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GREAT SHOWING —OF— NEW DRESS GOODS

Not quite by the carload but in variety so immense that you can have no difficulty in selecting your Spring Suit or Dress. Correct tones, correct weaves, everything is correct about our New Dress Goods, and most correct of all is the price. Prices of fine woollen goods are much higher than for the past few seasons, but by anticipating our needs we can offer you better values than ever.

Fine Venetians, Chiffon Broads, and Box Cloths, 42 in. to 54 in. wide, in all the desirable shades for Spring Suits, in splendid values at a yard, \$2.00, \$1.50, \$1.00, 75c and **50c**
Silk and Wool Eolennes 44 in. wide, in exquisite shades of Navy, Brown, Mauve, Alice Blue, Reseda, Tan, Mode, Black, Cream, etc., very correct for afternoon and reception gowns, regular value \$1.00 a yard—very special at a yard **75c**
All wool Tweeds and Worsteds in the new Grey and Pastel shades, very correct for the new suits, by the yard and in exclusive suit lengths, extra values at 50c. to **\$1.50**

TWO DRESS MAKING DEPTS.

Our Dress Making Department under the management of Madam Skirving is now open. All orders will receive careful attention and be turned out promptly.

Owing to the large increase in our Dress Goods sales during the past three seasons, we found it necessary to add a second Dress Making Department to our store. This department is now for the second season under the management of Miss Wright, whose work has proved eminently satisfactory to all our customers. You run no risk in leaving your orders with her—we guarantee satisfaction.

THOS. STONE & SON

Carpets and Wall Papers

ONE MORE UNFORTUNATE

"Near a Whole City Full
Home She Has
None"

A PHILANTHROPIST BUSY

John Walden, better known as Barney, was playing the part of philanthropist yesterday. He called at the Police Station and tried to interest the police in getting up a petition to assist Mrs. Inches, of Harwich, to build a new home. He evidently got mixed in the wrong place. The Police Court is generally the medium through which homes are destroyed rather than built up.

Mr. Walden, however, was working in a good cause, and one which should be helped along by everyone who is solicited for a donation. Mrs. Inches is an aged colored woman who owns a farm of about one and a half acres in the third concession in Chatham Township. James Findlay, a colored man, works the farm and manages to eke out a living for himself and Mrs. Inches. They live—or rather lived—in a double house; Mrs. Inches occupying one half and Mr. Findlay the other.

Last Sunday night the house caught fire from the stove in Findlay's part and before the flames could be extinguished the house was a mass of ruins. Mr. Walden came along early in the morning and found that nothing was saved from the house. All of Mrs. Inches' clothing, with the exception of one dress, was burned. Barney has a tender heart and it was greatly touched when he saw the poor old woman turned out in the cold with no roof to protect her from the winter's wild blasts, and hence the petition idea.

Mr. Walden was referred to Bar-rister Geo. G. Martin, who is somewhat of a philanthropist himself, and it is expected that the two of them will be out with a petition in the course of a few days. They should meet with a hearty response from citizens generally.

There is always some one around to say, "I told you so" when the unexpected really happens.

A RUSSIAN SUGGESTION

Unexpected and Important
Move by Delegates at
Algiciras

VIEWSOFTHE DELEGATES

Algiciras, March 6.—Yesterday afternoon's sitting of the conference on Moroccan reform was marked by an unexpected and important move on the part of the Russian delegates, who laid before the conference an exposition of the police question. The document, which minutely goes over the existing situation in Morocco, and analyzes the position of the various powers, concludes with an argument for the proposition that France and Spain are the most fit to be entrusted with the task of controlling the police force which is about to be created.

The British, Spanish and Portuguese delegates expressed their concurrence in the Russian views. Italy, however, though inclined to favor the scheme, reserved final approval. Count Von Tattenbach, the junior German delegate; Henry White, the chief of the American delegation, and the delegates of the several neutral powers did not express their views.

Discussion of definite police proposals was postponed until Thursday, while the bank project will be argued on Wednesday.

The French and British delegates to the conference regard yesterday's expressions from the Mediterranean powers as likely to exert great effect on the final vote of the neutrals relative to the policing of Morocco.

BOILER EXPLOSION'S HAVOC.

Goes Through Roof of Building and Travels 200 Yards.
Montreal, March 6.—The brick factory of Joseph Decard Sons & Co., at St. Eustache, was completely demolished Sunday night by a remarkable explosion, the cause of which cannot be determined.

An immense iron cylinder, 60 feet long, used for baking bricks, and weighing many tons, was blown through the roof, and landed in a field 200 yards away. There were over 300 bricks in the cylinder, and these were strewn all along the course taken by the cylinder.

The nightwatchman and his son were alone in the building at the time, the latter having his arm badly twisted and broken. The boiler only showed the customary 85 pounds of steam.

MANY MATTERS DEALT WITH

Council Meeting Last Evening Was Short But Businesslike

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

Ald. Scullard, chairman of Finance, was elected acting Mayor to preside over last night's session of the City Council in the absence of Mayor Marshall, who is in Toronto on business. All the members of the Council were present with the exception of his worship.

The secretary of the Board of Trade wrote asking that the Council grant the use of their chambers in Harrison Hall on March 30 to Prof. J. C. McLehlan of the University of Toronto, on the occasion of his lecturing in this city.

Wm. L. Norton, of Wellsville, N. Y., wrote stating that the Natural Gas Company were prepared to pipe the city for natural gas providing the Council granted them a twenty year franchise. They would have the work completed before September 30, 1906. Referred to Industries.

Five applications were received for remission from dog tax. They were from the following: John O'Hara, Robert Duff, Mrs. W. H. Moore, Mr. Hewitt and Mr. Horning of Head street. All were granted.

The chairman of the Board of Health reported that the petition from Joseph street ratepayers was received, asking for bitulithic pavement. Referred to the City Clerk.

J. H. Bogart wrote stating that he was against the repeal of the early closing by-law.

Copies of the resolutions of the Board of Health to the effect that a proper isolated hospital be established in the city, and that Inspector Mounter receive a grant of \$10 for extra work, were referred to new business.

A report from the Chief of Police stated that the break in the water pipes at the old police station was caused through an early frost which was not anticipated.

Fred. C. Bennett asked for remission of dog taxes.

Notice was given of the action coming up in the sittings of the High Court, in which John Mounter is suing the city for damages to his pipes at the old police station, an alleged defective street.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The Finance committee's report recommended that taxes amounting to \$400 be remitted on the Mahler property on Park street, and that a grant of \$10 be made to the Humane Officer. Adopted.

The chairman of the Board of Works recommended that Blight & Fielder's account for \$17.85 be paid. Adopted.

The Property committee's report recommended that the defective roof of the market verandah be anchored to the wall with 3-4 inch wrought iron rods, and that the costs of the same be charged to Architect Rutley. Adopted.

The chairman of the Railway committee reported progress with the matter of paying between the Pere Marquette's tracks on Head street. The report of the Cemetery committee recommended that a wire fence be placed across Victoria Park near Stanley avenue, as per the request of the ratepayers, and that the liens on the cemetery building be settled. Adopted.

ACCOUNTS.

The following accounts were ordered paid:
Westlake, the photographer, \$6.50.
Powell & Davis, \$18.00.
Planet, \$1.50, 70c.
Bell Telephone Co., \$1.15.
George Heyward, 30c.
J. C. Wanless, 50c.
Pay sheets, \$10.81, \$120.20.
W. M. Drader, \$98.52.
Serling & Kovinsky, \$14.00.
J. L. Wilson & Son, \$22.50.
Serling & Kovinsky, \$17.75.
W. R. Baxter, \$1.30.
Fire department, \$17.20.
Waterworks department, \$14.34, \$130.80.
James A. Oldershaw, \$2.40.
J. & J. Oldershaw, \$9.68.
G. S. Heyward, \$1.58.
Coltart & Wilson, \$142.19.
Park Bros., \$9c, \$1.20.
W. H. Carzwell, \$2.50.
W. R. Baxter, \$5.00.
James A. King, \$20.20.
Planet, \$5.25.
J. H. Oldershaw, \$1.50.
Gibson, the photographer, \$10.75.
G. N. W., 25c.
C. C. I. salaries, \$1,200.
Blight & Fielder, \$30.67.
Chatham News, \$4.80.
A. W. Merritt, \$2.00.
Thomas M. French, \$100.
Board of Health, \$26.71, \$10.38, \$15.35, \$5.62, \$1.62, \$13.00, \$2.85, \$7.00, \$17.00, \$1.30, \$17.71, \$9.75, \$3.00, \$1.00, \$8.00, \$1.50, \$150, \$500, \$93.

HOCKEY

The following men will represent Chatham in the hockey game with Tilbury at the rink to-night.
Goal—Grace.
Point—Cooper.
Cover point—O'Keefe.
Rover—Reech.
Centre—Marrin.
Left wing—Lawson.
Right wing—Wilson.
Referee—E. R. Dromgole.

McDONALD THE BURGLAR

WANTED FOR MANSLAUGHTER

He is Also Said to be the Man Who is Wanted for Grain Stealing' by the Dresden Police Authorities

It is stated, upon good authority, that D. McDonald, the man who comes up at the Spring Assizes this year, charged with burglary, is wanted in Port Huron on a charge of manslaughter.

It is also claimed that he is "Sandy" McDonald, who is wanted by the Dresden police authorities for grain stealing.

Geo. Peters and Edwin Gonyou, of Dresden, are in the city attending court, and they identify him as the man they have been looking for for some time. He is said to be mixed up in the Bodah grain stealing cases, which caused so much trouble some time ago and in which 15 indictments were made by Mr. Douglas, the late Crown Attorney.

McDonald is said to have escaped from jail in Port Huron and also broke out of the Dresden Police Station.

In his trunk he has got several articles said to have been stolen, and for which owners cannot be found. Among these are a watch, bedspread, bedclothing, knives, spoons, forks, tableware etc.—stuff that McDonald could have no use for.

WILL NUMBER CITY HOUSES

Excellent Proposal From
Ald. Edmondson in an
Important Matter

A NEW CITY DIRECTORY

Ald. John Edmondson made a motion at last night's meeting of the City Council which is sure to meet with favor among the ratepayers; to the effect that steps be taken to have all the residences and places of business in the city properly numbered.

Ald. Edmondson brought the matter up under the head of New Business, referring to the agitation made by the city press to have properties on city streets properly numbered. Ald. Edmondson was of the opinion that it was time that something was done along this line. It would be the first step towards free postal delivery in the city, which, he understood, West Kent's bustling Dominion representative, H. S. Clements, M. P., intended to bring up at the next session of the House. In order to present this matter to the other members, the Council should do its part by having the city properly numbered. Mr. Clements was not going to lose any time in bringing the matter up, and the Council should give him every encouragement by first getting things in shape. Anyway, Chatham stood badly in need of numbering on account of its peculiar layout. Another thing which was needed was a good city directory, one that would be reliable.

Ald. Edmondson thought that a directory of the city could be best gotten up by one of the city papers if they would undertake the work. It was moved by Ald. Edmondson, seconded by Ald. Stone, that a committee be appointed to look into the matter and report to the Council later.—Carried.

The acting mayor appointed the committee as follows:—Ald. Edmondson, Austin, Potter, Bensen and Stone.

OTHER MATTERS.

The resolutions presented by the Board of Health, were referred to the Finance committee with power.

Ald. Stone drew attention to a number of errors in the slips advertising the sale of city lands. He feared that such errors might leave cause for confusion to the ratepayers. He moved, seconded by Ald. Massey, that the attention of the city solicitor be drawn to the errors, and his opinion asked in the matter before the sale commenced to-day.—Carried.

A by-law, authorizing the paving of Joseph St. with bitulithic pavement, was introduced, given three readings and finally passed in Council.

THE DOG BYLAW

Applications for remission from dog taxes have been noticeably numerous at the past few meetings of the City Council, and in fact for some time past. Some of the aldermen made remarks about this at last night's meeting.

It is the purpose of the authorities to see that the dog by-law is more strictly enforced during the coming year. The regulations specify every dog-owner in the city must purchase a tag for each canine he owns, otherwise the animal if seen running at large on the streets, may be impounded and shot. Ownerless dogs are all too numerous on the city streets, and the Council's action in seeing that the by-law is lived up to, will be commended by the citizens.

In the spring time you renovate your house. Why not your body? Holister's Rocky Mountain Tea drives out impurities, cleanses and enriches the blood and purifies the entire system. 35 cents.

A. I. McCall & Co.

COUNTY'S SIDE OF QUESTION

Warden Sturgis Talks on
Maintenance of County
Pupils at C. C. I.

WILL SEE IT THROUGH

Warden S. P. Sturgis, of Dresden, is in the city acting on the Grand Jury in connection with the spring assizes. In conversation with a Planet reporter in reference to the dispute on between the County Council and the Collegiate Institute Board re the maintenance of county pupils at the Collegiate, he said:

"The county wants to pay every cent it should pay towards the maintenance of its pupils at the High school. The statute provides for it and says we are obliged to pay only 80 per cent. of such maintenance. We say we will pay that for the past three years and are willing to make an agreement with the city where by we will pay 100 per cent. during the next three years, providing the Board makes ample provision for the accommodation of county pupils at the school.

"This proposition has been refused—at least it has not been accepted by the Board—and that is the way the matter stands at the present time. The city thinks we are not paying enough.

"The whole thing is simply the result of gross misrepresentation on the part of the C. C. I. Board.

"The Board would do well to remember that if they turn the county pupils out of the school, they will not only lose the county grant, but they will lose the Government grant as well. I have a letter from the fact and can produce it if necessary.

"The whole matter is simply this: The C. C. I. Board are kicking because they want us to help bear the expense of the addition which is necessary to build the school, and do not want us to have any interest in such addition—in other words, to make a pure presentation to the city.

"If we did it they could still turn our pupils out at any future time and we could not say a word. If they turn the pupils out as it is, we will look after the pupils all right.

"The C. C. I. Board now want to withdraw the proceedings before Judge Bell. That is their privilege as they entered the proceedings and started this quarrel, but we will not allow the matter to drop. If they withdraw, we will at once enter proceedings against them. The matter has gone so far that we are not going to see it through to the finish and try to induce the Judge to decide which side is in the right."

WILL BE DOINGS

The following from the Huffman's Corners correspondent for this journal, arises out of the decision handed out by the East Kent License Commissioners, as published in last night's Planet:

"If the statement in the papers is true, that the East Kent Commissioners will grant licenses in the township this year, contrary to the wish of the people as expressed by the local option vote, we are quite sure there will be doings by the temperance people, and another local option vote will be asked for at an early date. We understand petitions are already in circulation against any licenses."

Three little rules we all should keep.
To make life happy and bright,
Smile in the morning, smile at noon,
Take Rocky Mountain Tea at night.
A. I. McCall & Co.

A bachelor may be an object of public derision, but a married man usually gets his at home.

REPEAL IS LAID OVER

Ald. Stone is Having Poor
Luck With His By-Law
Amendments

LARGE AUDIENCE ATTEND

Ald. Stone and his Early Closing By-law were the main features of last night's meeting of the City Council. The gallery to the rear of the Chambers was packed with a large delegation of city grocers.

The Early Closing By-law, however, was not in evidence till the evening had worn on considerably. Ald. Stone apparently had no intention of bringing it up either. Ald. Austin's curiosity, however, finally got the best of him, and he inquired of Ald. Stone whether or not he intended bringing on the by-law.

Ald. Stone replied that he had no intention of bringing it up as the Mayor was not present.

Ald. Austin thought that if this were the case, Ald. Stone should have notified the grocers through the papers that he did not intend bringing it up. This would have saved the ratepayers the trouble of coming up to the meeting. Ald. Austin also referred to the meeting when the Liquor By-law was brought up, at which he said the other members of the Council were forced to waste their time to please Ald. Stone's whim. The meeting which had been called specially to take up Ald. Stone's by-law had resulted in nothing, as the alderman had not even brought up the matter.

Ald. Stone said that he didn't think that Ald. Austin was so busy that his time was so valuable as all that. He said that he was the father of the Early Closing By-law, and as such he thought he had the right to say whether it should come up or not. He would bring it up when the whole Council was present and not before then.

Ald. Austin hinted that the petition for last week's special meeting was signed by some of the members of the Council under false pretences, representations being made to them that the balance of the Council were all in favor of calling the meeting. Ald. Austin also intimated that Ald. Stone had a hand in getting up the petition of the repeal of the Early Closing By-law. He said that he had not been given notice of the last special meeting of the City Council.

Ald. Stone—You were so busy we couldn't find you.

Ald. Potter said that the special meeting last week was sprung as a surprise on him too.

Ald. Stone then said that Ald. Potter himself had first introduced the Early Closing By-law, and intimated that he got the petition signed under false pretences.

Ald. Potter—I deny the statement.

Ald. Austin, seconded by Ald. Potter, moved that representatives of the grocers be heard by the Council.

This motion finally carried on the following vote, Ald. Austin calling for the yeas and nays:

Yeas—Austin, Bensen, Potter, Thompson and Scullard.

Nays—Stone, Edmondson, Ridley and Massey.

J. A. Wilson then spoke for some little time on behalf of the grocers, saying that it was the wish of the majority that the by-law should remain as it was. To substantiate his statement he presented a petition signed by 32 out of the 50 city grocers.

Ald. Stone said that the by-law was an injustice to many of the grocers. For instance, grocers along the main street were forced to compete with fruit dealers, who kept their stores open. Ald. Thompson was a fruit dealer who kept his store open after the grocers had closed up.

Yells of "Sit down, Stone," "Don't you do it," and other exclamations of a similar character.

Acting Mayor Scullard—If this meeting is going to degenerate into a free fight why we will have to close this matter here and now. Mr. Wilson's petition was then referred to the City Clerk. The matter will likely come up at the next meeting of the Council.

DEATH'S CALL

Mrs. Agnes Watson, aged 82 years, passed away Saturday at the residence of her son-in-law, Dege street. The deceased lady was highly esteemed by all who knew her. The remains were conveyed to Corunna at 8.55 yesterday morning for interment.

Acknowledge your blunders, but don't talk too much of them.

A SNAP...

...IN...

CUSHION TOPS...

I bought the exclusive control of a line of Cushion Tops when in New York, the greatest snap I ever saw. The top and material to work it for..... **25c.**

We usually sell the top alone for 25c. With this line we throw in the material. We have

Five Beautiful Patterns

And the quantity we have will only last a week. Come early and get your share. This line has been advertised in the Ladies' Home Journal and several other periodicals, and is a great bargain.

SULMAN'S BEEHIVE,

King and Sixth Streets...

P.S.—This is the last ad. we will have in of bargains till after Wall Paper Trade is over. We are going to tell you something about Wall Paper next week. We have the stock and it must be sold.

SULMAN'S BEEHIVE, KING AND SIXTH STS.

YES!

Mistakes that have influenced the lives and fortunes of many have been made by saying Yes when we should have said No. We ask U for your Grocery Order. You will make no mistake in saying

YES!

20 lbs. Granulated Sugar for \$1.00.
1 doz. Cucumber Pickles for 12cts. (spiced).
2 Cans Salmon, 25c.
7 Bars Morse's Best Soap, 25c.
25c Wash Board for 20c.
22 lbs. Best Yellow Sugar for \$1.00.
3 lbs. Prunes for 25c.
1 Tin Sunlight Baking Powder for 10c.
3 10c. Bottles of Extract Vanilla or Lemon, 25c.
100 Boxes of Magic Starch Polish for 8c.
Smoked Shoulders, 12 1/2c in the whole!

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To the lady or gentleman guessing the nearest will be given a pair of our best

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To the school child guessing the nearest will be given a pair of our best school shoes valued at \$2.00

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