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## Inventory Sale! LET US HAVE A PROVINCIAL HOUSE-CLEANING

**\$3.95 SKIRT SALE**

**\$5.95 SUIT SALE**

75 Ladies' Skirts made of freize, tweeds and broadcloth in black and colors, the very newest styles that have been produced this season, worth regular up to \$7.50 each, on sale To-night and Monday, very special at

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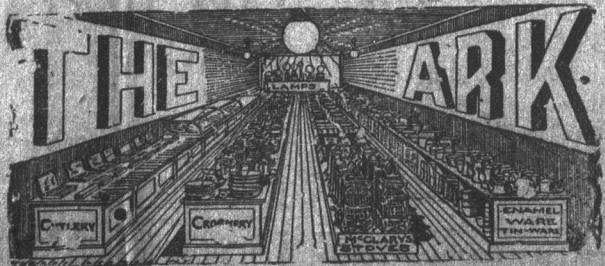
#### PUBLIC NOTICE!

#### Genuine Gas Coke

From actual tests is found to contain as many heat units per ton, as the best quality of Anthracite Coal. At the reduced price now in effect, Gas Coke costs about two-thirds as much.

Moral: Use Genuine Gas Coke for furnace, range, grate or stove, and save money.

Chatham Gas Company, Ltd.



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We have every convenience in the store to make it easy and pleasant for our customers with everything usually required in house-furnishings, and at the low prices which have given THE ARK its popularity. If you are not already a patron of the store, come in and see the store—you'll not be urged to buy.

Yours Gratefully, H. MACAULAY.

OUR ADVERTISEMENTS PAY.

#### BADE THEM FAREWELL

The Reverend A. Beverly Smith said Good-Bye to the Congregation of Holy Trinity Church.

Popular Pastor Broke Down at the Parting and so did Many of the Congregation—Is Leaving for Toronto and a Larger Sphere of Usefulness.

The Reverend T. Beverly Smith, rector of Holy Trinity Church, bade farewell to his congregation last evening. At the close of the service, Mr. Smith was quite overcome by his feelings, and many members of the Church were similarly affected. Mr. Smith has had charge of Holy Trinity Church for a little over three years, and during his labors he has been wonderfully successful. Holy Trinity Church has stood alone nearly all the time of Mr. Smith's pastorate and, although the congregation is not large, the church has prospered. The text chosen for this, the last evening, was St. Paul's statement to the Corinthians,—"For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received."

Mr. Smith pointed out that he had tried during his residence in Chatham to teach what he had believed, even as St. Paul had so endeavored. Some people spoke about the future life flippantly and lightly. Mr. Smith delivered in it and the New Testament but corroborated that belief. He believed, secondly, in the glorious reality of Righteousness, and last that Jesus Christ died to save men from their sins. There were some who questioned the truth of the Bible to give a door of escape for their consciences.

To-night his ministry came to an end, concluded Mr. Smith, and at this moment he had to say farewell, but he found himself unprepared to say it. If he didn't say all that he wished, it was not because his feelings were absent, but he didn't trust himself sufficiently to unfold his thoughts.

He first desired to express his gratitude to the people of Holy Trinity Church for their unfailing kindness. He and Mrs. Smith would always look on their stay in Chatham as the happiest in their recollection. Every wish had been regarded and every suggestion for improvement readily adopted. No great sorrow had come during this time. They would be grateful, indeed, could they forget the three bright years spent in Chatham. He further remarked upon the entire absence of strife in the church. The congregation had allowed him to see how good it was to dwell together in harmony. He cautioned the people to be careful to attend church regularly. Empty pews were a discouragement to the pastor. He also emphasized the necessity for loyalty to the church during the present time, when the church was without a regular rector. He realized where he had failed, but he wasn't perfect. All he had attempted was to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

The choir, under the leadership of Mrs. R. V. Bray, rendered excellent music during the service. In the anthem, "Now the day is over," Miss Lucy McKellar took the solo parts exquisitely. Miss McKellar is always a pleasing singer. A pretty feature of the service was the singing of "God be with you" at the close.

GOOD SKATING—GOOD MUSIC—GOOD TIME. ADMISSION 15c. OR TWO FOR 25c. AT THE DRILL SHED TO-NIGHT.

#### ONTARIO'S NEXT PREMIER TO VISIT US ON FRIDAY

Great Meeting at the Opera House—People of East and West Kent All Cordially Invited—Addresses by Mr. Whitney and the Standard-Bearers James Clancy and Philip H. Bowyer.

J. P. Whitney—the man who to-day has the endorsement of a large majority of the electors of Ontario, and who on the 25th inst. will be chosen as Premier of the Province by the people irrespective of party—will visit Kent County on Friday next and in the evening address the people of East and West Kent in the Grand Opera House, Chatham.

This will be the first great rally of the People's Campaign against corrupt and discreditable practices in the administration of public affairs and for the inauguration of good, clean and progressive government. Every elector of East and West Kent, no matter what his past party affiliations, is cordially invited to be present.

In addition to that of Mr. Whitney, addresses will be delivered by James Clancy and Philip H. Bowyer, the two popular and esteemed standard-bearers in the cause of the people.

The balcony of the house will be reserved for the ladies and their escorts to whom a warm welcome will be extended.

The Young Men's Association will attend in a body—and the young men promise something good.

A hearty invitation again goes forth to every lady and gentleman in Kent County to be present on this great occasion.

#### MAYOR COWAN'S INAUGURAL CONTAINS MANY SUGGESTIONS

His Worship Makes Many Pertinent Points In His Address—The Caucus Committee Slate Altered—The First Deadlock—Adjourned Till To-Night.

There was a fair attendance of citizens at the inaugural meeting of the new City Council, this morning. When His Worship Mayor Cowan took his seat the aldermen were seated in the following order from the right, Ald. Austin, Hall, King, Marshall, O'Keefe, Alsworth, Eolter, Westman and Edmondson.

The City Clerk reported that all the aldermen had taken the oath of office.

The minutes of the last session of the old council were then read and approved.

His worship, Mayor Cowan, then delivered his inaugural address as follows:—

Gentlemen of the Council—

I feel highly honored and the City is to be congratulated that I have before me a body of men representing almost every calling in the community.

Men who have made their mark in their business and who may be safely relied upon to conduct the affairs of the city with the same degree of prudence and energy.

It was very gratifying to me that nominations were made of such strong and worthy men, and of the sixteen who went to the polls, it was impossible for the electors to make a mistake in their election of nine.

It is an additional gratification to me that I have before me three aldermen who have been prominent parts in the last council, and who left a strong impress upon its legislation.

I am further fortified with the presence of two gentlemen who have had a large and varied municipal experience and who rendered valuable aid to the City at this Board in the past.

In contrast with your strength and ability I am impressed with my own weakness, and I crave your indulgence should I fail in any portion

of the duties of this high and responsible office.

My aim will be, with your assistance, to so conduct affairs of the City as to redound to its advancement, to keep up the good work that has been begun, and to profit by the mistakes and errors, is any, of our predecessors.

The City has made great strides in the past ten years and we are now attaining a position among cities of a similar size which is second to none upon this continent.

This is largely due to the good work of the industrial committee, backed by the Council and supported by the Board of Trade, and we must continue the work until we shall have made this a compact little city of 20,000, which can readily be done without enlarging our limits.

The filling up process must be proceeded with. More factories with the consequent increase of population must be obtained, until every vacant lot within the corporation shall have been built upon and occupied.

This done and the population doubled, the expenditure should not be but very little greater than at present while the revenue will be increased at least one-third.

This policy, accompanied by rigid economy, is, in my judgment, the only means by which our rate of taxation can be lessened.

The pavements put down upon our streets have given a wonderful impetus to the building trade and to the improvement of our homes.

The City is to be congratulated upon the fact that, with the variety of pavements in use, we are in position to judge which is the most desirable, and best suited to our general requirements, and to the character of our soil.

Granolithic, asphalt and stone walks have largely supplanted the

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#### YOUNG MEN, ATTENTION!

President Briscoe Calls a Special Mass Meeting for Eight o'clock To-Night.

Arrangements to be Made for the Great People's Gathering to Greet Mr. Whitney.

President Fred H. Briscoe has called a special mass meeting of the Young Men's Association for to-night at eight o'clock, in the Young Men's Club Rooms.

It is particularly requested that every one be present sharp on time as arrangements will be made for the reception to the People's Premier on Friday night and preparations made for attending the great evening meeting in a body.

In the making of these arrangements it is particularly desired to have the voice of every young man. All are therefore urged to be present.

The great landslide for new, clean and progressive government has now started in Kent county. Help it gloriously along!

#### WON BY WORK

The Firm of Aitken, Wilson & King of this City Lead All Other Agents of the Canadian Railway Insurance Company.

The members of the firm of Aitken, Wilson and King, returned yesterday from Ottawa, where they were the guests of the Canadian Railway Accident Insurance Co., attending the annual convention on the 4th, 5th, and 6th of January.

They enjoy the distinction of having won the gold watch for two years in succession. Last year Mr. Aitken was the winner, this year Mr. A. E. Wilson, of the same firm.

In order to get an idea of the amount of business necessary to be done in order to qualify as a winner, it might be stated that it is absolutely necessary to hold all business of the preceding year, as well as almost double the last year's business.

The premium income of the company has reached the magnificent total of \$236,000.00, \$11,000.00 more than was expected.

The broad business views of the Company, the quick payment of claims, and their courtesy in the business, appeal to the general public.

The firm are going out to win the watch again this year. David King the other member of the firm, expects to wear the honored timepiece next year. Messrs. Aitken and Wilson have made a reputation for themselves since they founded this insurance firm. Mr. Aitken has charge of the Chatham branch and is well known. Mr. Wilson has charge at Wallaceburg. Mr. Wilson is one of the brightest business men in Western Ontario. He is a great worker, and the other members of the firm credit him with a goodly share of the results. He is quick, active, and a hustler always. He understands the insurance business, and is making a name for himself.

The firm of Aitken, Wilson & King is known all over Western Ontario. They have the confidence. They have earned it by strict and straightforward dealings. That they stand at the head of all Canada is no surprise to those who know the triumphant three.

W. C. Sifton, ex-Warden of the county, was in the city on Saturday.

Meeting of Ward 2. Conservatives at John Darling's office, Queen St. at 8 o'clock to-night.

For up-to-date and reliable footwear try the new shoe firm, Wm. Somerville & Son, Pease's old stand.

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#### BLANK BOOKS

Of Every Kind at Every Price

Start the new year with a new set of books and buy them at a reasonable price from our stock, the most complete in medium priced books in Western Ontario.

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The school children should be provided with SCHOOL RUBBERS

We have them in all styles and of the best quality.

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All sizes, prices from 40c to \$1.75, according to style and size.

It's wrong to let the children go without rubbers at this season of the year.

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The Shoe Man

#### THE ROSS GOVERNMENT AND THE MAN WHO SUPPORTS IT

(As amended from the platform by Mr. McCoig himself at his meeting in the Grand Opera House December 31.)

"Definitely and positively I will not be the candidate. I couldn't if I would and I wouldn't if I could."

"What use would it be to me to go down to the Legislature and sit in some back bench in opposition? And what use would it be to my constituents to have me there?"

"I think the Ross government is a goner. They've been there altogether too long."

"The whole thing is corrupt and rotten, and I believe they should be turned out."

"No; I tell you honestly, I wouldn't be their candidate if I could."—A. B. McCOIG, November, 19, 1904.