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Lady's Watch
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Of the Great Value I can give you in this department.

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A piece of Sterling Silver is a joy forever. Look at these Sterling Silver Spoons at from \$5 per doz. up. Then see my Sterling Desert Spoons, Napkin Rings, Coffee Spoons, Pie Knives, Table Spoons, Cold Meat Forks, Bon Bon Spoons, Olive Forks, Sugar Spoons, Sugar Tongs, Salt Spoons, Butter Knives, Preserve Spoons, Mustard Spoons, Souvenir Spoons. In Sterling Silver Novelties I can show you Bag Tags, Bicycle Tags, Key Checks, Skirt Supporters, Gaiter Clasps, etc., etc. Orders are coming in from distant cities for our Sterling Silverware. We haven't much of it left, and if you want to share in the advantages that cost prices are giving, make your selection now.

TABLE WARE.

This week we want to call your attention to our immense stock of
SILVERWARE.

The time to rehabilitate your table is now, when Silverware of the Best Quality is being sold AT COST. Remember, this is not a sale of snide goods, such as are being hawked around, but the best product of the best makers. People all over this county can endorse the quality of the goods we sell.

GOLD PENS AND PENCILS.

A Pen or a Pencil is always a useful thing. Look at my

Fountain Pen at \$1.25.

I have higher priced ones, too.

Gold Pencils,

Separately, or with Gold, Silver or Ivory Handles.

Combination Pens and Pencils, Combination Fulton Hooks and Tooth Picks,

Leds for all kinds and sizes of Pencils.

This is the Opportunity of a Lifetime to get Bargains in CHRISTMAS GOODS.
POSITIVELY CLOSING OUT. MUST SELL.

W. B. JEWETT,

MAIN STREET,

WOODSTOCK.

Behring Sea Judgment.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The only official statement that could be secured here of the judgment rendered by the Behring sea commissioners is contained in the following announcement, given out by the state department this afternoon:

"The award of the Behring sea claims commission has been filed in the department of state. The claims as presented by the British government to the commission on account of Canadian vessels seized in Behring sea aggregated, with interest, \$1,500,000. These include, under the claims, several cases not embraced in the settlement proposed by Secretary Gresham. The award now made amounts to \$294,181.91, to which is to be added interest which will increase the total about 50 per cent. The award is final, and disposes of all cases before it. Payment under the treaty must be made within six months."

LONDON, Dec. 24.—The Times in an editorial this morning, expressing satisfaction at the Behring sea settlement which, it anticipates, congress will not object to, protests against the "loose insinuations of bad faith on the part of the United States government which have been thoughtlessly and unjustifiably made in England." It points out that there could not be a question of bad faith because no agreement had hitherto been arrived at as to the amount of compensation.

Dealing with the original aspects of the sealing question, the editorial concludes: "The American government either make fair and businesslike proposals or the present condition of seal fishing must continue. They are not, after all, so utterly destructive of the fur seal as interested persons represent them to be."

Canada's New Outlook.

Look to the northward, we must note a year of exceptional importance and interest in the affairs of our Canadian neighbors. The Liberal administration of Sir Wilfrid Laurier has adopted a distinctively new theory of the position of Canada in the British empire and in the world. His assertion of nationality for his country goes further by a great deal in its ultimate moment than the theory of nationalism upon which the late Sir John MacDonald was so long maintained in power. Sir Wilfrid's visit to Washington, although informal in its nature, was in fact a matter of vastly deeper significance than his formal visit to England to participate in the celebration of the queen's sixtieth year on the throne. Canada's real interests are obviously bound up with those of the United States, her connection with England being relatively strong as a matter of tradition and of generous sentiment. The best interests of all parties concerned require that strictly North American questions should be dealt with and settled by North Americans in North America. So long as we allow them to be settled in London, it is not the Canadians alone who are in the position of mere colonials, but the people of the United States are to some extent in the position that they endeavored to alter in the time of George Washington. Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his associates are ready to leave various questions, in which the United States and Canada have a common interest, to be dealt with by a joint commission. It is to be hoped that something of this kind may belong to the history of the year upon which we are entering—From "The Progress of the World," in American Monthly Review of Reviews for January.

Mrs. Pneumoney: "I'll have two pounds of that sage cheese, and I will have a pound of impunity, too." Grocer: "Ma'am?" Mrs. Pneumoney: "One pound will be enough, I guess. Dr. Koddle says that sage cheese can be eaten with impunity; but then, you know, I may not like impunity."

Chinese Wheelbarrows.

The wheelbarrow man wears across his shoulders a strap which is attached to the shafts on each side. Boxes, bales of goods, or whatever the load may consist of, are secured to the wheelbarrow by ropes. There are seating accommodations for four people, two on each side, and a cushioned seat is provided for the passenger, who generally sits with one leg resting on the front of the barrow and the other hanging over the side in a rope loop, which serves as a foot rest. On the Great Plain wheelbarrows are occasionally seen with a sail, when a fair wind proves to be a great help to the trundling of the barrow over a level way.

Since the institution of cotton mills at Shanghai, the wheelbarrow has been extensively used as a passenger vehicle, especially for carrying workwomen to and from the mills. One man can wheel six women for a distance of about three miles, morning and evening, the charge being 1s 5d. per month. The average earnings of a wheelbarrow man are about 8d. per day. About four thousand licences are issued monthly to the same number of wheelbarrows plying for hire in the streets, of the foreign settlements at Shanghai, where, being under the municipal regulations, they are perhaps the best in China. Sometimes as many as fifty barrows may be seen in the streets travelling one behind the other, each carrying two barrels of English Portland cement and pushed by one man.

"We had to have little Dick's pretty golden curls cut off." That was too bad. Yes; but his mother couldn't stand the bad language he used when she combed the tangles out.

He: "Do you believe in palmistry—that you can tell anything by the hand?" She: "Certainly. Now, for example, if I had a certain kind of ring on a certain finger of my left hand, people would know that I was engaged."

Watts: "The displacement of men by machinery has been great in recent years." Potts: "And it is still going on. Only yesterday I was going across Pennsylvania street and found myself displaced by a bicycle with great precipitancy."

The American: "Well, you must agree that, individually and as a nation, we are a strong people." The Englishman: "Yes, indeed; I see in your papers quite frequently where some Chicago thief holds up a street car, you know."

Johnny: "Pa, why is it they call it single blessedness?" Pa: "As a sort of consolation to the people who do not happen to be married." Johnny: "Yes, pa; but they speak of married bliss." Pa: "That's to reconcile those who are married and wish they weren't."

At a watering place in the Pyrenees, says a French journal, the conversation at the table turned upon a wonderful echo to be heard some distance off on the Franco Spanish frontier. "It is astonishing," said an inhabitant of Garonne. "As soon as you have spoken you hear distinctly the voice leap from rock to rock, from precipice to precipice and as soon as it has passed the frontier the echo assumes the Spanish accent!"

The common fluency of speech in many men and the most of women is owing to a scarcity of matter and a scarcity of words, for whoever is a master of language, and hath a mind full of ideas, will be apt in speaking to hesitate upon the choice of both; whereas common speakers have only one set of ideas and one set of words to clothe them in, and these are always ready at the mouth. So people come faster out of church when it is almost empty than when a crowd is at the door.

Personal

H. R. Benn, Debec, is at the Aberdeen. Wm. Curry, Andover, is at the Aberdeen. Miss Annie Good is home from Sackville. C. J. Taber and wife spent Christmas in St. John.

Lewis Bliss, Fredericton, spent Xmas in Woodstock.

Ed. Williams has returned from Woodville N. H.

Miss Alice Rogers is the guest of Mrs. R. K. Jones.

Miss Annie Allen is visiting friends in Fredericton.

Miss Wallace is visiting her sister Mrs. J. S. Parsons.

Charles Churchill is laid up with an attack of erysipelas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Snow spent Christmas in St. Andrews.

Vernon Lamb, St. Andrews, is visiting at Mrs. Augherston's.

Miss Annie Ross has returned from Boston for the holidays.

Neville Vince is home from the U. N. B. for the holidays.

Guy Stewart, arrived home from Boston on Christmas Eve.

Percy Allen is spending the holidays with his parents here.

Mr. Stanley Sutton, Andover, is visiting his relations in Woodstock.

Mrs. Amos C. Day, Lynn Mass, is visiting her relatives in Woodstock.

R. J. Hurst, of the Maritime Wrapper Co. is spending Christmas home.

J. B. Bowser, Victoria Corner, was a guest at the Aberdeen on Monday.

Trenton Currie, of Green Road, spent Christmas with friends at Fredericton.

Kenneth Connell and Sabine Carr, returned from Sackville on Thursday night.

Chas and John Munro spent the Christmas holidays with their mother here.

Principal G. H. Harrison is spending the holidays with his father in Chatham.

Miss Helen Hand is visiting her grand-parents Dr. and Mrs. Boyd, Linneus Me.

Harry L. Bailey, Peoples' Bank of Halifax, Halifax, is at home for the holidays.

Mrs. John Laverty, Debec, is spending the winter with her son at Westbrook Me.

Harry, Lebaron and Irvine Dibblee sons of C. F. K. Dibblee spent Christmas at home.

Hon. Geo. W. White, of Centreville, attended at the masonic celebration on Monday night.

John Miller, Glassville, and Geo. R. Burt, Hartland, registered at the Aberdeen yesterday.

Norman B. Brown, the popular clerk in John McLaughlan's store, spent Christmas in Fredericton.

Fred Fisher, who has been working in New Glasgow, N. S., spent Christmas with his sister here.

Will E. Saunders, who is attending McGill Medical College, is spending the holidays at home here.

M. E. Smith, of Oak Hall, spent Christmas in St. Stephen. Mrs. Smith returned with him on Tuesday.

E. W. Williams who has been quite ill for some time was able to be out last week. He is in Fredericton now.

Harry R. Currie, Accountant of the Maritime Wrapper Co. spent Christmas with his parents and friends in Hartland.

Marvin Walker, of the Bank of Nova Scotia, Kentville, N. S., and John Walker of the firm of Hanson & Grady, Houlton, spent Christmas at home here.

The Witness.

We find in the Methodist Young People's Paper *Onward* the following eminently true expression about the Canadian Press. We agree with *Onward* in saying that the Press of Canada, taken for all in all, is as high-toned as that of any country in the world. Our readers will have no difficulty in recognizing the Montreal Witness as the paper specially referred to.

Nowhere, we think, is there a press of higher moral tone than that of our beloved country. It possesses, we think, the unique distinction of having a leading journal in its largest city which for over fifty years has been a moral crusader, a champion of reform. In all that time it has not published one liquor, or tobacco, or theatrical advertisement. At the sacrifice of much money it has stood true to its high principle, and stands fourscore a tower of strength, against all the winds that blow.

Men Who Study To Dress Correctly

Probably know that fashion has decreed a number of changes in Men's Garments for the winter of 1897-98. As Shakespeare said; "The apparel out proclaims the man," and it is indeed true that a man is often judged by the clothes he wears. Men who wear my clothes are not only well dressed, but are always dressed in good form. My stock of

Fall and Winter Cloths

is large, varied and excellent. Come in and look it over. Look at the fashion plates and see what you want. I can satisfy you. That is my business.

W. B. NICHOLSON.

The Narrow Way!

We are travelling this week in the same old way, except that we have considerably increased our gait for the Holiday Rush. Our usual way is

Best possible goods at lowest possible prices

We are not selling our goods at cost, that isn't reasonable, but we are selling on very small margins. Our goods are all new, not carried over from previous years, but imported especially for the

Christmas Trade of 1897.

In Silverware, Watches, Clocks, Jewellery, Novelties, etc., our stock can't be beaten in the province. We want you to come in, look over our goods, and you will be satisfied that what we say is true.

See our Christmas Window. See our Christmas Store.

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Of all kinds. Prices away down, and a Liberal Discount for cash.

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