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# SHOPPING Men Jostling Each Other in the Rush to go tolthe Front.

success in South Africa, namely, 10,000 mounted infantry. This morning the War Office issued an order to the ef-fect that the Government had decidfect that the Government had decided to raise for South Africa a mounted infantry corps to be called "Imperial Yeomany," and to be recruited from yeomanry, volunteers and civilians possessing the requisite qualification. Enfistment will be for one year, or during the continuance of the war. The men must be between 20 and 35 years of age, and of physique equal to the ordinary cavalry soldier. equal to the ordinary cavalry soldier. Officers are to provide their own horses and to wear neutral tint closeshooting jackets, not necessarily uniform, felt hats, breeches and gaiters.

All must be good riders and marksmen. The same order invites every

men. The same order invites every volunteer regiment that is link d with a regular battalion serving at the front to supply a full company, which will take the place of the mounted infantry of the regiment. These arrangements are expected to result in a considerable force. The enrolled force of the yeomanry force, which

force of the yeomanry force, which originated in the troublous period of the French revolution, is now 10,433. Their services have never been called

unteers and yeomanry are responding to the call to arms. Lord Chesham, commanding officer of the Royal Buckinghamshire Yeomanry, is to com-mand the force of 3,000 yeomanry which he has been authorized to one ganize for service in South Africa. Earl Dudley and other titled officers will accompany him. Some of the papers express considerable misgivings at the troops going from India to South Africa. They think the risk too great and that it may lead to two continents being ablaze instead of one. Ninety per cent. of the members of the Honorable Artillery Company of London have volunteered for service London have volunteered for service in South Africa. Two-thirds of the Inns of Court volunteers, composed of barristers and solicitors, have likewise tendered their services. The govern ment of New South Wales has decided to send a field hospital corps and

to send a field hospital corps and a battery of artillery to South Africa in addition to the mounted contingent.

The Lord Mayor of London, Mr. Alfred Newton, is raisin, and equipping a force of a thousand volunteers among the city corps. The large city firms are contributing the necessary expenses. Col. Sir Charles Howard Vincent, commandant of the Queen's Westminster Volunteers, has also of Westminster Volunteers, has also of-fered to raise a regiment of 1,000 pick-ed marksmen. The enthusiasm of ed marksmen. The enthusiasm of volunteer enlistment continues, and promises to give the Government ample material. Mr. R. and Kip-ling addressed a gathering at Rot-tingdean last evening, called for the

and expect to be able to make it pub-lic some time to-morrow. The contin-tingent ought to be ready to sail with-

of the contingent will be three field batteries, and the balance mounted

infantry, making in all about 1,000. Among the mounted infantry will be

mounted police and ex-policemen.

Capt. Hudson, of Chicago, formerly a scout in the Northwest rebellion,

offers his services, as does also Joseph

Brant, a descendant of Chief Brant, from Brantford Indeed, from all over

Canada comes offers of services with Canadian forces. Battery men here

Canadian forces. Battery men here have made up their minds that one of the batteries will be mobilized in Ot-

tawa, another in Kingston, and the third in Quebec. The troops will mobilize at Halifax,

from where they will embark. The minister of millitia states that noth-

ing had been done as to the commander, although the name of Lieut.-Cold

kon, where he was in command of the military force there, has been men-tioned. He is regarded as a very cap-

Offers are pouring in from every

roops of cavalry and other corps ar

Evans, who is returning from the

ble officer.

ity in Canada.

It is believed that the compos

A HEARTY RESPONSE. The papers are full of stories, showing the cuanimity with which the vol-

THE SECOND CONTINGENT WILL

AND MAY BE ALL MOUNTE!

Lean, commander 62nd Fusiliers, tast

evening received a cablegram from his son, Lieut. Weldon MacLean, of

his son, Lieut. Welden MacLean, of the Canadian contingent. The mes-sage was dated Belmont, Dec. 19th, and contains the words: "All Well." Read from a code arranged between father and son before the regiment sailed, the cablegram indicates that the Canadian regiments have had a brush with the Boers and that none of

the New Brunswickers have been in-

THE NEW CONTINGENT .

Ottawa, Dec. 20.—The cabinet was in session all yesterday afternoon. The meeting was for the purpose of ranging the details of the second natingent. When the time for adjearnment was reached Dr. Borden told the thing to say, as the full arrangements were not completed. Some matters of detail had to be arranged, and until that was done no official announcement would be made.

"One thing is certain," said Mr. Borden, after refusing to say anything respecting the composition of the

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houses. Phone 181.

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This contingent, "that merit and special fitness for the service will be the only passports to be appointed members of the contingent. No other consideration will perfect the training that the will be no difficulty in raising the contingent. Indeed, I have the whole program mapped out in my own mind and expect to be able to make it pub-Two fit cent. will be added to al aid up to 31st inst., which do per cent. will be added.
Wm. Rad collector.

KENT BRIDGE.

Mrs. John Ridney, who has been ail-Miss Blanche Campbell, Ridgetown,

has taken the position as teacher of our school during 1900,
Miss Josie Trumpes, 8th con., spent a few days in Kent Bridge, last week.
The Xmas school entertainment to be held here on Wednesday evening. Dec. 20th, no doubt will eclipse any-thing which has ever been held here before. Miss Mary Beatie has under-taken to train the school children for

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30 pair Blankets, pure white, heavy weight, extra large size, fine soft finish, handsome borders, a bar-gain at \$3 00, special at......\$2 69

Just now we are showing exceptional values in fine table wear, extra quality double damask, pure dew bleach, satin finish, in very choice patterns, full 2 yds. wide, special

extra heavy pure linen, choice designs, special at...

Heavy Union Damask, 58 in. wide, in neat designs, special at....
3 dez Children's Wool Boss, 36 in.

Ladies' Gauntiers, gray and black Astrachan (imitation lamb) kid palm, extra quality lining, special at

### Table Linen

# Silk Seal Gauntlets, extra quality, fine ktd facings, flaenel lining, with fall size caffs, special at...\$1.25

Electric Seal Gauntlets, choice quality satin lined cuffs, fine kid fac-

Fur Capes, fine Bokharan kid capes, 30 in. long, bright a full sweep, deep sto silk lined throughout, works

stralian Goat Capes, 25 and 27 in. long, high storm collar, quilted Italian lining, clearing at \$7.95

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Wishing You all a Very Merry Christmas

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### The Planet.

PAILY AND WEEKLY

Chatham Ont. A GOOD DEAL OF TRUTH IN THIS

Col. Chapelle, editor of one of the leading French military journals, says: "The war this year has disclosed three things. It is shown that the Boers are being directed by men who have studied closely the conditions in South Africa, for nearly every mishap which has befallen the British has been mainly due to superior knowledge of topography on the part of the Boers.

Second, the Boers appear to have studied particularly the art of strategy, which has mostly been abandoned by civilized nations.

"Finally, the Boers are less selfconfident than the British. Conse quently they have gone into the struggle with more spirit to perform what is regarded as impossible. The English troops seem to have thought they were dealing with half-civilized foes or barbarians, like the dervishes, and were drunk with a sense of their own power. This is why they are so often taken by surprise.

THE EMPIRE IS ALL RIGHT.

What nonsense it is to talk about the Empire being in danger from foreign enemies. Foreigners cannot invade the mother land as long as she has her fleet to protect her coasts, and the mother land would not feel compelled to accommodate other countries with an invasion, even if at war with them, until she was at liberty in South Africa. Then, again, is the worst came to the worst, England has the money to purchase friendship. True, it would not .be a very desirable friendship, perhaps, but it would serve the purpose for the time being of confounding any conspirators who might seek her undoing. There are many poverty-stricken Muropean nations who would willingly do much for a wealthy friend, and be glad of the chance. As a matter of fact, the real strength of the Empire lies in the loyalty of her colonies. As long as she retains this she need care little for European hostility, and there is no danger of her losing colonial respect as long as she persists in her policy of crushing those two little pestiferous republics off the map of the African continent.

BE GENEROUS FOR ONCE, AT LEAST.

There are few people in business in this city who cannot afford to spare a dollar to buy some deserving family a Christmas or New Year's dinner. The fact remains, however, that many who can afford to do so, don't. Yeu it is probably not meanness that prevents them. In most cases they do not know where to find the deserving family or how to expend the dollar they would otherwise willingly give. Possibly their wives or the ladies of their church, or the ladies of the Home might help them out in this respect. It is well to remember that it is not always those who seek assistance who need it most. And, unfortunately, the people who do not seek assistance, but at the same time require it, are the hardest to get at. (Scafter the dollars and the Christmas cheer, and let them light where they may.

Then, again, the public at large should give liberally this Christmas season to all charitable institutions for the support and care of the help-

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Dates,	for	25

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less and indigent. The homes, the hospitals and other institutions appeal strongly to us all, and doubtless their

SUGAR MAKES MUSCLE

If you desire to be strong and have good nerves, eat sugar. That is the view of the surgeons and generals of the German army, after careful experiments on the men under their charge. The repor: of Professor Pfuhl, formerly associated with Professor Koch, and who is now at the head of the physiological laboratory of the German army, states that a sugar diet increases the muscular power in a comparatively short time, and in a considerably shorter time than white of egg, the effect of which, however, is more lasting, though sugar has the advantage of being cheaper. The extraordinary rapidity with which sugar is absorbed by the body explains the rapid effect on the nervous system, which is of the greatest importance in all cases where a speedy bodily recuperation is desired; as, for instance, in long distance marching. Professor Pfuhl, in a series of successful experiments with sugar on his own person, has found that after long walks, three or four lumps of sugar removed all feelings of lassitude, and to a certain extent, restored elasticity in the muscles, this effect being frequently produced in the short space of a quarter of an hour. He is of opinion that artificial substitutes for sugar, such as saccharine, etc. have not all the same effect. Professors Senator and Munk, eminent physiologists of the Berlin University, have come to the conclusion that sugar has a high nutritive value as the purest and most easily

soluble hydrate of carbon. SOME BLOODY BATTLES.

The London Times shows that compared with many former battles the Modder River engagement was not a particularly bloody one. Lord Methuen's telegram after the battle at Modder River told us it was one of the hardest and most trying in the annals of the British army. To the ordinary mind a battle is hard and trying in proportion to the danger the soldier encounters and overcomes, and the only possible gauge by which that danger can be measured is the loss incurred in overcoming it It may be interesting to compare the action of Modder River with some

GRAND OPERA HOUSE army has been engaged in the present

Lord Methuen's force was about 6,500 strong. His losses, killed and wounded, were 475, or 71-4 per cen. The other figures given below are taken from a table published by Col. Henderson, professor of military art and history at the Staff College, in his "Life of Stonewall Jackson":-

Strength. Killed and Per Wounded. cent Wounded. cent.

Talavera, 1809......20,500 6,250 £ 30
Albuera, 1811.....8,200 3,900 7 48
Barossa, 1811.....4,400 1,210 27
Salamanca, 1812....20,000 3,386 £ 13
Quatre Bras, 1815.12,000 2,504 20
Waterloo, 1815.....23,991 6,932 £ 29
Firozshah, 1845...16,000 2,415 15
Sobraen, 1846 15,500 2,663 13 Sobraon, 1845...16,000 2,415 15 Sobraon, 1846...15,500 2,063 13 Chilia n w a l l a h, 1849 15,000 2,063 13 1849 15,000 Alma, 1854 ... 21,500 Inkerman, 1854 ... 7,464 Modder River, 2,002 2,357

1899 . . . . . . . 6,500 Lord Methuen's loss in officers was: Killed, 4; wounded, 19; total, 23. One battalion of British infantry entered the action at Salamanca with 27 officers and 420 rank and file; it had 24 officers and 342 rank and file killed and wounded.

The Berlin News-Record is up-to date with a Christmas number that is a credit to it.

How would it do for Postmaster Barfoot to try leaving the front doors omen all day Christmas and New Years for the convenience of box hold-

On Thursday next Frederick W. Butler, of Newark, N. J., will ship 500 eats to the Philippines on the order of Gen. Otis, who wants them for the protection of the government warehouse there from rodents. Mr. Butler advertised for cats, and now has the required number in his cellar, cats of all ages, sizes, colors and pedigrees.

The London, England, School Board has been considering the question of providing free dinners for underfed children in elementary schools. The argument used in favor of the measure is that since the people have undertaken the duty of paying for the education of the children of the working class they are also under the obligation of feeding the children when they are underfed.

We have received the initial copy of Le Journal, the new French Canadian daily published in Montreal. If the succeeding numbers are as good as the forst one, Le Journal will undoubtedly take its place as by far the best French Canadian newspaper in Canada. It is full of readable matter, its comments are timely, and its mechanical get-up shows its equipment to be up-to-date. As for its policy the Journal declares it is "Catholique, Canadien-Francais, Conservatuer."

A patriotic tabby gave birth to a lit ter of seven kittens in one of the pillars of the Dewey arch. An energetic New Yorker stationed himself on the corner of a crowded street and sold 250 alleged Dewey kittens at \$1.50 apiece before the police interfered and stopped the business. This shows how modern legal restraints tend to foster monopoly. But for police intervention every American citizen might have enjoyed all the pleasure of possessing an original Dewey arch kitten.

The Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph says :- "The most rabid anti-British cannot but admire the pluck displayed by John Bull amid all his reverses. Lord Beresford says the task was underestimated, and the heavy losses already encountered seem to justify this statement, but there is no thought of giving up the contest, and when it is ended there is little doubt that the British flag will fly over the whole of South Africa."

NOW IN THEM ALL.

Toronto Telegram

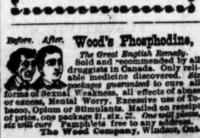
An appointment as county judge of Lambton, identifies D. F. Macwatt, Q. C., with the Ontario Judiciary about the only organization of which his Honor has not hitherto been a mem

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MOUNTEER'S

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Choice meas of all kieds: PURE PORK SAUSAGE FRANKFORT SAUSAGE BOLOGNA-SAUSGAE LIVER SAUSAGE mammeth Black Bear will be ibition on Wednesday next,



E. A. MOUNTEER,

action of Modder River with some ham, at Central Drug Store, C. H. other battles in which the British

CHIVALRY IN A CABLE CAR.

setor Proves a King Arthur and the New York chivalry may be work threadbare in spots, but every nov and then some great event, or trifling occurrence, gives proof that the warp and wool of it are still intact. One of the little things that proves the innate generosity of human nature occurred the other day in a southbound Broadway car near Union Square.

A hunchback was sitting well up to ward the front, immersed in the reading of a municipal report. A magazine and some Congress Blue books lay in his lap. His long, spider-like legs stretched almost across the car. His body was so short that a child on his right towered above him. But he was well dressed, and his disproportioned face and head sunk deep upon his shoulders, bespoke intelligence and education.

A heavy built man entered the car at Seventeenth street and sat at the dwarf's left. He had removed his cigar as he came in, but it was still smouldering, and as he held it between the fingers of his left hand, a dying and almost imperceptible wreath of smoke arose, and was blown across the little man's face. The dwarf dropped the report which he was reading and glanced up startled. His eyes fell upon the cigar which the newly arrived passenger still held. Then he raised a thin, piping voice in an angry cry of protest.
"Conductah! Conductah!"

The passengers glanced at him, but the conductor did not hear.
"Conductah, Conductah!" exclaim ed the little man again with his voice

raised in a shrill shrick of childish The conductor came back and stood before him. There was an expression of concern, almost deference, in his

face and attitude. "Yes, sir," he said. "Conductah," squealed the little man jerking his thumb at his big neighbor; "that man has a cigar. It offends me

Please remove him. The great size of the offender, the littleness and deformity of the dwarf the childish querulousness of his voice his important manner and imperious command combined to form an effect simply farcial. It was enough to make a theatrical audience roar with laughter, but in that Broadway car not a smile was visible. The passengers looked at the furious dwarf, and the only expression on their faces was one of commiseration and sorrow. The man with the cigar had a right to look angry, for by this time his cigar had gone out, but he only looked uncomfortable. The big conductor stood towering above the little man in the attitude of a schoolboy who expected

to be caned. "I-I can't put him out, sir," he said "His cigar's out!"
"I'll report you," piped the dwarf:

"we'll see if the company's rules are to be broken this way; I'll-But the big man with the cigar had removed to the opposite side of the car and the conductor was going out. Still nobody had smiled.

"Conductah, conductah!" squealed the dwarf again, and the conductor came back quickly.

'Yes, sir," he said. "Give me your numbah; 1 shall re-port you for insolence." By all the traditions of comedy this

sally should have aroused roars of laughter, but it didn't. The man with the cigar looked than before, and threw the blackened Havana out of the window, as though to destroy every vestige of a casus

The conductor gave his number and bent his head humbly, so that the dwarf could make sure of the figures. The little man jotted them down and then buried himself once more in his reading.

Everybody looked relieved. The

conductor withdrew quietly, the man whose cigar had caused the trouble followed him a minute later and furtively slipped his card into the conductor's hand. Not a man on that car showed the feelings which each of them felt. They saw the bitterness and scorn that filled the little creature, and pardoned him for it as part of his

"In those days," said a great poet, speaking of the age of chivalry which some people say is gone—"in those days no knight of Arthur's noblest dealt in scorn. But if a man were halt, or blind in him scorn was allowed, as part of his defect and he was answered softly by the king and all his table."

The Oath of the Boers. This peculiar solemn pledge was

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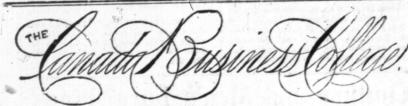
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Desiring to increase the building fund of a new church, the curate of St. John's, Felixtowe, hired a barrel organ, with which he edified the frequenters of the sands and promenade o such purpose that in three we he was able to collect some £15.

The curate of a Yorkshire parish is wont to raise the funds necessary for the relief of the coming winter's dis tress by delivering humorous "stump" orations on the sands of Scarborough while a Hampshire parson, for a like charitable purpose, "busks" as a negro at a large watering place. Of course, in both these cases, a perfect disguise is imperative.

More singular still was the means that a well-known south country rector, now deceased, once employed to raise money for the restoration of his church. For three months he traveled round with a booth wherein, under a professional sobriquet, he nightly delighted his audience with deft feats of magic and legerdemain. Unfortunately the matter came to the ears of his bishop, who promptly vetoed the continuance of the show.

For a clergyman to assume the role of a circus artist is surely most unusual, though Rev. A. T- did so under the following circumstances: A wealthy Lancashire merchant promised him £100 toward a charitable fund in which he was interested, conditionally, on his appearing as a performer at a circus which was then in the town. The parson, who was a young fellow with strong athletic tastes, closed with the offer, and on appointed evening gave a very the creditable display on the horizontal bar, followed by an act with the Indian clubs, which brought down the house.

Rev. Augustus Wix, rector of lbber. ton-by-Blandford, in Dorsetshire, who had met with scant response to an appeal for funds for repairing the church, resolved to adopt a novel method to gain his ends. With a bundle of sticks of his own making he took his stand in the market place of Blandford, and in two days cleared over five guineas by the sale of his

Lightning Killed Them While Driving.

Two brothers were killed in Tattenhall, Chester, England, by one stroke of lightning recently, and certain circumstances that surrounded the affair were so unusual that the attention of medical men has been called to it officially. The two men were driving in a dogcart in a thunderstorm when they seem to have fallen simultanepusly out of the back of the veh cle, tor they were found about five minutes after the flash lying side by side on the road with the seat of the dogcart under their legs and the driving apron over them. The elder brother had no external sign of injury. The younger brother was burnt over the chest and abdomen from the neck down, not con. tinuously, but in several circular holes from one-sixteenth of an inch to a quarter of an inch in diameter The metalic collar stud was fused and the skin beneath was deeply burned. An odor of burn tflesh pervaded he vicin. ity. The back from the neck down was burnt, but less severely than in Iront. The vest and shirt were marred, but the waistcoat and coat were uninjured. The woolen drawers and trousers had a hole burnt in them about two inches in diameter corresponding to a burn on the body. There were no other injuries nor were any of the clothes torn from either of the bodies. There was no rigor mortis an hour and a half after death. The watch of the men was going and seems not to have magnetized, as it has kept good time since. The cloth of the cushion on which the younger brother sat was burnt on its outer surface, but the wooden seat beneath was uninjured. The tailboard of the dogwart had the paint slightly singed immediately behind the younger brother; otherwise the vehicle bore no traces of the lightening. The horse was uninjured and trotted home of its own accord.

Locking Up at Gibraltar.

Perhaps the favorite sight of Gibraltar is the daily procession at sundown for the locking of the town gates. The keeper of the keys, looking very like a prisoner despite his uniform, marches through the town in the center of a military guard, preceded by a regimental band, which plays inspiring and familiar times. The keys, of enormous size, are borne aloft before him as an outward and visible emblem of the vigilance of Pritain in guarding

her prime military treasure. On arriving of the gates, the guard salutes, the martial strains stri. e up with a redoubled pean of triumph while the great doors slowly swing to, and are solemnly locked for the night Then right about turn, and the procession marches back to the convent to deposit the keys in the governor's keeping, conveying by its ; sange an assurance to the people and garrison that they may rest in peace.

Once the gates are shut it were easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for any unauthorized person to go into Gibraltar. Even a belated officer returning from pigsticking beyond the lines would be confronted by so many formalities, and the necessity of inconveniencing so many high personoges, i'it be would probably prefer to en ounter the discomfort of a Spanish inn with-



Little Sniffkins (who has been nearly drowned)—It was simply marvel-lous. As I sank for the third time all the incidents of my past life came vividly before me. Robertson (brutally) -I say, old chap, did you remember that fiver I lent you last year?-Tit-

"I am not at all certain," said the father, "that my daughter loves you sufficiently to warrant me in entrust-

ing her to your keeping for life."
"Well," replied the young man 'perhaps you haven't had the same advantages for observing things that I have."-Philadelphia North Ameri-

"I don't see," said the old man "why chopping wood isn't just about as good exercise and just as enjoyable as playing golf." "It is the walking between strokes that makes golf so valuable as exercise," explained "the boy "That equalizes matters and gives the legs the exercise that they need." Thus it happened that the old man went out into the yard and placed sticks of wood at intervale all around it after which he handed the boy an axe and told him to play the full course.-Chicago Post.

"Are you a bill collector?" asked Mr Slopleigh, suspiciously. "No," answered the weary and cynical young man, who had climbed four flights of stairs; "I've got a collection of bills that I'm trying to get rid of. I'm a promise collector."—Washington Star.
"He told his audience that he was Wholly unprepared." "Do you believe Yes, he had his speech in his pocket but he hadn't learned it."-Chicago Record.

Guest-You charge more for a por terhouse steak than you used to. Why is it? Proprietor of restaurant—I have to pay more for it. The price of beef has gone up. Guest-The steak is smaller than it used to be, too Proprietor-That, of course, is on account of the scarcity of beef .- Chicago Tribune.

"Doctor, a friend of mine has assured me that sucking lemons will prevent seasickness. Is that true?" "Yes provided you sit in the shade of a tall tree while you suck the lemon."

el, but let the moisture dry itself. In massaging the face, she says, rub very rently, so as not to move the skin, before "Murgatroyd was shockingly out of form at the reception last night." the crow's feet come, but after that the mucles will bear hard pressing. Never rub the cheeks inward, but always out-"He went there, with a what way?" high collar and a low handshake."-Chicago Tribune.

"I think it is perfectly horrid the way the Kilduffs make a display of their wealth," pouted Mrs. Billington. To clean a spice mill grind a handful "What have they done now?" asked Mr. Billington. "They have discarded Stone jars are better than tin boxes for their silver service and now use solid keeping bread during hot weather

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"What do you mean by printing my picture without my consent?" demand ed the aggrieved citizen. "Where?" asked the editor. "On the front page "My dear here, this morning." "My dear sir," replied the editor, softly, "that is a cture of a notorious horse thief."

jar that has ever had any kind of grease kept in it.

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A newly married editor gets off the following: "What's the difference be-tween a honeycomb, a honeymoon and their cure if they are heroic enough to a pretty girl? A honeycomb is a small cell, a honeymoon is a big sell and a pretty girl is a damsel."-Pickand position in which one spends a third of every 24 hours must have an effect up-en the figure.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

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"Banks is in a bad way financially." "All his money gone?" can't borrow any more."-Philadelphia North American.

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"I've come to tell you sir, that the photographs you took of us the other day are not at all satisfactory. Why. my husband looks like an ape!" "Well madam, you should have thought of that before you had them taken."—

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Customer-Have you the same razor you shaved me with two days ago? Barber (flattered)—Yes, sir; the same identical one. Customer-Then chlome first, please.-Chicago News.

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THE PROBABILITIES

G. N. W. Special. Toronto, Dec. 20-10 a m. - Strong south and west winds, fine to-day and to-morrow, with stationary or a little higher temperature.

Ladies house slippers from 250 air, at Cowan's. The civic board of works will hold a special meeting at two o'clock this

Stone the Hatter has a large range of ladies and gentlemen's fur gaunt-lets of every description, which he is selling at a sacrifice price. afternoon.

Boy's house slippers, 25c. a pair, at 5t Mr. Justice Robertson arrived in the

city this morning to hold the supple-mentary sittings of the assizes. Children's slippers, nice looking, and good to wear, for 25c. a pair, all 5t sizes, at Cowan's.

Cigars, 10 in box and up, put up expressly for Xmas trade, and a full line of smokers' sundries, at Bennett's, King street, opposite new Oddfellow's block.

The provincial board of health in its weekly statement respecting small-pox, reports that there have been in Basex county 184 cases. Of these 62 patients have recovered and 122 are sick. Young men's patent leather and fine kid dress shoes at Cowan's, from

No one has ever seen such bargains as are being offered at Stone the Hatter's bankrupt sale. Think of this before making your Christmas purchases. Stone the Hatter, Garner

House Block. 10
Friday, Dec. 15, T. Fisher, resident on lot 5, 2nd con., R. T., Harwich township, lost 23 shoats, apparently from some strong poison. No evidence can be traced to show how or where the poison came from, as no further losses have taken place. House Block.

Ladies fine slippers for evening wear; you'll see just what you want at Cowan's.

Briar pipes, with and without cases, cigar and cigarette cases and tobacco pouches, at Bennett's, opp. new Odd-tellow's block,

The public should bear in mind that they can get neckwear and mens fur-nishings at Stone the Hatter's for about half the price that they would pay elsewhere. In the model school examinations

only two candidates out of the twenty-four failed to pass. It was erroneous-ly stated that 22 out of 25 had suc-

Comfortable shoes for old ladies; nice line for the Christmas trade

Wm. Horn has leased VanAtlen's flats for use as a fishing ground. He has already begun operations and is batching some fine fish.

Dr. Careon, of Detroit, assisted by Drs. Hall and Tye, renoved a twenty pound tumor from Mrs. Chas. W. Ray-mond, of Mitchell's Bay, this morning. The operation was most successful, and the prospects of Mrs. Raymond being completely restored to health are very encouraging.

John Carr died suddenly Monday night at the Public General Hospitat, from heart disease. Mr. Carr was in his 78th year and was for many years a resident of this city. The remains were taken to Dresden for interment. Ladies overshoes, high buttoned, warm lined and waterproof, \$1.50 a

There is nothing that is more pleas-There is nothing that is more pleasing to a young man or more appropriate for an Xmas gift than one of the 2 T's beautiful Oxford mufflers in assorted colors or one of their new and specially imported neckties. These new Xusasties can be had in either puff, teck, imperial, four-in-hand or string styles and it is worth the time of any prospective bu; er to call at the Black and White Store and see them.

1000 Horse Bru-bes, at

Herse Blankets from .-

PERECT FIT

500 Curry Combs, at

Our Removal

A G eat S occas This Week we Offer

Cross-Cut Saws, Axes, Lanterns, Leather Mitts, all at

SALE PRICES. Remember the place.

Means more to some men than quality of material.

The fabrices we are showing are made from the best wool by the best mills and finished in a superior

We guarantee that the fit will be absolut ty c rrect.

manner at prices consistent with first class workmanship The patterns are new, attractive and refin d

They will sacrifice durability to style.

Gentlemen's slippers, best value, and biggest lot to choose from at

The fact that John Griffith, famil-

The fact that John Griffith, familiar to our readers in the character of Faust, takes the leading role in The Three Musketeers is a sufficient guarantee that it will be good.

There is nothing that makes a more useful or handsome present than an ebony hair brush, with a sterling silver mount. The Central Drug Store has them from \$1.25 up.

William D. Turner, harness maker, and Timothy J. Sullivan, formerly with Hugh McDonald, have volunteered for South Africa. Major Rankin forwarded their names to Ottawa.

Miss Mamie A. Hinde, daughter of Miss Mamie A. Hinde, daughter of Miss Mame A. Hinde, daughter with Rev. Wm. Hinde, St. Thomas, passed away in that city on Monday last. Miss Hinde had been in poor health for a year past. She was well known in this city, having been stenographer with Lewis & Richards for several

FOR CHRISTMAS DAY.

"Manager McVean deserves the thanks of the citizens for securing us some good amusement for Christmas day," said a local theatre-goer.
"Theatrical companies usually avoid Chatham on holidays some way, but this time we are to have two as fine comedies as will be seen in Canada. It is to be hoped there will be good houses so that in future holiday attractions may be encouraged to come

MRS. BOYES DEAD. Mrs. Ann Boyes, Lacroix street, assed away this morning at 2.30, in Mrs. Ann Boyes, Lacroix street, passed away this morning at 2.30, in her flat year. Mrs. Boyes survived her misband by about four years, Mr. and Mrs. Boyes came to Kent County about 50 years age from Montreal. They settled on the 14th con., Raleigh, but shortly afterwards purchased the Boyes farm at Charing Cross, where they lived until 14 years ago when they retired and built the house on Lacroix street, where Mrs. Boyes has since resided. A grown up family of four survive. four survive.

CARLYLE CAMP.

The annual meeting of Camp Carlyle, Sons of Scotland, was held on Tues-day evening for the despatch of regular business and the election of officers for the ensuing year. There were two initiations and a number of accounts were passed. The following officers were elected for the ensuing term:

Chief—Dr. F. W. Charteris.

Chieftian—Adam Taylor

Chieftian—Adam Taylor. Chapter—W. Robertson.

Recording Secretary-Jas. McLack Financial Secretary - Wm.
Treasurer Sec., H. Macaulay.
Marshal - Jas. Robertson.

Marshal—Jas. Robertson.
Stand. Bearer—W. L. Fife.
Senior Guard—Chas. D. McDonald.
Junier Juard—F. G. Charteris.
Physician—Dr. Charteris.
Trustees—W. Robertson, Robt. Ridle, John Cunningham and James

Waugh. Bro. Alex. McDougall was elected an honorary member.

The Cachp has decided to leave the rooms in which they are at present lo-



Candy for Should be above the ord, nary Christmas that you will make a big migrale if you do not come and let us show you what sice candy we can sell you. A one lb, b x Creams for 30c. I h boxe 10c. A large stock of fancy boxes and packages, especially adapted for haliday trade. Come in and see them.

W.S. PICHARDS KENT BAKERY

10c, 15c and 25c each

icc and isc each

50c to \$2 oo rach

Night Time.

# Reported to Have Been Recovered in the For Ladies

London, Dec. 20. - A special from Durban, Natal, dated Dec. 16, says it at midnight and brought in the guns, which were uninjured.

is rumored that Gen. Buller called for volunteers to recover the abandoned guns after the Tugela River battle, and that a party issued from the camp

Revised lists of the casualties at the battle of Tugela River show that 137 non-commissioned officers and men were killed.

BOERS COULD NOT REACH THE GUNS. London, Dec. 20. — It seems doubtful whether the guns that Gen. Buller abandoned at Colenso are in the possession of the Boers. According to a retreat, when the attack seemed about despatch from Durban, sent on the evening of the battle, the guns re-mained where they were left by the British troops and were covered by the heavy guns of Gen. Hildyard's brigade, occupying an entrenched po-

The despatch adds that the Boers have thus far not attempted to cross the river and carry off the guns, while advices from Pretoria under the same date say an official Boer despatch reports two guns, 13 wag ons and a quantity of ammunition captured, besides 208 prisoners. Further accounts of the Tugela river battle emphasize the ignorance of the British intelligence department in regard to the disposition of the Boer forces. The British were not aware

Others a Show,

Says Mr. Hoimes, in the Selection of

the Civic Rulers.

"Sag," said Sam Holmes, briskly hailing The Planet this morning, "I want some information."

"With pleasure. You came to the right source."
"No doubt, no doubt," but Mr.

Holmes spoke somewhat meditatively.
"Well I just want to know who this
Alexander McDougall is that holds the
civic corporation in his pocket."

civic corporation in his pocket."
"Then you don't agree with Mr. McDougall's ideas?"
"I didn't say that. But I'll tell you.
I don't believe in this one-man-runthe-town business. Now I don't
think Chatham alsogether belongs to
Mr. Sandy McDougall, do you? And
yet he seems to have cantered off with
a sublime notion that he does. Some
one ought to rouse him up a bit and

a sublime notion that he does. Some one ought to rouse him up a bit and just intimate that there are others—citizens and taxpayers of Chatham. Every man has a right to his own views and ideas, but I think it would be a kindly act to notify Mr. Mac.

that there are lots of people in Chat-ham who would just as soon he didn't

pick out all the civic governors for them every year. Just jog his mem-

CASES GO OVER

Owing to the illness of Mr. Justice Robertson, his honor Judge Belf presided at the supplementary sittings of the High Court, which convened this afternoon. On behalf of the accused C. J. O'Neill made a motion for the enlargement of the case of Queen vs. Milner for arson until the cart spring sitting of the High Court. W. R. Riddell, Q. C., for the crewn, consented on a renewal of the sail The cases of Robt. Duncan and Walter Beggs, for perjury were also traversed.

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DRESDEN

Dec. 20 — Miss Charlotte Jeffs, who has been ill with la grippe, is better and able to resume her duties on the

P. S. staff.
Harold McVean will return from Toronto where he has been attending the
University.

Examinations are being beld in the

The English church S. S. entertain

ment takes place to night. Admission 15 and 10 cents.
Miss Nina Waftie was in Chathau

Alf. Peate, of Chatham, was in lown

business yesteriay. Mr. Minifer, of Sarnia, is in town on

a little on the The Planet, will you?"

ing for both prisoners.

to succeed. The Boers were also in greater strength than anticipated.

A. Mafeking despatch describes a novel method of sending a message, adopted by some Boer, Dec. 4th. A five-pounder shell fired into the town that day did not explode. It was that day did not explode. It was opened and found to contain a letter, "Dear Powell (Col. Baden-Powell) Excuse iron messenger, No other means of communication. Please tell

Mrs. — mother and family all well.
Don't drink all the whiskey. Leave
some for us when we get in." The sender's signature was torn off General Buller cannot relieve Lady nith without assistance and Gen. Warren and the Fifth Division may go to his aid. This would bring his orce up to 32,000 men.

forces. The British were along that the Boers were entrenched along Stone the Hatter has just returned from Toronto, where he has purchased over \$500 worth of the finest necks wear ever displayed in the city. You must remember that you can get these goods for at least 25 per cent less than in any other store in the city. Mr. Macdougall Cught to Give

Gift

rees from 25c to \$3.50 Purses from 25 to \$5.
Portfolios from \$1 to \$5.
Party Fans from 40c up.
Chatelaine Bags, Shepping Bags,
Comb and Brush Sets. Manicure Seta. Handkerchief and Glove Boxes Hand Mirrors. Fancy Boxed Stationery.

For Men

Fountain Pens. Ink Stands.
Collar and Cuff Boxes.
Neckwear and Handkerchief Boxes.
Focket Diaries for 1960.
Walking Sticks.
Travelling Companions.
Bill Wallets, Pocket Books, etc.

For Boys and Girls

Winter Evening Games.
Picture Books, Mouth Organs,
Fancy Pen Holders,
Books of Adventure, Scrap Books.

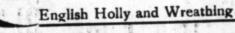
For Everybody

Books, Bibles, Hymn Books, Prayer Books, Albums, Stationery, Christmas Cards,



# Christmas Goods

Quality and Prices Right



## Candies, Oranges, Nuts, Dates, Figs, Raisins, Grapes

See our Windows for Prices. We have everything you may require.

Geo. S. Heyward

# Sulman's

# Beehive

GARNER HOUSE BLOCK

# loys and Novelties Mr. Minifer, of Sarnia, is in town on business. The following gentlemen's names have been mentioned as candidates for mayor for 1900:—Wm. Rudd, George Cragg and Wm. Ward. A scrap took place in Lintes' barber shop yesterday. Ed. Thompson, having imbibed too freely, started to wipe out the establishment. The proprietor on interfering was pushed through the window and sustained severe gashes on his hand. The council of 1839 held their last session last evening. There were present Mayor Sharpe and all counciliors except Messrs. Rudd, Warner and Badder.

**20th** Century Stock

Yuletide Gifts

A CALL SOLICITED

Open each night this week till 10 o'clock. Saturday night till 12 o'clock.

Sulman's

Garner House Block

# Canada, 51.50. Gift Giving Suggestions of Part Cont.

# Suggestions This Store Will Be Open

### Wednesday, Thursday and Friday Evenings

Xmas Novelties in Dress Goods Opera Shades

6 pcs. 42 in, wide all-wool Serges, in all the evening shades, such as light bus, pretty pink, nile green, bright green, cream, very pretty cloth for shirt waist or child's dress, very special 25c. 6 pcs. 44 in, wide all-wool Henrietta, in shades of pink, opera blue, cream, royal blue, cardinal and drab, very fine finish, cloth for waist or children's wear, have a look at them, very special 40c. 7 pcs. 45 in, wide, very fine all-wool Henrietta, in all the opera shades, such as pink, cream, opera blue, nile grees, helio, old rose, corn color, excellent bright silk finish, our special prices 50c. 3 pcs. only, fancy figured poplin, is cream, nile green, pretty pinks, beautiful cloth for shirt waist, come and buy a Xmas present, our special at 75c.

3 pcs. 42 in, wide, shot lustre, suitable for thirt waists, in cardinal and blue, fawn and blue, blue and cardinal, very pretty cloth and special at 25c.

3 pcs. 44 in, wide silk and wool faney poplin, in a pretty mixed coloring, such as cardinal and green, blue and green, pink and green, very special cloth for shirt waist or a fine dreen, you should

4 pcs. 48 in. wide colored poplins, in shades of bright green, royal blue, cop-per, brown, pearl gray, very desirable goods for special dresses, actual value \$1 25, our special prices \$1.00.

7 only, skirt lengths, in fancy plaid camel's hair cloth, the novelty of the season, no two alike, come and secure a skirt length, great value, our prices are \$5.25, \$5.50, \$6.25, \$6.75.

I only, dress robe with embroidered trimmings, complete, former price \$12, the last one for \$5.00.

4 specials, black brilliantine, the best silk alpace ever shown in the city, a rough finish cloth, very suitable for shirt waist, our special prices 35c, 45c,

## Clothing and Men's Furnishings Holiday Shoppers

Are now out in full force, they are finding us better prepared for them than ever before. A large stock to select from and extra clerks to ensure prompt attention to your wants. No matter to whom you intend giving a present you will find something pleasing here. From grandpa to grandchild all have been thought of, months have been spent in gathering together the most complete assortment of Ready-to wear Clothing and Men's Furnishings we bave ever shown Whether you intend purchasing or not we cordially invite you to call. These are a few suggestions, we haven't room to give more.

# What Austin & Co. Are Doing For Xmas Shoppers

Holiday Gloves

Just opened up, men's and boys' knit gloves, in black, special at 25c.

Men's and boys' kid gloves, in broand tan shades, all sizes, at 50c.

Men's special mochette and kid gloves, nice shades of brown, 85c and

Men's very fine kid and mochette ves, dressy, at \$1. Men's special silk lined gloves,

at \$1. Men's pure Mocha gloves \$1.50. See our men's and boys' sy yarn mitts, heather mix, fibe, 25c.

Holiday Umbrellas

A very nobby line of umbrellas, bought special for Christmas trade, pretty handles and nice cloths, 85c, \$1, \$1.50, \$2 and \$2.50.

Holiday Neck Scarfs

Handsome goods, in eilk and wool mix opers eilk, mercerized and cashmers, in dots, stripes and checks, 25c, 35c, 50c, 50c, 75c and \$1.

Holiday Neckwear 2-Special Counters-2

Showing our 2 prices in Xuas Neck-wear, all displayed so it is easy for you to see and select, slistyles, knots, four-is-hand, puffs, bows and string, see 'em. 25c and 50c.

Men's and Boys' Underwear

In fleece and wool, bought direct from the mills and sold at factory prices, see

Our Great Suit

Is pleasing everybody, prices that tempt you whether you went to buy or not, all high-class goods, the best values shows choice for \$7.50.

Men's and Boys' Dress Overcoats, prices and styles that distance all competition, blue and black beavers, chincillas, whipcords and novelty goods, \$5, \$6, \$6 50, \$7.50, \$8, \$10 to \$15.

Boys' 2 pc. and 3 pc. Suits that pleases the mothers pocketbook and makes the boys smile, all the new things, see values, for ages 5 to 16 yrs., \$1.48, \$1.98, \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3.50, \$4.50 to \$6.00.

Boys' Re fers

Boys' Odd Pants

Special line of boys' odd pants just-in, tweeds and fine English "serges, for-ages 5 to 16 years, at 75c and 50c.

Men's and Boys' Hats and Caps

Nobby and up to date styles, no fancy Prices.

Caps, 25c, 50c, 75c to \$3 50.

Hats, in federa and derby styles,...
\$1, \$1.50, \$2 to \$2.25.

See Our Collars, Cuffs and Shirts The best makers' goods, no fancy prices, swell patterns in colored goods, just opened up for Xuas trade.

Leading and Reliable Clothiers

Bargain Centra

# MORLEY & CO.

THE ASSURANCE OF

But why not have both?

The Leading Tailos

der.

Laird Bros. for \$252.10, and a fundle of small accounts were all passed by council and ordered paid.

A discussion followed as to whether they should pay Mrs. Ward, North Dresden, a weekly sum, Mrs. Ward having refused to go to the thouse of Refuge. It was decided to grant \$1.50 a week until different arrangements were made.

The council, considering the year's hustassi ended, moved a final adjourn agent.

# GORDON'S CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS GREETING VERY WELL Has Been the Money

The closing weeks of this month are always marked by a crush of Christmas trading. We therefor invite you to call and select at once. We are ready with a large and varied array of choice Staples and Fancy articles suitable for Holiday buying. Those who have a keen appreciation for GETTING THE BEST VALUE FOR THE LEAST MONEY will find our large stock new and desirable and at prices the lowest for qualities the best. The wise ones will do their Christmas shopping here.

## Bargains in Holiday Hdkfs

Lather Handkerchiefs Ladies' Hemstitched Embroidered Inittal Hdkfs, all linen...... 16c Ladies' Fine Hemstitched Hikfs, all linen, full faished..... Ladies' Embroidered Lawn Hdkfs, 10c, 15c, 18c, 20c and .....

Ladies' Embroidered Linen Hikfs, 25c to ..... Ladies' Lace Trimmed Hikfs, 12c Ladiee' Lace Trimmed, very fine Hdkfs,

Ladies' Hemstitched Hand Embroidered Initial Hdkfs, all linen, 16c to .. 25c Ladies' Lawn Hemstitched Handkerchiefs....

Children's White and Fancy Handkerchiefe lc to .....

HOLIDAY APRONS

Ladies' Lawn Aprons, 25c, 40c, Ladies' Aprons, with Bibs, 50c

Children's White Mother Hubbard, Aprons, 42c, 50c, 60c, 65c, 75c and 80c Children's Fine Gingham Dresses with yoke, embroidery trimmed, 50c

Children's Percale Dresess, with yoke embroidery trimmed, 80c and..... Something new in Lace Dresser Covers just received.

Men's Handkerchie's Men's all Linen Hand Embroidered

Initial Handkerchief ..... Men's Plain Hemstitched Hakfs, all linen, full finished, 16, 18, 20, 25, to 50 Men's Japanese Silk Initial Hdkfs, 250 to..... 50c

Men's Fancy, Colored border Japanese Hdkfs, 19c to..... Men's large Silk Muffl re, all colors and sty'es, and black, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1, \$1.35, \$1 50 and.....\$2.25

A large and complete assortment of Ladies' and Gents' fancy Plaids, Checks Parisian, Polka Dot and Oxford, Silk

MEN'S HOLIDAY NECKWEAR

Men's English Neckwear, Silk and Satin, beautiful Stripes, Checks and Figures, all colors.

Men's Imperial Four-in-hands, Puffs, Bows, Flowing Ends, Graduated Derbys in choice variety of colors, from 50c to...... 20c

HOLIDAY SPECIALS IN Men's and Boys' Suspeaders Silk Embroidered Suspenders, fancy goods in boxes, \$1 50 to.... 50c

Freat variety of Bracos for Young and old, from 25c to ..... Children's and Babies'-Mitt ne, Bootes

### DRESS GOODS

Nothing nicer for a Christmas Box than a Black Crepon Skirt Pattern, our Blistered Crepon at \$1 a yard are a wonder to our Special prices for two weeks in Fancy Dress Patterns.

Ladies' D.ess Ekirts, in variety, all colors and materials, \$5 to ...... Plaid Bias Skirts, heavy ..... \$1,50 Ladies' Tailor made Suits, in variety, \$10 

Ladies 4 buttoned Kid Gloves, good

Ladies' 4 pearl button Kid Gloves, tan

Fownes pearl fastened Kid Gloyes, tan

Ladies finest Mocha Kid Glove ......

abrella and Hypathia.

Ladies' 2 dome fasteners, colors ox blood navy, green, plum, tan and drab, Fownes Kid Gloves, warranted.... \$1

or drab, warranted .....\$1.25

Laced and buttoned Kid Gloves, Cha. truse

Ladies' Fancy Galters and Ladies' Hose

colors, tan and black ...... 50c

Holiday

### FINE FURS Finest Holiday Presents-Caperines of

every description, ranging in price from \$1 50 to \$35 00. Pursian Lamb and Sable combination Seal and Seble combination, Bear and Seal combination, Seal and Astrachen combination. Electric Seal and Tubet combination, Lynx, Astrachan, Fox, etc.

Fur Caps, Gauntlets, Muffs, Boas, Heads, Tails, Pelts, etc.

Fur Capes, Astrachan, \$18 \$17....\$12 Cloth Capes, Fur Lined, \$30 to ..\$12.50 Fur Coats and Jackets, from \$30 to \$22 E ectric Seal Jackets, dainty ..... \$35

Men's Lined Kid and Mocha Gloves,

50c, 75c and. ..... \$1

popular shades, \$1 and ..... 750

faced in variety, 260 and ..... 500

Special Xmas Underwest, Cardigat Jackets, etc.

Gore, But Not Forgotten.

We will meet you there, your chil-

Your worldly gears. You left your

dears, In their small years, with hopes and

Without your tears, what sadly vext the little dears.

Your voice so dear your mare can't

dear,
The loving kine, likewise the swine;
The lambs in time will miss you sair,
If they should loose their mother dear,
Wheeler, my dear, has not been here
So Gerry is clear for this New Year.

A plain slab almost so overgrown

with moss as to make the carving nearly illegible has these few pathetic lines cut in the marble:

A loving mother who lies here,
As ever left her children dear;
Heaven rest her soul, where'er she is
The wish of those left here.

The Daily Planet is on sale at J.

Babcock's Drug Store, where subscrip-tions will be taken, and the paper de-livered free to any part of the town.

Ask for Minard's and take no other.

Your featherly tribe the same,

dren dear, In a few more years, if the Lord so

wife, so dear, be of

fears,

Gents' Scarf Pins, Cuff Bottons, Collar

Men's Celebrated Kang sroo .......\$1.50

Men's Fur Lined Kid Gloves, selling at.....\$1,50

Men's Unlined Kid Gloves, the latest

Mens heavy Wool Mitts, knit, leather

Buttons, etc., in peerl or gold variety.

Holiday

Kid

## Christmas Silks and Satins

Handsome English Silks, bargains 50c for 25c, 75c for 50c, \$1 for 75c per yard, in plaids, stripes and brocades.

Japanese Silks, 27 in. wide, helio, pink, blue, red, etc .....

Satine, all shades, for fancy work or linings, etc..... 50

Special Peau-de-sole......\$1.00 New Tinsell Chiffon for dress fronts. Beautiful Silk Waists - For gifts, noth ing pleases your mother, sister, wife or daughter like one of these beauties, we sell them in all colors and black.....\$3.50 to \$5.00

Superb Eider Down-Conforters, \$5, \$10 and......\$15.00

HOLIDAY SPECIALS In Umbrelles

Nothing nicer for ladies and gents, a fine assortment from \$1.00 to.....

### DAINTY DOLLS

Fine long flowing haired dolls, 9 in. long for ..... 13 inches long, 9c. 16 inches long, 15c and 23 inches long for.

They are beauties Shopping Bags with pocket sook attach

Pockethooks, Card Holders, Noedle Cases, Bracelets, Combs, Brushes, Fans, Belts, Belt Buckles, Etc.

Dolls, Dogs and Brownies for studing, per yd.....

WHITE CROCHET QUILTS

And Marsalls Coverlids \$1, \$1.20, \$1.30, \$1 50, \$1 75, \$1.85,

in coloring and design, \$1, \$1 25 to \$2

adies Night Robes-In white long cloth, Lonsdale Cream, pink and fancy Fiannelette, lace and embroidery trimmed or plain, from 50e up Mer's Night Wear-In white twill cot-

ton braided at ..... 75c nnelette Night Shirts ...... 50c up Natural Wool Night Robes.

### HOUSEKEEPING LINENS

Two tone Oream Table Damask, 60 in.

ream Satin Table Damask, all widths and qualities, 3)c, 34c, 40c, 50c, 60c, to ......72c yd

Diced Table Damask, extra heavy, 60c 

White Satin Table Damack, with Nap

Pearl white Irish Linen Table Cloths, superb goods, \$2, \$2.75, \$4, \$3.50, \$4, \$4 50, up to.....\$13.50 each Table Napkins G eat bargains at 72c, \$1, \$1.35, \$1 50, \$1.80, \$2, \$2 25,

up to.....\$5.00 do Towels - Fine Damash, size 44 x 20, knotted fringe.....

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# BREVITIES FROM BLENHEIM. During Christmas

Holiday decorations in the churches are in order now for Xmas.

Miss McCornock's case against Dr. Bell, of Merlini for alleged assault is on at the police court to-day. The bright weather of yesterday brought crowds of people into town and Xmas shopping was booming. Robt. Shaw has been a subscriber to

The Planet for fifty years, and says he would be lost without its news. A wandering harper added to the music at last night's hop, making an enjoyable time to all those who at-tended.

Much surprise was felt yesterday when it was known that Fred Ander-son, of the L. E. & D. R. R4 was to sever his connection with the company at the first of the year. The business men of the town and the public gen-erally have always found Mr. Anderson kind and obliging. So much so, in fact, that Mayor Haggart, who was yesterday circulating a petition or tes-timonial in Mr. Anderson's favor, did not meet with a single refusal to sign. The following are the officers elects ed Monday night by the Lady Macca-

bees of Blenheim: Commander-Mrs. C. L. VonConter Lieut Com -Mrs C. N. Greenwood. Rec. Keeper-Miss May Bell.
Fin. Keeper-Mrs. E. Coburn.
Sergeant-Mrs. D. Clark.
Mistress-at-Arms-Mrs. Griffith.
Sentinel-Mrs. Witherford.

Sentinel—Mrs. W. R. Coburn.
Chaplain—Mrs. Wallin.
Past Com.—Mrs. W. Irwin.
Organist—Miss N. Tedford.
Capt. of Guard—Mrs. Jamieson. CRAWFORD BURYING GROUND. The following extract from the Gal

Reformer will prove specially interest-ing to the many Blenheimites who well know the old cemetery described: ing to the many Blenheimites who well know the old cemetery described:—
Stephen G. Moffatt, of Beverly, has been enjoying a visit in Kent county and taking in the sights of that wonderfully prolific agricultural district, with its thousands of acres of corn in shock, and beans just harvested, and in wheat, so different to our own bare fields at this time of the year. While being driven through southern part of Harwich township by his cousin, County Councillor C. L. Vongunten, Mr. Moffatt was taken to an old cemetery, called the Crawford burying ground, where they read some of the queerest epitaphs ever carved in stone; even "Old Mortality" would of the queerest epitaphs ever carved in stone; even "Old Mortality" would have wondered at the sentiment ex-pressed. One old moss-covered slab had this inscription to all who stood and

My dear friend, who now stand; by, As you are now so once was I,
As I am now so you must be,
Therefore prepare to follow me. Another read :

A faithful friend, a companion dear. A tender mother lieth here, Great is the loss that we sustain, But hope in Heaven to meet again A large marble monument had these lines inscribed: O! O! Thomas has gone and left us



# to lament. But we hope to meet him in a future day, where parting will be no more.

But the one that struck us most was on a large marble slab right alongside a newly made grave, where the husband, who had had the follow-Our Tremendous Stock of Clothing will be sold at ing rustic sentiment carved to the memory of his wife, many years ago, last Saturday was quietly laid at rest quick selling prices. Overcoats, Ulsters, Suits, Per Jackets, Leather Coats, Odd Vests, Odd Pants, Etc. beside her:

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Xmas entertainment Victoria Avenue Amas entertainment victoria Avende Methodist Sunday school Thursday evening, 21st inst. Kmas tree, chorusel, etc. Come one and all, parents, and friends. Admission only ten, cents. 21.

TO HANG OR NOT TO HANG. Hon. David Mitls has received from the Sheriff of Brandon additional information regarding the case of Hilda Blake, the murderess, who is sentenced-to be hanged on Dec. 27. As already: to be hanged on Dec. 27. As already-stated in this correspondence, the con-vict has alleged since her condemna-tion that a certain man who wronged her promised to marry her if she mur-dered her mistress, Mrs. Lane. This story was disbelieved, but it was stated by the convict that she had document-ary evidence in the form of letters from the man in question to the effect from the man in question to the effects indicated. Hon David Mills has ascerindicated. Hon David Mills has ascer-tained by telegraph that these letters-do in reality exist, and/has telegraphed to the Sheriff of Brandon to send them to Ottawa immediately. They should arrive by Tuesday, and upon the opin-ion formed on them by the Minister of Justice will depend very largely whe-ther Hilda Blake's sentence will or will-not be carried out

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Lieut. Clare B. Schreiber, a nephew of Collingwood Schreiber, deputy min-ister of rallways, was killed in the battle at Tulega river.

# To the Electors of Ward No 8

Ladies and Gentlemen: Trespectfully solicit your vote and influence for school trustee. GEORGE T. McKEOUGH.

To the Electors of Ward No 3 adies and Gentlemen

At the request of a number of rate-payers, I am a candidate for the po-sition of School Trustee in your ward, and I will esteem it a great favor to have your vote and influence. Yours sincarely,

To the Flectors of Ward No 4 Ladies and Gentlemen :

Your vote and influence is respect fully solicited for John Holmes for Public School Trustee.

To the Blectors of Ward No 4. Ladies and Gentlemen

Ladies and Gentlemen:

fam again a candidate for School
Trustee in No. 4 Ward, and respectfully solicit your support in the coming election. Having served on the
board faithfully for several years, my
record, I trust, will appeal to you
on my behalf. I trust you will see fit
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Has Been the Money Frem the Various Enterainments.

Qiven by the Ackeough School A Statement From the Trustee of Ward No. 5.

The McKeough school teachers fee it due to the public who have so geerously patronized school extertal; ments in the past that a stateme showing the purpose to which the pro ceeds are applied should be rendered them. We, the undersigned trustee them. We, the undersigned trustees of ward 5, have carefully audited the books of the treasurer, Miss Abram, and have feund a correct and very full account of all receipts and expenditure, but to lengthy for publication. We also find that over \$800 has been expended on the school by way of im-provements or necessities, and consist-ing of the following sums—not one ent of which has ever come out of the public funds:-

Band stand \$27. Lamps \$4.80. Lanterns \$2 50. Painting hall floors \$1.50, Piano cover \$3 14. Library table \$5. Linoleum for office and library \$17. Pictures for balls \$24.15. Flags for decoration, etc., \$25.67. Large flag and staff \$35. Curtains for windows \$25.46. Cork matting for hall floor \$31. Lipoleum for upper hall \$52.80. Flowers for flower-beds for ten years

Shed \$100. Piano \$155. Prize-books for pupils for four years

Total \$805.14. The band has also been liberally fur-

The band has also been liberally furnished out of these funds with music and tuition, this being its only source of revenue, the money for etgagements going to the boys themselves. After every liability has been met there is a balance still on hand of \$75 which will be expended in draining, raising and gravelling the play-ground.

We would also state that the books giving an itemized account can be seen at any time in the school library where they will also be open to the scrutiny of the public. A certified copy of the accounts is now on deposit with T. C. MacNabb, secretary and treasurer, for the benefit of the public school board. school board

The teachers desire to thank the public for their hearty co operation in their past enterprises and trust that the money has been spent in such a way as to merit their support in the future.

All of which is most respectfully JOHN M'CORVIE,
JOHN E. JOHNSTON,
Trustees and auditors.
Chatham, Dec. 19th, 1899.

\$7.50, \$10, \$12, and \$15 are the prices at The 2 T's for the New Method Suite

### TILBURY.

Dec. 20. - George McLeod, of Phitipsburg, Kaneas, arrived here yester-day on a visit at his home.

Miss Laura Ainelle and Mr. Heno
will be married to day by Rev. T. Dob-

mother, Mrs. Geo. Chalmers, Middle, Rhad.
Ed. Leguin will open a grocery store
in L. Laplante's old stand.
A. Beamer has returned from a short
visit at his home in Guelph.
Will Warnock, of Tilbury North, returned yesterday from the States.

Wood for sale.—Blonde Bros. & Co., have for sale a large quantity of hard and soft wood.

Rev. J. G. Shearer, of Hamilton, has been offered the position of field secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance. He is considering the offer.

While Dr. S. M. Jenkins was being tried for murder at Dallas, Texas, the brother of his alleged victim shot the prisoner dead in the court-room.

The Lake Medad Cement Company is asking a bonus of \$8,000 from the corporation of Watertown to establish its plant there.

The National Cycle Company has begun the work of moving the machinery from the Indiana bicycle plant in Indianapolis to Hamilton.

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# John McConnell

### **EXPANSION**

Met a feller t'other mornin'-Most amusin' sort of cuss; Had a cur'us style about him-Cer'tnly couldent well be wuss, I says "Where you hail f'm, pardner? An' he smiled in a knowin' way, An' replied in forrin lingo, "Porto Rico, U. S. A."

Seen a feller down on Broadway, With a shockin' head of hair, An' a lot of tropic garments, An' a most outlandish air;

"Whur's he frum?" a feller shouted, An' before we'd time to say, This yere heathen turned an' ans'rd: "Honeyluluer, U. S. A."

Met a feller here on Olive, With a somber-e-ro on; Had a lot of shaggy whiskers, Nearly all his clothes wuz gone. Stopped an' ast me fur a qua'ter; Says "My home is fur away."
"Whu; you frum?" The varmint ans

"Santiago, U. S. A." Seen a feller at the Southern. With a heavy iron box,

Overcoat was lined with bearskin; Wore a dozen pair of sox. Sized him up to be er miner, Judgin' by his awkward way; Seen him write in big char-ac-ters "Circle City, U. S. A."

Seen a saddle-colored heathen, Wearin' earrings in his nose; Linen cuffs 'round his ankles, Most indecent lack o' clothes. Where'd this heathen guy here spring

I inquired in lofty way; An' he had the nerve to answer:
"From Manila, U. S. A."

"Hully gee," says I. "I never heard These here cannibals before. Air these heathens yere all voters? Will we stan' fur enny more? Nex' you ask a feller

Whur he's from, an' he'll say With a lordly kind o' flouris, "All Creation, U. S. A." Consul General James T. Du Bois, St.

Gall, in Nashville American.

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### HOW HE TAMED HER.

"I haven't the least fear," said Major Delaford.

"Then you're a man of unbounded courage," retorted his friend, Mr. Ulysses Crinklethrop. "For-may I ven-ture to be frank?"

"Oh, certainly, certainly! By all means. Well, then, they do say that Mrs. Flashington drove her first husband

into his grave by her ungovernable temper. "I've heard of that before," said Delaford, pulling complacently away at

his cigar. "But, of course," with a little sarcastic laugh, "you don't believe it?"
"Excuse me," said Major Delaford, severely, "I do believe it. I have seen

now and then, expression in Justina's eyes which fully carries out any theory of that nature."
"And yet you are going to marry

"And yet I am going to marry her." 'Felix Delaford, are you crazy?' 'Not that I am aware of.'

"Will you be honest with me?" "To be sure," nodded the major. "Then, why do you marry Mrs.

Flashington?' "Well, from a variety, of reasons. One is that I like her. She's a pretty, Intle gypsy, with a skin like white velvet and delicious long lashes to her "Proceed!"

"A second is-mind, now, I never did pretend to be one of the disinterested lovers one reads about in dime novels-that the dear, departed Flashington left her remarkably well off. And I have more merit than money." "I think you will repent it," said Mr. Crinklethrop, "for by all accounts, the black eyed divinity is neither more

nor less than a virago. There are very few actions in this world that one doesn't repent, in a greater or less degree," said Major Dela ford sententiously; "but averaging

things, I'm willing to risk it."

And Major Delaford was married the next week to Mrs. Flashington. It was not so long, as Mr. Cringle-throp had foretold, before the claw began to peep from under Mrs. Flash-

ington Delaford's velvet sheath.
"Felix," said she, one day, "I don't like this location." "Don't you, my dear?" said Major Delaford. "I've lived here two and thirty years and always found it very

"I don't like it," said Mrs. Delaford.

"I prefer a house nearer the park."
Major Delaford went on reading. "Felix, I say!" The bride's voice was raised a degree or so higher—the dangerous sparkles had come into her

"Yes. Justy."
"I mean to move uptown."

"And at once!" "Very well," said the major, "then

you will move alone. I shall remain where I am." "Major Delaford, you are a brute."
The major bowed. Justina burst in-

to tears. "Yes, a brute, and I'm sorry I ever

narried you!"

And after that Mrs. Delaford did not speak to her husband for two days. But as the latter appeared in no wise affected by this taciturnity she adopted another plan, and scolded steadily for

"Look here. Justy, this won't do," said the major, at the week's end, "I don't fancy either a dumb woman or a

"That I should live to be so spoken "So," went on the major, "I have written to my cousin, Rosamond Bly, to come and spend the summer here."

I won't have her in my house," shrieked the bride.

### New Hardware

THE CHATHAM DAILY PLANET

"Let me see you presume to be un-civil to her," said the major, knitting his brows in a way that Mrs. Delaford

had never eeen in her late husband's countenance. For to tell the truth, the

late Mr. Judah Flashington had been but a chicken-bearted individual at

Mrs. Delaford flounced out of the

room and banged the door viciously

Miss Bly arrived the next day-a

cherry cheeked, bright eyed girl, with

lips wreathed in smiles and a brand,

new traveling suit cut after a deal pret-

tier pattern than the bride's own. Mrs.

warning voice, "this is my cousin

Rosamond. I hope you will make her

But Mrs. Delaford only threw a slip-

per at her husband, burst into tears

of her senses. "Had I better go home?" "By no means, my dear Rosamond," said the major. "You see I have mar-ried a woman with a temper. But

she'll be all the more charming when

that fault is rooted out of her char-

"I won't!" snapped the bride

sputtered forth Mrs. Delaford.

with unruffled philosophy.

the outside of the door.

any case. I shan't stay here.'

"What is this?"

The major went upstairs and tried "Justina," he said gently, "It is I.

"Will you come downstairs, then?"

til that woman is out of the house!

"I will not come out of my room un-

"Very well, my dear," said the major

and he returned to the drawing-room

Mrs. Delaford adhered to her resolu-

tion, although it was much tried by

sundry peculiar sounds she heard on

"Major Delaford has carpenters at

work, altering the house," thought she.

At the end of the third day, however,

"Mercy upon us!" cried Mrs. Dela-

who had brought up her meals three

times a day, "it's master as had it

"Please, ma'am," said Hetty, trem-

"Insolent minion," said Mrs. Dela-

upstairs, with Rosamond Bly clinging

"How do you feel now, my dear!"

"I'm well enough," narled Mrs. Del-

"Mad! very mad, indeed;" said Maj-

"Ruffian!" cried the bride. "how

"Getting violent!" added the major,

"Let me out. I say!" persisted Mrs

Delaford, rattling at the bars. "What does this absurd mammery mean?";
"Perhaps a straight waistcoat would

be advisable," said the major. "But as long as she remains tolerably manage-

able, I shall not send her to an asy-

Oh, Felix, how can you talk so

"Poor thing!" murmured the major

Mrs. Delaford shut the door rather

vehemently and began to cry hysteri-

"I'm not mad!" she said. "I won't be

"But how to help herself-that was

the question. The door was barred

effectually-the windows opened upon

the dead wall of an institution of the

Fine Arts, and were three stories above

the ground. She might have shricked herself hoarse in that direction before

anyone could hear her. She sat down

to think. What could she do? What was to become of her? Did that dread-

ful hint of Felix concerning the asylum

really mean anything! For once in her

life the late Mrs. Flashington was act-

Has my temper really been so terri-ble," she asked herself, "that people

mistake it for-I can hardly breathe

carefully and cried bitterly over it.

master to stop up here for a few min-

Major Delaford obeyed the summons

"Well, my love," said he, "what is

"Felix," said Mrs. Delaford, bursting

into fresh tears, "I have acted very

foolishly. I beg your pardon. And I beg Rosamond's pardon, too."

Major Delaford opened the grated door at once—Justina flew into his

arms and then there was a reconcilia-

Mrs. Delaford was as sweet as a June morning after that—and if ever she

manifested symptoms of a relapse all that Major Delaford found necessary

was to allude, in a gentle way, to luna-tics and asylums.

And Mr. Ulysses Crinklethrop never could imagine by what means this modern Petruchio tamed his dark-eyed

Undoubtedly the most powerful and at the same time exclusive aristocracy was that of the Daimos, or territorial lords of Japan prior to the great social revolution of 1868. There were fewer than 300 of these great lords. Their power within their own provinces was almost absolute, and they owed merely a nominal allegiance to the avereigs. Yet in 1869 241 out of less than 300 Daimos voluntarily surrendered their powers and their possessions into the hands of the Emperor, in order that a centralized government might ecoduct the affairs of the

tion after the most approved style.

compassionately. "The hardest part of insanity must be when one becomes

partially conscious of its deadly doom.

Mrs. Delaford began to cry.

made a mad woman of!"

ually frightened.

the word-insanity!"

or Delaford, in a sotto voice, turning to

bling all over, "don't you know you're

"What for?" cried Justina.

ford, "call your master at once." Major Delaford came immediately

aford. "Open the door quick!"

in a frightened sort of way.

he asked, solicitiously.

dare you peak so?"

shaking his head.

Delaford refused to speak to her. "Justina," said her husband, in

welcome to our home.

Let me in.

iron door.

crazy?"

Rosamond.

lum.'

cally.

and ran hysterically upstairs.

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The Large Amount of Trade Done in These Places in New York.

It pays to own real estate where "It makes but little difference to me in New York's laboring classes are concentrated. A man who owns a large, square building in the down town east she concluded to go downtairs. But when she opened the door, lo, and beside district says that it pays him more than 20 per cent net on the money inhold, her egress was barred by a grated vested. He never has to look for tenants and he has no trouble in collecting his rents. A prosperous saloon keeper has the ground floor, and, of "Please, ma'am," said the little maid,

course, his rent is guaranteed. The floors above are rented for sweatshops. One man hires a floor and sublets each window to a man to work by. If at any time he shows signs of running behind with his rent a dozen window tenants are eager to take the con-

The windows rent for \$5 each. This gives the man who hires the whole floor his window free, or sometimes a little more than that. The windows in this particular building are especially sought after, because there is a freigh elevator, by which the heavy cloth gar ments can be hoisted and let down from the various stories. It runs by hand power, but even then it is far better than carrying the heavy burdens on the back.-New York Press.

Cause For Care. "No," said the confident youth, "I shall not trudge along in the beaten track. I shall not devote my mind to

humdrum duty." "What are you going to do?" asked the schoolmaster.

"I am going to strike away from the beaten path. I'm going to leave foot-

"Well, you want to be careful." "I have energy and ability." "Yes, but you want to be careful too. Trying to leave footprints on the sands of time has been the cause of a lot of people getting stuck in the mud."

On the Road to Bankruptcy. Griggs-Your friend appears to be prospering finely. His new residence is simply palatial, and the horseflesh he rides behind must have cost him a mint of money.

Briggs-Yes, Stentor is doing splendidly. But I'm sorry to say he has just taken out a patent for a very ingenious invention.

Griggs-Is that so? By George, when the bankruptcy sale comes off I'm going to be on hand to make a bid on one of them horses.-Boston Transcript.

Very Sharp. Teacher—Now, Johnny, if the earth were empty on the inside, what could we compare it to? Johnny-A razor, ma'am

It was a new idea; she pondered it Teacher-A razor? Johnny-Yes, ma'am; because it would be hollow ground.—Brooklyn When Hetty came, as usual, with her napkin covered tray, Mrs. Delaford's face was pale and tear swollen.
"Hetty," said she, "will you ask your

An Ohio man who admits he is superstitious attributes it to the fact that he was once caught in a rainstorm while arayed in a \$13 suit of clothes .-

Chicago News.

Is there anything more depressing than to walk into your room at 4 in the afternoon and discover that the bed has not yet been made?-Philadelphia

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# TRICKED BY A JOKER

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This is the story of a bold hoax which used much anguish to one learned man. who was falsely represented as failing a victim to the joker, and which aroused to a high pitch of expectation the hopes of historians in this and other countries only to cruelly dash them to the ground The hoax began with the placing, in the neighborhood of Kensington, Douglas ounty, Minn., of a stone on which were chiseled certain mysterious characters that no one in that vicinity could deci-

Whe cut the mysterious characters in the stone and placed it where it could be found has not been discovered and probably never will be, for the practical joker stirred up such a hornets' nest that if he as clever as his jest indicates he will is as clever as his jest indicates he will continue to enjoy the situation in silence. Practical jokers have been lynched be-fore now. The man who found the stone has also dropped out of sight for the good of his health. The story therefore begins with the reception by Professor O. J. Breda, University of Minnesota, of copy of the hieroglyphics that were carved on the stone. The "discovery' was laid before the learned professo with the eager request that he carefully examine the characters and, if possible, decipher them.

rofessor Breda recognized at once the mystic writing known as "Ranic," and would fain have reported that the Kens-ington people had in their possession the first "Rune stone" ever discovered in America. To be in a position to make such a report would have made both his which the stone was found famous throughout the world, for the characters, f genuine, could not have been cut less han many centuries ago, and the fact of men possessed of a knowledge of Runic writing having been in Minnesota at this writing having been in Minnesota at this period might have changed the record of early American history.

Translated by Professor Breda, the inscription ran, with certain undecipher-

able words omitted:
"Swedes and — Norsemen on a journey of discovery from Vinland west we camped — one day's journey north from this stone. We fished one day. After we came home we found — man red with blood and dead. A. V. M. save from — have — men at the ocean to look after our ships — day's journey from this island. Year — "

All very pretty and deeply interesting. The only damper thrown on the discovery was Professor Breda's emphatic decaration that the whole thing was a na, perpetrated by some Swede with knowledge of Runic characters. The cople of Kensington pouted over the ed the rune stone to make them all faus. They had glorious visions of mingling with the residents of rival towns and grandiloquently announcing to these envious neighbors that they lived in the city where the famous Runic stone was found. If Professor Breda was so ob-tuse as to fail to see that the Runic stone was genuine, they would go to another learned professor and insist upon his see-ing it in the light that pleased them So the Kensington delegation most. So the Kensington delegation turned their backs on Professor Breda and communicated with Professor G. O Curme of the Northwestern university, Evanston, Ills. Professor Curme was inclined to think that the find was a genuine rune stone, and he even deciphered the date of its inscription as 1362, make ing it out to be a very venerable relic.

By this time the learned men of the old orld got wind of the discovery, and the cable brought eager requests for details. tlashed back the fullest particulars at the urrent rates for submarine lightning messages. Then must the joker have chortled with glee, for the archaeologists of the old world swallowed the stone with avidity and eagerly waited for more, hoping that the investigations that Kensington citizens were then making in the mud of the neighboring marshes would bring forth further discoveries. Soon came the disquieting news that

Professor Curme, after more careful inrestigation, had given out a statemen that the inscription "had all the marks of a fake." Following immediately on this statement came a cablegram from Professors G. Storm and O. Rygh of Christiania, Sweden, declaring that the so called rune stone was a "grand fraud, perpetrated by a Swede with a chisel and a slight knowledge of Runic characters and of English." Professor Breda had reason to gloat over this vindication of himself, and he would have gloated accordingly, but for the fact that the fake had enmeshed him in its sweeping whirl. In telling the story Professor Breda said

to the writer: "After my views that the stone was a fake had been confirmed by others to whom it was submitted, I found to my grreat surprise that some liar in Chicago grreat surprise that some liar in Chicago had telegraphed to England and Norway that I had pronounced the thing genuine. I was compelled to write to papers in Norway to correct this entirely erroneous report. I do not know whether I was reported correctly in our own papers. If you refer at all to the matter again, will was the principle for the public of the public statement of the publi you kindly set me right before the pub-

Setting the worthy professor right before the public is not an easy matter. Fakes travel faster than facts, as any newspaper man knows. The story of the rune stone, with the indorsement of the incorporation. rune stope, with the indorsement of the inscription's genuineness ascribed to Professor Breda by the "liar in Chicago," has been read by the students of ancient lore in Hindostan, pored over by bespectacled men of learning in Europe, Asia and Australia, and will bob up in unexpected places and with the most extraordinary vitality for a long time to come. The joker certainly did his work well.

For the benefit of those to whom the term "runic stone" is as much a mystery as world be the characters it may be well to state in conclusion that the runes were the earliest alphabet in use among the Teutonic and Gothic nations of northern Europe. The exact period of their origin is not known. No genuine runic inscriptions have ever been found in this

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The bookstore of W. J. Kenny pre sents a very holiday aspect, and the large stock of dainty, colored books, cards and novelties makes an exceed-

ingly pretty picture.
"I have now been in business two years," said Mr. Kenny, "and my trade has steadily increased. This fall has has steadily increased. This last has been an exceedingly good one and business is very brisk." In the store is a beautiful range of well-selected stock. Mr Kenny is showing \some very fine gift books, which you are very fine gift books, which you are encouraged to call and inspect. He also has an extensive array of dolls and togs, which entitle him to a good share of your .Christmas patronage.

RADLEY'S DRUG STORE.

The well-known and popular drug store of S. C. Radley is branching out. Edwin C. Radley has purchased the store lately occupied by J. W. Burriss, and already has a staff of men engaged fitting up the premises. This store will be opened in a few days with a full line of pure drugs and medicines and it is expected by Mr. Radley that he will be in a better position to meet the requirements of his growing trade by the change. At either store can be purchased perfumes, toilet articles and other fancy goods for use and or-Xmas shoppers will be surprised when they see the bargains S. C. Radley is offering.

CANDIES AND CONFECTIONS.

Nothing attracts more attention or shows the taste and ability of a firm to a greater degree than a beautiful window. The Planet reporter was much struck by the elegance of the window of W. S. Richards' confectionery store. It had been decorated with choice Christmas cakes, creams, chocolates, bon-bons, etc. The dainty col-ors of the candies and cakes were set off by a background of needle and house palms, while carnations, chry-santhemums and roses added their delicate beauty to make a rich and pret-ty picture. This pleasing sight is a books of the season, and novelties. It tribute to the skill of Miss Hamilton. is here that a specialty is made of

sweetmeats, fruits and pastries that tempt the eye of all patrons. Per-ties wishing Christmas confections cannot do better than give Mr. Rich-

A GREAT CLOTHING HOUSE. Scott & Co., Chatham's popular clothing house, is up to the front with an excellent stock of goods for the Xmas and winter trade. Everything has been tastily arranged in consideration of the season. Here everything in the gents' furnishing line can be obtain. gents' furnishing line can be obtained, from shoes to a necktie. This firm are sole agents for the celebrated Saskatchewan overcoats and robes and also for the Hudson's Bay Knitting
Co's leather coats and caps. The shoe
department is well stocked with the atest and best styles of shoes. you can get any style, from the Eng-lish box toes to the finest calfskin shoe, at prices to suit the purchaser When buying, a call on Scott & Co will prove a money saver.

COOPER'S BOOKSTORE.

The popular book-seller and stationer, Robert Cooper, is especially worthy of a visit from prospective Christmas patrons. The stock exhibited this season is exceedingly attractive. All the New Year annuals are on the counters, with their bright and attractive covwith their bright and attractive covers, together with the Christmas numbers of current periodicals. Robert Cooper has on hand his usual large stock, consisting principally of the better class of bound books, bibles prayer books, and all the poets in the best bindings. Besides gold pens, he has the usual supply of the best stationery and invitation papers and visiting cards. Mr. Cooper has always a full stock of school supplies, and he is always ready to meet the wishes of all purchasers. purchasers.

GORRIE'S CONFECTIONERY.

D. Gorrie's confectionery has taken on its holiday attire and presents a pretty picture. Mr. Gorrie ,makes a pretty picture. specialty of fine Christmas cakes, and he has now a darge supply of freshly made on hand. Any who desire to have their cakes iced by a professional, may have the work done at this establishment for 10 cents a pound. Other choice cakes and dainty pasties are also on display. The confections are also on display. The confections and candies are also of excellent quality. A large quantity of new kinds of candies have been received, and all the old favorites are also to be found here. The kisses of cinamon and chocolate flavors are de-decidedly delicious. Then there are chocolates, gems, Persian jellies, brandy drops, creams, taffies, etc., of all sorts and kinds. When purchasing candies you will find that you will do well in calling at the confectionary store of D. Gorrie. There you can get value for your money. value for your money.

IN HOLIDAY ATTIRE. Chas. Dingman's store has donned bibles. The range of different kinds is very large and you can procure whatever you want in the way of a bible for from 25 cents to \$7.

"We have imported our own bibles," said Mr. Dingman, "and we carry the largest stock of any store in the west."

west.

In the way of books anything can be secured here, from a \$15 set of Kipling down to the book of adventure for down to the book of adventure for boys and the linen pictured works for the little tots. Then there is also a well chosen and excellent line of fancy goods and other nicknacks. All these are of splendid quality and workman-ship and in this store many delightful Christmas gifts can be secured.

A new branch has been added in the

picture- framing business. This proves to be a popular feature of this store. Some samples of the work may be seen in the window. One of the samples of frames on exhibition is called the Golden Oak, and it is certainly a marvel of workmanship and beauty. Christmas purchasers will do well to give this store a call.

STONE'S GREAT SALE.

The past few weeks have been the iggest we have had since we have been in business," Mr. Stone, of the firm of Thos. Stone and Son, told The Planet, "And we have made every preparation for the Christmas trade of the present. The administration sale has been successful beyond our greatest expectations. This is certainly the place for Christmas shoppers to visit as they can procure everything in the dry goods line at sale prices.

This large establishment is beautifully decorated in a manner fitting to the season and the store throughout possesses an exceedingly attractive appearance. All the holiday specialties of the dry goods line are exhibited. Kid gloves of the most recent makes are specialized. This store always has made a feature of fine Irish linens and the stock on display this Christmes. the stock on display this Christmas will keep up the reputation of this large establishment. Furs, handkerchiefs, small wares of every sort, dress patterns and waist silks are also pro-minent in style and quality and when it is considered that these are offered at sale prices, the bargains to be obtained at this dry goods house may be

Upstairs is the house furnishing department where all the necessitie department where all the necessities and ornaments for a good and beautiful home may be secured. On this floor also is the large dressmaking establishment presided over by Madame Skirving where all the latest and swellest dresses are made in the most fashionable styles. Throughout the store the bargains offered are surprising and a call at this establishment will well repay the purchaser.

THE BEE HIVE.

The Bee Hive presents a lively cene these days and the large class of clerks are kept busy.
"We have had an extremely busy
fall," said George McLachlan, "and last Saturday was a record breaker."

Ald. Sulman has a keen eye for business and being a hustler, he buys with celerity and sells with dispatch. The reason goods don't stay on the shelves at the Bee Hive is owing to the fact that the proprietor nurchases. fact that the proprietor purchases only the best and the latest and the result is immediate sales. The doll display is attracting a great deal of attention. The Bee Hive has a beau-

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golden haired children's pleasures are some of the finest ever shown in the city. There is almost everything in this store that can delight the eye and this store that can delight the eye and please the fancy, There are toys of all-kinds, games, books and annuals. The Boys or Girls' Own can be secured for \$1.75. Some beautiful bibles are shown at the lowest prices, Artistic cups and saucers of delicate china and vaces of fragile make are shown in brilliant abandance. Purses, pocketbooks, Xmas cards, albums, writing cases, adn celluloid novelties may be had here in any style. It will pay the Xmas shoppers to give the Bee Hive a call. a call.

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"This has been one of our busies

"This has been one of our busiest seasons," Mr. Sheldrick told The Planet, "and as a matter of fact we are so busy just now that it will keep us hustling to get all our work out by Christmas."

This popular establishment carries a full line of all the latest cloths for making the best and most stylish suits. The stock of tweeds, worsted and serges is very fine. In the windows, which are tastily dressed by Mildows, which are tastily dressed by Mil-ton Fex, may be seen a swell display of pantings and vest goods. We would suggest to the citizens that they visit Mr. Sheldrick and present themselves with a Christmas present in the way

A NOTABLE PRODUCTION.

From a macagerial standpoint John Griffith has been more successful with his production of, "The Three Musketeers "than with "Faust." The ex-planation is found in the charm of novelty and has deep significance.
"Faust" had its turn for the past five years, and its run was long enough to permit people who care to see it the op-portunity of doing so. 'The Three Mus-keteers,' is of the elaborate order regarding the scenery, from the brush of E. G. Unith scenic artist of Daniel Frohman's Lyceum Theatre, New York City, and consists of four full stage sets and eight tableaux. It is semihistorical as well as the costumes.
The same and name gives a good idea
of the play. The first act depicts
the meeting of D'Artagnan, The Three Musketeers, The Queen, Cardinal Richelieu, the monarch Louis XIII. The development permits of the pan-orama of court life and then roceeds to the tragic termination, changing the background from palace hills to prison walls. Dumas' novel has been drama-tized before himself. walls. Dumas pover has been drama-tized before but never met with the success that has attended this version. The character of D'Artagnan is well suited to Mr. John Griffith and is pronounced by the critics throughout the country as worthy to rank with any of the great parts made famous by Booth, Barret' or McCullough. The support, including the young and beautiful Miss Kathryn Purpell, has been selected with a view of suited than the country of the countr ed with a view of suiting the part to each individual and the consequence is that an almost perfect ensemble has been obtained. As Mr. Griffith has always been a warm favorite here there is not any doubt that he will be greeted with his usual large house on Thursday, Dec. 21st, at the Grand Opera House.

### ILBURY.

WESTMAN Bros. Dec. 20.—On Saturdat, 16th inst., the wife of J. Thomas, of Tilbury North,

of a daughter.
The Passion Play was given in Anderson Hall Monday evening.
Miss A. Phillips, of Merlin, was buried on Sunday last, Rev. T. Dobson conducting the funeral services.
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Jas. Wemp nad a narrow escape the other day. While driving his team a colt came running behind them and got them into a very lively runaway, smashing things in general. Mr. Wemp was badly shaken up.

Miss Hattie Glassford is out for the holidays with her sister, Mrs. Robert Owen.

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A report has reached this neighburhood that Joseph Kelly, who worked here some time ago, was up on a visit to some friends, met with a shocking death lately in Brantford in an elevator. The particulars have not reached us, but if true we are very sorry to hear it.

The congregation of Grace church have been adding about \$150 worth of property to their estate lately.

The Christmas tree entertainment at Mitchell's Bay on Friday night was indeed a great success. The church was full, every seat being taken and extra chairs had to be brought in. The children's singing powers were well brought out under the training of their school teacher, W. S. Bell. The dialogues by the older ones were very entertaining, the singing by Miss Martindale and the parsonage girls, and the recitations by Bert Dewar and Gordon Stewart were all good. Refreshments were served midway in the program. The funds of the school are increased by \$15.

Grace church Xmas arch will be on exhibition on Wednesday evening, and a big crowd is expected. We all hope that Santa Claus will be in his most liberal mood.

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## TRUANCY TROUBLE INTENSE

Sarnia Seems to be Also Afflicted With it and Asks Ouestions.

Two New Teachers Appointed to the McKeough Schools—Accounts Passed.

The Chatham Public school board held a special meeting last evening to wind up the year's business. There were present, Chairman J. A. Wilson, John McCorvie, J. E. Johnston, Andrew Thomson, W. E. Campbell, W. N. Morley, Dr. G. T. McKeough, R. Paxton, Wm. Robertson, Dr. Bray, and Secretary Macnabb.

Mr. Johnston, chairman of the finance committee, presented the follow-

Recommended payment of these accounts:—Central school water rate, \$14.80; A. R. Crow, \$18; W. Draden, \$220.75; J. Watt & Sons, \$5.65; insurance, \$30; teachers' salaries, \$352.61; janitor, \$33.37. Total, \$675.18.

McKeough school, water rate, \$10.44; D. C. Clements, \$1; A. R. Crow, \$9; supplies, J. W. Dyer, \$1.46; Westman Bros., \$2.83; Banner, \$2.75; teachers' salaries, \$283.59; extras, \$19; imitor.

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Queen St. school, water rate, \$1.58; J. Watt & Sons, \$1.90; Westman Bros, \$1.52; W. Drader, \$48; teachers' salaries, \$75.11; janitor, \$8. Total, \$136.11.
Payne school, water rate, \$1.27; W. F. Cornish, 50c.; W. Drader, \$10; Banner, \$2.50; teachers' salaries, \$54.24; janitor, \$9. Total, \$77.51.
Kindergarten, Central, R. Cooper, \$1.66; T. Stone & Son, 46c.; teachers' salaries, \$42.12; Mr. Robertson, \$1.50. Total, \$45.28.
Kindergarten, McKeough, R. J. Smith, 70c.; R. Cooper, \$7.50; J. W. Dyer, 85c.; Banner, 40c.; J. McCorvie, \$3.36; teachers' salaries, \$41.33. Total, \$44.14.

Model school, teacher's salary, \$43.75.

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Inspector, \$100; secretary and treasurer; \$50; Jas. Birch, \$34.62. Total, \$228.37. Gross total, \$1,575.90.
Report adopted.
Wm. Robertson, chairman of the

wm. Robertson, chairman of the physical culture committee, said that the matter of introducing it into the schools required time and study, and he would move that the matter be left to the new board. W. N. Morley seconded, and the motion carried. . THE TRUANCY QUESTION.

A communication was received from the Sarnia board of education in regard to truancy. Some of the ques-tions asked were: What number of officers do you em-

ploy?
What steps do you take to ascertain the cause of absence of pupils on the roll and not on the roll?

What is done to the parents? What to the truants? What salaries do you pay truant of-

ficers?
To what extent is the police court used in the punishment of truants?
What punishment is inflicted on the parents and what on the pupils?
What do you consider defects, what the strong points of the truancy act?
What courts of the law are unsatis-

What parts of the law are unsatisfactory and how would you suggest that they be amended?

Mr. Johnston moved, seconded by Mr. Thomson, that the secretary reply. to the communication. Carried

MISS GAME RESIGNS. Miss Game wrote resigning her posi-

On motion of Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. McCorvie, Miss Game's resigna-

tion was accepted.

In making the motion Mr. Johnston said: I move the acceptance of Miss Game's resignation with much regret. We are very sorry to lose Miss Game, who has been a very successful teach-

Mr. McCorvie in seconding the mo tion spoke along the same lines.

Mr. McCorvie—I went down to St.
Joseph's Hospital to-day to see Miss
Richards, teacher in McKeough school.
The doctor advises her to go to Muskoka to the sanitarium, and she re-quested me to ask for six months' leave of absence.

leave of absence.

It was then moved by Mr. McCorvie, seconded by Mr. Johnston, that the request be granted. Carried.

Chairman Wilson—I am sure Miss Richards has the sympathy of the

board. A circular was received from the Montreal Protestant High School, enclosing a program of a concert given by them on Empire day, and advocat-ing that the 23rd of May be made a day of celebration in the schools. On motion of Dr. McKeough one of

these circulars was ordered sent to each of the principals. each of the principals.

Mr. Johnston moved, seconded by Mr. McCorvie, that Miss Gertie Holmes be given the vacancy on the McKeough staff caused by the resignation of Miss Game, at a salary of \$2.50. Carried.

Mr. Johnston moved, seconded by Mr. McCorvie, that Miss Ryan be given Miss Richards' situation at a salary of \$300.

Dr. McKeough-We adopted a rule that we would not pay more than \$2.75 to a new Normal teacher.

Chairman Wilson-The point is well Mr. Johnston then changed his motion to \$2.75.

Moved in amendment by Mr. Thomson that Miss Nellie Young receive the appointment. Mr. Paxton seconded the amendment and it carried.

The board then adjourned.

These appointments make a saving n the salaries of \$125 a year at Mc in the salaries of Keough school.

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Chievely Camp, Natal, Friday, Dec. 15.-The relief column continued its advance from Chievely to-day, intending to assail the Boer positions, which were known to be very strong to the were known to be very strong to the westward and northwest of Colenso. During the two preceding days the Boers had allowed themselves to be bombarded without condescending to reply with a single shot. They further gave half an hour's opening this morning without an exchange, when suddenly they belehed out a stream of fire from all their entrenchments, besides opening a feeble cannonade with their quick-fire guns, field and siege guns, which were posted from end to end of their positions. When their presence and actual positions had been determined the British nayal brigade commenced shelling all the ridges north of the town with marridges north of the town with mar-vellous accuracy. From this time the artillery attached to Gen. Hart's division was busy among the entrench-ment on the hills, on the British left, ment on the hills, on the British left, under cover of which the Irish infantry brigade marched out in extended order, to cross the river and attack. Undoubtedly aiming at the battery, the Boers sent several shells near the ambulance train, which was forced to change its position. While this was transpiring the field artillery, on the right were busy shelling the ridges of the Boer left flank, their excellent practice attracting the attention of the Boers, who retaliated with a scathing fire, almost demolishing all the ing fire, almost demolishing all the guns and stampeding the gun carriage

WAR NOTES.

The war office has ordered 25,000 pounds of evaporated apples in Belle-

The Boxes of chocolate sent by the

The Boxes of chocolate sent by the Queen to the soldiers have been started on their way.

The British second class cruiser Isis will convey Gen. Lord Kitchener from Egypt to the Cape. She has been ordered to steam at 16 knots.

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The Boers excuse themselves for firing on the stretcher-bearers by asserting that two squads of the Conconnaught Rangers took cover under civilian bearers of the Red Cross, and that this act drew the Boer fire, three being killed and several wounded.

Statements are published from Boer sources in Brussels and Berlin that President Kruger is willing to conclude peace on the basis of the status quo, but that otherwise he will call upon the Boers in Cape Colony to



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join in proclaiming the independence of the Cape territories of Great Britain.

WALLACEBURG

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Two carloads of turkeys, geese, ducks, and chickens were shipped from here yesterday by W. Trotter. At one time there were over 75 rigs in line await-

W. D. O'Leary was in Detroit a couple of days this week.
M. Peets has returned from Lorain, Ohio, where he has been working for

some time. A large number of new books have been received at the library and will be first placed in circulation this evening. The livery firm of Penwace & Armstrong have dissolved partnership. Mr. Armstrong will continue to run the

business.

John Gott, of Windsor, representing the Deering Co., is in town. GEN LAWTON KILLED.

While leading the firing line in a Philippine skirmish, General Lawton was killed instantly. He was one of the best American generals, and per-formed the special task of running down Geronimo, the famous Apache chief, who had been the terror of

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