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Making Big Preparations

For Christmas Shoppers

This week we are preparing for the Christmas trade. New lines of Christmas Goods are steadily arriving from day to day, and in a few days our store will have taken on its Christmas garb. Our efforts have been put forth to give you the biggest value we have ever offered in many lines.

This Week it will Pay you to buy Millinery

We have decided to offer our entire stock of Trimmed Millinery at prices that barely cover the cost of the goods and are this season's styles, and new goods. Buy your new hat now.

$2.00 and $2.50 Hats for $1.75
$2.75 and $3.00 Hats for $2.00
$3.25 and $4.00 Hats for $2.50
$4.00 and $4 50 Hats for $3.00
$5 00 and $6.00 Hats for $3.75

These prices next two weeks only.

Christmas Suggestions for Christmas Boxes

In the following we have a very large and tasty assortment and popularly priced, at prices you feel like paying: fancy dress belts, gold handled parasols in a variety of styles, fancy 'kerchiefs in silk, linen and lawn, ladies' fancy nett and silk waists, boxed frillings, fancy collars, brooches and combs, fancy neckwear, slippers of all kinds, fancy and plain, mufflers, furs and fancy china. Many other little nick nacks not possible to mention.

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The undersigned is now prepared to do all kinds of

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Our Clubbing List

The following prices are for strictly paid in advance subscriptions only. We have no accounts with other papers.

Flesherton Advance	$ 1 00
Youths Companion	1 75
Toronto World, daily	2 00
Toronto Daily News	1 30
Weekly Globe	80
Mail-Empire	75
Family Herald & Star	80
Toronto Star	1 30
Farmer Sun	80
Farmers Advocate	1 30
Weekly Witness	75
SaturdayNight	1 55
Home Journal	55
Poultry News	15

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Wheat	1 00 to 1 00
Oats	33 to 33
Peas	83 to 83
Barley	45 to 50
Hay	12 00 to 14 00
Butter	22 to 22
Eggs, fresh	24 to 25
Potatoes per bag	40 to 40
Geese	12 to 12
Ducks	12 to 12
Chickens	10 to 10
Turkeys	19 to 19

CHRISTMAS GOODS AT BOYDS'

Do you realize that Christmas is near at hand? We have taken time by the forelock and carefully made an estimate of your requirements, and are prepared to sell you Christmas goods of good quality very cheap; to assist you in making a choice we outline some of our stock as below.

Furs

Fur Caps	1.50 to 9.00
Fur Ruffs	1.50 to 15.00
Ladies' Muffs	3.50 to 12.00
Fur-lin'd Jackets	22.50 to 60.00
Men's Coats	15.00 to 60.00

Woollen Goods

Ladies Gloves	25 to 50
Clouds, white and coloured	25 to 55
Shawls	55 to 1.50
Sweater Coats	2.25 to 3.00
Mufflers	25 to 55
Ice Wool Scarfs	1.10 to 1.35

Crockery

Dinner Setts	7.50 to 28.00
Tea Setts	3.75 to 7.50
Water Setts	1 50 to 2 00
Glass Setts	1.00 to 2.25
Jardineres	25 to 1.00
Bedroom Setts	1.50 to 4.00
Parlor Lamps	1.50 to 3 50
Berry Bowls	25 to 2.50
Pitchers from	5 to 2.50

Men's & Ladies' Gloves

Ladies Kid Gloves	1.00 to 1 75
Men's Gloves	.75 to 1.85

Linens, Novelties

Side Board Scarfs	25 to 1.50
Tray Cloths	15 to 1.00
Pillow Shams, each	50 to 1.50
Table Napkins per doz	85 to 3.75
Drawn Work Novelties	15 to 150
Table Cloths	1.00 to 3.00

Handkerchiefs

Fancy Emby Handkfs	5 to 25
Hem stitched "	25 to 75
Fancy Silk "	15 to 50
Gents Silk Mufflers	25 to 1.75
Men's Neckwear	25 to 50
Ladies' fancy silk collars	25 to 1.00

Fancy Slippers

In Felt, Carpet, Velvet and Leather

Children's	25 to 45
Misses	25 to 45
Women's	39 to 1.75
Men's	50 to 1.75

Table Cutlery

Silver Knives and Forks, per doz	5.75
Silver Forks, per doz	1.00 to 5.00
Steel Knives and Forks	1.35 to 4.00
Silver Knives, celluloid handle	2.50 to 5.00
Silver Tea Spoons, per doz	90 to 4.00
Dessert Spoons, per doz	1.50 to 5.50
Silver Plate Table Spoons	1.50 to 6.00
Carving Setts	2.00 to 4.50
Reliance Plate Sugar Shells, each	50 to 1 75
Berry Spoons, plate	1.50 to 2.50
Cold Meat Forks	1.25 to 1.50

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NATURE AT WORK

Canadian scenery and climate is to Canadians the best in the world, and justly so. Persons from the warmer, southern climes may shiver at our winters, but to us the winter has a charm that no sun-baked land could have. The cold of winter and the heat of summer combine to make Canadian life the most congenial, and but emphasize the joys of the varied seasons.

On Christmas eve it was possible to observe nature in the act of painting a most exquisite landscape. The air of the early evening had been filled with a cold, damp mist. As the evening grew older a slight western breeze sprang up, with the result that the mist began to move. In a short time the western side of all the trees had assumed a sparkling white coat of hoar frost. The effect was particularly beautiful on the evergreens, which were darkly green on one side, while on the other the pale, cold moon shimmered and glistened in a mass of white. Later on the leeward sides of the trees assumed their coat of hoar frost, and the landscape was completed. In the morning the scene was one of brightly shining trees of white standing where before were green trees — and the unshapely bared branches of the maple and beech at the touch of the magician's wand had become things of beauty. The scene was one of transfiguration that would strike admiration even from the heart of the sun-scorched southerner who knows not the charm of the crackle of the blazing logs on a cold winter's night.

It is such antics of nature as this that gains for the winter snows of the Canadian land the popularity which they receive, and so richly deserve.

HIS "IRISH" UP—OURS TOO

The editor of the Burks Falls Arrow becomes impatient with the habit some other newspapers have of cribbing news without giving due credit. This is what he said last week in reference to the matter:

The Markdale Standard appropriated the item and published it without giving credit. And worst of all, the Toronto News used the same paragraph in its issue of Monday last and gave the Standard credit for it. Having sworn off the use of cuss words we are obliged to usk our contemporaries to "take them as read."

While we would not single The Standard out as a notorious offender, yet in this case the rebuke is deserved. In our list of thirty or forty exchanges only three have the courtesy to invariably extend credit for articles they copy from The Advance. We refer to The Burks Falls Arrow, The Owen Sound Advertiser, and the Durham Chronicle.

The least courteous of our exchanges in this respect is The Owen Sound Sun. Next in line is the Collingwood Bulletin closely followed by various others.

If an article is worth copying it is surely worthy of credit to the paper of its publication.

DOYLE FAVORS BOXING

Sir A. Conan Doyle, of Sherlock Holmes fame, was requested to referee the big boxing bout between Jeffries and Johnson for the world's championship. His refusal to do so was due to other pressing interests. Conan Doyle places himself on record as being an ardent supporter of the ring, and then begins to defend it. The very fact of his spontaneous defence would indicate the necessity for defence. We think, with Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, that it requires defence, and requires it badly. In fact it would take a heap of defence to make it respectable. Such, in short, is the opinion of the writer.

We fail to see what credit is due to a man because he can artistically smash another man between the eyes, and then prevent his opponent from planting one on his countenance in return. To strike another man is no credit to any person, and the power to do so is a dangerous possession unless the possessor is a man of strong personal control.

There are many other lines of sport that eliminate to a large extent the feature of personal injury, and have less of the beastly character of deliberately striking another man.

In the olden days of personal violence in England a little skill at fisticuffs was a valuable acquisition. Many a man was let out of a tight corner by his skill at laying the other fellow out by a well-placed solar plexus blow. But those were the "good old days," and are gone never to return. Today if a man chivalrously (?) strikes another man he is given ample opportunity to cool off in the precincts of the police court.

'Twas a choice Christmas present the electors handed John A. Boyd on Monday.

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What can be drier than an election speech in which the speaker endeavors to build up a pedestal of facts and figures, mostly figures, on which he may show to best advantage? We give it up—unless it is the next speech of the same style.

We have been complimented on the article "Etchings of Christmas" by C.M., which appeared in last week's Advance. C.M. is a young lady with much talent as a writer. We trust we may be favored with more work from her pen.

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For 46 years it has been the custom of the Methodist Sabbath school here to have a stated admission fee at its annual entertainment, but this year a different tack is being taken. The tea and program will be furnished free of charge, and a free will offering received. The idea is that the entertainment will provide an opportunity for social intercourse among the members of the church and school, at the same time presenting an opportunity to accord the school the financial support which it deserves. The result will be observed with interest.

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The other day the writer overheard a man say "'Twas crushed stone, and it was put on good and thick too." This is the extent of the knowledge of roadbuilding that some men possess when they should know what they are trying to do. No one would expect a dose of syrup of squills to cure a bad sprain, or a porous plaster to draw a tooth. It is just as foolish to think that crushed stone piled on "good and thick" will of itself make good roads. The matter is one that might well be studied by those who oversee the making and repairing of roads.

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While school ma'ams are not the most highly paid of laborers, yet their very services constitute in a large degree their own reward. In any event a sense of humor is bound to find large scope for exercise in the examination papers. We give a series of answers written by a little eight-year-old girl in the Flesherton school, at the recent examinations. Strange to say the little tot passed. Here are some of the pearls she dropped in the geography paper:

A Cape is a thing to go around your shoulders.

A Harbor is a place where you get your hair cut.

A Strait is a level road.

A Basin is a place where you wash your hands.

A Desert is a place out in the water.

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The nomination of the Flesherton Police Trustees continues to be as great a farce as ever. There were 18 ratepayers present on Monday evening. The reason for the indifference may be ascribed to various influences. In the first place, the meeting is announced by a little flimsy typewritten sheet in an endeavor to keep down the printer's bill. Then there is so little money involved in the year's expenditure that there is no occasion for a great crowd at the nomination. J. A. Boyd suggested making some necessary heavy expenditures and "make 'em pay for it, and pinch 'em a bit, and they'll come out." As Mr. Boyd is an extensive ratepayer his words are void of the recklessness which would appear on the surface. When the nominations were being received one man said "you dont want enough to make an election," and was aswered "No." We would like to know why an election is not to be desired. Should the Police Trustees always be elected by acclamation? Are not the ratepayers to have an opportunity to exercise their right to a private ballot? We regard the practise of election by acclamation as a dangerous one that might lead to disagreeable complications if made a rule.

Honor Rolls.

Report of S. S. No. 7, Artemesia.

5—May Muir.

4—Kate McMillan, Clara Gilchrist, Ella Gilchrist and Lily McPhail equal, Clarence Muir and Garfield Whyte equal, James Oliver, Vera McLean.

Sr 3—W. Williamson, C. McMillan, E. Dingwall, L. Muir, H. McLean.

Jr. 3—R. Williamson, S. Whyte, T. Chase and A. Whyte equal, O. Henderson, M. Henderson.

2—D. McMillan, W. Parslow, R. Dingwall, M. Whyte, E. Gilchrist, J. McLean.

Pt. 2—J. Whyte, B. Meads, Frank Williamson.

Sr. 1—A. Gilchrist, E. Muir, S. McLean, V. Henderson, P. Muir (absent.)

Jr. 1—B. Watters, A. Parslow, R. Muir.

Average attendance—Nov., 32; Dec., 26.

Proficiency in military drill—E. Dingwall, J. Oliver, C. McMillan, C. Muir.

H. B. McKinnon, teacher.

Report of S. S. No. 8, Artemesia.

Sr. 4—E. Jackson, F. Taylor.

Jr. 4—G. White, V. Cornfield, L. Lyons.

3—A. Fisher, E Wilkinson, H Fisher.

2—H. Thompson, M. White, L. Jackson, A. Wilkinson, A. Lyons.

Pt. 2—R. White, M. Cornfield, A. Udell, A. Wilkinson, H. Thompson.

Sr. 1—S. Shier, G. Blakey.

Mid. 1—F. White, L. Pedlar, L. Thompson, J. Fisher.

Average attendance, 26.

C. C. Ramage, teacher.

Peter Green of Fergus was run into by some boys who were driving a team without bells, and had his leg broken.

Doctors Condemn Oily Liniments

The Public are Warned to Be Careful of These Strong-Smelling Oily Liniments Containing Harmful Acids, Ammonia, Etc.

Many people have clung to the old-fashioned idea that a thick, greasy liniment is the best kind. Doctors say not—and they know.

Recently a number of these white, oily liniments were analyzed, and they were found to contain an enormously high percentage of harmful acids, and such irritating chemicals as ammonia, etc. For the moment they may cause a warm sensation when first applied, but their continued use never cures rheumatism, and only deteriorates the skin, sets up inflammation and causes endless trouble.

When a doctor warns you to quit using a white, oily liniment—do so. He knows that a thick liniment can't penetrate, can't sink through the pores and reach the seat of the pain.

When asked his opinion a few days ago, Dr. Roberts stated that he considered a strong, penetrating, pain-subduing liniment such as "Nerviline," to be superior to any of the white, ammonia liniments. In his twenty-five years of practice he had witnessed cases of rheumatism, sciatica, and lumbago that simply would not respond to ordinary treatment—but Nerviline cured them. The same physician also spoke of the great advantages of keeping a preparation like Nerviline in the house always, because of cramps, diarrhoea, stomach disorders, earache, toothache, headache, and such minor ailments. Nerviline is a first-class cure. There is scarcely an ache or a pain, internal or external, that Nerviline won't cure. In thousands of homes no other pain-relieving medicine is used. Fifty years' continued success and the endorsement of the profession are proof that Nerviline is the liniment for the home.

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