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THE RELIABLE STORE Thomas Stone & Son THE RELIABLE STORE

SILKOLINES AND CRETONNES ARE A NECESSITY AT HOUSE-CLEANING TIME.

WE have just received from New York a big shipment of New American designs in Silkolines and Cretonnes. There is always a big demand for these goods at this season of the year for Draperies, Cushion Covers, Quilt Covers, etc. A few yards for one purpose or another is always useful in brightening up some half-worn looking spot in the home. Have you any such spots in your home that require freshening? Come in and see the goods, anyway! You'll find a place For Them When You See the Designs And Colorings.

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WANT THIRTY PER CENT RATE

Merchants' Association Think They Pay too Much Business Tax

Messrs Cowan And Mills Will Wait On Council To Get Reduction

A very enthusiastic meeting of the Retail Merchants Association was held last night in the Board of Trade rooms. The meeting was a special one and called for the purpose of discussing the business assessment tax. Ex-Mayor Geo. W. Cowan was in the chair and opened the meeting, saying that some time ago when the Dominion organizer was in the city he spoke in reference to the business tax and thought that Chatham should have its tax lowered. Chatham pays a tax of 35 per cent. while other cities pay a tax of only 30 per cent. He stated that Berlin was enjoying a 30 per cent. rate, and that if we would take up the matter we may enjoy the same rate on account of being a constituted city. Mr. Mills was in Berlin at the time, and after consulting about the matter there he felt satisfied that the Maple City should, and by rights could, enjoy the lower rate. At the 35 per cent. rate there is \$5 more taxes on every \$1,000 than there is at the 30 per cent. rate. This means that if a person has \$10,000 worth of property he pays \$50 more than he would if he enjoyed the 30 per cent. rate.

Mr. Mills was called upon, and endorsed the ex-Mayor's statement, and also said that a committee composed of Mayor Stone and A. B. McCaig, M. P. P., had met Mr. Mulvey, deputy provincial secretary, in reference to the matter. Mr. Mulvey stated that as Chatham was under 10,000 population, that 35 per cent. was justly its rate. The committee reported back that this was the best they could do. Mr. Mills wrote to Mr. Hanna, provincial secretary, regarding the matter and received a favorable reply. Since Chatham was elected to become a city with privileges her rate should be 30 per cent. Mr. Mills thought that a deputation to appear before the Council with the matter should be appointed. A motion by Mr. Hall, that ex-Mayor Cowan and Mr. Mills be appointed a deputation to wait on the Council, was seconded by Mr. Anderson and carried.

A. D. Westman was present and gave a short talk about the Wolverine Brass By-law, stating that it was greatly to the interests of the merchants and every citizen to have the by-law carried. He hoped that every person would get enthused and work hard for the passing of the by-law. Mr. Mills stated that Mr. Shannon, manager of the Standard Bank, said that he had received the most glowing report he had ever received of any firm. Their record is beyond reproach, and as regards the financial ability they are quite capable to conduct a lively business. They are willing to put up a plant worth \$10,000, and give a mortgage on the same. A mortgage makes it very difficult for a firm to do business. They are obliged to bank on their own capital, and from all accounts they are A. N. 1 people, and have enough capital to do this. Mr. Mills, in conclusion, said Chatham will make a great mistake if she does not bring out every vote and carry the by-law with a unanimous majority. Every merchant and ratepayer should be loyal to his community and help for the progress of the city.

H. Macaulay thanked the association for making the change in the night of meeting. On account of being obliged to attend another meeting on Monday nights, he was barred from the merchants meeting. He is much interested in the association and was very glad of the change.

The following were present: Ex-Mayor Cowan, C. H. Mills, H. Macaulay, W. Anderson, W. Foltz, W. A. Winterstein, J. A. Wilson, A. Hall, H. Andrews, A. D. Westman, W. Drew, V. Bosworth, C. E. Lister, ex-Ald. Weaver, and Mr. Murdoch.

BRISCO OPERA HOUSE

FRIDAY, MAY 31ST

JOSEPH KING'S

"EAST LYNNE"

A Play That Will Live Forever.

A story of a Woman's Wrongs. It touches the Hearts of All. Without Question the Greatest Emotional Drama of the Present Generation.

PRICES—25c, 35c and 50c.

MANY RATEPAYERS FAVOR THE WOLVERINE BYLAW

The Planet Interviews Some Of Them And In Every Case Receives Favorable Comments—All Think The Bylaw Should Carry

A representative of The Planet walked down King St. yesterday afternoon and solicited opinions from the people he met, upon the Wolverine Brass Works By-law, which will be submitted to the ratepayers on the 5th of June. The following were the results:—

Ex-Ald. John Waddell—I like the proposition exceedingly well. It is one of the best ever offered the city, and I see nothing but gain ahead if we succeed in passing the by-law.

J. W. Carswell—Sure thing. I am for the by-law, and I will do all I can to help to carry it.

William Anderson—Put me with the boosters. I am for the Brass Works By-law with both hands up. It is the very thing we want.

H. Macaulay—I am for the by-law. We cannot get too many good industries provided they don't cost us too much.

Harry Andrew—I am with the "Three B's"—The Boosters for the Brass By-law.

Geo. S. Heyward—I think the proposition is all right, and should carry. It is the best proposition ever put before the citizens of Chatham, and on election day I intend to work all day long and help to carry it.

Dr. Geo. T. McKeeough—Everyone should get out and work for it, and I sincerely hope it will carry. Good industries are what will fill up the vacant houses around the city, and increase our school population, which has dwindled to a remarkable degree during the past year.

Fred Ward—I think we will be

sorry once and all the time to come if we don't pass this by-law.

W. T. Shannon—I don't think a better proposition from outside has ever been offered the citizens of Chatham. In all the financial reports I have received from Grand Rapids, the Cornelius Brothers, who own and operate the Wolverine Brass Works there, are most highly spoken of.

R. A. Williams—I am very much in favor of the by-law, and I hope the people won't forget to get out early and vote for it on June 5. If the city is to progress, we must get more citizens, and I know of no more feasible plan of bringing them here than by getting good industries such as this.

Thomas A. Drew—I am strongly in favor of the by-law. The Wolverine Company are a good firm and they pay good wages. A factory which will pay \$4 a day is worth a dozen dollar a day concerns.

Dr. J. W. Rutherford—We are for the by-law, and we certainly will support it. The more factories we get in Chatham the better it will be for everyone concerned.

W. W. Turner—I am heartily in favor of the proposition, and I will do all I can to help to pass the by-law. This is the only way in which we will ever be able to raise the standard of wages in the city.

W. A. Coltart—I believe the proposition is a good one, and should be supported.

William Somerville—I am strongly in favor of the by-law.

DISSATISFACTION OVER THE RAISE OF RATES

Local citizens express considerable dissatisfaction over the raise in the rates on the City of Chatham between here and Detroit. This boat trip, which during the past has proven such a popular one, has, as a result of the raise in the rates, lost considerable favor with those who formerly were in the habit of making regular trips via the City to the Michigan metropolis. The extra 15 cents, which was within the reach of everyone, and was generally considered to be reasonable. But when the price was first raised to sixty cents and later raised to 75 cents, it was felt that in view of the fact that the railway rates on Thursday only amount to one dollar for the round trip, that the twenty-five cents saved by taking the boat, did not compensate for the delay and inconvenience experienced in water transportation.

The boat, too, appears to have met with considerable trouble in navigating the river this year, for some reason. It has several times grounded on the way down. Whether this is due to shifting of the sand bars at the bottom of the stream, or that the new crew are not as well acquainted with the stream, as those in charge last year, is in doubt. It may be one or all of these things that has started the rumor to the effect that an outside navigation company talk of placing a passenger steamer on the run between here and Detroit.

In all likelihood there would be plenty of business for two steamers plying between here and the City of the Straits, and the citizens would thus get the benefit of competitive rates.

HICKLIN—SMITH

The wedding is announced to take place at 4.30 this afternoon, at the First Presbyterian Manse, Raleigh Street, of Miss Eva E. Smith, daughter of the late Mr. C. T. Smith, of Stewart, to Mr. Ross Hicklin, of this city. Rev. A. H. MacGillivray is officiating at the ceremony, which is unattended, save by the immediate friends of the contracting parties. Mr. and Mrs. Hicklin will leave on the 5.18 for Toronto, where they will spend a few days. On their return they will reside in the Alexandria block.

A FINE PUBLICATION

The Planet is in receipt of a copy of the Canadian Pottery and Glass Gazette, published in Toronto, which made its bow to the public a few months ago. This magazine is a very worthy one. It deals with the trade in both Canada, the United States, and the old country. It should prove interesting to everyone, and especially to women who take an interest in anything artistic in this line.

Sale Prices on Suit Cases and Trunks, at Cowan's.

Try to live right and don't worry about how you are going to die; for you'll die all right.

COOK GOES TO ASSIZES

High Court to Fix Responsibility for Myrtle Railway Disaster

Charge Against Engineer Kyle Dismissed—Should Prosecute C. P. R.

Whitby, May 29.—The trial of Conductor J. F. Cook and Engineer Kyle, implicated in the recent Myrtle accident, when two trainmen were killed, began before Police Magistrate Harper yesterday morning.

Objection was taken by Mr. Robinson against the whole proceedings, in that under section 252 of the criminal code there is ample provision to prosecute the Canadian Pacific railway, instead of their employees.

Coroner Dr. Mellow, examined, admitted that train order which was put in as exhibit at inquest, could not be found.

After adjournment Mr. Birney of the Hotel Myrtle, where the inquest was held, told of the burning of some papers in the furnace after the concluding sessions of the coroner's inquest, amongst which probably was the missing train order.

Under objection the magistrate had Conductor Cook's evidence at the inquest read.

Station Agent Harrison told how he was busy trimming lamps and turning switches during the precious time before the fatal arrival of Cook's train, so that the despatcher did not get time to copy the order that would have avoided the accident.

On hearing the engine driver Hugh Kyle's evidence was read under the same objections as in Cook's case, Magistrate Harper dismissed Kyle, but committed Cook for trial at the fall sessions, accepting \$500 bail.

STREET CAR BLOWN UP.

Torpedo Placed on Track to Kill Gamblers.

Chicago, May 29.—Two men were badly injured by broken glass and a score of others sustained slight injuries yesterday when a street car on the Calumet Electric Railway was blown from the tracks by a torpedo at 33rd street and South Chicago avenue.

The explosion lifted the car from the tracks throwing it into the roadway. It was found that considerable evidence was that the torpedo was planted with the original design of blowing up prospective passengers on the gambling boat City of Traverse, whose landing place is about a block away, the theory advanced being that it was planted either by religious fanatics or by rivals of the City of Traverse crowd.

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Everything in the Basket line at a low price for the grade we sell.

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\$1.99

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