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HOW ABOUT THESE FOR TO-NIGHT !

We are open to-night and every Saturday night until ten o'clock. We want to do just as much business to-night as we have done the last two Saturday nights—that means big business to-night, and to bring this big business we offer these:—

WASH BELTS AT 15c.

White embroidered Wash Belts, in very dainty effects, neat buckles and durable materials, very new, on sale special at 15c, 25c and 35c.

TAPESTRY TOPS 35c.

Tapestry Cushion Tops, the heavy thick kind, in very rich colorings and good variety of patterns, regular value 50c each, on sale special at 35c.

LONG GLOVES AT 35c.

Ladies' washable cotton suede gloves, musquaire length, all sizes in black and white, special at a pair 35c.

LADIES' VESTS, 10c, 12½c

Small prices for Ladies' White Undervests that are worth up to 20c and 25c each, short sleeves, no sleeves, long sleeves, big lot of all sorts on sale at 10c and 12½c.

EMBROIDERY TURNOVERS 6c.

White Swiss Embroidered Turnover Collars in big variety of very pretty designs, on sale to-night at 6c.

\$1.25 BELTS FOR 35c.

Taffeta Silk Belts in white and black, large variety of styles worth regular \$1.00 and \$1.25 each, on sale to-night for 35c.

STRAW SAILORS 20c.

Children's new Straw Sailors in good strong makes, nicely colored, big variety, on sale special at each 20c.

SHOE LACES, 3 PAIR FOR 5c.

A small article but very necessary, if you can save a few cents on them you might as well do it—on sale at 3 pair for 5c.

COTTON VESTS AT 5c.

Ladies' cream cotton vests on sale special at each 5c.

Thos. Stone & Son

Carpets and Wall Papers

A WOMAN IN THE CASE !

A woman was at the bottom of it. She said to her husband, "Why don't you go to MEYNELL'S and see what kind of CLOTHES he has, anyway, instead of paying such high prices to have them made?"

The man came, doubting at every step. Said he didn't think we could fit him, but just wanted to look around for curiosity. We persuaded him to try on a coat, and, of course, easily convinced him that his ideas of ready-to-wear clothes were all wrong.

There are not only different sizes, but different cuts—for the Stout Man, the Slender Man, the Tall Man, the Short Man, so that it is now the exception rather than the rule not to be fitted in our ready-to-wear clothes.

SUITS...

\$7.50, \$10.00, \$12.00 TO \$15

Geo. Meynell, The Clothier

3 doors west from Market, King Street, Chatham.

FOR CLOTHES OF QUALITY

THE VERY BEST LAWN MOWER MADE IN CANADA.

With five tempered steel blades and dust proof Ball Bearings is selling for

\$9.00

—AT—

WESTMAN BROS.

OTHER GOOD MOWERS, \$3.00 to \$5.00 each

THE KING'S DAUGHTERS

Annual Meeting of This Society Held on Tuesday Afternoon

AN EXCELLENT REPORT

The annual meeting of the Brooke Circle of the King's Daughters was held at the home of Mrs. W. E. McKeough, on Tuesday afternoon, May 1st. The following were the officers elected for the ensuing year:—

Mrs. W. E. McKeough, President, re-elected.

Mrs. J. C. Bitchard, Vice-President, re-elected.

Mrs. Edwin Bell, Treasurer, re-elected.

Mrs. C. Kellar, Recording Secretary.

Mrs. D. S. Paterson, Corresponding Secretary.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

It is usual for the president of the Brooke Circle to have a report at the annual meeting, but as the Secretary's and Treasurer's reports are so full and comprehensive, they leave little for me to say.

During my term of office as President of the King's Daughters' Society, courage has come to me in carrying on the work of the society through the generous assistance of an excellent and energetic band of officers and members. I feel that the work of the society could not have succeeded had it not been for your loyal support, for when I called on any King's Daughter to do her part, I was satisfied that if it were possible it would be faithfully attended to. I have enjoyed the work of the society very much, and I feel assured that our efforts have been the cause of making some lives happier and better and more comfortable than had been the case without such aid. Our motto is, "Whatever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might."

Now, I would like to urge the members to attend the Thursday afternoon services at the Home of the Friendless, to which the inmates look forward always with such pleasure, as I feel that whenever I go I receive a blessing, and I am sure you would be likewise blessed. You will be glad to know that the society has had a prosperous year. The secretary's and the treasurer's report will give you the details of our work.

I wish to thank sincerely the vice-president, the secretary, the treasurer, the corresponding secretary, and all the members of our Circle for their kindness to me and the encouragement given me during my term of office.

Yours, in His name,
M. A. McKEOUGH, President.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Following is the annual report of the Brooke Circle of King's Daughters, May 1st, 1906:—

Receipts.
To balance from last year ... \$14.81
Donations ... 69.90
Fees and self denial ... 24.80
Talent money ... 23.00
Cooking Sale ... 51.70
Interest79
Total ... \$185.90

Disbursements.
Used in charity during year ... \$171.08
King's Daughters' groceries ... 3.90
Advertising ... 3.41
Balance ... 7.51
Total ... \$185.90

FANNY BELL,
Treasurer.

SALVATION ARMY

Commissioner Coombs will be in the Opera House on Sunday, May 6th, 3 p. m.—Lecture: The yesterday, To-day and To-morrow of the Salvation Army.

7 p. m.—The Shadow of the Cross, illustrated by colored stereoscopic views.

M. Hyuston, Esq., P. M., will preside.

THE HOLY CITY

More interest is being taken every day in the engagement of "The Holy City," which plays the Grand next Thursday evening. Already Manager Brisco has received orders for tickets from nearly all the nearby towns. Extra and special electric cars have been arranged for to carry the crowd from Wallaceburg and intermediate points.

To-night "The Holy City" Company is playing at Hamilton, and the interest that has been displayed there is wonderful, all seats being sold three days in advance of the appearance of the company.

IMPOSSIBLE.

You say that you conceal nothing from your wife?

Absolutely nothing.

And why do you not?

It is very evident that you do not know my wife.

THE COUNCIL HAVE TO FACE THE QUESTION OF A DEFICIT

Statements Made by The Planet in Reference to Overdraft of Previous Councils Seems to be Verified by the facts.

ALDERMEN PREMATURE IN CRITICIZING THE PRESS

The civic deficit, overdraft or debt, as it may be chosen to term it, over which some of the aldermen made such ado a short time ago, is still pretty much of a mystery. At a Council meeting some days ago a number of the aldermen complained of certain statements in the press with regard to a deficit, claiming that such were unfounded.

Since that time there have been numerous conjectures as to where the information contained in The Planet came from. The City Treasurer was amazed and perplexed to know how The Planet got any inkling as to the drafting out of the financial statement, as such was to have been kept on the quiet until such time as a full investigation was made into the state of the city funds. Finance Minister Scullard himself does not know where this paper got its information. He kept the report of the treasurer to himself and did not show it to anyone.

Then came the announcement in this paper that there was a deficit left over from last year. The following night, at a Council meeting, Ald. Austin got a peep into the treasurer's report while Ald. Scullard was occupying the chair, and announced that the press report was all wrong, as the treasurer's statement showed the assets to exceed liabilities by \$6,283. This statement was received with much satisfaction by the members of last year's Council.

This statement, however, was premature, and The Planet was—as it usually is—in the right. There are strong indications that there is a deficit rather than a surplus. The statement was premature, for the reason that there had not yet been a complete investigation into the finances, the treasurer not having a chance to confer with the auditors. Interviewed the next day, the treasurer stated that he was satisfied there was no deficit, but subsequently and after conferring with the auditors, he found that by reason of certain technicalities that a number of items set down as assets could not in reality be classed as such.

From this, and other information gathered, there is reason to believe that the deficit amounts to \$10,000. This amount has in reality been carried over from the year 1904, and was a deficit contracted by the Councils of 1903 and 1904.

THE RAILWAY COMPANY WILL STRENGTHEN THIRD ST. BRIDGE

The Whole Question is Now Settled to the Entire Satisfaction of Both the Company and the City Council

THE QUESTION OF A NEW BRIDGE IS LAID OVER

The Third street bridge matter, which has been the bone of contention between the city and the Electric Railway Company for some time, has at last been settled to the satisfaction of both parties concerned.

A special meeting of the Council was held yesterday afternoon, at which representatives of the railway company were present, and the whole matter was gone into thoroughly, and it was not a difficult matter to arrive at an amicable settlement. The upshot of the discussion was that the company will now proceed to strengthen the old bridge according to the plans which they have submitted to the aldermen, and which have been approved of by the Council. The matter of a new bridge has been laid over for the present.

The meeting of the Council last evening was to finally pass the resolution which would settle the whole question. Every member of the Council was present with the exception of Ald. Thompson.

The following motion was submitted, moved by Ald. Bensen, and seconded by Ald. Austin:

1. That this Council approve of the plans and specifications hereto attached of John S. Fielding, Bridge Engineer, for strengthening Third street bridge in the city of Chatham, which have been submitted by the Chatham, Wallaceburg & Lake Erie Railway Company, subject to the changes recommended by the City Engineer in his report thereon and attached hereto.

2. That an agreement be entered into with the said company to widen the roadway of the approaches of said bridge on both sides of the river from the curb to the west side to the edge of the retaining wall on the east side and to erect on the east side thereof a four and a half foot board sidewalk on iron or steel brackets attached to said retaining walls, the cost of said work to be borne by the city and company in equal proportions, and the

said work to be done if the Council at any time after one year from this date should decide that it is in the public interest so to do.—Carried unanimously.

After the passing of the motion, Senator Lilly, who was in the audience, addressed the Council. He stated that he was very grateful to the Council for the courtesies the company had received at the hands of the aldermen, and assured them that the company would strive to conscientiously follow out the terms of their agreement, and if the company had neglected to do anything stipulated in their agreement, all they—the city—had to do was to mention it and it would be done. He said that the company had, perhaps, been treated as well as they deserved.

The Council has been very careful to see that they carried out every clause in their agreement. All the company asked of the city was fair treatment.

The company is now anxious to secure the \$35,000 loan, and the question of security will come up for consideration. The Senator asked the city to accept as security the bonds of the company, to the amount of \$40,000.

The majority of the aldermen were of the opinion that they should receive the advice of the City Solicitor before they made any such agreement. The security provided the city for a loan of so much money, is too serious a question to be settled on so short a notice.

Mr. Lilly was perfectly satisfied with this arrangement and, in fact, although he wanted the matter settled as soon as possible, urged the Council to give the question as much deliberation as they thought necessary. He wanted every one of the aldermen to understand the situation thoroughly before they took any action.

The City Solicitor will be consulted and the matter will be acted upon at the meeting to be held next Monday evening.

INTERVIEW BOARD OF TRADE

The Thames River Angling Association, branch of the Ontario Fish and Game Protective Association, with headquarters at Toronto, held their regular monthly meeting in the Foresters' Hall with a good attendance last night.

Twelve new members were added to the association.

A committee of four was appointed to interview the board of trade relative to having them report to the department as to the evil that is being done down the river by the fish that should, the association thinks, belong to the people of Western Ontario, being sent to other points.—London Free Press.

Boy Wanted, who is a good swimmer, who wishes to learn the art of trade. Apply at once!

THE CAUSE OF SWEET CHARITY

Many Subscriptions Have Been Received towards Vendassal Fund

A SPLENDID RESPONSE

The following is the list of the contributors toward the Vendassal fund up to date. The splendid sum of \$146.91 has been subscribed, which, it is thought, will be ample to provide for the transportation of the bereaved family to their native land. Much credit is due Fireman Robert Coyle, who was the leading spirit in the canvass made for the fund. Mr. Con. Shea also lent a helping hand. These gentlemen are deserving of the highest praise for their unselfish and noble efforts in the cause of charity. The final contributions made are given below:—

Standard Bank \$1, Bank of Commerce \$1, Friend 25c, H. Macaulay 50c, H. H. M. 50c, Mrs. J. E. Weldon 50c, Tarrill & Hodges 50c, Friend 50c, W. Anderson 50c, T. Pringle \$1, W. and L. Brock \$1, Friend 25c, Friend 25c, R. A. Williams \$1, J. P. Dunn 50c, Wm. Abbs \$1, J. H. Bogart 50c, W. H. Marshall 25c, H. D. Smith \$1, W. G. Merritt \$1, Jas. C. Weir 50c, J. C. Fleming \$1, Friend 50c, R. G. Fleming 50c, J. P. Taylor 25c, W. Whitebread \$1, S. T. Martin \$1, Friend 50c, J. E. Rankin \$1, T. R. Harrison 50c, Friend \$1, Friend \$1, J. W. Webb 25c, Friend 25c, G. G. Taylor 50c, Friend 25c, Friend 25c, W. E. Muir 25c, Geo. Taylor 50c, P. Robert 25c, Friend 25c, Friend 25c, Friend \$1, W. N. Morney \$1, A. D. Westman \$1, Northway Co. \$1, Mr. McCullum 25c, Friend 25c, R. H. Crump 50c, Friend 25c, Friend \$1, Gas Co. \$1, Friend 50c, J. & A. Oldershaw \$1, Friend 50c, Friend 50c, Friend 25c, J. B. S. 50c, F. H. Brisco \$1, W. H. Harper 50c, Harry Dennis 50c, W. E. Rospin \$1, A. C. Woodward \$1, G. W. Cornell 50c, J. O. Thompson 50c, W. H. Bensen 50c, A. E. Potter 25c, S. Hadley Co. \$10, M. Bogart 50c, B. H. Garzovsky \$1, K. Schwemler 50c, Friend \$1, Remi Derenecy \$1, M. Burns 50c, J. H. West \$1, J. B. Downey 50c, A. F. Newman \$1, C. E. Montague 50c, J. G. Martin 50c, Geo. Wright 50c, A. Black \$1, Friend 50c, G. Carwell 50c, M. Schreiner \$1, Max Simmer 25c, W. J. Allen 25c, S. Mahon 25c, H. Sager 25c, G. G. French 25c, Thos. Stephenson 50c, J. Davidson \$1, Mrs. A. Heyward \$1, S. B. Arnold 50c, M. Houston \$1, Jas. Herman 25c, S. Bullis 50c, C. S. Hyman & Co. \$1, Friend 50c, P. D. McKellar \$1, Lewis & Richards \$2, H. N. Gilles 50c, previously acknowledged \$73.47, total \$146.91.

CHATHAM NEXT

Rev. A. H. MacGillivray has returned from Brantford, where he has been attending the meeting of the Synod of Hamilton and London. The Synod was in session from Monday until Wednesday.

This Synod meets every year before the meeting of the General Assembly. Mr. MacGillivray was successful in having Chatham named as the meeting place next year. This will mean that there will be about 150 visiting ministers and as many Elders here during the days on which the meeting will be held.



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Per roll for good sized and well printed stock is the price for eight patterns of our Wallpaper.

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for Parlor, Dining Rooms, Halls, and in fact for any room of which we have 50 patterns that are sold by peddlers and small dealers at 25c. per roll. It pays to buy from us if you want value for your money in Wallpapers.

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