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**SPECIAL NOTICE!**  
This Store Until Further Notice will be Closed at Nine O'clock Every Saturday Night.

## For The Last Two January Days !!

For the last two days in January, to wind up our years business with a rush, and just prior to our entering stock, we offer you great shopping inducements. You cannot afford to miss these—you'll be sorry if you do.

### Ladies' Coats, Half Price

For Wednesday and Thursday we offer our entire stock of Ladies' Tweed Coats at half price. Stop and think what this means to you:—

\$10.00 Coats \$5.00.  
\$12.00 Coats \$6.00.  
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### Handkerchiefs 3 for 25c

20 dozen of 'em, Irish embroidered, hemstitched, Swiss embroidered and pure linen hemstitched plain, worth regular 12½c and 15c each, on sale Wednesday and Thursday at

**2 for 25c**

### Cashmere Gloves 18c

Ladies' All-wool Black Cashmere Gloves, long wrists, extra quality, at 25c a pair, on sale for

**18 cents**

### Bleached Sheet 22c

Bleached Sheet, 2 yards wide, good round, strong, even weave, regular value 30c a yd. on sale Wednesday and Thursday at a yard

**22 cents**

### Fur Ruffs \$4.95

50 in. long, 7 and 8 in. wide, trimmed with 6 tails, made of splendid quality Columbia Sable and Isabella Coon, an excellent bargain at \$8.00, on sale Wednesday and Thursday at

**\$4.95**

### Dress Goods 25c

For Wednesday and Thursday we place on sale 20 pieces of Dress Goods including twill suitings and tweeds, in good colors and good weights, worth up to 75c a yd., (none were under 50c) on sale for a yard

**25 cents**

### Bed Spreads 98c

White Honey Comb Bed Spreads the nice soft kind that wash easy, full double bed size and woven in very neat designs, regular value \$1.25, on sale Wednesday and Thursday at

**98 cents**

### Shaker Flannel 8c

33 inch Plain Shaker, in white, pink and sky, regularly sold at 10c and more, on sale special at

**8 cents**

### Blankets at \$2.69

White Wool Blankets, fine soft fluffy finish, pink and blue borders, size 60x80 inches, a good blanket for \$3.50, on sale Wednesday and Thursday at

**\$2.69**

### Curtain Ends 25c

Mill Samples Curtain Ends, fine white Nottingham lace, in an immense variety of designs 2 yards long, on sale Wednesday and Thursday at

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## PROTECTION FOR PUBLIC

**Ald. Austin Brings Up Important Matter Re Railway Crossing**

### ROUTINE OF COUNCIL

At the beginning of the present year, Mayor Stone announced that he intended to have short, business-like Council meetings. For a time last night, it looked very much as if this resolution had been made only to be broken at the first opportunity, but it must be said, to the Mayor's credit, that his firm heel was effectively brought down, with no inconvenience or harm to anyone concerned, and as a result the aldermen were enabled to close the meeting at twenty minutes to eleven with the gratifying feeling that they had in no way neglected their duty.

The meeting was a busy one, there being many matters up for consideration. Thomas Keys complained that he was over-assessed. He wanted no rebate, but he did not want it to occur again. The matter was referred to the Finance committee to draw the matter to the attention of the assessors.

### A NEW STREET.

Ald. Westman presented a plan of the McKeeugh estate showing a new avenue which he wished to open up parallel to McKeeugh avenue. It is to be called Stone avenue, and according to the plan it would be 55 feet wide.

Ald. Westman moved the plan be accepted by the Council and the motion passed.

Ald. Austin then arose and expressed regret that the motion was pushed through so hurriedly. He thought the matter should have been referred to a committee. This appealed to him as a more regular course.

Ald. Kerr—The statute says the streets should be 66 feet wide. This is the result of the superior wisdom of the men who compiled the statute. The plan calls for a street 55 feet wide. This, I think, should be investigated.

Ald. Westman—There are many streets which are not as wide as the statute calls for. I think it is important to the city that this plan should be accepted.

The Mayor also thought that the matter should go through as requested, in the interests of the city. The opening up of a new street is an important matter, and just what we want at the present time.

It was moved, however, that the matter be reconsidered and that the question be referred to the engineer and brought up again by the Board of Works.

Mrs. Charles Terry complained of her assessment. Referred to Finance. Jeff Thompson wanted his name added to the list of constables. A by-law will be prepared.

Several requests to trim trees were referred to the Chief of Police.

### HYDRANTS MIS-USED.

The Chief of the fire department objected to contractors using the fire hydrants. Two of the hydrants were frozen after being thus used and others were not properly shut off.

The contractors get a permit from the Water Commissioners.

The matter will be referred to the Water Commissioners and they will be requested to discontinue the practice.

### FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT.

Fire Chief Richard Pritchard presented his half-yearly report, in which he stated that there were 28 alarms loss of \$1,957. There are 2,500 feet of good hose in the department and 600 feet that cannot be relied upon. He recommended that 200 feet of hose be purchased and that steps be taken to place the alarms on three circuits instead of one, as they are at present.

In reference to the last clause Ald. Potter said the system at present is bad and cannot be depended upon to send in the right alarms. The fault cannot be located except by an expert. He had wired to the Northern Electric Company to send an expert to look over the system. It was urgent to get it fixed at once. He wanted his action ratified by the Council.

### POOR ALARM SYSTEM.

The Mayor—I don't think the city should pay the expenses of this expert. The system was installed by this company, and it has never worked right. We are continually receiving inquiries about the working of the system and in each case we have sent a favorable answer. The other day we got an inquiry from Belle-ville. The Chief answered me, and I told him he could not conscientiously recommend the system. I would like to meet the company with the chairman of the Property committee and settle the matter.

Ald. Potter explained that he was not asking for the payment of the expert's expenses. He merely wished his action in sending for the expert ratified.

A communication from A. Craekle, who wished to sell a lot in the Maple Leaf Cemetery, was referred to the Parks and Cemetery committee. The Toronto World wished to send on a man to write up Chatham, giving

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## Removal Of Mr. And Mrs. Malott A Distinct Loss To The City

Popular Chatham Pastor Receives A Unanimous Call To The Colbourne St. Methodist Church London—Change To Be Effected In June

At a meeting of the Quarterly Board of the Colbourne street Methodist church, London, last night, it was unanimously decided to extend a call to Rev. F. E. Malott, of the Victoria avenue Methodist church of this city.

Mr. Malott has been pastor of Victoria avenue church for the past four years, and his congregation had in vain made an effort to secure special legislation for another year's stay. He goes to London highly recommended.

The change will take effect at the end of next June.

The London church is receiving in Mr. Malott one of the most earnest and capable pastors who ever occupied a pulpit in Chatham. He is a young man, progressive, industrious and exceptionally clever. He is a gold medalist of the Toronto Normal school, gold medalist of the Art Department of the Toronto University, and also gold medalist of Victoria University.



REV. F. E. MALOTT

Capable Young Pastor Who Will Go To London In June.

commended by all who know him, and the Board felt that they were making no mistake in extending a unanimous call.

Dr. Daniels' position in the matter was a rather peculiar one. He has been with Colbourne street for nearly three years now, and had accepted an invitation to stay a fourth. It appears, however, that he had promised the people of Park street church, Chatham, that he would go there on the expiration of his term here.

In the meantime Mr. Rutledge, of Park street, received the call to the First Methodist church, London; thus leaving no other alternative to Dr. Daniels than to come to Chatham and take the church to which he had promised his services. The trustees of Colbourne street church are loath to part with Dr. Daniels, but they feel that under the circumstances no other course can be taken.

Mr. Malott has been pastor here for four years and he holds the record for preaching to packed congregations at every service in his church. During the four years his congregation has nearly doubled in membership and is now on a thoroughly organized basis.

Mrs. Malott has been very popular during her stay in the city and has taken an active interest not only in the work of Victoria avenue church, but in the benevolent work of the city. She has been during her entire stay a member of the Advisory Board of the Kent County Children's Aid Society. Her departure will be regretted by her many friends, especially by the congregation with which she has immediately associated.

In the departure of Mr. and Mrs. Malott, not only the Victoria avenue church, but also the city of Chatham sustains a severe loss.

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

Many a good deed has died in intention for lack of a little appreciation.

## TO HELP SCHOOLS

Important Announcement Is Made By Premier Whitney In The Legislature

Toronto, Jan. 23.—An important educational pronouncement has been made by the Prime Minister. It had been found that there were not sufficient properly qualified teachers, and that this condition was likely to prevail until the opening of the new Normal schools; moreover, it was evident that considerable difficulty would arise in working out the provisions of the law as to increased salaries dependent upon the assessments which varied very much.

"For these reasons," declared Mr. Whitney, "we think it best to make certain changes in the law."

The changes were briefly enumerated as follows:

The minimum grant of \$200 per annum by the township to each school will be retained.

An unconditional grant of \$15 per annum will be made to each section.

A grant will be made for the purposes of equipment and accommodation.

A grant of 40 per cent. will be made on the excess of all salaries above \$200 and up to \$600.

This, the Prime Minister pointed out, would mean an appropriation of \$60,000 for equipment and accommodation; \$80,000 for the \$15 appropriation to each school; and \$240,000 for the appropriation of 40 per cent. on salaries over \$300, a total of \$380,000.

"This," said Mr. Whitney, "is an increase of \$262,000 over the \$118,000 paid to Public schools during the last year of the late Government."

—Government applause.

They that are serious in ridiculous matters will not be serious in serious affairs.

The trouble about a good time is that people seldom agree on what it is.

## THE FAMINE IN CHINA

May Become A Grave Danger By Her Hunger Conditions

### MILLIONS SUFFERING

Washington, Jan. 29.—Mail reports from American consular officers in China, which reached the State Department yesterday regarding the famine and the resulting conditions, still further confirm the stories of suffering and hardship among the people in the districts affected.

Consul Haynes at Nanking says that the famine is ten times worse than anything known in that part of the empire for the past 40 years. The Chinese officials, he says, upon information given him by the viceroy, admit their inability to cope with the situation. The Government is trying to help the starving people to keep their cattle, and to this end is taking their oxen and buffaloes in pawn for two taels each, keeping them thus until next spring, when it will return them.

Humane For Quid Pro Quo. Consul-General Haynes declares that whatever aid may be extended by this Government in the present crisis will certainly do much to dispel the ill-feeling recently aroused by the boycott, the Exclusion Act, etc.

Consul-General Rodgers at Shanghai says an enquiry which he has made through private sources affords the general conclusions that the famine will, by March 1, be regarded as severe and perhaps more so than that of 1878, by which it is thought 10,000,000 lives were lost.

The report of Mr. Rodgers is accompanied by a statement by Dr. Henry M. Woods of the Southern Presbyterian Mission at Hwainanfu, who estimates that 10,000,000 are affected by the famine, four millions of whom are starving. He says that at present more than 500,000 refugees are at Taikiangpu huddled in mat sheds, and that the pitiful sight is daily witnessed of parents offering their children for sale at from \$2 to \$4 each. Brigandage and robbery, he adds, are everywhere rife.

Border On Actual Rebellion. Mr. Rodgers declares that the influence of the famine conditions upon current affairs can now be plainly seen in the unrest and discontent of the people. From many places, he says, comes news of riots of greater or less degree, while in Kansai, a state bordering on actual rebellion, is on. So serious has the situation become that a goodly portion of the available military force is now in the field.

Mr. Rodgers concludes: "My deliberate opinion is that the next few months will see the development of dangerous things in this part of China, and that such conditions and circumstances will have a great effect upon foreign interests, political as well as commercial."

"China's new year, which, luckily, falls late this year, being in the second week of February, is watched with no small degree of uneasiness."

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