

I HAVE JUST RECEIVED
Two Tons of the BEST PRUNES
Ever Placed on Sale in my store.

AARON JOHNSON
DEALER IN THE BEST THINGS TO EAT
Chestnut Street, Just Below Monument Park. Telephone.

HOME DRESSED CHICKENS
FOWLS AND LAMBS
HAVE JUST RECEIVED A FINE ASSORTMENT OF FOWLS, CHICKENS AND LAMB FOR HOME DRESSING.

A. Taylor & Son,
General Market and Produce,
OLD CHENEY BLOCK. TELEPHONE 43-2.

HIGH SCHOOL INSPECTION.

NEW BUILDING WILL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC TOMORROW ALL DAY AND EVENING AND ALL INVITED.

Dedictory Exercises To Be Held Wednesday Evening December Fourth. Beginning at 8 O'Clock—Assembly Hall Capacity Nine Hundred Thirty-Two.

Dedictory Exercises. The annual meeting of the High School Chorus, the new High School building, Wednesday evening, December 14th, beginning at 8 o'clock.

SEEMS HEALTHY AND CONFIDENT. Humphrey Shurtleff, the veteran Croton motorman, has retired for the winter, and Charles Cowles is his successor.

A CHRISTMAS PLANO

Surely one of the most beautiful gifts within the power of friend or relative to make.

If you feel that you would rather not trust your own judgment in selecting tone and quality let us help you with the benefit of a long experience with many different styles of pianos.

Opera Pianos are notable for superior tone quality. The bass is deep and powerful, graduating into a rich and sympathetic middle register and finally a clear and brilliant treble.

PENTECOSTAL CHURCH NOTES. The public is invited to the meetings held in the Pentecostal church Sunday, December 11, 1904. Services will be as follows:

FARMS Double and Single Tenements BUILDING LOTS

School St. A desirable double tenement to good repair and always rented, opposite schools on lot 80 x 135. One of the best locations in town, and with a little outlay could be made into a first-class investment.

E. J. HOLL, Real Estate Broker and Auctioneer. New Ferris Block. Telephone 10-12.

Plumbing and Cinning.

If there is anything that you require in the way of plumbing and tinning I will be very glad to serve you now, before the regular season's rush sets in.

Thomas Trotter, 225 Main Street, South Manchester, Conn.



It Gives Satisfaction. Button, Lace, Lace Blucher. Perfect in fit. Perfect in cut. Unequaled for wear.

Buy Now Every Lady in South Manchester and Vicinity should call here and see the attractive offerings in Trimmed Hats that we are still selling at unusually low figures.



C. TIFFANY, Jeweler. New Cheney Block.

Ladies Tailoring Dress Making Millinery. Also Ladies Collars, Gloves, Handkerchiefs, etc. Patronage Respectfully Solicited.

Armory Opera House THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1904.

American Vitaphone Popular Concerts. Local Moving Pictures. SEE YOURSELF. HOW CHENEY BROS. SELL AND VELVET MILLS LOOK AT 12 O'CLOCK.

OUR ADVERTISERS. In this issue of THE NEWS will be found the advertisements of our leading merchants in all lines. They are putting forth their very best efforts to meet the requirements of trade in all lines.

NO LONGER A SCRIBE William Be-twick Resigns As Local Correspondent of The Hartford Evening Post.

STORES OPEN. Every evening next week the stores here will be open for the accommodation of Christmas shoppers.

COLD WEATHER. The temperatures hereabouts gave readings ranging from 10 to 16 below zero yesterday morning early.

DEATH OF MRS. LEMUEL SKINNER. Mrs. Lemuel Skinner was brought from the Hartford hospital yesterday to the retreat at Middletown.

Foot'n's, punching bags and boxing gloves at Magnell's.

HIGH SCHOOL DEDICATED. Public Inspected the Building—Highly Pleased With Complete Outfit.

HOUSE FROM SCHOOL. Clifton L. Weir and his sister, Miss Amelia J. Weir of South Main-street are expected home today from the East.

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Xmas at the Boston Shoe Store

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La FRANCE SHOES. A Pair of La France Shoes for your Lady Friend would make an excellent gift that no lady would despise.

Ladies, Misses, Boys & Childrens Leggings. We have a large line of these and can suit all in size, style, quality and price.

WALK-OVER SHOES. The Walk-Over Shoes for men are so well known that we need hardly mention them.

MEN'S SLIPPERS. We also have a big variety of Men's Slippers from 50c to \$2.00, as good as any for the money.

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Boston Shoe Store, South Manchester Joint Trading Co., Successor to the P. Henry Wilson Co., PARK BLDG. MAIN STREET. SO. MANCHESTER.



Christmas Gifts for Men and Boys

What are you going to get him for Christmas? Nearly Everybody has a "him" to buy for. Give him a Sensible Gift. We can help you select just what he needs.

Suggestions:

- Neckwear: Largest stock in town. All the latest shapes and shades. 25c, 50c, 75c.
Suit Cases: Everything from the cheapest to the best.
Handkerchiefs: Initial Handkerchiefs, Silk, Linen or Fine Lawn.
Arctics: High Cut or Low Cut. Men's, Boys' and Children's. A nice gift.

All the Substantials For a Man's Wardrobe. Any of which would make a nice Christmas Gift. Suits, Overcoats, Sweaters for Men and Boys, Underwear, Shoes, Shirts, Collars, Cuffs, Raincoats etc.

C. E. HOUSE, Head to Foot Clothier. 115 Spruce Street. Telephone 10-10.

CHRISTMAS

at Howe's

The Center Grocery is keeping right up with the procession and purposes to supply its patrons with the choicest of everything necessary for the Christmas Cheer.

- Fruits: Choice Florida and California Oranges will be found here in great abundance.
Miscellaneous: Everything you need in the way of Nuts, Candies, Celery, Cranberries, Pickles, Fancy Cookies, Cakes and all that you will find here in generous quantities.

Let us supply you with these necessities for your Xmas Feast. The Center Grocery. GEO. H. HOWE.

Advertisement for ALFRED PEATS WALL PAPER. ANY Wall Paper needed in your home this spring? Get ALFRED PEATS "PRIZE" WALL PAPER.

Advertisement for THE HUNTSMINGER Business School. 1803 BUSINESS MEN have been furnished with office assistants by THE HUNTSMINGER Business School.

BAND OFFICERS. The South Manchester Military Band have made choice of the following officers: President, John Hand; conductor, Arvid Weisman; secretary, John B. Sell; treasurer, James Telford.

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FOR SAVINGS BANK.

Application Will Be Made to State Legislature for Charter at Incoming Session. Frank Cheney, Jr., J. H. T. Robertson, Clarence G. Watkins, Justus W. Hale, Fred A. Farrar, William C. Cheney, Jasper A. Fitch, and Herbert O. Bowers will make application to the next General Assembly for a charter for a savings bank.

SOLD MILK ROUTE.

After Twenty Years of Faithful Service William Munro Retires. William Munro of Manchester Green has sold his milk route to Patrick C. Cahoon, and Mr. Cahoon took charge Monday.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

At the meeting of Campbell Council, Knights of Columbus, last Monday evening, officers were elected for the ensuing year as follows: Grand Knight, John H. Gill; deputy grand knight, Jeremiah J. Sweeney; chancellor, John Mahoney; recording secretary, Edward F. Taylor; financial secretary, Frank Balkner; treasurer, Alfred E. Magool; lecturer, Edward Mahoney; advocate, Patrick Connor; wardens, Charles McManis; liquid guard, William Murray; outside guard, Michael Sullivan; trustee, Harry M. Burke.

NEVER HANDSOME.

Watkins Brothers' Christmas Exhibit Never Equalled This Year. It is safe to say that Watkins Brothers, our well known furniture dealers, have never had such a lovely display of attractive Christmas presents as they are showing at this time.

WANT COLUMN.

Wants, for sale for rent, etc., under this head, 50c for three lines or less, for one insertion; 50c for three insertions; 10c for each subsequent consecutive insertion. Additional line 5c each for first line, and 5c for each subsequent consecutive line. Cash must accompany the order.

DELIGHTFUL LICENSE.

Little German Church Net Large Enough to Accommodate Throng. A sacred concert was given at the German Lutheran Concordia church last Sunday evening which attracted a greater throng than the little church could accommodate.

CARD OF THANKS.

I wish to hereby extend my most sincere thanks to Camp South Manchester, Modern Woodmen of America, to Hose Company No. 4, to Hose Company No. 5, and to the South Manchester Fire Department in general for their many acts of kindness, courtesy and sympathy at the death and burial of my husband.

PARSONS' THEATRE.

Entire week of Dec. 19 with 4 Mats. The Marvellous THY MISTERY FAYS and their great vaudeville CO. THY MISTERY FAYS. Prices - Evening 15c, 25c, 50c. Matinee - Wed. Thurs. 10c, 15c, 25c. For Ladies Only. Admission 25c to all parts of the house.

CHRISTMAS IS HERE. And The Best Way to Properly Commemorate it is by Buying Your Christmas Presents of C. Tiffany, The Leading Jeweler. Cut Glass, Opera Glasses, Watches, Fountain Pens, Fob chains, Umbrellas, Shopping Bags, Sterling Silver. C. TIFFANY, Jeweler, 275 New Cheney Block, South Manchester.

WATCHES AND DIAMONDS. Buy reliable watches of a reliable dealer at prices that are 20 per cent. lower than big store prices. DIAMOND RINGS FROM \$10.00 TO \$100.00. O. W. KAPITKE, JEWELER, 722 Main Street, Hartford.

BROWN'S ANODYNE. Stops the Tickle That Makes You Cough. As many testimonials from our townspeople will testify, only one of which is given below. Mr. JAMES G. WOODRUFF, President of The Wm. L. Gilbert Clock Co., Winsted, Conn., writes: "I have used Brown's Anodyne, and believe it to be one of the best family medicines for all troubles for which it is recommended. I have used many bottles of it and still continue to use it. It is my great remedy for coughs, colds, and other troubles common to every family."

J. W. HALE. BOSTON STORE. J. W. HALE. Santa Claus Headquarters. Nowhere else will you find such a variety for Santa Claus. Nowhere else will Holiday Shopping be so easy or satisfactory as here. DOLLS, HANDKERCHIEFS, UMBRELLAS, PERFUMERY, DECORATED CHINA, POCKET BOOKS, TABLE LINENS, BOOKS, HAND PAINTED CHINA, CHRISTMAS TREE ORNAMENTS. J. W. HALE. BOSTON STORE. J. W. HALE.

CONCERT NEXT WEDNESDAY. The Manchester Singing Society at Cheney Hall. The Manchester Singing Society will give its first concert this season in Cheney Hall Wednesday evening, December 21st, at eight o'clock.

WE SELL THE EARTH. Special Advantages. Are Offered this Year For Buying Holiday Presents at Our Store. We Feel That We Can Meet All Your Wants For Useful and Appropriate Goods for the Coming Holiday Season. Our Stock is at its Very Best, the Goods are Bright and New, the Assortments are Complete.

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George W. Smith, Footwear, Men's Furnishings & Clothing. New Cheney Block. Ladies Tailoring, Dress Making, Millinery. Bath Robes and Pajamas. Bath Robes \$4.00 to \$7.00. Pajamas, heavy and light weights, \$1.00 to \$2.00.



THE SPIDER'S WEB A SUBSTITUTE FOR THE CHRISTMAS TREE

The Christmas tree has by no means passed the day of its fulfiling and let us hope that it never may do, but a variety is sometimes desirable at Christmas time, as well as at other times, and to get it the spider's web may be substituted for the tree.

SEASONABLE GIFTS. The kind they sell at Blich's Hardware Store is suitable for Frigid Weather.

DON'T FORGET TO VISIT Connecticut's Headquarters

Rogers Silverware At 66 to 76 Market St., Hartford.

FACTORY PRICES PREVAIL. In the Old Rogers Salesrooms.

Holiday Announcement

We take pleasure in announcing the formal opening of our holiday season.

The Salvation Army A Christmas Tree to \$3.00. 12,000 Unwrapped Colored Dinners.



CHRISTMAS AGAIN. What would Christmas be without a Toy Store? We have a store crowded full of fine Toys.

A. H. POMEROY, 98 Asylum St., Hartford.

FURNITURE FOR GIFT GIVING.

Your attention is called to our elaborate display of useful and substantial gifts on our Third and Fourth Floors and Adjoining Annexes.

The Fourth Floor Proper. It is rearranged to make gift selecting easy and contains a vast and varied collection of furniture of every possible description.

The Fourth Floor Rear Annex. Shows Dining Room Chairs, Folding Beds, Bookcases, Arm Chairs, Children's High Chairs and Kitchen Furniture.

The Third Floor Proper. Contains the most comprehensive line of the popular MISSION FURNITURE.

The Third Floor Annex. Is devoted to the largest and best display of framed pictures in Hartford.

Framed Pictures For Holiday Gifts. Choose from the largest selection in the state at prices that save you money.

Staple Furniture at Special Prices. Music Racks, Music Cabinets, Piano Stools, Piano Benches, etc.

Table listing various furniture items and their prices, including Music Racks, Music Cabinets, Piano Stools, etc.

Mission Furniture. The following all in true mission style and all specially priced.

Table listing Mission Furniture items and their prices, including Mission Bookcases, Mission Combination Bookcases, etc.

Wise, Smith & Co., HARTFORD, CONN.

Christmas Wants. Sleds Skates

A large variety of Fresh, Strong, Handsome Sleds. Made to wear. Prices Reasonable.

Selected B. & B. Pocket Knives

These goods are standard the world over. Everyone is warranted. They're beautifully finished and make an elegant gift.

Ornamented Earthenware

We have some handsome and unique things in this line. They're different from the ordinary.

Ferris Brothers.

HEADQUARTERS FOR REAL ESTATE ALL KINDS OF

279 Main Street, New Cheney Block. Farms of all kinds, 10 acres to 200. All prices from \$600 to \$8,000.

A. H. SKINNER, So. Manchester.

VICTOR TALKING MACHINE FOR A CHRISTMAS GIFT...

Make matters musical and merry for Christmas by buying a Victor Talking Machine.

They have just been given the Highest Award at the St. Louis Exposition and are acknowledged to be the Greatest and Best Talking Machines in the World.

CASH REGISTER BANK

We wish to call your attention to the Burdick Cash Register Bank for saving money.

It registers Ten Dollars and then repeats. It is fully guaranteed. The price is only \$2.50.

Good line of Skates of Standard Makes. Also Hockey and Straps.

Dr. E. F. McCarthy Dentist. Mrs. Anna Harthorn. Office Hours From 9 to 12, 2 to 6, 7 to 9.

LAI D AT REST.

LAST TRIBUTE OF RESPECT PAID TO MEMORY OF WILLIAM J. CHAPPELL SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

In Spite of Being Cold Relatives and Friends Filled South Methodist Church at Funeral Exercises and Bear Most Eloquent Testimony to Popularity of Man Whose Untimely Death They Deeply Mourned.

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FIREMEN'S FAIR.

Preparations Being Made for Home Company No. 3's Big Event.

Home Company No. 3 of the South Manchester Fire Department have decided to hold a fair at the Armory opera house beginning Tuesday evening.

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Advertisement for Patents, Scientific American, and E. M. & T. Truway Company.

Comforting Words.

Many a South Manchester Household Will Find Them So.

To have the pain and ache of a bad back removed, to be entirely free from annoying, dangerous urinary disorders, to make any kidney sufferer grateful.

South Manchester Railroad. On and after Monday, Oct. 31, 1904, passenger trains will run daily.

Nothing Suits a Lady Better for a Holiday Gift than a Handsome Scarf.

Advertisement for American National Bank, featuring a building illustration and text about services.

Advertisement for Walter B. Leuttgens, featuring a cat illustration and text about bicycle repairs.

Advertisement for The New England Furriers, featuring a fur coat illustration and text about quality and price.

CHRISTMAS AT JOHNSON'S

The Largest Christmas Trade in the History of our business is what we are planning for this year and to meet the demand we have prepared ourselves accordingly.

Our Prices Are The Very Lowest--Lower Than City Prices, Quality Considered. Goods Are Sold At Wholesale and Retail.

Grid of product categories: FANCY BISCUITS, TABLE APPLES, PROVISIONS, IMPORTED FRUITS, CANNED FRUITS, EVAPORATED FRUITS, MALAGA GRAPES, FRENCH RELISHES, POULTRY, VEGETABLES, TEAS AND COFFEES, CHRISTMAS CANDLES, CANDIES AND NUTS, SCANDINAVIAN GOODS, CHEESE.

AARON JOHNSON, Dealer In The Best Things To Eat. Chestnut Street. Just Below Monument Park, South Manchester.

CANDY FOR CHRISTMAS

The handsomest Assortment of Christmas Tree Ornaments ever shown in town may be seen at this store now.

I am showing a large assortment of Candy Toys, Baskets and Cakes for the Christmas Trade that you will be pleased to have.

SPECIAL SALE FOR THREE DAYS ONLY. December 23, 24, 25.

Felix Farr, Manufacturing Confectioner, Parnell Building, So. Manchester.

THE BUSINESS MEN'S STANDARD.



training is the office standard. At least three-fourths of the young people who prepare for business in the Hartford schools attend Huntsinger's.

ON RUNNERS NOW.

The truck and hose cart of Hose and Ladder Company No. 1 have been put on runners, and rollers have been placed underneath in the floor of hose house to facilitate their rapid and easy removal.

ATTENDED DEDICATION.

Rev. J. A. Biddle and Mrs. Biddle of New Haven, and Miss Bertha M. McCone of Springfield, Mass., attended the dedication of the new High school here last Wednesday evening.

"BILL" BRADLEY IS DEAD.

William Bradley died at the almshouse yesterday afternoon, aged 75 years. His funeral is taking place this afternoon as we go to press.

A city building lot is to be disposed of at the German Lutheran Concordia church, January, 28, 1905.

William W. Barber of Brooklyn, N. Y. attended the funeral of his brother-in-law, William J. Chappell, last Sunday.

Michael Sullivan Jr. of Saratoga, N. Y. is spending a visit with relatives and friends in this place.

Watkins Brothers miss Will Chappell very much at this busy Christmas season.

Dolls, games, toys at Magnell's.

Magell's pen, fancy stationery at Magnell's.

1 Week More To Get Ready For Christmas.

We shall have a Full Line of Fancy Christmas Poultry, and it will arrive on Thursday afternoon.

It is a little too early to quote prices, but you can depend upon us as you all know our motto "Best Quality and Lowest Prices."

Give Us Your Orders As Early As Possible.

SPECIAL For Sat. Dec. 17.

- Fresh Pork Shoulders... 10 cents a lb. Best Roast Pork... 19 cents a lb. Good Roast Beef... 10 cents a lb.

WE GIVE AWAY CHRISTMAS PRESENTS WITH LITTLE GREEN TRADING STAMPS. HAVE YOU ANY?

Yours For Cash Business

HIRAM A. GRANT'S PALACE MARKET

Orange Hall Block, East Center street.

HEAD ABOUT TO BURST FROM SEVERE BILIOUS ATTACK.

"I had a severe bilious attack and felt as if my head was about to burst when I got hold of a free sample of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets.

CHRISTMAS IN THE CHURCHES.

BY MARY'S CHURCH. A. W. Driggs, organist and choir master. Morning service 10:45 a. m. Voluntary, Pastoral Symphony, Messiah, etc.

SOUTH METHODIST CHURCH.

9:30 a. m. Christmas Love Feast. ORDER OF SERVICES AT 10:45 A. M. Organ Voluntary. First Lesson. Singing from Hymnal No. 183. Apostle's Creed.

CONCERT GIVEN BY SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Autumn choir, The Star of the Orient. Exercises, primary department, in charge of Mr. M. R. Fogarty. Recitation, Young Ladies chorus. Singing, Young Ladies chorus. White Shepherd Watched by Night.

GERMAN LUTHERAN CONCORDIA CHURCH.

Morning service beginning at 10:45 o'clock. Organ Voluntary. Stray Thoughts. Choir, Here set God in der Welt.

SILK MILLS CLOSE.

There has been considerable discussion about town for the past few days as to the question of the silk mills closing for the Christmas holidays.

STORES WILL CLOSE.

As next Monday will be a legal holiday the stores will close here all day, thus giving the clerks an opportunity to enjoy their Christmas holiday undisturbed.

PRETTYLY DECORATED.

Hiram A. Grant's Palace Market in Christmas Array. With his customary energy Hiram A. Grant of the Palace Market on East Center street has decorated his store attractively for the Christmas holidays.

BIG HOLIDAY TRADE.

Aaron Johnson reports a big holiday trade and he and his clerks are kept very actively employed, trying to meet the public demands.

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SANTA CLAUS AT SCHOOL.

Kindergartners Made Happy Today. Plenty of Presents for All.

The children of the kindergarten at the Ninth District School were made very happy today by Miss Miner and her assistants. A huge Christmas tree occupied a considerable portion of the large and sunny kindergarten and this was loaded with a variety of gifts for the little ones.

DOUBLED FORCE OF CLERKS.

J. W. Hale of the Boston Store Making Efforts to Accommodate Shoppers. Because of the fact that Christmas shopping will be unusually active here tomorrow afternoon and evening, J. W. Hale of the Boston Store has doubled his force of clerks and is prepared to serve the public promptly and satisfactorily.

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Home Made Pies, Cakes, Puddings. For your home made cakes, pies and puddings we can furnish all kinds of dried currants, raisins, spices, extracts and the like.

Evaporated Fruits. We have Evaporated Fruits, Peaches, Cherries, Prunes, Raisins, Lemon and Orange Peel, Citron, Apricots, etc.

Let us supply you with these necessities for your Xmas Feast

The Center Grocery GEO. H. HOWE.

Only One Day More Before Christmas

But it will be a BUSY DAY at HOUSE'S. We are prepared to wait on all who come all day and no matter how late in the evening.

SUGGESTIONS FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

- Rain Coats, Hats and Caps, Sweaters, Suits and Overcoats, Shoes, Artics, Rubber Boots, Smoking Jackets, Dress Suit Cases, Beautiful Neckwear, Handsome Mufflers, Gloves for Every Wear, Handkerchiefs, Suits and Overcoats, Shoes, Artics, Rubber Boots, Hats and Caps, Hosiery, Pocket Books, Scarfs Pins and Cuff Buttons, Shirts, Collar and Cuffs, Fancy Arm Bands, Ear Protectors, Pajamas.

A Man's Store for Men's Things. Everything for a Boy, Too.

PRICES LOW ENOUGH. GOODS EXCHANGED CHEERFULLY.

C. E. HOUSE HEAD TO FOOT CLOTHING.