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BUTTERICK PATTERNS

THOMAS STONE & SON

FASHION SHEETS FREE

And Now Prepare for Cold Weather

And we have just the heavy goods you want here, none so high as to be extravagant and none so low that goodness and reliability cannot go with them.

Box Back Coats

We have a very pretty line of ladies' box back coats that should have your attention, they're the latest.

Of imported Irish frieze, Roman satin lining, at \$13.00.

Of the finest all-wool kersey, lined throughout with taffeta silk, at \$20.00.

Of a beautiful soft kersey, lined with Roman satin, a handsome garment, at \$14.00.

Electric Seal Jackets

Not many left, but we want to clear them out, these are the finest quality.

Ladies' Electric Seal Jackets, lined with heavy brown or black satin, 22 in. long, with lapels, reg. price \$35, special at \$27.00.

Ladies' 24 in. Electric Seal Jackets, a magnificent garment, best linings and trimmings, reg. price \$40, to clear at \$32.50.

At Reduced Prices

Ladies' Jackets, Astrachan Jackets, Dress Goods,

Ladies' and Children's Small Furs, Millinery, Blankets and Comforters.

THOMAS STONE & SON

Direct Importers, 75 and 80 King St.

The Barrington Hat!! The Slater Shoes!!



Right Shoes But Wrong Kind

Scene—a sleeping car. Time—to get up. Irrate passenger, "That confounded porter has given me the wrong shoes. Look like mine but they don't feel like 'em."

Upon investigation finds they are his.

Did you ever have any trouble in the morning convincing your feet that your shoes had'n't been changed during the night?

That's because they came off the lasts too soon when making.

"Slater Shoes" are all Goodyear welted, take six days to make and remain on the lasts till finished, have no shrink and retain their shape till worn out.

Slate frame on every sole, that's the trade mark and tells you the price \$5.00 or \$3.50.

The Barrington Hat!! The Slater Shoe!!

... THE 2 T'S ...

After Thoughts

Sometimes Annoy You

A forgotten friend at Xmas would be glad to have a present at New Year's. Bargains now in

For Balance Of This Week

FANCY GOODS ALBUMS MIRRORS, TOYS BOOKS, GAMES, ETC.

And Monday Next

BIG DISCOUNTS on all Xmas Stock, as we do not wish to carry over any Xmas Goods.

Come and See

H. MACAULAY, "The Ark"

MUST HAVE FALLEN OFF.

Johnston Macaulay Evidently Took the Early Morning Train.

The adjourned inquest on the body of Johnston Macaulay was concluded before Coroner Bray last evening. The G. T. R. section men deposed to having seen the body of deceased lying on the track in the middle of the seven foot space, about three quarters of a mile from the station. They testified to the removal of the remains to the station, and to the telephoning for the doctor. When discovered Macaulay was speechless, but apparently not quite dead.

Thomas Watt and Herbert Rankin testified that they had seen deceased shortly after midnight Christmas morning. Watt gave him fifty cents and Rankin helped him on his way to the Aberdeen House. He was then under the influence of liquor.

W. H. Sturges, baggage master G. T. R., seemed to have seen Macaulay last alive. He was in the G.T.R. waiting room about 5 o'clock, Christmas morning, waiting, apparently, for the Wabash 6.30 train.

Dr. Bray had been telephoned for, and on arrival and examination found life extinct, giving to a severe fracture of the skull, where the brains protruded, in addition to other injuries. Death must have been almost instantaneous.

The coroner summoned up and the jury returned a verdict to the effect that deceased died from the result of a fracture of the skull, cause otherwise unknown.

ENORMOUS DIFFICULTIES CONFRONT KITCHENER.

He Issues a Proclamation to the Burghers Promising Them Liberty if They Surrender.

London, Dec. 27.—The paucity and obscurity of the despatches from South Africa give rise to renewed anxiety. Apparently the disturbance in Cape Colony extends farther south than it did last December, and Lord Kitchener does not appear to have had much success as yet in driving back the invaders. The War Office had received no news last evening of the reported capture of Yeomary near Britstown.

A Burghersdorp despatch has a mysterious reference to "an unfortunate mistake of the enemy for Brabant's Horse, which resulted in the sounding of 'cease fire,' and enabled the Boers to occupy all the commanding positions, the British retreating from a difficult predicament."

The British press continues in the main optimistic, but the condition of affairs brings home the enormous difficulties that will face Lord Kitchener in patrolling and policing such immense tracts of country, even when the Boers shall be finally subdued. The Daily Mail, which makes a strong appeal to the Government to face the facts and serve Lord Kitchener more troops, says there is a risk in being lulled to sleep by "censored messages."

Lord Kitchener, according to a despatch from Johannesburg, has issued a proclamation, dated Pretoria, Dec. 26, announcing that burghers who voluntarily surrender will be allowed to live with their families in the Government laagers, until such time as guerrilla warfare has sufficiently abated to admit of their returning in safety to their homes. The proclamation also promises that all property and stock brought in at the time of surrender will be respected and paid for if requisitioned by the military authorities.

THEY APPRECIATE THEIR RECEPTION.

Detective Skirving Thanks the Citizens on Behalf of the Returned Soldiers.

To The Planet.—On behalf of my son and Messrs Wilson and Burrell permit me to return thanks to those citizens who so kindly made the home-coming of the Chatham soldiers on Christmas day a memorable epoch in their lives.

The boys more than appreciated the generosity of those who contributed to their welcome, as it removes the rough edge of the horrors of war and puts a silver lining on past hardships.

Yours obediently, ARCH. H. SKIRVING.

Chatham, Dec. 27, 1900.

Miss Alice J. Arlough, of Toronto, spent Christmas with her sister, Mrs. Hooper K. Ridley, Third street.

Clyde Canady appeared before Judge Houston at Police Court this morning on a charge of indecent assault, preferred by Lida Williams. The girl alleges the accused took her from church for a walk and committed the deed. The case was enlarged for a week.

THESE WILL NOT RUN.

The following resignations from the county council nominations were received by County Clerk Fleming:—
No. 1.—James Gossnell, Arch. McLaughlin, Joseph Hammel.
No. 2.—None.
No. 3.—None.
No. 4.—B. W. Wilson.
No. 5.—Jno. H. Ferguson.
No. 6.—C. A. Williams, Thomas King.
No. 7.—W. A. Robertson, Wm. Heckey.



New Year Chimes...

Will Soon be Ringing

Sensible Holiday Gifts...

What would make a better or more sensible Christmas present for Father, Mother or the Children than Shoes or Slippers?

Papa and Mamma don't care for nick nacks, and Baby is sure to eat the paint off the monkey on the stick and make himself sick.

Our Men's Shoes - Men say good things about our Shoes—Newest shapes, good leather, all sizes. Men's shoes at \$1.00 to \$5.00.

Our Ladies' Shoes - We have ideal Shoes—Shoes that suit our lady patrons. When there is a good thing on the market in Ladies' Shoes, we have it. Ladies' Shoes at \$1.00, \$1.25 to \$4.00.

Our Boy's and Girl's Shoes - We have Shoes for boys and girls of all ages and sizes—School shoes and dress shoes. Bring the children in and we will please them and save you some money. Boys' and Girls' Shoes \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$2.00.

Shoes for Baby - Come in and see what handsome shoes we have for baby. New ideas and pretty colors—25c to \$1.00.

Holiday Slippers for Everybody - If we have neglected to buy any good style for our Slipper stock, come in and tell us about it—we think we have them all. The whole family can be shod here for little money. This is the Christmas Shoe Store.

Geo. W. Cowan

The Northway Co., Limited

The Busy Cash Store

The Northway Co., Limited

Money....

Saving....

Chances....

You read store news for profit. What you want is definite news about goods and prices. We aim to report facts as they exist without varnish or exaggeration. We're standing right over our business these days, improving values wherever possible. We allow nothing to grow old with us. We encourage quick buying by reduced prices. YOU CAN SAVE MONEY by acting on these suggestions.

For Friday Buyers

5 pos. English Dress Tweed, 42 in. wide good heavy weight, in neat dark mixtures, reg. 40c value, special per yd. 30c

58 in. Homespuns, fine, heavy all wool quality, in shades of mid and dark gray, clean, firm finish, special per yd. 75c

2 pos. Reversible Mackinaw Suiting, heavy all-wool quality, 54 in. wide superior finish, dark navy and brown mixtures, reg. value \$2.25, special per yd. \$1.37

Black Poplins, firm, heavy all-wool cords, rich finish, best dyes, 42 to 48 in wide, the best values in Canada at per yd. 40c, 50c, 75c, 85c and \$1.00

Black Matalasse Cloths, in wool, mohair and silk, rich, new, figured designs, bright finish, 42 and 44 in wide, superior values at per yd. 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2 and... \$2.50



Black Cheviot Suiting, fine, heavy, pure wool quality, 46 in. wide, dull finish, will make a handsome tailored suit, special per yd. at 75c and 90c

Black Serges, fine French and English makes 40 inch to 54 inch wide, every yard pure wool, fine medium and wide twills, matchless values at per yard 25c, 35c, 40c, 50c, 60c, 75c and \$1.00

Real Camel's Hair Suiting, fine imported quality, 46 inches wide, dark green, brown and navy mixtures, warranted not to shrink or spot, special per yard \$1.00

Dress Goods Remnants—come sixty short ends, in lengths of 1 1/2 yards to 6 1/2 yards, in black and leading shades, suitable for skirts, waists or children's dresses, marked down for quick selling at about half price.

Silks—50 pieces handsome silks in new patterns for waists, stripes, checks, piques, plaids and shots, excellent values at per yard 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c and \$1.00

THE NORTHWAY Co., Limited CASH ONLY and ONE PRICE

The Planet

S. STEPHENSON, - Proprietor.

GROWTH OF CANADIAN CITIES.

The Canadian Magazine has an interesting article with regard to the growth of Canadian cities during the last two decades. Here is the tabulation.

	1881	1890	1900
Montreal	155,257	216,644	238,657
Toronto	90,196	187,644	212,560
Quebec	62,446	63,690	65,000
Hamilton	35,960	44,653	52,565
Ottawa	31,307	43,728	57,002
St. John	41,353	40,179	39,000
Halifax	36,100	38,536	45,000
London	26,266	30,755	38,902
Winnipeg	7,985	12,892	42,534
Kingston	14,091	18,169	18,168
Victoria	5,925	16,000	27,000
Vancouver	—	12,000	29,000
Brandon	9,616	14,280	16,215
Charlottetown	11,485	11,374	12,000
Winnipeg	6,890	10,900	12,400
Hull	6,890	10,900	12,400
Guelph	8,307	10,329	11,908
St. Thomas	6,561	10,528	12,129
Windsor	7,227	9,923	11,100
Sherbrooke	9,516	10,128	10,513
Belleville	8,229	9,892	10,758
Stratford	9,631	10,023	10,309
St. Catharines	2,873	9,000	10,000
Chatham	6,210	6,400	7,000
Fredericton	—	—	—
Brandon	—	—	—

Totals 612,378 860,509 1,066,368

It will be seen from the above table that Chatham stood 23rd among Canadian cities in 1880 and is still there. In the past ten years Vancouver has increased by 141 per cent. and Winnipeg by 89—phenomenal development not at all in keeping with the average.

SECULAR EDUCATION AND CRIME.

A correspondent in England has called our attention to the following paragraph in The Church Times, which he describes as a ritualistic journal:—

"According to a recent return one-third of the criminals of Ontario are below the age of twenty-one. Secular education has been in force in that Province for about thirty years. This is a horrible state of affairs, and it is beginning to attract widespread attention. The proportion in the Province of Quebec, so often despised by Ontario as being 'unprogressive' and 'priest-ridden,' is a little more than one-half. It would be interesting to know the exact proportion among the purely French."

It is perhaps well to be thorough, even when one is wrong, and no pains have been spared to make the quoted article wrong in every possible particular.

First, the statistics are wrong. In Ontario there were in 1899 2,693 convictions of indictable crimes. Of these 1,025 convictions were of persons under 21, or about 38.3 per cent. In Quebec there were in 1899 1,779 convictions. Of these 621 were of persons under twenty-one years, or 35 per cent. Instead, therefore, of the proportion in Ontario being double the proportion in Quebec the difference is only 3 per cent. The proportion is practically the same. Again, taking the history of six years, the record is somewhat in favor of Ontario. In Ontario the proportion of juvenile criminals in 1899 was 3.1 per cent greater than the average of the years from 1894 to 1898. In Quebec the advance was 4.8 per cent. Here, again we regard the difference as unimportant. The two provinces stand on about the same footing.

Secondly, the system of education in Ontario is not wholly secular. A large number of children attend the Roman Catholic separate schools, which are denominational, and in the public schools provision is made for religious exercises, namely, the recitation of the Lord's Prayer and the reading of portions of Scripture. These exercises are conducted in about 90 per cent. of the schools. The indirect influence of the teachers on the side of religion is also considerable. As a rule they are church members, and many of them are active workers in the churches and Sunday schools. The article is also wrong in inferring that the tendency of recent legislation has been to diminish religious teaching in the schools.

Thirdly, while crime is deplorable at any age, there is nothing outstanding in the fact that more than one-third of the criminals are under 21. If there is any criminal tendency in a man, it is altogether likely to develop before he is twenty-one. Young men from eighteen to twenty-one can hardly be described as "juveniles."

Fourthly, if the school system were responsible for crime, the effects would be shown in a general prevalence of criminals under twenty-one. The school system of this Province was organized 54 years ago; and, therefore, the bulk of all the inhabitants of Ontario living to-day have been educated under that system. If juvenile crime, as distinct from other crime, were increasing because of our educational system, it would be because some injurious change had been made very recently, say within ten years; that is to say, most of the juvenile offenders of to-day must have been of school age within the last ten years. It is not alleged that the schools have been made more secular within that period than they were before.

"The Mill Cannot Grind with Water That's Past."

This is what a fagged out, tearful little woman said in telling her cares and weaknesses. Her friend encouraged by telling of a relative who had just such troubles and was cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

The little woman now has tears of joy, for she took Hood's, which put her blood in prime order, and she lives on the strength of the present instead of worrying about that of the past.

Humor.—When I need a blood purifier I take Hood's Sarsaparilla. It cured my humor and it is excellent as a nerve tonic."

JOSEPH EATON, Stafford Springs, Conn.

Erysipelas Sores.—After a scarlet fever running sore was left on my nose. Took Hood's Sarsaparilla and it cured me. My brother was also relieved by it of erysipelas in his face." **ELLA CORBES, Burden, N. B.**

Hood's Sarsaparilla
Never Disappoints

Hood's Pills cure liver ill; the non-irritating and only cathartic to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

In view of Sir Charles Tupper having "practically taken his valedictory of the party," George Taylor, M. P., senior Conservative whip in the late Parliament, has issued a circular to all M. P. of the party, calling them to meet in the caucus room in the House of Commons on the evening of Tuesday, February 5, at 8 o'clock, for consultation and the adoption of such measures as may be deemed necessary for the organized conduct of business by Her Majesty's Loyal Opposition."

"Somebody has been looking up the professions of the members of the new Dominion parliament with this result: 60 lawyers, 33 merchants, 29 farmers, 18 doctors, 11 newspaper men, 11 manufacturers, 9 lumbermen, 7 gentlemen, 5 notaries, 3 grain dealers, 2 bankers, 2 traders, 2 ministers of the gospel, 1 printer, 1 rancher, 1 real estate agent, 1 oil operator, 1 miners' agent, 1 mill owner, 1 cheese dealer, 1 contractor and farmer, 1 financier, 1 ship owner, 1 fruit grower, 1 cattle exporter, 1 accountant and surveyor and 2 distillers."

TIGER-LILLIES.

I like not lady-slipppers,
Nor yet the sweet-pea blossoms,
Nor yet the flaky roses,
Red, or white as snow;
I like the chained lilies,
The heavy Eastern lilies,
The gorgeous tiger-lilies,
That in our gardens grow.

For they are tall and slender;
Their mouths are dashed with carmine;
And when the wind sweeps by them,
On their emerald stalks
They bend so proud and graceful—
They are Circassian women,
The favorites of the Sultan,
Adorn our garden walks!

And when the rain is falling,
I sit beside the window
And watch them glow and glisten,
How they burn and glow!
O, for the burning lilies,
The tender Eastern lilies,
The gorgeous tiger-lilies,
That in our garden grow!
—Thomas Bailey Aldrich.

MY SISTER'S BABY

My baby is full of abounding life and joy; my sister's boy is a puny thing.

The difference is: my baby is healthy. He takes his fill and sleeps; and he grows. My sister's boy gets fully as hungry, he cries with hunger; then cries, I think it must be, from weakness; his food is a burden to him.

Scott's emulsion of cod-liver oil will set that poor little boy in the way of being as good as his cousin.

We'll send you a little to try, if you like.
SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, Toronto.

Before After Wood's Phospholine.
The Great English Remedy.
Sold and recommended by all druggists in Canada. Only reliable medicine discovered. Six packages guaranteed to cure all forms of Sexual Weakness, all effects of abuse or excess, Mental Worry, Excessive use of Tobacco, Opium or Stimulants. Mailed on receipt of price, one package \$1.50, six, \$8. One sent free, at our cost. Samples free to any address.
The Wood Company, Windsor, Ont.

Wood's Phospholine is sold in Chatham by all druggists.

Notice to Riders.

Notice to riders of bicycles in Chatham. I have removed all my bicycle machinery and tools to Ronald block, where I shall be glad to see old and new customers for all kinds of repairing, such as bicycle cleaning, inside and out; sharpening saws, scissors, knives, skates; repairing locks, keys, umbrellas, rubber bags. I have the best machinery for gumming cross-cut saws in the country. Call and see me.
Let me have your wheel to clean for winter storing.—Price, 50c.

Harry Church. La'e with Bricco.

THE DRESS MODEL.

The new beautiful "old rose" shade of the autumn is almost as pink as a carnation blossom.

Plain empire skirt hems in various widths appear upon some of the latest tailor costumes of ladies' cloth, covert, Venetian, drap de chine and French broadcloth.

Stylish looking autumn redingotes are made of Scotch tweed in almost imperceptible thread checks or stripes. Most of them are double breasted and close fitting at the back.

On some of the latest tailor costumes and demidress toilets the inevitable black satin belt and stock collar are replaced by deep corselet girdles and folded stocks of richly dyed velvets.

Ecru, cream and ivory gipure laces, with stock collar and girdle of some dark hue velvet, are still in marked favor as a decoration for handsome gowns of cloth or wool of lighter tints.

The new Russian blouse, with and without the skirt below the waist, which finished all the Russian blouses when last in vogue, will rival the Eton and bolero jackets in fashionable favor.

It is gratifying to know that, although the tendency both here and in Paris is to keep the promenade gown of a street sweeping length, there are not a few of the leaders of fashion who are taking a most decided stand against the style.

One of the very fashionable styles of the season is the tricorn hat of soft French felt, in tawny, pale tan, delicate old rose, russet, and other pastel tints, trimmed with dark green, sable brown, violet, dahlia or other colored silk, with velvet folds and loops and an odd oriental buckle or glittering clasp.

THE ROYAL BOX.

The Duke of York has been appointed colonel in chief of the Royal Fusiliers (city of London regiment).

The Paris papers say that the German emperor is at work on an epic treating of his grandfather's life and the Franco-Prussian war.

King Humbert could never sleep except upon a bed of lead. He dispensed with the use of pillows and used sheets of the very coarsest quality.

The new king of Italy proposes to give his valuable collection of rare old coins to one of the state mint, so that if he kept it he would give to its improvement time which his present duties will not allow him to spare.

Luncheon is Queen Victoria's favorite meal, and a sirloin of beef and chicken generally appear on the bill of fare. Her majesty is fond of the flavor of cranberries, and cranberry tart is often served as a second course sweet.

Dr. Bachmann of Shanghai has recently stated in a letter to the Geographical Magazine that the Emperor Kuang Su suffers from cancer of the throat and is unable to reign. The same view is taken by Dr. Dethere, a French physician, and by Dr. Sheng Lian Feng, both of whom have examined the emperor.

Princess Louise, duchess of Argyll, prefers to retain her royal rank, but Princess Louise of Wales desires to be designated Duchess of Fife. When she married the Duke of Fife, she identified herself with her new surroundings and, although, of course, addressed as royal highness by friends and dependents, yet resigned her right to a lady in waiting and receives no allowance from government.

PERT PERSONALS.

The number of Alfred Austin's poetic license must be 15.—Portland Oregonian.

Mr. Paul Leicester Ford may now write the story of a love that has been told.—Boston Transcript.

Mr. Charles T. Yerkes has begun the business of astonishing London in true western fashion.—Boston Globe.

The Duke of Abruzzi is not like other explorers. Instead of going on a lecture tour he is going back after the north pole.—Indianapolis Press.

The shah of Persia has purchased 60 bicycles and seven automobiles. His highness must be contemplating the living of a fast life in the future.—Denver Post.

Olga Nethersole has had to pay a fine for taking unmuzzled dogs into Great Britain. Olga has broken away from the manager she had last year, but she is apparently employing the same old press agent.

ANIMAL LIFE.

Horses have a great dislike to camels. Sand eels bury themselves in the mud by means of their long, horny, projecting lower jaws.

A carrier pigeon let loose from La Lorraine, 413 miles out at sea, returned safely to its cot at Rennes. This is a record.

A goose that is nearly 50 years old belongs to a Yorkshire woman. This old goose has laid for nearly 40 years, and each year since 1854 up to two years ago she has hatched and raised goslings.

A strange thing about the house cat is that, if allowed to run wild in the country and get its food by killing rabbits, chickens and such live things, it will gradually but surely take the color and stripes of the regular wildcat and act and live like one.

CHIPS FROM CHINA.

China's motto is, "If at first you don't succeed, lie, lie again."—Washington Star.

The Caucasians in China take a fort or two now and then to remind the Chinese that the main question is still unsettled.—Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

By withdrawing from Peking and leaving a guard the allied forces would probably have the excitement of rescuing the guard later on.

TURKISH ODDITIES.

In Turkey the disappearance of the sun at night is accounted for by the periodical retirement of that pious luminary for prayers and religious reflection. The Turkish mother leads her child with amulets as soon as it is born, and a small bit of mud, steeped in hot water, prepared by previous charms, is stuck on its forehead.

Here We Are Again

I have got them by this morning's express—

The Celebrated
Berliner Gram-o-phone

The most wonderful talking machine on earth, guaranteed five years, only costs \$15.00. I wish to state to my customers who were disappointed on Saturday that I have a full supply on hand now. Also new records, at the sign of the Big Clock.

A. A. Jordan, Sign of The Big Clock

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Successors to the Kent Mills Co., Limited,
Large Quantities of Wheat, Barley and Beans.

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Flour made by the new bolting and dust extracting system takes more water, and gives you a larger, whiter and sweeter loaf, and makes more loaves to the barrel than any other flour.
Stevens' Breakfast Food and Family Cornmeal, freshly ground, always on hand.
Farmers' Feed ground on quick notice by a three reduction roller process, much ahead of the old system of chopping.

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That's the standing of the "King Quality" shoe for Women.

Many Women imagine that they have to pay a big price when they want a fine pair of shoes. That's a mistake.

"King Quality" is the one shoe that gives comfort to the feet, wears long, fits snug and nice and looks stylish.

Sensible Women buy the "King Quality" shoe. They cost \$3.

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Are the best
Of their ind

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Buggies,
Wagons,
Sleighs.

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Chatham, Ontario

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And order your fall suit and overcoat. We are ready for you with an exceptionally choice range of this season's novelties. \$15 and \$21 suits for \$13. Overcoats at \$15, \$17, \$19 and \$21.00. These special prices will last until Christmas. Order now from our choice selection.

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We have the Latest and Nobbiest Suitings, Trimmings, etc., from the finest Worsted to the cheapest Canadian Full Cloths. Prices to suit the times.

Beaver Flour THE CHEAPEST because it is THE BEST on the market. Bran, Shorts, Crushed Oats, Corn or Barley.

FARMERS try our new chopping device. It grinds your grain RIGHT and STOCK do better on this chop.

CITY FIRE ALARM.

LOCATION OF BOXES.

No. 12—Corner Third and Wellington streets.
No. 13—Corner William and Wellington streets.
No. 14—Thames street, foot of Fifth street bridge.
No. 15—Corner Thames and Head streets.
No. 16—Corner of Baidoon and Head streets.
No. 17—Corner of Selkirk street and Victoria Ave.
No. 23—Corner Colborne and William streets.
No. 24—Corner Colborne and Prince streets.
No. 25—Corner of Stanley Ave. and Prince street.
No. 26—Corner King and Princess streets.
No. 31—Corner of Prince and Park streets.
No. 32—Corner of Grey and Queen streets.
No. 34—Cor Park avenue and Queen street.
No. 35—Corner of Harvey and West streets.
No. 36—Corner Lacroix and King streets.

TELEPHONE ALARMS.

No. 3—General Hospital.
No. 4—Corner of Lorne avenue and Lacroix street, residence of Chief Jacques.
No. 5—Corner of Duke and Park streets, store of Henry Weaver.
No. 6—Central Telephone office.
No. 7—O. F. R. Station.
No. 8—Residence of C. R. Atkinson, Park Avenue.

Tot Causes Night Alarm.

"One night my brother's baby was taken with croup," writes Mrs. J. C. Snider, of Crittenden, Ky., "it seemed it would strangle before we could get a doctor, so we gave it Dr. King's New Discovery, which gave quick relief and permanently cured it. We always keep it in the house to protect our children from Croup and Whooping Cough. It cured me of a chronic bronchial trouble that no other remedy would relieve." Infallible for Coughs, Colds, Throat and Lung troubles. 50c. and \$1. Trial bottles free at A. I. McCall & Co's drug store.

Wabash Ry. Co. New Year's Rates

General Public.—At lowest one-way first-class fare, 30 and 31st, 1900, and Jan. 1, 1901, returning until January 3rd, 1901.
Teachers and Students (on surrender of certificates signed by Principal) at lowest one-way first class fare and one third from Dec. 8th to 31st, 1900, inclusive, good returning until Jan. 20, 1901.

Between all stations in Canada on Buffalo Division, and to Detroit, Suspension Bridge and Buffalo, but not from Suspension Bridge and Buffalo, N.Y.

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W. E. RISPIN,
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Work called for and delivered.
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LOCAL BRIEFS

Will Gerow, of Blenheim, spent the day in the city.

W. S. Verrill is spending a few days in the city.

Peter Rutherford entered St. Joseph's Hospital to-day.

Dr. Peter Derck, Marysville, Mich., spent Christmas with his mother, Park St. East.

R. W. Rutherford, of Toronto University, is spending Christmas vacation with his parents.

200 pairs of gray and black astrachan gauntlets reduced from \$1 to 75c; all sizes at Thibodeau & Jacques.

George Malcolmson, of Windsor, is spending a few days with his father, st-Mary Hugh Malcolmson.

The secret society of Maple City Bachelors held their annual meeting on Christmas eve. A most enjoyable time was spent.

Editor Hamilton, of the Market Guide, has issued his new year address to the citizens, a very pertinent and readable one.

More presents to make! Buy a pair of Peter's kid gloves at Thibodeau & Jacques! \$1 and \$1.25, fully guaranteed.

S. F. McKeough, of Boston, Mass., is visiting his mother, Mrs. Harry Poole, Raleigh St. It is 18 years since Mr. McKeough was in the Maple City.

There will be a regular meeting of Wellington Masonic Lodge will be held this evening, when the installation of the officers will take place.

The inquest in connection with the death of Patrick Kennedy on Saturday evening will be held in the civic council chamber instead of the town hall.

All members of Court McGregor, No. 6, I. O. E., are requested to attend court meeting to-night, on Dec. 27, as election of officers takes place and other important business to deal with.

The funeral of the late Johnson Macaulay took place this afternoon. The pall-bearers, chosen from the lacrosse team, were: W. J. Wilson, Herb Bennett, Will Coupland, Fred Briscoe and Will Jahneke.

Captain D. A. Galbraith, of the Glenora Football Club, was in the city Monday to claim the Walker cup as Peninsula League champions. Manager F. D. Laurie, of the Chatham, tendered him the trophy, but smilingly reminded him that it would return to the Maple City next spring.

Fireman Robert Potter desires it to be understood that he didn't ride on the hook and ladder truck on Saturday evening. He was working at the Opera House and only reached the scene of the accident when the firemen were leaving.

Gunner Victor A. Skirving, who has just returned from South Africa, brought with him many interesting curios from the front. But one that he most prizes is a small canvas case, which he found addressed and waiting for him in Pretoria, containing needles, thread and pins and a small prayer book. Accompanying it was a card bearing the following inscription: "From Minnie Whyte, aged 13, St. Thomas, Ontario, Canada." Mr. Skirving will visit St. Thomas shortly, and intends to look up the little donors and thank them personally.

For Your Cold...

Use BLOODROOT COUGH CURE. We believe it to be one of the most reliable cough and cold remedies on the market. We have so much confidence in it that we are quite willing to guarantee every bottle to relieve any cold. If it does not we shall refund your money.

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DRUGGISTS

OPPOSES THE CEMETERY VOTE.

Ex-Mayor Martin Writes the Rate-payers Giving His Views on the By-law.

Claims That There is no Necessity for the Purchase of More Land at Present and the Price is Too High.

RATEPAYERS OF THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN.—You are asked to vote on a by-law to be submitted to you on the 7th of January for the purpose of issuing debentures against the city to the extent of \$9,000, to be used in purchasing land to enlarge our cemetery grounds; for levelling and draining the same; and for taking water mains out to and erecting hydrants in the cemetery.

Those who will take the trouble to investigate this matter will find that we have yet to be convinced that the cemetery is not large enough to supply the needs for the next twenty years so that fifteen years hence would be ample time to think of purchasing more land. The present ground—30 acres—was bought in the year 1860—32 years ago—and notwithstanding the many removals from other burying places into it, and the numerous family plots purchased, but as yet unutilized, as well as the grounds around the caretaker's house, there still remains some twelve or fifteen acres yet unused.

The interest we would have to pay on the money till the time we would require to use the land would much more than buy it when needed.

Not only so, but the price placed on the thirty acres under consideration is \$4,500, that is \$150 per acre, which is about three times its value. Land in that locality is it only for agricultural purposes, and even \$50 per acre for unimproved land of its quality is a high price. There are a few individuals who seem anxious for some reason to have this by-law passed and use as an argument that we might not be able to secure the ground when needed.

About this there need be no fear. Land alongside a cemetery is not eagerly sought after for anything, except agricultural purposes, and as for that in question has been used for that in the long past so it will be in the future. Another argument used is that the city derives a revenue from the cemetery by the sale of lots etc., and cemetery is a paying one financially. To those who are unacquainted with the facts of the case I would like to say that such statement is incorrect. The cemetery is not a paying one, but a costly one. In reviewing these we find that the outlay of running expenses of the cemetery considerably exceeds the income derived from the sale of lots. To say nothing of the purchase money or the interest paid on it.

The following is taken from the Auditors' annual report for the last ten years:

	EXPENDITURE	RECEIPTS
1890	\$994.00	\$698.00
1891	465.00	892.00
1892	469.00	531.00
1893	760.00	740.00
1894	804.00	829.00
1895	1868.00	842.00
1896	806.00	606.00
1897	715.00	606.00
1898	1037.00	640.00
1899	1273.00	792.00
Total	\$9,341.00	\$7,170.00

From the above you will see that in the last ten years the cemetery, over and above all revenues derived from it, has cost the city \$2,171, or from \$17 a year. Now, with a 25 mill rate, on a more than full assessment, can we afford to increase our liability to the extent of \$9,000, and pay interest on an investment wholly uncalculated for?

Regarding the laying of water mains out to the cemetery and erecting hydrants therein with all the additional cost, this will necessarily follow. I am also opposed.

It is, however, to the purchasing of the land I wish more particularly to call your attention. The question is, have we \$9,000 and the interest thereon for 15 years, to put into land for which at present we have no need whatever. Thanking you in advance, Mr. Editor for the valuable space, Yours, etc., S. T. MARTIN.

To the Electors.

Ladies and Gentlemen: Having been requested by a number of citizens to offer myself for alderman, I have consented to become a candidate. If the electors do me the honor of electing me, I will try to the best of my ability to encourage economy in civic matters and to secure new factories for the city. WILFRED M. FLEMING.

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Balance of our stock of handsome calendars are clearing at

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Everyone should have a calendar for the first year of the new century.

Dingman's Books & King St. Stationery Chatham.

FAMILY RE-UNION.

There were many happy gatherings in this city on Christmas day, but none was more pleasant than the family re-union at the residence of ex-Mayor S. T. Martin. There were four generations present—Mrs. Martin's father, Mr. Teetzel, of Blenheim; Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Martin, Dr. and Mrs. Harry Martin and child, of Cleveland; Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Turner, of this city, and S. T. Martin, Jr.

Mr. Teetzel, who is 82 years of age, and well preserved for his years, was the oldest member of the party, and baby Martin was the youngest. A most delightful time was spent all day.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

Dec. 27, 1900.

Wheat—Dec. 77 77 77 77
May 78 78 78 78
Corn—Dec. 45 45 45 45
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ONE ARREST.

The police are engaged in investigating the rumors alleging foul play in connection with the drowning of Patrick Kennedy. This morning Officer Deszelski arrested Peter Brown, a colored man who is alleged to have had a fight with the deceased on the night of his death, and another arrest will likely follow.

At 3.30 this afternoon Officer Deszelski reached town with Jas. Brown, Richard Duckett and Caleb Montgomery, all on the charge of assaulting the late Patrick Kennedy. Officer Deszelski was working on the case all day.

Crescent saws—"Buffalo Bill," "Ma-lard," "Lance," and others, at Morton's hardware store.

Thomas Hoskins' Nerves.—Mr. Hoskins, a resident of Durham, Ont., for a score of years, was a martyr to stomach and nerve disorders. Schooling to prejudice against "patent medicines," he started using South American Nerve as, he says, "a last resort," but six bottles of this great remedy proved to be his salvation physically. It can be yours.—124

FOUND.

FOUND—A rosary; owner can have the same by paying for this advt.

LOST.

LOST—On Dec. 15th, a lady's black gauntlet in Chatham, or between Chatham and Bridge Road, on Great Road, Harwich. Finder will be rewarded by leaving at Somerville's, confectionery, Chatham.

PURSE LOST—On Monday on King St., or between Chatham and Louisville, a brown purse with about four dollars in it and some silver. A reward will be given by leaving it at this office.—104

WANTED.

GIRL WANTED in small family—highest wages paid. Address box 8 Chatham.

WANTED—Girl for general housework, no washing or ironing. Apply to Mrs. W. E. Egan, cor. King and Laurier Streets.

GIRL WANTED—For general housework. Apply to Mrs. W. B. Hall, One St. Victoria Avenue.

GIRL WANTED—For general housework. Apply at once to Mrs. Robt. Gray, William St. 104.

WANTED—Christian man or woman willing to qualify for permanent position of trust, here or in home country. Enclose self-addressed, stamped envelope to Secretary, care of Planet.

WANTED—Young man of good address, as salesman for Chatham & Tyngewaters and supplies. Apply by letter with reference, The Canadian Typewriter Exchange, 45 Adelaide St., East, Toronto.

WANTED RELIABLE MEN—in every locality throughout Canada to introduce our goods, teaching up show-rooms on trunks, fences, along roads, and all conspicuous places, also distributing small advertising matter. Compensation \$20.00 per month and expenses not to exceed \$5.00 per day. Steady employment to good, honest men. No experience needed. Write for full particulars.

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Good Tailoring

And our name stands together—the one is never seen without the other. The young men like the cut and style of our apparel, and the old men appreciate the quality. We have goods to suit the quiet tastes of the one or the design for more pronounced patterns of the other. The value we give will please both.

Morley & Co.

Leading Tailors

Carpets Clothing | C. Austin & Co. | Dress Making and Millinery

The..... Holiday Spirit Reigns

Throughout this store all this week, everything that can be done to make the last week of the century, one of the most pleasant and profitable for our customers, has been done—profit has been pushed into the background for the time being, in order that everything of a holiday nature may go out with a rush.

Furs! Furs! Furs!

Our big special offer of 10 per cent. discount on all ladies' and children's furs contains Ladies' Fur Jackets and Capes in a good variety of sizes and qualities. Remember we sell only furs we guarantee.

Ladies' Jackets

Your choice of the entire stock at three prices—\$2.00, \$3.50 and \$5.00.

Dress Goods

Why not take advantage of our big reduction sale of Dress Goods, together with a good assortment of remnants in black and colored dress materials. They are suitable lengths for waist, separate skirt and children's dresses. We have added more specials. See below.

4 Specials

In garnet and Cardinal Henrietta, pure wool silk finish. A good cloth, 45 inches wide. During the sale at

45c, 50c, 60c, 65c

4 Specials

In navy blue and black Serges, 42 inches wide, pure wool in large and fine twill, the very best make. During the sale at

30c, 34c, 42c, 50c

4 Specials

In black Luster, pure alpaca mohair silk finish—elegant goods for waist, 40 inches wide. During the sale at

40c, 50c, 60c, 65c

4 Specials

In plaids, in the very newest design in patterns, pretty combination of colors, 40 to 42 inches wide, union and all-wool. During the sale at

35c, 50c, 60c, 75c

4 Specials

In colored poplin cord, in all the latest shades, 42 to 46 inches wide, beautifully finished goods—see them. During the sale at

39c, 58c, 80c, \$1

4 Specials

In colored serges, in solid shades cardinal, green, blue, gray, brown, fawn, 42 to 50 inches wide, pure wool. During the sale at

25c, 40c, 50c, 75c

Chatham's Clothing Centre C. Austin & Co. Chatham's Clothing Centre

...Value...

We wish to emphasize the word value and define its true meaning as it is employed in this announcement. The principle upon which this business is built, is value-giving—the best quality and the greatest quantity for the lowest price, the confidence of the public and such will always be our plan of holding that confidence.

We have just received a special shipment of

Men's Black Beaver Dress Overcoats...

Owing to the big run on Dress Overcoats in the past three weeks, we have been forced to repeat many sizes in our special tailor-made Beaver Overcoat, just opened up Saturday night.

\$13.00 Worth of Overcoat for \$10.00

Men's dress overcoats made from pure English Beavers, in black and blue, strictly all-wool, best linings, silk mohair sleeve linings and best Italian Velvet collar, equal to any custom tailor's turn out at \$13, sizes 34 to 46, the best coat in the market, very special at \$10.00.

C. Austin & Co. The Bargain Centre Market Square Corner

Fancy Biscuits

No matter what you may want in fancy biscuits you will find best here. We give them to you good and fresh and reasonable—15c, 20c, 25c a lb.

Mocha and Java Coffee, 40c a lb.

Our "American" Coffee, 35c a pound.

Baker's Cocoa, 30c a tin.

Sweet Oranges, 25c, 30c a dozen.

Seedless Oranges, 40c, 50c a dozen.

H. Malcolmson

See Ours First And Save Money

Great Clearing Sale this week at "THE BEEHIVE" of all

Toys, Dolls, Games, Books, Paperies, Toilet Cases, Calendars, Etc.

ALSO a splendid range of appropriate and useful Xmas Gifts.

Come Early and Avoid the Rush

G. W. Sulman's Beehive

Garner House Block.

Notice to Creditors.

In the Matter of F. C. Dunne & Co.

Notice is hereby given that Frederick C. Dunne, of the City of Chatham, in the County of Kent, carrying on business as a jeweller, at the said City of Chatham, has made an assignment under R. S. O., 1947, c. 147, of all his estate, credits and effects to Charles J. Moore of the City of Chatham, Bailiff, for the general benefit of his creditors.

A meeting of his creditors will be held at the office of Ward Stanworth, barrister, etc., in the City of Chatham, Oldfellow's Temple, on

Friday, the 4th January, 1951,

at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon, to receive a statement of affairs, to appoint inspectors and fix their remuneration, and for the ordering of the affairs of the estate generally.

Creditors are requested to file their claims with the assignee, with the proofs and particulars thereof required by the said Act, on or before the day of such meeting.

And notice is further given, that after the 24th day of January, 1951, the assignee will proceed to distribute the assets of the debtor amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice shall then have been given, and that he will not be liable for the assets or any part thereof, so distributed to any person or persons of whose claim he shall not then have had notice.

Charles J. Moore, Assignee.

Ward Stanworth,

Solicitor for assignee.

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Table and Desert Forks and Spoons, Flat Forks and Solid Forks, A Large Assortment Of Scissors.

John A. Mortons' Hardware Store
King Street.

LOCAL BRIEFS

Frank Hanks and wife, Langbank, spent Christmas with J. A. Leck, Amelia street.

Parker Hodges, Wallaceburg, spent Christmas with John Burgess, William street.

The annual entertainment of William St. Baptist Sunday school will take place on New Year's night, admission 25c.

W. A. Brenner, Knox college, Toronto, is spending part of Christmas holidays with Mrs. Eshlin, Murray St.

New ideas in American Collars every week at The 2 T's.

Ald. Houghton, wife and family, of Detroit, were the guests of Mrs. Eshlin, Murray St., on Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Eshlin and family, of Cedar Springs, spent Christmas with Mrs. Eshlin, Murray St.

Slater Shoe Polish in Black and Tan, at The 2 T's.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Wingenham, Leacock St., are spending the holidays with friends in Stratford.

The Maple City sportsmen are talking of holding a live pigeon shoot here on New Year's day.

All children taking part in the William St. Baptist Sunday school entertainment please come Friday afternoon at 3.30 sharp.

Hy. Arnold, of the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern car shops, Ashtabula, Ohio, is spending his holidays with his family on Victoria avenue.

The Misses Nelson, who are attending seminars in Toronto and Hamilton, are spending the holidays with Mrs. Nelson Campbell, of this city.

J. Clark Wishart, of Knebbs, Indian Ty., after a few days' visit with his uncle, A. Thomson, Sr., left for his home to-day.

Mrs. James Baskerville entertained relatives at the anniversary of her tin wedding on Christmas day, Dec. 25th.

Wear The 2 T's \$10 New Method Suits.

Miss Lou Wishart, of Welland, who has been visiting the Misses Thomson, left to-day for Chicago, where she will in future reside.

Wm. Borrowman and Miss E. L. Borrowman, of Amherstburg, and Gordon S. Borrowman, of Merlin, spent Sunday with Mrs. S. S. Kollspage, Adelaide St.

Norman and Charles McLeod, of Toronto, are spending the holidays with Kingsley Holmes. The brothers are old Chatham boys and they have but recently returned from Melbourne, Australia.

It is claimed that there are two diseases with which people are sometimes afflicted, that are considered incurable. The first is vanity, the second is greed. The only absolutely safe remedy we know of so far as the lower extremities are concerned, is a pair of our Slater shoes. The 2 T's.

The great amount of design work done at the Victoria Avenue Green House is sufficient proof of the excellence of the work. Nothing but the best at the lowest prices. Telephone 181.

J. F. Cairns, manager of the Opera House, treated his employees and the members of the Robert Mantell company to a splendid oyster spread at the conclusion of the performance on Monday.

The supper was served in Hall's cafe and, at its conclusion, a hearty vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Cairns for his consideration and kindness.

On Sunday Constable Peters, of Chatham township, followed the team left by the grain thieves at Ridgeway and they took him to the home of a man named Le Farr, three miles from Oil Springs.

Peters arrested Le Farr, took him to Oil Springs and returned to examine the premises for stolen goods. On his arrival he learned from Mrs. Le Farr, that during his absence Riely and Ecker, alias Le Farr, a relative of the men suspected of robbing Jack's house Sunday morning, had been there in his absence.

Rheumatism in all its forms is promptly and permanently cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla, which neutralizes acidity of the blood.

AT CAMPBELL A. M. E. CHURCH.

A beautiful cantata, "Waiting for Santa Claus," was given Christmas evening at the Campbell A. M. E. Church, by a number of Sunday school scholars, under the excellent management of Mrs. (Rev.) Henderson, who deserves great credit for the way in which the children were trained and rendered their different parts before an immense audience.

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Doctors see at once the advantage of taking a medicine right to the part that is sick. You see the doctor orders his own medicines for the disease, and has his patient use Vapo-Cresolene at the same time. It destroys all germs of diphtheria, scarlet fever, measles, and other contagious diseases; and there is no remedy its equal for throat, sore throat and hard colds. You now see why it of cures whooping-cough in a few days.

Vapo-Cresolene is sold by druggists everywhere. Vapo-Cresolene suits, including the Vaporizer and Lamp, which should last a life-time, and a bottle of Cresolene, complete, \$1.50; extra supplies of Cresolene and suits, \$1.00. Illustrated booklet containing physicians' testimonials free upon request. Vapo-Cresolene Co., 150 Fulton St., New York, U.S.A.

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First Class Work. Very Moderate Fees. Office next Lawyer Atkinson's, King St., three doors west of Market.

SEPARATE SCHOOL TRUSTEES ELECTED.

They go in by Acclamation in four Wards—A Contest in Ward 3.

D. J. O'Keefe was the returning officer for the election of separate school trustees yesterday. In four wards there will be no contest, the nominees having gone in by acclamation. These were as follows:

Ward 1—Frank E. Gerber, nominated by Ed. Reardon and C. J. O'Neill.

Ward 2—Jas. A. King, by James Flynn and Ed. Reardon.

Ward 4—Edward Reardon, by F. E. Gerber and C. J. O'Neill.

Ward 5—Peter Robert, by Frank E. Gerber and Ed. Reardon.

There being no other nominations, these candidates were declared elected.

For Ward No. 3 the nominees were James Flynn, by Ed. Reardon and F. E. Gerber, and James A. Gordon, by Bert Bionde and Wm. Heale. The election will take place on Wednesday next.

HAVE HAD THEIR DAY.

Local Treatments For Catarrh Relegated to the Rear.

The surest and safest treatment for any form of Catarrh is an internal remedy which acts specifically upon the blood and the mucous membranes. Such a remedy is the new preparation sold everywhere by druggists as Stuart's Catarrh Tablets, a medicine in pleasant tablet form.

These tablets contain in highly concentrated form, well known germ antiseptics like sanguinaria, guaiacol, Red Gum and similar curative elements, and no one who suffers from any form of catarrh, and has experienced the inefficiency and inconvenience of powders, sprays and inhalers ever go back to such antiquated remedies after once trying so pleasant a treatment as Stuart's Catarrh Tablets and which gives so much relief in so short a time.

Druggists sell Stuart's Catarrh Tablets at fifty cents for full sized package and their daily use will effectually cure this troublesome and dangerous disease.

The danger from catarrh is that it is a short road to consumption, to chronic stomach catarrh and to catarrh of liver and kidneys.

Most cases of deafness are caused from stoppage of the Eustachian tube as a result of catarrh.

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Coats and Jackets

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Dress Goods and Silks

Single Skirts

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And other special lines at prices to clear for "A Happy New Year."

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Don't Come Down Town Without Visiting Our.....

Toy Department

If you haven't children of your own you will surely want something for some of your friend's children. Toys that will make the little ones dance with glee and bulge with wonder and astonishment.

The mechanical Toys that run, squirm and perform various antics exactly as in real life—Dolls that are lifelike enough to talk, in fact some of them do say Papa and Mamma; Games that will keep the boy off the street; Iron and Wooden Toys of all kinds, Etc.

For your own interest do not put off buying a day longer. You know the value of early choosing.

.....Come in Forenoon if Possible.....

Sulman's Beehive

Garner House Block

AT THE THEATRE.

An elaborate production of "A Female Drummer" will be given at the Grand Theatre, 2nd. Almost the entire great cast that appeared in this play upon previous presentations here has been retained.

Whatever changes made exceptionally strong aggregation of fun makers, Miss Nellie O'Neill has now the leading role, Mr. Geo. Richards plays his original part of Smooth, and Helen Byron will be seen in the same part, together with Willis P. Sweetman, Oscar Figman, Harry Ladell, Madeline Merli, Albert Favre and forty others.

Blaney's play is said to be more of straight comedy than a farce and possesses a plot in which a most ingenious series of complications account for the fun of the piece independent of the long list of high class specialists the play contains. The company being a large one, the presentation is equal to the best comic opera efforts. The production is an elaborate one, consisting of

three complete sets of scenery and many novel and beautiful costumes.

BLANCHET.

Dec. 26.—(The annual election of officers in Court Rose, of Harwich, No. 49, C. O. F., at Farga, was held last Saturday evening. The following brethren will guide this fine order throughout the next term, viz:

Bro. E. T. Cundie, F. S.

Bro. H. Hawdon, F. C. R.

Bro. A. W. Howlett, C. R.

Bro. A. Rockey, V. C. R.

Bro. C. S. Huffman, Treas.

Bro. G. W. Riechrough, R. S.

Bro. E. T. Cundie, F. S.

Bro. James Doman, S. W.

Bro. A. Melchior, J. W.

Bro. H. Marrow, S. B.

Bro. A. Huffman, Auditor.

Bro. Rice, Flowering and P. Huffman, Trustees.

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The Mystery of Agatha Webb.

By Anna Katharine Green.

Author of "The Leavenworth Case," "Lost Man's Lane," "Hand and Ring," Etc., Etc.

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"I have, sir. It's been in and out of the till 20 times today. I haven't known what to do with it. I don't like to think wrong of anybody, but when I heard that Mrs. Webb, God bless her, was murdered last night for money I couldn't rest for the weight of this thing on my conscience. Here's the bill, sir. I wish I had let the old man rap on my door until morning before I had taken it from him."

They did not share this feeling. A distinct and valuable clue seemed to be afforded them by the fresh, crisp bill they saw in his hand. Silently Dr. Talbot took it, while Mr. Fenton, with a shrewd look, asked:

"What reasons have you for calling this mysterious customer old? I thought it was so dark you could not see him."

The man, who looked relieved since he had rid himself of the bill, eyed the constable in some perplexity. "I didn't see a feature of his face," said he, "and yet I'm sure he was old. I never thought of him as being anything else."

"Well, we will see. And is that all you have to tell us?"

His nod was expressive, and they left him.

An hour or so later Detective Knapp made his reappearance.

"Well," asked the coroner as he came quietly in and closed the door behind him, "what's your opinion?"

"Simple case, sir. Murdered for money. Find the man with a flowing beard."

CHAPTER XI.
THE ZABEL MOTHERS.

There were but few men in town who wore long beards. A list was made of these and handed to the coroner, who regarded it with a grim smile.

"Not a man whose name is here would be guilty of a misdemeanor, let alone a crime. You must look outside of our village population for the murderer of Agatha Webb."

"Very likely, but tell me something first about these persons," urged Knapp. "Who is Edward Hope?"

"A watch repairer. A man of estimable character."

"And Sylvester Chubb?"

"A farmer who, to support his mother, wife and seven children, works from morning until sundown on his farm and from sundown until 11 o'clock at night on little fancy articles he cuts out from wood and sells in Boston."

"John Barker, Thomas Elder, Timothy Sinn?"

"All good men. I can vouch for every one."

"And John Zabel, James Zabel?"

"Ah! You might as well ask about ourselves. Irreproachable, both of them. Quite famous shipbuilders once, but the change to iron shipbuilding has quite thrown them out of that. Pitt, too, for they were remarkable builders. By the by, Fenton, we don't see them at church or in the docks any more."

"No. They keep very much to themselves. Getting old, like ourselves, Talbot."

"I've boys once. We must hunt them up, Fenton. Can't bear to see old friends drop out of good company. But this isn't business. You need not pause over their names, Knapp."

But Knapp had slipped out. We will follow him.

Walking briskly down the street he went up the steps of a certain house and rang the bell. A gentleman with a face not entirely unknown to us came to the door.

The detective did not pause for preliminaries.

"Are you Mr. Crane," he asked, "the gentleman who ran against a man coming out of Mrs. Webb's house last night?"

"I am Mr. Crane," was the slightly surprised rejoinder. "And I was run against by a man there, yes."

"Very well," remarked the detective quietly. "My name is Knapp. I have been sent from Boston to look into this matter, and I have an idea that you can help me more than any other man here in Sutherlandtown. Who was this person who came in contact with you so violently? You know, even if you have been careful not to mention any names."

"You are mistaken. I don't know. I can't know. He wore a sweeping beard and walked and acted like a man no longer young, but beyond that—"

"Mr. Crane, excuse me, but I know men. If you had no suspicion as to who that person was, you would not look so embarrassed. You suspect or at least

associate in your own mind a name with the man you met. Was it either of these you see written here?"

Mr. Crane glanced at the card on which the other had scribbled a couple of names and started perceptibly.

"You have me," said he. "You must be a man of remarkable perspicacity."

The detective smiled and pocketed his card. The names he thus concealed were John Zabel, James Zabel.

"You have not said which of the two it was," Knapp quickly suggested.

"No," returned the minister, "and I have not even thought. Indeed I am not sure that I have not made a dreadful mistake in thinking it was either. A glimpse such as I had is far from satisfactory, and they both are such excellent men."

"Right! You did make a mistake of course. I have not the least doubt of it. So don't think of the matter again."



Knapp was not to be awed by her small, keen eye or strident voice. I will find out who the real man was, rest easy."

And with the lightest of bows Knapp drew off and passed as quickly as he could, without attracting attention, around the corner to the confectioner's.

Here his attack was wariest. Sally Loton was behind the counter with her husband, and they had evidently been talking the matter over very confidentially. But Knapp was not to be awed by her small, keen eye or strident voice and he presently succeeded in surprising a knowing look on the lady's face, which convinced him that in the confidences between husband and wife a name had been used which she was less unwilling to impart than he appeared to be. He consequently turned his full attention toward her, using in his attack that older and most subtle weapon against the sex—flattery.

"My dear madam," said he, "I see what a good heart you have. Your husband has told you who he thought, this man was, but, fearing that he may be mistaken, you do not like to repeat the name. A neighborly spirit, may I say, which bounds to your goodness. If you simply told us whom this man resembled, we would be able to get some idea of his appearance."

"He didn't resemble any one I know," growled Loton. "It was too dark for me to see how he looked."

"His voice, then? People are traced by their voices."

"I didn't recognize his voice."

Knapp smiled, his eye still on the woman.

"Yet you have thought of some one he reminded you of?"

The man was silent, but the wife

replied, "I should think," she slowly replied, with one quick lift of her eyes toward his face, "that he had entered upon the noblest effort of which man is capable and—the hardest. I should have great sympathy for that man, Frederick."

"Would you?" he said, recalling Amabel's face with bitter aversion as he gazed into the womanly countenance he had hitherto slighted as uninteresting. "It is the best kind word you have ever given me, Agnes. Possibly it is the first I have ever deserved."

And without another word he doffed his hat, saluted her and vanished down the hillside.

She remained, remained so long that it was nearly 9 o'clock when she entered the family parlor. As she came in her mother looked up and was startled at her unaccustomed pallor.

"Why, Agnes," cried her mother, "what is the matter?"

Her answer was inaudible. What was the matter? She dreaded, even feared, to ask herself.

So be Continued.

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ALD. SULMAN WANTS
JUSTICE IN THE CASE.

The Fire Brigade did not do its Duty in the Late Drowning Tragedy the People Should Know it.

The city council held its last regular meeting last night. The session spread over two hours. The discussion of the Lake Erie spur on Colborne street occupied most of the time and was made interesting by a little sparring between Ald. Taylor and Ald. Liddy.

There were present at the meeting, Mayor Smith and Aldermen Sulman, Stephens, Scane, McCoig, Marshall, Taylor, Fleming and Liddy.

The requests of W. H. Gonne and the S. Hadley Co. to trim trees were referred to the Chief of Police.

The account of the finance committee with power.

Mr. Banning wrote saying that he had paid the dog tax in Raleigh and he didn't think that he should be assessed in the city also.—Referred to finance.

An account of \$15 from W. R. Rennie for office help was referred to the finance committee.

The account of Wilson, Kerr & Pike for \$113.79 was referred to finance.

The account of the waterworks department for \$47.35 for water used in sprinkling the streets was referred to the board of works.

It seems that according to the contract Lynch & Lynch have to pay this account.

An account of 40 cents from George Stephens & Co., was referred to the board of works.

The final estimate of \$28.76 in favor of Slaid & Blight on the Colborne street pavement was referred to the board of works with power.

The account of the Sawyer-Massey Co. for \$370.00 was referred to the board of works. This is the last payment on the stone crusher.

J. R. Reid's account for \$118, clothes for the police, was referred to the property committee with power.

Coltart & Wilson's account of \$1.25 was referred to the property committee.

er, Hunter & Co.'s representative and is in favor of granting them exemption from taxation, less frontage and school taxes, furnish them free water and free light for the term of five years with the understanding that the time be extended providing they establish a windmill factory in the city of Chatham and carry on the business continuously during the above mentioned time. The report was adopted.

PROPERTY REPORT.

Your committee on public property, to whom was referred the following matters, beg to report:

That the petition asking for the removal of the electric light from the neighborhood of Park Bros' foundry, to Charteris St. be not granted at present, as a counter petition, largely signed, was presented to the council, and further, to deal with the matter in a satisfactory way would necessitate placing a light on Wada St.

That the petition asking for an electric light on Park St. crossing of the L. E. & D. R. R. be not granted at present, as the electric motor that supplies that part of the city is already severely taxed.

That the petition asking for an electric light on the corner of St. George and St. Patrick streets be granted if the superintendent is satisfied that the electric motor supplying that portion of the city can furnish the power.

We believe that a systematic trimming and thinning of trees would much improve the light on St. George street and we would recommend to the incoming council the desirability of tree-trimming and thinning throughout the city during the winter months when much of the expense incurred can be met by the fuel such would produce.

A SPECIAL REPORT.

Ald. Marshall, for the special committee composed of the finance and board of works committees, reported as follows:

After a consultation with the city solicitor, we agreed to allow Messrs. Lynch & Lynch, the use of the city's name to enforce their claim for cullage against the Messrs. Brick Co., if they saw fit, provided they fully indemnify the city against all loss, costs, or damages in any way connected therewith, Messrs. Lynch & Lynch having accepted the settlement, as reported upon the 26th inst., Nov. last, by the board of works, and having given the bonds of \$2,500 and deposited the \$1,000 as per report. Adopted.

BOARD OF WORKS.

Ald. Marshall also reported for the board of works as follows:—

That the account of Geo. Lamperd reduced to \$300.00 per year, and that the account of J. A. Morton reduced to \$4.50, be paid.

That the account of J. J. Couzens, amounting to \$109.76, be paid upon Mr. Couzens entering into the usual bond guaranteeing his work.

That no action be taken in reference to the communications of the city engineer re bonds of \$100.

That we beg to report the following work done during the year, under the local improvement act:

Gravelly walk completed, \$5,204.45.

Gravelly walk in progress, \$505.17.

Asphaltine walk, \$200.

Plank walk, \$2,851.50.

Wellington street sewer \$360.

Colborne street macadam road, \$3,306.00.

King street pavement, \$21,383.21.

Cash Counts

The credit giving shoe shop's got to even up losses by hook or crook, as they can't 'hook' they're going to 'crook'. You'll be the one whose extra half-dollar pays for Mr. Chagemup's privilege. It isn't fair, nor pleasant to contemplate. A man with ready cash to spend ought to be favored instead of overcharged. Come with purse in hand to this store and see how much your dollars will cover. We never "book it" except in the case of approbation selections. No cash customer, therefore, is mulcted to cover the discrepancies of credit folks. But, mind you, all so-called "cash stores" have not abandoned the credit system. This store never adopted credit.

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heads to remain in the council. The Mayor was glad to see the younger generation striving for municipal honors, but he preferred to have some of the more experienced men mixed in with the young men. Mayor Smith also drew attention to some anomalies that existed in the municipal government. As the law now exists the Mayor is a member of the board of water commissioners, and in that capacity has to transact business. Then the Mayor has to sit at the council board and hear his acts criticized. This could be avoided by the election of three water commissioners with the Mayor an ex-officio member of the board.

The second anomaly was the plan adopted of electing the council from the whole city and the school board from wards. It would be better to have the council uniform and the school trustees from the whole city also. The Mayor also called attention to the purchase of more land for the cemetery. He had noticed how crowded the cemetery was getting and he had made a point to ascertain what the land could be purchased for. He didn't know Mr. Scane was the owner until he went to learn the cost of the land and yet there were parties who said that this was just an enhanced value. Mr. Smith claimed to be the originator of the plan. As a heavy rate pay Mayor Smith wasn't going to vote to defraud himself. The Mayor also called attention to the manner in which the civic taxes might be decreased. For all extension of mains debentures should be issued and the mains should be extended so as to induce everyone to take the water. It has been the practice to take the money out of the waterworks treasury to extend the mains. This money should be paid into the city treasury and debentures issued to cover the main extension. This matter should be put to a vote of the people and they would sanction it.

The Mayor commended his remarks with an expression of the pleasure it afforded him to accept the kind vote of thanks tendered.

ACCOUNTS PASSED.

The following accounts were ordered paid:

Waterworks department, Tecumseh Park, \$40.

Waterworks department, Victoria Park, \$6.

Cucksey & Prithard, \$29.68.

Domination Express Company, \$50.

Separate school board, \$272.27.

R. Cooper, \$5.05.

W. R. Baxter, \$7.50.

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Police department, office expenses \$1.00.

Canadian Express Co., 40 cents.

Geo. Stephens & Co., \$3.36.

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LOCAL BRIEFS

Bert. Moore, Detroit, is spending a few days with friends in the city.

The annual entertainment of the First Presbyterian Sunday school will take place this evening.

County Treasurer Shambhau has paid the following fees on the Macaulay inquest:—Jury \$12, examining physician \$10.

The clothed thieves raided the yard of A. E. Pulkey, Cross St., Monday evening, and secured some valuable apparel.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Potter and daughter Gertie spent Christmas day with Squire Stephen Fennel at Newbury.

John Henderson, of the firm of Henderson & Cummings, was in the city yesterday, looking over the ground with a view to establishing.

Norval H. Baxter, who is employed on the Rochester, Mich., R.R., spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Baxter, Amelia street.

As is their usual custom Court Hope, No. 6,244, A. O. F., distributed a magnificent turkey to each of their four deceased members' widows for Christmas, which were highly appreciated by the recipients.

At the police court this morning John Burleigh was found guilty of cruelty to animals by working a lame horse. Humane Officer Dagueau prosecuted. Sentence was deferred one week.

On Sunday last at Oak Springs, Ontario, stable Peters arrested George LaFleur and charged of clover seed stealing. He has been brought to this city.