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## Our Spring Millinery Opening

Wednesday, March Twenty Second following days.

To our patrons and friends we take this opportunity of thanking them for their patronage in the past. To the Ladies of Chatham and vicinity we extend a cordial invitation to view every correct style in Millinery for spring, such as will be shown in Our Millinery Department on Wednesday next.

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### Strong Dissatisfaction Amongst the Old Members of the A. O. U. W.

The enormous increase in the rate of insurance to the old members of the Ancient Order of United Workmen dealt upon at the recent annual meeting of the Grand Lodge held in Toronto has aroused, as might well be expected, a wide spread feeling of dissatisfaction amongst old members. They do not hesitate to pronounce the action of the Grand Lodge as shamefully unjust, and are fully determined not to submit until the matter has been thoroughly tested in the law courts. The action of the Grand Lodge, in increasing the rates, is regarded as a deliberate effort to squeeze out the old members of the Order, who have paid into the treasury thousands of dollars and many of whom will, if the increased rate is enforced, lose every dollar paid in and be compelled to drop out altogether. This is a most serious matter to many of them. It seems that certain concessions were made, and great consideration shown to the younger members of the Order, but this was done by sacrificing the interests of the older members. No concessions and no consideration appears to have been shown to the latter.

A meeting of the old members residing in Chatham and parts adjacent will be held in a few days to decide what shall be done. Some idea of the great increase may be gathered

### NEW FRUIT STORE. WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

Abraham Jakoor

Will open a Wholesale and Retail Fruit Store, Next to the Rankin House in the store lately occupied by Mr. Tilt, where on

Saturday, March 25, 1906, will be found a choice assortment of FRUITS OF ALL KINDS,

Also Confectionery, Tobacco and Cigars. Parties requiring any of the above at Wholesale or retail will find it to their advantage to give Mr. Jakoor a call or telephone 446.

from the fact that those members of the Order who have heretofore paid \$26 or \$28 on an insurance of \$2,000 will, under the increased rate, have to pay \$65 per annum.

Miss Ella Gamble, corner of Harvey and Wellington streets, is confined to the house with inflammation of the lungs.

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Put your finger on your pulse and feel the blood rushing by. Good blood or bad blood? Good health or bad health? You know. Your doctor will tell you his experience with Ayer's Sarsaparilla in these cases. Sold for sixty years. Lowell, Mass.

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## Mineral Baths

Chatham, Dec. 18, 1901.

To CHATHAM MINERAL WATER CO.

For some years I was so badly used up with rheumatism in my hip and leg that I could not walk without suffering severe pain and finally got so bad that I was confined to my bed. I tried almost every kind of patent medicine beside consulting physicians, but obtained no relief. At last I was persuaded to try the mineral water and used it in liberal quantities. From the first I felt a decided change for the better, and now I can say I have entirely recovered. I cannot recommend the mineral water too highly and am pleased to such a magnificent establishment erected for the treatment of cases like mine.

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## PHONES FOR FARMERS

Sir Wm. Mulock Outlines Work For Municipalities.

Charges for Telephone Service Could Be Added to the Tax Bill—Government Could Deal With the Municipality and the Latter Could Deal With the Individual Subscriber—Special Committee at Work.

Ottawa, March 21.—The special committee appointed to enquire into the telephone question held its first meeting yesterday morning, with eight of the eleven members present. It began work as if it meant business. Sir William Mulock, who was unanimously voted into the chair, outlined the scope of the committee. He had arranged with an officer of the Department of Justice to prepare for the committee a summary of all the legislation bearing on Canadian telephone companies. In addition to this the committee expressed a desire for information as to the operation of telephone systems in the United States, Australia, Scandinavia and Denmark.

Patents Not a Consideration. He intimated to a member of the committee that the question of phone patents was not worth consideration, since the Government could override any patent. Sir William promised to furnish the committee with a report obtained by one of his officers some years ago.

Mr. F. Maclean suggested that some one should be employed to make special enquiry into the phone situation in the United Kingdom. It was necessary, he said, that the committee should have facts as to the working of the different systems.

Sir William Mulock said he intended to summon officers of the Bell Telephone Co. and get from them all available information as to the working of their system and the capital invested.

Importance to Rural Districts. Sir William spoke of the importance of the phone to the rural districts. He thought no scheme would be satisfactory which did not provide for the serving of isolated individuals in the country with telephones at reasonable rates. The farmer, he thought, was chiefly interested in getting machinery in communication with his neighbor and his market town. The long-distance was less important to the farming community. The success of rural phones depended largely on the development of the automatic services system. Sir William said he had heard of systems where a dozen subscribers could have phone communication without a central station.

Let Municipalities Work It. Sir William suggested that rural phones might be brought within reach of rural residents through machinery provided by the municipality. By co-operation, the municipalities could create municipal services and place the charges in the tax bills, assessing, of course, only phone subscribers. This would save the Government a lot of trouble. The municipality could apply to the Government to establish a system in a certain district and the municipality could deal with the individual.

Mr. Maclean said the phone and the telegram and the parcel post should be centred in the post office, and the municipal services should be connected one group with another and also the trunk lines.

Sir William Mulock said he desired it to be known that any evidence or information of the public kind which the committee would be glad to accept. The committee decided to call Mr. Daggar, of Toronto, to appear before the committee at its next meeting, which will be held next Wednesday.

### THE AUTONOMY BILLS.

Premier Announces Change in the Educational Classes—Second Reading Set for Wednesday.

Ottawa, March 21.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier announced yesterday afternoon in the House that the autonomy bills will be proceeded with on Wednesday. He announced an amendment to the educational clause, as follows:

The Proposed Amendment. Section 93 of the B. N. A. Act, 1867, shall apply to the said province, with a substitution for sub-section 1 of said section 93 of the following sub-section: (1) Nothing in any such law shall prejudicially affect any right or privilege with respect to separate schools which any class of persons have at the date of the passing of this act, under the terms of chapters 29 and 30 of the ordinances of the Northwest Territories, passed in the year 1901.

(2) In the appropriation by the Legislature or distribution by the Government of the province of any money for the support of schools, organized and carried on in accordance with said chapter 29 or any act passed in amendment thereof or in substitution thereof, there shall be no discrimination against schools of any class described in the said chapter 29.

(3) Where the expression "by law" is employed in sub-section 3 of the said section 93, it shall be held to mean the law as set out in the said chapters 29 and 30, and where the expression "at the union" is employed in said sub-section 3 it shall be held to mean the date at which this act comes into force.

P. E. Island Grievances. The annual debate on the want of communication of Prince Edward Island with the mainland in winter was precipitated by Mr. Tupper. The Government indicated that it would consider the question.

Nine Months in Central. Windsor, March 21.—Magistrate Bartlett yesterday sentenced Gordon Fleming, Toronto, to a nine months' term in the Toronto Central Prison. He was charged with having attempted to perpetrate a swindle upon the dry-goods firm of J. W. Peddie & Co. of this city. Fleming pleaded guilty.

Fishing Vessels Ashore. Highland Light, Mass., March 21.—Ten fishing vessels, most of them belonging to the local haddock fleet, were driven ashore on Sunday night, and yesterday were being forced still farther up by the gale blowing from the northeast.



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### REILLY ON TRIAL.

Prosecution Surprises the Defence and Gets Reilly's Former Evidence Read in Court.

Belleville, March 21.—The trial of Frank J. Reilly for conspiracy in connection with the bogus ballot boxes was commenced yesterday morning. The prosecution placed the official stenographer at the preliminary investigation in the box, and had her swear to the evidence given by Reilly before Magistrate Wood.

Then the Crown Prosecutor started to read Reilly's evidence to the jury. E. F. B. Johnston, counsel for Reilly, objected strenuously, but the judge allowed the evidence to be read. Reilly's evidence at the preliminary investigation was practically a confession.

The jury was selected after the Crown had challenged 16 and the defence 11. The reading of Reilly's evidence took all the morning and until 3 in the afternoon.

Col. Sherwood told of arresting Reilly in Kingston, and getting a statement from him for Mr. Shepley, K. C., who was acting for the Dominion Government.

Phil Lett's Evidence. Next came the evidence of Phil Lett, who told practically the same story that he did in the case of King v. Rutan. Mr. Johnston's cross-examination of Phil was very fierce. For over two hours he had Phil on the rack, making many insinuations, and asking all sorts of awkward questions, but the brother of Byron manfully stood to his guns and rather more than held his own.

Phil refused to admit that he entered the conspiracy to try to ruin his brother. His brother, he said, was quite willing to ruin him if he could get into Parliament. Phil said his whole idea in exposing the case was to stop a wrong. At 6:15 the cross-examination was concluded and the judge adjourned court till 9:30 Tuesday morning.

It is expected that the case will be finished to-day.

### THE LEGISLATURE.

All is Now Ready for the Opening, Wednesday, March 22.

Toronto, March 21.—The opening of the Legislature to-morrow afternoon promises to be an occasion of special interest and brilliancy. A change of Government always incites that curiosity which makes one desire to see how the parties hold under changed conditions. After thirty-two years, the satisfaction on the Conservative side is genuine and Mr. Whitney seems to enjoy the prospect. The Premier waited on the Lieutenant-Governor yesterday morning and spent some time at Government House discussing the speech from the Throne and arrangements for the opening.

The chamber is looking like a new place after a thorough two weeks' house-cleaning, and all is ready for the session.

The opening ceremonies to-morrow at 3 o'clock will be heightened by the formal election of the new Speaker, which will be the occasion of Mr. Whitney's first speech as Premier. He will nominate J. W. St. John (West York), Richard Marcourt, acting leader of the Opposition while Mr. Ross is absent in the south, will probably be the second speaker.

Monday, April 2, has been set as the last day for the presentation of petitions for private bills. The bills themselves must be introduced by April 16, and the committee on private bills must report by April 24. These dates will be strictly adhered to, which has not always been the custom. Col. Clarke, Clerk of the House, has already received a number of petitions for private bills. Chief of these are for new railways, and one asks for the incorporation of a new telephone company in Ontario.

T. F. Langworthy, of Port Arthur, has been appointed Crown Attorney for the District of Thunder Bay, succeeding D. Mills, son of Hon. David Mills, who held the position prior to the election of the former incumbent, T. A. Graham, to a judgeship.

If you wish to be rightly informed as to what is correct in millinery for spring and summer we would strongly advise you to visit Northway's opening display to-morrow.

## THERE IS ONE POINT

That we like to harp on and that is that we make the Clothing we sell. This gives us so many advantages over the other fellow that it is impossible to enumerate them at one sitting.

However, here is ONE—We are a long way ahead of the merchant who has to buy his clothing from a jobber, or even from the maker. For, of course it is commercial axiom that the closer you can get to the cost of production of an article, the cheaper that article ought to be. We produce or make clothes, you wear them, pretty close touch, isn't it?—when you come here.

Will tell you some other advantages some day.

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## RAILROAD WILL SPEND \$350,000

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Ald. Edmondson and Potter said that in view of the many enquiries from industrial concerns from outside places in reference to Chatham and Chatham's inducements to industries the purchase of these papers for sending out would be a judicious move. Both aldermen took occasion to pay a high tribute to the excellence of these industrial numbers.

L. E. Tillson addressed the Council. He thought the Mayor's action in declaring Ald. O'Keefe's motion out of order, He said that he was heartily in favor of bitulithic for Murray street and was the heaviest ratepayer on the street.

Ex-Ald. Robinson also spoke heartily in favor of the bitulithic pavement. It was as good as any and much cheaper.

The Mayor said that he was sorry if his calling was not popular, but he was there to do his duty. "I am not merely here as a figure-head," he declared, "I am not here to be buffeted by any pavement company. I am acting on the advice of the city solicitor because I desire to do what is right—and that only."

W. A. Hadley in the new audience called the Mayor's attention to the action of Judge Houston on behalf of his clients last year and the Mayor promised to consult the solicitor concerning it.

The Property committee was given power to advertise the new garbage scheme to the extent of \$10 so that the citizens may become well acquainted with the workings of the system.

Ald. Potter moved, seconded by Ald. Marshall, that when a resident of any street signs a petition for a pavement the date upon which the resident signs shall accompany the signature. This was calculated to save trouble over petitions and counter petitions for pavements and

to prevent old petitions from being resurrected. The motion was withdrawn and in the meantime Ald. Potter will consult the city solicitor as to the Council's powers in the matter.

The Mayor reported that he had appointed ex-Mayor S. T. Martin, ex-Mayor Manson Campbell, and Ald. John Flook a citizens' committee on pavements and all of these gentlemen have consented to act on this committee.

A by-law was passed appointing Andrew Harbert as scavenger at salary of \$200 per annum from city and 25 cents per month from each residence requiring garbage collection.

### ACCOUNTS.

Geo. Jamieson, \$2.50—Passed.  
The Planet, \$15—Referred.  
S. Newman, \$3.15—Passed.  
Con. Shea, \$1—Passed.  
Mrs. Toulouse, \$7.50—Passed.  
Pay sheets, \$52.04—Passed.  
Pay sheets, \$56.80—Passed.  
Robert Riddell, \$1.30—Passed.  
A. H. Patterson, \$7.60—Passed.  
Cemetery help, \$4.50—Passed.  
Thos. Stone & Son, \$20.72—Passed.  
A. H. Patterson, \$5.95—Passed.  
A. H. Patterson, \$3.30—Passed.  
A. H. Patterson, \$1.88—Passed.  
S. Hadley Co., \$4.42—Passed.  
Chatham Gas Co., \$1.50—Passed.  
Bell Telephone Co., \$100—Passed.  
Fire Dept., gas, \$31.68—Passed.  
Police station, gas, \$28.21—Passed.  
Queen City Oil Co., \$7.87—Passed.  
Sterling & Kovinsky, \$3.50—Passed.  
Laundry, \$1.30—Passed.  
Geo. Lamphard, \$1.50—Passed.  
H. McDonald, \$1.50—Passed.  
Wait & Son, \$3.15—Passed.  
Mr. Coyle, \$6.25—Passed.

Mrs. Morton, Lacroix street, left this morning for Toronto to attend the Grand Council of the Canadian Order of Chosen Friends, as representative for Chatham Council No. 324.

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