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I have a neat and attractive line of goods this year for the holiday trade. My stock of Candies is especially inviting, fresh and varied.

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**COR. BROAD & MAIN STS.**

**You Ought to Know**  
that impure blood with its weakening results, unpleasant breath, headaches, urethral night, poor appetite, shallow skin, pimples and depression, comes from constipation.  
**Dr. Southworth's Stomach and Liver Compound**  
has been doing good to men and women for many years, and its value has been tested and proved.

**Hunt's Feed Store** and Grocery  
A Fresh Stock of Flour just arrived direct  
From the Factory to Consumer  
with only a small cash profit added.  
**Buy Blue Bell**  
the Best Brand Flour.  
Blue Bell Flour.....\$1 60  
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Whole Wheat Flour.....30  
Salt.....28

**E. R. Hunt,**  
**MORRIS.**

**The Morris Chronicle.**

**E. E. CARPENTER,**  
EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR.

Wednesday, Dec. 20, 1911.

Particularly of Local Interest.

Be not weary in well-doing. If you can't boast, don't knock. The four years' drought must certainly be broken.

Another lot of little calendar pads for 1912 at this office.

L. H. Sheff has been appointed mail carrier on route No. 2, South New Berlin.

Cleason Southworth has charge of the Kenyon House stables, free for hitching horses in.

Mrs. J. T. Elliott and Mrs. Olin are spending a few weeks in New York with relatives.

The High School holiday vacation begins this week Friday. School will reopen January 2d.

The Town Collector is Horace Hendrix and he is on his job at Albert Smith's barber shop.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Sprague of New Berlin went to Southern Pines, N. C., last week for the winter.

All organizations electing officers are asked to report same to this office. The Chronicle will be glad to publish them.

The Borden price for November milk was \$1.90. The average ratio of the Gilbert creamery for November milk is \$1.98.

Mrs. E. R. Hunt, who has been confined to her home for many weeks by illness, was able to be out to church last Sunday.

C. D. Carpenter and wife spent from Wednesday till Monday at Delmar and Albany, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Matteson.

Born Dec. 17th, a son, Duane, to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bookhout, near West Oneonta. Mrs. Bookhout was Miss Ethel Band of Morris.

Town Clerk Sutherland will be pleased to issue a few nice marriage licenses to any one wishing to take advantage of the holiday season.

Herbert T. Jennings, the high financier, says the recent legal attack upon him is a conspiracy. That's what the McNamara's called it, too.

Note the advertisement of L. & A. Babcock on page two. It is a pleasure to do business with a responsible house like the Babcocks of Norwich.

Harry Davis of this town has left his position at Washington Mills and begun work last week for the Candee Incubator Co. at DeWitt, near Syracuse.

If you are making up your list of papers for next year without Rural Life you are making a mistake, and it only costs 75c a year. Sample copy at this office.

This is a good time for your hens to get active. Eggs from 40 to 50 cents a dozen, and some of our egg growers who send their eggs to the city report receiving 57c last week.

An agent sold five Ford automobiles in New Berlin last Wednesday. The sales were made to F. A. Ballard, H. L. Lottridge, A. W. Morse, Lewis Bligham and Veterinary Eggleston.

Rev. T. S. Kilty, on account of ill health, has resigned the rectorate of the Episcopal church at Clark's Mills and returned to Burlington to reside in Mrs. Kilty's old family home, the Walworth place.

A great quantity of railroad ties are passing through Morris these days. They come from a lumber job in Pittsfield and go to Mt. Upton. Wish they were going to stop along the Valley for our trolley road yet to be.

Since last summer Evangelist Crabill has held meetings of two to three weeks' each in Manlius, Fair Haven, Paluski, Phoenix and Moravia. At Paluski 420 converts are reported. At Phoenix in November a big tabernacle was built.

The Lower Dimock Hollow school will have a supper, Christmas tree and play at the home of the teacher, Mrs. Glenn Dockstead, on Saturday night Dec. 23. An offering will be taken for the benefit of the school library. The public cordially invited to attend.

This office received a note last Saturday from Mrs. Edna Sanderson. It was dated at Albion, Nebraska, Dec. 14th. She and her sister, Mrs. Alger, are enjoying their visit there very much. The weather, she writes, is fine. Mrs. Sanderson says: Remember me to Morris friends.

The inspectors of the first district (the village district) registered about 100 voters in person. They then had to buy and lick stamps and mail some 300 or more blanks to voters who did not appear. This was a new kind of a job for country inspectors and one not relished by them nor had in much respect by voters.

Abram D. Nichols died in the Bingham State Hospital Dec. 12th, aged 50 years. He was born in Laurens and his principal business had been keeping hotels in different Otsego county towns including Oneonta, for many years. He was taken to Binghamton from Mt. Vision last summer. He was a half-brother of Charles Nichols of Morris.

Red Cross Christmas stamps are for sale in Morris at the Bank and at G. B. Folts' store. Price 1c each, the proceeds to go to the Red Cross Society for the fight against tuberculosis. They are put on letters and packages. It is expected to realize \$1,000,000 this season by the sale of these stamps. Go and buy some for your Christmas packages.

C. H. Lawrence is prepared to furnish Dressed Turkeys for Christmas. Finish your orders this week.

Call and see the fine line of ladies and gents' watches, Waltham and Elgin, at G. B. Folts', the Jeweler, to Bank Building on Broad street.

**Come to Morris This Week**

OUT-OF-TOWN PEOPLE are cordially invited to come to Morris this week for Holiday Trading. Our merchants are stocked with splendid lines, the season's special goods, and are making special inducements to buyers this week. Take it from us, that you can buy Footwear, Neckwear, Fur Garments, Hand Wear, Furnishings, Fancy Goods, Cut Glass, Toilet Goods, Stationery, Dolls, Toys, Sleds, Skates, Jewelry, Glass and China Goods, Fruits, Candies, just as well in Morris this year as anywhere else, with unusually tasty assortments to select from.

Free Waiting Rooms at the Kenyon House, and bays for horses.

**OTSEGO AND NEAR-BY COUNTIES.**  
The Gregg cooper shop at Moravia has made 12,000 barrels this season.  
Hon. James Stewart, long a prominent resident of Oneonta, died on Monday.  
Twenty-three car loads of cabbage were shipped from Tully in three days last week.

Amber Hawkins, a lifelong resident of the town of Edmeston, died Dec. 10th in his 72d year.

The Cooperstown Village Improvement society has a cash balance on hand of \$256.34.

Dr. H. C. Lyman has been appointed postmaster at Sherburne in place of Mr. O'Brien, resigned.

At the court last week Chas. Karling pleaded guilty to a violation of the liquor law and paid a fine of \$200.

Isaac Weiner, a Kingston dealer has been fined \$200 for shipping liquor to a man in Andes, a no-license town.

Joe Marone, Sidney's local baseball expert, will be given a "try-out" in the Albany league team next spring.

Forty carloads of Christmas trees from Maine and Vermont passed through Binghamton one day last week.

Miss Ruth Tilley of New Berlin does not legally owe any one any more. She was discharged from bankruptcy Dec. 1.

George All of Worcester killed a hog last week which weighed, dressed, 452 pounds. The porker was 14 months old.

T. J. Baker, long time a well-known restaurant keeper in Oneonta, died last Thursday night, after quite an extended illness.

Henry Bamford of Earlville was taken with the hiccoughs two weeks ago, which lasted for four days when he had a shock.

An exchange says that 32 cows in Delos Mackey's herd at Meridale have been condemned after a tuberculin test and sent away.

A dog quarantine on account of rabies is on in the towns of Brookfield, Bridgewater and Plainfield. Muzzle the pups. It is on account of the recent deaths of several cows from being bitten by a dog.

Edgar J. Arnold, for ten or twelve years clerk of the Otsego County Surrogate's Court, died recently at his home in Greene, to which place he went from Cooperstown two years ago. He was a brother of Frank Arnold of the New Berlin Bank.

Herbert T. Jennings, the financier-lawyer who built the Otsego Valley trolley road on wind, wrecked the First National Bank of Oneonta, and built Oneonta's palatial new hotel on tick, has been indicted, arrested and bailed in \$25,000 for misappropriating the funds of the Mt. Vernon Bank, of which as president he got away with over \$100,000.

The body or bones of Nicola Ottomano were found in the bushes on the hill east of Oneonta and but just off the city limits Dec. 9th. It was a case of murder. He was 18 years old and worked in the D & H yards. The police have but the slimmest of clues to work on.

Last week Tuesday while repairing a big old fashion chimney on DeForest Boustell's house in Pittsfield Tim Welch fell down inside to the bottom, into an old-time fireplace which had been bricked up. He was pulled back up out of the top by ropes, in a dazed condition, but escaped with two or three scalp wounds.

**INCENDIARY FIRE.**  
Between 8 and 9 o'clock last Sunday evening the Butterton Valley for miles up and down was illuminated by a big fire off on south hill towards Otego. It was seen by many residents of the village and the Central telephone office located it beyond Maple Grove on the road to Otego.

It proved to be the farm barn on the Patrick place, on top of VanNamee Hill. The place had been occupied by Frank Washburn, but he was not at home at the time, in fact he left the farm in October, and all the stock had recently been taken off the place. There were about nine tons of hay burned with the barn. The property was insured in the County Company.

We are informed by telephone that when the first neighbors arrived at the fire they discovered a bundle of straw on fire under the porch of the house, pointing clearly, of course, to the supposition that the intention of somebody was to destroy all the buildings on the place.

**THE WEATHER.**  
Rain and melted snow for the week ending Dec. 18, 1.05 inches; the highest temperature, 53°, lowest 20°, on the 4th.

Photo Calendars with views of Morris, Mounting Board, **CAREY, Photo.**

Depositing school on Wednesday night next week, instead of Thursday. This week on Thursday evening as usual. **W. H. SARRY.**

**ATTENTION!**  
M. G. Loewenstein, the Practical and Scientific Optician, will be in Morris on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, December 18, 19 and 21. All Spectacles and Eye Glasses adjusted by him are warranted to give perfect satisfaction. The Professor has visited here for more than 40 years and has gained for himself a reputation for ability and honesty enjoyed by few in his business. Remember the dates.

May be found at the Chronicle office or at Geo. Weatherly's residence.

What is more desirable or appreciative for a Christmas or a wedding gift than one of these handsome Clocks at \$25.00. The Jeweler, to Bank Building, to Broad street.

**CHURCH NOTES.**

**Baptist.**  
Thursday evening—8:30, Mission study class. 7, Prayer meeting; topic, Second coming of Christ.  
Friday evening—Christmas supper for the Sunday School.  
Sunday—10:30, Christmas service. 12, Sunday School. 6, Christian Endeavor; topic, The Gift that transforms the World. II. Cor. 9:15; Luke 1:40-55. Leader, Floyd Strain. The preaching service in the evening will be omitted.

The Baraca class last Sunday elected the following officers:  
President—J. Edward Lunn.  
Vice-President—Andy Daniels.  
Secretary—Floyd Strain.  
Treasurer—Harold Lasher.  
Assistant Secretary and Treasurer—Fayette Wing.

Teacher—Rev. E. W. Rimpow; assistant, E. E. Carpenter.  
The Sunday School has recently appointed E. E. Carpenter superintendent of the Home Department, and Mrs. E. R. Hunt superintendent of the Gradle Roll department.

**Protestant Episcopal.**  
Services Wednesday afternoon at 4:15 p. m.  
Holy Communion Thursday at 10:30.  
Friday, Evening prayer at 7:30 p. m.  
Sunday, Dec. 24.—Holy Communion at 7:30 a. m.; morning service 10:30 a. m.; Sunday school 12 m.; evening prayer 7 o'clock. Evening prayer at Butts' Corners and New Lisbon at 3 o'clock.

There will be a special Christmas Eve service in the church at 7 p. m.

The Regular quarterly meeting of the Vestry will be held at the rectory on Thursday, Dec. 21st, (St. Thomas' Day) at 2:30 p. m.

The Christmas festival for the parish will be held in the Parish House on Thursday, Dec. 28th. All the parishioners and their friends are cordially invited to be present.

**Methodist Episcopal.**  
Next Friday evening the Christmas exercises and tree at the church.

Next Sunday the ordinance of Baptism will be administered at the morning service.

The different societies of the church have recently elected the following officers:  
Sunday School:  
Supl.—Porter Backus.  
Assistant Supl.—Henry Hand.  
Organist—Miss Folmsbee.  
Home Department:  
President—Mrs. H. Smith.  
Secretary—Mrs. A. Gifford.  
Treasurer—Mrs. A. Edwards.  
Cradle Roll:  
President—Ruth Light.

Missionary Society:  
President—Mrs. E. D. Cook.  
Sec'y and Treas.—Ruth Light.

Epworth League:  
President—Henry McWilliams.  
1st Vice-Pres.—Mrs. E. D. Cooke.  
2d " —Mrs. Matteson.  
3d " —Mrs. Alvin Gifford.  
4th " —Mrs. Arthur Mather.  
Sec'y and Treas.—Ruth Light.  
Organist—Kittie Brownell.

**Universalist.**  
There will be a special service of Christmas songs and sermon next Sunday at the usual hour to which all are cordially invited.

The annual Christmas dinner and presentation of gifts will be held at the church at noon on Tuesday, Dec. 26th. All come and have a good time.

**Wants and For Sale.**  
Advertisements under this head 15c for one week not exceeding four lines; 25c for two weeks; 40c for three weeks; 50c for four weeks. Good as new. R. R. RIPLEY, Morris.

**Lost** Last Friday a Black and Tan Blood, with chain by head and rather small ears for a bound Reward paid for him. ALBERT DEXTER, Morris.

**For Sale** Good horse coming & Copy Top case nearly new, and 3 grade Grayney Cows. ADRIEN GOUDIN, Morris.

**For Rent** Pleasant Rooms to rent, furnished or unfurnished. MRS. ROSS, Morris.

**Fair Stock** Ten Shares of the Stock of the value of \$100, for sale. Inquiry of J. Lee Smith at the Morris National Bank. 5117

**Remnants** The New Berlin Silk Mfg. Co. at Resolute in various qualities and weaves, colors and blacks, suitable for Holiday Gifts, at special prices. Will be pleased to mail samples of show goods at the factory. 65117

**Bulls** Five Registered Holstein Bulls one year old, for sale. Their dams gave better than 50 lbs. of milk a day in April. Henry's dairy. 2209 A. H. TILSON, Morris.

**To Rent** The rooms in the east part of the Dr. Fox house on Broad street. Inquire of DR. C. T. FOX, Gilbertville.

**F. A. BALLARD & CO**  
**BIG DEPARTMENT STORE**

The Best Values for Your Money Always

**Very Important**

As Christmas this year falls on Monday, the giving away of the sixth present will be postponed until the following day, Tuesday, Dec. 26th, at 3 o'clock p. m., to the person in our store at that time holding the card with the largest amount punched out, representing any one week's trade since November 13th.

The standing of the candidates in the Piano Balloting Contest on Saturday evening, December 9th, was—

Table with 3 columns: Name, Count, and Opponent. Ruth Holdrede: 5090; Leona Carpenter: 4920; Lena Austin: 4350; Mrs. Elias O. Bailey: 1970; Phoebe Lodge: 1850. Virginia Whitmore: 290; Leroy Steere: 270; Mrs. Della Breslin: 80; Frank Deming: 30; M. VanWormer: 10.

Clothing, Shoes, Furnishings, Hats and Caps, Wall Paper, Draperies, Lace Curtains, Blankets, Hosiery, Gloves and Mittens, Trunks, Bags, Rubber Footwear, and Groceries.

**F. A. BALLARD & CO.,**  
**NEW BERLIN, N. Y.**

Wholesale and Retail Merchants and Clothiers.

**POTTER BROS. :: MORRIS, N. Y.**

**Winter and Holiday Goods**

We have just received a large new stock of Winter and Holiday Goods in all the different lines, very many of which make useful and acceptable presents, such as

- Blankets, Bed Comforters, Outstanding Flannel Underwear, Hosiery, Gloves, Mittens, Sweaters, Yarns, Caps, Toques, Knit and Button Leggings, Wool Slipper Soles, Felt Shoes, Alaska and Artic Over-Shoes, Ladies' Dress Wrappers, Kimonos, Percales, Gingham, Flannelette, Ducklin Flounce for Kimonos, Cretonnes, Black and Colored Skirts, Gowns, Tea Aprons, Belts, Collars, Ruching, Rugs, Gents Neckwear, Suspender, Heavy Work Coats, Pants, Shirts, Handkerchiefs in great variety, Ssand Coats, Dressor Scarfs, Doylies, Center Pieces, Pillow Tops, Auto Scarfs, Towels, Table Linen, Etc.

**Another Invoice of Ball Band Boots.**  
Felts and Overs just arrived

**POTTER BROS., MORRIS.**

**P. WEBDEN & SON, MORRIS.**

**Fur Coats**

We want to call the special attention of the public to our line of Fur Coats this month. It is the finest display of desirable fur garments we ever carried. So varied is the line that we can assure you a coat that will please and satisfy, so you may come here with confidence. We find also that our prices are a little lower than the same coat is selling for in other places, running from \$16 to Coats for Men and Women, every garment is a have several special the lot that might tract you. Any way us. This is a splendor a Fur Coat costing a cloth coat.

**In Toy Land.**

In order to enable the people of this vicinity to buy at home what they have been compelled to go out of town for in late years, I have put in a big and attractive line of

**Dolls, Toys and Games**

The line includes almost everything from a Piano to a Climbing Monkey, or a Watch, Fob and Chain for 5c! Wheelbarrows, Carts, Wagons, Chairs, Checker Boards, and many of the Latest Novelties in Mechanical Toys. The prices?

**5c, 10c, 25c.**

These are the prices on this line, and it will do your heart good to look it over. The children are delighted with it. Something here to make happy every kid in town. They are the same kind of goods your would see in a New York Toy Store.

The Christmas Magazines, the Choicest Candies and Nuts, Fresh Oysters, Phonographs and Records.

**L. A. HEWEL, Morris, N. Y.**