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ELECTRIC LIGHT!

**FANCY GOODS,
Popular Gift Books,
ALBUMS,
Christmas Cards,
Fine Pictures & Frames,
STATUARY,
Japanese & Swiss Goods
Fine Glassware.
Vases and Toilet Sets,
Dolls and Toys,
Etc., Etc.**

We show a greater variety of Holiday Goods than any other store in this County.

The Finest Stock of Holiday Presents in this County. Call and see our Electric Light.

**OSMAN & HAPEMAN,
WEST OF COURT HOUSE
OTTAWA.
NEW PUBLICATIONS.**

**STANDARD BOOKS
AT LOW PRICES.**

We have just opened a large stock of new editions of Standard Works, to which we invite public attention. These books are all this year's editions, bound in the best manner, in cloth extra, black and gold, with head bands and silk covers.

We Offer at 70 Cents.

- Robinson Crusoe.
- Arabian Nights.
- Swiss Family Robinson.
- Scottish Chiefs.
- Thousand of Wars.
- Children of the Abbey.
- Don Quixote.
- Vicar of Wakefield, and Paul and Virginia.
- Pilgrim's Progress.
- Gulliver's Travels.
- Baron Munchausen.
- Gil Bias.
- Willy Reilly.
- Lockhart's Life of Napoleon Bonaparte.
- Last Days of Pompeii.
- Dickens' Christmas History of England, large type.
- All of Mayne Reid's Works.
- Boop's Fables, with more than 50 illustrations.
- All of the Waterbury Novels at 70c per vol.
- All of Dickens' Works at 70c per vol.
- Gibson's Rome at 90c per vol.
- Hume's England at 90c per vol.
- Macauley's England at 90c per vol.
- Also an immense line of Juveniles, in covers of 1882, at prices that have never been equaled.
- This is the most complete line of cheap books offered in this county.
- Also fine books, in handsome bindings.
- New stock of Bibles in all sizes at a wide range of prices.
- No. 15 La Salle street, remember, is the only first class Book Store in La Salle county.
- All invited to examine our stock and compare it with any stock in the county.

Respectfully,
OSMAN & HAPEMAN.

MASONIC.
Regular communications of Occidental Lodge No. 40 A. F. & A. M., first and third Mondays of each month. Subsequent Degrees, W. M., J. W., M. M., S. W., L. L., L. L. L., P. M., J. W. H. C. Nash, Treas.; A. M. Hoffman, Sec.
Regular convocations of Shabbos Chapter No. 57, H. A. M., first and third Wednesdays of each month. Wm. L. Milligan, H. P.; Samuel J. Chapman, K.; Justus Harris, S.; Henry C. Nash, Treas.; A. M. Hoffman, Sec.
Regular Convocations of Ottawa Commandery No. 10, K. T., second and fourth Thursdays of each month. C. D. Trimbler, E. C.; H. M. McArthur, Generalissimo; E. H. Smith, Capt. Gen'l.; H. C. Nash, Treas.; A. M. Hoffman, Recorder.

MOURNING PAPER. Knapelopes and Visiting cards, in great variety, at Osman & Hapeman's, west of Court House.

Livery & Feed Stable.

PETER EGAN

Would respectfully announce to the citizens of Ottawa and vicinity that he has one of the finest Livery Stables in this city, at the City Stables, such as the

Latest Styles of Hacks, Carriages and Buggies.

For let prices to suit times. Parties, Weddings, Funerals, Pic-nics, etc., supplied with good rigs on short notice, and Furniture in the country or adjoining towns promptly attended to. Persons taken to and from the depot, or to the country, night or day. Remember the place—on Main street, near Fox River Bridge.

OUR AGENTS.

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B. WILLY, Seneca.
E. L. DONAGHO, Streator.
I. H. TROWBRIDGE, Marshall.
Geo. H. HENNER, for Troy Grove, Ophir and Waltham. Address, Troy Grove.

The paper is always on file at the office of the Rock Island R. R., 36 Clark st., under Sherman House, Chicago, for convenience of our friends.

The M. E. Church Sunday School are preparing an elaborate Sunday School service for Christmas night, of which further particulars will be given next week.

Ready for Business.

Mr. H. J. Gillen's dry goods store has been quite restocked during the past few weeks, during most of which time Mr. Gillen's efforts have been chiefly exerted to make the stock for the holidays as large and elegant as possible. The entire house has been refilled with goods, and he has now an enormous stock on hand of goods of every variety, filling the building completely.

They are goods particularly desirable at this time, and all the novelties of the trade will be found in stock:

A complete line of cloaks, dolmans, and shawls;

An endless variety of fine dress goods, silks, plushes, velvets, trimmings, &c.;

Fine line of silk novelties at prices that would ruin most dealers!

All fancy notions and holiday novelties, in great variety.

Indeed there is no questioning the character of this stock by those who have seen it. It is as complete and extensive as the great country demands and has been put in to meet the demands of this county: to be the leading stock of the county in goods and in prices, for Mr. Gillen is confident he is offering prices in all departments that cannot be met elsewhere in this county. This is strong, but the goods and the prices asked will warrant it.

The boot and shoe houses are in equally good shape to give satisfaction, and it is always the custom of the house to never take a back seat to any one on quality or variety of goods or lowness of price on any article.

All requested to call.

The City Mills are grinding buckwheat, and we do say it "takes the cake" for buckwheat; or, rather, the cakes are taken, or—anyway, the buckwheat is pure and good and you can't find better in Ottawa. Just try it once.

A Labyrinth.

And a profusion of holiday goods, so much so that it is almost impossible to decide which to choose. On first entering it is rather amazing to see the fine display of goods and so artistically arranged that it exceeds general admiration.

The boys are noted for their fine judgment in selecting choice goods, and certainly their stock of goods for excellency is not excelled by any house in the city. In spite of the bad condition of the roads and inclemency of the weather, they are enjoying a very large trade as usual. As they are the strictest cash house in the city, you can rely on getting hardpan prices. So if you have any loose half dollars that you wish to dispose of, we would be pleased to give you value in return. Call and see those goods at FORBES & FLICK'S.

More novelties are arriving daily especially adapted for holiday presents. Adding these to the already unsurpassed stock of Christmas goods at Gehring's Drug Store makes it the place to select. Remember that the prices are marked down to sell the goods, as I have no room to carry them over.

We are not Satan, nor a friend of Satan, and yet we do not hesitate to admit, that we are chuck full of temptations, our temptations, however, are good in their nature and object. They are handsome, lovely, beautiful, sweet and charming goods for Christmas presents. Come and see them.

Solid Presents for Christmas.

A genuine IXL Wostenholms pocket knife selected from our "big new stock."

A fine pair of skates or a cheap pair.

An outfit from our "verd antique" flower pot stands (we have the finest stock in the county); wire stands that will hold twenty to thirty flower pots.

"Rodgers" plated ware.

Fine and cheap table cutlery and carvers.

Or, select an outfit from our immense kitchen furnishing department. We can fit you out nicely with an "Acorn," range or stove, with all utensils in the hardware, tinware, glassware, wooden or willow-ware, crockery and granite-ware line.

If you buy your Christmas presents or any other goods, we guarantee you something that will be the best and as cheap as can be bought.

MANLEY, JORDAN & COWLES.

Many old friends and acquaintances in Ottawa will read with deep pain the announcement of the death, at Hudson, N. Y., on the 12th inst., of Mrs. J. C. Dubois, remembered here as Eva Kimball, daughter of H. W. Kimball, a former merchant of this city. We have no particulars beyond the bare announcement.

Doctor's prescription medicated flannel underwear at A. Frank & Co.'s, the clothiers.

Day Light at Night

Is what everybody says when they enter Scott Bros. & Co.'s store. This is the only electric lighted dry goods store in Illinois. You can buy goods in their TRUE LIGHT at this store.

Ladies' velvet embroidered slippers at Child & Phipps'.

If you intend buying Christmas presents come and see my goods, and my prices are bound to please you.

E. Y. GRIGGS.

Fine candies, mixed candies, nuts, &c., for the holidays supplied in any quantity on a moment's notice at L. Hess's Bakery.

The season is getting late for overcoats, and Wm. Trabling says his stock must be gotten rid of, and is making prices at that rate.

Demorest's portfolio for fall and winter at Osman & Hapeman's. Price, 15 cents.

Easy chairs, new styles at Russell & Son's.

Santa Claus' Headquarters

Are at Walther's, where he has a big lot of all kinds of toys, notions and fancy goods, candies, nuts, fruits, &c., &c. Call and see him.

See my holiday stock and you will be happy; see my prices and you will be more than happy. Come early. Don't forget my dolls and toys.

E. Y. GRIGGS.

Wool and silk mufflers, neckwear and gloves, just the thing for a holiday present, at A. Frank & Co.'s.

A new stock of beautiful gold and velvet picture frames just received at Osman & Hapeman's.

Diamonds.

Hess, the jeweler, on La Salle street, opens today FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS' worth of Diamonds.

This will be the finest and most complete line of these sparkling and valuable goods ever shown in Ottawa.

They are all pure and warranted to be genuine and perfect.

They are set in all the latest designs and comprise all styles of diamond jewelry worn by ladies and gentlemen. The prices will vary according to quality, and in every case the exact market value only will be asked, according to weight and quality. If you don't want to buy even the most modest of these little gems you can look at them all the same, and will be welcome.

In addition Mr. Hess carries a large and elegant line of silver ware, gold and silver watches, solid gold and silver jewelry, and all the novelties of the jewelry and silver ware trades. His stock is new, elegant and complete, and in size, variety and reasonableness of price, second to none in La Salle county.

Ewing Porter, the buyer and manager of J. E. Porter's hardware department, spent most of the week in Chicago selecting goods.

Porter has a full stock of shelf goods, axes, hatchets, saws, picks, shovels, spades, carpenter's tools, large assortment of the best of table cutlery, heavy plated table and tea spoons, granite granite teapots, tin ware, hollow ware, granite ware; a fine stock of heating stoves, cook stoves and ranges, which beat the world for lowness of price. Think of a six-hole range with reservoir furnished complete for \$28. Give Porter a call and he will prove to you by the low prices he makes you on goods, (and not selling at cost either), that Ewing is the best and closest buyer in Ottawa.

For a real fine Christmas present you cannot get anything prettier than one of those exquisite Perfume Caskets at Gehring's, or an Opera Glass or Gold Handed Cane, Colored Toilet Set, Glove and Handkerchief Set, Color Set—all in Russia leather. The finest and cheapest lot of Photo and Autograph Albums in the city, at Gehring's, north of court house.

Various Notes.

Messrs. King, Hamilton & Co., at their machine shops in north Ottawa, are about to begin making wagons. Should that business prove satisfactory to them, it will be pushed to the utmost extent, and the product of the factory confined to their famous shellers and wagons. They are now running from 40 to 50 men on shellers, gophers and their tile ditcher.

The improvements in the Starch Works are about completed, and the first soaking of corn is now in the vats. Next week grinding will begin, and in about two weeks starch will be drying in the kilns. The nature and extent of the improvements will be given in detail by us next week.

A meeting of the incorporators of the Chicago & Peoria railroad was called for yesterday afternoon at Chicago. Mr. Catlin and Mr. Lewis represented this part of the line. It is believed surveys will begin soon.

The Sanders Bros. are building themselves a new two story frame shop on La Salle st., between Dewey Bros.' foundry and the Illinois river bridge.

A very fine lot of musical albums, music boxes, vases, cups and saucers, hobby-horses, sleds, wagons, drums, and china and wax dolls, and sold cheap at Walther's Santa Claus store.

An Unequaled Stock.

Our new stock of books is now open. The stock is so complete and extensive there is no question it is the only first class book stock in the city.

Our stock was not bought for the purpose of flooding the country with old editions at apparently low prices.

We are selling new books, in new editions, in new and strong bindings, this season's publications, for the same and less money at which others are offering last year's stock.

We will show you a line of the Poets, Standard Works, the most valuable, elegant and complete line of Juveniles ever opened in Ottawa. This is fact and not brag.

Don't buy books until you have seen our stock; or you will regret your purchase.

OSMAN & HAPEMAN.

Call and see us when looking for boots and shoes.

CHILD & PHIPPS.

Christmas cards—the finest line and largest variety to be found in the city, at Osman & Hapeman's.

20 Years.

Twenty years' experience in putting up prescriptions.

FORBES & LORRIAN.

Diaries for 1882—Christmas presents for 1881—Holiday goods for all at E. Y. Griggs'.

The Holiday trunk, something new, just received at A. Frank & Co.'s.

Choice Christmas apples and cider at Walther's Santa Claus store.

He has the largest line of knives, dolls, diaries, vases, family bibles, albums, cups and saucers, ranges, Christmas cards, juvenile books, and toys, and the lowest prices.

E. Y. GRIGGS.

A suitable Christmas present would be a nice pair of boots or shoes purchased at Child & Phipps'.

A handsome box of linen handkerchiefs would be a nice present—only 50c at Scott Bros. & Co.'s.

We received yesterday a full line of the famous "Lowell Engraved Cards," of designs of 1881-2, for ball programmes, invitations, &c., and very fine advertising purposes. Nothing neater is to be found in the city. Indeed, the FREE TRADER printing rooms is the only house that pretends to carry this high-grade line of goods. We also take orders for several hundred other styles of goods of this class, which will be filled on short notice. For the holidays socially, the FREE TRADER offers novelties in printed invitations, programmes, admissions, dinner names, &c., that no other house in the county will pretend to equal. Call and see our goods.

OSMAN & HAPEMAN.

Decline of Man.

Impotence of mind, limb, or vital function, nervous weakness, sexual debility, &c., cured by Wells' Health Renewer. \$1. Adruggrists. Depot Max Kneusel.

At Hull's This Week.

The finest assortment of silk handkerchiefs ever shown in any store, at prices way down: large all silk, 35c, or three for \$1.00; good size, 10c; the best for \$1.00 in the city.

The best assortment of ladies' neckwear ever shown.

Stock full of new and desirable novelties for Christmas presents. Old fellow, your wife would like an India shawl. Come to Hull's and get it, and if she has one, then take a pattern of silk; remember we take the lead in silks and fine dress goods.

Ladies, call and see if we have not got something nice for the little ones that will be useful. Our stock is new, in first class shape and we will sell cheap.

W. H. HULL.

Mr. R. H. Trask's jewelry store under the new electric light is as handsome a store as will be seen in many a day, the light on the gold and silverware, and the handsome decoration of the room, is wonderfully beautiful. In this holiday season he certainly offers great attractions. His stock includes:

Solid gold and silver goods.

New novelties in silverware.

Gold and silver watches.

Diamonds, jewelry.

The famous Gorham plate.

And the thousand and one novelties of a first class jewelry store. All in all, we know of no house in Ottawa so thoroughly prepared to meet the most exacting demands of the season as Mr. Trask's, and new goods are still coming in daily. He wants everybody to call on him.

An Extensive Stock.

Few stores in Ottawa show so many Christmas novelties as Hoxie's. His crockery store is just crowded with handsome goods. There are China tea sets, Wedgewood and Copeland dinner sets, hand-painted tea sets, English printed goods, hand-painted Haviland & Co.'s china, chamber sets, glassware, chandeliers, and all kinds of standard and hanging lamps, vases, toilet sets, brush and comb cases, table silver, statuary, handkerchief and work boxes, albums, cutlery, dolls, toys, &c., &c. Here certainly is a line of holiday goods seldom equalled, and must contain something that some one in every family can utilize for presents. All are invited to call.

For the holidays Messrs. Booth & Kendall show the largest stock of skates in town; a choice line of pocket and table cutlery, carvers, scissors and plated ware. Very many useful and handsome presents can be secured from their stock.

Christmas Cards.

We have just received our line of the PRANG CHRISTMAS cards. The extent of the list, the originality and especially the American character of the designs, together with the great care taken in their selection, and the fact that they are the wide popularity they enjoyed last year.

We have the four prize cards:

1st prize card (\$1,000) by Elinu Vedder, size 6 1/2 x 9 inches, with silk fringe, cord and tassels.

2d prize card (\$500) by Miss Dora Wheeler, size 7 x 9 inches, with silk fringe, cord and tassels.

3d prize card (\$300) by C. C. Coleman, size 7 x 9 inches, with silk fringe, cord and tassels.

4th prize card (\$200) by Miss Rosa Emmett, size 5 1/2 x 9 1/2 inches, with silk fringe, cord and tassels.

Also the general line of cards in beautiful and humorous designs.

Call and see them. OSMAN & HAPEMAN.

Men's water-proof grain boots at Child & Phipps'.

Boys and children's suits, handsome and cheap, at A. Frank & Co.'s.

Pumps! Pumps!

Wholesale and retail. The I. X. L. is warranted equal to the best; and we will not be undersold in pumps, sewing machines or anything in our line.

F. D. SWEETSER & CO.

Fine Christmas and New Year's fruits and candies at Walther's.

The Ruby.

Messrs. Booth & Kendall have in operation one of their famous Ruby Furnaces. It is not cased, but so much the better shows the heating features of the furnace. It will be there in operation at their store for a week or so, and those interested should take the time to examine it. They invite all to call and see it.

At Walther's Next Week.

Call, and be sure and not forget, and see old Santa Claus on duty next week at Walther's. Mothers, bring your sons, fathers, bring your daughters, and girls bring your sweethearts, all welcome, to see him. Don't forget—at Walther's big toy, candy and fruit store.

Christmas trees, candies and candy toys and ornaments for sale cheap at Walther's.

The electric light gives something more than light. The knowing ones now use it for their rheumatics. Though the wires carrying the fluid are carefully insulated to prevent fires, there is yet considerable harmless leakage. Using a copper wire this can be collected in sufficient quantity to give a man a pleasant shock. The boys at Fiske & Beem's have rigged up such a wire, and by the use of a wet string thrown over a gas fixture, making a ground connection, take a little electricity for the rheumatics as the spirit moves them!

Buy your dress and wedding suits for the coming holidays at A. Frank & Co.'s.

Rubber boots and arctics, a full line, at Child & Phipps'.

the state, and twenty-five on other prizes at Walther's.

Scott Bros. & Co. have engaged an extra force of clerks for next week.

Our usual stock of holiday goods is now all opened; and we should be pleased to have the public call and see the novelties we have on hand. There is a great variety of pretty fancy goods, in wares, leathers, woods, &c., with pictures, frames, books, toys, &c., &c. They are all fresh goods, both domestic and imported, selected from first hands, and we think will please all visitors.

OSMAN & HAPEMAN,
West of Court House, Ottawa.

Frangs Christmas cards and many others, diaries, dolls, knives, 10c books, children's books, toys, everything at E. Y. Griggs'.

The Churches.

Baptist.—Mr. McPherson in his pulpit morning and evening. Morning subject: "Conviction rather than knowledge the need of the church." Evening theme: "Calamity no proof of guilt." Congregational Church.—Subject Sunday evening: "The hardening of Pharaoh's heart."

WANTED.—Two cash boys at Scott Bros. & Co.'s.

Go to A. Frank & Co.'s and buy useful holiday presents.

The finest stock of silks in the city is at Scott Bros. & Co.'s.

Those holiday slippers for gents are immense at Child & Phipps'.

Fine green Michigan Christmas trees for sale cheap at Walther's.

Fine neckwear, silk goods, &c., for holiday presents at Trabling's.

PIANO FOR SALE CHEAP.—Enquire of Mrs. Amasa Foster, west Madison street.

The largest and best line of skates in Ottawa will be found at Booth & Kendall's.

Call at Osman & Hapeman's and see those beautiful ozonized brackets, just received.

Louis Hess, at the old New England Bakery, has an elegant line of Christmas tree ornaments.

Trabling is almost giving away those elegant knit suits. These goods were never before sold so cheap. Look at them.

No candy store in this "neck of the woods" can compare if indeed equal the extensive stock of fancy candies at Hess's Bakery.

A full attendance of the Ottawa Musical Association is desired next Monday evening, as the question of a new drill book is to be acted upon.

Candies! Candies! Candies!

The purest, best and largest stock in the city or county at 20, 25, 30 and 40 cents a pound at Walther's Santa Claus store.

The annual Shaver Christmas Tree and Festival will be held on Saturday evening, 24th inst., at the residence of Geo. D. Shaver, in the town of Rutland. A general invitation is extended to all of the Shaver family and friends.

A CARD OF THANKS.—Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Prichard desire to extend their heartfelt thanks to the many kind friends for their aid and sympathy in their hours of deep grief and sorrow occasioned by the loss of their only little one.

Humbolt Lodge, No. 555, A. F. & A. M., will give a ball on Thursday evening, Jan. 19th, 1882, at Turner Hall. Every effort will be made to make the affair pleasant to all who attend; and we will give further particulars in a future issue.

At Cost.

Sunday schools and churches supplied with the best and purest candies, nuts, fruits and toys at cost at Walther's Santa Claus store. No trouble to show goods. Please call and get prices.

Respectfully, M. WALTHER.

Auction.—C. S. Phelps, at his residence in East Ottawa, will sell at auction on Saturday, the 24th inst., commencing at 1 o'clock P. M., all his Household Goods; also a lawn mower and lawn sprinkler, a lot of rubber hose, and a very nice revolving flower stand. Special invitation to ladies to attend the sale. Terms made known at the sale.

Dec. 10, 1881. New Post Office Block.

Bussell's College
High School Building
Commercial Correspondence
Sept. 10, 1881-53c
Ottawa, Ill. Day and evening sessions for Permanent Commercial Correspondence. Students admitted at any time.
W. A. DREW, Principal.

OSMAN & HAPEMAN

Now light up their stock of Fancy Goods for the Holidays with the

Electric Light.

OUR STOCK OF HOLIDAY GOODS

Is the Largest, the Best, and Includes the Greatest Variety in this County.

We want everybody to call and see the Goods.

OSMAN & HAPEMAN,
Dec. 10, 1881. West of Court House, Ottawa.

ASSIGNEE'S SALE.

I will sell daily, till all is disposed of, the ENTIRE STOCK of the late firm of Hull & Bartels, regardless of cost.

The goods consist of Hats, Caps, Furs, Gents' Furnishing Goods, &c. They must be sold.

Call at HULL & BARTELS' old stand, north of Court House. Sale commences this morning.

W. W. TAYLOR,