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## EDITORIAL NOTES.

Canada is sending another con-  
tingent of soldiers to South Africa.

Milverton's bachelors are deter-  
mined not to be cut out of their  
best girls by the Mormons. They  
are prepared to grin and bear it  
when the girl rejects them (they  
are getting used to that), but when  
the gay and festive Mormon ap-  
pears on the scene the boys spunk  
up and spend their last cent in  
effort to drive off their enemy.

Berlin has secured a beet sugar  
factory. The capital to build the  
refinery has been subscribed, and  
the acreage asked for has been given  
by the farmers. We understand  
that the building operations are to  
be commenced early in the spring.  
In order to secure the acreage early  
so no of the farmers gave contract  
for from thirty to fifty acres, with  
the understanding that field help  
would be obtained from Berlin in  
the summer.

The Canada Beet Sugar Co., with  
headquarters at Baden, have se-  
cured a charter which permits  
them to build railroads in con-  
nection with their refinery. At a meet-  
ing held here on Monday evening  
the secretary of the Company said  
that they had in contemplation an  
electric road running north through  
Wilmot to Wellesley and connect-  
ing with the C. P. R. on the south.  
This scheme would give the Baden  
factory an immense territory in  
which to secure beet acreage.

Wellesley section has taken the  
first steps towards securing a rail-  
way. A strong committee has been  
appointed comprising prominent  
farmers from the townships of  
Wellesley, North Easthope and  
Wilmot to look after the initial  
stage of affairs and to take steps to  
bring the question fairly before the  
people. There appears a strong de-  
sire for railway connection. It mat-  
ters not to the people here whether  
the road leads eastward via Berlin,  
or southward via New Hamburg &  
Galt, so that it carries our products  
to the great markets without trans-  
shipment. The committee is likely  
to have plenty to do before spring.  
The earnestness of the farmers in  
seeking for a railway was unmis-  
takeably shown when that matter  
was before the great mass meeting  
on Monday night, and the eyes of  
capitalists other than the Canada  
Beet Sugar Company are turning to  
this direction.

The following would indicate  
that the Indians knew a thing or  
two about agriculture before the  
United States government began  
sending them to college: Some  
seeds of corn found in an Indian  
mound in Colorado were planted  
two years ago and yielded extraor-  
dinary crops. These seeds were  
several hundred years old, and pre-  
served in a jar. The height of the  
stalks measured twelve feet, and  
many of the ears were as long as a  
man's forearm.

Second-hand piano for sale—good  
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## THE STIRRUP CUP.

My short and happy day is done;  
The long and lowly night comes on,  
And at my door the pale horse stands  
To carry me to unknown lands.

His whinny shrill, his pawing hoof,  
Sound dreadful as a gathering storm,  
And I must leave this sheltering roof  
And joys of life so soft and warm.

Tender and warm the joys of life:  
Good friends, the faithful and the true,  
My rosy children and my wife,  
So sweet to him, so fair to view.

So sweet to him, so fair to view:  
The night comes on, the lights burn blue,  
And at my door the pale horse stands  
To bear me forth to unknown lands.

—John Hay

## A NOVEL HOTEL BILL.

The Man to Whom It Was Presented  
Could Not Understand It.

"Talking about bookkeeping, there  
used to be a man in Yankton whose  
system of bookkeeping accounts was  
wonderfully efficient. He kept a hotel,  
and he could neither read nor write.  
We did not know how to spell his own  
name, but he did a thriving business  
and collected every dollar of his ac-  
counts. Once, years ago, when I first  
came to this country, I went to his ho-  
tel and stopped there two weeks,"  
writes Milt Brinken.

"When I left, he presented me with a  
statement of what I owed him, and it  
was a curiosity. He had copied it from  
his ledger. At the top of the sheet  
there was a rude picture of a soldier  
on the march and after it three straight  
marks. Then there was a scene show-  
ing a man at table eating. Then ap-  
peared a bed with a man in it. In the  
amount column there was a picture of  
a doll and after it the two letters "RR."  
After the picture of a man eating there  
were forty-two marks; after the view  
of the man in the bed, fourteen marks.  
I looked at the account, then at the  
proprietor, and told him it would take  
me a week to answer that conundrum.  
"I was completely stumped, and when  
that hotel man deciphered the amount  
for me it was this: The picture of the  
soldier walking meant march, and the  
three marks supplied the date, March  
8, when I began boarding. The man  
at the table with forty-two marks after  
it indicated that I had eaten forty-two  
meals. The man in bed with fourteen  
marks showed that I had slept in the  
house fourteen nights. The doll with  
the 'RR' after it meant 'dollars,' and  
in the figure column appeared the fig-  
ures 14, which was the amount I owed  
him. And it was a true bill."

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terest to the family. Its commercial intelli-  
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One good road cart	16 00
One two-seated carriage	70 00

And a few second-hand buggies at a bargain. Now is your time if you want a good buggy for  
a little money. Come and convince yourself. Everything must be sold and somebody will get a Snap.

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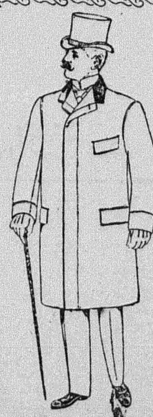
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boys, such as Ties, Mufflers, Hand-  
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Another lot of MEN'S and BOYS' OVER-  
COATS, just in, at \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50,  
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See our Nobby New FEDORA Hats, direct  
from New York at \$2.50.

STAR CLOTHING HOUSE.

SIGN GOLD STAB.



**M. WILDFANG - Berlin.**

# LOCAL NEWS.

Watch out! for W. Kelterborn's X-mas adv. next week.

Mr. Weston Stroms, from near Linwood was in town on a business trip on Tuesday.

"The Peerless" is our new 5c. cigar which is taking like wildfire. Try it. Knapp Bros.

Council meeting was held at Crosshill on Monday and lasted until quite late at night.

Mr. Henry Ullner, who lives with his parents in this village, is seriously ill with pneumonia.

Thanksgiving Day was quietly observed in town. The splendid ice on the pond being the main attraction.

Miss Lottie Hogg was home from Stratford Coll. Inst. on Thanksgiving Day, accompanied by Miss Skelton.

The shooting match last Thursday was fairly well attended but the weather was too cold for outdoor sport.

Union Sunday School next Sabbath at 10.30 o'clock, a. m. At 3.00 p.m. Rev. Mr. Draper will preach on the subject "The Eye of the Soul."

Our thrilling new serial story, "Marina: The Daughter of Kison Ludim," begins in this week's issue. It is interesting from start to finish.

Master Orton Greenwood spent Thanksgiving Day in Elmira. He was accompanied home by his cousin, Miss Emma Everalt, who intends spending a couple of weeks in town.

The trustees complain of wood-thieves at the Wellesley public school. About half a cord has been taken and the woodshed considerably damaged. A close watch is now being kept on the property.

Mr. E. Hergott, proprietor of the City hotel, Waterloo, died unexpectedly last Saturday morning of typhoid fever. He was a brother of the Hergotts of this section and was well known and highly respected by a wide circle.

Don't forget about the "White" concert next Wednesday evening, under the auspices of the Brass Band. The plan of the hall is now open at the drug store and the best seats are rapidly being snapped up. Don't forget; don't delay.

Master George Berdix met with a serious accident at the roller mill yesterday forenoon. While in the mill on an errand he put his hand into one of the grain elevators and in an instant his right arm was drawn up and broken in two places. He was quickly extricated and taken home where his injuries were attended to and he is now doing well.

The marriage of Mr. Edward Albrecht and Miss Eva, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. Koehler, occurred in Galt on Tuesday of this week; the Rev. Dr. Dickson officiating. The groom and his beautiful young bride were both born and raised in this village, where they are both quite popular, and the heartiest wishes for their happiness are extended by all.

The residence of Miss Huehn, near the entrance to the agricultural park, took fire about 10 o'clock last Saturday morning. Fortunately the flames were discovered by Miss Murch before they had gained any serious headway and the help which quickly gathered soon extinguished the fire. A hole was burned through the roof of the kitchen and some shingles destroyed, but no other damage was done.

**THE MAPLE LEAF PREMIUM.**  
Last week the Maple Leaf offered the Hicks Almanac (see the last page this issue) to the first 50 who renewed. At this writing (Wednesday) over half of these are gone. Do you want one?

**BORN.**  
On Nov. 16th, to Mr. and Mrs. Peter Wahl, Hampstead: a daughter.  
On Nov. 23rd, to Mr. and Mrs. Dan. E. Gerler, and Lisa, Wellesley Twp: a daughter.  
On Dec. 2nd, to Mr. and Mrs. John Lantz, Batsburg: a daughter.  
On Dec. 2nd, to Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Hluta, N. Easthope: a son.  
On Nov. 15th, to Mr. and Mrs. John Copling, N. Easthope: a daughter.

# THE MASS MEETING.

There was a very large attendance at the meeting held in the Opera House on Monday to discuss the railroad and sugar beet questions, over 250 farmers and other ratepayers being present.

Mr. J. G. Reiner was called to the chair. He stated that there was much important business before the meeting, and many speakers; he would therefore introduce

**THE RAILWAY QUESTION**  
First and hoped that the meeting would be prompt and terse in their remarks so that no time would be lost. At this meeting not much could be done further than taking preliminary steps. If the meeting is in favor of having railway connection for this section a committee might be appointed to investigate as to the best means to use to push the matter, then call public meetings, if necessary later on.

The two motions following were then put before the meeting and unanimously carried:

Moved by Edward Ratz, seconded by Michael Schaub, that in the opinion of this public meeting a steam or electric railway of standard gauge and suitable roadbed to carry our produce from Wellesley village to the seaboard without breaking bulk would be of general benefit to this section, and we approve of the building of such a road at as early a date as possible.

Moved by Duncan Dewar, seconded by Charles Koehler, Sr., that J. G. Reiner and John Hill, Wellesley village; Ferdinand Walter and Henry Hostetter, of Wellesley township; Alex. McDonald and Alex. Hart, North Easthope; George Bohl and Moses Schultz, Wilmet, be appointed a committee by this public meeting to represent this section in taking the preliminary steps towards securing railway connection to Wellesley, and that they have power to add to their number, and to call meetings at such times as they see fit, and that J. W. Green, editor of the Wellesley Maple Leaf, be the secretary of said committee.

The railway business being disposed of, the chairman turned the attention of the meeting to

**SUGAR BEETS.**  
Mr. A. Kaufman was the first speaker called upon. In a neat, brief, address he gave an epitomized history of sugar beets, and the prosperity which now attends its manufacture into sugar.

He was followed by Mr. Wendall Shants, of Berlin, who gave a very practical talk on his experiences when experimenting for the government in sugar beet culture in Waterloo and adjoining counties. His remarks were very instructive and he was closely listened to.

Messrs. Fowler and Arnold followed, the latter giving a glowing account of the money the Michigan farmers are making out of sugar beets.

Mr. Douglas, the Company's secretary, arrived late, having travelled all day from Scranton, Pa., and was heartily applauded as he entered the hall. This dashing young lawyer made a fine effort to rouse the farmers, stating, among other things, that the Company intends running an electric road up this way if sufficient acreage is taken, but on the other hand the factory would not be built if the necessary acreage were not subscribed.

But the level-headed farmers failed to stampede. In many well-put short speeches they stated that they had not sufficient knowledge of the matter to warrant the giving of a large acreage at this long distance from the factory, and while they would support the industry with a small contract tonight, further investigation might decide them to much increase their acreage. Nearly 30 acres were contracted for at the close of the meeting.

**SCHOOL REPORT.**  
Following is the report of the standing of pupils in Divisions II. and III. of Wellesley public school:

**DIVISION II.**  
Jr. Third.—Edna Berscht, Edith Schaub, Daniel Lichty, Elma Meyer, Katie Egerdt, Noah Gascho, Annie Dietz, Lizzie Berdix, Alvin Forler, Alma Ottmann, George Walton, Edward Koehler, Laura Luft, Oscar Ottmann, Harry Miller, John Duench, James Berdix.

Sr. Second.—Edith Alteman, Valeria Dingwall, Nelda Preins, Lydia Leis, Erma Green, Lea Roth, Louisa Reibling, Minnie Ottmann, Mattie Kennel, Mary Berdix, Tena

Best, Robert Kube, Christian Roth, (Eleanora Ottmann, Edward Gingsch and Nettie Falk equal), Theodore Berg, Paula Lochner, Allan Heimpel, Clayton Forler, Karl Forler, Charlie Wolwade, Moses Leis, Austin Teeb. **BESSIE MURCH, Teacher.**

**DIVISION III.**  
Jr. Second.—Harold Bellinger, Mary Sanders, Anna Daub, Elleen Schaub, Olga Gabe, Lavina Ottmann, Mary Roth, Agnes Lenhard, Edward Roder, Edwin Koehler, John Stable, Caroline Miller, Rachel Leis, Daniel Kennel, Wesley Mertz, Hattie Dawson.

Part II.—Arthur Sanders, Joseph Gingsch, Emma Leis, Emanuel Schwartzentruber, Ivan Schopp, Mary Roth, Christian Lichty, August Kube, Oscar Heimpel, Norma Green, Charlie Miller, John Kube, Helen Walton, Mattie Kropf, Gordon Meyer, Willie Yent, Daniel Grodie, Oliver Trussler, Susanah Lehman, Susan Kennel, Katie Wagler, Louis Miller, Elliott Falk, Sannol Leis, Florence Krentzweiser, Clayton Mayer.

**EVA STRETTON, Teacher.**

**LISBON.**  
(Continued from First Page.)  
with friends in Rostock.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilker, of Ellice township, spent Sunday last the guests of F. Wagner here.

Miss Julia Rice and sister returned to their home in Brunner last Monday.

Mr. Seigmiller, from near New Hamburg, spent Sunday the guest of Mr. C. Kneisel in this village.

Mr. W. Becker, from New Hamburg, was about here buying pigeons lately.

Pigs are getting the worse(h) of it these days.

**HUBERSVILLE.**  
Dec. 2nd, 1901.

We are glad to report that Geo. Miller, who has been on the sick list for the last two weeks, is able to be around again.

Mr. Wm. McKee spent Thanksgiving Day in Hanover with his brother-in-law, Mr. Bell. Miss Ethel McKee, who has been visiting in Hanover for the past six weeks, returned home on Thursday.

It is expected that Mrs. A. Miller, who has been sick with typhoid fever in Neepawa, Man., will start for home this week.

Mr. John McKee, of Millbank, spent Sunday at A. Miller's.

Mr. John Holtzshuh spent Sunday on the 13th communion with his parents.

S. J. Miller spent Thanksgiving Day in Millerton.

Mr. Fred Stover had a wood bee on Nov. 22nd, and in the evening the young people of the vicinity tripped the light fantastic until the early hours of the next morning. All report having had a good time.

**TOPPING WEST.**  
Dec. 2nd, 1901.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fink returned home yesterday after spending a week visiting friends at Port Elgin.

A wedding occurred at the home of Mr. Joseph Jantzi, just east of Topping, on Thanksgiving Day, when their daughter, Miss Susie, was united in marriage to Mr. Kipper of Mornington. In the evening a number of their young friends gathered and gave them an operatic serenade and were, of course, royally entertained.

**WELLESLEY MARKETS.**  
Wednesday, Dec. 4, 1901.

To-day's quotations are:  
Wheat.....39c 70c  
Oats.....38c 50c  
Barley.....48c  
Peas.....70c

Other products are bought at:  
Butter, # lb.....16c  
Eggs, # oz.....16c  
Lard # lb.....11c  
Tallow, (rendered) # lb..50  
Dried apples # pound.....6c  
Wool # pound, cash.....15c 16c  
Wool # pound, factory trade..19c

**Estray Heifer.**  
CAME onto the premises of the subscriber, lot 7, con. 1, West Section, Wellesley, about the 15th Nov. 1901, a fall grown heifer. The owner is requested to prove property, pay expenses and take it away.  
**GEO. STURCKE, Hampstead P.O.**

**Estray Hound.**  
CAME onto the premises of the subscriber, lot 7, con. 1, West Section, Wellesley, about the 15th Nov. 1901, a fall grown hound. The owner is requested to prove property, pay expenses and take it away.  
**JAMES FORREST, Nithburg P.O.**

Put your Stock in good condition by using

**"FARMERS' FAVORITE"**  
CONDITION POWDER.

The Best and Largest 25-cent package in the market.

"Kendall's Spavin Cure"  
"English Spavin Cure"  
"Gombault's Caustic Balsam"

For Sale at

**THE DRUG STORE,**  
Wellesley, Ont.

**Estray Sheep.**  
Came onto the premises of the subscriber, lot 8, Con. 4, east section, Wellesley Twp. sometime in August, one ewe with one lamb. The owner is requested to prove property, pay expenses and take it away.  
**PETER STRAIN, Bamberz P.O.**

**Farm For Sale.**  
The farm comprises 100 acres, being lot 12, concession 2, Section line, Township of Wellesley, one mile south of Crosshill. On the premises are a good brick house, bunk barn, ample stabling, driving shed and other out-buildings, good well and cistern, good orchard, about eight acres in fall wheat, 40 acres in grass. The farm is all good, arable land. TERMS easy. For further particulars apply on the premises or by letter to  
**JOS. GILMAR, Proprietor, Crosshill P.O.**

**HORSE HIDES WANTED!**  
Also other hides and skins bought by  
**F. BERDUX & SON**  
—WHOLESALE AND RETAIL—  
BUTCHERS, WELLESLEY.  
Now is the time to buy by the quarter. Give us a call.

**NEW LAUNDRY in Wellesley!**  
I have opened up a Laundry business with the latest and Most Modern Machinery.  
WASH DAYS—Mondays and Thursdays.  
FIRST CLASS WORK GUARANTEED. . . . . GIVE ME A TRIAL.  
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Gummed, Filed, and Repaired,  
At my Chopping Mill.  
**JOHN S. ZEHR, Wellesley.**  
Weismiller's old stand.

**NEW HAMBURG ROLLER FLOUR MILLS**  
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GRAIN BOUGHT at highest market prices for Cash.  
—OATS WANTED—  
Chopping done every day.  
Best Family Flour given in exchange for Wheat.  
Satisfaction guaranteed. Every one triply satisfied. Give us a trial and satisfy yourself.  
Lime and Cement always on hand.

**PRICES TO-DAY:**  
Wheat.....72¢  
Barley.....48¢ to 55¢  
Oats.....42¢ to 43¢  
Pease.....65¢ to 75¢

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**Do you want a Good Lamp?**  
**Do you want a Good Lamp CHEAP?**  
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is now complete in all lines, and **WOULD BE PLEASED TO HAVE YOU CALL** as soon as possible.  
**DON'T FORGET** to call whether you buy or not.  
Prices Right and Satisfaction Guaranteed.  
Remember the place,  
**C. D. KOEHLER, Merchant Tailor, Wellesley.**



## MALATESTA AT HOME

SQUALID ROOM IN LONDON REFUGE OF THE ANARCHIST KING.

Arch Plotter Against Organized Society Mends Broken Down Bicycles and Studies Philosophy Over a Wineshop—His Career as a "Red."

When Dr. Conan Doyle gave us through the medium of Sherlock Holmes that crafty, soft spoken, pleasant faced scoundrel Professor Moriarty, it is not impossible that he drew his picture from life. There sits today in a squalid room in that part of London known as Islington the incarnation of Moriarty in the person of the dreaded Malatesta, an anarchist about whom so much has been written, but about whom so little is really known. Now more than ever is a knowledge of Malatesta important to Americans on account of the whisperings that he could tell much if he would about the murder of President McKinley.

The Scotland Yard officials consider Enrico Malatesta to be the real leader of the anarchists of England if not of the world. He is known to be in close touch with the anarchistic movements throughout Europe and America and as a consequence is watched day and night. But clever as the Scotland Yard men are they can never identify him with any crime of the "reds," and with a serene confidence he works at his trade of plumber while the "shadows" pursue him in vain. If he lived in France or Italy, he would be quickly looked up on the theory that he was safer behind bars, but in England it is another matter. Here the law requires facts, and facts are the one thing about Malatesta particularly hard to obtain.

There seems to be no doubt that he is an Italian nobleman. He was intended by his father to be a scientist and was given a splendid education at Milan university, but he was arrested as the leader of a revolutionary movement even before he was a graduate. Only by the influence of his family was he kept out of jail. After that he was disowned by his parents, and he promptly plunged into all sorts of plots against the government of Italy.

By 1893 he had become recognized as a daring anarchist. There were some unusually violent riots in King Edward's domain that year, and as one result Malatesta was clapped into jail. After his release he honored America with his presence, picking his intimates from such congenial spirits as Johann Most and Emma Goldman. Four years ago he went to London and has remained there ever since save for occasional mysterious trips to the continent, which, singularly enough, have been followed by attempts on the lives of rulers.

As already mentioned, he is a living Professor Moriarty. He differs from Mo-



LONDON HOUSE WHERE MALATESTA LIVES. riety in that he is a young man. He looks to be fifty years old, but cannot be much more than thirty-five. He has a heavily lined face, piercing black eyes and jet black hair and beard. Outwardly he is one of the most quiet, mild and inoffensive of men. His voice is soft and pleasant. He is extremely reticent, presumably because he believes that a "real" anarchist is one who acts instead of talks. This singular man lives at 112 Elch street. Where his domicile is located the street narrows down into a dismal, dirty little lane, with unpleasant looking shops and squalid houses on either side. Malatesta does not fit in with the surroundings as a householder. He lodges over a little wineshop kept by a man named Defendi, also declared to be a revolutionary exile from Italy. Whether he is or no his son, a boy of seventeen, has been informally adopted by Malatesta and is the anarchist king's closest companion.

A 12 by 14 foot room is Malatesta's castle. It is at the rear of the second floor. A bed, a bookcase, a table and some cheap chairs that have seen much service are the only furniture. It is the bookcase alone that reveals the tenancy of a man out of the common run at Islington. It contains something like hundred books, and, besides the works of Bakunine, the apostle of anarchy, and other revolutionary books in French, German, Italian and Russian, there are volumes by Huxley, Herbert Spencer, Matthew Arnold, John Stuart Mill and Carlyle.

It is rather a difficult thing to say how Malatesta lives. Those who ought to know assert that he does not get a penny of salary from anarchists. He certainly cannot earn much at his trade, for all the odd jobs of mending bicycles, plumbing and so forth he gets are from foreigners who know him or are in the confidence of his friends. The neighbors will have nothing to do with him, and he will have nothing to do with strangers. It is said that he has inherited some money. This explanation of his source of revenue is probably the correct one.

However he lives, the fact remains that he does live, considered by friends and foes alike a menace to society. "What might have been" is sadly true in his case. If Malatesta had only cultivated his genius, which is no mean one, instead of spending his time promoting anarchy, there is more than a remote possibility that today he would be honored and respected as his fellow countryman, Marconi, instead of being, as he is, hunt-

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### DISTRICT NOTES.

G. Bock, of New Dundee, recently threshed and separated, at the farm of Chr. Brubacher, near Berlin, 49 bushels of clover seed in 13 hours.

Gus, Barton, of Belmore, has disposed of his three-legged pig, which was quite a curiosity. The left front leg is missing but otherwise the pig is strong and healthy looking. The other three legs are placed in proper position, but the place where the missing limb should be hung is perfectly smooth and the pig seems not to mind the inconvenience. A mildmay man was the purchaser.

Albert Bisch, one of Waterloo's noted hockey players, has been engaged to play on the Pittsburg team during the coming winter.

A Christmas bazaar will be held at the town hall, Waterloo, on Dec. 4th, by the ladies of St. John's Lutheran church.

The Hon. J. R. Stratton is expected to address a meeting, on the evening of Dec. 19th, at Waterloo. This will be the evening of the Reform convention.

Mormons made an attempt to hold meetings at Poole on Sunday evening, Nov. 24th, but on arriving found the door locked, therefore the meeting was abandoned.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam. Grosch, Milverton, celebrated their wooden wedding on Nov. 25th.

"Are you sure you can paint a sign for me?" the saloonist asked a

green-looking Englishman who said he was a painter. "Yes, indeed," was the reply. But the saloonist was still doubtful. "I don't believe you know how to spell 'saloon,'" he remarked. "Ho, yes I do," said the other. "A hees, a hay, a heil, two hees and a hen."

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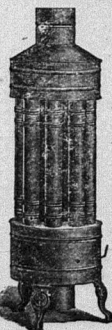
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