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IS IT BUSINESS AT LAST?

Plans for the New Armory Arrive—Tenders for the Work Advertised for

Is It Business or Election Bluff—People of Kent Will Watch Developments With Interest.

W. W. Mitchell, caretaker of the Post Office, received this afternoon from Chief Government Architect D. Ewart the full plans and specifications for the new armory for the 24th Regiment.

Mr. Mitchell, according to the Government's request, will at once place these on exhibition.

Tenders for the work are now being advertised for, the tenders to be in by Monday, Oct. 31st, to the Minister of Public Works, contractors to start work immediately thereafter.

If this means business, well and good; if it is only an election bluff—well, the people will be watching further proceedings.

STEPHENS HAS NO REPLY

Has Nothing to Say Concerning Charges of Bribery Preferred—Knew of Them—Didn't Attend to Meet Them

Later when Reporter Calls at Committee Rooms he Furnishes a Denial Through Fred Stone.

Geo. Stephens was interviewed at noon by The Planet in reference to the strong charge of bribery made against him at Pain Court last Saturday evening.

Mr. Stephens was at his home and, although he had been around town in the morning, he seemed to know nothing of the Saturday night meeting, or the charges of bribery that had been laid against him.

"What is the nature of the charge?" he asked the reporter.

The reporter explained that Reeve Purser and Councillor Boyer, of Dover, had accused him publicly of offering them bribes of \$250 each if they would have a by-law submitted to the ratepayers of Dover, granting the electric railway company a bonus of \$75,000.

"Did you not know that the charges were to have been made?" Mr. Stephens was asked.

"Oh, yes," he admitted, "I heard about it."

"Have you anything to say in your defense?" he was next asked.

"Well, no; not at present," Mr. Stephens replied. "I will have to consult my solicitor first. There is going to be trouble over this."

"If you call at my committee rooms at two o'clock this afternoon," he added, "I may have something for you to publish in to-day's paper."

The reporter called at the Liberal committee rooms at two o'clock and found Mr. Stephens in consultation with his solicitor, Fred Stone.

He gave the following statement for publication, under the approval of Mr. Stone:

"So far as we can learn of what has been said at the meeting at Pain Court, it is a complete and deliberate distortion of what occurred. The only interest which I have in the project is that of every public spirited citizen. I have not, financially, a dollar's interest in it, nor do I expect to have."

"I have never offered anyone one dollar of money, and as I had no stock, it would have been impossible for me to offer them any stock. I was there at the meeting, in exactly the same position as Mayor Keough, N. H. Stevens, or any of the other citizens that were present at the meeting."

"This is a matter that affects me personally, and I will, as soon as I can get the facts, show the public that there is absolutely nothing in it."

When asked again why he did not attend the meeting to defend himself when he knew these charges were to be made, he said: "I was engaged otherwise Saturday night. I had other work to do."

Coal Drivers' Strike Serious.

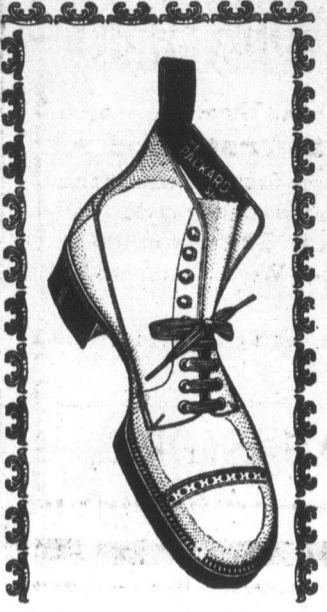
Cincinnati, O., Oct. 10.—A strike of Cincinnati coal drivers here threatens to affect the State Insane Asylum, the hospitals and all county and city institutions, to stop the street cars and interurban lines and to seriously affect business.

Rhodes Scholars Arrive.

London, Oct. 10.—The holders of Rhodes scholarships are now arriving at Oxford from the colonies and the United States, and settling down for work. Thirty-five students came by the Ivernia from Boston.

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Howard, at Ridgetown—Oct. 18, 19.
Harwich, at Blenheim—Oct. 11, 12.
Moraviantown, at Moraviantown—Oct. 13, 14.

Brings News of Safety.
Dundee, Scotland, Oct. 10.—A whaler, which returned from Davis Strait, brings news of the safety of Capt. Amundsen's Arctic expedition, which left Christiania, Dec. 17, 1903. The expedition has been described as having for its purpose a task of the highest importance in the domain of terrestrial magnetism.

SETTLERS' LOW RATES WEST.

Via the Chicago and North Western Ry., every day from Sept. 10th to Oct. 15th, settlers' one way second-class tickets at very low rates, from Chicago, to points in Utah, Montana, Nevada, Idaho, Oregon, Washington, California, also to Victoria, Vancouver, New Westminster, Roseland and other points in the Kootenay District. Correspondingly low rates from all points in Canada. Full particulars from nearest ticket agent or B. H. Bennett, General Agent, 2 King St. East, Toronto, Ont. 7w

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Two weeks ago we had a very successful sale of fancy soaps at 5c. per cake. Now we are offering a two-pound bar of green castile soap for 15c. At its regular price of 25c. it is good value, at 15c. a genuine bargain.

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 - \$4.25—** Navy and white tweed effect, full sleeve gathered into cuff, double cape trimmed with stitching and piping, for two years old, \$4.25.
 - \$6.75—** Reefers of very fine broadcloths, navy or cardinal, fancy cape and cuff piped, broad collar, strap stitched solid, for 8 years old, \$6.75.
 - \$3.25 AND \$4.25—** Reefers of navy cheviot, full sleeve turn down collar, cape prettily trimmed with buttons, well lined, for 6 years old, \$3.35; for 12 years old, \$4.25.

This Week for Busy Times at The Bargain Centre Staple Department.

STUDY THESE PRICES...

- 4c. Per Yard—** 500 yards Striped Shaker Flannels, medium and light colors, good patterns, regular widths, 5c. value, this week, 4c. per yd.
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- 90c. a Pair—** 50 pairs full 10 4 size, cream or Grey Shaker Flannel Sheets, Pink or Blue Borders, best quality made. This week 90c. a Pair
- 10c. Yard—** Turkey Red Chintz, English Twilled Cloth, good patterns, suitable for Comforters and Quilts, 30 inches wide, fast colors, 12½c value. This week 10c
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- WRAPPERETTES—** 35 pieces, heavy wrapper flannelettes, new patterns, wide widths, pretty colorings, for waists, wrappers, etc., 12½c value for 10c a yd.
- WHITE SPREADS—** 25 only heavy Marseille bed spreads full 10 4 size, assorted patterns, regular \$1.25 value for \$1.00.
- GREY FLANNELS—** Plain or grey twilled flannels heavy firm weave, suitable for all kinds of wear, regular widths, very special value at 12½c a yd.
- WOOL BLANKETS—** The best value for your money in Chatham, come and see for yourself Extra heavy nice clean yarns. fancy borders, full bed size, 60x80 in, 5 lbs, very special \$2.50 per pair.
- TOWELLING—** 100 yds. extra heavy pure linen crash towelling, light color, 18 in. wide, blue and red border, reg. 10c value, this week 7½c a yd.
- TABLE NAPKINS—** 15 doz. only, pure linen napkins 20x20 in., choice assortment of patterns, pure bleached, regular \$1.25 value, this week 90c a dozen.

OILCLOTH AND LINOLEUM

We desire your attention to our recent shipments of Oilcloths and Linoleums direct from the mills. Oilcloths, made in Canada, are here in every width and weight, in this season's prettiest patterns of Tiles and Florals at 40c, 35c and 25c. per sq. yd. Linoleum, made in Scotland, by the best Kirkcaldy makers, embracing 2 yd. and 4 yd. widths, in all the popular grades in Block and Floral Designs, at 75c, 65c and 50c per sq. yd. Inlaid Linoleums in handsome tiles in standard weights and new colorings. Priced as follows—\$1.25, \$1.10 and 85c. per sq. yd. We lay all Linoleums Free of Extra Charge.

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THE LOCAL BUDGET

F. Mayhew, of Ridgetown, is a Chatham Visitor to-day.

H. J. Irving, of Blenheim, was in the city on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Austin have gone to-day to St. Louis fair.

Dr. Orchard, of Windsor, is a guest at the Garner House to-day.

R. L. Smith, of Ridgetown, spent Saturday with his Chatham friends.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Gosnell, Blenheim, were guests at the Garner on Saturday.

Miss Olive Richards sang a solo at the First Presbyterian Sunday School yesterday afternoon.

The Conservatives of Ward No. 2 will hold a meeting at John Dunlop's shop, Queen St., to-night.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cartier, who have been visiting relatives in the city, left to-day for their home in Charlveton, Mich.

Miss Pearl White sang a solo in the Park Street Methodist Church yesterday morning. Miss Hill sang a solo in the evening.

Phil. B. Fetterly, of London, an old Chatham boy, is spending a couple of days in the city. He is registered at the Garner House.

A confirmation service was held in St. Joseph's church yesterday morning at 10 o'clock at which over 100 boys and girls were confirmed. Bishop McEvoy conducted the service and delivered an excellent address. Mrs. F. Tschirhart was sponsor for the girls and Judge Dowlin was sponsor for the boys. Special music was given. After the service, the children were given breakfast in the hall adjoining the school.

The Ministerial Association met to-day at Holy Trinity Rectory, the Pres. Rev. Dr. Battisby, in the chair. The following members were present—Revs. Dr. Battisby, A. H. MacGillivray, G. H. Cobblewick, J. W. Hoyt, T. Beverley Smith and F. E. Malott. The morning was spent in discussing matters pertaining to the work of the churches in the city. The next meeting will be held at the home of Dr. Battisby. F. E. Malott, Sec.

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Steamer Goes Aground.
Quebec, Oct. 10.—The steamer St. Lawrence, inward, with 100 passengers and mails, went aground Saturday night on English Point, Pentercost River. Mr. Lester, the manager of the North Shore Steamship Line, says that all the passengers are safe. The steamer Aberdeen left about midnight for the theatre of the wreck, with Mr. Lester on board, to take the passengers and mails and bring them to Quebec. Nothing is known yet about the condition of the steamer.

Barge Goes Ashore.

Port Colborne, Oct. 10.—The steamer F. H. Prince of the Ogdensburg-Rutland Line of steamers, bound from Chicago to Ogdensburg, with 50,000 bushels of corn and 80 cars of package freight, went ashore during a very heavy fog about eight o'clock yesterday morning, ten miles west of here, on what is known as Rock Island, small sunken island off Burnaby, Ont. The steamer Prince is not leaking, and the harbor tugs have gone to her assistance. The weather is calm.

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