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A Bargain Carnival

Only five days more and then our great Administration Sale ends, but in these five days we must do the amount of business that is ordinarily done in a month in order to reduce the stock to its proper proportions—all over the store we find lines of goods that must be cleared out and in order to do this we have decided to hold a bargain carnival for the last five days of the old year—goods will be sold faster and cheaper than ever before in this good city.

Jackets About 175 left, they're the newest styles—listen to the prices: Furze Jackets, worth \$3.50 for \$1.75 worth \$5.00 for \$2.50 Beaver Jackets, worth \$8.00 for \$4.00 worth \$10.00 for \$5.00 Kersey Jackets, worth \$10.00 for \$5.00 worth \$12.00 for \$6.00 worth \$15.00 for \$7.50 worth \$16.00 for \$8.00 worth \$18.00 for \$9.00	Ladies' Fur Jackets Only twelve left and these you can buy at 25 per cent off the regular price. Underwear The searching North-west winds will blow down your back—better protect yourself with a new outfit of Underwear, it don't cost much here: Extra heavy fleece lined at 46c and 60c, either shirts or drawers. All wool shirts and drawers at 35c, 46c, 79c, 89c, \$1.33 and \$1.88 each.	Fur Muffs Very useful just now, they're nice goods, regular price \$1.00, clearing up price 65c. Shaker Flannels In the heavy grays, pinks, blue and fancy stripes: regular 5c quality at 4c regular 7c quality at 5c regular 10c quality at 6c regular 12c quality at 8c Millinery Trimmed Hats and Bonnets at 1/2 price—Special values in Ribbons, Fancy Feathers, etc.—get your hat trimmed now.
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THOMAS STONE & SON DIRECT IMPORTERS



\$2.00 and \$2.50 Shoes

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A Bargain Week

The last week of a most successful year's business—a year of steady, substantial growth. A year in which many have learned the advantages of buying for cash in a Cash and One Price Store. The list for this week is unusually interesting. Special values in every department. FOR WEDNESDAY BUYERS.

Men's Underwear—Fine Scotch Knit—Underwear, pure soft wool, rib skirt, satin facings, the regular 75c kind, special Wednesday sale..... 50c Men's Sox—heavy and medium weight all wool Sox, seamless soles, rib tops, special at 12c, 15c and..... 20c Blankets—a few pair left of that special \$3 sized at..... \$2.69 Cloakings—54 in. Heavy cloth, Home Cloths and Carls, heavy weight, sold regular up to \$1.25, special at..... 75c Tucked Mullins, with hemstitch and fine toaks, some with insertion, fine quality lawn, full widths for aprons, very special at 25c, 20c and..... 15c	Ladies' Long Sleeve Vests—winter weight, fine soft rib, shaped, very special at 12c, 15c, 19c and..... 22c Ladies' Vests, fine quality, long sleeves, soft finish, elastic rib, trimmed yoke, the best value in city at..... 25c Ladies' Wool Vests, fine quality, medium and heavy weights, wonderful value at..... 50c Wool Vests—extra quality fine weave very special at 70c, 90c and..... \$1.00 Children's Vests, long sleeves, fine soft finish, special 10c, 12c, 15c, 18c, 20c, 25c, up to..... 50c Children's Kid Coats—fine quality, in plain and fancy colors, fur and wool trimmed, fine pattern lining, special at \$1.85, \$2, \$2.25 and..... \$2.50	Cashmere Gloves—heavy fleece lined, all sizes, extra value at..... 15c Extra Quality Cashmere Gloves, plain or fleece lined, special at 15c and..... 35c 5 pieces heavy Costume Cloth Dress Goods, 44 in. wide, in navy, brown, black, myrtle and fawn, fine finish, good value at 35c, special Wednesday..... 19c Ladies' Jackets, 17 only, Ladies' Coats, in Beavers, Kerseys, etc., some lined, some unlined, worth up to \$10, clearing Wednesday..... \$4.89 Fur Capes, 27 in. long, high storm collar, quilted Italian lining, clearing Wednesday..... \$7.99
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SPECIAL—All lines of Fancy Goods, Dolls, Paste Frames, etc., will be cleared out at about HALF PRICE.

The Busy Cash Store
JOHN NORTHWAY & CO., DIRECT IMPORTERS & MANUFACTURERS

A GOOD IDEA
 The teachers of the Central school, believing that upon the school devolves the duty of seeing to it that the practical lessons of "Good will to men" are revealed during the two weeks previous to Christmas to teach the children the principle of good will, benevolence is doing good unto others, the pupils of every room, even the Kindergarten, were asked to bring to the school, each one, two potatoes, one apple, a cup of flour, or not more than five cents in money. This small amount was asked so that even the poorest child could contribute without hardship. When the contributions came in from the seven hundred children of the school, there were eight dozen of potatoes, two hundred pounds of flour, two barrels of apples worth \$6.50 in money, which was expended in groceries and beef. This material was turned over Saturday to

ten families. The children of the school wish to thank Trustee Wilson for his kindness in sending his delivery wagon to deliver these things at this his busiest season of the year. This giving is done for its educational value. The school is not expected to resolve itself into a charity organization, but Principal Smith and his staff believe that there is a good lesson for the children in this giving, that thinking or working for and giving to others compels a going out from self which enriches the soul and multiplies its sources of happiness.
 Ladyman rep. herself at right. Col. Otterbein Christmas greetings on behalf of the Canadian contingent, and reported all well. Over 500 British prisoners captured at the battle of Stormberg arrived at Pretoria. They have been taken to Waterfall to join the other prisoners.

\$100 REWARD
 I will pay \$100 reward for any information leading to the capture and conviction of the parties who robbed my premises in Fletcher, on the night of Monday, Dec 25th, taking money belonging to myself, my son P. G. Murphy and the C. M. B. A., and also for the recovery of the stolen money.
PHILIP MURPHY,
 Fletcher, Dec. 25th, 1899.
 Rumors of the purchase or seizure of Delagoa Bay by the British are rife on the continent.
 It is announced that the Government has accepted another offer of a squadron of Canadian rough-riders.



AN INCIDENT OF THE ACTION AT ELANDSLAAGTE. A Boer shell burst under a limber of the Twenty-First Field Battery shattering it to atoms.

A BRIDGE DESTROYED.

To Prevent Boer Raids BOER SIDE OF IT.
 They Claim They Lost Only 30 Killed and Wounded
 in the Battle of the Tugela—Say it was a Decisive British Defeat.

SOUTH OF THE TUGELA RIVER—BRITISH LOSING MANY HORSES FROM DISEASE.
 London, Tuesday, Dec. 26.—A despatch from Chieveley, dated Tuesday, Dec. 19, says: "The British naval guns have destroyed the Colenso foot bridge, thus preventing the Boers, holding any position south of the Tugela river. The enemy are taking up fresh positions on the eastern side nearer the British camp. The British position near Frere is being strengthened. The Tugela river is rising and there is a prospect of heavy rains.
 According to reliable native reports the Boers had 200 killed in the fight at Colenso.
 The news that the Colenso foot bridge has been destroyed, is believed to indicate that Gen. Buller is more anxious to keep the enemy at bay than to attempt a further advance.
MANY HORSES DYING.
 Up this morning nothing has arrived from South Africa that would indicate anything of a change in the military situation there. The war office is issuing lists of further deaths and wounded as well as accounts of sickness. The most serious report of the last class is that horse-sickness has broken out in both British and Boer camps in Natal. Four hundred British cavalry horses, it is said, have already been shot owing to the occurrence of glanders. The disease is likely to spread at much greater rapidity among the Boer ponies, and this may mean a considerable prolongation of the campaign. Horse-sickness in South Africa generally appears during the latter part of January, and lasts three months. The present outbreak is unusually early.
 Despite the severity of the censorship, hints are being continually received of the serious spread of Dutch disaffection in both the Queenstown district of Cape Colony and Natal. A correspondent of the Daily Mail in the Imperial authorities should make the latter disaffection realize the magnitude of the task before them.
 There are unconfirmed rumors from Cape Town that Gen. Sir Charles Warren, commanding the fifth division, has returned there.
 The action of the U. S. Government causes considerable discussion regarding the contraband question as affecting Delagoa Bay and Portugal and widely divergent opinions are expressed on the subject, says: "We believe that every provision has been made in British treaties with the United States for dealing with this matter. In the special circumstances of the present war, the government is bound to regard food as contraband. No doubt the question can be satisfactorily settled by paying compensation for the seizure of American flour. The question of neutrality, however, is more serious, and Great Britain's duty is to have the Lorenzo Marques Transvaal Railway watched by capable agents, and to warn Portugal that she will be held liable in damages for assistance to the Boers by means of the railway."
 Commandant Demolin, who was taken prisoner at Elandslaagte and

menacious cannonade has seldom been heard. The field for miles was covered with dead and wounded. It was a most crushing British defeat. Nine of the cannon have since been brought across the river. The British asked for and were granted a 24 hours armistice."

'XMAS WEDDINGS.

Several Maple City Young People are Made Happy
 By Being Joined Together in Life Partnerships—Who They are.
 Miss Hattie Shaw and Dr. Baker, were married in Grand Rapids, Mich., last week. They are spending the holidays with Mrs. Baker's parents, Lorne Avenue, and on their return will take up their residence in Holland, Michigan, where Dr. Baker is a leading physician.

MOORE-TOBEY.
 At 2 o'clock yesterday Miss Maud Moore and Leroy Tobey, of the 2 T's, were quietly married. The ceremony took place at the residence of the bride's father, Matt. Moore, Park street, the Rev. J. J. Ross officiating. The newly married couple left on the 2:30 G. F. B. train for eastern points. Both young people were exceedingly popular in this city and their many friends unite in wishing them the heartiest of congratulations.

GAME-KILLIP.
 On the evening of Christmas Day Miss Minnie Game, formerly teacher at McKee school and Richard T. Killip, of Butte, Montana, were married at the residence of the bride's mother, St. Clair St., in the presence of only the immediate relatives of the bride couple. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. W. H. Locke, the young couple left on a late train for Toronto where they will spend a few days before returning to their western home. Miss Game was a faithful teacher in McKee school and will be much missed by the teachers and pupils. Mr. and Mrs. Killip take the best wishes of a host of Chatham friends to their western home.

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THE FENIAN CREW
 Will Get a Hot Reception if they Come to Canada.
 A Call Sent Out From Omaha to the Cut-throats to Reorganize.
 Omaha, Neb. Dec. 25.—The Bee says: There is something more than a likelihood that the pro-Boer agitation, now general throughout the United States will lead to the reorganization of the once celebrated organization among Irish Americans known as the Fenians, which planned and executed an invasion of Canada in 1866. Intimation has reached Omaha from other cities that an address, calling for a renewal of the Fenian organization and from this city to enthusiastic Irish Americans in other places. Inquiry developed the fact that there is some sort of a secret movement on foot and neighboring cities, which has for its object some decisive steps of a more significant character toward England than a simple declaration of sympathy for the Boers, far away in South Africa. The movement here will be inaugurated by a meeting to be held next Sunday, when some measures are expected to be taken.

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The Planet. DAILY AND WEEKLY

FARM PROPERTY ON THE RISE.

The Planet has several times noted the increased demand and better prices being paid for farm property in this vicinity.

CROOKED OFFICIALS CAUGHT.

One of the most sensational of the many sensations that have resulted from the calling of the grand jury at Lansing to investigate alleged crooked dealings of the state officials.

USELESS FORMALITY.

In delivering their judgment in the West Huron election case—a judgment which has deprived the Hon. J. T. Garrow of his seat—Judge Oleser and Judge Rose used these words:

Oom Paul remembered the British general in South Africa this festive Christmas, by sending them checks, and so small ones either.

The majority of the Leamington councillors voted themselves \$35 apiece for their year's services. They probably came expensive at the price.

The Superintendent of the Fourth Avenue Baptist Sunday school, of Pittsburg, is reported as saying that the ordinary Christmas festival is an evil, both morally and physically.

Russia's Czar has an income of \$1,000 per hour, the Sultan \$800, the Emperor of Austria \$500, the Kaiser \$450, the King of Italy \$350, Queen Victoria the same, the French President \$250 the King of the Belgians \$85, and the president of the United States \$7.50 per hour.

The government of Ontario have sold 360 square miles of timber limits for which the bonuses received were \$725,550, or about \$2,000 per square mile.

The worst feature about this coal oil blunder is that it cannot be rectified. A renewal of the duty may reduce the cost of oil to the consumer but it will also close the Canadian oil fields because they cannot compete with cheap American oils.

CHOICE OF Gifts

The gift buyer who usually puts off buying till a day or two before Christmas knows how scarce the prettie gifts are.

Christmas Novelties ever shown in Chatham. In Holiday Perfumes

we have all the leading lines, including many new odors in handsome packages.

Central Drug Store C. H. Gunn & Co.

One man one vote will be the rule in voting for aldermen, but for school trustees ratepayers may vote in each ward in which they are on the lists.

There is a limited aldermanic field this election and battle-scarred veterans of many a municipal fight say the consequence will be well bunched running.

WHERE JUSTICE IS SLOW, BUT NOT SURE.

Statistics tend to show that they hang a murderer over in Canada from a month to six years earlier than they can get a jury on this side.

AN EXTRAORDINARY OCCURRENCE.

St. Thomas Journal. BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS. Births. HORSE, BUGGY, HARNESS, ROBE, everything, complete, for \$50. Apply at Journal office.

GREETING.

There's a greeting that I love For the tenderness which clings To the very heart of it, For the memories it brings; Gladness of the old, old days— Joy and brightness of the new— Tears and laughter, clasp of hands— all lie in the greeting true.

TOMMY AND DISCIPLINE

"Tommy is not to have any more goose," said his mother. "You let Bill have some more," grumbled Tommy.

"What a great deal bigger than you are," replied Willie's mother, who did not know Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets counteract the effects of too hearty eating.

"Well?" "I want some more." Tommy's father seemed to be struggling with something that had gone down the wrong way. Tommy's mother tried to look as stiff and unbending as possible. It was Christmas day but rules are rules and discipline must be maintained.

"You're only a kid," said he. "Who's a kid," demanded Tommy. "He quiet, both of you," interposed Tommy's mother.

"If you don't hold your tongues you shan't get any pudding," said the mother. "I want some more goose," said Tommy. "Leave the table," ordered Tommy's mother.

In good company you need not ask who is the master of the feast. The man who sits in the lowest place, and who is always industrious in helping everyone, is certainly the man.

HERE AND THERE.

The greatest university is Oxford, which has 21 colleges and five halls. The total value of exports of American products to Australia last year was \$18,000,000.

The Florida Legislature has made women eligible to appointment as notaries public.

In San Francisco schools, Japanese children are not segregated on the school rolls, but are classed as whites.

Water is the hardest of all substances to heat, with the single exception of hydrogen gas. The easiest two are mercury and lead, which stand in this respect on nearly the same footing.

Until 1720 the yearly value of the official cargo sent from Manila was limited to \$250,000, and the return trade was not permitted to exceed the value of the proceeds, namely, \$500,000 in coin or stores.

Attempts are being made in the county of Kent, England, to exterminate the sparrow. Sparrow clubs have been formed, and money prizes are given to those producing the largest number of heads.

Only once in their history as a nation have the Spanish achieved a naval victory. That was at the battle of Lepanto, in 1571, when, with the aid of Venetians and Genoese, they annihilated the Turkish fleet.

The daily post bag at Marlborough House contains some extraordinary letters. Recently one arrived from a French inventor of a new driving dress, begging the Prince of Wales to do it and drive into the Seine when he next visited Paris.

A French economic oralthologist states it as his belief, resulting from his investigations, that if the world were to become birdless, man could not inhabit it after nine years' time, in spite of all the sprays and poisons that could be manufactured for the destruction of insects.

Meat Inspector Lehwald, of East Prussia, got a jail sentence of 18 months for causing the death by trichinosis of the Werner family. Lehwald inspected the meat and found no trichinae. The Werner family ate the meat and perished. Lehwald was punished, therefore, for not finding the trichinae.

A volunteer in serving in the Philippines was cured of the infirmity of stuttering by the effective but rude surgery of a Mauser bullet. The missile struck him in the face, passing diagonally downward through his mouth and made its exit through the back of the neck. The surgeons cannot give a reason why the stuttering should have cured the stuttering—they say it should have killed the man; but it did not.

Dr. Alfred Russell Wallace, author of "Tropical Nature," believes that the white man can live a more healthy life in the torrid zone than in temperate regions. He himself, though 74 years of age, is still hale and hearty, and attributes his good health to a sojourn of 10 years in the tropics when he was a young man threatened with lung disease. He cites of British soldiers in India and the Sudan who are strong and healthy in their tropical homes, while the Dutch have lived and thrived in their colonies for generations.

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FOR ALDERMEN.

To the Electors of the City of Chatham. Ladies and Gentlemen: As I am running for the position of alderman for 1900, I respectfully ask for your vote and influence during the coming contest, and if elected will perform the duties of the office to the best of my ability.

JOHN HENDERSHOTT. To the Electors of Chatham.

Ladies and Gentlemen: Having been unexpectedly nominated for alderman, and having been pressed by a number of my friends to remain in the field, have consented to do so. If elected will serve you to the best of my ability. Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, I remain, Your obedient servant, A. B. McCOIG.

To the Electors of the City of Chatham. Ladies and Gentlemen: I again solicit your vote and influence for one of the aldermen for the year 1900. As I will be out of the city during the incoming week, I will not have the pleasure of seeing you personally, but trust you will not forget me when marking your ballot. Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year. Respectfully yours, GEORGE STEPHENS.

To the Electors of the City of Chatham. Ladies and Gentlemen: I am again a candidate for alderman for 1900. This being an extremely busy season of the year for me, I cannot make a personal canvass, but trust that my action in the council for this year will commend me for another term and promising you the year's strictest economy, and that I shall look more closely after the keeping of our streets in better shape than they are now, and asking you for your vote and influence, I wish you all the compliments of the season. I am, Yours respectfully, W. S. MARSHALL.

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FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEE. To the Electors of Ward No. 1. Ladies and Gentlemen: Your vote and influence respectfully solicited for public school trustee. WM. ROBERTSON.

To the Electors of Ward No. 2. Ladies and Gentlemen: I respectfully solicit your vote and influence for school trustee. ALEX. GREGORY.

To the Electors of Ward No. 2. Ladies and Gentlemen: I am again a candidate for re-election as trustee in your ward. If my record in the past has been such as meets with your approval, I shall esteem it a favor if you can again give me a renewal of your confidence. Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, I remain, ladies and gentlemen, Your obedient servant, J. A. WILSON.

To the Electors of Ward No. 3. Ladies and Gentlemen: I respectfully solicit your vote and influence for school trustee. GEORGE T. McKEOUGH.

To the Electors of Ward No. 3. Ladies and Gentlemen: At the request of a number of ratepayers, I am a candidate for the position of School Trustee in your ward, and I will esteem it a great favor to have your vote and influence. Yours sincerely, ALEX. VONGUNTEN.

To the Electors of Ward No. 4. Ladies and Gentlemen: Your vote and influence is respectfully solicited for John Holmes for Public School Trustee.

To the Electors of Ward No. 5. Ladies and Gentlemen: I am a candidate for School Trustee for your ward and respectfully solicit your vote and influence. ANDREW J. PIKE.

To the Electors of Ward No. 4. Ladies and Gentlemen: I am again a candidate for School Trustee in No. 4 Ward, and respectfully solicit your support in the coming election. Having served on the board faithfully for several years, my record, I trust, will appeal to you on my behalf. I trust you will see fit to elect me for another term. Respectfully yours, ANDREW THOMSON, td

To the Electors of Harwich. Ladies and Gentlemen: Having consented to enter the arena of municipal politics, I respectfully request your support and influence. JIM McCORMICK.

To the Electors of the Township of Harwich. Ladies and Gentlemen: I am a candidate for the position of Reeve for the Township of Harwich for the coming year, I therefore solicit your vote and influence in my behalf, to secure my election. Thanking you for past honors, if elected I will endeavor to guard your interests to the very best of my ability. Believe me to be yours very truly, E. B. TOLE.

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THE DISTRICT

GLENWOOD.

R. Charlton and G. Hickey left on a two weeks' visit with friends in Grey Co. Rev. Mr. Bain conducted service in the Methodist church on Sunday.

LOUISVILLE.

We regret to record the death of Henry Badder, who passed away at his residence on the fifth covey at 39 ham township, at the age of 39 years.

TENTH LINE, HARWICH.

The Forbes church is being repaired and improved. A new furnace is being put in, the auditorium is being replastered and the building is to be repainted inside and out.

TURNERVILLE.

We are glad to say that Arthur Shaw is able to be out again. Miss Black, of Toronto, is visiting in the neighborhood.

JEANNETTE'S CREEK.

H. J. Cartier, lighthouse keeper, still keeps the light burning in the lighthouse. This is the latest that he has ever had to light up.

MORPETH.

Wm. Call, a former resident of this locality, but more recently of Michigan, has been on a visit to his brother, Lemuel Call, for some weeks.

Xmas Xmas Xmas

- 4 lb Nice Mixed Candy for.....25c
3 lb Best Mixed Candy for.....25c
2 lb Cream Candy for.....25c
3 lb Best Raisins.....25c
3 lb Best Currants.....25c
Mixed Peel, per pound.....20c

J. W. DYER

NOW IS THE TIME

Horses and Cattle

Radley's Condition Powder

Price 25c per 3 lb. Bag. For Sale at all Dealers and General Stores.

RUSHTON'S CORNERS.

Frank Racher, Miss Laura Ingles and Miss Addie Ingram, of the C. B. C., spent Sunday with the latter's parents here, Mr. and Mrs. M. Ingram.

LATE TRAINS CAUSE

Disease and Death to Many Unfortunate Passengers

As a moss collector the rolling joke easily distances all competitors. Offences are easily pardoned when there is love at the bottom.

Everybody Welcome

At our store on Christmas Eve, the staff will have a great display of choice confectionery, such as:

- Mixed Candies. Cream Candies. Bon Bons. Valencia Oranges, 20c per doz. Choice Mexican J angles, sweet and juicy, 40c and 50c. Turkeys, Geese, Chickens and Ducks all at lowest prices.

J. A. Wilson

Queen St. GHOSE. Phone 71

New Xmas Fruits

- Finest Selected Raisins.....25c
Extra choice cleaned Currants, 3 lbs. for.....25c
Cocoa & Black-soft Peel.....20c
Shelled Almonds and Walnuts, per pound.....35c
Dates.....25c

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SOUTH BUXTON.

Miss Northwoods school concert was an unqualified success, and was the outcome of her untiring efforts to have a lively and pleasing time.

TABACCO CONSUMPTION.

At the Inland Revenue Department, Ottawa, statistics of the consumption of cigars, cigarettes and tobacco are kept, and advance returns show an immense increase for the year ending June 30 last in the quantities of cigars consumed.

GAMBLERS' PROFITS.

Why the Proprietors of Gaming Houses Come out Ahead.

The Secret is in Playing Against all Kinds of Luck—the Advantage of Capital

"In all gambling games," said an old time sport, "there is a percentage in favor of the 'house.' Anybody, except a born fool, knows that a man couldn't afford to pay rent and defray all the expenses of an incidental expense unless he derived a profit that was based on some fixed principle and not dependent on mere luck or chance.

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"When I began taking Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, I had serious trouble with my stomach, and it took three bottles of the 'Discovery' before I could get my sleep."

When a man gets run-down it is hard work to run him up again unless the whole condition of his system is first changed. That is what the 'Golden Medical Discovery' does for him.

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G. R. C. A. F. & A. M. meets on the first Monday of every month in Masonic Hall, Fifth street, at 7:30 p. m. Visitation J. R. BATTISBY, W. M. ALEX. GREGORY, Sec.

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S. C. BOGART—Veterinary Surgeon. All diseases of domestic animals skillfully treated. Dexterity in all its branches. Office open day and night. Office and residence, south side of market square. Telephone in connection.

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J. F. FORSTHE—Organist and Choir Master; Tenor soloist; lessons given in Voice Culture; pupils prepared for Church and Concert work; Concert engagements accepted; a limited number of pupils receive instruction in pipe organ and piano instruction. For terms address P. O. Box 704, Chatham.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Marshall

having been appointed organist and choir-master of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, will receive pupils in singing, voice development, piano and organ. Classes in sight singing and church psalmody, on and after Sept. 4th. Residence, Park street, directly opposite Dr. Battisby's residence.

T. DUMONT—Piano Tuner and Repairer

References given by owners of the best pianos in the city. All enquiries will be promptly answered. Address, 464 P. O. St. Thomas, P. O. 321, Chatham.

Miss Elda Idle, A. T. C. M.

(Gold Medalist) SOPRANO. Soloist, and Choir Leader Park St. Methodist Church VOICE CULTURE. Concert Engagements. For terms, dates, etc., address Kransse Conservatory of Music, Chatham, Ont.

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E. W. SCANE, M. HOUSTON, FRED. STONE, W. W. SCANE. Solicitors, Notaries Public, etc. Private funds to loan at lowest current rates. Scane's block, King street.

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G. W. Cornell

Dentist
306, 6th and King Streets,
Over Geo. E. Young's Grocery.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

BIRTHS.
WANLESS—In London, on Friday, the wife of Fred Wanless, printer, of a daughter.

THE PROBABILITYIES

G. N. W. Special.
Toronto, Dec. 26.—10 a. m.—Fresh to strong westerly winds, mostly fair, cold, snow flurries. Wednesday strong, northwest winds, fair and colder.

LOCAL BRIEFS

Miss L. Johns is visiting friends in London.
W. H. Beaton returns this evening to Blenheim.
Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Morley are visiting in Toronto.

Mrs. McLachlan, Lorne ave., was in Dresden yesterday.
Geo. E. Kemp, of Bay City, is visiting friends in the city.
Ald. Jno. Luddy has been indisposed for the last few days.

B. Reddick, Detroit, spent Xmas in the city with his parents.
J. Parker, of Follerville, Mich., is visiting relatives in the city.
Capt. J. W. Steinhoff, of Wallaceburg, was in the city to-day.

E. C. O'Hara, of Ottawa, spent the holiday with friends in the city.
Willie Houston is able to be out of bed for the first time in some weeks.
Chas. Dunn, of Brantford, spent Xmas with his relatives in the city.

Albert Goodall, of Hamilton, is spending Christmas with his father.
G. E. Weir and Wm. Fenton, of Dresden, spent yesterday in the city.
Miss Jessie Houston returned Saturday from Toronto, where she has been attending college.

Holy Trinity Sunday school entertainment will be held next Friday evening.
The office of Clerk of the County Court will only be open from 10 to 12 a. m. from now until Jan. 6.
Miss Maggie Hogarth spent the Christmas vacation with her sister, Mrs. Wm. H. Benson, Cross St.

Prof. A. P. Coleman, of Toronto University, will lecture on Friday, January 25th, on The Ice Age of Canada.
D. B. Drake, of Kansas City, returned home last night after spending Xmas with G. J. Moore, Walter St.
Edgar Pennefather, bookkeeper for the Canada Cycle & Motor Co., of Toronto, was in the city for Xmas.

Miss Gertrude and Master Roy Holmes, of Walkerville, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Goodland, Victoria ave.
Capt. Swain has returned to the city after spending the season in command of the wrecking tug Favorite, of Detroit.
A sloping floor is being laid in the Collegiate hall for the benefit of the patrons of the C. I. Star Course.

C. E. Beaton returned Saturday evening from Kingston, where he had been with Arch. Patterson, who was sentenced to three years in the penitentiary.
D. McLachlan and Archie Park are said to have a difference of opinion over the end of the century. If it does not finish this year Mr. McLachlan pays \$100 to the century fund. If it does Archie Park is the victim.

A RUN-OFF.
This morning about 6.30 the construction train, engaged in laying rails at Jeannette's Creek, ran off an open switch near Lacroix st. It ran along the frozen ground 50 yards, plunging into the hard earth up to the axles. The freight car which was heavily laden, sunk the deepest. The section men were soop on hand and unloaded it and had everything ready for the wrecking train when it arrived about 9 o'clock. Traffic was only very slightly delayed.

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It will do your eyes and heart good just to see this line.

W. J. KENNY,
KING STREET EAST, CHATHAM, ONT.
Dress Well!
It is poor economy to go around in ill fitting, ready made clothing when you can have a suit made to order for the same price.

MORLEY & CO. The Leading Tailors

L. Stidson, of Portage la Prairie, is the guest of his uncle, S. F. Gardiner.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hicklin, of Pontiac, Mich., were in the city yesterday.

Dr. H. Smith, of Grand Rapids, is spending the holidays with his parents, Major and Mrs. T. A. Smith.

D. Holmes and Frank Humphrey returned Saturday from Northern Ontario, where they have been representing the Toronto Fanning Mill Co.

A large number of his friends and relatives gathered at the residence of S. F. Gardiner yesterday to celebrate Xmas and also to honor Mr. Gardiner's sixtieth birthday.

At the Police Court this morning Geo. Froot was assessed \$1 and costs for being drunk and disorderly. Jas. Ions, who was up on a charge of disorderly conduct, laid by his wife, was let out on suspended sentence, subject to his future good behaviour.

ALDERMANIC CANDIDATES.
The official list of the names of the gentlemen who have dropped from the aldermanic contest is as follows: H. Weaver, Herb. Clements, S. Holmes, D. A. Hutchinson, Walter Piggott and N. W. Ford.

Those whose names will be before the electors next Monday are: Robert Cooper, D. G. Fleming, M. D., John F. Liddy, Wm. S. Marshall, John Mount, Arch. McCoig, W. E. McKeough, E. W. Scane, Geo. Stephens, C. W. Sullivan and Geo. G. Taylor. All the nominees for the school board will run.

LIKELY IN DETROIT NOW.
Chief Young has received information from Windsor about the thief who stole Mrs. Sutherland's saskin sash last week. The man offered it and a small diamond studded lady's dog watch No. 3,208,706, and case No. 3,765, Elgin movement, with hunting case, to private parties who mistrusted that the goods were stolen and notified the police. They went after the thief but he had evidently taken flight as he could not be found. In addition to the description already published he now wears a dark overcoat and has tattoo marks on the back of his hands. In conversation he claimed to be a sailor from Buffalo.

BIG ROBBERY AT FLETCHER.
Philip Murphy, who keeps a temperance house of entertainment at Fletcher, reports that burglars entered it last night and carried off about \$600 in cash. Part of this money, he states, belongs to his son, P. G. Murphy, manager of Fletcher, and \$40 of it to the C. M. B. A. Philip Murphy is treasurer of the local branch of that organization. Mr. Murphy states that he heard persons prowling around the place on Friday and Saturday nights. However, last night he was not disturbed and it was not until he woke up this morning that the robbery was discovered. The money was taken from a drawer. This had been unlocked, and not broken open. One purse with \$10 in it and four watches in the next room were overlooked by the robbers. Mr. Murphy thinks entrance was gained by prying up a window, as one was offering to be slightly raised. He is offering \$100 reward for the capture of the thieves and the recovery of the money.

ENDEED IN A SMASH.
This morning about 11.40 Chas. Jones, driver for the S. Hadley Co., left his team standing in front of Baehus and Dennis' establishment while he went in to get some pads for them. He had just got inside the door when the horses took a notion to go home. J. R. Reid, who was standing in his store, noticed them start and ran out to catch them. He was too late, however. Judson Bros' rig was just ahead of the team, but the driver escaped by whipping up his horse. The Hadley team turned at the market and the heavy delivery wagon was thrown against W. S. Richards' store. The horses also fell. They were on their feet again in a second but had scarcely gone 20 yards when they struck a load of corn and became separated from the wagon. This took the life out of the steeds and they were caught shortly afterwards. The horses were unhurt but the wagon was considerably damaged. W. S. Richards had one of his doors broken off and a plate glass window smashed. A number of pails of candy were filled, full of broken glass. The windows were insured.

MORE RECRUITS.
Major J. B. Rankin has since Friday night received the following additional applicants' names for service in the Transvaal:
Alfred Wrigley, Chatham, age 18.
Edward Benson, Chatham, age 17.
Wm. M. Glover, Dover Centre, age 23.
Jos. H. Steen, Chatham, age 28.
Jno. E. Doodie, the Bear Line, age 23.
Fred Fosdy, Chatham, age 35.
J. E. Payne, Dover South, age 22.
Frank C. Peck, Jeannette's Creek, age 22.

A. Wriggley and E. Benson applied for enlistment as buglers. Frank C. Peck is a young man who saw active service in Cuba in the last U. S. campaign against Spain. The applicant's names were handed in during the early part of last week and have all been ordered to report at London for examination as the enlistment for the infantry commences to-day, at Wolf-sley barracks.

The Trusts and Guarantee Company, Limited, 14 King street West, have been appointed trustees under the will of Erasmus Cornell, late of Preston, Ont., who died in 1892, leaving his will naming his sons, Frank C. and Wm. D. Cornell, as his executors, who have taken to this company.

A. E. Hodgins, of Strass Bros. & Co., Cleveland, spent Christmas in the city.

Miss Scollick, who has been in Detroit for the past four months, is spending the holidays in the city.

Among the many other delicacies for the Christmas dinner at the Idlewild, was a 30 lb. porker, stuffed with oysters.

Lawyer H. Hymers, and wife, of Pontiac, Mich., were in the city yesterday attending the wedding of Mr. Hymers' brother Roy.

On Saturday evening the employees of the Planet presented the proprietor, S. Stephenson, with a very handsome gold-headed cane, as a manifestation of the pleasant relations which exist between employer and employed.

Last Saturday evening Neil McBrayne met with a very serious and painful accident. He was walking on King St. when he slipped on the icy pavement, falling and breaking his right arm just above the wrist.

The funeral of the late Henry Hobson, who died at Stoney Point last Saturday at the age of 27 years, took place this afternoon at 2.30 from the residence of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Boyce, Jeffrey st., to Maple Leaf cemetery.

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CANADA'S NICKEL MINES

All Future Grants of Mining Lands in Ontario Shall Provide That the Output Must be Refined in the Province.

The recently issued Order-in-Council defining the policy of the Ontario Government with regard to our growing mining interests and the industrial interests connected with them, has naturally directed attention to the valuable resources which the Province possesses in its nickel mines. The expansion of our nickel industry has hitherto been handicapped by the adverse American tariff, which prevented our finding a market for the finished metal, though the United States imports increasing quantities of ore and nickel matte to be refined within their own borders. The policy laid down by the Hon. G. W. Ross is the development of the nickel industry by providing that all future grants of mining lands shall provide that copper and nickel ores mined shall be treated and refined in the Province, so as to produce the finished metal instead of exporting the raw material, and it is also contemplated to request the Dominion Government to put in operation an existing Act giving them the power to place an export duty on nickel and copper ores when a comparison of some of the statistics furnished by the last report of the Bureau of Mines and the figures showing the nickel production and manufacture of the United States. The figures, covering a period of seven years from 1892 to 1898 inclusive, show that the total quantity of ore smelted in the Sudbury district was 591,852 tons, giving a product of 29,705,000 pounds of nickel and 34,570,000 pounds of copper. At the selling price of matte at the furnace, which is the form in which it is exported, the total value of the nickel product for the period in question has been \$3,294,000 and of copper \$1,302,805, a total of \$4,596,805. Last year the yield was 4,567,500 pounds of nickel and 8,373,000 in copper, having a total selling value of \$782,300. The price of nickel per pound last year was 9.23 cents, showing a slight rise as compared with the three previous years.

Taking the statistics furnished concerning the nickel industry in the United States by a publication entitled "The Mineral Industry, Its Statistics, Technology and Trade," a recognized authority on the subject, we find that the total home production of nickel in that country was 33,700 pounds in 1897, which had diminished to 11,145 pounds in 1898, all from Missouri, and whereas the profit of the manufacturer is derived from both domestic and imported ore during the latter year amounted to 7,138,929 pounds. The average value of the refined metal in New York during both years was over 34 cents per pound. A comparison of this figure with the 9 cents per pound received by the Canadian exporter shows the benefit received by the American refiner at our expense, by working up the ore to an advanced stage of manufacture.

The Canadian Manufacturing gives some further figures supplied by Mr. R. P. Rothwell of the above-mentioned publication, showing the extent to which the American nickel market is supplied by the crude material from the Ontario mines. According to this authority the amount of nickel contained in Canadian ores imported into the United States has increased from 2,297,661 pounds, valued at \$574,504 in 1892 to 127,754 pounds, of the value of \$2,459,085, in 1898. The value of nickel in the construction of warships and the strong feeling now existing among our neighbors in favor of greatly increasing their naval strength points to a still further augmentation of this demand in the future. As the Americans possess so little nickel that it is, as has been shown, hardly an appreciable factor in the output of their refineries, and with their large deposits of this valuable metal practically controls the situation and can safely oppose the import tariff of the United States on the refined metal, an export duty on the shipment of matte and ore, which will result in the transfer of the refining industry to our Province. The Americans must come to Ontario for a supply, and it lies with the people of the Province to determine whether they shall have it in a crude form or as a finished product.

The expansion of the nickel industry in all its branches would result in the distribution here of a very large amount in wages, which now goes to foreigners. Mr. Bine of the Bureau of Mines gives the amount of wages paid in the nickel and copper industries during the last seven years at \$1,929,891, being an average of \$489.45 per year for each employee. The total number of hands engaged last year was 637. Considering the difference between the price at which nickel and copper matte were exported and the value of the refined metals at an average selling price it is estimated that as a result of final stages of the manufacture being carried on abroad instead of in Ontario the foreigners realized some \$10,000,000 for wages, services and profits which should have gone to build up our own community.

Net His Kind of Talk. "I'll bet you it is," cried Spark. "The argument has reached a most exciting point."

"Put up or shut up," answered Mr. Spark, in a common vulgar way. "Put up or shut up," Money talks.

"It does," he said sadly. "It speaks a language which I can understand but in which I cannot converse."

Quickly Framed. "That woman over there looks as if she were painted."

"Sis, that is my wife."

"I had not finished my sentence. She looks as if she were painted by Raphael and had just stepped out of the frame."

Bargains in Holiday Hdks

- Ladies' Hemstitched Embroidered Initial Hdks, all linen, 16c. Ladies' Fine Hemstitched Hdks, all linen, full finished, 15c. Ladies' Embroidered Lawn Hdks, 10c, 15c, 18c, 20c and 25c. Ladies' Embroidered Linen Hdks, 25c to 65c. Ladies' Lace Trimmed Hdks, 12c to 25c. Ladies' Lace Trimmed, very fine Hdks, 25c to \$1.35. Ladies' Hemstitched Hand Embroidered Initial Hdks, all linen, 16c to 25c. Ladies' Lawn Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, 5c. Children's White and Fancy Handkerchiefs 10c to 5c.

HOLIDAY APRONS

- Ladies' Lawn Aprons, 25c, 40c, and 50c. Ladies' Aprons, with Bibs, 40c to 72c. Children's White Mother Hubbard Aprons, 42c, 50c, 60c, 65c, 75c and 80c. Children's Fine Gingham Dresses with yoke, embroidered trimmed, 50c to \$1.35. Children's Pinafore Dresses, with yoke, embroidered trimmed, 50c and 90c. Something new in Lace Dresser Covers just received.

- Men's all Linen Hand Embroidered Initial Handkerchiefs, 25c. Men's Plain Hemstitched Hdks, all linen, full finished, 16, 18, 20, 25, to 50c. Men's Japanese Silk Initial Hdks, 25c to 50c. Men's Fancy, Colored border Japanese Hdks, 19c to 38c. Men's large Silk Mufflers, all colors and styles, and black, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1, \$1.35, \$1.50 and \$2.25. A large and complete assortment of Ladies' and Gents' Fancy Plaids, Checks, Parisian, Poika Dot and Oxford, Silk Mufflers.

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- Men's English Neckwear, Silk and Satin, beautiful Stripes, Checks and Figures, all colors. Men's Imperial Four-in-hands, Puffs, Bow, Flowering Ends, Graduated Derbys in choice variety of colors, from 50c to 20c.

HOLIDAY SPECIALS IN

- Men's and Boys' Suspenders. Men's Silk Embroidered Suspenders, fancy goods in boxes, \$1.50 to 50c. Great variety of Brasces for Young and old, from 25c to 10c. Children's and Babies' Mitts, Booties, Bibs, Infants, etc.

DRESS GOODS

Nothing more for a Christmas Box than a Black Crepon Skirt Pattern, our Battered Crepon at \$1 a yard are a wonder to our customers. Special prices for two weeks in Fancy Dress Patterns. Ladies' Dress Skirts, in variety, all colors and materials, \$8 to \$2. Plaid Bias Skirts, heavy, \$4 to \$4.30. Ladies' Tailor made Suits, in variety, from \$7 to \$10. Ladies' Cloth Jackets, from \$1 to \$10.



Holiday Kid Gloves

- Ladies' 4 buttoned Kid Gloves, good colors, tan and black, 50c. Ladies' 4 pearl button Kid Gloves, tan and black, 75c. Ladies' 2 dots fasteners, colors ex blood navy, green, plum, tan and drab, Fownes Kid Gloves, warranted, \$1. Fownes pearl fastened Kid Gloves, tan or drab, warranted, \$1.25. Laced and buttoned Kid Gloves, Ch. truse Gabriella and Hypatia. Ladies' finest Mocha Kid Glove, \$2. Ladies' Fancy Gaiters and Ladies' Hose Supporters, etc.

FINE FURS

Finest Holiday Presents—Caprices of every description, ranging in price from \$1.50 to \$35.00. Persian Lamb and Sable combination, Seal and Sable combination, Bear and Seal combination, Seal and Astrachan combination, Electric Seal and Thibet combination, Lynx, Astrachan, Fox, etc. Fur Caps, Gauntlets, Muffs, Boas, Heads, Tails, Pelts, etc. Fur Capes, Astrachan, \$18 \$17... \$12. Cloth Capes, Fur Lined, \$30 to \$12.50. Fur Coats and Jackets, from \$30 to \$25. Electric Seal Jackets, dainty, \$35.

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- Men's Lined Kid and Mocha Gloves, 50c, 75c and 1.00. Men's Fur Lined Kid Gloves, selling at 1.50. Men's Unlined Kid Gloves, the latest popular shades, \$1 and 75c. Men's Celebrated Kangaroo, 1.50. Men's heavy Wool Mitts, knit, leather faced in variety, 25c and 50c. Special Xmas Underwear, Cardigan Jackets, etc. Gents' Soft Fleece, Cuff Buttons, Collar Buttons, etc., in pearl or gold variety.

Christmas Silks and Satins

Handsome English Silks, bargains—50c for 25c, 75c for 50c, \$1 for 75c per yard, in plaids, stripes and brocades. Japanese Silks, 27 in. wide, bain, pick, blue, red, etc., 50c. Satins, all shades, for fancy work or linings, etc., 50c. Special Peau-de-seule, 1.00. New Tussit Chiffon for dress fronts. Beautiful Silk Waists—For gifts, nothing pleases your mother, sister, wife or daughter like one of these beauties, we sell them in all colors and black, \$3.50 to \$5.00. Swept Rider Down—Comforters, \$5, \$10 and 15.00.

HOLIDAY SPECIALS

- Nothing nicer for ladies and gents, a fine assortment from \$1.00 to \$5.00. Dainty Dolls. Fine long flowing haired dolls, 9 in. long for 35c. 13 inches long, 9c. 16 inches long, 15c. and 23 inches long for 19c. They are beauties. Shopping Bags with pocketbook attached, 50c and 25c. Pocketbooks, Card Holders, Needle Cases, Bracelets, Combs, Brushes, Fans, Belts, Belt Buckles, Etc. Dolls, Dogs and Brownies for stuffing, per yd. 20c.

WHITE CROCHET QUILTS

And Marcella Coverlets. 75c, \$1, \$1.20, \$1.30, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$1.85, \$2, \$2.50 up to \$5.00. Gypsies' Large Fugs—Unsurpassed in coloring and design, \$1, \$1.25 to \$2. Ladies' Night Robes—In white long cloth, Lorraine Cream, pink and fancy Flannellette, lace and embroidery trimmed or plain, from 50c up. Men's Night Wear—In white twill cotton laced at the neck, 75c. Flannellette Night Shirts, 50c up. Natural Wool Night Robes.

HOUSEKEEPING LINENS

- Two tone Cream Table Damask, 60 in. wide, 25c. Cream Satin Table Damask, all widths and qualities, 30c, 34c, 40c, 50c, 60c, to 75c. Diced Table Damask, extra heavy, 60c and 75c. White Satin Table Damask, with Napkins to match, from 50c to \$1.50. Pearl white Irish Linen Table Cloth, superb goods, \$2, \$2.75, \$3, \$3.50, \$4, \$4.50, up to \$13.75 each. Table Napkins—Great bargains at 75c, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.80, \$2, \$2.25, up to \$5.00. Towels—Fine Damask, size 44 x 20, knotted fringe, 25c.

Instead of Calendars we have secured several hundreds of Souvenir Song Books, containing 72 of the gems of song of the century, with the Music for Piano or Organ; and we hope as they ring in harmony through your homes they will contribute to your happiness.

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Rich Coffee 35c a lb. The richness and Strength of our "American" blend of Coffee will please you. It is good coffee, good flavor and lots of strength. H. Malcolmson

THE DISTRICT FILBURY. Dec. 26.—Mrs. Forrest returned to her home in Leamington on Saturday after a short visit with relatives here. A daughter of Joseph Duplisse, of Tilbury West, aged 15, was buried in St. Francis' cemetery on Sunday last. Mr. and Mrs. Westland spent Sunday and Monday in Ridgeway. Miss Macdonald arrived on Saturday from Tavistock, to spend her holidays at her home here. A young son of Mr. Jinks, of Stewart, accidentally shot himself in the leg with his father's gun on Saturday last. There will be no election here, as all have resigned except the requisite number. For reeve—Jas. Stewart; for councillors, Jos. Wilson, Jos. Magee, A. Rossell, Jas. Stewart, P. S. trustees—Dr. Sharp, R. H. Smith, T. Anderson. Miss Rice returns to-day, after spending Christmas at her home in Ridgeway. F. M. Scarff was in St. Thomas on Sunday and Monday. Mr. Taylor spent Christmas at Oil Springs. Miss Bell Shaw, of Merlin was the guest of her parents here yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. H. Richardson, of Detroit, visited relatives here this week. J. W. Hill was in Detroit yesterday. The Chatham Daily Planet is on sale at Johnson's Drug Store.

Dr. A. W. Thornton Dentist. D. D. S. Toronto University. Associate Dr. C. A. Snell, Honor Graduate Toronto University. Office F. C. 100 East of Standard Bank. Telephone 164. were in Port Lambton yesterday. A number of venturesome boys were skating on the river yesterday. Ed. Johnston visited with his sister, Mrs. W. N. Ayres, on Monday. A. Pepperman and G. Cottingham, of Detroit, spent Christmas the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. Cottingham, here. DRESDEN. Dec. 26.—Mrs. Frances E. Denham, of London, spent Christmas with Mrs. J. E. McGlothlin. A. V. Penfound, of Brantford, visited D. V. Hicks on Sunday and Monday. Los. Cronk and George Caister have returned from their season's sail. Mr. Pickard, of Kent Bridge, visited the home of the late Margaret Huff at Christmas. Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Love are visiting Windsor relatives. Mrs. Harry Colville and daughter Winnie have returned home from an extended visit to Dr. I. Weston, Muir, Mich. Mr. Colville was also home for Christmas. Mr. and Mrs. McKinley and daughter, Miss Jean Talloch are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. H. McVein. Miss Grace Miller, of Detroit, is the guest of Miss Eva Aikin. Thos. Laird and family and Erand Laird and family are visiting Chatham relatives. Alfred Hughes, of Detroit is in town. Irvine Kayhoun, of Detroit, spent Christmas day with his mother, Mrs. Hayhow, Lindsay street. Miss Alice Hughes, of Mount Forest, is spending her holidays in Dresden. Charles Bodkin, an old Dresden boy, is visiting his father. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Shain, of 372 Morell st., Detroit, and their family are guests of their daughter, Mrs. S. Shaw. Lewis Allan Lewis, former Dresdenite, is visiting his brothers-in-law, L. J. Wright and A. J. Davis. Sylvanus Waffle spent the holidays with his parents in North Dresden.

KING, CUMMINGHAM AND DREW. Our reporter called at their store and was much pleased with his visit and what he saw. Their windows are most unique and artistically arranged. One is devoted to cutlery and silver ware while in the other they show one of their "Happy Home" ranges with electric, a full cabinet sewing machine and a fine display of granite and enamel ware artistically arranged with a back ground of evergreen. Passersby are seen to stop and gaze on its intense beauty and remarks are heard of the highest praise. Inside the store the same order and neatness is carried out and on every hand is marked prosperity. They have added many new lines among which are engine, thrasher, wind mills, pumps, harvesting machines, corn planters, corn harvesters and shellers, cultivators, etc., of the new and most approved patterns. They have a fine display of stoves and range of superior material and finish which for beauty of design and performance are not approached by any. We were told they have increased their stock until it is now one of the largest in the city. A large staff is employed and every attention is given to visitors. They have bought a large stock of goods suitable for substantial New Year's presents such as pocket knives, cutlery, silverware, fancy carvers, berry moses, snifters, novelties, fancy goods, lamps, fancy fishes, skates in a large variety, pipes, pipe cases, revolvers, rifles and guns, fancy, useful and ornamental granite ware. Their display of whips, robes, rugs, blankets and sleigh bells would do credit to any store. We cannot go through the large stock and enumerate the different articles that attracted our attention as the stock certainly is full and complete in both shelf and heavy hardware. Although prices have advanced a great deal above those of former years, they had bought heavily before the advance, and carefully and systematically since, the result being that they can give their customers goods at a very small advance on former years. To the New Year's buyer who is on the lookout for good substantial goods suitable for a present for a wife, husband, mother, father, friend or sweet heart can surely find such at the establishment of King, Cunningham & Drew, where fair dealing and courteous treatment awaits.

During Christmas Week. Our Tremendous Stock of Clothing will be sold at quick selling prices. Overcoats, Ulsters, Suits, Pea jackets, Leather Coats, Odd Vests, Odd Pants, Etc. Scott & Co. Chatham's Leading Clothiers. They Kick Us ...Out... BY JANUARY 1, 1900. Then we must move. We don't want to move any more goods than necessary. To do so, we regardlessly Cut, Slash and Slaughter Prices. Regular CHRISTMAS PRESENTS to the pun-hasers of Shoes. Turrill, THE SHOE DEALER, At Atwell's Old Stand, Doors East of Standard Bank.

Rich Coffee 35c a lb. H. Malcolmson. Violin wanted—good instrument, address with full particulars to Box 157, Hamilton. Wanted—As one who is expert painter, a painter and upholsterer, one who is capable of making after a general or tailor made yard. Strict employment for the right party. Apply to H. L. WRIGHT, 101

WALL CEBURG. Dec. 26.—A large number attended the Kenosau camping club's first annual ball in the town hall last evening. The Methodist S. S. entertainment drew a good crowd in the church last night. George Powers and Mr. and Miss Burgess, of Port Huron, and George Powers, Sr., over Sunday. J. Donnan, formerly on the "News" staff here, spent Christmas in town. H. Rots and son Gordon spent yesterday at their home in Bleenheim. Allan Fraser, of the Bank of Commerce, Ridgeway, spent Christmas at home. Clyde Little, of Ailes Craig, and Willie Little, of Detroit, visited their parents here this week. Orlando Smith, Jr., and wife, of Lorain, Ohio, spent Christmas here, the guests of O. Allan, Sr. Morris McCoy has returned from a trip to Bay City and other Michigan points. Ed. and Chas. Branton, of Detroit, renewed old acquaintance here on Monday. The brickwork of the new Presbyterian church has been completed. Marks Bros. Comedy Co. next week in the opera house. Hector Sutherland, at present in Weidman, was home over Sunday. J. Leak spent Sunday and Monday at his home in Chatham. Miss Bessie Boyd, of Wisbeach, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. W. McDonald. John Currie, who is attending business college in Chatham, is home for the vacation. Harvey Morris spent Christmas at his home here. Richard Saunders visited his parents here over Sunday and Monday. D. J. Downs and W. D. O'Leary

FUNERAL NOTICE. The members of Peninsular Lodge No. 2, A. O. U. W., are requested to meet at their lodge room at 2:30 Wednesday afternoon, 27th inst., to attend the funeral of our late brother, Charles Sullivan. J. H. RYAN, JOHN E. SNELL, M. W. Recorder. Forty children were drowned while skating on a river in Holland. The ice gave way. While rehearsing for a Christmas entertainment at St. Francis school, Quincy, Ill., ten little girls were burned to death by their clothes catching fire. Stone the Hatter has just returned from Toronto, where he has purchased over \$500 worth of the finest neckwear ever displayed in the city. You must remember that you can get these goods for at least 25 per cent less than in any other store in the city.

Splendid Opening. River front Lot, Dwelling and Grain warehouse. For Sale or Exchange. For small dwelling or farm, splendid sight for Planning Mill. Lumber Yard Both Sides. Also Three Lots in North-west Survey, south of G. T. St. One House on Raleigh street for Sale on Rent, small monthly payments. Apply to S BARFOOT, Footmaster. Professional Fruit Tree Pruner and Landscape Gardener. Graduate of the Southern Ohio Agricultural College. Twenty-eight years experience. Special attention to handling and pruning of pear, apple, plum and ornamental lawns and shrubs. G. F. BERMAN, Keweenaw, Ont. Minard's Liniment, Lumberman's Friend.

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Township Councils.

HARWICH COUNCIL.

A meeting of the municipal council of the township of Harwich was held in the township hall on Tuesday, Dec. 12th.

Members present, M. J. Wilson, Reeve, and Couns. Toie, Morrison, Young and Campbell.

Communications were read from the following: Owen McKay, Engineer L. E. & D. R. R., re culvert at cemetery being completed.

Fred Stone and Dr. R. V. Bray, re extra charge for service at Children's Hospital of \$5 for Mrs. Murphy.

Trustees S. S. No. 1, with requisition for \$1,000 on account of debentures for new school house.

Wilson, Kerr & Pike, re settlement and withdrawal of requisitions in S. S. No. 1.

Judge Woods with judgment in Breen vs. Harwich, in the Ferguson extension drain, reducing Breen's assessment to \$7.50.

Notice was received from J. H. Hughson, re water flooding over him. No action.

Applications were received from the following for auditors for 1899—J. D. Ross, B. Rothwell and J. C. McGuigan.

C. B. Langford, Mr. H. O. sent in his report for the year, which was read and adopted.

Moved by Young and Campbell, that the collector be instructed to receive S. McEachran's taxes on w 7-3 lot 20, 6 R. T., less \$1 for dogs he having had no dog—Carried.

Moved by Campbell and Morrison, that the council be informed that there is a dead horse buried on the 2nd Con., E. C. R., be it therefore resolved that the same be referred to the commissioner of ward 3 with power to act in accordance with the resolution previously passed by this council.—Carried.

Moved by Campbell and Young, that the complaint of C. W. Clark and others as to waters coming down the west side of the third concession without a proper outlet at the E. & H. Ry., be referred to the commissioner, E. B. Toie, for ward 3, and to open up a culvert on the west side of the railway, so that the waters can be carried straight down to the Eau without having to cross the road.—Carried.

Moved by Campbell and Young, that the resolution passed at our last meeting instructing the clerk to correct the collector's notice of parties charged with dogs not appearing on their assessment be rescinded.—Carried.

That the collector accept Duncan McMillan's taxes less \$1 for cutting thistles, inspector's fees, he having cut his thistles.—Carried.

Messrs. Toie and Morrison, appointed to report about opening up road to connect 2nd Con., E. C. R. between lots 17 and 18, in accordance with the petition of ratepayers, reported having visited the place and conferred with the parties interested.

Mr. Ed. Bicum refused to give or sell any of his land at a reasonable price. Messrs. D. Proctor and Suitor offered to give two rods wide, and Mr. Henry Mossey to pay half the cost of buying another rod from these gentlemen, on condition that the township make the road and opened the ditch along said road to carry the natural waters coming down the 2nd Con. road allowance, so that they can be carried down to the natural outlet at the culvert under the M. C. R. We advise the acceptance of the offer, on the opening of the road as soon as possible.

On further consideration we advise the council to pay for the whole of the extra rod, as Mr. Mossey has already done some work on the same to assist in making ready to open up the road, the length of which is 45 1-3 rods.

Yeuknow

The Xmas presents have to be bought—you will find a good assortment of Fancy Lamps and China. Also a full line of Dinner Sets, \$5.50 and upwards, Tea Sets \$2.50, Chamber Sets \$1.80. They are low in price. Call and see them.

Our Xmas Fruits are in:

- 3 lb. Selected Raisins..... 25c
3 lb. New Currants..... 25c
1 lb. Mixed Peel..... 20c
Pure Lard, per lb..... 9c
Mixed Candy 7c lb., 4 lbs. for..... 25c

Golden Star, Park St., East

John McConnell

Goods Delivered

A. McKellar, error statute labor, \$1.
Jabez Newcomb, error statute labor \$4.00.
A. Denholm, printing, \$19.70.
Geo. M. Baird, postage etc., \$3.90.
A. McEachran, work on Johnson drain, \$2.75.
J. Rumble, work on Johnson drain, \$16.75.

John Johnston, work on Johnson drain, \$2.
L. McDonald, ditching, \$4.50.
Philip Green, ditching, \$8.50.
G. M. Baird, expenses to Chatham and advice re S. S. No. 1 by-law, \$2.
S. S. No. 1, on account debentures, \$1,000.
A. White, repairs to bridges, \$5.
F. Dumas, tile, \$5.32.
H. Summerfield, culvert, 24 and 25, \$13.
H. Smith, repairing culvert, \$1.
Hadley Lumber Co., lumber, \$27.40.
S. Maynard, repairing creek road, \$1.85.
J. Cornhill, tile, \$32.07.
O. B. Hulin, sewer pipe, \$9.
H. L. Merritt, lumber and posts, \$55.17.

F. Drury, rep. culvert, Cameron drain, \$3.50; three culverts, 21 and 22, \$6; drawing tile and putting in, \$6.
John Clunis, repairing culvert, \$6.10.
S. McEachran, culvert on base line, \$2.
John Johnston, rep. bridge, on base line, \$4.
C. D. Rowe, tile, \$6.47.
John Miller, ditching on 11 con., L. E. R., \$12.
J. Edwards, repairing bridge river road, \$12.
D. McCully, ditching, \$6.
F. Drury, 3 culverts side road 18 and 19, \$3.
W. McGregor, one-third road ditching on sideroad W. C. R., \$15.
Wm. Bond, new bridge, \$6.
W. Thompson, ditching and grading, \$7.00.
T. P. Sandercock, ditching and grading, \$2.50.
Maynard, repairing culvert, \$1.
John Toie, two sewer culverts, \$5.
John Toie, drawing gravel, repairing Com. Road, \$3.25.
W. Bond, culvert on base line, \$2.50.
G. Mallory, 20 loads gravel on Old St., \$10.
A. Horton, repairing culvert, 50c.
D. Wood, new culvert, \$4.
D. Samson, rep. Centre Line, \$2.
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L. McDonald, ditching and grading, \$3.83.
Wm. Reynolds, tile culvert, \$1.50.
J. F. Guida, spikes, \$1.57.
W. H. Neville, rep. to scraper, 75c.
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J. Edwards, repairing bridge river road, \$12.
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F. Drury, 3 culverts side road 18 and 19, \$3.
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T. P. Sandercock, ditching and grading, \$2.50.
Maynard, repairing culvert, \$1.
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A FORBIDDEN BOOK.

Englishmen Were not Allowed to Read the Bible

During Part of the Reign of Henry VIII and all of that of Queen Mary.

But few people know that in the sixteenth century an Englishman was not allowed to read the Bible, yet it is perfectly true. Henry VIII issued a decree prohibiting the common people from reading the Bible. Officers of state were exempt from this law.

Probably the king thought these officials would be none the worse for perusing the sacred work, and noble ladies or gentlemen might read the prescribed volume if they did so in their gardens or orchard, but no one was allowed even to read it to the lower classes.

During the reign of Catholic Queen Mary even more rigorous restrictions were enforced. Dr. Franklin, in his own "Life," preserves an anecdote which admirably illustrates this. His family had early adhered to the reformation, and they possessed an English Bible, which they concealed by fastening it beneath the lid of a close stool.

When such an individual was in sight, the lid, with the Bible beneath it, was quickly replaced. This was in "Merry England."—Scottish Nights.

HE GOT THE WATCH.

This Girl was Bluffed by a lawyer's Legal Phraseology.

Didn't want a Judicial Functionary Dispatched to her house.

A Camden lawyer put up a bluff successfully not long ago. A client came to him and explained that a young man had bought a watch from him on the installment plan. He made one payment, gave the watch to a young lady and skipped out. The client wanted to know if he could recover the watch from the young lady. The lawyer said that he could not without spending more money than the watch was worth, except the young woman could be bluffed.

The watch was delivered the following morning and the lawyer received a fine gold chain for writing the letter.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

The Sponge Animal.

If the sponge as brought up fresh from the sea bottom were a familiar object, says Dr. Ledekker, few would be in doubt as to its being an animal. When fresh, it is a fleshy looking substance covered with a firm skin, and if cut it presents somewhat the appearance of raw meat. Its cavities are filled with a gelatinous substance called "milk." American sponges, and those of all other parts of the world, are inferior to the sponges of the eastern shores of the Mediterranean. The finest of all sponges is the Turkey toilet sponge, which is cup shaped. The American sponge most nearly approaching it in quality is the West Indian glove sponge.—Youth's Companion.

Dewey Had No Grievance.

"Where do you take command of the feet?" a lady friend asked Dewey just before he left for Manila. "At Hongkong," he replied. "After a silence the lady said: 'Aren't you aggrieved, in view of our possible trouble with Spain, over being ordered to the remote Asiatic station, which can hardly be in the picture in case of war?'"

"Sator," I haven't entertained grievances for years." And then he added, evidently as an after thought, "Besides, you know, Spain owns the Philippines."—Ladies' Home Journal.

Giving Him a Hint.

"John," she said softly, "have you been saying anything about me to mother lately?" "No," replied John. "Why do you ask?" "Because she said this morning that she believed you were on the eve of proposing to me. Now, I do not wish you to speak to mother when you have anything of that kind to say. Speak to me, and I'll manage the business with mother." And John said he would.

WHEAT

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LIVING WITHOUT A STOMACH

Only Two Cases of Total Extirpation on Record.

The total extirpation of the stomach is an operation that has been performed only twice in the annals of surgery. Prof. Kocher, the celebrated surgeon, performed the second operation last Friday, in his hospital here. The first case was accomplished in San Francisco. Prof. Kocher's operation was upon a woman 40 years old, who had been suffering from carcinoma, or hard cancer of the stomach for some time. On opening the abdominal cavity it was found that the case was favorable for a complete removal of the stomach, because of the slight extent to which the lymphatic system was involved. The entire stomach from the oesophagus to the duodenum was then removed and an anastomosis, or stitching, was made between them. Great care was taken not to interfere with the circulation of the intestines. The operation was completed without accident. Until the fourth day after the operation the patient seemed well, when, without any apparent cause, she died.

The autopsy was held yesterday. It was found that in spite of the great care taken to preserve the nutrition of the intestines there was a small area of necrosis in the transverse colon—in lay terms, dead tissue in the large intestine. That was enough to set up a mild peritonitis, which, in the extremely weak and emaciated condition of the woman, caused her death. It was also found, however, that the oesophagus and duodenum, which had been united, were almost entirely healed. Dr. Coblatter, of Zurich, has performed an operation, involving the partial removal of the stomach, his patient being a woman, who lived a year and a half after the treatment.

Hold Your Breath and You'll Sleep.

A prominent New York physician, himself a sufferer from insomnia for many years, has discovered a brand new way of putting one's self to sleep almost instantaneously. It has worked well in his own case, and never failed in the many trials he has made upon his patients. After taking a deep inspiration the breath is held until positive discomfort is felt. It is then let gently out. The process is repeated a second and a third time, and this is as a rule sufficient to obtain sleep. The mind must be fixed upon the experiment and one's thoughts must not be allowed to wander.

Insomnia is produced by two kinds of cerebral activity directly opposite in nature, a too active cerebral circulation and an insufficient to cerebral circulation. The former can easily be recognized from the throbbing and pulsating of the arteries. The self exhilaration of the patient causes a flow of nervous blood to the brain and an increase of the carbonic acid and waste products of decomposition. These products, carried to the brain by the blood, overwhelm its centres and so produce sleep.

Dr. Johann Meull-Hiltz, a German physician, writes enthusiastically about the effect of sleeping with the head low as a means of obtaining the most refreshing slumber. He lies the foot of the bed so that it forms an inclined plane. He says that the sleep thus obtained is more beneficial; that one awakens with a clearer head, a wider horizon. He asserts that the influence upon the lungs is so great that it can lessen the tendency to consumption. He recommends that the lowering of the head be done gradually, and says that insomnia is often caused by sleeping with head too high.

President Sam of Haiti.

It is far less easy to get to the president of Hayti than to Mr. McKinley, of the White House. The pavilion-like palace in the Champ de Mars, surrounded by its little park, inclosed by a tall iron grating, with lookout boxes at the angles, a large and strong military barrack, the rear, and field cannon posted here and there, could stand a considerable siege, and with a faithful garrison would be proof against almost any mob attack.

There is no end of etiquette involved in the approach to Son Excellence, yet I was favored with fortunate opportunities for seeing Mr. Simon Sam. Tall and massive, with an immense paunch, and features and hue that are typically African, as you gaze at him in his sumptuous uniform, gorgeous with gold lace and a brilliant silk scarf, you cannot help picturing to your mind's eye his hypothetical appearance as a mid-African chief, with huge feathers in his topknot, only a rattle-banded clout about his loins, a mail-studded war club in one hand, and about him a band of dusky savages more naked than himself. Instead of these strutting gentlemen in tall hats and European clothes, and these other prancing gentlemen in gaudy trappings, with tinkling snuri and jingling swords.

President Sam, however, is not, as it appears thus far, a man to be personally feared. His selection was a compromise, and he is only the figurehead of the present oligarchs, posing as a moderate statesman, while in truth he is only a rather dense-brained slow-witted and lethargic old soldier. It is understood that in state affairs he is almost wholly guided by his ministers, of the former Drutus St. Victor, in charge of the foreign department, and Thaverde Auguste, of the department of the interior, are probably the ablest.

In trying on her brother's clothes a Montana woman pulled the necktie too tight and was strangled.

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