

### For the Man who wants to buy a Sensible Gift that will please his Wife, Sister or Sweetheart

There is no necessity for your finding it difficult to know just what to give in the way of Christmas gifts.

We have just received a number of Christmas suggestions that we know will delight everyone who sees them.

Come in and let us show you what we have to offer in fine Christmas Perfumes in special packages, Parisian Ivory and Ebony in sets and pieces, handsomely packed Chocolates and Bon Bons, Christmas Kodaks, Toilet Cases and a host of other appropriate gifts.

The prices are very reasonable considering the fine merchandise offered you and we know that you will find it easy to select something appropriate from our complete stock.

Don't put off your Christmas gift list until the last minute. Every day makes it more difficult to secure just what you want and we suggest that you come in and talk it over with us now.

**E. A. FOSTER**  
Central Drug Store

### GUNNERS OF 272ND ENJOYING THEIR LIFE

Mr. John G. Campbell, Cape Traverse, has received the following letter from his cousin in England.

Eweshott  
Nov. 26, 1916

Hello Jack

How's the world going with you. This is Sunday and there is not much going on, there was Church parade at 8.30 this morning. We got back to our quarters about ten and have been loafing ever since. Billy is sitting by me as I am writing. He is reading a story in the magazine called "cup-board love." I don't know if he has fallen in love with some English girl or not. It seems strange for him to be reading such a story at any rate.

I suppose he has given you a word or so of a description of this place so there is no need for me to do that. We had some fun Saturday. We were "digging-in" as they call it. The deepest part of the "dugout" is where the gun-crew is when not in action. It is about ten feet and when finished has about two feet of logs and three feet of earth all over it. Experts claim that it will stop any shrapnel or piece of shell, but of course it won't be any use in case of a "direct hit." There is a narrow communicating trench—about three feet wide—runs from that to where the cartridges are stored.

another trench about five or perhaps six feet wide runs to where the gun is. On the other side of the gun platform is a trench running to a dugout where the shells are stored. You see the shell and the cartridge are to different pieces and aren't stored together. We'll drill one more week. Our orders for next week are: one day digging, one day route march, two days on twelve and sixteen pounders, one day on the five-inch howitzers and one day on the six inchers. Will have to march about seven miles to drill on the six-inchers, then will drill for two hours, and then have the seven mile march back. I don't think there is any fear of us taking indigestion through lack of exercise. Of course a fellow gets hardened up to it. I know if I had to start out and carry what we have carried for eight or ten miles, when I was home, there would have been a real earthquake on little P. E. Isle. I marched from Aldershot up here in one hour and ten minutes, and believe me it's nearer six miles than it is five. Believe me, Jack I felt like sitting down when we got here. We had just finished 26 days in quarantine and it sure "brought out the grasses." I expect we'll have some fun tomorrow when we get on the guns as most of us haven't laid eyes on one since we left Charlottetown. There are rumors about that we are going to Lydd some time near Xmas. That is where we do the real gun-drill firing and all. I also heard that it is supposed we will be fit for action sometime near the 15th of March. Then it will be France for the old "Happy Fifth."

There's not a darn thing in the camp but artillery. The Halifax and McGill batteries are both here; also some English artillery. I don't know where the St. John battery is. I don't know if it is here in England or not. I am waiting till we get to Lydd, that is where we'll have the time firing. I have a notion to take up gun-laying. I don't know if I'd be able to qualify or not at any rate. It would do no harm to try it out at any rate. One or two of the boys are thinking about joining the "Royal Flying Corp"—Not for me, thanks. I guess it's risky enough on old Mother Earth. I'm not anxious about getting killed in the old war, there are too many gone now to suit me. I want to get back to old P. E. I and have another game of six-three with you before I kick the bucket.

I heard today that there is a draft of the 106th going to France tomorrow. Well it's just as well I believe they stand a better chance of coming back if they go in drafts. Of course they won't all come back, that's a certainty, and unless this old war ends soon, all of the 272nd Siege will not see their homes again. But why worry. We didn't come over here to play foot-ball and then go back. If we come through it we'll have a distinction to carry with us. If we don't come through, well, we'll only be a few short years ahead of the rest of the boys. We all have to die and I'd rather die an honourable death than sleep in a coward's grave.

There is a monument near Bramshot of a Lieutenant who died in the Hospital in France. He was only nineteen and was in the trenches several times. On his was the following motto: "Better to die in that craved hour of glory, than live an age without a name." All soldiers that passed that monument were asked to come to attention and salute it. It was in the same churchyard that the poet Gray wrote his "Elegy in a country church yard." Brave boy! I don't envy him his honor, but would willingly follow his steps.

So long Jack, I have more letters to write so I must close, remember me to all my friends and acquaintances.

May we both return home safe, is the wish of your son and old friend,  
**BILLY and NORMAN,**  
No. 1261355  
Gr. N. D. Campbell  
272nd (Canadian) Siege Battery  
Army Post Office  
London, England

**YARMOUTH REPORTS**  
A LOSS TO LOBSTER MEN OF \$100,000.

YARMOUTH, N. S., Dec. 19. — The worst storm that has passed over this part of the province for many years commenced Friday evening and continued throughout Saturday to late in the evening. The velocity of the wind at times reached sixty miles an hour.

Early in the morning the electrical system of the Yarmouth Light and Power Company was put out of commission by its main wire line from Carleton, being broken in several places by falling trees. On account of this the town last night was in total darkness and the business houses had to report to oil lamps and candles for illumination. The telephone system is in very bad shape and lines are down all about the town and country.

The loss to the lobster fishermen will amount to \$100,000 or more.

### STOCK QUOTATIONS

(Special to the Guardian.)  
HALIFAX, N. S., December 19.—  
(Quotations furnished by F. B. McCurdy & Co., stock and bond brokers, members Montreal Stock Exchange, McCurdy Building, Halifax, N. S.)

#### CLOSING PRICES.

Yesterday	To-day
Atchison	104 1/2
Am O and Fy	69
Am Loco	79
Anacosta	87 1/2
Am S & R	107 1/2
Can Pac	168 1/2
Cen	105 1/2
Crucible Steel	68 1/2
M. F. Ct	102 1/2
Mex Nor Power	100 1/2
P. S. Steel	76 1/2
Reading	107 1/2
Can Pac	98 1/2
Studebaker	112 1/2
U. S. Steel	113
Union Pac	146
U. T.	105

Chickens, lb	15-18
Ducks, lb	16-18
Turkeys, lb	22-25
Beef (lb) retail	15-20
Beef (wholesale) dressed	07-10
Beef (live weight)	03-05
Lamb (live)	08 1/2-09
Pork (selects) wholesale	14-14 1/2
Hay (ton)	12-00
Straw (ton)	7-00
Potatoes (bushel)	04-05
Turnips (bushel)	20-20
Oats (white) bush	05-05
Oats (black) bush	05-05
Paranips (lb)	01 1/2
Buckwheat (bush)	76-90
Wheat (bush)	1.25-1.50

#### SUMMERSIDE MARKETS.

Butter (dairy) per lb	37 to 38
Butter (creamery) lb	41 to 42
Buckwheat per bush	75 to 1.00
Calves per lb	17 to 18
Eggs per doz	38 to 39
Chickens per lb	16 to 20
Pork per lb	12 to 15
Ducks per lb	16 to 18
Hay (loose) ton	10.00 to 12.00
Hay (pressed) per ton	12.00 to 13.00
Hides per lb (each)	18 to 19
Lamb (each)	60 to 80
Oats (black) per bush	67
Oats (white) per bush	65
Potatoes per bush	50
Straw (pressed) per ton	6.00 to 6.50
Turnips per bush	20
Wheat per bush	1.25 to 1.50
Pork (organs att.) per lb	11 1/2 to 12

#### CHARLOTTETOWN MARKETS

Butter (fresh) lb	38-40
Butter (tub)	36-37
Butter (creamery prints)	43-45
Eggs, doz	40-45
Powl, lb	12-15

### Christmas Goods For Men

Give a man something to wear and your gift is sure to be acceptable.

Select your gift from our stock, and you can be sure that it is right in quality, style and price.

Our showing of Men's Goods for the Christmas trade is complete. Run down the list below and then come in and see the goods.

- Paris Garters in pretty boxes . . . . . 25c pr.
- Silk Armlets . . . . . 25c and 50c pr.
- Lawn Handkerchiefs . . . . . \$1.00 doz.
- Linen Handkerchiefs, plain and initial . . . . . \$2.00 to \$4.00 doz.
- Cashmere Sox, plain and ribbed 40c, 50c, 75c pr.
- Unlined Kid Gloves . . . . . \$1.25 \$1.50 ea.
- Woollen Gloves, black, grey, tan . . . . . 75c, \$1.25 pr.
- Lined Gloves, Kid and Mocha . . . . . \$1.35 up
- Silk Mufflers, every style . . . . . \$1.25, \$1.50 ea.
- Fur Lined Gloves . . . . . \$5.00 pr.
- Men's Shirts, every style . . . . . \$1.00 up
- Night Shirts, warm flannelette . . . . . \$1.25 ea.
- Pyjamas, an ideal present . . . . . \$2.15, \$2.25 pr.
- Umbrellas . . . . . \$1.25 to \$5.00 ea.
- Coat Sweaters, all styles . . . . . \$2.75 to \$5.00 ea.

Shop early while the assortment of goods is best. We will put aside until Christmas any goods selected now. Pretty Boxes and Greeting Cards Free.

**McLELLAN BROS**  
MEN'S FURNISHERS

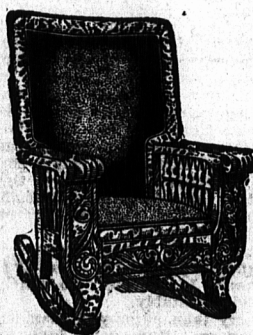
### OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL XMAS

## Beer & Weeks



### An enormous variety of Gift articles to select from at this store

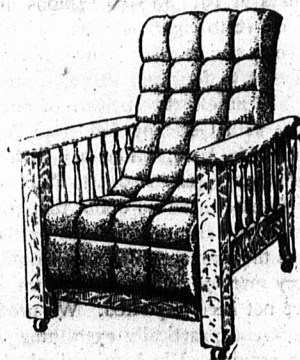
Our big store is bursting with lovely Gift Articles--Easy Chairs, Pedestals, Brass Goods, Smoker's Stands, Brass Beds, China Cabinets, Desks, Music Cabinets--hundreds of elegant gift articles at low prices. Open evenings--come in and walk around.



Upholstered Rockers \$6.50 to \$15.00



Reed Rockers \$4.00 to \$15.00



Morris Chairs \$6.50 to \$30.00

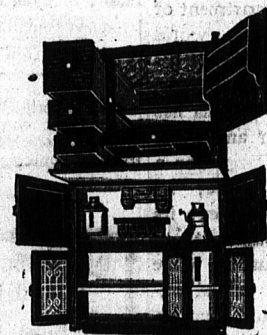


Reed Chairs \$6.00 to \$15.00



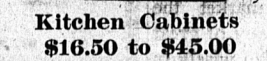
Pedestals \$3.25 to \$15.00

Music Cabinets from \$7.50 up--an immense assortment.



Music Cabinets \$16.50 to \$45.00

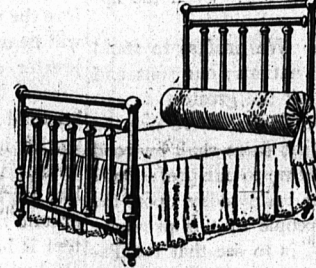
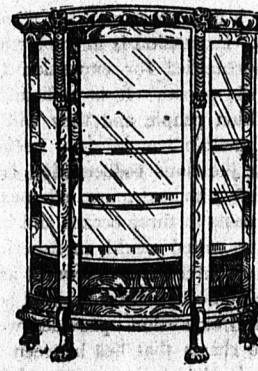
Ladies' Desks in oak and mahogany 7.50 up.



Trays Many sizes and styles, square and oval 2.00 up



China Closets \$20.00 to \$75.00



Brass Beds \$10.50 to \$50.00

Brass Jardiniere Pedestals Fern Pots Smokers Wisk holders Ash Trays Jars Coal Hods Etc., etc.

### OPEN EVENINGS

### Lovely Fancy Xmas Linens

Take the elevator to our linen department and see the finest display of fancy linens in the City.

Centerpieces, Doylies, Covers, Runners Cushions, Tray Cloth, Shawls, Slips  
**HANDKERCHIEFS**

### OPEN EVENINGS

### Lovely Portable Electric Lamps

Nothing nicer for a Xmas gift than one of these lovely lamps. Twenty to choose from \$5.75 to 20.00.

Silk lined lamp shades in all sizes--an elegant variety 75c to 4.50

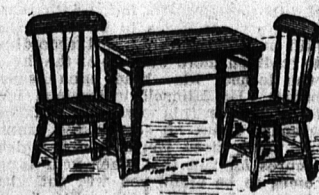
### FOR THE KIDDIES

Although very hard to secure we have some nice gift articles for children

Quantities are not large and we advise buying early and having the purchases laid aside

- High Chairs \$1.35 to 2.50
- Rockers . . . . . 75c to 3.00
- Express Wagons . . . . . \$1.35 to 3.00
- Doll Beds . . . . . \$1.75 to 4.50
- Sleds . . . . . 25c to 1.50
- Dressers \$1.90 to 3.90
- Cradles . . . . . 75c to 1.50
- Sweepers 15c to 25c
- Doll Sleds \$1.50 to 2.50
- Shoo Flys . . . . . \$1.35

BUY EARLY



Kindergarten Sets Heavy and Strong \$2.00



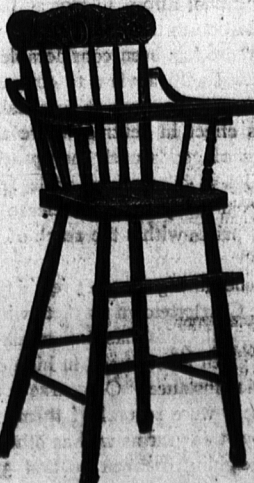
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Picture Framing



Boys and Girls Sleds 25c to \$1.50



High Chairs \$1.35 to 2.50



Shoo Fly Rockers \$1.35

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### PICTURE FRAMING