

Christmas 1896.

We have no Living Curiosities in our Store,
but we have some Dead Bargains.

COME AND LOOK AT THEM:

In Our Dress Goods Department

we have an excellent range of Silk and Wool Plaids, which are selling fast, and are specially designed for Ladies' Waists. We have also a new assortment of Tweed Dress Goods, in patterns and quality unequalled, at 12½c. and 15c. per yard.

In Our Underwear Department

for Ladies and Children we show a full assortment of sizes, suitable for the smallest child or the largest woman. For boys we have small sizes in Shirts and Drawers, at 15c. each and upwards. In Men's Shirts and Drawers we have a very heavy ribbed line at the low price of 35c. each, sold everywhere at 45c. and 50c. We purchased the entire lot of one line of All Wool, and will give our customers a Bargain by selling them at 50c. each. These goods were never before sold at less than 75c. When in don't forget to see our Heavy All Wool Children's Hose at 15c. per pair and Ladies' at 20c.

In Cottons, Flannelettes, Towellings and Towels the value we offer cannot be beaten.

Our stock of Handkerchiefs, Ties and Gloves is now complete.

Our Mantle and Ready-made Clothing Department is well assorted.

Our Tailoring Department

is under the management of a competent cutter. In Tweeds and Worsteds we are showing a complete assortment and we warrant every garment a fit or money refunded. Remember the place,

ANDREW M. ROSS.

M. C. LAWLER.

We have a Full and Well Assorted Stock of

Staple and Fancy

GROCERIES,

Selected expressly for the Holiday
Trade, which we are offering at

Way Down Prices.

Buy your Christmas Groceries here and
SAVE MONEY.

M. C. LAWLER.

COAL and GRAIN

No. 2 Nut, per ton \$4.75
Egg, Nut and Stove, per ton \$5.75

25 cents per ton extra when booked.

Highest Price Paid for all Kinds of Grain.

J. H. DOWNEY & CO.

Office, MARKET BUILDING, WHITBY.

New Butcher Shop

To Open Jan. 1st.

The undersigned will open a new
MEAT STORE in

Long's Old Office.

Next door to Jno Ferguson's Store. The very best quality of meats will be kept there, and will be sold at the RIGHT PRICES.

It takes Customers to make a business successful, and I trust that I may be favored with a fair share of public patronage.

Wm. Be...

Whitby, Dec. 16th, 1896.

The casting vote for Warden.

Warden will not have as many as to preside over as the mayor has in his town council.

the scheme of establishing a house of industry in this county is in a rather unfortunate position. It has been twice voted on and rather badly defeated by the ratepayers of the county. No specified scheme was laid before them, and hundreds of blank ballots were cast. The voters feeling the responsibility resting on them as being too great to vote in the dark either one way or the other. The county council cannot, therefore, very well take action towards establishing such an institution until such time as a clearly defined scheme has been laid before the people and endorsed by a vote. This can not very well be brought about inside of two years, as the present county council is elected for that term and could not very well bring on an election in January, 1898, at that time. From this it would seem as if the house of refuge question will be several years yet to mature. Of course in the meantime the county council might have a committee working two years to perfect a scheme for submission to the electors, but even suppose it were carried it would mean a year's delay before any relief in the direction could be given to the poor. That any legislative body should have a measure in hand and be unable to accomplish anything in less than four or five years is a striking commentary on its uselessness to perform public functions.

A county council has not much discretionary powers, but parliament has left it three valuable functions to perform: the making of good leading roads, the special care of the poor, and the assisting of public libraries, good roads, good treatment of the poor, the spread of knowledge. The county council who goes to the council opposed to doing these things as simply negating the quantity of progress. We quite agree with Mr Calder that local municipalities can best look after the roads, but the trouble arises from the fact that they cannot do so. Every outgoing reeve and deputy reeve wants to show that he has reduced the taxes the thousandth part of a mill. To do this they vote against all public works of any importance, both at the local and county council. Their first thought is not what they ought to do for what the public demands, but what the tax howlers of their municipalities say? They admit the thing is right, but their niggardly constituents do not care for right, they say. The cry is to reduce taxes, no matter what. There should be a big improvement in these respects in the new county council. Men seeking to become members will have larger districts to appeal to, and will be able to take larger responsibility. The man who does not go to the council to help education, the poor and the roads, had better not get in the place where a useful man would make his mark there. If we secure a sufficiency of public libraries, good roads and a house of refuge as the result of the new county council, the good effects of it will last a hundred years.

Wasted Sympathy.

A great many people are wasting sympathy on Cuba. Spanish rule is a thing not much sought after by those who have ever known the greater freedom which some nations enjoy, but if people whose hearts are bleeding in the cause of Cuba's freedom would study into the characteristics of those who seek to become her liberators, they might feel that the hour is not at hand. Gen. Martini, who was killed last week, was nothing more nor less than the other end of Louis Riel. Like Riel he was a halfbreed, and has never done anything but ferment rebellions. His last previous effort in this line lasted ten years, during which time he had a band of plunderers and murderers in the mountains, who pillaged the whole country, and murdered by wholesale. Every ruffian in the western world flaked to his side, just as those are doing now from every part of the United States. Martini sought to form no government, and though the Americans got hold of his bravery, he has never yet faced a Spanish general in battle unless by way of some carry out some blood-splilling piece of strategy by which his banditti would destroy soldiers whom they never had the luck to fight. We get all our news about Cuba through American channels, and we would be at a moment's notice to have our sympathy turned to make us believe we are oppressed by one of the "tyrannical, effete monarchies of Europe." The much-sought-for freedom of Cuba would bring about a condition of anarchy and extended civil war between the blacks and whites, and the result would be that the United States would find a good excuse to take possession, and to do clearly what Uncle Sam is aiming at just now.

How to Vote for Co-Councillor.

Each elector has two votes, and may either vote twice for one candidate, or once for two candidates. If he wants to vote for two candidates he will mark his ballot like this:

James Jones, Yeoman	X
Geo. Smith, Agent	X
Wm. Henry, Merchant	X

If an elector wanted to vote twice for Geo. Smith alone, he would mark two X's opposite his name alone. It seems to us these directions should be given to anybody who has been accustomed to voting by ballot.

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An Error in Judgment

In our report last week of the meeting in the south ward to discuss school affairs we took liberties with the name of Mr. L. T. Barclay, which we now very much regret, as Mr. Barclay feels considerably hurt thereby. Mr. Tambyn in his speech denounced Messrs. Dow and Barclay, and as the language used was stronger than we felt was warranted we thought by exaggerating Mr. Tambyn's words to so burlesque the matter as to render the incident laughable, instead of offensive. Mr. Barclay regards the use of his name in the manner described as a very serious matter, liable to injure him in many ways, and upon hearing his views we feel that he has good reason to complain, although at the time of writing the article we had not thought of it in that light. We are very, very sorry, and desire to express our sincere regret that we incautiously made use of Mr. Barclay's name in this unwarranted manner, and hasten to withdraw the language in that part of the report of the meeting which also to apologise to Mr. Barclay for our error of judgment which hurt his feelings. We hope that no person understood from the report that any sort of offence was intended, and that Mr. Barclay will accept this retraction and apology as the best amends it is in our power to make for the injury we so unintentionally caused him.

Whitby Town Locals

Death of C. A. Conner.

During recent years no brighter or more energetic boy has grown up in this town than Charles Adam Conner, second son of Mr. J. C. Conner, who died of consumption at the family residence here on Monday night. Every person who visited this town on Saturdays, as well as every resident, recalls the rosy cheeked Charles Conner, who sold his Saturday papers by foot for the thousands, and was so successful that out of his selling of papers he laid away several hundred dollars in the savings bank. Next he was postoffice clerk for several years, and kept all his records in capital shape. A year and a half ago he went into business as a jeweler and stationer. This was a most fatal mistake. Youth and want of expert knowledge in either line rendered it impossible for him to succeed, so he assigned and gave all to his creditors. He had in the meantime learned to be an optician, and soon went to New York, where he found a first class situation and a good salary. Of a sudden one day in the early summer of this year he fell ill, and after a day or two nearly proved his death. This hemorrhage was shortly afterwards followed by another, and after treatment for a time, his physicians sent him to Canada. When poor Charles arrived here his friends hardly knew him. The handsome red cheeks had become bleached and sunken. His figure looked a foot taller. His carriage and vigorous gait had given place to a stooped attitude and a slow movement, assisted by a cane. Cheerful and hopeful yet, he visited many of his friends daily. Sometimes in one day he would visit as many other. Braced up by the false hope of those who linger with lung disease, he deceased. He had a good education, and was a most accomplished scholar. He was a most agreeable, pleasant and kind man. His parents were Mr. J. C. Conner, the musical director and conductor of the choir society, met the members Wednesday night in the music hall where almost at the last moment it was found necessary to meet. Upwards of thirty voices were tested. Mr. Harrison, from the address which he made at the house, was most agreeably surprised at the quality of the vocal material upon which he will work and promise pleasing results from the first rehearsal. The regular weekly practice meetings on Wednesday's will begin after the holidays, the 6th of January being the first date. The public library board are moving in the matter of extending the usefulness of that long established and worthy educational institution by having a reading and recreation room open daily, in the room in the Oddfellows' building in the rear of the library room, and the Choral Society will likely secure for its purposes.

For Reeve.

To the Electors of the town of Whitby:

I beg to announce myself as a candidate for the reevehip of the Town of Whitby. It is needless to say that I do not personal inclination. I have large interests at stake, and am very anxious to take an active position in the council until the present effort to pay a large portion of its indebtedness has been carried out. I have devoted the most of my time for two years to the improvement of our streets, and shall if elected, make it my special study for 1897 to assist in straightening out its finances, and in cutting down our taxes.

THOS. DEVERELL.
Whitby, Dec. 24, 1896.

Reeveship 1897.

To the Electors of the Town of Whitby.

GENTLEMEN:—Having served you in the capacity of Deputy Reeve for the past two years I now present myself a candidate for the reeveship for 1897. I can point out over six hundred dollars that have secured to the town by my own personal work, beside the ordinary service. I am favorable to reducing the running expenses of the town, I will be elected do my best to promote the interests of the town in every possible way. As the people will have an opportunity to decide whether cows shall run in the municipality or not, I pledge my honor if elected that I will be prompt action to make whatever change may be necessary in giving effect to the wishes of a majority of the electors thus expressed.

Withing you all the compliments of the season, I beg to solicit the active support of all who consider my services will be useful to the town.

Yours very respectfully,
W. B. PRINGLE.
Whitby, Dec. 24th, 1896.

Auction Sale

AUCTION SALE of valuable farm property. Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain registered mortgage, which will be produced at the time of sale, and upon which default in payment has been made, there will be offered for sale by public auction at the Royal Hotel, in the town of Whitby, in the county of Ontario, on Tuesday, the 27th day of January, 1897, at twelve o'clock, noon, the following valuable lands and premises, to-wit: about fifty acres of lot number thirty and the north twenty acres of lot number thirty-one, both in the seventh concession of the township of Whitby, in the county of Ontario. This property lies in a well settled district about 8 miles from Whitby and 31 miles from Myrtle. There are erected on the premises a log house with frame addition and frame barn. Soil is a good clay loam. Terms:—Ten per cent of the purchase money to be paid down at the time of sale. Terms of payment of the balance will be made known at the time of sale. For further particulars apply to, Reid, Owens, Wood & Arnold, Vendors Solicitors, Freehold Loan Building, Toronto, Ont. Dec. 24, 1896. —431a

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The election of a warden will prove a very interesting ceremony in the new council. It will be apparent whether a Grit or a Tory will get it as soon as the names of the councillors are found out. If there be 7 members on each side of politics, as would be the logical result of Mr. Hardy's cumulative voting plan, then the Liberal member for Pickering will probably have to elect the Warden by his casting vote, for the candidate having the biggest vote in the biggest municipality would have the casting vote. As the members for Pickering have been elected by acclamation, and neither has the larger vote, we suppose they will have to draw cuts as to

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These goods

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In addition lines of Dr. 65c; 50c Tweed; 50c H. Lustrous; 35c; 15c for 11c;

OVERCOATS

\$10 for

Men's Tweed \$12.50 for \$7; lar 45c, 50c; Shirts, 50c; Children's Ho

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