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THREE DAYS LACE CURTAIN SALE At Special Prices THURSDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY (This Week)

We have just received a very large shipment of Lace Curtains from one of the best Nottingham manufacturers. Our order for these was placed months ago—before the price of cotton advanced. It was a fortunate purchase for us, and gives us the opportunity of placing before you the very best goods at very special prices—for three days only—**Thursday, Friday and Saturday**, of this week. A display of these **Special Values** may be seen in our windows. Not one pair will be sold until Thursday morning, so that every lady has an opportunity of a big selection. We recommend you to come early on Thursday morning. We open at eight o'clock.

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No. 4446—A special line suitable for bedrooms, 38 inches wide, floral design, with ribbon border, a great value.

89 cents

At this price we give you a choice of three different designs, both floral and conventional. These are all 3 yards long by 48 in. wide and are very special at this low price.

98 cents

No. 4577—This curtain would be considered very cheap at \$1.25, it comes in floral designs, 3 yds. long by 50 inches wide and is a specially good number.

\$1.15

Three numbers at this popular price, 3 1/2 yds. long, both floral and conventional designs, the right kind for dining room or sitting room. You save 25c. on each pair at the sale price.

\$1.48

Four designs at this popular price and every pair of them is worth \$2.00. They are 54 in. wide, 3 1/2 yds. long. A big, ample curtain in good styles and special designs.

\$1.63

Two numbers—special muslin curtains (tamboured) a splendid line for good bedrooms, 3 yds. long and worth \$2.25.

\$1.69

At this figure we give you a curtain well worth \$2.25. It is full 60 inches wide, 3 1/2 yds. long and comes in two good floral designs. A very special curtain at a very special price.

\$1.89

Two numbers at this price, 3 1/2 yds. long by 60 inches wide. The quality of the net in these is unusually fine—the designs are above the average, and in the regular way this line would sell at \$2.50.

\$2.35

No. 215—Only 5 pairs of this number, which comes with a floral border and spot centre. The regular value is \$3.00.

\$4.40

No. 163—A very special ivory shade cable net curtain, with a plain centre. A beautiful design at a low price, worth \$5.50.

There are many other special numbers that for lack of space we cannot enumerate. Come and see them for yourself.

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YOUNG MEN ARE LEAVING

Assessor Gonne Accounts for the Lack of Increase in Population

ASSESSMENT IS GROWING

The result of the work of the assessors is the result of much comment around the city and many express surprise that the population of Chatham has not reached the ten thousand mark this year. A large number of new families have come in and still the population is only 9,699, 70 more than last year. This, however, was explained to The Planet by Assessor Gonne, who in a short conversation said:

"Several people have to my knowledge commented on the small population compared with what they thought it would be, and some have suggested that the census could not have been taken properly. As far as the latter statement is concerned, this could not be. We have two slips, one is left in every home and the other is retained and checked over, so that it is impossible for us to make a mistake. We have not missed a person in Chatham."

"The reason I account for the fact that the population is not growing is because so many of our young men are leaving the city, the most of them going to the Northwest. I got a letter from a man in Calgary the other day and he told of being at a social gathering in that city at which there were sixteen Chatham people present. This is only one place in the Northwest. The new people who come in just about balance the number who leave."

The fact that Chatham is growing rapidly, and is being built up, is plainly shown in the great increase in the assessment. This year there is an increase of \$277,369.00, and in the past two years there has been an increase in the assessment of a million dollars. This is indeed a matter for congratulation and shows that Chatham is making progress that is equalled by no other city in the province.

FAIR OF NATIONS

Ladies of the Assisting Society are Working Hard to Make This Event a Success

The Fair off All Nations, which comes off this month in the Skating Rink, promises to be a big success. Every nation will be represented by a booth and some very pleasant surprises are in store for the visitors who will attend.

At present the Ladies of the Assisting Society, who have the management of the affair in hand, are busily engaged in decorating the shed for the opening night. It will be a glorious opening. There will be a complete change of program every night, so that each night will be like a new opening.

The ladies have worked very industriously to make this event a success, and there is very little that they have overlooked.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Ann Healey, of Wallaceburg, took place yesterday afternoon at three o'clock. The cortege proceeded from the home of Mrs. Leak, deceased's daughter, Amelia street, to the Maple Leaf cemetery, where the interment took place. The Rev. Mr. Malott conducted a service in the Victoria avenue Methodist church, of which the deceased was a member.

Significant "Notes"

A Life Insurance Company may be judged by what it DOES NOT DO as well as by what it DOES DO. As illustrating the things which



does NOT do, attention is invited to the following:

- (1) It does NOT deposit its policyholders' funds in other than chartered Canadian Banks of good standing.
- (2) It does NOT contribute to campaign funds; and it does NOT use policyholders' money for private or personal aggrandizement.
- (3) Its Head Office staff are not overpaid; they are not participants in profits arising from the company's investments; and they do NOT and NEVER did hold or use proxies.

Head Office, Waterloo, Canada

GEO. H. REDPATH,

GENERAL AGENT, CHATHAM

THE KINDERGARTENS ARE CHATHAM'S BIG LUXURY

Dr. McKeough Says The Board Will Have to Cut Down Their Expenses in This Respect in View of the High Tax Rate

REGULAR MEETING OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD

The matter of the overcrowding of the Central School Kindergarten was the subject of a lengthy discussion at the meeting of the Public School Board last evening. It was shown that the attendance at the school is too heavy, for the number of teachers employed, and it was found necessary to add another teacher. There are 72 in attendance at the morning class and 60 in attendance at the afternoon class.

Mr. McArthur thought that the only remedy was to increase the age limit of those eligible to attend. At present pupils are admitted if they are four years of age. He thought that the limit should be placed at five years. It was a question of whether this can be done by law.

The Inspector thought that the Board were not required by law to keep a kindergarten at all, and so could suit themselves in the matter. The attendance is increasing at an enormous rate. At the McKeough School, too, the attendance is very large, and 23 of them are under the age of five years.

Mr. McArthur explained that the extra teacher at the Central was engaged only temporarily. The expense of the Board are unable to secure free help in the way of girls in training, as they fortunately had been in years gone by.

Inspector Park said that much of the expense is necessary from the fact that the Board are unable to secure free help in the way of girls in training, as they fortunately had been in years gone by.

Dr. McKeough—The kindergartens are getting to be Chatham's greatest luxury. They are costing the citizens a sum of \$4,000 a year. There are 200 pupils in attendance, and there are nine teachers engaged—as many as there are altogether in the McKeough School—and every one of them are drawing fat salaries. Very soon the city of Chatham will reach her tax limit of 30 mills and then the cutting will have to begin. The School Board's curtailing of expenses will have to be on the kindergartens. Their present requirements are beyond all reasonable limits.

Mr. Robertson—At one time the pupils used to pay a fee.

Dr. McKeough—That was to pay for the toys they had in the school. Mr. McArthur—I understand that the first book classes are taxed to their utmost capacity at present, and so the trouble cannot be remedied by promoting some of the pupils. The only way I see out of the difficulty is to increase the age limit for entrance, and he favored making the limit five years instead of four.

Mr. Morley—The sooner the attendance is cut down the better. It was decided to engage Miss Farquharson for the next two months at a salary of \$20 a month, and in the meantime Mr. McArthur gave a notice of a motion to increase the age limit to five years, beginning at the fall term.

It was decided to allow the McKeough School to install electric lighting in their building, to be paid for out of the proceeds of the annual picnic.

It was also decided to give the

GOOD CONCERT

A banquet was held in the St. Joseph's Hall last evening by the participants in the Irish Concert, the recent dramatic entertainment, the Grand Opera House Orchestra and the St. Joseph's Church Choir. About 70 people were in attendance and a very enjoyable time was spent. The Opera House Orchestra rendered some excellent selections and Wm. Chrysler assisted in entertaining the company with several excellent songs.

The result of the recent pedro party was announced as follows:—Ladies—1st prize, Miss Mount; 2nd, Miss Staniewicz. Gentlemen—1st prize, James O'Neill; 2nd, J. Perrott.

A sumptuous supper was provided during the evening and a pleasant time was spent by all present.

PUBLIC NUISANCE

Many people are complaining of the great loss of water caused by the continual overflow from the public drinking fountain in front of the old market, on King St.

Besides wasting water this fountain, which appears to be in bad condition as regards its basins, is doing a good deal of mud to come about it.

The water is splashing over the basins and choked up basins and around in a pool, causing

POLICE COURT BREVITIES

A certain woman on Raleigh St. called on Judge Houston at the Police Court yesterday morning with a complaint that some of her neighbors were abusing her boy by throwing sticks, stones and vile names. The only trouble was, she had no witnesses. When she found out that she had no case for the Police Court she left the station threatening to take the law in her own hands next time, so there soon may be a case for Mr. Houston.

Mrs. Masud Kilbraith, of St. Clair, Mich., has been visiting in the city, and while she has been here some of the neighbors have been throwing out mean insinuations against her. She told the police about it, but decided that she would lay no information, as she was anxious to get back to St. Clair. Mrs. Kilbraith is a lady who is a St. Clair native.

WANTED \$25 PER HOUR

Information Relative to River Floods Secured by Mr. Clements

EXCESSIVE TUG RATES

Ottawa, May 1.—There was brought down in the House to-day by the Minister of Public Works, the return, moved by Mr. Clements, of Kent, and containing the correspondence, etc., pertaining to relief from the River Thames floods.

The return consists of a letter from W. E. Piggott, of Chatham, written February 20, 1905, suggesting the employment of one of the Reid Wrecking Company tugs as an ice-breaker. Then follows a report to Parliament of J. O. Sing, engineer in charge, dated London, March 2, 1905, in which he states that after looking over the situation he thinks the ice-breaking experiment worth trying; that the tug Sarnia, owned by the Reid Company, would do the work admirably; that he was informed she was paid \$100 per day by other cities for similar work, but that Captain Thomas Reid intimated that the charge for the Thames work would be \$25 per hour, which, to Mr. Sing, appeared to be excessive.

This concludes the correspondence as tabled.

FORMER KENT MAN

Daniel White Passes Away at his Home in Los Angeles California

Word has been received of the death of Daniel White, who passed away at his home in Los Angeles, California, aged 85 years, 2 months and 20 days. He was the son of the late William and Hannah White, and the last one of a large family to pass to the Great Beyond.

Daniel was born in Pennsylvania, January, 1821, and removed to Canada when he was six years old. He married Isabella A. Dolsen, who survives him. They raised a family of three girls and seven boys. Two sons have passed away since going to California—the eldest and youngest. The rest of the family are living in Los Angeles or near there.

Deceased was a life-long member of the Methodist Church, and his younger days took an active part in choir leader, especially in Charing Cross, Ont.

The pastors of the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches, united in honoring his name and memory at a large gathering at his home, April 8th, 1906, when his body was laid to rest in Whittier Cemetery, Cal.

ALDIS—McMULLEN

A very quiet but pretty wedding took place at the Christ Church rectory on Monday evening, when Miss Maimie McMullen was made the happy bride of Mr. Walter Aldis. Rev. Rural Dean McCosh performed the wedding ceremony.

Both bride and groom are residents of this city and are well and popularly known here.

Their many friends will join in extending the heartiest of congratulations. The happy young couple will take up their residence on Park avenue.

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