

There is a lot to be said in favours of main street merchants being allowed to display merchandise on the sidewalk as long as this display does not project too far out from the store front. Police on the beat can always keep a watchful eye on such displays to see if pedestrians are in danger of walking or tripping on articles and objects.

What is fair for the merchants is also fair for pedestrians and shoppers and many shoppers can pick up articles needed without browsing around store aisles. Fortunately Kent and William Streets have wide sidewalks and merchants can use a narrow width of space for display purposes without blocking the main walk traffic.

Merchants who pay the bulk of taxation in Lindsay should not be penalized or too closely restricted when merchandise is to be sold.