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THE RELIABLE STORE Thomas Stone & Son THE RELIABLE STORE

Saturday Night Specials

On Sale From
7 O'clock to 10 O'clock

In order to give our Saturday Evening Customers an opportunity to secure some **Special Bargains** we have prepared a choice lot of "**Specials**" for Saturday evening. These lines will be on sale only from seven till ten o'clock. Call in and see these lines during these hours.

15c White Embroidered Belts

Five dozen white embroidered wash belts, with gilt buckles, real 20 to 25 cent value, on sale Saturday evening 15c each.

5c Turnover Collars 5c

Ten dozen special value white embroidered turnover collars. These would be considered good value in the ordinary way at 10c each, Saturday evening price 5c.

\$1.69 Ladies' Umbrellas \$1.69

These are really worth \$2.25 each; the cloth is silk and wool, with tape edge, and a splendid assortment of beautiful handles. Don't fail to secure one of these. They are a great bargain.

5c Roller Towelling 5c

We never had a better line in the store for the money. It's well worth 7c to 8c per yard, special on Saturday night at 5 cents.

15c Dress Muslins 15c

We will place on sale for the three hours on Saturday night a large lot of choice new dress muslins in white, Swiss dots, as well as floral designs. They are wonderful value at the sale price.

98c White Shirt Waists 98c

New designs, in both long and short sleeves, embroidered fronts, made of fine quality of soft finished lawn, a wonderful waist at the sale price, 98c.

19c Boys' Ribbed Hose 19c

Fast black, heavy weight, the kind always sold at 25 cents per pair, a full range of sizes, and a great bargain. See them on Saturday night.

Safety Pins

Two papers for 5 cents; an assortment of sizes to select from. These are the kind usually sold at 5 cents a paper, Saturday night two for 5 cents.

Thomas Stone & Son

Lawn Mowers!

FIVE DIFFERENT KINDS.

From \$2.50 to \$15.00.

OUR PENNSYLVANIA

Has Tool Steel Oil-tempered Blades and Wire Nail. Bones or wood will not hurt the knives. Is Self-sharpening.

IT IS A DANDY!

CALL AND SEE IT.

WESTMAN BROS.,

BIG HARDWARE.

WE HANDLE THE NATIONAL PORTLAND CEMENT

THE CEMENT OF QUALITY, ONE GRADE—THE HIGHEST, ALSO Lime, Plaster, Sewer Pipe, Fire Brick, Etc., at Lowest Possible Prices.

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THE WESTERN BRIDGE AND EQUIPMENT COMPANY

General Contractors and Manufacturers of Steel Bridges, Roof Trusses, Fire Escapes, And Reinforced Concrete Constructions.

Get quotations from us on any of the above work that you may require.
ADDRESS—
A. E. DREW, Manager,
CHATHAM ONT.

WILL USE NATURAL GAS

Water Commissioners Will Sign Contract With Maple City Co.

Regular Meeting of Water Board Last Night Was Short

Natural gas supplied by the Maple City Oil & Gas Company, from their well on the Burgess farm, will be used at the local waterworks plant for the generation of steam. The Water Commissioners at their meeting last night decided to give it a trial for one year, under certain conditions.

The matter was brought up at the regular meeting of the Board last night by Chairman W. D. Sheldon, who said that he had been approached by members of the Maple City Company relative to a contract for supplying the waterworks with gas. Mr. Sheldon suggested that the Board agree to connect their pipes with the Maple City Company's main, which will enter the city by way of Grand avenue, and that the Board agree to enter a contract for one year, on condition that the natural gas gives satisfaction, and will prove as economical or more so than the coal at present used for the purpose.

Dr. G. W. Cornell—We can give the natural gas a test anyway. It may prove cheaper than coal. Mr. Sheldon—I understand that the Maple City Company are getting three year contracts from the manufacturers. We are on the safe side, as we are only entering into a one year contract.

The meeting of the Board last night was not a long one. Business was concluded before 8.30. Those present were Chairman Sheldon, Dr. Cornell and Secretary Weir.

A communication was received from the Federal Filtration Company, of New York, relative to a letter from the Board stating that the latter had been over-charged for the sand shipped here for the filters. The filtration company explained that they had shipped eleven tons more than the Board ordered. They said that they would be willing to make a discount, but they would much prefer if the Board could use the sand that they should take it. As the Board will have use for the sand in filling the new filter, it was decided to take the whole shipment.

Horace Black, who recently purchased the Carswell property on Park avenue, wrote petitioning the Board for a water service to his premises. Referred to the City Engineer.

George Deline, of the waterworks staff, applied for an increase in wages. He at present receives 19c an hour for a day of nine hours. Mr. Deline said that he had an offer of a position paying a higher salary, but he would prefer to remain in the employ of the Board if they could see fit to raise him. He did not state how much he wanted.

Chairman Sheldon said that Mr. Deline had always done his work satisfactorily and thoroughly, and he had been strongly recommended both by Superintendent Jones and by Mr. Weir. The matter was laid over and will be considered later.

The cash statement for the month showed a balance in the Bank amounting to \$2,337.41. The signed contract from Park Bros. for the construction of the new filter at the waterworks, was received and filed.

The Canadian Casualty Company wrote stating that their man had inspected the boilers at the local waterworks, and found them to be in excellent condition.

The following accounts were ordered paid:

Joseph Morris & Co., \$39.37.
Lewis Bros., \$5.49.
W. W. Scane, \$23.40.
C. Chaplin, \$2.50.
S. Hadley Co., \$25.33.
Buffalo Mre Co., \$8.10.
The Planet, \$1.50.
National Mre Co., \$2.25.
Park Bros., \$2.60, 76c, \$1.50.
Fleming, Tillson & Co., \$211.85.
Lake Erie Coal Co., \$69.75, \$79.09, \$109.10.

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

Eight roomed house, large lot with stable, in good repair, price \$750. Dwelling house, grocery and small stock of groceries, in a fine location, at a bargain on easy terms.

Several lots cheap.

One rosewood Stoddard Piano, as good as new, will sell cheap, or exchange for a delivery horse.

If you want to buy, sell or exchange, or to have an auction sale see James Little, the auctioneer, of office upstairs Market building; residence 86 Lacroix street; P. O. Box 847, Chatham, Ont.

\$3,000,000 For Famine Relief. St. Petersburg, May 3.—The council of the empire yesterday adopted unanimously the recruiting bill and the bill appropriating \$3,000,000 for famine relief, passed by the Lower House April 30.

TO CONSIDER CHATHAM FIRST

English Capitalists Will Interview Local Industrial Committee

Firm Looking Over Local Sites Today—Industrial Items

Some time ago it was stated in this journal that Ald. C. Austin had interviewed a number of capitalists who were thinking of locating an industry in Chatham. Ald. Austin first got in touch with these gentlemen when he was chairman of the Industrial Committee, and recently he had a talk with them while in Toronto. The details of this interview were published at the time. Since then, however, a number of citizens have been inquiring as to what had become of the proposition, as nothing more had been heard of it.

In reply to this inquiry, Ald. Austin this morning showed a "Planet" reporter some correspondence he recently received from the gentlemen interested. In one letter the firm state that they are having their machinery shipped from England, and that their principal is at present over there purchasing the plant. Some of this machinery is at present being shipped from the Old Country. In their last letter the capitalists make the promise to Ald. Austin that they will consider Chatham first, when they are looking about for their site. It is altogether likely that they will be in the city shortly to interview the joint Industrial committees of the City Council and the Board of Trade.

A deputation, representing a firm with whom Ald. Westman has been communicating, are expected to arrive in the city to-day to look over prospective sites. They will be met and shown around the city by the two local Industrial committees.

A silly rumor got about yesterday to the effect that the Wolverine Brass Mfg. Company had secured an option and were likely to locate on the Magnolia Hotel property, on Queen St. Chairman Westman, of the Industrial Committee, said this morning that there was absolutely no truth in this report.

GAS CO'S ACCOUNTS CREATE MISUNDERSTANDING

Yesterday the first monthly accounts were sent out by the Chatham Gas Company to their customers for natural gas. A great deal of misunderstanding has arisen over these bills, as some people apparently are not cognizant with all the terms of the company's franchise.

The Gas Company's agreement with the city is: That they shall supply natural gas for lighting and cooking only, at a net charge of 35 cents per thousand cubic feet. Where patrons use the gas for heating as well, to heat a substantial portion of the house, the charge for the three combined purposes is 25 cents, and when purified it may be 27 cents, until such time as another company may be in a position to furnish gas to the city.

In sending out their bills the Gas Company added 5 cents per thousand cubic feet to their accounts, which is deducted in each case when the bill is paid before the tenth of the month.

All these features are strictly in accordance with the agreements drawn up between the City and the Gas Company.

VANDAL DOGS VEX NORTH CHATHAMITES

The dog nuisance is worrying a great many people in North Chatham just now, and complaints are continually coming from that section of the city about this matter.

One resident in North Chatham had a whole garden torn up by dogs the other night, and bands of these useless curs roam over lawns and flower beds day and night, destroying the results of hard work and weeks of care. There, however, does not seem to be any feasible way of preventing this nuisance, and after having his garden and flower beds torn up, it seems that there is almost an excuse for the dog poisoner.

Mrs. de Massey Guilty. New York, N.Y., May 3.—"Baroness Anisia Louise de Massey, the pattern designer, on trial for the killing of Gustav Simon, a shirtwaist manufacturer, was convicted of manslaughter in the first degree with a recommendation of mercy. The jury, to which the case was given at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, returned a verdict a few minutes before midnight, and the prisoner was remanded to the Tombs until May 9 for sentence.

Work while you are young.

MERCHANTS BOTHERED

Forced to Pay for Advertising Schemes Of No Value

Program Fiends Make Appeals for Charity—Should Discontinue

On checking over the various small sums paid here and there for advertisements in programs, year books, church, school, and society announcements of various kinds, the average Chatham business man finds that he has spent a sum sufficient to have paid for a year's contract for real advertising in a really good daily newspaper, where the actual returns are sure to be profitable.

Why does he do it?

For divers reasons.

He belongs to a church. He and his family attend regularly and contribute their full share to its maintenance. (A concert is projected, programs are required. The committee go out to get ads. enough to pay for printing and perhaps a little over. They check over the list of the business men of their congregation and there he is. They call. It's only \$2.50 for a page. Time is valuable. "All right. Put me down for a page. Miss — will write out something to put in it." He knows he can't expect one cent of return, so why is really a matter of no importance. How can he escape?

His lodge, his regiment, his favorite charity, all get after him in like manner. The "help along" argument is worked. The canvassers in many cases don't really try to prove that any benefit will ever come to him as a result of the expenditure, but—"help along a good cause."

In cities like Chatham this traffic has come to be so profitable that professional "fairies" and "knifing" business of getting out these programs, often paying the committee in charge a considerable sum in addition to the cost of furnishing so many hundred programs. In return the committee furnishes a list of names of members who are regarded as legitimate prey.

Forth goes the program fiend, not to talk advertising. Oh, no! That's not his best card, and he knows it, but to get the "member" to "help along." There are tears in his voice as he presents the claims of the "good cause." They are trying to make the entertainment a great success. The committee asked him to call on Mr. Merchant to see "if he couldn't please aid them by paying \$10.00 for the back page." (Dummy program is here produced.)

And so he puts up the \$10.00 feeling that, while he may not be doing a good stroke of business, he is at least assisting the finances of some worthy institution. In many cases not a dollar of his \$10 ever reaches the treasury of that organization. The program fiend gets it.

If a man ever allows his name to appear on one of these program schemes he is sure to be hounded for all time by all the others.

Their name is legion, theatre programs, Fair programs, Race programs, Baseball programs, Lacrosse programs, sporting schedule and musical curriculum, and so on ad nauseam.

In many cities the leading business men have banded together and made an agreement to withhold their patronage from the many and varied advertising schemes to which they are called upon to contribute from time to time. There is not a city in the country where the business men would not profit by making the same sort of agreement and be money in pocket at the end of the year. If the solicitors for the many schemes referred to were given a firm refusal it would only be a question of time before these fake advertising schemes disappeared entirely.

This is the cure: Turn all down promptly and firmly. Make no exceptions.

AN INTERESTING FIND

Nelson Stringer made an interesting discovery this morning. He was going through some of the papers, the property of his father, Captain George Stringer, when he came across an old bill-head, which had been issued by the Kent Mills Company about forty years ago. On this bit of paper is a cut of the old mill as it appeared then. The mill was owned then by a man named Robert Lowe. Charles Morell, who still resides in the city, was the head miller in the mill at the time mentioned.

Prominent Physician Shot.

Tronton, Ohio, May 3.—Dr. Wayne McCoy, a prominent physician at South Point, was shot and killed Wednesday night by Capt. John Davis, who asserted that he had unexpectedly returned at midnight and found Dr. McCoy with his wife. Davis fled to Kentucky.

MAY FIGHT GUATEMALA

Serious War Cloud Is Threatening The Peace Of America

Strained Relations With Mexico—Troops Are Gathering

Washington, May 3.—The strained relations between Mexico and Guatemala arising from the failure of the latter to surrender Gen. Lima under extradition proceedings for trial in Mexico, Lima being charged with complicity in the assassination of ex-President Barrillas, is a matter of serious concern to the officials here.

War May Be Averted.

As the situation stands, it may be stated upon authority that the Mexican Government does not believe it will be necessary to go to the length of actual hostilities, but it does feel that it has a right to demand of Guatemala the surrender of fugitives who have committed the greatest crimes upon Mexican soil. It is feared that the demand for Jose Lima will ultimately be refused by Guatemala, if for no other reason than because Lima is regarded as the right hand man of President Cabrera, in whose interest he is charged with complicity at the assassination of Barrillas. But even in that event war might not follow, though the 10,000 Mexican troops now mobilized on the Guatemalan frontier would probably be maintained there.

An Insult to Mexico.

Mexico City, May 3.—The Mexican Legation at Guatemala City was searched Monday by Guatemalan authorities to ascertain whether there were suspected of complicity in the attempted assassination of President Estrada Cabrera in Guatemala City Monday. The search was made on the invitation of Minister Gamboa as soon as he learned of the suspicion of the Guatemalans.

THE PASSING OF A CHATHAM PIONEER

Mrs. Thomas Snook, one of the earliest pioneers of this city, and a woman whose influence upon this community during her entire life has been greatly felt in more than one Christian organization and society, passed peacefully away last night in the Public General Hospital.

Mrs. Snook was 77 years of age, and has led an active life until a couple of years ago, when her health began to fail. She has been confined in the hospital for the last six months with a complication of diseases, and in view of her extreme age, her recovery has not been looked forward to with any degree of confidence. In spite of this, her death has come as a sad shock to the members of her family and her friends, by whom she was loved and esteemed.

Mrs. Snook was born, Miss Caroline Randall, in Wiltshire, England. She was married in the Old Country, and came to this continent with her husband, the late Thomas Snook, when she was 22 years of age. They lived for a short time in New York, and then moved direct to Chatham. They arrived here about 52 years ago. The remainder of their lives was spent in Chatham. For a number of years, Mrs. Snook has resided on Lorne avenue. She has been a widow nine years.

Mrs. Snook was a very active church worker, as was also her husband when he was alive. They were both earnest and faithful members of the Park street Methodist church. Mrs. Snook's activity in church work was kept up even in the later years of her life. She took a prominent part in all of the societies of her church, and also assisted in the work of many of the philanthropic organizations of the city. She was one of those who were mainly instrumental in establishing the present Home of the Friendless. She exhibited a very great interest in the work of this institution, which is doing such a great work in the city.

When Mr. and Mrs. Snook came to this city, Chatham was not a very large place. Mr. Snook first started as a maltster, and in '56 he entered into the business of manufacturing ginger beer. His partner, of those days, Mr. John Hoon, is still in charge of the business. He later conducted a grocery business on Fourth street, and later moved into a store in the present Rankin House building. In 1892 he cured a lot of meat and took it to England, and when he came back he brought another grocery stock, and opened up the business which is now being conducted by his son, E. R. Snook, King street. He continued in business until late in life, and always enjoyed an enviable reputation as an honest and upright man, both in his business and private life. While he was in England, two of his sons, George and Frank, died. Later two other sons were born and given the same names.

The surviving family is composed of four sons, E. R. and Frank, of this city, and George and Bert, of Detroit. The funeral will be held on Sunday afternoon at three o'clock

Wall Paper

AT LESS THAN HALF-PRICE

FOR ONE WEEK

We have placed on sale 2,000 rolls of Wall Paper at 9c per roll, with Crown Border to match at same price, 9c per roll. This paper is good value at 20c a roll, but we want our customers to get a May bargain. Three colors—brown, green and buff. See it in our side window.

THE GREATEST SNAP WE EVER OFFERED

The Store With the Stock

SULMAN'S BEEHIVE,

KING & 6th STREETS

Kitchen Goods

A New Supply of beautiful Enamelledware, white lined on a good steel body with light blue mottled effect on the outside.

Saucepans, extra deep, with special round handle, 30c, 40c, 45c.

Cooking Kettles, special for gas stoves, 35c, 45c, 55c, 65c, 75c.

Water Pails, 50c, 60c, 75c.

Dish Pans, 50c, 70c, 85c.

Pie Plates, 5c, 8c, 10c, 15c.

Pudding Pans, 8c, 10c, 12c, 15c, 20c.

Pot Covers, all sizes, 5c, 8c, 10c.

See our New Combination Pot Cover, sold all around town at 25c. Our price, 10c, 15c.

Wire Strainers for tea, soup, or gravy, 5c, 10c, 15c, 20c.

Asbestos Mats for gas stoves, 8c and 15c.

Graters for all purposes, 3c, 5c, 10c, 15c.

GRAY'S CHINA HALL

Atlas Cement Is the Best

Large assortment of Sewer Pipe at lowest prices.

John H. Oldershaw

Thames St. Near Island Hotel

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