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The Reliable Store Thomas Stone & Son The Reliable Store

Our Third Floor Bargain Department

Is in fullswing, —opened this morning with a rush of customers—Business brisk—Bargains plentiful. Our advertising columns give only an inkling of what is to be had. The best way is to come and see.

Cushion Tops at 19c.

The kind you always pay 25c each for. A good assortment of new designs; every one good.

Laundry Bags at 19c.

A good size, is made of a good, heavy, white cotton, with stamped design for embroidery; worth 35c.

Bedroom Slippers 99c.

All sizes, in black and original, the kind usually sold at \$1.00.

Safety Pins, 2 Doz. for 5c.

A wonderful value; you would pay 5c. per doz. for them anywhere.

Windsor Ties at 19c.

In black, navy and other shades, a clearing lot, some of them were 50c. each.

Ice Wool, 7c Per Ball.

The regular price is 10 cents, but we are cleaning up the stock; colors, cardinal, black, white and pink.

Shoe Laces, 3 Pairs for 5c.

A full line of the black shoe-lace in good quality. You pay 5c. per pair for them; we are selling three pairs for 5c.

Ladies' Hose Supporters 19c.

Red Hose Supporters, with belt, in black, white, yellow, pink and blue, double elastic and clasp, a very special bargain at 19c.

Men's Shirts and Drawers 50c.

Heavy, ribbed garments, in the regular way 75c. each; now clearing lot of odd lines at special bargain prices.

Bath towels at 15c.

A very large size Terry bath towel, with fancy red stripe, would be considered good value at 20c; during the sale 15c. each.

Dress Goods at 25c.

A collection of lines selected from our 37 1/2 and 50 cent goods, but they must be cleared; sale price 25c.

Black Ribbed Cashmere Hose at 35c.

We have sold the same hose all season at 50 cents. We've only a small lot and have marked them 35c. for a speedy clearance.

Fresh Lines will be added daily to Our Third Floor Bargain Department. Visit it often.

THOMAS STONE & SON

IS SERIOUSLY ILL

Mr. James Brackin was taken suddenly ill during last night, and on medical aid being summoned it was found necessary to remove him from his residence on Third street to the General Hospital. His trouble has been diagnosed as acute appendicitis, and an operation was found to be necessary.

The many friends of Mr. Brackin and his esteemed family will be grieved to learn that his condition this morning was deemed to be very critical.

ELECTED OFFICERS

The Young Men's Club of Victoria avenue church met last night, and elected officers for the year as follows:

Honorary President—J. F. McKee.
President—W. G. Beamer.
1st Vice-Pres.—R. Cunningham.
2nd Vice-Pres.—J. Mackness.
3rd Vice-Pres.—W. E. Parrott.
4th Vice-Pres.—Bert Dyer.
Secretary—Chas. Lidster.
Treasurer—Wm. Truax.

THE BOOKSELLERS

Minister of Education Tells Them He Favors Free School Books.

Toronto, Jan. 15.—A delegation of the retail booksellers of the province waited on Hon. Dr. Pyne yesterday in anticipation of an expected change in the policy of the Education Department with regard to school books. There were 25 gentlemen composing an influential and representative delegation from the trade. W. K. McNaught, M. P. P., introduced them to the Minister.

Hon. Dr. Pyne, in reply to the representations of the delegations, said that the Government's intention was to get all views before the Text Book Commission. He had nothing to say of the policy of the Government. Personally, he favored free text books, but he was unable to state that the Government would do that far. He and his colleagues must conserve the interests of the people. The Government would be glad to hear from the dealers again when a policy had been prepared for announcement.

Best Sugar Bounties.
Toronto, Jan. 15.—Beet sugar manufacturers asked the Provincial Government yesterday for a continuance of the bounty granted five years ago. This amount was \$75,000, a year, to be divided among all the manufacturers in the province.

EARLY BLAZE

There was an early blaze on Lacroix street this morning. At 5:20 the firemen were called out to the house occupied by Mr. Wimper, the first residence on the north side of the C. P. R. railway crossing, on the south side of the street. The house is owned by Mr. Walter Wing.

The fire had got quite a start, and it was found necessary to use two lines of hose. The damage was mostly confined to the lean-to, the roof of which was burned and the interior scorched.

The fire was caused by a child upsetting a lamp. Mr. Wimper apparently did not know there was a fire alarm box close to his residence, as he ran all the way to the fire hall to give in the alarm. It is suggested that some of the fire alarm boxes around the city should be painted, so that they would be more noticeable.

SARNIA RECOUNT DROPPED

Sarnia, Jan. 15.—The recount of ballots for reeve of the town of Sarnia, asked for by Mr. F. C. Watson, and which was to have taken place in the chambers of County Judge MacWatt to-day, came to a very sudden termination. A few minutes after the opening of proceedings this morning, on the ballot boxes being opened Judge MacWatt found that only four of the thirteen deputy returning officers had complied with the law as to the disposition of ballots after the close of the poll, and as a consequence the judge refused to go on with the recount. This leaves Mr. David Milne as reeve, being elected over Mr. Watson by two majority. We understand it is not Mr. Watson's intention to take proceedings in a higher court.

VENGEFUL INDIAN KILLS

Buffalo, Jan. 15.—A special to the Times from Akron, N. Y., says Lester Peters, an Indian, a carpenter by trade, and a man of good repute, was shot and killed on the Tonawanda Indian reservation last night. It is alleged by another Indian named Hill, Hill, it is claimed, was jealous of Peters for some cause.

The men had words recently, and Hill, who had been stopping with Peters, was ejected. Last night he returned to Peters' place, hid himself in Peters' barn, and when Peters went to feed the barn stock, shot and killed him.

Hill came to the reservation recently from Syracuse.

LITTLE GIRL WAS LOST

Janet Highgate Finds A Nice Warm Radiator In Mayor Stone's Store

FATHER SOON ARRIVES

Those who happened to be passing Mayor Stone's store's furnishings store on King street last evening about seven o'clock found a deputation waiting to stop them, and the common question was asked of everyone, "Do you know any person named Highgate?"

No one seemed to know, but were curious to learn the meaning of the hold-up. It turned out that a little girl was lost, and she gave her name as Janet Highgate. From what could be learned from the little girl herself, Janet was one of the little tots who attended the Central school kindergarten. She had lost her way, and had been found on Murray street, shivering and crying. She had been wandering around for some time, but was unable to find her home. Finally she had given up. She was cold, hungry, and very much frightened, and she wanted her mother.

Fortunately she was found by a little girl who had a tender heart and a reassuring manner, and the result was that she soon found herself in Stone's store, getting warmed by a radiator, and feeling much better than she had been for a whole hour. Policeman Tom Groves was called and the search for her parents began. All the little tot knew was that her name was Janet Highgate, she attended the Central school kindergarten and she had not lived in Chatham very long. She did not know the name of the street where her father lived, but she would have liked very much to have been there at that instant.

Mr. Groves was about to start out in search of her parents when a man came along with Fire Chief Pritchard. His name was Highgate, and he was looking for a little stray girl. When the little tot saw her pleased father she showed no signs of emotion. She had begun to like the nice warm radiator, and she had made many friends who had taken an interest in her in the nice bright store.

It turned out that little Janet had been up town with her aunt, and wanted to go home alone. It was not dark at the time and the aunt, thinking that the little girl would be able to find her way, had let her go, and then returned to her own home. Janet got the streets confused and became lost. Her parents thought that she had gone home with her aunt, but inquiry there brought out the real facts and then the search began with the above result.

The father was one of the most pleased men in the city when he saw his little girl again, and taking her in his arms he marched proudly down the street towards his home, while little Janet chattered away in her childish innocence about the nice warm radiator, the big bright store and the kind interesting people she had met.

BAPTIST SOCIAL

Last evening the choir of the William St. Baptist Church, and their friends, were entertained by the gentlemen members of the choir. Different games were played and a short musical program was given, consisting of songs by the Misses Carter and Mr. Wrigley. Refreshments were served during the evening. The gentlemen of the choir are to be congratulated on the success of the evening.

HOUSE OF COMMONS

I. C. R. Old Age Pension Bill Meets With Universal Approval.

Ottawa, Jan. 15.—There was no little laughter and applause in the House last night when Dr. Sproule, Col. Sam Hughes and other old-line Tories ranged themselves under the banner of Bourassa and demanded more consideration for the French language than Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Louis Philippe Brodeur and Alphonse Verville were willing to grant. The Bourassa proposition was to delay bringing the revised statutes of 1906 into effect until the French version was ready for distribution, but it was defeated on a vote of 31 yeas to 84 nays.

It was a good-natured debate, however, and incidentally brought to his feet the new member from Nicolet, Mr. Devlin.

An old-age pension or retiring allowance for employees of the Intercolonial Railway was presented by Mr. Emmerson and met with approval on both sides.

The Japanese Treaty Act brought a philippic from Mr. Kennedy of Westminster, B. C., against Asiatic cheap labor. The Premier intimated that the House would soon be called upon to deal with Hindu immigration.

Charles R. Devlin, the new member from Nicolet, was presented by Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Hon. Mr. Lemieux.

An enquiry by R. L. Borden drew from the Premier the usual answer that nothing had been heard from Mr. Hyman.

THE FIRST OF FEBRUARY

This is the Time When Natural Gas Will Be Supplied to Citizens

A SATISFACTORY TEST

In view of the many inquiries from citizens as to when the natural gas will be turned into the city mains, The Planet to-day interviewed Mr. P. S. Coate, general manager of the Gas Company, in reference to the matter, and received the information that the gas will be distributed to the people about the first of February, if this is found convenient to the present users of gas. It may be a little later than this, but the consumers are promised the natural product just as soon as it is possible to supply it with convenience to present gas consumers.

There are many things necessary to be done before the consumers are ready for the gas. The present stoves will have to be fitted up with flat tops, so that the fumes can be sent up the chimneys, and it will be necessary that all the stoves will be fitted up in this manner before the gas is turned on. It will be about the first of the month before this work can be done, and this is the only thing which prevents the company from turning on the gas right away. Every arrangement has been made to turn it on, and the gas could be sent through the mains this afternoon if necessary. If the gas were distributed before the stoves were fitted up for its use, there would be a number of the subscribers who would be cut off without any supply whatever, being unable to get their stoves fixed in time.

There was a meeting of the Gas Company last night, when the matter was fully discussed, and a test of the gas, used in a common gas stove, was made at the Gas office this morning. It was found to work in a highly satisfactory manner, and it is thought that the regular gas stoves will not have to be altered as much as was at first supposed. The flame is much the same as that from artificial gas, only there is much more heat. There is hardly any more odor, either. The company is highly elated over the test and the prospects for the successful operation of their natural gas scheme.

The gas will be turned on just as soon as it is convenient to all of the users of gas, and it is hoped that this time will not be prolonged any more than is necessary.

TILBURY WEDDING

Miss Fanny Stinson And Charles Careless United In Marriage—Another Wedding Today

From Our Own Correspondent.

Tilbury, Jan. 15.—On Monday, 14th inst., at the home of the bride's parents, Croton, Miss Fanny Stinson, late of Tilbury, and sister of Miss N. E. Stinson, of this place, to Chas. Careless, of Banff, Alberta, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Careless, of Rosedale, Mr. and Mrs. Careless left on Monday evening for their home at Banff, followed by the good wishes of their many friends.

Mrs. Lemay and Miss Ouellette, of Amherstburg, and the guests of Mrs. A. Daigault.

Miss A. McHardy, of Detroit, is visiting Mrs. Boutte.

Mrs. Macintosh, of Comber, spent yesterday with relatives here.

The 12-minion Bank people yesterday moved into their new premises in the Peapack block.

The wedding takes place this afternoon at Miss Margaret Warnock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Warnock, of this place, to Mr. Bell, of Atwood.

SHAH'S SON HUFFY

Young Man In Huff Over Succession to Throne.

Paris, Jan. 15.—A special despatch received here from Teheran says that Malik Mansour Mirza, the second son of the late Shah, made an unsuccessful attempt Monday to commit suicide by taking opium.

Malik Mansour Mirza, according to recent advices from Teheran, created a scene in the death chamber of his father and was ordered out of the room by his brother, the present Shah. There has been considerable speculation concerning the ultimate fate of Malik. Two other brothers have not been on good terms for a long time past.

Hull Criminals Sentenced.

Ottawa, Jan. 15.—The Hull assizes yesterday morning adjourned until the beginning of March, before adjournment Judge St. Pierre imposed the following sentences: James Kelly, manslaughter, seven years; Napoleon Roy, manslaughter, ten years; Napoleon Desjardins, incest, seven years; Hugh McMillan, manslaughter, seven years; Joseph R. Macdonald, aggravated assault, six months.

92 YEARS OLD TO-DAY

Capt. George Stringer Of This City Has Had A Remarkable Career

HE IS HALE AND HEARTY

Capt. George Stringer is celebrating his 92nd birthday to-day, Jan. 15th. He was born in Selby, Yorkshire, Eng. He took to the sea in his young days, sailing between Hull and Hamburg, Germany, and afterwards coming to America, and arrived in Chatham about 1834, continuing his sailing business. On the lakes he was master of the fine ship Brig Eberts, sailing from Chatham to Montreal, and later was in the grocery and grain trade here. He will be entertained by his son, Nelson Stringer, Second St., to-day. J. B. and Harry Stringer, also two well-known sons, will be present.

Captain George Stringer is well and hearty. He is one of the best known and most highly respected residents of the city. He has a pronounced literary taste, and has himself contributed largely in verse and prose. A few days ago he was a visitor at The Planet editorial rooms and recited several translations from the classics. The memory and intelligence in a man of his advanced years is simply remarkable.

GEO. WRIGLEY DEAD

Word has been received from Winnipeg that George Nestor Wrigley, the well-known publisher and writer, formerly of Toronto and London, and at one time editor and proprietor of the Tribune in this city, had died on Monday of this week.

The deceased had been connected with the Globe and Mail at different times, and for some time with a Socialist organ published in Toronto. The body has been shipped east and interment will take place in Toronto.

ARE HERE ALL WEEK

The Bijou Stock Company are playing in the Brisco Theatre this week, and are attracting large crowds of those who enjoy the class of production presented. The company stars Howard Young and Marjia Adams, and the plays they give are of the best to show the abilities of these noted actors. One of the attractions of the company is the singing of Em. Dyer, an old Chatham boy. Mr. Dyer has a baritone voice and renders a solo at each performance. A free show is given in front of the Opera House each evening at half past seven o'clock, when "Joe," the wonderful diving dog, makes a leap in the air to a net 60 feet below. The remarkable part of this is that "Joe" is entirely deaf, and enjoys the performance more than anyone watching him. When his act is all over he is anxious to ascend the ladder again and repeat the jump.

A young Englishman was fined \$10 in the Vice Court at Stratford for shooting off a revolver on the street. The weapon was also confiscated. He fired the gun within a few paces of a policeman, evidently not seeing the officer.

Notice!

The greatest sale of

Tooth Brushes

Ever held in Chatham is taking place this week at

Sulman's Beehive

Choice of forty kinds for

10c EACH

Usually sold at 20c and 25c, this is a snap.

Buy your years supply this week.

SULMAN'S BEEHIVE

King and Sixth Streets...

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BRISCO OPERA HOUSE

TO-NIGHT PRINCESS OF PATCHES

H. WILMOT YOUNG and MARJIE ADAMS IN HIGH CLASS REPERTOIRE

Without a doubt the best dressed and best equipped company travelling.

20-PEOPLE-20 Specialties Between the Acts.

Prices 10c, 20c, 30c Matinee Saturday, 10c and 20c.



THE BEST SCHOOL SHOES COWAN'S

School Shoes for girls and boys has become such a staple commodity that every mother in Chatham will tell you that she never has to shop around for her children's shoes. New comers in this city soon realize the economy of shoe buying at

COWAN'S