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THURSDAY REMNERANT DAY

During the vacation and shortly before school starts it is a great advantage to mothers to pick up short ends at low prices for girls' school wear. This great advantage we offer you to morrow, Thursday.

Remnants of Dress Goods
Remnants of Prints and Gingham

Remnants of Shaker Flannels

Remnants of everything of which remnants can accumulate.

Come and see our Remnants.

We can save you money.

THOS. STONE & SON

Rugs and Curtains
CHATHAM, ONTARIO

Our Christmas Sale IS NOW ON

All Christmas Goods at 20 per cent. off. Call and see the bargains we are offering.

Westman Bros.



**SWEEEPING
WITH
BISSELL'S
CYCLO BEARING
IS A
DELIGHT
NO STOOPING
NO EFFORT
NO DUST
JUST
PLEASURE.**

Judging from the great number of Sweepers which we sold during the Christmas rush proves that the Bissell "Cyclo"

is the favorite. We have sold a great number during the past 15 years.

Every user is a delighted customer.

See Sweeper display in

THE ARK

Window.

The manufacturer's fixed price is \$3.00.

Wishing every user, and all others a very Happy New Year.

H. MACAULAY, PHONE 159

MR. PHILLIPS EXPLAINS

Collapse of York County Loan and Savings Company.

Ontario Government, In Cancelling Forfeiture Bond, Destroyed Public Confidence and Caused the Withdrawals to Increase From \$700,000 to \$1,500,000—1904 Statement of Assets and Liabilities as Basis of Inquiry.

Toronto, Dec. 27.—Several phases of the affairs of the York County Loan Co. were dealt with yesterday at the investigation being made by Mr. W. H. Cross, who has been appointed by the Government to examine the business of the company at the York Loan office on Roncesvalles avenue. In the first place the history of the development of the investments of the concern from a simple traffic in mortgages to a more complicated land development operation was explained. Mr. Joseph Phillips, president of the company, who was in the box most of the morning, said that it became necessary to buy more land than was intended at first in order to obtain control of the district and protect the interests of the concern. In the consideration of the liabilities and assets of the York County Loan Co. it was shown that much of the loans secured by mortgages indicated in the last statement were really held to secure land transferred to the City Realty Co. No money passed in this transfer.

Mr. Phillips explained that the failure of the company was due in large measure to the refusal of shareholders to leave their money with the company after the withdrawal period had arrived. For this he held the Ontario Government in large measure responsible, as by cancelling the forfeiture clause of the company two years ago, public confidence had been weakened, the result being that in 1904, the amount withdrawn increased from \$700,000 to \$1,500,000.

In addition, the absence of the "trust" fund had materially reduced the company's revenue, and it was absence of money that led the company to approach the Dominion Permanent Loan Co. with a view to effecting a transfer or sale. A statement was presented showing that 34 houses built by the company had cost \$220,294, and the large office building \$54,824.

Assets and Liabilities.
The following statement, issued on Dec. 31, 1904, was used as the basis of an enquiry to see if possible what there really was for the shareholders, in order that they might have some idea of the actual value of their holdings:
Assets—Mortgage loans on real estate, \$1,001,125.81; real estate, \$910,909.78; municipal debentures and stocks and bonds thereon, \$251,500.00; loans on this company's stock, \$129,418.95; accrued interest, \$13,305.74; advances to borrowers, taxes, insurance, etc., \$4,381.84; accounts receivable, \$294.21; furniture and fixtures, \$85,984.51; the Molsons Bank, \$75,415.93; cash on hand, \$1,703.36; total assets, \$2,237,960.13.

Liabilities—Capital stock paid in, \$1,760,474.34; dividends credited, \$42,504.34; amount due on uncompleted loans, \$8,820.00; borrowers' sinking fund, \$33,755.17; mortgages assumed for members, \$9,100; reserve fund, \$70,000; contingent account, \$245,786.28. Total liabilities, \$2,237,960.13.

C. A. Maaten, who represented the investigator, carried on most of the examination. The liquidator, the National Trust Co., was represented by Mr. Home Smith, who has been giving every assistance to the Government commissioner. Mr. Phillips counsel was J. E. Jones.

HAMILTON PLUMBERS' CASE.

Secretary of Local Union Tells of the Stevenson Trouble.

Hamilton, Dec. 27.—Two more witnesses were examined in police court yesterday morning in connection with the plumbers' case, and the hearing adjourned till Friday. A. W. Harris, secretary of the local association of the United Association of Plumbers and Steamfitters, admitted that there was an agreement between the members of the union and the Masters' Association under which the men pledged themselves to work only for members of the association in good standing. George Stevenson, one of the master plumbers, who dropped out of the association, said that 25 per cent. profit was added to the contracts by the association. He dropped out because he took a \$2,000 job in Toronto, and the Hamilton Association asked him to pay 15 per cent. on the contract to be handed over to the Toronto association.

Drove Over the Mountain.

Hamilton, Dec. 27.—Wm. Smith, a wholesale butcher, who lives near Burlington, drove over an embankment at Fisher's Corners Saturday, and was so badly hurt that slight hopes of his recovery are entertained. His four-year-old grandson was tossed into a ditch filled with water, and was drowned.

Hearst Is 17,000 Behind.

New York, Dec. 27.—The official count of votes cast in New York County for mayor at the last election was issued yesterday by the County Board of Canvassers, and shows that McChesnan received 140,264; Hearst 123,292; and Irvin 64,283.

Drowned From a Dory.

Canada, N. S., Dec. 27.—While fishing in Chedabucto Bay yesterday, William Rogers and his brother, who were fishing from a dory, were run down by a fishing boat. Eilda Morton, the dory upset and William was drowned.

Peace is the offspring of power.

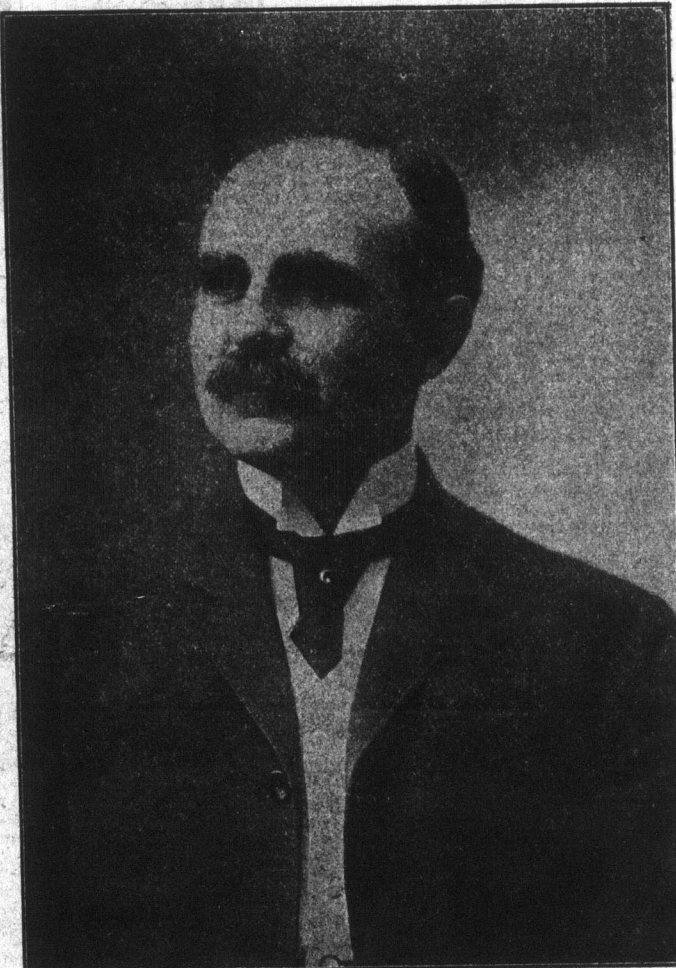
HEARTY CHEERS FOR MAYOR COWAN MADE COUNCIL CHAMBERS RING

Aldermen and Audience Unite Again and Again in Applauding His Worship—Vigorous Valedictory From Retiring Executive—Letter From the Council—Closing Scenes of a Memorable Year

'Twas a fitting finale! True to instinct, habit and custom the Council sat in session until midnight, ere adjourning—and then only to the handsome residence of Mayor Cowan, where the aldermen, officials and press representatives enjoyed the sumptuous hospitality of his worship and Mrs. Cowan, and whiled away the early hours in delightful social intercourse and impromptu entertainment. There the curtain finally fell and the Council of 1905 passed out of corporate existence. The closing scene was appropriately the happiest—everything, with true dramatic consistency, had worked out all right. Feuds were forgiven and

and which I trust will be received and considered in the spirit with which they are enunciated.

The city's progress for the past ten years has been increased to a greater degree in the past year than for a number of years previously, largely due to the energy and thoughtfulness exercised and displayed by your honorable body, and I venture to hope for a continuation of the good work, in the interest of the city, so auspiciously been and carried on, until Chatham shall have attained such a position among the cities of this fair Dominion, as will place her still farther ahead in the commercial conflict now being waged



HIS WORSHIP MAYOR GEO. W. COWAN.

The vigorous and inspiring Maple City Chief Magistrate, whose regime of reform and progress has brought him Provincial distinction and honors.

forgotten; heated words and wrathful eloquence had given way to smiling compliments and mutual admiration; williams and heroes were re-united in cordial comradeship. A fitting finale! "And they all lived happy ever after."

Mayor Cowan closed his strenuous and progressive year in a blaze of glory. His stirring valedictory was not alone retrospective; it will prove an impetus for the future. It will be read with interest and studied by the citizens. The Mayor is upon the threshold of a wonderful career of accomplishment, thronged with splendid possibilities. His worship sees with the eye of faith and sought to inspire his successors with some of his confidence and dynamic force. He has endeavored to make the Council of 1905 a Council of inauguration, a starting point for great things, one whose work will continue and multiply—one that now being dead yet speaketh.

His worship Mayor Cowan and his vigorous, right-from-the-shoulder, patriotic regime will long be remembered in our civic annals. Few of us agreed with him all the time—but everyone of us gave him credit for conscientious, whole-hearted, loyal endeavor for the Maple City and its good name. Chatham can well afford more men of the Cowan calibre in the Chief Magistrate's chair.

Rounded upon round of applause from the aldermen and the large audience which filled the Council Auditorium greeted the Mayor's inspiring valedictory, delivered at the close of the session. Said he:

Gentlemen of the Council: I met to submit, at this the last meeting of the Council for 1905, a report of the most important achievements of your honorable body for the year, with a few recommendations of my own, in what I believe to be for the city's interest

have the Grand Trunk, the Canadian Pacific, the Wabash, the Pere Marquette, and through it the Michigan Central railway. With the Chatham, Wallaceburg & Lake Erie electric road north to Wallaceburg and the proposed electric roads to the south and west to Windsor, I may therefore ask what is to hinder?

We have the finest Parks in Canada. Tecumseh in the centre of the city and a lakeside summer resort so contiguous that a quarter of a dollar takes you there and back. As for a market town, Chatham is head and shoulders over all competitors, and the cost of living is lower by far than any other city of its size, of which I have any knowledge.

Churches of every denomination. Magnificent schools and the best Business College in the land add greatly to our advantages. So that with our factories and business establishments Chatham has much to boast of. But what shall I say as to our factories? The largest carriage works in Canada, the largest wagon works in Canada, the largest fanning mill works in Canada, the largest wheel works in Canada, the four largest planing mills and sash and door works, the large scale works, the large flour mills, the steel spring and gas works, the bent goods works, the large foundry and machine shops, the gasoline engine and launch works, the large cooperage and saw mills, the large brick and tile plants, the whiffletree and neckyoke works, etc., etc., so that in taking stock of our position, and regardless of what I have said the climate, healthfulness and cheapness as homes, we have a great deal to be proud of.

From the richness of our soil, this has been known and called by those who sought to deceive us as muddy little Chatham, just as Toronto, in days of yore, was known as muddy little York. All this has now changed, through miles of sewer, miles of paved streets and miles of granolithic walks. It is now a safe assertion that we have the best paved city in the country.

I need not have mentioned these facts, gentlemen, for your information, but at this festive season of the year, when we are exchanging greetings with loved ones abroad, this message will serve in a measure to acquaint them with what we have been doing in their absence and perhaps still further endear this good old town to them and give them something to ponder and boast over to their friends and neighbors.

King street is now paved from Adelaide street westerly to Robertson avenue, and Robertson avenue northerly to the Windsor Road. Third, Fourth, Fifth and Sixth streets paved. Queen street from Wellington to the G. T. R. William street is paved its entire length. Wellington street is paved throughout its entire length except for a short distance. Murray street is paved from William to Princess. MeLean street is paved, Park street is paved for its entire length. Cross

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CHRISTMAS CAKES

ALL SIZES

ENGLISH PLUM PUDDING.

All the Latest Novelties in Confections.

CANDY, THE CHEAPEST IN CHATHAM.

Mounteer's,

KENT BAKERY.

We Have 500 Calendars

Left over after Saturday's rush, and these must be sold this week. To do so we cut the price in two. These beautiful floral calendars at 2 for 5c.

All better goods Half-price.

1906 Diaries (office and pocket) now complete.

Canadian Almanac, 40c.

Subscriptions for any periodical published solicited.

SULMAN'S

BEEHIVE, King and 6th Sts.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE

ONE NIGHT ONLY
FRIDAY, DEC'R. 29TH

Engagement extraordinary. The quaint, fascinating, thrilling, superb Melodramatic Companion to "Shore Acres"

THE LIGHTHOUSE ROBBERY.

Is a portrayal of actual events with characters and incidents taken from real life. It proves to you that "Truth is stranger than fiction." Fine scenery, Specialty Company. Prices—25c, 35c, 50, 75c.



MEN'S SLIPPERS

—FOR—

Christmas

Of course, real solid comfort may be possible without a pair of slippers—but it's surely more like the real Simon-pure article when the slippers are there.

That opens the way toward making somebody a present that will

gladden him for a whole year or more.
Low or Opera Slippers - 75c to \$2
a variety of leathers.
High-Top or Rome Slippers - \$1.50 to \$2
A draft resister for winter.
Felt and Warm Lined Slippers - 65c to \$1
Carpet and Rep Slippers from - 40c

GEO. W. COWAN

The Planet.

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Editorial Room 102
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27, '05.

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

The degrading and intolerable conditions in the teaching profession seem at last to be working their own cure, and the pedagogical drudges who have been on a lower industrial plane than the ditcher or washerwoman, are likely to come to some of their own.

Teachers are scarce, due to the ever-increasing openings for more lucrative employment, with rapid advancement, and the fact is creating alarm in rural districts, where many schoolhouses are locked up because teachers cannot be obtained. Male teachers are almost all driven from the profession, probably not exceeding ten per cent. of those employed, and even women are finding much better opportunities in other vocations.

But while commerce has absorbed a great many teachers, another cause of the dearth has been the demand for teachers in the new northwest provinces, where salaries and opportunities for advancement are much better than in Ontario. The result is a material increase in the salaries offered in Ontario, although the average wage is still far below what it should be. Penurious School Boards have been compelled to slacken their purse-strings, and the prospects are that to induce teachers to remain in the profession they will be driven to still more painful pecuniary sacrifices.

Before the Model school in this city closed this week over half of the 25 graduates, of whom only five were men, had obtained situations at salaries generally of \$500 for men and \$400 for women, at least a hundred dollars better than last year. At Chatham the conditions were even more cheering. Out of 32 graduates 29 had secured positions in the vicinity at much greater salaries than were ever paid before.

This lively demand for mere apprentices at advanced remuneration is a hopeful sign, from the salary standpoint, although it indicates that education must be suffering from the rapid depletion of experienced teachers. However, with conditions leading up to greater permanency in the profession, even this evil will in time adjust itself, and the quality of the work will steadily improve because a better class of men and women will enter the ranks than have been offering themselves.

After all, the low status of the teacher and the resulting poor quality of the work done, were beyond legislative remedy. Supply and demand is the ultimate regulator in any sphere of endeavor. — Windsor Record.

THE STAGE

"All the world's a stage
and all the men and women
merely players."

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

At The Grand—
The Lighthouse Robbery—Dec. 29.
(Supplied to The Planet by Press Agents).

THE LIGHTHOUSE ROBBERY.
The quaint, charming play, "The Lighthouse Robbery," which resembles "Shore Acres," with a dash of the "Old Homestead," will delight patrons of the theatre who thoroughly enjoy a wholesome play. The atmosphere of the sea and the fine types of New England are almost perfectly reproduced, as the play is founded upon actual facts, which occurred in 1875, the truth going to prove that truth is often stranger than fiction.

A splendidly balanced company and fine scenic production guaranteed.

At The Grand Opera House on Friday, December 29th.

ZONE CENTRE.

Beautiful weather.
Nomination will be held in Zone Town Hall, Friday, December 22.
Mr. Fred Leverton, of Clearville, spent a few days last week with his friends here.

Mrs. John McAllister, of Brown City, Mich., is the guest of her mother, Mrs. John Timney.
Mrs. M. Deew is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Joshua Lidster.
Mr. Samuel Rush is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Geo. Morrison, Cambridge.

Reeve Arthur Greene will seek reelection for 1906.
The trustees of our school have engaged Mr. R. Ellison, of Bathurst, for 1906.

Reeve A. W. Greene, Treasurer G. E. Lidster and Clerk H. Osborne spent Saturday making out the financial statement for the Township of Zone.

NOT A "PATENT MEDICINE."

Scott's Emulsion is not a "patent medicine." It has no secret ingredients. Your doctor can, no doubt, tell you as much about it as we could. We have merely perfected the method of blending the Norwegian cod liver oil, hypophosphites of lime and soda and glycerine. As one grocer will blend coffee better than another so we have succeeded in making Scott's Emulsion a little better than any other cod liver oil preparation. There's no "patent" and the only secret is the secret of knowing how, with the perfected mechanical means at hand to do it. Get Scott's and you get the perfect emulsion. It's the greatest thing in the world for regaining strength and flesh lost through wasting.

SCOTT & BOWNE, Toronto, Ont.

The Local Budget

Skates sharpened at Brisco's.

Mrs. Shillington and family spent Christmas in Blenheim.

Tom Richardson, of Sarnia spent Christmas at his home here.

Mrs. J. G. McLean is the guest of Mrs. Eva C. Brewer, Detroit.

Jasper Wilson has gone to Leamington, where he will spend a week's vacation.

Miss Ethel Sandison has returned from Leamington, where she spent Christmas.

Dr. and Mrs. Will Kerr, of Bay City, Mich., spent Christmas with relatives in the Maple City.

Nice Barred Holly Wreaths, 10c, with American Beauty Ribbon 25c, at the Victoria Ave. Green Houses.

Order early, as supply is limited.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wicks, Dresden, left for London on Saturday to visit their daughter, Mrs. James Duffin, for Christmas.

Remember the entertainment and Christmas tree in Christ Church S. Hall to-night at 8 o'clock. Santa Claus will be there. Admission 10 cents.

Geo. Ryan, who is now Divisional Freight Agent of the Great Northern Railway, with headquarters at St. Paul, is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Llydian Ave.

Ald. W. H. Westman has ordered the lights on the two bridges placed higher so that the windbreaks will not prevent the light from shining on the footpath.

Died, in Walla Walla, Wash., December 27th, R. Emeline Everett, aged 72 years and 9 months, the wife of the late M. M. Cornwall, formerly of Kent County, Ont.

Invitations are out for the marriage of Mary Elizabeth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Mason, 6th Con., Dover, to Mr. Oscar Horn, youngest son of R. A. Horn, 10th Con., Raleigh, to take place Jan. 1st, 1906.

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Election Cards

For Alderman.

Chatham, Ont.,
12th Dec., 1905.

To the Ratepayers
of Chatham—

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—

I am a candidate for the position of Alderman for the year 1906. If you approve of my actions in Council during the past year I would respectfully ask for your vote and influence at the coming Election. I do not intend making any personal canvass as I believe where there is no question at issue between the candidates that the Electors should be free to vote for the men they think will serve the city best.

Wishing you the compliments of the season, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

CHAS. AUSTIN

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for the office of Alderman for 1906, and respectfully ask for your vote and influence.

Yours faithfully,

THOMAS SCULLARD.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for the position of Alderman for the coming year of 1906 and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

If elected I will be my earnest endeavor to render to our city and its good people earnest and efficient service to the best of my ability.

Wishing you the compliments of the season, I remain,

Yours faithfully,

J. W. CARSWELL.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for the position of Alderman for the coming year of 1906 and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

As I am unable to make any extensive personal canvass I take this opportunity of respectfully soliciting your support.

L. E. TILLSON.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

At the solicitation of a number of ratepayers, I am a candidate for a seat at the Council Board for the ensuing year. I have always been a resident of Chatham, and I trust my course as a citizen in the past will justify you in giving me your support and influence.

Yours respectfully,

EDWIN C. RADLEY.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for the position of Alderman for the coming year, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence, and I thank you for support in the past. Wishing you the compliments of the season, I am,

Yours respectfully,

J. E. AINSWORTH.

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Ladies and Gentlemen:

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JOHN EDMONDSON.

TO THE RATEPAYERS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for Alderman for 1906 and shall appreciate your support and influence.

I have had three years experience at the Council Board and it again elected will exercise my best judgment in the city's interests.

Respectfully yours,

W. M. STONE.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Your support and influence is respectfully solicited for a seat at the Council Board for next year. If elected I promise to give strict attention to the duties of the office.

Wishing you a happy New Year, I am,

Your obedient servant,

JAMES N. MASSEY.

Grocer.

TO THE RATEPAYERS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Being a nominee for the office of Alderman for the year 1906, I respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

If elected I will endeavor to serve the interests of the ratepayers to the best of my ability.

Wishing you the compliments of the season, I remain,

Yours respectfully,

EDWIN E. WING.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for the position of Alderman for 1906 and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

I regret that I shall be unable to make a personal canvass, but am quite content to leave the matter in your hands. If you deem me worthy of the honor I shall appreciate it and devote my energies wholeheartedly to your service.

Wishing you a happy New Year.

Sincerely yours,

A. C. TRUDELL.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am again a candidate for Alderman and respectfully solicit your vote and influence. Permit me also to take this occasion to thank you for your past confidence, and I trust that my actions as your representative have been such as to merit its renewal. I shall sincerely appreciate your support, the more because I am unable to make a full personal canvass.

Wishing you the compliments of the season,

Respectfully yours,

WILLIAM POTTER.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Having served the municipality as Councillor for the past two years, and believing that my record has in some measure met with your approval, I respectfully solicit your vote and influence to secure my reelection as Councillor for 1906.

J. B. CLARK.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CHATHAM.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Having been requested by a number of ratepayers to allow my name to stand in the coming municipal elections, I have decided to contest this ward for the position of School Trustees for the years 1906-07. I would be very grateful for your votes and influence.

HARRY JACQUES.

TO THE ELECTORS OF WARD 2.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for School Trustee in your Ward and will appreciate your vote and influence.

Sincerely yours,

RICHARD LOWE.

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TO THE ELECTORS OF WARD 2.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Having been urged by a number of citizens to submit my name as a candidate for School Trustee in your Ward, I have consented to do so and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

I regret that it will be impossible for me to make a personal canvass, but I shall sincerely appreciate your support. If elected it shall be my earnest endeavor to work wholeheartedly in our educational interests.

Yours truly,

WM. SOMERVILLE.

TO THE ELECTORS OF WARD 4.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for School Trustee in your ward, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

HARRY A. ANDREW.

TO THE ELECTORS OF WARD 1.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for the office of Public School Trustee in your Ward and respectfully solicit your vote and influence at the coming election.

R. L. BRACKIN.

TO THE ELECTORS OF WARD 5.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I beg to offer myself as candidate for School Trustee for Ward No. 5 for the year 1906.

Wishing you the compliments of the season, I remain,

Yours respectfully,

W. W. SNIDER.

TO THE ELECTORS OF WARD 5.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am a candidate for the position of School Trustee for Ward No. 5 for the year 1906.

Wishing you the compliments of the season, I remain,

Yours respectfully,

W. W. SNIDER.

TO THE ELECTORS OF WARD 5.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Special Sale of Calendars Half-Price

We have had this year the greatest line of Calendars ever in the city.

Just a few left, which we are going to sacrifice at above price.

Also a few Souvenir Calendars, regular 50c, now

25c.

W. J. KENNY

Phone 225. King Street, East

DRS. CORNELL & FISHER
DENTISTS

Corner Sixth and King St
Over the Bee Hive.
Phone—Office 317. Residence 442.

TO-NIGHT

Public School Board, Harrison Hall, at 7.45.

Prayer meeting in the city churches at 8.

Court Hope, 6244, A. O. F., in their hall at 8.

Christmas Tree entertainment, in Christ Church S. E. Hall, at 8.

Regular meeting Parthenon Lodge, No. 287, A. F. & A. M., G. R. C., Masonic Temple, King St., at 7.30.

Wellington Lodge, No. 46, A. F. & A. M., G. R. C., Masonic Temple, Somerset new block, King St., at 7.30, Sharp.

LOCAL BUDGET

See the great lighthouse scene at the Grand Friday night.

Mr. James A. Brown, of Dresden, is in St. Thomas for a day or two.

LOST—A ladies' right hand glove, on Tuesday, reward will be given by returning it to this office.

Sets on sale at Briscoes' for Lighthouse Robbery, Dec. 29.

Hockey Skates, Spring Skates and Hockey Sticks, cheapest at "The Ark."

The funeral of the late Mrs. George Somers took place to the Maple Leaf cemetery on Sunday at 2.30 p.m.

The date for Lighthouse Robbery has been changed to Friday, Dec. 29.

No. 1 Harwich will repeat their Christmas Concert To-night, Dec. 27th.

Mrs. Tyhurst and Miss Mabel P. Brown spent Christmas with friends in Dresden.

The members of the I. O. F. Degree Team Court McGregor No. 6, are requested to be present Thursday night to arrange going to Wallaceburg Friday night.

Remember the entertainment and Christmas tree in Christ Church S. E. Hall to-night at 8 o'clock. Santa Claus will be there. Admission 10 cents.

LOST—On King St. or Stanley Ave., or on Tecumseh Park, a Bell and Ring. The finder will be rewarded by returning to this office.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Fead, of Harrison, Ont., have returned to their home, after spending Christmas with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Dennis, Raleigh St.

The Lighthouse Robbery will appear at the Grand Friday night.

DR. OVENS, M.D.
L. R. C. P., Etc., London, England.
SURGEON, OCULIST, SPECIALIST
Diseases of Eye, Ear and Nose treated and Glasses fitted properly. Will be at Radley's Drug Store, Chatham, Next Date of visit, Wednesday, Dec. 27th.

Pearl Rings, Pearl Rings

In Great Variety. Single, Two Stone, Three Stone, or Five Stone. Pearl Opera Glasses, from \$5.00 a Pair to \$15.00.

Pearl Knives and Forks from \$7.00 Per Dozen Upwards.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

E. J. MacINTYRE, Leading Jeweler and Optician.

\$4,000

Mayor Cowan Fears His Predecessor Must Have Purchased Expensive Civic Crest

The following somewhat striking communication was presented to last night's Council session:

E. Coulson, Lyss Freeman & Co., First Class Oriental Electric, Stylers and Trimmers, England, Europe.

Dec. 27, 1905.

The Citizens of Chatham:

To E. Coulson, Freeman, Lyss & Co. the sum of Four Thousand Dollars for the importation of European Queen's Pheasant Pedigree Style and Wreath for City from January 1st, 1903, 1904, Dec.

This account must be paid within 60 days to Lawyer Bloom, 404 Buhl Block, Griswold St., Detroit, Mich. The communication was referred to Finance.

"I do not understand it," commented the Mayor, "unless it must be, judging from the dates, that the preceding Mayor purchased a civic crest or something."

DIED IN DETROIT

Word has been received of the sudden death by paralysis of Richard Stevens, a former Maple City contractor, in Detroit yesterday. Full details are not yet to hand.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES

Nominations for trustees, St. Joseph's school, city, were held to-day and resulted as follows:

Ward 1.—F. A. Deloge.

Ward 2.—Geo. W. Blonde.

Ward 3.—F. A. Tschirhart.

Ward 4.—John E. Stephens.

Ward 5.—John Welsh.

All were declared elected by acclamation.

CALL EXTENDED

A special meeting of the Chatham Presbytery was held in the First Presbyterian Church last evening, and was attended by Rev. Dr. Battistich, of St. Andrew's Church; Rev. Dr. Munroe, Ridgetown; Rev. Mr. Lindsay, of Dresden, and Mr. McMillan, of this city.

The meeting was called for the purpose of considering a call from the London Presbytery to Dr. Munroe, of Ridgetown. The translation was agreed to and will take place near the end of January.

M'CALL HANGS ON.

But if He Continues to Do So Armstrong Committee Will Give Him a Very Rough Jostle.

New York, Dec. 27.—The investigating committee of the trustees of the New York Life Insurance Co. had a meeting yesterday at which the report sent from Paris by Andrew C. Hamilton was read and referred to counsel.

At the close of the meeting Mr. Fowler said nothing would be given out.

Mr. McCall said that the report was favorable to himself.

The report is said to be an artfully drawn document, which, if it is accepted by the trustees of the New York Life, will relieve President John A. McCall of the necessity of digging into his private store of riches to make good any of his extravagant payments to his boyhood friend, Hamilton.

Whether the report will be accepted at its face value, however, is a question.

Though President McCall is determined to hold his position to the last possible moment, the opinion is growing that he will see the wisdom of retiring soon after Jan. 1. Should he persist in holding on the report of the Armstrong Committee, which will be presented to the Legislature about Feb. 1, will, it is said, contain references to his administration of the New York Life that will settle the question of his continuing as president of the company.

The Armstrong insurance committee will go on of existence next Saturday without having completed its investigation. The question of the Legislature re-appointing the committee or creating another with power to continue the investigation will probably come up for action at Albany in the opening meet of the session.

The Armstrong committee will resume work to-day and continue until Saturday night.

FARM FOR SALE

90 acres in the Township of Raleigh, well fenced and drained; new house and barn. This farm will be sold at a bargain if sold at once, will accept small payment now, or will exchange for city property.

Apply to

DUNN & MERRITT,

Phone 295. Fifth Street.

KING AT ALFONSO'S WEDDING.

British Naval Squadron of Sixty Ships to Visit Spain, Too.

Madrid, Dec. 27.—King Edward is expected to visit Madrid on the occasion of King Alfonso's wedding, and it is announced that at the same time many pleasure yachts will arrive in Spanish waters.

Officers of three British squadrons now manoeuvring off Vigo landed here yesterday were interviewed by newspaper correspondents. They say that there is no doubt that all the arrangements for the wedding of Princess Ena of Battenburg and King Alfonso have been completed, and that on the occasion of the marriage the squadron of sixty British warships of all sizes will visit Spanish waters in honor of the occasion.

CRUISER LANDS BLUEJACKETS.

Guards Maintained Through Foreign Concession of Shanghai.

Shanghai, Dec. 27.—All is quiet here. A force of 250 men has been landed by the British cruiser, and Romea and Blue Jacket Guards are maintained all through the foreign concession.

The British assessor, Wyman, will resume the mixed court to-day.

The Chinese officials have tardily issued warrants for the arrests of the promoters of the riot who have escaped.

HOMELESS IN THE SNOW.

An Oregon Town Almost Entirely Destroyed by Fire.

Sumpter, Ore., Dec. 27.—Fire Christmas night destroyed a large part of the little town of Tipton, 31 miles south of Sumpter.

A high wind accompanied by a heavy snowfall is raging and nearly all the people of Tipton are homeless.

There was little or no insurance, no fire department, and little water. The loss is not known here.

Inhuman Autoists.

New York, Dec. 27.—Crushing a man into a dying condition, an automobile party of six, of whom two were women gave no further heed to their senseless victim, and left him to his fate in the dark roadway of Jerome avenue Monday night, flying on their mad pace unchecked, and escaping, for the time being, capture and responsibility for the taking of a human life.

Nicholas Radowitch, the injured man, was taken to Fordham Hospital. His legs and ribs were broken, his skull probably fractured, and he gave evidence of internal injuries which promised to soon prove fatal.

Stricken on Niagara Bridge.

Niagara Falls, Dec. 27.—Peter B. Secord, a well-known contractor and builder, died very suddenly at his home on the American side. He was taken ill while on the bridge, crossing the river. Mr. Secord was a native of Niagara Township, and has relatives all over the Niagara peninsula. He leaves a widow and family.

New Zealand Ship Line.

Ottawa, Dec. 27.—Mr. Ally, representative for Bucken Bros., London, who have been awarded the contract for the steamship service between Canada and New Zealand, is in the city. The service can be started in two months with a sailing every two months from New Zealand and Vancouver.

Jap Ambassador to U. S.

Washington, Dec. 27.—Viscount Gino Aoki has been appointed Japanese Ambassador to the United States. Viscount Aoki is a member of the Privy Council and of the first class order of the Rising Sun. He is of the highest diplomatic rank.

Cowboy Miner Scott Is Safe.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 27.—A letter from Walter Scott, the cowboy miner, who was reported murdered in Death Valley some days ago, was received by a friend in this city Monday stating that he had been shot, but was not seriously hurt.

Sisters-in-Law Die Together.

St. Catharines, Dec. 27.—Mrs. Richard Wood and Mrs. James Wood, sisters-in-law, died within an hour of each other Sunday night. Both were 71 years of age, having been born on the same day.

A Fatal Fall.

Sydney, N. S., Dec. 27.—Sandy McDougall, an employee of the Steel Co., fell off the lower platform on to the pier yesterday morning, struck his head on a rail and fractured his skull. He will die.

Legs and Feet Frozen.

Brantford, Dec. 27.—Fred Howes, an Englishman, was found in the old Buck foundry with his legs and feet frozen. He has a wife and two children in England. Amputation is likely.

NEW ADVERTISEMENT.

GIRL WANTED—Apply Idlewild Hotel.

GIRL WANTED—At the Rankin House.

FOR SALE

Complete, elegant sets of Dickens, Scott, Shakespeare, F. Marion Crawford, Balzac, Dumas, Stevenson, Lytton, Cooper, Marryat, Melville, Holmes, E. V. Roe, Histories, Science, great orations, etc. To close out stock these will be sold at big reductions. May be paid for on easy payments. Address Box 2, Chatham P.O.

TENDERS

Tenders will be received by the undersigned for the purchase of Lots 11, 12, 13 and 14, in Block "I," on the South Side of Head Street, in North Chatham, up to and including the twenty-fifth day of January, A. D. 1906.

For further particulars and conditions apply to

J. M. PIKE, Barrister,

Fifth Street.

Dated this twenty-sixth day of December, 1905.

District Agent WANTED

The National Life of Canada, Head Office, corner of Toronto and Adelaide Streets, Toronto.

Assurance Company have a man capable of handling Chatham District. To a man capable of producing a reasonable amount of new business an excellent contract will be given. The contract will provide for a renewal later.

The National Life has just closed the most successful year in its history, and it begins the year 1906 in a very strong financial position. The company has just increased its capital stock from \$200,000 to \$2,000,000 and its ratio of assets to liabilities to 100 holders is now \$1.07 for each \$1.00 of liability.

The National rates are lower than other companies and the policy contract is modern and up to date in every respect.

The man possessed of the necessary energy to earn a handsome income.

All applications will be treated strictly confidential; as we are arranging our territory during December for the coming year, it is advisable for proposed applicants to write immediately to the Head Office, Toronto, Ont.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS...

For 12½c, Men's White Cuffs, regular price 25c, now at 12½c.

Men's Pure Linen Collars, sold for 20c, now 5c each.

Large assortment of Men's White Vests regular price \$1.50 and \$1.00, now at 50c.

Large assortment of Men's White Shirts all sizes, regular price \$1.25, \$1.00 now sold at 75c.

Men's Full Dressed Shirts, sold for \$1.50, now at 90c.

Boys' White Dressed Shirts, sold for 75c, now 37c.

Boys' Scotch Caps, regular 50c, sold at 15c.

M SHAPERO

King Street, Opp. the Market

Invitation Cards, Programmes, Pencils, etc. can always be obtained at THE PLANET Office

CHRISTMAS GIFTS!

Ladies desiring to purchase Christmas gifts will find a large assortment of goods especially selected for this purpose. They will be found useful and inexpensive and you are asked to make an inspection.

Call and Examine Them

We carry a large assortment of Leather Goods for the Holiday trade.

MRS. WELDON, FANCY GOODS STORE,

Next Malcolmson's Grocery

CLEARING SALE OF FURS

AT THE WHOLESALE HOUSE

AGAR & NEFF, WHOLESALE FURRIERS.

SCANE BLOCK (Upstairs). RAW FURS BOUGHT

Briscoes'



BRISCOES' SPORTING GOODS



SANTA CLAUS

waves his magic wand. Toys, Dolls and Games in extraordinary array for Christmas are here. How Tiny Tim, Bob Castor and old Pezzing would revel in this place of delights could they but step into existence from the pages of Dickens' immortal story. Bring the children; let them enjoy these innocent amusements to their hearts content, etc.

Briscoes

December Fashion Show Free C. AUSTIN & CO. NEW IDEA PATTERNS

YES SIR YOUR NEW SUIT and OVERCOAT

are waiting for you. Handsome—Well they are just the finest garments ever put on your back. Reliable in every respect. Our clothing is made by the best makers in this country. There's no better; the price—it's right. There isn't a flaw in anything here. Come, see what you think about it.

The Largest Clothing Showing in Kent County—Selection Still Good

Men's Tweed Overcoats \$6.50 to \$15.00
Men's Black Overcoats \$10 to \$15
Men's Tweed Suits \$5.00 to \$16.00
Men's Black Suits \$7.50 to \$13.50
Tweed and Frieze Overcoats Boys' size \$2.50 to \$10.00
Boys' Fancy Overcoats \$3.95 to \$6.50
Boys' Suits, special sale at \$3.95

Neckwear Special

We bought three gross of Manufacturer's samples of Neckties made from the ends of high class silks that sell regularly at 25c to 50c each. Made in four-in-hand shapes. They go on sale this week at

2 for 25c

A Late Shipment of Handkerchiefs

We just received on Saturday last a shipment of handkerchiefs which should have been in early in the fall. They are fine quality Cambric, neat hemstitch, full size men's. They go on sale this week at

10c each, or \$1.00 per dozen.

High Grade Upholstered Furniture

For Library, Parlor, Dining Room, Reception Room or Bedroom...

Our business for the Christmas Trade was indeed gratifying, our upholsterers having to work late Saturday getting out orders. To stimulate buying during Christmas week we will offer special bargains in Upholstered Furniture.

We can save you money.

Carpets.

Reversible Wool-filled Ingrain.

Size 3 yds. x 3 yds. Regular \$6.00 now \$4.90.

Size 3 yds. x 3½ yds. Regular \$7.00 now \$5.90.

Size 3 yds. x 4 yds. Regular price \$8.00 now \$6.90.

REVERSIBLE ALL-WOOL INGRAIN. Size 3 yds. x 3 yds. Regular \$8.25 now \$7.00.

Size 3 yds. x 3½ yds. Regular \$9.25 now \$7.90.

Size 3 yds. x 4 yds. Regular \$10.50 now \$8.90.

SMYRNA RUG CARPETS.

Size 3 yds. x 3 yds. Regular \$24.00 now \$19.50.

Size 3 yds. x 4 yds. Regular \$38.00 now \$27.00.

MALABAR 3-PLY ALL-WOOL. Size 3 yds. x 3 yds. Regular \$12.00 now \$11.00.

Size 3 yds. x 3½ yds. Regular \$14.00 now \$13.00.

Size 3 yds. x 4 yds. Regular \$16.00 now \$15.00.

4-FRAME BRUSSE. 300 yards of Best B lar worth \$1 and \$1.50 to match.

BALMOR. 275 yards repeats, worth 85c per yd. laid at only 55c yd.

C. AUSTIN & CO.

Our Mocha & Java Coffee

40c a pound

Is a full flavored rich coffee. It has lots of strength, too, and will make a delicious cup of coffee.

AMERICAN BLEND COFFEE, 35c a pound.

BRAZIL COFFEE, 25c a pound.

BAKER'S COCOA 25c a tin.

SWEET ORANGES, 25c a dozen.

SLICED COOKED HAM, 30c a pound.

SLICED ENGLISH BACON, 20c a pound.

SLICED JELLIED VEAL, 25c a pound.

Very fine old White Cheese—18c a pound.

H. Malcolmson

Stoves At Cost

We have too many coal heaters. Here is our proposition:

We will sell you any coal heater in our store at exactly what it cost us.

Now there is an offer you should take advantage of right now, if you need a stove or will need one. All the hard part of the winter is yet to come and here is an opportunity for a big saving just when you need the stove.

And you can depend upon the stoves being right. Every one is as good as a stove can possibly be.

J. C. Wanless

THE UP-TO-DATE
HARDWARE MAN.

LEAVE YOUR ORDERS

—NOW FOR—

CHRISTMAS CAKES
CHRISTMAS PUDDINGS
MINCE PIES, and
BREAD at

The North Chatham Bakery

LAMON BROS.

PROPRIETORS. TEL. 489.

25 Per Cent. Discount

Following our usual custom we are this week giving a DISCOUNT OF 25 PER CENT. on all FANCY GOODS.

A. I. McCALL & CO., LTD.
DRUGGISTS.

DR. A. A. HICKS

DENTIST

Office: 26 King St. East, Over
Turner's Drug Store. Phone 357

Hold-Up in Chicago Street Car.

Chicago, Dec. 27.—On a crowded Ashland avenue electric car at 36th street Monday night six armed men fired a score of shots through the windows and roof, and were engaged in robbing the passengers, including several women and children, when the trolley pole was removed from the wire by the conductor, and the bandits were left struggling in the darkness. Whilst the male passengers and the car crew were battling with the thieves a wagon load of policemen arrived, and five of the robbers were captured. The bandits exchanged shots with the policemen before they were overpowered.

Pauperism Increasing.

London, Dec. 27.—Official figures relating to the legal poor of London show that the numbers in receipt of pauper relief in nearly every month of the year now ending have been greater than in any of the previous 40 years comprised in the returns, with the exception of the period from 1867 to 1871. In no year of the history of the poor law has the population in the workhouses been greater than for December.

Contract For 27,000 Horse-Power.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Dec. 27.—The largest single contract for electric power ever made between a power-making plant and a factory concern, was consummated yesterday between the Niagara Falls Hydraulic Power & Manufacturing Co., and the Pittsburgh Reduction Co. of this city. By the terms of the contract, the power company must supply a block of 27,000 horse-power to the Pittsburgh Reduction Co. by January, 1907.

Earthquake in Turkey.

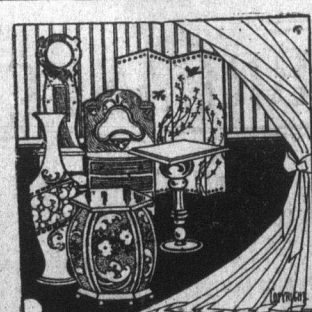
Boston, Dec. 27.—The American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions yesterday received a cablegram from Constantinople announcing a severe earthquake in the Harpoot valley, in its Eastern Turkey mission, which has destroyed many houses and made many persons homeless and destitute. Relief is asked for.

Dishonesty in small affairs often assumes large proportions.

CHATHAM'S ONLY MILLINERY STORE

Our Last Winter in Chatham.
Laces from 5c.
Ribbons from 5c.
Veilings from 10c.
Children's Hats from 75c.
Ladies' Hats from \$1.25.
Call and see our Ideal Toilet Per-
fumes and requisites.

O. A. OOKSLEY, King St.



CONEY ISLAND

THE person who visits New York without seeing Coney Island and the person who purchases their Christmas Presents before they inspect our Furniture Stock are twin brothers.

This is the time of the year for present giving. The first thing on the programme should be a visit to our store. We always carry a complete line of Parlor and Music Cabinets, Card and Parlor Tables, Rockers, Jardinieres, &c.

The McDonald Furnishing Co
OF CHATHAM, LIMITED.

APPLES

We have some very nice apples for eating. Among other kinds we have some first-class Russets.

Sweet Cider
Boiled Cider
Hickory Nuts
Walnuts

OYSTERS

FRESH DAILY

THE
King Edward
Grocery

PHONE 51.

THE MARKET

There was a very fair market this Wednesday morning. There was a quantity of fowl offered at prices very much the same as on Saturday. Turkeys run anywhere between \$1 and \$3, very few commanding the latter price. Geese were quoted at 90c to \$1.00, and chickens at 45c for the very best. There was a fair supply of vegetables at unchanged figures. There was a very limited supply of butter and eggs, the former bringing 22 to 25c a pound, and the latter 25c a dozen. The market today would no doubt have been larger were it not for the very mild weather, making it unsafe to kill poultry for New Year's use too far ahead. There will undoubtedly be a very large market next Saturday.

The following is the price list:

DAIRY PRODUCE.

Butter, per lb., 22c to 25c.
Cheese, 12-2c, per lb.
Cream, 30c a quart.
Chickens, each, 35c to 45c.
Ducks, each, 50c to 60c.
Eggs, per dozen, 25c.
Geese, each, 90c to \$1.15.
Honey, strained, per lb., 10c.
Honey, rack, 15c.
Lard, per lb., 12c.
Turkeys, each, \$1.00 to \$3.00.

VEGETABLES.

Beets, per peck, 15c.
Beans, per quart, 6c.
Cabbage, each, 5c to 10c.
Carrots, per peck, 10c.
Celery, per bunch, 10c, 3 for 25c.
Cucumbers, in brine, 8c doz.; 25c hundred.
Marjoram, per bunch, 5c.
Onions, peck, 20c; bag, \$1.
Parsnips, per peck, 15c.
Potatoes, per bag, 90c to \$1.00.
Pumpkins, each, 5c to 10c.
Pop corn, dozen, 10c.
Parsley, per bunch, 5c.
Squash, yellow, 20c to 25c.
Squash, Hubbard, 10c to 25c.
Squash, Turbin, 5c to 10c.
Sage, per bunch, 5c.
Savory, per bunch, 5c.
Salsify, per bunch, 5c.
Turnips, per peck, 10c.
Thyme, per bunch, 5c.
Tobacco, per bunch, 5c.

FRUIT.

Apples, pk., 25c to 35c; bag, \$1.25.
Pears, per peck, 15c.
Quince, peck, 50c; bus., 75c.

STOCK.

Butchers, per lb., 6 1-2c to 7c.
Calves, per lb., dressed, 6c to 7c.
Hogs, per cwt., \$7.50.

FISH.

Mullet, per lb., 8c.
Salmon Trout, per lb., 12 1-2c.

MEATS.

Dressed beef, quarter, 5c to 6c.
Fresh pork, quarter, 9c to 10c.
Hogs, dressed, 7 1-2c.
Head cheese, each, 13c.
Hogs, \$6.35 to \$6.40.
Lamb, per lb., 9c.
Mutton, 8c.

WOOD.

Hard wood, 18-inch, cord, \$2.50.
Soft wood, 18-inch, cord, \$2.25.

AT PARIS MADELAINE

Funeral Obsequies of Hon. Raymond Prefontaine Will Begin.

Services Expected to Be Most Impressive.—Date of Sailing With Body of Dead Minister Not Definitely Fixed, But Likely to Be Jan. 4 on the "Lake Champlain"—Premier Rouvieu of France Condolences.

London, Dec. 27.—(C. A. P.)—The tragic death of Mr. Prefontaine aroused deep and wide-spread regret here, as well as in France. In both countries the deceased statesman has many friends. The funeral is expected to be most impressive. Service will be held at the Madeleine Cathedral in Paris, and will take place at 10 o'clock Saturday morning. The date of sailing is not definitely fixed yet, but will probably be on the Liverpool on the Lake Champlain on Jan. 4. Hon. Mr. Lemieux is in charge of the arrangements. Death Mercifully Sudden.

The flag at Lord Strathcona's office was at half-mast yesterday. The Canadian Associated Press understands from Paris that the deceased Minister, with Hon. Mr. Lemieux, was spending Christmas as a guest of the Commissioner of the Interior. He was stricken at 4.45 p. m., and lingered only about 15 minutes. He called his private secretary, who secured a priest in time to administer the last sacraments before the end came.

Premier Rouvieu Condolences.—Ottawa, Dec. 27.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier received yesterday a telegram from Paris that the deceased Minister, with Hon. Mr. Lemieux, was spending Christmas as a guest of the Commissioner of the Interior. He was stricken at 4.45 p. m., and lingered only about 15 minutes. He called his private secretary, who secured a priest in time to administer the last sacraments before the end came.

Carries Heavy Insurance.—Montreal, Dec. 27.—The late Mr. Prefontaine carried life insurance to the amount of \$45,000. Of this amount \$35,000 is in the Travelers' Insurance Co., which was placed only a year ago.

A Public Funeral.

It is likely that there will be a public funeral here.

At a meeting of the City Council yesterday afternoon a resolution of regret was adopted, and the Council adjourned as a mark of respect.

Finding a Successor.

Ottawa, Dec. 27.—(Evening Globe Special).—Although it is less than 24 hours since the late Mr. Prefontaine's death, gossip is already busy with the name of his successor. One report is that a shuffle will take place, under which Mr. Brodeur will be transferred to the Marine Department, and Mr. Lemieux, Solicitor-General, promoted to be Minister of Inland Revenue, in Mr. Brodeur's place. Another rumor is that Mr. Victor Geffroy will be called to the Cabinet. Such reports are, however, altogether premature.

Members of the French Government, as well as British and other ambassadors, joined yesterday in tributes of sympathy. It is said Mr. Prefontaine made the French Government an offer to open Canadian waters to French fishermen as compensation for the abandonment of the Newfoundland banks. He had already been through Dunkirk and Lille, and was due to visit Lyons, Marseilles and Grenville. The Standard yesterday morning refers to his death as "a loss to the Empire."

Dies After a Fall.

Guelph, Dec. 27.—George Squire, an inmate of the Homewood Sanitarium, and a companion were out on a walk and were taken to a walk to Marden, a couple of miles from the city. At the hotel there Squire felt unwell and sat down on a bench. He fell forward, breaking his nose on the edge of the platform. He was driven to the city, but when the Homewood institution was reached the man was dead.

Sold Plans to Germany.

Toulon, France, Dec. 27.—Several arrests of non-commissioned officers of the navy are impending owing to the discovery at their domiciles of detailed plans of new battleships and submarine boats. This, it is expected, will solve the mystery of the disappearance of the plans of the submarine boat Albatross, of which vessel a duplicate has been constructed in Germany supposedly from the French plans.

National Present to Miss Alice.

Baker City, Ore., Dec. 27.—A more to create by popular subscription a wedding present for Miss Alice Roosevelt, has been started here. The subscriptions will close on Feb. 3, so as to enable the present, which, it is believed, will be about \$300,000, to be turned over to Miss Roosevelt on the day of the wedding. Individual subscriptions will be limited to ten cents.

French Fleet Sails.

Paris, Dec. 27.—The orders to a portion of the French Northern Squadron to make hasty preparation to depart for the North Sea and Copenhagen, the ultimate destination of the warships not being disclosed, were undoubtedly issued as a precautionary move so as to have French ships available for service in Russian waters in case of emergency.

Thieves Visit Lugedin's.

Toronto, Dec. 27.—Thieves made a haul of about \$2,000 worth of furs from the store of Lugedin & Lugedin, 400 Yonge street, on Christmas night. They got in by prying open a rear window and took only the best articles in the store, showing familiarity with this class of goods. This is the third time in 25 years the firm has been robbed in this way.

Accused as Shoplifters.

Brantford, Dec. 27.—Three women, wives of respectable farmers of the county, are charged with shoplifting. They are alleged to have stolen furs and a quantity of Christmas gifts.

Grocer Hangs Himself.

Kingston, N. Y., Dec. 27.—Orson M. Wilson, a prosperous grocer of this place, committed suicide yesterday by hanging. Ill-health had made him desperate and despondent.

20 Inches of Beautiful.

Watertown, N. Y., Dec. 27.—Twenty inches of snow has fallen during a storm that continued incessantly for 14 hours, ending Monday night.

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The closing of twenty years' pleasant business intercourse by wishing you the Compliments of the Season, and with a holiday week of

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200 Beautiful Up-to-date Ladies' Cloth Coats. Some have not been in stock two weeks. All are this season's new styles of No. 1 material, and the best of Canadian and American tailored workmanship. Five minutes' inspection will enlighten you more than a chapter of description on paper.

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—00, \$14.00 and \$15.00 Coats. Sweeping sale at..... \$9.00
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THURSDAY

—AT THE—

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THE BANK OF MONTREAL offers for sale, cheap, the land formerly owned by Scott Bros. & Co., suitable to farmers for Barns, Outbuildings, etc., also Lath Doors and Window Frames.
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New house and lot north side of Stanley avenue with modern conveniences, \$1,000.
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AT DRUGGISTS, 25¢ AND 50¢ A BOTTLE

Success to injuries.
Toronto, Dec. 26.—Robert McCulloch died yesterday from injuries received through falling in a tank of boiling water at Saint Ste. Marie on Dec. 20. He leaves a family of four orphan children.

Expires From Heart Trouble.
Little Britain, Dec. 26.—Jas. Smith, an old respected and wealthy resident of this place dropped dead of heart trouble Sunday morning while preparing for church.

HOW'S THIS?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.
F. J. Cheney & Co.,
Toledo, O.

We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by his firm.
Walding, Kinman & Martyn,
Wholesale Druggists,
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Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists.
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Woman Clerk Arrested.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 26.—Miss Louisa Bowen, for seven years a trusted clerk in the Oakland postoffice, was arrested Sunday night for the embezzlement of \$8,000 of Government bonds. When confronted with evidence by secret service officers, she confessed. Her dishonesty caused a sensation in Oakland, where she was a leader in the Baptist Church, and the only support of her widowed mother and younger sisters.

GRIP QUICKLY KNOCKED OUT.

"Some weeks ago during the severe winter weather both my wife and myself contracted severe colds, which speedily developed into the worst kind of a gripe with all its miserable symptoms," says Mr. J. S. Egleston, of Maple Landing, Iowa. "Knees and joints aching, muscles sore, head stopped, eyes and nose running, with alternate spells of chills and fever. We began using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, aiding the same with a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, and by its liberal use soon completely knocked out the gripe."
It is a good plan to take a dose of the Tablets when you have a cold. They promote a healthy action of the bowels, liver and kidneys, which is always beneficial when the system is congested by a cold or attack of the gripe. For sale by all druggists.

Oster Convert a Suicide.

Sherman, Tex., Dec. 26.—Dennis B. Oster, aged 70 years, a stranger, ended his life by casting himself under the wheels of north-bound Fort Worth & Rio Grande express train Sunday evening. In a letter found addressed to the coroner, he stated that he was a convert of Prof. Oster.

VALUABLE ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

Your child comes in from play coughing or showing evidences of a gripe, sore throat, or sickness of any kind, get out your bottle of Nervine. Rub the chest and neck with Nervine, and give internal doses of ten drops of Nervine in sweetened water every two hours. This will prevent any serious trouble. No liniment or pain reliever equals Polson's Nervine, which has been the great family remedy in Canada for the past fifty years. Try a 25¢ bottle of Nervine.

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Association has a vast influence on the manners of a man.

For quality, workmanship and every detail, Sugar Beet Cigars lead.

Brandon Brewery Burns.

Brandon, Man., Dec. 26.—The Brandon brewery was burned yesterday, entailing a loss of \$129,000; insurance \$20,000.

5,000 DEAD AT MOSCOW

Bombs Oppose Cannon in Desperate Street Fighting.

Wounded Are Said to Number 14,000

—Artillery Used to Batter Down Houses Where Revolutionaries Are Barred—Program to Encircle Troops in Heart of City—Atrocities Committed Are Those of Madmen.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 26.—Direct telegraphic communication with Moscow was severed Sunday night, but the Government succeeded in restoring communication by a roundabout route yesterday morning.

All reports agree that the fighting in Moscow, which continued until midnight, assumed the nature of a butchery by the machine guns of the artillery, grape and canister being employed mercilessly against the ill-armed insurgents.

Atrocious tales are told of the Cossacks, who, piled with vodka until drunk, fired down the streets, sometimes charging with lances.

The insurgents displayed great stubbornness in holding their positions, even advancing in a mass to the slaughter. At the same time the bombs were thrown from the windows of the revolutionaries. The artillery was summoned and battered the houses to pieces.

The plan of the insurgents, it is stated, is to hold the outskirts and gradually enclose the troops in the centre of the city.

Leaders announce that an army of 30,000 is concentrated at Orechovskoe, northeast of Moscow, and will soon be ready to march to the city's assistance.

The latest report is that both sides were exhausted at midnight, when firing practically ceased.

The streets were in absolute darkness, save for searchlights in the towers of the bivouacs behind barricades.

5,000 Killed; 14,000 Wounded.

London, Dec. 26.—The correspondent of The Daily Telegraph at St. Petersburg, in a despatch dated at 1:15 p. m., Dec. 25, says:

"At an early hour this morning the casualties at Moscow were estimated at 5,000 killed and 14,000 wounded, with the fighting still proceeding. The inhabitants of Moscow have been forbidden to leave their dwellings after 7 o'clock in the evening. It is impossible to move about the city in consequence of the frequency of the bullets. Many innocent persons have been accidentally killed."

A scarcity of provisions is threatened. The same correspondent, telegraphing at 10:45 p. m., says:

"Your Moscow correspondent's telegrams have not been accepted because all private messages were refused this afternoon."

Desperate Fighting.

It is learned, however, that cannon firing is now proceeding in various parts of the city, where to-night very near the railroad stations the barricades erected by the revolutionaries are being desperately defended.

The Kurk terminus at Moscow is being pillaged, and many wagons laden with provisions are being looted.

The Emperor is engaged daily in reviewing at Tsarskoe-Selo, the remnants of the St. Petersburg district. The spirit of the troops is decidedly loyal.

The Fury of Hate.

From fragmentary accounts received from Moscow, I gather that the civil war has brought no decisive action, but only a thickening of the blood cloud, an intensifying of the horrors, and an increase of the prevailing bitterness.

The driving force behind both the troops and the rebels is no longer that of enthusiasm or of any human impulse.

It is the fury of superhuman hate, and hence the deeds reported are not acts of patriots, soldiers or otherwise, but the enormities of madmen."

"For every barricade destroyed Sunday, two or three appeared in other places. Orders were given by the revolutionaries to shoot only when there was great hope of bringing a man down, but otherwise to let the troops until they lost patience."

Loyalty of the Troops.

"The most surprising thing of all is the loyalty of the troops, which nobody here anticipated."

"Talking with an intelligent group of St. Petersburg revolutionaries I was informed that while they believed the strike would be victorious, they fully realized that they were staking everything upon the issue, and that failure would set back their cause for several years. They said they were devoting their efforts to shaking the foundations of Russian finance in full confidence that once the existing regime was overthrown, they could as quickly build another and that foreign nations would be as ready to advance money to a democratic republic as to the autocracy."

"In conclusion they declared that in event of failure of their cause they would have recourse to terrorism, choosing their victims from all classes of society."

Escapes Death by Miracle.

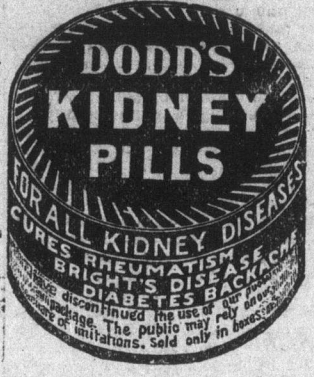
Toronto, Dec. 26.—While alighting from a train at Toronto Junction Sunday night at 11 o'clock Henry Boyle of London was struck by a shunting engine and sustained severe injuries. Both upper and lower jaws were broken, and his head was cut. Boyle did not notice the locomotive, and escaped instant death by a miracle.

President Morales Missing.

Santo Domingo, Dec. 26.—President Morales has left the city and his destination is unknown. The city and surrounding country is quiet, but considerable unrest and excitement is shown as the unexpected departure of the President.

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CURES RHEUMATISM, BRUISES, SCALDS, AND ALL KIDNEY DISEASES.
The public may be assured that the pills are sold only in the original wrapper, and are not to be taken on any other terms.

SOFT THROAT AND COUGHS.
A simple, effective and safe remedy for all throat irritations is found in **CRISPE'S ANTI-SEPTIC TABLETS.** They combine the germicidal values of Cresolene with the soothing properties of slippery elm and licorice.
10¢. All Druggists.

Arrested For Assaulting Woman.

Toronto Junction, Dec. 26.—Daniel O'Brien, aged 23, is under arrest. He is charged with assaulting Mrs. Flaherty of 52 Union street, where he boarded. She says O'Brien came home intoxicated and made a remark about going to the postoffice. She said all right and then, she claims he attacked her with a bill. In her efforts to protect herself she had a finger broken. O'Brien denies the story, but the woman's bruises tend to substantiate it.

AN EMERGENCY MEDICINE.

For sprains, bruises, burns, scalds and similar injuries, there is nothing so good as Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It soothes the wound and not only gives instant relief from pain, but causes the parts to heal in about one-third the time required by the usual treatment. As it is an antiseptic it is a danger from blood poisoning is avoided. Sold by all druggists.

Twelve Seriously Hurt.

Durango, Cal., Dec. 26.—The east-bound Denver and Rio Grande passenger train from Silverton, well loaded with passengers, was wrecked three miles from here Sunday and many of the passengers were injured, twelve of them seriously.

Farm House Burned.

Perth, Ont., Dec. 26.—The farm house of William and his wife, near Bathurst, was burned to the ground yesterday morning while Mr. Lee and family were attending church in Perth. Loss \$2,000.

A CERTAIN CURE FOR COUP.

When a cold shows symptoms of croup there is no time to experiment with new remedies, no matter how highly they may be recommended. There is one preparation that can always be depended upon. It has been in use for many years and has never been known to fail, viz: Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Give it and a quick cure is sure to follow. Mr. M. F. Compton, of Market, Texas, says, "I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in severe cases of croup with my children, and can truthfully say it always gives prompt relief." For sale by all druggists.

To be entirely tolerant we must tolerate those who are intolerant.

Lots of good ten cent Cigars, but only one best—the Lord Lake.

Goodness thinks no ill where no ill seems.

Smoke Quail on Toast Cigars, 5¢. Clear Havana filled.

Don't depend upon other people to do your kicking for you.

Sunlight Soap is better than other soaps, but is best when used in the Sunlight. Buy Sunlight Soap and follow directions.

It doesn't take two pairs of half-boles to make a whole.

Coughs, Colds, Hoarseness, and other throat ailments are quickly relieved by Cresolene tablets, ten cents per box. All druggists.

To accept good advice is but to increase one's own ability.

Elevation is to merit what dress is to a handsome person.

Some of the narrowest men are persons of wide experience.

MUSICAL.

ARTHUR KELLY—Teacher of music—organist of Christ Church, Chatham, formerly organist and choir master St. Paul's, Oldham, England; gives lessons in piano and organ playing, also the theory of music. Terms moderate.

MUSIC.

MISS ANNIE L. CARSON, A. T. C. M. Teacher in Piano, Harmony and Theory of Music will open her Studio Friday, Sept. 1st, at Mrs. Grant's, Second St.

Phone 462.

Minard's Liniment for Sale Everywhere.

HAUNTED BY WITCHES.

Hope Young, Murderer Sentenced to Death, Goes Insane and Will Be Placed in Asylum.

Halifax, Dec. 26.—Hope Young, convicted of the murder of May Ward and now lying in Digby Jail awaiting a new trial, recently ordered by the Supreme Court, has become violently insane, and before he could be secured had broken on the glass of the window in his cell, smashed the scanty jail furniture and wrecked the stove.

Jailor Hutchinson had trouble some nights ago with the unfortunate woman, and had to hold her to prevent her doing herself injury.

In her ravings she declared that she was haunted by witches, who were trying to murder her, but said that she had succeeded in hanging them all, except Marie Ward. The last named is the mother of the dead child for whose murder Hope Young was sentenced to death.

Until Saturday no actual symptoms of insanity were noticeable. Sunday she was examined as to her mental condition and has been placed in a hospital to take steps to secure her removal to the provincial insane asylum at Halifax.

THE MIXED COURT DISPUTE.

Chinese Minister At London to Negotiate With British Government.

London, Dec. 26.—The correspondent of The Morning Post at Shanghai says that the Chinese Foreign Office has instructed the Chinese Minister at London to negotiate with the British Government regarding the mixed court dispute, to demand the dismissal of the police connected in the recent outbreak.

Another Riot Probable.

Shanghai, Dec. 26.—The mixed court was reopened Saturday. The German assessor and armed foreign guards were present, but everything was normal. All was quiet yesterday, but blue jackets and guards will be still posted around the foreign concessions. There are rumors of another riot, but all precautions have been taken.

Skates to His Death.

Hamilton, Dec. 26.—Little Jack McIntyre, the nine-year-old son of J. McIntyre, the G. T. R. agent at Beams Bay, was drowned yesterday. In the morning he put on a pair of skates that had been given to him as a Christmas present, and went on a little pool that had formed on the road. He was drowned. The family were ready for dinner about 1 o'clock. Jack was missing. A search was started, and his dead body was found in the pool. The water was only about three feet deep, but he was crushed to death and was held down until he drowned.

Dead At 102.

Hamilton, Dec. 26.—Mrs. Eliza Wright died yesterday at the age of 102 years. Three sons, Ald. H. G. Wright, E. T. and W. G. Wright, and one daughter, Mrs. Nelson, wife of Francis Nelson, sporting editor of The Toronto Globe, survive her. The funeral will be private.

Margaret Nichol, who had reached the remarkable age of 102 years, died yesterday at the House of Refuge. She had no relatives.

Going Home; Life Crushed Out.

Sarnia, Dec. 26.—While on his way home to spend Christmas with his family here, William Borthwick, 35 years of age, who had been a switchman nearly all his life, slipped on a rail, and was run over by several cars. His life was crushed out. He leaves a widow and three children.

Man and Daughter Killed.

Fort Wayne, Ind., Dec. 26.—A horse attached to a buggy ran into the Pennsylvania 18-hour "fyer" at Delphos, Ohio, yesterday, and Henry Horner and daughter Rose were killed, and Mrs. Barney Wahomoff, also daughter of Horner, was severely injured.

Couple Thrown From Buggy.

London, Dec. 26.—Charles Harris and wife of Elmwood avenue, while driving in the country Saturday night, were thrown from their buggy by the horse balking. Harris was badly injured, requiring unconscious for some time from severe wounds to the head.

Woman Fatally Burned.

Toronto, Dec. 26.—From the effects of burns received from the overturning of a lamp, Mrs. Caroline Biddow, in her 33rd year, died in the Emergency Hospital Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, twelve hours after she received her injuries.

Real Daughter of Revolution.

Milford, Mass., Dec. 26.—Mrs. Alma F. Johnson, one of the oldest members of the Woman's Relief Corps, and one of the daughters of the American revolution, died here yesterday at the age of 101 years 6 months.

Found Dead In Stable.

Toronto, Dec. 26.—Thomas Murtagh, 40 William st., an employee of the Metropolitan Manufacturing Co., West Queen street, died in a stable on Saturday night after a prolonged spree. Coroner Noble is investigating.

Labbatt Re-Elected.

London, Dec. 26.—John Labbatt was Sunday re-elected by acclamation to the hospital trust. Major Hume Cronyn having withdrawn. The candidates for mayor are ex-Ald. Judd and Ald. Slaving.

Dropped Dead.

Belleville, Dec. 26.—Samuel H. Philip dropped dead at his home in this city last night. Heart disease was the cause of death. Deceased was about 60 years of age.

Must Be In Morocco.

Tangier, Dec. 26.—The Sultan of Morocco refuses to agree to the hearing of the international conference on the Moroccan reform at Madrid, instead of at Algiers.

Buried Under Tons of Ore.

Troy, N. Y., Dec. 26.—Eight men were killed Saturday by a fall of 1,000 tons of iron ore from a slip on the 1,300 foot level of the Newport mine in Ironwood.

A PERSISTENT BACKACHE.

Can have but one cause—diseased kidneys, which must be strengthened before backache can be cured. Why not use Dr. Hamilton's Pills? They cure the kidneys quick, make them strong and able to filter disease—breeding poisons from the blood. At once you feel better, stronger, brighter. Kidney health is guaranteed to every user of Dr. Hamilton's Pills. Get a 25¢ box from your druggist, and refuse substitutes.

Fate of Crew Not Known.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 26.—With all her rigging torn away and her topsails set, an unknown three-masted schooner has sunk in 12 fathoms of water six and a half miles northeast of winter quarter lightship and directly in the path of coastwise navigation. The fate of her crew is not known here.

First W. C. T. U. President Dead.

Grass Valley, Cal., Dec. 26.—Mrs. A. B. Dibble, first president of the National Christian Temperance Union, who, with Miss Francis W. Willard, founded the organization, died Sunday at her home in this city. She was one of the early settlers in California.

RADIANT WOMANHOOD.

The glory and satisfaction of beautiful womanhood can be known only to those possessing the unlimited advantage of health. No weak woman can be happy or enjoy half the pleasures of life. Pallid cheeks, sunken eyes, exhausted nerves, all tell of a terrible struggle to keep up. The weak woman needs a Ferrozene; it renews, restores and vitalizes instantly—it's a "woman's remedy," that's why.

Ferrozene makes women strong, plump and beautiful because it contains lots of nutriment, the kind that forms muscle, sinew, bone and nerve. It salting blood courses through the body, making delicate color, happy spirits, true womanly strength. Fifty cents buys a box of Ferrozene in any drug store.

Locomotive Explodes.

Paterson, N. J., Dec. 26.—A railroad locomotive was partly blown to pieces, and two members of the train's crew were badly injured here yesterday by the explosion of the engine's boiler. Charles De Barr of Chatham, N. Y., fireman, and Conductor Stable of Butler, N. J., were terribly scalded. De Barr is expected to die.

DEAD SICK OF ASTHMA?

You couldn't be otherwise with seen a d-i-e-a-s-i-g-m-a-l-l-y. Well, for one dollar spent on **Catarrhazone**, you can be thoroughly cured. Foolish to delay, because asthma steadily grows worse. Get **Catarrhazone** to-day and cure yourself; it's pleasant to use, very simple, and guaranteed. Prescribed by thousands of doctors and used by people of nine nations—Certainly **Catarrhazone** must be good; it hasn't failed yet, no matter how chronic the case.

Our passions were not given us to be destroyed, but to be controlled.

Most of us have enough trouble without looking for more.

A PRIVATE TRAIN THROUGH MEXICO.

A beautiful trip—all the month of February in Mexico, the oldest country in the New World—is being organized by the Grand Trunk Railway System, leaving Montreal in special sleeping cars on the "International Limited," 9:00 a. m., January 29th, 1906. These cars will be attached to the private train leaving Chicago the following morning. Perfect arrangements. Rate includes everything. Train under special escort of the best authorities of Mexico. Finest train in the world. Best and only thorough tour of Mexico offered. Particulars and descriptive matter from any agent of the Grand Trunk Railway System or from J. D

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See the Silks on Display Here...

If you have forgotten someone whom you would present with a handsome gift, present her with a stylish SILK WAIST. If you have not a Silk Waist in your wardrobe, better have a waist length of Silks now on display in our window. At least see the display.

The Silks now on display in our window did not reach us until Saturday morning, coming to us direct from England, and they have been selling well since coming here. We would like you to see them while stocks are complete, for never in our history have we had such a handsome Silk Stock for waists.

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THE SLIPPER STORE

This is the Christmas Slipper Store. No two ways about it, as we've everything in slippers for everybody.

Santa Claus always gets his Christmas slippers here.

Our slipper show is so large that we dare not attempt a description of the many styles. We've Slippers in all styles and for every member of the Family, from Grandpa down to Baby. At Modest Prices Always. Come here with your Slipper Ideas and you'll be more pleased with our Slippers and prices.

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THE SHOE MAN

To all our customers, to all who may become such, to the entire public everywhere we extend our sincere wishes for a Happy New Year and a full measure of prosperity.

VonGunten Bros.

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CHEERS FOR MAYOR COWAN

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street is paved, St. Clair is paved, Baldon is paved from Head street to Brock street, Head street is paved from Victoria avenue to westerly limits, Thames street is paved, the market square has been paved with asphalt blocks.

Of these streets Murray, upper Wellington, portion of William street, Head street, Raleigh street and the market square have been paved this year under your direction. Of sewer construction during 1905, there are Ursuline avenue, Poplar and Sheldon avenue, Lowe, Murray, Princess and Lansdowne avenue, portion of Head, portion of King, portion of Raleigh, Centre, Elm and both sides of the market square (where portions are mentioned you will understand that these complete the entire street).

Of pavements under construction and initiated by you, during the year, there are: Centre, School, Raleigh, Wellington, in rear of market and portion of Head. Of granolithic walks you have constructed this year 4,142 feet, lineal, at a cost of \$3,297.38. It will no doubt interest you to know that the city now has 7,299 lineal feet of flag stone walks, 2,571 lineal feet of asphalt walks and 114,832 lineal feet of granolithic walks. Total length of sidewalks in miles—aside from plank walks, of which there are miles still in existence—23.6-10. In a word the city stock of this description is as follows:

Scope sidewalks, 23.6-10 miles.
Water mains, 25 miles.
Pavements, 8.1-3 miles.
Sewers and connections, 45 miles.
Electric light lines, 25 miles.
Fire hydrants, 187.
Electric street lights, 127.
Fire telegraph stations, 24.

Of the important industries which have been secured during the year and which will be of incalculable benefit to the city, I will but briefly mention, The Chatham, Wallaceburg electric railway, The Chatham Steam Heating Plant, The Defiance Iron Works and The Bent Goods Factory. You have also erected a magnificent Police Court and cells, a splendid market building, a new dwelling for the superintendent of the cemetery, and you have purchased and erected a suitable building for storage of the city's machinery and tools.

Among the important subjects you have initiated and carried through, I may mention the new sanitary arrangements in Harrison Hall, the acquisition of the point of land at the intersection of Head and Barthle streets, the prolongation of Richmond street westerly to the city limits, a better system of collecting the city garbage, the improving of the appearance of the cemetery through the straightening of the monuments, the endowment of a bed in the National Sanitarium, the proposal to construct a trunk sewer, a system for South Chatham and the consolidation of the city by-laws.

I took upon the acquisition of the lease from the government of Tecumseh Park, as an achievement of which you have reason to be proud as through it we have secured that magnificent pleasure resort in perpetuity.

Your effort to ameliorate the conditions under which we in common with the surrounding country, suffer during the spring freshets in the river, have not as yet culminated in securing the cut off to the Lake, through one of the upper Townships, as your earnest action deserved, and I trust this important step will be urgently pressed until the work shall have been accomplished.

Your determined action respecting the electric railway's right of way across Aberdeen bridge was productive of result, and it is to be hoped the railway company will soon see the importance of meeting the wishes of the city in this important connection.

To be hoped that the agitation begun for the purpose of compelling the Pere Marquette Railway

Company to remove their tracks from Head and Kent streets will be continued and urgently pressed.

The subject of the construction of sewers and connections and intakes should receive greater attention and inspection, and the extreme penalty of the law should be inflicted upon any one making a connection with a sewer without the approval of the Engineer or some competent authority under him, and persons only who are in every sense qualified, should be appointed as inspectors.

Having expended so much money in the construction of buildings upon and in paving the Market Square, in my opinion the present old Market Building could be made, by the expenditure of a few thousand dollars, quite a presentable and suitable connection with the new shed for market purposes. Upon no conditions should any portion of the Market property be disposed of, as with many progress the city is making we will soon find the limits of the Market too small and circumscribed.

I am quite convinced that your agitation in connection with the matter of the Board of Education has been productive of good results and I am very well assured that everything said and done upon the subject at the Council Board was prompted solely through the desire of the Council to subserve the city's interest.

The proposed trunk sewer, of which I have spoken, will, if carried to a successful conclusion, be of vast importance to the city; the intention being to begin at the river at the foot of Front street, thence to the Richmond street, thence to the corner, thence to McAlpine avenue, thence to LaCrosse street, thence to Park avenue, thence easterly to the westerly limits of the city. The total length will be about 18,750 feet or nearly 3.4 miles. This is a subject which will require very serious consideration, as the difficulties to be encountered and overcome will be very great and the cost will be enormous, whether the benefits to be derived from the construction will be commensurate with the costs the best minds of the Council will have to decide, and, if proceeded with, great care will require to be exercised to have it sufficiently large for all time, and as perfect as possible.

Thorough drainage should be the first thought of the Councils of every city, and if, in the early days, this point had been well considered and carried into effect much would have been done towards benefiting the public in large amounts of money would have been saved that have been more or less squandered in piecemeal and imperfect drainage schemes.

As Mayor of this beautiful city for 1905, I have endeavored to the best of my ability to discharge the duties of the office, it has been done in an imperfect manner, perhaps, but I may honestly say that I have been solely actuated by the desire to promote the city's interests in everything I have done. In the short year was not sufficient in which to work out all that I had in mind to endeavor to accomplish. What, with the ordinary affairs pertaining to the office as a member of the Police Commission, the Water Commission, the Board of Health and the necessary deputations, with the passage of the Market By-law, authorizing the expenditure of \$41,000.

The consolidation of the Assessment Act.

The extension of Richmond street, the reduction of the number of hotel licenses, through which we secured the pleasure of having seated in her magisterial chair.

Chatham, Dec. 26th, 1905.

Mayor Cowan replied briefly. "I can assure you I have experienced a great deal of pleasure and satisfaction in the year's work together," said his worship. "I would like to merit all the kind words said, and I deeply appreciate them. I have tried to do honestly what I believed to be in the best interests of the city. I would have enjoyed in many ways a continuance of the work, but I

The matter of the Isolation Hospital.

The proposal of the Gas Company to purchase our electric lighting plant.

Securing the Tecumseh Park lease. The Head St. sewer matter.

The purchase of the Bent Goods Factory property.

The Cemetery By-law and the erection of the dwelling.

The G. T. R. hog pen nuisance.

The Steam Heating Company's agreement.

The sanitary arrangements in Harrison Hall.

The endowment of the bed in the National Sanitarium.

The settlement of the P. M. R. and the acceptance of the \$17,000.

The new Market and Police Court and Station.

The purchase of the point at Head and Barthle streets.

The fight over the right of way by the Electric Railway over Aberdeen bridge.

The agreement with the County for City's portion of Harrison Hall.

The Board of Education and School Trustees matter—my time has been fully occupied.

I should have been pleased, had time permitted, to recommend that steps be taken towards securing a water power from the upper waters of the river for our waterworks and electric light plants, and for its utilization by factories now here, and to come, and by this means to seek to draw to us other factories.

I wanted to close up the deal (and hope to even yet) with the Robinson-Edwards Trusts for the purchase of land between the G. T. R. and C. P. R. and secure for the city the large shoe factory which I have endeavored to locate in this city, which would give employment to a large number of women and girls as well as men and boys.

I should have endeavored to devise a system through which the taxes of the city can be collected in the summer instead of the winter,

and in two or three installments.

I should have insisted upon a rigid adherence by the P. M. Ry. Company to the agreement between the city and the Erie & Huron Railway Company, whereby proper waiting rooms and platforms were to be maintained at the intersection of that railway and the Grand Trunk.

To square out the limits of the corporation and to bring into the city those portions of the townships which are receiving, without cost, the benefits of our sewers, lights, pavement, sidewalks, police and fire protection.

To secure additional lands for cemetery purposes, etc., etc. But, gentlemen, these were impossible for a one-year term in the civic chair, in addition to what has been done, and I may only commend them to my successor.

As I have said, much has been done, and in doing it considerable ill-feeling has been exhibited, but I am quite sure we all had the best interests of the city at heart, and I trust all will be forgiven and forgotten.

I desire, in closing, to thank you all, and with you the officers of the corporation, for the uniform kindness and consideration extended toward me during the year, and it is my earnest wish that all of you will have a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

I beg to submit herewith a schedule showing all paved streets in the city with the length, breadth and number of square yards in each.

Also a schedule showing all the streets upon which there are flagstone walks, asphalt walks, and the length in feet of each.

Also a schedule showing all the sewers in the city, of what size and material constructed, with the length in feet of each.

All of which I most respectfully submit.

GEO. W. COWAN, Mayor.

Dated Chatham, Dec. 26th, 1905.

HONORED BY COLLEAGUES.

Mayor Cowan was then asked to vacate the chair, after which his successor, Ald. Marshall, spoke briefly. Ald. Marshall moved, seconded by Ald. Austin, that the following letter be presented to Mayor Cowan by his colleagues at the Council, the resolution carrying unanimously, and applause.

Geo. W. Cowan, Esq., Mayor of the City of Chatham:

Dear Sir,—Upon your retiring from the honorable position of Mayor of this flourishing city, we, the City Council of the city of Chatham, most gratefully and with the excellent business-like way in which you have filled the position of Chief Magistrate of this corporation, with credit to yourself and to the general satisfaction of the citizens.

We congratulate you upon the fearless stand you have always taken in all matters pertaining to the good government of our beloved city, and the excellent attention that you have given to all branches of the civic department.

We further congratulate you upon the large amount of business that has been transacted during the year in the local improvement department, and the general progress that has been made during the year, and with pride you may point out as years go by to the red letter year of 1905, in which you took such an active interest to the general satisfaction of all.

We compliment you for the attention you have given to all arguments of your colleagues, and the rulings from the chair abide on all occasions, and finally, we submit that you may well feel proud of the work done during this year, and we, the Council of this town, thank you for the assistance and counsel you have given us, and we have no hesitation in submitting that you have been one of the most up-to-date, progressive mayors of the Maple City has ever had the pleasure of having seated in her magisterial chair.

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have now a home mission to perform. I want to get acquainted with my family again and learn to keep better hours. There have been many ups and downs, several discouragements, sometimes a feeling of lack of appreciation when you are doing your very best, but all are for the best. Let me urge everyone to greater faith in our city and its community. Good men are more and more required in our municipal councils. Let us have more civic patriotism. Now, I leave you with the best of good wishes for the future. May it be indeed bright and prosperous—and some day, perhaps, I may seek again another term or two in Harrison Hall.—Applause.

Ald. King presented the bill of W. H. Carswell for extras and additions on the market building amounting to \$958.95. The bill passed.

James R. McGregor asked for a grant as duties as Humane Officer.—Finance.

Ald. Marshall reported for Finance the payment of \$15 to Watt & Sons, that a refund on \$400 over assessment be granted to S. Hadley Co.; that \$168 be paid back to Lynch & Lynch, being balance of guarantee for five years; that no action be taken on C. R. Hancock's appeal on assessment.—Report adopted.

Ald. Austin for Industrial committee reported that the electric railroad work had not yet been approved and recommended that the new committee take it up.—Adopted.

B. McLachlan was heard asking that the lane at the head of Dufferin avenue be officially opened. He claimed it under his lease.

Messrs. Sarason and Garrett opposed the request, the former declaring warmly that Mr. McLachlan was "a big bluffer."

The matter was referred to the Board of Works.

Ald. Westman for the Property committee recommended the purchase of 500 feet of fire hose; that City Treasurer and Chief of Police be instructed to enforce the dog by-law.—Adopted.

Ald. Westman submitted a report of their work during the past year.

Ald. Edmondson said it was necessary to attend to Sheldon avenue sewer at once and moved that the City Engineer be instructed to make a report on the matter at once.—Carried.

Ald. Ainsworth said arrangements would have to be made for the proper flushing of the Queen street

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sewer. He suggested that four new manholes be put in to relieve the street. It was referred to the Engineer for prompt action.

J. G. Kerr for Piggett & Sons gave notice of mechanic's lien for \$602 against the cemetery building on account of Contractor Bowers. Ald. Potter said the matter as far as had been learned, by notice had been protected.

Ald. Westman and O'Keefe moved that the plebiscite be taken as to whether the present market building should be improved or 100 feet of the front sold for \$250,000.

Ald. Austin strongly opposed the motion, which was lost.

A by-law restricting the time for tying horses on King and William streets to half an hour was passed ere adjournment sine die.

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