

moderate rates. A central steam heating plant serves a large portion of the city.

The city free mail delivery brings the mail twice or three times daily to your door. The local telephone service is excellent; there is a free rural telephone service for thirty-two miles in the surrounding country, and practically any other point can be reached by long distance telephone at moderate rates. Chatham has five chartered banks, one loan company, and two express and telegraph offices.

Chatham has 62 passenger trains daily, coming and going.

The hotels are excellent, and well conducted. Chatham enjoys a high reputation as a convention city, many important gatherings having been held here.

LOW COST OF LIVING.

Chatham's public market, the best in Ontario, helps to reduce the cost of living. On this market farmers from miles around sell direct to the consumer.

House rents are moderate.

EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES.

Chatham is widely known for its excellent public schools. The Central school is the largest public school in Ontario, outside of Toronto. McKeeugh School,



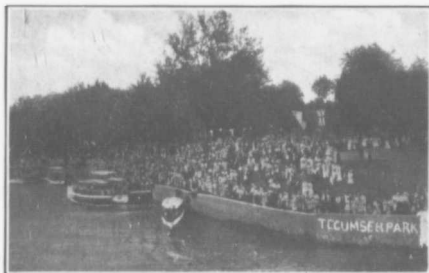
Central School at Chatham.

Queen Mary School (just completed) and St. Joseph's (Separate) School, provide excellent public school facilities for pupils in all parts of the city. Among Chatham's higher educational institutions, the Chatham Collegiate Institute has repeatedly ranked first in the entire province of Ontario. The Ursuline Ladies College and the Canada Business College draw pupils from all parts of Canada and the United States.

The Chatham Public Library is one of the hand-somest and best equipped public libraries in the province. An art gallery and lecture course are being planned.

PLAYGROUNDS AND PLEASURE RESORTS

Tecumseh Park, in the exact centre of the city, is Chatham's favorite playground. Here, one minute's



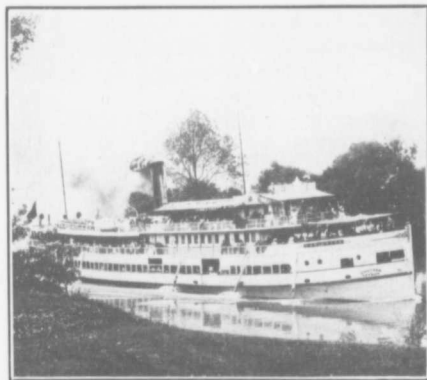
Chatham's Favorite Playground.

walk from the main business thoroughfare, athletic sports are held, while it is also a favorite recreation spot for women and children. Here are the baseball diamond, the cricket crease and one of the best lawn bowling greens in Ontario. On summer evenings, band concerts are held here. The Thames, on the banks of which Tecumseh Park is situated, is a favorite stream for canoeing and motor boating.

Facing Tecumseh Park is the Hotel Sanita, with its celebrated mineral baths. Close by are the Armouries of the 24th Kent Regiment.

Victoria park within easy distance of the centre of the city, is larger than Tecumseh Park and a favorite picnic ground. It is attractively laid out with evergreens and comprises some 15 acres.

Within easy distance of the city, on Lake Erie, are the summer resorts of Erie Beach and Eriean. Here are situated the summer cottages of many Chathamites. Government Park, on Lake Erie, within easy distance of these resorts, is a wide stretch of natural forest reserve.



Thames River Trip is Popular.