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GRAND OPERA HOUSE

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Last Performance
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Wonderful play with excellent company.
Great success last night. Prices—25c, 50c, 75c.
Next attraction—Daniel R. Ryan Company,
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GRAND OPERA HOUSE.

SATURDAY, DEC. 24.
Matinee and Evening.

Benefit performance to performers who lost
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Tickets—15c, 25c, 50c, 75c.

PRINCESS MONDAY CHRISTMAS HOL-

IDA, Seventh Band, by permission com-
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TWILIGHT ORGAN RECITAL DUNDAS

Center Methodist Church, tomorrow (Sat-
urday) afternoon, at 4 o'clock, by Mr. W. H.
Flewitt, assisted by Mr. Alfred D. Sturrock,
celebrated baritone, late of Toronto and
Ottawa; special programme of Christmas
music. Silver collection at the door. Doors
open at 3:30.

THE VAUDEVILLE COMPANY THAT

was burned out at Music Hall will assist
at Cigarette Union Concert tonight.

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P. classes adjourned from Dec. 21 to Jan. 3.
New terms for beginners will open second week
of January. Dayton & McCormick.

TICKETS TO ALL PRINCIPAL SEAPORTS

—best ships, very lowest rates. Special rail
rates, via G. T. R. and C. P. R., in connection
with ship ticket. Gallia sails from Portland
Dec. 25, noon; from Portland Dec. 26, 11
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Rapid teaching, low rates. All who de-
sire a thorough knowledge of the art of dancing
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Lessons any hour. R. B. Millard, teacher of
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Meetings.

CANADIAN ORDER FORESTERS—REGU-

LAR meeting of Court Orient, Friday
evening, Dec. 23. Election of officers, initiation,
and visit from high chief ranger. Visitors wel-
come.

LONDON COUNCIL, NO. 233 ROYAL

Academy, will meet this (Friday) evening,
at 8 o'clock, in Duffell Block.

I. O. F.—ALL MEMBERS OF COURT

10, Dufferin attend regular meeting, Dec. 23,
at 8 o'clock p.m. Election of officers. J. F.
Hicks, R. S.

A GENERAL MEETING OF NO. 6

Ward Liberal Club will be held at the
club rooms, 154 Bruce street, Friday evening,
(23rd inst.), at 8 o'clock. All invited to attend.
23c.

Domestics Wanted.

WANTED AT ONCE—GENERAL SER-

VANT, in a family of two. Apply be-
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23c.

WANTED—KITCHEN GIRL AND COOK

—Apply Bell Street.

WANTED—GENERAL SERVANT

—small family, very light; girl from
country preferred. Apply at once, Mrs. Mc-
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A FIRST-CLASS CANVASSER CAN

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G. Marshall & Co., Wholesale Tea Importers,
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FOUND—NEAR THE CITY—SCOTCH-

MAN'S purse. Owner can have same by
paying for this advertisement at The Advertiser
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LOST—SMALL BLACK PURSE, CONTAIN-

ING money and marriage certificate. Re-
ward at this office.

Educational.

THE HARDING HALL GIRLS' SCHOOL

LIMITED,
will be opened for pupils Jan. 4, 1899. Kinder-
garten branch was started Dec. 7, at room in
Conservatory of Music building, Dundas street
For calendars and other information apply to
Mrs. J. E. Wells, 601 Talbot street, London.

Wanted.

HIGHEST PRICE PAID FOR GENTLE

MEN'S cast-off clothing. A. P. Sains
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Swedish Massage.

MISS MILLAR, 39 PRINCESS AVENUE,
Swedish therapeutic massage, graduate
Hugo Oldenburg Institute, Chicago.

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SALE—SAWMILL MACHINERY,
large capacity complete. A bargain.
W. Cawse, 93 York street, London.
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TO LET—NO. 424 RICHMOND
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LARGE AND WELL-LIGHTED OFFICE
with vault. Albin Buildings. Apply T.
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TO LET—GOOD BRICK AND FRAME
stable. Inquire A. N. Udy, over C. P. R.
ticket office. Phone 735.

TO LET—NO. 47 KING STREET—APPLY
at 383 King street.

TO LET—BRICK HOUSE—FOUR BED-
ROOMS, parlor, dining-room, kitchen and
bathroom. Apply 138 Queen's avenue. 10c

TO LET—COVERED MOVING VANS—
When moving have your furniture and
possessions carefully moved. Address 97 Carling
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Massage Treatment.

MISS SHUFF—GRADUATE OF DR.
W. E. Mitchell's Hospital for Nervous
Diseases, Philadelphia. Massage and Swedish
Movements. 437 King street, London. Ont.
Phone 502.

You'll Not

Feel Cold

If you are on the inside of one of
those fine heavy overcoats we
are making. Large assortment
of cloth to select from at prices
that are right.

DEEKS & CO.,

Merchant Tailors,
393 Richmond Street.

MAKE IT
SHOES....

We refer to that Christmas present
you are planning. We have them
for every member of the family, from
the baby to grandpa or grandma.
Good broad sole Shoes for tender
feet, and a good broad margin out of
the price.

Narrow, fashionable Shoes for
those who are after style, and after
economy, too.

Sensible business Shoes for busi-
ness people, at business prices to sell
quickly.

Comfortable Slippers for Men,
beautiful Slippers for Women. Not
a foolish, useless present in our store.

J. P. COOK,
173 Dundas Street

Articles For Sale.

ORANGES—ORANGES—ORANGES—
Sweet Jamaica Oranges. Very large size,
40c dozen; large size, 30c good size, 25c; small
size, 20c. All kinds of apples cheap; Golden
Russets, 12c peck; Baldwins, Greenings and
Snows, 10c peck; best Spies and Spitzenburgs,
20c peck. Best Pork Sausages and Bologna in
the city, 4 lbs. 25c. The cheapest place in the
city for choice table butter. Extra good cook-
ing butter, 1 lb. 10c. Paul's Provision Store, 8
Market Lane. 18c

MINING STOCK—

500 Deer Park at 20c.
5,000 Cracker Jack, make offer.
1,000 Minnehaha, do.

J. F. SANGSTER,
403 Richmond street.

MEN'S AND BOYS' BLACK AND GRAY

Woolen Suits. Children's White Wool Suits, with cord,
25c; worth 50c. Cunningham & Co., 778 Dundas street.

FOR SALE—ONE SLIGHTLY USED UP-

RIGHT mahogany piano, 75 octaves, only
\$200, and one Thomas organ, slightly used, \$35.
Easy terms. Heintzman & Co., 27 Dundas
street.

DICKENS' COMPLETE WORKS, ILLUS-

TRATED, 15 vols., \$5; Webster's large
unabridged dictionary, \$1; "Home Knowledge,"
new, 25c; \$1.25 for "Scottish Clans and Far-
tans," colored plates, \$1. Connor's Book Store,
city. 21c

GENUINE POCAHONTAS COAL FOR

Kitchen ranges and furnaces. Co. now have this coal in addition to the
world-famed Scranton. Prompt delivery for
all orders at F. B. Clarke, Richmond street,
next Advertiser, Bowman & Co.

EXPRESS MONEY ORDERS ON ALL

parts of the world. Surest way to remit
money. F. B. Clarke, Richmond street, next
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THE BELL PIANO COMPANY

offer some startling bargains for the holiday
trade in slightly-used and second-hand pianos
and organs. These goods are put down to such
a price that will command the attention of
close and shrewd buyers. Terms to suit. Call
and examine. 4c

\$8.50 WILL BUY \$10 MAHOGANY

furniture. Suits, for this week only.
Keene Bros., Cash Bargain Furniture
Store, 127 King street.

FIRST-CLASS WOOD—HARD AND SOFT—

delivery lengths or cordwood. Prompt de-
livery to any part of the city. Price reason-
able. Phone 1,214. Gilles & Son, Sawmill,
East London.

DIAMONDS REMOUNTED AND OLD

jewelry made up to date at small expense.
J. T. Westland, 340 Richmond street, up stairs.

FOR SALE—POCKET KNIFE, DOOR

keys. Sewing machines repaired at low-
est prices. D. McKenzie & Co., 374 Richmond
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PAINTSHELF WORK OF EVERY DE-

SCRIPTION, clean and quick, at Adver-
siter Job Department.

ELECTRIC BELLS KEPT IN PERMANENT

repair, only 50c per year. R. M. Millar,
624 Talbot street. 21c

PORK SAUSAGE AND BOLOGNA, FOUR

rounds, 25c; smoked ham, 10c; long clear, 5c,
at Park's, corner Market Lane.

SHIPPING TAGS—AT CLOSE PRICES—

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CUSTOM PAPERS OF ALL KINDS AL-

WAYS on hand at Advertiser Job De-
partment. You can have them in large or
small quantities.

BEST HARD COAL AND WOOD DE-

LIVERED in all parts of the city. W. G.
Bady, 771 Dundas street. Phone 1,134.

KEENE'S MASONIC TEMPLE IS THE

cheapest place to buy stoves or furniture.
Large stock on hand.

Viavi Treatment.

MRS. L. STEIN AT HOME SATURDAYS
at her new address, 156 John street,
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Business Cards.

D. DODD & CO.—PRACTICAL BUILDERS
carpenters and joiners. Jobbing and
repairing. Promptly attended to. Shop 154
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GEO. ROUGHLEY—FELT AND GRAVEL
roofer, repairing a specialty; estimates on
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Electors of No. 5 Ward.

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Solicits your vote
and influence

As Alderman for 1899.

18c

WILL COST \$135,000,000.

New York, Dec. 23.—The preliminary
report of the Nicaragua Canal com-
mission is ready for congress. Allow-
ance is made for 135,000,000 cubic yards
of excavation, and the total outlay
\$135,000,000. The cost of the Ochoa dam,
upon which rests the entire feasibility
of the route, has not been accurately
computed, as the undertaking is of so
colossal a nature. The dam will be
over 1,700 feet in length, its foundation
75 feet below the bed of the river in the
bottom, and its rise over 120 feet. The
river will have to be turned from its
course during this construction.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets.
All druggists refund the money if it
fails to cure. 25 cents.

The Plan for
Young Men.

Assuming you are 30 years of age, a
policy of \$10,000 will cost \$297 each year
for thirty years. At the end of twenty
years your accumulated dividends are
expected to pay the next ten pre-
miums and yield you a cash return
each year of \$203 for ten years. At
the end of that period you may with-
draw in cash the last ten years' dividends
estimated at \$1,250, and thereafter re-
ceive an annual income for life (guarant-
eed) of \$400. At your death the full
\$10,000 is payable. Make a calculation
and see what a magnificent investment
this is.

The Ontario Mutual Life.
C. B. GERMAN, General Agent.

THE GASPEZIA
RUNS AGROUNDBad Beginning for the New
Canadian Line.

Ice Jam Endangers Millions of Dollars'
Worth of Vessel Property.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 23.—The steamer
Gaspesia, the pioneer vessel of the new
Canadian Steamship Company, which
has just inaugurated an Atlantic ser-
vice between Millville, Nova Scotia, and
Halifax, is ashore on Rice Point, St.
Peter's Island, at the entrance to the
harbor at Charlottetown, P. E. I. The
Gaspesia ran on Rice Point yesterday
morning. The steamer Stanley left
Charlottetown for Picton at 7 a.m., and
sailed to meet the Gaspesia outside to put
a pilot on board.

When the Stanley caught sight of the
other steamer, it was quickly observed
that the Gaspesia was steaming ahead
in dangerous waters, being too far to
the northwest. The Stanley at once
signaled to the Gaspesia to change her
course, so that the two vessels would
meet. The Gaspesia's captain (Arthur)
did not notice the signals, and thought
he was all right, for he kept straight
on, and a few minutes later his ship
struck bottom. The Stanley was un-
able to go near the stranded steamer
on account of the shoal water, but sent
a boat's crew aboard, when it was
learned that the Gaspesia was on a
sandbank.

MANY VESSELS IN PERIL.

Lorain, O., Dec. 23.—One of the most
formidable ice gorges which was ever
seen in Black River has been causing
trouble for 48 hours. Each minute adds
to the jeopardy of millions of dollars'
worth of vessel property. Last night
the second gorge broke and sent six of
the large ore vessels down stream.
These were caught by a tug and are
being hauled against the incoming waves
of ice that is bearing down upon the
fleet. The Nickel Plate Railroad
bridge will be demolished if another
break occurs. Ice is piled up fifteen
feet high.

MARIA TERESA BREAKS IN TWO.

New York, Dec. 23.—Letters from
Nassau, N. P., say that the stranded
cruiser Maria Teresa, which Lieut.
Hobbs raised at Santiago, has broken in
two while pounding on the rocks in a
tremendous surf.

SAVED BY A BIRD

Singular Escape of a Texas Train From
Destruction.

Austin, Texas, Dec. 23.—The north-
bound passenger train on the I. and G. N.
Railroad narrowly missed a serious
wreck 40 miles below here, through the
intervention of a bird. A steam engine
creant had tied a rail securely across
the track.

Just a few miles before reaching the
spot, a bird blinded by the headlight
flew against the glass, breaking it and
extinguishing the light. This neces-
sitated running slow to the next sta-
tion. The train proceeded at reduced
speed, struck the obstruction, tearing up
the track and damaging the front of
the engine, but no one was injured.

CANNOT AGREE

Failure of the G. T. R. Telegraphers
and Mr. Hays to Come to Terms.

Montreal, Dec. 23.—The telegraphers'
committee and Mr. Powell met. Mr.
Hays raised at Santiago, has broken in
two that all the negotiations between
the two parties are now off, for the tel-
egraphers did not go to the G. T. R. of-
fices in the afternoon, as had previous-
ly been arranged. The committee men
say: "Wait till noon today."

Another dispatch says: General
Manager Hays, of the Grand Trunk,
at the conference with the com-
mittee of telegraphers, declined to go
to the extent demanded by the men.
Hobbs, raised at Santiago, has broken in
two that the general manager has been
asked to give an answer by this morn-
ing, and it depends upon that answer
what will be done.

AN ACTRESS' AFFLICTION.

New York, Dec. 23.—The Press says
Victoria Bateman, the actress, has been
placed in the insane pavilion of Bel-
levue Hospital by her mother, Mrs. John
T. Burke. The young woman had been
showing signs of a mental breakdown
for several days, and was gradually
approaching the stage of mania. Her
symptoms were like those she exhib-
ited in October last in Newark, and
in November, when she was playing Rox-
ana in "Cyrano de Bergerac" in Chi-
cago.

Take your Prescriptions to W. S.

Bryers Barkwell. He gives one pound
of Pure Chocolate Creams to every \$1
purchaser. 18c

NO DANGER
OF FRICTION

Between John and Jonathan Re
the Nicaragua Canal.

Steps Taken to Abrogate the
Clayton-Bulwer Treaty.

Britain Building More Battleships—
Beer Money Well Applied to a
Scientific Purpose.

A special Washington dispatch says:
All danger of further friction between
the United States and Great Britain
over the construction of the Nicaraguan
Canal will shortly be removed by the
abrogation of the Clayton-Bulwer
treaty.

Your correspondent is in a position
authoritatively to state that Sir Julian
Pauncefote, the British ambassador,
has received, or will receive within the
next few days, positive instructions to
enter upon negotiations with Secretary
Hay for the abrogation of the conven-
tion referred to, and the preparation
of a new treaty guaranteeing the neu-
trality of the canal.

MORE BRITISH BATTLESHIPS.

London, Dec. 23.—The British admir-
alty, it is reported, has just placed or-
ders for four warships with shipbuild-
ers on the Clyde.

Alone with the Episcopal prelates,
the archbishop of Armagh, primate of
Ireland, has seen fit to protest against
the disarmament agitation. Address-
ing a meeting in Armagh, he questioned
whether this blowing of trumpets about
disarmament was wise in the present con-
dition of affairs. They all knew what
disarming meant in the case of Eng-
land. It would mean pulling down the
great fleet—a dangerous thing. People
should take care.

BEER MONEY WELL APPLIED.

London, Dec. 23.—Lord Iveagh (Ed-
ward Cecil Guinness) has presented the
Jenner Institute with the sum of
£250,000 in aid of scientific research in
bacteriology and other forms of biology.
The Jenner Institute includes most of
the leaders in medicine and its allied
sciences in Great Britain. Lord Iveagh
also proposes to expend £250,000 upon
the improvement of the unsanitary Bull
Aldy area, in the heart of Dublin.

THE "DOSSIER" NO LONGER A
SECRET.

London, Dec. 23.—The Paris corre-
spondent of the London Daily Mail
says: The government has decided to
hand the Dreyfus secret dossier to the
court of cassation. It will also be
communicated to Mme. Dreyfus and to
M. Mournaud, the counsel for Dreyfus.
Serious street disorders occurred at
Toulouse, France, on Thursday evening
between the pro-Dreyfus and anti-
Dreyfus meetings. Several persons were
severely injured.

SPANISH AFFAIRS.

The Madrid correspondent of the
London Standard says: Most of the
Liberal leaders whom Senor Sagasta
has consulted strongly oppose a dis-
solution of the cortes, on the ground that
it would be imprudent to plunge the
country into an electoral agitation un-
der existing conditions. Senor Montero
Rios and others urge that every effort
be made to reunite Gamazo's party.
Apparently Senor Gamazo's party of
disunion is retreating, and there are
better hopes of a full reconciliation.

The Carlist agitation continues in
several of the northern provinces of
Spain, and a number of agitators have
been arrested at Morelia, province of
Castellon de la Plana, owing to Carlist
demands. A Carlist has been ar-
rested at Placencia, province of Caceres,
for distributing arms. The report that
Don Carlos has contracted a loan in
England is denied. It is explained that
he tried to do so, but failed.

CABLE NOTES.

Effigies of Gen. Weyler were hung
yesterday in Cerro, near Havana.
Crowds hooted at them.

The Lower House of the Japanese
Diet has passed a bill increasing the
land tax, fixing the rate at 3 1/2 per
cent. The bill will probably pass the
House of Peers.

INVESTIGATION
OF TWO MURDERS

Late Developments in Sam Parslow's
Trial—The Paris Tragedy.

Paris, Ont., Dec. 23.—Daniel Stevens,
charged with the shooting of his com-
panion in the G. T. R. yards, has been
detained in the town hall yesterday. The
evidence, which was a repetition of
that given at the coroner's inquest,
pointed strongly to the guilt of the
detained man. He was committed by the
magistrate for trial.

James Walker, who has been in cus-
tody in connection with the affair, was
sentenced to 30 days for vagrancy.

SAM PARSLAW.

St. Scholastique, Dec. 23.—At yester-
day's proceedings in the trial of
Sam Parslow for the murder of Isidore
Poirier, the first witness called was
Evaniste Champagne, insurance agent,
Montreal, who had insured Poirier's life
in favor of his wife, Cordelia Viau.
Counsel for the defense objected to Mr.
Champagne's evidence being admitted,
and Judge Taschereau sustained the
objection on the ground that the evi-
dence did not directly affect the pris-
oner.

George Parslow, brother of the pris-
oner, testified that when he heard that
his brother was suspected of the murder
he went and examined the clothes
on the accused. He also questioned Sam
about the murder and about the key
of Poirier's house. The latter, how-
ever, declared he knew nothing about
either.

Emery Calve, who was a friend of
the prisoner, said that once in Mon-
treal Parslow showed him a letter from
Cordelia Viau. She wanted money to
come and live with him.

Do you use Koiadermic Skin Food?
Gentlemen use it after shaving.

NAUGHTY GIRLS

Smoked Cigarettes in a Shaker School
and Were Told to Leave.

Meriden, N. H., Dec. 23.—Four girl
students at Kimball Female Seminary
have been expelled for smoking cigar-
ettes. This town is a Shaker settle-
ment of 400 inhabitants, and Shaker
discipline is very strict.

The offense was committed Thursday
night in the dormitory. The sum of
the cigarettes penetrated through the
cracks of the door, and before the
revelers were aware of it, Prof. W. H.
Cummings, principal of the school, had
opened the door and detected them.
Miss B. Moore, the preceptress of the
school, arrived on the scene and or-
dered the girls to take their clothes and
go.

Meriden is the only town in the state
where girls are not allowed to walk on
the street with young men.

FOUR CREMATED

A Family Wiped Out by Fire—Santa
Claus Perished.

Terre Haute, Dec. 23.—Claude Herbert
is now known to have perished in the
destruction of the Havens & Geddes
store on Monday night. Herbert was
acting as Santa Claus when the fire

PIANOS AND ORGANS ..GIVEN AWAY..

— AT ONE-HALF THEIR VALUE FOR THIS WEEK ONLY —

One only—7½ Octave Special Piano, in burl walnut, a handsome instrument, regular \$500 Piano. Terms—\$5 cash and \$7 per month. Hand-some scarf and stool included. This is a grand offer. Now for Christmas **\$250**

One only—7½ Octave Special Piano, Circassian walnut, very fancy, 3 pedals, full swing desk, all the latest improvements, guaranteed for a lifetime, new design, full size, regular price \$450. Terms—\$5 cash, \$7 per month. Reduced for Christmas week, only **\$200**

Grandest Offer Ever Made!

One only—7½ Octave, double veneered, in fancy figured walnut, carved panels, improved full swing desk, handsomely carved, elegant trusses of rich design. 3 strings throughout, overstrung, best sectional wrestplank, full metal plate, best repeating action, continuous hinge, three pedals, height 4 feet 4½ inches, in width 4 feet 4½ inches, regular \$415 Piano, with scarf and stool, guaranteed for a lifetime. For Christmas only **\$175**

One only—7½ Octave Upright Piano, slightly used, regular \$325. Terms to suit. Reduced to **\$125** One only—7½ Octave Full Size Piano, regular \$375. Terms to suit. Reduced to **\$150**

Before You Purchase Come In and Be Convinced That We Can Save You \$100
On the Purchase of a High-Grade First-Class Piano.

100 PIANOS TO SELECT FROM---BUY THE BEST.

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Prices Cut in Half on Organs

One only—New Piano-Cased Organ, by best maker, regular price \$125, all the latest up-to-date improvements, guaranteed by the maker for five years. "We lose, you gain." Our big offer **\$55.70**

One only—Doherty Organ, 10 stops, elegant finish, latest improvements, regular price \$100, nearly new. Big offer; do not miss this chance. Terms—\$3 cash, \$3 per month. **\$50.00**

One only—Dominion Organ, 10 stops, nearly new, regular price \$80. Now reduced to **\$40.00**

One only—Karn Organ, elegant finish, latest improvements, regular \$80. Terms \$3 cash, \$3 per month. Reduced to **\$25.00**

PIANO TUNING A SPECIALTY.

Small Instruments of Every Description Given Away At Half Their Value.

A GENTLE HINT FOR A CHRISTMAS PRESENT.

There is nothing that would be more appreciated for Christmas than a nice Mandolin, Guitar, Violin or Banjo. We are giving the best value in Musical Instruments in the city. A VISIT TO OUR STORE would cost nothing, and we might suggest or show you something that would make a pleasing present. Our prices are simply cut to pieces in order to give our patrons a chance to purchase. We are showing very superior values in all our goods, EXAMINE THE PRICES.

Autoharps.	Flageolets.	Drums.	Mandolins.	Clarinetts.	Violin, Guitar, Mandolin, Banjo and all Kinds of Cases.
23 Strings, 3 Bars, 3 Chords, in wooden box, regular \$3 75, now \$1 35	Boxwood Flageolets, regular \$3, now 1 50	Salvation Army regular large Drums, mahogany and bird's-eye shell, reduced \$15 00	Regular \$10 Mandolin, now \$ 6 00	Key A, Grenadilla, 13 silver keys, 2 rings, silver trimmings, regular price, \$28; reduced for Xmas \$18 00	Violin Cases, regular \$11, now \$5 00
4-Bar Autoharps, 4 Chords, regular price \$4, now 1 85	5-Key Boxwood Flageolets, regular \$3 75, now 1 75	Snare Drum, special offer, regular price \$12 75, now 6 00	Regular \$12 Mandolin, now 8 00	Key C, same as A, reduced for Xmas 18 00	Violin Cases, plush lined, regular \$12, now 6 00
5-Bar Autoharp, 5 Chords, regular price \$4 50, now 2 00	With nickel or silver trimmings.		Solid Rosewood, regular \$60, a beautiful instrument, for Xmas reduced to 27 50	Key Bb, same as A, reduced for Xmas 18 00	Violin Wood Cases, regular \$2, now 1 50
6-Bar Autoharps, 6 Chords, regular price \$5, now 3 75				Key Eb, same as A, reduced for Xmas 18 00	Violin Wood Cases, with lock, regular \$2 50, now 2 00
5-Bar Autoharp, extra large size, in wooden box, regular \$7 65, now 4 00	6-Key Accordeons, good quality, regular price \$1 05, now 85	Double Basses.	Violoncellos.	Key A, special silver trimmings, reduced for Xmas 16 00	Mandolin Cases, from \$2 up, special.
Transposing Autoharp, plays in any key, regular \$9 50, reduced to 6 00	Grand Solo Accordeons, regular \$2 75, reduced 2 00	1 Four-string, Swell Back, Double Bass, a big bargain, regular \$50, now \$25 00	Regular \$13, now \$10 00	Key C, special silver trimmings, reduced for Xmas 15 00	Banjo Cases, from \$2 up, special.
All kinds of Autoharp Fittings, Strings, Felt, Bars, etc. Autoharp Tuning.	10-Key Accordeons, elegant finish, black moldings, silver keys, bellows protector and clasp, regular \$4 13, reduced 2 50	1 Four-string, Swell Back, snap at 20 00	Regular \$16, now 12 00	Key Bb, special silver trimmings, reduced for Xmas 12 00	Violin and Outfit, complete, regular \$10, reduced for Xmas 5 00
	10-Key Accordeons, ebony case, nickel edges, fancy moldings, double bellows, open action, corners and clasps, regular \$8 60, reduced 5 00	Band Instruments.	Zithers.	Key Bb, slightly used, special 10 00	Violin Outfits.
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BALL-TOSSERS IN THE COURTS

Suit to Have the Atlantic Baseball League Dissolved.

Hoolers May Quit—No Park to Play In—Listowel Hockey Players Win at Berlin—Turf Events.

BASEBALL.

Allentown, Pa., Dec. 23.—Chas. B. Bloembeck, owner of the Newark Baseball Club, has filed a bill in equity against the Atlantic League, praying that the league be dissolved and his contract rescinded, that he may join any other league; that the proceeds of the league be divided among the present members and that he be allowed \$2,500 damages. Bloembeck alleges that last July he bought the Newark franchise and players from the league for \$2,000, but that players Carlock and Cassidy deserted, and the board of arbitration has sustained their desertion. Hence, he avers, the league has no jurisdiction to enter into the contract made with him, and failed to deliver that for which he paid. He also alleges that Hartford has withdrawn, and Norfolk resigned and that Patterson is in default \$3,000, while Wilkesbarre and Scranton are about to join the league against his consent. At Thursday night's meeting of the Atlantic League Patterson was expelled for failure to live up to contract obligations, and the franchise was declared vacant. Norfolk's resignation was accepted, and the franchise awarded to George Edlis. Scranton was admitted, and the resignation of Newark was tabled. The league officials con-

sider Owner Bloembeck's suit to dissolve the league and for \$2,500 damages only as a step to enable him to enter the Eastern League, and they will fight the case to the end.

NO PARK TO PLAY IN.

Indianapolis, Dec. 23.—The board of public works has decided to shove a street through the local ball park, in which event Indianapolis may drop out of the Western League. It is claimed that the income does not warrant the expense of fitting up a new park.

TURF.

AT INGLESIDE.

San Francisco, Dec. 23.—Track good at Ingleside yesterday.

First race, 5 furlongs—Tyrade 1, Strongoli 2, Earl Islington 3. Time, 1:04. Second race, selling, 1 1/16 miles—Hardly 1, Lady Hurst 2, Myth 3. Time, 1:14.

Third race, selling, 6 1/2 furlongs—Bonnie Ione 1, Col. Dan 2, Mocorito 3. Time, 1:18.

Fourth race, 1 mile—Tom Calvert 1, Uln 2, Frank Jaubert 3. Time, 1:45 1/2.

Fifth race, selling, 6 furlongs—Paul Griggs 1, Semar II 2, Major Cook 3. Time, 1:17 1/2.

Sixth race, 5 furlongs—Miss Marion 1, Ann Page 2, Rey Hooker 3. Time, 1:03 1/2.

AT NEW ORLEANS.

New Orleans, Dec. 23.—Yesterday was the 25th day of the winter meeting; track slow.

First race, 1 mile—Great Bend 1, Patroon 2, Eva Rice 3. Time, 1:45 1/2.

Second race, 7 furlongs—Queen of Song 1, Weller 2, Peil Mell 3. Time, 1:34.

Third race, selling, 1 1/4 miles—Babe Fields 1, Lakeview Palace 2, Jim Floyd 3. Time, 2:05.

Fourth race, 1 1/2 mile, selling—Clay Pointer 1, Marti 2, Double Dummy 3. Time, 1:59 1/2.

Fifth race, 6 furlongs—Diags 1, Debride 2, Dave S. 3. Time, 1:11 1/4.

FISTIC.

THE ENGLISHMAN WON.

Birmingham, England, Dec. 23.—At the Olympic Club last evening, in a 20-round glove contest, between Mike Sears, of Boston, Mass., and Wright, of Plymouth, England, the American was defeated in the 15th round. Sears started a slight favorite, and in the early rounds had the advantage. Once or twice he looked like a winner. In the 12th round Wright rolled him over with a smashing hit on the chin, from which he never recovered, though he held on until the 15th round.

HOKEY.

BERLIN BEATS LISTOWEL.

Berlin, Ont., Dec. 23.—An exhibition game of hockey was played on soft ice here Wednesday, between Listowel and the local juniors. It resulted in Listowel's by a score of 9 to 5.

NOTES OF SPORTS.

Will Curley, the undefeated British boxer, who has won from both Patsy Healey and "Australian Billy" Murphy, will next tackle "Freddie" Palmer.

Although beaten this year, the Yale football team's share was \$25,505.82 in the Harvard and Princeton games. This is the largest amount the team ever made in a season.

Frank C. Ives, the champion billiardist, whom a Detroit paper had dying last week, looks extremely well. He is in New York, and willing to play any man in the world for \$10,000 a side at even money.

During his work in the Chicago

rooms, Martin Mullen, formerly of Amherstburg, but now champion billiardist of Cleveland, made an average of 17, and again of 16. The professional players there think he will win the New York amateur tournament easily.

Professional billiard players in Chicago are trying the four-space game, which, it is claimed, will be an improvement on cushion caroms, and eliminate some of the bad points in the 17-inch balk-line. Lines are drawn from the center of the head rail to the center of the foot rail, and from side to side across the middle of the table. This makes it possible to anchor the balls in but four instead of eight places as in balk-line.

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Managing Director and Editor, John Cameron

London, Friday, Dec. 23, 1898.

Don't put off your shopping until Saturday night.

The Conservative press is becoming angry because it suspects a treaty may be made at Washington after all.

There is certainly not a great deal in a name. Lloyd's, the great British shipping journal, last week reported the following casualty: Portmadoc—The Twelve Apostles went ashore at Hell's Mouth, and became a total wreck. Crew saved.

"Once you have an intelligent public spirit diffused through this country, you have struck the knell of public corruption," said Hon. G. E. Foster in a recent speech. This is the first time Mr. Foster has openly admitted the cause of the late Government's defeat.

An American consul tells his Government that despite the tariff preference, British manufacturers cannot compete with Americans in Canada. If British manufacturers cannot compete here it is their own fault, and not the fault of Canada, the trade returns show that they are doing well, except in iron and steel. In these lines the Americans can undersell them.

Police Magistrate Parke is sometimes at a loss to define the stage at which a man becomes so drunk that the police are warranted in gathering him in. A solicitor in the London County Court, the other day, gave a definition that may or may not help him out. He maintained that "as long as a man is able to call for more he is not drunk."

A bill providing for the uniform inspection of foreign meats entering Germany will be laid before the Bundesrath. In this case "inspection" is an euphemism for "rejection." The bill is aimed chiefly at American products. German agrarians object to their importation, and in order to kill the sale try to make the people believe American meats are diseased. It is high protection in another form.

The export of grain from Montreal this year increased by 11,750,000 bushels compared with 1897. The new Ottawa and Parry Sound Railway carried over 9,000,000 bushels from Parry Sound to Montreal—a phenomenal first year's business. It is remarkable that while nearly all the Canadian grain this year has reached the seaboard via Buffalo, American grain has been shipped in largely increased quantities over Canadian routes. Flags and boundary lines cut no figure when trade is unrestricted.

The Free Press waxes wroth because the Advertiser entered a protest against the action of the City Council in contemptuously throwing out a petition signed by over 300 farmers who attend the London market. The Advertiser made no attack on the market clerk. That official cannot be condemned on mere hearsay evidence. The petitioners must prove their charges, and that is what they profess they can do, but the City Council has denied them the opportunity. The Free Press is entirely mistaken in its view that the city should be indifferent to the country. It is the wish of the citizens to foster the good-will of the farming community, upon whom much of London's prosperity depends. Our contemporary says it would suit the retail merchants very well if the market place were abolished. The statement is absurd.

The Workmen's Compensation Act.

That the effects of the passing of the Workmen's Compensation for Injuries Act by the Imperial Parliament are not as favorable to the workers as many people hoped they would be, is shown by the incident chronicled as having taken place at a meeting of the Select Vestry in Liverpool recently. Mr. Lover remarked that he and his colleagues on the relief quorum had been strongly impressed by the appearance of many comparatively young men among the applicants for assistance. One of these men informed the committee that notice had been posted in some of the warehouses of the city stating that no man over 50 years of age would be employed. This was attributed to the working of the new act governing the relations of employers and employees. Another feature brought under the notice of the meeting was that the street cleaning was now being done by young men. Formerly, it was stated, old men were regularly employed at this work, but the pay offered by the Liverpool corporation was so good that young men were glad to take it, to the injury of the old men. English employers, it turns out, are showing a disposition to choose single men in preference to those with wives and children, taking the ground that should a man with a wife and family be killed there would be so much greater an amount to pay under the new act, which makes the employer of labor pay damages when a man in his employ is hurt or killed, even when the accident happens through no fault of the employer. These are results of the Workmen's Compensation for Injuries Act, which its promoters do not seem to have anticipated.

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The pupils of Simcoe street school held their closing exercises yesterday afternoon in the various class rooms, and a very enjoyable and pleasant time was spent in each department of the school. Refreshments, candies, nuts and all seasonable good things were plentifully distributed and participated in by all present. It was a real Christmas closing, and rooms, programmes and gay and happy children betokened the same. Rev. Mr. Edge presented Master Fred Chapman with the Boyle memorial medal. He congratulated Fred on his success, to the pupils of the eighth division.

MISS CANNELL'S ROOM.

The pupils of the sixth division had their class room very beautifully decorated, and gave a lengthy and interesting programme, prepared entirely by themselves. At the close a treat of fruit and candy was served, to the evident enjoyment of all. Programme: Chairman's address, Gordon Cottrell; song by class, "Twilight is Stealing"; recitation, Minnie Nevitt; dialogue, "A Valuable Diamond," by two girls; recitation, Katie Parquhar; song, "Wake up, Spirit," by two girls; dialogue, "The Turkey Legend," by six girls; reading, Gordon Cottrell; recitation, Hattie Garside; dialogue, "Girls Laid," by five girls; club swinging, Mabel Hill; recitation, Maud Mitchell; dialogue, "At Home," by four girls; recitation, Edwin Jeffries; reading, "The Musical Box," by Lizzie Ross; mandolin selection, Lizzie Curme; recitation, Ada Terry; read song, "Old Folks at Home," by three girls; reading, Gordon Cottrell; recitation, Jessie Reid; dialogue, "Over Monday," by three girls; recitation, Beulah Winder; dialogue, "Four Celebrated Characters," eight girls; recitation, Mabel Hill; dialogue, "How the Quarrel Began," by two girls; recitation, Maud Wheatcroft; recitation, Miss Cannell (selected); recitation, Leona Graves.

MISS SKELTON'S ROOM.

A group of happy children of the junior fourth grade gathered in Miss Skelton's room to enjoy a programme of songs, recitations and dialogues, by the pupils. A treat of nuts, candies, etc., was afterwards partaken of. The room was gaily decorated with flags and flowers, and the blackboards with artistic drawings, appropriate to the season, drawn by the pupils, which showed considerable skill.

MISS McDONALD'S ROOM.

Chorus, "Oh, Christmas Bells," class; reading, "Keeping a Secret," Walter Nixon; recitation, "Merry Christmas," Gertrude Hastings; recitation, "Winter," Louie Baillie; dialogue, "The Quarrel Began," Josie Watson and Lizzie Chatto; song, "You Never Miss the Water Till the Well Runs Dry," eight girls; recitation, "Christmas Holidays," Jessie Michael; recitation, "Our Minister's Sermon," Merle Parrell; violin solo, selected, M. McDonald; recitation, "The Little Boy Who Ran Away," Vera Weeks; recitation, "My Best Friend," Lizzie Chatto; club swinging, Fannie Partidge; dialogue, "Betty's New Place," Ethel Hare and Vera Weeks; recitation, "Little Orphan Annie," Maud Reid; recitation, "The Mariner's Hymn," Nellie Taylor; song, "With Grateful Hearts," Ethel Hare; recitation, "A Model Little Girl," Mamie Reed; dialogue, "Tom's Practical Joke," Lizzie Chatto, Vera Weeks and Walter Nixon; recitation, "Cat Tails," Nellie Mould; recitation, "Drifting to Sea," Josie Watson; chorus, "Boys Wanted," the boys; reading, "Jack Frost," Luella Tripp; chorus, "We Praise Thee," class.

MISS LUKE'S ROOM.

Song, "Winter," by class; recitation, "Little Tom Thumb," Ethel Gordon; recitation, "Grandpa's Glasses," Geo. Wheatcroft; song, "Merry Christmas Bells," six girls; recitation, "The Little

Many men and women are aim within the deadly grasp of consumption. Although its fatal hand is unseen, its presence is made known by unmistakable symptoms. Catarrh often leads to consumption. A stubborn

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Dolls," Meda Gould; dialogue, "Broken," Millie Cornstein and Blanche Hill; recitation, "Playing House," Hannah Pickard; recitation, "Ten Little Niggers," Ada Marshall; song, "Chick-a-Dee," class; recitation, "Christmas Eve," Millie Cornstein; recitation, "Dolly Dear," Beatrice Hutchinson; song, "Santa Claus," Clarence Swabbe; recitation, "Christmas Tree," Millie Cornstein; club swinging, Blanche Hill; recitation, "My Dearest Friend," Flossie Chatto; song, "I Am But a Little Child," Edna Pack; recitation, "The Little Doctor," Blanche Hill; dialogue, "The Bells of Christmas," Ada Marshall, Nellie Warren; song, "Sleep, Baby, Sleep," Clarence Swabbe; recitation, "The Schoolboy's Letter," John Eldridge; recitation, "Sing, Fan," Hannah Pickard; song, with harmonica accompaniment, Ada and Willie Marshall; recitation, "Grasshopper and Cricket," Clarence Swabbe; recitation, "Getting Ready for School," James Windlade; song, "David's Royal City," recitation, "An Easy Job," George Wheatcroft; recitation, "Poppy Land Express," Ethel Moore; recitation, "Meddlesome Maitty," four girls; song, "My Native Canada," school.

MR. BEAL'S CLASS.

Opening address, by Chairman Walter Brice; instrumental solo, Miss T. Graham; Chorus, three girls; recitation, Floyd Van Buskirk; violin duet, Mr. and Mrs. Graham; piano duet, Miss Weaver and Ollie Tune; solo, Miss Winnie Hornsby; instrumental solo, Floyd Van Buskirk; solo, Miss T. Graham; solo, Frankie Chis; presenting a memento to Fred Chapman by Dr. Teasdale; dialogue, R. Westman and E. W. Whiteball; instrumental solo, Miss Agnes Snow; a few words by Mr. Graham; instrumental solo, Miss Agnes; "God Save the Queen," by the class.

MISS L. WALTON'S ROOM.

The usual merry time marked the closing in room 9. Drawings of the Jolly Saint, chimneys, Christmas bells, holly, mistletoe, etc., presented a different sight to the everyday work on the blackboards, while dainty-colored chains and scarfs, the work of the children, decorated the walls and pictures. This, together with the bright faces, Sunday frocks and suits of the girls and boys, made quite a pretty sight. The following was the programme: Chairman's address, H. Thom; chorus, "Upon the House-top," by class; recitation, "The Birds' Christmas," M. Bugg; recitation, "Guess What's in My Pocket," A. Pearce; recitation, "Wish You a Merry Christmas," W. Woodworth; recitation, "The Nature of Animals," song, "St. Nicholas," M. Bugg; recitation, "The Lost Lamb," C. Raelnotz; recitation, "Poor Baby," C. Jones; song, "Holy and Mistletoe," by six girls; song, "The Moon Song," B. Schwab; song, "Daddy Fox," C. Jones and R. McLeod; dialogue, "The Sick Doll," recitation, "The Little Postman," M. Morphy; recitation, "The Dead Mother," L. Swazie; recitation, "Poor Joe," E. Jones; recitation, "Fun-ny Dream," reading, "Papa's Railroad Boy," R. McLeod; recitation, "What I Do Every Day," L. Lyons; "God Save the Queen." Distribution of Christmas cheer.

MISS M. E. FLEMING'S ROOM.

A very enjoyable afternoon was spent by the children in room 4, the occasion being the annual Christmas treat and entertainment. The following programme was rendered, after which can-

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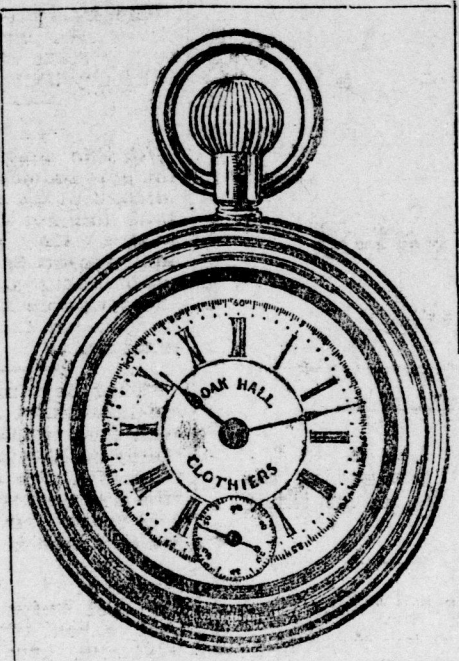
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HERO HOBSON'S
KISSING RECORD

Broken at Kansas City Where He Kissed 400 Women.

His Chicago Exhibition Has Caused the Windy City Editors to Object.

Kansas City, Dec. 22.—Lieut. Hobson, who is the guest of the city through an invitation extended by the Commercial Club, gave a general reception at the Coates House, and afterwards, for an hour and a half, received women only. The hotel lobby, stairways, corridors and parlors were crowded with women, including many representatives of fashion, and a large number of schoolgirls. The record of Hobson kissing was broken, not less than 400 kissing or being kissed by the lieutenant.

At the beginning a few were bold enough to kiss him voluntarily, but the game took the form of give and take, a kiss for an autograph, and very few who got Hobson's signature escaped the Hobson kiss. Some were conquered in spite of struggles, and some refused absolutely to extend hospitality as far as the lieutenant desired.

Whenever a married woman made an excuse in behalf of her husband, Hobson offered to give her a kiss to take to her husband. Hobson was positively aggressive, and entered into the sport with the enthusiasm of a schoolboy. Pauline Hall, the opera singer, not only kissed Hobson, but fell upon his neck.

CHICAGO EDITORS MAD.
Chicago, Dec. 22.—The mushy exhibition at the Auditorium Tuesday night, wherein Lieut. Hobson kissed 163 women in 36 minutes, has caused the gorge

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of Chicago editors to rise. They call Hobson an ass, and appeal to the navy department to call him off.

The Journal says: "The Hobson exhibition was loathsome. It is sad that a man of his excellent courage should lend himself to a public display of female hysteria."

The Evening Post says: "Hobson is doing, and has been doing, all that is possible for one man to do to cheapen himself and cheapen his exploit at Santiago. Last night he gave a conspicuously glittering delineation of premeditated assnity. We congratulate the young ladies of the Philippines on the great treat that is in store for them, for we are sure that the young hero will make no invidious distinctions. We were about to say that Mr. Hobson will tackle anything that wears skirts, but we happen to recall that the young ladies of the Philippines do not wear skirts."

This outburst may be all due to editorial jealousy.

Denver, Dec. 23.—Lieut. Hobson was given a reception at the rotunda of the Brown Palace Hotel yesterday. It was attended by no less than 2,000 people. There was no kissing. The committee having the affair in charge decided that this feature of Lieut. Hobson's reception in the east should be omitted, and the gallant officer heartily seconded the decision. Arrangements were made to prevent the success of any attempt by enthusiastic damsels, but they were unnecessary. Though more than 1,000 women were present to greet Hobson, not one offered to kiss him.

When asked about recent newspaper criticisms of his kissing experiences today, Lieut. Hobson said: "In regard to these criticisms of my actions, I have nothing to deny or nothing to take back. I wish to say, however, that I desire to bear all the responsibility. No one else must be blamed."

"I recognized purely the patriotic enthusiasm of these women and girls in kissing them. Understand me, though, I do not wish that they be charged with any wrong. Most of them were school girls. They were in a frame of mind that was prompted by purely patriotic motives. I saw and recognized their patriotism purely and simply just like any other man in my position would have done. That is all there is to it."

KISSED IN A TUNNEL.

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 23.—Emil Ritter, a commercial traveler, has been sentenced to six months' imprisonment for having embraced and kissed Anna Schmitz, a young woman passenger on a railroad train near this city. The offense was committed while the train was passing through a tunnel. The judge imposed the extreme penalty of the law, remarking that only naval heroes such as Hobson, were granted such privileges.

SHOT HIMSELF IN HEAD AND HEART.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 22.—Early today John Severns, superintendent of the D. M. Terry Seed Company, committed suicide at his residence, 24 Pitcher street, by shooting himself in the head and heart. He had been ill for some time.

ERIE R. R. ENGINEER KILLED.
Corning, N. Y., Dec. 22.—A head-on collision occurred just west of Wayland, on the Rochester division of the Erie Railroad, at 2 o'clock this morning, in which Engineer Wm. Masters

of train No. 143, was killed by being crushed and scalded in his engine, and his fireman, Patrick O'Brien, was seriously injured. No. 143 was drawn by two engines. All three engines were completely wrecked.

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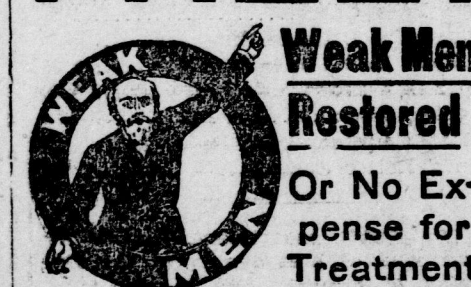
By Himself—He Gives His "Personal Impressions" of the United States.

London, Dec. 22.—Mr. Hall Caine, the novelist and playwright, who returned from the United States by the White Star steamer Majestic, which reached Liverpool on Tuesday, interviews himself this morning in the Daily Telegraph to the extent of four columns, giving his "personal impressions" of America.

Of American journalism Mr. Caine speaks highly, though he is "surprised at the small and fleeting impression the war has made on the minds and condition of the American people." He thinks there is "no great life in the controversy of the expansion question," for he doubts "whether anybody feels keenly either way."

Regarding the relations between Great Britain and the United States Mr. Caine says: "I believe that the feeling in America toward England is the same as it was three years ago. Certainly there has been no such extraordinary change as can be observed in England toward America. Nobody in the United States appears to want an alliance or an understanding. Good feeling for England is deep and widespread, but the English traveler in America is made to feel that we in England are much more vocal on the union of the Anglo-Saxon race than our compatriots in America are yet prepared to be." Mr. Caine discusses pleasantly and admiringly most American institutions.

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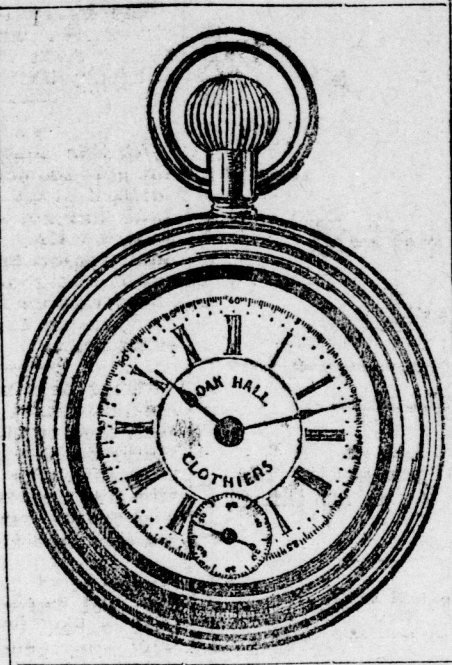
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HERO HOBSON'S KISSING RECORD

Broken at Kansas City Where He Kissed 400 Women.

His Chicago Exhibition Has Caused the Windy City Editors to Object.

Kansas City, Dec. 22.—Lieut. Hobson, who is the guest of the city through an invitation extended by the Commercial Club, gave a general reception at the Coates House, and afterwards, for an hour and a half, received women only. The hotel lobby, stairways, corridors and parlors were crowded with women, including many representatives of fashion, and a large number of schoolgirls. The record of Hobson kissing was broken, not less than 400 kissing or being kissed by the lieutenant. At the beginning a few were bold enough to kiss him voluntarily, but the game took the form of give and take, a kiss for an autograph, and very few who got Hobson's signature escaped the Hobson kiss. Some were conquered in spite of struggles, and some refused absolutely to extend hospitality as far as the lieutenant desired. Whenever a married woman made an excuse in behalf of her husband, Hobson offered to give her a kiss to take to her husband. Hobson was positively aggressive, and entered into the sport with the enthusiasm of a schoolboy. Pauline Hall, the opera singer, not only kissed Hobson, but fell upon his neck.

CHICAGO EDITORS MAD. Chicago, Dec. 22.—The mushy exhibition at the Auditorium Tuesday night, wherein Lieut. Hobson kissed 163 women in 36 minutes, has caused the gorge

of Chicago editors to rise. They call Hobson an ass, and appeal to the navy department to call him off. The Journal says: "The Hobson exhibition was loathsome. It is sad that a man of his excellent courage should lend himself to a public display of female hysteria."

The Evening Post says: "Hobson is doing, and has been doing, all that is possible for one man to do to cheapen himself and cheapen his exploit at San Diego. Last night he gave a conspicuously glittering delineation of premeditated assiduity. We congratulate the young ladies of the Philippines on the great treat that is in store for them, for we are sure that the young hero will make no invidious distinctions. We were about to say that Mr. Hobson will tackle anything that wears skirts, but we happen to recall that the young ladies of the Philippines do not wear skirts."

This outburst may be all due to editorial jealousy. Denver, Dec. 22.—Lieut. Hobson was given a reception at the rotunda of the Brown Palace Hotel yesterday. It was attended by no less than 2,000 people. There was no kissing. The committee having the affair in charge decided that this feature of Lieut. Hobson's reception in the east should be omitted, and the gallant officer heartily seconded the decision. Arrangements were made to prevent the success of any attempt by enthusiastic damsels, but they were unnecessary. Though more than 1,000 women were present to greet Hobson, not one offered to kiss him.

When asked about recent newspaper criticisms of his kissing experiences today, Lieut. Hobson said: "In regard to these criticisms of my actions, I have nothing to deny or nothing to take back. I wish to say, however, that I desire to bear all the responsibility. No one else must be blamed. I recognized purely the patriotic enthusiasm of these women and girls in kissing them. Understand me, though, I do not wish that they be charged with any wrong. Most of them were school girls. They were in a frame of mind that was prompted by purely patriotic motives. I saw and recognized their patriotism purely and simply just like any other man in my position would have done. That is all there is to it."

KISSED IN A TUNNEL. Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 22.—Emil Ritter, a commercial traveler, has been sentenced to six months' imprisonment for having embraced and kissed Anna Schmitz, a young woman passenger on a railroad train near this city. The offense was committed while the train was passing through a tunnel. The judge imposed the extreme penalty of the law, remarking that only naval heroes such as Hobson, were granted such privileges.

SHOT HIMSELF IN HEAD AND HEART. Detroit, Mich., Dec. 22.—Early today John Severns, superintendent of the D. M. Terry Seed Company, committed suicide at his residence, 24 Fitch street, by shooting himself in the head and heart. He had been ill for some time.

ERIE R. R. ENGINEER KILLED. Corning, N. Y., Dec. 22.—A head-on collision occurred just west of Wayland, on the Rochester division of the Erie Railroad, at 2 o'clock this morning, in which Engineer Wm. Masters,

of train No. 143, was killed by being crushed and scalded in his engine, and his fireman, Patrick O'Brien, was seriously injured. No. 143 was drawn by two engines. All three engines were completely wrecked.

HALL CAINE INTERVIEWED

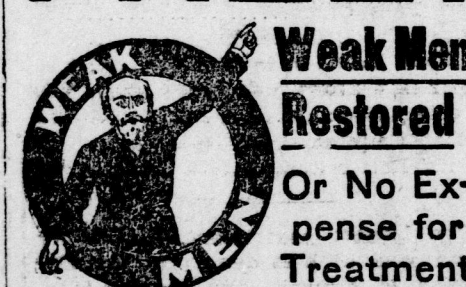
By Himself—He Gives His "Personal Impressions" of the United States.

London, Dec. 22.—Mr. Hall Caine, the novelist and playwright, who returned from the United States by the White Star steamer Majestic, which reached Liverpool on Tuesday, interviews himself this morning in the Daily Telegraph to the extent of four columns, giving his "personal impressions" of America.

Of American journalism Mr. Caine speaks highly, though he is "surprised at the small and fleeting impression the war has made on the minds and condition of the American people." He thinks there is "no great life in the controversy on the expansion question," for he doubts "whether anybody feels keenly either way."

Regarding the relations between Great Britain and the United States Mr. Caine says: "I believe that the feeling in America toward England is the same as it was three years ago. Certainly there has been no such extraordinary change as can be observed in England toward America. Nobody in the United States appears to want an alliance or an understanding. Good feeling for England is deep and widespread, but the English traveler in America is made to feel that we in England are much more vocal on the union of the Anglo-Saxon race than our compatriots in America are yet prepared to be." Mr. Caine discusses pleasantly and admiringly most American institutions.

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Will issue Return Tickets between

All stations in Canada: From all stations in Canada to Detroit and Port Huron. From all stations in Canada to, but not from, Buffalo, Black Rock, Suspension Bridge and Niagara Falls, N.Y. From Detroit and Port Huron to stations in Canada, but not east of Hamilton and Canfield Junction on lines to Buffalo.

General Public: SINGLE FIRST CLASS FARE, going Dec. 24th, 25th and 26th, tickets good returning from destination not later than Dec. 27th, 1898; also on Dec. 31st, Jan. 1st and 2nd, tickets good returning from destination not later than Jan. 3rd, 1899. SINGLE FIRST CLASS FARE AND ONE-THIRD, going Dec. 23rd, 24th and 25th, returning from destination not later than Dec. 26th, 1898; also on Dec. 30th and 31st and Jan. 1st, good returning from destination not later than Jan. 4th, 1899.

Teachers and Pupils on surrender of standard certificate: SINGLE FARE AND ONE-THIRD, going Dec. 10th to 31st inclusive, good returning from destination not later than Jan. 18th, 1899.

Commercial Travelers on presentation of certificate: Between all stations in Canada, SINGLE ORDINARY FARE from Dec. 17th to 26th inclusive, good to return from destination not later than Jan. 4th, 1899.

Tickets and all information at "Clock" corner Richmond and Dundas streets, E. De la Hooke, city agent, and G.T.R. Depot.

WHITE STAR LINE

New York to Liverpool via Queenstown

S.S. GERMANIC, Dec. 21.
S.S. TEUTONIC, Dec. 28.
S.S. BRITANNIC, Jan. 4.
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Passengers for Great Britain and the Continent can leave Montreal Tuesday morning and join outward Mail Steamers at St. John on Wednesday, or they can leave Montreal on Wednesday morning and join outward Mail Steamers at Halifax on Thursday.

The attention of shippers is directed to the superior facilities offered by this route for the transport of flour and general merchandise intended for the Eastern Provinces, Newfoundland and the West Indies; also for shipments of grain and produce intended for the European markets, either by way of St. John or Halifax.

Tickets may be obtained and all information about the route, also freight and passenger rates, on application to: A. H. HARRIS, General Traffic Manager, Board of Trade Building, Montreal.

D. POTTINGER, General Manager, Railway Office, Moncton, N. B., May 21, 1897.

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Royal Mail Steamships, Liverpool Calling at Rimouski and Monville. From Portland.

"NUMBIAN" Dec. 31
LAURENTIAN Jan. 21
PARISIAN Jan. 11
From New York.

STATE OF NEBRASKA Jan. 19, 2 p.m. "Does not call at Monville."

RATES OF PASSAGE First cabin, Derry and Liverpool, \$35 and upwards; return, \$100 and upwards. Second cabin, Liverpool, Derry, London, \$36; return, \$66.50. Steerage, Liverpool, Derry, Belfast, Glasgow, London, everything found, \$22.50 and \$23.50.

Glasgow-New York service—Cabin—\$47.25 and upwards; return, \$93.75 and upwards; second cabin, \$32.50; return, \$61.75; steerage, \$22.50.

AGENTS—E. De la Hooke, "Clock" corner Richmond and Dundas, Thomas R. Parker, southwest corner of Richmond and Dundas streets, and F. B. Clarke 416 Richmond street.

Navigation and Railways

CANADIAN PACIFIC RY. CHRISTMAS RATES

Return Tickets will be sold as follows: General Public: Single First Class Fare, going Dec. 24, 25 and 26, returning until Dec. 27, 1898.

Single First Class Fare and One-Third, going Dec. 23 to 25, returning until Dec. 26, 1898.

Teachers and Students: On surrender of Certificate signed by Principal: Single First Class Fare and One-Third, going Dec. 10 to 31, 1898, returning until Jan. 18, 1899.

Between all stations in Canada, Port Arthur, S. S. Marie, Mich., and Detroit, Mich., and to, but not from, Suspension Bridge, N. Y., and Buffalo, N. Y.

Commercial Travelers: On presentation of Commercial Travelers' Railway Certificate: Single First Class Fare, going Dec. 17 to 26, 1898, returning until Jan. 4, 1899.

Between all stations in Canada, Port Arthur, S. S. Marie, Windsor and East. C. E. McPHERSON, A. G. P. A., 1 King street east, Toronto.

THOS. R. PARKER, City Passenger Agent, office, 161 Dundas street, corner Richmond.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RY. CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S Holidays

TO UNITED STATES POINTS. Round trip tickets will be sold Dec. 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 1898, and Jan. 1 and 2, 1899, good going only on date of sale, good returning from destination up to and including Jan. 3, 1899, over the Canadian Pacific.

In Central Passenger Association territory north of Ohio River, including Louisville, east of Lake Michigan, also east of and including cities Chicago, Peoria, Quincy, Keokuk, Hannibal and St. Louis, to Detroit. C. E. McPHERSON, 1 King street east, Toronto.

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"The Niagara Falls Route."

Christmas and New Year's Excursions Tickets will be issued to the GENERAL PUBLIC At Single Fare for the Round Trip.

Dec. 24, 25 and 26, good to return Dec. 27; also going Dec. 31 and Jan. 1 and 2, good to return Jan. 3, and at

Fare and One-Third for Round Trip. Going Dec. 23, 24 and 25, good to return Dec. 26; also going Dec. 31 and Jan. 1, good to return Jan. 1, and all local stations.

WEST OF DETROIT and to points on connecting lines, at fare and one third, on Dec. 23, 24, 25, 26, 30, 31 and Jan. 1 and 2, good to return leaving destination Jan. 3.

Teachers and Students. On presentation of certificates signed by principal, tickets will be issued at fare and one third for round trip, good going Dec. 10 to 31 and returning not later than Jan. 18.

Usual reduced fares to commercial travelers.

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cure bilious and nervous ill, sick headache, disordered liver, weak stomach and impaired digestion.

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Our store is stocked with a choice lot of articles suitable for gifts. Call and inspect.

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222 Dundas Street.

W. B. LAIDLAW,
Barrister, solicitor, etc. Money to loan at low rates. Bank of Commerce Bldg.

White Drug Store, 120 Dundas Street.
We have the finest assortment of Perfumes, Ebony Goods, Atomizers, Mirrors, Military Brushes, etc., in the city. We do not charge fancy prices; all we ask is a fair profit.
N. W. EMERSON,
DRUGGIST.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

We have just opened out a fine line of furniture coverings, imported direct from England. All the latest shades and designs. You should see them. At Trafford's, 95 to 97 King Street.

Feather and Down Cushions, 50 cents each—the best value in London. Goose-feather Pillows a specialty. Bedroom Suites, Fancy Rockers, Tables, Spring Beds, Stoves of every kind, at the Bed and Mattress Factory, 533 Richmond Street North. **JAMES F. HUNT & SONS,** Telephone 997.

Some bachelors voluntarily join the ranks of the benedicts and some are drafted.

His Life Was Saved

Mr. J. E. Lilly, a prominent citizen of Hamilton, Mo., lately had a wonderful deliverance from a frightful death. In telling of it he says: "I was taken with Typhoid Fever, which ran into Pneumonia. My lungs became hard and ended, I was so weak I couldn't even sit up in bed. Nothing helped me. I expected to soon die of consumption, when I heard of Dr. King's New Discovery. One bottle gave great relief. I continued to use it, and now am well and strong. I can't say too much in its praise." This marvelous medicine is the surest and quickest cure in the world for all Throat and Lung Trouble. 50 cents and \$1. at any drug store; every bottle guaranteed.

The man who lies until he gets himself and his friends to believe it is an optimist.

Volcanic Eruptions.

Are grand, but skin eruptions rob life of joy. Bucklen's Arnica Salve cures them, also Old, Running and Fever Sores, Ulcers, Boils, Fels, Corns, Warts, Cuts, Bruises, Burns, Scalds, Chapped Hands, Chilblains. Best Pile Cure on earth. Drives out Pains and Aches. Only 25 cents per box. Cure guaranteed. Sold by all druggists.

A man never looks so well as when he's looking for another man who owns him money.

Worms cause feverishness, moaning and restlessness during sleep. Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator is pleasant, sure and effectual. If your druggist has none in stock, get him to procure it for you.

A contemporary says what this country needs is first-class fool-killers. What's the matter with the cigarette?

Peristaltic Plant Food gives strong, vigorous growth, hardy foliage and healthy roots. At your dealer's, or the Pickhardt-Renfrew Company, Limited, Stouffville.

The French chamber of deputies has voted \$55,000,000 to complete the new artillery.

Give Holloway's Corn Cure a trial. It removed ten corns from one pair of feet without any pain. What it has done once it will do again.

Boston is to have free water fountains in all parts of the city next summer.

XMAS MEATS AND TURKEYS.

The cattle, sheep, lambs, pigs and poultry that are sold here have been raised, fattened and killed expressly for us. The "critters" have had just as much care and attention as possible. It's the knowing host who made this the best meat shop in town.

—Order Your Turkey At Once.
GATECLIFFE'S,
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Our Christmas Trade a Big One

We open today for Saturday's trade one more big case of Xmas Neckwear from the New York makers. All the latest colors and shapes up to date, in Puffs, Ascots and Four-in-Hands.

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THERE WILL BE

"PEACE ON EARTH, GOOD WILL TOWARD MEN,"

If you decide on something in FURS for your Xmas Gifts
What is nicer and more acceptable than

A Muff, A Capeline, A Ruff,
A Storm Collar or a Pair of Gauntlets?

BEFORE YOU BUY SEE THE LARGEST STOCK IN LONDON AT

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BIG CASH FUR STORES, 146 and 152 Dundas Street.

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Beautiful Holly for decorations. Order now.
GAMMAGE & SONS.

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Importers of Fine Woollens
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FAIR AND COLDER.

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 22-11 p.m.—A low area which has moved quickly up from the Southwest States is now central over Lake Huron, and is developing in energy. Then is a general recovery in pressure taking place throughout the west and northwest, and the outlook is for a gradual decrease in temperature in the Northwest and also in Ontario and Quebec. Minimum and maximum temperatures—Victoria, 34-44; Kamloops, 24-34; Calgary, 22-30; Qu'Appelle, 10-24; Battleford, 14-20; Winnipeg, 8-16; Port Arthur, 24-30; Parry Sound, 34-38; Toronto, 34-42; Ottawa, 34-38; Montreal, 34-38; Halifax, 32-42.

Toronto, Dec. 23-1 a.m.—Probabilities—Lower lakes—Strong winds or moderate gales from the westward; fair weather; local snow flurries; a little lower temperature Friday; still lower on Saturday, with fair weather.

Local temperatures—The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory on Thursday, Dec. 22, were: Highest, 38.5; lowest, 32 degrees.

Sun rises today at 7:40 and sets at 4:45. Moon rises at 1:31 a.m., sets 8:52 p.m.



A LOCAL BUDGET

—Mr. James H. Davis and bride, of St. Marys, are here spending a few days of their honeymoon.

—Miss Mary Anderson, of the Sacred Heart Convent, here, will spend Christmas with friends in Petrolia.

—Miss Grace Claypole, of the Toronto Normal School, is spending her vacation at her home, 696 Talbot Street.

—Mr. W. F. W. Findlater, lately with Smallman & Ingram, has accepted a position in Pocock's boot and shoe establishment.

—No. 6 ward Liberal Club will hold a meeting at their rooms, Bruce Street, this evening, at 8 o'clock. All Liberals of the ward are requested to attend.

—The firm of I. M. Mayell & Co., who intend leaving for Toronto, will be known as Mayell & Co., and not the Canadian Grocers and Importing and Manufacturing Company.

—The committee in charge of the assembly to be held at the close of the cigarmakers' concert this evening in Germania Hall desire to deny the report that liquor is to be supplied to those who attend.

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OR SWEETHEART,
OR BROTHER . . .

Is a treasure. What one wouldn't be contented with one of the pretty Neokties we are selling for Christmas!

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Substantial Presents
For Little Money.

Beautiful Bound Bibles.
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Hymnals in Nice Bindings.
All the Games.
Solid Leather and Brass Goods.
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Sets of Books Below Cost.
A few Xmas numbers of Pear's Annual at half price.

183 Dundas Street.

—"Santa Claus on Time," the pretty cantata given at the Christmas entertainment of the Talbot Street Baptist Church, was repeated at the Auditorium last night and much enjoyed.

—Mrs. Robert Thacker, sen., of Hamilton, North Dakota, accompanied by Mrs. L. Abraham and children, arrived here yesterday on a visit to her daughter, Mrs. G. T. Gentlemen, York Street.

The excitement of a young man who mistook the blaze from the foundry cupola for a fire gave the brigade a needless run to Wortman & Ward's at 5:30 last night. At 7:30 another false alarm was sent in from the corner of St. James and Wellington streets.

—"Under Sealed Orders," a romantic drama, with an intensely fascinating plot, was put on the boards at the Grand Opera House last night. The play is written by Mr. James W. Harkin, jun., of Toronto, and does its effective, the scenes being laid in London, Algeria and Paris. The cast is a strong one, bringing out all the passions of human nature. The play will be produced again tonight.

—At a meeting of Court Hope, No. 1, I. O. F., last evening, the following were elected officers: C. R. Bro., Geo. Baxter (re-elected); V. C. R., Bro. Jas. Y. Cutler; R. S., Bro. Lewis W. Hamby (re-elected); treasurer, Bro. Thomas G. Davis (re-elected); chaplain, Bro. John C. Rollison; S. W., Bro. H. Montague; J. W., Bro. J. W. Macdonald; S. B., Bro. John Powell; B., Bro. Arthur E. Garden; P. C. R., Bro. D. J. Vrooman; court physician, Bro. D. Hutcheon Hogg (re-elected); C. D. H. C. R., Bro. Wm. Tackaberry (re-elected). Installation Jan. 5.

RESULTS EVERY TIME.

On Monday Mr. R. Ross, corner of York and Thames streets, advertised a lost cutter rug in the city papers. It was found by Mr. Calder, 361 Richmond Street, who telephoned to The Advertiser on Tuesday that he had the rug, and had read the advertisement in The Advertiser. This makes three cases this week in which The Advertiser leads its competitors.

LORENE AVENUE KINDERGARTEN.
Lorne avenue kindergarten held its Christmas closing yesterday morning. About 50 parents and friends were present. The programme was opened with prayer and morning songs. A Christmas story, taken from Lev Wallace's "Ben Hur," was given by Miss Cannon, who also conducted the sand table lesson, which illustrated this story. Before the children commenced their usual work, Miss Winifrede Cannon sang a Christmas lullaby. The parents were delighted with the marching, which was led by Miss Matthews, assisted by Miss Wilson. The games were also interesting, and were conducted by Miss Cannon. The Christmas tree was well laden with presents, made by the children for their parents. Trustees Dr. English and Boyle were present, and treated the children with oranges, which added much to their enjoyment.

WEDDING AT DENFIELD.
A very interesting event occurred at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Mathewson Tuesday, Dec. 21. It being the marriage of their oldest daughter, Alice to Mr. J. A. McTavish, of London township. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. Coutts, of Alisa Craig, in the presence of 60 invited guests. The bride was assisted by her sister Martha, while Mr. Walter McNish acted as groomsmen. Among the guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Fox, Lucan; Mrs. John Haskett and daughter, Alisa Craig; Mr. and Miss

Hodgens, Arva; Mr. and Miss McLean, Mr. and Miss McQueen, Ilderton; Thos. Peat, London; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Matthews and son, Fern Hill; Mr. W. Stokes, Brinsley. The bride was very handsomely dressed in fawn satin and carried a bouquet of white roses. The presents were costly and numerous, showing the high esteem in which the young couple are held by their many friends.

AN INTERESTING COLLECTION.
Mr. Harry McKenna has received some valuable relics of the Spanish-American war from Sergt. A. V. Leadbitter, of "K" Battery, First United States Artillery, formerly of the London Field Battery. Sergt. Leadbitter served during the war, and is at present in Texas. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Leadbitter, of this city, reside on William Street. The relics include a Krag-Jorgensen carbine, which belonged to one of Roosevelt's Roughriders, and was picked up on San Juan Hill. A cartridge belt and ammunition belonging to a Ninth Cavalry man, killed at Santiago; rosettes and buttons from the uniforms of Spanish soldiers and a collection of various kinds of bullets.

A Hockey Stick, Free.
The Bargain Shoe Store at 143 Dundas Street are giving a first-class hockey stick with each pair of skating or hockey boots.

A Generous Offer.
At this season of the year Santa Claus is considered the most thoughtful being that travels this earth; but Oak Hall will not be outdone by his kindness, as they are giving away with each ten-dollar purchase a solid nickel cased watch—a good timekeeper. Mothers and fathers should bear this in mind when making their Christmas purchases.

"That dog story of Schreiber's put me in mind of a yarn a Waterloo veteran used to tell my grandfather," said Harry McKenna, the Dundas street tobacconist, the other night to a man who was buying "Spot Cigars." "What was that?" "During the battle his feet got sore, and he took off his wellingtons and slung them over his shoulder. Just then a musket ball struck the heel of his boot instead of his heart. The boot saved him." "Good night, Mr. McKenna, good night, sir. You are probably not aware that the only man who wore long boots at the battle of Waterloo was the Duke of Wellington."

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CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

Beautiful Doll Free

With every pair of Boots or Slippers.
Here is an attractive list of BIG VALUES:

Men's Fancy Slippers \$ 75
Men's Leather Slippers 1 00
Ladies' Kid Slippers 75
Ladies' Skating Boots 1 25
Boys' Skating Boots 1 00
Men's Skating Boots 1 25

Solid Leather Goods

Genuine and First-Class in Every Particular.

Trunks \$2 00
Dolls' Trunks 75
Club Bags 65
Writing Portfolios 1 00
Collar and Cuffs Sets combined... 65
Collar Boxes 65
Cuff Boxes 65
Cigar Cases, real seal 1 25
Playing Card Cases 85
Brandy Flasks 50
Cold Tea Flasks 1 25
Whisky Flasks 1 00
Dressing Cases, complete 2 00
Men's Wallets 25
Kid Purses 5
Sovereign Purses 25
Ladies' Card Cases 50
Gents' Card Cases 60
Street Car Cases 10
Ladies Card Case and Purse, combined 50
Ladies' Satchels, new styles 1 00
Handkerchief Cases 1 25
Necktie Cases 1 25
Music Rolls 25
Music Cases 75
Drinking Glasses 25
Shawl Straps 15
Football Ink Cells 35
Valise Ink Cells 35
Razor Straps 25
Gents' Silk Hat Cases 4 50
Gents' Dress Suit Cases 4 50
Cigarette Cases 35
Free Pass Cases 1 25
Moustache Brushes, in cases 50
Military Brushes, in case (2) 1 50
Cigar Oak Boxes, with wet pad 1 50
Boodle Boxes 25
Whist Counter, in case 25
Gents' Letter Cases 60

The largest assortment of Leather Goods and of best quality in the Dominion of Canada, and we give a

Beautiful Doll Free

With Every Dollar's Worth.

JOHNSTON'S,

198 Dundas Street.

KINGSMILLS Bargains ... FOR THE ... Holidays

Baskets of Ribbons..... 1c per yard
Baskets of Ribbons..... 3c per yard
Basket of Ribbons..... 5c per yard
Basket of Ribbons..... 10c per yard
Basket of Ribbons..... 15c per yard
Basket of Ribbons..... 20c per yard
Basket of Ribbons..... 25c per yard

Boxes of Laces..... 5c per yard
Boxes of Laces..... 10c per yard
Boxes of Laces..... 15c per yard
Boxes of Laces..... 20c per yard

Cartons of Veilings..... 5c per yard
Cartons of Veilings..... 10c per yard
Cartons of Veilings..... 15c per yard
Cartons of Veilings..... 20c per yard
Cartons of Veilings..... 25c per yard

Twenty Thousand Handkerchiefs,

—All sizes and prices, from

1 cent to \$1.50 each.

Real Lace Handkerchiefs.
Chiffon Richly Embroidered Handkerchiefs.
Silk Handkerchiefs.
Embroidered Handkerchiefs.
Irish Linen Handkerchiefs.
Hemstitched Lawn Handkerchiefs.
Hemstitched Linen Handkerchiefs.
Tape Bordered Linen Handkerchiefs.
Printed Bordered Handkerchiefs.

Silk Collars, Lace Ties,
Silk Scarfs, Lace Scarfs,
Damas Velvet Collars.

CHIFFONS—In black, white, cream, cardinal, turquoise, lemon, royal, coral, Nile, maize, purple, pale blue, pink, moss and rose.

SHIRRED CHIFFONS—Lemon, mauve, pink, royal, rose, coral, pale blue, light green, moss green, burnt orange and cerise.

PLEATED CHIFFONS—OMBRE CHIFFONS—Plaids, turquoise, purple, burnt orange, green.

GOFFERED CHIFFONS—Rose, brown, cerise, white and black, purple and black, pink and black, heliotrope, moss, cream, lemon.

BUZZARD RUFFLES. OSTRICH RUFFLES.

WHAT WE BELIEVE THE BEST IN THE WORLD....

Wertheimer's Ladies' Gloves

All merchants would like to have them. Some merchants have tried very hard to get them. But the only house in London that has them is Kingsmill's.

Perfect in Fit. Perfect in Finish. Perfect in Wear.

Ladies' 2-clasp Gloves, tan, navy, white, pearl..... \$.75
Ladies' 2-clasp Czarina, embroidered in white, black, tan, ox-blood, new blue and green..... 1.10
Ladies' 2-clasp Royal, tan, ox-blood, gray, mode, fawn, white, black..... 1.50
Ladies' 2-clasp Monarch, white, black, ox-blood, new tan, blue... 1.65
Ladies' 2-clasp Reindeer, tan, gray..... 1.65
Ladies' Tan and Black Suede Gloves..... 1.00
Ladies' Derby Gloves, Paris points, tan, ox-blood..... 1.50
Gentlemen's Derby Gloves, Paris points, tan, ox-blood..... 1.50
High-class Novelties in the finest quality pale mushroom tints and oyster shades..... 2.00
Ladies' Silk Mitts..... .50
Ladies' Silk Mitts, wool lined, 60c, 65c..... 1.25
Ladies' Lined Kid Mitts, 30c, 45c, 50c..... .75
Gentlemen's Wool Cuffs, 10c, 12½c..... .15
Gentlemen's Silk Cuffs..... .40
Full line of Ladies' Evening Gloves, in suede and glace..... .70
Gentlemen's White Kid Gloves, 45c and..... .70

Eacrett's Bazaar

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Beautiful Framed Pictures, ranging from 60c up.
Six-Piece Tea Sets, 25c.
Five O'Clock Tea Sets, ten pieces, \$1 14

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China Vegetable Dishes and Celery Trays, were 60c, now 35c.
Fruit Nappies about half price.

Now, these goods we mean to put the knife right into and clear them out. We will be pleased to have a call from you and will try to suit you in every particular.

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