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Owing to the season last summer, the oat crop was a very poor one—poorer even in quality than in quantity. For this reason there has been a great deal of trouble with black specks, hulls and other objectionable pieces.

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DEATH CAME AT SUNRISE

Maple City's Esteemed Chief of Police Passed to the Great Beyond.

Sympathy for the Bereaved Family—Splendid Career of Deceased.

At sunrise this morning the spirit of William Young passed peacefully to the Unseen.

Death came as a surprise—a shock—to the entire community and evidences of sorrow and sympathy were universal. The early bulletin of this journal with its sad message had a profound effect, a tribute to the high esteem in which the deceased was held, both as a public official and as a citizen.

Chief of Police Young has been identified with the Maple City for many years. He has held all the important offices in the gift of the people. He was connected with the municipal history of Chatham in the days when this city was building the foundation for its present status. For many years he served at the Council and as Public School trustee, and in 1882 was elected Mayor, defeating Arch. Campbell, present M. P. for West York. In 1885 he was appointed Chief of Police, which position he retained until his



THE LATE WILLIAM YOUNG

death, performing all its duties with efficiency and integrity.

William Young was born in Renfrewshire, near the town of Jedburgh, Roxburghshire, Scotland, on Jan. 28, 1838. He came to Chatham when but 15 years of age, with his mother, his brother John and his two cousins, the late Wm. Gray, of this city, and the late David Tait, of Bothwell. Messrs. Gray and Tait opened a blacksmith shop in the town and little William Young was engaged as boy helper. Upon the dissolution of the partnership the lad learned the carpenter trade and after reaching the age of manhood entered the carriage business for himself.

In 1873 the deceased married Margaret Weatherston, of Kelso, Roxburghshire, daughter of the late John Weatherston, of Hamilton, who preceded him to the Beyond.

A particularly sad circumstance in connection with Mr. Young's demise is the fact that only last June he wedded Miss Maggie Angus, of Dover, who now mourns his loss. Three children also survive—Miss Helen, of the McKee school staff; John W., city editor of this journal, and Miss Janet W., at home. The bereaved family have the sincere sympathy of the entire community.

The deceased was only ill for three days. On Tuesday he attended to his regular duties, but on returning home was taken ill. Yesterday he was much improved, but at nine o'clock last evening he suffered a sudden and severe relapse, and the physician broke the sad news that death was near. From that time until a quarter to six this morning, when he passed away, the sufferer lay perfectly conscious. He spoke parting words to each member of his home circle and bade them be brave.

The members of the police force, who had heard the sad news, called in turn as they were relieved on their beats and to each the Chief extended farewell messages. The officers were much affected.

The deceased was a Past Master of Wellington Lodge, No. 46, A. F. & A. M., G. R. C. of this city, and Past Grand Steward of the Grand Lodge of Canada. He was also a member of the Sons of Scotland and A. O. U. W. organizations. He was an adherent of the First Presbyterian Church, the pastor of which was with him at the passing.

At the special request of the deceased the funeral will be quiet and unostentatious, and will be held under Masonic auspices. It will take place on Sunday afternoon at three o'clock at Maple Leaf Cemetery.

THE QUALITY IS IN THE AGE.

To be absolutely pure, palatable and beneficial to health, gin must have been matured long enough to have the fusel oil that it contains evaporated.

Melchers "Red Cross" Canadian Gin is the only Gin which before being sold is matured for years in bonded warehouses controlled by the government. This is why Melchers Red Cross Gin is so appreciated by connoisseurs who know the difference between raw gin and a pure, old, thoroughly matured Gin.

Melchers Red Cross Canadian Gin is pure and has the age. That's all. D. McKerrall, proprietor of the Victoria Steam Laundry, will accept strictly cash business, commencing on Monday Feb. 17, work will be delivered strictly C. O. D. Watch for prices next week.

ROSS HEADS THE POLLING

Binder Twine People to Place Their Concern on Business-like Basis.

Strong Board of Directors Were Chosen—Will Sell More Stock. Go After Dividends.

The general interest which has centered on the election of the Binder Twine directors was evidenced this morning when The Planet issued its early bulletin with the result of the balloting.

Locally the result is regarded with much favor. The general outspoken impression seems to be that the Company will now proceed to develop very rapidly. The election of Mr. Ross is responsible for many expressions of confidence in the business future of the concern and the fact that he was returned at the head of the poll is regarded as eminently satisfactory. His colleagues on the new board, too, are all of businesslike calibre.

Fred. Stone, solicitor for the company, and J. B. Rankin, K. C., who were appointed returning officers, had a big task in counting the ballots. They commenced operations in Mr. Rankin's office shortly after eight o'clock last night and it was 1:30 o'clock this morning when Mr. Stone handed The Planet the returns. All this time these gentlemen were kept hard at it, having the assistance of R. L. Bruckin in the clerical work of looking up and checking the value of proxies.

A keen interest was exhibited in the count and during the entire evening the outer office was the scene of the coming and going of shareholders, some of whom waited on for the final announcement. Among those present were President M. J. Wilson, Secretary T. C. Smith, Director S. Bullis, Director L. Howard and others.

The early count was somewhat puzzling. Ross, Wilson and Bullis started in the lead, closely followed by Hutchison and Johns. As the counting advanced the latter dropped behind and Leverton began to climb, followed by Howard. Then it became a seesaw struggle, in which the guessers were completely at sea.

Shortly after 11 o'clock the counting of the local ballot was completed and Messrs. Stone and Rankin gave out the results as follows:

Wilson—870.
Bullis—842.
Ross—815.
Leverton—735.
Howard—709.
Holden—531.
Jones—501.
Hutchison—477.
Robinson—354.
Cousineau—354.
Coulter—346.
Fletcher—293.
Blackburn—230.
Echlin—175.

Then began the heavy work of totalling up the proxies, each one of which had to be looked up in the stock books and duly credited and certified. This was a long and tedious task and it was one o'clock before Mr. Stone completed his proxy list, which was as follows:

Holden—1,221.
Leverton—1,215.
Ross—1,212.
Cousineau—1,201.
Blackburn—1,155.
Hutchison—836.
Wilson—819.
Howard—819.
Robinson—798.
Bullis—786.
Jones—348.
Echlin—310.
Blackburn—86.
Fletcher—37.

About half an hour later Messrs. Stone and Rankin completed the final results, which were announced at 1:30 as follows:

THE DIRECTORS.
1—J. J. ROSS, Chatham—2,025.
2—A. LEVERTON, Zone—1,360.
3—J. HOLDEN, Windsor—1,752.
4—M. J. WILSON, Harwich—1,680.
5—J. B. COUSINEAU, Essex—1,555.
6—L. HOWARD, Chatham—1,528.
7—J. A. COULTER, Essex—1,481.

S. Bullis, Chatham—1,312.
D. A. HUTCHISON, Chatham—1,213.
T. Robinson, Romney—1,162.
F. F. Jones, Comber—849.
C. H. Echlin, Cedar Springs—485.
D. Fletcher, Fletcher—330.
P. C. Blackburn, Dresden—306.

Twenty proxy ballots were not counted as their accuracy had to be tested by checking up with the old lists. This was left over till to-day, but Mr. Stone said it was not likely that the additional votes would effect the result beyond the probable increasing of Mr. Ross' majority and the possible bringing up of Mr. Hutchison's vote.

PRESENT PROSPECTS.

The new directorate will, it is understood, almost immediately appoint a competent manager and proceed with the canvas for stock. Proper arrangements will be made with the promoters, Messrs. Henderson & Cummings, and it is likely these gentlemen will assume much of this work. The new directorate have no doubt that all differences can be promptly and amicably settled and have considerable confidence in the work the promoters can now accomplish. The concern will at once be placed on a business-like basis and an earnest effort made to early secure substantial dividends. The election has considerably strengthened public confidence in the company and the response to solicitations for stock sales should be generous.

AT THE GORDON STORE FEBRUARY BARGAINS IN UNDERWEAR.....

The broken lots of heavy underwear hereinafter mentioned we close out at once, see the prices, examine the goods and you will be well paid when you buy them.

5 doz. Men's Elastic Ribbed Underwear, regular value 75c for each..... 50c
A lot of Men's Fleece Undershirts, regular value 55c, for each..... 25c
5 doz. Children's Fleece Lined Vests and Drawers, a snap, each..... 15c
1 doz. Children's Gray Flannel Drawers, regular 65c goods, for each..... 25c
3 doz. Children's Heavy Fleece Vests, reg. value 35c to 45c, to clear each..... 25c
A few Suits of Misses' and Children's Combination Underwear, at..... 50c
4 pair Ladies' Gray Flannel Drawers (embroidered) reg. value \$1.40, for each..... 50c
A lot of Ladies' Fleece Vests, cheap at 50c reduced to each..... 39c

Astrachan Capes, to clear, \$12.00 to \$30.00 garments, for..... \$8.00 to \$16.00
Ladies' Electric Seal Capes, three only, \$35.00 goods, to clear for..... \$19.00

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New Dress Goods, New Prints, New Costumes and Tailored Suits, New Stock Lace Curtains, New Muslins and White Goods, Embroideries, Etc. Everything pertaining to comfort and elegance. Our talk don't matter much, it is what the goods talk for us that counts, see them they shall speak for themselves.

Daily Arrivals of New Spring Stock.

Furs at Manufacturers Prices
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New Standard Fashions, large variety and the latest and noblest styles of patterns.

William Gordon

Births, Marriages and Deaths

DIED.

YOUNG—On Friday morning, Feb. 14, William Young, aged 64 years.

The funeral will take place from his late residence, Harvey street, on Sunday afternoon at three o'clock.

Local Briefs

Ben. Blonde is in Woodale to-day on business.

Wm. Barry, of Fletcher, is a Chatham visitor to-day.

To-morrow, 75c and \$1.00 puff ties for 50c at The 2 T's.

Chas. Wharran, of Blenheim, was a city visitor yesterday.

To-morrow \$15.00 new method suits and overcoats, \$9.99, at The 2 T's.

J. C. Richardson, of Toronto, was in our city yesterday on business.

To-morrow one lot \$1.00 and \$1.25 colored shirts for 50c at The 2 T's.

Frank Tysler left for Lamonia, Des Moines County, Iowa, to-day, where his mother resides.

Clinton Northwood, the popular clerk at Austins, is confined to his home to-day, nursing a bad arm, the result of vaccination.

The young people of Blenheim, held one of their very pleasant assemblies last night. A number from here attended and report having had an excellent time.

Courts Kent and Chatham, Canadian Order of Foresters will hold a meeting to-night in the I. O. O. F. temple. All the members are kindly requested to be present.

Local stationery dealers report the sale of valentines this year as far superior to that of the past few years. Perhaps some of our citizens have had this impressed upon their minds to-day.

The Catholic Order of Foresters met last evening and initiated six candidates. The important feature of the evening was the awarding of prizes of \$25 for the contest for candidates, which was won by T. H. Doyle and his colleagues.

SERIOUS RUNAWAY

Horses Attached to a Pair of Bobsleighs did Considerable Damage.

A very exciting and quite serious runaway occurred yesterday afternoon on St. Clair street, at the approach on the north side of the Aberdeen bridge. A farmer driving a span of spirited horses attached to a bobsleigh rushed up King street at a good speed. The driver did not check in his horses to turn the corner, approaching the bridge, and as a result the bobsleigh slewed quickly around and struck an iron post. The sudden jar threw the occupants, two ladies and the driver, out. They were unhurt, except one of the ladies, whose wrist was badly bruised.

In the meantime the horses had madly dashed onto the bridge, coming in contact with Dr. Holmes' cutter. Neither the doctor nor the man who was driving, were hurt, but the cutter was badly smashed.

This, however, did not stop the career of the horses, as they continued on across the bridge at a terrific rate. They were stopped when they ran into the wagon of Wm. Weaver, who was going to cross for coal. Both Mr. Weaver and a man named Jerry Jackson, who were in the rig, were thrown out and both were hurt quite seriously. Mr. Weaver was badly cut up about the head, and Jackson's head and shoulder were considerably bruised. The horses were not hurt aside from receiving several bad cuts. The post that the sleigh slewed against was the same as that by which young Eastlake was so badly hurt a few days ago.



For a limited time yet we're giving very liberal discounts on all goods bought at our Unloading Sale, if you haven't patronized it better not wait much longer for it soon ends.

CAMPBELL'S BOSTON SHOE STORE

OLD BOYS

A Meeting of All Committees Held Last Evening, Chairmen Appointed. Other Business.

All the committees appointed for Old Boys' Re-union met last evening to appoint their chairmen. The result was, as follows:

Finance committee—Chas. Hadley, chairman; W. D. Sheldon, Wm. Ball, W. S. Richards and W. E. McKee. Organizing committee—Ward Stanforth, chairman; J. M. Pike, S. Stephenson, A. C. Woodward, W. G. Richards.

Sports and Music committee—Wm. Potter, chairman; Dr. Cornell, W. W. Seane, Ald. O'Brien, W. A. Hadley.

Banquet committee—Mayor Sulman, chairman; A. L. Eberts, John Pleasant, Jno. McGoig, Ald. Marshall.

Briquet Day committee—S. B. Arnold, chairman; W. H. Tye, M. D., Jas. Brackin, Harry Ball, C. C. Greening.

Barbecue committee—F. F. Quinn, chairman; Ald. Mounteer, Fred Goodland, Ald. Taylor, W. B. Peck.

Transportation committee—J. J. Ross, chairman; Jno. Waddell, N. H. Stevens, Robert Gray, Menon Campbell.

Decoration committee—Joa. Tilt, chairman; Ed. Snook, Ald. Cowan, Spencer Stone, I. E. Brock.

Fireworks committee—G. S. Heyward, chairman; Ed. Jones, Ald. Fleming, Chief Pritchard, C. Austin.

Reception committee—Wm. Ball, chairman, and a hundred and some odd members.

At the meeting of the executive committee, which consists of O. L. Lewis, chairman, and the chairmen of all committees, J. M. Pike was appointed permanent secretary.

The Chairman, Secretary and Mayor were appointed as a committee to act with the finance committee, and prepare a circular outlining the program and ways and means of raising the money.

A resolution was passed to the effect that the press be asked to interview some of the leading citizens to obtain views and suggestions on the Old Boys' Reunion.

The meeting adjourned.

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Carrying prejudice to the verge of hatred is an evidence of cerebral contraction.

THAMESVILLE

Feb. 14.—Mr. Taylor, of the firm of Taylor, Scott & Co., Toronto, is in town to-day.

Miss Hilde of Caledonia, is the guest of Miss Ripley.

Miss Nellie Huffman, who has been spending a few weeks with friends in this place, returned to her home in Pontiac to-day.

Ed. Cadmore, of Kippen, was a visitor here yesterday.

Rev. J. McInnis is about to move to the Mayhew House, awaiting the building of a new manse, which will be commenced shortly on the property adjoining the church.

FURNITURE FOR SALE

An old fashioned mahogany dining table with two leaves, and a few other pieces of furniture. Can be seen any time during the day up to Friday noon at the residence of the late Miss Wier, Chatham street, North Chatham. Edw.

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