

The Watchman.

LINDSAY, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17th, 1898.

WINTER BUSINESS

Winter Business is in Full Swing at this store and Bargains mean more than usual. We have gathered together such a collection of Seasonable Goods at prices the like of which we haven't offered before, it will pay you to read this carefully and do your investigating and judging in all our Departments

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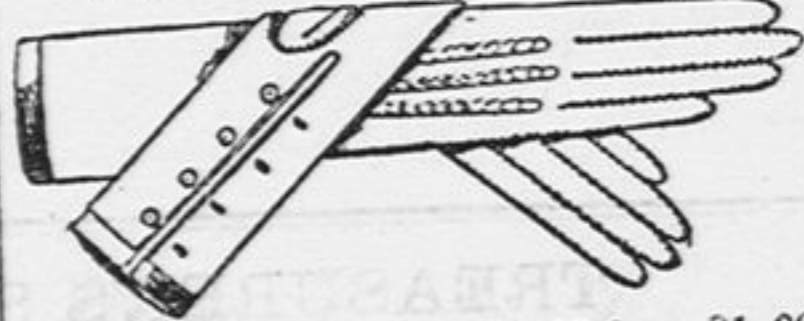
- The kind we sell you can always rely on being dependable, everything for Men's, Boys', Youth's or Children's Wear finds showing here to satisfy all classes, while prices are within reach of all.
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- Men's Canadian Tweed Suits, for \$4.00, \$5 50 and \$6 75; these three lines have been reduced 30 per cent. of their regular price.
- Youth's Nobby Fall and Winter Suits \$4.50, \$5 50, and \$6 50 are three leaders.
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- Men's Heavy Tweed Pants, regular \$1 25, for \$1; \$1.75 in Black or Grey for \$1.35; see our extra quality Fulcloth Pants at \$1 50.
- Men's Heavy All Wool Frieze Ulsters with tweed lining, deep storm collar, in Fawn, Brown and Black, our price for this coat is \$5 00.
- Men's single and double breasted blue Beaver Overcoats, regular \$8 for \$6, \$10 at \$8 25; extra value Blue and Black Beaver at \$12.00 for \$10.50.

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- Fancy black with pebble ground and Mohair stripes, regular 50c for 40c; 60c at 48c; 44 in. Briggs, Priestleys silk warp endora, regular \$1, now 85c; beautiful goods up to \$1.50.
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- Complete assortment of Trimmings, Hats, Braids and Gimps, fresh from the leader of fashion. The very goods you need most and quickest are here.

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- Boys' extra heavy 4 ply ribbed Wool Hose, with double knee and heel, 25c.
- Ladies' Cashmere Hose, spliced heel and toe, all sizes, regular 50c, for 35c a pair.
- Fancy Ringwood Gloves. In all sizes and colors at 20c and 25c.
- Ladies' pique sewn Kid Gloves, 2 dome fasteners, gusset fingers 80c, \$1, \$1.25. Our big value regularly sold at 75c, in black and colored, is now 50c.
- Men's Wool Gloves 18s, 25s, 30c, 35c Dressed Kid Gloves, regular 75c at 50c.
- A good value at \$1.25 for \$1.00 The best mocha, napa buck and reindeer, well lined, dome fastener at close prices.



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- Extra super unshrinkable Grey Flannel tor shirts, 35c for 25c, union flannels, 12 1/2c, 15c, 18c.
- Heavy English and American stripe Flanneltees, plain and Twilled, 12c for 10c; extra 32 inch, 5c, 6 1/2, 7c.
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- A great chance for buyers in Sheetings, ends, plain and twilled, with 7 1/2, 8 1/2, 9 1/2, 10 1/2, 2 yards for 30c. Don't miss this chance.
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Furs, Ladies' Underwear, Corsets.

- Ladies' and Misses' Mink Ruffs, Sable Ruffs, Grey Lamb Ruffs.
- They are up-to-date, natty and prices easy, and the present season surpasses every other.
- Beautiful assortment of Fur Robes in all sizes. Coon Coats, Black Astrachan and Wombat.
- Fine heavy ribbed, button front Vests, 12c, 15c, 20c 25c.
- Plain heavy Vest, 65c for 50c; 90c for 75c. Our vests at 25c, with drawers to match, are fast sellers. Combinations in Women's, Misses' and Children's sizes.
- See our three leaders in Corsets, 25c, 35c, 50c.



E. E. W. McGaffey

ON A BURNING BOAT

LOSS OF THE NORTHERN BELLE AT BYNG INLET

The steamer Northern Belle was burnt near Byng Inlet on Sunday, 6th inst., and the passengers and crew had an experience that they are not likely to forget. Among the former was Mr. Joseph Chew of Orillia, and he told the Packet a thrilling tale of the wreck on reaching home. The Belle left French river on Sunday morning, having been delayed there two days by stress of weather. As the gale seemed to have abated somewhat a start was made, the intention being to turn back if it was found that the lake was still too rough for safety. But when the boat had got nearly out into the lake it was struck by a heavy squall, accompanied by a blinding snow storm. To put about was impossible, the only thing that could be done was to run before the gale. Fears were entertained that the old boat would be blown to pieces, and everyone on board secured a life-preserver and put it on. But she scarcely got headed up for Byng Inlet before smoke was seen issuing from below near the stern. Investigation showed that there was a fire in the hold. The hose was laid and two streams were soon plying the fire. The flames, however, continued to gain headway, and it was soon evident that the vessel was doomed. Dense columns of black smoke were issuing from below, which prevented the crew from getting near enough to the fire to make their work tell. When it was plain that further efforts to extinguish the flames were hopeless, the hold was closed up as tightly as possible, and preparations made for beaching and abandoning the ship. An attempt was made to save some of the effects on board, but none of the cabins, except the captain's, could be entered because of the smoke. The four life-boats were made ready for lowering, and passengers and crew then took refuge on the hurricane deck. By the time the river was reached, the flames were beginning to burst out, and the wheelsman had been driven from his post by the smoke. So the engines were stopped, and the lifeboats lowered. Into the first that reached the water, fifteen or sixteen persons scrambled, so uncomfortable was it becoming on the vessel. The other three were then got off, and in them everything within reach, and they cast off, the captain being the last man to leave the ship. The Northern Belle drifted up stream, before the wind, wrapped in flames, the boats following at a respectful distance. Before leaving the whistle had been blown vigorously, and this attracted the attention of the people at the mill, and brought the tug O'Brien down to find out what was the matter. She turned a stream on the Northern Belle and got the flames sufficiently under control to admit of the vessel being boarded, the safe opened, and the books and money taken out. The tug then pushed the burning steamer up shore, an left her to her fate. The passengers were taken to Parry Sound by the O'Brien, and Mr. Chew came to Midland by the City of Toronto. The passengers, of whom there were four, lost all their luggage, except that one man threw his trunk into the water and another man his valises, and they were washed ashore and picked up. The Northern Belle was an old steamer, and is well known to all who have travelled much on the Georgian Bay during the present generation. She had just brought a cargo up for the camps and was returning light for another.

THE CONDITION OF THE NORTH-WEST CROPS.

REPORTS FROM C. P. R. AGENTS-EFFECTS OF THE WET WEATHER.

Manager Whyte of the Canadian Pacific railway received reports Saturday week from the company's agents concerning the condition of the grain since the storm of last Sunday and Monday. These reports show that between Winnipeg and Portage la Prairie threshing is about finished. The grain came through the wet weather with a small amount of damage. On the Portage plains threshing is progressing slowly. The wheat threshed from the stack is not turning out well. The snowfalls have prevented much fall work, and threshing has ceased owing to owners of machines stating that it does not pay to go out. At Euraside the condition is some better, but the effects of the weather are felt there. Around Chatter threshing is completed, and no damage to the grain has been noticed. Around Brandon, since the 28th, the weather has been settled. Seventy-five per cent. of the wheat north of the city, and 50 per cent. south, has been threshed. West of Brandon, for some distance, 60 per cent. of the grain has been threshed; in the Ekhorn and Fleming districts, 90 per cent.; Moosomin and Wapella, 75 per cent. Whitewood farmers state that their samples are good. The weather around Indian Head during the past week has been very favorable. Considerable progress has been made with threshing. Along the Pembina branch line, the rainfall was very heavy. In the Menonite reserve the conditions are very favorable. Only four loads of damp wheat have been marketed at Rosefield. All the threshing at Altona has been finished, and the grading is No. 1 northern. In the Gretna district the wheat is grading No. 2 hard. Around Morder very little threshing remains to be done, and the wheat is grading No. 1 and 2 hard. At Msnitow there is considerable damp grain, but most of it will be threshed by next week. At Killarney the percentage of wet grain is only ten per cent. At Boissevain, 75 per cent. of the grain will be marketable. Cartwright district reports all the grain threshed, and deliveries are heavy. Along the south-western branch line the conditions are splendid. At Carman the wheat yield is from 20 to 50 bushels per acre with an average of 30. Around Rothwell, Treherne, Holland, Glenboro, Stockton and Methven, the threshing is finished, and the grade is No. 1 and 2 hard. From Souris to Alameda there is no grain in the stock. The threshers have been busy, and were only interrupted by Monday's storm. The yield is light around Lander. The average yield in the Emerson district is 20 bushels to the acre, and the wheat will grade No. 1 northern. In the Pipestone district the farmers are holding the damp grain for better conditions. Threshing is being vigorously carried on in the Edmonton district. No wheat of any district has yet been delivered. The results are equal to last season. The oats will average 37 pounds to the bushel, and the wheat will grade No. 2 hard and No. 1 northern. In the Prince Albert district 90 per cent. of the wheat has been threshed, but the oats have not been touched by the threshers. Last week was very favorable for the farmers' work, but the snowstorm Sunday has interrupted operations. The amount of fall ploughing done this season covers a small area compared with last year, but with the exception of a few points the condition of the grain is excellent, and fully 90 per cent. will be marketed. The drying machines being placed in the elevators in the West, and the extensive use for the Port Arthur elevator, will greatly assist in restoring the damp wheat to its high standard.

FARM NOTES

The farmers of the Texas coast country have developed a system of co-operation which has materially improved their financial condition. They formed local and then direct associations, regulating by voluntary agreement the acreage of various crops. From that they began to deal with commission merchants for the sale of their produce, and now their organization receives tenders and bids from the leading buyers of the State. A movement is on foot to organize an American agricultural association with the main object of enabling the farmers to be better informed as to the time to sell their wheat and live stock. Its promoters claim that by the farmers organizing in this way they will be able to hold their wheat or sell it as they wish and accordingly may have more control over the market for it. The work of this association, if organized, will be watched with interest by farmers in other countries. Prof. Robertson says:—A milking cow is a sensitive animal, and responds quickly in her milk-yield to favorable or unfavorable conditions. A comfortable stable is essential to provide winter dairy life. The requisites are that the stable be well lighted and moderately warm. The temperature should not go below 45 degrees, nor above 65. It should be kept clean, and the cows should be kept clean. Carrying in the cow once a day in the stable will often increase the yield of milk per cow, and add as much to the net revenue from the herd as though the price of butter was raised two cents a pound. An uncomfortable position will prevent a cow from giving her maximum yield of milk, and will not conduce towards letting milk be of the best quality. Where the cow stables are old and badly constructed,

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they may be made at least comfortable in a temporary way by nailing boards around the inside, and stuffing closely between them and the outside wall with straw. It is a good plan to white-wash the inside of the cow stable twice a year. That practice in the stables of Great Britain has contributed greatly to the healthfulness of cattle, and doubtless also to their productiveness. The simplest and cheapest way to remove large stones is to dig all around the stone and just as far in depth as is sufficient to show that the bottom is not far off. Then fill in all round and on top with old rails, stumps, trash, etc.—anything, in fact, that wants burning up and that will make a hot fire. Set fire to the pile, and when it has pretty well burned down have ready a dozen pan of water ready and pour them on the stone from all quarters. You will be surprised to see how the stone will chip and crack across into pieces which can be easily hauled by a team. A crowbar to pry the pieces apart is generally all that is necessary to prepare the stone for the team to draw out, but sometimes, if the fire has not been hot enough, a beetle and a couple of iron wedges will be found useful to extend the cracks so that the chain can be put round the sections.

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