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Local Briefs ***

Tilbury vs. Chatham to-night 8.15. Roy Darrell of Sarnia, was in the Maple City yesterday. John Badstone, of the C. P. R., is very ill with la grippe.

Frank Sheppard, Dover street, left for Ridgetown to-day on a visit. Boys' 25 and 50 cent caps at The T's sale while they last for 10

Mr. Spragg, Travelling Engineer on the C. P. R., was in Chatham last

Among London visitors to this city yesterday were A. W. Henry and F. W. Nicholl.

\$12.50, \$13.50, \$14.00 and \$15.00 suits or overcoats during The 2 T's sale for \$10.00.

The Board of Works pay sheets for the week ending Feb. 1 amounted to \$52.97.

The assessors commenced work in Ward No. 2 this morning. They have completed their work in Ward

Gol. Sam. Halmes was an Detroity esterday attending the funeral of the late Thomas Holmes, the young son of Thos. Holmes, of that place. S. R. Russell and A. E. Corlett of Park avenue west, have bought the stock of M. M. Graves, Queen street, and will commence business on Feb. 6th.

The Debating Society of No. 2, Harwich, held a very enjoyable sup-per last night, followed by a musical program. A pleasant social evening was spent.

Among those attending the funeral of Conductor Mahoney at London to-day are, C. and F. Callaher, W. Grant, T. Kinsella and P. O'Neil, all well known locally.

The 2 T's prophesied cold weather in February. Guess they are right. Sale continues till Feb. 10th. Choice of suits or overcoats for \$12.70, \$16.50, \$18.00 and \$20.00 lines.

The Government Inspector of Switches on the C. P. R., and Mr. Huston, Inspector of Railway Inter-locking Plants, are both in Chatham

Tom Fairbanks, who has been spending a month in this city, left to-day for Winnipeg, having accepted a position as travelling salesman for a large hardware establish-

Sergt.-Major Harry Flowers entertained about sixteen of the Non-Coms. of the 24th Regiment, at his home on Lorne Ave., last evening, it being the occasion of the opening of the Non-Coms' Pedro League.

The man who caused such a dis turbance near Victoria Park night before last by turning his wife and children out in the cold, came up in the Police Court this morning and was remanded until Monday to sobe Alister McKay went his bail for

HOCKEY

TO-NIGHT

TILBURY vs. CHATHAM AT 8.15.

Skating after Game. Rink Tickets

E. A. Mounteer

Eat Mounteer's Royal Home-Made Bread

E. A. Mounteer +++++++++++++++++++++++++++++

Rink tickets honored at to-night's hockey match 8,15. Skating after

O. R. Burns will leave Chatham shortly to take up a position in Galt.

Sults, overcoats, underwear, gloves and caps during The 2 T's sale at 25 to 35 per cent, cheaper than form-

mrs. Beaver, Mr. F. Garver, Mrs. J. Blonde and J. Perry are among the party of Chathamites who are attending the funeral of Claude Williston in Detroit to-day.

The 2 T's never carries any winter goods over. Get yourself some un-derwear, gloves, suit or overcoat while their sale in on.

OIL FIELDS

Operations of Speculators in Kent Will Soon be Re-Commenced-**Prospectors Here**

The Kent oil find has by no means been abandoned, and we may yet find that there is an abundant supply in this district. The splendid results that have been got in Tilbury within the past ten days has given a fresh impetus to the operators and prospectors are again attracted to this district. To-day M. Egan, Lima, Ohio, a gentleman who has been operating extensively for the past twenty-five years, and R. L. Patterson, Buffalo, N. Y., arrived in the city with the intention of making several tests in Raleigh and Tilbury, and leases will be taken out during the next few days. It is the intention of these gentlemen to sink each well to the depth of fourteen hundred and fifty feet, as it has already been demonstrated that the wells sunk last year to a depth not exceeding seven hundred and fifty feet, are not productions of paying results. The cost for sinking such wells will be between twenty-five hundred and three thousand dollars.

To-morrow will be a big day at The 2 T's store. Everything in winter goods will be sold at a price satisfactory to all.

PROBABILITIES. Special per G. N. W.

The following figures were regis-tered to-day at 7 s. m. at Turner's weather bureau:

THERMOMETER. Highest yesterday, 30.

Lowest during n.ght, 5 below zero.
This morning, 5 below zero.
Barometer, 29.66.
Direction of w.nd, northwest.

The cold weather is here at last. Guard yourself against it by attend-ing The 2 T's clearance sale.

Sunlight Josp is better than other scape, but is boot when used in the Sunlight way. Buy Sunlight Scan and follow directions.

When a foreigner has a title he he generally manages to meet some foolish woman who has the price.

FOR LOVE'S SWEET SAKE



E. J. MacIntyre,

Leading Jeweler and Optician. Marriage Licenses . . .

Local Shippers Will Present Chatham's Needs Before Hon. Mr. Beets

Hyman feeting Held Last Evening When Matter was Fully Discussed-

Citizens are After Uniform

Depth of 15 Feet

BE DREDGED?

WILL RIVER

For some time the people of Chatham, and especially the local shippers, have felt a severe loss owing to the fact that they have not got proper accommodation for water transportation. Several times representations have been made to the Dominion Government, but matters do not soom to inverse.

resentations have been made to the Dom'n'on Government, but matters do not seem to improve.

Last night a meeting of the prominent shippers of the city was held in Geo. Stephens' hardware store, when the present conditions were freely and informally discussed. Among those who were present at the meeting were Manson Campbell, Mayor Marshall, Robert Gray, W. R. Landon, W. Piggott, Chas. Hadley, W. Blight, Geo. Fielder, N. H. Stevens, Thos. Scullard, W. N. Warburton, W. M. Drader, Jas. Fleming, Frank Crow, and others.

It was decided to press the Government to dredge the mouth of the river and part of Lake St. Clair where the river empties into it, and also to dredge the river between Crow's 'dock and the city, making a uniform depth all the way through of 15 feet. If this work is done large sized boats will be enabled to come up to Chatham and the competition thus afforded will greatly radius.

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who war are an authority in shipping matters, was able to give the meeting some very valuable information regarding freight rates and transportation matters.

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The result of the meeting was that everyone saw the tremendous amount of benefit which would be derived by Chatham if this work were done, and a committee composed of N. H. S. evens, Chas. Hadley, W. Piggott and Thos. Scullard were appointed to interview Hon. Mr. Hyman, Minister of Public Works, who comes here to-morrow, and make strong representations to him, and urged the necessity of the Government taking up this matter at once. If possible, a visit from Mr. Hyman will be arranged for later, when he can meet the citizens of Cha ham and discuss the matter with them. with them.

COLD SNAP

After two weeks of exceptionally varm weather the temperature went as low as five degrees below zero last night.

To-day all are wearing their her viest winter apparel and sleighbells are jingling merrily at intervals. The prospects of the ice deal rs ar

much brighter in consequence of this change, and, should the cold snap continue, ice-cutting will commend in a few days.

Last week a wager was made it Toronto which attracted much attention. One man bet another the sam of \$1,000 that the mercury would not fall as low as zero during the whole winter. We presume that to-day he will be called upon to hand over what map appropriately be called "a cool thousand."

The brilliant sunshine makes walking fairly pleasant for the well clad, but the north-westerly winds are cold and biting in exposed places. The forecast for to-day is colder.

This is the day on which the bear is supposed to come irom his hiding place and, so the old story goes, if he sees his shadow he goes back to his lair and stays there for six weeks, the weather remaining cold dursam of \$1,000 that the mercury

Toronto, Feb. 2.—11 a. m.—North-westerly winds, fine and decidedly cold. Saturday, fair, with a little higher temperature. Little look for sa chilly month and a-half.

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BRANCH MANAGET

THE EDITORS MEET.

Canadian Press Association Reaching Out For All Canada-Mr. A. H. U. Colquhoun Elected President.

Toronto, Feb. 2.—Yesterday the an-nual meeting of the Canadian Press Association was begun here. President Archie McNee, Windsor was in the

factory membership and financial conditions. The receipts from fees during the year were \$104 greater than during the preceding year, and were practically double those of seven years ago. The number of certificates issued \$65, compared with 164 certificates and \$236 fees in 1898. The balance on hand increased from \$690 to \$823 during the

"A rapidly-increasing membership," was the joyful keynote of the report of the executive, the reading of which was the first item of business after President McNee called the meeting to order. During the year 54 new members were enrolled. Five new county bers were enrolled. Five new county press associations had been formed, and it was recommended that this plan be taken up and made as general as pos-Along with the executive's report

were amendments to the constitution moved by John A. Cooper, dealing with the admission of members of outside press associations. These provided for full and complete membership in the Canadian Press Association to such members of provincial press associa-tions, outside the Province of Ontario, as had been affiliated with the associa-tion, on terms approved by the execu-tive, provided that the qualifications of membership in such affiliated associa-tions should be the same as in the Canadian Press Association. The amendments were adopted. The president then delivered his an-nual address, and touched upon many

nual address, and touched upon many matters of interest.

Some Elected by Acclamation.

The nomination of officers resulted in several elections by acclamation.

Mr. A. H. U. Colquhoun of The Toronto News was elected president; Mr. J.

T. Clark of Saturday Night, first vice-president; Mr. J. R. Bone, Toronto Star, secretary-treasurer; Mr. A. E. Bradwin, Blyth Standard, assistant secretary; Messrs, G. E. Gibbard, Toronto; R. W.

Messrs, G. E. Gibbard, Toronto; R. W. Dillon, St. Catharines, auditors.

For second vice-president the following were nominated: D. Williams, Collingwood; J. F. Mackay, Toronto, and L. S. Channel, Sherbrooke.

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For the executive there were nominated: L. S. Channel, J. F. Mackay, J. A. Cooper, W. E. Smallfield, M. A. James, F. H. Dobbin, L. G. Jackson, J. J. Bell, J. I. McIntosh, D. Williamz, W. M. O'Belrne, W. J. Taylor, W. B. Burgoyne, C. H. Mortimer, L. E. Belanger, A. C. Woodward, A. T. Milgress, C. W. Young.

Afternoon Sessions.

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The afternoon session was divided into two sections, for the weekly and daily press. At the weekly session discussion on new method machinery, illustrating, the use of gasoline or steam, the cash in advance system, and other partition, matters were taken part in.

the cash in advance system, and other pertinent matters were taken part in. The Canadian Associated Press, its organization and benefit, was the subject of a talk by John Ross Robertson to the daily paper section. The eighthour day was also discussed.

G. C. Porter of Calgary introduced the subject of a better Canadian news service for Western Canada.

The annual dinner last night was attended by 100 editors and their wives. The chair was taken by President Mc-Nee, and at the guest table were Dr. Goldwin Smith, Hen. R. F. Sutherland, G. C. Creelman of Guelph; E. J. B. Pense, M. P. P., Kingston; Rev. J. A. Macdonald and others, each of whom spoke to the formal toasts.

The photographer takes a picture before and after meals.

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Pants by the Ton, By the Cord, or By the Pair

Hundreds of men who need a pair of Treusers to prolong the life of a well-liked suit that they do not want to lay aside, are glad when these sales begin. The saving is all that it seems to be, for the trousers are all that we c'aim for them.

Pants for Working Men Pants for Professional Men Pants for Business Men Pants for Everybody

Note below the regular prices and the prices during the sale.



Lot 1 at 98c .- Men's \$1,25 and \$1,50 Tweed pants, sale price 98c Pattern Tweed and plain cloth pants, good range of sizes, regular \$1.25 and \$1.50, on sale at 98c.

Lot 2 at \$1.29-Men's \$1.50 to \$1.75 odd pants, sale price \$1.29. Neat pattern tweeds, dark and light effects, to clear at \$1.29.

Lot 3 at \$1.98—Men's \$2.50 to \$3 pants, sale price \$1.98. Fine worsted and all wool natty tweeds, stripes, checks, overplaids and mixtures, the season's popular patterns, worth up to \$3.00, to be cleared at \$1.98. Lot 4 at \$2.48—Men's high class tweed and worsted pants, regular \$3.50, sale price \$2.48. New pattern tweeds, neat stripe worsteds, suitable to wear any season, very special at \$2.48.

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