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Take Advantage OF OUR Jan'y Clearance Sale

You never have had and possibly never will have a better opportunity of securing seasonable goods at lower prices than at this store during this month. Every department offers you money-saving chances and, to use a slang expression, "its up to you," to take advantage of them.

MEN'S UNDERWEAR.

Men's all wool and fleece lined shirts and drawers, heavy winter weight, no better value in the trade at the regular price, 50c a garment, on sale for

Men's heavy, all wool shirts and drawers, excellently made and well finished, regular price 75c a garment, on sale for

Men's winter weight, all wool shirts and drawers, regular price \$1.00 each, on sale for

LADIES' UNDERWEAR.

Ladies' extra fine wool, ribbed vests, handsomely trimmed and well finished, regular price 75c, on sale for

Ladies' winter weight merino under-vests, fine, soft finish, full fashioned, unshrinkable, regular price 85c, on sale for

Mill seconds in Penman's make of ladies' fine, all wool vests and drawers, perfect in weave, but slightly soiled, regular value \$1.25 a garment, on sale for

Ladies' extra fine and heavy union ribbed vests and drawers, very special value at

TABLE LINEN.

It's not often you can make a saving in the purchase of table linen, but during this January Sale we offer you:

60 inches wide, warranted pure Irish linen, unbleached tabling, in excellent floral designs, regular price 50c a yard, on sale for

FURS.

Reductions greet you in our fur section; fine capelines, ruffs, collarettes and storm collars in great variety from \$1.00 each up to \$25.00, and at reduced prices for our January Sale. Not a garment in the lot that is not new and stylish. You would not wish to see a larger assortment; everything that can be asked for is here. Plenty of time yet to wear them. The coldest part of winter is before us.

MILLINERY.

Ready to wear hats, trimmed, at exactly one-half regular prices. Trimmed millinery that has only recently left the hands of our skilled trimmers at almost half original prices. We have kept up the variety for our January Sale, so that you will find plenty from which to make your selection.

Thomas Stone & Son.

Corn Shellers, Root Pulpers AND Scales...

Quinn & Patterson have the best assortment of these goods in Chatham. Don't continue to pay the high prices you have been doing, for you can get better value at Quinn & Patterson's.

Pure Linseed Meal, Ground Oil Cake and Condition Powders for all kinds of animals.

Quinn & Patterson, 3 DOORS EAST OF MARKET.

FLOUR

Be sure our registered brand "Kent Mills" is on every sack. It is a guarantee of best quality.

Stevens' Breakfast Food

Is pure and wholesome. :: Your grocer sells it.

The Canada Flour Mills Co., Ltd.

McKEOUGH ELECTED MAYOR BY STUPENDOUS PLURALITY

FOR MAYOR

WILLIAM E. McKEOUGH..... 1,253
George W. Cowan..... 492

FOR ALDERMEN

ARCH. B. McCOIG..... 1,186
ED. A. MOUNTAIN..... 829
JNO. N. EDMONDSON..... 828
HENRY ROBINSON..... 876
THOMAS SCULLARD..... 861
W. S. MARSHALL..... 847
GEO. G. MARTIN..... 786
WALTER T. PIGGOTT..... 748
GEORGE C. TAYLOR..... 745

John Waddell..... 697
W. H. Westman..... 660
Andrew Thomson..... 628
Edwin R. Snook..... 575
Samuel Bullis..... 446
Daniel Jordan..... 282

"McKeough, by over seven hundred!"

This brief announcement issued by The Planet within an hour of the close of the polls, giving an estimate of the majority, literally took the breath away from the hundreds of citizens who thronged this office watching the early bulletins and waiting for returns.

There was a momentary pause till the gathering comprehended the record-breaking magnitude of the victory, and then rounds of hearty applause and cheering broke forth. Someone spotted Dr. Geo. T. McKeough in the throng and the citizens gathered around him and, in lieu of his successful brother, shook his hand till his arm must have ached. Cordially the doctor thanked them all and expressed the appreciation of his brother for the magnificent victory accorded him.

While the interest and speculation in all the local contests of the day was exceptionally keen, the excitement over the majority overshadowed everything else. Within a very short time after the close of the polls, the crowd began to gather at The Planet office and discuss the probabilities. The general impression seemed to prevail that McKeough would poll a majority of about 150 in North Chatham and hold South Chatham a little better than even, which would bring his total majority to about 200. Some of the more sanguine of his supporters made guesses at 250.

HOW THE RETURNS CAME IN.

The first return to reach The Planet arrived at 5.32 and came from subdivision No. 11, in Cowan's stronghold. The figures were McKeough 75, Cowan 36, and gave McKeough the pole, and the start. It was a big surprise and occasioned much enthusiasm among the McKeough supporters. A few moments later the Old Town Hall vote was bulletined and gave McKeough 11 majority. Another burst of applause had scarcely died away when the returns from the central station gave McKeough 77 and Cowan 14. Then the excitement knew no bounds. McKeough majorities of 400 and 500 were then talked and speculated upon.

Rapidly McKeough drew away from his opponent with every bulletin and at the first turn was about 175 ahead. The returns, too, were mostly from Cowan's own preserves and the electors looked for McKeough to make a whitewash finish with the North Chatham vote.

The half was reached with McKeough still increasing his wonderful lead, and the three-quarters was turned with an overwhelming majority. When it became clear that South Chatham, where Cowan was supposed to have some strength, would give McKeough over 400 of a majority, the people began to look for a record-breaking majority. It came along as anticipated, North Chatham giving over 300 and McKeough passed under the wire a winner by 761.

McKeough's magnificent majority breaks all records. It is nearly double his opponent's entire vote. A feature of the election was the fact that McKeough secured a majority in every polling sub-division in the city and established a new record for mayoralty elections. Previous to yesterday ex-Mayor T. A. Smith held the record, defeating Capt. H. A. Patterson in 1899 by a majority of 685. This now passes and in future years mayoralty candidates will compare their results with the great McKeough majority of 1903!

THE ALDERMANIC CONTEST.

For Council, Ald. McCoig headed the poll. Ald. Mountain ran a good second.

McKeough's Magnificent Mayoralty Majority

Discounts all Previous Big Records.

POLLED SOME THREE VOTES TO EVERY ONE OF HIS OPPONENT

A Majority in Every Sub-Division—Splendid Tribute of Confidence and Esteem Accorded Mr. McKeough—A Good Council Elected—Large Vote Polled—The Course of the School Trustees Endorsed by the Electorate—Mr. Clements' Wonderful Run in Ward 4—How Returns were Received.

and Messrs. Edmondson, Robinson and Scullard made an exceptional showing for new men. Ald. Marshall and Taylor are back again and will continue to do good work at the Council Board. Mr. Piggott has had municipal experience and will be welcomed back. Mr. Martin is a new man, fixed with enthusiasm and pledged to a strong platform, and will be a decided acquisition. Two of last year's Council fell by the way, Ald. Waddell and Thomson.

THE SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

The feature of the School Board elections was the wonderful majority of Mr. Clements, who had things all his own way in Ward 4. Dr. Bray had a hard tussle in Ward 1, and Trustees Morley and Paxton won out handily in Wards 3 and 4, after a lively argument.

The total vote cast yesterday was the largest on record. In 1901 it was

Arnold 693.
Holmes 661.
Hutchinson 659.
Waddell 628.
Smith 418.
Jordan 357.
Mount 348.

Election of 1902.

Last year the aldermanic vote stood:
McKeough 1,186.
McCoig 1,171.
Cowan 885.
Fleming 828.
Marshall 824.
O'Brien 725.
Waddell 722.
Mountain 705.
Taylor 663.
Thomson 660.
Edmondson 650.
Martin 628.
Hutchinson 384.
Mount 226.

RECEPTION AT THE HOME.

The splendid residence of Mayor-elect W. E. McKeough, King street

In William E. McKeough, And the hearts of all the people Are gladness, loyal and true; For the citizens he'll rule so well So wisely and so long. He'll find the same old people Hearty still and growing strong. For the same old loyal devotion, Altho' the battle's won— Causes this royal commotion. O'er what he has well done. For the destiny of Chatham, Stands sublime and stands alone, For the colleagues of her loyal Mayor, McKeough, McKeough, McKeough! For the colleagues of her loyal Mayor McKeough.

THE NEW MAYOR.

William Edward McKeough, who was yesterday elected Mayor of Chatham by the largest majority ever



Mayor William E. McKeough
Elected Yesterday by the Largest Majority Ever Accorded a Candidate in this District.

1,797, but plural voting was carried on then.

PREVIOUS ALDERMANIC CONTESTS.

In 1899 — the first year in which the aldermen were elected by the city at large — the vote stood:—

Stephens 1,098.
Scane 916.
Martin 907.
McKeough 858.
Liddy 842.
Sulman 781.
Fleming 739.
Marshall 633.
Cowan 601.
Scott 579.
Oldershaw 457.
Hendershott 457.
Dillon 441.
Cleave 418.
Weaver 380.
Reid 379.
Carpenter 349.
Burrows 319.
Watt 313.
Dyer 284.

Election of 1900.

For 1900 the aldermanic vote stood:
McKeough 895.
Stephens 878.
McCoig 845.
Sulman 832.
Scane 783.
Fleming 760.
Liddy 694.
Marshall 686.
Taylor 629.
Hendershott 531.
Cooper 388.
Mount 278.

Election of 1901.

In 1901 the aldermanic vote stood:
McCoig 1,274.
Fleming 1,066.
Marshall 1,009.
Mountain 959.
Cowan 902.
Scane 766.
Pritchard 765.
Taylor 726.
Edmondson 712.

west, presented a very happy and animated appearance last evening.

Very shortly after the results of the polls were announced by The Planet the visitors began to arrive and many were the congratulations and hand-shakings given to the newly elected Mayor.

The interior of the house was soon suitably decorated for the occasion and everything was bright and joyful. The guests were received as they arrived by Mayor-elect and Mrs. W. E. McKeough, assisted by his brothers, George and Frank.

As each guest arrived he was escorted to the drawing room, where he awaited his turn at the banquet table. The dining room was very tastefully arranged for the occasion and each guest was given an opportunity to partake sumptuously of the worthy Mayor's hospitality at the hands of a score of fair ladies, who assisted at the tables.

Among the first to arrive was the Drum and Bugle Band of the 24th Regiment and their followers, when an old-time serenade ensued. Mr. McKeough fittingly responded by inviting them to the banquet table, where they were fully repaid for their attention. It was surprising to note how many citizens were present. It seemed as if the whole of Chatham had joined in the rejoicing and were anxious to see the new Mayor to congratulate him upon his wonderful victory and to wish him unbounded success during his term of office. Many of his friends and colleagues who were not able to be present took advantage of the telephone to convey their congratulations.

Mr. McKeough was naturally much pleased over his election and thanked his many well wishers with easy grace and courtesy. Before the final adjournment Wm. H. Brackin, the Maple City's popular young tenor, was escorted to the piano where he sang with capital effect an impromptu arrangement of a splendid martial song. It was received with enthusiastic applause. The chorus ran:—
"We have now the best of Mayors

polled, is a Chatham boy. He is the youngest son of the late William McKeough, one of the most highly esteemed and revered pioneer citizens of Chatham.

The late William McKeough was Mayor of Chatham in 1871, defeating Henry Smith by a substantial majority. Consequently this is the second William McKeough who has been chosen to the mayoralty of the Maple City. Last evening as William Stuart, the sturdy little eight-year-old son of the Mayor-elect, was valiantly aiding his father to do the honors, many of the guests facetiously predicted that the time would come when there would be a third Mayor William McKeough, but few would have the temerity to assert that he would be able to secure as big an increase in majority over his father's, as the latter has done over his grandfather's.

Mayor McKeough attended the Collegiate here under Principal J. B. Rankin, now Lieut.-Colonel of the 24th Kent Regiment, after which he studied in Dundas and at the seminary of St. Charles in Ste. Therese, near Montreal. He entered the study of law and graduated with honors from Osgoode Hall in 1886, standing second in the class, after which he opened up the practice of law in his native city.

Five years ago he first sought municipal honors and was elected as one of Chatham's aldermen and has so served continuously with great acceptance since that time, with the exception of one year. In 1899 and 1902 he was chairman of the Board of Works, the most arduous and exacting position at the Council Board, and it was he who inaugurated the good roads movement in Chatham. Mr. McKeough has always heartily encouraged manly sports and was at one time the crack swimmer of Chatham. As a result he has always agitated for the establishment of swimming baths in our city. He is also no novice at yachting. As a public servant Mr. McKeough's record is well known. As an alderman he has always been recognized as progressive, economic and enterprising—a safe man with a high reputation for sterling integrity. As our Mayor he will have increased opportunities for advancing the interests of his native city.

MAYOR McKEOUGH SPEAKS.

Shortly after ten o'clock last evening The Planet asked Mayor-elect McKeough for an interview.

"I can only ask you to convey, through The Planet, my sincere appreciation of the high honor my fellow citizens have been good enough to bestow upon me," was Mr. McKeough's response. "While I was very hopeful of victory, I had no expectation of such a handsome majority as the good people of Chatham have accorded me."

"I desire to tender to them my hearty thanks and to assure them that it will always be my earnest endeavor to prove worthy of the confidence they have given me. Chatham has a future before it—a bright future, we confidently believe—and it will be my aim, and I doubt not, those of my colleagues at the Council to make the most of every opportunity which may present itself for the public betterment and industrial development, having always regard to sound business principles, strict honesty and vigorous economy."

"Of the campaign I may say that so far as I am concerned, it has been conducted fairly and honorably. I have sought to conduct a clean campaign. Of my opponent I have no ill to say, and have personally the best of feeling towards him. If anything in the campaign should estrange that sentiment I should much regret it."

"I want again to thank the people of Chatham for the kind and courteous way in which they received me into their homes. My canvas has been exceedingly pleasant and I have come into close personal contact with all my fellow citizens. I trust this spirit of genuine good-fellowship and co-operation may prove perpetual."

MR. COWAN SPEAKS.

Ald. Cowan takes this defeat very philosophically and, when The Planet asked for an interview, responded smilingly.

"Well, there doesn't seem much left to say, does there? It's all over now, and I've nothing particularly left to say."

"I only hope that any little differences that may have cropped up in connection with the campaign will now be a matter of the past."

"I want to say that at no time in the contest I was not on friendly terms with Mr. McKeough, and I always respected him and thought him a good man."

"The campaign has been friendly and the only grudges or unpleasantness that may have occurred resulted from the paper. Some of the things in it I didn't see till they were in print and I hope any unpleasantness will be a thing of the past."

"I have no fault to find over my defeat. I blame myself and take my medicine. But I'll come up smiling," and Mr. Cowan heartily suited the action to the word.

"I am out of municipal life—for this year," added Mr. Cowan significantly.

Asked if he anticipated being a candidate for alderman next year, Mr. Cowan said he could not say at present, as his plans were not yet matured. "In the meantime," he said smilingly, "I'm going to devote myself energetically to my own business."

Mr. Cowan has served the city as alderman for some five years, during which he has been chairman of the Property, the Parks and Cemetery and Industrial committees.

CIVIC SLATES.

A little street speculation is going on to-day concerning the civic slates. The new council will likely hold a caucus on Saturday and secure a draft of the committees. The general impression seems to be that Ald. McCoig will be again an aspirant for the chairmanship of Finance and Ald. Mountain is slated for the arduous position of Board of Works. Ald. Taylor will likely take charge of the Property committee, and Ald. Robinson's good work on the Peninsular Fair Board has made him much talked of for the Industrial committee, while Ald. Edmondson is generally spoken of for Parks and Cemetery.

WALLACEBURG.

(Special to The Planet.)

Wallaceburg's municipal election was as follows: Mayor—T. B. Dundas. Councilors—C. Chubb, T. F. Hines, J. O. Shaw, W. B. Boulton, A. McKibbin, H. Stonehouse.

DRESDEN.

(Special to The Planet.)

The elections held here yesterday resulted as follows: Councilors—Bresett, North Ward, 104; Cow Ward, 46; South Ward, 98; total, G. G. Greco, 46; 35; 34; total, G. G. Greco, 80; 49; 91; total, L. Hughes, 82; 49; 91; total, R. McConnell, 87; 47; 67; total, I. B. Webster, 92; 52; 101; total, R. P. Wright, 95; 54; 102; total, For County Commissioners, French, 442; S. P. Sturgeon, 428; McKeough, 428. Wallace and Oulton to be elected from.