

Stylish Millinery Wm. Foreman & Co. Fine Embroideries

Extra Linen Values for Saturday.

We were always on the "look-out" for the best possible qualities in linens for the lowest possible prices, and very recently we were offered some of the best linens for the lowest prices (market considered) that we ever bought their equal in quality.

Come For These Saturday

\$1 to \$1.25 Turkish Bath Towels - 60c

This is the biggest Towel snap we ever attempted. The towels are slightly soiled, and we were offered them at a tempting price. We bought them and pass them on to you, that you benefit by the other fellow's loss.

Turkish Bath Towels in colors white, apricot and pink sold regularly at each \$1 to 1.25, Saturday for each 60c.

Linen Table Cloths at 1/3 Off.

This opportunity to buy linen, the best linen we ever bought at similar prices, came to us after we had bought all the linen we could reasonably handle for this season, but we could not resist the offer.

Fine qualities in all pure linen bleached Table Cloths, in sizes 8/8, 9/9, 10/10 and 8/12. Slightly imperfect, weaver's imperfections, at a discount of 1/3 less than regular.

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HOTEL FOR SALE

The Erie House, Blenheim, centrally located, with good sample rooms and license.
Reasons for selling—sickness in family. Address:
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Much Talk; Little Done

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natural gas held out, and at \$65 per lamp should they have to use coal for fuel. Besides the Gas Company would make allowances for lamps out, and these would not have to be paid for by the city. He claimed that under this contract the city could make a saving of from \$1,500 to \$2,000 a year, and secure a much more satisfactory service.

Ald. Kerr had with him a statement covering the past five years, in which it was shown that when ten per cent. was allowed for lights out, and allowance was made for depreciation, each lamp cost the city under municipal ownership, the following amounts per year:

\$72.72 per lamp for 1902.

\$71.33 per lamp for 1903.

\$87.00 per lamp for 1904.

\$89.93 per lamp for 1905.

\$95.62 per lamp for 1906.

Ald. Wm. Potter, the champion of municipal ownership, next addressed the meeting. He said that he had not yet had time to get his report in proper shape, as he had just received the figures from the superintendent of the plant at noon of the same day. However, he said that Ald. Kerr's statements had not by any means convinced him that municipal ownership was a losing proposition. He did not think that Ald. Kerr was fair to the city in asking that his statement made up from the past five years be taken as an average for the economy and efficiency of the plant. He thought

that these figures should be taken from the whole nine years life of the plant. It was not right that the calculations should be based on the last five years alone, and he was not prepared to accept Ald. Kerr's statement that the plant would grow more expensive as it grew older. The plant was not properly fitted up in the first place, and this was the cause of the city's great loss. The machinery was installed when there were only 65 lights in the city, and the aldermen at that time apparently thought that there would never be any more than this number, for they had made no provision for increasing the capacity of the plant. Thus the city had been hampered from the start. In 1905 the first steps were taken to improve the plant, and since then repairs and additions had been made to it.

Ald. Potter next took up Auditor Falls' report, which stated that during the past five years, each lamp had cost the city an average of \$77.25. He held that it was not right that this statement should be based on the past five years alone, as three years of the five, had witnessed the heaviest expenditure the city ever had to bear for the municipal plant.

If the city were to put the plant in first class up-to-date shape, Ald. Potter was of the opinion that the city could produce its own lights cheaper than they could be supplied by the Chatham Gas Company.

Ald. Potter criticised the service given the city by the Gas Company when they previously had the contract for lighting. He claimed that it was not satisfactory by any means, and that citizens were constantly complaining. The city had got better satisfaction from their own plant than they had from the Chatham Gas Company. Ald. Potter objected to Auditor Falls' charging the expenses of the Thompson suit against the plant when he was making out his statement. The costs of this suit was \$1247. If the Gas Company could make money out of supplying the lights, Ald. Potter could not see why the city could not run the plant successfully.

Ald. Bensen—If we were to put in a new engine, would that reduce the cost per lamp?

Ald. Potter—I believe that it would.

Ald. Westman was of the opinion that if the plant were put in proper shape that the city could supply the lights cheaper than they could be supplied by the Gas Company.

As for what Ald. Kerr said about efficiency, the municipal lighting plant had proven itself to be more efficient than the service had been when the city was lighted by the Gas Company. He also thought that Ald. Kerr should have based his figures on the past nine years, instead of on the past five. Depreciation had been made allowance for, but if the facts were stated, the city had better machinery now than when the plant was first installed.

Engineer Jones, who afterwards addressed those present, made remarks much the same as those made

by Ald. Potter. He said that the history of the plant had been one of constant repairs, on account of the poor machinery installed in the first place. It was for this reason that expenses had been so heavy.

Mr. Jones had been interrupted several times, and finally Ald. Potter asked him if there was anything else he would like to say.

"Yes," replied the City Engineer, "there is one thing I might say, and that is that I wish to goodness the Gas Company would get the contract, as this plant, in its present inefficient shape, has been the bane and the worry of my existence."

This remark on Mr. Jones' part caused quite an uproar of laughter. "Ald. Bullis" said that he thought that if the city had thrown the old worn-out dynamos in the river years ago and bought new ones they would have been money in pocket. However, he could not see why a municipal plant could not be made to pay the city.

Ald. Meynell said it was not a question of going back for figures. The city should find out what the plant was costing to-day, and the more economical way of securing lighting, whether by the municipal plant or by private plant, should be adopted.

Ald. Bensen couldn't see why municipal ownership could not be made to pay. He would support municipal ownership if it could be proven that the lights could be secured as cheaply as by a private company. He thought that the Council should take time in considering this question.

Ald. Stevens said that the reason the city had gone in for municipal ownership and refused to enter into a new contract with the Gas Company, when that company had previously supplied the lights, was that the Gas Company raised their prices.

Manager Coate, of the Gas Company, stated that the company were going to install an alternating current system with enclosed arc lamps. The question before the aldermen was as to whether the city could get lighting cheaper from a private company than it could through municipal ownership. If they could, the Gas Company wished to be considered.

It was finally decided to appoint a committee, composed of the property committee with Ald. Kerr and Ald. Westman, to investigate the matter, with power to employ an expert to aid them in their findings.

To Auburn For Life.

Rochester, April 12.—Fred Schultz, convicted of murder, in second degree, for the killing of Edward Pullman of Sudas, yesterday morning, was sentenced to Auburn Prison for the rest of his life.

Found Dead on Road.

Port Hope, April 12.—Sylvester Dawley, aged 65, a farmer of Hamilton Township, was found dead on the side of the road at 6 o'clock.

Saturday Neckwear Special

We will place on Sale Saturday morning 125 dozen 25c Ties at

17c Each

They are made from all the season's newest silks, in all the latest shapes. There are Debies, Knots, Puffs, Strings and Bows. A beautiful collection of new spring shades. Regular 25c., your choice Saturday

17c.

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Brisk business will open up these days and punctuate every hour of them, because of money-saving for you on every line of seasonable merchandise—balances of lines advertised yesterday on sale at the advertised prices.

Splendid Millinery Inducements.

CHILDREN'S SILK HATS AND POKE BONNETS.

Lovely Silk Hats and Poke Bonnets for little girls, beautifully made and much under the regular prices. Colors in cream, sky, pink, navy, regular \$2 and 2.50.

Sale Price \$1.

Beautiful Ribbons 29c Instead of 50c and 75c.

Dresden, spots, stripes and other fancy ribbons, as well as black, all suitable for sashes, hair ribbons, neckwear and millinery trimming, 6 in. to 9 in. wide.

Mill End Sale 29c.

Hundreds of Lovely Flowers 25c Per Bunch.

Linens From Ireland

MILL ENDS OF TOWELLING AND TABLE LINEN.



Various lengths for every purpose, marked much under the regular prices.

Towelling all prices 5c yd up.

Table Damask all prices 20c yd. up.

BIG CLEARANCE IN TABLE CLOTHS, \$1 AND \$1.50.

Two prices that represent hundreds and hundreds of Table Cloths, pure linen, but with some slight defect that is easily darned. They are quite Half-price.

Mill End Sale \$1 and \$1.50.

Have you bought your summer's supply of Undervests and Hosiery? It will pay—10c don't convey the quality.

Mill End Sale Price 10c.



Two Hundred Skirts

For The Mill End Sale

These two hundred Skirts will be sold for less than the price of the cloth in them of course some are much better than others, but first come get first choice. You'll miss a great skirt bargain if you miss this chance—all made for this season's business, regular values from \$4.50 to \$6.50.

Friday and Saturday Your Choice \$3.00

Silk Petticoats \$3.95

Hundreds of these beautiful Silk Petticoats sold the first day of the sale, still hundreds to sell, the biggest and best Silk petticoat snap you have seen, pure silk, soft lustrous finish, rustles properly, all colors,

MILL END SALE PRICE \$3.95

Black Silk Waists \$1.98

These Waists are made of pure silk, guaranteed, the styles are good, neatly tucked, cut good and full, long sleeves, reg. \$4.50, Friday & Saturday \$1.98.

Coats and Suits that are Correct

It is not necessary for us to say what a superb stock of Ready-to-wear Garments we carry—most of the ladies of Chatham already know it. We just want to mention that we have received another shipment of our Fawn covert Coats, prices range—\$3.98, \$5.98, \$7.50, \$8.50 and \$10.00.

Tailor-made Suits, perfect fitting

Our stock of Women's Suits has been replenished. We would announce to the ladies who have been patiently waiting for our Suits; that we can supply them now. Call Friday and Saturday, prices range \$10.00, \$15.00, \$20.00, \$25.00 and up to \$35.00.



Oxford Shirting—English

Stripes and checks, fast colors, suitable for girls' and boys' dresses, as well as shirts, instead of selling it at the regular price 15c—

Mill End Sale Price 8 1/2-12 yard.

Prints, 7 1/2-12c per yard

New goods, in light, medium and dark colors, just what we have been long looking for—a good print at a low price, for children's wear, aprons, etc., 7 1/2c yard.

LITTLE ITEMS ALWAYS WELCOME—CHEAP, TOO.

Buster Brown Collars, 3 for 25c.

That seems cheap—considering you always pay 15c each for them. Get all you want for the boys now. All sizes—

3 for 25c.

Windsor Ties, 10c Each.

You need the Ties with the Buster Collars. These are the 25c kind of ties, so they are cheap at

10c Each.

Handkerchiefs, 5c.

Don't say you wouldn't use them until you see them—they are made of a soft cambric with all widths of new stitched borders. Soft and ready for use, regular 10c.

Sale Price 5c.

Swiss Handkerchiefs.

Beauties. It seems too bad that they have some defect caused by machinery. Of course plenty of them are not noticeable. If perfect they would sell at 25c, 35c and 50c.

Mill End Sale 15c Each.

Hose Supporters 10c

Children's Hose Supporters, in black, good strong elastic and webbing, the elastic is one inch wide, all sizes, 10c.

Sample Neckwear Reduced

Reduced by the manufacturer to half price—we bought it that way—110 dozen—that is a lot of Collars, but they are beautiful Swiss turnovers and Swiss embroidered, just as we received all qualities, the price would be 25c to \$1.00, your choice 15c.

Lace Yokes and Chemisettes

Baby Irish, Plauen and Guipure. Lace, beautiful patterns, worth regularly \$1 to \$1.50, Mill End Sale 75c



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