

DRAIN IMPROVEMENTS IN TILBURY EAST AND RALEIGH

Description Of Drainage Schemes Which Mean Much To
These Two Townships—Notes From The Engineer
In Charge

The Planet is indebted to Alex. Baird, Ontario Land Surveyor, of Leamington, for the following complete description of the improvement of the Pike Drainage Works in Raleigh, the Dauphin Works in Tilbury East, and the Town Line Road between Raleigh and Tilbury East, north of Jeannette's Creek to the River Road.

When the Pike Drainage Works in the Township of Raleigh was undertaken, its west embankment was thrown up on the town line road from a dredge cut along the western side of the same, this embankment having been somewhat levelled down is now used as the travelled portion of that highway and what was known as the diverted town line road has been abandoned. The travelled roadway along the embankment is very narrow and in a very dangerous condition for travel. The council of the two municipalities have for some years been threatened with action for damages on account of the condition of this road and to compel the removal of the unsatisfactory condition of a stagnant pond in part of the dredge cut. The dredge cutting is separated in two by the Grand Trunk Railway embankment, one portion being from Jeannette's Creek to the railway and the other from the river to the railway. Where this later portion crossed the River Road was formerly bridged over, but later, the bridge was removed and the cut through the roadway filled in, leaving the portion of the dredge cut between the railway and the River Road without an outlet, and making a stagnant pond of it. In carrying out the Dauphin drainage scheme in Tilbury East, which is immediately west of this portion of the Town Line road, the dredge cut from Jeannette's Creek to the railway was widened out and an embankment formed therefrom to the west for the east bank of said scheme. North of the railway this scheme is only protected on the east by the bank thrown up on the road for the Pike Drainage Works. The pumps of the Pike Drainage Works is at present south of the railway and discharges the waters into the dredge cut, by which they find an outlet into Jeannette's Creek. Last year the council of Raleigh initiated proceedings and had a report, plans, etc., prepared for carrying out of a work for the better maintenance of the Pike Drainage Works, whereby the portion of the Town Line road above referred to might also be improved. This report and plans embrace a dredge cut from the river southward along the west side of the Town Line road to the railway and building an embankment on the west side of the cut with the material excavated to height of railway embankment, where the River Road is cut through a concrete arch culvert with an opening of 30 feet wide is to be built, in connection with which are to be two close fitting steel gates that can be readily opened or closed by windlass and chains so as to let the water pass out to the river when river is low and shut out water of river when that is high. The report further provides for widening out and leveling to a defined grade line the travelled portion of the Town Line roadway between the River Road and Jeannette's Creek an opening through the G. T. R. embankment to connect the dredge cuts north and south of it, and placing in an earth dam in the dredge cut at its junction with Jeannette's Creek, in which dam is to be placed a steel pipe culvert five feet in diameter with close fitting gates that can be readily opened and closed similar to the gates on the River Road culvert. It also provides for moving the pumping plant of the Pike Drainage Works to a point near the River Road and pumping from the dredge cut direct into the river. By the carrying out of these works that section of the country will not only be benefited but

a means provided by which waters from Jeannette's Creek can be allowed to flow through to the river above where the ice jam generally takes place in the spring, that causes the great overflow and freshet. As Jeannette's Creek opens up from a week to two weeks earlier in the spring than the river, the water can be allowed to pass through this proposed work from the creek to the river and will materially aid in cutting away the ice below, so that it will readily move out, and the flood ice from up the river as it comes down will not have the solid ice below to obstruct its passage as at present, but will pass out more freely into the lake. This would not only prevent much of the flooding in the vicinity of these works, that has been occasioned by ice jams in the river below them, but would also lessen floods up the river as far as Chatham, that are caused by this ice jamming.

The council of Tilbury East on being served with the plans, report and assessment, gave notice of their intention to appeal to the Drainage Referee against the assessment made upon the Dauphin Drainage Works lands as being in their opinion too high. This, however, was subsequently arranged satisfactorily between a committee appointed by each of the municipalities and an agreement entered into by them in accordance with the settlement arrived at, which agreement was referred to the Drainage Referee for his order to have the changes in the report as set out in the agreement made, and the same confirmed, so it is now likely this work will be carried out to completion during the coming summer.

BRITISH NAVAL ESTIMATES.

Great Addition to Strength of Battle-ships in Number and Size.

London, March 8.—In introducing the navy estimates in the House of Commons yesterday, the Parliamentary Secretary of the Admiralty, Mr. Robertson, said the Admiralty believe the two-power standard would be adequately maintained by the proposed program of construction.

During the past ten years Great Britain had added 1,132,000 tons to her navy, while Russia, France and Germany together had added only 1,108,180 tons.

The British navy was the cheapest, costing \$445 per ton. That of France cost \$620, Russia \$465, and Germany \$455. Two years hence Great Britain will have completed six new battle-ships, including three of the Dreadnought class and three armored cruisers of the Invincible class, while neither France nor Germany would have a single ship of those types completed. The home fleet was a logical development of its concentration in home waters and furnished additional security against the remote risk of invasion. The Channel fleet was stronger than it was in 1905.

Wants U. S. to Cut Duty.

London, March 8.—In the House of Commons yesterday, Mitchell-Thompson (Conservative) suggested that Foreign Secretary Grey utilize the most favorable nation clause of the Anglo-American treaty with the view of securing the admission of British goods into the United States on the same terms as Cuban goods.

The Secretary, however, said he did not believe any benefit would result from such representations at the present moment, owing to the differences shown to exist in the views of the two countries by exchanges of communications between the late (Balfour) Government and the Government of the United States on this subject.

Not Expedient.

London, March 8.—(C. A. P.)—The Premier replying to Henniker Heaton, in Commons, said it is not possible or expedient to accede to the suggestion that the Prime Ministers of the Colonies should address the House.

THE STAGE

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

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At the Brisco Opera House—
Moving Pictures—All week.
Sergeant Kitty—March 11.

The Moving Pictures and Vaudeville at the Brisco Theatre are drawing good crowds, and the entertainments are always amusing. A good selection of pictures will be shown to-night. Price of admission only 10 cents.

"LOVERS AND LUNATICS."

Thropp and McLain, who are well and favorably known for their many successful productions, have this year branched out into a new field, and are presenting "Lovers and Lunatics," and have surrounded him with a company selected with a view to their fitness to properly portray the different characters.

Valter C. Parker is the author of the piece, and instead of turning out a mere vehicle for the introduction of numerous specialties and singing numbers, he has furnished an extremely funny and said to be well written farce, which more than answers the purpose intended. The singing portion of the comedy, which introduces forty people, is said to be one of the strongest and best drilled choruses ever carried with a road production. The costuming is said to be strikingly original and gorgeous, while the scenic and general effects are well in keeping.

This big company will come to the Brisco Theatre for one night, the date being Tuesday, March 12th.

PRETTY HELEN BYRON SCORED
A KITTENISH SERGEANT
KITTY.

Miss Helen Byron, than whom no other comic opera star is a greater favorite in this section of the republic, emulated the example of Julius Caesar; she came, she saw, she conquered and her audience left the theatre in a happy frame of mind. This petite, pretty, winsome woman twice appeared at the Academy of Music yesterday, the house being filled for both performances, few seats being vacant. It had been twenty months since last she played here the title role of "Sergeant Kitty," but she was not forgotten; on the contrary, her portrayal of the kittenish, capricious, impulsive and withal lovable Kitty La Tour, is still one of those delightful things that remain as green spots in the memory. Jolly, animated, graceful and sprightly, Miss Byron held the close and individual attention of two audiences. Her rendition of "Love," "Oh Kitty," "A Postillon's Song," and "We Are a Gallant Regiment," were all done in her inimitable, right-defying manner. Her gowns this season are truly magnificent and mere man has not the temerity to describe these creations. To say Miss Byron scored a decisive hit is to express it mildly; she completely and unqualifiedly won her Charleston audiences.

Date for Chatham, Monday, March 11th.



Lovers And Lunatics Chorus

DISTRICT

TILBURY

Tilbury, March 8.—Mr. and Mrs. John Warnock expect to leave in a few days for Alberta.

Mrs. D. Macpherson has returned to her home at Cottam after a few days visit with her son, John Macpherson.

Mrs. Ellis, of Essex, is visiting her brother here, Frank Beno.

A social under the auspices of the Ladies Aid of the Methodist church will be held in the parlour on the Thursday preceding Easter.

Gordon Ross, of Tilbury East, has left for a year's absence in Manitoba. J. S. Richardson proposes building an addition to his Queen street block, 45x100 feet, to be used as a hardware department.

Miss Mabel Kidd leaves on Monday for her home in Prince Albert.

Noah Ballard, of Linwood, Mich., was this week the guest of his brother here, B. Ballard.

Mrs. Elliott leaves to-day to visit relatives at Wellsville, N. Y.

Mrs. Thomas Ainslie is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Horace Powell, at Essex.

Miss Bessie Graves, who has been visiting her brothers, Charles A. Graves, of Tilbury, and S. O. Graves, of Fletcher, has returned to her home at Wellsville, N. Y.

DRESDEN

Dresden, March 5.—Mrs. (Dr.) Williams gave a delightful china show to 15 girls on Monday evening in honor of Miss Irene Terrie. The guests were invited to dinner at 6:30 o'clock. The table was decorated by a silver candelabrum with violet shades, placed in a centerpiece of violets. The favors were English violets, and the places marked by tiny golden heart-shaped cards. The ices and candies were green and mauve. After dinner Master Galbraith Williams brought in a huge express parcel which, upon being opened by Miss Terrie, was found to contain some beautiful china, the gifts of the girls. A number of gentlemen were asked for the evening and dancing was indulged in un-

til quite late, after which a dainty lunch was served. Mr. Boulton took a flashlight of the group, and the party broke up all voting it one of the most enjoyable evenings ever spent in Dresden.

Clint, Northwood, Mgr. of the Austin Store, spent Monday in Chatham.

H. Bell, of the Dominion Bank staff, spent Sunday with Rev. and Mrs. Hodgins, Chatham.

Mrs. Ribble and daughter Anna are spending some time in Blenheim, owing to the illness of Mrs. Ribble's brother.

Mrs. Gross and daughter, of Florence, were the guests of Mrs. D. V. Hicks on Tuesday.

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Contest In Carleton.
Ottawa, March 8.—William H. Hart, Independent Conservative of Twinn Elms, announces himself in the field to contest against R. H. McElroy, the seat in Ontario Legislature, vacated by the death of G. N. Kidd.

Alberta Surplus \$419,388.
Edmonton, Alta., March 8.—Premier Rutherford laid the public accounts on the table last night. They show a total of \$1,893,311.65, of which \$412,398.06 is surplus. The surplus last year was \$473,262.64.

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New Dress Trimmings—We present a notable display of trimming braids, bands, appliques, etc. in all the newest weaves and colorings. Many style suggestions may be obtained at our Trimming Counter, and surely there's enough pretty things there to interest any woman. You are invited to see the display.

Beautiful Swiss Embroideries—Rare and beautiful are these Swiss Embroideries—from the popular priced to the extreme qualities—from the simple edge of inserting to the elaborate all-overs. If you visit this section you'll soon discover "Why" we're always crowded—"Why" this Store is sought after by women bent on securing the greatest amount of quality for the smallest expenditure.

The New Wash Goods—Our assemblage is varied. Everything from a web-like mull to a wear-resisting Chambray. Gingham, voiles, organdies, Pongees, lawns, dimities, Madras, percales, Batiste, embroidered and dotted Swisses, and many other dainty weaves. Everything you may want at less than you expect to pay. If you want the best before it's gone Come at Once.

New Waists—Lawns, linens and organdies. These pretty models for the spring season are filled with newness, smartness and chicness—filled with superior style points that place them above the average display. Visit the Waist Section Now while the display is at its best.

New Spring Coats and Skirts—Of course the entire stock hasn't arrived, but enough are here to give the woman who is in immediate need of a Spring Coat or Skirt a satisfying selection. Come and see the styles, how carefully these garments have been tailored, and how reasonably we have priced them.

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