo-Saxon race is taking the place of the French, and the fast becoming the social medium of intercourse. From the general prevalence of the language it is thought that it will, before a quarter of a century, be the diplomatic language.

—Washington Times.

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## HOWARD COUNCIL.

The municipal council of Howard met in the township hall on Thursday, Dec. 7th 1899, as a Court of Revision on McGregor creek drain. All members present.

The clerk reported 32 appeals against their assessment and one against the whole assessment as being unequal and unjust. 33 persons gave evidence as to their assessment, and also, B. McDonald in reference to his appeal against the whole assessment, claiming that the drain as proposed is too large, also the amounts allowed for damages, roads and farm bridges are excessive and should not be borne by the ratepayers on the drain, and consider that persons receiving the drain through their farms should be assessed higher, as they receive immediate benefit, while the people being on the high land had to contribute largely to drains to carry the water to a proper outlet.

Court adjourned to Jan. 8, 1900, at 2 p. m.

The council of Howard met on Dec. 15 as per statute. All members present. Minutes of previous meeting confirmed.

Communications.

From the Law Clerk's Dept. Toronto, asking the council to give them their opinion in reference to the changing of the financial year from the first of January to the first of December.—No action.

From S. R. Walters asking refund of dog tax.—No action.

From A. McDonnell, C. E., wishing balance of account McGregor creek drain.

From Orford Tp. appealing to the Referee against the assessment on the McGregor creek and Buller drain, asking that same should be abandoned or modified and that said assessment be illegal, unjust and excessive.

Reports.

E. D. Mitton, treasurer, presented his financial report which showed \$7,372.35 assets and liabilities.

The commissioners for the various divisions reported amounts expended for 1899.

No. 1 Div. and township, A. F. Campbell, \$499.35; No. 2, C. Williams, \$47.95; Div. 3, J. S. Boothroyd, \$504.40; Div. 4, John Crowder, \$234; Div. 5, G. W. Handy, \$286.

The following persons addressed the council:

N. P. Weeks and Chas. Buller in reference to sheep killed by dogs.

Joseph Whitsell wishing council to grant privilege to bore for gas on Erie street.—No action.

Robt. McKay, John Luch and R. Galbraith in reference to tile on Clark drain, stating that tile was never properly covered.—Left with commission.

Frederick Fysh in reference to placing tile opposite S. S. No. 13 to Arnold creek.

William Scarlett in reference to refund of dog tax. Refunded \$1.

Accounts amounting to \$235.15 ordered paid and charged to their several accounts.

Edward Erien was refunded \$7.80, Alfred Hunter \$1.84, John Robertson \$1.35, and Jas. Coll \$5.05; being error school tax.

N. P. Weeks \$6.66, Chas. Buller \$10, and A. Robinson \$2 for sheep killed and wounded by dogs.

A. McDonnell, C. E. \$60, Buller drain and \$50 on McGregor creek in full of account.

A. Morrison refunded \$8 re tile de-benture.

The petition of John Duck and 92 others requesting a vote to be taken at the election to be held next Jan. for the prohibiting of animals running at large was granted.

The treasurer's financial statement was received and clerk authorized to get 200 copies printed for distribution.

Jas. Wright refunded \$3 to statute labor.

The reports of the various commissioners were received and orders drawn on treasurer for the commissioners.

Appeals from Orford on the McGregor creek and Buller drains were received and placed on file.

Adjourned to meet Sat., Dec. 16, at 3 p. m.

The council met Sat., Dec. 16 as a Court of Revision on Buller drain. All members present.

The clerk reported 19 appeals. 15 gave evidence in reference to their assessments.

Court adjourned to Jan. 8, 1900 at 3 p. m.

Council resumed for general business.

Resolution was presented by A. Cole and 21 others, asking the council to refrain from granting to any person the privilege of boring for gas on the public highway in the proximity of the Methodist church, Morphet.—Request granted.

The clerk reported \$37, amounts allowed for clerk's fees on the various drains for 1899, same should be credited to general fund.

Treasurer authorized to have same done and charge to various drains.

The reeve was asked to vacate the chair and Geo. W. Handy take same.

Moved by J. S. Boothroyd, seconded by J. C. Williams, that this council extend our best thanks to the reeve for the very courteous manner in which he has presided over this council for 1899.—Carried.

The reeve made a very suitable reply, stating that the past year had been a very pleasant year.

Council resumed and adjourned sine die.

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## GALLANT GEN. FRENCH

### He Surprises and Defeats a Large Boer Force, Capturing Colesburg.

London, Jan. 2.—A special despatch from Rensburg, Cape Colony, received here last evening, says that General French, has completely defeated the Boers and has occupied Colesburg. The general has been keeping the Boers on the move and he pressed them closely Saturday and Sunday, giving them no time to make a prolonged stand, and when day broke he was within striking distance of the enemy. Last night all the cavalry, artillery and infantry, the latter riding in wagons to increase the general mobility, started upon a night march with the object of turning the Boers' right. The flank operations were successful. The infantry and field batteries made a feint attack upon Rensburg. Yesterday morning the Boers were utterly surprised, and finding their retreat threatened, fled in disorder to the eastward, leaving Colesburg in Gen. French's hands.

TOOK THEM BY SURPRISE.—The following despatch, dated Jan. 1, from Rensburg:—Yesterday afternoon, a big force of cavalry and artillery, with ten guns, under the personal command of Gen. French, moving by detour, occupied some hills three miles from Colesburg, where the Boers were in strength, confident in the natural aid afforded them by the hills. The enemy's position extended six miles around the entire village. At daybreak our artillery opened the battle. The Boers were taken by surprise, but replied vigorously. An ar-

tillery duel was maintained for two hours. Then a Boer Hotchkiss collapsed and was abandoned. We captured it. A Boer big gun was silenced, but this and the other Boer guns were withdrawn to the northward, whither we are harassing the Boer retreat by a damaging shell fire. Colesburg is in our hands. The few remaining loyalists are jubilant. We have captured many wagons and a considerable quantity of stores. Our losses were slight, but the Boers must have suffered heavily. They may stop at Aterburg or cross the river at Norval's point, where the bridge is still intact.

London, Tuesday, Jan. 2, 4 a. m.—The success of General French in driving the Boers from Colesburg has sent a wave of light through the gloom of the campaign in South Africa. Everywhere it is commented upon as an example of sound tactics and as an example of what may be done when the right methods are employed with the Boers. The government is urged to take the lesson to heart, and to see that no stone is left unturned in the endeavor to get the largest possible forces of cavalry and mounted infantry to the front. Now that Gen. French has the Boers on the run the hope is expressed that he will give them no rest, but will harass them until they have found their way across the Orange River, which is twelve miles distant. The old wagon route to the Free State traverses Colesburg and crosses the river by a fine bridge, 1,340 feet long. It is believed that the Boers, retreated towards Norval's Point, further east; and the question is whether Gen. French will be able to secure these two bridges before the Boers destroy them. One important effect of the success of Gen. French is that it will probably have a deterrent influence on Dutch disaffection.

## FOR A HOSS THIEF

Lady Wilson Finally Consented  
to be Traded.

Her Thrilling Experiences Among the  
Boers—If She Had Been a Man  
She Would Probably  
Have Been Shot.

Mafeking, (Sunday, Dec. 10).—(By native runner to Mochudi).—Lady Sarah Wilson, who has returned here, is living in a bomb-proof shelter of her own, constructed under the private residence of Mr. Weil. There she is enabled to exist with some degree of comfort; and, if she chooses, to spend a part of the time in the house, where shelter is close enough to enable her to take cover between the ring of the warning bell and the arrival of the projectile. She is unquestionably an old campaigner. Even in this noisome dark hole, dug under the ground, she manages to make herself comfortable.

HER ADVENTURES.—Lady Sarah's adventures were exciting, sometimes amusing, and often spiced with considerable danger. It was on Thursday that she left Mafeking. She arrived at Setlagolia Hotel that night. Before morning she was aroused by a rattle of musketry and the boom of guns. It was Capt. Nesbitt, of the Mashonaland Mounted Police, now a prisoner in the hands of the Boers, who was fighting desperately, unable to get back or to go forward, but holding the wrecked armored train until the last. As soon as daylight would allow, Lady Sarah picked up the pieces of the wreck and photographed the wreck. Finding that her presence at Setlagolia exposed her to insults, the Boers moved her to Mosuti, where she enjoyed the hospitality of a Colonial farmer. By means of heavy bribes, she persuaded natives to carry information to and fro.

WILD BOER GUESSES.—Extraordinary stories regarding her were circulated among the Boers. One was that she was the wife of an English general; another that she was a grand-daughter of the Queen, who had come to spy on the doings of the Boers; and a third that she was the only male survivor of Mafeking, having escaped in the guise of a woman. Lady Sarah visited Vryburg. She was driven there by a young Boer, who passed her off as his sister. She found loyalists, who gave her official despatches and news. She stayed in the hotel all day, and stole out by night to do some shopping. On visiting the hospital, she found that orders had been issued that no one should leave the town. The gallant Boer had to answer some curious questions put by the landrover before he could get permission for himself and his "sister" to leave. They set out at 4 o'clock in the morning, in fear of being recognized, and got safely away.

After the Boers discovered that she had been mixed up in a despatch running, she went to Commandant Smyth's camp with a view of getting back to Mafeking or even to Setlagolia. He proposed sending her to Zerst as a prisoner of war, or as a "sister" alternative to release her, if Viljoens, a horse thief and suspected spy, were given up by the British.

At first she refused to ask Col. Baden-Powell to do this, but finally she changed her mind. Lady Sarah gathered, from her varied experiences among the Boers that they are heartily sick of the war.

Aguineldo's wife and family have surrendered to the Americans.

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## ALL STILL QUIET.

Boers Forming New Laagers  
Along the Tugela and Modder.

Contract Let for the Re-building of  
the Tugela Railway Bridge—  
War Notes.

London, Tuesday, Jan. 2, 4 a. m.—At Modder River, the Boers appear to be modifying somewhat their line of defence. Gen. Buller's scouts have discovered a Boer camp established in the vicinity of Springfield, south-west of Colesburg, by a Free State commando. A similar move has been made at Modder River. A large force of Boers, it is reported, has formed a new laager about fifteen miles down the stream at Kamieshoek.

Heliograph reports from Ladysmith show that all is well on Dec. 31. The bombardment was being continued, but its intensity had relaxed. An official despatch from Ladysmith confirms the report backed yesterday that several members of the Devonshire Regiment were severely wounded by the explosion of a Boer shell in the mess tent.

A new armored train has reached Gen. Buller from Durban.

A Cape Town despatch says that an exchange of prisoners is under consideration.

The entire seventh division will have sailed from England by Jan. 11. Lord Wolseley, reply to a correspondent, who had asked for information regarding British artillery, wrote: "Our field artillery is at least as good as any field artillery in Europe."

A British firm, according to the Daily News, after keen competition with several American firms, has secured the Government contract for the new seven-span bridge over the Tugela River at Colesburg. The firm is working night and day to complete the order.

The Fenians are reported to be storing large quantities of dynamite and lyddite along the borders of Maine and Vermont.

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## WORTH KNOWING.

There are over 10,000 villages in Russia where no school exists.

A recent census in Paris shows that there are no fewer than 17,735 doctors in that city.

The value of the fruit consumed in Great Britain every year is estimated at £10,000,000.

There is a "ready-made" tailor in Sheffield who has this advertisement outside his shop: "Wear our 21s Suits and you will have a fit."

While the number of children and youth in the United States is 21,082,472, the total enrollment of American Sunday schools is but 9,718,432.

German Anthony Comstock's has had photographs of Lucas Cranach's "Adam and Eve" and Adrian Van der Werff's "Diana and Callisto" removed from Stuttgart shop windows.

Duke Karl Theodor of Bavaria, the ecologist and brother of the late Empress of Austria and of the ex-Queen of Naples, has just celebrated his silver wedding at the castle of Tegernsee.

Klaus Groth, the Pindemuth poet whose verses encouraged Fritz Reuter to write in his native dialect, recently celebrated his eightieth birthday. It is twenty-five years since Reuter died.

A gold cross of honor has been given to a Berlin cook, Johanna Mock, by the Empress Augusta for fifty-five years' faithful service in one family. She was passed on from mother to daughter.

In nearly every street in Japanese cities is a public oven, where, for a small fee, housewives may have their dinners and suppers cooked for them.

The proposal that the German empire should contribute \$12,000 towards the Goethe monument in Strasbourg has met with determined opposition in the Reichstag.

Herr Pollock, a well-known engineer and electrician, at Vienna, is said to have discovered a means to telegraph 60,000 words per hour over a single wire.

According to statistics gathered regarding the bubonic plague, it is established that there have been 250,000 deaths recorded in India since its beginning. These figures, however, are undoubtedly far below the actual total, as the natives are known to have concealed many deaths.

It is not generally known that the remains of all the Czars of Russia since Peter the Great lie in a memorial chapel built on one of the islands of the Neva. All the cenotaphs are exactly alike, each being a block of white marble, without any decoration whatever. The only distinction by which one is marked is the name of the deceased Emperor.

Miss Blunt, a great-granddaughter of Lord Byron, was lately married to Neville Lytton, a member of the Bulwer-Lytton family. After the wedding at Cairo the couple rode ten miles across the desert to her father's place, near Heliopolis, where they were welcomed by a troupe of Arabs and Bedouins, who, in honor of the festival, roasted a whole flock of sheep.

Judge Davis, a new occupant of the bench on the Lafayette county (Mo.) circuit, has set aside the long followed practice in that jurisdiction of locking up juries. At the conclusion of the evidence and argument in a criminal case a day or two ago the judge said: "Mr. Sheriff, show the members of the jury to their room, and give them the key and let them lock themselves in. There is no more reason why a jury should be locked up than that a judge should when he is considering a case."

One of the oldest milestones to be seen in the museum at Leicester, England. It is a cylindrical block of sandstone, roughly inscribed with an abbreviated statement to the effect that it was erected during the emperorship of Caesar Hadrian, son of Trajan, conqueror of Parthia. It also says: "Leicester, two miles."

The Hadrian milestone was discovered over a century ago beside the ancient Fosse way, and narrowly escaped being converted into a lawn roller by the unromantic and practical funder.

## SALUTES OF RULERS.

Emperor William is one of the two European monarchs who delight in a hearty handshake. He has a strong grip, and the person honored by him with a clasp of the hand it apt to remember the dignity thrust upon him. William usually kisses royal friends. When he visits or is visited by a monarch he kisses him three times on each cheek.

Under no circumstances will Franz Josef of Austria shake hands with anybody except brother sovereigns. A nod and kindly smile is all he ever vouchsafes the most distinguished of his subjects.

Nicholas of Russia shakes hands with no one but a fellow monarch. Relatives he kisses on the forehead. Every one who comes to see the king of Italy finds a handshake and hearty greeting if the king likes him. Humboldt is a democratic king.

Sweden's king does not like official handshaking, and rarely gives one of his ministers his hand. When he is off the throne and free to be himself he is different, however, and shakes hands as heartily as one of his own subjects.

Only with relatives will Queen Victoria shake hands. Outside her own family she occasionally gives her hand to be kissed. The Prince of Wales, on the contrary, likes to shake hands, and always offers his hand to the person who is introduced to him.

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## BALDOON.

The Christmas entertainments of this section were all very successful. Mitchell's Bay, first in order, with enough snow to make a sleigh slip along well, a glorious moonlight night a full house and a splendid program, with refreshments during the evening, will prove a bright spot in the memory of those who were fortunate enough to be present. W. S. Bell, school teacher, had the children in splendid shape for singing, and the girls of the paragon also took part. Proceeds, \$15.

Oldfield S. S. Xmas tree was in full bloom when we got there, and the choir and two orchestras, and the children with their singing, under the training of their teacher, Robert Watson, their recitations, and a couple of tableaux, filled in a very pleasant evening. Then came Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus on the scene, and plucking the various kinds of fruits from the well-laden tree, every child and a number of others were very kindly remembered. Before closing, three cheers were given for our beloved Queen, and a tiger for our brave Canadian boys in South Africa. Proceeds, \$15.31.

For some time the young people of Grace Church school had been practicing and preparing for their Xmas arch and concert, and on Wednesday evening, Dec. 20, when the curtain rose, they were greeted by a full house. Expectation had been running very high, and every one seemed bent on having a good time, and every number on the program was well carried out. The host-black with his song, "Shine, Sir," the six little fairies in the doll drill, the sixteen young ladies in the fan drill, the orchestra in full numbers with up-to-date music, and all who took part, may congratulate themselves in furnishing a first-class entertainment. Noted as this place is for ability, those who have lived here most of their lives say it was the best of the kind ever held in the place. A very unanimous vote of thanks was tendered Mrs. Haylock for her work in preparation. The national anthem was sung right royally, and three cheers for our gracious sovereign and her Canadian troops were given. The proceeds netted \$31.35, and will go towards the new organ fund.

Rev. Mr. Haylock and Rev. Mr. Currie exchanged pulpits on Sunday last, but the unfavorable weather brought slim congregations. Mrs. Angus, on Baldoon St., as they were welcomed by a troupe of Arabs and Bedouins, who, in honor of the festival, roasted a whole flock of sheep.

The suggestion is gaining ground that the S. S. repeat their Xmas concert at Easter. Many say it was well worth a quarter.

Watch night services will be held in Grace Church on Sunday evening next, commencing at half-past ten. The old custom of watching the old year out and the new year in, is one dear to thousands, and we hope to see a good congregation unite in this last service of the year.

Our teachers, Messrs. Bell and Wilson, have gone to their homes for the vacation, and our best wishes follow them.

The principal of the Bear Line Academy, had a very enjoyable concert a few days ago, and the children took occasion to present their teacher with a very beautiful Xmas remembrance.

A plan of Sabbath school visitation for the township by the workers in the churches, is being prepared for the winter months, which we think will be of very great benefit to all concerned.

Some 34 of our sportsmen are doing their level best in depleting the snare traps, and a big oyster supper will be the wind-up.

## LOCAL BRIEFS

Frank Goone, of Detroit, spent New Year's with relatives in the city, and returned home last evening.

Jas. H. Broad and Miss Hattie Broad, son and daughter of J. W. Broad, of this city, left for their respective schools to-day. Jas. H. Broad takes the school at McKay's Corners and Miss Hattie Broad assumes charge of No. 19 Sombra township.

Two girls drove into the city Saturday, using a warm brick to keep their feet hot. When they arrived in the city they found that their skirts had been badly burned. The girls knew no one in the city, so they got the lively man to make their purchases for them and they returned home.

Miss Hattie Leocoe, of this city, and Chas. Vinco, of Walkerville, were married in Windsor on Dec. 23rd by the Rev. Mr. Tolmie. Miss Leocoe was one of Chatham's popular young ladies, and her many friends wish her success in her future life.

Alice and Edith Neilson, of this city, had an unusual experience on Sunday. They were driving home from Muir and saw a lantern in the front of the buggy. The lantern set fire to their dress and the glove was turned from one of Miss Edith Neilson's hands. With great presence of mind the girls threw out the lantern and put out the fire. Their dresses were badly burned, and in addition Edith's hand was scorched.

Miss Edith Northwood, who for the past year has been teaching the Buxton school, went on a visit to Chicago this Christmas. While there she secured a situation in the schools at Evanston, a suburb of Chicago, at a salary of \$700 per annum. Miss Northwood is a graduate of the Collegiate Institute and an exceedingly clever young lady. Her many Chatham friends will be pleased to hear of her success. Miss Broadbent takes Miss Northwood's position at Buxton.

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Kenmore, Dec. 27.

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In conclusion I would say that Dodd's Kidney Pills are all and even more than is claimed for them. If there is of any benefit to the proprietors in any way they are at liberty to make use of it as they may deem advisable.

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