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FANCY LINENS

We have just received a shipment of choice designs in Fancy Linens, comprising Five o'Clock Covers, Tray Cloths, Carving Cloths and Centre Pieces. These came in the regulation quality of Pure Irish Linen with hemstitched borders. Many of them with hand drawn work border inside the hemstitching. Others have elaborate corners none in hand drawn work, and some of them are embroidered as well. They have been greatly admired by those who have seen them and many sales have already been made. These goods came to us direct from the makers,

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IMMENSE POSSIBILITIES IN THE TILBURY OIL FIELD

Mail and Empire Staff Correspondent Contributes A Resume Of The Work Already Done—Ohio Operators Getting Fresh Start—Chatham the Centre

The following article on the Tilbury oil fields was written by a staff representative of the Toronto Mail and Empire, who, during a recent trip through this section of the country, went over the Tilbury oil fields, and in his paper gives the following information gathered as a result of his visit:

"A year or so ago the Leamington district sprang into notoriety as an oil country. Boring for gas at Wheatley, a small place to the east of Leamington, a company struck oil. There are shrewd and enterprising men in and around Leamington, and as soon as it became known that there was an oil field in the vicinity they lost no time in securing leasehold of all the likely land possible and immediately the boom began. Men hurried thither from all parts of the United States and all sorts of money was available for development. The oil region was north of Leamington and that town became the centre from which operations were directed. Those who were there at the beginning of the excitement speak of the very animated life of the place, and it can easily be imagined the lively interest so great a discovery would arouse. The country was overrun by operators in quest of locations, drills were piercing the earth in many places and wells 'came in' that drew up from 500 to 1,000 barrels a day, and for a long time oil was king in Essex County. There were many, however, who had doubts of the permanency of the flow, holding that the deposit struck was pocketed and would not sustain the production shown at first. Still oil flowed out and money flowed in, and the Leamington district rejoiced in its growing worth, and was rejoiced in believing itself to be the greatest oil region in Canada. Certainly there was reason for this. Not only did the oil flow abundantly, but it was of superior quality, equalling any oil ever found in the United States, and far surpassing that produced in the Southwestern States. It was high in gasoline and other by-products, which more than paid for the refining, while the refined oil rated as the best quality. But while the Merseia oil fields enriched many and continued to produce profitably, many of the wells fell off, which gave those who inclined to the belief that the deposit struck was a pocket, the opportunity to justify themselves.

OPERATORS ACTIVE.

"But while there was a disappointment falling off in the volume of oil produced, there was little diminution in the activity of the operators, who reasoned that if so much oil could be found in Merseia, where the stratified oil-bearing sand associated with met with only at intervals, there must be somewhere, not very distant

FOUR DEATHS IN RIDGETOWN

The Passing of Christopher Welch, Mrs. Connor and Annie Backus

TAKEN HOME FOR BURIAL

Ridgetown, Aug. 28. — Death has claimed another old and respected resident of Ridgetown, in the person of Christopher Welch, who was in his 78th year.

Deceased came to this country from England with his wife, who survives him, many years ago, and was well and favorably known throughout the community. Thus the few remaining pioneers are being removed by death.

A particularly sad death occurred at the family residence, David St., last night, when Edna Palmer, beloved wife of Mr. Lawrence O'Connor, passed away at the early age of 25 years. A family of three small children are left without the mother's guiding hand. The funeral takes place at 9.30 Thursday, service in St. Michael's Church, interment on Roman Catholic Cemetery, 7th concession, Howard.

Annie Backus, Harold street, died yesterday, after an illness extending over fifteen months, aged 49 years. Deceased moved here from Orford about four years ago. She is survived by a sister and two brothers, James O. Ridgetown; John T. Butte City, Mich.; and Walter S. River Rouge, Mich. The funeral will take place tomorrow at 11 a. m., to Trinity Church Cemetery, Howard.

The remains of Miss Linda Hufmel, who died at Sibirque, New Mexico Thursday, were brought here yesterday, and the funeral took place at Greenwood cemetery, Ridgetown. Deceased, who was but 19 years of age, was an exceptionally clever young lady when at school and her death caused a severe shock to her friends here.

A BOWLING TOURNAMENT

The Canada Bowling Club Will Hold One In Toronto Labor Day

CHATHAM MEN INVITED

The following letter is self-explanatory:

To the Editor of The Planet:

The Canada Bowling Club, of which I happen to be a member, are very anxious to have a representative from your town at their tournament, starting Sept. 1st, and have asked me to forward you the enclosed notice with a request that it be inserted in your valued columns.

Thanking you in advance, believe me,

Yours fraternally,
J. B. HAY,
Sporting Editor of The News.
Toronto, August 27th, 1906.

The Canada Bowling Club, the membership of which includes some of Toronto's most representative bowlers, are holding a big tournament on Saturday, Sept. 1st, extending over Labor Day, and succeeding days, and it is expected that the event will be the largest ever held in the city.

The program will consist of a Primary Competition, Consolation, Scotch Doubles and Singles, and in all 24 prizes will be distributed as follows:

Primary Competition — Trophy prize and eight individual prizes for the winners and runners up.

Consolation — Eight individual prizes for the winners and runners up.

Doubles — Four individual prizes for winners and runners up.

Singles — Prizes for first three players.

The prizes are handsome and valuable.

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THE PARK TO BE IMPROVED

Contractors Are At Work Repairing Piling Along The River

WILL BE LASTING WORK

A vast improvement in the appearance of the point of Tecumseh Park will be noted when the workmen have completed the piling and concreting. Piles will be driven down to such a distance that the tops will be two feet below the surface of the water. The concrete facing will be built on top of this making a substantial and ornamental protection to this beautiful spot, which will last for generations to come. This was the work which was advocated by Mr. Herb Clements, Kent's energetic young member. The construction of the facing is in the hands of R. Riddell & Sons. Ex-Ald. John Liddy is in charge, and the work is being supervised by the government engineers.

Ald. William Stone, chairman of the Parks Committee of the City Council, has secured the consent of Government Engineer Lamb to have the words "TECUMSEH PARK" moulded in the concrete on the point of the park. He also hopes to gain consent to have the facing run 200 feet up the river. The interior will be set off with flower beds, and the ground sodded up to a level with the concrete work.

WILL FIND OLD RELICS

Workmen On Old Market Building To Make Some Discoveries

HISTORIC CORNER STONE

The interior partitions are now nearly all torn down in the old market hall, and the workmen will tomorrow commence the work of taking down the bell from the tower at the rear. This will likely prove quite an undertaking, as the old bell weighs in the neighborhood of two tons. The date on it shows that it was cast in the year 1876. When the building is renovated the bell will be placed in a tower to the fore of the building.

The front wall has now been torn out part way down and it is expected that in a couple of days the corner stones will be reached. The workmen expect a couple of finds when these are reached, as it is understood that some pieces of gold and old newspapers were placed in the corner stone when it was laid. No one is just sure as to which side the corner stone is located. Some of the older residents may be able to enlighten the workmen on this point.

The relics, when unearthed, may be exhibited in some of the local men's club's windows. They would prove quite an attraction.

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IMPROVEMENTS BEING MADE TO TOWN OF WALLACEBURG

Town Council Has Decided To Pave Main Business Street—Board of Trade Earnestly Working For A New Flour Mill—Church Renovations

A short visit to Wallaceburg, made by a representative last evening, revealed the fact that in spite of the unfortunate happenings in that place recently, in the shape of fires, the town is going ahead at a remarkable rate, and everywhere there are evidences of progressiveness and enterprise.

Wallaceburg has one of the chief essentials of an up-to-date and enterprising town—a wide awake and hustling mayor. Mr. Stonehouse, besides being one of the largest and most successful business men of the place, is a booster for his town, and the results are everywhere in evidence.

A meeting of the town council was held Monday evening when several matters relating to the growth and advancement of Wallaceburg were discussed, and the Mayor asked the Planet that they will all be acted upon. One of the principal moves, which is indicative of the progressive spirit, is the decision of the council to pave the main business thoroughfare. This question was thoroughly discussed at the meeting Monday night, when a petition, sufficiently signed, was presented, to put down a bituminous pavement on James street from the north bridge to Hill's property. The petition was acted upon, and a special meeting of the council will be held next Monday night to complete the proceedings for this pavement.

At this meeting the matter of establishing a waterworks system will be brought up for action. It is proposed to build a system which will provide all the residents and factory men with sufficient water to supply their needs, and there is no doubt that the scheme will go through without one dissenting voice.

The new Carnegie Library, towards which Mr. Carnegie has subscribed \$10,000 is already in the course of construction, and the foundation is now almost completed. It will be an imposing structure, and will add very materially to the appearance of the Wallaceburg buildings. Mr. Piper, of this city, is the architect who has the work in hand.

The Roman Catholic church is at present undergoing several improvements, and when these are completed Wallaceburg will have one of the most modern churches to be found anywhere. The inside of the church is being newly decorated. Fifteen pictures are being painted on the ceiling and walls, the cost of each picture to be \$100. The total expense which will be incurred in the renovations will be about \$5,000. Two Italian artists, direct from Italy, have been secured to do the work. Father Brady, the pastor of the church, deserves great credit for his enterprise in securing this work. In addition to the painting, 1,000 incandescent lights are being installed in the edifice. The whole work will be completed about the first of October.

Wallaceburg's greatest drawback back at the present time is the fact that they have no grist mill and no elevator in the town. They are now positively unable to accommodate the farmers who have always patronized the town in bringing in

grain. This state of affairs has been occasioned by the recent fires, when the grist mill and the elevator were totally destroyed. The problem of a flour mill is one which the town has to face, and the remedy must come in a very short time, or the effects will be felt by the merchants and citizens.

At present the trade is all going to Chatham, and the outlying places around Wallaceburg, of which Turville is the chief. The mills in these outside places are doing a wonderful business and are working night and day to supply their increased patronage. It is a boon to them, but Wallaceburg is suffering as a result of it. A meeting of the Board of Trade, and retailers will be held in Wallaceburg at an early date when the matter of a grist mill will come up for discussion. It is thought that the town would be willing to offer great inducements to any mill man who will locate in the town. Wallaceburg has one good feature in her wide-awake and industrious Board of Trade. In this respect the Maple City could well afford to take a lesson from her smaller neighbor. Much of the industry and prosperity of Wallaceburg is directly due to the splendid efforts of the Board of Trade, and there is not a city in the country that can afford to be without an institution of this kind—that is if the prevailing spirit of the community is to be for "building up."

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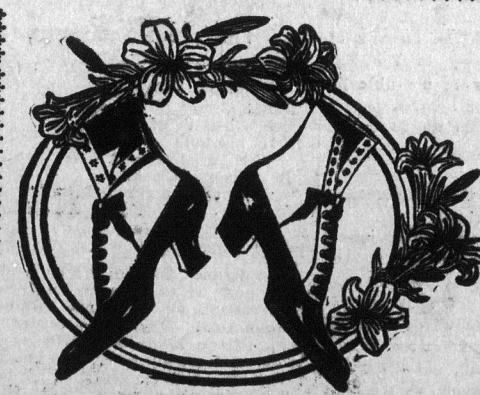
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