

THE LAST DAYS of '99

Holidays...

and the assembling around the hearthside thrills one with pleasure and makes the blood warm and hearts beat faster. We have well provided for this festive occasion and given Santa Claus a place at all our counters. We will just mention some of our many holiday suggestions:



Handkerchiefs
 Quantities of lovely little Hank's, at... 1c
 Hemstitched White Lawn Handkerchiefs... 3c
 Santa Claus H'ds. in nice colorings, for 4c
 Newly Hemstitched Linen Lawn H'ds... 5c
 Cotton H'ds. 6c and 8c
 Fancy Colored Garters, truck web elastic, with Bow and Heavy Clasp, done up in a neat box, very suitable to send by mail, only... 25c

Nick Nacks
 Hair Binders, Pom Poms, Side Combs, Back Combs, Purses, Hair Brushes, Stick Pins, Brooches, Fancy Cards.
 Crown Hair Pins, for... 5c
 Barrel Hair Pins... 5c
 Fancy Colored Garters, truck web elastic, with Bow and Heavy Clasp, done up in a neat box, very suitable to send by mail, only... 25c

Ladies' Furnishings
 Ladies' Stock Collars, with and without Chiffon Bows.
 Ladies' Net Ties, in White, Black, Cream, Black and White and White and Black.
 Ladies' Fine Black and Colored Kid Gloves... 50c pair
 Ladies' Ringwood Gloves... 25c and 35c pair
 Ladies' Separate Piece Underwear and Combination Suits.
 Children's Undergarments, all sizes.
 Annelette Underwear.

Cushions and Drapery Materials
 Handsome Art Cretonne Cushion Covers, 18c pair.
 Pure Raw Silk for Draperies, Tinsel Effects and Denims.
 Handsome Dollies, Table Napkins, Separate Bleached Table Covers, very suitable for a present.

Ready-Made Clothing
 Men's Heavy Ulsters, special at... \$5.00
 Men's Ulsters, special at... \$1.50 and \$2.00
 Men's Suits, special at... \$5.00
 Men's Ties, special at... \$1.75 and \$2.25
 Specials in Odd Pants, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$2.00
 Handsome Comforders, at... \$1.50 and \$2.00

Dress Goods and Mantles
 Nice Costume Cloths, from... 60c to \$1.00
 Beautiful Dress Fabrics, from... 25c to 60c
 Different styles Dress Tweed, commencing at 18c, up to... 25c
 Exclusive styles in Mantles by the best makers.
 Specials for Holiday:
 Men's Fawns, newest style at \$3.50 and up.
 Men's Black, " at \$3.00 and up.
 Men's Blue, " at \$5.00 and up.

E. E. W. MCGAFFEY

Lindsay's Leader of Low Cash Prices Dry Goods House.

The Selection of Xmas Gifts

is sometimes an arduous task, but from our immense stock the occasion is one to be recalled with pleasure.

In addition to our large stock of all the newest, most stylish and fashionable JEWELRY for Ladies' and Gents', we have this year an immense quantity of

Art Goods, Fine China and Cut Glass

These goods have been selected with the greatest care, and will make not only beautiful and acceptable, but also economical presents. In consequence of the great variety it is impossible to describe them. They must be seen to be appreciated.

CONCERNING OUR WATCHES AND CLOCKS

We have them in all styles and at all prices, and from the lowest price to the most costly all are chosen for reliable time keeping, and our warrant goes with them.

LINDSAY'S LEADING JEWELERS
BRITTON BROS. OPTICIANS

New Advertisements.

NURSE GIRL—Wanted, a good nurse girl. Apply at once to E. WILLIAMSON'S Photo Gallery.—50-2.

HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE—One and a half storeys high, frame, 1/2 acre of land with stable. Apply to JOHN MCGIBBIN, 5 Division-st., South Ward, Lindsay.—25-1f.

FOUND—In the Township of Ops, on December 3rd, a **Gentleman's Bicycle**. Owner can have same by proving property and paying expenses. Apply at the Watchman-Warder.—49-3.

STRAY STEER—Early in October there strayed into my premises, Lot 19, Con. 4, Mariposa, a small steer. Owner can have him by proving property and paying expenses. EDWIN MARK, Little Britain.

STRAYED—Came into the premises of the undersigned, Lot 10, Con. 10, Mariposa, about the 30th May, 1899, **One Red Yearling Heifer**. Owner is requested to remove the animal and pay expenses. DUNCAN KIRKLAND, Oakwood P.O.—48-3.

BARRED PLYMOUTH ROCK COCKERELS—The leading layers and table fowl. Sired by choice prize Cock. Only the choicest kept for sale. Price \$1.00 each. JOHN CAMPBELL, "Fairview Farm," Woodville, Ont.—49-5.

TEACHER WANTED—For School Section No. 5, Somerville, holder of third-class certificate. Salary two hundred dollars. One of experience preferred. Duties to commence January 2nd, 1900. Apply to J. B. WHITE, Sec.-treas., Cobocook.—9-3

TEACHER WANTED—Male or female, holding third-class certificate. Must have at least two years experience. Duties to commence Jan. 2nd, 1900. Applications, stating salary, must be in my hands by December 12th, 1899. A. BUCHANAN, Sec.-Treas. S.S. No. 6 Brund, Huntsville P.O.—48-3.

STRAY STEER—From the premises of JAMES REA & SON, Ralsam Lake P.O., about August 15th, 1899, **One Yearling Red Steer**, with white star on forehead. Steer has tag (No 209, with owner's name) in left ear, if not torn out. Information leading to the animal's recovery will be gladly received.—48-4.

CUTTERS FOR SALE—The undersigned having purchased some half-dozen different style of cutters from the Hamilton Carriage Works of Lindsay is prepared to sell the same cheap for cash, or will "swap" for cattle or horses. If you want an up-to-date cutter here is your chance. Harness and robes exchanged for cattle. Prices right and satisfaction guaranteed. W. A. FANNING, Cambury.—48-3.

A GOOD INVESTMENT—That desirable property situated on the corner of William and Gieneg streets, Lindsay, owned and occupied by P. G. PILKIE, is offered for sale, suitable for double or single dwelling. It has 12 rooms, also back kitchen, woodshed, stables and driving shed, hard and soft water, also town water and electric light. A very desirable property and a first-class investment. Price reasonable, if taken at once.—47.

FOR SALE—I offer my choice farm of 200 acres, all under cultivation, to rent or sell. This farm joins the Town of Lindsay, where there is a creamery in full blast, and the best market for everything a farmer can produce. There is a fine bearing orchard of nearly 1,000 trees, and three never-failing wells. A brick house, also bank barn that are not beaten in the country for capacity. Apply to THOS. FEE, on the premises, box 353, Lindsay.—37-1f.

FOR SALE—30 h. p. Engine and Fire Box Boiler; 30 h. p. Return Tubular Boiler, 25 h. p. Engine; 25 h. p. Horizontal Engine and Boiler, 15 h. p. Horizontal Engine; 6 h. p. Vertical Engine and Boiler; 2 1/2 h. p. Vertical Engine, Yacht Engine \$25; 50 h. p. Engine, Return Tubular Boiler; Steam Fire Pumps, one 7 x 6 x 5, Air Compressor fit for Mining or Fire purposes, section 2 1/2 x 2 1/2, 1 1/2 section and discharge; Two Shingle Packing Boxes, new; Inspirators, Projectors, Fittings, Saw Mill Fittings, Mill repairs of all kinds. J. McCREA, William-st. north, late Makins'.—39-3mos.

IN THE SURROGATE COURT OF THE COUNTY OF VICTORIA—In the matter of the Guardianship of the infant children of John J. Parker, farmer, deceased. Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Surrogate Court of the County of Victoria, before the Judge in Chambers, at the Court House, in the Town of Lindsay, in said County, after the expiration of twenty days from the first publication hereof, on behalf of Andrew Marshall of the Township of Ops, in the County of Victoria, farmer, who is the maternal uncle of the said infant children, for an order appointing him the Guardian of the following infant children of the said deceased, that is to say—Joseph Simon Lorne Parker, sixteen years of age, and Maggie Gertie Pearl Parker, fourteen years of age. Dated at Lindsay this 5th day of December, A. D. 1899. ANDREW MARSHALL, by D. R. ANDERSON, of the Town of Lindsay, in the County of Victoria, his Solicitor.—49-3.

BRICK DWELLING HOUSE FOR SALE IN WOODVILLE—The undersigned Executors will offer for sale by Public Auction at the premises, lot No. 8, on the South side of King-st., East, in the Village of Woodville, being part of the estate of the late ANDREW MCPHERSON the elder, on **Wednesday, Dec. 20** next, at 2 p. m. This property has a frontage of 56 feet on King-st. and runs back 144 feet, and is a neat, compact family residence with brick house 26x20, kitchen 18x16, and stable 16x15—all in good condition. TERMS.—10 per cent. cash at the time of the sale, and balance in one month thereafter without interest. Title good. Further terms and conditions of sale will be made known on application to the undersigned, and at time of sale. There will be a reserved bid. Dated this 16th day of November, A. D. 1899. MARGARET JANE ANDERSON, HUGH McDONALD, JOHN MCPHERSON, Executors. McSWEYN & WELDON, Vendors' Solicitors. ARCH CAMPBELL, Auctioneer.—46-5.

New Advertisements.

FOUND—On Saturday, a Gents' One-Button Tan Glove. Apply at this office.—1

TO RENT—A six-roomed house on the corner of Cambridge and Melbourne-sts. is to rent to a permanent tenant. Rent moderate. Apply to McLAUGHLIN & McDIARMID, barristers, Kent-st.—50-1f.

STRAYED—From Lot 1, Con. 4, Mariposa, **One Roan Heifer**, rising two years. Anyone knowing of the animal's whereabouts will please communicate with ANGUS WILKINSON, Sonya P.O., Ont.—50-4.

SHOP TO RENT—A desirable blacksmith shop in a good section is for rent. There is a good business established and the shop and its entire equipment will be included in lease. Apply at this office.—50-4

STRAYED—Came into the premises of the undersigned, Lot 9, Con. 5, Ops, on or about Nov. 1st, **One Aged Ewe and Two Lambs**. Owner can have same by proving property and paying expenses. BERNARD TULLY, Lindsay P.O.—50-3.

THREE YOUNG COWS FOR SALE—Three, four and five years old; all with calf, two to thoroughbred Ayrshire, one to Durham. All good milkers; come in March 26th, May 5th, May 9th. JOHN McCREA, Omamee, Ont.—50-3.

CARETAKER WANTED—Applications for the position of Caretaker for St. Andrew's Church and School Room, will be received by the undersigned up to December 20th inst. Applicants to state salary. Duties to commence January 1st, 1900. D. R. ANDERSON, Chairman.—50-1.

TEACHER WANTED—Male teacher for S.S. No. 2, Eldon. Teacher holding second-class certificate preferred. Applications stating salary received up till Dec. 22nd, 1899. Duties to commence Jan. 2nd, 1900. D. A. McINTYRE, Secretary, Argyle P.O., Ont.—50-2.

RESIDENCE FOR SALE—In central part of the town, five minutes walk from post office; lot one-sixth acre; house solid white brick and containing five bedrooms, front and back parlor, dining-room, kitchen, pantry, woodshed, closet, etc. Kitchen, garden and small fruit; nice lawn. A very desirable home. For particulars apply at this office.—50-1f.

The Watchman-Warder

THURSDAY, DEC. 14th, 1899

ANOTHER RAILWAY MEETING.

WAS HELD IN THE TOWN HALL ON TUESDAY NIGHT—M. M. BOYD'S SPEECH.

The public meeting called to discuss the proposed grant of \$25,000 to the proposed Pontypool railway, was well attended on Tuesday night. No other public meeting has brought so large a gathering of ratepayers in a long time. Ex-mayor Taylor was in the chair. Mr. Thos. Stewart introduced the question to be discussed. His remarks were similar to those uttered at the Thursday night meeting as reported on page 7 of this issue. Mr. Stewart added, however, that he was in favor of municipal ownership of local franchises and government control of general franchises; but municipal ownership of general franchises such as of railways was not to be advocated, and there was no possibility of government control in this case, so it only remained to build in the usual way or do without.

Mr. Kylie—Are there any roads that municipalities have built?

Mr. Stewart—Possibly.

Mr. D. Ray—Yes London built the road to Port Stanley.

Mr. Kylie—Guelph has built a line.

Mr. Stewart—They can't make it pay.

Mr. M. M. Boyd a member of the provisional directorate made the strongest speech of the evening. Since Mr. Boyd was not present at the former meeting we endeavor to reproduce his remarks on this occasion pretty fully. Mr. Boyd said: Lindsay is my county town. It should have the interests of the entire county at heart. It should be the centre of the business facilities of the county. If it has, the objection I have heard, that elevators will go up at Dunsford and Janetville, will not have much effect against the road. You are not jealous of nor do you fear the villages springing up to the county. Lindsay stands to gain many times its outlay. I believe about \$300,000 will be left in Victoria county for wages and for material. You should welcome such a scheme as the building of a railway in your vicinity for most of the advantage will come to you. To get this advantage you must tax yourselves about 75 cents on \$1,000 of assessment. Your rate is high already; that is a reason why you should support the road. You have been spending a good deal of money in local improvements, and properly so. You will derive the benefit in better sanitation and in the appearance and comfort of your town. But these are not productive assets; they do not add to your revenue. Now you must obtain some advantages that will be productive of revenue. When a business man improves his house and his office he must also make some increase in earning capacity to keep in a good sound position. If you are not going to tax yourself for productive concerns, you cannot afford these improvements in your town. The two should go together. Lindsay is improving but if it does not go ahead as fast as other towns it will go back. A horse is said to go back in the race if he does not keep up with the others. Instead of hesitating to pay this tax you are in such a position that you ought to be glad of half a dozen such schemes.

For need of railway facilities at Bobcaygeon I have been gradually moving my interests from there. There are timber limits within reach of that village that would keep us running for 20 years. Without the railway we couldn't touch

them. If I were moving from there your town would present a good many attractions but I must tell you that with only one railway I would not think of coming here while other places have both roads. I know of no bonus that could overcome that objection. Peterboro is at a natural disadvantage in every respect save perhaps water power compared with you but her two lines have built up splendid concerns there. Some towns advertise these good features in the British papers. You cannot expect to keep pace with your competitors in this country if you fail to take the first necessary steps to prosperity.

Geo. McHugh M. P. spoke vigorously in behalf of the railway. He has supported it before. Government ownership is right, but is out of this question at present. The profits of short lines are not generally very high.

Mr. Obediah Bigelow sprung the worst mine of the evening when he said that there is no guarantee that the line will be under C. P. R. control for more than 20 years. After that it would likely go, like all our other roads, into G. T. R. hands and we should have no competition after all. If it was for 99 years he would support it.

Mr. Stewart explained that the best bargain possible would be made and likely the 20 would be raised to 50 years.

COMMUNICATIONS

The C.P.R. Connection

To the Electors of the Town of Lindsay:

LINDSAY, Dec. 8th, 1899.
 You will notice from the advertisements in the newspapers that the by-law to grant a bonus of \$25,000 to aid in constructing the Lindsay, Bobcaygeon and Pontypool Railway is submitted to the ratepayers of the town of Lindsay, and that the vote will be taken on the 1st of January, next, the day on which the municipal elections are to be held.

1. The question for you now to consider, as a ratepayer of Lindsay, is whether the town is to take a decided step forward and secure the many and important advantages that will undoubtedly flow from a direct connection with the C.P.R. system, worked by the C.P.R. Co., and having the benefit of the energy, enterprise and experience of the management of this great national line.

2. The first question a manufacturer asks is: Have you two railways, or have you railway connection with the two great lines of the country? If you want the town to get its share in the new manufacturing enterprises of the next decade then vote for the C.P.R. bonus and secure the C.P.R. connection. With the two great Trunk lines and its splendid water system for obtaining raw material, Lindsay would be in an unrivalled position as a manufacturing centre. There could be no better and no fairer way of aiding existing industries and attracting new ones than by voting the bonus and securing the far-reaching and unlimited facilities offered by direct connection with the C.P.R. system.

3. The next few years are sure to witness the establishment of a great many industries in different parts of the province. If Lindsay is to get its fair share, a direct connection with the C.P.R. is an absolute necessity in order to put the town on an equality with other places having two railways. The way to put Lindsay in the front—at the head of the list—is to vote the bonus and secure the C.P.R.

4. The presence of the C.P.R. will make Lindsay second to no place in the province as a market for all the varied products of the farm. It will give just the stimulus and competition that is needed among the buyers. It will make Lindsay markets doubly interesting and attractive for the farmers.

5. The Dominion government is spending a large sum of money in improving the navigation facilities of the Seaboard River. The river is to be widened and deepened from Lindsay wharf for some distance northward. The presence of the C.P.R. along the wharves would be an enormous advantage to the lumber and shipping industries, and would add largely to the passenger traffic on the river and lakes. Make the most of this large expenditure in river improvement by voting for the C.P.R.

6. Peterboro is an attractive market for many farmers of the eastern part of this county, owing to the fact that the rival buyers dealing with the G.T.R. and C.P.R. are in more or less active and constant competition. The town of Lindsay is situated in the midst of a better agricultural district than Peterboro, and with equal facilities for shipping, would more than hold its own with any town in the province.

7. Though there may not be much competition in rates, there will be steady and active competition in freight car service. There always is when there are two great lines. This is a very important advantage to shippers, and as Lindsay is one of the most important shipping points in the province, it will be an enormous benefit to a great volume of trade to secure the C.P.R. Don't forget to mark your ballot for the C.P.R. on polling day.

8. The improvement in passenger traffic accommodation by direct connection with the C.P.R. and its desirability is plain to everyone.

9. The C.P.R. will find at Lindsay and Bobcaygeon, easy access to most attractive summer resorts. These are the most popular places on its system and the C.P.R.'s well-known enterprise will be sure to make the most of these attractions. It will mean business for the railway and many advantages to Lindsay.

10. This project received a "set-back"

when submitted six years ago, owing to one of the municipalities failing to adopt the by-law under the erroneous impression that the road would be built anyway. The project has been revived and re-organized by the present company, composed of gentlemen resident in the interested municipalities and well known to most of the ratepayers. All of the present promoters are large tax payers, but they are not railway builders or speculators, and the only advantages they expect to derive from the road are those which they in common with all ratepayers will enjoy from its construction and operation.

11. Bear these points in mind:

The Dominion subsidy granted to this line is \$3,200 per mile for the whole distance.
 Bonus required from Lindsay is \$25,000.
 Present assessment of Lindsay is \$1,983,000.
 The rate would therefore be about 72-100ths of a mill on the dollar, or 72c. on the \$1,000 of assessment. In other words an assessment of \$500 would call for 36c., or an assessment of \$1,000 would require 72c.

12. A very large expenditure will be necessitated by the work of construction, the greater part of which will be naturally expended in one way and another in Lindsay. If the vote is favorable, the work of construction will be entered upon without delay.

W. T. C. BOYD, Chairman Board of Directors.

JOHN DOBSON, WM. NEEDLER, J. D. FLAVELLE, JAS. DEACON, THOS. BRADY, WM. McDONNELL, F. C. TAYLOR, J. G. EDWARDS, JAS. GRAHAM, ROBT. KENNEDY, ALBERT E. BOTTUM, JOHN L. READ, J. T. ROBINSON.

If you want Lindsay to make a splendid start for the best record as a steady growing and prosperous town or city for the 20th century, then mark your ballot for the C.P.R.

More About the "Primitive Club House"

To the Editor of Watchman-Warder:

Dear Sir,—Permit me through your columns to say a few words in defence of the boys referred to in an article in your last issue entitled "A Primitive Club House." For three summers the boys have had a tent on the corner of Albert and Bond-st. in which they seemed to have a good time, reading, music, with an occasional supper or rally-pull being the chief amusements indulged in. About a month ago, the weather being too cold for tenting, they decided to build a cabin, which is fairly well described in last week's article. As the boys were not asking assistance from the passers-by, or the uninitiated it would surely have been somewhat unusual to have asked them for suggestions as to height, size of building, etc. Now this cabin was not built secretly, as one would be led to believe by reading the article in last week's Watchman-Warder, but was built with the permission of the parents, just as the boys in the summer months. A couple of weeks ago Mr. Walker, the "energetic Y.M.C.A. secretary, by a little legitimate detective work" found the boys were playing cards and having oyster suppers, so says the article referred to.

Now if Mr. Walker found that the boys were in mischief, it is not his place as a christian gentleman, and occupying the position he does, to have at once notified their parents of his discovery, and also to have admonished or rebuked the boys in a kindly way, showing them by so doing that he was their friend. But instead of doing this he goes straight to the Post printing office and publishes to the town that they have been gambling, playing for stakes, etc., which is a statement wholly untrue, as well as insulting. Mr. Walker admits that his information came from a person who watched the boys while in the cabin. Now as there is no window in it, he must have placed his ear to a knot hole, and his eye to a crack, in his effort to do "legislative detective work." If not, Mr. Walker, while trying to suppress mischief among the boys, is encouraging a system of sneaking, that is neither creditable to himself nor to those engaged in it. The person who would endeavor to give information in this way is contemptible.

Mr. Walker said they were the boys of respectable parents, which is true, and moreover they are respectable boys. The cabin is windowless, because when they paid for their shingles and nails there was no money in the treasury for glass. For the same reason there is more soup than oysters at their suppers, their pocket-books being as light as their hearts. If you will kindly give this space it will much oblige one who has the boys at heart.—Yours etc. WELL INFORMED No. 2.

MR. FAIRBAIRN'S EXPLANATION:

HE WRITES OF WHAT HE SAID AT THE CONVENTION.

To the Editor of the Watchman-Warder:

MY DEAR SIR.—You have either misunderstood me at the convention at Lindsay, or you have wilfully undertaken to not only strike down an old and faithful public servant, but to strike a blow to the whole conservative party by classing them in with the boodlers that I have been opposed to for upwards of forty years.

Now sir, for my part and for the sake of the great conservative party that I have been identified with so long, I ask you through common decency, no matter what you think of me personally, to tell the public exactly what I did say at the convention. Regarding my conduct the day of polling at the last general election for the Dominion house, I will here repeat the words used at the convention by me, that I had brought votes to the poll in a way that I never had done or never would do again, meaning that I had gone to men's houses and implored them, for my sake and my party's sake, to come to the polls and vote for the doctor, and after resorting to means in his behalf that I had never resorted to for myself or anyone else, I did feel sore when it was hurled in my face in the town of Lindsay that I had gone back on him. No man felt the blow as keenly as I did, when I heard the good old party had been deprived of a supporter from South Victoria. I had threshed out every plank in their platform, I had witnessed their incompetency on the floor of the H. House, but I will not go farther at present, but hope to be heard from in the near future. I am dear sir, Yours obediently, CHAS. FAIRBAIRN.