

### TWO FATALLY SCALDED.

ENGINEER GLASSFORD AND FIREMAN PATTON.

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

Barrie, Dec. 24.—John Glassford, G. T. R. engineer, died yesterday, the result of injuries received in an accident at Colwell about 11 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 plough and the engine with it. Engineer Glassford and Fireman James Patton were caught in the cab and before they could be extricated were terribly scalded with escaping steam. A quantity entered Glassford's lungs. Both men were brought to the hospital, where Glassford died at 3.30.

Glassford 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 suddenly 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 Pittsburgh 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 estimated that fully sixty-three lives were lost 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 lightninglike application of the air brakes, and a moment later there was 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 pieces, 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 pinned 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, pinned beneath the heavy timbers, pleaded in agonized tones for release. So terrific was the force of the wreck that nearly every passenger suffered a momentary unconsciousness.

### AN ACTRESS SHOT.

A Jealous Lover Wounds Her and Then Commits Suicide.

San Francisco, Dec. 24.—Ethel Penny, a variety actress, has been shot and seriously 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 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 livemen, at a meeting of their executive committee, voted to resume business on 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 city officials. Should this prove insufficient to prevent the destruction of vehicles, Gov. Yates will be petitioned 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 to protect funerals than were required to protect property during the warlike days of the street car strikes.

Indignities continued to fall to the lot 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.

### DUTTON FIRE

Hotel and Livery Stables Destroyed—Three Hours' Work for the Firemen

Dutton, Dec. 23.—At noon to-day a fire destroyed a large livery stable belonging to H. Briscoe and all the stables at the rear of the McIntyre 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 harnesses 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 call 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 one of the employees was in the office at the time. The fire very quickly gained a firm hold and the building was burning fiercely when the firemen arrived. Although several streams of water were applied, the fire in the livery stable was beyond control and had spread to the hotel stables.

As the fire spread along the hotel sparks alighted on the roofs of the frame dwellings, leading to James Bruce and James Holwell, and caused them to ignite. Great excitement prevailed amongst the large crowd of people 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 fight, lasting about one hour, they had the flames well under control. By three o'clock there was no longer any danger. The loss to the McIntyre House property cannot, at present, be estimated, partly covered by insurance. The loss to H. Briscoe's property is estimated at \$400. No insurance damage to property in the vicinity is estimated at \$500, covered by insurance.

### UNFORTUNATE ACCIDENT

Frank Lustwick, an Englishman, who has been in the employ of Brindage Bros. in the ice-houses, met with an exceedingly painful and unfortunate accident yesterday. He was working on the ice side when a large block of ice, breaking in mid-way between the knee and ankle, both bones of the leg were fractured and one penetrated the flesh. Dr. W. H. Tye was called and set the break.

### LAST MINUTE LOCALS.

Mrs. C. R. Bowers, Delaware avenue, spent Christmas in Dresden.

Herbert Macpherson, of New York, is visiting his sister, Mrs. D. R. McGavin.

Lady's Hand Bag taken from the Rankin House 'Bus at the G. T. R. Station, on Thursday, containing a small sum of money and two Wash tickets. A liberal reward will be paid for information to this office or the Rankin House.

For Italy's Far East Squadron. Rome, Dec. 23.—Rear Admiral Delibero, naval aide to King Victor Emmanuel, has been ordered to the command of the Italian squadron in the 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 Commons.

Police Magistrate Baker of Winnipeg has been dismissed by the Roblin Government.

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 from England.

Owing to the depression, it is believed the Transvaal 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 Upset While Driving Home From Brantford, and Starving Pigs Attacked Him as He Lay on the Ground.

(Special Despatch to The Globe.)

Brantford, Dec. 24.—A horrible late 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 farmhouses, 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 Saturday night and offered the pigs for sale. He afterwards drove down a side road, which on account of the hills and forbidding embankments is very seldom travelled. It is supposed that he fell asleep, and that in the darkness the horses wandered from the road. The wagon was tipped and the unfortunate Indian was either killed there, or rendered unconscious. 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 wagon 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 unnecessary.

### C. P. R. CHANGES.

Mr. McNicoll Appointed First Vice-President.

Montreal, Dec. 24.—At a meeting 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 Railway, has been appointed assistant General Manager of the Erie Railway, with headquarters at New York, and will assume his new duties about January 1st.

### LORD ABINGER'S WILL.

He Left Everything that He Could to His Mother.

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 deceased was not particularly friendly, gets only the strictly entailed property, 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-brac.

### ROWLAND HUNT ELECTED.

Supporter of Chamberlain Wins For Ludlow Division of Shropshire.

London, Dec. 24.—Rowland Hunt, Liberal-Unionist, and a supporter of Joseph Chamberlain's fiscal policy, has been elected by a majority of 970 to represent the Ludlow Division of Shropshire in the House of Commons, 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.

### STEAMER PRUETTEN ASHORE.

Went Aground Off the Coast of Holland During Heavy Fog.

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

Bachelors are abused if the yare extravagant and despised if disposed to be thrifty.

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

### BIG STRIKE AT PARIS.

Mounted Troops and Police Are On Guard.

Paris, Dec. 24.—The strike of the men employed in the various branches of food supply assumed a serious phase when the bakers adopted resolutions in favor of a strike throughout the baking trade. They also declared in favor of a general strike of food 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 stationed in various places in the city. The bakers attempted to make a demonstration in front of the Luxembourg 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 effect of checking the strike by discouraging the allied trades from joining it, and now leads to the belief that the strike will not spread.

### BACK TO ENGLAND.

United States Deports Skilled Glass Blowers.

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.

### NEW YORK'S OFFICIALS.

McClellan Selects the Police, Dock and Other Civic Authorities.

New York, Dec. 24.—Mayor-elect McClellan has announced the appointments of former Assistant Secretary of the United States Navy Wm. McAdoo as police commissioner, Maurice Featherstone as dock commissioner, and John C. Hurlie and Wm. Harman Black as commissioners of accounts.

### FRANCE AND ITALY.

The Former is Prepared to Sign an Arbitration Treaty.

Rome, Dec. 24.—M. Camille Barrere, the French Ambassador, has sent a communication to the Italian Government, which says that the French Government is now prepared to sign an arbitration 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 indecisive battle has occurred between four battalions of Chinese from Hunghun and 1,500 Koreans, who invaded Chinese territory from Kyung Chung, in north-east Corea.

### INHUMAN PARENTS.

They Imprisoned Their Son for Twenty-one Years.

Berlin, Dec. 24.—A case of inconceivable cruelty has been discovered in the village of Jaennersdorf, near Ostpreignitz.

Twenty-one years ago a peasant named Presschen and his wife placed their son in a small building, and after walling him in, kept him there. Food was handed in through a small opening not many inches in diameter, which was the only channel for light 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 Beeton, owing to many complaints made concerning his treatment of the inmates.

### Topics of Toronto.

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

New rules have been adopted by the Court of Appeal for the conduct of election petitions.

### 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 German Foreign 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 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 now that if war between Russia and Japan comes Great Britain will take a part in it, because the British Government insists 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 the Luxembourg palace, 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 Russian-Japanese negotiations have reached such a point that they would not be expressed here, but that Great Britain agrees to accept a certain specified compromise, to guarantee to back up Japan, if necessary, by force of arms.

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

There is only a faint prospect that there is a Japanese official 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 Chicago 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 men out of employment. It is said the shutdown will last three weeks. When the mills are reopened a number of employees will be put on from 10 to 15 per cent. will be put in force.

### C. J. ALTMAN ENTERS SUIT.

Brookville Hatter Suing Former Partners For Large Damages.

Brookville, Dec. 24.—C. J. Altman has entered an action against Saulnier & Decelles, proprietors of the 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 Saulnier 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 Brookville papers. Mr. Altman now claims these gentlemen have backed out of the proposition as a result of the defendants' actions.

Of amassing, as of giving advice; it may be said its value depends on the way in which it is done.

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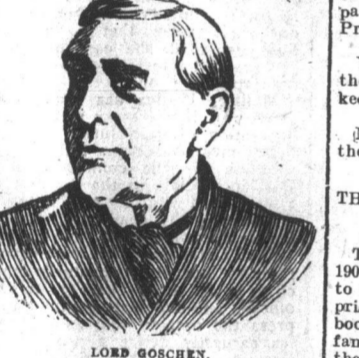
MR. J. G. HODGINS, I.S.O.

Dr. Hodgins began his sixtieth year in the Civil Service in September. 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 publication, and has 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 connected with the Department of Education. He is now 83 years of age, and, while his health is not as ro-



There is a tree which grows in Sumatra, Algeria and China which is known as the vegetable tallow tree. From its fruit large quantities of oil and tallow are extracted, and the fruit is gathered in November or December, when all the leaves have fallen. Excellent candles are made from the berries of a tree which grows in some parts of South Africa and the Azores. At 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 nutritious. 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 unexpectedly from the conduct of this paper for the space of two weeks, during which time we have had the opportunity of devising certain improvements, which we propose to introduce into it. The rival editor, we regret to report, is still confined to his home."

There was for some time the prospect of a pretty fight between Lord Rosebery and Lord Goschen for the Chancellorship of Oxford University, which was made vacant by the death of Marcus Saisbury. Lord Goschen received the nomination some time ago, but his candidacy did not meet with the entire approval of the electoral body, which consists of all members of the convocation, as it was claimed that despite his intellectual, political and financial ac-



Lord Goschen was then formally elected Chancellor. Not for more than sixty years had there been a contest for the Chancellorship at either Oxford or Cambridge, and the historic struggle at the latter university in 1847, when Lord Bovis almost defeated the Prince Consort, left scars which took long to heal.

Uses of Turpentine. 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? For a cold, sore throat in any form, it has no equal, especially when mixed with lard or vaseline to prevent blistering. Often a severe cold may be cured by rubbing the chest and throat with a mixture of turpentine and lard. Or still another way is to wring flannel cloths out of hot water and turpentine. 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.

Many Uses of the Bamboo. 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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UGANDA VILLAGES.

Curious Fashions of Dressing Observed Among the Men - Women Are Neat, but Very Dark

The villages and huts of the natives of eastern Africa are described by Major Austin in "With Macdonald in Uganda" as being generally well 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 re-entangling angles of the wall, from which they are well flanked on both sides. The actual doorway is strongly barricaded by huge logs. The interior of the villages is kept scrupulously clean, but the same can hardly be said for the exterior surroundings of the wall. Within the enclosure 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 domed with raised rafters of twigs and wattle with raised gable roofs. 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 veranda, under which the women work and grind their flour. The young men of these settlements are smart-looking fellows, with their hair done up in a curious 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 a long curved piece of thin brass wire with a "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 wood 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 beards, 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, snuff and small articles.

Arithmetical Prodiges. Arithmetical prodigies, often spoken of as "lightning calculators," exhibiting 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 age at which the power is manifested. Thus, at the age of 6, T. H. Safford computed mentally the number 1,040 roots of barley-corns in 1,040 rods, and could extract the cube roots of numbers of 9 and 10 figures. Duxton solved the problem, to find the product of doubling a farthing 138 times, the result, expressed 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 13 operations, and giving the product of any pair of two-figure numbers in 14 seconds, are feats accomplished by Arthur Griffith, who also memorized the squares of all numbers up to 130 and the cubes up to 100.

The Most Crooked River. The most crooked river in the world is the Chinese River Hoang-ho, or Yellow River. It is crooked both in habit and shape, and a more uncertain stream cannot be found. For it is subject to sudden changes of depth, volume, and channel. Before the great floods of 1853-53, its outlet was 300 miles south of its present 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 it flows due north to Pan-chow. Here it takes a complete curve eastward for some 200 miles, then abruptly goes direct south. For some 300 miles it flows on to Tung-chow, then changes to an easterly direction to Ho-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.

World's Diamond Mines. It is estimated that about 28,000 people are employed in the diamond mines throughout the world. In past centuries 40,000 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 Chaussées, 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 Chatham: Ladies and Gentlemen, I am a candidate for the position of alderman and respectfully solicit your assistance and support of my candidature. W. B. TYE, M. D.

To the Electors of the City of Chatham: I am thankful to you for your liberal patronage in the past, and have decided to again offer myself as a candidate for alderman for 1904. Soliciting your vote and influence, I am, Your Servant, JOHN N. EDMUNDSON.

To the Electors of the City of Chatham: Ladies and Gentlemen, I am a candidate for Alderman for the coming year, and if my actions in the past have met your approval, I shall be pleased to have a continuance of your confidence. Wishing you the compliments of the season, I remain, Yours sincerely, A. B. MCGOIG.

TO THE ELECTORS OF WARD 5. Ladies and Gentlemen: I am a candidate for School Trustee in your ward for the ensuing year and respectfully solicit your vote and influence. I am a resident of the ward and have children going to school, and I have the interest of McKeough School at heart. Hoping you can see your way to give me your support, I remain, Yours respectfully, GEO. T. FIELDER.

To the Electors of Harwich: Your vote and influence is respectfully requested to secure my election as Reeve of Harwich for 1904. CHAS. BUCHANAN.

To the Electors of Dover: I am a candidate for the position of Councillor for the ensuing year and respectfully solicit your vote and influence. I have been a ratepayer in the Township for the past ten years, and if elected I promise to give close attention to the requirements of the Township and to practice economy in every way consistent with the best interests of the ratepayers. CALVERT HARPER, Con. 15, Lot 24.

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 township economically and to the interests of all. I respectfully solicit your votes. PETER CRAWFORD, 2nd2w

64 only Waist lengths, in French Flannels, Challis, Lustres, Crepe de Chines, etc., in good range of patterns and colorings, regular \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.00 each, clearing TO-NIGHT at each \$1.00.

TO-NIGHT

The last night of Holiday Goods Selling. Prices cut to half on many lines. Hundreds of money-saving chances all over this Busy Store.

Decided Bargains in

Dolls, Bric-a-brac, French China Plates, Cups and Saucers, Celery Trays, Spoon Trays, Mustards, Porridge Bowls, Statuary Comic Figures, Smoking Jars, Picture Frames, Swiss Embroidered Handkerchiefs, Fine Linen Handkerchiefs, Silk Initial Handkerchiefs, Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, Picture Vases, Austrian Vases, Work Boxes, Fancy Candle Sticks, Men's Silk Scarfs, Men's Mufflers, Men's Ties, Men's Dressing Robes, Men's Fur Caps, Men's Overcoats, Men's Kid Gloves, Men's Mocha Gloves, Ladies' Fancy Collars and Ties, Ladies' Kid Gloves, Ladies' Silk Waists, Ladies' Furs in large range of styles, French Flannel Waists, Ladies' Silk Umbrellas, Ladies' Coats, Ladies' Gauntlets, Millinery, etc., etc.

Come with the crowds to the Busy Cash Store to-night

Wishing You All a Merry Christmas

we will greet you again Saturday morning with an unusually inviting list of special bargains.

SEVEN STORES The NORTHWAY COMPANY, Limited TWO FACTORIES

BAKING Give your wife a chance and she'll bake bread like that mother used to make. For rolls and biscuits - that require to be baked quickly there's nothing like Gas THE CHATHAM GAS CO Limited. King St. Phone 81

WE HAVE ON HAND A LARGE SUPPLY OF LIME, CEMENT, SEWER PIPE, CUT STONE, etc. All of the best quality and at the LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES J. & J. OLDERSHAW A Few Doors West of Post Office.

The Chatham Loan and Savings' Co. 44 Half Yearly Dividend. Notice is hereby given that dividend at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum upon the paid up Capital Stock of this Company has been declared this day for the current half year ending December 31st, 1903, payable at the Company's Office on and after January 2nd, 1904. The Transfer Books will be closed from the 20th to the 31st December, inclusive. By Order of the Board, S. F. GARDINER, Manager. Chatham, November 30, 1903.

Save Fuel Did you ever examine your windows. You will likely find them loose. So much so, they will rattle with the least wind. Windows in this condition will let a lot of cold and wind through. Stop all this and make your house comfortable by having the Chamberlin Metal Weather Strip attached. See window equipped at my office, opposite the Post Office. THOS. G. O'Rourke

PARROTT & BOWELL Are selling Real Estate right along. They mean business. Owners of property who desire to sell are quick to make a note of this. They are agents for The Monarch Fire Insurance Company; and they have houses to rent. A trial only required. Minard's Liniment Cures Burns, etc.

DANGER! There is danger of an early fall and you should be prepared by giving us your order for Storm Doors and Windows. It pays to grasp time by the forelock and have your work done before the rush. Lumber, Lath, Shingles, &c always on hand. Builders' Hardware, Paints, Oils and Glass at close prices. Our painters are busy now. They are always busy, but are never too busy to fill your orders. Glenn & Co., WILLIAM ST., import direct the finest Ceylon, Assam and China Tea, Black Gunpowder and Young Hyson, Best English Breakfast Tea, 35c and 40c. Ask for Minard's and take no other.

BE A GOOD DRESSER There is no need to be otherwise. SEE MY 'VALET' And he will tell you how to do it for \$1 per month. Call at Room 2 over McCall's drug store.

In Rheumatism, Stomach and Urinary Troubles no other will impart the benefit of THE MAGI, the genuine CALEDONIA SPRINGS WATER J. J. McLaughlin, Toronto, AGENT.

Wood's Phosphodine. The Great English Remedy. It is an old, well established, and reliable preparation. Has been prescribed and used over 50 years. All druggists in the Dominion recommend it and it is the only medicine of its kind that gives universal satisfaction. It promptly and permanently cures all forms of Nervous Weakness, Enfeeblement, Spasmodic, Impotency, and all forms of abuse or excess; the excessive use of Tobacco, Opium or Stimulants; Menstrual and Brain Worry, all of which lead to Infertility. Price \$1 per bottle or six for \$5. One will please, six will cure. Mailed promptly on receipt of price. Send for pamphlet. Address The Wood Company, Windsor, Ont., Canada. Wood's Phosphodine, sold in Chatham by all Druggists. Minard's Liniment Cures Burns, etc.

IT PAYS TO... The Best

Glenn & Co., WILLIAM ST., import direct the finest Ceylon, Assam and China Tea, Black Gunpowder and Young Hyson, Best English Breakfast Tea, 35c and 40c. Ask for Minard's and take no other.



DENTAL.

A. A. HOOKS, D. D. S.—Honor graduate of Philadelphia Dental College and Hospital of Oral Surgery Philadelphia, Pa. Also honor graduate of Royal College of Dental Surgeons, Toronto. Office over Turner's drug store, 20 Butherford Block.

LODGES.

WELLINGTON Lodge, No. 46, A. F. & A. M., G. R. C., meets on the first Monday of every month, in the Masonic Hall, Fifth St., at 7:30 p. m. Visiting brethren heartily welcomed. ALEX. GREGORY, Sec. F. D. LAURIE, W. M.

MEDICAL.

DR. OVENS OF LONDON. Surgeon, Oculist and Specialist; Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat. Will be at Chatham on SATURDAY, Sept. 26, Oct. 24, Nov. 28, Dec. 26. Glasses properly fitted. Office at Radley's drug store.

L. E. CURL, OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIAN, SPECIALIST IN CHRONIC DISEASES: Examination Free. Office, Sixth street opposite Fire Hall, Hours—8 to 10 a. m., 1 to 5 p. m., 7 to 8 p. m.

LEGAL.

J. B. RANKIN, K. C.—Barrister, Notary Public, etc., Victoria Block, Chatham.

J. F. SMITH—Barrister, Solicitor, etc., Office, King Street, west of the Market. Money to loan on Mortgages.

J. B. O'FLYNN—Barrister, Solicitor, etc., Conveyancer, Notary Public, Office, King Street, opposite Mercantile Bank, Chatham, Ont.

SMITH & GOSNELL—Barristers, Solicitors, etc., Harrison Hall, Chatham, Ont. Agents, County Crowns Attorney, R. L. Gosnell.

WILSON, PIRE & GUNDY—Barristers, Solicitors of the Supreme Court, Notaries Public, etc. Money to loan on Mortgages, at lowest rates. Office, Fifth Street, Matthew Wilson, K. C., W. E. Gandy, J. M. Elba.

ROSTON, STONE & SOANE—Barristers, Solicitors, Conveyancers, Notaries Public, etc. Private funds to loan at lowest current rates. Office, upstairs in Seldrick Block, opposite B. Malcolms's store, M. Rouston, Fred. Stone, W. W. Soane.

MONEY TO LOAN

ON LAND MORTGAGES at lowest rate of interest. I also have a few farms for sale. I also sell buggies and carriages. Call and see me and get my price and you will save money by doing so. Henry Dugan, Chatham.

MONEY TO LEND

ON LAND MORTGAGE OR CHATTEL MORTGAGE. To pay of mortgages. To buy property. Very lowest rates. J. W. WHITE, Barrister, Opp. Grand Opera House, Chatham.

Money to Loan

—ON MORTGAGES— 4-12 and 5 per cent. Liberal Terms and privileges to Borrowers. Apply to LEWIS & RICHARDS

Trust and Private Funds to Loan

farm and city property. Terms to suit borrowers. Apply or write to THOMAS SOULLARD, Office lately occupied by Edwin Bell, Victoria Block.

Money to Loan on Mortgages at 4 1/2 and 5 per Cent.

FOR SALE—FARM AND CITY PROPERTY. Brick house, two stories, 7 rooms, lot 40 feet front by 208 feet deep, \$1300.00.

Frame house, 8 rooms and summer kitchen, lot 60 ft. by 208 ft., good stable, \$1100.00. House and lot, 6 rooms, \$1050.00. House and lot, 6 rooms, \$400.00.

Farm in Township of Raleigh, 50 acres. All cleared. Good house and barn, \$2100.00. Farm in Township of Harwich, 200 acres. Large house, barn and out-buildings, \$12,000.00.

Valuable suburban residence, 11 rooms; with seven acres of land. Good stable, \$3000.00. Apply to W. B. SMITH, Barrister.

SANTA CLAUS HEADQUARTERS

Where Kriss Kringle Purchased his Supplies and Entertaining Features of Maple City Business Places

TILTS. There is not a more popular man in town than Joe Tilt. No one should miss seeing his excellent array of pictures and frames, which were purchased especially for the Christmas trade and make excellent Christmas gifts.

COOPER'S. Robert Cooper, stationer, is a man who has conducted a business in Chatham probably longer than any other. His stock of stationery, books, pictures, cards, etc., is very complete, and no buyer is looking for a tasty gift should overlook Mr. Cooper.

RADLEY'S. 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.

A. A. JORDAN. The sign of the Big 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 beauty with its display of silver and plate ware, rings and jewelry gramophones, clocks, burnt work, etc.

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 stock at present is crowded with people from morning till night, and those who buy there have an excellent assortment to pick from.

MEYNELL'S. For almost three years Geo. Meynell has been conducting a gent's furnishing business in the Maple City, and each year finds him more popular with the people. He has an excellent stock of gentlemen's goods in overcoats, suits, neckwear, fancy braces, mufflers, odd trousers, underwear, gloves, caps, etc.

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.

WM. SOMERVILLE. Fifteen years of successful business has placed Mr. Somerville among the foremost of Chatham merchants. He handles a large assortment of goods for so long proves that the goods he offers for sale are of the very best and most wholesome.

C. H. GUNN & CO. 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.

THIBODEAU & JACQUES. This firm is noted for its gloves. There is no glove more popular as a Christmas present than the Thibodeau-Glove. Messrs. Thibodeau & Jacques have never had a more successful year than they have had this year.

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.



By the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription maternity is made practically painless, and a quick convalescence is assured in almost every case. I am pleased to give my testimony with it. I was so weak and with it I was strong enough to induce my doctor to refer to me as Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription.

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription contains no alcohol and is entirely free from opium, cocaine and all other narcotics. The dealer who offers a substitute for "Favorite Prescription" does so to gain the little more profit paid on the sale of less meritorious medicines.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets regulate the bowels. enormous and in lines they rank up 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.

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 special line of washable gloves, which is one of the chief features, while ladies' and gents' umbrellas, handkerchiefs and small wares are selling fast.

WESTMAN BROS. Westman Bros., popular hardware merchants, have made special arrangements for the Christmas trade in one of the finest assortments of English cutlery, consisting of carving sets, pearl sets, table knives, colicoid and liver spoons, and a very fine assortment of silverware, including tea sets, dinner sets, and big dishes.

C. AUSTIN & CO.

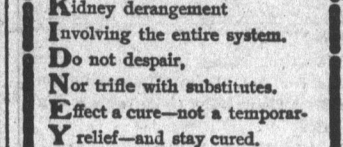
One of the best decorated stores this season is that of C. Austin & Co. Signs of an artist are draped in every nook and corner of the large store. The ground floor, from the entrance back is gracefully draped with garlands of evergreens, and ribbon streamers, and the walls are bedecked with holly, tapers, and rope portieres.

H. MALCOLMSON. The H. Malcolmson Store is always bright and attractive, but just now 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 be something charming about the interior of this store.

Read the Initials

And be guided thereby. By aiding to eliminate Useless and poisonous matter, Just as nature does, Utterly from the blood, The users of this regulator Have a sovereign remedy Even in cases of severe Kidney derangement Involving the entire system. Do not despair, Nor trifle with substitutes. Effect a cure—not a temporary relief—and stay cured.

Put up in boxes, 50 pills, 50c. In drug stores everywhere. Linger not—danger awaits. Let not foolish delay be your ruin.



NEW YORK, N. Y. AND WINDSOR, ONT.

UNION LABEL FUNERAL.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Members of the Livery Drivers' Union met and voted to consider an arbitration plan to settle their strike.

HE WANTED BUFFALOES. Toronto, Dec. 23.—Detective Mackie picked up William Stewart on the street yesterday and took him to police headquarters on a charge of vagrancy.

NEW CHURCH AT M'GREGOR. Building Costing \$35,000 Dedicated by the Bishop. McGregor, Dec. 23.—The dedication of the new Roman Catholic church, which has been under construction here for the past six months, took place today.

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.

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.

MAY EAT MEAT FRIDAY. Dispensation Granted to Catholics New Year's Day. Montreal, Dec. 23.—Archbishop Bruchési, 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. Chicago, Dec. 23.—While walking along a crowded street to-day Albert Altenhofen was suddenly seized and killed by Marie Rasch, his common law wife, and then quickly killed himself, jealousy being the supposed cause.

Bank Book

Our Catalogue is a veritable bank book, wherein every article illustrated means to our customers a direct cost saving.

Ryrie Bros. Jewelers. 110-112-114-116-118-120-122-124-126-128-130-132-134-136-138-140-142-144-146-148-150-152-154-156-158-160-162-164-166-168-170-172-174-176-178-180-182-184-186-188-190-192-194-196-198-200.

HIS Young wife was almost distracted for he would not stay a night at home so she had his LAUNDRY done by us, and now he comes any more to room. Paisian Steam Laundry Co. TELEPHONE 20.

Colombians Will Fight. Bogota, Colombia, Dec. 18.—Patriotic meetings are being held here on 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 wishes news from Gen. Reyes, and if that news is 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.

CONSUMPTION OF SPIRITS.

Quantity Used in Canada on the Increase—Less Beer. Ottawa, Dec. 23.—The consumption of spirits in Canada is on the increase, while the use of malt liquors is falling 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.

At the Chatham Grand— Ceciliaian Co.—Dec. 25. "When the Bell Tolls"—Dec. 26. Westminster Abbey Choir—Dec. 28. Royal Hungarian Court Orchestra—Jan. 1. Marks Bros.—Jan. 4-16. Ritchie Co.—Jan. 25. A Thoroughbred Tramp—Jan. 27.

THE STAGE

Francisco to New Zealand, who aroused the greatest enthusiasm among the crowded houses night after night, meeting with even more success where in Australia. In Sydney, where they gave ten consecutive performances, they were followed by a long and able band of performers thousands were away, the two great daily papers giving leaders advising choir and choruses to attend in order to obtain an object lesson as to excellent results could be obtained by careful training.

Grand Opera House

FRIDAY, DEC. 25. Xmas Night. A THEATRICAL TREAT. THE OCCILIAN CO.

When the Bell Tolls, which will be produced at the Grand Opera House on Saturday, is a new departure in modern sensational drama. Although full of exciting incidents and powerful dramatic situations, its popularity was not gained by the ordinary clap-trap methods usually inseparable from this class of play.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS, 7 and 10 p.m., offer you er Cent.

ncy Neckwear, arellas, Raincoats, k Underskirts, ndkerchiefs, Col- s, Fur Muffs, Boas, berines, Gauntlets,

Jrban Store. AU & PELTIER. r House Block.

W. South- or alet. Frie- rly winds and

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

The civic pay check for the past week amounted to \$4077. Miss Margaret Jackson, Detroit, is spending Christmas with her parents, St. Clair street.

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

JMES.

his is perfume night with rug Stores. You will find abundance of them in our opes. Prices from 10c. to 13.00 a bottle.

A. I. McCall & Co., Limited DRUGGISTS.

Brisco's have three delivery wagons, delivering Christmas toys, games, etc.

Miss Jessie Black, of London, is spending her holidays with Mrs. G. H. Combe at St. Clair St.

Call at Brisco's when down town purchasing Christmas goods, it will pay you.

There will be a family re-union at the residence of Mrs. Thomas Con- bear, Coverdale street, Christmas Day.

Mr. Santa Claus call and see our nice line of steel sleighs and skates at Westman Bros.

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

Mr. C. Wanless entertained the staff from his store last evening at his home, the occasion being the 29th anniversary of his wedding.

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WHAT THEY WOULD LIKE - IN THEIR CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS

As is its custom, The Planet is permitted to give its old friend Santa Claus a few pointers on the gifts which a few of our citizens would appreciate in their stockings on Christmas morning.

Here they are: Mayor McKeough-The majority by acclamation.

We were going to suggest seven hams for Ald. Piggott's stocking, but we find there only room for six—and a calf.

J. W. White—Well, he's advertising for a hired girl, anyhow.

Ald. G. G. Martin—The head of the civic poll—and wants it badly.

A. H. VonGuten, of the Bowling Club—The corner of Park in D. A. Hutchison's stocking, which he has borrowed for the occasion.

Jim Dumps—Any old candidate for School Trustee in Ward 5 that "I can work all right. He's easy."

Herbert S. Clements—Election by acclamation as member for West Kent.

J. S. Lane, B. A.—A successful production of King Henry VIII.

The girls and boys of The Planet Junior—The prize gold watch.

Willie Coop-land—Someone to smoke those nasty cigars the dear girls gave him.

The Water Commissioners—A vote of thanks from the community.

Willie Buttinsky and Brother Bob—New and larger hammers. Pile-driving size preferred.

Ex-Mayor Malcolmson—A well-earned senatorship.

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Musical Director J. W. Wilson—The musical success of the season in the presentation of Robin Hood.

N. H. Stevens—A well-operated and successful radial railroad.

Planet Advertisers—Continued prosperity.

If Ald. Scullard will hang up one of Roy Tobey's stockings, probably he might find in one corner of it—if there doesn't happen to be a hole in the toe that it could slip through—that life-sized monument to Tecumseh he advocated at the McCall Club.

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

It is suggested, by reason of unique and abnormal development, that a certain young budding curler (of the accent on the last syllable, of course) abandon the established custom of hanging 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 weather.

J. B. Rankin—A fine new armory.

Slippers Christmas. Wise Old Santa Claus. Plenty here to please every man, woman or child. Slippers of all kinds and for all purposes. Slipper economy and slipper elegance.

Slippers from 25c to \$3. MEN'S RUBBERS, all sizes, for 50c. WOMEN'S and MISSES' RUBBERS, all sizes for 25c. TURRILL'S, 93 King Street, CHATHAM

Man and Wife DR. A. W. THORNTON DENTIST. Will do a wise thing to see DUNN & CHARTERIS about a joint policy in the NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA.

TRUAX--TERRY The home of W. G. Terry, St. Clair street, was the scene of a pretty wedding last evening, when his eldest daughter, Miss Gertrude Terry, was united in marriage to John Truax.

CHICAGO MARKETS Reported by F. B. Proctor, Broker Northwood Block, Chatham, Dec. 24, 1903.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS Sealed, bulk or separate tenders will be received at the office of James Yates, Esq., secretary of the Building Commission, up till seven o'clock p. m. Wednesday, December 30th, 1903.

We Extend TO ONE AND ALL The Season's Heartiest Greetings DUNN & MERRITT, Box 52, Fifth St. Phone 295.

C. AUSTIN & CO. We Wish Every Reader and all Our Customers

A Merry Christmas AND 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 \$1.00

ALL MUST GO. As we are going out of the Crockery Business. Dinner, tea and chamber sets, china lamps, and glassware, are being sold at prices that make it easy to give useful Christmas presents.

A BIG SPECIAL IN PICTURES for to-night only. 30 only Arto Types, all good subjects, size 20x28 with three inch frames in different colors.

SPECIAL IN NECKWEAR. 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.

C. Austin & Company The Northwood Co. Order your Ice Cream and Fruit Ices for Christmas now. Our expert can make them any way you want them.



We wish you one and all

A Very Happy AND Pleasant Christmas

H. Malcolmson

Our Holiday Line is Here

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 given us an advantage in getting bed-rock prices, and all of this advantage we pass on to you.

We must sell the goods

We cannot afford to carry such a stock over and so have put prices down to where they will compel buying. We have gifts for both old and young.

Perfumes.—The very latest designs in beautiful package, 25c to \$5. Nine Toilet Articles.—We have added several new lines this year, in ebony, leather, celluloid, etc.

Everything that is new, Everything that is worth giving and Everything for lowest price.

THE Red Cross Drug Store

W. W. TURNER, 28 King St., Phone 221.

HOLIDAY RATES, 1903-4. Christmas—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.



Let Us Persuade You

to do yourself a favor. Shakespeare was great in clothing ideas in fine language; like the bard of Avon we are also great.

CLOTHIERS

not of ideas, but of—men of style. Why not look like a resident of Prosperity Ave., and put yourself at once inside of a spic and span model of Dame Fashion's latest creation in woolen?

W.N. Morley & Co.

TO-NIGHT.

Catholic Order Foresters, in their hall at 8. Santa Claus, everywhere, between 10 and 12. Daughters of Rebekah, Oddfellows' Temple, at 8.

TO-MORROW.

Service in Christ Church, at 10.30 a. m. Service in Holy Trinity, at 10.30 a. m. Non-Coms. celebrate in the Mesa Rooms. Young Men's Club, Park St. S. S. Hall at 8 p. m.

Local Briefs

Read the Urban Store add, sure! A nice line of perfume in boxes and bulk, at Ridley's Drug Store. Wm. Appleyard, Gananogue, is expected home for Christmas.

SEWING COMPANIONS

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 plush cases of different colors and designs.

\$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 Street

William Trotter, of Wallaceburg, spent yesterday in the city. Smoke Quail on Coast Cigars, 5c. Sold by all dealers. Union Made. m F. M. Scarff, of Tilbury, was a Chatham visitor yesterday.

T. A. and Mrs. Smith will spend Christmas in Detroit. D. A. Gordon, of Wallaceburg spent yesterday in the city. Mr. Stover has returned from the Toronto Dental College.

The hearts of the children at both the city schools were gladdened on Tuesday. In the afternoon, School Trustees Mr. Herbert S. Clements sent over a barrel of fine candy to each of the schools.

Word was received to town last night from Wallaceburg that George Thomas of this place, who has been dealing with the Indians on Walpole Island for the past month, was missing since Saturday, and it was thought he had been drowned.

Christmas holy, Santa Claus stockings, filled with good things for the children, at Anderson's.

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.

There will be divine service in Holy Trinity Church on Christmas morning at 11 o'clock. There will be two celebrations 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.

The widows of deceased brethren of Court Hope, A. O. F., were this year presented with the customary gift of a Christmas turkey. W. H. Breen and Ed. Cape were the committee who had this work in charge.

Notice! Having decided to turn our business into a strictly cash business all accounts now due and owing this firm must be paid before the 24th day of this month.

Lot Fields has returned from Moosejaw, N. W. T. Mr. Fields and his two sons have a thousand acres of land near Bowthorn, a thriving place 11 miles west of Moosejaw.

Willard McKay Garner House Block and Our Richmond & Queen



Santa is King

and the children will all expect some of our finest.

Gandy

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

Mixed Gandies

make one of the best presents possible, and you can give much happiness in this way with little money.

Send in the order as early as possible, and have it ready. Guaranteed to be Pure!



DOES THIS SUGGEST

ANYTHING TO YOU?

We think that we wanted to do something extra nice for some one to know, we'd 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—they pay their taxes.

GEO. W. COWAN.

SANTA CLAUS HEADQUARTERS

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VONGUNTEN BROS.

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

TURRILL.

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

THORNTON & DOUGLAS.

One of the most magnificent window displays in the city is that of Thornton & Douglas, the popular gent's furnisiers. 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 here for three years, and Mr. Gordon, the present manager, has been in the city for the past two years.

NORTHWOOD BROS.

Confederation is a popular feature of the Christmas trade, and the new firm of Northwoods, (successors to Wiggell's) are enjoying a goodly portion of the Maple City trade. They are well deserving of the liberal patronage they receive as they are doing all in the power to cater to the most exacting. Their store is very elaborately decorated with palms, evergreens and holy, and the windows are very artistically arranged with fancy goods.

THE ARK.

The Ark was on of the best spots in town to-day and is beautifully arrayed in Christmas apparel and makes an excellent show. 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 chateaux purses, and all classes of ebony 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 beautiful 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. A large variety of skates, sleighs, hockey sticks and general skating goods is kept. At the back of the store, too, household sundries are to be found.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC

There will be divine service in Holy Trinity Church on Christmas morning. Rev. T. Beverley Smith will occupy 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 Glory. Kyrie Eleison—Wm. Jackson. Offertory Solo—Miss Ada Ross. Hymn—Hark! the Herald Angles Sing! Divine Service will be held in Christ Church Christmas morning. The following will be the program for the service:— Hymn—Mendelssohn. Gloria—Reed. Kyrie—Lorenz. Gloria Libe—Sans Libe—Cranby. Te Deum—Quartette—Misses McKellar and Stephenson, Messrs. Angus and Wilson. Vespilate—Anthem—Choir. Solo—Noel—Miss Florence G. Stephenson. Anthem—Christmas Carols—Choir. Sermon—Rev. R. McLeod. Solo—Christmas Morn—Miss Lucy McKellar. Hymn—Adeste Fideles.

Bibles!

Hand bibles for Sunday School Classes at low prices. Full Teacher's Bibles, with helps, references, concordance and maps, \$1. India Paper Bible with references, \$1. A full line of Oxford Bibles, from 25c to \$1.00.

Prayer Books

Episcopal and Catholic. A full line for you to choose from.

Fancy boxes of

Holiday Stationery

New novelties in all the leading tints and in staple papers, at from 25c to \$3.00. Fountain Pens—Practical pens, \$1 each. A good choice of Swan, Waterman and other leaders, up to \$5.00. Leather Goods.—Purses, card cases, bill books and other useful goods for gift purposes.

KENNY'S

DRY GOODS.

Thibodeau & Jacques

MILLINERY

Would You Make a Choice

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

Linen Table Cloths and Napkins

in weaver's seconds.

40 Tablecloths in Pure Linen Damasks in 8-4, 10-4 and 12-4, beautiful patterns, almost perfect 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 suit handles, all prices, \$1.00 to Perrin's Kid Gloves—Nothing could be better for a ladies' present—\$1, 1.25, 1.50. Handkerchiefs—The largest variety in Chatham, from 10 to \$2.25 Christmas shopping incomplete without a visit to this store.

Store open every night this week.

THIBODEAU & JACQUES







CANADIAN IPTU
Committed June 2nd, 1902.
GOING EAST GOING WEST.
2.35 a. m. L. Express...1.11 a. m.
2.32 p. m. Express...1.05 a. m.

THE WABASH RAILROAD CO.
GOING WEST EAST BOUND
No. 1-4.45 a. m. No. 2-12.23 p. m.
No. 3-1.07 p. m. No. 4-11.06 p. m.

GRAND TRUNK WEST.
8.15 a. m. for Windsor, Detroit and intermediate stations.
12.42 p. m. for Windsor and Detroit.

Lake Erie & Detroit River R.R.
Effective Jan. 15, 1904.
Leave Chatham for:
Ridgeway... 10.30 a. m.
Windsor... 10.35 a. m.

WABASH
For Christmas and New Year's Vacation.
Will issue RETURN TICKETS (General Public) at

Single First-Class Fare and One-Third
Good December 23rd, 24th and 25th, and Dec. 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st, 1903, and Jan. 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 1904.

CANADIAN PACIFIC
For Christmas and New Year's Vacation
Will issue return tickets.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM
Christmas and New Year's
Holiday Rates
Territory—Between all stations in Canada, Port Arthur, St. Catharines, Toronto, Windsor and East, also to Detroit and St. Ignace, Mich., and to Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., and to Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., and to Niagara Falls, N. Y.

PHOTOS OF
L. E. & D. R. Wreck
NOV. 23rd, 1903.
The Gibson Studio.
50c each, or \$2.50 for set of six photos.

ALLEGED CHILD-MURDER.
INFANT BODY FOUND WITH WOUND IN SKULL.

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

Orillia, Dec. 23.—As a result of a coroner's inquest and subsequent proceedings 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 former'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 birth.

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.

MENACE TO THE EMPIRE.
One View of Demand For Treaty-making Powers.

London, Dec. 23.—The World's Work says that while Mr. Chamberlain is busy assuring us that the empire will go to pieces unless what is taxed a real danger to the empire that has sprung up is receiving little the attention it merits.

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

Helena, Mont., Dec. 22.—Charles Hillson, aged thirty years, was shot and killed by Mattie Lee at Phillipsburg to-day. The woman claimed Hillson owed her a small sum of money.

Mills Resuming Work.
Pittsburg, Dec. 22.—The W. Dewess sheet mills of the American Sheet Steel Company at McKeesport resumed work in all departments last night.

Killed Her Hireling.
Oswego, Mich., Dec. 22.—Mrs. Caroline Collins of New Lethrop was today held for trial on the charge of poisoning her hireling man, George Leachman. Leachman was returning home from work when he was found in the vital organs.

CATARRH
Is An Open Gateway for the Great White Plague



Because it is such a slowly progressive disease and ragers along, year after year, now better, now worse, but on the whole getting more deeply and firmly seated, people are prone to overlook its destructive tendencies and neglect catarrh of the nose, ear, throat, and later vital organs will be reached, or some acute cold will fan the smouldering fire of catarrh into that devastating systemic conflagration—consumption.

So many neglect the beginnings of disease and allow it to become family 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 to the death, realize how often a supposedly trivial complaint neglected brought about the condition that cost life.

Catarrh is a prevailing plague, the foremost scourge of America. Its stealthy approach and lingering stay make it a dread to the physician and a pest to the patient. It is why so many more than just a filthy and disgusting disease, making the breath odious and repulsive, causing one to choke, sneeze, cough, spit and do the disagreeable things catarrh sufferers are obliged to do, but if allowed to run its course or later becomes dangerous to life.

A leading druggist of Albany says: "I have sold many catarrh cures but none gave such general satisfaction as Stuart's Catarrh Tablets."
A cure that is radical and lasting as 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 treatment is discontinued.

COOPER'S BOOK STORE
A LARGE STOCK OF BEAUTIFULLY Bound Poets and other Literary Works.

Family Bibles
Pocket Bibles
Preachers' Bibles
Prayer Books
Hymn Books
Birthdays Books
Annals and Diaries
Whiskey Medicines.
The temperance press is emphasizing the danger to the home in the use of "medicines" which are loaded with whiskey or alcohol.

COOPER'S, King Street, Chatham.
Invitation Cards, Programmes, Pencils, etc., can always be obtained at THE PLANET Office.

THE UPTON INQUEST.
FANNY McGARVEY COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

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

London, Ont., Dec. 23.—The inquest held in Stratford regarding the Patrick Upton homicide was not concluded until yesterday. The chief witness, William McGarvey, detailed the story of Fanny McGarvey's attack upon her uncle. It did not vary from what has already been repeatedly published.

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Worry won't cure a cough.
When you find a cough holding on—when everything else has failed—try

Shiloh's Consumption Cure The Lung Tonic
It is guaranteed to cure. Try a bottle—If it doesn't cure you we'll refund your money.
Prices 25c., 50c. and \$1.00
S. C. WELLS & CO. Toronto, Can. L.R.Y., N.Y.

TELEGRAPH BREVITIES.
Storer of vast wealth left by Pope Leo was semi-officially denied.

The new Roman Catholic church at McGreger, which cost \$25,000, was dedicated by Bishop McEvoy.

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New York, Dec. 23.—Yesterday the bodies of Battalion Chief Coleman and Fireman Richard Joyce were found in the cellar of the Mott street furniture factory, where they lost their lives last night while fighting the fire in the building.

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 Chilean warships Libertad and Constitution.

A LIVING TORCH.
Hamilton Woman Fatally Burned on the Street.

Hamilton, Dec. 23.—Another instance of the danger of using coal oil to start a fire in a stove was furnished in a sad manner about 6 o'clock last evening by Mrs. Partridge, 214 Mary street.

ROTHSCHILD'S GIFT.
Brace of Pheasants to Many Bus Drivers and Conductors.

London, Dec. 23.—Following the custom of several years' standing, Lord Rothschild has presented a brace of pheasants to every bus driver and conductor who passes his Liverpool's residence in Florida.

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.

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Drawings Near.
to Christmas. Is it not someone for whom you have not selected a gift. We have the complete line in the c of watches, clocks a jewelry, also plateware c ebony goods and genui crocodile and moroc purses, cigar cases, e For a handsome Christe mas gift, why not one of the celebrated Berlina Gramophones or a beautifuly carved and mounte ly with gold and warrante to pick from. Come and see us before purchasin and we are sure you wi be satisfied.

A. A. JORDAN
Sign of the Big Clock.
Choice Pictures and Picture Frames
and Latest Designs in WALL PAPERS at
TILT'S
Next Rankin House.
Order now for Christmas.
Articles selected now until Christmas if desired.

JOS. TILT
The Hot Wash Tub
For a lady to stand and scrub, wash tub hot clothes this weather is disagreeable and unwholesome. Phone 189, and we will call to washing and deliver it back in order as we receive it, and clean cheaply as you can do it yourself.

CHATHAM STEAM LAUNDRY
TO RENT
Nice dwelling, facing a park street, heated with coal boiler furnace. Rent \$10 per month. Apply to SMITH & SMITH

BANK OF MONTREAL
ESTABLISHED 1817.
Capital (all paid up) \$10,000,000.
Reserve \$1,000,000.
Drafts bought and sold.
Deposits made on favorable terms.
Interest allowed on deposits at rates in Savings Bank department on demand receipts.

STANDARD BANK OF CANADA
HEAD OFFICE, TORONTO.
Branches and agents at all principal points in Canada, U. S. and Britain.
Drafts issued and received.
Savings Bank department.
Deposits (with) without delay received.
Allowed depositors at the bank to receive interest on their deposits.



M. Foreman & Co Importers.

We Wish Our Friends and Patrons a Merry Christmas

Our Shopping TO-NIGHT.

Gifts. Does any one of the following appeal to you? If not, visit this store to find something.

- A Purse, A Lunch Cloth, A Doily, A Set of Cloths with Napkins to match, A Table Cloth, A piece of Tabling, A Damask Towel, 1 Doz. Napkins, etc.

M. FOREMAN & CO.



FOR BUSY CHRISTMAS

Shoppers come to our store. Come early, and get the pick of our great showing of Christmas wear.

Can you please any member of the family when coming to the Boston Shoe Store.

L. CAMPBELL, Boston Shoe Store.

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral

Ask your doctor if this is the medicine that cured his hard cold. Doctors have used it for over sixty years.

WANTED: Travelling District Manager. We need twenty \$75.00 a month could experience from the start.

ABLE Christmas Presents. Choice line of Perfume in Boxes and Bulk. Beautiful line of Ebony Mirrors, Hair Brushes, Cloth Brushes and other natural hair brushes.

Chatham's Millinery Store. ALL KINDS OF Goffered Chiffons FOR MAKING COLLARS, ALL COLORS AND WIDTHS. For Thursday, Two Dozen Hats, worth from \$2 to sell for \$1.98.

District Doings.

WALLACEBURG

Dec. 23.—Claude Chubb, Jno. Nere and Young are spending Christmas in town. The marriage of Miss Ella Fry and Mr. Michael MacNairne took place on Tuesday evening, Dec. 22nd, at the home of Mr. Wm. MacNairne, Rev. J. M. Nichol officiated.

TILBURY

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

DRESDEN

Dec. 23.—A. B. Carscallen, of Wallaceburg, was a Dresden visitor yesterday. Miss Grace Miller is assisting at W. H. Wilson's store for the holiday rush.

FLETCHER

Mr. J. Clemens will be a partner with Mr. J. H. in his new stand. Mr. A. G. Robertson, D. S. Young, C. Hawkins attended a very successful card party at George McKay's.

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BLENHEIM

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HOWARD COUNCIL.

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LOUISVILLE

We are losing one of our much respected citizens in the person of Mr. Andrew Taylor, who is going to the State of Iowa. He has sold his farm to a Mr. Findley, of Charing Cross, whom we hope will prove as good a citizen of our burg.

TURNERVILLE

The Lindsay Road Church should be filled on Sunday night to listen to the beautiful anthem that will be rendered by the choir.

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