

SENSIBLE CHRISTMAS GIFTS AT HALF PRICE OR NEAR IT.

Your Christmas Money Goes Farthest in our Big Bankrupt Stock Sale.

Yes, everything that we bought in this stock is still selling at a third to half under regular prices. We are anxious to turn the goods into money at once else we could get much bigger prices for these Christmas goods.

These prices are enough to open people's eyes wide, and to arouse lively business, for you won't buy winter goods as cheap in the spring as we are offering now.

If you want to make your Christmas money spin out then come to Ford's sale. Look at the way these prices are cut:—

Handkerchiefs, Umbrellas, Ribbons Collars, Belts, Gloves, etc., for Gifts all on Sale too

- 25c and 35c white and colored embroidered Collar and Cuff Sets, for 19c. 5 dozen 75c fancy Silk Collars for 49c. 50c to 75c Silk Belts for 39c. Women's 75c and \$1.00 Silk Neck Scarfs 39c. 25 dozen Women's 15c embroidered Lawn Handkerchiefs for 10c. Children's 5c colored Handkerchiefs at 3 for 25c. Umbrellas for women or men, regular 50c to \$4.00, sale prices 39c to \$2.90. 50c to 75c Hand Bags for 39c. Women's \$1.25, 1.50 and 2.00 Leather Purses for 98c. Women's 50c Wool Fascinators for 43c. Infant's 15c Bibbs for 10c. Women's Fancy Ornamented Combs, \$1.50 values for 98c, \$1.00 values for 79c; 50c values 39c, 25c values for 20c. 150 yards 25c to 50c wide Taffeta Silk Ribbons for 19c.

Fancy Linens for Gifts, Priced to Sell Quickly.

- 12c to 15c Tenterife Doilies for 8c. 50c to 75c Tray Cloths, Stand Covers, etc., 39c. \$1.25 and 1.50 Stand Covers, Tray Cloths and Doilies for 89c.

Table Linens, all Reduced

- 10 dozen \$2.75 Table Napkins for 1.89. Bleached and unbleached Linens, \$1.50 qualities for 98c, 75c qualities for 49c, \$1.00 qualities for 69c, 60c qualities for 39c.

Ford's STYLE & ECONOMY

Men's \$30 Black Dog Coats for \$19. Women's Astorachan Jackets \$15 to \$65, regular \$25 to \$85.

A New Dress or Waist Length would be an Acceptable Gift, Select here and you can Save Money.

- \$1.50 black Peau de Soie Silks for 1.19 \$1.25 black Taffeta Silks for 89c. 75c yard wide Japan Taffeta Silks for 59c. \$1.00 Silks for 69c, including Taffetas, Louisenes, etc. Every price of Dress Goods reduced like this—\$1.50 qualities for 98c, 75c and \$1 qualities for 49c, 50c to 65c qualities for 39c.

Very Acceptable Gifts are These Garments and all Underpriced

- Infant's \$3.50 grey or white Eiderdown Coat for 1.50. Infants \$8.00 White Bear Cloth Coats for 5.00. Women's new \$12 to 20.00 black or tweed Coats for 9.75. Women's \$9.00, 10.00 and 11.00 new Winter Coats for \$4.99.

Guaranteed Furs on Sale at Less Than Maker's Cost

Every piece worth the original price but as we bought them at half price we can afford to sell much below regular values, some as low as half. It will pay you well to come here for your fur wants. The prices quoted in last week's advertisement will interest you.

Valuation of Ops By Commissioners

Closing Meeting of Ops Council Last Monday Was Busy One.

The closing meeting of Ops Council was held on Monday, Dec. 16th, beginning at 10 a.m. The minutes of last meeting were read, and on motion of Messrs. Coulter and O'Loughlin were adopted. As some of the patrons of Hartnet drain were absent, the Council deferred further consideration of the report to give them an opportunity to be present. Councilors' personal accounts for the year were next submitted, with some other bills and accounts, so as to appear in the treasurer's annual financial statement. Mr. Best moved, seconded by Mr. Coulter, that orders be issued in payment of councilors' sessional allowance and mileage, commission on money expended, and days' service, as follows: J. H. Hopkins \$110, Wm. Best \$33.90, Wm. H. Wilson \$121.60, John O'Loughlin \$83.85, Samuel Coulter \$92.85, also Board of Health accounts and plaintiffs' costs in the case of Ops vs. Fox, namely, Steva-

tion of Council to a petition sent by citizens of the east ward to the Town Council, complaining that water from lot 23, con. 6, Ops, was damaging to A. property. A letter had been received from Lindsay Council referring to the matter. Mr. Wilson stated that in his opinion there was no grievance whatever. Mr. Coulter moved, seconded by Mr. O'Loughlin, that the Clerk write to Lindsay Council, stating that this Council was not aware of lands being damaged as alleged, and that our Commissioner would accompany one from Lindsay Council to view the place when the locality is in fit condition. BOARD OF HEALTH REPORTS. The secretary of the Board of Health read the chairman's annual report, and also that of the Medical Health Officer, which were very gratifying to the Council. Owing to the almost entire absence of epidemic or contagious disease in the township during the year. On motion of Messrs. Wilson and O'Loughlin, the reports were received and filed. A by-law authorizing the nomination and election of a Municipal Council for 1908 was next introduced, received the usual readings, and was passed, signed and sealed as By-law No. 660. It provides that nomination meeting will be held in the town Council chamber, Lindsay,

An account was received from the county treasurer showing that the county expenditure on the new bridge south of the town was \$3249.09, of which Ops is liable for one-third, or \$1083.03, and a stone-crushing account of \$131.25. The latter was passed and paid, but the bridge account was left over, as some members were of opinion that the bridge contract is not yet completed. Accounts were received from Mr. Smith, township engineer, asking that fees due him under the Jewell drain award, and the balance due on the Hartnet drain, be paid, enclosing also an order in favor of Thos. O'Neill for \$22 for work on the Whalen drain, an extension drain No. 4, and \$10 for work on the Stony Creek survey. The accounts were passed. An account from Stewart & O'Connor for services in connection with the swing bridge was left over. Owing to the lateness of the hour the usual complimentary speeches were dispensed with, and the final meeting of 1907 closed at 8:30 p.m. W. F. O'BOYLE, Clerk.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED. Motion by Messrs. Michael and Vacco, that the settlement regarding receipts and expenditures on boundary of Brock, showing a balance in favor of Mariposa of \$66.98, be received and filed.—Carried. By-law 619 was read the usual times, appointing D. R. officers, and roll clerks, as follows: Division 1.—Herbert Shaw and John Bescroft; Div. 2.—Amos Mark and James Casey; Div. 3.—E. Z. Yerax and John Rich; Div. 4.—J. F. Brass and J. E. Lovelough; Div. 5.—S. J. Clarke and N. Mintern; Div. 6.—D. A. Anderson and Percy Brown; Div. 7.—G. W. Hardy and Thomas Smith; Div. 8.—Wm. Fowler and E. Mollen. Accounts aggregating \$1054 were ordered paid, including over \$400 on the Dunn drain account. By-law 620 was read the usual number of times, closing part of the road across lot 19, con. 5, including the mill dam and bridge. Messrs. Watson, Shaver and Michelson were appointed a committee to confer with Mr. McLaughlin as to compensation for closing part of the road, lot 19, con. 5. The Clerk was asked to notify Mr. Hardy to complete his share of the Dundas drain at once. The Reeve was authorized to sign the lease for a gravel pit, part of lot 1, con. 7, half acre, being part of Mr. Alex. Grant's farm. The Clerk was authorized to attach the corporate seal to a resolution extending the time for completion of the collection of taxes. The treasurer's financial statement was received, showing total receipts of \$36,050.50 and total expenditures of \$21,974.35. The Clerk will get a number published for distribution. The Council then adjourned sine die.—Not exactly the same day they stated. J. E. WELDON, Clerk.

Mariposa Council's Farewell Session

Members Sat Late and Dealt With a Lot of Business.

Mariposa Council proceedings, Monday, Dec. 16, 1907. The members were all present, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Doole, the Clerk of Brock, reported that Mr. Joseph Hill had been paid \$31.13 from the municipality of Brock for gravel sold from the pit on his farm. Mr. Hill attended the Council and gave a very satisfactory account of himself, and agreed to supply gravel, etc., to the municipality up to and including the year-1910 in lieu of these amounts.

Mrs. Mahala Tinnay, Thomas Gray, Joseph Tinnay, Elias Western, Samuel Perrin, Wm. McKinnon and Victoria James desired explanation as to the difference between their assessment slips and the assessment rolls. The assessor was called from Little Britain and explained these matters satisfactorily to the Council.

Mr. Fred Hardy is again in trouble about his drain, and desired the Council to complete their share of the drain on the concession line. Mr. David Marcus also reported in connection with the same drain, and Mr. Hardy is now ordered to finish his part and the Council will complete their part.

Mr. Thomas Webster was much annoyed that the collector was obliged to go to his place and threaten to seize for the payment of \$1.80 drain tax imposed against his farm, being his share of the expense in connection with the Washington drain.

Mr. Reeve and Mr. Shaver explained the matter to Mr. Webster, and complimented the persons interested in this drain because they agreed among themselves, thereby saving from \$100 to \$150 expenses.

GRAVEL AND PIPES.

Mr. Russell Rodman reported as to the amount of gravel and pipes taken from the pit on lots 10 and 11, con. 4. Some persons had paid for gravel, and a good many did not. It was shown that this is about the only pit in the township where a charge is made, and it was favorably decided to discontinue the practice.

The Reeve presented his report re the receipts and expenditures on the boundary of Brock, and also of the Board of Health for 1907.

Mr. James Taylor and George J. Coak were present seeking redress for the payment of the rock cutting on the Lowensbrough drain. The Council informed them that their redress should have been taken advantage of at the Court of Appeal, and at present were powerless to help them.

Mr. G. Davidson was asked to be present at the Council meeting to arrange, if possible, the matter of compensation for closing part of the road on lot 19, con. 5. The Council offered Mr. Davidson \$300, but he would not accept less than \$500. These offers were made without prejudice.

The Clerk read a communication from Mr. McCredie relative to the loss of some 443 broken tile supplied the Dunn drain. M. Armstrong, Inspector of Prisoners, reported that one George Clarke of Oakwood, Mariposa, was admitted to the asylum on the 15th of April, 1902, but upon inquiry of the Council and others, no such person was known around here.

Mr. Thomas Stewart reports that the following persons were entitled to witness fees at the County equalization: Thomas Nowry, Bertram Graham, Richard Rich, John Prouse, Thomas Honey, Mr. Shaver and Dr. Dale. Mr. Hawkins, Reeve of Eldon, desired the Reeve of Mariposa to make application for the admission of Mar-

A Christmas Carol. The Christmas chimes are pealing high Beneath the solemn Christmas sky, And blowing winds their notes prolong Like echoes from an angel's song; Good will and peace, peace and good will Ring out the carols glad and gay, Telling the heavenly message still, That Christ the Child was born to-day. In lowly hut and palace hall Peasant and king keep festival, And childhood wears a fairer guise, And tenderer a mother's eyes The aged man forgets his years, The mirthful heart is doubly gay, The sad are cheated of their tears, For Christ the Lord was born to-day.

art & O'Connor \$181.79, and Mr. G. H. Hopkins \$129.40.—Carried.

The Clerk then read the report on the Hartnet drain, (although some of the patrons were still absent), and the names of those who had signed for and against the report.

Mr. Best moved, seconded by Mr. Coulter, that the Engineer's report on the Hartnet drain be not accepted.—Carried. Mr. Wilson then moved, seconded by Mr. O'Loughlin, that the Reeve sign a petition on behalf of the township for drainage on the 5th and 6th cuts of Ops, and the roads intervening, from lot No. 10 to lot No. 14, inclusive.—Carried.

Eight other persons interested in said drainage also signed the petition.

Messrs. Geo. Maloney and Jas. Farrelly stated that they had put in a six-inch tile drain across the 8th con. road at lot 20, which served as a culvert, and as an outlet for water logging on the roadside. They considered the cost and work worth \$15. Commissioner Wilson said the work was well done, but thought \$15 rather too much for it unless its value as an outlet for draining the road was considered. The Council approved, and on motion of Messrs. Wilson and Best, the \$15 was paid.

Mr. F. McGeary presented a bill of \$225 for repairs on his buggy, the shafts of which were broken on the road near Mr. Jewell's, where a stone pile on the road scared him horse. Mr. Jewell was present and said the stone had not all been put there by him, but since the accident happened he would pay half the cost of repairs. This was agreed to, and the Council paid the rest.

Messrs. Jas. McLean and Jas. Robertson, who had spent 12 days in valuing the land and buildings of the township, were present. The Reeve explained the work they had done, making an exact valuation of (the lands and buildings of the township. As some persons were of opinion that the county valuers had rated Ops too low, they had to appear before the judge and justify the valuation made. On motion of Messrs. O'Loughlin and Coulter they were paid \$1 per day for their service. Mr. Wm. B. Fee called the attorn-

from one to two o'clock on Monday, 30th of December, 1907, and that if more than the required number of candidates be nominated, a poll will be opened.

The treasurer presented his annual financial statement, which was received, and the Clerk was instructed to have 100 copies printed for distribution.

Mr. Marshall, collector, reported that he had all taxes collected except a few hundred dollars. The Council not wishing to return the balance to the county treasurer for collection, time was, on motion, extended a few days longer, and the collector was authorized to return his roll to the clerk and treasurer.

Mr. Peter Hawkins' resignation as palamaster of Beat No. 36 was accepted, and Mr. Coulter moved, seconded by Mr. Wilson, that Geo. Hawkins be appointed in his place. Mr. Best said he didn't think the people of the beat would work under Thos. Hawkins, and moved in amendment that Wm. Jones be appointed. Mr. O'Loughlin said as Best was Commissioner he would second his motion. Mr. Hawkins was appointed.

SALE DEC. 21, '07

34 Cows, a first class earload, eldest 7 years old, all due early; 9 head young cattle, two past; 11 Horses mixed classes; 5 good young sheep, all ewes; 4 Wheelbarrows, all new, all at cost; 2 dozen first-class Horse Blankets; 2 dozen girths; 2 dozen Sweet Pads, any price; 4 Ackerman Electric City Robes; 2 dozen 1 1/2 Russel Halters, any price, don't miss these; 3 first-class new Bishop Robes, 1 second-hand Arctic Robe, new last winter; 1 Heavy Robe, new; 1 set double driving Harness, nearly new; 1 set single driving Harness, new; 4 sets single Harness, new; 1 set double driving Harness, new; 1 set light Bob Sleighs, new, pole and shafts; 1 long Sleigh, 2 seats with pole; 1 pair steel Runners for cart for racing purposes. TERMS AS USUAL. W. A. FANNING.

man to put up and keep in order the lines for a rural company.

A move to plant more apple orchards in this locality is spoken of by a number of our leading farmers. Foster Bros. of Zion, advocate planting about 10 acres on each farm. Their brother at Bowmanville sold his orchard crop this year for \$3,500, and we can grow apples here as profitably as Bowmanville can. Threshers report the threshing all done.

Mr. Thompson, manager of the Western Bank, has moved with his staff into the beautiful new bank building on east side of King-st. Our popular manager wears a healthy smile since moving into the new building, where there is so much sunshine.

The male choir, Sunday night, in Methodist church, rendered good music, which all enjoyed. Come and hear the female choir next Sunday evening. Miss A. E. Broad and her mother have gone to spend the winter with relatives in the States.

Miss Edna Greenaway has arrived home from Hamilton. Master Wilfred Hooper is recovering after an operation. Mrs. Hughes, wife of our new shoemaker, has returned home, after a visit to her daughter.

Don't forget the Christmas concert, in I. O. O. F. hall, Dec. 25th.

SALE REGISTER.

FRIDAY, DEC. 27.—By Elias Bowes, auctioneer, household furniture and effects, the property of Mrs. Hurst, Oakwood. Sale commences at one o'clock sharp.—W.

We Extend to the Public of Lindsay and Surrounding Country the Season's Gladdest Greetings,

and in doing so we would beg to say that we are better prepared than ever before to satisfy and delight you, who may be thinking of a purchase of

A PIANO, ORGAN OR A SEWING MACHINE.

We have the very highest grades of Musical Goods and the very best makes of Sewing Machines, and at prices closer than usual for goods of such standard of quality. The standard on which we base our success in obtaining such a large and important share of trade in the past. You will find our store William-st. opp St. Andrew's Church.

WM. WARREN, Pianos, Organs, Sewing Machines, etc. P. O. BOX 217.

OST—A note for \$100.00 payable to Edward Murphy. Binder kindly return to EDWARD MURPHY, Lindsay, Ont.—25w.

GLANDINE (Special to The Post.)

A Christmas tree and concert will be held under the auspices of Glandine Methodist church on Monday, Dec. 23rd, commencing at 8 o'clock. Local and foreign talent. Admission 25c, and 25c.—w1.

LITTLE BRITAIN (From Our Own Correspondent.) We notice Mr. J. Rich and his brother, C. Pich, have completed a telephone line between their houses. We understand that Mr. Ed. Rich and Mr. Alf. Rich, who own farms adjoining, intend to connect lines to their houses also. This is a move in the right direction. Why not call a meeting and organize a local telephone company? Mr. Arthur Tremear put up the line and placed the instruments. Mr. Tremear would be a good

Great preparations are being made for the New Year's tea, and everyone is looking forward to a good time. Butter and eggs continue a little scarce on the market. Prices, eggs 28c. and 30c., butter 23c. and 24c. The bank has moved into its new premises. The office is very neat and attractive, and good service is given by the staff. A shooting match will take place in our village on Monday, Dec. 23rd. Turkeys will be shot for youth rifles and shot guns.

Miss J. Tangney has opened a new store with a large assortment of Dolls, Toys of all kinds, Stationery, Novelties for Christmas and New Year's Gifts. We invite you to come and see our goods. Two doors west of Y.M.C.A.