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## Christmas Less than Two Weeks Away..

Are you ready for it? We are! In fact we were never quite so ready for it as we are this year. This store is brimming over with good, useful, inexpensive Christmas gifts, and we have extra help here to show everything to you; but don't put your shopping off till the last two or three days, you will get better satisfaction and better attention now.

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### Fancy Linens.

A pretty assortment of Tray Cloths, D'Oyleys, 5 o'clock Covers, Carvers, Sideboard Scarfs, etc., is here for your inspection. You will be interested in looking through them, and the prices are not the least of their attraction.

20c. to \$3.00.

### Ribbons.

Your ribbon needs whatever they are can surely be satisfied from this stock of ours. Plain ribbons, fancy ribbons, ribbons of every quality and style, ribbons at lowest possible prices.

## A Holiday Offering in Millinery...

On Saturday we make a clearing offering of all Trimmed Millinery. About 75 Trimmed Hats in all, on sale. Hats that have just recently been turned out of our own work room, representing the very latest and most correct New York styles according to the most up-to-date millinery journals. Reduced prices and remarkable values at

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TURRILL The Shoe Man.

## Fall Suitings and Overcoatings

Our full line of these goods have arrived and you are respectfully requested to call and examine them.

Albert Sheldrick,

Merchant Tailor, King St., Opp. Grand Opera House

### VESSELS SEIZED.

#### VENEZUELA STILL REMAINS OB-DURATE.

#### MAY BE FOUND NECESSARY TO LAND TROOPS.

#### BRITISH AND GERMAN CONSULS ARRESTED.

London, Dec. 12.—A despatch to The London Daily Mail from Willemstad, Island of Curacao, dated December 11, says:—"The Venezuelan authorities at Puerto Cabello are fortifying that town. They have seized and imprisoned the British and German Consuls there, as well as other British and German subjects, and have taken possession of their property. The authorities also seized a British steamer which was discharging a cargo of coal at Puerto Cabello. This vessel was unable to escape owing to a breakdown in her machinery. The American Consul at Puerto Cabello attempted to intervene, but was disregarded." The British Consul at Puerto Cabello is R. Kolster. The German Consul representative is P. Tiede. L. T. Ellsworth is the American Consul.

Kingstown, Island of St. Vincent, Dec. 12.—The Venezuelan troopship Zamora and the Venezuelan coastguard vessel Veinto Tres de Mayo were captured in the Gulf of Paria and taken to Port of Spain, Trinidad, by the British ship-of-war Alert.

London, Dec. 12.—The Central News says it was reported in the lobby of the House of Commons yesterday that the allies have landed blue-jackets at La Guaira for the purpose of effecting the capture of President Castro, and that fighting is going on in the streets. The Foreign Office here has no information to this effect.

In the House of Commons yesterday Under Foreign Secretary Cranborne confirmed the reports of the capture of three Venezuelan vessels at La Guaira, and the disablement of a fourth vessel without resistance, and also confirmed the capture of the Venezuelan gunboat Bolivar at Port of Spain, Trinidad. Two of the prizes, he added, were sunk.

The Under Secretary also said that the release of the British subjects arrested at Caracas had been demanded, but that up to that time the Government had not been informed that the demand had been complied with. The Government had no official information of the reported arrest of the British Consul at Caracas. The latest information received was that he left La Guaira yesterday evening. The British subjects arrested had not been harmed.

The Under Secretary announced also that the British Vice-Consul at La Guaira and some women and children were taken on board a British man-of-war yesterday evening and added that it was reported that President Castro held the British and German prisoners as hostages.

La Guaira, Dec. 12.—The Venezuelan fleet was captured yesterday by ten German and four British cutters. They went alongside the Venezuelan vessels and ordered them to surrender, and without a shot being fired, the British and German forces seized the Venezuelan fleet in the name of the German Emperor and the King of England. Two of the vessels which were undergoing repairs were broken up. The German cruiser Panther steamed into the harbor during these proceedings with her decks cleared for action. The Venezuelan steamers were taken outside the harbor, and early this morning the General Crespo, Tutunao and Margarita were sunk. The Osnun was the only vessel spared, in view of the protest made by the French Charge d'Affaires, H. Quievreux, who notified the commander of the allied fleet that the Osnun is the property of a Frenchman.

At 10 o'clock last evening 130 German sailors accompanied to Cardonal, a suburb of La Guaira, in which is situated the residence of the German Consul, whom, with his family, they placed on board the warship Vineta. On their way back to this port the German sailors met a party of Venezuelan soldiers, but no collision took place. At 5 o'clock this morning a landing party of thirty British seamen went to the British Consulate and conducted the British Consul and his family on board the Retribution. The other German and British residents at La Guaira had been arrested, with the exception of Messrs. Fieldwick, Prince and Legage, the English directors of the harbor corporation, who barricaded themselves in their house. Later the three men were rescued by the forces of the allied powers and sent aboard the Retribution.

The Englishmen's house was surrounded by Venezuelan policemen, but when a party of 320 sailors was landed at 5 o'clock in the afternoon and marched to their release the policemen made no resistance, and the inmates were conducted to the Retribution without trouble. The British and German warships, however, in the meantime had cleared for action.

All the British and German subjects arrested yesterday were released this afternoon.

### SHOT BY HIS OWN MEN.

Philippine Constabulary Inspector Wounded—Moros Active.

Manila, Dec. 12.—Reports have been received by the military authorities that Constabulary Inspector Hendryx, who was badly wounded Nov. 25 on the Island of Samar, supposedly by rebellious natives, in an engagement, was really shot by one of his own men, a constabulary private. All the members of the inspector's command then fled.

A force of Moros attacked Camp Victoria, Island of Mindanao, on Tuesday. They were repulsed without loss on the American side.

Cholera is spreading among the lake Moros. It is believed the epidemic will prove serious.

### SAILORS IN TROUBLE.

Men From U.S. Ships Fought With the Porto Rico Police.

San Juan, Porto Rico, Dec. 12.—Costello, a sailor of the United States warship Wasp, whom the police shot Monday night in a row between a number of sailors and the police, is dead. Hibbs, another member of the Wasp's crew, has been held for trial for assaulting the policeman, Lieut. Gabreria, who was badly used up. The navy men are incensed at the action of the police, and say the shooting of Costello was unwarranted, as the sailors were unarmed. They claim also that the sailors did not attack Gabreria until after he shot Costello.

### BOGUS UNION LABELS.

A NUMBER OF COUNTERFEIT CIGAR PLATES CAPTURED.

One Hundred Thousand Counterfeit Stamps Confiscated—Supposed to be Largest Plant in America.

Chicago, Dec. 12.—In a raid by constables and labor leaders yesterday it is believed the greatest plant in the country for counterfeiting union cigar labels was discovered, says The Inter-Ocean. The printing establishment of H. L. Matos, 380 Halsted street, was entered, and the ten counterfeit plates were captured from which it is believed all the counterfeit labels in the United States have been printed. One hundred thousand counterfeit stamps were also confiscated. Officers of the Cigar-makers' International Union assert that the plates are the only ones in existence. Matos shipped the counterfeit blue slips in lots varying from 1,000 to 700,000 for all parts of the United States. The printer was taken to the county jail, in default of \$1,500 bonds.

### MARCONI'S DENIAL.

CONTRADICTS THE REPORTS OF ALLEGED FAILURES.

Says that He Has Met With Even Greater Success Than He Had Expected.

New York, Dec. 12.—The Sun has the following from Sydney, N. S.:—"Signor Marconi, in an interview at Table Head to-day, denied the report that anything had happened at the towers to interfere with the success of the wireless telegraph experiments. He admitted that a few wires which were not working well had been taken down, but said they had been immediately replaced by others. This work was in the nature of routine, as the current burst out many wires. Marconi said he had met with even greater success than expected and would leave for Cape Cod before Christmas. Regarding the results of his experiments, he would say nothing.

### ORDERED TO VENEZUELA.

Marconi Loses the Services of the Carlo Alberto.

Halifax, Dec. 12.—The Italian warship Carlo Alberto, which had been assigned to Mr. Marconi for wireless experiment work, and is now at Sydney, C.B., to-day received orders from the home Government to hasten to Venezuela to protect Italian subjects there. The departure of the Carlo Alberto will probably retard the progress of Mr. Marconi's experiments at Table Head station, as it was his intention to leave in a day or two for offshore tests.

### THE PRICE OF COAL.

Average at the Mines \$2.50 a Ton, According to One Operator.

Seranton, Pa., Dec. 12.—The representatives of the miners, during the course of the proceedings before the anthracite coal strike commission, called J. L. Crawford, one of the independent operators, to the witness-stand to tell the exact price he received for his coal. The mine-owner refused, giving instead, after much questioning, an average of the price he received, \$2.50 a ton. Crawford is President of the People's Coal Company. Crawford's colliery, during the strike, managed to get enough men to operate the plant, and for some months, according to the witness, his company received \$20 a ton for coal. The miners announced that they expected to close their case on Saturday.

### THOSE STEEL RAILS.

STATEMENTS BY MACKENZIE AND CLERGEUE.

MR. CLERGEUE SAYS THE CONTRACT IS FILLED.

MR. MACKENZIE NEVER GOT THE RAILS.

Toronto, Dec. 12.—The statement by Mr. F. H. Clergue that the steel rail mills at Sault Ste. Marie have been closed down after having filled all orders booked has been challenged. Mr. Wm. Mackenzie of the Canadian Northern Railway, in an interview, justifies the action of that company in ordering rails from Germany, and says:—"We have endeavored to give the preference to Canadian manufacturers. In view of the great importance of not having the construction of the Canadian Northern Railway lines delayed during the summer, we did not want to rely solely upon Mr. Clergue's mills to produce the rails contracted for by the time mentioned, and we gave additional orders to other mills for rails to be delivered during the summer. And in view of the fact that there are still over seven thousand tons of our ten thousand ton order undelivered as contracted for, and in view of the loss we have met with because of such non-delivery and the delay to our works, we think our course in not placing orders for all our rails with Mr. Clergue was a wise one. Had we relied solely upon his mill for rails we would only have had about twenty-six miles of track laid this season."

"Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Dec. 11.—In reply to Mr. Wm. Mackenzie's statement that Mr. Clergue had only delivered 2,500 tons of the 10,000 tons of rails contracted for by the Canadian Northern Railway, Mr. Clergue to-day made the following statement:—"The Algoma Steel Company have rolled all the rails required by the terms of their contract with the Canadian Northern Railway."

Mr. Mackenzie, it will be seen, states that there are upwards of seven thousand tons of his order for rails yet to be delivered. Mr. Clergue asserts that all the rails contracted for have been "rolled." Apparently the statements of both gentlemen may be accurate, but in that event the question for solution by the Canadian Northern and the public who are interested in the controversy is "Where are they?"

### GUELPH WINTER FAIR.

Experiments in Finishing Range Cattle—The Annual Banquet.

Guelph, Dec. 12.—The swinging success of the Winter Fair continued yesterday, and the officials are now convinced that all records have been broken in attendance and general results. The attendance was again very large. Hundreds of farmers' wives and daughters were present, and they took as keen an interest in the many exhibits, particularly the poultry, as did their husbands and brothers. The practical lectures were again the magnet for the visitors, and, as before, the wisdom of this feature was demonstrated beyond all doubt. The lecture room was at all times too small to accommodate those who wished to enter, and it seemed clear that if the Fair is to reach its highest possibilities of usefulness this room must be enlarged. The banquet of the Eat Stew Club to-night, which many of the visitors to the Fair attended, was a magnificent assemblage of Canadian livestock men, gathered from all sections from the Atlantic to the Pacific and from the United States and Great Britain as well. The rest of speakers included Hon. Sydney Fisher, Hon. John Dryden and Mr. J. P. Whitney.

The great attraction at the Fair yesterday was the group of 24 range cattle which had just arrived from a ranch near Crane Lake, Assiniboia. They are here under the personal supervision of Mr. S. W. Peterson, Deputy Commissioner of Agriculture for the Northwest Territories. They are all corralled in one enclosure, where the restless spirit of the children of the plains is manifest in their continual movement. They were fifteen days on the way and four days without water, consequently they look thin. They are equally divided between grade halfbreds, grade Shorthorns and grade Herefords. They will not return to the west, but will be experimented upon before they meet the natural end of beef cattle. They will be stabled and fed at the Agricultural College and at Major Hood's farm, and the results will be taken to determine if a successful business can be done by Ontario farmers in "finishing" western cattle.

"Only 15 per cent. of the American range cattle are shipped direct to the market. The remainder are shipped east and stabled until they reach condition for slaughter," said Mr. Peterson to The Globe correspondent, "and that is why the American range cattle bring better prices than ours. In shipping our range cattle to England they are so wild that they reach the old country before they will eat anything in confinement, and as they are immediately slaughtered you can imagine what a drop there is in the price and the weight. I believe a good business can be done to our mutual advantage in finishing Canadian range cattle in Ontario. They could be shipped east and sold at some central point, such as Toronto, and feeders could be laid down here for \$35 or \$40, leaving a good margin for the Ontario farmer."

### TROUBLE IN TREE.

S. F. Dennis, Raleigh St., planted shade trees in front of his residence some twenty years ago. Since then the trees have grown and, needing thinning out, Mr. Dennis applied to the Council for permission to trim the trees. This was granted, under the supervision of the Chief of Police. Now, one of the trees which the Chief allowed to be cut, Mr. Dennis had planted on the fence line between his place and the house owned by Mrs. Craddock. Alex. Ewen has taken great interest in the cutting of that tree, and several times he has been to see the police about it. Mr. Ewen is now going to get the surveyors, and if he can discover that a part of that maple tree that was cut was in front of Mrs. Craddock's lot, there will be plenty of trouble for somebody. Mr. Ewen says that he doesn't care if the tree was only worth 50 cents, somebody will have to pay for it.

## THE SURPLUS TO REDUCE TAXES

Chairman Dr. Bray, of Water Commission, Purposes to Turn Over Money to the City.

By this Means Taxes May be Reduced—C. C. I. Students Secure a Skating Rink.

The water commissioners met last evening at Secretary Weir's office in Harrison Hall with all the commissioners, viz., Chairman Dr. Bray, W. D. Sheldon, and Mayor Sulman, with Secretary Weir and Supt. E. B. Jones being present. The meeting was short and, as usual, business-like. The accounts were passed as follows:

Chas. Simmons.....	\$ 45
McKeough & Trotter.....	13.01
Quinn & Patterson.....	8.79
Chatham Electric Co.....	1.75
Park Bros.....	81.82
W. R. Baxter.....	5.00
Pennsylvania Salt Mfg. Co.....	35.00
Frank E. Fitch Co.....	21.69
Doherty Mfg. Co.....	24.15
L. E. Cool Co.....	413.43
The accounts of John H. Oldershaw and Fred Woods for \$9.73 and \$6.95 respectively, were referred to the Board.	
Thos. French, of the Dover Fruit Farm, applied asking how it was his application for water had been ignored. The superintendent was instructed to look into the estimate of the cost before he made a report on the matter.	

The cash statement for the month was read as follows:

Balance in Bank.....	\$2490.93
M. Bogart.....	50
F. W. Ward.....	10.50
R. T. Garvol.....	10.50
N. Eberts.....	2.25
T. F. Brown.....	10.50
City.....	147.49
Received for coal.....	104.36
W. R. Phillimore.....	10.50
Methodist Rectory.....	10.50
Blonde Lumber & Mfg. Co.....	10.50
Water sales.....	364.40
	\$3172.99

By operating.....	\$ 773.37
By maintenance.....	35.40
By extensions.....	24.92
By extensions to home service.....	108.44
Balance in Bank.....	2200.86

J. C. WEIR, Secretary-Treasurer.

A deputation of Collegiate Institute boys waited on the commission and asked permission to flood the school grounds for skating purposes. The request was granted.

The financial business of the commission was discussed. Chairman Dr. Bray said the commissioners didn't want to carry a surplus, as was the case last year. He thought a certain amount should be handed over to the city to reduce the general taxes. "Although," he continued, "what should be done is that enough money should be borrowed from the city (it would only be between \$15,000 and \$20,000) and the whole city maintained and all wells closed up. Then we would be able to hand over to the city \$5,000 or \$6,000 annually.

All present expressed sorrow at the sad and sudden death of the engineer, the late Geo. Tomlinson, and of one accord spoke of his faithful services and good work.

A successor to the late engineer was discussed.

The chairman said he believed in promotion and thought the matter should be left in the hands of the superintendent, Mr. Jones.

Mayor Sulman inquired if he was eligible and had he papers and ability.

Mr. Jones said that papers were unnecessary and Herman, who would in case of promotion secure the position, was a good worker and competent.

The matter was left till the next meeting on Thursday night next.

The cash statement for the year was not completed but will be at the next meeting.

Supt. Jones reported the L. E. tank about ready for connecting. A meter was ordered for same.

The Secretary was instructed to get a wreath in recognition of the faithful services of the late engineer and have it sent to the home of the deceased.

Meeting adjourned.

### DEATHS IN FRENCH ARMY.

FOUR TIMES LARGER THAN IN THE GERMAN FORCES.

Tuberculosis the Principal Cause of the Terrible Death Rate—Painful Statement in Senate.

London, Dec. 12.—The London Daily Mail has the following from its correspondent at Paris:—"I am forced to declare that the mortality in the French army is nearly four times greater than that in the German army; the number of deaths in the French army is, on an average, 2,174 per annum, against 741 in the German army."

This startling declaration was made in the Senate by General Andre, Minister for War, in answer to a question on the health of the French army by Senator Götteron. According to the statistics quoted, France loses five times more soldiers every year by sickness than Germany; or, as the writer put it, since the treaty of Frankfurt, Germany has lost by disease 15,000 men, the effective of a division on a war footing; while France, in the same period, has lost 90,000 men, the effective of three army corps. The Minister for War, in his reply, admitted the deplorable condition of health existing in the French Army, and after stating that the military surgeons were in no way responsible for the high mortality attributed to the large number of deaths principally to typhoid fever, scarlatina, tuberculosis and affections of the respiratory organs. The gravest question was how to combat the ravages of tuberculosis, the "malady of France." General Andre concluded with the remark that he owed it to the Senate to let them know the whole truth, however painful that might be.

### THE MAD MULLAH KILLED.

ASSASSINATED WHILE IN THE ACT OF PRAYING.

News Brought to the Coast by a Native Runner, and May be Only a Rumor—The Mullah's Career.

Aden, Arabia, Dec. 12.—A rumor has reached here of the assassination of the Mad Mullah in Somaliland. The report was brought to the coast by a native runner from Garroor, via Berbera. The Mullah is said to have been killed by a spear-thrust in the stomach, inflicted while he was praying.

Haji Muhammad Abdullah, the Mad Mullah, so-called, against whose forces a British column is preparing to march, belonged to the Habi Sultanman Ogaden tribe of Somaliland. He was in the prime of life, and only recently became a dominant factor in the military and political situation of the Protectorate of Somaliland by forcing the neighboring tribes into allegiance.

### FOUR SCHOONERS LOST.

ONE GOES DOWN WITH A CREW OF TEN MEN.

Furious Gales Make Havoc Off the Coast of Newfoundland—Many Fatalities Reported.

St. John's, Nfld., Dec. 12.—Furious snow storms continue to sweep the Newfoundland coast. Four more schooners have been lost, one with her entire crew of ten persons. The other three vessels have been driven to sea, and are believed to be in great danger. Trains and steamers are delayed, and there have been a number of fatalities throughout the colony.



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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12.

## THE RIDICULOUS SIDE OF IT.

The serio-comic proceedings in Venezuela have advanced another stage, points out the Toronto News. President Castro having arrested all the British and German residents in his dominion, the warships of the two great European powers have towed all the Venezuelan warships out of the harbor of La Guaira. It is possible that the present situation may develop seriously, but just now it certainly has its humorous side. Britain and Germany have given Castro until to-night to "make good" on an overdue account. Castro, by his contemptuous silence, intimates that he intends to "take the dare." The two powers threaten to bombard the Venezuelan ports, but before doing so they carefully pull the Venezuelan warships out of harm's way; and Castro, sitting in majestic defiance within his gates, lets his warships go without a murmur.

It is evident that Castro has fed himself on some of New York's yellow journals, and has gained the idea that the American Eagle was just flapping the air in readiness to fly at the Lion's throat in defence of the Monroe Doctrine. His disappointment must be extreme. One can almost fancy him keeping the wires to Washington hot, ordering a supply of Monroe Doctrine for immediate delivery at Caracas, and receiving the reply that the stock is completely exhausted by the recent heavy demands upon it.

## A NEW PHILANTHROPIC FORCE.

The resignation of Mr. J. S. Williams from the editorship of the Toronto Globe and his new venture in journalism have brought Mr. J. W. Flavell prominently to the front. The following is a sketch of Mr. Flavell, who capitalizes Mr. Williams' new journal.

Mr. J. W. Flavell is one of the most trusted financiers in the city of Toronto. He began life in the milling business in Lindsay, and has risen to his present eminence in the financial and business world of the Dominion by ability, industry and integrity, and his dealings are characterized by scrupulous honor and a loyalty to moral more than legal requirements. He is known to the stock men of Ontario as the vice-president of the big William Davies

## ONE CHILD IN FORTY

All children need the elements of fat in their food because it is of first importance in proper nourishment. Doctors say one child in forty is properly fed—the other thirty-nine don't get a right amount of fat in their food at the right time.

If more children were given Scott's Emulsion it wouldn't take long before more than one in forty was properly fed. There is in Scott's Emulsion something that seems to take hold of children who do not get enough and proper nourishment from their every-day food.

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park-parking concern, and he has been one of the Winter Fair lecturers on bacon hogs. He is known to the merchants as a director of the Robert Simpson Company's department store, Toronto, and to the banking interests as a director of the Canadian Bank of Commerce. He is also a large stockholder in the Dominion Iron & Steel Company at Sydney, and in other companies. He is a prominent Methodist, one who is not afraid of his religious principles, and a liberal supporter of all philanthropic agencies.

Mr. Flavell has decided, it is understood, that the welfare of his fellow-men can be best promoted by investing some of his money in a live, modern newspaper, rather than in a library, a university, or any other educational agency. He believes that the library and the university only reach a portion of the people, but that a strong newspaper can reach nearly everybody in its constituency. He intends to have this newspaper free to pursue the best practical ideals of its editor, without his being hampered by financial considerations. He wants it to be a moral and educational force in the community, free to urge, advise, criticize, or condemn, and its editor will be with-out responsibility to party, private or business interests.

Though the proposed paper will be conducted on the broadest lines and will not be a religious but a secular journal, it will perhaps come nearer to Rev. C. M. Sheldon's ideal in "His Steps" than any paper that has yet been instituted.

INDIGNANT MR. ROSS.  
Ottawa Citizen.

Premier Ross appears to be righteously indignant because Conservatives voted for his liquor act. Why?

## NOT A MORAL VICTORY.

Hamilton Herald (Ind.)

There were 114 charges against Donald Smith in the South Oxford election case. Of these one was sustained. About eighty-eight hundredths of one per cent. The result can hardly be regarded as a moral victory for the Grits.

## COOLED THEIR ENTHUSIASM.

Toronto Star

Lots of school boys who were full of a desire to go with Captain Bernal to seek the north pole have changed their minds since the present cold snap set in.

## HERE'S A CASE FOR SYMPATHY.

Rochelle Herald.

For the past two weeks we have been trying to keep house without a wife and run a country newspaper with one compositor. We are not boasting of how we can run things alone, but we hope to be relieved of some of our present trials before another week rolls around.

## RIGHTS OF ENGAGED WOMEN.

Detroit News

Mamie Bosley sued Charles White for breach of promise to marry in Toledo. White retorted that he breached because Mamie received attentions from other men while engaged to him. Judge Templeton has just ruled that an engaged woman has a perfect right to receive attentions and presents from men other than her fiance, and that such actions in no wise lessens the obligations of the male person to carry out his agreement to marry.

## MODEL COMPANION.

London Express.

A brief contemporary publishes a good story which has reached it from Canada. It hangs on an advertisement which appeared in an English paper:

"A lady in delicate health wishes to meet a useful companion. She must be domesticated, musical, an early riser, amiable, of good appearance, and have experience in nursing. A total abstainer preferred. Comfortable home. No salary."

A few days afterwards the advertiser received by express a basket labeled: "This side up—with care—perishable." On opening it she found a tabby cat, with a letter on its tail. It read thus:

"Madam: In response to your advertisement, I am happy to furnish you with a very useful companion, which you will find exactly suited to your requirements. She is domesticated, a good vocalist, an early riser, possesses an amiable disposition, and is considered handsome. She has great experience as nurse, having brought up a large family. I need scarcely add that she is a total abstainer. A salary is no object to her; she will serve you faithfully in return for a comfortable home."

## HIS NEW QUARTERS

N. C. Gibson, photographer, is now installed in his new studio over A. L. McCull's drug store and is at present very busily engaged in Christmas trade. Mr. Gibson has made a very important change in moving into his new quarters and has now one of the finest and most complete suites of rooms to be found in the city. These rooms were arranged by Mr. McCull in building the block, especially for Mr. Gibson to be used as a photograph gallery, and they are in every way suitable and convenient.

Mr. Gibson himself is a thoroughly competent photographer and is well deserving of the large patronage he receives. He has now been in the business for about 20 years, starting at first in the old gallery owned by Mr. Walker in the old Bright block. He has been in business in himself in this city for eight years, in the studio opposite Wanless' hardware store on King street and has built up an enviable business.

He is now prepared to furnish the latest styles in family groups and individual photos. He is prepared to make them up in all sizes from the smallest up, and as large as 17 x 20. He has also converted his former pictures in the style of a copy corner, which is something new. The operating room is very complete, the walls being tinted all around the room so that Mr. Gibson is able to take pictures from every position and with every shade of light.

It would be in the interest of anyone who is desirous of giving photographs as Christmas presents, to give Mr. Gibson a call.

## HONORED MISS SEELYE

Miss Seelye, of New York, who has been book-keeper and forelady at the Apple Canning Factory, King St. East, was presented by the employees with a beautiful pearl and silver mounted umbrella, a very fine handkerchief and a choice box of bonbons. After the presentation light refreshments were served.

Miss Seelye, in response, made a feeling reply.

The text of the address was as follows:—

Miss Etta Seelye:

Dear Friend,—As the canning factory is about to close down, we have met for the purpose of showing our appreciation and the kindly feeling we have had for you since you have come among us. We cannot let the occasion of your departure pass by without giving you a slight memento of our appreciation. We ask you, therefore, to accept this gift, not for its intrinsic value, but as a slight expression of the attention and kindness shown to us.

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## A "DURHAM GHOST"

STRANGE TALE TOLD BY FAMILY IN NORTHERN ENGLISH VILLAGE.

Ghostly Visitation Has His Haunts in Most Unromantic Surroundings-Son Beheld an Apparition-Knocks at the Door Heard at Midnight-Question Referred to the Psychological Research Society.

A story of strange happenings, mysterious and inexplicable and fitting subject for the attention of the Psychological Research Society, comes from a Durham colliery village. A place less romantic than Shotton Colliery would be difficult to imagine. Bare, dreary, and uninviting, the village was deserted for years subsequent to the stopping of the local pit, about twenty years ago. The streets of mean little houses fell in disrepair, for the workers had gone elsewhere, and the village almost passed out of existence until the reopening of the pit caused the tide of prosperity to turn, and gradually the dilapidated cottages were put into repair and inhabited. Into one of the renovated cottages-the last but one in Chapel Row-a miner named Lamb and his family moved about sixteen months ago.

Lamb's cottage is like most, a high-pitched roof at the front, permitting only one room beneath it, but at the back the cottage rises to the dignity of a two-story dwelling, which has been the scene of ghostly visitations for fifteen months-ghostly inasmuch as all the amateur investigation and rational explanations have failed to account for the phenomena. Lamb had not lived here more than a month before his first was disturbed at night by sounds at the front door. The disturbance was not remarkable in itself, but its repetitions night after night gave rise to wonder and alarm.

At first the family thought the rattling of the Suffolk latch and the knocking and the shaking of the door were done by some foolish practical joker who made himself scarce with remarkable celerity and security whenever his summons drew anyone to the door.

Throughout the winter the ghostly noises continued. In the worst of weather, as well as on fine nights, the door would be shaken, the latch rattled, at first gently, then roughly, and three or more knocks given to the door. No sound or voice was heard, no footstep came or went. Watch was kept, but no human being was ever seen at the time of the disturbances. The family was in a state of nervous terror, yet for a time they feared to speak of the annoyance to their neighbors. When they did complain, no one was able to elucidate the mystery, though the unknown visitors came regularly about midnight or a little later. Even in the snow time the house was not left unoccupied, for in the morning Lamb could find no footprints leading to or from his door. No hour of the night is secure against the interruption, but from midnight to 5 in the morning is the time most afflicted. Five minutes after the caller had been round the other morning the knocking was heard. Another morning, recently, Lamb, who leaves his house at an hour earlier than his son (a young fellow just out of his teens), had just gone to work when the terror announced itself. The young man, ready to go for work, was too frightened to move. He is the only person who admits seeing anything at all likely to be responsible for the disturbance.

One night, coming home late, about 11 o'clock, he thought he saw a shadow glide away from the back of the cottage. He followed whatever the thing was round the corner of the row, and until it crossed to the top of another street-all the time keeping a discreet distance. Young Lamb did not venture to go further, and as he turned, the creature he was watching turned too, for the first time, and he saw a pair of burning eyes, like living coals, glaring at him from out the shadowy outline of a face which belonged to no one in Shotton, and the like of which young Lamb had never seen before. He fled home trembling, with the tale of how he had seen the person or creature, and required no further proof.

This is a plain, unvarnished statement of fact, devoid of theories. No reasonable explanation of the proceedings, or on material or spiritual grounds, has been advanced. The root of the matter, however, may disclose as remarkable a ghost story as the most romantic novelist has ever conceived.

The only thing in the case of a new ghost story is to submit it to somebody trained in psychic enquiry. Mr. E. Westlake, F.G.S., who is secretary of the Experimental Committee of the Psychological Research Society, was good enough to discuss the "Durham ghost" with one of our representatives. He spoke as follows:

"The case does not strike me as a strong one, but, still, I should regard it as probably worth investigation. To say more, before making local enquiry, would be to prejudice it, which is the last thing an enquirer ought to do. Intuitive sounds even when loud, are always very difficult to locate. The apparition is the least evidential of all, as though doubtless convincing to the seer-one cannot a priori allow it much weight in view of the circumstances which led up to it. The seer was probably already firmly convinced that the ongoings were due to some mysterious causes, which would suggest an apparition. This is within the range of my experience the most probable explanation. I once made a careful note of unmistakable knocks which I heard late at night on my own front door when there was certainly no one there, and the matter might have remained obscure had I not found in the darkness a thread of black cotton extending from the knocker to the corner of the street opposite. At Shotton the people seem to have felt too much terror to make them, I



When the story of Chinese atrocities filled the papers and shocked the world, it was the women who drew the pity and sympathy of all. Doubtless many a wife who heard her husband's words of sympathy for these women thought with a pang of the blindness of men to the suffering under their very eyes. It is true. The suffering of women in China was severe but short. Many a wife suffers for years with a daily agony of pain, her nerves shattered, her strength almost gone, and never hears a word of sympathy.

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"I had falling of internal organs and had to go to bed every morning; had irregular periods, which would sometimes last ten or twelve days," writes Mrs. Alice L. Holmes, of Coudersport, Pa. "I had no idea of anything. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and one of the 'Golden Medical Discoveries' cured me. I took three bottles of the 'Favorite Prescription' and one of the 'Golden Medical Discoveries'."

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should say, sufficiently careful observers.

"Again, the sounds being heard mostly in the stillness of the night, is suggestive of a normal cause, possibly concussion in the colliery might shake the door, or be interpreted as doing so. But it is really quite useless to offer conjectures at a distance. Great patience on the spot is needed to determine the bottom of these reports and to separate the genuine psychic element which may possibly underlie them, and which, if it could prove a ghost, would be, to my mind, the most valuable knowledge in the world."

Should the Psychological Research Society think it worth while to pursue the "Durham ghost," the results of the enquiry will no doubt be awaited with interest.-London Chronicle.

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Successful Color Experiment Conducted at Aldershot, England.

A novel artillery experiment has just taken place at Aldershot. By an ingenious method of painting the guns and limbers three primary colors-red, blue and yellow-they have been found to harmonize with any sort of ground or background so admirably that at a short distance they are difficult to locate.

Six guns so painted were placed on Fox hills, and the artillery officers at Aldershot were invited to try and locate them with fieldglasses, at a distance of about 3,000 yards. Although all the officers knew the direction in which the guns lay, not one was able to point all of them out. "Some horse artillery that was sent forward to engage the guns advanced 1,000 yards before they located them. At close quarters the guns appear to be all dabs and streaks."

Frank Confession. Hicks-Does your typewriter ever bother you by making mistakes in spelling? Wicks-No; she knows how to spell better than I do.

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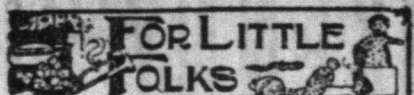
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## FOR LITTLE FOLKS

## ALWAYS BE ON TIME.

Do Not Be a Laggard Like the Boy in This Little Story.

The writer was not long ago instrumental in securing a good position in a store for a boy about fifteen years of age. He needed the place very much, for his mother was in the most reduced circumstances, and this boy was the eldest of six children, and the mother was a widow.

At the end of two weeks the mother came to me to ask if I would be willing to go to the store and ask the proprietor to take Willie back again.

"Take him back," I said. "Has he lost his place?"

"Yes, sir. They sent him back home when he went to the store yesterday morning." A call on the proprietor of the store elicited the fact that the boy had been discharged because he was "never on time."

"He was late every morning," said the proprietor. "He always had some excuse, but I could not have a boy of that kind in my employ. If I excused him, I must excuse others. I insist on every person in my employ being here on time. I am here myself on time, and it is only right and just that they should be here also."

It is right and just that every boy who is paid for his time should be at his post on time. He will find that punctuality is of high value and that the lack of it will be a stumbling block in the road toward success.-American Boy.

## Homemade Humming Top.

A humming top like the one here illustrated may be easily made from a modern baking powder box and a piece of split pine wood. Make the hole

in the bottom of the box square to fit the shoulder on the spindle, and fasten the latter in and the lid of the box on with glue. The square hole cut in the side of the box will make the sound while the top is spinning.

Children Picking Nutmegs.

Fancy picking nutmegs! This is what the children of South America and the tropical islands do almost as soon as they can walk. Gathering nutmegs is something like gathering chestnuts. Nutmeg trees are planted in groves. The trees are twenty feet apart and have long, green leaves, very dark and glossy.

The nutmeg is enveloped in a husk about the size and shape of a rusty coat apple. When perfectly ripe, the husk splits and the nut falls out. The kernel of the nut is the nutmeg of commerce. It is beaten from the husk by children, who climb the nutmeg trees and thrash the branches with poles. The air is sometimes so heavy with perfume that the young nutmeg gatherers are overcome by its heaviness and have to be borne from the grove on the shoulders of companions.

## How to Cut a Pear in Two.

A pear suspended from the ceiling by a piece of thread is to be cut exactly in halves as it falls, after burning the thread on which it hangs. How can we find the exact spot to place the knife on a chair or the floor so that the pear in falling will be cut? This is done by dipping the pear in a glass of water. After suspending the pear a few drops of water will fall on the exact spot, which must be noted. These preparations must be made before your exhibition, so that the audience will only see the suspended pear, without knowing anything of the drops of water. When the moment for the performance has arrived, place the edge of the knife on the exact spot, then burn the thread, and the pear in falling will be cut in two.-American Boy.

## The Kind Wasp.

A story of how one wasp cared for another that had been injured is told by a gentleman who while reading the newspaper felt bothered by a buzzing of a wasp about his head and knocked it down. It fell through the open window and lay on the sill as if dead. A few seconds afterward, to his great surprise, a large wasp flew to the window sill and, after buzzing around his wounded brother for a few minutes, began to lick him all over. The sick wasp seemed to revive under this treatment, and his friend then dragged him gently to the edge, grasped him round the body and flew away with him. It was plain that the stranger, finding a wounded comrade, gave him aid as well as he could and then bore him away home.

## Silly Sally's Cake.

Silly Sally made a cake And put some raisins in it; She placed it in the oven hot And left it there a minute.

Then she took it out again To see if it was done; But when she went to take it out The cake had burned away.

So then she put it back again And left it there a day, But when she went to take it out The cake had burned away.

New York Herald.

## WINTER IS COMING

And the cold weather is all right so long as you are out of doors. In your home, however, you want to be snug and warm. One of our

## Coal, Wood, Gas or Oil Stoves

will heat your house and make your rooms comfortable and cozy. Our prices are the lowest.

## John A. Morton Hardware Merchant

## The Chatham Binder Twine Co. Ltd

Incorporated under the Ontario Companies Act.

Authorized Capital Stock \$125,000

Shares \$10.00 Each

Of which \$30,000 Has Been Created 5% Per Cent. Preference Stock.

Capital Stock Paid up, \$52,047.00

A. Leverton, Pres., Bothwell; D. A. Hutchison, Vice-Pres., Chatham; J. B. Cousineau, Director, Windsor; J. A. Coulter, Director, Essex; J. J. Ross, Man. Director and Sec.-Treas., Chatham. Bankers, the Canadian Bank of Commerce.

By letters patent the Company is authorized to manufacture and sell, Binder Twine, Rope and Cord and other articles of Twine and Cordage. Capacity of plant-3 tons (6000 lbs.) per day.

Estimated net profits from 1 cent to 3 cents per lb. Six months run of 25 days each would thus give \$9,000 at 1c, \$18,000 at 2c, and \$27,000 at 3c, or 10-12 1/2%, 21% and 31% respectively on \$85,000.

The "Farmers' World" in its issue of December 4th 1930, says: The "Farmers' Binder Twine Co." of Bramford, has declared a dividend of 90 per cent on the present season's business. Since its organization it has paid five 10 per cent, one 60 per cent, one 100 per cent, and the present 90 per cent dividends, an average of 37 1-2 per cent per year.

The unsold common and preferred stock is now offered for subscription, to provide working capital.

Ask for form of application, or fill in, cut out, and send coupon below.

To The Chatham Binder Twine Company, Ltd., Chatham.

(Shares \$10.00 Each)

I hereby apply for..... shares of common and..... shares of Preferred Capital Stock of said Company.

NAME..... P.O. ADDRESS.....

## The King of Ranges - "BUCK'S HAPPY THOUGHT"

THE day has gone past when a wise woman will put up with an inferior cooking apparatus. She has heard of

## The "Happy Thought" Range,

and her neighbors tell her what it will do.

If by chance you do not know the merits of The "Happy Thought" you owe it to yourself to investigate. See the Range, look into the firebox and flues, weigh the covers, note the patented dampers, the ventilated, illuminated oven, the corrugated oven plates, and all the different features that make this Range so different and so superior.

You don't know true household comfort if you don't know The "Happy Thought" Range.

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Sold by JNO. A. MORTON, King St.

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## CANADIAN PACIFIC

Corrected June 3rd, 1932.

GOING EAST GOING WEST

2:30 a.m. L. Express.....1:11 p.m. 4:30 p.m. L. Express.....1:06 a.m. \*Daily.

## GRAND TRUNK.

GOING EAST GOING WEST

1:45 p.m. Accommodation.....2:30 p.m. 2:30 p.m. Buffalo, New York and Toronto Express.....8:15 a.m. 8:32 a.m. Express.....8:15 a.m.

Buffalo, Toronto and North Bay. 5:08 p.m. "Eastern Flyer," for Montreal and Muskoka.

8:50 p.m. Accommodation.....4:23 p.m. "International Limited," 9:10 p.m. For Detroit and Chicago. "Daily Sunday included."

THE WABASH RAILROAD CO.

GOING WEST EAST BOUND

No. 1-8:45 a.m. No. 2-12:23 p.m. 3-1:07 p.m. 4-11:00 p.m. 5-1:05 p.m. 6-1:32 p.m. 7-1:18 a.m. 8-2:42 a.m.

The Wabash is the shortest and true route. J. A. RICHARDSON, Dist. Pass. Agt., Toronto, Ont. J. C. PRITCHARD, Station Agent.

W. R. RISPIN, C. P. A. 115 King St., Chatham.

Lake Erie & Detroit River R.R.

Effective July 1st, 1932.

Leave Chatham Arrive Chatham

Blenheim.....7:45 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 12:15 p.m. 1:00 p.m. 1:45 p.m. 2:30 p.m. 3:15 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 4:45 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:45 p.m. 8:30 p.m. 9:15 p.m. 10:00 p.m. 10:45 p.m. 11:30 p.m. 12:15 a.m. 1:00 a.m. 1:45 a.m. 2:30 a.m. 3:15 a.m. 4:00 a.m. 4:45 a.m. 5:30 a.m. 6:15 a.m. 7:00 a.m. 7:45 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 12:15 p.m. 1:00 p.m. 1:45 p.m. 2:30 p.m. 3:15 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 4:45 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:45 p.m. 8:30 p.m. 9:15 p.m. 10:00 p.m. 10:45 p.m. 11:30 p.m. 12:15 a.m. 1:00 a.m. 1:45 a.m. 2:30 a.m. 3:15 a.m. 4:00 a.m. 4:45 a.m. 5:30 a.m. 6:15 a.m. 7:00 a.m. 7:45 a.m. 8



## TWELVE FOR CHRISTMAS.

beautiful, appropriate and lasting presents, all separate and distinct, are in each dozen of our portraits.

You have to give Christmas gifts and you want to, but don't you often wonder what on earth you shall choose?

Well, a dozen portraits will cost you from \$3.00 up. We can make your present as large and costly as you wish by setting it in a choice imported frame, or you can use the smaller size at smaller prices.

No matter what the size, they will be our usual grade—absolutely the best work obtainable.

**WESTLAKE BROS....**

Phone 376.  
Fifth St.

## LADIES,

A very pretty BOX will be given with each TIE or MUFFLER sold from now until Xmas...

**—The 2 T's—**  
SLATER SHOE AGENTS.

### CHRISTMAS CAKES..

All sizes and shapes, the best money can produce.

See our window display.

**W. S. Richards**  
CONFECTIONER

### G. W. CORNELL

DENTIST  
Corner Sixth and King Street,  
Over the Bee Hive.  
Phone 317.

### THE LOCAL BUDGET

Ed. Snook went to Detroit yesterday afternoon.

Alf. Jordan and Steve Anquetil secured 25 rabbits in Chatham Township on Tuesday.

Mrs. J. P. Taylor left last night on a trip to Chicago.

Mr. Ripley, of Dresden, is spending the day in town.

Capt. A. Ribble, of Dresden, was a Chatham visitor yesterday.

Wm. Scam, of Ridgetown, visited friends in the city yesterday.

Miss Maud Hako, Leoroix street, is confined to her home through illness.

Joseph Kenny, of Dresden, was registered at the Merrill House yesterday.

W. W. Hayes, of Windsor, was registered at the Garner House yesterday.

John Pratt, of Trowel, formerly of this city, spent last evening in the Maple City.

Miss Susie Wilson, of Tilbury, who has been visiting in the city, returned home to-day.

The funeral of the late Geo. Tomlinson will take place on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Cummings, of Grand Rapids, are spending a couple of days in the Maple City.

John Langan, of Darrell, who is attending the Collegiate Institute, fell on the sidewalk in front of the post office last evening at six o'clock and fractured his arm near the elbow. The arm was set by Dr. Jas. W. Rutherford. Mr. Langan will be laid up for a few weeks.

### CYCLISTS MEET

A very large and enthusiastic meeting of the cyclists of the city was held in the Garner House last night to consider the matter of tendering to the Council a petition to allow bicyclists the right to ride on the sidewalk.

W. B. Wells was appointed chairman pro tem, and S. B. Arnold was appointed secretary. A committee was also appointed to circulate the petition among the ratepayers of the city and secure signatures, and letters will be written to bicyclists in other cities to find out the concessions generally granted to wheelmen. The petition will be handed in to next year's Council.

### THE FUEL SITUATION

The fuel famine in the city continues. Wood is much scarcer than coal, according to the dealers. The city schools are perhaps suffering the most acutely. McKeough school managed to get enough wood to finish out this week, but unless they secure wood before Monday, the school will have to be closed. The Separate school and the C. C. I. are also about at the end of their fuel supply.

It was reported that the coal dealers had lots of coal on hand but were refusing to sell, holding out for higher prices.

J. L. Scott, when seen this morning, said that he hadn't a stick of wood in his yard. As to coal, there was about 30 tons of coal in his sheds, but it was all sold and was being delivered as rapidly as possible. An invoice of a car had been received and the car was expected any time. Half of this carload had been sold already.

J. J. Couzens has plenty of coal. The only difficulty is in getting it delivered. The rush of the past few days has been unprecedented.

"We have just about 100 tons of anthracite coal on hand," said John Gilbert, of the John Gilbert & Co. "and are delivering it at \$8.00 per ton. We expect 5 or 6 cars here any minute, and in fact we have never throughout the whole season been without coal, and have made small shipments to outside towns."

"We have plenty of wood," said W. N. Drader, "but the trouble is to get it out of the bush. We are selling it as fast as we get it out."

J. G. Steen has no coal whatever and has all the orders for wood he can fill.

A. R. Crow has no coal, either hard or soft, but is cutting up his hard wood, which sells for \$3.25 per cord 16 inch length.

Births, Marriages and Deaths

DAVIS—On Friday, Dec. 12th, Louisa, widow of the late Isaac Davis, aged 78 years.

Funeral from family residence, Wellington St. West, Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

TOMLINSON—On Wednesday evening, 10th inst., George Tomlinson, aged 53 years.

The funeral will take place from the Waterworks on Sunday afternoon at 2:30.

MELBURN—On December 12th, 1902, Harold Clayton Melburn, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. M. Millard, aged three months and twelve days.

The funeral will take place from his father's residence, 19 Grey street, to-morrow, Saturday, at 2:30 p. m., to Maple Leaf cemetery.

Friends will please accept this intimation.

PROBABILITIES.

Special to The Planet.

Toronto, Dec. 12.—10 a. m.—North-easterly winds, fair and cold. Saturday, northeasterly winds and continued cold.

The following figures were registered to-day at seven a. m. at Turner's weather bureau:

Thermometer 12.

Highest yesterday 28.

Lowest yesterday 11.

Direction of wind, northeast.

FOR SALE

House, stable and 3 acre lot on Park Ave., \$1200.

House and lot on Park St., \$750.

House and lot on Wellington St. West, \$1300.

House and lot on Delaware Ave., \$850.

House and lot on Thames St., \$650.

Large house and large lot on Taylor Ave., \$900.

DUNN & MERRITT,

1st Door from King St.

A "Famous" Coal Store, nearly new, for sale.

## KENNY'S

### CHRISTMAS NOVELTIES

### BOOKS OF ALL KINDS..

The great Sellers are TEMPORAL POWER, STILLMAN GOTT, and GLENGARRY SCHOOL DAYS.

### FANCY GOODS and Leather Goods, the best line ever brought into the city. It will pay you to visit here and see.

GAMES OF ALL KINDS, PING-PONG.

DOLLS AND TOYS IN GREAT PROFUSION at all prices

Bibles, Prayer Books and Hymn Books of all kinds. A visit to this store will repay anyone.

Now a word about CALENDERS for 1903. We have the finest of these we have ever had, and that also it will pay to examine.

## KENNY'S

## HELPFUL HINTS TO... GIFT GIVERS...

Now comes the perplexing time just what to buy for so-and-so. We flatter ourselves that we have anticipated your wants so clearly that you will have no trouble in selecting after seeing our stock.

Military Hair, Cloth and Hat Brushes in Ebony and Rosewood

### Toilet Cases

With Sterling Silver Mountings, in Ebony, Rosewood, Satinwood and Quartered Oak.

English Bevel Plate Mirrors.... Shaving Sets, Gentlemen's Cases, Chatelaines, Ladies' Purses....

### Our Perfumes

in bulk and cased good, contain all the leading makers, among them we might mention Roger & Gallet, Pinaud, Piver, Gelle, Freres, Lubin, Coudray, Marchale, Pissard, Colgate, Eastman, Seeley, Stearns, &c.

### Manicure Sets.

Military Hair, Cloth and Hat Brushes in Ebony and Rosewood....

Our time is at your disposal. Call and see what we have at the

## CENTRAL DRUG STORE.

C. H. GUNN & CO. Cor. King and Fifth Street.

CHATHAM, Phone 105. ONT.

## Candy

We are making a big display of Xmas Candy and if prices will do it we will sell every pound of candy we have bought.

Our Mixed Candy, a dandy 3 lbs. for 25 cts.

Our Cream Candy, nothing better. 2 lbs. for 25 cts.

Taffy, all kinds, 15 cts. lb.

We have Fancy Boxes of Chocolates at 25 cents that are well worth 35 cents and others from that up to \$1.50 each. Let us show them to you.

We also have filled stockings for the children, and Ping Pong sets and Cracker Jacks for the older ones are very amusing.

Give our Candy a trial.

## FISH!

Fresh Lake Huron Trout, Fresh British Columbia Salmon, Smoked British Columbia Salmon, Smoked Halibut and Finnan Haddy.

**Geo. A. Young,**

OUR GROCER,

Phone 151.

### OFFICERS ELECTED

Court McGregor, I. O. F., held a well attended meeting last night, when the officers were elected for the coming year. Eight candidates were initiated and 35 applications were received. The following are the newly elected officers:—

P. C. R.—H. Horstead.

C. R.—A. Dale.

V. C. R.—Wm. T. Simpson.

Rec. Sec.—D. H. Diamond.

Fin. Sec.—W. G. Burroughs.

Chap.—Thos. Glover.

Treas.—Chas. Lester.

S. W.—J. Vanstone.

J. W.—A. Keeley.

S. B.—D. Poile.

J. B.—J. A. Glover, Jr.

C. D.—J. N. Jenkins.

Trustees—Bros. Mounteer and R. A. Harrington.

Auditors—Bros. Cummings and Poile.

The Companion Court—the Ladies' branch—will give an entertainment at the residence of D. Poile.

## Children's Shoes THAT FIT.



Quite a novelty—most of them don't; we make it a point to carry a much greater variety of widths and styles and sizes that can be found in most stores. Consequently, we are sure of being able to fit perfectly any child's foot; besides having special shoes for children who "toe in" or have weak ankles or flat feet. Also shoes built on a foundation that keep the feet warm and dry. If you investigate you'll find prices are no higher than are asked elsewhere for poorer shoes—and less kinds to choose from.

Rubbers, Plain or warm wool lined to fit all the different shaped shoes.

**Geo. W. Cowan**  
Chatham.

CHRISTMAS WREATHING!

(PINE GREEN) by the yard, or loose HOLLY, HOLLY WREATHS, MISTLETOE, &c. Our GREENS are well made, out of superior stock, suitable for Store and Home Decorating. Write for Price. WHOLESALE ONLY.

**TUSON,** Phone 346-370, WIN DBOR.

Up-To-Date Dress-Making | C. AUSTIN & CO. | Chatham's Greatest Store

## Specials from the Millinery Dept.

An opportunity for you. Here are some offerings from our Millinery Department that no woman interested in the newest goods, best qualities and the matter of economy can afford to overlook. The special prices are for Saturday and are far below the ordinary. Early buying will insure broader advantages. Here are the details:

1st Table—Nobby outing and ready to wear hats, in all the latest colorings, regular prices range from \$1.50 to \$3.25, now \$1.38.  
2nd Table—Stylish trimmed hats, felt, camel hair and velvet, would be good value at \$4.00, our price \$2.48.  
3rd Table—Dress hats of the very finest material, trimmed with ostrich plumes, birds, wings and ribbons, regularly sold at \$5.00 to \$7.00, for \$4.63.

## Ladies' Kid Gloves...

About as stylish yet as comfortable Gloves for women to wear on snappy winter days as can be found. These styles are all in stock.

Mocha—Two clasp, Paris point, backs soft and pleasant to wear, in black and greys, \$1.25 pair.  
Suede—Three clasp, in clear handsome tans, greys and black, price \$1.25 pair.  
White—Ladies' white Pauline gloves, self and black embroidered backs, price \$1.00 a pair.  
Pauline—In black, tans and grey, fancy embroidered backs, in all sizes, price \$1.00 pair.  
Greylock—In black, tan and castor, embroidered back, three clasp, price \$1.25 pair.  
Beatrice—Three clasp, in black and tans, fancy embroidered backs, price \$1.25 pair.

From now on we may look for such weather as makes one delight in the possession of a warm fur wrap, that the biting cold cannot get through, and to-day possession costs much less than it rightly should. You will find a special red ink price on every fur cape in our stock. Liberal reductions of the lower lines, proportionately greater on the best. Prices range from \$5.98 to \$15.00. For instance—  
At \$8.98—Astrachan Capes, fine or loose, wavy curl, good, full sweep, high storm collars, well lined, regular prices \$10.00 to \$12.50.  
At \$12.50—Fine, soft, small curl, Astrachan Capes, assorted lengths, from 24 to 30 inches, mercurized or satin lining, perfect fitting. Regular prices \$14.50 to \$16.00.

## ADVANCE CHRISTMAS OPPORTUNITIES FOR MEN AND BOYS

We place on Sale on SATURDAY morning at 8 o'clock One Hundred Dozen of Silk Neckwear, consisting of all the popular shapes and colorings. Handsome silks and patterns in Four-in-hand, Knots, Bows, Strings and Puffs, at

15c. and 25c.

Regular values at 25c. and 50c. All displayed on tables in Clothing Department.

### A Bargain in English Manufacturers' Cardigan Jackets

At a saving of the duty, which means 30 per cent. all high-class Jackets of fine coated yarns, handsomely made and finished, all sizes from the small men to the extra Os. mens. Prices range from \$1.00 to \$3.00. An opportunity seldom offered.

## MEN, YOUR ATTENTION

The Austin & Co's. Great December

**SUIT AND OVER-COAT SALE at \$9.98**

Now in full swing. All the season's best sellers and most popular garments, regular values at \$12.00 to \$13.50.

**C. Austin & Co.**  
The Bargain Centre



## Christmas Goods = =

Are being put in shape rapidly in our store. In another two or three days we shall be in a position to show you one of the finest displays of Christmas Goods ever shown in the city. We have been successful this year in getting the exclusive right to sell a line of fine Morocco Goods with Ebony Brushes. Our sale of these last year was so large that we have put in an immense stock of them this year.

We invite you to call and look over our stock whether you buy or not.

See our splendid stock of Perfumes and Fancy Goods.

**A. I. McCall & Co**

Druggists LIMITED. Opticians  
16 King St. Cor. King and Fifth Sts. Dresden, Ont.

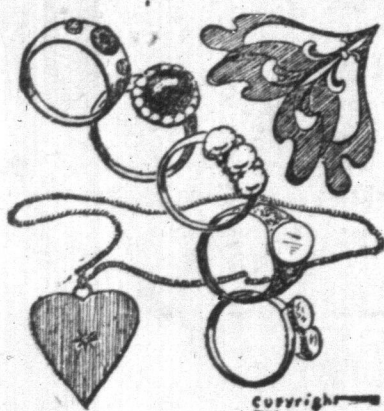


## GRENOBLE WALNUTS....

are the finest nuts grown, large, fine flavor, and good, 20c. Pound. We were fortunate in securing a very extra grade of Pecan Nuts. They are strictly fresh, extra large, and exceedingly nice. Price is very low—15c. a Pound.

FINE MIXED NUTS, 15c. a pound.  
SHELLED ALMONDS, 40c. a pound.  
SHELLED WALNUTS, 40c. a pound.  
TABLE RAISINS, 20c. a pound, or \$1 a layer.  
EXTRA TABLE RAISINS, 25c. a pound, or \$1.25 a layer.  
FINEST TABLE RAISINS, 30c. a pound, or \$1.50 a layer.

H. MALCOLMSON



## I am Now Offering :

You a golden opportunity to buy RINGS, SINGLE and COMBINATION STONES. I have them in great variety, and what is better, I am also offering them at exceedingly

## Low Prices.

Such a selection has never before been shown in Chatham. Pendants in all designs, Lockets in all shapes and sizes. It will pay to examine my stock before purchasing elsewhere.

E. J. MacIntyre  
Leading Jeweler and Optician.  
King Street.

## Holiday Suggestions.

Long ago we began thinking about Christmas. Now we are ready to have you come and see what our thinking has amounted to. You will find not only a larger but a better stock than ever before. Reasonable as prices have been before they are still lower on many goods this season.

Hair and Cloth Brushes. Either of these make a sensible and serviceable gift.

Perfumes. Our stock is bigger than ever. You will want to give perfumes whatever else you may give, and we can supply every need.

Ebony Goods. We have a magnificent line, and at prices that will please you.

W. W. TURNER, Druggist  
Rutherford Block.  
PHONE 221.



## Made by the Tailor....

who does all things right and charges prices which are right, a man's apparel can afford him much pleasure without any painful pangs coming from the pockets.

MORLEY & CO., Leading Merchant Tailors

## DR. A. W. THORNTON DENTIST.

D. D. S. Toronto University.  
Office—Over A. L. McCall & Co's. Store  
Telephone Office 164.  
Residence 285.

## Local Briefs

See Richards Christmas cakes. Thomas G. Nash, of Bothwell, was a Chatham visitor yesterday.

Wm. A. Shadd, Mayor of Fletcher, was in the city yesterday.

O'Brien Bros. shipped 5,000 Quail on toast cigars to Woodstock to-day.

When out shopping, call at Wigzell's and get a hot drink, 5 cents.

The Planet's adviceless rulers produce quietness in the school room.

See our window display and buy your Christmas cakes at Richards.

A shipment of machinery arrived yesterday for the Chatham wheel works.

Park Bros. to-day received four cars of steel and a car of bar iron from the old country.

Feeder wanted, who has had experience with cylinder presses. Apply at The Planet Office.

Joe Westmore has returned from Walkersburg, where he has been working for the past few months.

Robert K. Floeter, formerly of this city, who has been looking over the oil fields, returned to Lima, Ohio, to-day.

Do not leave it until it is too late to buy your Christmas cakes. See the display in our window. W. S. Richards.

We have a few barrels of No. 1 winter apples left over from our fall shipments for sale very cheap. The Northwood Co.

Now is the time to use J. W. McLaren's cosmetic balm. It is splendid for chapped hands or rough skin—innocent but effectual.

Great Bargains at Dingman's Store. Books and Fancy Goods one-third to one-half price. Everything must be sold at once as building is to be torn down.

Call at Snell's Fair and select your Christmas presents. The store is packed with suitable goods for young and old. Come early and avoid the rush.

The Blonde Co. have the contract for a new frame school house to be erected at Elmstead, Essex Co. The building will be ready by the first of January.

Claude Walliston, better known as "Irish," left yesterday for Detroit, where he has accepted a very lucrative position in the Manson Campbell Co. factory.

Wesley Earley was released on suspended sentence yesterday morning. The lad is about 17 years old and he pleaded guilty to the charge of stealing money from the rooms of domestics at the Hotel Rankin.

John Perkins, Queen street, who has been at the East duck shooting for about ten days, returned well satisfied with the luck he had. He brought home a good bag of ducks—red heads, and canvas backs. Mr. Perkins is an old sport and really enjoys good duck shooting.

## XMAS STOCKINGS

are without doubt one of the nicest things for children. So many things packed in these, the wonder is how they are sold for the price. For Boys and for Girls. 10c., 20c., 40c., 60c.

TOY DRUMS, filled, 10c. each.

PRETTY TRAPOTS, filled, 25c. each.

CHRISTMAS CRACKERS, 20c., 25c. and 30c. a box.

OUR SPECIAL CREAMS, 3 lb. for 25c.

NUT TAFFIES, 15c. a Pound.

TURKISH DELIGHT, 20c. lb.

CHOCOLATE DATES, 20c. a lb.

H. MALCOLMSON

Chief Holmes says that this month so far has been the quietest since he has been at the police court.

Miss Stella Brudden and Miss Annie Wilson spent Thursday at Dresden the guest of Mrs. William Pollock.

Dingman's Books and Fancy Goods must be sold at once. You may as well have some of the bargains before they are all gone. Goods marked in plain figures, one-third to one-half the Grand old next week; an excellent show with a cost of seven cents. Prices 10, 20 and 30c. Seats now on sale for Monday night.

Norman Clements, of Westman Bros., while working at the Chatham works, severely cut his hand on some tin he was using in his work. Blood poisoning set in and he has a bad hand.

Expensive preparations have been made in St. Joseph's Hall for this evening to make it comfortable and enjoyable for you when attending the lecture, illustrated by eighty fine light views and many other pictures of celebrated artists, and don't miss the two songs, "Come Home to Dad" and "Dear College Chums." If you miss this you surely will miss a grand treat.

N. A. Lawson, manager of the A. L. McCall drug store at Dresden, who was to have taken charge of the east end store yesterday, was called to his home in Fort Erie owing to the death of his brother.

The deceased man was 21 years of age, and a week ago was in perfect health. He was suddenly stricken with pneumonia, from which he died. His sister also died last year, of pneumonia after a short illness, on the same day of the year.

Anthony Edwards, down the river, was unloading a load of sugar beet in the Lake Erie yards yesterday morning when he fell from the top of the load to the ground. His shoulder was broken and he also sustained a number of severe bruises. He was taken to Dr. J. L. Bray's office, where his injuries were attended to. He was afterwards removed to his home, where he will be laid up for some time.

A lad offered a bunch of clothes line wire for sale to a grocer for 20 cents. Officer Tom Groves investigated and found that the wire had been stolen from Quinn & Patterson. He also discovered that one lad had advised the theft, another had committed it, and a third had offered the wire for sale. The boys were given a talking to at police headquarters. The boys were the same ones whom Officer Groves had noticed acting peculiarly last week and had warned. This week they are in trouble for the very act which they were warned against.

## Time is Money

You can save time and money if you come to our Store for your Christmas gifts. No better stock in the city, and no lower prices.

## WELDON'S

Chatham's Millinery Store!

A BIG SALE OF

Colored Velvets

\$1.25 Velvets for 75c  
\$1.00 Velvets for 65c  
75c Velvets for 45c  
All Shades for the last three days of this week.

COOKSLEY'S

KING ST.

Opposite the Market Square.

Mc Campbell, of Ridgetown, spent yesterday with his Chatham friends. The teachers of Blenheim gave a very pleasant ball last night. A number of young people from Chatham attended.

The Maccabees ball given in the I. O. O. F. Auditorium last night was a great success. There were about 75 couples present.

Informations have been laid by Mr. Randall, caretaker of Big Point Club, against Messrs. Pelotte, Cheff, and Martin, of Dover, for trespassing on the club's property. Theodore Nelson is in Dover to-day serving the papers. The case will come up before Magistrate Houston in the County police court next Tuesday.

Mrs. McLean, an aged lady who died in the hospital on Wednesday, was well known in this city, where she has resided all of her life. She was 72 years of age and was born in Scotland, but came to Chatham when she was quite young. She was the widow of the late Archibald McLean of this city. One son and one daughter are left to mourn her death. The funeral took place this afternoon from Jahnke's morgue to the Maple Leaf cemetery.

## You Will Regret it

If you purchase your Fancy China before seeing our large assortment of All quality goods in China, Lamps and Glassware. We surprise people at the low prices we are asking.

A large assortment to choose from. A still further reduction made of 6 per cent. until Xmas.

Come early, pick out your Xmas presents and we will keep them for you.

Six per cent. off all our Dinner, Tea and Chamber sets.

GROCERIES

Best cleaned Currants	7 cts. per lb.
New Lemon Peel	15 " "
Select Raisins	10 " "
Good Mixed Candy	7 " "
Dark Sugar for cooking	93 " "
3 lbs. New Prunes 25 cts.	
New Dates	7 " "
Lard Bacon	15 " "
Pickles 10 cts. per bottle.	

We give 1 lb. Good Baking Powder and a game of Ping Pong for 50 cts.

John McConnell's,  
Park St. 'Phone 190

## OVERCOAT ELEGANCE

Need not be overcoat extravagance, for no matter at what price you buy a coat of us it will be made up in the latest style, every detail is entrusted to competent and careful workmen. The way a coat is put together has just as much to do with the elegance of its appearance as the fabric of which it is composed. That is why our overcoats at whatever price have a distinctive air about them that ordinary coats do not possess.

We have some Overcoats as low as \$5.00 and \$6.00 but we can show you a good line of durable coats, well made and lined, good and warm, with velvet collars, at

\$10.00 and \$12.00

You are sure of the fabrics and workmanship if you buy of us.

SCOTT & CO.

KING STREET, CHATHAM.

Sole Agents for the Saskatchewan Coats, Robes and Gauntlets.

## The December Sale At the Gordon Store

This year attracts as it always does, many from the remote sections of this county, South Lambton and East Essex. The weather, the roads, the good times and our prices bring people from far and near. We fail to do justice to our different Departments in describing goods and prices, but when you come to see you buy.

## Fur Weather

The commendations and sales of our Fur Stock surpass any former season. We mentioned Electric Seal Jackets, Astrakhan Coats and Fur Lined Cloth and Satin Brocade Capes, a number of these Capes, all the styles and sizes, from \$10 to \$50, at dry goods not furriers profits and guaranteed. Ladies' Boas, Muffs, Gauntlets, Collars, Caperines, with specialties in Stone, Marlin and Sable. Fur trimmings and skins of all kinds for manufacturing and repairing.

## Heavy Dress Goods

Corono Cloths 50 inches wide, spot proof, 50c.  
Cheviots, dark and light grey and navy, already shrunk 50 inches wide, 50c.  
Irish Frieze, all wool, extra heavy, 58 inches wide, dollar goods, 75c.  
Homespun, two tone effects, 58 inches wide, dollar goods, 75c.

Waistings, Roman stripe satin cloth, double fold, 38c. per yard.  
Fine French Flannels, December Sale, 38c.  
Silk and Satin stripe Serges, all colors, from 30c. up.  
Special white and cream heavy B-stripe Cords, cream and white Crape de Chine, and silk and velvet spot Challie Waistings.

## Men's Wear

A table of oddlets in cotton fleece union and all-wool Underwear at 50c.  
Cashmere Socks, black, all wool, heavy, 25c.  
Heavy wool (real home made 35c) and down to 2 pair for 25c.  
Men's heavy driving Mitts, lined 50c, unlined 25c.  
Scarfs and ties, special lines, 25c.  
Muffling Scarfs, Comforters and Protectors, 25c. up.

## Ladies' Tailored Suits

4 \$10.00 black frieze walking Suits \$7.50.  
4 \$16.00 black Venetian Suits, corded Jackets, Skirts braided and trimmed, \$12.50.  
3 \$7.50 black Cheviot Suits, nicely made, \$5.75.  
3 \$8.50 " " " \$4.75.

Millinery Our Black Velvet Hats with Tips, a fashion leader, \$5.00. Widows' beautiful Veils, \$2.50 to orders for Children's Bonnets. Black Brests, 75c. and \$1.00 values for 50c. and 75c.

## William Gordon.

## PRESENTMENT

The following is the Grand Jury's presentment at the General Sessions of the Peace, presented to Judge Bell yesterday afternoon:

To His Honor Judge Bell, Judge of the County of Kent, General Sessions of Said County:

We, your Grand Jurors, humbly make our presentment.

We have investigated the several indictments presented to us, and have returned our judgments upon them.

We regret very much the nature of most of the crimes committed, and trust that justice may be so meted out as to put a stop to the indecent and low crimes imposed upon our

young and innocent female community.

We visited the Gaol, House of Refuge and the General and St. Joseph's Hospitals. There are thirty-two inmates in the House of Refuge. Many of them are very old and infirm, yet the most of them seemed very comfortable. The premises are well kept.

All the farm stock, consisting of horses, cattle, pigs, etc., are in first class condition; the store house and garages are well filled with roots, grain, etc., going to show that Mr. Arnold, keeper, is the right man in the right place.

In our visit to the Gaol we were met by Governor Mercer, who courteously showed us through the entire premises. In the West Ward we found five

prisoners, all males. We are pleased to report that the premises generally are in the best of order, comfortably warm, and we have nothing but commendation for the management. We are of the opinion that a railing and an electric light should be provided at the public entrance at the Court House, to prevent accidents to persons coming in and going out after dark.

We found both Hospitals well kept and comfortably warm, well equipped and possessed with every facility for the care and cure of patients who come to these institutions.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. GOSNELL,  
Foreman.

DRY GOODS

Thibodeau & Jacque

MILLINERY.

## YOU GET IDEAS

Of What You Should Buy for Christmas Gifts, When You Visit Our Store

Largest and best assortment of KID GLOVES and UMBRELLAS we have ever shown.

Come and inspect our Stock

We show so many lines of attractive and useful goods for young and old, that gift-buying becomes comparatively easy.

Scan the following list:

Christmas Umbrellas  
Christmas Kid Gloves  
Christmas Neckwear  
Christmas Purses  
Christmas Belts  
Trimmed Hats  
Plain and Fancy Ribbons

Christmas Dress Patterns  
Christmas Waist Silks  
Christmas Handkerchiefs  
Christmas Fur Boas  
Christmas Fur Caperines  
Fancy Woollens  
Gents' Ties and Scarfs

Thibodeau & Jacques

DRY GOODS

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A MISSING ADVERB.

LODGES.

**MEATS.**  
We carry a stock of Fresh and  
Salt Meats of the best quality.  
Pork and Beans 6c. a can.  
**A. B. SELVEY**

"Lest We Forget."

**Excuse and Justification.**  
May—Do you think one should marry for love or for money? Chaperon—My dear, love is an excuse for marriage, but money is a justification.  
Sydney Town and Country Journal

**Possibly.**  
 "But why," asked the wondering pupil,  
 "Do they ever call catnip 'nep'?"  
 "I presume, my dear," said the teacher,  
 "'Tis to furnish a rhyme for 'step.'"  
 —Chicago News

known worth, Dr. Chase's Kidney Liver Pills have never been approached. They act directly on the kidneys and liver, regulate the bowels and ensure the perfect action of the digestive and filtering systems. One pill a dose; 25 cents a box. At all dealers or Edmanson, Bates & Co. Toronto.

namely ventilated stables, is it strange that it spreads with alarming rapidity? When influenza appears in the spring time or in the fall, it is in very many cases due to this cause.

What Is in a Name?  
Bertie—Do you ever have quarrels at your ladies' club? Gerie—Oh, dear me, no. We call the debates!—Com'c Cuts.

**Quinn - & - Patterson,**  
King Street, 3 Doors East of the Market,  
For the District of Western Ontario, including the Chatham Exchange, will be issued early in September. Orders for new connections, changes of address, change of name, duplicate entry names, etc., should be placed at once to insure their appearance.

## Nordheimer Piano

**The Nordheimer**  
**Piano and Music Co.,**  
188 Dundas St., London.

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**Pure Leaf Lard**  
(No Compound)  
**12 1-20 a pound**

**Breakfast Bacon**  
15c a pound

**Headcheese**  
10c a bowl

CHATHAM PORK STORE

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## QUICK—HERE

work both well and quickly but it requires skill, experience and good machinery. We have all three, and we guarantee "HURRY-UP" work to be almost as well done as the regular wash.

Our Wagon will Call if you say  
**Chatham**  
**..Steam Laundry..**

Phone 199.

## Gibson's Studio

Has been removed  
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Call's Drug Store  
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Streets. Entrance  
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The Bell Telephone Co.

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F. D. LAURIE, Local Manager  
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Wm. Foreman &amp; Co., - Importers. - Wm. Foreman &amp; Co.

## EXQUISITE SILKS

We are showing a beautiful range of exquisite Silks for evening waists. They are in individual waist lengths and strictly exclusive. They make a most acceptable Christmas gift, at per yard

**75c, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$3.00**

Black Peau de Soie Silks for gowns, skirts and waists at per yard

**\$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$1.75**

Black Taffetas 36 in. wide for waists, skirts and waists, at per yd.

**\$1.00, \$1.35 and \$1.50**

Special Black Taffetta 22 in. wide, firm quality, value at per yd.

**50 cents**

**HANDKERCHIEFS** We are showing a beautiful and extensive range of Ladies' Handkerchiefs this Christmas from the dainty handkerchiefs at 5c. each to the beautiful Swiss Embroidered at \$1.25 each.

William Foreman &amp; Co.

## King Stub Rubbers

Are Superior to other Rubbers..

They are made of specially woven fabric—ROPE DUCK (registered), which is thoroughly impregnated with paragon before the finishing rubber coat is applied, making them the greatest wear resisting rubber in the market

See that King Stub Proof is on the sole of every Rubber you buy. Sold by

**J. L. CAMPBELL - Boston Shoe Store...**

## If You Want a Bedroom Suite

Our goods will suit your taste and our prices your pocket-book

**We Have Suites of all Kinds.**

Quarterm Oak Bedroom Suites.

Plain Oak Bedroom Suites.

Golden Oak Finished Bedroom Suites.

Mahogany Finished Bedroom Suites.

Golden Finished Curly Birch, Solid Mahogany and White Enamelled Dressers and Stands to go with Enamelled and Brass Beds.

**Prices, \$11.00, \$13.00, \$15.00, \$75.00.**

**H. McDONALD & CO. Opposite Hotel Garner**

**Furniture and Carpets**

## THE ARK

This is for your guidance. Just follow the crowd to "The Ark." On entering the store, to your right at

**FIRST COUNTER** is Purse, Brushes, Combs, Mirrors, Fancy Goods and Sundries.

**SECOND COUNTER**, CUTLERY—Carving Sets, Steel Knives and Forks (and Plated Goods—Knives, Forks, Spoons, Etc. Games, Books, Stationery, Etc.

**THIRD COUNTER**, Brushes, Soap, Frays and Sundries.

**FOURTH COUNTER**, 25c. Goods, Skates, Granite-ware, Tinware, Etc. To the left and down the centre of First Flat is Fancy Mirrors and Sets, Fancy China, Vases, Jardiniere, Berry Sets, Odd Pieces, Cups and Saucers, Fancy Plates, Glassware, Dolls, Doll's Furniture, Toys, Games, Etc. 5c. and 10c. Counters, Crockery, Glassware, Lamps, Chimneys, Burners, Tinware, Baskets, Sleighs, Etc.

In the Rear Room you will find the "Famous" Stoves and Ranges nicely arranged. A few choice Stoves and Ranges to be rushed off quick. See them.

**SECOND FLAT**, Dinner Sets, Tea Sets, Toilet Sets, White China for decorating. Our special Lamp Room is well filled with Banquet, Reception, Library, Table and Hall Lamps, Globes and Shades.

You will find things useful and ornamental and lots to please the little folks at "The Ark." Come quick and get first choice and the very best of attention. Lowest and one price only.

**H. Macaulay, 89 King St.**

## Theatrical

## "KIDNAPPED."

To-morrow Night—Barney Gilmore, who will appear here shortly as Mr. Dooley, the detective, in his new play, "Kidnapped in New York," is of commanding stature, young, strong, and a graceful and forceful actor, and is also possessed of a remarkably fine voice. The company that will support Mr. Gilmore is spoken of as being a very meritorious one. New and elaborate scenery has been painted for the production. The attraction is booked for the Grand Opera House Saturday night. The sale of seats for this engagement is now open.

## "THE DESERTER."

Ten cents an hour—that's the charged that was made last evening at the Opera House. For three solid hours a packed house was held attentive while "Sherman's" Castle Square Stock Company put on the five-act drama—"The Deserter." Between every act the curtain rung up on special features. Everyone of the specialty artists made a hit, and this feature alone was well worth the popular admission price. R. B. Milloy is a capital German comedian. Fred Carleton as a silly boy, and Ermani, the dancing girl, are both good features. Ermani has improved on her dances as seen here a few years ago and is entitled to rank as one of the leading specialist theatrical dancers on the Canadian stage. A series of moving pictures contributed to the entertainment. The story of "The Deserter" is a strong and exceedingly interesting one, and was well told. It is a guarantee that the company is above the ordinary ten, twenty and thirty cent class, and will satisfy every demand that can be made on a popular priced company. —News-Record.

The above company will appear here all next week in a carefully selected repertoire. Seat sale opens to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

## DISTRICT DOINGS.

## DRESDEN

Dec. 12.—We regret to learn that Miss Ida Murch, for a number of years one of the most popular teachers in the public school, has been called to the position of the staff. Miss Murch will be greatly missed by a large number of friends in both church and social circles.

Mayor Ribble was in Chatham on business yesterday.

David Budd, of Florence, was the guest of D. V. Hicks last evening.

Frank Ribble was a visitor to the Maple City yesterday.

Owing to the slippery condition of the sidewalks a number of our citizens managed to get in a few falls yesterday.

Mrs. Myron S. Blackburn was in Chatham yesterday visiting her mother, Mrs. H. H. Huff, who is ill at the General Hospital.

Mrs. Clarke Phillips, of Saginaw, who has been visiting her mother-in-law, Mrs. Phillips, at Wallaceburg for some time past, spent last evening with her uncle, D. V. Hicks, leaving to-day for a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Budd, of Florence.

## BLENHEIM

Dec. 10.—Wm. McGregor has returned home from Calgary, where he has been for the past year and a half.

Miss P. Bounhall has returned home from Chatham, where she has been visiting friends.

The Castle Square Stock Company, which has been playing in the Opera House for three evenings, were received by a full house each night. The company certainly deserved to have a good crowd, as they are by far the best which have been in Blenheim for some time.

Jas. Rutherford has moved into his new residence on Talbot St.

Jas. Tait has returned home from Sault Ste. Marie.

Mrs. (Rev.) Collins leaves this week for an extended visit with her parents at Birr.

Dec. 11.—The Rev. G. B. Brown will preach anniversary sermons at Wheatley next Sunday.

Rev. C. M. Dewey, of Wheatley, will conduct the services in the Baptist Church here on Sunday.

The Blenheim Assembly Club are holding another assembly to-night. A. Byram is a Chatham visitor to-day.

Mrs. (Dr.) Mitchell and daughter, of Fort William, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Morris.

Miss Maud Bragg, Chatham, is the guest of Miss Otley McGregor.

Mrs. A. Denholm is visiting her sister, Mrs. E. H. Morse, Wallaceburg.

Messrs. J. K. Morris, John Abel and Dyer Durty have received certificates to land grants as veterans of the Peninsular Wars. The certificates entitle the holders to 160 acres of land in Northern Ontario.

Andrew Thomson, Jr., of Chatham, was in town to-day on business.

Wm. O'Brien, of Chatham, was in town to-day prior to his taking possession of the Sheldon House to-morrow, Dec. 12th.

## TILBURY

Dec. 12.—John Cloes, of Kingsville, was in town yesterday.

Miss Bell Wilson leaves to-day to visit her brother, Bert, in Wallaceburg.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Scarf attended the Scotch concert in Chatham Wednesday night.

Miss Maggie Stewart is visiting Mrs. McMacken in Ridgeway.

The pupils of the Zwart school are preparing for a Christmas entertainment.

Miss Josephine Landeau has been re-engaged in R. C. S. No. 6, Tilbury

North, for 1903, and her salary has been increased from \$300 to \$340.

J. W. Laird has been attending the County Court in Chatham as juror this week.

Miss Rice, who has been visiting Miss Belle Wilson, left for her home in Ridgeway to-day.

Henry Prendergast, of Tilbury North, left this week for Onaway, Mich.

W. A. Clark and George Powell have leased the rink for the coming skating season.

L. Currier left this week to take a position in an electric power house in Chicago.

The Presbyterian S. S. Christmas entertainment will be held on the 23rd inst.

The ladies of the Women's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church are this week sending a large box of clothing and also a box of fruit to the Deaconess Home, Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Johnson returned on Wednesday from a three weeks' visit with relatives in Port Rowan.

A business meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held on Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Jacobs.

## WALLACEBURG

Dec. 12.—A supper was given in the Forester's Hall last evening, in honor of Chas. McRue, who is one of the oldest members of the Foresters' Lodge here.

A large number of the members were in attendance.

Miss A. Dupuy entertained a number of her friends to a pedro party last evening at her home. A very pleasant time was spent.

C. Bissell was a Detroit visitor this week.

Jos. Tilt, of Chatham, did business in our town yesterday.

For Christmas and New Year's Holidays W. E. Rispen, City Passenger and Ticket Agent, 115 King St., will issue special return tickets to all points in Canada, Dec. 22nd to 25th, also Dec. 29th and Jan. 1st, all good to return until Jan. 5th, 1903, at fare and one-third; and on Dec. 24th and 25th, good to return Dec. 25th, and on Dec. 31st and Jan. 1st, good to return Jan. 2nd, at single fare for return trip; also special excursion tickets to students and teachers on presentation of certificates at fare and one-third, good from Dec. 6th to 18th inclusive, and returning from destination not later than Jan. 19th, 1903.

## CARD OF THANKS.

Chatham, Dec. 11, 1902.

Messrs. Heintzman & Co., Toronto,

Gentlemen,—Permit me to thank you for the piano supplied by you for the concert given by the Sons of Scotland here last evening. The tone and touch being very full and everything a vocalist would wish for. Hoping to be favored with the use of the Old Heintzman & Co. Piano on many future occasions of this kind.

Sincerely yours,

HAROLD JARVIS.

Sulman's Beehive is full of Toys and Novelties for Xmas shoppers. Call before the rush and make your selection while the stock is complete.

## ELECT OFFICERS

Wellington Chapter, No. 47, G. R. C., held a well attended meeting last evening, when the following officers were elected:

Ex-Comp.—Geo. Massey, Z.

Ex-Comp.—L. E. Talbot, I. P. Z.

Ex-Comp.—Geo. B. Crumb, H.

Ex-Comp.—W. J. Kenny, J.

Ex-Comp.—Alex. Gregory, S. E.

Comp.—W. E. Knowles, S. M.

Comp.—R. Park, P. S.

## WORLD OF SPORT

## THE TURF

Tommy Burns is again right at himself on the race track. Yesterday he secured a first and two seconds at San Francisco.

## INDOOR BASEBALL

A game will likely be played between the sergeants and corporals this evening at the drill shed at eight o'clock.

## FOOTBALL

The Windsor association football team will journey to Chatham to-morrow to play the final game with Darrell for the Peninsular league championship. Darrell took the first game of the finals at Walkerville last Saturday, and if they succeed in defeating or playing a tie game with Windsor Saturday they win the Walker trophy.—Detroit Free Press.

The Darrell team will be stronger to-morrow than last Saturday, and seem to be quite confident of victory. The game, although likely the final game, will be played here to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. It will have to be fast in order that the players keep themselves warm.

## VETERANS MEET

Old Soldiers Decide to have their Land Grants Located by Themselves.

A meeting of the veterans of the Peninsular War was held last night in the Old Town Hall in connection with the land grants the veterans are to receive for their services. The lands they are to receive are in New Ontario and each man is to receive 100 acres. The meeting last night was well attended. Those present being: Capt. Smith, Major Reid, Lieut. Nelson, Lieut. Richardson, Orl. Sergt. Turner, Sergt. Cornhill, Sergt. C. Brian, Sergt. H. Westmore, Corp. I. Taylor, Corp. Berube, Pte. J. M. Northwood, Pte. J. B. Stringer, Pte. T. Stanton, Pte. Tyron, 20c; Pte. H. Garrett, 27th Batt.; Corp. Jas. Embrey, 16th Inf.; Pte. Jno. Young, No. 3 Amherstburg; Pte. T. Richardson, Bugler W. Quinn, R. C. Rifles; Jas. McMahon, R. C. Rifles; P. E. Dean, Alex. Cedar, Anthony St. Pierre, Wm. Clements, Vital Ouellette, Joe. Tucker, Chas. LeFrancis, and J. W. Bessy, 27th Batt.

An invitation was extended to all other veterans of the War who are in this district, no matter in what part they served, to affiliate with the local society.

It was the unanimous decision of the veterans that they should not allow the associations to find their lands for them.

In consequence of this decision another meeting will be held on Feb. 11th, 1903, when two delegates will be chosen to go up to the country and select the lands.

The meeting adjourned.

## "USED BY ROYALTY"

Mr. T. H. Estabrooks secured an excellent advertisement for Red Rose Tea when it was selected for the use of T. R. H., the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York during their recent visit. Its selection is a guarantee of its superior quality. Red Rose Tea is sold by a number of our leading grocers.

For all ages

All seasons

All conditions

Delicious with Warm Milk or Cream



**Malta-Vita**

—The Perfect Food.

Contains all the virtue of the whole wheat thoroughly cooked, scientifically combined with diastase of barley (the life of the grain).

**Malta-Vita**

—Original Malted Flaked Food.

Appetizing, wholesome, malted wheat flakes.

**ALL GROCERS.**

MADE IN CANADA FROM CANADIAN GROWN WHEAT BY CANADIAN WORKMEN.

MALTA-VITA PURE FOOD CO., Toronto, Canada.

## Christmas Preparations..

Most of our Christmas stock is ready now, and will be on the shelves in a few days.

Never did we show so many acceptable and original gift articles in the line of

## Men's and Boys' Furnishings...

From now on you'll find our window and fixture displays full of fertile suggestions in the Christmas way.

If you are in doubt as to the best gift for a man friend don't hesitate to come in and consult with us. That's one of the things the store is here for.

Everything for boys down to the five year old.

## THORNTON &amp; DOUGLAS Limited

## CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Arriving Daily

GIFT giving is always a pleasure, but choosing gifts is always perplexing. However we've a multitude of beautiful and reasonably priced gifts that make the choosing easy and pleasurable. Our summer trade having exceeded our fondest hopes, it became necessary to enlarge our salesroom.

Our salesman, silent but attentive, displays our attractive goods most charmingly. Space will not allow to enumerate in detail the attractions which may gladden the hearts of our friends. We are displaying hundreds of pretty and useful gifts in sterling silver and our show cases glisten with hundreds of gift suggestions in the way of gold jewelry for man or maid.

**Come One, Come All, and make Purchases that will gladden the Recipients of these Gifts.**

## A. A. JORDAN

SIGN OF BIG CLOCK.

## LETTER BOX

## INFANT BAPTISM.

To the Editor of The Planet:

The letter explaining the doctrine of Infant Baptism, and the proofs from Holy Scripture for the same, as published in last evening's Planet, was written by the Catholic Record, of London, Ont., and the proof of this letter was communicated to The Planet.

ONE WHO KNOWS.

## ELECTION CARDS

TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

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

Wishing you the compliments of the

season, soliciting your vote and influence, faithfully yours,

E. A. MOUNTER.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

To the 650 good, sensible people who voted for me for alderman last election, without in a single instance being solicited, canvassed or button-holed, I return my most sincere thanks and respect. I am again in the field for 1903, and I ask those who supported me last year to repeat the good act this year, when the former vote will be doubled by my own personal canvass. If elected, I shall have my weather-eye upon the Smart-Alecks who study their own little interests instead of the people's.

A chieftain among ye taking notes, and faith he'll print it. I shall advocate the gradual yearly improvement of our principal streets; the collection of garbage and its destruction by the city; the establishment of a great oil refinery in Chatham by the Raleigh oil magnates; a liberal but stringent concession to our bicyclists; fair wages and reasonable hours to our workmen and laborers, and the thorough numbering of the city houses.

GEO. G. MARTIN.

Dec. 10th, 1902.

## IT MUST BE TRUE EVERYBODY SAYS SO

The Bazaar and China Hall has the finest assortment of

## Xmas China Ever Shown in Chatham

The popular prices are sustaining our reputation and finds us busy every day. It's a fact, as you know, that Chinaware has charms such as no other goods has for Presentation purposes. Leave your order this week for that :

Dinner or Tea Set in "Elite" Limoges China

and make sure of getting it in time for Christmas. New Goods arriving all the time.

CALL AND SEE WHAT IS HERE.

## JAMES E. GRAY