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Established 53 Years Ago.

SPECIAL OPENING DISPLAY
of Millinery, Dress Goods, Furs
and Jackets commencing on
WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 20TH
1905
and continuing during the balance
of this week. We extend to you
an invitation to come in and see
the most correct styles prevalent
for this present season.

Ladies' Jackets

Possibly there has never been a season when Ladies' Jackets were so distinctively NEW as this season. Change in the length, change in the sleeve, change in the materials used, in fact such a change in the general appearance as will make the selection of a new jacket extremely interesting to you this season. Our New Jackets have come to hand, and it is the general verdict of sales ladies and customers that they surpass in style and value our showing of previous seasons. It will be interesting for you to see them; it will be a pleasure for us to show them.

TWO STYLES stand out prominently, and are very worthy of special description, "The Empire Style," and "The Paddock Style."

THE EMPIRE STYLE

This coat is a distinct innovation from any style on record, cut semi-fitting half way down to the waist line, forming what might be called a deep yoke, and falling from there to the entire length in full, graceful folds or pleats. The new large sleeve with the piped cuff completes the very stylish appearance of "The Empire Coat." This style is made in Black Beavers and Kersays, Tweeds and Fawn Coverts. We show a splendid assortment of this style at

\$10, \$15 and \$18

THE PADDOCK COAT

This coat, while extremely stylish, is not quite so abrupt a departure from past styles as the "Empire." It is made three-quarter and seven-eighths lengths and tight fitting. The skirt hangs in full pleats from the waist line and gives a decidedly mannish appearance to the garment. The large new sleeve with the new cuff adds greatly to the effect and tends to take away the severe plainness. This garment is made in Black, Kersays and Fawn Coverts and is shown here at

\$15 and \$18

Thos. Stone & Son

Carpets and Wall Papers

A CLEAN-UP BARGAIN SALE

25 per cent. reduction on all Baby Carriages, Co-Carts, Refrigerators, Blue Flame Oil Stoves, Hammocks, Lawn Mowers.

They must go; we want the room. Come and get a bargain.

WESTMAN BROS. Big Hardware

Made To Measure Clothing \$12.00 to \$25

NOW IS THE TIME...

To order your Fall Suit or Overcoat, come in and look at our range of samples for Fall, consisting of Worsted, Serges, Cheviots and Tweeds—any color or Pattern you wish—Browns, Greys, Blacks, Blues or Mixtures. Styles—Single Breasted, Double Breasted Sacks, 3 or 4 button, Single Breasted Straight Front, Cutaway Frock, Prince Albert, Tuxedo or Full Dress. In style, nobby and thoroughly up-to-date in cut, graceful and fashionable, with special care as to fit.

In workmanship—honest down to trifling details. Leave your measure at

Masse & Co., Opp. Grand Opera

MANY CHARMS IN CITY STORES

Autumn Millinery Openings
Bring Forth a Wealth
of Alluring
Exhibits

Visits of Planet Representatives to
the Myriad Bowers of Beauty
—Some of the Designs
Noted

In yesterday's issue of this paper an attempt was made to do justice to the fall millinery openings of two of Chatham's leading stores. On account of lack of space the others were unavoidably crowded out and are appended beneath.

The destructive colors of the season are quite bizarre; purples, dahlias, royal purples, saks and "Alice" blues being considered the smartest effects. The "Alice" blue is a shade affected by Miss Alice Roosevelt, from which circumstance it derives its name. The shades vary to suit the individual whim of the buyer, but the new dome crown is, perhaps, a mark of up-to-date-ness and the feathered turbans are the very latest. Light dresses and dark hats will be the vogue.

So prolific and enticing is the assortment that the feminine world has been completely carried off its feet. Small wonder is it that one of the Maple City's fairest maidens was so absorbed in thinking over the particular hat she would make her own, that she gave vent to the following piece of absent-mindedness.

"He was talking of them and said, 'I admire the man's style and destruction.'"

She (dreamily)—"But don't you think that Olive green effect in the feathered turban much prettier?"

MISS COOKSLEY.

Owing to the lateness of the Toronto openings Miss Cooksley did not feel it possible to do her high reputation justice in the short space of time allotted her to get ready. She, therefore, had no formal opening, but is prepared to show the most modern styles.

All the hats are trimmed with a view to stylishness—qualities of trimming in the back being one feature. Knowing that hunters' green and lighter shades of the same color would be worn, Miss Cooksley has a full line of these as well as of all others, the most fastidious demand. This progressive milliner reports that fall hats will be small, the larger hats to be worn later on in the season.

THOS. STONE & SON.

This reliable establishment this year, as ever, is upholding its reputation for having one of the most up-to-date millinery departments in up-to-date Chatham. The assortment from which the buyer has to choose is "rich and variegated." The firm boasts of having the oldest record in the city, this being their 103rd opening.

An entirely inadequate description of some of the most enticing creations is appended. One of note is a hat with pleated edge of velvet ribbon, dome crown with chiffon scarf and steel buckles is accorded the place of the gem of the collection. Another of pale blue, with lace facing and wreathed with rose and blue colored roses and finished at the back, gives the first a hard race for first place.

Knowing the store's reputation the place has been crowded the last two days with the smart feminine world. Miss McGregor, who is in charge of the department, is the recipient of many eulogies of her offerings.

THIBODEAU & CO.

This establishment is one of the oldest in the city and its reputation is quite commensurate with its age. Buyers, therefore, always expect a choice assortment from which to pick and this year, as in others, they are not disappointed.

On every side of this artistically decorated department are scores of the choicest head gear confections—some of them veritable poems. While it is very difficult to single any out for special mention yet a large picture hat of purple with a facing of shirred chiffon—a dome crown composed of mauve grey with side and back banded in with violets and a shoe of mauve liberty ribbon under the rim is, perhaps, one of the most striking offerings of the display.

Another gem of the variegated collection is a small, rolling turban of mink and beaver shade pan velvet with a dome crown of pale blue crepe de chine, shirred. A large cream paradise spray and trimmings of blue Duclous, ribbon looped, completes the effect. A rather freak effect is provided in a ready-to-wear, mushroom shape.

The head of the staff is Miss Reynolds. As her assistants she has Miss Nicholson, of Toronto, trimmer, and Misses Goldworthy, of Toronto, and Soedden, of Ottawa. The combined talent of these assured the opening of the success it so instantly achieved.

THE GORDON STORE.

This store always has been, is, and always will be second to none in its millinery display as well as in

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WILL FIGHT THE POLL TAX

Young Men of Maple City
Purpose Seeing Messrs.
Aylesworth and
Lewis

Lists are Out and \$5.00 Each Being
Subscribed—Will Make Test Case

The young men of the Maple City are busily engaged in preparing to fight the legality of the poll tax which has been collected from them for some years past.

The promoters claim that they have the written opinion of one of the ablest legal lights in Canada that the tax is an illegal one, and that, moreover, the city can be called upon to return all poll tax collected in recent years with interest, where paid under protest and the receipts kept. The young men are apparently spiritedly taking hold of the movement. The subscription to the fund is \$5 each and already 42 have turned over that amount. It is the intention to secure 100 and the \$500 thus raised will be laid aside for the test case, any portion of the amount not utilized being returned pro rata. If, as they anticipate, they secure final judgment in their favor they propose, if possible, to take further action against the city for the return of all poll tax previously collected with interest.

"It is our intention," said one of the most energetic promoters to The Planet this morning, "to engage the legal services of Hon. A. B. Aylesworth, K. C., of Toronto, who has already looked into the matter, and Mr. O. L. Lewis, of this city, to conduct our fight for us. We are advised that there is no question as to the result."

City Clerk Merritt was interviewed by The Planet relative to the matter. Mr. Merritt states that the poll tax is expressly provided for in the Statute of Ontario last year, and that the Council is, under this act, empowered to collect the tax in lieu of statute labor.

NEW BRANCH

Dr. R. V. Bray is instrumental in
the formation of a children's Aid
Society in Ridgeway

Dr. R. V. Bray, of this city, was in Ridgeway Thursday evening and addressed a representative meeting of business men in the office of Squire McKim, in the interest of the Children's Aid Society. P. H. Bowyer, M. P. P., occupied the chair, and after Dr. Bray had explained the object and workings of the society it was decided by a unanimous vote to organize a branch in Ridgeway. The election of officers was then proceeded with, resulting as follows: President, H. A. Thomas; First Vice-President, P. H. Bowyer, M. P. P.; Second Vice-President, J. G. Little; Secretary, W. B. Graham; Treasurer, B. B. Hunter; Advisory Board, Mrs. P. J. Henry, Mrs. R. R. Lowthian, Mrs. H. A. Thomson, Mrs. P. H. Bowyer, Mrs. John McCulloch, Mr. T. J. Hummel, Mr. John McGregor, Mr. J. C. Smith, Mr. Thomas Craig, Mr. C. A. Dunkley, Mrs. O. K. Wilson, Mrs. B. St. John, Mrs. W. H. MacKinnon, Mrs. W. N. Little and Mrs. J. S. Dilliot.

It was decided to hold the first meeting of the branch society in the Public Library rooms on Tuesday afternoon next at 4.30 o'clock.

LARGER CROSSING

Likely to be the Outcome of the In-
spection by Civic and Rail-
road Officials

Yesterday afternoon Mayor Cowan, Alderman Austin and solicitor M. Wilson, representing the city; President Kipp and solicitor Edwin Bell, representing the Chatham & Walburg electric road, and Engineer Croxley, representing the G. T. R., viewed the latter company's Queen street and William street crossings. The inspection was for the purpose of deciding upon the most advisable method for the electric road to cross the steam railway company's tracks. The G. T. R. has insisted that to cross under the prevailing conditions would be highly dangerous. The crossing is a much travelled one, as the recent tests have shown—an ordinary day's traffic consisting of about fifteen hundred foot passengers and nearly as many vehicles. In addition to this, the close proximity of the agent's house obscures the view.

At the interested parties had suggestions to offer, but the one received most favorably and likely to be acted upon was the proposition to take half of the lot now occupied by the agent's residence and widen the Queen street crossing over which the electric road would go. The trees would be taken off the remainder of the lot, thus reducing the danger and making an inviting looking plot, such as occur at other street intersections throughout the city.

LORODORA CHARMS ALL

Exquisite Production of the
Incomparable Musical
Comedy at Grand

A Large and Delightful Audience—
Other Star Attractions to Follow
Almost Immediately

Well done, Manager Brisco. The unanimous and enthusiastic verdict of an attendance which packed the Grand from pit to gallery last evening paid tribute to the enterprise and energy of the local management in securing one of the finest attractions that has ever graced the Maple City stage. More than that, the happy announcement is authoritative made that charming "Florodora" is to be succeeded by the captivating "Isle of Spice" next Monday evening, while the long-looked-for "Isle of Bong Bong" is now billed for Tuesday, October 3. Devotees of the Thespian arts are naturally jubilant and the productions and patronage of the season of 1905-6 bid fair to eclipse all predecessors.

Again, well done, Mr. Brisco. Few Chathamites had not heard and admired the variegated charms of the Florodora music; still less had not heard charmed the charms of the Florodora girls, their exquisite costumes, their consummate grace, the rhythm of their movement and dance. But last evening they greeted them for the first time in their own city and everyone fell under the spell. Maple City audiences are reputed as cold, but Florodora thawed them out. Applause throughout was spontaneous and unstinted—and well deserved.

On the whole production nought but the highest praise is due. The scenic effects were magnificent; the costumes—ask of the discerning feminine instinct concerning any of the alluring, mystic, fascinating creations so perfectly worn! The music—Florodora carried its own orchestra, supplemented by the Opera House players, and the music was excellent. Add to all this the strength of an all-star cast—the pompous Giffain, the gallant Donegal, the formidable "Tweedledee," the charming Delores, the captivating widow Holyrod and the vivacious typewriter Estelle and some thirty others—and there is little wonder that the immense audience was delighted, enthused and filled with praise.

Keep up the good work, Mr. Brisco.

"ISLE OF SPICE"

The supreme musical comedy, B. C. Whitney's "Isle of Spice" Co., which is the original production, company and orchestra, comprising 75 people, which is exactly the same cast that played the Detroit Opera House one week, opening this season there, and the same company that played 200 performances in Chicago, 150 performances in Boston and 100 performances in New York. The entire production will be here, handsomely gowned, richly staged, perfectly presented and cleverly acted, on Monday evening, September 25th.

GARD OF THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Moody wish to thank their friends for their sympathy and many acts of kindness during their late bereavement. They wish also to thank the G. T. R. employees for their beautiful floral tribute.

MONARCHY OR REPUBLIC.

Portion of Norwegian Press Would Let the People Decide. Karlstad, Sept. 22.—The Swedish and Norwegian commissioners met last night in joint conference after holding separate conferences during the day.

The joint conference lasted nearly four hours and was then adjourned until to-day.

Several Norwegian newspapers oppose an offer of the throne to Prince Charles of Denmark. They demand that the people of Norway be given an opportunity to express their choice between a monarchy and a republic.

License Amendment Promised. Toronto, Sept. 22.—The revision of the license law is one of the important matters under consideration of the Government for the work of the next session. This was the intimation made by Hon. W. J. Hanna to a deputation from the Temperance and Moral Reform Committee of the Methodist Church which waited on him yesterday. The Government, he said, would be true to its pledge to the temperance people. They asked for some amendments to perfect the restrictive features of the act. Special restrictions in New Ontario were asked for. The pool and cigarette clauses were also discussed in general way and the conference lasted about an hour.

Famine in Andalusia. Madrid, Sept. 22.—Despatches from the family districts of Andalusia say that entire trains of emigrants are leaving to embark for South America. Many families are abandoning their homes and farms. The press is urging the Government to adopt energetic measures against emigration to America.

WILL ACCEDE TO DEMAND

Windsor & Essex Electric
Road Will Defer to
Wishes of Harvey St.
Residents

Road Officials Met With Railway
Committee Last Night and
Agree to do so

The Railway committee of the City Council, composed of Ald. Austin, Marshall, Potter, Edmondson and King, together with Mayor Cowan, met C. J. Leggett, solicitor for the Windsor & Essex electric road, last night. The meeting was for the purpose of passing upon the objections of the residents of Harvey street, to the granting of a franchise to the road with running rights over that street.

After much discussion pro and con the meeting reached the conclusion that, if the company would, put in "girders" rails and steel poles and would move any objectionable or heavy freight between midnight and six a. m. there would be no objection to granting them the franchise they ask, always provided they execute an agreement satisfactory to the city solicitor.

Before telling Mr. Leggett definitely that such an agreement would be unobjectionable the committee thought it wise to lay the situation before the protesting ratepayers of Harvey and Lacroix streets. This will be done at once at a meeting to be called for that purpose. If these ratepayers then withdraw their objections in all likelihood the franchise will be granted on those terms.

THEIR THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. John Richmond, of concession 6, Dover, desire to extend their appreciation and gratitude to their many friends and neighbors for kindnesses extended in the hour of their sad bereavement through the drowning of their son David Delbert Richmond from the steamer "City of Chatham" recently.

KEY MISSING

Has This Any Significance in Con-
nection With the Mayor-School
Board Embroglio

It appears that it has been customary to keep the key to the office of the Public School Board hanging on a nearby nail in Harrison Hall. This is what might be called the "open door" policy. The key, however, no longer rests in its accustomed place. Since yesterday it has disappeared.

The friends and supporters of Mayor Cowan in his present embroglio with the School Board, exchange significant glances and advance the query whether this has any relation to the alleged refusal of Chairman Morley to produce the Board's books for inspection. Supporters of the School Board, on the other hand, treat the matter lightly.

When seen this morning concerning his alleged refusal to produce the School Board's books for Mayor Cowan's inspection, Chairman Morley said he had nothing to say—other than that he was not the secretary of the Board (and had nothing to do with the books).

IS COMING

Definite Assurance That Minister of
Agriculture Will Open Fair

Henry Robinson, Esq., Secretary W. Kent Agricultural Society, Chatham, Ont.:

Dear Sir,—With reference to the Minister's attendance at your Fair on the 27th inst., I am directed to say that Mr. Monteith expects to leave Windsor on the morning of that day by the southern division of the Grand Trunk and will arrive at Chatham before noon.

Your Obedient Servant,
W. M. B. VAILLY,
Minister's Secretary.
Toronto Sept. 21st, 1905.

SAD DEATH

A very sad death took place in the Public General Hospital, when Little Freda Dorothy, youngest and beloved daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Capman, aged two years, three months and twenty-two days, passed peacefully away. Little Freda was exceptionally bright and beloved by all who knew her.

The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon at three o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Capman have the sympathy of a large circle of relatives and friends in their sad bereavement.

Lots of good ten cent Cigars, but only one best—the Lord Lake.

Ladies and Gents...

If you are going to paper
any of your walls or use Wall-
paper of any kind just please
listen a moment.

Did you ever think that a firm
twenty years in the business
could give you some pointers on
what to use and what not to use
on your rooms? Did you ever
think that a firm who has made
a success of the Wallpaper busi-
ness should know paper shades
and patterns to use on your
rooms. Did you ever think that
there is such a firm in Chatham
(one) where you can get this ex-
perience for the asking without
cost. It is surely worth some-
thing as experience is a great
teacher. Now we ask you to
bring the size of your rooms to
us and we will fix them up to
suit any one that has good taste
and will give you value for your
money and satisfy you with a
good selection of reasonable
goods. Our Fall stock is now in
shape for your benefit

WHY NOT BUY AT THE BEST PLACE

**SULMAN'S
BEEHIVE** King and
Sixth Sts.



YOUR shoe money
may be limited to
a dollar and a half
or it may reach the six
dollar mark—that is your
business, you know what
you ought to pay. What
is our business is to see
that you get your money's
worth whatever you pay.

We Do...

OUR FOOTWEAR
is honest and thoroughly
well made in every detail.
And we have so large a
stock that any taste can
be quickly pleased. May
we not please yours?

Geo. W. Cowan
CHATHAM.

Minard's Liniment Cures Burns, etc