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NEW WINDOW SHADES

NEW WALL PAPERS

A Stock of Carpets and Rugs Fit for a City Three Times Our Size

April is the great house furnishing month, and we are ready with the greatest assortment of Carpets and Rugs ever gathered under one roof in Chatham. You will say so too when you see them.

Brussels Carpets

Extra quality 4 frame Brussels Carpets in the new small two tone green effects, also in bolder floral and conventional designs, with borders and stairs to match, very special value at a yard, made and laid.....\$1.10

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Best English Velvet Carpets, guaranteed to give absolute satisfaction, in a splendid range of excellent designs suitable for any style of room, very special value at a yard, made and laid.....\$1.35

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We make and lay carpets on the shortest possible notice and do it right. We would be pleased to call at your home, measure your rooms and windows, and give you estimates on the cost of floor coverings and window shades.

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Manager Chatham Gas Co.
Chatham.

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Sincerely yours,
D. S. PATERSON

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Chatham Gas Co.,
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Of the most attractive weave, selected especially for the coming season's wear, now await your inspection.

Also a full range of

...HOMESPUNS...

for Ladies' Suits, in all the popular shades.

For the next two months the store will be open every Saturday evening from seven till eight o'clock—for one hour only.

The T. H. Taylor Co., Limited

ADVERTISE IN THE PLANET

PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD MEET

Many Matters of Interest
Discussed and Acted
Upon

THE SALARY QUESTION

The Public School Board meeting last evening was short but business-like. The session was not a long one and things were rushed through in swift order. Two of the members were anxious to get away early, and so no time was lost in needless discussions. All of the members were present with the exception of Mr. Drader.

The salary question was again brought up, merely to be laid over until the next meeting of the Board. A by-law was presented at the meeting in connection with this matter containing the schedule of salaries to be adopted, as decided upon at the last meeting of the Board. It was explained that in connection with the salary of Miss Hillman, she would not receive a flat salary of \$700, as some of the trustees thought. The by-law was, it was claimed, drawn up according to the minutes of the last meeting. If the members of the Board wanted an exception made in this case it would be necessary to make the change when the by-law is being passed.

Dr. McKeough expressed the opinion that an exception should be made in this case, but that it would come up at the next meeting of the Board, when it could be rectified.

Mr. Robertson understood from the last meeting that Miss Hillman's salary would be \$700, and he thought that this was the decision at the time. "You know," said he, "we never used to have trouble on this Board. Everything used to go along smoothly, but I know that as soon as a lawyer got on the Board the trouble would commence."

A special meeting of the Board may be called to deal with the salary question. Chairman Morley, of the Heating committee, reported progress in the matter of heating. The McKeough school managers were given power to make certain repairs to the roof of the school. Inspector Park's salary was increased \$50, giving him now a salary of \$450 per year. Mr. Park has been a most efficient official, and the Board thought that it was only fitting that in view of the increases made to the teachers recently, that the inspector should not be overlooked. Several members of the Board took occasion to speak in very high terms of the past work of the Inspector.

The Telephone Company will be instructed to remove the telephone which is now in the Secretary's office.

A communication was received from the Public School Board of Peterboro asking what salaries are paid to the teachers in Chatham. The matter was referred until the salary by-law is finally passed.

The report of the proceedings of the meeting of the Provincial Public and High School Trustees' Association was received and filed. The chairman referred it to Mr. Morley to read to himself.

The committee appointed to interview the Water Commissioners in reference to getting a special water rate, reported that they had met the Water Board, but were unable to get what they desired. The Commissioners, however, suggested that they could get a better rate by installing a water metre. This has already been done, and the metre is now doing service in the school. The action of the committee was approved of by the Board. They were complimented for their promptness in the matter.

The Finance committee's report was presented and passed. It recommended the payment of many accounts—for the Central school, \$1,027.79; McKeough school, \$459.94; Kindergarten Central, \$213.13; Kindergarten McKeough, \$111.96; general account, \$209.62; fuel account, \$66.70; Model school account, \$1.85. The Inspector's report for the month of March contained the following information: The following are the totals for attendance for the month of March: McKeough school—Enrolled 395, average 364, percentage 92. Central school—Enrolled 827, average 741, percentage 90. Kindergarten—Enrolled 164, average 127, percentage 77. Total—Enrolled 1386, average 1,232, percentage 89. March, 1905—Enrolled 1381, average 1216, percentage 88. The enrollment is 22 less and the average 20 less than for February. The enrollment is, however, 5 more and the average 6 more than for March, 1905. The falling off of attendance for March from that of February is 7 at McKeough school and 15 at the Central, or the same percentage for each school, and is due to the very cold weather of March.

I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
ROBERT PARK,
Inspector.
The Board then adjourned.

ERIEAU--THE POPULAR RESORT WILL OPEN EARLY THIS YEAR

The Waters Are All Clear From Ice And Are Down to Normal Level—Men Working on The Celery Farm

PEATE FUEL WORKS IS STANDING HIGH AND DRY

It is likely that the Eau will be in a fit state for habitation at a very early date this year. There is no ice in the Eau harbor at the present time, and the lakes are all said to be clear. All the water is off the celery farms, and men are working on the farms already. The vicinity of the peat farms and works seems to be quite dry, though there is still quite an amount of water in the ditches. If the pumping apparatus were set to work it is said that the water in the drains could be dried up in three days' time. The siding which runs to the peat works is now high and dry.

The reason advanced for the quick manner in which things have dried up at the Eau this year, is, that there has been comparatively little rain this spring, and hardly any snow all winter.

Claims Agent Archie Skirving, of the Pere Marquette, who was out at the Eau recently, was interviewed by The Planet yesterday, and he thinks that there is a splendid chance for the peat to get to work at this coming summer.

PLANT INSTALLED WILL BE SETTLED

Gas Company Have Completed The New Electric Light Equipment at Water Works

The Chatham Gas Company have finished their work of installing the new incandescent electric light in the waterworks department and, according to all reports, they have made an excellent job of it.

The four arc lamps which have latterly served to illuminate the building are to be put upon the streets, the city thus receiving additional light without extra expense. Yesterday afternoon Ald. Potter, chairman of the Property committee, and City Engineer Jones, made a tour over part of the city and located two places where lights will be placed. These are—Corner of William and Wade streets, and corner of Head, Kent and Hillyard streets. The two remaining lights will be placed in suitable places during the course of the next few days.

Ald. Potter is to be complimented for the effective manner in which he first brought the matter before the Council and then followed it up to a speedy completion.

EAST KENT LICENSE COMS.

The License Commissioners of East Kent met at Muirkirk on March 31st to inspect the hotel of that place and discuss other matters. They found the hotel at Muirkirk in fair state of repair and well kept, and the accommodation provided for the public satisfactory. The hotel at Duart they found to be one of the best hotels in their district. Mr. H. Koehler, the proprietor, has certainly spared neither time nor money in giving his hotel those home-like comforts so desirable to the tired traveller. They found the menu of both hotels very satisfactory to the wants of the public, and both hotels seem to be observing the law by being run in a quiet and orderly manner.

A BRAZEN STEAL

Hon. Mr. Foster On the Saskatchewan Valley Land Company Transaction—Roche's Motion Lost.

Ottawa, April 4.—Mr. Greenway (Liberal) this afternoon resumed the debate upon the motion of Mr. Roche (Conservative), declaring that the lands of the Northwest should be reserved for the settlers, and that railroads should be required at once to select the lands to which they are entitled.

Mr. Foster declared the Saskatchewan Valley Land Company transaction to have been a bold and brazen steal.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said that Mr. Foster had traveled out of his way to insult two members of this House, fully as honorable as himself. Sir Wilfrid denied that there was any scandal.

R. L. Berdon doubted the good faith of the Government. Upon division Roche's resolution was lost, yeas 68, nays 111. Bourassa voted with the Conservatives and Verville with the Government.

The Sunday bill was referred without comment to a select committee to be named hereafter. Hon. Mr. Fitzpatrick briefly explained the bill.

A STARTLING EXPERIENCE

Herb. McPherson An Old Chatham Boy Was in a Railroad Wreck

HE CAME OUT ALL RIGHT

Wm. Mellish, of this city, has received the following letter from Herb McPherson, an old Chatham boy, who is now travelling through the States. Herb is well known here and his many friends will be interested to learn that he was in a railroad wreck a short time ago. He came through all O. K. with the exception of a few bruises, which he says are quite unimportant.

In describing the wreck in his letter, Mr. McPherson says: "About the wreck last night. At 7:15 I was a passenger on the train wrecked at a washout at Quincy, Ky., about nine miles west of Portsmouth. I managed to crawl out alive and saved my samples but lost my trunk and all personal effects. They are reclining gracefully in the baggage car and the car is covered over with water where it lies in the Ohio River. The culvert was undermined and when our train struck it we went into the river. I will never forget the terrible sensation, as you could hear the water rushing and skirling past, and so dark and raining you could see nothing but blackness, and every few moments hear the waves striking the cars in the water."

"The engineer, fireman and express messenger are dead; baggage men may die; conductor two ribs broken, and several others shocked and broken. I have a sprained ankle and bruised knee, but will be under a couple of days. Fireman's body not found yet, but supposed to be under the engine. The engine fell back on the baggage car and the smoker broke in two before it went down. If you like you may tell the reporter that in the recent wreck on C. & O. R. R. at Quincy, Ky., etc., that I was in it but escaped practically unharmed."

"They didn't have a very wide margin on which to base my funeral bill. I wouldn't go through that again for a heap of money. I waded through mud and mud up to my knees to get through, and wonder every step if I'd slip and go in. But I didn't. Had to buy new outfit as everything I owned was in my trunk and grip. I'm living and hope by to-morrow to be able to eat three square meals and enjoy them—something I did not to-day."

Yours sincerely,
"HERB G. MCPHERSON."

MESSAGE OF CONDOLENCE

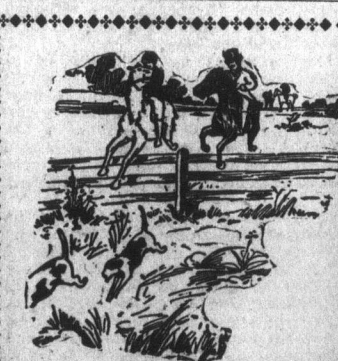
The following message of condolence was presented by a committee of Workmen at the Chaplin Wheel Works, to the bereaved husband and sons of the late Mrs. Thos. Glover: Messrs. J. Glover, T. Glover and R. Glover:

It has pleased the All Wise Ruler of the Universe to take from your midst one who has been all the world to you—your mother.

While it is not possible for all to feel so keenly your loss, yet so many of us have passed through the trial of a now upon you that we can in a measure realize what it means to you, one and all. We desire to express to you our heartfelt sympathy in this your hour of bereavement.

Sincerely yours,
JACOB SCHNELL,
JOHN R. GERBER,
T. S. BROWN.

Committee of Workmen of Chaplin Wheel Co.



A Spring Greeting

MANY sure signs of Spring abound at every hand and the new Season stands knocking at the door. For the liberal patronage accorded us in the past we return to our many patrons our heartfelt thanks. We now extend to all our friends a Spring Greeting, and with it a renewed

WELCOME TO OUR STORE

Come to look or come to buy—make this your store and make the most of it. Every Department now blossoms with Spring Freshness in New Wearables. Our excellent Clothing, our correct Hats, and our choice Toggery are well worth your attention. We're always at your service. Yes, we're making a bid for your trade. May we have it?

GEO. MEYNELL,

The Clothier,
5 Doors West From Market

-3- Great Events This Week..

1st—The opening of the Wall Paper Season's at Sulman's Beehive with the finest imported and domestic patterns.

2nd—Easter Novelties in great variety at Sulman's Beehive.

3rd—Great Sale of Japanese China at Sulman's Beehive.

Do not miss seeing all of these bargains. Be sure to visit the Beehive this week and get in the swim.

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Hundreds of Suits of Men's and Boys' Clothing will be sacrificed to the Public at Great Bargains while they last. Boys' Suits sizes 22 to 26.

Regular Price \$2.50 and \$3.00
Now to be sold at \$1.25, \$1.50

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Regular \$6.00, \$7.00, \$8.00,
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\$5.00, \$6.50.

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Opposite the Market.
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It enriches the blood, strengthens the nerves, makes every organ of the body strong and healthy. A great spring tonic. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. 35 cents, Tea or Tablets.

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