

# The Chatham Daily Planet.

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## Estate Administration Sale

In no department in our store is our sale prices more effective or more marked than our Mantle department. Jackets are going simply at your own price. You never paid less for a jacket than you will do here Wednesday morning. Further reduced prices begin on Wednesday when you can have your choice of.

## 200 Jackets at Almost 1-2 Price

### SALE OF LADIES' JACKETS

Ladies' Kersey Cloth Jackets in color fawn and black, all sizes, lined throughout with satin, corded, trimmed, reg. price \$11.50, on sale Wednesday morning.

\$6.75

Ladies' Kersey Cloth Jackets, in fawn-lined throughout with satin, seams strapped back and front, reg. price \$10.00, on sale Tuesday at

\$5.75

### DRAPERIES

Even those who build air castles and live in dreamland will find suitable draperies in our drapery department this week for any home, no matter how massive, elaborate or elegant the mansion may be.

A properly curtained window gives a fine finish to a home, with the cool weather well upon us and Christmas near at hand the time is ripe for prudent buying in this line. Best Curtains to buy are here, note the prices in the other two columns—they're the lowest.

### NOVELTY TIES

Our Milliners have made up a very handsome assortment of Ladies' Fancy Ties, in Chiffon, Satin Ribbon, etc., at very moderate prices.

### TABLE LINENS

A present of Table Linen is extremely acceptable never out of place and always needed in a household.

72 in. pure Linen Bleached Irish Damask, with Napkins to match, in elegant designs, very special at our sale price.

92c yard

### SALE OF LADIES' JACKETS

Ladies' heavy Cloth Jackets, lined throughout with good merized satin, all seams cloth strapped, regular price \$11.00, on sale Tuesday morning for

\$6.00

Ladies' fawn Frizee Jackets, well tailored and of good heavy cloth, wide storm collar reg. price \$3.50 on sale Tuesday morning for

\$2.10

### DRAPERY CURTAINS

Not only the finest qualities are represented in this stock, but the lower priced ones as well, and all marked so very low, note the saving it will buy you to buy now.

### TINSELLED SILK CURTAINS

Regular \$18.00 quality for \$6.00. Mercerized Silk Curtains, regular \$15.00 quality for \$12.00.

Drapery Silk by the yard, any length you want: regular \$2.50 quality at \$1.90 a yd. regular \$4.00 quality at \$2.50 a yd. regular \$1.50 quality at \$1.10 a yd.

### BAGDAD LOUNGE TROWS

Something very new and elegant at

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### FANCY LINENS

In the way of Tray Cloths, Five o'clock Covers, Doylies, Carvers, Sideboard Scarfs, etc., we are exceptionally well provided this season. We were fortunate in clearing out a manufacturing agent of a stock lot and have marked them at extremely low prices.

Covers and Tray Cloths at 11c, 17c, 22c, 43c, 68c. Five o'clock Covers, at 92c, \$1.25, \$1.75 and \$2.00.

These things are always useful, either for personal use or for giving away.

### SALE OF LADIES' JACKETS

Ladies' heavy Frizee Jackets in fawn and black lined throughout with merized satin, well tailored, reg. price \$5, on sale Tuesday morning for

\$3.75

Ladies' best quality Kersey Cloth in black navy and fawn lined throughout with silk, velvet collar, reg. price \$15.00 on sale Tuesday morning for

\$7.50

### LACE CURTAINS

What is more appropriate for a Christmas gift than a pair of Lace Curtains, a decorative gift that adds beauty to the home is appreciated by the whole family—this is a rare chance of buying some elegant goods for a small amount of money.

### BEAUTIFUL RUFFLED BOBBINETTE CURTAINS

regular \$3.50 quality for \$2.75 regular \$3.75 quality for \$3.00 regular \$4.00 quality for \$3.25 Also by the yard, at 30c and 35c.

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Regular \$6.00 quality for \$4.00 Regular \$7.00 quality for \$5.00 Regular \$10.00 quality for \$6.75 Regular \$12.00 quality for \$8.50

### SAXONY NET CURTAINS

Regular \$6.00 quality for \$4.00 Regular \$7.00 quality for \$5.00 Regular \$10.00 quality for \$6.75 Regular \$12.00 quality for \$8.50

### MEN'S TIES AND GLOVES

Men's Bow Ties of Silk and Satin 11c. Men's Four-in-hand Silk Ties 22c. Men's Four-in-hand Silk Ties, wide sewing ends for 40c. Men's Kid Gloves, in black, tan, brown, well lined for \$1. Men's Mocha Kid Gloves, undressed, in shades of tan at \$1.

## FORCING THE TUGELA.

### Rumor that Buller is Across.

### HIS TROOPS CARRIED ABOARD IN THE LAST FIGHT BUT AFTER DRIVEN BACK AFTER EIGHT HOURS' FIGHTING.

London, Tuesday, Dec. 19.—The Daily Mail hears from a hitherto reliable correspondent that Gen. Buller, after another stiff fight, crossed the Tugela River. The correspondent also states that Gen. Methuen's communications are cut.

### BULLER FORCED THE TUGELA

And Also Took Olenso but his Troops Were Driven Back After Eight Hours' Fighting.

London, Tuesday, Dec. 19.—The correspondent of the Daily Mail, telegraphing from Frere Camp, Dec. 15, and describing the battle of Tugela River, says:—"The Boers, in great force, occupied a strong, entrenched position, commanding the river and

reaching back about 800 yards from the further side. Gen. Hart's brigade, on the left, first attempted a crossing under a murderous Nordenfeldt and rifle fire. The Royal Dublin Fusiliers, King's Own Scottish Borderers and the Connaught Rangers crossed with superb and unflinching gallantry; but the position on the other side was found utterly untemble. The British suffered heavily from a perfect hail of artillery and shrapnel, while their own artillery was badly mauled. They were therefore obliged to re-cross the river. On the right, Gen. Hildyard's brigade, displaying equal heroism, succeeded in entering the village of Olenso, but the sixth battery encountered a murderous fire and was compelled to retire, leaving guns and ammunition and wagons on the field. The brigade was also obliged to fall back. Meanwhile Gen. Barton's brigade also failed to take possession of Hlangwini Hill, as was intended; and the entire force retired on Chertley. Gen. Clery was in command.

The few accounts of the battle that are yet to hand fail to give an accurate idea; but the statement that Gen. Clery commanded the current idea that he was engaged in some turning movement and that the Tugela River battle was only part of a large scheme of operations. The attack at the Tugela lasted eight hours, it is said.

### THE CONTINGENT.

It Will be a Composite Force This Time.

### MADE UP OF INFANTRY, ARTILLERY AND MOUNTED MEN, ABOUT 1100 IN ALL.

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—At the close of the Cabinet Council, yesterday, the press correspondents were handed the following official statement:—

The Imperial Government have at length called their acceptance of the offer of the Canadian Government, made on the 7th November last, of a second contingent. A Cabinet Council was held this morning and instructions given the militia department to prepare this second contingent to go forward at the earliest possible moment. A cable to this effect has been sent to the War Office.

The composition of the force will be probably as follows:—1—"A" and "B" Batteries of the permanent corps. Their peace strength is 230 combined, but the full strength is over 300, and they will be brought up to that. They will take 12 guns. 2—"A" force of 300 or more cavalry or mounted infantry, made up from the Northwest Mounted Police and the Royal Canadian Regiment of Cavalry. 3—"A" battalion of infantry, probably 500 strong. This will be made up of volunteers.

AUSTRALIAN CONTINGENTS. Melbourne, Dec. 19.—An Australian mounted contingent of a thousand men will sail for South Africa before January 10. An additional New South Wales battery of artillery is to sail immediately.

In spite of protests from the Boer representative the U. S. Government refuses to prevent American firms supplying ammunition to Great Britain.

### HEADACHE AND NEURALGIA CURED IN NO TIME.

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## RIOTS IN DUBLIN.

### Students mob the Mansion House and Capture its Green Flag.

### Finally Driven Back by Police—A Brilliant Assemblage Grooms Chamberlain.

Dublin, Dec. 19.—At Trinity College this afternoon the honorary degree of doctor of laws was conferred on Joseph Chamberlain, British secretary of state for the colonies. There was a brilliant assemblage at the ceremony. The undergraduates gathered on the college grounds and sang patriotic songs. Then they sallied to College Green, cheering vociferously and carrying the royal standard and the Union Jack.

The students made a demonstration at the Mansion House, where they tore the green corporation flag to shreds and caused other damage, the police being forced to intervene. The students returned to the college in an ugly mood. The students made a desperate effort to recapture the Union Jack, but the police were too strong for them. In the meantime a hostile crowd had assembled on College Green and more stringent measures were taken to keep the students within the gates. The students who attacked the Mansion House numbered about 150. They beat the caretaker, who attempted to protect the corporation flag.

The Central school kindergarten Christmas exercises take place on Thursday, Dec. 21st.

A young lady lost a dark green purse, containing a sum of money and a receipt from Stone the Hatter, on Saturday night.

£7.50, \$9.12, and \$15 are the prices at The 2 T's for the New Method Suits and overcoats.

Mrs. F. Kenneth McKenzie and daughter, of Chicago, Ill., are spending the Christmas vacation with Mr. and Mrs. Moore, Head St.

Fine tobacco, tobacco pouches and a full line of smoker's sundries at Bennett's Cigar Store, King street, west of the Central Drug Store, opposite new Oddfellow's block.

A dark green purse was lost on Saturday evening, containing a receipt from Stone the Hatter and a sum of money. The finder will be rewarded by leaving it at The Planet office.

H. Malcolmson's ad. in last night's issue should have read "Table figs twenty cents per pound." These goods are very choice and usually sell at a much higher price.

Cigars, 10 in box and up, put up expressly for Xmas trade, at Bennett's, King street, opposite new Oddfellow's block.

Mrs. E. C. Gammage fell coming out of the Park St. Methodist church on Sunday evening and broke her wrist. The main bone is broken and the accident is an exceedingly painful one.

Buy the Tiger Brand clothing for boys. The 2 T's, sole agents.

### To the Electors of Ward No. 3

Ladies and Gentlemen: I respectfully solicit your vote and influence for school trustee.

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

Yours sincerely, ALEX. VONGUNTEN.

### To the Electors of Ward No. 4

Ladies and Gentlemen: Your vote and influence is respectfully solicited for John Holmes for Public School Trustee.

### To the Electors of Ward No. 4

Ladies and Gentlemen: I am again a candidate for School Trustee in No. 4 Ward, and respectfully solicit your support in the coming election. Having served on the board faithfully for several years, my record, I trust, will appeal to you on my behalf. I trust you will see fit to elect me for another term. Respectfully yours, ANDREW THOMSON.

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Christmas Dress Goods, some very choice lines, in single dress lengths, special \$3.00, \$4.00, \$5.00, \$6.00, \$7.00 and.....\$8.50	best makers goods are to be found here, all the latest shades and styles, no better gloves could be desired than our guaranteed lines, \$1.00 and.....\$1.25	Ladies' Jackets, every jacket in the store marked down to a quick march price. If you have any thoughts of a new garment do not put off, but come at once and secure the biggest coat bargain of the season. Ladies' Jackets, clearing at \$1.69, \$2.75, \$3.45, \$4.38, \$5.89, \$6.95 and.....\$7.49
Skirt Lengths, in fine camel's hair, plaids, black crepons, etc., the latest designs, special per length \$3.50, \$4.60, \$5.00 and.....\$6.50	Dolls, an immense gathering of pretty dolls. Have you seen our kid body dolls, 13 in. long, with bisque heads, at 25c, other lines at 50c up to.....\$1.50	Fur Coats, 36 in. long, bright Astrachan curl, high storm collar, quilted Italian lining, coats that are sold elsewhere at \$28.00 and \$30.00, special at.....\$24.50
Ladies' Handkerchiefs, the choicest range of fine swiss embroidered, hemstitched and colored, bordered in silk, linen, fine lawn and cambric, dainty effects, an immense assortment to select from at 5c, 10c, 12 1/2c, 15c, 20c, 25c, 35c, 40c, 50c up to.....\$1.00	Ready-to-wear Skirts, in plaids, plain box cloths, whip cords, mohairs, lustrous and habit cloths latest cut, well lined, velvet facings, full sweep, special \$1.93, \$2.49, \$2.75, \$3.00 up to.....\$4.89	Millinery, this week we are clearing the balance of our stock of trimmed hats at.....HALF PRICE
Kid gloves, a better stock to select from has never been placed on sale in this city, none but the	Gray Lamb Caps, rich full curl, satin lined, special at \$2.50, \$3.50 and \$3.75	New Voilets, special at per bunch 25c and.....15c

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But why waste words? Just come and see what we have. Make your selections and go home happy with things that will make others happy also. Come quick, don't wait for the rush. Store will be open evenings next week.

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RELIGIOUS THOUGHT.

Shelter—Jesus only is the shelter in the time of storm.—Rev. S. A. Northrop, Baptist, Kansas City, Mo.

His Work.—It is always best to let God do his own work in his own way.—Rev. Wm. Radcliffe, Presbyterian, New York City.

Wars.—Wars undertaken ostensibly in the sacred cause of humanity are windfalls for the unscrupulous.—Dr. E. G. Hirsch, Hebrew, Chicago, Ill.

Character.—The character which results from right doing is the character which brings life everlasting.—Rev. Wayland Hoyt, Baptist, Minneapolis, Minn.

Sectarianism.—The one thing we have to do is to remember that sectarianism has nothing in accord with Christianity.—Rev. B. P. De Costa, Episcopalian, New York City.

Go Forward.—The keynote of the entire Bible from beginning to end is its history, its prophecy, its ethics, its gospel—all tell us to go forward.—Rev. W. J. Chichester, Presbyterian, Chicago, Ill.

Duty.—Duty performed demands no excuse; it is non-fulfillment of obvious duty that causes the faltering and trustworthy excuse to be made.—Rev. Dr. H. C. Stanton, Presbyterian, Kansas City, Mo.

America.—All must agree that whatever the future relationship of America and her so-called possessions, the interests of all concerned involve the preparation of these people for civilization.—Rev. L. Sprague, Independent, Grand Rapids, Mich.

God's Will.—As to what God's will is, the Gospel leaves us no room to doubt. It demands righteousness and justice, and love between man and man in all human dealings and in all human relations.—Rev. F. R. Coyle, Presbyterian, Oakland, Cal.

Belief in God.—If you believe in God you will believe in the permanence of truth and will not be afraid that any new fact of science or history or any view of things will take it away from you.—Rev. Minot Savage, Unitarian, New York City.

The Bible.—The Bible illustrates and confirms; it does not originate or absolutely assure the modern man's belief in immortality. But God sends each generation the truth in a form comprehensible to it.—Rev. C. W. Wendt, Unitarian, Los Angeles, Cal.

Christlike Living.—We will see a larger degree of Christlike living, because the spirit of Christ is leading men to become truly Christlike in all those things which make up the practical side of living.—Rev. S. Roosevelt, Episcopalian, Brooklyn, New York.

Manhood.—The first cannon boom of the American revolution proclaimed to the world that a new nationality had been established; not on wealth or class or trade or Senate statutes, but on manhood.—Rev. Dr. Conaty, Catholic University, Washington, District of Columbia.

Never a Righteous War.—War on the one side or the other has been justified of history, but in the larger vision and in the truer estimate there never has been a righteous war since the world began, and there never will be.—Rev. J. Lloyd Jones, Independent, Chicago, Ill.

Righteousness.—Some people think righteousness is to be determined by results; others think that righteousness is determined by God. Men are divided as to its nature, and think they are talking religion, but they are not.—Rev. Lyman Abbott, Congregationalist, Brooklyn, N. Y.

CLIPPED TO PLEASE.

It is easier to "keep up" with your work than to "catch up" when once you have fallen behind.

"Do the bees give honey twice a day, like the cows?" asked a small city girl on her first visit to the country.

It is more blessed to give than to receive, but the majority of us know it merely from hearsay.—Chicago News.

Salt sprinkled on a cloth is excellent for scouring out stationary wash bowls and other chamber vessels, making them bright and clean.

In some parts of Holland a birth is announced by fastening a silk pin cushion on the door knob. If the pin cushion is red the baby is a boy, and if white, a girl.

Swallow a raw egg if you have a fish bone in your throat.

The man who tries to make the best of it seldom gets the worst of it.

Remember that you were once a boy yourself, unless you are a woman.

Neither of the girls born twins is quite as good looking as the other?

Sprinkle cayenne pepper around where rats frequent, and they will leave.

Lamp wicks that have become clogged with settlements from the oil may be cleaned by washing in vinegar.

Good and evil are magnets. Good is the more powerful, but evil acts at less distance.

Reason brings our vices into court. Self-love examines them and discharges them.

THE HOUSEHOLD.

Alum vs. Vermin.—Alum dissolved in hot water and applied to furniture, or to cracks in the wall, is certain destruction to vermin.

The Mattress.—Mattresses should not only be frequently dusted and aired, but should be turned daily to prevent them wearing unevenly.



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Could we restore for half an hour the dinner table of old France and obtain a dozen instantaneous photographs of a royal banquet at any era between the reigns of Francis I and Louis Quatorze, such a "cataract of laughter" would be heard as might disturb the serenity of Louis in paradise.

The duchess, her napkin tied securely round her neck, would be seen mulling a bone, the noble marquis would be seen scratching himself, the belle marquise withdrawing her spoon from her lips to help a neighbor to sauce with it, another fair creature scouring her plate with her bread, a gallant courtier using his doublet or the tablecloth as a towel for his fingers and two footmen holding a yard of damask under a lady's chin while she emptied her goblet at a draught.

During a feast of inordinate length it was sometimes necessary to substitute a clean cloth for the one which the carelessness or bad manners of the guests had reduced to a deplorable condition.—"An Idler in Old France" by Tighe Hopkins.

A GOOD EXCUSE.

Proprietor—How did you make the mistake of giving that gentleman vegetable soup when he ordered chicken?

Waiter—I thought the celery steps in it were feathers.

Fuller Sorrow—Is this the society for the prevention of war?

Clerk—Yes, sir. What will you have?

Fuller Sorrow—Well, I want to see the vice-president.

The single effort with which we stop short in the down-hill path to perdition is itself a greater exertion of virtue than a hundred acts of justice.

In heaven there will be no supplications; only songs.

CHOICE OF Gifts

The gift buyer who usually puts off buying till a day or two before Christmas knows how scarce the prettie gifts are.

We have just opened out the best assortment of

Christmas Novelties

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we have all the leading lines, including many new odors in handsome packages.

An inspection of our "Ribbon goods" with Sterling Silver mounts, will well repay you, whether you buy or not.

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QUICK OF WIT

Pretty and Apt Speeches Made by Well-Known Women.

A witty reply is never so charming as when directed by love. Was there yet a more exquisite bon mot than that of Lydia Maria Child? When her husband said he wished that he were as rich as Croesus, in order that he might be able to give her a life of ease, she laughingly replied:

"You are Croesus; you're king of Lydia!"

Rachel, the actress, made some very pretty speeches. A young girl of 17, at the dawn of her brilliant career, she was introduced to Chateaubriand, says the Saturday Evening Post. The venerable poet said to her, in a melancholy tone:

"How sad it is to think, mademoiselle, that such as you should be born as we are about to die!"

"Sir," she replied, "there are some who die before."

Harriet Martineau was apt at a retort. A lady once said to her, "Woman ought to attend to their little duties and let public affairs alone." She replied:

"Those who perform their great duties best are mostly likely to perform their little duties the best."

"Oh, certainly," assented the lady; "missions to perform on earth; if I felt so, I think I ought to be sent to Bedlam."

Mise Martineau answered: "It appears to me those who think they have no mission to perform on earth ought to be sent to Bedlam."

It was a woman unknown to fame who, to the question, "What is life," answered, "It is to laugh and cry, according to one's temperament."



Not True in This Case.

"I guess de man wot said er woman wuz at de bottom of everything wuzn't acquainted wid ma."

Over Confidence.

It was at Manila, a day or two before the famous colloquy between Admiral von Diederichs and the British captain of the cruiser Immortalite, in which the former asked what attitude the latter would assume in case trouble arose between the Germans and the Americans, Chichester replying that information on that point could best be obtained from Dewey. On this occasion Dewey was dining with Chichester, and over the nuts and wine they got swapping stories. The host expressed his admiration of the Yankee's victory exhibited by the confidence of his guest, replying that there might be too much confidence in one's ability to win a fight. The Englishman did not see how that could be, and Dewey proceeded to illustrate his remark with a little anecdote. Said he:

"An old friend of my grandfather's in Vermont, lent some help to his country's cause in the war of 1812 by fitting out a flue privateer. He took command of her himself, having had some experience in sailing, and called her the New Jerusalem. She was a smart little barkentine, and mounted 6 12-pounders and a 16-pound pivot gun forward. In the course of the first voyage, she took two or three prizes of no great value, and two months or so elapsed before she got a whack at something really worth capturing."

"It was on a foggy morning, in the region of the tropics, the wind having died away to a mere cat-paw, that she sighted the royal and gallant stunsils of a huge merchantman carrying the British flag. It was a spectacle to make any practical person's mouth water. The privateer, being to windward, reared up to the prey, herself unobserved in the mist, and presently hove to within half a cable's length of her.

"Heave to, or I'll sink you," yelled my grandfather's friend, thinking gloatingly of the silks and laces, with who knows what other spoil, he was going to take back to Vermont.

"There was no reply, and just then a puff of wind blew away some of the fog, revealing instead of a merchantman, a full-fledged line-of-battle ship with rows of frowning ports.

"I was about to say," shouted the commander of the privateer, "that while inviting you to surrender, in case you don't want to do so, I will serve to illustrate my meaning when I say that too much confidence in warfare is not always a good thing. Your very good health, Chichester."

Poetry vs. Prose.

They were sitting on the front porch after dinner, enjoying the evening breeze. Gazing at the canopy of heaven thickly studded with glittering stars, Mr. Pondering exclaimed:

"How utterly incomprehensible is the vastness of nature! Each glittering orb we now behold is a world of greater magnitude than that of our own. How wonderful are the eternal laws which hold this universe of worlds in their unchanging orbits, and—"

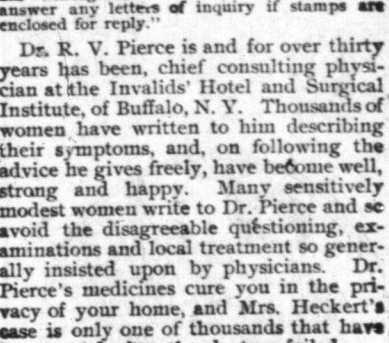
"Yes," interrupted Mrs. Pondering, suddenly giving voice to her train of thought, "and the man didn't leave us half enough ice to eat, and I'm sure his beefsteak will spoil before morning. Did you order those mackerel and the ton of coal to be sent to-morrow?"—Chicago News.

Mrs. Lily Hecker, of Bartlesville, Cherokee Nat., Ind. Ty., writes:

"I had prostrated, or female weakness, so badly that at times I could not be turned in bed. I suffered from palpitation of the heart, I would often faint away, and it seemed as if I never would recover, had not St. Vitus's Dance. At the commencement of the disease, I would be so great that I would be nearly crazy. I had doctored with five different physicians, but they did me no good. One of these doctors, of forty years' experience, said to me, 'I can't do you any good, so why not try Dr. R. V. Pierce's Favorite Prescription?' I wrote to Dr. R. V. Pierce and described my troubles. He wrote me a nice fatherly, kind letter in reply, and I followed his advice."

Life is a pleasure to me now, instead of a burden as it was before. Three of my neighbor women have used St. Vitus's Dance, and it has helped them all. I will take no other medicine but Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. I am a friend of the people's medicine, and I always keep it in the house. I also have the People's Common Sense Medical Adviser, and think it is a great book. I am willing to answer any letters of inquiry if stamps are enclosed for reply."

Dr. R. V. Pierce is and for over thirty years has been, chief consulting physician at the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, of Buffalo, N. Y. Thousands of women have written him describing their symptoms, and, on following the advice he gives freely, have become well, strong and happy. Many sensitively modest women write to Dr. Pierce and so avoid the disagreeable questioning, examinations and local treatment so generally insisted upon by physicians. Dr. Pierce's medicines cure you in the privacy of your home, and Mrs. Hecker's case is only one of thousands that have been cured after the doctors failed.



STOMACH LAUNDRY.

Physicians' Offices of recent years have Become One.

Patients Swallow a Flexible Rubber Tube and they Like it so well that the Doctors have hard Work to Get Rid of Them.

Within recent years those physicians who have made a specialty of diseases of the stomach have become convinced that the only satisfactory method of treating a great variety of stomach troubles is by washing out the stomach. This little performance is carried out by means of a flexible soft rubber tube, swallowed by the patient. At the other end of the tube is a rubber funnel, and when the stomach tube has reached the stomach warm water or some medicated fluid is poured in, and the stomach is subjected to a thorough cleaning.

Disagreeable indeed the process is at first. Indeed, for the first few times of the introduction of the tube the patient has often to be held down forcibly to his seat. Then, curious to state, the dyspeptic gets used to the stomach tube and even begins to like it. The cranks express such a longing for it that long after they are cured of their trouble they go on using the stomach pump once, twice or even three times a day. They haunt the physician's office and become his bugbear during his office hours. Then finally, when the medical man puts his foot down and flatly refuses to pass the tube any more, they procure a stomach pump for themselves and use it before a looking glass.

WAS IT TRUE?

Janet—What do you think? Will Slowgo told me last night if he had a chance he would kiss me.

Kitty—"This fellow real mean of him, wasn't it, when he knew he had a whole chance, and you couldn't divide it?"

He—Man has a perfect organ of speech.

She—So has a woman.

He—Oh, no; she hasn't. Hers is made without stops.

The presidential bee in a man's bonnet seldom fills it with the honey of happiness.

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## LOCAL BRIEFS

Dr. Bell, Merline, is in the city.  
The Shenango arrived at the Eau on Monday with 26 cars of coal.  
E. A. Slater has moved in from the country and is now living on Forest St.  
The Messenger from Khartoum is the title of a startling serial story which The Planet will shortly publish.  
The taxes collected up to date amount to \$67,000, being \$7,000 better than last year. Two per cent. is being added up to 31st December, when an additional three per cent. will be added on all unpaid taxes after that date.  
D. McLachlan will give a social evening to the pupils of the Business College on Friday night next. The pupils will assist in the program. The college will resume after the holidays on Wednesday, Jan. 3rd.

**A SLIGHT CHANGE.**  
The ladies of the Home have decided not to distribute the usual Christmas donation under the old system. Those ladies overseeing the different wards will give an extra order according to the needs of the families receiving aid. Clothing, provisions, etc., will be most acceptably received from friends interested. They may be sent to the Home of the Friendless on or before Christmas.

**GO TOWARD EASILY.**  
The two lads, Walter Connibear and Clarence Tickner, were tried at this morning's police court for assault upon young Bertie Martin. The lads were defended by O. L. Lewis. The case occupied the attention of the court all morning, but the evidence went to show that the assault in its entirety was committed by a third lad, Chester Simpson, who had moved to Detroit immediately after and had resided there since, while the two defendants had simply been encouraging witnesses to the occurrence. In dismissing them, however, Judge Houston delivered one of the severest lectures ever heard from the police court bench, alluding to the terrible illness of the little victim, the cowardly acquiescence in the assault and especially to the profanity used by one of the boys, who told his honor he had first learned to swear at the Methodist Sunday school.

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## BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

**DIED.**  
O'FLYNN.—At her residence, Cross St., Ellen, wife of Patrick O'Flynn, Tuesday, Dec. 19th, at the age of 84 years.  
Funeral will take place Thursday at 10 o'clock, to St. Joseph's Church, and from there to the cemetery.

The 2 T's will be open until ten o'clock to-night.  
The rush for Christmas gifts is on at 'The Ark.' All wishing to be served quickly should come early in the forenoon.

The statue that will be placed over the grave of the late J. W. Brown has arrived from Aberdeen. The cost will exceed one thousand dollars.  
Still another shipment of American neckwear to-day at The 2 T's.  
Arthur Andrew, an employee of The Planet, was caught by a belt this afternoon and seriously crushed. He was able to walk over to Dr. Holmes' office where his injuries were attended to. His jaw was found to have been fractured on both sides.  
Oxford mufflers in a great many shades at The 2 T's.

**METHUEN CUT OFF**

War Office Neither Deny nor Affirm the Report.

London, Dec. 19.—The war office declines either to confirm or contradict the report telegraphed by a correspondent of the Daily Mail that Gen. Butler has crossed the Tugela river, and that Gen. Methuen's communications have been cut.  
Gen. Methuen's line of communication with Cape Town—the railway from the Cape to Modder River—was guarded at Belmont by the Canadian contingent and by colonial volunteers at other points. Boer raiders have been reported moving along the line for several days past.

**DOWNED THE GANG.**  
New York, Dec. 19.—A despatch to the Tribune from London says: There is a general impression that the war office has been conducted in the interest of what is known as the "Wolsey gang," and that it needs a good shaking up. Certainly the selection of Lord Wolsey's rival, Lord Roberts, the best of all Indian fighters, is a rebuke to the headquarters of the campaign and making serious mistakes. The new program of the war office calls for long range artillery and an unusually large proportion of mounted troops.  
The revised list of the Magersfontein losses has increased the number of prisoners by 45, and the killed by 51.

## WAR NOTES.

The Duke of Connaught may go to the front as subordinate to General Roberts.  
Volunteer officers in England are offering to go out as privates.  
Lord Roberts will have a free hand.  
General Warren and staff have moved up to De Aar, which indicates that the fifth division will reinforce Lord Methuen.  
A despatch to the Daily Mail from Frere Camp says that the bodies of two of the guides who misled Gen. Gatacre were found on the battlefield. The men had been shot. They were Kafirs. Why Gatacre accepted Kafir guides when he could have had thoroughly posted Cape police is a mystery.

## EIGHT WILL RUN.

"I have interviewed all the aldermen and asked them to run again," said Alexander McDougall, a well-known citizen who takes a considerable interest in municipal affairs.  
"Ald. Martin is the only one who absolutely refused, as he would be a good deal out of town next year. All the rest will run. I hope, however, to get Robert Gray to come out in Mr. Martin's place. I have interviewed him and he has partly consented, so we will put his name in nomination on Friday."

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In 1492 Columbus discovered America. In 1892, just 400 years later, a Bradford druggist, discovered Four T's, the great guaranteed cough and cold cure. In five years the sale of a quarter million bottles has proven that Four T's never fails to cure a cough in 24 hours and a cold in two days. Large bottles 25c. at the Central Drug Store.

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Mr. McNish has asked for a recount in West Elgin and it will take place to-morrow.

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Rare Combinations in Jewels:—Sterling Silverware, Watches, Leather Goods, etc., in the season's designs, await your inspection. Packages sent on approval to responsible parties.

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

For Men

Fountain Pens.  
Ink Stands.  
Collar and Cuff Boxes.  
Neckwear and Handkerchief Boxes.  
Pocket Diaries for 1900.  
Walking Sticks.  
Travelling Companions.  
Bill Wallets, Pocket Books, etc.

For Boys and Girls

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

For Everybody

Books, Bibles, Hymn Books.  
Prayer Books, Albums.  
Stationery, Christmas Cards.  
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7 pos. 45 in. wide, very fine all-wool Henriettes, in all the opera shades, such as pink, cream, opera blue, blue, green, helle, old rose, corn color, excellent bright silk finish, our special prices 50c.  
3 pos. only, fancy figured poplin, in cream, blue, green, very special 75c.  
3 pos. 42 in. wide, shot lustre, suitable for shirt waists, in cardinal and blue, fawn and blue, blue and cardinal, very pretty cloth and special at 25c.

3 pos. 44 in. wide silk and wool fancy poplin, in a pretty mixed coloring, such as cardinal and green, blue and green, pink and green, very special cloth for shirt waist or a fine dress, you should see them, our special at 60c.

4 pos. 48 in. wide colored poplins, in shades of bright green, royal blue, copper, brown, peat gray, very desirable goods for special dresses, actual value \$1.25, our special prices \$1.00.

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

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**What Austin & Co. Are Doing For Xmas Shoppers**

**Holiday Gloves**  
Just opened up, men's and boys' knit gloves, in black, special at 25c.  
Men's and boys' kid gloves, in bro. and tan shades, all sizes, at 50c.  
Men's special moquette and kid gloves, nice shades of brown, 50c and 75c.  
Men's very fine kid and moquette gloves, dromy, at \$1.  
Men's special silk lined gloves, at \$1.  
Men's pure Mocha gloves at \$1.50.  
See our men's and boys' special yarn mitts, heather mix, fine, 25c.

**Holiday Umbrellas**  
A very nobby line of umbrellas, bought special for Christmas trade, pretty handles and nice cloths, 50c, \$1, \$1.50, \$2 and \$2.50.

**Holiday Neck Scarfs**  
Handsome goods, in silk and wool mix opera silk, mercerized and cashmere, in dots, stripes and checks, 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c and \$1.

**Holiday Neckwear**  
2-Special Counters-2  
Showing our 2 prices in Xmas Neckwear, all displayed so it is easy for you to see and select, all styles, knits, four-in-hand, puffs, bows and string, see 'em, 25c and 50c.

**Men's and Boys' Underwear**  
In fleece and wool, bought direct from the mills and sold at factory prices, see our values.

**Our Great Suit Sale**  
Is pleasing everybody, prices that tempt you whether you want to buy or not, all high-class goods, the best values shown this year, at \$6, \$10 and \$12, your choice for \$7.50.  
Men's and Boys' Dress Overcoats, prices and styles that distance all competition, blue and black heathers, chin-cills, whipcords and novelty goods, \$5, \$6, \$6.50, \$7.50, \$8, \$10 to \$15.  
Boys' 2 pc. and 3 pc. Suits that please the mothers' pocketbook and makes the boys smile, all the new things, see values, for ages 5 to 16 yrs., \$1.45, \$1.95, \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3.50, \$4.50 to \$6.00.

**Boys' Reefers**  
That are full of comfort and have the style and fit, in fancy and storm coats, at \$2.50, \$3, \$3.50, \$4, \$4.50, \$5, for ages 5 to 17 years.

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

**Men's and Boys' Hats and Caps**  
Nobby and up-to-date styles, no fancy prices.  
Caps, 25c, 50c, 75c to \$3.50.  
Hats, in fedora and derby styles, \$1, \$1.50, \$2 to \$2.25.

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## Bargains in Holiday Hdkfs

<b>Ladies' Handkerchiefs</b>	<b>Men's Handkerchiefs</b>
Ladies' Hemstitched Embroidered Initial Hdkfs, all linen..... 16c	Men's all Linen Hand Embroidered Initial Handkerchiefs..... 25c
Ladies' Fine Hemstitched Hdkfs, all linen, full finished..... 15c	Men's Plain Hemstitched Hdkfs, all linen, full finished, 16, 18, 20, 25, to 50c
Ladies' Embroidered Lawn Hdkfs, 10c, 15c, 18c, 20c and..... 25c	Men's Japanese Silk Initial Hdkfs, 25c to..... 50c
Ladies' Embroidered Linen Hdkfs, 25c to..... 68c	Men's Fancy, Colored border Japanese Hdkfs, 18c to..... 38c
Ladies' Lace Trimmed Hdkfs, 12c to..... 25c	Men's large Silk Mufflers, all colors and styles, and black, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1, \$1.35, \$1.50 and..... \$2.25
Ladies' Lace Trimmed, very fine Hdkfs, 25c to..... \$1.35	A large and complete assortment of Ladies' and Gents' fancy Plaids, Checks, Paisian, Polka Dot and Oxford, Silk Mufflers.
Ladies' Hemstitched Hand Embroidered Initial Hdkfs, all linen, 16c to..... 25c	
Ladies' Lawn Hemstitched Handkerchiefs 1c to..... 5c	<b>MEN'S HOLIDAY NECKWEAR</b>
Children's White and Fancy Handkerchiefs 1c to..... 5c	Men's English Neckwear, Silk and Satin, beautiful Stripes, Checks and Figures, all colors.
<b>HOLIDAY APRONS</b>	Men's Imperial Four-in-hands, Puffs, Bows, Flowing Ends, Graduated Dribbles in choice variety of colors, from 50c to..... 20c
Ladies' Lawn Aprons, 25c, 40c, and..... 50c	<b>HOLIDAY SPECIALS IN</b>
Ladies' Aprons, with Bibs, 40c to..... 72c	Men's and Boys' Suspenders
Children's White Mother Hubbard Aprons, 42c, 50c, 60c, 65c, 75c and 80c	Men's Silk Embroidered Suspenders, fancy goods in boxes, \$1.50 to..... 50c
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Something new in Lace Dresser Covers just received.	

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**Finest Holiday Presents**—Caprices of every description, ranging in price from \$1.50 to \$35.00.

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Fur Coats, Astrachan, \$18, \$17, \$12, \$10, \$8, \$6, \$5, \$4, \$3, \$2, \$1.50, \$1, \$0.75, \$0.50, \$0.25, \$0.10, \$0.05, \$0.02, \$0.01.

Fur Coats and Jackets, from \$30 to \$222

Electric Seal Jackets, dainty..... \$35

## Christmas Silks and Satins

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

Japanese Silks, 27 in. wide, helio, pink, blue, red, etc..... 50c

Satins, all shades, for fancy work or linings, etc..... 50c

Special Peau-de-seal..... \$1.00

New Tinsel Chiffon for dress fronts.

Beautiful Silk Waists—For gifts, nothing pleases your mother, sister, wife or daughter like one of these beauties, we sell them in all colors and black..... \$3.50 to \$5.00

Superb Elder Down—Comforters, \$5, \$10 and..... \$15.00

## WHITE CROCHET QUILTS

And Marcella Coverlets

75c, \$1, \$1.20, \$1.30, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$1.85, \$2, \$2.50 up to..... \$3.60

Gorgeous Lounge Rugs—Unsurpassed in coloring and design, \$1, \$1.25 to \$2

Ladies' Night Robes—In white, long cloth, Lonsdale Cream, pink and fancy Flannellette, lace and embroidery trimmed or plain, from 50c up

Men's Night Wear—In white twill cotton braided at..... 75c

Flannellette Night Shirts..... 50c up

Natural Wool Night Robes.

### Holiday Kid Gloves

Ladies' 4-buttoned Kid Gloves, good colors, tan and black..... 50c

Ladies' 4-pearl button Kid Gloves, tan and black..... 75c

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

Fownes pearl fastened Kid Gloves, tan or drab, warranted..... \$1.25

Laced and buttoned Kid Gloves, Chastreaux Gabriella and Hyspalia..... \$2

Ladies' finest Mocha Kid Gloves..... \$2

Ladies' Fancy Gaiters and Ladies' Hose Supporters, etc.



**FOWNES**

### Holiday Kid Gloves

Men's Lined Kid and Mocha Gloves, 50c, 75c and..... \$1

Men's Fur Lined Kid Gloves, selling at..... \$1.50

Men's Unlined Kid Gloves, the latest popular shades, \$1 and..... 75c

Men's Celebrated Kangaroo..... \$1.50

Men's heavy Wool Mitts, knit, leather faced in variety, 25c and..... 50c

Special Xmas Underwear, Cardigan Jackets, etc.

Gents' Scarf Pins, Cuff Buttons, Collar Buttons, etc., in pearl or gold variety.

Instead of Calendars we have secured several hundreds of Souvenir Song Books, containing 72 of the gems of song of the century, with the Music for Piano or Organ; and we hope as they ring in harmony through your homes they will contribute to your happiness.

# WILLIAM GORDON

The Standard Patterns For Dolls Clothing on hand

## For the Children—Young or Old

We have many nice things. The best of candies, pretty boxes, and baskets, and pretty ribbons. For a pretty Christmas remembrance, there is nothing nicer than one of our good boxes or baskets of candy. When you think of the fine quality we give you, you will wonder at the little price.

Fancy Baskets, 25c, 50c, 75c.	Finest Chocolates, 25c a box.
Fancy Boxes, 25c, 35c, 50c.	Finest Chocolates, 50c a box.
Christmas Crackers, 20c, 45c, 50c.	Finest Chocolates, \$1.00 a box.
Our special 1 lb boxes of good candy—25c	
Table Raisins, 20c and 25c a pound.	New Dates, 2 pounds for 25c.
Table Figs, 15c and 20c a pound.	Walnuts, 20c a pound.
Green Grapes, 20c a pound.	Almonds, 20c a pound.
Choice Mixed Nuts—15c a pound.	
Sugar Mixed Candy, 3 pounds for 25c.	
Good Mixed Candy, 4 pounds for 25c.	
Cream Mixed Candy, 2 pounds for 25c.	

Whatever you may need in Candy or Fruits, you will find best here.

## H. Malcolmson

Grocer

## Perfumes for Xmas

Our perfume counter in well laden with some of the choicest odors that money can buy. The stock is complete with the finest cases, including all the popular odors and styles.

## Perfume Atomizers

Call and take a look at our line of Cut Glass and Fancy Colored Atomizers. They are beautiful and make nice gifts.

## A. I. McCALL & CO.

DRUGGISTS & OPTICIANS

## BREVITIES FROM BLENHEIM. During Christmas Week

John Tilt, of Chatham, is in town on business.

John Sowerby, of Chatham, is in town on business.

Miss Louise Hillman, of Chatham, was a Blenheim visitor yesterday.

Mrs. Buchanan, of Talbot St., remains very low with pneumonia.

Miss Outley McGregor has returned from a visit to friends in Ridgetown.

Henry Robinson, who has been ill for some time past, is able to be around again.

Chief of Police Grant was at Merdin yesterday evening, subpoenaed in the Bell case for assault.

Town Clerk John W. Gibson will hold municipal nominations next Friday morning from ten to eleven o'clock.

Blenheim Lodge, A. O. U. W., will meet next Wednesday evening, when the annual election of officers will take place.

This evening the fortnightly assembly, given by the young gentlemen of Blenheim, will be held in the Opera House.

Rev. Mr. Brown tendered a most enjoyable At Home to the Young People's Society of the Baptist church last Friday night.

The regular meeting of the local Orange lodge was held last Friday evening. There was a good attendance and routine business was transacted.

Mrs. J. P. Rice, wife of the pastor, gave a very interesting and helpful address to the Methodist Epworth League on Sunday night. Her subject was, "Answers to Prayer."

W. J. Huffman, tax collector for the township of Harwich, collected over \$7,000 here last Friday. Mr. Huffman said it was the largest day he had put in during his entire experience.

Farmers from the country surrounding Blenheim are complaining of a scarcity of water, a most unusual occurrence at this season of the year, and, contrary to the desires of the merchants, are looking for rain.

Manager Stanley Wilkie, of the Opera House, is being congratulated on the excellent comedy production that was presented last Friday evening. Mr. Wilkie has several excellent additional attractions booked for the ensuing month.

The Erskine Echo, the splendid monthly magazine edited by Rev. J. M. McLaren and published in connection with the Presbyterian church, came from the press again yesterday. This admirable publication is one year old and is doing a splendid work.

The annual re-election of officers for the local court, Ladies of the Macbees, was held at their regular meeting last evening. The tent has only been established for one year and two months and already has secured a membership roll of over fifty.

The annual election of officers for the local court of the Canadian Order of Foresters, held last Friday evening, resulted as follows:

P. C. R. T. Ford.

C. R. W. Palmer.

V. C. R. W. Beeson.

Treasurer—G. L. VanGanten.

Fin. Sec'y—S. H. Bacon.

Rec. Sec'y—S. S. Wilkie.

Chaplain—T. Wagner.

S. W. J. Remington.

J. W. F. Ford.

S. B. Stewart.

J. B. C. Burk.

Auditors—R. L. Goshell and F. A. Young.

## WALLACEBURG

Dec. 18.—Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Dundas and son Gordon are on a visit to relatives in Ingersoll.

The Presbyterian Sunday school instead of giving an entertainment this year will give a supper for the pupils in Martin's hall on Friday night.

W. Colwell has two extra hands employed for the holiday trade.

The rink has been flooded but by the looks of the weather it will be some time before skating will be the order of the day.

A hockey club will be formed here this winter. There is a good field of material to choose from and a picked team should give a good account of themselves with the different county teams. A meeting will be called soon to organize.

Miss Lizzie Macdonnell has returned from London where she was visiting her sister, Mrs. W. R. McKay.

## Sausages

Headcheese, Frankfort, Blood Sausage, Ham, Bacon, Pure Lard, etc.

**Chatham Pork Store**

P. CHAPLIN. Open House Block Phone 240.

## Scott & Co.

Chatham's Leading Clothiers.

## Our Removal Sale

A Great Success—This Week we Offer

1000 Horse Brushes, at	10c, 15c and 25c each
500 Curry Combs, at	10c and 15c each
Horse Blankets from	50c to \$2.00 each

Cross-Cut Saws, Axes, Lanterns, Leather Mitts, all at SALE PRICES. Remember the place.

## Westman Bros.

CHATHAM.

The Sultan's son-in-law has shipped with all his wife's jewels.

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

The single effort with which we stop short in the down-hill path to perfection is itself a greater exertion of virtue than a hundred acts of justice.

Ask for Minard's and take no other.

**NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS.**

Two per cent. will be added to all taxes unpaid up to 31st inst., after which date 5 per cent. will be added. Wm. Rennie, collector.

Stamp your Books and Xmas Presents. It only costs 25 cents to have this done at The Planet Office.

## \$2.00 and \$2.50 Shoes

This Fall we have the best lines of Two Dollar and Two and a Half Shoes we have ever shown in Ladies wear.

Our \$2.50 is an AMERICAN made shoe by one of the BEST BOSS-TON MAKERS. Newest shape—Fine Vici hid—Good date 5 per cent. will be added. Wm. Rennie, collector.

Ladies' King Quality either Button or Lace in any size for..... \$2.75

## Geo. W. Cowan.



\$2.00 and \$2.50 Shoes

## Dr. A. W. Thornion

D. D. S. Toronto University. Associate Dr. G. A. Reel, Honor Graduate Toronto University. Office F. & 100 East of Standard Bank. Telephone 64.

## LOCAL BRIEFS

Do you know that a Turkish Bath will prevent a cold rather than induce one?

\$7.50, \$10, \$12, and \$15 are the prices at The 2 Ts for the New Method Suits and overcoats.

John O'Brien, of the Rankin House, has taken charge of the bar at the Idlewild Hotel.

Gorrie's confections stand the test! They may not be cheapest but are the best ways best.

Beautiful Bear Pipes, with and without cases, cigar and cigarette cases at Bennett's King street, opposite new Oddfellows' block.

Call and see our line of fancy boxes. All prices from 10 to 50c a lb. at Gorrie's. Phone 183.

Ladies love good perfume. The Central Drug Store has the best assortment in the city.

The Young People's Society of Christ Church are preparing baskets of Christmas cheer for the poor. Members and adherents of the church, or any others who may wish to assist in the good work, will please send their donations in provisions or money to the rectory Wednesday or Thursday.

Tuesday, December 19th, a sale of useful and fancy articles will be held by the Ladies of St. Joseph's church in the rooms that have been fitted up on the corner of Queen and Cross streets. Pretty pieces of Battenburg, dainty cushions, comforters, children's dainty cushions, etc., will be sold at reasonable prices. Sale will commence at 11 a.m. Throughout the day refreshments will be served and in the evening a good concert will be given. Admission to concert 15 cents.

Yesterday afternoon Miss Jane Collett's room at the Central school enjoyed a treat prepared by the pupils. The pupils were: Rose, Helen, Brandt, M. Rayment, Nellie Carwell and Maria Morris. These young ladies prepared an excellent program which was rendered in the Model room, after which corn was popped and the whole room enjoyed itself.

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

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

A useful present is always appreciated. The Central Drug Store has a magnificent stock of sherry goods, comprising mirrors, hair brushes and manicure sets, at low prices.

Holly Wreaths, Holly, Evergreen Wreaths, Rosettes, Pampas Plumes, Smilax, and everything for Christmas decorations at Victoria Avenue Greenhouses. Phone 181.

**SMALL-POX DECREASING.**

The provincial authorities are beginning to get the small-pox infected district in Essex county pretty well cleaned up. The inspector reports that in North Tilbury the quarantine has been raised from all the houses. In West Tilbury only two new cases have appeared. At Belle River, Manitoa, and Rochester there are no fresh cases. Out of 150 cases there have been no deaths.

**INTERESTING PHOTOS.**

Jas D. Ross, who recently returned from the west country, took over 200 photographs on his trip to the Yukon via the Edmonton trail. The pictures are all intensely interesting, especially those of the unexplored country; and the canyons in the rivers. Mr. Ross reports many sad and pitiable sights. Perhaps the saddest incident of the whole trip was one of which Mr. Ross took a photograph. A young fellow in one of the parties took sick with consumption. The other members of the party set him adrift on a raft and left him to float down the river sixty miles before he could reach a human habitation. Mr. Ross took a picture of the poor fellow on his raft as he passed floating on his back of logs lashed together. In some of the valleys in this north country the tops of high trees were seen to be chopped off. This rather mystified our Kent county explorer until the Indians told him that these tops were cut off by parties passing on snow-shoes in the winter when the snow had piled high in the valleys. It seems hardly credible, but nevertheless it is true.

**GREENWAY'S LAST HOPE GONE.**

Winnipeg, Dec. 19.—Full returns of Tuesday's Provincial election in Gimli have been received. Baldwin, opposition, is elected by a majority of 22.

## Spec'ial for Saturday

In Cream Goods

Cream Cake, Cream Rolls, Cream Puffs, Charlotte Russe

## Gorrie's

Phone 145, 100 King St. Call and see our line of goods.



## LOCAL IMPROVEMENT NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of Chatham intend to pass a By-law or By-laws under the provisions of the Municipal Act and of the City's By-laws respecting local improvements and special assessments for the levying of special rates or assessments to pay for the construction (and the temporary loans obtained therefor) of works mentioned in the first column of Schedule "A" below; and the total cost of the respective works is shown in the second column, and the portion thereof assumed by the city and to be paid out of the general funds, is shown in the third column of said schedule, and the difference between the total cost and the portion assumed by the city represents the amount to be raised by special assessment.

And that a statement showing the lands liable to assessment for the cost of the respective works aforesaid and the names of the owners thereof as far as they can be ascertained from the last revised assessment roll, and a measurement of the frontages of such lands and of the lands exempt from taxation, is now filed in the office of the Clerk of said City and is open for inspection during office hours.

And that a court of revision will be held on Thursday, the 11th day of January, 1900, at the City Council Chamber, in Harrison Hall, in the City of Chatham, at 10 o'clock, a.m., for the purpose of hearing complaints and appeals against the proposed assessments or accuracy of the frontage measurement, or any complaint which persons interested may desire to make and which is by law cognizable by the Court.

Any party desiring to complain or appeal to the court of revision shall on or before the 1st day of January, 1900, give to and leave with the Clerk of the City a written notice of such complaint or appeal, specifying the grounds thereof.

### SCHEDULE "A."

Description of Work	Actual cost of work, by City
An Asbestos Stone sidewalk on the south side of Barthe and Head streets from Kent to St. Clair street	\$ 592 43 \$ 88 74
A granolithic sidewalk on the north side of Dover street from St. Clair St. to Victoria avenue	996 61 157 16
A granolithic sidewalk on the west side of West street from Lorne avenue to Richmond street	398 16 169 71
A granolithic sidewalk on the north side of Emma street from St. Clair St. to Louise street	1351 74 257 19
A granolithic sidewalk on the north side of Richmond street from West street to Lacroix	562 61 169 16
A granolithic sidewalk on the north side of King street from Inches avenue to Robertson avenue	354 59 225 09
A granolithic sidewalk on the south side of Richmond street from West to Lacroix street	572 19 177 05
A granolithic sidewalk on the west side of King street from Lacroix street to First street except in front of the Riverside Terrace	574 96 104 50
A plank sidewalk on the east side of St. Clair street from Amelia street front to alley at the heading factory	178 83 16 05
A plank sidewalk on the south side of Forest street from Victoria avenue to	

## Neuknow

The Xmas presents have to be bought—you will find a good assortment of Fancy Lamps and China. Also a full line of Dinner Sets, \$5.50 and upwards, Tea Sets \$2.50, Chamber Sets \$1.80. They are low in price. Call and see them.

### Our Xmas Fruits are in:

3 lb. Selected Raisins.....	25c
3 lb. New Currants.....	25c
1 lb. Mixed Peel.....	20c
Pure Lard, per lb.....	9c
Mixed Candy 7c lb., 4 lb. for.....	25c

—AT THE—

Golden Star, Park St., East

**John McConnell**

Goods Delivered

## PHONOGRAPH

Public Entertainments  
And Private Parties

It is Louder Than the Human Voice  
and will fill any hall.

An attractive and amusing feature for Lodge and Church Entertainments.

Terms Moderate. For Particulars Address  
George Overton, Chatham P.O.

Professional Fruit Tree Pruner  
And Landscape Gardener,

Graduate of the Southern Ohio Agricultural College. Twenty eight years experience. Special attention to banding and pruning of your trees. Plain and ornamental lawn grading a specialty. Address  
G. F. SHERMAN, Kingville, Ont.

## Baikie's

Fashionable New York Photo Frames

We have some exquisite photo-novels frames. They are the most handsome we have ever handled and we bought them close and give our customers full benefit. You will be welcome if you will call and inspect them before buying, as our prices are right for this class of work and variety of latest designs. Just the proper article for a Christmas Gift.

Baikie's Photo Art Galleries  
55 King St., Opp. Market, Chatham

Hilliard street on the east side of Robertson avenue from King street to Windsor road and on the north side of the Windsor road from Robertson avenue west to a point 300 feet east of city limits	167 51 52 96
A plank sidewalk on the west side of Delaware avenue from Gladstone avenue, south to the middle of lot 6	274 36 145 11
A plank sidewalk on the south side of Alfred street from the west side of lot 12 to Princess street	261 97 47 23
A plank sidewalk on the south side of Head street from Violet street to Louise street and on the east side of Louise street from Head street to Emma street	104 65 11 96
A plank sidewalk on the south side of Witherspoon street from William street to Adelaide street except across lot 22 owned by Alister McKay	226 62 54 54
A plank sidewalk on the north side of Joseph street from Amelia street north to north limit of lot 15 block "C."	248 29 75 12
A plank sidewalk on the north side of Park st. from Centre to William street	186 26 60 31
A plank sidewalk on the south side of Pop alley from William street to Adelaide street	138 51 12 12
A plank sidewalk on the south side of Queen street from William street to Adelaide street	102 34 12 04
A plank sidewalk on the south side of Head street from the east limit of lot 16, block "17" easterly to the city limits	136 29 27 55
A plank sidewalk on the west side of Adelaide street from Wellington street to Park street	178 52 23 09
A plank sidewalk on the south side of School street from Centre street to Queen Street	165 71 27 83
A plank sidewalk on the North side of Emma street from Louise street westerly to the city limits	107 09 18 50
A plank sidewalk on the west side of Lansdowne avenue from Murray street to Stanley avenue	97 29
A plank sidewalk on the South side of Head street, from Louise street West to the city limits	277 41 39 59
Amacadam pavement on Wellington Street from the East side of market square to William street	159 13 30 69
A glazed pipe sewer on William street from McGregor's creek to Wade street	3468 14 206 91
A glazed pipe sewer on McKenough avenue from St. Clair to Upperville avenue	4614 15 811 40
A glazed pipe sewer on Witherspoon street from William street to Adelaide street	643 60 107 24
	570 96 181 34

W. G. MERRITT,

City Clerk's office Dec. 12th, 1899.  
First published Dec. 12th, 1899.  
Last published Dec. 19th, 1899.

He who stirs honey must have some stick to him.

The discerning soul is more thankful for the love that prompts the gift than for the gift itself.

## THE DISTRICT

BASE LINE, CAMDEN.

H. Knight has been engaged to teach S. S. No. 10, Camden, during the year 1900.

The wind on Monday night did considerable damage in this vicinity. Miss Paterson, of Thamesville, was the guest of Miss Katie Wilcox on Sunday last.

Wm. Ingals will preach his farewell sermon on Dec. 24.

OUNGAR.

Where are you going, old man? That's easy. I'm just following the crowd to Oungah school concert. We're all going; it's the concert of the season! Don't miss it! Friday evening, Dec. 22.

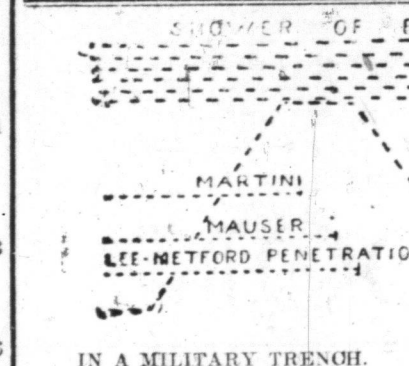
We are pleased to be able to report that Miss Maggie Cumming, who has been suffering from a severe attack of neuralgia, is better again. We are sorry to learn that Mrs. Dymond has decided to sever connection with our village, having leased her store and good-will to Will Graham. Mr. Graham is a hustler, and we wish him success.

Rodney Askin, who injured his foot with an axe, is convalescent. Alfred Fox paid a flying visit to friends in this vicinity and has returned to Tilbury.

George Parker is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Dymond, of our village. Miss Lizzie McKenzie, who has been visiting at Robert Pollock's, has returned to her home at Mitchell's Bay. The success of the South African war is yet a matter of speculation, but the success of Oungah school concert is a foregone conclusion. To miss it is to be behind the times.

DOVER.

Miss Agnes Smith, of Chatham, paid



Showing the Comparative Penetrative Power of the Martini, Mauser and Lee-Netford Bullet.

A man in a trench in just as safe from a shower of bullets as if he were behind the walls of a fortification. Indeed, it has been shown that earthworks thrown up by soldiers are a safer protection from rifle bullets than masonry.

The ordinary rifle bullet only penetrates a few inches into the mud and soil heaped up beside trenches. The Lee-Netford will go farther than the Mauser, and the Mauser has a greater penetration than the Martini-Henry. The bullets from a large Maxim gun are just as effectively arrested by this form of breastwork as they would be by the side of a battlement.

Nothing is so hard to take as an entrenched position. Artillery is the only effectual means of driving soldiers out from trenches, but this can only be done by the most accurate kind of firing, which explodes the shells exactly over the trenches, together with a large number of guns and the expenditure of a vast quantity of ammunition.

During the Spanish-American war, American soldiers at Santiago found that they could lie in the trenches and read and smoke in perfect safety while showers of bullets were flying overhead.

ing a march and drill in pink and white costume.

CHARING CROSS.

Gordon Hunter returned home Sunday from the hospital.

A social At Home, under the auspices of the English church choir, was held at the residence of Wm. Russell on Monday evening. Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather a large number turned out and the evening was spent in games. The choir realized a snug sum towards paying off the debt on the improvements in the church.

Rev. Mr. George left on Tuesday morning for London.

Miss A. Manning, Chatham, was the guest of the Misses Russell for a few days a week.

Joseph Meloche spent a few days in St. Thomas last week.

The annual Christmas entertainment of the Methodist S. S. will be held on

Although it was stormy Thursday evening the Literary club had its meeting. The following program was ably rendered and duly appreciated: Chairman's address, Warren Badder. Recitation, Peter McKerrall.

Hat Talk—Character of Cromwell—Charles Craven. Country Life—Dougald McKerrall.

Recitation, John Lanigan.

The meeting closed with God Save the Queen.

It must be remembered that owing to the stormy night Miss Jennie McKerrall, the assistant editor, was unable to attend the meeting, so half of the Journal was not read and the reading of the whole journal will take place next Thursday evening.

The debate for the next evening is, Resolved that Napoleon was a greater general than Wellington. We expect this debate to be very interesting and we know that all who hear it will be pleased.

George Overstreet, of Chatham, is visiting his brother Edward of this place.

Miss Annie Craven has been suffering with an abscess on her foot.

Geo. Olives has moved into Peter Mo-

## KRAUSE CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC Winter Term

BEGINS FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH

HARMONY CLASSES

Meet in Studio No. 3, on Monday's at 5 p.m.

SENIOR THEORY CLASSES

On Thursday's at 5.30 p.m.

JUNIOR THEORY CLASSES

On Thursday's at 5 p.m.

FREE to Conservatory Students

R. VICTOR CARTER Musical Director

## Order Your Cut Flowers

For XMAS, at J. W. SAYER, at the

Central Green Houses

Adelaide St., near Park St.

Funeral designs from us cannot be surpassed in the city.

Kerrall's house, lately vacated by Neil Campbell.

Mrs. Henry Lanigan is visiting her mother, Mrs. Martin, Harvey street.

IRWIN'S CORNERS.

Rev. Provost Watkins, of Western University, preached an able sermon last Sunday. Next Sunday Rev. Prof. Burgess will preach.

Next Thursday evening, Dec. 21st, our concert and Christmas tree will be held. John E. Johnston, Chatham's popular school trustee, will occupy the chair. Sixteen girls are prepar-

## New Hardware

Tin, Cutlery, and Stove Depot . . .

BALDOON STREET, FOOT OF 3rd STREET BRIDGE.

We are offering you these goods at lower prices than King Street Stores because our general expenses are far less. You will consult your own interests by examining our stock before buying elsewhere. A full line of Paints and Glazes.

## D. H. Winter

## Xmas is Coming

AT THE

RED STAR STORE

We are now ready for the Xmas trade, our goods, such as fruits, candies, nuts and candied peels are first-class and prices right. Also in china dishes—cups, saucers and plates and fancy goods, suitable for presents, and a cheap lot of silver sets and toilet sets, second to none in the city. We ask you to inspect our styles and prices before you buy your wedding present.

## J. W. DYER

RED STAR STORE, BALDOON

GOODS DELIVERED. PHONE 17.

Dec. 21.

Mr. Nicholls is relieving I. Smith, agent, who has gone on his holidays, and Mr. Whitmore is operator in place of Mr. Foster, who has gone to Tilbury.

A. Jacobs, Windsor, was the guest of his brother, C. Jacobs, on Sunday.

Rev. Canon Richardson conducted services in the English church here last Sunday.

Miss Ellen Skinner left on Saturday for Ridgeway, where she has secured a position during the Christmas holidays.

O. Edwards, principal, is drilling his scholars for a concert to be held during the last week of school.

WHEATLEY.

Oscar Lounsbury spent Sunday in Windsor.

Joel Rodgers has returned from a visit to Windsor.

The C. O. F. held an oyster supper Friday night. They have increased 25 per cent. during the last month.

Raymond Young is returning from visiting at Ridgeway.

Married—On Wednesday, Dec. 13th, Rost. Drummond, of Mersea, to Amanda, youngest daughter of Robert Getty, of Romney.

The claim against the late Wm. McLean estate has been settled out of court.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Robinson were in Chatham on Friday attending the warden's banquet.

Byron Robinson returned home on Saturday evening from attending the fat stock show at Guelph.

Municipal affairs are at low tide yet, owing to the fact that the electors have made up their minds that P. A. Gahan will be the reeve for 1900.

CROTON.

Fred Leeson has done a rushing business in the tile yard during the past summer.

Mr. Bigham, our merchant, is trying his level best to get us a daily mail.

The Foresters' supper was well patronized.

Rev. Mr. Reynolds will preach the anniversary sermon here.

Mr. Whitson purchased a large number of hogs for Mr. Watts last week.

There is talk of starting a debating society in North Croton.

Raymond Young is repairing the barn on his new place.

A wood bee was held at Thos. Hutton's last week.

Mrs. T. Elliott and Miss L. Laird visited friends here last week.

Camden and Dawn municipal elections will be rather warm this year.

The new debating society goes under the cognomen of "knowledge seekers."

There are prospects of a daily mail to this place.

Jonah Christensen is spoken of as a candidate for the municipal council of Dawn. Mr. Christensen is an up-to-date farmer and a good financier, and will make a capable man for the position.

The anniversary services in connection with the church will be held on Dec. 31, and the Ladies' Aid will give an entertainment on New Year's night.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo.



# THE MAKING OF ALE.

## THE BREWING—

This is the point where skill comes in. The best dish may be ruined by poor cooking, and good beer may be spoiled by bad brewing. To make the best article the brewery equipment must be of the best.

Carling's is a brewery where every real improvement is utilized. The brewer is an expert, and his assistants have had many years of experience. Every detail is carefully looked after, and the result is a beverage that can always be depended upon.



# DOLLAR DOCTORS

THOUSANDS OF YOUNG MEN are troubled with nervousness, depression, lack of energy, loss of memory, backache, kidney, painful urination, faintness, sediments in urine, loss of appetite, impotency, headaches, varicose veins, piles, ulcers, bone pains. The results of evil habits in youth or later excesses. Our Vitalized Treatment cures the worst cases.

**Emissions & Varicose**—We cure the worst cases of these diseases. Our Vitalized Treatment cures the worst cases.

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Our Fall stock is now complete and we can supply at the lowest figures.

**Stoves and Ranges**

Coal and Wood Burners, Guns, Shot, Shell, Blows, and Smokeless Powder, Wadding, etc.

Rags, Robes, Blankets, Whips, Axes, Saw Cutlery, Paints, Oils, Window Glass, Farm Implements, etc.

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TONIC AND BLOOD PURIFIER

To bring them into proper condition for the best spring work. Try

**Radley's Condition Powder**

Price 25c per 3 lb. Bag

For Sale at all Dealers and General Stores.

WAR NEWS KILLED HIM.

## SHORT WAR STORIES.

The veterans of the Civil war who used to tell their experiences always seemed to dwell upon the big things. The boom of cannon and the scream of shells appeared foremost in their memories. They talked of the movements of the whole brigades and divisions. Their horizon was certainly wider than mine in the recent war, for I personally knew little save the movements of my own company. And when I search my memory for the salient points of the Lantano campaign it is the little things that stick out.

On July 1st, when my company reached the crest of San Juan hill, it was ordered to go in support of Grimes's battery, 150 yards down the opposite incline of the hill, toward Santiago. The advance was made at double time. Arriving at a barbed wire fence that marked the limit of the advance we were ordered to lie down and fire at will. There was no cover and we were a target for the fire of the entire Spanish line. The zing and zoo of bullets about us really did bear some resemblance to the buzz of a swarm of angry bees. We were in skirmish line; that is, three paces apart. A pace and a half to my left there was a fence post about the size of my wrist. It wouldn't have stopped a birdshot much less a Mauser bullet. I edged over back of it before opening fire. That brought me close to my neighbor on my right, Private George, a lad of eighteen. He coolly fired his first shot, ejected the shell and carefully picked it out of the grass just in his trousers pocket. I asked: "George, what are you going to do with that?" "I'll keep that shell," he replied, methodically reloading, "for my mother."

When we had been at the barbed wire fence about ten minutes and my company had lost four killed and fourteen wounded, word came that Grimes's battery had been withdrawn and for us to retire to the crest of the hill. There we found a sunken road-way, affording a little cover. It wasn't necessary to order "Double Time." Each man ran for all that was in him. I was always slow-footed. One by one the men of my company outdistanced me. It is heart-breaking business to feel that you are enduring a longer exposure, especially to shots from the rear. As a last straw the fattest and shortest-legged man in the company, Sergeant Halliday, passed me at an easy pace. I made a final desperate effort to keep up, and in doing so fairly ran over my own feet and nearly fell. Sergeant Halliday, glancing over his shoulder, saw me stumble. Slowing up to a walk, a good plump target for the enemy's sharpshooters, he anxiously asked, with hands out to assist: "Old man, are you hit?" I don't need to say what I think of Halliday.

The remainder of that afternoon we passed stretched out in the roadway on the crest of San Juan hill. The depression was less than six inches deep. To get any protection from the flying bullets it was necessary to stick to the ground like a postage stamp. While we were permitted to fire in return we could forget our danger. But soon word came that the smoke of our Springfield rifles was making us a target and to cease firing. Then the strain of lying cold and numb turned to tell on us. Under such circumstances the tobacco smoker turns to his pipe for consolation. I had no tobacco. I knew that my bunkie, Van Bacco, had started with a few pinches that morning. So I ducked up the line to him. He had his filled pipe in one hand and a match in the other. I asked for a bit of tobacco. "This is my last pipeful," he said. "Here—take half!"

At dusk that evening the firing ceased. We could get up from our cramped positions and stretch ourselves without imminent hazard of ourselves the position of honor at a military funeral. Then I had received a slight flesh wound. It was not disabling, but my gunshot wound received in the tropics must be cleansed and dressed. My captain ordered me to the field hospital to have it cared for. He said nothing about returning. Here was my opportunity. That day had been one long nightmare of horrors. With the coming of the damp chill of evening all the fight had oozed out of me. The dread realities of war, the dead and the wounded, confronted me at every step of my two-mile march to the rear. If this was glory, I would have up more of it. At last I reached the field hospital. Captain "Dude" Stafford took me down to the water's edge of the San Juan river and dressed my scratch. There was an ambulance standing near. Just as Surgeon Stafford was completing his bandaging another officer came along and said to me: "Hit my boy? All right. Get into the ambulance and go to Siboney." "This boy," said Captain Stafford, looking up from his work, "is a man. He'll go back to the front in the morning." That saved me from being a quitter.

By the surgeon's orders I remained at the field hospital overnight. It was just a clearing in the thicket. There were no tents, no blankets, and fires were not permitted. I had left my own blanket further on toward the front that morning. In Florida our regiment had picked up a stray colored boy, about ten years of age. He had attached himself to the hospital corps. We called him Mahogany. As I stood in a quandary on the wet ground, Mahogany's rest on a blanket hogged came along with a blanket trailing over his shoulder. "Hello, boss!" he said, peering up at me in the darkness. "Is yo' hit? So! Well, you come with me. I've got some cold coffee an' bacon an' you can take my blanket. We shared it."

# THE PLACES TO BUY AT.

## Hints for Holiday Shoppers.

### PLANET REPRESENTATIVES ARE MAKING THE ROUND OF CHATHAM'S LEADING ESTABLISHMENTS.

As is customary at this season of the year The Planet's representatives are now busy making the rounds of the city and asserting that the holiday offerings this season are ahead of anything before seen in the Maple City. Purchasers cannot do better than give those establishments mentioned below a call. They will find everything as represented. And above all shop early.

**THE ARK.**  
A store that is receiving more than the ordinary amount of attention just now is the large departmental establishment of Hugh Macaulay, better known as The Ark. The two windows, one dressed with beautiful dolls, the other ornamented with games, are a forecast of what may be expected within. Inside the whole of the store has been changed. The stores that formerly occupied the central space have been removed and toys of every description take their place. At the front of the store, is a beautiful collection of stationary, French and Lamore china. Purse, chinaware, silverware, celluloid and plush goods, albums and mirrors are all here in place and are shown in endless variety. Towards the centre of the building is the doll department which contains every description of dolls from the Indian rubber man to the flaxen haired idol with pink cheeks that shuts its eyes and says, "papa" and "mamma." Another department contains Japanese and French china of delicate workmanship, vases, plates and glass ware. At the rear of the store is the 25 cent table, the 10 cent and the five cent table where you may know the value of the toys from the table they are on. Here you may find toys of all descriptions, games, magic lanterns, muskets, trumpets, Noah's arks, jumping jacks, etc. The crockery department is up stairs and contains a varied assortment of dinner services. There are over 30 different styles of dinner services to suit the tastes and pocket. There values range from \$5 up to \$40. Mr. Macaulay prides himself on his lamp room which is kept dark so that purchasers can see the effects.

## Krismas Kandy

For a first-class line of pure hand made Krismas nothing can beat the line we now have on hand.

**Baltimore Oysters**  
Always on hand and served in any style

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Will examine and fit eyes with lenses after Xmas—so you can surprise them and get the proper lens in frames after.

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# Home Spun Dress Goods

Are the latest and neatest for this season's wear. We ask the LADIES to call and see our up-to-date goods. You will then be convinced that you cannot be without a Tweed Dress for this season's wear, also see OUR DRESSING JACKETS at \$1.50 to \$2.00. SEE THEM AND YOU WILL BUY THEM

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We have this season made a special effort in selecting a special range of the best Imported Worsteds, Scotch, English and Irish Tweeds and Overcoatings with a vast range of our own make. We guarantee to save you money and to make your clothes up-to-date and to give you the very best trimmings. OUR CHANGING IS CASH.

A special reduction in Yarns and Blankets. We have the BEST Underwear for the money in the world! See US for Mitts Socks, Ready-made Pants \$1.50 per pair. Special line of Ready-made Hatts, Unders, Horns, Blankets, Rugs, etc. Beaver Flies in the best to buy.

Phone 1, Woolen and Flour Mill, William Street.

# The T. H. Taylor Company, Limited

in constant demand. In the glove department, too, a special bid is being made for the holiday trade. The counters show a variety of attractive things suitable for presents. There are ladies' silk dress waists, Berlin wool goods, children's aprons and dresses, dolls and a variety of the knick-knacks at prices to suit the economical. There are also ladies' ties and stock collars and choice ribbons for neck and wrist wear. The men's department is one of the most valuable in the establishment, having been steadily cultivated during the past two years. Ties, gloves and fancy wags are a specialty. The staple department is to the rear of the store where the best and most saleable goods. The mantle department is the finest in years and doing a much larger trade than usual owing to the clearing out of the department. The dress goods and silks department is also a great advance on former years. The fur and certain department in the front and not be justified by description and specialties. The whole establishment is attractively draped and decorated and Christmas patrons should make it a point to call.

## COWAN'S FINE SHOES.

The popular shoe store of G. W. Cowan presents a holiday aspect. We are, said Ald. Cowan, "fixed right for the Christmas trade. We have everything in the shape of foot-wear and are making a specialty of slippers and fine shoes." This is the store where they have the sole agency for the Emmerich ladies' shoes, that stylish foot-wear so popular with the ladies. The price is stamped on the sole of every shoe. They sell at \$2, \$3 and \$3.50. Ald. Cowan also has the sole agency for the fine shoes made by the Bell Manufacturing Co. of Montreal. This firm makes the finest line of shoes in Canada. Their styles are the latest and their leathers are the best. They are a specialty of slippers, and a call to the store of G. W. Cowan will easily convince you that the slippers are of very superior quality. The men's department is also a specialty. The men's shoes shown in this store are chiefly of the better grades of American makes. Christmas shoppers will find it profitable to call at this store.

## AT VON GUNTEN'S.

The store of Von Gunten Bros., the popular jewellers, presents a very attractive appearance with its brilliant array of polished precious metals and other articles of the goldsmith's art. A. H. Von Gunten reports a heavy sale of watches during the past few days. Twelve being sold on Saturday. All pleasant store contains watches of all prices, sizes and values, rings, opera glasses, steel buckles, side combs, hocco pouches, stick pins, bracelets, clocks, leather goods, canes, etc. In fact, everything that pleases the eye and useful articles of every description.

Up stairs is the beautiful cut glass department and the work-shop. This crystal palace contains innumerable articles of artistic value. The room is prettily decorated and furnished and purchasers are enabled to admire the many articles finished in polish and workmanship that are here displayed. This establishment is getting its full quota of the Christmas shoppers and all are delighted with the goods. Continued on Eighth Page.

## RHEUMATIC STING.

South American Rheumatic Cure Sways the Wand and Suffering Ceases in a Trice.

Mr. A. S. Kennedy, 44 Sussex Ave., Toronto, says: "I had been attacked very frequently with acute muscular rheumatism, afflicting my shoulders and arms. I used South American Rheumatic Cure and found immediate relief after a dose or two. My family have used this remedy with the most satisfactory results. I think it truly efficacious remedy for this very prevalent ailment."

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It has been held that consumption is hereditary, and the fact that one person of a family had died with a sure sign of consumption was considered a sure sign that others of that family could not escape it. This is partly true and partly untrue. A man with weak lungs is likely to transmit that weakness to his children. But there is no reason in the world why the weakness should be allowed to develop. Keep the lungs full of rich, red, wholesome blood, and the weakness will disappear. Decay of all tissues will be thrown off, and new material will be added until the lungs are well and perfectly strong again. This is the thing that Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery does. This is what makes it cure 98 per cent. of all cases of consumption where it is taken according to directions. It searches out disease germs wherever they may be in the body and forces them out of the system. It supplies the blood with rich, life-giving properties. It makes the appetite good, digestion perfect. Send 31 cents in one cent stamps to "World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y., and receive Dr. Pierce's 1008 page "Common Sense Medical Adviser," profusely illustrated.

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New Canned Vegetables..... 3 for 2c  
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## Blenheim Beveties.

A special meeting of the Masons was held last evening for the purpose of conferring the M. M. degree. The remains of the late Mrs. McDonald, of Rodney, were interred in Evergreen Cemetery, Blenheim, on Sunday.

At the Baptist parsonage, Chatham, Thos. Gales and Miss Mary Campbell, both of Blenheim, were married last Wednesday by the Rev. J. J. Ross.

A special meeting of the local tent, K. O. T. M., will be held on Friday evening for the election of officers. All members are urgently requested to be present.

On Saturday night a nasty accident occurred opposite the Kent Mills, the rig of Duncan McPherson and James Clark colliding, with disastrous results. Miss Mary Tedford was thrown from the incoming buggy and badly bruised.

R. Porter, who recently broke his ribs by falling from one of the Eau wharves, was brought to town yesterday and domiciled at the Powell House. He is still in a somewhat precarious condition, pleurisy having set in.

James Clendenning, a Harwich farmer residing near Bond Eau, has left some magnificent samples of apples with County Commissioner VonGuntzen. These apples, Mr. Clendenning states, were grown upon trees condemned last spring to be removed owing to the San Jose scale. One of the apples was given to The Planet and was a perfect specimen, measuring nearly five inches in diameter and weighing one pound and a half.

Th. Bell tells a different story. He has vaccinated 712 children in Raleigh under the instructions of the board of health and this was the only school where he has had any trouble. He says when Miss McCormock objected on the ground that the parents wanted their own doctors to do the vaccinating, he was agreeable if the teacher would guarantee that they were all vaccinated by the re-opening of school. This she declined to do, so he told a boy to bare his arm. Then he declared, the teacher personally interposed and all he did was to reach out his arm and stop her pushing between himself and the boy. He absolutely denies that any blood was struck, or any violence used. The doctor says he is bound to fight the case to a finish and has engaged O. L. Lewis to look after his interests.

Miss Margaret McCormock, lady principal of Union School, No. 4, Raleigh, has preferred a police court charge of assault against Dr. J. C. Bell, of Merlin, before police Magistrate Gossnell. The complaint alleges that the accused came to the school to vaccinate the pupils. Some of the parents, however, had written her to the effect that they wished their children to be vaccinated by their family physicians and instructed her to see that this was done. Miss McCormock alleges that she told Dr. Bell this, but he forcibly attempted to proceed with one of the children in question. She interposed and the doctor, she further charges, turned and struck her in the face, knocking off her glasses and inflicting a bruise. Hence the charge of assault. County Magistrate MacDonald not having yet received his commission, Police Magistrate Gossnell will try the case next Wednesday.

Harry Ball, convicted of the larceny of two ulsters, was this morning released on suspended sentence by Judge Houston, on his promise to absolutely abstain from the use of intoxicating liquor in the future.

## LEASING THE ICE.

The Water Commission Will get \$75 a Year for it.

No Reduction in the Water Rates Possible for Three or Four Years Yet.

The water commissioners held their closing meeting for the year last evening. There were present, Chairman Bray, Mayor Smith, W. D. Sheldon, Sec'y Weir and Supt. Jones.

The following accounts were passed: Planet \$225, John Morton \$424, and Geo. Stephens \$143.35.

Dr. Bray read a letter from the Mother Superior of the Ursuline Academy, stating that the water meter had not registered during the past quarter and it had to be sent to Chicago to be fixed. The letter asked that the lowest possible rate for water be granted the convent in the future, and requested that the water that had not been registered be given free, as the city hospitals didn't pay for their water. The letter went on to say that the convent paid out about \$9,000 a year in the city, and they felt that in consequence they were entitled to a reduction on their rate. Chatham was extensively advertised by means of the academy and this institution made it a point to always patronize city firms.

Dr. Bray—What is claimed is very true. No other convent in the province has so many pupils. I think they might be given a flat rate.

The Mayor—I deprecate the city doing anything that will lay on next year's commissioners the necessity of carrying out. I think, however, that we should settle the account now due. On motion the commissioners decided to take \$10 in settlement of the account for the last quarter, when the meter was not working.

Mr. Sheldon—I suggest the settlement of the future rate be left to next year's commissioners, and that the ladies of the convent be informed that in justice to the steam users the rate to them cannot be cut lower than for those who use the water for steam.

On motion of W. D. Sheldon, seconded by the Mayor, the secretary and superintendent were instructed to make out a concise and intelligent statement of the business for the past year, showing the expenditures and receipts, cost of operation, etc., and a copy be furnished both papers.

LEASING THE BASIN ICE.

Dr. Bray—At the request of the other water commissioners I met J. L. Scott and talked over the matter of his leasing the waterworks basin for ice gathering purposes. Mr. Scott made the offer of \$60 per annum for a lease of 15 years of the plot of ground at the basin and permission to gather ice. I told him that the commissioners wanted \$75 and also some provision added. These limits to the lease were: That in the event of the waterworks department desiring to take over the lease they should be permitted to do so, Mr. Scott being reimbursed for his trouble in moving the houses by an amount to be agreed on by valuers who should be appointed. Secondly, Scott should make no monopoly of this ice and should not charge more than a dollar a season for this ice over the rate charged for river ice. Thirdly, that any damage done to the basin should be repaired by Mr. Scott, and all ice should be cut under the supervision of Supt. Jones.

Mr. Scott agreed to these terms, but I didn't have anything further done. Dr. Bray was instructed by the board to go on and have the lease drawn up by the solicitor.

Mayor Smith—I think a clause should be inserted making it necessary for Mr. Scott to remove his ice houses on Thames street.

Dr. Bray—He promised to do so. Mayor Smith has this is the last meeting. I would move a vote of thanks to Dr. Bray. It has afforded me much pleasure to meet with this board of water commissioners. Business has always been transacted to the best of our ability, and it has always been conducted harmoniously.

A PURE GRAPE CREAM OF TARTAR POWDER.

**DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER**

Highest Honors, World's Fair Gold Medal, Midwinter Fair

Avoid Baking Powders containing alum. They are injurious to health.

Mr. Sheldon seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

Dr. Bray—I thank you, gentlemen, for your kindness. In all my municipal and public experience, I never held a pleasanter position than the one I held on this board. I have been one I held on many years in the Medical Council and the City Council, but I was never in any council that has got along so harmoniously as this. This is due to water commissioners. This is due to the great part in the affairs of the Chatham waterworks have been conducted. In everything, I say, I have been ably assisted by the other commissioners. The secretary and the superintendent also deserve praise for the able assistance they have given the commissioners.

Dr. Bray then asked Mayor Smith to take the chair.

"I have much pleasure in moving a vote of thanks to Mayor Smith and Mr. Sheldon for the able manner in which they have conducted the business of the waterworks department," he continued. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Sheldon—I can only say that it has been a very harmonious year. I think that the statement of the work will show that we have acted judiciously. The running capacity of the works has been increased and in all we have done there hasn't been a dissenting voice. I am not saying anything against the people we succeeded. We merely took it where they left off and advanced the waterworks as our predecessors had done before us.

FINANCES ARE SOUND.

Dr. Bray—There is another thing I would like to call the board's attention to, and that is that while we have increased the services, I am glad to be able to say that we have considerably reduced our indebtedness in the bank. Until this debt is wiped out, I am confident that it will be impossible to lower the rate, but within four or five years, the present rate will be able to be cut down one-third. I would gladly see this done now, but if it were done the waterworks department could not meet current expenses. The waterworks is the best asset the town has or ever will have.

Mayor Smith—I can't add anything to what Dr. Bray has already said. We have an asset in the waterworks which I prize very highly and I think that we will commence to reap the benefits after next summer. I can almost look at this as an accomplished fact—good water at the lowest living rate. I have sat at this board with pleasure. I think, however, that the law is wrong to allow three new commissioners to come in every year.

I think one of them should be elected for two years. They come in as a new commission is elected. I don't think that this is in the interests of the town.

Dr. Bray—The local board of health has received a report from the provincial board of health saying the city water is very good.

On motion the secretary was instructed to write Dr. Bryce and get a certificate as to the purity of the water.

The Mayor—Such a certificate is necessary in case of legal complications. Mr. Sheldon—I would move a vote of thanks to Supt. Jones, Secretary Weir and Inspector Mike O'Mara. Mr. Weir has done everything in his power to assist this board and Supt. Jones has been active and energetic and has pushed forward the work in splendid style. Since we gave Supt. Jones full charge at the pump house and of the works we haven't heard a word, while before there was always differences and trouble.

Mike O'Mara, the man with the bicycle, also deserves our best thanks for his earnest work. He did at least two men's work and without that bicycle I am confident it would have been impossible for Inspector O'Mara to have done the work he did.

Dr. Bray—I strongly endorse every word you say.

Mayor Smith, who still occupied the chair, put the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Secretary Weir and Supt. Jones both replied to this vote of thanks and the board adjourned.

## Places to Buy at.

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THIBODEAU & JACQUES. Messrs. Thibodeau & Jacques, with their usual energy and business enterprise, have prepared in a splendid manner for the heavy Christmas trade. Their store is prettily draped with orange and blue, while the beautiful goods are displayed to give additional embellishment to this establishment. Some of the specialties which they are showing this year are the finest in texture and style that the looms can produce. Their range of handkerchiefs is extensive and their value is from 5 cents to \$1.50. A feature of their stock lies in a handsome display of Bobbinette goods, consisting of pillowcases, at \$1.50 to \$1.70, bed spreads \$2 to \$2.25, and dresser covers \$1.25 to \$2.65.

In the fancy goods department may be found a choice selection of dolls from 10c. to \$2.25, Battenburg lace at 25c. to \$5.50, pocket books 10c. to \$1. This firm is proud of its large assortment of ladies' French kid gloves which sell from \$1 to \$1.25. These gloves are all guaranteed and are of the latest style. They may safely be called the "Ladies' Ideal" and nothing will delight them more than to receive a nice pair of these fashionable gloves as a Christmas present.

A nice line of ladies' ties in bobbinette, silk and festoon, at from 25c. to \$1.25, are receiving marked attention.

In the dress goods and crepon departments any of the materials desired can be secured at reduced prices. In the millinery department all of the winter styles in hats can now be secured at half price. All Christmas shoppers will be most heartily welcomed.

## THAMESVILLE

Dec. 19.—The sad news was received here yesterday of the death of Minnie Hinde, of Chicago, who died at her home in St. Thomas on Sunday, Dec. 17th. Deceased was the second daughter of Rev. Wm. Hinde, a former incumbent of St. Stephen's church. A large circle of friends here sincerely regret her death and extend their sympathy to the bereaved family at this time. The remains will be brought here for interment on Wednesday. A sister of the deceased is buried in the Mayhew cemetery.

Miss Mary Kerr, having finished her course at the Model school, is home for the holidays.

John Gullinan left this morning via C. P. R. for Streetsville to attend the funeral of his mother.

St. Stephen's church Sunday school will hold their Xmas entertainment in Mayhew's Hall on Friday, Dec. 22nd.

Wear the Barrington hat, \$2.50. The 2 T's, sole agents.

## You Will Be Interested!

In the many useful things, we are showing suitable for Xmas Gifts. A fine range of Bobbinette and Point d'esprit

## Shams, Bed Spreads, Dresser Covers

A large assortment of real hand-made BATTENBURG DOYLIES, CENTRE PIECES, and 5 O'CLOCK TEA CLOTHS, bought to sell at 40 per cent less than usual price.

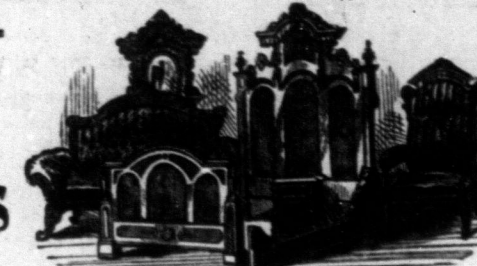
## New Kid Gloves and Mitts

For Ladies' and Children—the newest things in Ties, for Ladies' and Gents' from 25c to \$1.25. Store open every night this week.

## Thibodeau & Jacques.

Don't Surfeit them with trifles— but select for your

## Christmas Gifts



something that will be of practical utility to the recipient, handsome in design and of the sort that will be sure of genuine appreciation. We have especially for this season's trade, an excellent variety of Leather Upholstered Easy Chairs, Couches and Rockers, deep-seated and comfortable, trimmed in the latest style, with the best of springs and material used in their construction. Our show rooms are filled with the things that have that little touch of originality about them, so much to be desired in choosing a Christmas gift. Purchases made now can be set aside and delivered at any time when ordered.

## Hugh McDonald

FURNITURE AND UPHOLSTERY.

Opp. Garner House, Chatham

### "THE THREE MUSKETEERS."

John Griffith heads the cast of "The Three Musketeers," one of the best of the latter day romantic scenic dramas which will serve to introduce the popular actor again to our amusement patrons and should fill the Grand Opera House on Thursday night to repletion. Mr. Griffith's artistic efforts are always appreciated here to a marked degree, and there is not any doubt in our mind but that the breezy character of D'Artagnan should enable him to make the artistic success of his life. Mr. Griffith is given but little opportunity to display his art in the first two acts except in so far as he furnishes an animated portraiture of this lovable adventurer, but in the third act, where the adventurer's heart interest begins, he abundantly proves that his art is as delicate, as broad and true as ever. The entire supporting company numbering twenty people including the handsome young leading lady, Miss Kathryn Purnell, have been especially engaged for each part and should give most valuable assistance so that an evening of the most pleasurable kind should result. Scenically the play is said to be mounted to perfection, the royal palace being particularly effective. It is all from the brush of E. G. Unit, scenic artist of Daniel Frohman's Lyceum Theatre, New York City, so there can be little doubt as to its quality. There seems to be no reason but that the current engagement should yield the large financial returns that this production merits.

Brigham Young's seventeenth surviving wife is dead. Two still remain. A few pre-deceased him.

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Night Shirts, 50c to \$2.50.  
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The most charming effect ever shown. The manufacturers have excelled this season in their variety and combinations of colorings and effects. Many lines are in separate boxes.

Mufflers, \$1.00 to \$5.00.  
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Full Dress Protectors, \$1.00 to \$1.50.  
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Handkerchiefs of Silk, 25c to \$1.50.

### For the Men

Linen Handkerchiefs, 15c to 35c.  
Beautiful Half-Hose, 25c to \$1.  
Neckwear, 25c to 75c.

The acknowledged supremacy of The 2 T's in the realm of Neckwear has never been more strongly demonstrated than now. The assortment is simply vast, everything is new. Many, many lines are exclusive; the display is marvelous; 1,000 dozen new effects will be opened to-morrow. Truly, the world of Neckwear is before you at The 2 T's.

Umbrellas, \$1.00 to \$5.00.

### For the Men

Fine Colored Shirts, \$1.00 to \$1.50.  
Cuff Links, Scarf Pins, 25c to \$3.  
Underwear, 50c to \$3.  
Sweaters, \$1.  
Good Cloth Caps, 50c to \$2.  
Fashionable Derby Hats, \$2 to \$3.  
Correct Fedora Hats, \$1.50 to \$3.  
Mackintoshes or Rain Coats, \$10, \$12, \$15.  
Fine Overcoats, \$7.50 to \$15.  
Fashionable Suits \$7.50 to \$15.00.  
Nobby Fancy Vests, \$3 to \$4.50.  
Fashionable Trousers, \$2.50 to \$3.50.

### For the Boys

Very handsome Neckwear 25c to 50c.  
Cuff Buttons, Stick Pins, 25c to \$1.50.  
Collars and Cuffs.  
Fancy Suspenders, 25c to \$1.  
White Shirts, 50c, 75c.  
Winter Caps, 50c.  
Derby Hats, \$2.  
Fedora Hats, \$1.50.  
Umbrellas \$1.  
Middy Suits, \$3.50 to \$7.50.  
Two-piece Suits, \$3.50 to \$7.50.  
Reefers, \$5, \$6.

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