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DO YOUR Christmas Shopping

here. Extra special offerings.

Reduced Prices on Many Lines.

We explained to you the reason why we were selling this magnificent line of Swiss Applique and Tambour Works at less than their regular price—suffice to say that to-night you will find the assortment large and you will have a chance of buying the most acceptable gifts at very small prices.

Swiss Applique Shams and Swiss Covers, regular price 60c, on sale at 47c.

Tambour Muslin Shams, Swiss Applique Dresser and Table Covers, in the season's very newest designs, regular price 75c, on sale at 67c.

Swiss Applique and Tambour Muslin Shams, Dresser and Table Covers, regular price \$1.00, our special sale price 85c.

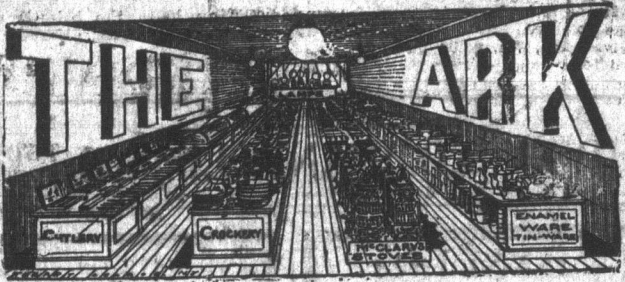
Some elegant bargains in Sable Ruffs. If you are thinking of presenting a fur collar and ruff, we can save you dollars.

Foot Stools, Hassocks. These should have been here three weeks ago—they just arrived to-day—and in order to clear them before Christmas, we place them on sale at about one half price. Upholstered with rich velours, with four iron legs bronzed, reg 75c, on sale at 49c.

Detailed Shipment---Jardinier Stands and Umbrella Racks.

Only three days to clear them out—they are the very latest and just what you have been looking for, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50.

THOS. STONE & SON.



The Rush is On

We have the crowd
We have the room
We have the goods
We have the prices to suit you.

Wishing All a Very
Merry Christmas.....

H. Macaulay,

89 KING ST.

GOODS DELIVERED PROMPTLY.

The City Bakery

STILL TO THE FRONT WITH

Christmas Goods, Christmas Cakes, Christmas Puddings, Bread, Cakes and Pastry of all Descriptions.

LUNCHES AT ALL HOURS.

FRESH OYSTERS served in all styles and for sale in bulk.

WEDDING CAKES A SPECIALTY.

WM. SOMERVILLE.

CENTRAL SANTA GLADDENED 'EM

Many Little Folks Voted the
"Mysterious \$100 man" as
"Just all Right"

Christmas Closing at the Central School Light Royally Celebrated

The children of the Central school yesterday afternoon appeared in their happy role—that of first assistants to Santa Claus. The Central School Santa Claus, a most modest and mysterious man, possessing wealth, a big and generous heart—made his happy journey to the real Yuletide joy and we saw the delightful and happy results of his splendid gift. The \$100 cheque which he forwarded to Principal Ploew, was well spent in the gladdening of homes and hearts where the spirit of the jolly old gift-giver was a special friend.

The pupils all voted themselves little cavaliers of the Central Santa and started forth on their missions with genuine joy and enthusiasm. The city merchants entered heartily into the spirit of the occasion and put forth every effort to assist and encourage them. During the day about 50 children were fitted out with shoes and comfortable clothing through the generosity of the Central School Santa Claus.

The Christmas closing was right royally celebrated in the school. There were two programs, for the Juniors and Seniors respectively, presided over by Principal J. W. Ploew in the upper hall and Principal's assistant Miss Dackberry in the kindergarten room. They consisted of numerous songs by the children, splendid addresses by Rev. Dr. Bateman and Rev. G. H. Cobble and recitations by Harry Dill and Florence Thompson.

After the programs the children marched to their room, where they enjoyed most delicious prepared feast. In addition, the little folks had a Christmas tree and each pupil received an orange and a plentiful supply of candy provided through the kindness and forethought of Mr. Robert C. Clements, manager of the school.

After the children had done ample justice to the good things, all the unattached foods gathered up and carried under the direction of Mrs. W. B. Shotton. These were sent to a number of poor homes and to the home for the Friendless.

During the afternoon the boys who had never been late or absent during the year, received handsome pocket-knives and the girls pretty handkerchiefs. Rev. Dr. Bateman made the presentations to the boys and Miss Hillman to the girls. The winners were: Campbell, A. E. Schilling, R. Swon, R. Simon, E. Mitchell, A. Webb, C. McGrover, L. Hooper, Edna E. McDougall, N. Thomson and A. Heath.

END WORK

Public School Board Conclude
Year with a Short Business-
like Session

The Public School Board held a short but business-like meeting last evening. There were present Chairman Robertson and Trustees Dr. R. V. Bray, W. H. Benson, Geo. S. Heyward, W. N. Morley and John McCortie.

It was decided to leave all of the unfinished business of the year in the hands of the Finance committee with power.

Misses Kaud, Garreth, G. Morrison, G. Holmes, F. Nichol and V. Aylesworth wrote the Board thanking them for their increase in salaries.

Moved by Benson and McCortie, that the matter of appointing Miss Farquharson as assistant in the afternoon kindergarten of the Central school be left with the kindergarten committee with power. Carried.

Miss Lily Walker was granted a present of \$5 for her generous work in the Central school kindergarten.

The Inspector's report was then read, showing the enrollment to be 60 less and the average 19 less than for November. The enrollment is 5 greater than for December, 1902, but the average is 23 less.

The Finance committee recommended the payment of the following accounts:

CENTRAL.
Teachers' salaries, \$526.53.
Mrs. A. Steinhoff, \$25.00.
W. W. Snell, \$64.74.
Chatham Gas Co., \$23.26.
Westman Bros., \$14.48.
James Watt & Sons, \$20.00.
W. J. Kenny, \$14.85.
Geo. Plummeridge, \$4.50.
Powell & Davis, 30 cents.
Robert Riddell, \$38.87.
James Watt & Sons, \$20.00.
McKROUGH.
Teachers' salaries, \$303.21.
Miss M. Farquharson, \$15.00.
D. C. Clements, \$45.87.
W. J. Kenny, \$20.00.
M. Campbell, \$13.15.

KINDERGARTEN NO. 1.
Teachers' salaries, \$78.74.
W. W. Snell, \$10.13.
Norway Co., \$1.73.
KINDERGARTEN NO. 2.
Teachers' salaries, \$51.25.
TUEL ACCOUNT.
C. R. Hancock, \$27.00.
M. Abram, \$154.00.
GENERAL ACCOUNT.
Miss C. Irwin, assistant, Model, \$40.00.
Robert Park, \$100.00.
Thomas C. Macnabb, \$50.00.
James Birch, \$34.64.
W. A. Needham, \$1.00.
Grand total, \$259.76.
Board adjourned.

RESULT OF MODEL EXAMS.

Successful Candidates in the
Recent Model School
Examinations.

Twenty-Four Candidates Pass
Out of Twenty-Five—Certifi-
cates Are Granted.

The following are the successful candidates in the recent Model School examinations, with the marks obtained:

Gregory, L., 807; Crosby, S., 707; McDonald, G., 695; VonGutten, E., 678; Buchanan, W., 672; Mahler, R., 662; Gilhuly, J., 657; Paterson, J., 650; Stripp, E., 638; Carter, M., 627; Langford, C., 620; Brown, I., 621; Hoig, C., 620; Wier, H., 606; Nethercott, O., 604; Wickware, A., 604; Bullis, L., 595; Moreland, M., 585; Engleish, E., 578; Hutchison, A., 572; Tyrrell, R., 559; Hutchison, H., 548; Webster, E., 540; Wagnock, J., 540.
The minimum required for pass is 540 marks, and the maximum 900. Twenty-four candidates were successful out of twenty-five who wrote. Renewal certificates were granted to V. Lowry, M. Wheelan and A. McCoy, they having passed the written examination. The certificate of E. Boycraft was extended for six months, under Reg. 57.

Miss Lily Gregory, of Kent Bridge, leader of the Model School Class, solved 400 marks ahead of any other, taking 807 out of 900 marks, or 89 per cent. This is the highest standing yet taken in Chatham. Miss Gregory is a graduate of the Thamesville Public School, 715 worthy of remark that the 125 high school graduates never attended a High School, but were educated at our progressive public schools.

EAST KENT ENTHUSIASTIC

All Energetic Liberal-Conserva-
tives Preparing for the
Elections

Convention to Select Candidate
Called for Jan. 5th at Pres-
den—Mr. Clancy Speaks

Dresden, Dec. 22.—The meeting of the Conservatives of East Kent, which took place this afternoon was largely attended, the opera house being filled to the doors.

President J. W. Sharpe called the meeting to order, after which the election of officers took place, resulting as follows: President, J. W. Sharpe (re-elected); vice-president, G. G. A. Fraser, Thamesville; secretary, H. J. French, Dresden; treasurer, J. B. Garssallen.

A resolution was moved by F. M. Gifford, seconded by J. B. Garssallen, that the meeting assembled have perfect confidence in their leaders, Messrs. Borden and Whitney—Carried unanimously.

Moved by J. C. Fraser, seconded by Jno. Stewart, that this meeting's thanks be extended to Jas. Clancy, M. P., for past favors, and wishing him success in his fight in West Lambton.—Carried amid cheers.

Mr. Clancy and others then addressed the meeting.

The next meeting will be held on January 5th, in Dresden, to select a candidate. The meeting closed with the usual cheers.

Buy your Christmas cakes at Richards'. Large assortment and all sizes. W. T. Poile, Tilbury, was in the city last evening. Mr. Poile recently experienced a severe loss in the burglarizing of his jewelry store. The first trace of the robbers was found yesterday in Chas. Johnson's bush at Prairie Station. The burglars had evidently camped there after the raid, and in the remains of their camp fire were found a couple of bags used for keeping watches in, a pair of rubbers, some cards used for holding jewelry, etc. Mr. Poile was notified and identified the things as having been taken from his store.

MASONS MEET AND CELEBRATE

Annual Banquet of Wellington
Chapter held at Hotel Ran-
kin Last Night

Many Splendid Speeches Follow
a Delightful Menu—a Capital
Treat List

Wellington Chapter No. 47, R. A. M., held their annual banquet at Hotel Rankin last evening. The spread, as becoming such a splendid and intellectual gathering of representative men, was indeed sumptuous, and John Pleasant had spared no pains to make the banquet the best possible from an edible standpoint. The table was very tastefully decorated with sprays and flowers and at each plate was a pretty boutonniere in the shape of a white carnation.

George Macy, surrounded by Judge Houston, W. H. Benson, Dr. Wyllie, of Dresden, occupied the head of the board, and Joseph Kenny presided in the vice-chair. Arranged around the board were Ald. W. S. Marshall, Jas. Munsey, W. T. Poile, Alex. Gregory, Jos. Kime, A. C. Woodward, C. H. Gunn, D. McLaughlin, W. W. Seane, Will Hadley, W. G. Richards, Dr. Tye, Capt. F. B. Stevens, Chas. Hadley, Robert Park, Robert Riddell, Will Stevens, Frank D. Laurie, James Davidson, James McDougall, Robert Henry, James Goshell, A. L. McCall, Geo. Crumb, L. Lewis, Mr. Lewis, T. Russell, Dr. Russell, Harry Naylor, W. E. C. Workman, Will Turner, B. Carnovsky, E. F. Bites, and Grand Supt. Ed. Worth, Kent Bridge.

After the substantial repast had been taken care of, the toast list was presented by Toastmaster, Excellent Z. Geo. Munsey. He was certainly the man for the position and introduced each toast with a very appropriate little speech.

The first toast was the King, and was responded to by the singing of the Star Spangled Banner. The toast to the Grand Chapter of Canada was replied to by W. H. Benson and Ed. Worth.

Mr. Benson made a very neat speech in which he paid glowing tribute to the Grand Lodge. Edward Worth, Grand Supt., speaking to the same toast, gave some figures in connection with the Royal Arch Masons. While the Grand Chapter, New York, numbered 47, and while it stood second on the list, it stood second on the list for benevolence. He believed that he behoved the Royal Arch Masons to do their work, as officers or private members so as to leave a record for others to imitate. The best work he had seen done in the district had been done by Wellington Chapter, C. H. Gunn sang "Here's to the girl you love so well." Mr. Gunn's solo was a capital addition to the brilliant and pleasing program. His rendition was much enjoyed by all present.

With the toast to the Grand Lodge of Canada A. F. & A. M., was coupled the name of F. D. Laurie. Mr. Laurie felt very deeply the honor that had been conferred upon him in asking him to respond to this most excellent toast. It was one that should be responded to by the most able brethren. The Grand Lodge looked on Chapter Masons as the most enthusiastic and the best Masons. Masonry was one of the safeguards of the country, because it would inspire the country to noble deeds and instill nobility into those fortunate enough to be members of the craft.

Dr. Russell rendered the solo "Tim Toodle." The doctor was in good voice and his song was much appreciated.

The toast Wellington Chapter was responded to by L. E. Tilson, Robert Park and Joseph Kenny.

Mr. Tilson made a splendid speech referring to the prosperity the lodge had shown since he had come to the city, and he assured his brothers that they would have his hearty support.

W. J. Kenny spoke on the history of Wellington Chapter. He referred to the excellent support it had received from T. C. Macnabb and Judge Houston.

Robert Park, Public School Inspector for East Kent, said that he had joined the lodge in 1877 but he seemed but yesterday. The lodge had grown so much that it was felt that larger rooms should be secured.

His concluding words a short stanza of original poetry.

Byron Carnovsky contributed a solo to the evening's enjoyment. His song was exceedingly well received.

With the toast Sister Societies, were coupled the names of O. L. Lewis and Fred. Bates. O. L. Lewis said that he didn't consider this by any means the least important toast on the list. The foundation of all the societies was fraternity, and as the toastmaster had said, Fraternity was associated with benevolence. If the foundation stone of any society was fraternity, then the society would progress. More charity was dispensed through the medium of the lodge than through the medium of the church. The O. F. Lodge on the 50th of this month, would celebrate its 50th anniversary in this city.

Frederick Bates made a capital address on the same toast.

W. E. C. Workman sang "The

Power of our Great Old Army." Mr. Workman also played all the accompaniments during the evening. Mr. Workman certainly shines as a pianist. He is a musician of rare merit and has a wonderful mastery of the piano. His instrument is as a child to be enticed or commanded. His execution is truly marvelous and he has no peer in this part of the province. His number was warmly endorsed and he sang "A Love that shall not die."

Our city and county was spoken to by Ald. W. S. Marshall and Judge Houston.

Ald. Marshall said that he hadn't had the privilege of being born in Chatham, one of the foremost younger cities of the province. This was a most excellent city and was preparing. The city needed pavement and were fast getting them. The business men were progressive. There were fewer failures in Chatham than in any other city in Canada.

When Judge Houston stood up these words burst into a spontaneous singing "The Dandy." The Judge said that he was in the Council 31 years ago in 1872. The people would come to him and say "if you don't do such a thing we won't vote for you." His reply was "that's what I would do the best he could and, if he was forgiven, they would never have the chance to vote for him again. He remembered Chatham when it was a village and had seen it grow into the fine city it was today. He also traced the growth of the county. He was a charter member of Wellington Lodge.

W. W. Seane sang the southern melody, "I know the gal." Mr. Seane is always funny. His song was a real treat.

Brethren and Companions from Outside Points and the Absents was responded to by Dr. Wiley, Dresden. Dr. Wiley referred to the size of Macnabb Chapter in Dresden. He also paid a grateful compliment to T. C. Macnabb, after whom the chapter in Dresden was named.

Capt. Stevens made one of his funny speeches on general principles. Capt. then offered to sing a song. Someone suggested that his brother-in-law would play the accompaniment. W. Seane, however, was afraid that he couldn't play as bad as Capt. could sing.

The toast to the press was coupled with the names of A. C. Woodward and J. W. Young.

The toast to the ladies was coupled with the names of Will Stevens and W. G. Richards. Mr. Richards made a bright address to this toast.

The toast list was brought to a close with the toast to the best John Pleasant, who had provided such a splendid spread. His motto was "eat, drink and be merry."

W. H. Benson proposed the toast to Geo. Munsey, First Principal of Wellington Chapter. This toast was one of the best and most popular of the evening. The audience sang enthusiastically "For he's a jolly good fellow."

Mr. Munsey made a splendid response in his own pleasant way. The musical part of the program was provided by members of the craft and was a credit to the talent in Wellington Chapter.

FINE DISPLAY

**Meat Market of William Potter
Grocer and Butcher Contains
a Splendid Array of
Christmas Beef**

William Potter, the Queen street grocer and butcher is the only one in the city who has a complete grocery store and butcher shop under one roof. The combination is a happy one and it is difficult to tell which Mr. Potter should feel most proud of, his grocery store or his butcher business. The latter he devotes considerable attention to, and has his butcher shop this year stocked with as choice an array of Christmas beef as one could well desire to see. It is really a splendid sight, and as you gaze on the display, you feel that there is no need for regretting the high price of turkeys when such splendid meat can be secured so cheaply.

William Morris, late of London, is in charge of this display and a very careful and attentive gentleman he is. He thoroughly understands his business and you can always rely on the cuts being just what he says they are. He is proud of the splendid appearance his shop presents, and well he may be. The store is stocked with a very large supply of steer and beef, pork, fresh and salt, mutton, veal, ham, bacon, sausage, head cheese and poultry. There is no room for more, and the sight is one to delight the eye. Mr. Potter has given a great deal of attention to this branch of his business, so that he well deserves the success that has attended his efforts. He has made a name for himself by his fair and honest dealings and his customers are always ready to testify to the quality of his meats. Mr. Potter's butcher shop is a sight worth seeing, and he will welcome all visitors.

Fifty acres of the best land in Raleigh is offered for sale in today's issue, as well as some desirable city property. Application should be made to Houston, Stone & Seane, solicitors for the estate.

Cigars in Christmas boxes, of ten and twenty-five, from 50c up, at Red-Jay's Drug Store.

Sulman's Beehive

will be open each night this
week till 10 p. m.

Our large stock of
**Toys and
Christmas
Goods**

as usual is the finest in the city.

Special attention is directed to
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**Books, Bibles,
Prayer Books,
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SULMAN'S BEEHIVE.

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Don't fail to avail yourselves of
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will sell you our large assortment
of Lowney's Chocolates, in fancy
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1-2 lb. Gold and American Beauties
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1 lb. milk boxes, 9c.
2 lbs. milk boxes, \$1.75.
3 lbs. milk boxes, \$2.75.
5 lbs. milk boxes, \$3.50.

Fancy Holly boxes, 50c.
Fancy red silk boxes, 50c.
Fancy 2 lb. flower boxes, \$1.15.
1 lb. Octagon boxes, 70c.
2 lbs. Octagon boxes, \$1.15.

See Window Display at

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Ladies' \$2.00 Vici Kid
Slippers for \$1.25

Dorothy Dodd Slippers for
\$2.00

Men's Slippers from 35c
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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23.

WHAT GAMEY ACCOMPLISHES

Last week many were enquiring what good Gamey could do the Conservatives in North Renfrew. Here is an eloquent incident which answers the question:

Mr. Findlay, ex-Grit M. P., attended a Gamey meeting in the riding. Mr. Findlay is the gentleman who denounced Ross and his corruption campaign to the premier's face recently. Before the meeting began some one took Gamey over to where Findlay was sitting and offered to introduce him. Findlay indignantly declined the introduction and refused to shake hands with Gamey.

Mr. Gamey proceeded to the platform and delivered his address. He told the audience his version of the Stratton incident with all its convincing wealth of detail that carries conviction.

After the meeting was over one of the first to congratulate Gamey and shake hands with him was Mr. Findlay. He said: "Mr. Gamey, I refused to shake hands with you before the meeting. Since that I have heard what you have said and I believe what you say is true."

That is what Gamey accomplishes in the constituencies. He tells the jury of the people his version of the Stratton affair and it is a recital which convinces his auditors that his statement on the floor of the legislature was substantially true.

And Hon. J. R. Stratton is afraid to appear on the same platform, notwithstanding numerous and pressing invitations, to rebut the statement and give the people an opportunity to judge his version of the case, even as he has been afraid to prosecute his recalcitrant healer, Callaghan, for alleged perjury.

LIBERALS ARE SELF-CONDEMNED

In 1894 Hon. Wm. Patterson, as reported in Hansard of that year, page 1894, referred to Canada's taxes as follows:

"The hon. gentleman said that the taxes we had in 1878 were heavier than they are now. This is a very strange statement for anyone to make. I want to give the hon. gentleman opposite what I consider is a true way of measuring this, because the mere assertion made on one side of the House or the other will carry no weight. I would ask those hon. gentlemen to turn to page 11 of the Trade and Navigation Returns, prepared, not by Mr. Laurier or by the member for South Oxford, but prepared by the government themselves, and what is that statement? One of the columns shows the amount of customs duties paid per head of the population. That is the way to measure your taxation. Take the taxes of 1878 and see how much was paid by the population then. You will find it was \$3.13 per head. Take the sum this last year, and it was \$4.26 per head."

Mr. Patterson now professes to think it good policy to forget these old complaints, but we are forcibly reminded of them by the rapid increases in the country's taxation resulting from the extravagance of the Liberal party. In 1896, when they assumed control of the Government, taxation was \$5.57 per head. In 1901 it was no less than \$8.68 per head, or an increase of 47.8 per cent. in six years. Measured by Mr. Patterson's own methods we find our burdens are becoming inordinately large, and when hard times reach us retrenchment will be impossible. No language was too strong for Mr. Patterson in the old days when he called for a halt in expenditure. How can Liberals justify the present growth of "legalized robbery" under this administration?

THE REV. IRL R. HICKS 1904 ALMANAC.

The Rev. Irl R. Hicks Almanac for 1904 is now ready. It will be mailed to any address for 30 cents. It is surprising how such an elegant, costly book can be prepared so cheaply. No family or person is prepared to study the heavens, or the storms and weather in 1904, without this wonderful Hicks Almanac and Prof. Hicks' splendid paper, Word and Works. Both are sent for only one dollar a year. Word and Works is among the best American Magazines. Like the Hicks Almanac, it is too well known to need further commendation. Few men have labored more faithfully for the public good or found a warmer place in the hearts of the people. Send orders to Word and Works Publishing Co., 2201 Locust St., St. Louis, Mo.

Common sense is the faculty that enables us to understand what line of conduct other people should pursue.

PUPILS WHO PASSED EXAM.

Results of the Promotion tests at McKeough and Central Schools

List of Successful Students Who Make Advance in Their Classes

The following are the results of the Christmas promotion examinations at McKeough school:

Room II. to Room III.—J. Abram, T. Fielder, W. Goodland, P. Ebdie, C. Huson, I. Houl, W. Jorrey, A. McFarlane, L. Newcombe, E. Newcombe, G. Stevenson, A. Wilson, C. Walker.

Room III. to Room IV.—S. Baxter, R. Baldwin, M. Bowers, L. Collins, M. Fleming, G. Horn, P. McLean, A. Riley, M. Tye, A. Ward, J. West, E. Wright.

Room IV. to Room V.—S. Baxter, R. Baldwin, M. Bowers, L. Collins, M. Fleming, G. Horn, P. McLean, A. Riley, M. Tye, A. Ward, J. West, E. Wright.

Room V. to Room VI.—C. Baines, W. Colville, L. Couzens, R. Horn, I. Johnson, W. Keech, S. Lenover, K. Little, W. Milner, R. Redner, G. Scullard, M. Watt.

Room VI. to Room VII.—E. Bell, E. Bratley, J. Eberts, G. Fielder, R. Hind, J. Jorrey, R. Keeley, M. Stringer, W. Shaw, W. Slater, W. Stephenson, W. Walker.

Room VII. to Room VIII.—M. Braddon, F. Burgess, S. Burtch, A. Crow, A. Douglas, M. Dunlop, J. Foster, R. Foster, L. Green, R. McLean, I. McCubbin, R. Oldershaw, D. Rispin, R. Sylvester, I. Sylvester, G. Schoonick, D. Stone, G. Way, C. West, R. Watson, L. Blackburn.

Room VIII. to Room IX.—M. Clements, M. Foster, E. Groom, R. Lumsden, C. Macklem, R. Paks, G. Rankin, V. Roberts, R. Webber, C. Wright.

Room IX. to X.—I. McArthur, D. Syme, M. Stephenson, M. Walker, Orville Link.

CENTRAL SCHOOL

CENTRAL SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROMOTIONS.

Grade VIII. B and Grade VIII. A remain as at present.

Promoted from VII. A to VII. B.—P. Whitley, R. Steen, F. Baird, P. Ainsworth, E. Moore, P. Glasford, G. Gregory, G. Arnold, M. Longley, V. Wellman, W. M. Gray, A. Merritt, K. Miller, E. Shepley, P. Hitchcock, A. Challenor, E. Moore, G. Mann, L. Putnam, H. Terrington, B. Stone, M. Barnes, C. Buckingham, A. Jewiss, R. Martin, R. Wilson, M. Pink, C. McGregor, F. Constance, A. Kempf, G. McIntosh, E. Mitchell.

Grade VI. B to VII. A.—C. Auvache, J. Austin, A. Allen, L. Cuyler, G. Wren, Charteris, M. Cathcart, G. Campbell, N. Daniels, W. Davis, M. Ford, E. Glover, F. Hutton, G. Hicklin, P. Pink, F. Robinson, C. Sharp, C. Creswell, A. Mason, R. Moore, B. McWilliams, F. Taylor, M. Tighe, N. VonGutten, F. Woolworth, G. Sider, R. Strickling, M. Teeter, L. Teeter, H. Taylor.

Grade VI. A to VI. B.—C. Wagner, M. Buckingham, M. Roberts, M. Roberts, A. Huff, E. Lowe, E. McGee, G. McGregor, C. Savage, S. Walkinshaw, B. Dunlop, J. Edgington, N. Kelley, H. Polson, W. Radley, M. Small, C. Somers, Lloyd Thomson, G. Neil, G. Taylor, G. Mounter, C. Adams, E. Huff.

From Grade V. B. to VI. B.—P. Mayes, J. Hancock, E. Mayes, L. Keller, B. Huson, P. Scott, I. James, F. Gleason, M. Robinson, M. Mayes, M. Palmer, J. McLaughlin.

From Grade V. B. to VI. A.—M. Scane, Margaret Scane, F. Stevenson, V. Tuttle, G. Summers, E. Vanstone, W. Pulett, G. Montgomery, E. McMillen, R. McCarthy.

From Grade V. A. to VI. A.—R. Taylor, D. Cobbleback, S. Wenz, G. Morehouse, H. Bank, M. Gray, E. Pikey, R. Lick, H. Darling, A.

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Jones, L. Remington, F. Huff, C. Lewis, W. G. Hamill.

From Grade V. A. to V. B.—J. Kingmill, M. Bechill, V. Bechill, C. Wingard, C. Wells, J. Cumming, G. Remington, M. Dyer, G. Moore, B. Anderson, E. Martin, M. Taylor, R. Turner, S. Cranna, C. Hannon, N. Daniels.

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Grade III. B. to IV. A.—All of Miss King's class who took 50 per cent or more on Record Card.

Grade III. A. to III. B.—All of Miss Arnold's class who took 60 per cent or more on Record Card.

Grade II. B. to III. A.—A. Moore, J. Brumage, C. Cook, E. James, R. McMath, W. Andrew, C. Brown, A. Currie, C. Donovan, M. Holmes, O. Kime, E. Burley, L. McCall, H. Farby, H. Austin, E. Dolman, G. Marshall, E. Cundance, Grade II. A. to II. B.—G. Merritt, L. Barks, N. Craz, C. Wellman, R. Fleming.

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Grade I. C. to I. A.—(Miss Branson's class)—J. W. Pritchard, E. Johnson, J. McMillen, G. Pulett, B. Longley, L. Martin, B. Mason, R. Dunlop.

Grade I. C. to I. A.—Miss Tackaberry's Class.—W. Cumming, D. Holden, C. Martin, N. Brown, E. Sutton, C. Moore, C. Brown, N. N. L. I. Thomas, E. Harris, J. Braxton, E. Horton.

Grade I. B. to I. C.—Miss Tackaberry's Class.—M. Sangle, O. Sutton, W. Heddie, R. McFarlane, G. Sloan, R. Boock, G. Troie, M. Jewitt, H. Garney, N. Oude, F. Burton, J. Garner.

Grade I. B. to I. C.—Miss McKellar's Class.—E. Clements, M. Currie, P. Leggett, G. Moore, M. Park, G. Groat, M. Stone, R. Moore, H. Harbert, E. Tuck, G. Reid, G. Jordan.

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Grade I. A. to I. B.—(Miss Branson's class)—L. Holmes, I. Baxter, C. Fields, M. McCombs.

Grade I. A. to I. B.—(Miss Tackaberry's class)—R. Perry, L. Austin, G. McKay, B. Jenkins, J. Stevenson, R. Cloberty, B. Noah, F. Montgomery.

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The Sunday school of the First Presbyterian church was crowded Monday evening the occasion being the annual Christmas entertainment. Frank D. Lauria presided in his own happy manner. The entertainment was one of the most pleasing of the many given by the Sunday school. The Sunday school classes taught by Mrs. Young, Miss Gertrude Macpherson and Miss Graham each presented their teachers with handsome gifts. The following is the program:

Chairman's remarks—F. D. Lauria. Hymn—Two verses No. 501. Instrumental solo—Mr. Geo. Watt. Vocal solo—Miss Beatrice Smith. Selected—Imperial Chorus. Instrumental—Miss Vera Smith. Cyclic of the Year—Miss Walker's Class. Recitation—Miss Evelyn Glenn. Vocal solo—Miss Rankin. Instrumental—Miss Donside Foreman. Strands Vices from over the Sea—Miss Macpherson's Class. Recitation—Miss Eunice Paxton. Dialogue—The Changeling House Wife. Distribution of candy. God Save the King.

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City Engineer E. B. Jones has most pleasing news for the citizens of Chatham. The electric light service on city streets has been far from up to proper standard for some time past. Mr. Jones intends going right into matter thoroughly, and seeing just what is the trouble. He has a gang out to-day, and all the lines in the city will be gone over and all lamps will be taken in and overhauled after properly.

Notice! Having decided to turn our business to a strictly cash basis, all accounts now due and owing this firm must be paid before the 24th day of this month. Accounts due must be settled either by cash or note by the above date, as we begin a strictly cash business on January 1st, 1904. Respectfully yours, Stone & Co.

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Special excursion tickets for Christmas and New Year's holidays will be issued by W. E. Rispin, city passenger and ticket agent, to all points in Canada and Grand Trunk and Western Railway, also to certain points in United States west of Detroit, to points in Canada at fare and one-third on Dec. 23rd, 24th and 25th and Dec. 30th and 31st and Jan. 1st, good returning until Jan. 5th, and at single fare on Dec. 24th and 25th, good returning Dec. 28th, also on Dec. 31st and Jan. 1st, good returning Jan. 4th. School tickets issued to non-resident pupils and teachers of schools and colleges on certificates from Principal on Dec. 25th to 31st inclusive, good returning until Jan. 18th, at fare and one-third.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed, bulk or separate tenders will be received at the office of James Yates, Esq., secretary of the Building Committee, up till seven o'clock p. m., Wednesday, December 23rd, 1903, for the erection and completion of a brick Methodist church to be erected at Goderich, County of Huron, Ont. Plans, specifications and details to be seen at the office of James Yates, Esq., Goderich, and the office of James L. Wilson & Son, architects, Chatham, Ont.

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Materials for building may be shipped by boat to Goderich.

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To-night, to-morrow and to-morrow night will see the final clearing out of every dollars worth of goods bought special for our holiday trade. They simply MUST BE SOLD, and we have made prices on these goods that will ensure a speedy clearance. The earlier you buy, the better choice you'll have. COME TO-NIGHT.

5 dozen fine Austrian vases, large range of styles, pretty decorations, regular 20c, clearing at 12 1/2-2c.

23 only pieces comic statuary, regular 75c to 90c each, clearing at 49c.

25 dozen beautiful dolls of every description, kid bodies or prettily dressed, clearing at each 10c, 15c, 20c, 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c and \$1.00.

Picture books clearing at 25c, 20c, 15c, 10c and 5c.

French perfumes, prettily done up in fancy bottles and fancy boxes, clearing at a bottle 5c, 10c, 15c, 25c, 35c and 50c.

\$1.50 smoking jars at 99c each, handsome oriental styles, 14 only, regular \$1.50 each, clearing at 99c.

Cushion tops, in beautiful designs, clearing at each 25c, 40c, 50c and 75c.

Gentlemen's Dressing Gowns—Fine imported makes in good range of styles, trimmed with cord, heavy girdles, clearing at each, \$7.90, \$5.90, \$5.00 and \$4.90.

Seal Cloth Goggles—Ladies' and misses' sizes, water proof goggles, wool lined quilted cuffs, regular \$1.25 and \$1.50 a pair, clearing at 98c.

Ladies' Wrappers—Fine, heavy flannellette wrappers, in choice patterns, fast colors, cut full sizes, lined waists, sizes 32 to 42, clearing at each 75c.

Ladies' Wrappers—Handsome styles in fine wrapper cloth, good range of patterns and coloring, prettily trimmed, deep flounce on skirt, lined waists sizes 32 to 42, regular \$1.25, clearing at \$1.00.

\$3.00 French Flannel Waists at \$2.50—18 only, fine pure wool, French Flannel Waists, choice styles in good range of colors, regular \$3.00 to \$3.50, clearing at \$2.50.

Kid Gloves—We guarantee every pair we sell in all the new styles and colors, at a pair \$1.50, \$1.25 and \$1.00.

Girls Kid Gloves—in tans and browns, fine quality, in full range of sizes, special a pair 75c.

\$1.25 Fascinators at 85c each.—Four dozen beautiful Fascinators in fine wool, silk and chenille, in range of plain colors, regular 75c, 85c, \$1.00 and \$1.25, clearing at 69c.

HANDKERCHIEFS.—The largest and choicest stock in the city, priced for easy buying. Children's Handkerchiefs—40 doz. children's fancy border lawn handkerchiefs, clearing at 2 for 5c.

Ladies' lace trimmed lawn handkerchiefs, fine quality, special each 10c and 12 1/2-2c.

Ladies' embroidered and lace trimmed handkerchiefs, very pretty styles, special each 10c and 12 1/2-2c.

Ladies' fine linen handkerchiefs, warranted pure sheer linen, with narrow hemstitched edges, really worth 25c each, special at 15c.

Ladies' handkerchiefs, hundreds of pretty styles in pure linen and fine lawn, trimmed with embroidery, lace footings and insertion, matchless values at each 15c, 18c, 25c, 35c, 40c, 50c, 75c, and 90c.

Ladies' hemstitched lawn handkerchiefs, 7 for 25c.

30 dozen ladies' fine hemstitched lawn handkerchiefs, clearing at 7 for 15c.

Furs—We are certainly showing the choicest stock of ladies' neck scarfs, ruffs, coats, collars, capes, muffs, gaiters, fun coats and capes in the city. Be wise and get our prices before you spend a dollar in furs.

Men's ties—An immense range of latest styles, bought special for the Christmas trade, at each 25c and 50c.

Men's kid gloves, in tans, browns and oxblood, fine qualities, lined, at a pair 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.25.

Men's fine mocha gloves, in browns, tans and greys, wool lined, dome fastenings, special a pair \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50.

Blanket bargains—Heavy white wool blankets, full double bed size, fine fleecy finish, colored ends, clearing at a pair \$2.75.

Pure wool blankets, superior quality, extra heavy, large size, soft fluffy finish, extraordinary values at a pair \$3.25, \$3.75, \$4.00 and \$4.50.

Flannellette blankets—Another lot of these extra large heavy fleecy blankets, white or grey, with colored ends, the biggest and best made, at a pair \$1.00.

Bed comforters—Full bed size, chintz covered on both sides, clean fillings, closely quilted, regular \$1.50, clearing at \$1.25.

Regular \$1.75 each, clearing at \$1.50.

Real down comforters, rich soft satcen, reversible coverings, in beautiful colorings, full size, special at \$5.00.

\$2.00 Table Napkins at \$1.50 a dozen—20 dozen fine pure linen table napkins, 22 inches square, in choice designs, satin finish, extra good value at \$2.00 a dozen, clearing special at \$1.50.

Ladies' fancy white aprons—Fine lawn aprons, full size, prettily made with tabs and shoulder straps, trimmed with fine embroidery and insertion or fine val lace, special each 25c, 35c, 40c, 50c, 65c, 75c and 85c.

Millinery at cut prices—Trimmed hats, your pick of any in the store, clearing at just Half Price.

Children's bonnets and hats, all on sale for quick clearance, exactly at Half Price.

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Outing hats, the balance of this season's best styles, clearing at less than Half Price.

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House and lot, 9 rooms, \$100.00.
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Farm in Township of Raleigh, 68 acres. All cleared. Good house and barn, \$250.00.
Farm in Township of Hawick, 228 acres. Large house, barn and out buildings, \$12,000.00.
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His store at present is very tastefully decorated with yule, smilax and holly, and is holding its place among the most artistically decorated stores in the city. The window display is very unique and consists of a complete dinner set, a child's tea set, fancy lamps, and jardiniere.

All kinds of fancy china are to be found in this store at the right prices.

WILLIAM FOREMAN.

This firm, which is recognized all over, as a worthy and reliable one, has some very handsome ideas in the line of Christmas presents. Their store is ever open to visitors and they are ready and willing to display their goods to the best advantage.

They carry a choice line of linens, dainty handkerchiefs, gloves, silks for shirt waists and dresses, especially good dress goods, all of which are very popular, as Christmas gifts. They are at present showing an elaborate line of real lace goods of fancy design. No lady in the city who admires real artistic lace work should fail to see this showing.

A. SHEDDRICK.

Albert Sheddric is known all over the city as one of our most enterprising citizens and merchants. His store is now entering upon his eleventh year in business here, and in fact, that his business during the last year has been far larger than any single previous year.

He never saw a year when the trade continued so far into the fall season, said he. "We have now got an enormous lot of work on hand and are almost unable to get it out on time, where other years the busy season was over. This is surely good evidence of the prosperity of Chatham."

A. H. PATTERSON.

Mr. Patterson, who is one of Chatham's leading hardware merchants, is a popular man with his customers, and rightly so. He is obliging in every way and he carries the stock which cannot help but satisfy his patrons. Christmas presents are to be found here, and so are the paraffin chandeliers, berry spoons, knives, forks and skates are picked up readily at reasonable holiday prices.

Mr. Patterson has been in business now for two years and one year alone. He is highly pleased with his year's business and desires to thank his customers for their liberal patronage. He starts his third year with the brightest of prospects.

SULMAN'S BEE HIVE.

This store just now presents the appearance of a huge Santa Claus headquarters. Everything here, in the line of fancy goods, toys, books, stationery, etc., is displayed. It is a popular place with the little folks at present. Toys of every description are found in abundance. Mr. Sulman has a magnificent store, up to date in every particular, and his stock is the very finest.

Mr. Sulman is a man who started up in business here, and by hard work and enterprise, has succeeded in building up an excellent trade. He has been in business here for over 16 years, and Sulman's Bee Hive is known all over the county.

THE URBAN.

Primeau and Peltier are the youngest merchants in the city, but a glance in their store would give the impression that they were the oldest. Never have two young men risen so rapidly in the business world as Messrs. Primeau and Peltier. But they are deserving of success. Their stocks of furs and ladies' Urban shoes are the best that money can buy, and nothing is too good for Chatham purchasers. Their fact is greatly appreciated at Chatham, and that is the reason they are so busy to-day.

Furs are very acceptable Christmas presents, and this year they will also be very popular judging from the amount of sales from that store. Chatham is becoming a fur centre. Yesterday the firm shipped a \$300 Alaskan seal coat to British Columbia, which shows the wide popularity of this firm.

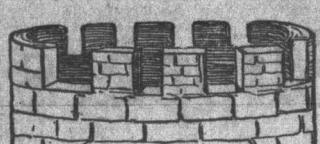
TRUDELL & TOBY.

Probably among the most attractive windows in the city, at present are those of The T's, the popular gent's furnishing establishment. For eight years these two gentlemen have been catering to the wants of the men of the city, and each year finds them more popular and better established. They never had a more choice stock than they have at present and their trade was never larger. Their clerks are busy all the time now, and the sales are something enormous.

Their windows are very attractively dressed in pink, with their goods tastefully arranged. Everything for gentlemen can be purchased in this store, and any Christmas presents purchased here are bound to please the receiver.

GEO. W. COWAN.

Among the many beautifully decorated stores is that of Geo. W. Cowan. During the last couple of weeks Mr. Cowan's new window, have been the centre of attraction for King street pedestrians. Mr. Cowan is one of Chatham's most up-to-date



The strongest castle could be reduced by siege if the garrison could be starved out. The strongest body has to give up the fight when starvation weakens it. There are more deaths from starvation than the world dreams of. When the stomach is diseased and the food eaten is not digested and assimilated, then the strength of the body begins to fall because of lack of nutrition, and the weak body falls an easy victim to the microbes of disease.

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merchant, and his store at present is made especially attractive for the Christmas season. It is tastefully decorated with garlands of red, white and yellow and green, palms, flags, etc. The very latest styles in men's and ladies' footwear are to be found in this establishment and the store during the rush of the Christmas season is flooded with visitors and gift purchasers. Anyone calling here may be assured of receiving the most courteous attention from their genial and obliging clerks.

G. J. PEACE.

"Dorothy Dodd" is a name which is familiar and very popular with the Fair Sex of Chatham, and they all know that the name is associated with the Shoe Store. There is no neater fitting or more fashionable shoe to be found in the city than the Dorothy Dodd. The Geo. S. Slater and the Victor are equally as popular with the gentlemen, and these, too, are found only at Peace's.

Mr. Peace has a reputation as a Maple City merchant, having successfully carried on the shoe business here for the last ten years. Christmas shoppers are to be found in abundance here and among the presents purchased are, slippers, men's and ladies' patent leathers, dress suit cases, etc.

Mr. Peace is delighted with the present holiday business and so are the purchasers who frequent his store.

GEO. STEPHENS & CO.

This firm is making a specialty this year of silverware and furs. Their large window is very elaborately decorated with tableware and presents a very showy appearance. They have entered extensively into this line of goods this year and the results are very satisfactory to the firm. In cutlery they have always had a good reputation; in fact, everything in the big store is of the very best quality, and sold at the lowest possible prices.

In furs, they handle an extensive line of men's coats, robes, etc., which are just the thing for men who do any amount of driving. This is a very popular house with the farmers as well as the city people. They are among the rejoicers in the present holiday rush.

BINDER TWINE COMPANY APPEAL

Mr. Stephens, M. P. and Mr. M. J. Wilson, of the M. J. Wilson Cordage Company, of Chatham, are at Ottawa conferring with the Minister of Justice in regard to the penalties sought to be collected from the latter for violation of the binder twine act. It is alleged that the Wilson Company is liable for penalties amounting to several thousand dollars for having twine in the factory, which was either not marked with the proper weight or else did not contain the name of the manufacturer. Mr. Wilson claims that this twine was intended to be exported to Boston and not for sale in Canada, and therefore the penalties should be remitted. — Toronto Globe.

Cook's Cotton Root Compound.

Ladies' Favorite.
Is the only reliable regulator on which woman can depend. "In the hour and time of need."
Prepared in two degrees of strength. No. 1 and No. 2.
No. 1.—For ordinary cases is by far the best dollar medicine known.
No. 2.—For special cases 10 degrees stronger—three dollars per box.
Ladies—ask your druggist for Cook's Cotton Root Compound. Take no other as all pills, mixtures and imitations are dangerous. No. 1 and No. 2 are sold and recommended by all druggists in the Dominion of Canada. Mailed to any address on receipt of price and four-cent postage stamp.
The Cook Windsor, Ont.
No. 1 and No. 2 are sold in Chatham by all Druggists.

Minard's Liniment for sale everywhere.

THE LOCAL BUDGET

Briscoe's, Santa Claus' headquarters, Wm. Taylor, Mull, was in the city yesterday.

E. E. Dodson, of Wallaceburg, was in the city yesterday.

Geo. Perrin left yesterday on an extended trip to New York.

R. M. Thompson, of Blenheim, was a Maple City visitor yesterday.

Hugh Sedt and John Lee, M. P. of Highgate, were in the city yesterday.

R. L. Gosnell, Blenheim, was in the city yesterday on professional business.

Jerrold Waddell has returned from attending college, for the Christmas holidays.

Roger Hutchison, of Stuart, is spending the Christmas vacation at home on William St.

All kinds of working mitts, dressy gloves, driving gauntlets for the Christmas trade. 15c to \$3.00 a pair. Geo. Stephens & Co.

Cornets (D. & A.) at 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50, at Mrs. J. E. Weldon's.

Mothers should know that scald head and other obstinate skin diseases which attack children may be cured by Weaver's Oerate. If it smart, reduce it with sweet oil or lard.

The costs in the estate of the late Joseph Hanley, deceased, were taxed yesterday before taxing officer John McCall, by R. M. Thompson, Blenheim.

Do all mothers know? — Allen's Lung Balm is free from narcotic drugs; is never more useful than when it rids the children of cold and soothes the mother's anxiety. It makes friends.

Black and White Silk Belts, nicely finished, with back buckle, for 25c. Mrs. J. E. Weldon.

DISTRICT DOINGS.
BLENHEIM
Dec. 22.—Mrs. P. S. Shillington who is studying law at Toronto, is home for the Christmas vacation.
The Holy Trinity church Christmas tree and Sunday school entertainment will be held in the opera house on Wednesday, the 23rd. The Methodist church Sunday school will hold their annual entertainment on Christmas night.

W. B. Gerow, of Buffalo Dental College, is home for Christmas.

An assembly will be given in the opera house on Dec. 30th.

Invitations are issued for the marriage of Mr. Neil Haggart and Miss Myrtle Langley, of Gaido.

Our stores are now looking very attractive, the display in several of the windows being very good.

Mr. H. L. Stratton, who has bought out a general stock of merchandise at Port Elgin, expects to move there very soon.

Mrs. W. Findlay, of Galesburg, Mich., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Witherford.

Mr. R. L. Gosnell is spending the day at Chatham.

W. J. Grant has moved into the house lately vacated by Mr. Grant.

Arthur Pickering is quite ill with an attack of grippe.

A. W. Bell has bought a new delivery wagon.

Miss Mary McPherson, of Dresden, is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Thompson.

Miss Edna Samson, who is attending the Toronto Normal school, is home for the Christmas vacation.

Will Faust, who is attending the Buffalo Dental College, arrived home to-day.

Divine service will be held at Trinity church Christmas day at 10:30 a.m.

The many friends of Mr. Archie Campbell, Ridge Road, East, will be pleased to hear that he is slowly recovering from his severe illness.

The funeral service of the late Mrs. William Thompson, was conducted at the house of the Rev. W. E. Kerr, after which the interment took place at the Evergreen cemetery.

Silverware at Hardware prices. New Goods in Rogers' 1847 finest silver-plated. Best of carving sets. Pie servers, gold plated pearl deserts, butter knives, fish forks. Did you ever buy silverware or cutlery from a man who will surprise you. Fix up your dinner table. Geo. Stephens & Co.

DRESDEN
Dec. 22.—Rev. A. B. Hayden went east yesterday morning to spend his Christmas holidays.

The funeral of the late Albert Shaw, 10th Con. Chatham township, took place Sunday afternoon. Services were conducted in the North Dresden Baptist Church, after which the remains were interred in Dresden cemetery.

Special Christmas services were held on Sunday in both the Methodist and Presbyterian churches.

The annual Christmas entertainment of the Methodist Sunday school will be held on Christmas night in the Grand Opera House. A good program is being prepared and no efforts will be spared to make this year's entertainment better than ever before. There was no meeting of Christ Church Y. P. S. last night, and there will be no meeting next Monday evening, either.

Miss Mabel Leonard is visiting friends in Chatham.

Nominations will be held on Monday, Dec. 28th, and elections on Jan. 4th. It is high time prospective candidates had announced themselves as such, and so far we have heard of only one man in the field, namely, Captain Asa Riddle, as mayor.

Clancy, M. P. for the old constituency of Bothwell, will be the Conservative standard-bearer in the coming West Lambton contest.



No depression follows the use of Blue Ribbon Tea.

The gentle nerve exhilaration it gives is the result of nerve nourishment!

Artificial or alcoholic stimulation burns up vitality—hence the depression that follows its use.

Blue Ribbon Tea is free from tannin. It will produce no injury to the bowels or digestive organs.

It is altogether health-giving and wholesome.

Blue Ribbon Ceylon Tea
40 Cents
should be Fifty
Ask for the Red Label

THE STAGE

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

At the Chatham Grand:—

Cecilian Co.—Dec. 25.

Westminster Abbey Choir—Dec. 28.

Royal Hungarian Court Orchestra—Jan. 1.

Markes Bros.—Jan. 4-16.

Richie Co.—Jan. 25.

A Thoroughbred Tramp—Jan. 27.

(Submitted to The Planet by Press Agents.)

SPLENDID ENTERTAINMENT FOR CHRISTMAS NIGHT.

The Wesleyan Male Quartette now enters upon its sixth season of professional work and its fourth season under the exclusive management of the American Lyceum Union. Doubtless among the youngest of the male quartettes in the concert field, yet it has won a place that the Union looks upon with pardonable pride. During the past season it has sung more than two hundred concerts, and the indications point to the coming season as one of unprecedented activity and favor. The distinguished work of the Quartette is characterized by its brilliant ensemble; its faithful interpretation; its perfect vocal blending. The training of each individual composing the Quartette has been in the best conservatories, and in individual training, we can most conscientiously say it is in all respects the best male quartette obtainable. A well-known musician of Pennsylvania, after hearing the Quartette, sums up his impressions thus:

"For an entertainment that makes you laugh and makes you cry, awakens your spiritual emotions and every generous impulse; for tones that touch and vibrate every fibre of your being; for melodies that live in memory and enrich your whole life; for voices that in their combination are the finest, most perfect, most melodious, tuneful and harmonious—hear the Wesleyan Quartette."

Miss Boynton has been before the public as a professional reader for four seasons, and has delighted audiences with her superb readings, the natural and dramatic are most happily blended in all her work, while humor has most genuine treatment and becomes a marked feature of her charming delineations. Her naturalness has not been marred by artistic study, for her art is real and true to nature.

WESTMINSTER ABBEY CHOIR.

The Westminster Abbey Choir will be at the Grand on Monday, December 28th.

The Westminster Glee and Concert Party give a program that is delightful as it is unique. They will revive the ancient part songs, glees and madrigals that are classics in English music; they will illustrate the humorous catch songs so popular in olden times, and will interpret the choicest gems of classic and modern English ballads. The wonderful soprano voices of the boys, sweeter than any prima donna's notes, will be a most magnetic feature; a solo by a male alto voice will be a charming novelty and a surpassing interest, and an essential part of all the programs will be the Coronation Anthem, while the sacred programs will include several of the numbers sung at the Coronation service.

Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper

WHAT TO BUY FOR CHRISTMAS

Mother would be pleased with a Carving Set, Set of Knives and Forks, Sewing Machine or Cream Separator.

Father wants a Fur Coat, Robe or Rug or a new set of Harness.

The children would enjoy a Pair of Skates, Hockey Stick and Pucks or Sleigh.

We have a full line of the above, and our prices are the lowest in the city.

A.H. Patterson's,

Three Doors East of Market, King Street, CHATHAM, ONTARIO.

PHONE 61.

Diseased Men Cured

We make no misleading statements or unbusinesslike propositions to the public in order to secure their patronage. We cure to stay cured.

Stricture, Varicocele, Nervous Debility, Blood Diseases, Weakness, Kidney and Urinary Diseases and all diseases due to inheritance, habits, excesses, or the results of specific diseases. The many years of our successful practice in Detroit prove that our special treatment for men is safe and certain. You do not want to be mutilated and maimed for life in trying to be cured of Varicocele, Stricture and kindred troubles by surgical procedures. We guarantee a SAFE AND POSITIVE CURE in the shortest possible time without injurious after-effects. Our charges will be as low as possible for consultations, skillful and successful services.

For Patients Who Cannot Call, Question Blank Sent Free.

Consultation Free. Cures Guaranteed.

DR. SPINNEY & CO., 290 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Mich.

Largest Established, Most Successful, Reliable Specialists in Diseases of Men.

MY VALET.

opened his place of business, Room 2, McCall Block, on

Monday, December 7.

ADVERTISE IN THE PLANET

Store Open Evenings Until Christmas

This is the Place to Buy

At a saving that's certain, and it is because of this certainty that you should come here to do your Christmas buying.

USEFUL HOLIDAY GIFTS...

Articles of apparel that every man or boy wants because they contribute to their comfort and their personal appearance, making them doubly welcome as gifts.

The following are a few practical suggestions:—

Men's Fine Clothing...

House Coats, Dressing Gowns and Bath Robes

Nothing could be more appropriate than either one. The finest imported and domestic, makes up our selections

Fine Furnishings.

Neckwear, Hosiery, Gloves, Mufflers, jewelry, etc., also those elegant hats and Overcoats, Raincoats, Evening Dress suits and Tuxedos, Fancy and Plain White Waistcoats for men and boys.

New American Hats,
Slater Shoes.

The Two T's

TRUDELL & TOBEY

PROBABILITIES

Special per G. N. W.

Toronto, Dec. 23—11 a. m.—Strong southerly winds, fair and milder. Thursday, winds becoming easterly, temperature about the freezing point; slight rain by night.

THE LOCAL BUDGET

'Taffies' at Richards', ten cents per lb.

Roy O. Miller, of Toronto, is visiting in town during the vacation.

Miss Olive Birch returned home today for the Christmas vacation.

Walter Verall is spending the Christmas holidays at his home here.

Mr. Santa Claus will call on our fine line of steel sleighs and skates at Westman Bros.

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

G. W. CORNELL

DENTIST

Corner Sixth and King Street,
Over the Bee Hive.

Phone 37.

Geo. J. Fielder is a candidate for school trustee in Ward 5.

John A. Stephenson and son, Theluth, Minn., are in the city.

Ray Philip has returned from spending a few days in Detroit.

Nasmith's high grade Chocolates, in boxes, Rowntree's Jujubars, Terry's Sweets, at Radley's Drug Store.

Miss John Felt and Mrs. Robt. Felt, of Illinois, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Young, of the Raleigh-Harwich town line.

Miss Jeanne Reid is spending the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Reid, Wellington street west.

Gardner Park has returned from the Toronto School of Sciences for the Christmas holidays.

Miss Christine Bays is spending the holidays with her parents, Park street.

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

Inspector Colles has completed a \$2,000 brick residence on Wade St. and has removed into it. Macara, J. Watt & Sons have installed a No. 18 Kelsey warm air furnace in the building.

A liberal reward will be paid at this office for information that will lead to the recovery of a purse containing about thirteen dollars that was lost on Wednesday of last week.

A Sunday School Christmas entertainment will be given in connection with St. John's Church, Dover, on Christmas Eve. A good program will be provided and the doors open at 7.30.

A meeting of the curlers will be held in the Garner House to-night to organize. The rink is now completed. The managers have engaged a caretaker, Mr. McMullen, and it is expected that they will have curling on Christmas day. If the weather is cold enough they will allow skating Christmas night.

W. J. Moore's safe in the office at his elevator King street, was rifled last night. Mr. Moore had drawn \$500 from the bank yesterday and paid his bean pickers. There was no money in the safe at the time of the robbery and the safe wasn't even locked. One of the money drawers in the safe contained a number of notes. The thieves cut into this drawer, but failing to find any money, didn't touch any of the papers. Entrance to the office was gained through the engine room.

SANTA CLAUS HEADQUARTERS

Continued from Page Three.

J. C. WANLESS.

J. C. Wanless, one of the most reliable and deservedly popular hardware men of the city, has made special arrangements for his holiday trade after the best year's business in his history in Chatham, and so far his Christmas trade has been well up to the most sanguine expectations.

An excellent line of special Christmas cutlery of every description is found here in good variety.

'Favorite' stoves and ranges are a specialty of the firm and can be purchased at right prices.

Sanitary plumbing, hot water heating and tanning are all done properly and up-to-date, by first class workmen.

WILLARD MCKAY

At this season of the year, it seems natural for "rich or poor, young or old, to think about his or her "sweet tooth" and naturally so when such dainty confections are put before the eye as those manufactured, fresh every day at Willard McKay's store, the Golden House block. Once you buy there you are sure to return for your next purchase in the candy line.

McKay's candies are pure and wholesome and only the purest of fruit juices are used in flavors.

Willard McKay, although established in his King street business for only a few months, has long been known in this Queen street store established an enviable reputation as a candy maker of splendid repute. His staff of assistants are the best possible to secure and customers are accorded the most cordial treatment at their hands. The stock of Christmas candies are very special indeed and a call of inspection, if not to buy, is solicited.

THE NORTHWOOD CO.

This company is making special efforts this year to make their Christmas trade more successful than ever, and they are succeeding. Their store is crowded from morning till night and it is evidently a popular place with Christmas shoppers.

Among the articles bought for presents are fine French lacquered, old pieces of china, salad plates, trays, fruit plates, etc. In dolls, this firm is clearing them out at reduced prices, as they have no room to carry them over.

In dress goods they have a complete range of wools and novelty goods in wool silk and wool, also a large range of skirt patterns, marked at reduced prices. Fine linens make a splendid display in cloths and napkins. Furs are very popular. They have a complete range of neck scarves, collars, handkerchiefs, and caperines in all the leading furs and combinations.

The decorations in this store are very neatly gotten up in white, green and pink. No one should fail to call at Northwoods.

W. & RICHARDS.

The brightest and the best has always been W. & Richards' motto, and he has always followed it. That is why you find his store the brightest and containing the best confections. The toothsome dainties that he has need no recommendation. They are their own testimony. His window this year is a sight well worth seeing. In the window there is a model fire place constructed of icing sugar. This is indeed a work of art and was made by an artist, E. H. Hammett. It has been made not altogether for show, but in part to give the public some idea of what Mr. Richards' experts can do with icing sugar in the matter of decorations. It is easily seen that ornamenting a Christmas or wedding cake must be easy work to one who could construct the fire place. A light in the grate and coal gives the whole a very realistic effect. Mr. Richards, as always, has a very choice array of Christmas dainties, including cakes and pastries, the product of his own pastry bakers, and Webb's and Lowmy's chocolates.



Slippers

—FOR—

Christmas..

Wise Old Santa Claus.

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

Slippers from 25c to \$3.

MEN'S RUBBERS, all sizes, for 50c.

WOMEN'S and MISSES' RUBBERS, all sizes for 25c

TURRILL'S, 93 King Street, CHATHAM

TRAGIC DEATH BY BURNING

Mrs. John Jacques fell with Lighted Lamp and Received Fatal Injuries

Terrible Fargo Tragedy—Unfortunate Woman was Subject to Fits.

Mrs. John Jacques, Fargo, was fatally burned last evening between 7 and 8 o'clock. George Rieborough, the mail-carrier between Bridge End and Fargo, called at the house to deliver a letter. He knocked at the door, but receiving no answer, and imagining he heard someone within cry "oh," he rushed to the back of the house and entered. He found Mrs. Jacques lying on the floor enveloped in flames. He quickly got her outside and tried to extinguish the flames by rolling the woman in the snow, but he did not succeed until the woman had been horribly burned. Her dress was destroyed and her corsets alone were left. She lived till 2.30 this morning, when she expired. The woman suffered terribly.

Mrs. Jacques was subject to fits and as she was alone in the house, the cause of the tragedy can only be guessed at. It is thought that she must have had a fit and struck the lamp. Her two daughters and a young man named Budder lived with her, but they were out visiting the neighbors.

Mrs. Jacques was married, but separated from her husband two years ago. They formerly resided at Bridge End.

The New Central Drug Store.

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

Pyrography Sets—The latest fad. We have a very select line of wood, of German made wood for burning in Placques, Glove and Handkerchief Boxes, Book-holders, etc.

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

Razors in fancy cases.

Shave Brushes—Shaving and Smokers'.

Toilet Sets, domestic and imported.

Christmas Olgers in boxes of ten and twenty-five.

Call at the Big Store and see the largest stock in the city.

The New Central Drug Store.

O. H. GUNN & CO., Chatham's Leading Druggists.

DR. A. W. THORNTON DENTIST

Has Removed to his New Office, Corner King and Fifth Streets, over A. L. McCall's Drug Store. Telephone Office 154. Residence 285.

FIRE, LIFE & ACCIDENT

Money to loan at lowest rate of interest.

GEO. K. ATKINSON

Phone 346, 5th Street, Next Harrison Hall.

Ask for Minard's and take no other.

WANTED.

A CHRISTIAN MAN wanted in unoccupied territory to sell full line of articles of daily consumption, to consumers, at wholesale prices. Address, Cooper, Drawer 531, London.

WANTED—Men wanted to learn barber trade; only eight weeks required by our system of constant practice; tools furnished; diplomas given. Full tuition \$25. Call or write. Detroit Barber College, 246 Jefferson Avenue, Detroit, Mich.

FOR SALE OR TO RENT.

FOR SALE—A desirable 50 acres of land, being part of lot 8, concession 2, Chatham; first class quality of soil, well located, within three miles of the city. Terms easy. For further particulars apply to the owner on the premises, or address Chatham P. O. C. W. Haviland.

ELECTION CARDS

To the Electorate of the City of Chatham:

Ladies and Gentlemen—I am a candidate for the position of alderman and respectfully solicit your assistance and support of my candidature.

W. H. TYE, M. D.

To the Electors of the City of Chatham:

I am thankful to you for your liberal patronage in the past, and have decided to again offer myself as a candidate for alderman for 1934. Soliciting your vote and influence, I am, Yours sincerely, JOHN N. EDMUNDSON.

To the Electors of the City of Chatham:

Ladies and Gentlemen—I am a candidate for Alderman for the coming year, and if my nomination in the past have met your approval, I shall be pleased to have a continuance of your confidence. Wishing you the compliments of the season, I remain, Yours sincerely, A. B. MACGILL.

TO THE ELECTORS OF WARD 5.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

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

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

Yours respectfully, GEO. J. FIELDER.

Money to Loan

—ON—

MORTGAGES.

Fire, Life, Accident, Plate Glass, Boiler and Marine Insurance.

DUNN & MERRITT, Box 52, Fifth St. Phone 295.

Candy

5 lbs. for 25c.

CHOCALATES

from 10c to \$3.00 per box.

A splendid assortment of fresh candy and fruits for Santa Claus.

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

TheNorthwoodCo

Up-to-date Millinery. C. AUSTIN & CO. Fashionable Dressmaking.

A Special Bargain for To-Night Only.

We want to see you down town to-night. We want to do more of the trade to-night that otherwise will come to-morrow in the last hours of the rush.

- 16 only Oak Clobber Rockers, extra well finished, bought specially for the Christmas trade and marked at \$3.75, excellent value at the marked price, to-night we will sell them for \$3.00
- 12 only Velvet Rugs, 32x54, made by Crossley & Sons, of Halifax, England, choice designs and worth regular \$2.75; our special price to-night \$1.98
- 40 only Children's Rockers, sold regularly at 35c, marked special for Christmas trade .25
- 25 only 3 fold screen, golden oak and mahogany finish, filled with fancy art muslin, marked for special selling to-night at \$1.35

Clothing and Men's Furnishings Depts.

What 25c Will Buy

- Silk Neckwear, puff, four-in-hand, bows, Strings, handsome qualities .25c
- Reversible Neckwear, blue and white polka dots, special .25c
- Suspenders, very pretty webs, worsted ends, special .25c
- Cuff Buttons, in links and lever styles, very neat, special .25c
- Winter Caps, pull bands with peaks, mens and boys, special .25c
- Imported Cashmere Sox, extra quality, very special .25c
- Linen Collars, W. G. & R. best makes, all styles, 2 for .25c

What 50c Will Buy

- High class English and American Neckwear, best qualities, all sizes .50c
- Han's Celebrated Suspenders, very pretty colorings .50c
- Shaped Neckwear, plain black silk and satin, and pattern silks, special .50c
- Underwear, Scotch knit, all wool and fine fleeces lined (each) .50c
- Lined Gloves, in mens and boys, special value .50c
- Silk Handkerchiefs, colored borders and plain with initial .50c
- Sweaters, boys' all wool sweaters, blue and red shadings, special values .50c

What 75c Will Buy

- 1 dozen Lined Handkerchiefs, very special, per dozen .75c
- Suspenders, high class Harris Suspenders, separate boxes .75c
- Stiff Bosom Princely Shirts, separate cuffs, neat patterns .75c
- Men's Night Shirts, heavy English flannel .75c
- Lined Gloves, fine Swede and kid, all sizes, mens .75c

What \$1 Will Buy

- W. G. & G. High Class Colored Shirts, separate cuffs, all sizes \$1.00
- 1 dozen special Lined Handkerchiefs, good sizes, per dozen \$1.00
- Big silk squares for neckwear for mens, \$1.00
- Umbrellas, special mercurized tops, (mens) \$1.00
- Cardigan Jackets, very special value \$1.00

What \$2 Will Buy

- Fancy Vests, handsome English vestings \$2.00
- Umbrellas, silk and wool tops, gold mountings \$2.00
- Linen Handkerchiefs, fine linen, hemstitched, fine size \$2.00

What \$3 Will Buy

- Men's Fashion Lamb Caps, wedge shape \$3.00
- Men's High Class Worsted Trousers, special \$3.00
- Boys' Reefers, heavy grey frieze, big storm collars \$3.00
- Umbrellas, silk and wool tops, gold mountings, special \$3.00

What \$5 Will Buy

- Boys' Overcoats, long Raglanettes, all sizes, special \$5.00
- Boys' Suits, blue and tweed, 3 piece, all sizes, special \$5.00
- Men's Storm Ulsters, grey and black friezes, special \$5.00

What \$10.00 Will Buy.

- Men's Overcoats, Austin special tailor-made Raglanette \$10.00
- Men's Black Worsted tailor-made, S. B. and D. B. styles \$10.00

What \$5 Will Buy

- A fancy parlor chair, upholstered in good quality figured silk. Your choice of a number of styles of parlor rockers.
- A couch 26 in wide, 75 in long, upholstered in figured tapestry, your choice of six different colors, fringed all round.

What \$10.00 Will Buy.

- A Morris Reclining Chair (or Rocker) made of selected quarter cut golden oak, fitted with reversible mattress cushions, in best quality velours, assorted colors.
- A large rocker made of best quality quarter sawed golden oak, polished, upholstered in genuine leather.
- A Louis XVI oak frame comb, upholstered in best quality velours, assorted colors, double stuffed and double stitched, spring edges.
- A fancy Parlor Set, mahogany finished frame, upholstered in best quality figured silk.

C. Austin & Company

The Leading and Reliable Clothiers.



The Night Before Christmas

Is not the best time to do your Christmas buying. That night we will be crowded so that we will be unable to give you the attention we would like. DO IT NOW is a good motto for December 16th. Now is the time you will find our stock most complete. Many of our customers have already bought and have had the goods laid aside for them. TO-DAY we want to call attention particularly to our **Ebony Goods**. This store is noted for fine Ebony. We buy in the best markets of the world and in quantities that mean good prices. Here is a list of Ebony Goods:—

- EBONY MANICURE PIECES .50c. to \$2.00
- SHAVING BRUSHES .50c. to 1.00
- HAT BRUSHES .75c. to 1.00
- HAIR BRUSHES .50c. to 4.00
- CLOTH BRUSHES .50c. to 3.00
- BONNET BRUSHES .75c. to 1.00
- MIRRORS .200 to 4.00
- MILITARY BRUSHES, per pair .300 to 6.00
- TOILET SETS .500 to 18.00

See our King Street Window.

A. I. McCall & Co., Limited
DRUGGISTS AND OPTICIANS,
CHATHAM AND DRESDEN

For the Children

There is nothing nicer than Christmas stockings, and Christmas Crackers. They are so many good toys in the stockings, and so much amusement in going through them to see what is there that every child would appreciate one.

Christmas Stockings, 10c, 25c, 45c.
Christmas Crackers, 20c, 25c, 40c.
Animals, 25c each.
Good Candy, 10c, 15c and 20c a lb.
Our Special Box, 25c each.
Pretty Boxes, 25c up, filled with candy.
Mixed Nuts, 15c a pound.
New Dates, 7c a pound.
Table Figs, 10c and 20c a pound.
Good Oranges, 20c and 25c a pound.
Table Raisins, 20c and 25c a pound.

H. Malcolmson

Our Holiday Line is Here

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

We must sell the goods

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

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

Fine Toilet Articles.—We have added several new lines this year, in ebony, leather, celluloid, etc.

In these lines we have Everything that is new, Everything that is worth giving and Everything for lowest price.

THE Red Cross Drug Store

W. W. TURNER.

28 King St., Phone 221.

Minard's Liniment Cures Colds, etc.



Let Us Persuade You

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

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Births, Marriages and Deaths

DEATH.
WILSON—At the family residence, Gravel Road, Harwich Tp., on Tuesday night, Dec. 22nd, Mary E., eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wilson, aged 22 years, 5 months and 19 days.
The funeral will take place at one o'clock p. m. Thursday, Dec. 24th, to Maple Leaf Cemetery.

TO-NIGHT.

Prayer meeting, city churches, at 8 o'clock.
Basket Ball practice, drill shed, at 8 o'clock.
Court House, No. 6244, A. O. F. Odd-fellows' Temple, at 8.
Bugle Band will meet for practice in the room in the drill shed at 8.

THE LOCAL BUDGE!

Five new lines of American hats for Christmas, at The 2 T's.
A nice line of perfumes in boxes and bulk, at Ridley's Drug Store.
County Commissioner James Ross, of Tilbury, was in the city yesterday.

See the wonderful new (\$2.00 an oz.) perfume at Ed. Jones' drug store.
Do not forget the Grand Opera on Christmas night.
The Burdock Dancing Club will hold their second assembly on Dec. 24th.

Brisco's have three delivery wagons, delivering Christmas toys, games, etc.
A full line of McGregors' chocolates at Ed. Jones' drug store.

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

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Wardens Thos. Robinson and S. C. Coatsworth, of Coatsworth, were in Chatham yesterday.

Call on Gabo McIntyre at the Montreal House, corner Head and Sandys streets.

The only place for you to go Christmas night is the Grand Opera House. Tickets now on sale at Brisco's.

Smoke Quail on Feast Cigars, 5c. Sold by all dealers, Union Made. in Milton Bates, of the School of Science, Toronto, is spending the Christmas holidays in town.

Holly Wreaths, the best, 10c each. Weathering 21-25c per yard, at the Victoria Ave. Green House, Phone 181.

Several people are going to get left when it comes to Christmas night, as they will not be a ticket left for the Grand Opera House that night, by the way they are going.
Fifty acres of the best land in Raleigh, is offered for sale in today's issue, as well as some desirable city property. Application should be made to Houston, Stone & Seane, solicitors for the estate.

Miss Olive Norton, of Toronto, arrived in the city last evening to spend the Christmas vacation at her home here. Miss Norton, who rooms with a couple of lady friends on Major St., Toronto, had a sum of money in the neighborhood of forty dollars stolen from her room on Saturday last, while the other occupants of the house were heavier losses.

One of the ladies missed \$187 and another about 75. A young fellow boarding of the same house, who is putting himself through school, lost \$50. No trace whatever was found of the culprit.

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The Misses Colles returned home last night from Windsor, and will spend the Christmas holidays with their parents on Wade street.

Girl Wanted—By Mrs. E. B. Northwood, William St., a good girl. Apply to Mrs. John Northwood, Head St.

There will not be any service in Christ Church this evening, as the church is being decorated for the Christmas service.

A large assortment of shaving mugs, brushes, and straps, at Ridley's Drug Store.

"When the Bill Tolls," which is a new departure in modern melodramas, will be produced at the Grand Opera House Saturday evening. Don't fail to see a good show.

TREATY-MAKING POWERS.

IMPORTANT INTERVIEW WITH SIR WILFRID LAURIER.

Defines His Position Upon the Question to a Representative of The London Daily Mail.

London, Dec. 22.—The London Daily Mail publishes an interview with Sir Wilfrid Laurier by H. W. Lucy (famous under the nom de plume of "Toby, M.P.") regarding Canada and the treaty-making powers. Sir Wilfrid Laurier said that at the instance of Britain Canada had consented to an inquiry into the Alaska boundary and had looked for that inquiry to be conducted by jurists free of partisan prejudice. Canada had entered a protest against the pronounced type of American partisan commissioners, but the complaint had received no consideration at the Colonial Office. Canadians were so certain of the justice of their case and the impartiality of Lord Alverstone that they were confident of a favorable judgment upon the two points. Canadians would not get over their disappointment, and were unanimous that a repetition of the Alaska boundary incident would be rendered impossible by Canada having treaty-making powers.

This would not lead to separation, as the Dominion did not demand absolute treaty-making powers, but desired the arrangement of the preliminaries of all treaties affecting her trade and territory, leaving to the Sovereign the responsibility of vetting them if the Imperial Ministers thought desirable in the interests of the empire. The question was not new, but something would come of it now that Canada was more than maturing when the point was raised by Mr. Edward Blake. Today nearly a million of Canadian people have a passionate conviction that they have the right to determine matters regarding their own commerce and boundaries. Canada had brought the Imperial Government to bring Canada's just claims before the court in the Alabama case, but Britain, afraid of offending the Americans, had left her colonies in the lurch. Much the same had happened in the Alaska matter the result of the inquiry would have been very different.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said that in the next few weeks he would enlarge upon the subject of the necessity of Canada having treaty-making powers in view of the demand acclaimed throughout the Dominion.

The London Daily Mail, commenting upon the interview, editorially says:—There seems to be good reason for Canada's contention, but we none the less hope that she will see her way to modify the demand.

WORLD OF SPORT

BASKET BALL

BUGLE BAND VICTORS.

The Bugle Band basket ball team won from the old Y. M. C. A. team at the drill shed last night by six points to four.

The game was exciting and interesting throughout and both teams played well, considering the lack of practice.

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Ladies' Keweenaw Cloth, satin lined \$10 garment for \$10

Fawn Kersey Coats, velvet collar, lined and stitched, \$25.50 for \$25

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Children's Mocha and Kid Mitts, 30c to \$1

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Lined 50c to \$1.50; Mocha Lined 75c to \$2; Scotch Gloves 50c to 75c

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White Damask Table Cloths \$1, \$1.60, \$3, \$5.50, 4 to \$10

Bath Towels, white and colored, Bath Mats, etc, from 12 1/2 to 75c

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Henstitched Towels, 20c to 25c

Sheets, ready to use, from 66c to 90c.

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THAWING DYNAMITE.

A MICHEL MINER PUT IT IN THE COOK STOVE OVEN.

His Own and a Neighbor's Babies Killed—Stove and House Missing—Several Persons Injured.

Vancouver, Dec. 22.—Thos. Plinick, a Slavonic miner of Michel, discovered dynamite could be quickly thawed by placing it in the cook-stove oven. He scarcely had time to congratulate himself upon his discovery, when stove and cottage soared skyward, and the explosion shook the town. Plinick was rendered totally deaf; his wife was battered by a bruising rain of bricks; the baby was found beneath a heap of debris, fatally injured; a sleeping comrade dropped, and a child above, uninjured. In an adjoining cabin, a miner, his wife and child also suffered, the infant there also receiving fatal injuries.

SHOT HER FRIEND.

Detroit Girl Wounded in the Nose at Ingersoll.

Ingersoll, Dec. 22.—Miss Minnie McGraw of Detroit, accompanied by her friend, Miss Maud O'Connor, the same city, arrived home last Saturday evening to spend the Christmas holidays with Miss McGraw's parents. While engaged in some light housework this morning Miss McGraw discovered a .38-calibre revolver belonging to her father, and not knowing it was loaded she pointed it at her friend. The revolver was discharged, the bullet entering the right side of Miss O'Connor's nose. Owing to loss of blood and Miss O'Connor's weak condition, the bullet has not yet been probed for. While the accident is a serious one, fatal results are not anticipated.

JAMES GRAHAM'S DEATH.

Third-Year Student at Queen's Dies of Fever.

Kingston, Dec. 22.—James Graham of Metcalfe, Ont., a third-year student in arts at Queen's College, died Sunday of typhoid fever in the General Hospital, where he had been confined for three weeks. The remains were escorted by students and professors to the K. & P. station to-day and sent to the home of his parents.

A COOL MURDERER.

Would Prefer Execution to Staying in Prison.

New York, Dec. 22.—When Frank Henry Burness, a ship's cook, was placed on trial in Brooklyn for the murder November 10 of Captain Geo. B. Townsend, the skipper of the lumber schooner Charles Buckley, the prisoner admitted his guilt, and a written confession was submitted in which he declared that he had shot the captain deliberately and with premeditation, because the latter owed him money, and that he desired to facilitate the trial because he preferred to be executed rather than remain in prison. The confession further stated that the prisoner had previously killed three men. For shooting a man in Charlestown, Mass., he said that he had served three years in prison. He had served a term in Havana for killing a teamster, and had killed a man named Henry Hecker on which charge he was acquitted on a technicality.

SPEAKER GULLY MAY RESIGN.

Has Held Office For Nine Years—The Conservatives' View.

London, Dec. 22.—The Right Hon. William Court Gully has announced his intention of refusing to offer himself for re-election as Speaker of the House of Commons on the completion of his present term. He has held the office for nearly nine years, and will on retirement receive, as usual, a pension for the remainder of his life of £20,000 a year, together with the Peerage, which in the case of ex-Speakers invariably takes the form of a Viscountcy. It is possible that the "First Commoner in the Land," a title which the Speaker of the House of Commons holds by virtue of a statute enacted several centuries ago, may resign before the dissolution of the present Parliament, and a good deal of Tory pressure is being brought in an indirect way to bear upon him in order to induce him to do this. It would enable the Tories, who possess a large majority in the present House, to elect one of their own party to the vacant chair.

B. C. SOCIALISTS.

Will Have Candidates in Every Constituency.

Vancouver, Dec. 22.—The Socialist party, encouraged by their success as a Provincial "balance of power," are preparing to contest all British Columbia constituencies for the Commons. James Pritchard, Secretary of the Miners' Union at the time of the Ladysmith strike, has been nominated in Nanaimo. John T. Mortimer will be the candidate here. Other nominations will be made before the holidays.

Big Strike Probable.

Gloversville, N.Y., Dec. 21.—The prospects for another general tie-up of the glove industry of Fulton County, affecting in the neighborhood of 12,000 persons. For some weeks a series of unsuccessful conferences have been held between the Glove Manufacturers' Association and representatives of the International Glove Table Cutters' Union over a clause in the schedule of wages submitted by the manufacturers, allowing no discrimination in regard to union and non-union workers.

ABNER DANIEL

By WILL N. KARBEN
Author of "Westerfeld"

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"Yes, an' I've been with Alan an' Miller fer the last week tryin' to do some'n, but we couldn't. They've been sendin' telegrams by the basketful, an' Jeff Dukes has trotted his legs off back an' forth, but nothin' hain't been done."

"You say the hain't?" Abner's voice quivered and fell.

"No. They both kept up the sperits purty well fer about ten days beca'se that dang Atlanta chief of police kept writin' he was on a scent o' Winship, but day before yesterday they give in. We was a-settin' in Miller's office when the last message come from Atlanta. They said they'd been after the wrong man an' that they'd give up. You ort 'a' seed Alan's face. Miller tried to cheer 'im up, but it wasn't no go. Then who do you think come? Alan's sweet-heart. She axed to see 'im, an' they talked awhile in the front room. Then Miller come back an' said she'd axed to be introduced to me. Jest think o' it! I went in an' seed she'd been a-cryin'. She got up, by jinks, an' ketched my hand an' said she wanted to thank me beca'se I'd been such a friend to Alan! Uncle Ab, I felt as mean as a egg suckin' dog, beca'se that was Alan flat o' his back, as the feller said, an' I hadn't turned a hand to help 'im. An' then she was, the gal he loves an' wants, an' 'is poverty standin' betwixt 'em. I couldn't say nothin', an' I reckon I looked more kinds of a darn fool than she ever seed on two legs."

"Well, what did you do?" asked Abner, too much moved by Pole's graphic picture to speak with his usual lightness.

"What did I do? I made my bow an' slid. I made a beeline fer Murray's bar an' put two down as fast as they could shovel 'em out. Then I tuck another, an' cut countin'. I began to think I owned the shebang an' broke several billiard cues, an' I threw the chalk around. Then Dukes come an' said he'd give me a chance to escape trial fer misconduct if I'd straddle my hoss an' make fer home. I agreed, but that was one thing I had to do fast. I had promised Alan not to drink any more, an' so I didn't want to sneak away to hide it. I went to Miller's house, whar he's stayin', an' called 'im out. I told 'im I'd jest come see no other reason 'an to let 'im see me at my worst. I felt like it was the only manly way, after I'd broke faith with a friend as true as he is."

"Too bad!" sighed Abner. "I'll bet it hurt Alan to see you in that fix."

"Well, he didn't complain," said Pole. "But he put his arm around me an' come as nigh cryin' as I ever seed a strong man. It's my fault, Pole, see he. 'I can see that.' Then him an' Miller both tried to get me to go upstairs in that fine house an' go to bed an' sleep it off, but I wouldn't. I come on home an' got mad at Sally fer talkin' to me an' come nigh as pees hittin' 'er in the jaw. But that's over, Uncle Ab. What I'm in fer now is work. I ain't no fool. I'm on a still hunt, an' I jest want yore private opinion. I don't want you to commit yoreself unless you want to, but I'd go more on yore judgment than any man's in this country. I want to know if you think old Craig is a honest man at heart. Now don't say you don't know an' keep yore mouth shut, fer what I want to know, an' all I want to know, is how you feel about that one thing."

Abner hung his head down. His long thumb trembled as it nail went under a splinter on the rail and pried it off.

"I see what you are a-drivin' at," he said. "You jest want to feel shore o'."

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Yore ground." Abner began to chew the spitter and spit out the broken bits. He was silent, under Pole's anxious gaze, for a minute, and then he laughed dryly. "I reckon me 'n' you has about the same suspicion," he said. "That 'int's been worryin' me fer several days, an' I didn't let it end that nuther."

"Ah, you didn't?" exclaimed Baker. "You say you didn't, Uncle Ab?"

"No, I got so I couldn't lie down at night without the idee poppin' into my head that maybe Craig had made a fool of Winship fer some minor crime an' had hustled 'im out o' the country so he could gobble up what was in the bank an' pos him as a injured mail in the community."

"Same heet, pine blank!" said Pole eagerly. "What did you do, Uncle Ab?"

"Jest satisfied myself that Alan's money—or some of it—wasn't out o' creation, that's all."

"I have my reasons fer believin' like you do," said Pole.

"You say you have."

Pole glanced furtively over his shoulder at his cabin to see that no one was within hearing, then said:

"You know Winship is old Fred Parson's nephew. Well, old Fred's always been a stanch friend to me. We moon-shined it together two year, though he never knowed my chief hidin' place. In fact, nobody knows about that spot, Uncle Ab, even now. Well, I had a talk with 'im an' axed his opinion about his nephew. He talks as straight as a shingle, an' he ain't no idiot. He says it's all boss about Winship takin' aw' all that hoodie."

"He does, does he?" Abner nodded, as if to himself.

"Yes, an' he don't claim Winship ain't guilty, nuther. He jest holds

thinks Winship's in a safe place an' never will be fetched back."

Abner drew himself up straight. "Have you talked to Alan an' Miller on that line?"

"Tried to," granted Pole in high disgust, "but Miller says it's no good to think of accusin' Craig. He says we can't prove a thing on 'im, unless we ketch Winship. He says that sort of a steal is the easiest thing on earth an' that it's done every day. But that's beca'se he was fetched up in the law," Pole finished. "We uns out heer in the mountains kin fish up other ways o' fetchin' a scamp to time without standin' 'im up before a thick headed jury or lettin' 'im out on bond till he dies o' old age. You've got sense enough to know that, Uncle Ab."

The slanting rays of the setting sun struck the old man in the face. There was a tinkle of cow bells in the pasture below the cabin. The outlaw in Pole Baker was a thing Abner Daniel deplored, and yet today it was a straw bobbing about on the troubled waters of the old man's soul toward which, if he did not extend his hand, he looked interestedly. A grim expression stole into his face, drawing the merry lines down toward his chin.

"I wouldn't do nothin' foolhardy, Pole," Abner looked into the fellow's face, drew a long, trembling breath and finished, "I wouldn't, but I'll be durned if I know what I'd do!"

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In a glass of water every morning and you will find that blotches and eruptions will give place to clear skin. Throw away the powder puff and rouge-pot—they are counterfeits of nature. Abbey's will cure constipation, the enemy of a clear complexion.

Beaver FLOUR

Made from the world's best wheat

by the world's best

milling methods—the

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bread—the best biscuits

—the best pastry.

Never spoils a baking.

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Carving Sets, Table Knives,
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Prices are right.

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Highest wages paid. Steady work. Apply to

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The Canada Flour Mills Co., Limited.

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For Christmas and New Year's Vacation.

Will issue RETURN TICKETS (General Public) at

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STILL REDUCING WAGES.

Hard Times For Steel Workers in United States.

Pueblo, Col., Dec. 22.—Notices were posted at the Colorado Fuel and Iron Works that when the works resume, which probably will be within a few days, it will be at a reduction of ten per cent. in wages of skilled employees.

Pittsburg, Dec. 22.—Semi-official information was given out that a general reduction in wages is to be made at all non-union iron and steel plants in the country that will average about ten per cent. It is not proposed to make any official announcement of the cut until after Christmas. Representatives of the United States Steel Corporation are said to have agreed with the independent interests upon a uniform readjustment of wages of all employees. The Glassport hoop mills resumed operations after a shut-down of several weeks, some of the tonnage men returning to work at reduced wages. The reductions vary from twenty to thirty-five per cent. The management expected trouble and a high board fence had been erected. Iron and coal police were stationed at the works, but there was no demonstration.

Joliet, Ill., Dec. 22.—The converter and billet mills of the Illinois Steel Company, employing 1,000 men, closed down until January 15.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Four thousand steel laborers at South Chicago, employees of the Illinois Steel Company, have been notified that they will be laid off next Thursday. Their hundred employees have already been discharged. The reason given for the men for their dismissal is needed repairs. The wages of the iron mine employees of the O'Neil Mining Company, which is the iron end of the steel trust, will be reduced thirteen and one-half per cent. on January 1.

C. P. R. IN ENGLAND.

Opened New Offices in London and Liverpool.

Montreal, Dec. 22.—Mr. G. M. Bosworth, Fourth Vice-President of the Canadian Pacific Railway, has returned from a trip of several weeks in England. Speaking of his visit, Mr. Bosworth said that since the company had acquired the Atlantic steamship line it had quite a stake in England, and the object of his visit was to study the company's connections on that side. Mr. Bosworth found the outlook for increased business in England very favorable. He denied the report that the C. P. R. steamship service would be conducted in connection with one of the other lines. The Canadian Pacific, he said, would continue to run its own business. The C. P. R., Mr. Bosworth pointed out, had moved into the new building which it had erected on Trafalgar Square, one of the very best sites in London. Mr. Bosworth also announced that the Liverpool offices of the company had been removed from the old quarters to No. 22 James street, the thoroughfare which dominates many of the large steamship enterprises.

KISHINEFF MURDERERS.

Mild Sentences Passed Upon the Convicted Ones.

Kishineff, Bessarabia, Dec. 22.—Two Russians named Gnetichin and Marosjick, who have been on trial charged with murder as the authors of the massacre of Jews here last spring, have been sentenced to seven and five years' penal servitude respectively. Twenty-two other persons charged with being involved in the massacre are sentenced to periods ranging from one to two years each. One person was sentenced to six months' imprisonment and twelve more were acquitted, while civil actions brought against the accused were dismissed. The costs of the prosecution must be paid by the convicted persons.

THE UPTON INQUEST.

William McGa. Brother of the Prisoner. Testifies.

London, Ont., Dec. 22.—Fanny McGa. was taken from the county jail yesterday by Chief Wilson to attend the inquest at Stratford into the death of Patrick Upton. Mr. Upton's funeral took place there Sunday morning.

The coroner's inquest, began yesterday. Up to 1 p.m. only one witness had been examined, and that was William McGa. of Stratford, a brother of the prisoner. His evidence was identically the same as the statement made by him at the time of the affair. McGa. was in the house when his sister attacked Upton and assisted in overpowering her. Miss McGa. was present at the inquiry, and exhibited little interest in the proceedings. She made no statement whatever.

ANOTHER GAS EXPLOSION.

Presbyterian Church Near Ancaster Reported Damaged.

Hamilton, Dec. 22.—A report was received in this city that the Presbyterian church in the Scotch block, about three miles from Ancaster, was badly damaged on Saturday night by an explosion of acetylene gas. No person was injured.

St. John's, Que., Gets Singer Works.

Ottawa, Dec. 22.—A letter from the manager of the Singer Sewing Company, New York, to-day announces that after considering the offer of Ottawa and other places it was decided to construct the Canadian branch at St. John's, Quebec. The branch will manufacture for the Canadian trade.

Cure Eczema

Boils, Salt Rheum, Scrofula, and all blood diseases permanently by using

Weaver's Syrup

For the Blood.

DREYFUS INNOCENT.

Belief That He Will Be Restored to the Army.

Paris, Dec. 22.—At a meeting of the Dreyfus Commission next Wednesday M. Victor Mercier, reporter of the commission, and one of the directors of the Ministry of Justice, will submit a report recommending revision of the case of Captain Dreyfus, according to information given the Associated Press. If the revision of the case should be favorable to Captain Dreyfus he will be restored to the army no matter what protests may be made, but it is not expected that he will assume active service. M. Mercier's report, it is believed, not only establishes that Dreyfus is innocent of writing the "bordereau," but dwells with emphasis on the modifications by M. Gribeling, keeper of the War Office records, of his testimony before Council at Rennes. M. Gribeling then swore that Dreyfus was guilty, while the modification of his testimony now indicates that the alleged treason was committed by Colonel Henry, who was at the same time chief of the Intelligence Department of the Ministry of War.

"NOT IF IT COST TEN DOLLARS"

A bottle would I be without Polson's Nervine," writes J. A. Ruth, a farmer living near Trenton, Ont. Nervine is the best household liniment I know. We use it for stomach troubles, indigestion, headache and summer complaint. I know of nothing better to take in hot water to break up a cold, or to rub on for rheumatism or neuralgia. Every farmer should keep a few bottles of Nervine handy and have smaller doctor bills. Large bottles 25c. at druggists.

The pitcher that never goes to the well never brings out water; and it may fall off the shelf and be broken.

Coughs, colds, hoarseness, and other throat ailments are quickly relieved by Croscoll's Tablets, ten cents per box. All druggists.

An assumption of "soulfulness" betrays the amateur.

TO MASS'CRE JEWS.

ALLEGED PLOT FOR ANOTHER KISHINEFF HORROR.

Governor of the City Said to Have Declared Troops Would Protect the Assaultants.

London, Dec. 22.—The Times reproduces with reserve the following, received by prominent members of the Jewish community in London from Russia: "Alarming tidings have arrived from Kishineff that renewed excesses are being prepared for Christmas (Russian reckoning January 7). The Governor, Prince Urussov, summoned the President of the Hebrew congregation and asked what the attitude of the Jews would be in that contingency. On being told that the Jews would defend themselves Prince Urussov said in that case the military would protect the assaultants."

NOT CASH'S BODY.

Young Man Found in a Well Near Calgary.

Winnipeg, Dec. 22.—The police still have nothing definite in the Cash case, although working on various clues. Yesterday it was reported that Cash's body was found in a well three miles west of the city. Men from the barracks went to Alexander Macdonald's ranch, only to find that the body in the well was that of George Bacon, a young man who worked on the ranch. It took a great amount of time to raise the body, as the well is a hundred feet deep. It is believed that Bacon slipped into the well while drawing water with a bucket. The coroner is investigating.

AFTER NEWFOUNDLAND.

The Dominion Government Said to be in Earnest.

Ottawa, Dec. 22.—From what can be gleaned here the Dominion Government are in earnest in the desire for Newfoundland to enter the union, and would not be disposed to haggle unduly over the terms in any huckstering spirit. It is well known that, although there was at one time some opposition in Newfoundland to the idea of union with Canada, that feeling has to a great extent passed away. Perhaps it is not generally known that in 1899 the Council and Legislature of Newfoundland were willing to cast in their lot with Canada, and a conference took place at Ottawa which resulted in terms being agreed upon. For some reason or other the whole thing was allowed to drop. As to the acquisition of Greenland, it would be reasonable to infer that the Danish Government are being asked whether they will part with the island or not. If Denmark will sell, Canada will purchase. This is undoubtedly the attitude of the Dominion Government in the matter. It requires two parties to make a bargain, however, and it is impossible to say whether we can acquire Greenland until we have the Danish Government's reply.

SOO CANALS TRAFFIC.

Figures Show an Increase For Canadian Canal.

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Dec. 22.—Although the aggregate traffic through the ship canals at this place for the year just closed shows a falling off of 1,286,709 net tons, all of this decrease has occurred in the traffic through the American canal, the Canadian record being 775,834 net tons in excess of last year. The principal decrease this year was in building stone, which shows a falling off of forty-five per cent. while both wheat and flour fell twenty per cent. The only record which showed any considerable increase was that of hard coal; in this 27 per cent. increase is shown. Last year there passed through the Canadian canals 4,728,351 net tons of freight, while this season's record was 5,502,183.

MASSEY-HARRIS' WAGES.

Annual Readjustment With a Tendency to Decline.

Toronto, Dec. 22.—Employees of the Massey-Harris Company have been notified of the annual readjustment of wages for piece work. The management state that it is usual to make some alteration in wages during the winter months, and that as the general tendency during the past two or three years has been upwards some reductions will probably be made for this season of this year. Individual rates will be examined and the conditions of the labor market will also be considered. The maintenance of the company's foreign trade is a matter of supreme importance, and with wages in other countries declining it is necessary for this company also to consider this branch of their expenditure most carefully.

ATLANTIC GALES.

Weeks and Other Damages in the Maritime Provinces.

St. Andrew's, N. B., Dec. 22.—During a heavy gale Sunday, Gardner & Dean's new smoke house, with 500 boxes of bladders, was swept away and the contents scattered on the beach. The loss will be heavy.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 22.—A heavy gale swept over Cape Breton on Monday and the schooner Edward Grover was driven ashore near Sydney. It is thought the vessel can be saved with little damage.

The schooner Lizzie went ashore near Canso at 5 o'clock this morning and is a total loss. The vessel has a cargo of lumber for Louisbourg.



The Sunlight Maids are always through their wash at twelve o'clock.

SUNLIGHT SOAP

With ordinary soap a woman has to work so hard and so long on wash day she has no time for preparing any of the family meals. Wash day is a trial, and the Sunlight Soap makes all the difference in the world. No toiling—no rubbing—no boiling—less than half the labor with much better results. Most women are off through their wash by twelve o'clock when they wash with Sunlight Soap the Sunlight way. It makes child's play of work.

ASK FOR THE OCTAGON BAR.
Sunlight Soap washes the clothes white and won't injure the hands.
LEVER BROTHERS LIMITED, TORONTO.



Souvenir Range.

You run no risk in buying this range—it is made on honor without reference to cost. Every part is so constructed as to render it the most durable and best operating—parts of the fire box exposed to the fire will outlast at least three ordinary ranges.

Makers' Written Guarantee.

The makers have every confidence in this range—they bind themselves in writing that it will operate perfectly and against imperfections in material and workmanship. Such a Guarantee accompanies no other range—enough said.

Gurney, Tilden Co.
Limited,
Hamilton Toronto Montreal Winnipeg

Geo. Stephens & Co. Sole Agents



The Berliner Gramophone

\$1.00 brings you one. We make it easy for you to own a Gramophone. Even an ordinary piano or organ costs a lot of money—there are lessons to pay for and weary hours of practice—and then a piano is only a piano. The "Berliner Gramophone" gives you more than 2000 selections to choose from.—"A child can operate it."

You can play it in five minutes. The work of the most famous instrumentalists, the voices of the greatest vocalists are produced for you. It sings and talks and every note and tone is true to life. You have in your home an instrument that, at your pleasure, either an orchestra or a flute—a singer of comic songs or a speech-maker—all at prices not one-twentieth the cost of an ordinary piano and on terms so easy that anyone can afford it.

Prices of Gramophones \$15 to \$45

complete with 3 Records. "It is made in Canada."

Sold on easy monthly payments if desired. Write for particulars, Catalogue and list of Records.

Manufactured by E. BERLINER, 2315 St. Catherine Street, Montreal.

FOR SALE BY AGENTS—A. A. JORDAN, J. H. TYRRELL, F. TSCHIRHART

PARTBOTT & BOWTHWELL

Are selling Real Estate right along. They mean business.

Owners of property who desire to sell are quick to make

Wm. Foreman & Co Importers.

Open To-Night and To-Morrow
...Night...

Time is Flying.

But one day left to do your shopping. Better do your shopping here if your gifts are to be of Dry Goods. Good service and suggestive displays will aid you wonderfully at this late hour.

SILKS

Way not a Waist or Dress Length of Silk? Nothing more appropriate to give your mother, wife or sister. In waist silks you will find something easy here. Then our stock of Black Peau de Soie Silk is complete, and there is no silk nor gift more acceptable for your mother and wife than a dress of Black Peau de Soie silk. At per yard \$1.25, \$1.35, \$1.50, \$1.65 and \$1.75—15 yards to a pattern.

DRESS GOODS

A Dress Pattern from this stock of high grade and exclusive dress fabrics will be most acceptable.

LINENS

You know how they'll please particularly if you choose from this stock of Linens.

HANDKERCHIEFS

A remembrance that is appreciated by all. We selected our Handkerchiefs with great care. You can choose from this stock at from each 50c. to \$1.25.

WM. FOREMAN & CO.



FOR BUSY CHRISTMAS

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

Christmas Slippers
Christmas Leggins
Christmas Overalls
Christmas Boots.

How can you please any member of the family better than coming to the Boston Shoe Store.

J. L. CAMPBELL.

North Side King St., Chatham.

Boston Shoe Store.

Ayer's Pills

The dose is one, just one pill at bedtime. Sugar-coated, mild, certain. They cure indigestion, biliousness.

Bibles

Hand bibles for Sunday School classes at low prices.
Full Teacher's Bibles, with helps, references, concordance and maps, \$1.
India Paper Bible with references, \$1.
A full line of Oxford Bibles, from \$2 to \$1.00.

Prayer Books

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

Fancy boxes of

Holiday Stationery

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

KENNY'S

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.

Saturday, Dec. 26

A special Dramatic Event.
The Charming Picturesque Play.
The Princess Theatre, London, Success.

"When The Bell Tolls."

The original American cast. A story of unflagging interest. Situated in the country of scenic beauty Switzerland.

SEE The Chateaus and Castles—the famous Plateau Scene—The venerable monastery of St. Bernard—Something New in the realm of dramatic literature.

Prices—25c, 35c, 50c and 75c.

CHRISTMAS GIFT OF NEAT \$4,000

Handsome Amount Received
by the City from the Water Commissioners.

A Splendid Record For the Year
—Resume of Work Accomplished—Thanks to Chairman.

"We have given the city water for hydrants, fire protection, laws, etc., to the extent of \$5,684.

"We have added \$1,911.44 to capital account in the way of mains, house services, etc.

"We have to-day voted to give the city \$4,000 in cash, and yet have a balance on hand of \$1,174.13.

"All of which totals \$12,769.57 against \$10,120.02, which is the sum required on the principal and interest on the water works debt debentures.

"This leaves a balance of \$2,649.55 to the credit of the commission."

In the above manner did Commissioner W. D. Sheldon express himself at the meeting of the Water Works Board yesterday afternoon.

"And yet people say the Water Works is not self-sustaining," added Chairman Dr. J. L. Bray, with a smile.

Continuing, Mr. Sheldon said,—"We have done this notwithstanding the fact that we have been at much greater expense this year than ever before. Coal has been very high, as were also labor and material, yet we have sold enough water to overcome all these obstacles and have a profit. Besides, for some months past the rate has been lowered in some cases."

The Commissioners were very enthusiastic over a successful year's business, probably the best in the history of the Water Works.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT, YEARS

	1892	1893	Increase
Water Sales.....	\$127,751.51	\$143,155.65	\$15,404.14
Operating expenses.....	4,382.33	4,725.42	343.09
Interest on bonds.....	29,611.15	28,152.32	1,458.83
Maintenance.....	146.19	502.94	356.75
Extension of works.....	2,582.12	799.04	1,783.08
Extension of House services.....	866.38	1,023.65	157.27
Amount paid to city.....	22,418.86	2,000.00	20,418.86
Balance in Bank.....	22,418.86	2,000.00	20,418.86

J. C. Wate, Sec.-Treas.

Chairman Dr. Bray said it would be a nice thing for the employees to receive their pay before Christmas.

Mr. Sheldon made the motion and it carried.

The Lake Erie Coal Co. wrote, stating they had sent a car of coal from a new Pittsburgh mine and asked to have the results of its use reported.

Superintendent Jones said the coal was good, but there was a lot of stone and dirt mixed with it and thought a reduction should be made by the company.

BOUQUETS

Commissioner Sheldon moved, seconded and put a motion that a vote of thanks be tendered Dr. J. L. Bray for the able and efficient manner in which he had conducted the affairs of the board during 1903.

In reply the doctor heartily expressed his thanks for the motion, but said the honors in connection with the chairmanship were sufficient. He had been chairman of the Board for five years with W. D. Sheldon, and they had worked most harmoniously. The city could get no more active or attentive a commissioner than Mr. Sheldon and he thought him to be one of the clearest headed men in the city. The chairman could not do much without a good co-commissioner and also good officials to carry out the work. The city had the best possible officials in Secretary-Treasurer Weir and Superintendent Jones. We have gone on harmoniously and notwithstanding rebuffs, and done our work in the interests of the city. We have done our best, but if the citizens think they can get men to serve their interests better, I am willing to step down and out.

The best protection against fevers, pneumonia, diphtheria, etc., is in building up the system with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

The market this morning was a splendid one, there being an abundance of everything seasonable. The only marked difference in quotations from last Saturday was the fall in the price of poultry, and especially turkeys. They were sold as high as four dollars, but birds bringing this price were away outside of the ordinary in size.

Following is the price list:—

IN THE SHEDS.
Butter, per lb., 18c to 20c.
Chickens, 25c to 40c.
Ducks, each, 85c to 1.00.
Eggs, per dozen, 25c.
Geese, each, 75c to 1.25.

VEGETABLES.
Apples, per peck, 15c to 20c.
Potatoes, per peck, 20c to 25c.
Cabbages, each, 2c to 5c.
Squash, 3c to 5c.
Pumpkins, 10c.
Onions, 25c peck.
Savory, 5c bunch.
Celery, three bunches for 10c.
Carrots, per peck, 15c.
Parsnips, per peck, 15c.

ALL MUST GO..

As we are going out of the Crockery Business.

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

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

4 lbs. Mixed Candy, 25c.
3 lbs. best currants, 25c.
3 lbs. Select Raisins, 25c.
3 lb. tin of best sodas, 25c no charge for time.
Pickle, 10c per bottle.
New dates, 7c per lb.
2 lbs. pure lard, 25c.
3 lbs. Mixed Raisins, 25c.
1 lb. Java Baking Powder, 10c.

John McConnell,
Phone 190, Park St.

Local Briefs

The nicest lot of carving sets in the city at Westman Bros.

Rev. Dr. Hannon is the guest of Rev. and Mrs. P. E. Malott, Hand street.

Lost—Will person taking parcel from the Bessie Store in mistake kindly return to The Northway Co.

George Morgan, of Blenheim, is preparing to move on to the work of moving the pavilion and station at Erieau. The buildings are to be moved opposite the water tank on the lake shore.

A pair of otter fur gauntlets were left in the general waiting room of the C. P. R. station last evening. A suitable reward will be paid for their return to this office.

R. A. Webster, of Dalhousie, formerly a Chathamite, is calling on his many old friends. Mr. Webster has been in Chatham for fifteen or twenty years and sees many changes.

Ex-Mayor Hugh Macdonald left yesterday for Sandwich, whence he will proceed to Minneapolis and join Mrs. Macdonald, who is on her way home from Winnipeg. They will spend Christmas with their son Fred at Minneapolis.

A present that will be useful at all seasons of the year for a Christmas present would be a set of Planet whist trays.

Health Inspector Anson Mounier is endeavoring to get all cards of contagious diseases down before Christmas and make as many people happy, with safety to the public health. There are only a few cards up at present and he expects to have nearly all down to-morrow.

Bread knives, table knives, spoons and forks in great variety at Westman Bros.

Deeds of the death of the late William Robinson, father of the late Warden, have been received. Mr. Robinson passed away while he slept, the cause of his death being hemorrhage of the brain. He went to bed feeling quite well. The funeral will take place at 12 o'clock to-morrow from Coatsworth to the Robinson burying ground.

CALL OF DEATH

Miss Mary E. Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson, Gravel Road, Barwick Township, passed away last night in her 23rd year.

Miss Wilson had been sick only a few weeks suffering from pleurisy pneumonia. She was teaching school at Woodley when she was first taken ill and was removed to her home where everything possible was done, but without avail.

Miss Wilson was an exceedingly bright and attractive young lady. She passed the entrance when she was a mere young girl, and the same success attended her studies at the C. P. R. of which she was a graduate. She taught school at Kent Bridge and Chatham, Ontario, and last spring graduated from the London Normal school.

Miss Wilson had resided on the property of her father, taking the charge of the school at the beginning of the year.

The death of the young lady is one of the saddest in the annals of the community. Besides the father and mother, three sisters and two brothers survive. They are—Alice, Kate and Isabelle, and Robert and Harry.

The funeral will take place to-morrow at ten o'clock to the Maple Leaf cemetery.

The best protection against fevers, pneumonia, diphtheria, etc., is in building up the system with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

THE MARKETS

The market this morning was a splendid one, there being an abundance of everything seasonable. The only marked difference in quotations from last Saturday was the fall in the price of poultry, and especially turkeys. They were sold as high as four dollars, but birds bringing this price were away outside of the ordinary in size.

Following is the price list:—

IN THE SHEDS.
Butter, per lb., 18c to 20c.
Chickens, 25c to 40c.
Ducks, each, 85c to 1.00.
Eggs, per dozen, 25c.
Geese, each, 75c to 1.25.

VEGETABLES.
Apples, per peck, 15c to 20c.
Potatoes, per peck, 20c to 25c.
Cabbages, each, 2c to 5c.
Squash, 3c to 5c.
Pumpkins, 10c.
Onions, 25c peck.
Savory, 5c bunch.
Celery, three bunches for 10c.
Carrots, per peck, 15c.
Parsnips, per peck, 15c.

ALL MUST GO..

As we are going out of the Crockery Business.

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

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

4 lbs. Mixed Candy, 25c.
3 lbs. best currants, 25c.
3 lbs. Select Raisins, 25c.
3 lb. tin of best sodas, 25c no charge for time.
Pickle, 10c per bottle.
New dates, 7c per lb.
2 lbs. pure lard, 25c.
3 lbs. Mixed Raisins, 25c.
1 lb. Java Baking Powder, 10c.

John McConnell,
Phone 190, Park St.

DEPENDS UPON RUSSIA.

Japan Forwards Request With Time Limit.

Tokio, Dec. 21.—Owing to the rumors regarding the assembly of military transports at Hiroshima, there has been a sharp fall in the market quotations of all Japanese stocks.

Tokio, Dec. 22.—Japan's reply to Russia was handed to Baron de Rosen at a conference between the Russian Minister and Foreign Minister Komura at the Russian Legation.

Japan's reply is in no way the nature of an ultimatum, but she asks Russia to reconsider certain essential points in her reply to Japan. Baron de Rosen is now sufficiently recovered to resume the negotiations.

Berlin, Dec. 22.—War in the far east is regarded in official quarters here as improbable for several weeks, for the reason that Japan will continue to negotiate, and Russia's policy is understood to be simply to "sit tight and hold on," make no specific promises concerning the territories in dispute, and meet an attack if Japan will be satisfied with nothing else. Russia will let nothing go. Japan must be content with that or fight. This attitude, it is believed, is approved by the Czar, who is not willing that Russia should take the aggressive. The Czar's advisers are convinced that Great Britain and France will not be involved.

THE KAISER'S TONGUE.

London Papers Say It Ran Away With Him.

London, Dec. 22.—London has been spluttering all day long over Emperor William's speech at Hanover, in which he said the incomparable deeds of the German Legion saved the British army from destruction at Waterloo. The unanimous opinion of London is voiced by a harmonious press, Liberal, Conservative, Radical, tariff reform and free food editors vying in protest and denunciation. They charge the Emperor with gross and palpable perversion of history, and contradict point blank the statement that the Germans saved the British from defeat and annihilation. They credit Blucher with routing the enemy after they had been defeated, but aver that there was no question when he came up of the French destroying the British. They charge the Emperor with unpardonable indiscretion in making the speech needlessly and flagrantly offensive to the British.

They do not forget to congratulate him upon the recovery of his voice and on being able to speak with his old-time roundness, but they advise him, in terms not lacking directness, that once more his tongue has been allowed to run away with his good sense, and has made him silly in the eyes of the world. One editor suggests the most charitable view to take is that Emperor William was betrayed by what Mr. Combes denominated "a chateur communicative des banquets."

Windsor Policeman Sued.

Frank Jeannette's Charge Against Patrolman Elliott.

Windsor, Dec. 22.—Frank Jeannette, late proprietor of the Davenport House, Windsor, who will appear before Judge Horne to answer a charge of non-support preferred against him by his wife, at present living with her two small children in Detroit, has begun a suit for \$2,000 damages against Patrolman A. Elliott, whom he accuses of alienating his wife's affections. This strange course of affairs has come as a shock to the many friends of Elliott, who is one of the most popular patrolmen in Windsor. Elliott denies all connection with the affair. He is unmarried and lives with his mother and two sisters.

SUIT AGAINST MITCHELL.

Big Claim For Alleged Settlement of the Miners' Strike.

Binghamton, N. Y., Dec. 22.—The case of Attorney A. D. Wales of this city against John Mitchell, President of the United Mine Workers' Union of America, to recover \$200,000 for services in settling the recent coal strike, came up before Justice Lyon this afternoon, on a motion for the appointment of an open commission to orally examine Thomas D. Nicholas, President of District No. 1 of the United Mine Workers, at Scranton, Pa. Justice Lyon adjourned the case until to-morrow.

TELEGRAPH BRUTITIES.

The late Mr. Fred T. Wilkes was buried at Branford.

John Boyle, who was killed by a horse at London, is dead.

A new Presbyterian church was opened at Shakenpeare, which cost \$10,000.

William Jeannette Bryan was accorded a fifteen-minute interview with the Czar.

As the result of a train wreck near Fort Scott, Kansas, eight people were killed.

Halton Liberals nominated Mr. J. S. Deacon, public school inspector, for the Commons.

Mr. Herbert S. Clements was nominated for the Commons by the Conservatives of West Kent.

The Dominion Coal Company have declared a dividend of 3 per cent. on common stock for the half-year.

William Henry Thompson, a C. P. R. switchman, lost his life in the Winnipeg yards, being crushed by a train.

Russians convicted of complicity in the murder of Jews at Kishineff received sentences of from six months to seven years.

A man, supposed to be John Wark of Ashtabula, jumped from a train near Ottawa, and cut his throat. He was found dead beside the fence.

The Toronto Railway Company laid a supply wire from the Metropolitan wires without asking the city's consent. The Mayor ordered the wire to be cut.

CHRISTMAS Is Almost Here

but still there is time to get that present. Stocks are as yet almost unbroken and enthusiastic salespeople are ever ready to help you make your choice.

The decorations are well worth seeing and the many bright and useful articles tastefully displayed, will offer you many suggestions for your Christmas buying.

SENSIBLE GIFTS FOR MEN.

NECKWEAR

HANDKERCHIEFS

GLOVES

MUFFLERS

CUFF LINKS

SUSPENDERS

FANCY SOX

PIJAMAS

HOUSE COATS

DRESSING GOWNS

BATH ROBES

FUR CAPS

FUR GAUNTLETS

FUR LINED COATS

FANCY VESTS

UMBRELLAS

To-morrow is the last day. Come in the morning if you can. We expect to be very busy but not too busy to give every customer careful and efficient service up to the last sale.

Store open evenings till Christmas.

THORNTON & DOUGLAS, LIMITED...

Your Last Day Has Come....

For Christmas Gift Buying.

What shall the Present be?

You'll need to decide now.

A look into the future.

Will convince you that the proper thing to invest in for everlasting pleasure and satisfaction is something that you can buy at a China Store.

FINE FRENCH CHINA.

An excellent assortment, imported specially for holiday trade. Salad Bowls, Dinner Sets, Tea Sets and Fancy Table Pieces. Now is the chance to buy Lamps and Dinner Sets.

GRAY'S CHINA HALL, - King Street.

We are all Children

—ON—

CHRISTMAS DAY

We like to be remembered. We feel better for bestowing some little gift on our friends or dear ones. Some pretty thing or some useful one. Let us suggest:—

SKATES, 40c. to \$3.00.

NICKEL TEA POTS, 75c. to \$1.25

BISSELL SWEEPER, \$2 to \$5.

HOCKEY STICK 50c.

AIR GUN \$1 to \$3.

WARM MITS and FUR GLOVES 15c to \$5.00.

POCKET KNIFE 10c to \$3.00.

SAFETY KNIVES \$1.50 to \$6.00.

SHOOTING JACKETS, \$1 to \$3.25.

TALLY CARD PUNCHES 50c.

PARLOR STOVE \$10.00 to \$50.00.

NEEDLE COMPANIONS, 75c to \$3.

FORKS and KNIVES, \$1 to \$25.

CARVING SETS 50c to \$6.00.

PAIR SCISSORS, 15c to \$3.00.

FUR COAT \$12 to \$40.

SET OF TOOLS, \$1 to \$5.

HAMMER and SAWS, 10c to \$3.

BUTTER DISH \$2 to \$4.

BUTTER KNIFE, \$1 to \$2.