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SUMMER MILLINERY OPENING

On Wednesday, May 18th,
and Balance of Week

One Wednesday next we make our annual display of Summer Millinery. Our trimmers have been making preparation for this for some time past, keenly watching the styles and grasping the new ideas for your summer hats. Absolutely new styles and new materials will be shown at this opening and we extend to you an invitation and request to come in and allow our head milliner, Miss Hays and her assistants to show you the latest New York creations.

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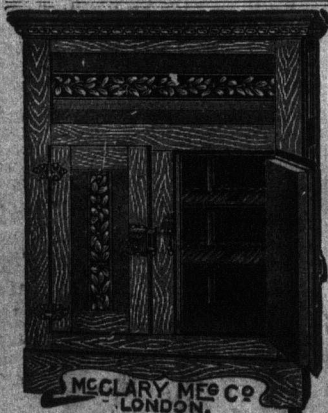
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SUCCESSFUL ANNIVERSARY

Edifying and Enjoyable Services at the First Presbyterian Church

Eloquent Addresses and Delightful Music Contribute to a Memorable Occasion

Large and interested congregations attended the anniversary services at the First Presbyterian Church yesterday. The pulpit platform was beautified by the presence of palms and foliage and the services were of a distinctly enjoyable and edifying character.

The musical services, under the direction of Choirmaster E. B. Arthur, were particularly good among the several contributors being Mrs. John Cooper, Miss Edith Dolson, Miss Edna Martin, Miss Ruby Gordon and the full choir.

The amount of collections received was very encouraging and the liberality of the congregations was much appreciated by the managers.

Rev. Alfred Gandier, B. A., pastor of St. James' Square Presbyterian Church, Toronto, was the minister for the occasion and preached two able and eloquent discourses.

In the morning he traced much of the early history of Christianity and the debt the churches of to-day owed to their loyal and rugged forefathers.

In the evening the text was chosen from Matthew xxvi, 8, and the reverend gentleman preached an earnest missionary sermon, dwelling upon the fact that no sacrifice for Christ was waste.

The visiting minister is a most forceful and effective speaker, and was much appreciated by the large congregations present.

WORK FOR ALL

"The time is now up for rubbish to be cleaned out of back premises," said Anson Mounteer to a Planet reporter this morning. "After May 15th all everymen having more than 2 loads of manure at the back of their premises are liable to prosecution under the by-law. Much talk is made regarding the river banks, but this is a matter which requires careful handling and consequently takes time."

"Mr. Mounteer, president of the K. O. T. M., says Chatham is one of the cleanest and best kept cities he has come across in his travels, in spite of the heavy mud that has to be contended with. Providing the citizens take a pride in keeping their surroundings in apple-pie order, the work of cleaning up is made much easier. At the present time cleanliness of the city is very good."

FALLS DEAD AT ALTAR

Columbus, O., May 14.—In the midst of a marriage ceremony by which he hoped to gain a wife and companion for his old age, Alfred Roberts, seventy-six, harrassed by grief and financial worry, was stricken with apoplexy at his home, No. 43 East Spring street, and within a few moments the scene of joy was turned into deep sorrow. Mrs. Judith Harris, forty-three, of No. 2,091 Neil avenue, was the bride. The Rev. R. R. Downs had just asked both if they took the other in wedlock "for better or worse," and receiving the affirmative replies, was about to pray, when the bridegroom's happy face suddenly grew pale. He tightened his grip upon the woman's hand, gasped and sank into unconsciousness. Mr. Roberts owned property worth \$15,000, having also \$3,000 cash in bank. He had no children. His only relatives are four cousins. Mr. Roberts left no will, so far as known, and the disposition of the property already has started a contest between Mrs. Harris and his relatives that will go to the courts. The validity of the marriage is questioned by the relatives. Rev. Mr. Downs, the officiating minister, will make a return to Probate Judge Black to the effect that the marriage vows were exchanged, but the couple had not been pronounced husband and wife. Rev. Mr. Downs said that in his opinion the marriage contract had been completed.

The blind beggar generally has an eye for business.

PICTURES OF YE OLDEN TIMES

The Planet will be very grateful if anyone having photos or pictures of old scenes, buildings or citizens would notify this journal in order that photos may be retaken from them for the Big Art Carnival Souvenir to be issued shortly. This favor will be much appreciated by The Planet.

It is desired, in addition to its literary and artistic value, to make this issue the most complete and perfect souvenir of Early Chatham ever published.

TO IMPROVE EAU HARBOR

Railroad and Citizens Will Endeavor to Wake-up a Lethargetic Government

No Good Harbors on Canadian Side—Boats Put to Yankee Land For Safety.

A meeting of citizens, to consult with the representatives of the Pere Marquette railroad, was held at the Hotel Garner on Saturday. There were present representing the railroad Gen. Supt. W. W. Woollett, L. E. Tillson and A. H. Skirving, and from the city Mayor McKeough, Ald. Seallard, McCoig, Marshall and Piggett, and W. R. Landon, W. A. Hadley, Manson Campbell, N. H. Stevens, G. W. Cowan, Jno. Turner and others. Mr. Woollett had just returned from Ottawa where he had been urging the Government to make the necessary improvements on the break waters and piers at Rond Eau and Port Stanley. There was, he said, no decent harbor on the Canadian side of the lake and cargoes often had to put back to American harbors in stormy weather.

The railroad had expended large sums on the Rond Eau harbor and they were asking the Government to protect their work by necessary improvements and desired to be backed up by the sentiment of the community at large.

Mayor McKeough suggested that they should join the adequate dredging of the Thames with this memorial to the Government.

It was pointed out that the co-operation of Chas. Hymen, M. P., London, and Geo. Stephens, M. P., would be secured as both of these representatives were said to be favorable to the enterprise.

The matter will be taken up by the Board of Trade and civic representatives.

FOUND DROWNED

Ottawa, May 15.—On Saturday the body of a man, badly decomposed, was found in the Ottawa River, about two miles below the city, at Kettle Island. It was devoid of clothing, save a pair of boots, and in such bad condition that identification has not been made yet. Some think it is that of Agapite Matheau, who was drowned at Deschene, in February, while breaking anchor ice from the Hull electric powerhouse wheels. Others think it is the body of a man named Desjardine, who was employed by E. B. Eddy, and was drowned some time ago.

UNIQUE DIET

"Say, Chimmie," said the kid on the street to a fellow kidlet this morning in front of the post office, "wot's the matter wid de chinks? Here I goes down to de bloomin' river and catches five or six mud cats or carp and takes de whole bloomin' buncherine up to One Lung's or San Toy's and he gives me de marble eye. Wot's de trouble?" says I. "Me eatie fish no more," says de Chink. "Me wantie de lat." "If it's rats you want," says I, "there's nothin' doin' and so I brushes by to a lot more Chink's joints, but dey all fling de same game of talk at me. So now Sam and me has a new game on. Every day we goes down along the King street wharves and catches rats. De Chinks jump at de reptiles and while we is coinn' de junk, dey is waitin' to chink on rat pie, rat friecase and all kinds of ratly dishes. You gon' Well, so long, Bill."

RUSSIAN LOSS OF 1,000 MEN

Costly Engagement Near Hsiu-Yen, Japanese Occupying Town

Dalny Still Under Heavy Bombardment—Russians Retiring to Await Reinforcements

Shan Hai Kwan, May 14, 9.30 p. m.—A report of a severe engagement in the hills around Hsiu Yen Thursday has been received here. It lacks verification, but according to it the Russians lost 1,500 men killed and wounded, and the Japanese occupied the town of Hsiu Yen. The Japanese loss is not given.

10.15 p. m.—It is impossible to obtain confirmation here of the reported fighting near Hsiu Yen, but a battle is not unlikely, as this place is in the path of the advance of the first Japanese army corps. Hsiu Yen is the apparently objective of this corps. Hsiu Yen is situated in the midst of rugged hills, where a small force could resist the enemy with telling effect before becoming compelled to retreat.

FIGHTING AT KAI-PING.

Shan-Hai Kwan, May 15, 9.30 p. m.—No further news has been received here regarding the battle reported to have occurred Thursday at Hsiu-Yen, as a result of which the Prussians were said to have lost 1,500 men in killed or wounded, and the Japanese who have occupied the town of Hsiu-Yen. A native rumor that fighting occurred Saturday at Kai-Ping (50 miles north-west of Hsiu-Yen) is received here with reserve.

London, Monday, May 16.—No confirmation has reached London of the rumors of a great battle at Hsiu-Yen and no attention whatever is paid to the wild reports of the fall of Port Arthur. In Japanese quarters here confidence is expressed that a great assault on that fortress will be attempted before the end of May. The correspondent of the Daily News at Che-Foo claims that he left Port Arthur last Tuesday, when the channel had been cleared, two cruisers having steamed outside. On May 7, he says, the garrison there numbered 1,500 men and has provisions for nine months.

STRUCK A MINE AND SANK. According to a Central News despatch from St. Petersburg, mail advices from Port Arthur clearly show that the Russian cruiser Boyarin, which was destroyed Feb. 13 at Port Arthur, struck a mine and sank while assisting in the rescue of the crew of the sinking torpedo transport Yenei sel.

BRITISH WARSHIPS ON THE MOVE.

The Morning Post's Shanghai correspondent, under date of May 14, says it is reported that ten British warships left Hong Kong yesterday for the Yang-Tse.

AN EXPLANATION OF THE FI-ASCO.

The Times correspondent on board the Haimun, the despatch boat of that port, explains that his long silence is due to his having been warned not to proceed north of the Chee-Foo line until further notice. He attributes the fiasco on the Yalu to Russia's sudden change of plan—the decision to hold the river and the frenzied efforts then made at the eleventh hour to improve the defensive positions, with the result that the Japanese caught the Russians in a state of transition. The correspondent expresses the opinion that the main interest in the near future will centre around Port Arthur.

PANICKY RUSSIANS.

A Harbin despatch says:—"The wounded who are arriving here from Peang Wang Cheng, described a panic precipitated by the Japanese attack on the hospital guard during the retreat from Kiu Lien Cheng. The Japanese rushed the mounted infantry escorting the hospital train, and the escort broke and galloped through the ambulances. The Japanese captured the whole of the hospital equipment. The wounded also aver that the Japanese used the Red Cross to check the Russian advance in the battle of Kiu Lien Cheng and then fired a volley and halted the Russians."

C. C. I. CLASS LISTS

COMMERCIAL CLASSES.
Senior second class—Vida Adams 80 per cent, Frank Trotter 73, Roslyn McLean 71, Wm. Singer 70, Connie Singer and Mary Anderson 69, Marshall Taylor 67, Clayton Gammage and Myrtle Stewart 64, Flossie Edmondson 65, May Ryan and V. Powell 64, Zelma Phillips 63, Irene Edmondson 62, C. Sheldrick and Elsie Stringer 60, Edith Martin 56, E. Merrill 55, D. Burgess 54, N. Bowers 52.

Junior Second Class—Ross Hall 78 per cent, Katharine Knight 76, May Johns 66, Rena Merritt 66, Lena McKie and Lena Harper 65, Nora Tilson 64, Mary Hood 60, G. A. Sulman 59, Ida Stephens 58, Grace Richardson, Frances Martin and Marguerite Ardagh 56, Vincent Bosworth and Robt. Smith 55, Ella Wemp 52, Ethel Martin 50, M. Palmer 48, Jessie Reeves, Tom McKie and Bert Dyck 47, Fred Jordan 44, Lily Thomson 41, Ed. Pleasance 40, Stewart Campbell 31.

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