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ENGINEER GLASSFORD AND FILEMAN PATTON.

Snowplough Attached to Their Locomotive Caught and Upset-Men Imprisoned in the Cab, Filled With Hot Steam-Accident Near Barrie.

TWO FATALLY SCALDED.

Barrie, Dec. 24.—John Glassford, G. T. R. engineer, died yesterday, in an accident at Colwell about II o'clock this morning. His engine, with a snow plough attached, was passing over a switch when one of the wings caught, pulling over the pough and the engine with it. Engineer Glassiord and Fireman James Patton were caught in the cab and before they could be extricated were terribly scalded with escaping steam. A quantity entered Glassiord's lungs. Both men were brought to the hospital, where Gassiord died at 3.30. Glassiord was one of the best-known engineers on the road. He leaves a widow and four children.

James Patton, who was expected to recover, grew sudden y worse last night, and died at 9 o'clock. Deceased was 22 years of age, and unmarried.

SIXTY-THREE KILLED.

Appalling Railway Wreck Near Dawson, Pa.

Connellsville, Pa., Dec. 24.-With a terrible crash and a grinding noise, the Duquesne limited, the fastest through passenger train from Pittsburg to New York on the Baltimore & Ohio Railway, plunged into a pile of lumber at Laurel Run, two miles west of Dawson, at 7.45 last evening, and it is esti-mated that fully sixty-three lives were mated that fully sixty-three lives were lest and thirty persons were injured. Engineer Wm. Thornley was at the lever. When passing Laurel Run, which is a particularly fine piece of roadbed, the train was running at a high rate of speed. Suddenly the passengers were thrown from their seats by the lightening-like application of the air brakes, and a moment later there was a terrible crash. The train was made up of two baggage cars, two deywas a terrible crash. The train was made up of two baggage cars, two day-coaches, one sleeper and one dining car, and was carrying, at the time, at the lowest estimate, 150 passengers. The train ploughed along for a considerable distance and the cars were torn to pleces, passengers jumping, screaming, falling from the wreck as it tore along. Suddenly the engine swerved to the left, and the coaches plunged down over the embankment to the edge of the Youghiogheny River. The minute the cars stopped rolling there was a wild scene. Many persons were pinioned beneath the wreckage, and the screams and cries that rent the air were beyond description. Many were injured in their mad excitement, and others plunged into the river. Others, pinioned beneath the heavy timbers, pleaded in agonized tones for release. So terrific was the force of the wreck that nearly every male passenger suffered a moment. made up of two baggage cars, two day

AN ACTRESS SHOT.

A Tealous Lover Wounds Her and

San Francisco, Dec. 24.-Ethel Pen ny, a variety actress, has been shot and riously wounded by Daniel O'Hare because she had deserted him for one Schubener, an employee in the place where the woman was performing. O'Hare, who had beaten the woman earlier in the day, lay woman earlier in the day, lay in wait for her outside the theatre where she worked Fearing an attack, the Penny woman, who claims to be the wife of an army man, had asked Schubener to escort her home. When they came out, O'Hare opened fire, wounding Schubener. Mrs. Penny then ran off, pursued by O'Hare, who was firing all the time. The woman finally fell with a bullet in her side, when O'Hare stopped a few feet away, and, putting the revolver to his head, fired, and dropped dead. The wounded man and woman are now in a hospital and probably will recover.

THE DEAD NOT SACRED

Indignities to Funeral Parties at

Chicago. Chicago, Dec. 24.—The liverymen, a meeting of their executive commit voted to resume business the "open shop" plan. They expect first, however, to secure an injunction against the union pickets and union sympathizers. Ample police protection has been promised by the protection has been promised by the city officials. Should this prove insufficient to prevent the destruction of
vehicles, Gov. Yates will be petiticned
for a military force large enough to
secure to the people of Chicago the
right to bury the dead in peace. The
strikers say that men cannot be secured to drive the vehicles deserted when
the strike was ordered. It is estimated
that more policemen will be required

the strike was ordered. It is estimated that more policemen, will be required to protect funerals than were required to protect property during the warlike days of the street car strike.

Indignities continued to fall to the lct of funeral parties to-day. The driver of an ambulance which was taking a body to a train was made the target of abusive epithets, and in another instance mourners were delayed by pickets until the body which they were accompanying had been placed aboard a train and the train had left the station.

Hotel and Livery Stables Des-troyed—Three Hours' Work for the Firemen

Dutton, Dec. 23 .- At noon to-day ire destroyed a large livery stable pelonging to H. Briscoe and all the tables at the rear of the McIntyre

belonging to H. Briscoe and all the stables at the rear of the McIatyre house. Although all the horses and a number of wagons, buggies and cutters were saved, a considerable quantity of hay, about three hundred bushels of oats and several sets of single and double harness were completely destroyed.

The firemen had just returned from a small chimney fire, when a second alarm was given. The firemen were prompt in responding to the cell and many citizens did all that was possible in saving the contents of the buildings. The livery stable, in which the fire originated, was a frame building, about one hundred and twenty feet in length, running parallel with the stables, also of wood, which were about 200 feet in length. The fire is supposed to have been caused from the stove in the Livery office and Mr. Briscoe, proprietor of the livery, states that cone of the employes were in the office at the time. The fire very quickly gained a firm hold and the building was burning fiercely where the firenen arrived. Although several streams of water were soon applied, the fire in the livery stable was beyond control and had spread to loft of the hotel stables.

As the fire spread along the hotel sparks, alighted on the roofs of the

As the fire spread along the hotel sparks alighted on the roofs of the frame dwellings, belonging to James Bruce and James Balkwell, and caus-Bruce and James Balkwell, and caused them to ignite. Great excitement prevailed amongst the large crowd of geople who had assembled and the occupants of the dwellings in the vicinity of the fire were considerably alarmed. The attention of the firemen was immediately directed to these buildings, and after a fierce light, lasting about one hour, they had the flames well under control. By three o'clock there was no further danger. The loss to the McIntyre House property cannot, at present, be estimated, partly covered by insurance. The loss to the Brisco property is estimated at \$300. No insurance. Damage to property in the vicinity is estimated at \$300, covered by insurance.

UNFORTUNATE ADDIGENT

Frank Lustwick, an English who has been in the employ of dage Hros, in the lea-hauses, me an exceedingly painful and un nate accident yesterday. He working on the ice slide when in way he was atruck by several of ice in the leg, breaking it management he knee and ankie. ones of the leg were fractured and ne penetrated the flesh. Dr. W. H ye was called and set the break.

LASE MINUTE LOCALS.

Herbert Macpherson, of New York, is visiting his sister, Mrs. D. R. Mc-Garvin.

Lady's Hand Bag taken from t Rankin House Bus at the G. T. R., Station, on Thursday, containing a small sum of money and two Wa-bash Tickets. A liberal reward will be paid for its return to this office or the Rankin House.

For Italy's Far East Squadron, Rome, Dec. 23 .- Rear Admiral Delibero, naval aide to King Victor Em-manuel, has been ordered to the command of the Italian squadron far east, rendered vacant through the appointment of Admiral Mirabello as Minister of Marine.

TELEGRAPH BREVITIES. Edmonton Liberals have nominated Mr. Frank Oliver, M.P.

A new revolution in San Domingo seems to be making headway.

Mrs. John Jacques was burned to death at her home near Chatham. H. Briscoe's livery and the McIntyre House stables at Dutton were burned. Mrs. F. J. Partridge of Hamilton is

dead from burns received on Monday night. West Huron Conservatives nominated Mayor E. N. Lewis of Goderich for the

Police Magistrate Baker of Winnipeg has been dismissed by the Roblin Gar-

One of the walls of a Brooklyn armory fell, killing three and injuring several workmen. France and Italy will soon conclude an arbitration treaty along the lines of that between Britain and France.

Sir Louis Jette, one of the Canadian commissioners on the Alaska boundary, and Lady Jette, arrived at New York

Owing to the depression, it is believed the Transvasa colony will not be able to meet its installment of the war loan, due in February.

Typhoid Epidemic at Pittsburg. Pittsburg, Dec. 23.—Typhoid fever is rapidly increasing in this city and threatens to take on the character of an epidemic. For the first twenty-two days of December there were 410 cases and during the last 24 hours 49 new cases were reported. This breaks all previous records. The disease is virulent, and a large proportion of those taken sick are dying.

BODY EATEN BY HOGS.

SHOCKING DEATH OF A CRAZY INDIAN.

John Carpenter of Tuscarora Upse While Driving Home From Brantford and Starving Pigs Attacked Him as He Lay on the

(Special Despatch to The Globe.) Brantford, Dec. 24.-A horrible fate overtook John Carpenter, an Indian from Tuscarora township, between Saturday night and Tuesday, when his dead body was found on a lonely side road, partially devoured by hogs. Carpenter was the man who figured in the sensational escapade at Cainsville on Saturday night, when he drove along the Grand Trunk track until his horses became fast in a trestle. It was thought Carpenter was drunk, but his mind was unbalanced, the result of a recent paralytic stroke. After he left the track he visited several farm-houses, attempting to sell some hogs which he had brought to the Brantford market on Saturday, and for which there was no purchaser. The last seen of him alive was when he called at a farmhouse near Pine Grove late on farmhouse near Pine Grove late on Saturday night and offered the pigs for sale. He afterwards drove down a side road, which on account of the hills and forbidding embankments isvery seldom travelled. It is supposed that he fell asleep, and that in the darkness the horses wandered from the road. The waggon was tipped and the unfortunate Indian was either killed then or sendered unconscious. The

unfortunate Indian was either killed then, or rendered unconscicus. The pigs were released from the box, and, being in a starved condition, attacked the body of their owner. Two young men going to a social last night heard the pigs and investigated, with the result that the horses were found near where the accident occurred, and the man's body was also found. It had been partially covered up by the wag gon box, but the exposed parts had been eaten by the pigs. One leg and both arms were gone, and the animals had horribly mutilated the face and groin. Dr. Fissette, the Coroner, was notified, and after an investigation decided that an inquest was innecessary.

C. P. R. CHANGES.

Mr. McNicoll Appointed First Vice

of the Board of Directors of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company two important announcements were made. Mr. D. McNicoll, Second Vice-President and General Manager, becomes First Vice-President and General Manager. Mr. William Whyte, who has been assistant to the President, with headquarters at Winnipeg, becomes Second Vice-President.

Mr. E. A. Williams, who resigned recently as superintendent of motive power on the Canadian Pacific Rail-way, has been appointed assistant Gen-eral Manager of the Erie Railway, with headquarters at New York, and will assume his new duties about Jan-

LORD ABINGER'S WILL. He Left Everything that He Could to

London, Dec. 24.-The late Lord Abinger, who died in Paris December 12 from heart disease, in his will left everything possible to his mother. The new Peer, with whom the decrased was not particularly friendly, gets only the strictly entailed proper-ty, about 25,000 acres in England. Lady Abinger, the deceased Peer's mother, gets the historic Inverlochy Castle and the town house, with all its valuable collections of pictures and bric-a-

ROWLAND HUNT ELECTED. Supporter of Chamberlain Wins For

Ludlow Division of Shropshire. London, Dec. 24.-Rowland Hunt

Liberal-Unionist, and a supporter of Joseph Cham' rlain's fiscal policy, has been elected by a majority of 970 to represent the Ludlow Division of mons, to succeed Robert J. More, (Liberal-Unionist), deceased. At the previous contested election his majority was nearly 4,000. The campaign was fought exclusively on the fiscal question. Shropshire in the House of Com-

STEAMER PRUESSEN ASHORE. Went Aground Off the Coast of Holland During Heavy Fog.

London, Dec. 24.-A despatch Lloyd's from Flushing, Holland, says German steamer Pruessen is ashore near Zoutelande. Assistance will be sent to her immediately. The weather is thick and loggy. According to the maritime register, the German Preussen, Captain Prehn, sailed from Yokohama Oct. 31 and Port Said Dec. 5 for Bremen.

Bachelors are abused if the yare ex-travagant and despised if disposed to be thrifty,

No man cares to make even a cor n to self on the follies of youth.

BIG STRIKE AT PARIS.

Mounted Troops and Police Are Or Guard.

Paris, Dec. 24.—The strike of the nen employed in the various branches of food supply assumed a serious phase when the bakers adopted reso lutions in favor of a strike throughou the baking trade. They also declared in favor of a general strike of foo workers, and announced their intention not to resume work until Parliament suppressed the municipal employment agencies. The total number of food workers is 400,000. Squadrons of mounted troops and police are station-

ed in various places in the city. The bakers attempted to make a demonstration in front of the tuxembourg palace, where the Senate was sitting, but were suppressed. Later the police prevented the gathering of rioters on the Place de l'Opera. The determination of the police to prevent street demonstrations has had the effective of the police to prevent street demonstrations has had the effective of the police to prevent street demonstrations has had the effective of the police to prevent street demonstrations has had the effective of the police to prevent street demonstrations has had the effective of the police to prevent street demonstrations has had the effective of the police to prevent street demonstrations has had the effective of the police to prevent street demonstrations have been demonstrations and the police to prevent street demonstrations has been demonstrations and the police to prevent street demonstrations and the police to prevent street demonstrations are proved to the police to prevent street demonstration fect of checking the strike by discouraging the allied trades from joining it, and now leads to the belief that the strike will not spread.

United States Deports Skilled Glass

Washington, Dec. 24. - United States Secretary of Commerce and Labor Cortelyou has ordered the deportation of the skilled glass blowers from Stourbridge, England, who were detained at Ellis Island, under the alien contract labor law. They landed at Montreal and were bound for Corning, N. Y. They appealed to Secretary Cortelyou from the action of the immigration authorities and their cases practically were assumed by a glass manufacturing company of Corning, which, according to the board of special inquiry, had contracted for their services or had induced their immigration to the United States. The action of the board is now affirmed in all the cases, it being held that the company had not shown such diligence in seeking like labor in the United States as would justify it in importing labor from abroad. landed at Montreal and were bound

NEW YORK'S OFFICIALS. McClellan Selects the Police, Doci

and Other Civic Authorities. New York, Dec. 24. Mayor-elec

sintments of former Assistant Secre ary of the United States Navy Wm McAdoo as police commissioner, Mau-rice Featherstone as dock commission-er and John C. Hurtle and Wm. Har-man Black as commissioners of ac-

FRANCE AND ITALY. The Former is Prepared to Sign Arbitration Treaty.

Rome, Dec. 24 .- M. Camille Barrere he French Ambassador, has sent ommunication to the Italian Government, which says that the French Gov ernment is now prepared to sign an rbitration treaty between France and Italy on the lines of the treaty between France and Great Britain. It is understood that such a treaty will soon be signed in Paris.

CHINESE AND COREANS FIGHT The Tartar General at Kirin Reports an Indecisive Conflict.

Shanghai, Dec. 24.-The Tartar General at Kirin reports that an indecisiv battle has occurred between four bat talions of Chinese from Hungchun and 1,500 Coreans, who invaded Chinese territory from Kyeng Chung, in north-east Corea.

INHUMAN PARENTS.

They Imprisoned Their Son Twenty-one Years. Berlin, Dec. 24-A case of inco

eivable cruelty has been discovered in the village of Jaennersdorp, eanr Ostpriegnitz. Twenty-one years ago a peasant nam

ed Presschen and his wife placed their son in a small building, and, after wall-ing him in, kept him there. Food was handed in through a small opening not many inches in diameter, which was the only channel for uight and air withthe only channel for uight and air within. Presschen is now aged ninety, his
wife eighty-six and the son forty-six.
Rumors caused the police to investigate, and they released the victim,
whose condition, was indescribable. He
was totally mad. His parents, who
say that he was a lunatic before he
was immured, have been arrested.

Poorhouse Keeper Discharged.

Barrie, Dec. 23.—At a meeting of the Simcoe County Council to-day it was decided to discharge John Ross, keeper of the House of Refuge at Beeten, owing to many complaints made concerning his treatment of the

Topics of Toronto.

Toronto, Dec. 24.—Forty-seven candidates were nominated for the Board of Education.

MIGHT INVOLVE BRITAIN.

THE FAR EASTERN SITUATION CAUSING ANXIETY.

Japan Calmly Waiting for Russia's Reply-Chinese Officials Greatly Disturbed Over the Situation

Berlin, Dec. 24.-The Grman For

eign Office, in estimating the probabilities of war in the far east, fixes its attention at this moment on Great Britain, rather than on Japan, for it is recognized that Japan is only waitis recognized that Japan is only waiting for Great Britain to give the word before beginning hostilities. A new and even portentous element in the situation, as it is looked on here, is the rising feeling in Great Britain that Russia must yield or Japan and Great Britain ought to fight her. The Associated Press learns from the highest diplomatic source that the German Government, while still refusing to believe that war is certain, is convinced

Government, while still refusing to be lieve that war is certain, is convinced now that if war between Russia and Japan comes Great Britain will take a part in it, because the British Government looks upon war as possibly the only means of saving and re-establishing her position in the east.

Sir Frank Lascelles, the British Ambassador, who returned here from England three days ago, is understood to have imparted his impressions unofficially to the German Government that the British Cabinet apprehended that war would result if Russia persisted in her present attitude toward Japan.

At the German and other Embassies the impression prevails that the Rus sian-Japanese negotiations have reach ed such a point that it would not b at all surprising if Great Britain ex-pressed her willingness, providing Ja-pan agrees to accept a certain speci-fied compromise, to guarantee to back up Japan, if necessary, by force of

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There is no truth in the report from Pekin that the fleet of Butterfield and Swires of Hong Kong, consisting of twenty-five merchant ships, has been transferred to Japan. Butterfield and Swires describe the story as "ridiculous and without a shadow of foundation." A despatch to the Reuter Telegram Company from Tokio says:

"Incessant activity prevails at military headquarters. The transport and other arrangements are complete. The Government is calmly awaiting the Russian reply, which, it is hoped, will be forthcoming without delay."

Pekin, Dec. 23.—That there is only a faint prospect that war between Japan and Russia can be averted is said to be the opinion of the two members of the diplomatic corps at the Chinese capital, whose opinions regarding the present critical condition of affairs in the far east are probably most valuable, famely, Japanese Minister Uchida and the British Minister. Sir Ernest Mason Satow. Minister Satow is quoted as saying that any one who imagines that Japan will not fight for what she ronceives to be her greatest interests does not know the Japanese people.

Minister Uchida has always advocated war, if necessary to secure the evacuation of Manchuria.

The most dangerous factors in the situation are the confidence of the Russian officials in the far east that a war would mean an easy victory for Russia and the challenging tone of the Russian officials and newspapers.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 24.—Russia's reply to Japan is momentarily expected to be delivered. The Foreign Office officials and diplomats continue to express the opinion that as both parties earnestly desire a peaceful settlement, and as their allies have left nothing undone to this end, war will be averted. A early conclusion of the negotiations, however, seems unlikely.

AFFECTS SIX THOUSAND MEN. Steel Mills at Chi igo Are Closed For Three Weeks.

Chicago, Dec. 24.—The entire plant of the Illinois Steel Company, at South Chicago, has been closed down for an indefinite period, throwing 6,500 mer out of employment. It is said the shut-down will last three weeks. When the mills are reopened it is reported a wage cut of from 10 to 15 per cent. will be put in force.

C. J. ALTMAN ENTERS SUIT.

Brockville Hatter Suing Forme Partners For Large Damages. Brockville, Dec. 24.-C. J. Altman has entered an action against Saulnier & Decelles, proprietors of the Union Hat Works, for ten thousand Union Hat Works, for ten thousand dollars damages for false arrest and prosecution. Mr. Altman alleges that he has ascertained, since his release from custody, that both Saulning and Decelles interviewed a number of capitalists, who were going to establish a new hat factory with him, giving them the particulars of the charges against him and also reading to them the proceedings of the case in the Brockville papers. Mr. Altman now claims these gentlemen have backed out of the proposition as a result of the defendants actions.

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al l excursion tickets for all New Year's holidays by W. E. Rispin, city ticket agent, to all hada on Grand Trunk allways, also to cerulaily agent to consider the country of the consideration of the tra on Dec. 23rd, 24th and 31st bod returning until single fare on Dec. th. food returning Dec. a Dec. 31st and Jan. 1st, ning Jan. 4th. Scholars d to non-resident pupils of schools and coltificates from Principal to 31st inclusive; good till Jan. 18¹²., a. fare

MR. J. G. HODGINS, I.S.O. or, Modgins Began Mis Sixtieth Year Civil Service in September

When it is stated that John George When it is stated that John George Hodgins, who was recently made a companion of the Imperial Service Order, had been 22 years in the public service at the time of Confederation, and had, several years previous to '66, been granted an annuity by the Government of Upper Canada for 'long and faithful services' to his country, an idea of his remarkable record may be imparted. Last September Dr. Hodgins commenced his sixtieth year in the civil service, always having been connectservice, always having been connected with the Department of Educa tion. He is now 83 years of age and, while his health is not as ro



MR. J. G. MODGINS, I.S.O. lin in 1821, came to Canada 1833, and became Secretary of the Board of Education of Upper Can-ada in 1844, and was promoted to be Deputy Superintendent of Educa-tion in 1855. He was thus an intimate associate and co-worker of Ryerson, the "founder of our education system." He has a store of engaging reminiscences of Lord Elgin, Bishop Strachan, and the other Bishop Strachan, and the other statesmen and educationalists who were the backbone of the young col-ony more than half a century ago. The made several trips of investigation of foreign school systems, and applied the results of his studies to Ontario's system. In 1876 he be-came Deputy Minister of Education. and in 1889 was appointed to be librarian and historiographer, posi-tions which he still holds. At pre-sent he is preparing a documentary history of education in Ontario. Upwards of a dozen volumns have all ready been issued.

Chancellor of Oxford Univ. rsity.

There was for some time the pros pect of a pretty fight between Lord Hosebery and Lord Goschen for the Chancellorship of Oxford University, which was made vacant by the death Marquis Salisbury. Lord Gosche received the nomination some time with the entire approval of the elec-teral body, which consists of all members of the convocation as it was claimed that despite his intel-lectual, political and financial ac



LORD GOSCHEN

hievements he was emphatically not a representative Oxford man. Then Lord Rosebery received a nomination and, although contested, the election academic circles was de Supporters of neither candidates seemed willing to back down. The situation was relieved by Lord Rosebery himself declining the nomina-

Lord Goschen was then formally Lord Goschen was then formally elected Chancellor.

Not for more than sixty years had there been a contested election for the Chancellorship at either Oxford or Cambridge, and the historic struggie at the latter university in 1847, when Lord Bowis almost defeated the Prince Consort, left scars which took long to heal. took long to heal.

Uses of Turpentine.

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Did you ever stop to think how many uses turpentine has and that you cannot afford to be without a large bottle in the pantry?

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In cases of colds, burns and cuts turpentine, if applied immediately, will prevent soreness. It will remove paint from clothing when everything else fails, drive away moths and ants from chests and closets, and in cleaning woodwork and windows it considerably lightens the task.

The bamboo in China is used for an enormous variety of purposes.

Paper, ropes, sails, baskets, umbrellas, shields, hats, and buoys are manufactured from the plant itself, the young shoots are converted into sweetmeats, a white silicious secretion in the joints is used as medicine, ornaments are manufactured from the stem, and pillows are made of the shavings.

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Excellent candles are made from the berries of a tree which grows in some parts of South Africa and the Sierra Leone is found the

cream fruit tree, the fruit of which is very agreeable in taste.

In Ceylon there is the bread fruit tree, from which a food is made in the same way that we make bread. It is said to be equally good and

A Mindu Paper Suspends.

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A Hindu editor recently found it necessary to suspend the publication of his paper for a fortnight without warning. When the paper again made its appearance it contained this notice: "We regret that owing to a misunderstanding with a rival editor, in which we failed to get off the best of the argument, it was necessary for us to retire unexpostedity. sary for us to retire unexpectedly from the conduct of this paper for the space of two weeks, during which ime we have had the opportunities of devising certain improvements, which we propose to introduce into it. The rival editor, we regret to report, is still confined to his home."

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To use a cheap drastic physic, safest remedy for constipation and orpid liver is Dr. Hamilton's Pills of Mandrake and Butternut, which loosen the bowels without griping pains. Use only Dr. Hamilton's Pills. Price 25c.

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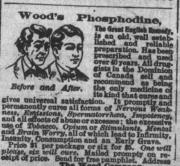
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UGANDA VILLAGES Curious Fashions of Bairdressing Obtains Among the Men-Houses Are Neut, Eut Very Dark Inside.

The villages and huts of the natives The villages and huts of the natives of eastern Africa are described by Major Austin in "With Macdonald in Uganda" as being generally weil and substantially built. The villages are surrounded by a high wall and a deep ditch. Entrance is obtained only in two or three places by means of causeways across the ditch at reentering angles of the wall, from which they are well flanked on both sides. The actual doorway is strongly barricaded by logs.

The interior of the villages is kept scrupulously clean, but the same can

scrupulously clean, but the same can hardly be said for the exterior sur-roundings of the wall. Within the enclosure plantations of bananas and choisure plantations of bananas and tobacco are frequently grown, so that in the event of a siege the food supply is assured. The huts and granaries are constructed of neat wicker-work, the granaries raised from the ground on piles, and the huts dome-shaped erections of twigs and wattle with raised grass roofs. They are very snug inside and beautiful and the state of and wattle with raised grass roots. They are very snug inside and beautifully clean, although very dark. The only light and ventilation is by way of the low entrance, which is not more than two and a half feet in height. Outside this entrance is generally a low versands under which

flour.

The young men of these settlements are smart-looking fellows, with their hair done up in a quaint form of chignon behind, fitting close to the head and well-plastered down with what appears to be gray clay, which is baked hard by the sun. Into this they generally stick an ostrich feather or two, and also a long curved piece of thin brass wire with a white "blob" of wool at the end, which bobs backward and forward over their heads as they walk. The lower lip is pierced, and a quill or a long, thin, flat piece of brass is inserted, with perhaps a bead or two attached to the end. The whole he

thin, flat piece of brass is inserted, with perhaps a bead or two attached to the end. The whole hangs perpendicularly from the lip.

The older men present a more sober aspect, the most striking thing about them being their headdress, which consists of a long, flat bag, so to speak, of hair which is worked almost into the consistency of felt, and is attached to their own hair. This mass is the hair of their forefathers, and in some cases hangs from the back of the head almost down to the waist. On the inner side there is an opening into this bag, which is used as a receptacle for carrying tobacco, spuff and small. as a receptacle for carrying tobacco, snuff and small articles.

Arithmetical Prodigies.

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Arithmetical prodigies, often spoken of as "lightning calculators," giving an unusual capacity for combining numbers. The wonderful feats of these prodigies have been pronounced genuine by competent judges, although their psychological peculiarities, however, seem characteristic of most of the known cases; an extraordinary memory for numerical combinations, and unusual methods for grouping numbers. That their ability is not entirely the result of special training is attested by the early ity is not entirely the result of spe-cial training is attested by the early age at which the power is manifest-ed. Thus, at the age of 6, T. H. Safford computed mentally the num-ber (617,760) of barley-corns in 1,040 rods, and could extract the cube roots of numbers of 9 and 10 figures. Buxton solved the problem, to find the product of doubling a farthing 133 times, the result, ex-pressed in pounds, being a number of pressed in pounds, being a number of 39 figures. Zerah Colburn, at 9 years of age, gave at sight the factors of 294,967,297, and in 20 seconds found mentally the number of hours in 1,811 years. Raising 991 to the fifth power in 18 operations, and giving the product of any pair of two-figure numbers in 1½ seconds, are feats accomplished by Arthur Griffith, who also memorized the squares of all numbers up to 130 and the cubes up to 100.

uncertain stream cannot be found, ent with to for it is subject to sudden changes ratepayers. of depth, volume, and channel. Be-fore the great floods of 1851-53, its outlet was 300 miles south of its present mouth.

sent mouth.

The Hoang-ho, in its course of some 2,600 miles, drains nearly 750,000 square miles of land. Its crookedness can be gathered from the following facts: Flowing from the Kuen Luen Mountains, it runs northwest, then northeast, then changes to east as far as Han-chow whence Kuen Luen mortheast, then changes west, then northeast, then changes to east as far as Han-chow, whence it flows due north to Dun-chu. Here it takes a complete curve eastward for some 200 miles, then abruptly for some 300 miles, then abruptly some 300 miles. goes direct south. For some 300 miles it flows on to Tung-chow, then changes to an easterly direction to Hoal-king. Avoiding its former bed, it finally flows to the northeast, and enters into the sea at the Gulf of Pe-chi-li.

Other very crooked rivers are the Brahmapootra, the Niger, the Volga. the Mississippi, and the Jordan, but these are far behind the Hoang-ho for irregularity of course.

Werld's Diamend Mines.

It is estimated that about 28,000 people are employed in the diamond mines throughout the world. In past centuries 60,000 people were working in some single Indian mines at one time, and perhaps that statement is not exaggerated, since with modern machinery one miner can now accomplish as much as twenty who used the primitive methods. The total value of all the diamonds in the world undoubtedly exceeds, \$1,000,000,000.

Ambitious Russian Girl.

A Russian girl, Mile. Kanyevsky, age 25 years, has taken her degree as an engineer at the Paris Ecole des Ponts et Chaussees, being the first woman to pass the examination. She is a Jewess and intends to apply for a post on the Russian railroads.

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ELECTION CARDS

To the Electorate of the city of Ladges and Gentlemen,—I am a candidate for the position of alder-man and respectfully solicit your as-sistance and support of my candi-dature.

W. H. TYE, M. D. To the Electors of the City of Chat-

I am thankful to you for your lib eral patronage in the past, and have decided to again offer myself as a candidate for alderman for 1904. So-licating your vote and influence, I

Your Servant, JOHN N. EDMUNDSON. To the Electors of the City of Chat-ham:

ham:
Ladijs and Gendeman,—I am a candidate for Alderman for the coming year, and if my actions in the past have mat your approval, I shall be pleased to have a cominuance of your confidence. Wishing you the compliments of this season,

1 remain,
Yours sincerely,
A. B. McCold. TO THE ELECTORS OF WARD 5. Ladies and Gentlemen:

I a ma candidate for School Trus-tee in your ward for the ensuing year and respectfully solicit your vote and

I am a resident of the ward and have children going to school, and I have the interest of McKeough have the interest of McKeough School at heart. Hoping you can see your way to give me your support, I

To the Electors of Harwich: Your vote and influence is re-spectfully requested to secure my election as Regue of Harwich for

To the Electors of Dover:

Griffith, who also memorized the squares of all numbers up to 130 and the cubes up to 100.

The Most crocked River.

The most crocked River in the world is the Chinese River Hoangho, or Yellow River. It is crocked both in habits and shape, and a more uncertain stream cannot be found, for it is subject to sudden changes

CALVERT HARPER. Con. 15, Lot 24.

To the Electors of Dover, To the Electors of Dover,

Having served the Township as
Councillor faithfully for three years
I have decided to offer myself for
the position of reeve for the coming
year.

I may state that I am opposed to
submitting a by-law to bonus the
proposed electric railway.

If elected I will do all in my power
to conduct the business of Dover town.

to conduct the business of Dover town-ship economically and to the inter-ests of all. I respectfully solicit your

PETER CRAWFORD

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And he will teil you how to do it for \$1 per month Call at Room 2 over

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By Order of the Board.

S. F. GARDINER, Chatham, November 30, 1903.

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WELLINGTON Lodge, No. 46, A. F. & A. M., G. R. C., meets on the first Monday of every month, in the Masonic Hall, Pifth St., at 7.30 p. m. Visiting brethren

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RADLEYS

A fine store, a good stock and excellent business. This is a good description of Radley's Drug Store. Mr. Radley is one of Chatham's oldest druggists, and he is also one of the most popular. His reputation as a druggist improves with age. Perfumes which are always popular as Christmas gifts, are found in abundance here, and his stock is well worthy of the inspection of every Christmas shopper. Christmas shopper.

A. A. JORDAN.

The sign of the B g Clock is a phrase which is known all over the country every person knows that it there that Mr. Jordan's jewelry store is situated. At present his store is one mass of eauty with its display of silver and plate ware, rings and jewelry gram-ophones, clocks, burnt work, etc. Anyone wishing to purchase a piece of jewelry for a Christmas present can make no mistake by calling on Mr.

W. J. KENNY.

There are a few of Chatham's merchants who are especially up-to-date and enterprising, and W. J. Kenny is one of them, although he is one of the youngest. Mr. Kenny's store at present is crowded with people from morning till night and these when been been and hose who buy there have an excel-ent assorted stock to pick from. Mr. Kenny handles everything in the line of stationery, books, Chr. stmas cards, leather goods, wall paper, games, etc. He has some natty Christmas goods to display to Christmas shoppers, and he would be pleased to have a call from everyone.

MEYNELL'S.

For almost three years Geo. Mey-nell has been conducting a gents' fur-nishings business in the Maple City, and each year finds him more popular with the people. He has an excel, lent stock of gentlemen's goods in overcoats, suits, neckwear, fancy braces, mufflers, odd trougers, underwear, gloves, gauartiets, fur caps, etc., everything for gentlemen. He is offering some special lines as Christmas presents and they are being eagerly picked up. Mr. Meynell is one of our most up-to-date merchants and no one will make a mistake by purchasing at this store.

W .W. TURNER.

Chatham is well supplied in drugs, but there is no place where she is better supplied than at Turner's, Red Cross Drug Store. Mr. Turner is a comparatively young merchant, as he is now entering on his third year in business, but he has a good business standing in the community, which is shown by his good business. Christmas has also been prepared for here and Mr. Turner has at present very choice lines in ebony goods, such as brushes of all descriptions, perfumes. American and foreign odors perfumes, American and foreign odors toilet cases, novelties and fancy pipes in cases. All of these are perfectly suitable for Christmas gifts, and they can be purchased reasonably from Mr. Turner.

W.M. SOMERVILLE.

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Fifteen years of successful business has placed War. Somerville among the foremost of Chatham merchants. He handles confections of all kinds and the fact that he has been in business for so rong proves that the goods he offers for sale are of the very best and most wholesome. Plum puddings are now the chief features of his store, and they are guaranteed to taste as well as they look, which is saying a great deal. Candies of all kinds fand a very popular place here.

Mr. Somerville is more than pleased with his year's business. It is the laregst year he has had in the last tem years. Why go to the trouble of cooking your own Christmas cake when you can buy one just as good at Somerville's.

C. H. GUNN & CO.

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One of the most up-to-date stores and store fronts in the city is that of the central drug store. This store has been overhauled and remodelled recently, and now it is up-to-date in every particular. The interior fittings are very elaborate indeed, in fact it is doubtful if another store in Western Ontario is quite so elaborate in interior fittings. They are advancing the usual drug lines and ebony goods and choice candies. They have also a very beautiful cut glass display which is much admired.

Their splendid large windows are both suitably arranged, one with perfumes and the other with fancy goods. No one should fail to call at this popular store.

THIBODEAU & JACQUES. This firm is noted for its gloves. There is no glove more popular as a Christmas present that the Perrin glove. Messrs. Thibodeau & Jacques have never had a more successful year than they have had this year. Their dress goods trade has been en-

Baby Costs Too Much

When the price paid is the mother's health and happiness. The father doesn't realize as he romps with the child what years of wifely suffering must be set against the baby's laughter. Chronic invalidism is a high price to pay for the painful joy of maternity, yet it is at such a cost that many a woman becomes a mother. Such a price is too much because it is more than



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doctors but derived no benefit until I be using Dr. Pierce's Ravorite Prescription. F only used four bottles, also some of Dr. Pierc Antiseptic and Healing Suppositorles, where felt like another person. I recommend Pierce's medicines to all my friends, If any-wishes to write me I will gladly answer."

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription contains no alcohol and is entirely free from opium, cocaine and all other narcotics.

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Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets regulate the bowels.

with the best. Christmas gifts are with the best. Christmas gifts are a specialty at present, and they are selling very rapidly. They have a special line of washable gloves, which is one of the chief features, while ladies and gents umbrellas, handkerchiefs and small wares are selling fast. Their store is very tastefully decorated just now and presents a very inviting appearance.

JOHN McCONNELL

John McConnell, the Park St. Grocer, has always made a display of fine groceries, and his present stock is no exception to the rule. He always has in stock the best and his prices are always right. You can always rely on getting good value for your money at Mr. McConnell's store. He is selling his stock of crockery at He is selling his stock of crockery at a sacrifice, and those desiring more! than value in dinner sets or dishes should call upon Mr. McConnell. The room occupied by the crockery is needed and it must go. There is going to be a clean-up, and all who desire anything in dishes should take advantage of the opportunity.

WESTMAN BROS.

Westman Bros., popular hardware merchants, have made apecial arrangements for the Christmas trade in one of the finest assortments of English cutlery, consisting of carving sets, pearl sets, table knives, and a light and a light areas. English cuthery, consisting of carving sets, pearl sets, table knives, celluloid and alver spoons, and a very fine assortment of sterling silver and silver-plated hollow ware, including tea acts, dinner sets, and big dishes. The firm is very pleased to say that the purchasing public have appreciated their efforts and have purchased quite liberally. The fact that Westman Bros. buy itness special cuttlery goods direct from the manufacturer and atvery lowest cash prices, enables them to

lowest cash prices, enables them sell at a much closer price than could otherwise be done. A special sale is being made here skates and sleighs, and the firm has

had to re-order several times. Late purchasers are invited to in-spect Westman Bros. stock.

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Dyspepsia and Other Stomach Disorders The Cause of **Endless Misery.**

Dr. Von Stan's Pineapple Tablets—
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Geo. Sunderland, a prominent business
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Torturing Aches and Pains,
Rheumatism is caused by an acid

Rheumatism is caused by an acid poison in the blood, and until it is elimnated and the blo 1 purified, the body will continue to be racked by aches and pains. The South American Rheumatic Cure neutralizes the acid. Cures Rheumatism in one to three days to stay tured.

Sold by Messrs. Gunn and McLaren Druggists, Chatham.



C AUSTIN & CO.

One of the best decorated stores this cason is that of C. Austin & Co. Signs of an artist are displayed in every took and corner of the large store. The ground floor, from the entrance The ground floor, from the entrance back is gracefully draped with garlands of evergreens and ribbon streamers, and the walls are bedecked with holly, tajestries, and rope porteries. Their store is one mass of people during the present holiday season, and the sales are something anomnous. Each department in this big establishment is beautifully decorated, and each is carrying on a bussess in itself. Fancy goods are the nated, and each is carrying on a bus-ness in ideal. Fancy goods are the chief goods for Christmas shoppers and the exhibit displayed is varied enough to satisfy the most exact my. This store is joss bly the largest in Western Ontario. Anything you want

western Ontario. Anything you want is almost sure to be found at Austirs, from furnituda, cents' furnish ings, dry goods, fancy goods, carpets, etc., to milknery.

The store is made especially inviting by a very pretty window, made up tastefully in red and green.

H. MALCOLMSON.

The H. Malcolmson Store is always right and attractive, but just no it is even more so. Whether it is the management, the obliging clerks or the tasty display of goods, it is hard to say, but there always seems to b something charming about the in-terior of this store. In it you can find all the finest and high grate groceries, tresh, canned, cooked and prepared. Nothing that can be desired on the table is wanting.

One feature of this store that resembles the recent foreign policy of the United States is the candy de-

partment, so ably presided over by Miss LeRoy... The expansion of this depot of sweetmeats is wonderful, but no more wonderful than the array of tempting candies with which this department is stocked. Low-ney's chocolates, Webb's chocolates, Crawford's butter-scotch or any other dainties with a national reputaon can here be secured.

The latest in novelties shown this year is a regular menagerie, including bears, lions, cuts, and donkeys. These are hollow and are filled with atom drops, and have proved very popular with the Christmas shopper You can always rely on finding the Malcolmson Store in the lead.

I I CAMPBELL

The Boston Shoe Store, J. L. Camp bell proprietor, is noted for handling nothing but reliable and high grad footwear. This store has the sole right of sale for Chatham of Queen Quality, the famous shoe for style, fit and wear, together with the sole right of sale of the noted J. D. King Co. Ladies' Fine Shees, of Toronto also Krohn, Fechheimer & Co, of Cin cinnati Carrying all widths the firm has no doubts of suiting the eye and fitting the feet of the ladies of this city and vicinity .

In men's high grade footwear this firm has the sole agency of Walker & Whitman's Campello, Mass., noted patent colt kid shoes, warranted not to crack, together with the sole right of sale of the well known Sovereign show for men, noted for good wear. The firm also leads in the handling of trunks, bags, suit cases and tele-scopes, of which they de an extensive business on the small profit basis. Mr. Campbell says the foundation and success of his business is laid to buying and selling for cash, straight, honest dealing, and one price to all. Mr. Campbell wishes all a Merry

CANADA'S AMBITIONS.

Christmas.

Glasgow Herald's Tribute to Our Nationality.

London, Dec. 23.-The Glasgow Herald says that Canadians are talking of annexing Newfound and and Greenland in order to become big enough for the field of treaty-making powers. The main object is the magnifying of Canada as a nation. The argument that the United States does of Alaska. Denmark, however, is no more likely to sell Greenland to Canada than she was to sell the West Indies to the Americans, but the probabe admission of Newfoundland

bable admission of Newfoundland bears testimony to the real national self-consciousness of the widely-scattered and not always congenial members of the Canadian federation.

The Morning Post's Copenhagen correspondent wires:—The report that Canada is anxious to obtain Greenland is not seriously taken here. The Danish Government would not give a willing ear if the proposal was made.

a willing ear if the proposal was made.

Sir Edward Clarke, speaking at the Carleton Conservative Club at Manchester yesterday, said the tariff commission had nothing to do with the relation of the colonies to the mother land. At present Britain had no preference to give them. The question land. At present Britain had no preference to give them. The questions upon which Britain had spent much money in different parts of the eastern world were insignificant compared to maintaining the splendid Canadian loyalty. Britain should be keen upon helping Canada to secure Newfoundland and Greenland. He hoped that colonial questions would be dealt with without waiting for the decision upon fiscal reform, and that we would not be niggardly in dealing with colonial wishes.

Colombians Will Fight.

Bogota, Colombia, Dec. 18.—Patriotic meetings are being held here every evening at which contingents of men and sums of money are offered to the Government. Even the women demand to be enlisted for the purpose of going to Panama, The Government only waits news from Gen. Reyes, and if waits news from Gen. Reyes, and it that news is to the effect that nothing can be accomplished by diplomatic means, then the authorities will continue to send troops toward the Isthmus. The Government and people hope that the United States Congress will avoid a conflict.

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The Claftin Chimical Co-NEW YORK, N. Y., AND

of Chicago. Chicago, Dec. 23.-Members of the Livery Drivers' Union met and voted to consider an arbitration plan to set-

UNION LABEL FUNERAL.

Strange Scene Witnessed in the City

tle their strike. While arbitration was being consid ered news was received of the first "union labe: funeral" since the strike began. The funeral was arranged by Undertaker G. M. Marks, the body of Undertaker G. M. Marks, the body of the deceased being removed in a "dead" waggon bearing a placard pro-claiming the vehicle to be owned by an undertaker paying the union scale. It was also the first funeral in which a procession of carriages was supplied to carry the mourners. There were six carriages labelled like the improvis-ed hearse.

ed hearse. The body of Mrs. Catherine Master-son, the mother of Rev. John Master-son, was borne through the streets on a hand truck while undertakers and liv erymen and their drivers argued 2s to whether they ought to submit the ren-test to arbitration. The coffin was carried to the Church of the Holy Family on the truck while six pall-bearers walked bare-headed beside it.

SEALS FOR LAKE SUPERIOR. Attempt to be Made to Propagate Fur-bearing Seals.

Marquette, Mich., Dec. 23.-Preliminary steps for the formation of the "Lake Superior Seal Propagation Society" have been taken at Ashland, the object being to stock Lake Superior with fur-bearing seals. The principals of the organization are Seben Malroff, a Russian, with thirty years' experience as a seaer; ex-Lieut.-Governor Fifield of Wisconsin and J. S. Robbins of Rhinelander. It is and J. S. Robbins of Rhinelander. It is estimated that ten male and forty female seals in the ake will increase to 1,000 in twenty years. The Apostle Islands, together with Isle Royale and the rocky shores of Lake Superior, would, it is believed, be ideal breeding places.



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CONSUMPTION OF SPIRITS. Quantity Used in Canada on the In

Ottawa, Dec. 23.—The consumption

of spirits in Canada is on the increase, while the use of malt liquors is alling off. That is the unmistakable evidence derived from comparison of the inland revenue returns for the fiscal year ending June 30th last with those for the same period of the year previous. In 1902 there were 27,623, 767 gallons of malt liquor manufactured. For the last fear tity manufactured was 25,755,154 gallons, or a falling off of 1,868,617 gallons. In the fiscal year 1901-02 the quantity of spirits entered for consumption was 2,933,182 gallons of the value of \$5,613,295. During the last fiscal year 3,207,748 gallons of the value of \$5,158,275 were entered for consumption being an increase of 200. value of \$6,158,275 were entered for consumption, being an increase of 274,566 gallons in quantity and \$5,44,980 in value. A larger consumption of spirits than of malt liquors is not a healthful indication. To put the figures in another way: In 1902 the per capita consumption was as follows:—Spirits, 796 gallons; tobacco, 2,404 pounds. In 1903 the per capita consumption was as follows: 1903 the per capita consumption was:—
Spirits, 870 gallons; beer, 4.712 gallons; wine, .096 gallons; tobacco, 2.548 pounds. In 1902 the revenue per head was:—Spirits, \$1.653; beer, \$0.214; wine, \$0.048; tobacco, 0.915. Last year the per capita revenue receipt were:—Spirits, \$1.812; beer, \$0.205 wine, \$0.051; tobacco, \$0.992. The num ber of cigars tak:n for consumption in the last fiscal year was 151,780,516, as against 141,096,889 for the year previous. There were 22,677,302 pounds of tobacco taken for consumption, compared with 21,543,301 in the preceding

HE WANTED BUFFALOES Canny Scot, New to Canada, Gets Ar-

rested for Vagrancy. Toronto, Dec. 23 .- Detective Mackie picked up William Stewart on the parture in modern sensational dramstreet yesterday and took him to police headquarters on a charge dents and powerful dramatic situaof vagrancy. Stewart said he had tions, its popularity was not gained arrived from Scotland the previous day, and it was his first visit to Canada. He had a revolver in his pocket and looked surprised when the officer told him he was liable to get into trouble for carrying it.

"Weel, mon, isn't it the praper thing

"Weel, mon, isn't it the praper thing to carry a pistol in the country?" asked the Scot.

"Not much, it isn't," said Mackie.
"I suppose ye could'na tell me where I could shoot a brace o' buffaloes before breakfast?" inquired Stewart after a naise.

ter a pause.

Stewart was allowed to go by Colonel Denison, but the police kept the

NEW CHURCH AT M'GREGOR. Building Costing \$25,000 Dedicated by the Bishop.

McGregor, Dec. 28.—The dedication of the new Roman Catholic church, which has been under construction here for the past six months, took place to-day a large gathering of people being present. Mass was celebrated by the Bishop, arsisted by about twenty-five priests from the autrounding parishes. The building in many respects ranks equal to those of the cities, being built of stone, with a seating capacity of 400 people, at a cost of about \$25,000.

St. Bernard rescue the wounded man. The dogs used in this production are full-blooded St. Bernards, among them being the world famed life saver BUILDINGS SINKING. Salt Plant of Sandwich Erected on Soft Ground.

Windsor, Dec. 23.-The \$100,000 plant of the Saginaw Salt and Lumber Co. of Sandwich is said to be gradually sinking into the marsh ground upon which it is erected. Sandwich officials say that the buildings have sunk six inches already.

FOR INSURANCE MONEY. Mrs. Rogers Coolly Murdered Her

Husband. Bennington, Vt., Dec. 23.-Mrs. Mary A. Rogers was found guilty of murdering her husband. While sentence against Mrs. Rogers is expected before the court adjourns, it will not be carried out before 1905, as the law provides that a session of the Legislature, which has the pardoning power, must intervene between sentence of death and execution. If the death penalty is carried out, it will be the first execution in the State in more than a dozen years. Mrs. Rogers was al-leged to have killed her husband by giving him chloroform. She met Rogers, with whom she had not been living, on pretence of by Leon Perham and Stella Bates, while embracing Rogers, gave him chloroform. The body was then thrown into the river. Love for another man, and a desire to get her husband's life insurance and begin housekeeping, was the alleged motive.

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Leon Perham, the confessed accomplice of Mrs. Rogers, entered a plea of guilty to murder in the second degree. The plea was accepted.

The case against Stella Bates was not pressed, and she was discharged.

MAY EAT MEAT FRIDAY. Dispensation Granted to Catholics

New Year's Day. Montreal, Dec. 23.—Archbishop Bruhesi, in a circular letter to the clergy of his diocese, officially announces that by virtue of a dispensation of His Holiness Pope Pius X. all Catholics are permitted to eat meat on Friday, New Year's Day.

A Chicago Tragedy. Chicage, Dec. 22.—While walking along a crowded street to day Albert Altenhofen, a saloonkeeper, suddenly shot and killed Marie Rasch, his common law wife, and then quickly killed himself. Jealousy is the supposed cause.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS. t the Chatham Grand:-

Cecialian Co.—Dec. 25.
"When the Bell Tolls,"—Dec. 26. Westminster Abbey Choir-Dec. 28. Marks Bros.—Jan. 4-16.
Ritchie Co.—Jan. 25.
A Thoroughbred Tramp—Jan. 27.

(Supplied to The Planet by Press Agents.)

WHEN THE BELL TOLLS.

rapidly evolving situations that abound in the story. The company has been carefully selected and the play has been directed by the author

Travers-Vale, so a performance wit

every attention to detail can be relied

upon. The scenic effects are out of the common, a particularly fine one being the Plateau of St. Bernard, with

the historical, where a duel is fought and the life-saving dogs of

Seger, a huge animal, whose record is 23 lives. "When the Bell Tolls" is

Christmas Night, at The Grand-

THE WESLEYAN QUARTETTE.

Yer blood jest gits ter runnin' like a freshet in th' Spring, When they sing; Yew catch a little hint of how th

bells in heaven ring,

When they sing;

An' yer mem'ry takes you back across
the half-forgotten years,

An' yer lips will be a-smilin' when yer

eyes are filled with tears, When they sing.

They sorter make a hammick of

music fur yer soul,

When they sing;

An' they set th' thing tew
with a captivatin' roll,

vell worthy of a visit.

"When the Bell Tolls," which will pe produced at the Grand Opera House on Saturday, is a new deas. Akthough full of exciting inci by the ordinary clap-trap methods GRAND OPERA usually inseparable from this class of play. As a literary work it stands forward prominent;, and the story is one of more than ord nary interest. The locale of the play is Switz-Xmas Night erland, and that romantic country lends itself particularly well to scenic A THEATRICAL TREAT effects. The plot is laid around the monastery of St. Bernard with its picturesque monks and sagacious dogs, and a semi-religious halo adds much to the effectiveness of the romance On the rise of the curtain the theatre G. J Ireland
F. W. Farmer
I. W. Kenagy
D. C. Truesdale
Miss Juanita Boynlin goer finds himself in a new atmosphere hitherto untouched by the modern playwright, and the attention of the onlooker is held by the

A spec al Dramatic Event. The Charming Picturesque The Princess Theatre, Lor

The original American cast Story of unflagging interest, ated in the country of scenic be —Switzerland.

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When they sing;
An' yew jes' set than an' hug yerself,
a-gazin' inter space,
While th' tenors pipe their treble with
th' rumble of th' bass,
When they sing. An' yew settle back an' cross yer legs an' heave a little sigh, When they sing; An' yer soul goes chasin' rainbows is the Land of By and By,

When they sing;
An' yer heart jest sorter shivers yer eyes cloud up fer rain,
An' yew wonder if it's pleasure yew wonder if it's pain, When they sing.

An' yew feel th' joy of livin' and yew feel th' woe of death, When they sing; An' it sorter hurts yew roun' th heart whene'er you take a breat When they sing;

An' yer happy and yer sorry, but ye like ter hear 'em sing; Fer it makes it all th' better 'eau th' sweet is mixed with sting; When they sing.

Dedicated to William Dean Dur oy, author of "Corn Tassels." The Wesleyan Male Quartette will be assisted in the program by Miss Juanita Boynton, a world renowned reader.

The Westminster Abbey Glee and Concert Party, who give a farewell performance here on Monday, Dec. 28, are just completing the longest concert tour on record. Coming to this country in August last year, they they passed through to Vanicouver giving a series of grand entertainments en route, thence, via Sam

++++++++++++++++++++++ | Francisco to New Zealand, whe Francisco to New Zealand, who aroused the greatest enthusiasing to crowded houses night meeting with even more successwhere in Australia. In Sydne where they gave ten concent audience numbered nightly froto 5,000 people, and at the laperformances thousands were away, the two great daily papericular leaders advising choir away, the two great daily perpetiving leaders advising choir and clergymen to attend in o obtain an object lesson as to excellent results could be obtain a careful training. After a fe certs in Canada this taxented of

> Splendid New Years' Day At At The Grand The Royal Hungarian Couchestra, under the personal di of Mr. P. K. Matus.

of Mr. P. K. Matus.

The Royal Hungarian Court of tra proved itself an organizat which New York may well con late itself upon being the pool. Accomplished players, the twell constituting the orchestra are fied by talent and ability for satisfactory interpretation of respective parts, individually cered, and their long and the training in orchestral playing abled them to so blend their that perfect unity is secured York World.

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Grand Mr.

The civic pay sheats for the past week amounted to \$40.77. Miss Margaret Jackson, Detroit, is, spending Christmas with her parents, St. Clair street. Will Holmes is spending Christmas with his father County Court Clerk, James Holmes.

Phone 317.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gundy will spend Christmas with Edward Spack_ man, Blenheim.

W. CORNELL

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

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Miss Lelen Young is spending Christmas with her sister, Mrs. A. O. Oldershaw, Collingtwood.

The city to-day received their Christmas present from the Water-works department in the shape of a check for \$4,000, which was handed over to City Treasurer Fleming.

all no doubt be very ut we think we are in ion to give each purproper attention.

This is perfume night with rug Stores, You will find abundance of them in our overs. Prices from IOc. to 18.00 a bottle.

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Limited DRUGGISTS.

Miss Esther Stephenson is spending Christmas with her parents at Dawn Mills.

Miss Jess'e Black, of London, is pending her holdays with Mrs. G. H. conibear, St. Clair St.

Mike McGarvin is home from To-conto University for the Christmas holidays.

Miss Mary Black and Master Angus Black, St. Thomas, are visiting Mrs. G. H. Conibear, St. Clair St.

There will be a family re-union at the residence of Mrs, Thomas Con-pear, Coverdale street, Christmas Day. Mr. Santa Claus call and see our nice line of steel sleighs and skates at Vestman Bros.

Westman Bros.

The funeral of the late Miss Mary E. Wilson took place to Maple Leaf Cemetery to-day. The funeral was largely attended.

Golf Sam Holmes has received a couple of imported sheep for his farm in Harwich. They are from King Edward's thoroughbred stock.

Lost!—On Dec. 23rd, between Wilson's Nursery and the Market Square, or on William St., a mink muff. The finder will be rewarded by returning to this office.

3 J.C. Wanless entertained the staff from his store last evening at his home, the occasion being the 29th an-niversary of his wedding. The boys at the store clubbed together and pre-sented Mr. Wanless with a handsome

L. C. Lanning, of Waterville, Maine, and Miss McMillan, were married at the home of the bride in West Lorne yesterday. The happy couple are guests at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Hutchison,

William street. Mr. Trudell, of the 2 T's passed through the customs to-day at 12 o'clock, 10 dozen Royal York English square ties, from H. T. Gorrulow & Co., 83 Golden Lane, London, England. These ties will be on exhibition to-night at The 2 T's.

The daughter of a widower living near Tilbury has written to relatives of her mother saying that she can no longer stand the abusive and cruel treatment she is receiving from her father, and that, unless she is protected, she will commit suicide. The gir.'s friends are investigating.

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Little Mary McDonald, daughter of D. R. McDonald, proprietor of the C. P. R. Hotel, celebrated her seventh birthday yesterday. In the evening about 15 of her little friends gathered in the dining hall and emjoyed a pleasand little birthday party. The table was very beautifully decorated with Chinese lanterns and directors with the Chinese lanterns and drapings and the children spent a very enjoyable time, little Mary proving an ideal hostess.

Mr. W. J. Robson, advance repre-sentative of the Westminster Abbey Choir Glee and Concert: Party, who appear here under the direction of the Orchestra, Monday evening, is in the city to-day. In conversation with Mr. Robson, who says the choir is better than ever having with them Mr. Dudley Causton, a famous English entertainer. This will be their farewell will be their farewell. visit, having just completed a nine months from h. New Josephond and Australia and are now setuen hg, home to London

FINE CONCERT

Mr. Greenlaw, baritone, gave Church Tuesday evening.

All the members were highly appreciated. Mr. Greenlaw may start

class in the city.
The program:

Jubilee Song—Steal Away to Jesus,
Solo, Bandoher—Mr. Greenlaw.

Solo, Deep in the Mine -Mr. Green

Recitation-Miss Laura Burton. Solo, The Sea is the Home for Me

Solo, Holy City-Mr. Greenlaw

Toreador Love Song - Mr. Green-Chorus—Swing Low, Sweet Chariot. Solo, The Sentinel Asleep—Mr. H.

HALLINAN BROS.

The Butcher Shop of Hallinan Bros., Head St., presents a very at-tractive appearance these days. The place is well filled with Christmas tractive appearance these days. The place is well filled with Christmas beef and they certainly have a choice array. There is many a fine Christmas dinner hanging upon the walls of their store, and the high price of turkeys is very likely to render roast beef the more popular this year.

Hallinan Bros. are always careful in selecting their meats and they purchase nothing but the best. They purchase their own stock direct from the farmer and know what they get. They have this year a heifer raised by Roderick McKenzie, Dover Tp. Caleb Wheeler saw the beef and said that it was the finest he had seen this year. They have also a supply of all kinds of fresh and smoked meats, sausage, etc. Frank Hallinan is in charge of the shop, while Robert looks after the purchase of stock.

Frank Hallinan is one of the best men in the business. His is a kindly nature and he is always ready and willing to oblige his customers. He knows his business and his business knows him.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

I am again a candidate for your suffrage for the position of Alderman for 1904, and respectfully solicity our vote and influence. Thanking you for past favors, and wishing you the compliments of the season Tam
Yours truly,

W. S. MARSHALL.

WOULD LIKE

CHRIST MASSTOCKINGS

a few pointers on the gifts

which a few of our citizens would appreciate in their stockings on Christ. Mayor McKeough-The mayoralty

acclamation. ams for Ald. Piggott's stocking, but we find there only room for six-and

calf. J. W. White-Well, he's advertis a hired girl, anyhow. Ald. G. G. Martin-The head of the ivic poll-and wants it badly.

A. H. VonGunten, of the Bowling Club,-The corner of Park in D. A. Hutchison's stocking, which he borrowed for the occasion. Jim Dumps-Any old candidate for

chool Trustee in Ward 5 that "I can work all right. He's easy." Herbert S. Clements-Election by

J. S. Lane, B. A.-A successful pro duction of King Henry VIII. The girls and boys of The Plane Junior-The prize gold watch. Willie Coop-laund - Someone noke those nawsty cigars the deahr

girls gave him. The Water Commissioners-A vote of thanks from the community. Willie Buttinsky and Brother Bob-lew and larger hammers. Pile-driv-

ing size preferred.

Ex-Mayor Malcolmson — A well-earned senatorship.

John A. Walker—The junior judge-ship just slipped quietly into his stocking under the eyes of the other

aspirants. Musical Director J. W. Wilson musical and histrionic success of the season in the presentation of Robin N. H. Stevens-A well-operated and

prosperity.

If Ald. Scullard will hang up one the toe that it could slip through that life-sized monument to Tecum-

Residents of Victoria avenue — A satisfactory agreement on the specifications of a new pavement.

It is suggested, by reason of unique and, abnormal development, that a certain, young, budding cur-ler (with the accent on the last syllable, of course,) abandon the established custom of henging up his stocking and substitute therefor his hat. Then he'd probably find therein a ton of coal, a house and lot, an automobile and other articles, and still be able to post the sign "Room to Let." Ald. J. N. Edmondson — The labor vote.

The Curling Club—Some cold wea-ther.

J. B. Rankin—A fine new armory.

Dr. W. H. Tye—A seat at the Coun-

Cij Board.

The Sergeants' Mess—As good a sergeant-major as popular George Embrey.

J. P. Whitney—Success in North Renfrew.

UGLY RUMORS

A highly respected resident of Howard passed away recently and there have since been vague rumors circulating attributing his death to material agencies. The relatives of the dead man are much disturbed over these rumors and are, it is said, contemplating having the body exhumed and the stomach analyzed. The Crown Attorney was asked if he had Crown Attorney was asked if he had received any official notice of such an investigation. He replied that so far as the Crown was concerned no steps towards such an end had been taken, nor had the Crown as yet been asked to take any.

MURPHY -- MILLER

residence of Mr. and Mrs The residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Miller, Harvey street, was the scene of a happy event last Tuesday evening, when their eldest daughter, Miss Annie Francis Miller was united in marriage to Harry Murphy, of this city. The Rev. Mr. Malott performed the ceremony in the presence of about 40 guests. Miss Mac Miller, eister of the bride, was the bridestaid, and Herbert Chrysler, cousin of the groom, was best man The young coule are well and favorably known in this city, and their many friends unite in wishing them orosperity in their new life.

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on each other. See the agents at office
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TRUAX--TEARY

The home of W. G. Terry, St. Clair street, was the scene of a pretty wedding last evening, when his eld-est daughter, Miss Gertrude Terry, was united in marriage to John Truax. There were about 58 guests

Truax. There were about 50 guests present and the scene was a very happy one.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Malott, pastor of the Victoria avenue Methodist church. Miss Myrtle Terry, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid, and John Foreness, Detroit, supported the groom. The bride looked charming in a champagne colored dress of voile. She carried white carnations. Miss Myrtle Terry, the bridesmaid.

in a champagne colored dress of voile. She carried white carnations. Miss Myrtle Terry, the bridesmald, presented a pretty picture in a gown of the same materiat.

The happy couple left on the 9.50 train for western paints.

The bride received a handsome sable ruff from the groom. Both young people are exceedingly well known in this city, and their many Chatham friends unite in wishing them success in their future home.

CHICAGO MARKETS Reported by F. B. Procter, Broker Northwood Block, Chatham, Dec. 24, 1903. May 441 442 441 448

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Seried, bulk or separate tenders will be received all the office of James Yates, Esq., secretary of the Building committee, up till seven o'clock p. m., Wednesday, December 30th, 1903, for the several branches of works required in the erection and completion of a brick Methodist church to be erected at Goderich, County of Huron, Ont. Plans, specifications and details to be seen at the office of James Yates, Esq., Goderich, and at the offices of James L. Wilson & Son, architects, Chatham, Out. name, Ont.

Lowest or amy tender not necessarily accepted. Matterials for building may be shipped by boat to Gode-

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As you are aware that we remodelled our store and put in the handsomest and most down to-date fitting in Canada. We are now prepared to cater to your wants with the choicest goods that money and the markets can produce. We might mention a few of the lines we are carrying.

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Fancy Stationery—All the very latest novelties and the finest that ever came to Chatham.

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Tollet Sets, domestic and
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Call at the Big Store and see the largest stock in the city.

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Chatham's Leading Druggists.

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Dinner, tea and chamber sets, chia lamps, and glassware, are being sold at prices that make it easy to give useful Christmas presents. This is a positive clearing out sale. If we real-ize the cost of the goods we shall be

In the future we shall sell groceries only the choicest goods at lowest

3 lbs. best currants, 25c.

3 lbs. Select Raisins 25c.

2 lbs. pure lard 25c. 3 lbs. Mixed Biscuits, 25c. 1 lb. Jars Baking Powder 10c.

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A splendid assortment of fresh candy

Order your Ice Cream and Fruit Ices for Christmas now. Our expert can make them any way you want them.

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A HAPPY

Prosperous New Year

Come To-Night for Special Bargains....

All Fancy Lines

of which we may have a surplus stock, will have clearing prices marked on them for to-night...

All 25c Novelties, to-night 3 for\$ 50 All 50c Novelties, to-night 3 for 1 20 All \$1.35 Burnt Wood Placques, to-night...... 30 only Fancy Woolen Capes and Fascinators, reg. \$1.35, clearing to night at.....

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30 only Arto Types, all good subjects, size 20x28 with three inch frames in different colors, special number this season at \$1.00, and usually sold at \$1.50, for to-night only \$ 77

only steel engravings, choice subjects, mounted in oak, frames 20x24, our leading line at \$1.50, to be sold to-night only at.....\$1 19

hold good except to-night

Remember these prices will not

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VECKWEAR

A delayed shipment of English Neckwear, 35 dozen in all, just arrived to-day, we put them on sale to-night at the popular price.....\$ 25

We wish you one and all

A Very Happy AND Pleasant

H. Malcolmson

In variety and novelty our present holiday stock cannot be surpassed. It is unusual too, in the matter of prices. Buying as big a line as we have gave us an advantage in getting bed-rock prices, and all of this advantage we prices, and all of this advantage we daughter, of Killarney, Man., are the pass on to you. We do this right in street.

We must sell the goods We cannot afford to carry such a

We cannot afford to carry such a daughter of Col. E. Brush, is the stock over and so have put prices down daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Sprague, to where they will compel buying. We Grey St. have gifts for both old and young.

Perfumes.—The very latest designs in beautiful package, 25c to \$5.

Fine Toilet Articles.- We have added several new lines this year, in ebony, leather, cellu-loid, etc.

In these lines we have

Everything that is new, Everything that is worth giving verything that is worth giving SEWING and Everything for lowest SEWING

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28 King St., - Phone 221.

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L. E. & D. R. R., HOLIDAY RATES, 1903-4.

Ohristmas—At Single Fare, going Dec. 24th and 25th, returning 28th. At fare and one-third going Dec. 23rd, 24th and 25th, returning Jan. 5th, 1904.

New Years—Single Fare going Dec. 31st, and Jan. 1st, returning Jan. 4th. Fare and one-third, going Dec. 30th, 31st and Jan. 1st, returning Jan. 5th, 1904.

TO-NIGHT.

Catholic Order Foresters, in their nall at 8. everywhere, between

of Rebekah, Oddfellows

TO-MORROW

Service in Christ Church, at 10.30 Service in Holy Trinity, at 10.30 a

Young People's Society, lecture hall William St. Baptist Church, at 8. Peninsular Lodge, No. 2, A. O. U. W., in their rooms, opposite Rankin House,

Local Briefs

Read the Urban Store add., sure! A nice line of perfume in boxes and bulk, at Radley's Drug Store. 2

The nicest lot of carving sets in the city at Westman Bros. Military Shoulder Braces 40c, each E. Weldon's.

Our add reads 1-4 off for to-night. The Urban Store! John Longwell, Chicago, is visiting his parents, Head St.

John Rice and family will spend their Christmas at Cedar Springs. Brisco's store will be open all day Christmas for those who want to pur-chase tickets for the Grand at night Call on Gabe McIntyre at the Montreal House, corner Head and Sandys stireett.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lawrence and

Miss Ruth Brush, Cleveland, Ohio,

chard, has returned from Osgoode Hall, Toronto, and is spending the holidays at his home here. A present that will be useful at all

seasons of the year for a Christmas present would be a set of Planet whist trays.

We have some elegant sewing companions left. Nothing more suitable could possibly be procured for a lady. The set comprises scissors, thimble, crochet hooks, pen knife, etc., fitted in swell

\$1 to \$3 per Set

Silver-plated berry spoons, meat forks, pie knives. etc.

J. C. Wanless

Telephone 65.

4 Doors East of Mark et, King Stree



William Trotter, of Wallacceburg, spent yesterday in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Tschirhart.

Mr. Northwood.

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Detroit, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tschirhart, K tog street.

Special of fancy ready-to-wear

Blenheim to a term of

The firemen were called out yester

day to Gray's factory. Fire had caught in a pulley box. No serious damage was done.

Mothers should know that scald head and other obstinate skin dis-eases which attack children may be

Mrs. Robt. Blackburn, Selkirk St.

is entertaining her nephew and nieco Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Steele, Tor

Trinity Church on Christmas morning at 11 o'clock. There will be two cele-brations of the Holy Communion— at 8.30 and 11 a.m.

Nasmith's high grade Chocolates in boxes, Rowntree's Jujubes, Terry's Sweets, at Ridley's Drug Store. 2

H. M. Brown, of the steamer "Steel King," arrived from Milwaukee yes-terday, to spend his holidays with his brother, R J. Brown, West St.

The widows of deceased brethren

of Court Hope, A. O. F., were this year presented with the customary g.ft of a Christmas turkey. W. H. B. nsen and Ed. Cape were the committee who had this work in charge.

Notice! Having decided to turn our business into a strictly cash

our business all accounts now dua and owing this firm must be paid before the 24 h day of this month. Accounts due must be settled either by cash or note by the above date.

cured by Weaver's Cerate. If smarts, reduce it with sweet oil

F. M. Scarff, of Tilbury, was Chatham visitor yesterday.

The firemen wish to thank Jack Smith for, a box of choice cigars, W. Moffat & Son, of Tilbury, wer visitors in the city yesterday. Court McGregor, No. 6. I. O. F., will neet in their rooms at 8. A large assortment of shaving mugs rushes, and strops, at Radley's Drug

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Southcot, Toron.

St. Andrew's Church Y. P. Society, lecture hall, at 8. K. Or T. M., No. 8, in their rooms, I. O. O. F. Temple, at 8.

Wm. Appleyard, Gananoque, is expected home for Christmas.

McKay's to the front for Christ-mas Candies. Best in the city! All grades from 3 lbs. for 25c, to 80c. per lb. See special "add" on page 5.

Bread knives, table knives, spoons and forks in great variety at Westman Bros. Harry Pritchard, son of J. C. Prit-

as we begin a strictly cash business on January 1st, 1904. Respectfully yours, Stone & Co. Lot Fields has returned from Moose Lot Fields has returned from Mosse-jaw, N. W. T. Mr. Fields and his two sons have a thousand acres of land near Bowharm, a thriving place, 11 miles west of Moosejaw. Their grop this year, was not very good. Owing to the wet season, the wheat did not ripen and the frost caught it. Two years ago they were cutting wheat on the 14th of August, but this year it was not ripe by the 14th of September. This, however, was a great summer This, however, was a great summer for getting work done. Mr. Fields and his sons have 400 acres ready for crop. Settlers are moving in rapidly, and the Northwest is fast gaining

n population.

T. A. and Mrs. Smith will spend SANTA CLAUS

D. A. Gordon, of Wallaceburg spent resterday in the city. Smoke Quaif on Teast Cigars, 5c. Sold by all dealers. Union Made. m Mr. Stover has returned from the

Teronto Dental College. Miss McMullen, Chicago, is visiting at the residence of Dr. Holmes, Dr. A. A. Hicks is spending Christ-nas at his home in St. Thomas. Wanted!—Girl for general housework; no washing. Apply to Mrs. J. W. White, Park Ave. West.

Fred. Hall, who has been attendir the Toronto Medical College, is spend-ing his holidays with his parents, Dr and Mrs. W. R. Hall, Third street. Earl Sheldrick, of P. ttsburg, an old Chatham boy, and a former book-keeper for the William Gray & Sons Co., is spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Sheldrick. Spend your Christmas Night at the Grand Opera House, Splendid attrac

The hearts of the children at both Crown Attorney H. D. Smith and family, will spend Christmas with The hearts of the children at both the city schools were gladdened on Tresday. In the afternoon, School Trustee and Mrs. Herbort S. Clementseat ever a barrel of fine candy to each of the schools. The children all Good juicy Valencia oranges, bright color, 15c. a dozen, two dozen or 25c., at Anderson's,

voted the representative of Wa Four, and his wife to be the best. R.v. and Mrs. D. Stan. Shaw, B. A., of Detroit, were the guests of Mr. Shaw's aunt, Mrs. D. Angus, Lansdowne avenue, yesterlay. Mr. Shaw is an old Chatham boy, having graduated from the Collegiate Institute here. He is now associate pastor of the Cartal areas Mathelia, church E. B. Northwood will spend Christ-mas in Oshawa. Mrs. Northwood and the children have been visiting in that town and will return with the Central avenue Methodist church,

Word was received in town last night from Wallaceburg that George Thomas of this place, who has been dealing with the Indians on Walpoli Island for the past month, was missing since Saturday, and it was thought he had been drowned. As Mr. Thomas was reported to have some \$100 on his person, foul play is suspected Mrs. Thomas left for Wallpecburg last night to investigate the matter.—Ridgetown Plaindealer. he Urban Store to-night. Read add William Robinson has been brought nto Chatham jail. He was sentenced Christmas holly, Sinia Claus stockngs, filled with good things for the Children's Hygiene Waists, 25c., 50c. and 75c.-Mrs. J. E. Weldon's.

Harry Pritchard, who has been studying law in the Toronto University, is spending his Christmas holidays at his home here.

R. L. Gosnell, Blenheim, having decided to devote all his time and energies to his home business, the partner. ship heretofore existing between hir and H. D. Smith, was displied on the 21st of December. Mr. Smith will in future attend to the Chatham business and Mr. Gosnell to the Elenheim and Mr. Gosnell to the Rienbrins business. Both gentlemen are well and favorably known and their many friends wish that the same degree of success will attend them divorced as did when they were united. The dissolution was a mutual agreement, and both parties are well satisfied.



Santa is King

and the children will all expect

You certainly should play Santa Claus to children, even if you have none in your own family.

Mixed Candies

make one of the best presents possi-ble, and you can give much happiness in this way with little money. Send in the order as early as possi-

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and Oor Richmond;& Queen



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ANYTHING TO YOU?

We think that we wanted to do something extra nice for some one we know, we'ed ask this gentleman to call at "Cowan's" for a pair of his PATENT LEATHERS to deliver to her.

3 DOLLARS

THEY ARE as fine as silk, and have a very clever combination of EASE AND PERFECT FIT-just the shoes to charm a very particular woman. AND GOOD-well they pay their taxes.

GEO. W. COWAN.

HEADQUARTERS

Continued from Page Three.

VonGunten Bros., the ever popula and up-to-date jewellers, have met with phenomenal success this year. desire to extend their hearty thanks to their manifold customer of 1903, and also to wish all a very Merry Christmas and Hippy and Prosperous New Year.

Turrill, the shoeman, is closing 1903 by far the best of his eleven years' business experience in Chatham, with a holiday trade well up to most san-

guine expectations.

The Empress and Hogar brands of shoes are Mr. Turrill's specialties, as is also the "Acme" ladies' cushion-

With Christmas slippers in great variety, to fit the smallest and largest in the human race, Mr. Turrill is prepared to meet the demands, and he will be pleased to have you call at his splendid store. See his pretty window!

THORNTON & DOUGLAS. One of the most magnificent window displays in the city is that of Thornton & Douglas, the popular gents' furnishers. This firm has more than a Chatham reputation. They manufacture all of their own goods at their factory at Stratford, and they also have another store in Guelph. They have been established and they also have another store in Guelph. They have been established here for three years, and Mr. Gordon, the present manager, has been in the city for the past two years. Their business this year is greatly increased over last, for which they wish to thank their many patrons.

No firm in Chatham is more description of which they have the start of the serving of success for they keep the very choicest of stocks and sell at reasonable prices.

NORTHWOOD BROS.

Confectionery is a popular feature of the Christmas trade, and the new firm of Northwoods, (successors to Wigzeli's) are enjoying a goodly por-tion of the Maple City trade. They are well deserving of the liberal patare well deserving of the liberal pat-ronage they receive as they are do-ing all in their power to cater to the most exacting. Their store is very elaborately, deorated with palms, evergreens and holly, and the win-dows are very artitically arrang d with fancy goods.

This firm recently imported a new candy maker and be his provide him-

candy maker and he has proved him-self a wonder. He is also an expert on creamy and fruit less. Fine chocolates and bon-bons are also specialty with him.

If you wish to give a Christmas resent of a box of bon-bons don't ail to call on Mr. Northwood.

THE ARK.

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The Ark was one of the bust spots in town to-day and is beautifully arrayed in Christmas apparel and makes an excellent appearance. The windows are prettily dressed, one with Santa Claus and his toys and dolls, the other with cutlery and games.

As you enter the store on the right are chatclaine purses, and all classes of coony goods. On the other hand are French and Japanese china goods in wonderful variety and design.

Passing along through the store on the right are bautiful vases and in the centre are doll furniture, books and games, and on the left French and German china, and glassware.

There are five, ten and twenty-five cent counters, with toys in countless numbers, besides fancy little gifts and games for the young and older folks.

numbers, besides fancy little gifts and games for the young and older folks. A large variety of skates, sleighs, hockey sticks and general skatang goods is kept. At the back of the store, too, household sundries are to

pe found.

Upstairs is displayed a splendid
array of dinner sets and lamps. The
dinner sets range from \$5.00 to \$50.

The variety and quality of lamps to be found in the special dark room are unparalleled elsewhere. Hanging lamps, hall, barquet and library are excellent samples. The toilet ware is so varied that at baffles any attempt

At the extreme rear of the store down stairs are the Pandora and Famous stoves, in which the Ark has a large trade and make a specialty.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC

There will be divine service in Halv Trinity Church on Christmas morning. Rev. T. Beverley Smith will oc cupy the pulpit. The following program of music will be rendered:

Opening Hymn-Christians, Awake; Salute the Happy Morn! Venite Exultemus-Domino. Te Deum-Wm. Jackson. Jubilate-Wm. Jackson. Anthem-There Were Shepherds. Abiding.

Hymn-Angels From the Realms of

Kyrie Eleison-Wm. Jackson. Offertory Solo-Miss Ada Ross. Hymn-Hark! the Herald Angles

Divine Service will be held in Christ Church Christmas merning. The following will be the program for the

Hymm—Mendelssohn.

Vemile—Choir.
Gloria—Rieding.

Kyrie—Lorenz.

Gloria Life—Sans Libe—Cranby.

Te Deum—Quartette—Misses McKellar and Stephenson, Mesers. Angus
und Wilson.

and Wilson.
Juilbate—Anthem—Choir.

henson. Anthem—Christmas Carols—Choir, Sermon—Rev. R. McCosh. Solo—Christmas Morn—Miss Lucy

McKellar. Hydin—Adestic Fideles.

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With Christmas Greetings

We wish you all the joy that you can Wish.

William Gordon

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Classes at low prices.

Full Teacher's Bibles, with helps references, concordance and maps, \$7.

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A full line of Oxford Bibles, from 25c to \$1.00.

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Episcopal and Catholic. A full line or you to choose from:

Holiday Stationery New novelties in all the leading tints and in staple papers, at from 250

fountain Pens. Practical pens, \$1 each. A good choice of Swan, Water-man and other leaders, up to \$5.00. Leather Goods.—Purses, card cases, bill books and other useful goods for

We are all Children

We like to be remembered. We fell better for bestow some little gift on our friends or dear ones Some pr thing or some useful one. Let us suggest :-FORKS and KNIVES, \$1 to \$2

SKATES, 40c. to \$3.00. NICKEL TEA POTS, 75c. to \$1.25 BISSELL SWEEPER, \$2 to \$5. HOCKEY STICK 5c. AIR GUN \$1 to \$3 WARM MITS and FUR GLOVES 15a to \$6.50

POCKET KNIFE 10c to \$3.06 SAFETY KNIVES \$1.50 to \$6.00. SHOOTING JACKETS, \$1 to \$3.25 TALLY CARD PUNCHES 50c PARLOR STOVE \$10.00 to \$50 00 NEEDLE COMPANIONS, 75c to ,\$3 CARVING SETS 50c to \$6,00 PAIR SCISSORS, 15c to \$3 FUR COAT \$12 to \$50. SET of TOOLS, \$1 to \$5. HAMMER and SAWS, 10c to BUTTER DISH \$2 to \$6. BUTTER KNIFE, \$1 to \$2. PIE SERVER \$1 25 to \$3.00 FISH FORKS \$1 to \$2.50. NAPKIN HOLDERS, 20c. A SMALL CLOCK \$1.00 DINNER BELLS, 20c. to \$1.

DRY GOODS.

Thibodeau & Jacques

MILLINE

For Christmas that will surely please? Then you will from this store. Just received a great snap in

Linen Table Cloths and Naply

in weaver's seconds.

40 Tablecloths in Pure Linen Damasks in 8-4, 10-4 and 12-4, beautiful patterns, almoster and worth 25 per cent more than we are asking. Price \$1.20 to

30 Dozen Napkins to Match. Price \$1.45 to

A large assortment of Doylies, Center Pieces, Shams, &c Umbrellas-The finest stock in the city to choose from. Ladies' and Gentlemen's size dles, all prices, \$1.00 to

Perrin's Kid Gloves-Nothing could be better for a ladies' present-\$1, 1.25, 1.1 Handkerchiefs-The largest variety in Chatham, from 10 to \$2.25 Christmas shopping incomplete without a visit to this store.

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By WILL N. HARREN

CHAPTER XXI.

ing in their canvas covered wagon, and were making coffee over a little fire. Pole wanted a cup of the bever-

age, but he passed on into a grocery store across the street and bought a dime's worth of cheese and hardtack crackers. This was his breakfast. He

washed it down with a dipper of water from the street well and sat around the store chatting with the clerk; who

was sprinkling the floor and sweeping

and dusting the long room. The clerk

was a redheaded young man with a short, bristling mustache, and a suit of clothes that was too large for him.

"Don't Mr. Craig stay around Fincher's warehouse a good deal?" Pole asked as the clerk rested for a moment

on his broom near him.
"Mighty nigh all day long," was the reply. "Him an' Fincher's some kin, I think."

"On his wife's side," said Pole. want to see Mr. Craig. I wonder ef he'll be down thar this mornin'."

er's his best friend sence his bu'st up, an' they are mighty thick. I reckon he

"Purty apt," said the clerk.

"You don't say!"

IB following morning Pole rose before daylight and rode to Darley. As he reached the place the first rays of the sun were touching the slate covered spire of the largest church in town He went to a public wagon yard and hitched his horse to one of the long racks. A mountain family he knew slightly had camped in the yard, sleep-

"Oh, about as common. I jest thought them fellers looked sorter lightweight." The men on the wagon laughed as they thumped a bale of hay on to the platform. "You'd better dry up," one of them said. "We'll git the mayor to

out you to work agin."
"Well, he'll have to be quicker about it than he was the last time," said Pole

Some one laughed lustily from behind a tall stack of wheat in bags in the warehouse. It was Lawyer Tra-bue. He came round and picked up Fincher's daily paper, as he did every morning, and sat down and began to

morning, and sat town and read it.

"Now you are talkin," he said.

"Thar was more rest in that job, Pole, than any you ever undertook. They tell me you didn't crack a rock."

Fincher laughed as he closed his book and struck Baker with it play-

Fincher laughed as he closed his book and struck Baker with it playfully. "Pole was too tired to do that Job," he said. "He was born that way." "Say, Mr. Trabue," retallated Pole, "did you ever heer how I got the best of Mr. Fincher in a chicken trade?" "I don't think I ever did, Pole," laughed the lawyer expectably. "He laughed the lawyer expectably." laughed the lawyer, expectantly. "How

gits the cold shoulder at a lots o' "You don't say!"

"An' of course he wants somewhar
to go besides home. In passin' I've
seed 'im a-figurin' several times at
Fincher's desk. They say he's got
some notion o' workin' fer Fincher as
his bookkeaper."

his bookkeeper.' "Well, he'll have to make a livin' ome way," said Pole. The clerk laughed significantly. "Ef it ain't already made," said be

with a smile. Pole stood up. "I don't think that's right," he said coldly. "Me nur you aur nobedy hain't got no right to hint at what we don't know nothin' about Mr. Craig may 'a' lost ever cent he

"In a pig's valise!" sneered the redheaded man. "I'd bet my hat he's got money—an' plenty of it, huh." "Well, I den't knew nothin' about

it," said Pole, still coldly. "An' what's more, Dunn, I ain't a-goin' about smirchin' any helpless man's character nuther. Ef I knowed he had made by the bu'st, I'd talk different, but I don't know it'

"Oh, I see which side you are on, Baker," laughed the clerk. "Folks are about equally divided. Half is fer 'im, about equally divided. Hair is rer im, an' haif agin. But mark my words, Craig will slide out o' this town some day ab' be heerd of after awhile a-gittin' startes agin some'r's else. That racket has been worked to death all over the country." ver the country."

Pole carried the discussion no further. Half an hour passed. Custome were coming in from the wagon yard and examining the wares on the counters and making slow purchases. The proprietor came in and let the clerk go to breakfast. Pole stood in the doorway looking up the street in the direction of Congress and the contraction of the contraction tion of Craig's residence. Presently he saw the ex-banker coming from the postoffice reading his mail. Pole stepped back into the store and let him go by; then he went to the door again and saw Craig go into Fincher's warehouse at the end of the next block of

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warehouse without looking in. The door at the side of the house had a long platform before it, and on it Fincher, the proprietor, was weighing bales of hay which were being unloaded from several wagons by the coun-trymen who were disposing of it. "Hello, Mr. Fincher!" Pole greeted him familiarly. "Want any help onloadin'?" "Hello, Baker!" said Fincher, look-

straggling, wooden buildings. Pold sauntered down the sidewalk in that direction, passing the front door of the

ing up from the blankbook in which he was recording the weights. "No, I reck-on they can handle it all right." Fincher was a short, fat man, very bald and with a round, laughing face. He had known Pole a long time and considered him a most amusing character. "How do you come on, Pole?"

"Oh, come off, don't go over that again," said Fincher, flushing.
"It was this away," said Pole, with

a broad, wholesome grin. "My cousin, Bart Wilks, was runnin' the restaurant under the car shed about two yeer ago. He was a new hand at the business, an' one day he had a awful rush. He got a telegram that a train load o' knowed he'd have to have a lot o' fryin' chickens, an' he couldn't leave the restaurant, so he axed me ef I'd take the money an' go out in town an' buy 'em fer 'im. I consented, an' struck Mr. Fincher, who was sellin' sech truck then. He 'lowed, you know, that I jest wanted one, or two at the outside, fer my own use, so when I seed a fine coop out in front an' axed the price of em he kinder drawed on his beerd till his mouth fell open an' studied how he could make the most out o' me. After awhile he said, 'Well, Pole, I'll make 'em 10 cents apiece ef I pick 'em, an' 15 ef you pick 'em.' I sorter skeerd the chickens around an' seed thar was two or three tiny ones hidin' under the big ones, an' I seed what he was up to, but I was ready fer 'im. 'All right,' ses I, 'you pick 'em.' Thar was two or three loafers standin' round an' they all laughed at me when Mr. Fincher got down over the coop an' finally ketched one about the size of a robin an' hauled it out. 'Keep on a-pickin',' ses I, an' he made a grab fer one a little bigger an' handed it up to me. Then he stuck his hands down in his peckets disk his hands down n his pockets, doin' his best to keep from laughin'. The gang yelled then but I wasn't done. 'Keep on a-pickin' ses I. An' he got down agin. An', sir, I got that coop at about 4 cents aplece less'n he'd paid fer 'em. He tried to back, but the gang wouldn't let 'im, It was the cheapest lot o' chickens I er seed. I turned the little ones out to fatten and made Wilks pay me the market price all round fer the bunch." "I'll be bound you made some'n' out of it," said Trabue. "Fincher, did you ever heer how that scamp tuck in ev-

ery merchant on this street about two yeer ago?"
"Never heerd anything except his owin' 'em all," said Fincher, with a

laugh.

"I could put 'im in the penitentiary fer it," affirmed the lawyer. "You know about that time thar was a powerful rivalry goin' on among the store-keepers. They was movin' heaven an' earth to sell ther' big stocks. Well, one of the spryest in the lot, Joe Gaylord, noticed that Pole was powerful popular with mountain folks, an' he made 'im a proposition, bindin' im down to secrecy. He proposed to give Pole 10 per cent commission on all the goods he'd he'p sell by bringin' customers in the store. Pole hesitated beca'se, he said, they mitated. per cent commission on all the goods he'd he'p sell by bringin' customers in the store. Pole hesitated beca'se, he said, they might find it out, an' Joe finally agreed that all Pole would have to do was to fetch 'em in, give the wink, an' him an' his clerks would do the rest. It worked mighty slick fer awhile, but Pole noticed that very often the folks he'd fetch in wouldn't be pleased with the goods an' prices an' ud go trade some'r's else. Then what do you think the scamp did? He went to every store in town an' made a secret contract to git 10 per cent on all sales, an' he had the softest snap you ever heerd of. He'd simply hang on to a gang from the country, whether he knowed 'em or not, an' foller 'em around till they bought; then he'd walk up an' rake in his part."

"I got left once," said Pole, laughing with the others. "One gang that I stuck to all day went over to Melton an' bought."

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"Well, the merchants caught on after awhile an' stopped him," said Trabue, "but he made good money while he was at it. They'd 'a' sent 'im up fer it et it hadn't been sech a good joke on 'em."

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Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper

SCOURGE OF THE AGE IS KIDNEY DISEASE

Dodd's Kidney Pills the One Remedy That Never fails to Cure It, No Mat-ter How or When It is Found.

Of all the diseases the human body Or all the diseases the human body has to combat in its struggle for health, the one that is steadily growing in strength and terrors is Kidney Disease. Quietly, stealthily as a serpent, it creeps on us victim till the latter is enveloped in its folds, and the greatest physicians the the latter is enveloped in its folds, and the greatest physicians the world has ever known stand helpless before it. As the last fold goes around the struggling victim and the doctor shakes his head and whispers "Bright's Disease," hope fades to nothing, and the sorrowing friends feel that death has marked their loved one for its own.

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disease is making is evidenced by the columns of almost every newspaper. For not among the lowly of the earth alone does it look for its victims. alone does it look for its victims, Statesmen, judg.s, eminent lawyers, and honored divines are numbered among those who in recent months have gone down to their graves with the fell marks of this dread disease upon their bodies. In fact, so prevalent has the disease become that a celebrated New York specialist stated recently that not one person in a hundred was free from some taint a hundred was free from some taint of Kidney Disease.

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It is the secrecy of Kidney Disease that makes it the more dreaded. You can fight an enemy in the open with some chance of success, but if he is lying in wait to take you at an unwary moment your chances of successfully fighting him are terribly diminished. So it is with Kidney Disease. Its first warnings are so faint as to be hardly noticeable, a slight pain in the back that is charged up to over exertion, a slight discoloration of the urine or a burning sensation while urinating attracts attention. That is all. But that means that Kidney Disease is at work gradually eating its way into your system. The pain in the back grows more severe, the urinary trouble more complicated, swellings under the eyes and of the limbs denote the coming of Dropsy, sharp shooting pains in the joints and muscles tell that Rheumatism has you in its grasp, or perhaps a day or two's illness leads to the calling of the doctor, and suddenly the terrible truth is forced upon you—Bright's Disease has you in its grasp.

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With this silent, reientless enemy slowly but surely eating its way into prominence and marking that prominence by a yearly increase in the lengths of its death list, the demand of the day, of the hour, is "Show us the way of escape." Nature never put mankind in a critical condition without providing a way of escape providing mankind were wise enough to take the way provided. In this case the way of escape is a simple vegetable remedy. It has been before the people of Canada for thirteen years, and, like all the great relievers of nature, has been first received and first appreciated by the lowly in life, those known as the common people of Canada.

ON WITH HIS WORK.

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Ana so it is; the man who does manual labor must heal his slightest aches or they hinder him in his work. When he has a backache he cures it with Dodd's Kidney Pills, and goes on with his work; when he feels a twinge of Rheumatism he drives it out of his body with Dodd's Kidney Pills — and goes on with his work. Necessity has taught him that he must cure his Kidneys to get rid of his pains, for he must work to live. He has not been educated to that standpoint where a prescription to cure must be written by a specialist at a cost of dollars to every letter. He may not even know that there never was a disease that took in all classes of the community but what nature provided a cure within the means of all classes of the community. What he does know is more to the point than all this. He knows that Dodd's Kidney Pills will cure all aches which experience has taught him come from the Kidneys. He takes Dodd's Kidney Pills, and goes on with his work.

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From the Atlantic to the Pacific, and from the Great Lakes to Hudson Bay, Dodd's Kidney Pills are used, and wherever used they have triumphed to ver Kidney Disease in its every form. Thousands of Canadians are shouting their praises of the conqueror.

Just a few of those who have neglected the early symptoms, reached the more advanced stages of Kidney Diseases, and found a cure in Dodd's Kidney Pills are given below. There are thousands of others, Ask in your own immediate neighborhood. You will not have to go far to meet of the present age by using the old Canadian stand-by -Dodd's Kidney Pills.

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Bright's Disease has invariably yielded to a treatment of Dodd's Kidney Pills, no matter how firm a hold it had secured on its victim. Possibly the most talked of case of recent date is that of Alice Mand Parker, of Shubenacadie, Hents Co., N. S. The full story of this case will be found in the current number of Dodd's Magazine. Herewith a short statement from the young lady's mother is appended:

Two doctors pronounced my daughter's illness 'Bright's Disease, and gave her up to die. Her eyelids swelled till she could hardly see, her legs from her ankles to her kuees swelled. Her belt in health was twenty inches, when she was a her worst it was 48 inches. Then she gave up all other treatment and stred to take Dodd's Kidney Pills. B. the time she had taken the 'first hox I saw a change. It took a long 'me to bring her back to perfect health, but Dodd's Kidney Pills did it. To-day my daughter is in perfect health.

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Mrs. T. G. Parker,
Shubencadie, Hants Co., N. S. DIABETES CURED.

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Diabetes is another of the most fearful and tatal forms of Kidney Disease that has been cured by Dodd's Kidney Pills, and by no other medicine. Among those cured of this terrible ailment is Mr. Charles Gitchrist, for fifteen years Chief of Police of Port Hope, and afterwards for twenty-two years Fishery Overseer under the Dominion Government. He makes the following statement:

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I was a sufferer for ten years with
Diabetes and Kidney Disorder. At
times my urine was of a dark bricky
color, and I would suffer something
awful while passing. I tried doctors
and medicines, but could get no help
till I tried Dodd's Kidney Pills. They
have made me a new man. The citizens of Port Hope all know me, and
can vouch for the above.

Chas. Gilchrist,

Ex-Chief Coast and Fishery Over eer, Port Hope.

HEART DISEASE CURED.

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Heart Disease is a result of Kidney Disorder. Bad Kidneys mean impure blood, the action of impure blood on the theart causes Heart Disease, Dodd's Kidney Pills cure it...

I suffered for years with Heart Disease, Bright's Disease, and Rheumatism. I was so feeble I was unable to do :anything, There were three months I abandoned all medicines, and resolved to let myself die. Then I was led to try Dodd's Kidney Pills, and the good the first box did me surprised me. I have taken twenty boxes in all, am well of my Heart Disease, my Bright's Disease and my Rheumatism.

Dame Louis Provosts,

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Is it he common people of Canada who die of Bright's Disease? No, it is the bright and shianing marks, those who are stationed above the heads of the masses. Ask the reason of this! Go to the people who are practically exempt from Kidney Disease in its worst form, and ask them. With almost a single voice they will reply: "We cure our Kidney aliments with Dodd's Kidney Pills, and they never get a chance to develop into that terrible disease that carries so many prominent men into the grave."

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Rheumatism and kindred Kidney Diseases, such as Lumbago, Sciatica, and Gout, are caused by uric acid in the blood. If the Kidneys are put in working order they strain all the urio acid out of the blood, and the Rheutism goes with it. Take the case of W. G. Cragg, of Dresden, Ont. Here is his statement:

For eight years I was troubled with Inflammatory Rheumatism. I could scarcely get around to do my duties in my store. I had some of the best doctors I could get, but nothing I tried would ever give me relief. I was also troubled with Gout. I started using Dodd's Kidney Pills and had only taken six boxes when I was completely cured.

W. G. Cragg,

W. G. Cragg, Ex-Reeve of Dresden, Ont. ALL KIDNEY DISEASES CURED.

this. He knows that Dodd's Kidney Pills will cure all aches which experience has taught him come from thousands to show the efficacy of the Kidneys. He takes Dodd's Kidney Pills, and goes on with his work.

SOME EXCEPTIONS.

Of course, there are exceptions to every rule. Even among common people there are those who neglect the early warnings of Kidney Disease. It takes exceptions to prove the rule—but many of these exceptions prove more—they prove that no case of Kidney Disease is too far gone for Dodd's Kidney Pills to cure. Bright's Disease, Diabetes, Dropsy, Heart Disease—all the varied forms of Kidney Disease in its advanced stages—have been met by Dodd's Kidney Pills, and never once has Canada's great Kidney Remedy had to admit defeat,

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RELAND'S ANIMALS.

Species of Frogs and Toads Are Found In the Green Isle. It is not correct to say that there are no frogs or toads in Ireland, though it is very remarkable that the common toad is not found there. The natterjack toad is a native of Kerry, though it does not appear to be found elsewhere It is an example of the mania which some people have for meddling with nature that a Dr. Guithers in 1699 took the trouble to procure frogs spawn from England, since which time they have multiplied in Ireland. But the common lizard is found in many parts of the island. The slowworm is no Though the common toad and till re cent times the frog were not found Ireland, it is worth remembering the the English reptiles and batrachian are very local in their distribution. The natterjack toad is only found in certai counties. The edible frog was formerly only found in Foulmire Fen, in Cambridgeshire, and the sand lizard is most capricious in the choice of a home. The beautiful green lacertæ" which Gilbert White saw on the sunny banks near Farnham are to be found there still, the males being of the green color and also near Bournemouth and in Dorsetshire beyond Poole Harbor. Yet there are many suitable places where none are seen, and then they reappear

again on some sandhills on the coast of Lancashire, near Southport. On the other hand, the absence of many species in Ireland which are or were commonly found in the larger is land can only be explained on the sup-position that they never reached the country. Among these are the wildcat, the polecat and the weasel. Yet the marten was always plentiful on the other side of St. George's channel, and stoats abound in the west. Five of the fourteen species of bat found in Eng-land have not been taken in Ireland, neither is the common shrew found there or the water shrew or the mole

though the last is found in Anglesey.

Only six of the fifteen British rodents are found in Ireland, and of these one, the squirrel, was probably introduced. Neither is the roe deer indigenous. In support of the general theory that the mmigration of the English fauna was difficult in the earlier periods and sub-sequently checked altogether may be

APHORISMS.

Philosophy is nothing but discretion. All imposture weakens confidence and

chills benevolence.—Johnson. The only wealth which will not de cay is knowledge.—Langford.

Trouble teaches men how much there is in manhood.—Henry Ward Beecher. Your real influence is measured by your treatment of yourself.—A. Bronson Alcott.

Human judgment is finite, and it ought always to be charitable.-Wil liam Winter. Kindness in us is the honey that

blunts the sting of unkindness in an-Politeness is a sort of guard which covers the rough edges of our charac-ter and prevents their wounding others.

The constant duty of every man to his follows is to ascertain his own powers and special gifts and to strengthen them for the help of others.

Speaking Without Words. Spanish young ladies hold animated onversations with their lovers by means of a fan, which they always car ry Italians use a flower for similar purposes, and a young girl who may be apparently idly pulling the petals from rose is in reality making arrangements for perhaps a secret visit to the

opera house with her lover. in Matta comparatively few people can read, yet nearly every one holds a prayer book when at church. The reaprayer book when at church. The rea-son for this is that a prayer book lan-ginge is in existence, and by carefully watching each other's movements two persons can readily and secretly communicate with each other through the various positions in which the books are held being recognized as code

Marital Ifs. Most homes would be far happier if men were as considerate of their wives

as they were of their sweethearts.

If each remembered that the other was a human being.

If they endeavored to be as agreeable as they were in their courtship days.

If domestic trials and tribulations were not fold to neighbors.

If household expenses were in proportion to the husband's salary. If privileges taken were given.

The Strategy of Samuel.
Proud Father—I tell you, sir, that
boy of mine will be a wonder!
Friend (wearily)—What wonderful
thing has be done now?

Proud Father—Why, the other day he ate all the preserves in the pantry. I overheard him say as he smeared the cat's face with the stuff, "I'm sorry, Tom. to do this, but I can't have the old folks suggest as "I'm sorry," old folks suspect me!"

The Successful Man In Business. "That man is a great thinker," was the admiring comment.

despairingly, "but I have noticed that these very studious people aren't suc-cessful in business. What you want to be nowadays is not a great thinker, but a good guesser."-Washington Star.

Great Britain got two of her possessions from pirates, the Leeward islands in Borneo and Sarawak in the north-

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ALLEGED CHILD-MURDER.

INFANT BODY FOUND WITH WOUND IN SKULL.

Mrs. Christina Saunders and Miss Phoehe Davis of Orillia Township Under Arrest-John Pallister Charged as Accessory.

Orillia, Dec. 23.-As a result of coroner's inquest and subsequent pro ceedings in the Police Court Mrs Christina Saunders and her sister Miss Phoebe Davis, were committed to stand their trial at the next assizes charged with the murder of the for mer's infant child, and John Pallister the infant's reputed father, is charged with being accessory to the fact and with assisting in concealment of the

Acting upon information Constable
A. K. McKay went out to a house on
the fourth concession of Orillia township on Friday and arrested the two women, subsequently, however, returning them to their home. On Saturday, on the advice of Dr. J. McLean, corner, he again went out and demanded the body of the infant. This was eventually given to him, and examina-tion revealed the fact that it had come to its death by other than fair means. There was a deep wound in the skull, made with some sharp instrument.

made with some sharp instrument, penetrating half an inch into the brain. The women were arrested and lodged in jail, and a jury was empanelled to hold an inquest. After viewing the body a post mortem was ordered to be made. This was done by Drs. W. C. Gilchrist and E. P. Kelly, who to-day brought in a written statement to the brought in a written statement to the effect that the child was born alive and had apparently come to its death by the wound in its head. The post mortem revealed the fact that the lungs had been inflated, showing that the child had lived some little time af-ter birth. Upon this testimony the Coroner's jury brought in a verdict charging the two women with the murder of the child. In the Fonce before Magistrate Booth, they were committed to stand their trial at the the child. In the Police Court, committed to stand their trial at the next court of competent jurisdiction.

Pallister was also committed, charged with being an accessory to the fact and with concealment of birth and burial of the child.

It appears that the two women live together in the house described with

together in the house described, with a young brother; Pallister, the elder, and his two sons occupying the rear half of the same dwelling.

UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO. Another Gift From Rockefeller-Premier Ross Speaks.

Chicago, Dec. 23.-By giving \$1,850, 000 to the University of Chicago for its 1903 Christmas present, John D. Rockefeller has brought his donations to this institution beyond the \$13,000,000 mark. President W. R. Harper at the convocation to-night peered into the stocking and found the Rockefeller gift and another of a round million dollars. No name is attached to the latter gift, and the supposition is that it, too, comes from the Standard Oil magnate. Counting it as his donation, the grand total for the last fourteen years is \$14,302,374. Of the acknowledged gift a million

and a half is to be used for regular expenses, \$50,000 for Babylonian re-

Hon. Geo. W. Ross, Premier of Ontario, was the principal speaker at the convention last night. He was warmly applauded by the assembled

MENACE TO THE EMPIRE. One View of Demand For Treatymaking Powers.

London, Dec. 23.-The World's Work says that while Mr. Chamber lain is busy assuring us that the em pire will go to pieces unless wheat is taxed a real danger to the empire that has sprung up is receiving little or no attention. Sir Wilfrid Laurier's demand to be a treaty-making power is then the real danger. It is obvious that if Canada is allowed to make treaties independently then England must take the consequences of that independence. Engandence of that independence. quences of that independence. England, it is not to be expected by Canadians, will approve of the demand, but the matter is certainly one of

KILLED HER DEBTOR Woman Shot Man Who Owed Her Small Amount.

Helena, Mont., Dec. 22.-Charles Hillson, aged thirty years, was shot and killed by Mattie Lee at Phillips burg to-day. The woman claimed Hill-son owed her a small sum of money. When Hillson refused to pay her she shot him in the head, killing him in-

Mills Resuming Work.

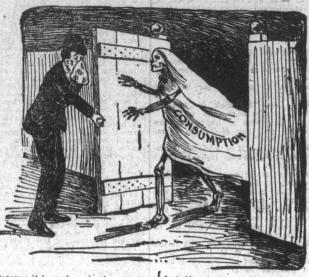
Pittsburg, Dec. 22.—The W. Dew-ss sheet mills of the American Sheet steel Company at McKeesport re-umed work in all departments last light. For several weeks but three night. For several weeks but three of the seventeen sheet mills have been working. A part of the Boston iron and steel mill department of the National Tube Works Company also resumed work last night after a shutdown of six weeks. At Gassport the eight-inch department of the Pittsburg Steel Hoop Company resumed operations to day after a suspension of two months.

Killed Her Hire Jan.

Owasso, Mich., Dec. 22—Mrs. Caroline
Collins of New Lathrop was to-day held
for trial on the charge of poisoning her
fired man. George Leachman. Leachman body was exhumed and poisonwas found in the vitel organs.

CATARRH

Great White Plague



Because it is such a slowly progress bive disease and lingers along, year after year, now better, now worse, but on the whole getting more deeply and firmly seated, people are prons to overlook its destructive tendencies and neglect catarrh. It is hard for one whose constitution holds him up for years against the progressive en-croachments of catarrh, to realize his danger and think of the time when somer or later vital organs will be reached, or some acute cold will fan the smouldering fire of catarrh into that devastating systemic conflagra_

So many neglect the beginnings of disease and allow it to become firmly seated and very difficult to dislodge. Only physicians who are familiar with the history of all, that in a large number of fatal sicknesses, has led up to the death, realize how often

foren.ost sourge of America. Its steatthy approach and lingering stay make it a dread toi the physician and a pest to the natient. It is vastly more than just a filthy and discourse of the state of th stealthy approach and lingering stay make it a dread toi the physiciam and a pest to the patient. It is vastly more than just a filthy and disgusting disease, making the breath odius and repulsive, causing one to choke, smuff, blow, sneeze, cough, gag hawk, spit and do the disagreeable "I have sold many catarrh cures things catarrh sufferers are obliged to do, but if allowed to run it, soon are to later becomes dangerous to life. Because catarrh is not alarming in its early stages, it is commonly allowed to progress until many, so many, deaths are due to diseases having other and various names but of which catarrh is the primary or base cause.

other and various names but of which catarrh is the primary or basic cause. Catarrh is the beginning of more diseases than all other causes combined. It is capable of attacking most fluids, tissues and organs of the body. The poisonous secretions following up the macous tracts get into the throat and in lure the voice, into the throat and injure the voice, into the head and impair hearing, into the stomach and produce dyspepsia, into the head and impair hearing, into the stomach and produce dyspepsia, into the bowels and result in chronic diarrhea, into the blood and become scrofula, into the skin to be known as eczema, into respiratory organs and eczema, into respiratory organs and become consumption, into the urand permanency of the cures as complished by Schuart's Catarrh Tableits accounts for the fact that the multilude of people who have used them are so lavish in their praise. If you love health, a sweet breath, and a clear head, if you wish the trid yourself of the systemic tendencies, ness."

ional disease, hence the folly of at-

I wonder if you have any idea how coolish you looked when you asked me to marry you?

No, I haven't, but I know I could not have looked half as foolish as I

WHISKEY MEDICINES.

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festation in one spot, drive it in, to

perhaps attack some more important and deeper seated structures.

If you have cararrh, even in its mas common or ordinary and supposedly sate form, and are gifted with uncommon sense you will not delay sacking a cure for it but endeavor to drive it out of the system before it develops into a disease that gives little promise or hope of cure.

True, all catarrhesufferers do no develop consumption or Bright's dis-ease, but careful inquiry will show that most who have died of these common and fatal ills were, pre-vious to i.s affecting lungs or kid-neys, afflicted with some recognizneys, afflicted with some recogniz-ed form of catarrh. Scuarc's Catarrh Tablets cure ca-

mumber of fatal sicknesses, has led the father of fatal sicknesses, has led the father anywhere, everywhere and altern anywhere and altern anywher

A cure that is radical and lasting is the only cure. It is easy to dry up or drive in and suppress catarrh at some local point, with drying or astringent applications, but this is only a miserable subterfuge, a makeshift that will soon be apparent when ureatment is discontinued. Not so with the radical continued. stitutional cure by the use of Stu-art's Catarrh Tablets which, though not so rapid of action as suppress-ing measures, is lasting and satis-factory in the end. The catarrhal

eventually dangerous disease.

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THE UPTON INQUEST.

FANNY M'GARVEY COMMIT TED FOR TRIAL.

The Coroner's Jury Find that She Killed Her Uncle While Suffering Consumption From Mental Derangement.

London, Ont., Dec. 23.-The inquest held in Strathroy regarding the Patrick Upton fromicide was not concluded until yes-terday. The chief witness, William Mc-Garvey, detailed the story of Fanny McGarvey's attack upon her uncle. It did not vary from what has already been repeatedly published. Witness said that Fanny had on more than one occasion sot up in the middle of the night and asked him to go out to her uncle's to see if the Clan-na-Gael had not murdered him, which she feared. At other times she was in a raving state instead of there being any ill-feeling between Fanny McGarvey and Upton, witness said they thought much of each other.

Following is the verdict rendered by the jury:—'We, the Coroner's Jury appointed to ascertain the cause of the death of Patrick Upton, who died on Dec. 18, do find that the said Fatrick Upton came to his death from wounds inflicted with an axe in the hands of Mrs Fanny McGarvey, on the evening of Nov, 7, while suffering from mental derangement.

Crown Attorney Magee appeared for the Crown, and Mr. John Folinsbee for the prisoner. Garvey, detailed the story of Fanny Mc

prisoner.
Fanny McGarvey was brought before
Squire Noble at Strathroy to-day, and
committed for trial at the next Assizes
on a charge of murder. The prisoner was
been a charge of the county fail, in this
city.

CONSPIRED TO MURDER.

True Bills Returned Against a Family at Rising Sun, Ind.

Rising Sun., Ind., Dec. 23.-In it eport regarding the investigation of the assassination of Miss Elizabeth the assassination of Miss Elizabeth Gillespie on Dec. 8, the Grand Jury has returned true bills of murder in the first degree against James Gillespie, a twin brother of the murdered woman, Mrs. Belle Seward are widowed sister, Mrs. Carrie Barbour; a niece of Dr. Thad. A. Re m., an emment physician of Cincinnati, and Myron Barbour, her husband. Denen grants were issued immediat ly Dr. Gi lespie, a brother of the accused, brought the indicted persons to the court house. A newspaper photographer attempted to make a picture the party and was struck by James llespie. The indictmen's charge the Gillespie. The indictmen's ca family with conspiracy to kill.

C.P.R. LAND SALES.

A Big Falling Off in November This Year.

Montreal, Dec. 23 .- A report received at the C.P.R. headquarters from its land commissioner, Mr. Griffin, at Winnipeg, shows the receipts for land sales in the Territories and Manitoba during November. The falling off in the total receipts was close to \$500,000. In November, 1003, they amounted to \$127,080, while during the same month last year they totalled \$598,787, a decrease of \$470,807. The decreases were as fellows:—In Manitoba, 7,750 acres, or \$28,693; in Assimboia, a decrease of 34,778 acres and \$161,142; in Sasof 34,778 acres and \$161,142; in Sas-katchewan, a decrease of 36,368 acres and \$130,024, and in Alberta, a loss of 39,952 acres and \$141,047. The falling off is ascribed in part to the decreased demand by American settlers.

HIS FOURTH MURDER.

Frank Burness Pleads Guilty and Must Die,

New York, Dec. 23 .- With a verdict that sends Frank H. Burness, a selfconfessed murderer, to the electric chair, a jury, before Judge Crane, yes-terday ended one of the most sen-sational murder trials heard in Brookerally referred to as "female weakness."

Catarrh of the eyes, ears, nose throat, bronchial tubes, lungs, liver, stomach, bowels, kidneys, bladder and other organs, is but a local manifestation of a lurking or constitutional disease, hence the folly of atlyn for months. Burness' fourth mur-der was committed on November 10 murders were calmly described by Burness to-day on the witness stand, and the murderer insisted that he commit-ted his last murder with premeditation and in a full realization of the conse and in a full realization of the consequences. The jury brought in a verdict of murder in the first degree. Burness smiled broadly when the jury was being poiled. Judge Crane said he would sentence Burness on Monday, and Burness asked the Judge if he would be permitted to say something. On being given the privilege, he said: "There may be an idea in the minis of some of the jurors that I hold a grudge against them for having foun! of some of the jurors that I hold a grudge against them for having foun! me guilty. I wish to say that I do not feel in that way in the slightest, and (laughingly) all I can say is I wish them all a merry Christmas."

When asked what he thought would be the result of his confession, he coolly replied: "Why, I only see one way out of it."

"What is that?"

"Why, the chair, of course," he replied.

Strike Against Wage Reductions Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 22. — Word has been received at the headquarters of the United Mine Workers that 1,000 of the United Mine Workers that 1,000 miners in Preston county, W. Va., have quit work on account of a reduction of ten cents a ton in their scale. Several of the operators in the Preston county fields are also interested in mines at other points, where 5,000 men are out on account of a similar cut of ten cents a ton.

Ontario Election Petitions. nto, Dec. 23.—The following On-petitions have been fixed for trial When you find a cough holding o

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TELEGRAPH BREVITIES. Stories of vast wealth left by Por-

The Court of Appeal has unanimously refused the application on behalf of W. H. Callaghan for leave to appeal.

The new Roman Catholic church at Mc

Figures published by the United States Department of Commerce show an enormous increase in trade with Canada.

Messrs. C. N. Bell of Winnipeg and J. X. Perrault have been appointed Secre aries to the Transportation Commis Danish newspapers are urging the

William Matheson, deputy returning of ficer in North Renfrew, was killed while felling a tree on his farm in Pembroke township. Edgar Richards. Manager of the branch f the Royal Bank of Canada at Whitney

Mines, Nova Scotia, ha's disappeared, His accounts are \$5,000 short. Frank Burness, convicted at New York of one murder, and who confessed to three others, said he held no grudge against the jurors, and wished them

The following Liberals were nominated for the Commons yesterday:-Wentworth W. O. Seuley; West Algoma, J. J. Ke hoe: Stormont R. Smith: Missisquoi

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FIREMEN'S SKULLS CRUSHED. Battalion Chief and Fireman Killed While Fighting a Fire.

New York, Dec. 23.-Yesterday the bodies of Battalion Chief Coleman and Fireman Richard Joyce were ound in the cellar of the Mott street urniture factory, where they lost their ives last night while fighting the fire n the building. Their skulls had been rushed in by a beam, which rested ecross the heads of both. A STUDY OF OLD AGE Reveals the fact that the blood i

usually thin and lacking in the strengthening properties of young folks' blood. If you want to fill blood with the fire of youth, build up your strength, restore your nerves, just use Ferrozone. It's the most potent tonic known and will renew the flickering flame of an aged new the flickering flame of an aged life by imparting nourishment to en-feebled organs. Ferrozone fortifies weak systems, feeds the blood, brain and nerves with new life. Try Fer-rozone. Price 50c. per box.

BARKEEPERS MUST GO. No Room For The Gamblers in

Ohio O'dfellows' Lodges. Springfield, Ohio, Dec. 23.-Grand Master Charles C. Pavey of the Ohio Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Oddie lows has issued a circular to the effect that on January 1, 1904, all saloonkeepers, bartenders and processional gamblers shall either out the order or those occupations.

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JAPAN URGED TO STRIKE.

BELIEVED IN LONDON THAT WAR IS INEVITABLE.

Russia Now Directing Her Efforts to Gain Time-Britain and France Bringing Influence to Bear.

London, Dec. 23.-Discussing the far eastern situation, the London papers to-day say that Russia is playing for time, and when her moment comes she will snap her fingers at Japan. A section of the London press is strongly urging Japan to strike now. Assuming that war is inevitable, they say that Japan will rue it if she falls in with Russia's waiting game. If the two countries resort to war the sympathies and the prayers of Britain will be for Japan. What more the British would do nobody under

takes to say.

Great anxiety pervades all Europe on account of the situation. It might be an exaggeration to say that the prevailing belief in Britain, France and Germany is that war between Japan and Russia is unavoidable, but it may be said truthfully that the view of most persons whose opinions have weight is that the situation is so bad that the most natural outcome is war. About the most optimistic view is that there is still ground for hope that the two countries may reach a peaceful set-

London, Dec. 23.—The Berlin cor-respondent of The Times says it is thought here there is good reason for believing that Russia is by no means so warlike as she appears to European eyes. Russia, it is said, is feeling her way in order to discover how much she may demand of Japan now or in the future, with any prospect of success. This may be true, but according to the prevailing view in Europe, Russia is not likely to be content with Japan's "irreducible minimum demands," nor give up her programme

mands," nor give up her programme in Manchuria or Ccrea.

Tokio, Dec. 23.—It is ascertained in official rircles here that the Jayanese reply to Russia rejects the fundamenta points at issue, which are understood to include mutual guarantees for the preservation of Chinese and Corean sovereignty, while securing the individual interests of Russia and Japan.

The situation is graver than since the commencement of the negotiations, but is still susceptible to a pacific so-lution if Russia will quickly reconsider

The fact that Foreign Minister Komura called on Baron De Rosen, the Russian Minister, yesterday, instead of Baron De Rosen calling on Komura, Baron De Rosen calling on Komura, is, interpreted as meaning that Japan is determined not to afford Russia possible ground for claiming Japanese impetuesity as an excuse. Komura's communication is not believed officially to be necessarily tantamount to an ultimatum as rumored. matum, as rumored.

War preparations continue apace.

The transports and the warships can sail at five minutes' notice. The Japanese Government proposes immediately to undertake the completion of the Seoul-Fusan railroad, under the direct supervision of Japan.

Popular sentiment and the press are eagerly urging the Government to set a limit to the "Russian tactics of ag-gression and insolent negligence."

THOSE CHILIAN WARSHIPS. Russian Government Offered to Buy

Them. London, Dec. 23.-The following is published to-day by several papers as an authentic account of the purchase by the British Government of the Chilian warships Libertad and Consti-Chinan warsings Libertiae and Consu-tution. When the ships came into the market both the British and Japanese Governments were approached, and both declined to purchase. Later, Ja-pan, on account of developments in the installment plan, but Chili said no Russia then stepped in with an offer of £1,800,000, payable in twenty-four hours. At this psychological moment the British Government promptly ac-

quired the vessels for £1,875,000. FIVE MEN KILLED.

Result of Explosion at the St. Louis Power House.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 23 .- The list of known killed in the explosion of seven boilers last night at the Geyer avenu power house of the St. Louis Transit Company has been increased to five. A number of employees are still mi

A LIVING TORCH.

Hamilton Woman Fatally Burned on the Street.

Hamilton, Dec. 23.-Another stance of the danger of using coal oil to start a fire in a stove was furnished in a sad manner about 6 o'clock las evening by Mrs. Partridge, 214 Mary Her dress caught fire from the blazing oil, and, after vainly fight the blazing oil, and, after vainly fight ing the flames in the house, she rais screaming into the street. He plight was quickly seen, and she wa given assistance, but by that time he clothing was entirely burned off. He condition was pitiable. She was re moved to the city hospital, where she case was said to be hope ess. She is a33 years of age, and has four children The unfortunate woman was recently in St. Joseph's Hospital ill.

ROTHSCHILDS' GIFT.

Braces of Pheasants to Many 'Bu Drivers and Conductors.

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Archie McCorvie and L. Thompson were harvesting ice last week. The ice on the pond is about eight or nine inches thick and of good quality.

L. Carter was in Chatham on Sat

arday. Mr. Hopper moved into the new louse on Chicken St. last week. From the appearance of things now we may have a white Christmas this

The rain on Saturday night and the now on Sunday, being frozen, make

the sleighing very good.

Neil Watson is getting in a large stock of logs this season. He is taking advantage of the good roads. A number from here attended the concert in English's school house on Friday evening and report a good

time.
Chas, Osterhout is moving to Ridgetowa, where he intends taking a
course in telegraphy.
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District Doings.

WALLACEBURG

Dec. 23.-Claude Chubb, Jno. Ner

and Young are spending Christmas in town.

The marriage of Mess Ella Frye and Mr. Michael MacNairnie took place on Tuesday evening, Dec. 22nd, at the home of Mr. Wm. MacNairnie, Rev. J. M. Nichol officiated.

The Methodist S. S. are giving a cantata in the Opera House on Christmas night.

mas night.

Mrs. J. C. Crothers, who fell on the pavement a few days ago, is very much better.

The annual Christmas entertain-

ment was given at the Booth school house on the East Branch on Tuesday evening.

The Separate School concert was The Separate School concert was given in the Opera House on Tuesday evening, Dec. 22nd. A full house greeted the children, who did not disappoint them, but gave a very excellent program. The "Irish Tutor," given at the conclusion of the program, is certainly worthy of mention. A Christmas tree was given to the children.

When you want on artistic design, call up or visit Victoria avenue Green Houses. 'Phone 181.

TILBURY

Dec. 23.—Mrs. Baker, of Romney, left to-day to visit her daughter, Mrs. Hyatt, in Pontiac, Mich. Village schools closed yesterday for

an Church here last Sunday, and will gain occupy the pulpit next Sur

Dr. W. Boyd left on Monday for A Christmas service will be held in St. Andrew's Episcopal Church next Sunday morning, a feature of which will be the singing of a Christmas carol by ten of the small boys of the

Miss Helen Younge, of the public school staff, left to-day to spend va-cation at her home in Sarnia. Wm. Carey was in Chatham Mon-

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DRESDEN

Dec. 23.-A: B. Carscallen, of Wahterday.

Miss Grace Miller is assisting at W.
H. Willson's store for the holiday

rush.

Geo. Boylan, of Philadelphia, accompanied by his friend, Mr. Haley, is visiting his parents, Camden town-

is visiting his parents, Camden town-ship.

A largely attended and enthusias-tically representative convention was held in the Dresden opera house yesterday. The organization of the new riding was completed, and another meeting called for next Thesday, Dec. 29th, for the purpose of select-ing a candidate in the coming fed-eral elections.

ral elections.

The salvation army gave a chaldren's entertainment in the barracks last night.

Holidays in the Dresden schools

took part in the recent story competition of the Chatham Planet.

Dec. 24.—In Chatham, yesterday, John McKim, Base Line, to Miss Alma Card, 12th concession, Chatham townn After the ceremony the han ouple returned to the home of the bridegroom's father, Base Line, where a sumptuous wedding supper was par-taken of. Mr. and Mrs. McKim will take up their residence on the

take up their residence on the eleventh concession.

Miss Culvert, of Lucan, has been appointed to the vacant position on the public school staff.

Rav. N. Lindsay preaches at Hensall

on Sanday next.
Chas. Metzker has been succeeded as wine clerk at the Westcott House by Mr. George Blackburn, of Blen-

Mrs. C. H. Gordon is visiting rela-Miss Dottie Lawrence, of the Otta-wa Kindergarten School, arrived at home last night for the Christimas holidays.

Mir. P. W. Currie, of Ottawa, is the

Mir. P. W. Currie, of Ottawa, is the guest of his sister, Mrs. (Riv.) N. Lindsay, Hughes street.
Robert Shaw is back from his season on the great lakes.
N. Hoppins, North Dresden, visiting friends and relatives in Kingston.
Miss Henderson, of Sparta, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Vm. McVean.
Mrs. J. A. Taylor is spending the ents.

ents. Mrs. Walter Merrill, who has been Mrs. Walter Merrill, who has been holidays in Forest, visiting her parthe guest of Mrs. W. Rubel, returned to her home in Windsor yesterday.

Mr. Warren Martin, of Chatham, will conduct services in the Presbyterian church, both morning and evening on Sunday next.

The Methodist S. S. enterta ment will be held to-morrow, Friday, evening, in the Grand Opera House.

F. A. McKim was in Chatham last night on business.

Neil Munn, who is well known in Dresdem is spending his Christmas vacation with his sister, Mrs. Albert Peters.

Special services will be held to-morrow, Christmas day, at 8 and

Special services will be held to-corrow, Christmas day, at 8 and 1 o'clock in the morning. Parnell Mahoney, who is attending chool at Sandwich, is home for baristmas. Walter Jeffs, of the Ontario Dental College, is home for the holidays.

BLENHEIM

Dec. 23.—Posters are out calling for the nomination of reeve and four councillors for the Township of Harwich, the nominations to take place on December 28, '03.

The Christmas tree and entertainment of the Baptist church takes place on December 24th. The principal entertainer will be Mr. C. Newman, of Crown Moving Picture and Concert Co. One of the principal features of the evening will be the picture of the famous Passion Play.

Miss Laura Shaver has returned from visiting friends in Detroit.

Mr. Hector Carmichael, of Jackson, Mich., and Mrs. Les Appleford, of Walfaceburg, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Carmichael.

Robert Wodehouse, of Toronto Medical College is home for the Christmas holidays.

The annual Christmas concert of S. S. No. 17, took place yesterday ternoon. It was a hupe success. The children did their respective parts well, The numbers most, worthy of mention were the solders' drill and the choruses by the whole school. At the close of the concert Miss Nata Bounsall was presented with a ruby ring and card, and the following address:

Dear Teacher.

We the scholars and friends of S. S. No. 17, Harwich, feel that we would like to express our appreciation, in some tangible form of your untaing like to express our appreciation, in some tangible form of your untaing efforts to advance our school. You have been regular in your attendance, when not prevented by sickness, coming in all kinds of weather, sometimes when few scholars were there and even giving of your own time after school hours, and on Saturdays when occasion required. We therefore beg you to accept this ring and card, as a slight token of our respect for you.

card, as a second of the control of you.

Wishing you a merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and that you may long be spared to be successful in your chosen calling.

Signed by NELLIE McMILLAN, STUART McBRAYNE.

STUART McBRAYNE, Mr. and Mrs. G, J. Gibb and family leave to-day for Toronto, to spend the holidays with Mr. T. S. Arnold.

BLENHEIM. Dec. 24.—Mr. and Mrs. C. Vivian left yesterday for Ann Arbor, Mich., to spend Christmas with their daugher, Mrs. C. Case. Glen Crookshanks, of Trinity Med-

ical College, Toronto, is home for the Christmas vacation.

The annual Christmas entertain-

The annual Christmas entertainment of Huffman's Corners Methodist Church took place last evening and was a great success.

The Mull Social Club held their fortnightly dance on Tuesday evening. A good crowd was present.

Trinity Church S. S. entertainment and Christmas tree was held last evening. It was well attended and went off successfully. The Hidjah deill by the girls and the little order in their pantomime took well with the audience.

Nominations take place Dec. 128.
C. W. Graham, of Milwaukeel is spending the holidays with relatives

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Biggar, of Cilgary, Alberta, are here for a three months, visit.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Thompson, of Simooe, are visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. Burse, for

this and Mrs. P. Burse, for Christmas, i Mr. Anderson leaves to-day for Toronto to spend his vacation. He expects to bring his family when he returns.

Hair brushes, clothes brushes, military rors, in ebony and natural woods, suitable for Christmas presents, at Ridley's Drug Store.

FLETCHER.

Mr. J. Clemens will be a partner with Mr. Hoy in his new stand.

Mr. A.G. Robertson, D. S. Young
and C. Hawkins attended a very sucessful card party at George McKay's.
Mr. Thomas has purchased a new

phaeton,
Mr. Joseph Lefaive and Ed. Perrie
will give a private dance at A. Odlaw's, on Christmas night.
Mr. McHardy shipped a carload of
stock to Toronto Saturday last,
Mr. Wm. Robertson has purchased
a new horse from G. Hope.
Mr. Abe. Skippen shipped five car-

The nousewife who does not use

Cleveland's Baking Powder

is at a disadvantage. She cannot get the same perfect work from any other.

loads of hay last week. Mr. N. Kelly is on the sick list. The ratepayers of R. C. S. S. No. 4, have decided to build a new separate school, No. 3, between the fifth and sixth concessions, Tibury. Thomas Bean had a successful taffy pull at Mr. Thomas Druce's last Friday evening. Mr. Frank Finn spent Sunday at Mr. D. Griffin's.

A pair of otter fur gauntlets were left in the general waiting room of the C. P. R. station last evening. A

DOWN THE RIVER.

The annual Christmas entertainment will be held at St. Thomas church Christmas Evel. Everybody

Welcome. William Turner left for England William Turner left for England last Tuesday.
Miss Lena, Newkirk is visiting friends in Chatham this week.

Jam's Fleming is improving the buildings on the McGarvin farm, which he has purchased.

Mr. John and Miss ladelaids Johnston in Lend spending their holidays in Bay City.

ston in lend spending their holidays in Bay City.
William Stephenson has finished shredding a, line lot of corn.
The fishermen, we understand, are enjoying a good catch just now.
Election chart is the order of the day, and, we believe, Mr. Geo. King, our present councillor, will be in the field next year.

Master Willie Newkirk will finish his term at the C. C. I. next Wednesday, when he expects to take a good position in Dilroit.

Cigars in Christmas boxes, of ten and twenty-five, from Je up, at Red-ley's Drug Store.

LOUISVILLE.

We are losing one of our much re-pected citizens in the person of Mr spected citizens in the person of Mr. Maroni Traxler, who is going to the State of Iowa. He has sold his farm

State of lowa. He has sold his farm to a Mr. Findley, of Charing Cross, whom we hope will prove as good a citizen of our burg. Mr. John Winters and Mrs. Albert Bedford was away on Sunday attend-ing the funeral of their brother, Mr. Winters, of Dover.

Mrs. (Rr.v.) Buckborough is away in Woodstock, attending the funeral of her brother-in-law. Our teacher. Mr. Walker, is spendng his Christmas holidays with his

ing his Christmas holidays with his parents at Teeswater.
Several of our young people are entering into the blissful state of matrimony for Christmas, On the 16th inst, Mr. Frank Williston and Miss Jennic Roid; also Mr. A. E. Van Horn and Miss Maud B. Williston were united. Rev. Mr. Noble performed the double ceremony.

Mr. H. J. Merritt & Son, are doing a Afr. H. J. Merritt & Son, are doing a rushing business in the mercantile line these days.

The Louisville gun club have elected their officers for the season, and built a new club house on the old shooting grounds, and expect to have their regular shoot on Tuesday 22nd.

The smow fall has made very nice sleighing, therefore the merry jingle of the sleigh bells is heard oncomore.

or the stag.

more.

At Mr. Traxler's sale on Friday Mr.

Alf. Merritt purchased the fast "DarAkey Boy" mare. So if will not take
him long to go to Chatham now.

Nothing nicer for the small boy the big man than a nice pocket knife dor Christmas. How about skates, silver plated, nickelled or polished steel?

TURNERVILLE.

The Lindsay Road Church should be illed on Sunday night to listen to the beautiful anthem that will be render-

beautiful anthem that will be rendered by the choir.

The Rev. Mr. Taylor is a young man of great and rich promise is devoutly spiritual, a scholar and a gentleman, and his stay on this circuit will, we hope, be attended with results.

Don't forget the Sunday school entertainment at the school house on the eve of the 25th. you would like to have sent to your home, subscribe for The Planet, The Planet of Kent.

Planet of Kent.
Albert Shaw, a brother of Samuel
Shaw, of this town, died in Dawn Tp.
on Friday morning. Quite a number
from here attended the funeral on
Sunday.
William and Edward Salesbury, of
Marina City returned home to spend

Marine City, returned home to spend Christmas with friends in this neigh-berhood. borhood.

Mrs. Russell Ripley, of School Ave., presented her husband with a fine daughter.

WABASH.

The school concert, which was held here on Dec. 18th, was a grand success. The school room was tastefully decorated with everigreens and tissue paper flowers. The program consisted of choruses, tableaus, drills and recitations. Mr. Howat, from Thamesville, acted as chairman, The tree was well filled with nice presents. The proceeds amounted to \$32. We are glad to see Stella Trahone out again after her illness. Georgie Marsh is recovering from a fever.

Mrs. George Wilcox died on Friday morning after many months illness. The funeral takes place on Monday t one p. m.

Joe Blackmore preached in the
L. D. S. church a few nights dast

GLENWOOD.

Miss Sarah Palmer, of Kingsville, has been spending the past week with her sister, Miss Lou Palmer.

Miss Aggie Shepley very pleasantly entertained a number of young people, of this village, and Merlin, last Friday evening. Games and refreshments were indulged in, and a very pleasant time spent by il present.

Miss Alice Estabrook, of Tilbury, is spending her vacation with her parents here.

Miss Beatrice Anderson, of Comber, was the guest of Miss Lou Palmer, on Saturday and Sunday.

Township Councils,

HOWARD COUNCIL

The municipal council of the township of Howard met at the township hall, Saturday, Dec. 5th, as per adjournment. All members present.

Minutes of previous meeting and of court of revision on Watterworth and Campbell drains were read and confirmed.

suitable reward will be paid for their return to this office. COMMUNICATIONS

From Geo. M. Baird, clerk, Harwich, stating that the council of Harwich had left the adjustment of the Alex ander drain in the hands of the referee; also, stating that he had received the communication re the above drain to the effect that Heward was willing to abandon Harwich's assessment in said drain, and as theireeve is willing to accept same, has asked the referee to have same withdrawn.

From Matthew Wade, pathmaster, Div. No. 56, certifying that in making his returns, he had by mistake charged the following persons with unperformed statute labor, and wished the council to refund same: Jss. Johnson, E. Hall, I. Duck, W. K. Wood, J. F. Suteliffe, John Smith and Jas. Wiggins \$2 each, Sarah Higgs \$1 and William Elliott \$1.

From Elliott & Co., returning order for \$45.89, claiming that such amount of

From Elliott & Co., returning order for \$45.80, claiming that such amount was not sufficient for the amount of

was not sufficient for the amount of sewer pipe received.

From James Holmes, county court clerk, stating that the referee, had filed his report on the McGregor oreek and Buller drains, and that there is payable thereon for law stamps \$24.

From Henry Watson, clerk of Orford, enclosing copy of judgment on the McGregor oreek and Buller drains reducing Orford's assessment on the McGregor creek to \$120 and on the Buller drain to \$550, also stating that in order for them to secure said judgment paid Mr. Shully for copy of evidence \$217.40, and for law stamps and copy of judgment, \$26.50, making a sotal of \$243.90.

From Allan Atkinson, in reference to tile on con. 7, claiming insufficient outlet.

From W. E. Best, in reference to dog

From W. E. Best, in reference to dog tax, claiming that he had no dog, wishing refund of same.

REPORTS

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From David Wilson, commissioner on the Cruickshank drain, stating he had same completed at a cost of \$200, being \$31.90, below the estimate; had also met on a drain under the D. & W. Act and came to an agreement on same, the municipality's portion of cost, \$22.50.

From A. F. Campbell, reeve, reporting that he had met at Morpeth under the D. & W. Act and do come to an agreement; all parties interested were willing to construct their portion of drain.

willing to construct their portion of drain.

From John Cain, township engineer, stating that in his opinion two tile, one 10 inch and one 12 inch, will be necessary to carry and give a free outlet to the water coming into said Campbell and McDiarmid drain, also consider that it would be of great benefit to M. Campbell and also to the road, as it would do away with the culvert and railing on Erie street.

The following persons addressed the council:

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W. Mowbray, T. Fritz, W. Atkinson, M. Martinson and D. Leitch in reference, to the amount of taxes on the Anderson drain, claiming that the drain was sold below the estimate and that, if the commissioner had made a blunder they should not be held liable and asked the council to refund the amounts as appearing on the collection roll.

roll.

W. Walters, in reference to dog tax appearing against his lot; Morpeth, claiming that said dog belonged to his tenant.

M. Campbell, in reference to drain crossing Eric street from his lot, wishing council to put tile in their portion of drain.

ACCOUNTS. A. F. Campbell, 1 day D. & W. \$2; H. Spencer, tiling on Erie street, \$1.75; W. Simpson, load of listings for hall, \$1; Ellaott & Co., tile, \$128.26; Plaindealer, publishing by-law Watterworth drain, \$14; J. Hitch, tile \$65.87; Thos. Scane, survey Brown drain and assistance, \$21; Jehn Cain, award Miller, Anderson, Grant, Campbell and McDiarmid drains, \$14; Geo. McDonald, serving ratepayers Watterworth drain, \$2.

RESOLUTIONS.

Brien-Williams-that the accounts be paid and charged to their several accounts, with the exception of Elliott & Co.-Carried.
Williams-Brien-that A. Martinson by Refugled 88 on tile drain deben-

St Co.—Carried.

Williams—Brien—that A. Martinson be refunded \$8 on tile drain debentures, & w 1-4 lot 4, con. 2.—Carried.

McLarty—Wilson—that the -Mc-Cormick Bros. be given an order for the amount of \$14.12 for rate charged against; them on the Cruickshank drain, as they have already paid the treasurer the same.—Carried.

McLarty—Wilson—that J. Buller be refunded \$1 in dog tax.—Carried.

W. Hilson on the Cruickshank drain be received and Wm. Scafe be paid the balance due on drain, and D. Wilson be paid his commission as per by-law.—Carried.

Williams—Brien—that the clerk request W. E. Best to forward schedule of assessment before Dec. 15th; as he is assessed for a dog on roll.—Carried. Williams—Brien—that the report of At F. Campbell on D. & W. Talbot street be adopted, also that of D. Wilson on Talbot street he adopted, also that of D. Wilson on Talbot street be adopted, also that of D. Wilson on Talbot street he adopted also that of D. Wilson on Talbot street he adopted also that of D. Wilson on Talbot street he instructed to make out detailed financial statement, itemizing money expended by commissioners in each electoral division, and not in bulk sum, and have 200 copies printed for distribution.—Carried.

McLarty—Wilson—that the clerk notify Harwich council is willing to relieve them of all assessment on said drain if they see fit to accept it, and we will deal with the engineer in regard to changes, but not with the referee nor M. Wilson, and will not be responsible for any extra expense incurred.—Carried.

Brien—Wilson—that the court of revision on watterworth drain as per adjournment.

Brien—Wilson—that the court of revision now close—Carried.

Watterworth drain as per adjournment.

Brien-Wilson-that the court of revision now close.—Carried.

Brien-Wilson-that the court of revision on the McGregor creek and Buller drain be adjourned till Dec. 15 at 2 and 2.30 o'clock respectively.—Carried.

Wilson-McLarty-that D. McAlister be paid \$75, \$55 for allowance on old drain and \$20 for culverts. W. J. Cruickshank be paid \$54. \$42 allowance on old drain and \$12 for culverts John Murray, \$6.40, allowance on old drain. Bridges and culverts on the Cruickshank drain to be built and maintained by the above parties as per engineer's report.—Carried.

Williams—Brien—that the communication of M. Wade, pathmaster, be received and that the parties be refund-

Welcome to Christmas.

Festival of Peace, of Sorg, of Gifts. It leavens the whole mass of humanity into one common brotherhood by its simple message of "Good Will", and sheds its radiance of joy over homes and hearts of rich and poor, happy and wretched

Welcome to Christmas: while business waits on the universal joy we stop the wheels of trade to extend the Compliments of the Season. This store has done its work and done it well. It will be closed all day to-morrow. Now while the holiday spirit is on the earth let us unite with you in good wishes and good will and help to swell the melody of the bells as they ring it out.

Thornton & Douglas

- COME TO-NIGHT

You can get Bargains at Gray's China Hall. 20 Jardinier's, regular 50c, for 25c.

4 Fine Tea Sets, regular \$5.00 for \$4 00.

7 Parlor Lamps, regular \$6.50, for \$5.00. 6 Dinner Sets, regular \$15.00 for \$12.50. 25 Sugar Shell and Knife Combination in neat lined box, regular 25c

Clearing Sale on all bric-a-brac and vases—away down prices.

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Reed Chairs, \$4.50, \$9.75. Fancy Upholstered Chairs, \$4, \$5, \$6 and \$15. Leather Chairs and Morris Chairs \$10, \$40, \$50. McDONALD & CO.

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Call and See Them Albert Sheldrick,

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*********************** ed amounts as per request.—Carried.
Williams—Brien—that the council
adjourn to meet Dec. 15, 1903, at 10 a.
m., for general business.—Carried.
GEO. McDONALD. Clerk.

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