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SILK WAISTS —FOR— Christmas Gifts

No lady has too many separate waists. You are always safe in giving a silk waist. If the size is not just correct it can easily be changed after Christmas. We have the daintiest lot—some we have just received specially for the holiday trade. Colors are Sky, Pink, Grey, Navy, Cardinal, White and Black—styles are just the correct mode. Prices are:—\$4.25, \$5.00, \$6.00.

Handkerchiefs.

You can always fall back on Handkerchiefs. Whether you want an expensive or an inexpensive gift, handkerchiefs fill the bill. Ladies' fine pure linen hemstitched handkerchiefs, very special value at a box, \$1.50.

Men's fine pure linen plain hemstitched handkerchiefs, very special value at a box, \$1.50.

Umbrellas.

This season is peculiarly adapted for umbrella gifts—nothing could be more appreciated by lady or gentleman.

Ladies' Silk Umbrellas, the lightest and most stylish kind, with the noblest kind of handles, extra values at \$3.50 and \$5.00.

Men's Silk Umbrellas with newest sort of handles, and the quality of covering that never fades and lasts for years, extra values at \$2.50, \$3.50 and \$5.00.

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No house has too many rugs in it—like pictures on the wall, they complete the furnishings of the floor. Prices are low or high just as you want, but you get a pretty rug at the lowest prices.

Tapestry, Smyrne, Axminster, Velvet, \$1.00 Each up to \$7.00.

Ladies' Ties.

A new lot just arrived that we wired for a few days ago, also a new lot that have just come out of the hands of our skillful makers. An immense variety in stocks, ties and ribbon ornaments at 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.25.

Kid Gloves.

If the size is not correct change them after Christmas. No matter what else you give you can add a pair of our guaranteed kid gloves, \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50.

Thomas Stone & Son.



THE ARK. SANTA CLAUS IS HERE....

Saturday's Rush has not exhausted our supply of Xmas Novelties..

TO LOVERS

OF FINE ART CHINA would state that we have just received by express case of very CHOICE LIMOGES CHINA, consisting of Pudding Sets, Berry Sets, Salad Dishes, Celery Trays, Pin Trays, Comb and Brush Trays, Cups, Saucers, etc.

SPECIAL PRICES ON LAMPS.....
For the remaining THREE DAYS. See samples in the window. We have a good supply of "FAMOUS" STOVES AND RANGES in the rear room.
DINNER SETS, TEA SETS, TOILET SETS AND LAMPS ON 2ND FLOOR.
Prices Always the Lowest.

...H. Macaulay...

TEACHER WANTED—For S. S. No. 9, Chatham Township, to act as assistant, female. State salary and qualifications. Applications will be received up to Dec. 20. Address John T. Holmes, Tupperville, Ont. 160w.

TEACHER WANTED—For S. S. No. 10, Chatham Township; duties to commence in January. Applications containing qualifications and salary required should be addressed to David Thorp, Oungah.

Minard's Liniment—Lumberman's Friend.

MARCONI'S WORK.

PREPARATIONS FOR COMMERCIAL BUSINESS.

DELAYED BY DIFFICULTY IN GETTING MACHINERY.

SENDING THE FIRST MESSAGES ACROSS THE SEA.

Sydney, N.S., Dec. 23.—Marconi's modest little office at bleak Table Head was flooded with congratulatory messages from all parts of the world, and the wireless wizard was in great spirits.

The first inkling that his experiments were crowned with success was obtained on Sunday morning, when one of Marconi's staff asked the Cape Breton Yacht Club at Sydney for the loan of a number of flags, as Mr. Marconi evidently intended to celebrate the success of his work by a display of bunting at Table Head.

When seen yesterday Mr. Marconi at first stated that he had nothing more to give out than had been contained in his messages. When asked for the text of some of the messages transmitted, he said that as a matter of etiquette they would have to be given out first from England, and that the messages would probably be published in the English papers to-day.

"I have no objections whatever," he said, "to telling you between whom the messages were sent. In the first place, there was one from Lord Minto to King Edward; then there was one from myself to the King, to which I received a very nice reply, congratulating me on my success. I also sent a message to the King of Italy, and received an answer of congratulation in reply. Commander Martini of the Italian cruiser Carlo Alberto sent a message to the Italian Government, and received a reply. Other messages sent were from Dr. Parkin to the London Times and from Sir Richard Cartwright to the Times. All these messages were transmitted successfully. The message from Commander Martini to the Italian Government was in Italian, and despite the difficulty of working with English operators, both were successfully transmitted. I sent all these messages myself, and they were received by Mr. Woodward, chief of receiving staff at Poldhu.

"When did I first succeed in transmitting messages from Table Head to Cornwall? Well, it was about a month ago. The first messages were, of course, in code, and were simply queries, such as 'How is there?' We would have been in a position to transmit messages much sooner but for delays in obtaining machinery of all kinds. We are, as you can see, somewhat out of the world here, often we are isolated as far as Montreal for parts of machinery. This, of course, delayed us greatly, even after the first message was sent. A slight defect was found in one of the instruments, and it required two days to remedy that, and this, of course, delayed us when we will have our station ready for commercial purposes. All that is required here is a little organization, which is merely a matter of a little time. Some time ago, however, the English Government, which controls the telegraph system of the United Kingdom, refused to make connection with the Poldhu station, and this, of course, will have to be done before we can do a commercial business.

"It was rather amusing," said Mr. Marconi, "for us to read rumors of failure in the newspapers, just at the time when our experiments were being successful. Yes, the Carlo Alberto sailed yesterday, but it was not before her object in being placed at my disposal had been accomplished, and a message had been sent from her commander to the King in the commander's presence, and that was during the night before last. I will remain here some time, and then proceed to the Cape Cod station, and from there to Cornwall, to make arrangements for opening for commercial business."

CHRISTMAS CONCERT
A very enjoyable Christmas entertainment was given by the children of the First Presbyterian Church Sunday school last evening. Rev. W. E. Knowles, pastor of the church, presided over the program, which consisted of songs by Willie Hoag and Miss Hope Rankin, instrumental solos by Misses D. Foreman and Vera Smith, and a recitation by Miss Cora Marshall.

After the program the children indulged in games and each of them was given a bag of candy. One commendable feature of the Sunday school this Christmas was the distributing of edibles among the poor of the city. Each of the children of the school brought articles of food to the Sunday school room last night and these were sent around to the different families in need this morning. As a result, Christmas will be made brighter and happier in many a home in which the day would otherwise have passed by unnoticed.

Mr. and Mrs. Woods and daughter, of Minnesota, are visiting friends in Chatham.

AN OLD COIN

A. Berard, of this city, has in his possession a coin which is probably the oldest ever seen in this city or vicinity. It is an old English farthing made in the year 1475. It formerly belonged to the late Louis Cartillet, of this city. Mr. Berard found the coin in an old box of trinkets left in the house lately occupied by the deceased gentleman. The coin is in the best of preservation and the lettering and date can be easily distinguished. He has been offered \$10 for it, but refuses to part with his relic.

PROVINCIAL SUBSIDIES.

PAYMENT ON THE BASIS OF THE LAST CENSUS.
The Proposal of the Provincial Premiers' Conference—A Difference on the Fisheries Award Division.

Quebec, Dec. 23.—There is pretty reliable authority for the statement that what the Provincial Premiers ask for the resolutions adopted at the final meeting of the conference on Saturday is the readjustment of the Federal subsidy of 80 cents per head of the population of the Provinces, so that hereafter it may be always calculated upon the basis of the last decennial census, instead of upon that of 1861, as arranged at Confederation. This means, of course, a considerable increase in the sum of the actual subsidies paid to the Provinces, but a limit to this increase is provided. When the population of any Province has so augmented that the subsidy at the rate of 80 cents per head would exceed the sum of \$2,500,000 per annum, the resolutions propose that the subsidy shall be reduced to 50 cents per head.

On the subsidy question the delegates were practically unanimous, but it is understood that Attorney-General Longley, on behalf of Nova Scotia, dissenting from the others on the question of the fisheries award of \$5,500,000, the division of which between Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island is now demanded. It would appear that Nova Scotia considers itself aggrieved without this division, and hence its dissent from the resolution of the conference on the subject.

Speaking at the Board of Trade banquet on Saturday evening, Premier Tupper of New Brunswick told his hearers that when the Provincial Premiers went to Ottawa he expected to hear it yelled out that they had gone there to make another raid on the treasury. In the past they had no been in the habit of making such raids and they did not intend in the future to make any illicit demands upon it. They would simply ask for their rights.

The Provincial Premiers and their colleagues who were still in town on Sunday attended by invitation Divine service at the Anglican cathedral, and were accompanied with seats in the Governor-General's pew. The coronator choir sang the service.

During their flying visit to Quebec on Saturday Messrs. Mackenzie and Mann saw Premier Parent, and it is understood, discussed with him the chance of obtaining a Provincial subsidy for the extension through this Province of the Canadian Northern line of the port of Quebec as its eastern terminus.

ALL FRANCE INTERESTED.

RETURN OF THE HUMBERTS IS EAGERLY AWAITED.

Paris, Dec. 23.—The public awaits with intense interest the return to Paris of the Humberts, the famous swindlers, and their accomplices, who were arrested in Madrid. Not since France was shaken by the Dreyfus affair has the country been so profoundly moved as it is by the developments in this case. The French newspapers are devoting all their energies to elaborate presentations of the celebrated case. Some papers assert that the arrest of the Humberts is only a prelude to even more sensational developments, which involve personages in the foremost ranks of the political, judicial and social world. The indications are that the Dreyfus affair will also be dragged again before the public, and a message will be a renewal of the animosities of the anti-Semitic discussion. Deputy Gauthier has taken the initiative in asserting that the relatives of Dreyfus are among the heaviest creditors of the Humberts, and that this alleged fact excited an important influence in highest Governmental quarters during the Dreyfus trial. Velled allusions have been made to some of the men most prominent in public life, some newspapers even going so far as to name those alleged to figure, directly or indirectly, in the affair, and public opinion is intensely wrought up over the expected developments.

The Ancient Order of Foresters sent a turkey this week to the widow of every late member of the lodge. Secretary William Benson and Treasurer Ed. Cape, financed the gift.

HOSPITAL BOARD AND STAFF DO HONOR TO MISS JOHNSTON

Handsome Presentations and Hearty Eulogies Last Evening—
Ex-Mayor Malcolmson, Chairman of the Board, Pays
High Tribute to the Lady's Work and Abilities
—A Very Inspiring Address.

Miss Bella Johnston, formerly superintendent at the Public General Hospital, now occupying a similar position at the Mineral Baths, was last evening presented with a handsome gold watch and chain, suitably engraved, a ladies' companion and several eulogistic addresses, at the Hospital.

The Hospital Board, comprising Chairman Hugh Malcolmson, Judge Houston, Mansson Campbell and Secretary McKendall, were present, together with the 14 nurses. The occasion was taken advantage of to express in some degree the great appreciation which the Board felt for the splendid work Miss Johnston had done for the hospital.

Secretary McKendall read the following extract from the minutes of the regular Hospital Board meeting held on December 6th:—
"After all business had been transacted, Mr. Malcolmson requested Mr. S. F. Gardiner to take the chair, as he (Mr. Malcolmson) wished to make a resolution. He referred briefly to the great loss which the Public General Hospital had sustained in losing the valuable services of Miss Johnston. Since the opening of the hospital this lady had devoted both her time and talents as a superior trained nurse and likewise had given the institution the full benefit of her excellent executive ability as a superintendent. In this way Miss Johnston's efforts had largely been the means of building up the Hospital and placing that institution in its present creditable position.

"Few know better than the speaker the sacrifices of personal comfort and finances that Miss Johnston had made. She had even given up her own room to patients, nor had she ever received more than one-half the salary which was paid in similar institutions.

"Mr. Malcolmson then moved that a room in the hospital be granted to Miss Johnston for her own personal use whenever she desired it, sick or well, free of charge.

"All the other members of the Board concurred and the motion carried unanimously."

After Mr. McKendall had concluded, Mr. Malcolmson presented Miss Johnston with a handsome gold watch and chain in a beautiful case. Mr. Malcolmson, on behalf of the Board, paid a high tribute to the ex-superintendent, and the heroic manner in which she had toiled for the good of the hospital. The Board were sorry to lose her, but felt that the young lieutenant, on whose shoulders Miss Johnston's mantle had fallen, would continue the good work of her predecessor, since under Miss Johnston she had received her training. He trusted and felt that the nurses would all be loyal to Miss Kennedy.

Judge Houston, S. F. Gardiner and Mansson Campbell in brief speeches eulogized what President Malcolmson had said.

The nurses presented Miss Johnston with a sterling silver mounted mirror, brush and comb. The articles were engraved with Miss Johnston's initials. The following address accompanied the presentation:—
Dear Miss Johnston.—The staff of the Public General Hospital on the occasion of your resigning the office of superintendent, desire to express the feeling of friendship and good will they entertain towards you, and to assure you of their warm appreciation of the deep and kindly interest you have always taken in their welfare. The difficult and responsible position you have occupied for so many years has been filled in a way to gain the respect and admiration of those who have known you, but probably none have had the opportunity of knowing those sterling qualities of character you have displayed as those who have received their course of training and instruction under your guidance and supervision. The deep and unselfish interest you have manifested in the sick and dying have been a source of inspiration to us all, and we feel that whatever good we may accomplish in our chosen profession may be attributed, in a large measure, to your teaching and example.

We shall miss your aid and counsel more than we can express, and we are sure the public have reason to regret your severance from an institution you have done so much to bring into popular favor.

As a mark of our high regard and a slight token of our friendship, we ask you to accept this gift, and we wish you the happiness and satisfaction that come from a sense of duty well and faithfully performed.

RALEIGH COUNCIL

In Raleigh Township there is a great contest expected for the Reeve-ship. There are nearly as many candidates for the chief office as there is for the Council. Only five are said to aspire to the honor of being reeve of Raleigh. The candidates who are spoken of are A. J. Dolson, James Clayton, L. A. Pardo, P. J. Doyle and possibly R. J. Morrison.

The following are spoken of as likely candidates for councillor:—A. J. Crowe, River Road; Ed. Dillon, Merlin; George McKay, 11th Con.; and Alex. Macpherson, Cedar Springs.

SENSATION IN SAXONY.

THE CROWN PRINCESS MISSING SINCE DECEMBER 12.

Official Announcement Says that She Has Gone Abroad—Theory of Suicide Not Confirmed.

Dresden, Saxony, Dec. 23.—The Crown Princess of Saxony fled from her home during the night of December 11-12. The Dresden Journal says:—
"The Princess, in a state of intense mental excitement, suddenly deserted her family at Salzburg and went abroad. The Saxon Court functions for the winter, including the New Year's reception, have been cancelled."

The foregoing paragraph in the official journal, which was inserted by order of the King and Crown Prince, has confirmed what for several days past has been regarded as an incredible tale. The Crown Princess, surrounded by her ladies-in-waiting and numerous attendants and servants of the royal household, has vanished so utterly that the police of every kingdom of Europe have for ten days been unable to trace her. The official announcement was made in order to obtain the aid of the general public in finding the Princess, and because the Court feared that she would remain in retirement at Salzburg rather than to return to her husband and children at Dresden cannot longer be maintained.

Accompanied by the Crown Prince, the Princess went to the castle of Rumpshausen, near Salzburg, a month ago. A week after their arrival the Prince broke his leg while hunting and was brought back to Dresden. The Princess, however, still remained at the castle. Why she did so the people do not know, except that the Princess, with gloomy tenacity, usually does what she wants. For a little while this explanation sufficed; then fragments of gossip began to reach Dresden. It was said that the Princess had surrendered herself to periods of nervous excitement, and that her eccentricities of deportment caused much concern to her suite and to some of her Austrian kindred, who were staying in the castle with her. It is now believed that she was under surveillance.

The narrative of the events at Salzburg during the night of December 11 and 12 as told in Dresden is that the Princess, who appeared to be in an unusually tranquil mood, retired before 12 o'clock, and after the music in the saloon. Three hours later, when a maid looked in on the royal bed chamber, some thing in the appearance of the bed prompted her to go closer and examine it. Instead of the Princess the maid perceived a dummy figure. She awakened the lady in waiting and the latter, with other members of the Princess' suite, searched all the neighboring apartments, then the entire castle, and finally the grounds of the castle, but no trace of the Princess was found. At dawn the police of Salzburg were informed of the disappearance, and inquiries were made throughout the whole country, but with no tangible result. The inquiry by the end of that day had extended to all parts of the Kingdom of Saxony, and on authority from Dresden on the end of the second day to all of Europe. The theory of suicide was suggested, and a fruitless search for the Princess has been made. All the ponds and other pieces of water in the vicinity of the castle have been dragged without result.

The disappearance of the Princess will doubtless cause the circulation of many stories. It is already related that she eloped, but inquiries made here have brought out nothing to substantiate or support this supposition.

BANK NOTE FORGERY.
Remaining Prisoners Sentenced to Terms of Penal Servitude.
London, Dec. 23.—The five of the remaining prisoners on trial here in connection with the bank note forgeries were sentenced to terms of penal servitude ranging from a year to 18 months. The sixth man got off with one month in prison.

TELEGRAPH BREVITIES.
The Bank of Toronto opened a new branch at Oakville.

Very Rev. R. W. Stephens, Dean of Winchester, is dead.

John Smith, a teamster, dropped dead at his work in Hamilton.

The British cruiser Palas has been ordered from Halifax to Venezuela, and sails to-day.

The deaths as a result of the railway accident near Byron, Cal., now number twenty-three.

Domestic Line steamers between Liverpool and Boston will call at Halifax, beginning next month.

Eleven men were drowned or died from exposure as the result of a collision between Boston schooners.

M.P. DISQUALIFIED.

JUDGMENT AGAINST BRUNET IN ST. JAMES.

WILFUL BLINDNESS EQUIVALENT TO GUILT.

MONEY PAID FOR THE COMMISSION OF CRIME.

Montreal, Dec. 23.—Mr. Joseph Brunet, Liberal M.P. for St. James' Division, was unseated and disqualified. In giving judgment, acting Chief Justice Tait referred to a few words to the frauds in poll 37, to the payment of money by the respondent to Brault, an elector; Melancon, another elector, and the payment by these people of persons. No money had been paid by Mr. Honore Gervais, the legally authorized agent, who was the only one who had a right to play out any money for the legal expenses, according to law. What inference was to be drawn from the action of Brunet as revealed by the evidence? This was expressed by the acting Chief Justice as follows:—
"I think the inference we should draw is that the money was paid to Brault with the intention that it should be used in the manner it was used, and that defendant must stand responsible for the use Brault made of it. As has been said, wilful and intentional ignorance is the same as actual knowledge. As the money was used for corrupt practices, as, for instance, in the payment of persons, defendant must be held guilty of corrupt practices, and we consider it, therefore, our duty to annul the election and report accordingly."

Mr. Justice Loranget recited the circumstances of the case at length. The particulars upon which the annulment of the election was asked for included the frauds at poll 37, the tearing up of good ballots to be replaced by forgeries, the forging of ballots for people who had never voted, and the reception of votes from unauthorized persons, as well as a general system of corruption and personation throughout the constituency. The defendant contends that the frauds were committed by agents outside of his knowledge and control. Even if this were true, there is enough proved to annul the election. The fact of bringing together at the central polling place the crowd of miserable blackguards who had been hired to "telegraph" or personate, and the assembling of the same crowd in a cellar before polling, to get drinks and money to start on their nefarious work, was sufficient evidence of an organized plan of corruption and ballot-stealing. The Judge maintained that the question of agency was established, and, coming to the question of personal disqualification, his Lordship said the court had deeply pondered on the subject, and carefully considered their responsibility in the matter of depriving a citizen of his rights. The learned Judge then went into the evidence, showing how money had been paid out to secure the services of telegraphers, and to keep people away from the country. The payments made to Brault and Melancon, two electors, were in contravention of the law. They might not be sufficient to bring about disqualification, if it had been shown that the money had been used for legal purposes. Here it had been used, according to the evidence, to pay a lot of blackguards to personate and commit crimes. Some of it had even been paid to the poll clerk of poll 37 for participation in the crimes committed at that place against law and public order. Brunet must have known of these payments when he sent money up during the payments, and had to call the police to protect the payer. He who closes his eyes in order not to see corrupt acts is fully as guilty as if he had actually participated in them. The court, therefore, came to the conclusion that the respondent Brunet knew of the corrupt acts and countenanced them.

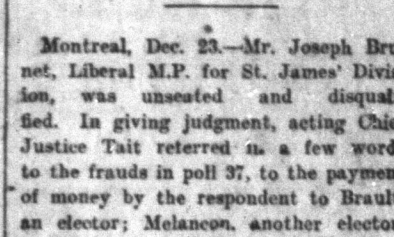
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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23

CHRISTMAS GIVING

The pleasure of giving is sweet, indeed, comments the London News. Probably no writer has been so successful in portraying the pleasure of giving as has Dickens in "A Christmas Carol." The transformation which the famous author worked in Scrooge's character serves to intensify the pleasure when one considers the former "grasping, scraping" character of the hardened old voluntary social exile. But after the ghost of Christmas had awakened in his breast the spark of humanity which was almost dead, and hailing a boy to buy the biggest turkey he can lay his hands on for a Christmas box for Scrooge's clerk, Bob Cratchit, the reader follows with intense interest the pleasures of the former miser as he reveals in the thought that he has for once in his life, anyway, made some person happy, and made himself happy, too, by giving rather than receiving. And, if there are any Scrooges amongst us, let them awake to the fact that if they are able to give, and do not give at Christmas time, one of life's sweetest pleasures is lost to them. Values are not what really count at Christmas time. A simple card of almost no intrinsic value whatever is laid away and cherished by the friend who receives it Christmas time. Values do not count — it is the friendship and good will behind the gift which is considered. But if you know of any who need help, help them if you can. Christ was generous in his salvation of us, one and all, and when his birthday comes around again, do not let it be said that there is one amongst us who lacks from a material standpoint what is necessary to have a merry Christmas. The poor have but few friends, and to the poor our attention should be directed. "I was hungry and ye fed me—I was naked and ye clothed me," said Jesus. But outside of helping the needy is the pleasure of sending a token of friendship to those whom we love or hold in esteem. Some there are with riches plenty, but who toss disappointed and out off from the world, on invalid's beds. How sweet is the smallest token to such a one! Others amongst us labor day by day, manage to make both ends meet but murmur at the struggle, and crave a word of encouragement and cheer. Send them a card, anyway, to show them they are not forgotten, that Christmas in God's time, that we are all brethren, and that we have not forgotten the existence of each other yet. Let us look up our relations, our family connections, our friends, and see if amongst the lot there are not some on whom we are spending of a few times would be money well spent. Let us bury all animosities, let us forgive and forget, and let us one and all join hands to make the approaching Christmas what Christ will be pleased to see it—a day on which we render glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men and good will.

Only another day in which to do Christmas shopping.
Have you read The Planet Advertising columns through? If not, get right to work on them. You'll be well repaid.
It must make President Baer's mouth water to read how the Russians suppress their strikes. If the suspiciously antiracist baron only had a corps of Cossacks to pour into his mines with orders to kill and spare not, he could indeed give thanks to the all-wise Providence that placed him in control of the situation.

Our esteemed contemporary, the Hamilton Spectator, is out with one of the best Christmas editions. The Planet has seen this season. The Spectator does things by halves and has a big reputation to sustain. Its

present issue is a crackerjack and this great home journal tends its Hamilton contemporary hearty congratulations. The Spectator's subscribers are indeed fortunate.

AMERICAN FIRE FIGHTERS.

They Are Admitted to Be the Best in the World.

Wherever the American goes in Europe it is with a feeling of satisfaction that he finds in the more important cities the adaptation of our ideas for fighting fire. Our steam fire engines, our brass poles that bring men down from the upper stories of their station houses, our hinged ladders that snap around the horses' necks at a touch are everywhere. At every important international exhibition of recent years, beginning even with that of Paris in 1889, American fire engines and ladder trucks have taken prizes.

At the Paris exposition of two years ago an American fire team from Kansas City, fourteen men under Chief George C. Hale, carried off all the most important honors at the International fire congress, at which were represented America, France, Portugal, Holland, Norway, Belgium, Switzerland, Denmark, Italy, Germany, Turkey, England, Scotland, Wales, Ireland, New Zealand, India, Austria, Mexico and Peru. Nearly 8,000 firemen took part in the competitions. The first contest was made with steam fire engines on the banks of the Seine. About 100 engines competed. The test was made from cold water in the boiler. The average time for foreign engines in getting a stream from the hose was from eight to twelve minutes. Their streams reached about half way across the river. In five minutes and thirty seconds the American engine threw a stream that wet people on the opposite bank, a distance of 310 feet. The size of the stream was nearly double that thrown by the other engines. —Philip C. Hubert, Jr., in Scribner's.

A Peculiar Catfish.
"Within the last few years many new fishes have been found in Mexico," remarked a member of the United States fish commission a few days ago. "Among the more recent ones is a catfish that has the peculiar habit of carrying its eggs and young in its mouth. It is a popular belief that all fish simply lay their eggs in the water and leave them to be hatched as best they may. Such, however, is not the case by any means. This new catfish mother is much more careful and modern, for she makes the father care for the eggs and young. She drops the eggs around anywhere, while the poor father, swimming after her and gobbling the eggs up in his mouth, must carry them for some weeks before they hatch. He can eat nothing during this time and so grows thin and lean and lank."

The Lion of Lucerne.
A great deal of anxiety is felt in the country through the discovery that one of Switzerland's chief historical monuments, the Lion of Lucerne, is threatened with destruction. The lion, which was chiseled from the solid sandstone rock by Thorwaldsen in 1792, commemorates the massacre of the Swiss guard during the French revolution, and as a work of art is unique. It is situated in rather damp surroundings, above a pool in the glacier garden at Lucerne, and the water has trickled through the sandstone, which threatens to crumble and thus destroy the statue. An expert has been examining the rock, and by his advice it has been decided to cut away the surrounding rock and isolate the lion. —Globe's Cor. London Chronicle.

TRIALS OF AN OLD LADY

Could Scarcely Walk, and Sleep and She Were Strangers.

Kidney Complaint Was The Trouble—Dodd's Kidney Pills Cured It and Now She Can Both Sleep and Walk.
Bear River, Digby Co., N. S., Dec. 22.—(Special).—Of peculiar interest to aged people is the statement made by Mrs. Elizabeth Berry of this place. Mrs. Berry is sixty-five years of age and for over eight years she was troubled with Chronic Kidney Complaint. She was so bad that she could scarcely walk from one room to another, she could not sleep and she required assistance even to dress herself. Dodd's Kidney Pills cured her. Here's what she says herself: "A friend advised me to take Dodd's Kidney Pills. I took one box, but that not helping me, I left off taking any more for three years. I at last got so that I could not dress or undress myself and could scarcely sleep more than five minutes at a time. Then I resolved to give Dodd's Kidney Pills a thorough trial. I took five boxes and they proved such a success I took seven more boxes. Now I can sleep much better and am completely cured of Kidney Trouble. "When I started taking Dodd's Kidney Pills I could only walk from one room to another. Now I can walk a mile."

Dodd's Kidney Pills make the old feel young again.
Love is a virtue for heroes; and immortal as every great soul is that struggles, endures and fulfills.

TIDINESS ABOUT THE FARM.

A Hint From an English Journalist You May Make Valuable.

A party of English journalists recently traveled through Canada, seeing much of the country and taking note of all they saw. They were all men of wide experience, trained to observe closely and to criticize frankly and fairly. In Canada they saw much that aroused their wonder and called forth their warmest praise. Before they came they knew the extent of our country as expressed in figures, but they realize what those figures mean for they have journeyed across the land when the harvest was being gathered and with their own eyes have seen evidence of the country's greatness and fertility. Having returned home they are now telling the British public about the forests and the wheat fields, the farms, the villages and the towns of Canada. With their descriptions and their praise is some criticism and advice which is worth at least, the attention of our people.

In the course of an interview given by the leader of the party, just before they set sail from Canada, a suggestion was made that our country people should pay a little more attention to the appearance of their homes and their surroundings. The English journalist is reported to have said: that there was much that could be done in the way of improving places they had noticed in the country. For instance, the planting of a tree, the removing of rubbish, the use of the whitewash brush, or the clearing up of a few flowers. All this might come later, but there was no reason why it should not come at once, as it was so easily done, and if done by every one the aggregate of pleasure and the uplifting tendency would be great.

There are few parts of the country to which the hint of our English visitors does not apply. A little more tidiness about the farm house, in the yards and along the fences would wonderfully improve the appearance of the whole. The cost of this in time and labor would be amply repaid by the satisfaction every thrifty farmer feels in seeing things neat and clean; but besides this there would be in almost every case a tangible reward for greater tidiness in an increase in the profits of the farm. One of the greatest eyesores about farm buildings and yards is the weeds, the bareness of the ground, the dirt over. They are not only a blemish to the home and its surroundings but they are a menace to every field in the neighborhood. By destroying them the appearance of the home is improved and an enemy of the whole farm removed.

Another unnecessary blemish is the heap of rubbish that often litters a corner of the yard or encumbers a portion of the garden. When the first deposit of refuse is made there the intention is that it shall be only temporary; but the heap grows in size and unsightliness and there it remains a monument to someone's laziness and procrastination. Let it be shared the fate of the weeds and what an improvement is wrought in the appearance of the place.

A crazy fence before the house, a rattling gate hanging by a single hinge, broken windows in the out-buildings—all these can be mended without much expense, but they cannot be allowed to remain in their dilapidated condition without inconvenience and loss to say nothing of their unsightliness, and their depressing effect upon the farmer and his family.

To follow the advice of our English visitors would not be a great undertaking for if each farmer would devote each year only a few hours to good housekeeping about his home the tidiness of the whole country would be wonderfully increased.

Crime in London.
Rarely does any official report contain such depressing matter as that on prisons just issued from the home office. It formally records that during the last year the number of people in prison increased by between 17,000 and 18,000, as compared with the previous year. In London criminality has so largely increased that between 3,000 and 4,000 prisoners of both sexes have to be transferred to provincial jails for lack of adequate accommodation in the metropolis. Nor is this terrible growth of lawlessness of an abnormal character, it appears to have acquired normality, judging from the fact that the number of London commitments increased from 38,373 in 1891 to 58,591 in 1901. During the whole of the period, and long before, it was highly improved and extremely costly educational machinery was in full operation as a corrective of criminal instincts, but, so far as can be seen, it appears to have rather acted as a stimulant. One thing is quite clear at all events—the existing system of punishment does not produce that deterrent influence among persons predisposed to crime which was hoped for.

Sold a Shot at the Ducks.

A story is told of the famous Richard Brinsley Sheridan that one day, when coming back from shooting, with an empty bag, he did not like to go home completely empty, and, seeing a number of ducks in a pond and a man or farmer leaning on a rail watching him, Sheridan said: "What will you take for a shot at the ducks?" "Well," he said, "I will take half a sovereign." "Done!" said Sheridan, and he fired into the middle of the flock, killing a dozen. "I'm afraid you made a bad bargain," "Well, I don't know," said the man; "they weren't mine."

Good News by Wholesale.

A postal card sent from Billville to one of the absent brethren reads: "Dear Jim,—Nothing but good news to tell you. Your crap paid off the mortgage; your brother broke out of jail; and your daddy has just got \$1,000 out the railroad for running over his leg. Ain't Providence providing?"

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Just a few days to Xmas, just a few days to make your selection.

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Until then you will have a chance at our Great

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NURSERY NOTES.

Try giving castor oil in warm weather with plenty of sugar. The baby's lips will smack over it.

It is much easier to dress baby on the bed than on your lap. You will have both hands free and greater liberty of motion.

If the baby kicks much in his bath it will be well for the first month to bathe him with his bladder on. This will prevent all danger of straining.

There is nothing children love more better than almost every case, have, but low tables are more rare. They should have them also.

Mothers make the memories that are to be the inheritance of their children during all our lives. What a tribute to mother love it is, when the silver-haired man or woman says: "We did have such good times when we were children!"

It is always a good sign for a baby to sleep a great deal, and delicate and puny infants who sleep much become strong and healthy children. Even babies who are large and thriving at birth, unless they get a great deal of sleep, become weak and sickly.

Coughs, colds, soreness, and other throat ailments are quickly relieved by Cressle's tablets, ten cents per box. All druggists.

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My, Oh My!

Our large stock of Fancy China, Lamps and Glassware bought expressly for the Xmas trade and marked at low prices will, for the next seven days be sold at a still further reduction of 10 per cent.

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Feather Boas, fine ostrich feather boas, 48 in. long, full and fluffy, colors fawn, grey, black and black and white, special each \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$3.50.
Children's White Lamb Boas, large, fluffy quality, pure white, 36 in. to 40 inch, special each 25c.
Linen Table Cloths, a special purchase of fine Irish Linen Table Cloths, away below their regular values, enables us to quote exceptionally low prices on fine linens, as follows:—
Pure Irish Double Damask Cloths, fine, grass bleached quality, beautiful designs, size 2 yards by 2 1/2 yards and 2 yards by 3 yards, special at each \$3.00.
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Fine Napkins to match at special prices.
French Flannel Waists, fine, pure wool, assorted colors, pretty styles, prettily trimmed, special each \$3.50.
and
Silk Waists, handsome styles in fine Tulle, Taffeta and Liberty Satin, perfect fitting garments, at \$3.50, \$4.00, \$5.00, \$6.00, \$7.00, \$9.00 and \$10.00.
Fur Coats—Choice Astrakhan coats at \$25.00, \$35.00 and \$40.00.
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Russian Lamb Coats—Rich round curi, choice skins, best satin linings, Special each \$50.00.
Greenland Seal Coats—Lamb collar and lapels, very choice, at each \$29.50.
No. 1 Russian Lamb Coat—Rich, silky curl, selected skins, superior satin linings, special at \$100.00.
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Ladies' Jackets—Extraordinary values, sweeping reductions in prices, don't invest a dollar in a coat until you have seen these bargains.
Children's Coats—A special lot of manufacture samples and overstock at almost HALF PRICE.
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By visiting us we can show you the very latest Dress Goods, from the finest to the coarsest also see our cape and mantle cloths, steamer rugs, flannels, yarns etc. We are offering special inducements in Plankets this season. When in want give us a call and you will not regret it.

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Ceylon GREEN Tea is so pure it can be drunk with impunity by confirmed dyspeptics and to their benefit. It will displace Japan Tea just as "SALADA" Black is displacing all other black teas. Lead packets only. 25c. and 40c. per lb. By all grocers.

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Supply Kress Kringle for
his Christmas Raid

VONGUNTEN BROS.

Vonguntens Bros., as usual, at this season of the year are at the height of business. The store, though small, contains a heap of the goods, everything the people want and wish for. Their trade in watches this year surpasses all previous years by a good margin. They have not had the usual number of sales, in fact have not had time to put them on. The special engraver was never busier than at present on novelties of all kinds. The special detective employed by this firm during the holidays did good work on Saturday.

WESTMAN BROS.

The firm of Westman Bros. are making some very special efforts in their Christmas trade this year. They have installed a very fine stock in the way of Christmas presents, including cutlery, silverware, etc. These enterprising gentlemen are the sole agents for the famous Taylor's Eye Witness cutlery goods, of Sheffield, England. They have handled these goods for over 23 years and have yet to receive the first complaint. They have always given the very best of satisfaction. In the implement line also the trade of this firm is increasing right along. They have taken the sole agency for the Walter Wood mowers, binders, corn harvesters and hay tedders, for Western Ontario. These implements are found to be very popular with the farmers who purchase them.

They have also handled the Jewell stores for over seven years and many are the housekeepers who are experiencing the pleasure of having their stores in their homes. They make a specialty of builders hardware.

A. D. Westman reports that the business this year has been far better than any other year in the firm's history. This speaks well for Chatham, as it is one of the many evidences of the growth of our city.

G. J. PEACE.

This is the season for Christmas shopping and, as a result, the merchants of the city are over-run with buyers, who are anxious to procure the very best possible articles in the line of Christmas gifts. To these, it

THE DISTRICT

RUTHERFORD.

Will Christen—Croton, visited friends here last week. The Methodist people are getting a new stove for their church. Mrs. Harrison and Miss Ruth Prescott, were on the sick list last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Healy visited Croton friends on Sunday last. Council met here on the 15th. Mrs. O'Neil passed away after a short illness, and was buried on the 11th. Funeral sermon was preached by Rev. Mr. Ross. Auction sales are numerous this fall. Municipal matters are beginning to warm up. A number of new men are reported to be in the field.

HIGHGATE.

Miss G. G. Logan, of Detroit, is spending the holidays at her home here.

Miss Kittie Schlie sang, of West Lorne, was the guest of Miss Addie Scott last week. Mrs. George Manson, of Exeter, and Mrs. J. Buchanan, of Aylmer, called on friends in town on Friday. F. B. Fetterley, of Chatham, was in town this week. Mrs. Hugh McCutcheon, of Glenora, has returned to her home after visiting friends in the vicinity.

Miss Bertha Walker, of Chiro, was the guest of friends in town on Friday last. Rev. E. J. Powell, of Dutton, preached in the Methodist church on Sunday last. Miss Mattie Stone has returned from a visit with friends in St. Thomas.

JEANNETTE'S CREEK.

Miss Mary Stewart, of Tilbury, was a guest of Mrs. Kontze on Tuesday. The annual Christmas entertainment of the Methodist S. S. will be held this Monday evening, Dec. 22nd. Miss Jean Forbes is visiting in Chatham this week.

Thirty-nine boxes of fish were shipped to New York on Tuesday. Mrs. Joseph Bellier died on Thursday night, Dec. 11th. The deceased had been sick for two years with consumption. She leaves a husband and six children to mourn her loss. The funeral took place on Saturday at St. Peter's Church and the remains were interred in the cemetery at the church.

The Public school closes on Monday, 22nd. Mr. and Mrs. Larose are visiting in Wyandotte, Mich., this week. Two cars of shell corn, one car of sugar beets and one of stock were shipped on Wednesday.

CHATHAM TOWNSHIP.

A grand concert is to be held at Louisville on Christmas eve. All are invited to attend. John and Edward Oliver have returned home from Toronto, where they have been attending school. John at the School of Science and Edward at University.

Last Friday afternoon a number of the ladies of S. S. No. 7 visited the school house to bid farewell to Miss Wilson, who has taught our school for two years. After a nice little program Miss Wilson treated the pupils to taffy, candy and popcorn. Miss Lillie Taylor came forward and presented Miss Wilson with a lovely opal ring, accompanied by an address, which she read very nicely. The address read as follows: Dear Miss Wilson, I am appointed by the pupils of this school to present you in their name this ring. We chose a ring as a symbol of our never ending remembrance of you. In presenting this testimonial I assure you on behalf of your pupils that as an excellent instructor and a wise and patient teacher you will be remembered by the students of the school with feelings of the highest regard and esteem.

CHATHAM CENTRE.

A Merry Christmas to all. Rev. Mr. Neilly preached a special Christmas sermon to a large congregation in Chamber's church Sunday.

The regular prayer meeting which has been so successful the past year, has organized as a Young People's Society and will meet every Tuesday evening. These meetings will be made more instructive and interesting. Both old and young are invited to attend.

Owing to Christmastide prayer meeting will be held on Monday evening in Knox church this week.

Our young people spent a very enjoyable evening at Mr. Mackness' on Wednesday last. About 35 were present, and after the conclusion of games and music dispersed, feeling that they had had a jolly good time. Will Cotton lost a valuable cow last week.

The scholars at singing school are progressing nicely and intend having a concert at the close of the term. Our school teacher, Miss McArthur, has returned to her home at Tupperville.

Miss Hattie French will spend her vacation at Adrian, Mich. Miss Lilly Nesbitt has returned to her home for a few weeks. John and Edmund Oliver, of Toronto, are visiting at their home here. A large number from here went to Chatham Saturday to see the football match, but were disappointed.

DOVER.

The good roads and fine weather have made things lively in these parts.

Those who are seeking municipal honors are beginning to make their appearance. Those mentioned are Francis Rankin and John Grant for



There often comes a time in the struggle with pulmonary disease when the victim loses heart and gives up hope. The ambition to be up and around gives way before growing weakness, and the sufferer keeps to the bed.

No one who suffers from lung disease should lose heart or give up hope while there is a possibility of cure. In many cases Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery has cured lung "trouble" when the cough was obstinate and deep seated, with hemorrhage, emaciation, night sweats and general weakness. A great many men and women are living to-day in the full enjoyment of health and happiness who had been "given up" by doctors, but found a perfect and permanent cure in the use of "Golden Medical Discovery."

"My wife had hemorrhage of the lungs," writes W. A. Sanders, of Herrs, N. Y. "she had ten hemorrhages, and the people all around here said she would never get up again. But she began to take Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and she soon began to gain strength and flesh. After taking ten bottles she was entirely well. Should you think this would do you any good to publish just like it and if any one doubts the merits of this almost omnipotent medicine they may enclose self-addressed envelope with stamp, and I will answer, the same as written in this letter."

Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical Adviser is sent for on receipt of stamps to pay expense of customs and mailing only. Send 31 one-cent stamps for the book in paper covers, or 50 stamps for the cloth-bound volume. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

county councillor, and C. Purser and Timothy O'Neill for reeve; Peter Crawford, Regie Trudell, L. Sloan, Geo. Kime, F. King, John Williams, John Hooper, James Rankin, Joseph Lewis and Joseph Rankin for councillors.

The Richmond's Sunday school gave a Christmas tree and concert in the school house on Friday evening. It was a decided success. The tree was loaded and Santa Claus had a big evening's work. The program was excellent. The children's Christmas drill, the singing, instrumental and dialogues deserve special praise. Rev. Mr. Neilly acted as chairman in his usual cheerful manner. The proceeds were \$25.

Mrs. Doolittle and her son John contemplate a trip east to spend Christmas with relatives. The school children presented Miss Lawrence with a beautiful toilet set and a well worded address on her departure for her field of labor. We are sorry to lose Miss Lawrence, as she was a great help in the neighborhood as well as a good teacher. Archie Ritchie is visiting R. McKenzie.

TELEGRAPH BREVITIES.

Dr. Jamieson, M.P.P., was operated on for appendicitis at Durham.

Rev. George Burns, a retired Baptist minister, died at Woodstock.

W. E. Milner was nominated for the Commons by the Liberals of Peel.

Negotiations are proceeding for changes in the staff of Trinity College School, Port Hope.

Railway officials reported about 80 per cent more passenger traffic than last year.

The Russian Government is spending immense sums in relief work among famine sufferers.

Pains In The Small Of The Back.

Bad Digestion and Racking Head-
aches—Cure was Brought About
by

Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills

"Pains in the small of the back" is the way hosts of people describe their sufferings, not knowing that the pains are in reality in the kidneys. Pains in the back, weak back, lame back, backache—these are the first indications of kidney trouble. They are the warning which nature gives you. If you heed at once you can be cured. Neglect will soon put you at the mercy of the most painful and fatal of diseases.

Women as well as men have kidney disease, and may well feel anxious when the kidney pains make themselves felt in the small of the back. Because Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills give you prompt relief from backache it is well worth your while to take them. But they do more than this. They regulate and invigorate the action of the kidneys, and insure a return to health of these important organs.

Mr. W. Gilroy, general merchant, Blenheim, Ont., states: "I am rather enthusiastic in praise of Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, and I believe I have good reason to be. For several years I was a great sufferer from kidney disease, and had pains in my back almost constantly. I tried a great many remedies, but did not succeed in obtaining more than slight temporary relief. A friend of mine advised me to try Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, and I did so, with great satisfaction. I had not taken half a box before I began to feel better, and now realize that I have entirely recovered. I often wonder now why people go after new-fangled remedies when this tried and proven medicine is so easily obtained, and so certain to cure."

Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, 25 cents a box, at all dealers, or Edman, Bates & Co., Toronto.

HUMOR

MRS. DRESSER'S NEW GOWNS

Her Feminine Neighbors Did Not
Care, Yet They Talked.

"Did you know that Mrs. Dresser had another new gown?" asked Mrs. Knowall of Mrs. Eager.

"You don't mean it?"

"Indeed she has, and it never cost a penny less than \$45, and it wouldn't surprise me a bit to know that it cost \$50."

"Well, upon my soul! Of course it's nothing to me how many new gowns Mrs. Dresser has, but I do hate to see a woman given over so completely to dress."

"So do I. Of course I don't care how many dresses she has. As you say, it's nothing to me. I don't have them to pay for. The wonder to me is how Mr. Dresser ever pays for them. You know that it hasn't been six weeks since she came out in that elegant silk crepon that, to my certain knowledge, cost her \$48. But, then, I don't care."

"Nor I. She can come out in a new dress every week as far as I'm concerned. You know that it was just after Christmas that she had that expensive Dresden china silk with all that costly lace on it. But, dear me, I don't care!"

"Care? Why, I wouldn't care if she wore real Lyons velvet every day of her life. And that reminds me—that cape she came out in is real Lyons velvet. I just took the trouble to find out—not that I cared whether it was Lyons velvet or cotton velvet, but, then—and you remember that elegant black silk she wore in the winter?"

"I guess I do! The jet on that dress was \$4.50 a yard. I know, for I saw a piece just like it at Brown & Smith's, and I priced it just to find out. Of course it was nothing to me, and I didn't really care how much she paid for it. I didn't have it to pay for."

"So do I. It's nothing to me, but I happen to know that her last bonnet cost \$19!"

"No!"

"It did!"

"My soul!"

"Did you ever?"

"Well—it's nothing to me!"

"No, not to me."

"I don't care."

"Nor I!"—Detroit Free Press.

That Wise Discoverer.

Columbus had been on his voyage several weeks when the sailors became frightened by the variation of the compass.

"How can you tell which way the needle points?" inquired the chief engineer, suggesting retreat.

"Sit on it!" roared the angry navigator.

Satisfied by the logic of the answer, the dissenters withdrew, while Christopher sagely boxed the compass.—New York Times.

Apprehensive.

"I don't know what there is about betting on horse races that should be so deleterious to health," said young Mrs. Torkins pensively.

"I never heard of such a thing," answered a visitor.

"Neither did I until I heard Charlie talking about it. Every time he makes a bet he comes home and says there is something wrong with his system."

Washington Star.

His Experience.

His—Every time I pick up a hairpin on the street I get a letter. I never knew it to fail.

Dix—I did. I picked up one the other day and put it in my pocket, but I didn't get a letter.

His—You didn't?

Dix—No; but my wife found it, and I got a lecture.—Chicago News.

A Rare Chance.

Wanted at Once.—A competent surgeon to set limbs of seven citizens, the said limbs having been dislocated by Johnson's mule. We do not know what injuries the eighth man sustained, as he went through a shingle roof and hasn't come down yet. In another column Johnson advertises his mule for sale.—Atlanta Constitution.

An Atavistic Joke.

Mrs. Dearborn—You say she's been married three times within a year. Does she inherit that trait?

Mrs. Wabash—Oh, yes! Her father was married four times and her mother six, I believe.—Yonkers Statesman.

Magnified.

Why do you look at me through a telescope?

Why, yer see, lady, I seen in yer eye dat yer wuz goin' ter give me a dime, an' I wuz tryin' ter bring it close enough so it'd look like a dollar.—New York Evening Journal.

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The Fiancee—Were there many girls where you were staying?

"I should say so. Why, I didn't dare leave my room after dark."—New York Life.

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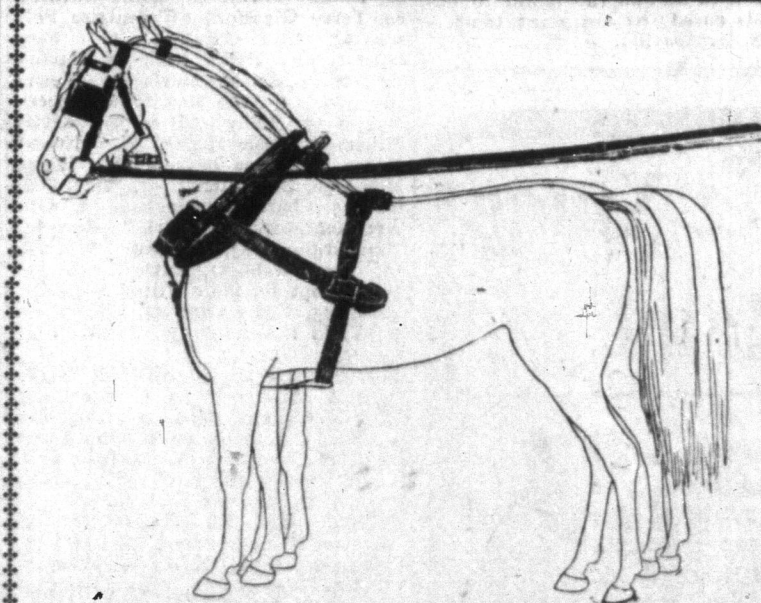
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THE LOCAL BUDGET

Chatham Lodge, No. 29, meets to-night.

L. J. Rye, Ridgetown, was in the city to-day.

Mrs. Wm. O'Brien, of Blenheim, spent yesterday in the city.

The stone steps leading to the new library entrance are being placed.

Mrs. Kenny and Miss Loretta Kenny will spend Christmas in Detroit.

Westlake Bros. photo studio will be open on Christmas day from ten a. m. until four p. m.

Hubert Robert, returns to-night for the Christmas holidays from Sandwich L'Assomption College.

Auction sale of men's furnishings and shoes at the Out Rate Store this evening. Andrew Thompson, auctioneer.

Miss Jennie S. Reid, of Delhi, Ont., public school staff, is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Sunday avenue.

Just arrived at South's Fair, a lovely line of China, a little late arriving, so we mark them close for the Christmas trade. Secure one of these bargains.

John Maimo, who has lately returned from the North-west, has received a Buffalo horn chair, a very unique article of furniture, from a friend. The express charges on the chair amounted to \$5.

The Maple Leaf Pleasure Club will give a ball and basket assembly in the I. O. O. F. Auditorium on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24th, also on New Year's Eve, Dec. 31st. Tickets 50c.

James Carroll, St. Clair street, died on Sunday, aged 70 years. He leaves a widow and family to mourn his loss. The funeral will take place to-morrow from his late residence to St. Joseph's Church. Interment will be made in St. Anthony's Cemetery.

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The principal desires any parents, dissatisfied with the progress of their children, to communicate with him at once or call at the school any day between 2.30 and 4 p.m.

PROMOTED TO SENIOR IV B.

Georgina Moore 92, Jack Northwood 89, John Taylor 86, Nellie Bedford 84, Ida Snook 81, Marion Martin 78, Edith Merrill 76, Louis Stringer 75, Hazel Tilton 75, Harry McGarry 74, Edna Reddick 72, Maude McWilliams 72, Frank Merrill 72, Grace Kemp 72, John Watson 71, Roy Robinson 70, Tracie Waddell 70, Dora Campbell 69, Mac Milner 68, Lilian Wemp 65, Jas. Boyd 65, George Douglas 65, Bertie Merrill 64, Dorella Foreman 64, Eva Stevenson 64, Clara Wilson 64, Russell Paxton 64, Harry Dunlop 64, Gladys Morris 64, Velma Stone 64, George Richardson 63, Anna Scott 62, Rose Swan 62, Grace Hall 61, Ben Bromley 61, Ethel Stevens 60, John Ross 60, Ella Herman 60, Cora Nelson 60, Elva Chrysler 59, Willie Hutton 58, Peter Quinn 58, Marion Thomas 57, Ray King 57.

TRANSFERRED TO SENIOR IV A.

Erle Smith 56, Rose Hux 56, Nellie McWilliams 55, Stuart Knott 54, Theresa Judson 54, Cecil Jones 54, Pearl Martin 53, Harry Johns 53, Arthur Perry 52, Flora Brooks 52, Hazel Baxter 52, Mary Blakey 51, Bruce Mowers 50, Alice Massey 49, Pearl Mitchell 49, George Griffin 48, Grace Gammage 47, Ingram Taylor 45, Grace Jordan 44, Clarence Campbell 40, Beulah Bedford 39.

FROM JUNIOR A TO JUNIOR IV B.

Murray Peterson 83, Roy Carnovsky 82, Helene Pikey 81, Gertrude MacDonald 78, Charlie Trotter 78, Verter McMullen 77, Susie Smyth 76, Arthur Stirling 75, Charlie Dooey 74, Lila Chrysler 73, Gladys Merritt 74, Jas. McLean 74, Eva Fuller 71, Herbert Mahler 71, Laura Philmore 69, Annie Cuyler 69, Leola Lynn 69, Bessie Skerr 68, Maggie Rott 67, Lona Judson 67, Norma Shillington 66, Clara Yeomans 65, Alice Hall 63, Chester Jones 63, George Moss 63, Pearl Graves 62, Roy Wilson 62, David Dunlop 62, Edna Barber 61, Garnet Singer 59, Ethel Angus 58, Frank Winegar 58, Harry McCosh 58, Willie Gray 56, Milton Harrington 54, Grace Ainsworth 54, Roy Allen 53, Lily Ainsworth 52, Clara Smith 51, Sadie Morton 48, Clarence Stringer 45.

FROM SENIOR III B TO JUNIOR IV B.

Fred Reid 85, Rose Moore 81, Daisy Jones 81, Duncan Kirkling 80, Jean McWilliams 79, Wilfrid White 79, Ethel Baile 79, Rena Knott 76, Marguerite King 76.

FROM SENIOR III B TO SENIOR IV A.

Richard Pope 74, Annie Campbell 74, Russell Mounter 72, Elsie 71, Kate McDonald 72, Harold Wing 72, Ross Ford 72, Bernice Wilson 71, Nellie Cumming 71, Gertrude Kendall 70, Wm. Taylor 67, Daphne Barry 65, R. Dunlop 67, H. Webb 67, May Glassford 66, James Edgington 75, Tom Somerville 65, Alice Anquetil 64, Annie Mann 63, Emma Rogers 63, John McKenzie 62, Isabella Austin 62.

SENIOR III A TO SENIOR III B.

Irving Paxton 75, Sydney Gregory 72, Edna Shepley 68, Lila Gray 68, Lillian Dunlop 66, Merranna Longley 66, Bessie Tilton 64, Willie Auvahe 64, Percy Glassford 63, Beatrice Polson 62, Nita Remington 61, May Stirling 61, Myra Pink 60, Harvey Barrett 60, Nellie Daniels 60, Robert Challinor 60, Alice Merritt 60, Robert Miller 59, Ruby Wilson 59, Kittie Miller 58, Josie Hegart 57, Ernest Moore 56, Lora Putnam 56, Edgar Moore 56, Zora Merrill 55, Hazel Bedford 55, Charlie Buckingham 53, Gilbert McIntock 53, Pearl Wanless 53, Tom Grainger 53, Christine Patterson 52, Bert Webb 51, Katie Litch 51, Addie Kemp 50, Edna Wilson 49, Edith Farby 45, Eddie Cape 42, Ella Clark 40, Viola Nethercliff 36, James Fenlon 35.

JUNIOR III B TO SENIOR III B.

Laura Ainsworth 89, George Mann 86, Flossie Reid 84, Laurie Thornton 82, Verna Wellman 81, Russell Stein 81, Elsie Savage 77, Wilbur Davis 77, Frank Whitely 76, Mather Woolworth 75, Melville each 75.

JUNIOR III A TO SENIOR III A.

Arthur Webb 74, May Roberts 74, Solome Paul 74, Rowland McDonald 73, Merle Bedford 73, Jessie Bromley 73, Annie Reid 73, D. L. Baird 73, Charlie Milner 72, George Somerville 71, Lena Harper 70, Marion Tigh 69, Addie Mains 67, Lillie Masters 67, Ned Radley 65, Harold Mounter 64, George McMurray 64, Clarence Cook 64, Gertrude Rouse 64, Hazel Paul 63, Florence Custer 62, John Eastlake 62, Maggie Buck 62, Olive Hewson 60, King Kingsmill 60, Albert Martin 59, Flossie Thomas 59, Hazel Fisher 55, Earl Mitchell 55, Harry Terrington 53, Gertrude Cape 52, Reggie Glover 51, Frank Cuckey 50, Nina Palmer 47, Nettie Guy 44.

JUNIOR III A TO SENIOR III B.

Grace Hicklin 62, Reg Stirling 60,

Percy Pink 58, Clifton Cuyler 57, Nora von Guntion 57, Flossie Roach 56, Ida Clements 56, Grace Campbell 55, Bessie Stone 54, Charlie McGregor 54, Alice Lister 53, Frank Hulton 51, Eva Bragg 50, Albert Buck 49, Myrtle Ford 48, Murray Cathcart 47, Lloyd Judson 47, George Mounter 46, May Small 45, Percy Jackson 42, Fred Robinson 41, Grace McGregor 40, Edminnie Hull 39, Cathleen Hannon 39.

FROM SENIOR II B TO SENIOR III A.

Stanley Mahon 85, Jennie Austin 84, Hazel Taylor 82, Laura Allen 80, Violet Merrill 77, Erle Glover 77, Eva Eastlake 76, George Wilson 75, Mary McGregor 75, Lloyd Thomson 75, Guy Barry 75, Ethel McGee 74, May Buckingham 74, Clarence Savage 73, Edith Low 73, Gwendolin Charteris 73, Nettie Kelley 72, Fred Taylor 71, Slonie Tefft 70, Gladys Side 69, Clarence Davey 69, Carrie Lowe 68, Laura Cuyler 68, Jennie Mason 68, Irene Reid 68, Charlotte Somers 67, Olive Auvahe 67, Leslie Clements 67, Clifford Remington 66, Willie Radley 65, Brice Dunlop 65, James Edgington 64, Percy Mann 64, Edna Quinn 64, Alice Gatt 63, Inez Roach 60, Wilfred Gernsey 59, Edna McDougla 59, Frank Barrett 58.

SENIOR II A TO SENIOR II B.

Jessie Hancock 76, Orville Putnam 73, Sadie Walkinshaw 73, Jean McLachlan 73, George Somers 70, John White 70, Birnie Huxon 69, Lyle Kaler 67, Eddie Hackett 67, Willie Everett 66, Margaret Scane 66, George Roberts 64, John Cloberty 63, Eileen Glenn 63, Roy Reid 62, Mary Scane 59, Winnie McEachern 59, Beatrice Wilson 59, Winnie Felt 58, Guita Matthews 58, Inez Mounter 57, Stanley Gammage 55, Maggie Ford 55, Florence Stevenson 55, Victor Freevin 55, Gladys Taylor 54, Lulu Rayment 54, Ernest Glassford 54, Lester Neill 54, Mary Burgess 52, Verna Tuttle 50, Frank Miller 51, Alfred Lister 50, Harry Cloberty 48, Rose Thomas 48, Ulia Judson 47, Robert McKinley 46, Grace Williams 45, Edna Vanstone 45, Nora Daniels 43, Mary Taylor 42, Duncan Keats 41, Mabel Palmer 41, Murray Scott 40, Harry Learst 40.

JUNIOR II B TO SENIOR II A.

Percy Scott 87, Edgar McMullen 82, Willie Kendall 78, Daisy Austin 78, Jennie Woolworth 74, Maggie Blakeley 72, Ida James 71, Raymond Dean 70, Harold Stevenson 70, Lyle Bradshaw 70, Wallace Taylor 69, Mabel Dyer 67, Mildred McDonald 64, Lizzie Curry 64, Arthur Curry 64, Eva Rudding 62, Chester Stirling 62, Frank Clark 58, Edith Clements 58, Dave Holmes 57, Willie Snook 57, Jack Kingsmill 58.

JUNIOR II A TO JUNIOR II B.

Ross Taylor 88, Douglas Cobblecliff 78, Carman McLarty 77, Marion Greig 77, Edna Pikey 75, Lloyd Cuckey 74, Viva Bechill 73, Marion Watson 71, Queenie Remington 68, Marie Moore 68, Gladys Barr 68, Walter Kieck 67, Grace Morhouse 67, Beatrice Anderson 66, Sarah Jones 65, Nelson Findlay 65, Norman Davis 63, Charlie Hannon 61, Minnie Radley 61, Martin 60, Eva Perry 59, Adelaide Martin 60, Ida Kelley 60, Ella Savage 59, Charlie King 59, Marjorie Westman 54, Dot Shepley 54, Marjorie Cayle 54, Albert Taylor 52, John Roberts 52, Wilbert Seney 52, Clayton Winegar 51, John King 51, Gordon Jameson 50, Mabel Lanning 50, Percy Wilson 50, Gladys Moore 49, Tom Tennent 47, Duward Burk 47, Douglas Milner 45, Golden Holden 45, Elwood Douglas 45, Clarence Kerr 40, Bert Garner 40, Chaucery Martin 40.

SENIOR I B TO JUNIOR I A.

Fraser, Hadley 89, Dora Thornton 87, George Kerr 78, Ida Tyndal 77, Earl Dunlop 77, Ray Rouse 76, Rose Jackson 76, Claude Hiltz 73, Annie Glasser 72, Frank Peters 72, Nellie Savage 71, Vernon Carnovsky 70, Eva Lampton 70, Jessie Andrews 69, Rhea Tuttle 69, Myrtle Stephens 69, Will Gatt 69, Mabel Lowe 69, Meta Neil 68, John Macdonald 68, Ethel Dufoir 67, Charlie Watt 67, Kinsey Humphrey 66, Jack Doherty 65, Lockhart Thompson 65, Hulme Stone 64, Vera Ritchie 64, James Simmons 64, Roy Glassford 64, Everett Winter 62, Albert Nayles 61, Maggie Shepley 60, Norman Overstreet 59, Beatrice Jones 59, George Elliott 58, Gladys Tewkesbe 57, Will Moore 57, Lizzie Pryor 54, Roy Rutten 48, Grace Johnson 48, Pearl Blake 47, Gordon Moore 45, Mabel Borge 45.

SENIOR I A TO SENIOR I B.

Edith Bullis 88, Willie Milner 87, Stanley Morris 86, Norman Thomson 84, Ellis Galbraith 83, Calista McGarty 80, Verna Hackney 79, George Lewis 78, Ruby Penfold 77, Edie Garner 76, Ida Moss 76, Lottie Bunn 75, Hester Scott 72, Maud Patterson 71, Robbie Taylor 71, Ruby Side 70, Alma Stokes 70, Alice Mann 70, Tom Montgomery 69, Ambrose Gorham 69, Lloyd Winegarner 69, Geo. McGee 69, Ray Judson 69, Walter Pink 68, Dorothy Polson 68, Reggie Glasser 68, Olive Meredith 68, Beatrice Westman 68, Gertrude Martin 68, Flossie Hill 68, Bruce Robinson 67, Norman Tilson 67, Inez Nash 66, Pearl Penfold 65, Homer Birch 65, Jacob Lammpan 64, Frank Mantgomery 63, Jimmie Black 59, Frank Cape 58, Bertha Patterson 55, Mildred Sash 54.

JUNIOR I C TO SENIOR I A.

(Miss McKellar's Class)
Frank Reid, Maxwell Charteris, Malcolm Peace, Ralph Meredith, Edward DeCov, Verna Padbury, Josephie Ion, Ruby Farby, Agatha Moore, Myrtle Kelley, Grace Akeley, Mac Sheldom, Douglas Hull, Melvin Sloan, Charlie Ford, John McKay, Robert Taylor, Lancelot Heath, Roland Hills, Russell McCall, May Purdy, Mary Steen, Gerrie Everitt, Joe Parker, Bert McGregor.

JUNIOR I C TO JUNIOR I A.

(Miss Tackaberry's class)
Flo Fritz, John Lewis, Roy Marshall, Jack Gilbert, Lulu Smith, Elsie Graham, Vera Arnold, Mary Paul, Rose Masters, Christie Gray, John Williams, Bell Dunlop, Harry Dell, Anna Mounter, Amber Arnold, Joe Glover, David Browning, Arthur Neil, Jim Dulse, Donald R. chardson, Thelma Campbell, Evelyn Park, Eri Forb,

Catherine Smith, Joe Jackson, Ester Harris, Charlie Cresser.

JUNIOR I B TO JUNIOR I C.

(Miss McKellar's Class)
Orma Kime, Louis McCall, Archie Currie, George Moore, Gladys Cook, Hazel Blake, Flossie Moore, Herbie Crosby, Charlie Wellman, Charlie Dipman, Harvey Evans, Gladys Pope, Lavearn Masterston, Pearl Kelsey, Yeta Hiltz, Marjorie Chrysler, Viola Marshall, Georgina Nelson, Gertrude Miller, Merle Winter Madeline Murray, Blanche Bennett, Verna Moore, Earl McKerricher, Grace Moore.

JUNIOR I B TO JUNIOR I C.

(Miss Tackaberry's Class)
Ella James, Gladys Marshall, Lyle Dunridge, Rob Jermyn, Wesley Durling, Lyall Watt, Geo. Learst, Lloyd Evans, Mabel Thomson, Archie Russell, Edith Kirk, Carrie Hutchison, John Peters, Willis Shepley, Ella Fralick, Clinton McCatharin, Dan Harris, Alma Gammage, Mary Harris, Jemmy Harris, Eddie Horton, Will Simmons.

JUNIOR I A TO SENIOR I B.

(Miss Tackaberry's Class)
Wilfred Cumming, Charlie Cuckey, Evelyn Hutchison, Will Rudding, Ethel Neil, Myrtle Heath, Geo. Eldridge, Fred Grainger, Beatrice Everitt, Thelma Everitt, Charlie Kiddle, Clifford Brown, Percy Martin, Will Ford, Marguerite Widdis, Blanche Miller, Harry Roach, Queenie Rouse, Ethel Lowe, Norman Miller.

JUNIOR I A TO JUNIOR I B.

(Miss McKellar's Class)
Harry Tuttle, Fred Waugh, Karl Baxter, Fred Scram, Eddie Coleman, Stanley Lee, Norman Peace, Norman Henson, Wilfred Andrew, Arthur Finner, George Mabe, David McDonald, Oliver Henson, Cora Widdis, Winnie Ewing, Della McCall, Annie Walton, Annie Eastagane, Gladys Murray, Hazel Rumble, J. B. KINDEGARTEN TO JUNIOR I A.

Willie Anderson, Mark Bogart, Fred Brundage, Mary Clements, Elliott Dunn, Reggie Dunlop, Ruby Fleming, Will Gordon, Charlie Hadley, Margaret Jewitt, Marjorie Kingsmill, Mary King, Ben Longley, Dick Longley, Gladstone McKenzie, Jessie McMillen, George Moore, Lyall Martin, Walter Mason, Ingrid Pritchard, Hannah Patterson, Lois Rutley, Muriel Smith, Howard Stevenson, Gordon Scott, Kingsley Watt, Etie eate, Robert Rankine.

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At Christmas you would like things specially nice for that day. Come in and see our stock—you will find many things that will just suit you.

CANNED SOUP,
18c, 25c and 40c.
FRENCH PEAS,
Canadian pack, 2 cans for 25c
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30c, 50c and 75c.
FINE TOMATO CATSUP,
15c and 30c a bottle.
TABLE RAISINS,
20c and 25c a pound.
FINE MIXED NUTS,
15c a pound.
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SOFT SHELLED ALMONDS,
20c a pound.
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15c and 20c a pound.
XMAS CRACKERS,
20c, 25c and 35c a box.
FINE OLD CHEESE,
18c a pound.
STILTON CHEESE,
20c a pound.
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40c a pound.
SALTED BISCUITS,
15c a pound.
FANCY BISCUITS,
20c a pound.
SHORTBREAD,
30c a pound.
OUR FANCY BOXES,
filled, 10c to \$1.50.
OUR FINE CHOCOLATES,
40c a pound.
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50c a pound.

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HAVE YOU SEEN MY LINE OF
Secret - Lockets
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Stick Pins
The most beautiful designs ever shown.

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Plain fancy and beaded.

Diamond Opal . . . Turquoise Pearl . . .

And other settings. These in a dainty box make a beautiful present.

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Also the most beautiful Ever shown in Chatham.

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One storey frame house and a good sized lot on Grey St. for sale at a bargain. House has five rooms, pantry and summer kitchen, veranda and city water. In convenient location for Chaplin Wheel Works, Park Bros. Foundry, and other factories. Will sell on easy terms of payment.

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DENTIST,
Has removed to his New Office,
Corner King and Fifth Streets,
over A. I. McAllister's Drug Store.
Telephone Office 154.
Residence 25.

TO-NIGHT.

Victoria Ave. S. S. Concert, in the church at 8.
Chatham Lodge, No. 23, I. O. O. F. Oddfellows' Temple, 8 o'clock.

Births, Marriages and Deaths

DIED.

TAYLOR—At Maple Farm, Dover West, Dec. 19, 1902, Charles Stanley, second youngest son of Ben. H. and M. L. Taylor, aged 4 years, 7 mos, 14 days.
Safe in the arms of Jesus.
CARROLL—On Dec. 21st, 1902, James Carroll.
Funeral will take place to-morrow morning at half-past 9 from late residence, St. Clair street, to St. Joseph's church.

PROBABILITIES.

Special to The Planet.
Toronto, Dec. 23.—10 a. m.—Fair to-day. Wednesday, south and south-west gales, milder with light local snow, followed at night by northwesterly winds and turning colder.

The following figures were registered to-day at seven a. m. at Turner's weather bureau:
Thermometer 28.
Highest yesterday 32.
Lowest yesterday 27.
Direction of wind, west.

THE LOCAL BUDGET

Dr. Geo. Masson left for Toronto to-day to spend Christmas.
Old pipe and tea lead wanted at this office.
Aubrey Little left yesterday to spend Christmas holidays in Chicago. Boys left Santa Claus to bring you a coal chest. He can get them at Western Bros.

J. G. Steen, wood and coal merchant, Queen street, received two cars of egg coal this morning.
Books, fancy goods and toys at half price at Dingman's bankrupt sale.

Clifford McLean, Chicago, is visiting his mother, Mrs. W. McLean, Queen St.
Peanut, Marrowbone and Butter Scotch, 10c, 15c, at Wiggell's New Stand.

Rufus Stephenson, West Superior, is the guest of his brother, Sydney Stephenson, King street.
Sulman's Beehive is full of beautiful toys and Christmas presents. Buy these and secure new, bright and desirable goods.

The John Goodison Threshing Company of Sarnia, has an advertisement in this issue. This firm is one of the most reliable houses in Canada, and if you are interested in their goods drop them a card for one of their handsome illustrated catalogues that will be sent you free.

SATURDAY

Was a record day with us in business, the best day in the history of our store. It is certainly gratifying to us to know that our friends appreciate the fair prices and service rendered. But two days remains to finish your Xmas purchases, and if you have not examined our splendid assortment of XMAS

PERFUMES, EBONY GOODS, &c.,

you should do so at once. We make it a pleasure to show goods whether you buy or not.

W. W. TURNER,
DRUGGIST,
PHONE 105. 28 KING ST.

CORRECT ATTIRE

For special occasions is not easily procurable at all times. The only way to have a

Dress Suit Ready at all Times

is to own one; and the only way to be sure of a perfect fit is to have it made here. We have the correct goods for these garments in stock. Call and see them. We guarantee Quality, Fit and Style equal to anything turned out in this country.

Xmas Gifts for Father or Gentlemen Friends

Bath Robes \$3.50 to 6.00. Night Shirts, 50c. to \$2.50. Handkerchiefs, 5c. to 25c. Slipper Cases, 5c. to 10c. Calendars, 15c. to \$1.00. Den Ornaments, 10c. to \$5.00. Burnt Leather Pipe Racks, 25c. to 75c. Sofa Pillows, 25c. to \$5.00. Hair Brushes, 40c. to \$2.00.

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KING ST. Next to Malcolmson's.

Chatham's Millinery Store!

GREAT BARGAINS in VELVETS and CHIFFONS
LOVELY SHADES FOR EVENING WEAR

COOKSLEY'S

Opposite the Market Square.

FROM NEW ZEALAND

Herman House, a former Chatham young man, who attended Business College here, and was for some time a clerk in Manson Campbell's office, before going to New Zealand for that firm, is in the city for a few weeks. Mr. House left Chatham about five years ago for New Zealand to start a Campbell Farming Mill Agency in a town called Oamaru, which has a population of about 7,000. He now handles a great many buggies of all kinds and deals solely in that line with the Wm. Gray & Sons Co. of this city.

In speaking of the country (New Zealand) to The Planet, Mr. House said:—"You must know that New Zealand is two islands, the north and south islands together having a population of about 700,000. New Zealand has made rapid strides in the world and is a great country. Its growth and prosperity is principally due to the very efficient system of government, which has done most for New Zealand than anything else."

"The grains grown in New Zealand are practically the same as in Canada with the exception of corn. In the north island dairying is the principal industry, although many sheep are also raised. The south island is more taken up with agriculture."

"Canada has chances for a great trade with this country," continued Mr. House. "As it is at present, Canada supplies about half of the agricultural implements, but that's its principal export to us. What hampers the trade between the two countries is the enormous freight rates which vary so often that importer there cannot tell what he will have to pay. The government, I think, would do well to establish a steamship freight line between us and Canada would be sure to get the bulk of the trade. England now has the biggest part of the trade, but their goods are so much heavier than the Canadian or American."

"The Canadian Manufacturers' Association I believe has a representative at present in New Zealand, which, I think will lead to considerable business. The natives of the islands are a very intelligent class and are on the increase. They were very much dissatisfied that they did not have a chance to go to South Africa during the war."

"The farmers in our country, through the government, are enabled to get money at from 4 to 4 1/2 per cent. To show the prosperous condition of the farmers, I know of two instances where farmers paid \$175 an acre for some land, and paid for it by their first year's crop."

"The railroads are all practically owned by the government, which has lately reduced the rate per mile to two and a fraction cents. 'The climate is quite healthy. At present the summer season is on. We do not have much snow, and when we do it lasts for only a few hours.'"

"When I was coming through the country it was in a most prosperous condition, and made a fine appearance with the hills and valleys. The grass was about ten inches long."

Mr. House will also take back with him some Chatham Wagons. He intends spending Christmas at his home in Petrolia.

ELECTION CARDS

TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM

Ladies and Gentlemen:
I am a candidate for alderman for 1903, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.
HENRY ROBINSON.

TO THE ELECTORS OF WARD NO. 4

Ladies and Gentlemen:
I am a candidate for the position of Public School Trustee for Ward No. 4, and, as such, will appreciate the favor of your vote and influence. If elected as your representative it will be my aim to act always in the best interests of the people. Wishing you the compliments of the season. I am,
Respectfully yours,
JOHN MACKAY.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:
At the solicitation of many citizens I have decided to offer myself as a candidate for alderman. I shall accordingly sincerely appreciate the favor of your vote and influence. Wishing you the compliments of the season. I am,
Respectfully yours,
THOMAS SCULLARD.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. Dr. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

A. O. U. W.

The Ancient Order of United Workmen relieves the destitute and protects the home.
B.O. United Workmen, don't forget. The election of officers for 1903 takes place on Friday evening, Dec. 26th. A large attendance is requested. Refreshments.
Visiting brothers welcome.
W. G. ARNOLD, JOHN R. SNELL, M. W. Recorder.

WANTED.

COOK WANTED—Apply Park House. Apply

WANTED—Dining room girl. Apply Merrill House.

AGENTS WANTED—\$250 per day. Apply Cooper, London. 1y

WANTED—A position as Engineer, Fireman or Assistant Electrician. Address W. M. B. Planet. 10

GOOD GIRL WANTED—For general housework. Apply Mrs. J. C. Fleming, Victoria Ave. 1y

TEACHER WANTED—For S. S. No. 3, Zora Apply, stating salary, to Ben. Boothroyd, Sec'y-Treas., Box 185, Thamesville, Ont.

GIRL WANTED—No washing or ironing; references required. Apply to Mrs. J. W. McLaren, corner Park and William Sts. 10

TEACHER WANTED—For S. S. No. 11, Dover, holding first or second class certificate, male, salary \$400. Applications will be received up to the 1st of December 1902, Address Joseph Bankin, secretary, Dover C. M. R. References required.

AGENTS WANTED—The large Front-hill Nurseries, largest in Canada, over 800 acres, can give employment to more agents, male or female. We are prepared to offer very liberal terms, either for full or part time service. Pay weekly; supplies free. If you want a good paying situation, write us. Stone & Wellington, "Canada's Greatest Nurseries," Toronto, Ont.

FOR SALE OR TO RENT.

FOR SALE—Cheap, three coal stoves. Apply A. W. Thornton.

FOR SALE—Double barreled breech loading Shotgun, 12 gauge, English make, case, cleaning rod, etc. A. C. McKay, Planet Office.

TO RENT—A brick store with dwelling above, in Port Alma. Possession given at once. For further particulars address Samuel Cooper, Port Alma. sd 2t

C. P. R. GROCERY

We have bought a first-class stock of Groceries from the largest importing houses in the country. We will be able to give you value for your money which cannot be surpassed.

NEW RAISINS
NEW CURRANTS
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NEW DATES
NEW PEELS
FRESH NUTS

And everything you need for the Christmas baking.

Goods Delivered.

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KING ST. PHONE 1

XMAS CARNIVAL DEC. SALE

Don't Read This If you have no need for a Christmas Box or for winter wear. But if you desire to make your dollar go farthest, we can help you.

Please Read This. WE use December to reduce our stock of heavy goods with an annual sale, to which is added our usual holiday selling.—You are invited.

Silk Flannels

Finest present of the season, a ladies Silk Dress or waist in willow cardinal, blue, castor, old rose, tobas, light grey, plain or figured, dollar goods for a yd. 50c

Silk Shirt Waists

All colors, evening shades, black, white and cream, latest styles, finest materials, \$3.90, 5.00, 6.75

Holiday Glove Sale

The Claimdout, a heavy pique sewn dollar glove 89c
The Constance, a good glove 50c
With the Daphne, Eugene Jammert and Mocha Gloves and Mits—
Fancy Ringwood Gloves, red, navy and black 25c

Handkerchief Presents

The finest assortment we have ever shown from 1c each to 1.35
Pure silk hemstitched initial Handkerchiefs, each 25c, 50, 72c
Special embroidered Handkerchiefs, 12 1/2c and 10c
Men's and women's hemstitched Handkerchiefs from 5c to 50c

Ladies Golf Coats and Waistcoats

Something for a new nice comfortable present \$1.35

Spical Xmas Furs.

Neckwear in Sable, Bear and Martin, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 15, 18, 20, 25, 35 and \$40.
Muffs each from \$1.25 to \$3.00

Gauntlets, imitation Seal, small and large sizes, 50, 75c, \$1, \$1.40

Grey Lamb, Astrachan, Coney, Electric Seal, Sable, etc., Gauntlets, eight different styles; Electric Seal Jackets, \$27.50 to \$85

December Coat Sale.

We are doing fine for our customers in cloth coats, sizes 30 to 40. Sale price \$3.98

Choice Collarless and Monte Carlo coats. New York styles also in stock. Childrens Reefers to clear \$1.25

Xmas Millinery.

Fur Toques and Caps, etc. Black Velvet Hats 3, 3.50, 4 and \$5
Felt shapes to clear at cost.

Standard Fashion Store.

Subscribe now for the leading monthly fashion journal,
The Standard Designer,
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Fashion sheets free.

Open Till 9 O'clock Each Evening Until Christmas

Holiday Linens

Table Damasks 25c a yard to \$1.60
Table Cloths from \$4 to \$10
Napkins to match, 60c to \$6
Tray and Lunch Cloths, plain and fancy Stand Covers, Drapes, Doylies, etc.

Tambour Work

Doylies, Tray Cloths, Centre Pieces, Sideboard Drapes, Pillow Shams, etc. ranging according to size from 5c each to \$1.50

Christmas Towel Sale

Two special lines of Linen Towels at 15c line at 10c
A 50c Damask hemstitched at 25c
Bath Towels from 12 1/2c to 75c

Hoods, Scarfs, Shawls

Babies' misses', women's hoods 25c up
Fancy woolen Scarfs 25c up
Shoulder Shawls, 50c, 75c, up to \$3.00.

Silk Stocks and Ties . .

Fancy Stock Collars, regular values 25c to 30c, Christmas 12c.
Hemstitched Taffetta Silk Stock and Tie for 25c.
Fancy Turnover Ties 50c.
French Knots, Etc.

Mercerized Waists and Skirts

Christmas Waist for \$1.00.
Skirt to match, same price.

WILLIAM GORDON

CHRISTMAS BARGAINS FOR THE HOME...

To-morrow only we will sell Haskin's Native Port Wine and Walker's Superior Lager at a bargain.

Haskin's Famous Wine, very fine special price per gallon 80c.

Walker's well-known Superior Lager, made of pure malt only, special price for to-morrow only:

1 Case, two doz. quarts \$1.80
1 Case, three doz. pints \$1.60

Popular Brands of fine Ales and Porters: WALKER'S GRANT SPRING CARLING'S LABATT'S
The best Malt Beverages in the Country.

We also carry a large assortment of the LEADING BRANDS in Irish, Scotch and Old Rye Whiskies, which are noted for the great age and mellowness. Fine old Brandies imported direct from Cognac, France.

F. A. ROBERT Victoria Block

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TRY A BOTTLE.

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I guarantee my Latest Method Treatment to be a positive cure for Blood Poison. If you have this awful disease you are in danger until completely cured. The various symptoms you notice should be a warning to take immediate treatment. Don't put it off until too late, as it continually gets worse. If you have sore throat, patches on tongue or mouth, swollen glands, hair falling out, blotches on body, itching skin or other signs of this awful disease, call on me. I give you a written guarantee to cure you without Mercury or Potassium, and you pay when cured. I have a diploma and certificates which testify to my standing and abilities.

The original testimonials can be seen at my office: \$5000.00 reward for any I cannot show.

CASE NO. 24803. May 21, 1902.
I am happy to say that your medicines helped my trouble more than anything I ever took. REV. W. MOGOVERN, Oct. 18, 1902.

CASE NO. 21204. Your treatment has helped me wonderfully. ARTHUR DIEHL, Nov. 18, 1902.

CASE NO. 28516. I have confidence in you as a doctor, for you helped me more than anyone else has, and I feel that you cured me. R. F. MARTIN.

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I CURE Varicose and Stricture without cutting, scalding or loss of time; the Chronic Private, Nervous Impotency, Kidney, Liver, Bladder, Stomach, Female and Rectal Troubles. CONSULTATION FREE. If you cannot call, write for blank for Home Treatment. Perfect system of home treatment for those who cannot call. Book Free.

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3 Doors East of the Market.

They have the Best Assortment of these goods in the city.
They are all New and Up-to-Date, and the prices are
no higher than you have to pay for the common cheap
articles.

Quinn & Patterson.

CHINAMAN AT A TELEPHONE

Celestial Gets the Worth of His Money Every Time.

"A Chinaman at the telephone is a funny thing," remarked a long distance telephone operator in the Denver News a few days ago. "You see, it is impossible to tell whether one person or half a dozen are talking, and we often become mixed up in listening to them. When one is speaking, it seems as if half a dozen are talking, and we often imagine the wires are out of order. To make matters worse the Chinese delight in talking as fast as possible, and we never know whether the Chinaman at the end of the wire is talking or if it is the one at the other end. After the conversation is ended the Chink walks out of the booth with a self satisfied smile on his face and pays for a three minutes' talk. We have lately discovered that time as could have been said by a white man in fifteen minutes."

To be sure, the telephone company is not really "out" anything by the transaction, as it is paid by the minute; but, nevertheless, in the case of Chinamen, the company would be the gainer by charging for volume instead of time. A Chinaman always begins his talk in pidgin English. He says: "Hello! Is this Sam Ling, I better you don't know—yi hi ki yi he ray be benno ne," and so on, and it sounds on the wires as if several persons were at work.

Switched the Train.
A certain judge is much given to meditating upon his work while walking along the street, and his acquaintances and friends recognize his air of abstraction, pass him by with a friendly nod and never mind if he does not appear to notice the salutation. A little colored newsboy not familiar with this peculiarity of the judge accosted him one day with persistent appeals: "Buy the mornin' news, boss. Have a paper, boss."

The judge waved the tiny mite of humanity aside and went on abstractedly, his mind engrossed with the case that was to come up that day in the court to which he was on the way. The dusky newsboy was not easily evaded, and he kept pace with the judge, shouting his paper cry at frequent intervals. At last the judge stopped dead, grabbing his youthful tormentor by the shoulder, he said in his most severe manner:

"How dare you interrupt me when I am following out a line of argument? Don't you ever speak to me when I am pursuing a train of thought?"

The small boy looked up in surprise and said in a most apologetic tone:

"Befor de Lord, massa, I didn't know you was tryin' to catch a train. Excuse me."

The Nose.

Nothing is more rare than a really perfect nose, one, which unites harmony of form, correctness of proportion and proper affinity with the other features.

The following are, according to the rules of art, the conditions requisite to the beauty of this organ:

The nose should have the same length as the forehead and have a slight depression at its root. From its root to its extremity it should follow a perfectly straight line and come exactly over the center of the upper lip. The bridge of the nose, parallel on both sides, should be a little wider in the center. The tip should be neither too thin nor too fleshy, and its lower outline neither narrow nor too wide. The lobes must be gracefully defined by a slight depression. Seen sideways, the lower part of the nose will have but a third of its total length.

His One Regret.

A fare was being rattled through a Dublin suburb on a rickety jaunting car drawn by a no less rickety horse. Having proceeded some distance, the horse, owing to apparent old age and sheer exhaustion, fell, never to rise again. The fare was very profuse in his sympathies toward the driver, who, however, appeared to take the whole thing very coolly and explained:

"It's just like this with me, your honor. I don't regret the old brute a bit. He was bad from the start. But, somehow or other, I can't help thinking of the beautiful feed of oats I gave him this morning."

The Power of a Tip.

Experienced Traveler (at railway restaurant)—When did that man at the other table give his order?

Waiter—Bout ten minutes ago, sir.

"What did he order?"

"Beefsteak and potatoes, sir."

"How much did he tip you?"

"Sixpence, sir."

"Well, here's a shilling. Cook him another steak and bring me his."

"Yes, sir."—London Telegraph.

Too Much Like Work.

"It's terrible to be sleepy so much of the time," said Meandering Mike.

"Why don't you go to sleep?" rejoined Flooding Pete. "You might as well."

"Dat's where you're wrong. If dere is anyting I dreads, it's goin' to sleep. I might dream I was workin'."

Irene's Opportunity.

Willie—What makes you come to our house so often, Mr. Hankinson? Do you want to marry my Irene?

Miss Irene (taken by surprise, but realizing with rare presence of mind that Mr. Hankinson has to say something now)—Willie, you impertinent boy, leave the room!

Usually the opportunities that come to a man are those that knock on his door on a cold morning and he has to go out in his bare feet and coax in—

Atchison Globe.

THE STROMBOLI VOLCANO.

Stromboli is a little island lying about fifty miles north of the coast of Sicily, and the same distance west of Italy. Its volcano, known by the same name, is much celebrated as the neighboring volcanoes of Lipari or Volcano on account of its frequent eruptions. In fact, for ages past scarcely any mariners have sailed near this island without seeing its summit in a state of illumination. Every few minutes lava bubbles up in the crater, explosions are heard and stones are tossed into the air. The spectacle, particularly at night, is oftentimes grand. The inhabitants are so accustomed to its continual ebullitions that they long ago lost all fear that Stromboli would ever misuse them. It is said that their olive groves have never been injured by a stream of lava. The volcano, however, has its moments of irritation. At these times the volcanic dust and stones are projected very high into the air, and the dust is likely to be sprinkled over the neighboring coasts of Calabria, in south Italy. One of these periods of unusual energy is now in progress. Much lava has streamed down the sides of the mountain, which is a little over 3,000 feet in height. Thus the volcano, which made the island, for it is entirely composed of volcanic rock ejected from the crater and built up from the sea floor, is now engaged in enlarging this bit of land, only eight square miles in extent, which ages ago lifted above the sea.

World's Production of Coal.

The United States Geological Survey has estimated the world's production of coal in 1901 at 866,165,540 short tons. The three great coal-producing countries of the world are the United States, Great Britain and Germany. The output of these three countries combined makes up 51.61 per cent. of the world's total. Austria-Hungary comes fourth, France is fifth, Belgium sixth, and Russia seventh. The last country, notwithstanding its vast area, produces only about 6 per cent. as much coal as the United States. The three countries which lead in the production of coal are the three countries that lead in industrial development. Prior to 1859, Great Britain led among the world's great coal producers, but during 1859, 1900 and 1901 the United States has made such remarkable increases in coal production, due principally to the unprecedented increase in the use of steel and in other metal trades, that the Americans now stand far in the lead of all competitors, with a production in 1901 exceeding that of Great Britain by 47,965,938 short tons, or 19 per cent. Up to the close of 1900 the coal production of Great Britain and her colonies, if taken together, still exceeded that of the United States by 47,965,938 short tons, or 19 per cent. Up to the close of 1900 the coal production of Great Britain and her colonies, if taken together, still exceeded that of the United States by 47,965,938 short tons, or 19 per cent. Up to the close of 1900 the coal production of Great Britain and her colonies, if taken together, still exceeded that of the United States by 47,965,938 short tons, or 19 per cent.

Tissot and the Aloe.

Tissot, the distinguished painter, who died recently, while at work on his "Life of Jesus," took extraordinary pains to have every detail accurately correct, and he flattered himself that he had not made a single error until one day, when he happened to show a critic a water color or drawing in which the parable of the barren fig tree was depicted. Knowing that this drawing was intended to form part of the series entitled, "Life of Jesus," the critic examined it very carefully, and finally said: "I am very sorry, but there are so many aloe in this garden. Do you intend the scene to be typical of the time of Christ, or is it an ordinary scene, suitable for any time?"

My Sole Object in Painting.

That garden was to depict a familiar scene in the life of Christ," answered the painter, "and I assure you that I have taken the utmost pains not to introduce into the picture anything which would be out of harmony with that epoch."

"Nevertheless, you have made one blunder," replied the critic, "for it is a well-known fact that aloe were not introduced into the Holy Land, nor into any of the countries adjoining the Mediterranean, until after the conquest of Mexico by the Spaniards."

Value of Good Roads.

Country life is coming more into popular favor as its advantages over living in crowded cities is better understood. The one thing needed is the means of going from the city to the country home with ease and dispatch, and the great factor necessary to increase the migration is good roads. It is worthy of note that in England, where good roads are the rule, the ambition of every dweller of the city is to some day secure a country home. He looks upon the city merely as a workshop, and a place for social gaieties at certain seasons of the year. His real comfortable life, however, he desires to pass in the country. This is true in the older and more densely populated parts of this country, and eventually spread to the newer section just as soon as roads are built to make the home easy of access.

Anecdote of Gladstone.

His historic likes and dislikes were one of the unexpected things about Mr. Gladstone. Mary Queen of Scots and Oliver Cromwell were two notable examples. In a speech, on the works of Scott, which he delivered years ago, he went out of his way to declare his dissent from the favorable picture of the most romantic of Queens, which Scott, with his wild Cavalier leanings, had drawn. He left it there, doubtless not wishing to offend the widespread sentiment of sympathy with Mary's tragic fate and magnetic personality. But his aversion to Oliver Cromwell was quite outspoken.

SUNLIGHT SOAP

Unless the soap you use has this brand you are not getting the best

Ask for the Octagon Box.

The doorstep to the temple of wisdom is a knowledge of our own ignorance.

Out of the shadow.

The discouragement, the despair of ill-health, out into the noon-day glory of health, vigor and strength. Are you seeking this way? Are you wishing to replace weakness by strength, despondency by hope and expectation, pale cheeks and lustreless eyes, by the rose's bloom and sparkling eyes. If you use Ferron's, you will make rich, red blood, your nerves will grow strong. Old time vigor will return and with it endurance that will enable you to live an active, energetic and successful life. Remember the name, Ferron's. Sold by A. I. McCall & Co., Chatham.

What a relief it would be if musicians were born instead of being made by practice.

Gas on the Stomach.

result of imperfect digestion pressing up against the heart, it excites alarming symptoms. Instant relief is afforded by taking half an hour after the meal, ten drops of Polson's Nervine in a little sweetened water. Nervine aids digestion, expels the gas and imparts a sense of comfort. Nervine is good for lots of other things, and wise people keep a 25c. bottle in the house for rheumatism, cramps, neuralgia, toothache, &c. Try it.

The world's greatest men and best reformers were light weights when weighed in the scale of bigotry.

Drugging Will not Cure Catarrh.

This loathsome disease is caused by germs that invade the air passages of the head, throat and lungs, and can be cured only by inhalation of medicated air. Stomach medicines, atomizers, snuffs are ineffectual, because they fail to reach the cause of the trouble. Catarrhoxone is successful because it is inhaled to every part of the breathing organs, and has power to kill the germs, heal the inflamed tissues, and dislodge the mucus from the throat. Catarrhoxone treats more than one thousand square feet of the mucous surface with every breath taken through the inhaler, and affords instant relief. It perfectly cures Catarrh, Asthma and Bronchitis. Sold by Druggists. Two months' treatment. Price \$1.00. Small size 25 cts., or by mail from Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont.

It is a maxim that those to whom everybody allows the second place have an unlooked right to the first.

Birth-marks which mark and mar the outside of the body are a grief to every mother whose children may bear them. But for every child who bears a birth-mark on the skin there are many who bear an indelible birth-mark on the mind. Nervous mothers have nervous children and many a man and woman owes an irritable and despondent temperament to those days of dread when the mother, amidst the hour of her maternity, the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription strengthens the mother for her trial. With strength comes a buoyancy of spirits and quietness of mind, which is one of the happiest gifts a mother can bestow on her offspring. By giving vigor and elasticity to the delicate and nervous system, this Favorite Prescription practically does away with the pain of maternity and makes the baby's advent as natural and as simple as the blossoming of a flower. There is no opium, cocaine or other narcotic contained in "Favorite Prescription."

The average man's soul seems to lie pretty close to his digestion.

WABASH—WEST SHORE.

The well-known Continental Limited of the Wabash-West Shore is the banner train for New York, and is sure to please the most fastidious traveler. Call on Mr. Rispin, Wabash Agent, King St., and get full particulars.

Opportunity with ability makes responsibility.

UNIMPEACHABLE.

If you were to see the unequalled volume of unimpeachable testimony in favor of Hood's Sarsaparilla, you would upbraid yourself for so long delaying to take this effective alternative and tonic medicine for that blood disease from which you are suffering. It eradicates scrofula and all other humors and cures all their inward and outward effects.

Take Hood's.

A short speech may be long-drawn-out if the speaker stutters.

The direct route to New York and Philadelphia is via Lehigh Valley Railroad. Time and service the best; Pullman sleepers, dining cars, route of the "Black Diamond Express."

The Lehigh Valley has three stations in New York—up town and down town. The only double track route to Philadelphia. Call at city or station ticket office for tickets and further particulars.

Love is blind, but a woman's love is blinder than a man's.

General debility—failure of the strength to do and the power to endure—is cured by the great tonic—Hood's Sarsaparilla.

NEW FUR FASHIONS.

MANY NOVEL FANCIES INTRODUCED IN SKINS AND TRIMMINGS.

Pony, Leopard and Mole Skins—Fur Upon Fur and Gimp and Chiffon Represent Incoming Modes—Collars Are Broad and Turn-down.

Decided revolutions have occurred in furs and trimmings. These have taken new departures, and many unusual skins are to be applied to our warm garments. Leopard and pony are prominent among them. One fur trims another, and ermine is introduced as an addendum to the popular gray squirrel, which is being converted into paletois, jackets and capes.

Motoring is responsible for a number of new skins which have been turned to women's uses in dress. Leopard,



MOTOR COAT OF SEAL AND SKUNK.

mole and pony skins are applied alike to dresses and to cloaks, which are often trimmed with leather and treated in an uncommon fashion, identical with this new amusement and mode of transit.

The latest is pony-poulois, as it is called—which is made up into close fitting basque jackets trimmed with silk gimp and into sack pelotots of the three-quarter length.

Gimp ornaments and gimp and chiffon trimmings figure largely on astrakhan and other furs. The muffs are enormous and quaintly shaped. The old style of pelierine—namely, a cape that reaches to the waist, with deep stole ends that fall twice to the



RUBIAN COAT OF ASTRAKHAN.

feet in front—is the newest and most fashionable form of fur garment. The cape is cut somewhat full and mostly lined with white satin.

The fur collars turn downward, though not without the possibility of being more ambitious and covering the ears in cases of emergency. The sack pelotot with hanging sleeves is produced in squirrel, trimmed with ermine and other furs.

Latest Table Decoration.

From across the water we have borrowed the very welcome idea of building the centerpiece from large dried-out fruits that would win ribbons and medals and enthusiastic exclamations at a show. It is an art and a gift to be able to build one of the fruit cascades that at big dinners measure sometimes four feet from the base to the apex. Just the market fruits, lemons, oranges, bananas, etc., can be used with good effect, but the rich and fashionable hostesses have run races lately in the rival splendor of the gorgeous and unseasonable hothouse products heaped on their tables—Art Interchange.

A Cleansing Cream.

Cleansing cream made after the following recipe is highly recommended for general use in the household. It will remove grease spots from coats, carpets or any woolen texture, paint from furniture and ink from paint. This cream will keep an indefinite period. Cut four ounces of white castile soap very fine and put it over the fire in a quart of hot water to dissolve. As soon as it is thoroughly melted add four quarts of hot water and when nearly cold stir in four ounces of ammonia, two ounces of alcohol, two ounces of glycerin and two ounces of ether.

THE TOP OF VESUVIUS.

A Visit to the Crater of the Seething Volcano.

There was no life on that bare, black, birdless cone, and as we climbed an icy wind began to blow, and the lava dust stung the face like hail. The crust was warm to the feet. I dipped my hand into an aperture the size of a rabbit hole and withdrew it hot and wet. On every side the smoke eddied up from tiny craters, but all these things were details in face of that everlasting vomit of black smoke from the crater.

The wind raged above us as we drew near the crater, and the lava dust spat more viciously; the sulphurous smoke hid the world from our view. It was as if the lieutenants of that angry monarch strove to prevent mortals from gazing too closely at her infernal riches. On hands and knees we grabbed our way up the cone, coughing, blinded by the smoke, buffeted by the icy wind. We reached the verge of the crater and threw ourselves on our faces. I peered for one moment into that caldron of fire and smoke. The guide clutched my arm and motioned me to follow him round the edge of the crater. I crawled after him, crying, "Enough!" But he did not hear. He could not have heard a foghorn in the year of that wind.

"Enough!" I bawled, trying to grab him. "Enough!" I roared, clutching at his leg. He shrugged his shoulders, and, thinking my arm, we plunged down through the lava. A few paces below he stopped. I bent toward him and through the screams of the wind heard him say, "Give me a leetle present to buy macaroni."—Academy.

Vitality of the Centipede.

The sight of a full grown centipede is said by travelers in tropical lands to be enough to affect the strongest nerves. Ten, to eleven inches is the average length, although larger ones have been seen. Lafadio Hearn in "Two Years in the French West Indies" says that the vitality of the centipede is amazing. Mr. Hearn kept one in a bottle, without food or water, for thirteen weeks, at the end of which time it remained active and dangerous as ever. The centipede has one natural enemy able to cope with him—the hen.

The hen attacks him with delight and often swallows him, head first, without taking the trouble to kill him. The cat hunts him, but she is careful never to put her head near him. She has a trick of whirling him round and round upon the floor so quickly as to stupefy him; then, when she sees a good chance, she strikes him dead with her claws.

There are superstitions concerning the creature which have a good effect in diminishing his terrors. If you kill a centipede, you are sure to receive money soon, and even if you dream of killing one it is good luck.

An Unlucky Citizen.

"Yes, sir," said the town story teller, "he was the unluckiest feller that ever drew the breath of life an' a week's wages."

"You don't say?"

"Fact. Clumb a pine tree once when he seen the sheriff comin' to levy on him, harricane came along, blowed the tree down an' landed him in the only vacant seat in the sheriff's buggy; sheriff started to fall with him, and by lynchin' party, who mistook him for 'nuther man, an' strung him up, an' he'd almost quit kickin' when some one cut him down an' hauled him home jest as his mother-in-law had finished writin' his obituary an' was standin' before the glass to see how well she looked in mornin'."

The Dog.

Man is the best friend of the dog. Horses come next, but between dog and all other farm animals, the dog is cut to the cow and the beef steer, there seems to be a natural enmity. Dogs, however, are fond of sheep and goats—but as diet, not as living friends. Cows and sheep and goats should be kept as free from association with dogs as is possible, with the exception of well trained shepherd dogs. A dog walking through a cowpen will often cause a decrease in milk flow that amounts to more than the cash value of the dog. Many dogs are worth considerably less than \$0.00.

Singular Marriage Custom.

When two Negritos, a people of the Philippine Islands, are united, the whole tribe is assembled, and the affianced pair climb two trees growing near to each other. The elders then bend the branches until the heads of the couple meet. When the heads have thus come into contact, the marriage is legally accomplished, and great rejoicings take place, a fantastic dance completing the ceremony.

The Honorable Members.

"I suppose the arrival of new congressmen from time to time has a tendency to give variety to life in the Capital City?"

"Not a great deal," answered the man who is more or less cynical. "It merely means the introduction of new names into the same old anecdotes."

In His Mind.

"Braggy says his grandfather lost his mind because of the loss of his fortune."

"He's just got the story twisted. He lost his fortune because of the loss of his mind. That's where he had his fortune."

Impossible.

Riggs—They say Mrs. Gableton is guilty of an attempt at blackmail.

Diggs—I don't believe it.

Riggs—Why not?

Diggs—No woman on earth would think of accepting "hush money."

Chicago News.

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ELECTION CARDS.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for Alderman for 1903, and if elected, I will continue to take the same active interest in the welfare of our Maple City as I have done during the past.

Wishing you the compliments of the season, soliciting your vote and influence; faithfully yours,

G. G. TAYLOR.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am again a candidate for school trustee in Ward No. 3, and if elected, I will continue to take the same active interest in the welfare of our Maple City, as I have done during the past.

Wishing you the compliments of the season, soliciting your vote and influence; faithfully yours,

E. A. MCUNTEER.

TO THE ELECTORS OF

Wm. Foreman & Co., - Importers. - Wm. Foreman & Co.

ONE MORE DAY In Which to do Your Shopping.

Our plans will show to advantage now that the time to do your Christmas shopping is short. Our stocks are so arranged that you'll get the best service available at this store, then if you have not decided what to give, goods are so displayed that you'll get many a suggestion by merely glancing around.

A few Suggestions that we might mention: -
A DRESS PATTERN AN UMBRELLA
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A PIECE OF LINEN

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stable, \$1100.00
House and lot, 9 rooms, \$1050.00
House and lot, 5 rooms, \$400.00
Farm in Township of Raleigh, 50
acres, All cleared, Good house and
barn, \$2,100.00
Farm in Township of Harwich, 200
acres, Large house, barn and out-
buildings, \$12,000.00
Farm in Township of Raleigh, 46
acres, Good house, new stable and
granary, \$2,350.00
Two acres in suburbs of Chatham,
\$1,000.00
Valuable suburban residence, 11
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DISTRICT DOINGS.

DRESDEN

Dec. 23.—Miss Tasker, of the P.
S. staff, is spending the holidays with
her parents in Mount Forest.

The Methodist S. S. entertainment
takes place on Christmas night in
the Grand Opera House.
Carl Ekstrom, the youngest son of
James Ekstrom, Centre Side Road,
Chatham Township, aged five, was
given a teaspoonful of carbolic acid
in mistake for medicine yesterday
morning. The parents administered
antidotes and brought the child to
Dresden, immediately, where Dr.
Wiley attended to the little sufferer.
The child is in a critical condition.
The house being built for station
agent McPherson on the lot adjoining
the station is progressing rapidly.

The new dispensary cases have ar-
rived from Haddley Bros., Chatham,
for the A. J. McGill Co., and when
placed in position will add greatly
to the appearance of that already
handsome store.

W. A. Lockes has returned from
a month's work at Sarnia.

E. Hazlett is erecting a grocery
in connection with his dwelling near
the L. E. and D. R. station.

C. W. Bekowski left for Chatham
and other points on business yester-
day.

THAMESVILLE

Dec. 22.—J. P. Ross, of Chatham,
is in town to-day.

Miss Kate Stewart, of Haverhill
College, Toronto, is home for the hol-
idays.

Mrs. R. Bulmer, of Lewiston, N. Y.,
is the guest of Mrs. F. J. Mayhew.

W. J. Smith, of London, is in town
to-day.

Miss Murray, policist, of Toronto,
is at the Tecumseh House.

H. N. Gillies, of London, visited
friends here on Saturday.

Charles Richards is ill with pneu-
monia.

Miss Hannah Davies, who has been
attending college in Detroit for some
time, is home for the holidays.

Mrs. (Dr.) Stewart was in London
Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Penwood leave to-
morrow for Exeter to spend the hol-
idays with the former's parents.

Miss Fairy Watts, of the Ursuline
Academy, Chatham, is holidaying at
home.

Miss Aggie Boothroyd leaves to-
morrow for Lambton to be present at
the wedding of Miss Ella Facey, for-
merly of this place, to Mr. Baker, of
Lambton.

John Hamby, of Toronto, is visiting
his mother, Mrs. Boothroyd.

John Stanton, of Detroit, is visit-
ing relatives here.

Alex. Sims is spending a few days
at Richmond Hill.

G. A. Mayhew shipped two pairs
of golden pheasants to Memphis,
Tenn., to-day.

Mrs. Freeman was in Chatham to-
day.

Carrier boys are not authorized to
collect subscriptions. Our collector
calls in each town once a month; if a
subscriber wishes to pay his account

before the collector calls he must re-
mit direct to The Planet Office, Chat-
ham, as we will not be responsible for
money paid to carriers.

CON. 8, RALEIGH

The Chatham Oil Company, having
leased the property of Ernest Ed-
wards, will begin operations imme-
diately. On account of the presence
of great quantities of soap-stone on
his and on the neighboring farms, the
prospects are considered excellent.

Miss Pearl Laurie is visiting Miss
Edna Campbell, of Blenheim.
Hill Aldis, secretary of the League,
has resigned. His successor will be
appointed at the next meeting.

Rev. Mr. Shaw, who was stationed
here over twelve years ago, preached
at Wesley last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. David Hill, who are
visiting relatives in Minnesota, will
return after New Year's.

Miss Maud Harwood, of Detroit, is
home for Christmas.

Miss Annie Laurie leaves shortly
for British Columbia.

Chas. Saunders, of Huron College,
conducted the services at the Hall
last Sunday evening.

BEAR LINE

Threshing corn is the order of the
day in this part.

A very pleasant evening, was spent
C. W. Wright's on the evening be-
fore his departure from among us
to the City of Chatham. A large
number of his friends presented him
with a very comfortable and easy
chair and stand. A very appropriate
and pleasing address was read by Mr.
Foy. The evening was spent in
games and music and singing. At 10
o'clock the guests were treated to a
very nice supper.

M. McGregor has moved into his
new home on Mr. Wright's farm.

A very successful meeting of the A.
O. F. of B. was held on Dec.
16. It being election night, there was
a very large attendance. A new set
of officers was elected.

D. Devoy has moved on Mr. Glas-
ford's farm, which he has rented for
five years.

John C. Bishop has purchased Mr.
Gilmore's farm.

NORTH BUXTON

The postponed concert in the
school, under the auspices of Miss Pat-
erson, teacher, was held last evening
and was highly successful. The school
was crowded and the good order which
prevailed showed that the little ones
were well trained and the various
numbers were well received.

A dancing party was held at Nelson
Clark's last evening and a large num-
ber of persons enjoyed the mystic
strains to the "we, sma' ours." Sam,
Mains, of Chatham, was one of the
guests.

C. H. Shupe is rapidly bringing his
grain warehouse to completion at the
M. C. R. tracks. It is a long-felt need
and will be appreciated by the neigh-
boring farmers.

Andrew Newby and Miss Carrie
Travis were joined in the holy bonds
of matrimony.

All the choicest cakes and candies
for holiday festivities for sale at C.
H. Shupe's.

Deechan Bros. have not disposed of
their crop of sugar beets yet, as they
had not a carload and could not find
any more to load with them.

Frank Morris has returned from a
week's visit at Detroit.

SEPARATE SCHOOL

The Christmas festival given yester-
day afternoon by the pupils of the Se-
parate school in their school rooms was
most successful, both as regards its
enjoyability and its financial returns.

The hall looked very beautiful in its
decorations of tri-colored bunting,
with here and there a graceful spray
of mistletoe or sturdy holly, adding
just a suggestion of the joyous ses-
son.

The candy booth, presided over by
Misses Blanche Kelly, Edith Prud-
homme, Mary Gosselin, and Ursula
Pender, was a dainty bower, trimmed
in pale blue and white, against which
delicate background gleamed the dark
green holly and its bright red ber-
ries.

The refreshment tables were served
by Misses Holland, Anna Bourassa,
Mary LaFrancis, Adelaide Crowe, E.
Jacques, Sarah Kinsella, C. Cowan, B.
Maye, J. Noff, O. Doyle, Lena Birkby
and M. Birkby. Each little maiden
wore a dainty apron and cap, and all
were most attentive to the needs of
their guests.

The toy and fancy booths were gay
with flags; the former was in charge
of Misses Laura McDonald, M. Gout-
reau, Maud Harper, Anna Roberts, G.
Beckard and Agatha Mannion; the
latter was attended by Misses Ger-
trude Dezelle, Zita Deloge, Regina
Blundy and Stella Blundy.

An interesting corner was the fish-
pond, appropriately decorated in green
and white. It was in charge of Mas-
ters W. Kelly, B. Harper, E. Taylor,
H. Doyle, J. Downey and C. Deloge.

Misses Rose Deloge and Gertrude
Prudhomme also rendered many little
thoughtful services, and Masters G.
Murphy, C. Weldon and C. Taylor
were ever active and willing to lend
their assistance wherever required.

Much thanks is due to all these
children who worked so devotedly and
spared no efforts to bring the festival
to a successful issue; also to Mrs. F.
Weldon and Mrs. David Brennan for
their kind assistance.

Donations from Very Rev. Fr.
James, P. P., The Ladies' Aid and from
Mr. Crump, are very gratefully
acknowledged.

The proceeds of the festival will be
devoted to purposes of general inter-
est in the school, but particularly to
procuring books for the school library.
These books will be an addition which
both teachers and pupils have long
desired, and the benefits which the
latter will derive therefrom will be
appreciated not only by themselves
but also by the parents who have the
interests of their children at heart.

Of the hundreds of children who at-
tended, not one was forgotten. All
went home joyfully carrying with
them some pretty and substantial
souvenirs of the day.

Theatrical

JOHN GRIFFITH IN MACBETH.

The Russell was filled last night to
witness the production of Macbeth.
John Griffith fairly carried the audi-
ence by storm with his artistic im-
pression. His excellent Ward, James
Downing or Mantel and his com-
pares most favorably with Salvin and
Richard Mansfield. Miss Louise Ripley
sustained the part of Lady Macbeth
and shared the honors with the star.

Miss Ripley is a handsome woman
and is destined to make her mark in
tragic roles. Warren Conlan proved
an excellent Macduff. W. C. Andrews
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The scenic outfit consisting of 36
different scenes, are carried by the
company as are also the electrical ef-
fects.

The ghost effect done by means of
an immense piece of glass was a hit.
Aiden B-nedict is to be congratulated
on possessing such a magnificent com-
bination of dramatic talent. A. H.
Sheldon, who is with the company
is a well known New York theatre
manager.—Ottawa Citizen.

John Griffith in Macbeth, appears
at the Grand on Friday evening, Dec.
26th.

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permanent cures. If not relieved and
cured, you waste no money."

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PLEASING RECITAL.

Yesterday afternoon at her studio
on Pitt street Miss Margaret Hous-
ton held the Christmas exercises of
her Burrows' kindergarten of music,
assisted by three of her intermediate
classes in piano. The exercises were
in the nature of a review to show
the parents and guests a little of
what the children have been doing
at these classes. Of course in such
a short time it was quite impossible
to show all the work covered during
the term, but the glimpses attained
was quite fascinating and made one
desire to understand more fully the
work. The children showed great
interest in their work and had learn-
ed what seems almost an incredible
amount to any one accustomed only
to the didactic method. The following
program was given:

The numbers by members of the
intermediate class were well render-
ed, and showed great care in prepa-
ration. The style and technique
were extremely good. In closing a
bag of candy was presented to Miss
Annie Douglas for perseverance and
attendance.

The Burrows' Kindergarten of
Music, pupils of Miss Margaret Hous-
ton, assisted by Miss Daisy Colville,
Miss Ethel Leck, and Miss May Mil-
ner of the intermediate class.

PROGRAM.

Wanda Mazurka—Miss Daisy Col-
ville.

Miss Keyboard's School—Illustrated
by Master Wilson O'Loone.

Sacred Song—Master Douglas
Milner.

Muscle Exercise—By the Class.

Dainty Little Dandelion—Miss Mar-
garet Goodland.

(a) The Lines in the Bass; (b) The
Spaces in the Bass—Illustrated by
Miss Annie Douglas and Master Wil-
son O'Loone.

Volunteer—Miss May Milner.

Staff Notation—By the Class.

Note Family—Illustrated by Mas-
ter Douglas Milner, Miss Margaret
Goodland, Miss Annie Douglas, Mas-
ter Lyle Kellar.

Rhythm Exercises—By the Class.

Time Drill—By the Class.

My Grey Pony—Master Wilson
O'Loone.

Audition Exercises—By the Class.

Falling Snow—Master Lyle Kellar.

Always be Kind—Miss Annie Dou-
glas.

The Scholars' Names—Illustrated by
Master Lyle Kellar.

Fleur et Fleurette—Lichner—Miss
Ethel Leck.

For Christmas and New Year's Hol-
idays W. E. Rispin, City Passenger
and Ticket Agent, 115 King St., will
issue special return tickets to all
points in Canada, Dec. 22nd to 25th,
also Dec. 29th and Jan. 1st, all good
to return until Jan. 5th, 1903, at fare
and one-third; and on Dec. 24th and
25th, good to return Dec. 26th, and on
Dec. 31st and Jan. 1st, good to return
Jan. 2nd, at single fare for return
trip; also special excursion tickets to
students and teachers on presentation
of certificates at fare and one-third,
good going from Dec. 6th to 13th in-
clusive, and returning from destina-
tion not later than Jan. 19th, 1903.

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tive and tonic medicine for that blood
disease from which you are suffering.
It eradicates scrofula and all other
humors and cures all their inward
and outward effects.

Take Hood's.

Arrived this week for Christmas
trade, Trunks, Valises, Suit Cases,
fine in quality, low in price. The
largest stock in the west to choose
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special Xmas coffee on Wednesday,
for one day only.

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We have more oranges than some
people have hay. Come in and see
our display. We start them at 15c a
dozen, two doz. for 25c. A good large
Valencia for 20c doz. A very sweet
Mexican for 25c, 30c and 40c doz. A
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