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THE RELIABLE STORE Thomas Stone & Son THE RELIABLE STORE

## The Warm Weather

Is creating quite a big demand for light-weight materials for summer wear. We have provided for the demand and are ready with a complete assortment of Wash Goods, as well as an immense stock of Ready-to-Wear Waists and Wash Skirts. You'll find them in the Ready-to-Wear department, first floor.

### White Wash Skirts at \$1.25

Made of a good quality of white duck, plain tailored style, full sweep, in a complete assortment of sizes. A special value at a low price, \$1.25.

### White Wash Skirts, \$1.50

Another very special value and an exceptionally pretty style, trimmed with straps of the same material, and finished with small pearl buttons, a splendid skirt for \$1.50.

### White Wash Skirts, \$2.25

A beautifully made, well tailored, seven-gore skirt, made of a fine quality of white duck, trimmed with strapping and stitching.

### White Wash Skirt, \$2.75

Made from fine, white, linen finish duck, trimmed with insertion and bias folds of same material.

### White Lawn Waists, \$1.50

An excellent quality of India lawn, made with panel front of embroidery, short sleeves, insertion trimmed and tucks, a very special waist at \$1.50.

### White Mull Waist, \$1.75

Button back, short sleeves, all-over embroidery front, tucked back, Valenciennes lace collar and cuffs, a splendid waist at \$1.75.

### White Lawn Waist, \$2.00

Made of a special India lawn, round yoke, and all-over embroidery front, perfect fit and splendid style, \$2.00.

### Swiss Mull Waist, \$3.00

Fine cloth, trimmed, with medallion and French Valenciennes lace, short sleeves, open back, a beauty for \$3.00.

Thomas Stone & Son

## CLEVELAND BICYCLES !!

ARE

## RIGHT IN PRICE

The Best in Quality  
Beautiful in finish and  
Satisfactory to every rider.  
Large Stock at

WESTMAN BROS.  
BIG HARDWARE

## McGEACHY'S CITY DAIRY

Is now ready for business. Retail Office and Bottling Plant, Corner of King and Forsythe Sts., Phone 304 A.  
Where orders may be left for our  
Aerated Milk and Cream in Bottles at Regular Prices  
Our milk is AERATED and delivered from the farm twice daily and supplied by a healthy herd of inspected cows. Bottles are steam sterilized and sealed with waxed caps at plant, and our sanitary tickets are never used but once.  
OUR MOTTO IS PURITY, CLEANLINESS AND QUALITY.  
Come and see us or Phone 304 A Farm Phone 439 B

## The Sovereign Bank of Canada

NOTICE is hereby given that a dividend of one and one half per cent (1 1/2 per cent) of this bank, has been declared, and that the same will be payable at the head office and at the branches on and after Thursday, the 16th day of May next.  
The transfer books will be closed from the 1st to the 15th May, both days inclusive.  
By order of the Board,  
Toronto, 30th March, 1907.  
R. A. WILLIAMS, Manager D. M. STEWART, General Manager Chatham

## FOUND AN OLD RELIC

Albert Side Makes Interesting Discovery While Excavating

Medal Commemorating Opening of Victoria Bridge Montreal

Albert Side, the Fifth street shoe dealer, is showing quite an interesting relic to his friends. It is a silver souvenir medal, commemorating the opening of the Victoria Bridge in Montreal in 1880. Mr. Side found the relic in a pile of earth which was thrown up from the excavation made for his house on St. Clair street.

The medal, which has probably been buried for a long time, is in a splendid state of preservation. It is about half again as large as an American dollar, and both sides are covered with figures and lettering.

One side contains the British coat of arms, an engraving of the Victoria Bridge, and the following inscription: "Victoria Bridge at Montreal, the greatest work of engineering skill in the world, publicly inaugurated and opened in 1880, by the Grand Trunk Railway of Canada."

The reverse side contains engravings of Queen Victoria, the Prince Consort, Prince of Wales—now King Edward VII.—the beaver and the shamrock, rose and thistle, along with the following inscription: "Victoria Bridge, consisting of twenty-three spans, two hundred and forty feet each, and in the centre, three hundred and thirty feet, with long abutment on each bank of river. The tubes are iron, twenty-two feet high and sixteen feet wide, weighing six thousand tons; supported on twenty-four piers, containing twenty-four and fifty thousand tons of stone; measuring three million cubic feet; extreme length two miles; cost six hundred thousand dollars."

Be at war with your vices at peace with your neighbors, and let every year find you a better man.



## THE INSTRUCTOR SHOE

"The only Child's Shoe made in Natural Shapes of Solid Leather."

The way your children's shoes wear out often surprise you. They seem to fall to pieces, or the soles wear out as if they had been held to a grindstone.

### Instructor Shoes

Are made from the very best leather and are put together by high-class skilled labor. The Instructor Shoe is built on lasts modelled from children's feet. The shape permits the foot to lie perfectly flat—each toe out straight—growing as nature intended. One pair will outwear two ordinary pairs.

A Full Line in Stock

GEO. W. COWAN

## TO ENLARGE THE FIELD

Oil Operators Will Work Between Romney and Tilbury

Many New Wells Are Being Struck—Some Good Producers

Coatsworth, May 16.—Now that the Romney and Tilbury oil fields have demonstrated their immense resources oil men have been doing some prospecting on the territory lying between these two sections. Developments seem to indicate that the field runs from north to south, and the supposition has lately been strengthened by two strikes, one far to the north in Tilbury East, and the other to the southeast.

The second well, on the Nelson farm, concession 14, in half of lot 12, Romney, operated by J. N. Halliday & Company, of Merlin, is one that may open up considerable territory. It is about four or five miles from the original field, and this fact presupposes a good deal. It will be remembered that No. 1, on this farm, is a big gaser. No. 2, however, showed up the real thing, and is making in the neighborhood of 65 barrels of oil a day, according to the official record. This has been enough to make every interested oil man "sit up and take notice," and the common trend of opinion among the knowing ones is that through this well a considerable new field is bound to be opened up.

What may be aptly described as a possibility well—and one of vast importance—was a well that was brought in this week on the J. H. Shaver farm, by J. H. Shaver & Son. The farm is lots 16 and 17, concession 13, Tilbury East, and is situated midway between the southern end of the present Tilbury East field and the northeastern end of the Romney field. This definition will amply illustrate its importance. It is there oil in good quantities between the two great Kent County fields is a natural question.

The well under discussion yielded thirteen barrels the first day; one well worth thoughtful consideration. The opinion of oil men, even of the most conservative, is that the presence of oil at this location is significant, and should open up territory between Tilbury East and Romney, territory which until now was generally considered lost to the interest of oil operators. It is likely that activity will wend its way in this direction as soon as the facts become generally known.

### DREDGING CONTRACTS

Ottawa, May 17.—W. E. Philp, of Brantford, secures Cobourg, Hamilton, Bronte, Port Burwell, Port Stanley and Rond Eau. Robert Weddell, of Trenton, secures Thornbury and Meaford. The Dominion Dredging Co. secures the Bay of Quinte dredging and other points. They are the lowest tenders in twenty-two places, but having only two dredges they will have to surrender their tender rights for several points.  
Mr. McAllister, of Welland, has secured the dredging of Toronto harbor, Point Edward and River Thames.

### COURT FURNITURE VERY MUCH DELAPIDATED

It would pay the members of the County Council, at their next session, to make a trip of investigation through the various county offices in Harrison Hall. Such a visit by them should make it apparent to that honorable body that many of the offices are sorely in need of new furniture.

In Judge Dowlin's chambers the delapidated condition of the furniture is particularly in evidence. Of the seven chairs in the court, there are only two or three which are minus bottoms, and all would be much more in place on the scrap heap. The chairs are certainly not creditable furniture for a county judge's court.

Ha inees is a term upon which many variations can be placed.

They are the world's masters who have first mastered themselves.

DRS. CORNELL & FISHER  
...DENTISTS...  
COR. SIXTH AND KING STREETS  
OVER THE BEE HIVE  
PHONE: Office 317. Residence 442

STRICTLY PRIVATE  
YOUR MARRIAGE LICENSE  
AND WEDDING RING  
VONGUNTEN'S

## BLLENHEIMITES KICKING TOO

Matter Of The Pere Marquette "Hold-up" Creates Much Discontent

People Of That Town Will Carry Matters to Railway Commission

Blenheim, May 17.—When the railway people erected their weigh scales at Eriola they placed them partly on the township road. Some of the switches and buildings were also put on the road allowance. The scales were placed at the west end of the yard near the Blenheim cottages, in such a position that whenever bars were being weighed the smoke and soot from the engine pours into the houses so badly at times as to be almost unbearable. The cottagers asked that the scales be moved far enough back to abate this nuisance, but no attention was paid to their requests, and they then laid the matter before the township council, with the result that the matter was placed in the hands of the township solicitor, who notified the Railway Company to remove their tracks and buildings from the township road.

This the Company objected to doing unless they are compelled to, and of Friday Trainmaster Gilhula and General Passenger Agent Kearns came to Blenheim and met a number of the business men. These officials desired that the cottagers who had complained about the position of the scales should again go to the township council and ask them to take no action in the matter, intimating that in the event of their not doing so the scales would be moved to a position equally objectionable to the cottagers, but still on the railway way property, and that the railway would be likely to retaliate by refusing to give suitable summer service to the Eau.

The proposition naturally failed to meet with the approval of those concerned, who consider the action of the railway people not only unjust but unreasonable, and if the program be intimated by these officials is carried out, the matter will undoubtedly be submitted to the Railway Commissioners for settlement.

### THE ENTRANCE EXAM.

The following is the time table for the High school entrance examinations, to take place on June 26th, 27th and 28th, to be held at the C. C. I.:

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26.  
8.45-9.00 a. m., Reading Instructions (Circular 57).  
9.00-11.00 a. m., Composition.  
11.10-11.55 a. m., Spelling.  
1.30-3.30 p. m., Geography.  
THURSDAY, JUNE 27.  
9.00-11.30 a. m., Arithmetic.  
1.30-4.00 p. m., Written Reading.  
FRIDAY, JUNE 28.  
9.00-11.00 a. m., English Grammar.  
11.10-12.00 a. m., Writing.  
P. M.—Oral Reading may be taken either Friday afternoon or at such other hours as are convenient.

### TILBURY OIL FIELD

The following official report of shipments for six months, ending with March, from the Tilbury oil fields, is highly gratifying, but it does not show the actual product as there would be a large quantity in the field awaiting shipment. Upon these shipments the Government pays a bounty of fifty-two and one-half cents per barrel.

Petrolia, May 9, 1907.  
F. C. T. O'Hara, Esq.,  
Department of Trade and Commerce,  
Ottawa, Ont.:  
Dear Sir:—As I wired you to-day, the production of the Township of Tilbury from October 1, 1906, to March 31, 1907, was 165,000 barrels. I herewith give details as to monthly production:  
October, 19,852 barrels.  
November, 27,280 barrels.  
December, 28,549 barrels.  
January, 29,388 barrels.  
February, 27,666 barrels.  
March, 34,791 barrels.  
Total, 167,526 barrels.  
As I stated in my letter yesterday, the figures for March included the Township of Romney, which had just commenced producing, and about 2,000 barrels would be from Romney, leaving the production for Tilbury for the six months, 167,526 barrels. I have the honor to be,  
Sir,  
Your obedient servant,  
(Signed) W. J. HARVEY.

The Grand concert to be given in the Orange Hall, Florence, on Friday evening, May 31st, by the pupils of Miss Margaret Trotter, assisted by the gifted elocutionist, Miss Jean S. McDonald, and Mr. James Trotter, Chatham's popular basso, promises to be one of the best of the season.—Florence Quill.

## N. H. STEVENS IS SURPRISED

He Had No Idea Of The Great Wealth Of Oil In Tilbury

He Visits Field With American Capitalists—Chatham should boom

Mr. N. H. Stevens, president of the Canada Flour Mills, when interviewed by a Planet reporter this afternoon, gave some very valuable information about the Tilbury oil fields. He speaks with glowing words of the great future and the wonderful possibilities of the country which has underneath it a veritable lake of oil and gas.

Yesterday Mr. Stevens and Mr. S. Stone, accompanied by two American capitalists largely interested in the oil and gas fields of the Eastern States, journeyed to Tilbury to view the great oil wells, and especially the gas wells of that place.

The first well they visited was the Burgess gas well near Fletcher. Mr. Stevens says that this well when opened and turned loose by Mr. Currie, made a terrific roaring, sufficient to cause the ground to tremble, a test gage was put on which registered a pressure of 460 pounds.

Next they drove to the Hornick well near Glenwood, which is one of the best gas wells in the field. The American friends stated that they thought the field for gas an extensive and strong one, and unless we make a very extravagant waste of gas, the field will produce gas for a city five times as large as Chatham for a great many years to come. They said that the Tilbury oil fields would certainly develop to equal any field in North America. They also spoke of the beautiful country and thought that Tilbury had been much blessed; first, on account of her great timber region; secondly, on account of her productive agricultural soil; and thirdly, and greatest of all, to have underneath it a great lake of oil and gas.

Mr. Stevens stated that from what the gentleman said, he would likely see their faces in this city again in the near future.  
"I have heard a great deal of the Tilbury oil fields," continued Mr. Stevens, "and having some experience with oil wells, imagined that there was a great deal of stir and development going on there. To compare my ideas before seeing the field with those I have now after seeing it, as to the extent of development, would be like comparing Chatham to the City of New York. No one can realize the wonderful development that is taking place unless they take a drive to the fields and carefully observe the progress being made on both sides of the road for a distance of fifteen miles and a breadth of three miles. With the hundreds of oil wells and derricks in Tilbury Chatham should profit wonderfully in being so near this great oil and gas field, where almost always a continual stream of money is being poured out for supplies, labor and provisions to care for the operators of the great oil fields."

Mr. Stevens and his friends left here at about ten o'clock and arrived home at six, after spending a pleasant and interesting day long to be remembered.

### REAL ESTATE SALE

E. E. Parrott & Son, real estate dealers, of this city, report the following spring sales of farm and city property:

The Innes property on King street west to Ira Teeter, of Queen street; the Leak farm on the 3rd concession, of Dover, to John Harbison, of the 3rd concession, of Dover; the McNaughton property on William street to Mrs. M. Duke, of Wellington; the Russell property on Richmond street to Mr. A. Knott, of Dufferin avenue; the Moorehouse property on St. George street to W. J. Kitchen, of Lorne avenue; the McKay property on William street to Frank Fisher, of Raleigh street; the McKay property on William street to John T. Barry, of Queen street; the McGeachy property on Park avenue to K. Schwemler, of Chicago; the Arnold property on Park avenue; W. R. London, of Victoria avenue; the Brackin property on Joseph street to W. McGregor, of Joseph street; the Hadley property on Wellington street to the Chatham Gas Co.; the Deline farm on the 5th concession, of Chatham Township, to John E. Coulter, of Thorncliffe; the Robinson property on Water street to Wm. Easton, of Water street; the Caswell property on Park street to Andrew Everett, of Harwich Township.

The above list of sales represents an exchange in value of over thirty-five thousand dollars. This is an indication of the confidence people have in Chatham's future.

Canadian women can accomplish almost anything that they set their hearts on.

He is educated, who is master of himself, and of his task.

The Lightning-bug is brilliant, But it hasn't any mind; It blunders through existence With its headlight on behind.

That's like the people who don't come to our store for any Wall Paper or decorations they require. I know people who take the advice of painters as to what paper to use, who were never ten miles from Chatham. While these men are honest, they can't tell because they don't know. Come to us and let us give you advice and judgment formed by years of experience and world-wide acquaintance with what is right to use.

### The Store With the Stock

SULMAN'S BEEHIVE, KING & GIL STREETS

## A WIRELESS MESSAGE - - FOR YOU - -

THERE are two points from which Men consider a Clothing purchase. One Man buys because the Clothing is good—the best he can find. Another Man buys because the price is as low or "cheap" as he can find.

### THE FIRST MAN GETS THE BEST BARGAIN

We're sending you this message because our Clothing is the best and our prices are in keeping with the high quality we give you. Whatever you buy here you'll find dependable.

We're ready to serve you with Men's, Boy's and Children's Clothes and Toggery fresh from the shops of the best Makers known to the trade.

Men's Spring Suits, \$7.50, 10, 12, to 15.  
Men's Spring Top Coats, \$10, 12, to 15.  
Boys' and Children's Suits, \$2, 5.50, to 6.50.

Not the common sort of Clothes anybody can buy. Our garments were made for us to sell to you, backed by our guarantee of "Money back if you want it."

Geo. Meynell,  
3 Doors West from Market, King St., Chatham