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Great Clearing Sale —OF— MILLINERY.

Trimmed and Untrimmed and Ready-to-Wear
Hats at Half-Price.

Men's Underwear at 1-2 Price.

19 dozen men's all wool union and fleece-lined shirts and drawers, regular price 50c, January sale price 25c.
Also a lot of odd shirts and drawers, some of the very finest quality at 1/2 price.

Men's Shirts

One dozen men's white dress shirts, reg. price \$1.25 and \$1.50, January sale price 75c.
5 doz men's neckties, four-in-hand and make-up, reg. price 25c, sale price 15c.

Great Clearing-up Sale of Furs.

Space will not permit quoting prices. We ask you to come and see for yourself.
You can buy furs very cheap.

175 Ladies' and Misses' Jackets

-ranging in price from \$2.75 to \$20.00, your choice while they last at 1/2 price, all this season's goods and elegant styles, better make your choice early.

Ladies' Belts

A fine range of elegant silk belts in the very newest designs, regular \$1.00 quality at 75c, regular 75c quality at 57c, regular 50c quality at 38c.

Ladies' Winter Underwear

Ladies' heavy all wool vests and drawers, regular price 75c, January sale price 50c.
Ladies' all wool vests, fine quality, regular price 85c, January sale price 65c.
Ladies' union vests, good quality and nicely finished, reg. price 25c, January sale price 35c.
Ladies' open drawers, extra heavy quality, very special, regular price 25c, January sale price 20c.
Children's union vests and drawers, in sizes 17, 23, 25 and 28, reg. 20c quality at 15c; reg. 30c quality at 25c; reg. 40c quality at 35c.
A large range of cambric embroideries at 1/2 price.
Yak insertions and laces for dress trimmings, blues, greys and browns at 1/2 price.
Ladies' flannel waists, regular price \$1.00, January sale price 50c.

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We are clearing out the balance of our stock at slaughter prices. See Samples in **The Ark Window with out prices attached.**

Skate Straps 5c. a Pair.

This sale will commence on **Tuesday Morning, 11th.** Call early and secure the size you require.

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COUNCIL REJECTS SLATES DRAFTED FRIDAY NIGHT

Ald. McCoig and Ald. Piggott Both Refuse Board of Work
Chairmanship—Council Adjourns Without Appointing
Committees—Mayor's Inaugural Address.

The inaugural meeting of the Council was held this morning at eleven o'clock, and after a session lasting over an hour the Council adjourned without appointing the various committees. When W. S. Marshall moved the Finance committee, it was unanimously adopted, but the Board of Works committee, as drafted, caused trouble. Ald. Piggott couldn't make arrangements with his firm, and, in consequence, begged to be excused. Ald. Tye couldn't devote the time to the Board of Works committee.

Ald. Marshall moved that Ald. Piggott, Tye and Westman be the Board of Works.

Ald. Tye moved, in amendment, seconded by Ald. Westman, that Ald. McCoig, Piggott and Westman compose the Board of Works.

Both motion and amendment were voted on and lost.

Then the Council adjourned to meet to-night, when the appointment of committees will be continued. This is the first time on record, during the office of City Clerk Merritt, that an adjournment has been necessary owing to the fact that the slates made in caucus failed to carry in the Council.

All the aldermen were on hand in fairly good time and took their seats. Ald. Mounter and Ald. McCoig are the endmen this year. Ald. Mounter takes Ald. McCoig's old seat and Ald. McCoig replaces Ald. Martin. The seating of the councillors this morning was as follows:—Ald. Mounter, Marshall, Scullard, Tye, Piggott, Westman, Martin, Edmondson and McCoig. There are few gray hairs to be seen at the Council Board. Ald. McCoig is still the youngest member of the Council. He is some three or four years younger than any other member of the Council, being barely 30 years of age. Ald. Tye, Westman and Piggott are about the same age, and it was this trinity which it was proposed to convert into a Board of Works. Ald. Piggott confesses to 22 years, although the records add 12 years to this. Ald. G. G. Martin is perhaps the oldest member of the Council.

The seating of the aldermen is subject to change, and is very likely to be changed at the meeting to-night. Mayor McKeough delivered his inaugural address as follows:—

Chatham, Ontario,
11th January, 1904.
To the Aldermen of the City of Chatham

Gentlemen.—It gives me much pleasure in addressing you at this inaugural meeting to congratulate you upon the confidence reposed in you by the electorate of our city, in having elected you to fill the responsible positions of Aldermen of this prosperous Municipality.

I am delighted to see all the aldermen of the past year, who presented themselves for re-election, in their accustomed places at this council board, which is an assurance that their services have been appreciated by the public, and I cordially welcome to this council the new members who take their seats here for the first time. I sincerely trust that our intercourse together this year will be as harmonious as that which we were so fortunate in experiencing during the year 1903, and that our efforts in behalf of this city, whose interests we all have so much at heart, will be as progressive and beneficial as those which characterized the proceedings of the council for the past year and that our city will advance as much, if not more, during the present year than during any previous year in her history.

In my inaugural address of last year I brought to the attention of the Council numerous important matters touching the well-being of our City, which I am pleased were satisfactorily carried out, such as the official audit, the settlement of the question of the Pere Marquette car shops, the agreement with the Bell Telephone Company, the near construction of a radial railway, many new pavements and other improvements; and I would like to call your attention now to some matters which I carefully considered and implemented will, I think, materially advance the city's welfare and be of lasting benefit to this Corporation.

I am of the opinion that the present is an opportune time to enlarge the city's limits. There are portions of the townships of Dover, Chatham, Harwich and Raleigh lying adjacent to this municipality which should be incorporated with the City, as they enjoy all the benefits of the City and

should share its responsibilities. I would suggest that in case the inhabitants of these portions of the said townships object to enter the city that an undertaking be given them that their rate of taxation would not exceed their present assessment for a term of five years from the date of their entry into the city. The Legislature, I believe, was inclined to accede to the city's desire some time ago, when application was made to it to enlarge our boundaries, but owing to their being some unoccupied lands within our limits not used at that time, and which are now filled up, the inevitable enlargement of our territory was then postponed for a few years.

I understand the Water Committee desire to act in conjunction with the council in asking the Legislature to grant the City power to issue debentures for extension of water mains, instead of paying for same out of current revenue, as well as power to tax all vacant property opposite to which water mains are laid, similar to a local improvement, which will be a means of reducing our taxation considerably.

The Finance Committee will be obliged to obtain private legislation to enable the Corporation to issue debentures to meet the \$50,000 overdraft of the Standard Bank, and while so doing all of which can be done by the approval of the Water Committee, to the same source for power to issue the necessary debentures to extend water mains and for other powers, as well as for the extension of the city limits, all of which can be incorporated in one bill, without much additional expense to the City.

The Finance Committee should see that the recommendations of the Auditor as adopted by the Finance



W. E. McKEOUGH,
Mayor of the City of Chatham.

committee and Council of 1903 should be carried out, and that the new books and forms required for the Treasurer's office are obtained and the new system installed as soon as possible. The matter of the costs of Administration of Justice as between the City and County will have to be considered by the Finance committee at an early date as well as the cost of the heating system of Harrison Hall.

I would like the Board of Works to place themselves in communication with the proper officials of the Pere Marquette Railway Company and see if their line of railway along Head street can not be removed and placed along the north bank of the river Thames as far as the Aberdeen Bridge, or in case they find that proposition impracticable, to induce the Railway Company to contribute a large sum towards the cost of paving that portion of Head street on which their track now lies. A number of the leading thoroughfares in our city have been permanently paved during the past two years, and all parties are delighted with the improvements made thereby. Victoria avenue and St. Clair street will no doubt be paved early in the year, and I should like to see Park street also paved, and the Queen street pavement, narrowed down, extended to Indian Creek. When these highways are permanently paved other streets will soon follow their good example, and in a few years our streets will be like our sidewalks the best of any city of like population in the world.

I think it would be advisable for the Board of Works to advertise for tenders for all classes of pavements for our streets at once, when the property owners will be able to judge before Spring what class of pavement they prefer and what price they shall have to pay for the various streets to be paved.

The Board of Works will also have to consider the best means whereby our now numerous paved streets shall be kept clean, and whether it will be necessary to purchase additional machinery for that purpose. I believe it is the intention of the City Engineer to thoroughly overhaul the electric light plant, which has given so much cause of complaint during the past year, and I recommend the Property committee to see that the service is placed in the best possible condition consistent

with proper economy.
The question of the advisability of adopting some improvements to Harrison Hall will have to be considered by the Property committee in conjunction with the Committee of the County Council.

I am still of the opinion expressed in my inaugural of 1903 that it would be a wise expenditure to remodel the Market building according to the plans of the City Engineer, the foundation and walls having been found to be in perfect condition—converting the funds raised from the sale of the old Police Station—which would provide conveniences for men and women attending the Market and giving a large room for the accommodation of those who bring their produce there for sale, as well as giving us an up-to-date Police Court, offices and cells. The whole building could be heated in winter for almost the cost of heating the present Police Station.

Complaint has been made from time to time of the unsatisfactory condition of our Cemetery. Some improvements have been made recently and I would like to see the grass on the main pathways in all parts of the Cemetery cut by lawn mowers at least once a week during the summer months so as to enable those who have friends buried there to reach their graves without wading through tall grass. The owners of lots will no doubt see that they are properly looked after, but the main pathways should be kept neat and passable and without additional expense to the ratepayer. If the caretaker has not the necessary implements he should be provided with same.

The Industrial committee will be called upon during the year to see to the proper enforcement of the agreement and by-law concerning the Chatham, Wallaceburg and Lake Erie Railway, which we hope to see constructed between Chatham and Wallaceburg before many months have passed.

Although the by-law to aid in the establishing of a pork factory factory, which was provisionally adopted, did not receive sufficient votes to enable this council to finally pass the same, other inducements might be held out to the English syndicate to induce them to locate their factory here. There are several propositions now before the committee, of industries desirous of establishing in suitable localities, some of which I trust you will be able to secure for Chatham, and no doubt other concerns will be brought to your notice, which will require your vigilance and energetic action to obtain for our thriving city.

The whole country has been greatly shocked by the recent fatality in Chicago by the burning of the Iroquois Theatre with great loss of life. Our attention is called to our own opera house and public buildings with their inadequate exits. The Crown Attorney and the Chief of the Fire Department assure me that they will enforce a by-law governing such matters, providing the council pass a resolution to make ample provision for emptying them with the greatest possible speed. Our solicitor should be instructed to prepare such a by-law, without delay.

I trust your deliberations throughout the year will be marked by courtesy to each other, by business despatch, by earnestness of purpose for the public's weal, by devotion to the city's best interests; and that economy consistent with progress will prevail, that all unnecessary expenditure, that all extravagance will be avoided, and that everything will be done to further the capable government of the city and at the same time efforts will be made for the betterment of her commercial prosperity and that we may fulfill to the utmost all that is expected of an upright and energetic council for the advancement of the thrifty, prosperous, booming and beautiful Maple City, which we are all so proud to call our home.

W. E. McKEOUGH,
Mayor.

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MORNING WEDDING

The wedding took place this morning at nine o'clock at St. Joseph's church, of Miss Dolly O'Mara, daughter of Wm. O'Mara, former proprietor of the Idlewild Hotel, North Chatham, to Frank Murphy, of Chicago, son of J. Murphy, of Fletcher, Ont. Rev. Father James officiated. Miss Nellie O'Mara, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid, while J. Murphy, brother of the groom, was best man. The happy couple left after the ceremony for Fletcher. They leave Fletcher to-morrow for their future home in Chicago.

Both young people are well known by many Chatham friends and have the best wishes of future happiness from all.

CAPTAIN SUICIDES

St. Louis, Jan. 10.—One of the oldest steamboat men in the west, Capt. Richard S. Fairchild, committed suicide at the home of his son to-day. He took his life with a butcher knife. During the civil war he was in the federal service as engineer on different transports.

SAFER COVERED

The feeling among the civic authorities is that the snow-clearing by-law in so far as it compels the cleaning of Grandthine walks, should be repealed, amended or ignored, as such walks are safer in frosty weather when covered with snow. — Toronto News.

WILL PRESENT KING HENRY VIII

Date Set for the Splendid
Shakespearean Production
by the Macaulay Club

Interesting Meeting on Saturday Evening—Splendid Date on Historical Subject

Dramatic Director J. S. Lane, M. A. made an important announcement at the inaugural new year meeting of the Macaulay Club on Saturday evening.

The presentation of the two scenes from the third act of Shakespeare's King Henry VIII, supplemented by a unique and delightful literary and musical program by the ladies of Christ Church, will take place at the Grand on Friday evening, Jan. 29th.

Those who saw the splendid production of the Trial Scene from The Merchant of Venice by the Macaulay Club last year will appreciate the promised excellence of the forthcoming bill. Last year, however, the production was entirely in the hands of the gentlemen of the Club, while this season the talented services of several Maple City young ladies have been secured for the various feminine roles. The production will be handsomely costumed from Detroit and special historical stage settings are being arranged for. President Harry Collins has been appointed as business manager of the work, while Mr. Lane, who met with such pronounced success last year, will again perform the important duties of director.

The work of rehearsal is rapidly nearing completion. The cast has been chosen by the Club with great care and an excellent presentation may be looked for.

In addition the ladies are preparing a splendid introductory program of special merit.

There was a large attendance at the Club meeting on Saturday evening, when A. E. Galbraith contributed an excellent reading on Napoleon. The subject of debate was, "Resolved that Cromwell was a greater statesman and general than William III." For the affirmative J. S. Lane led, assisted by Dr. T. K. Holmes, J. W. Powers, J. W. Young, H. Collins and H. W. Anderson. Mr. D. Smith was the leader of the negative and with him were Fred. Stone, C. E. Beaton, C. B. Sisson, James Causgrove and A. E. Galbraith.

Ald. Thomas Scullard performed the duties of critic.

Vice-President F. D. Laurie, who was in the chair, gave decision for the negative.

"ROBIN HOOD"

A full rehearsal of all interested in the production of the opera "Robin Hood" will be held this evening, commencing at eight o'clock, in the auditorium over the Standard Bank. A full attendance is especially requested. Col. Rankin will make an important announcement.

FINE DISCOURSE

The Rev. T. R. O'Meara, Dean of Wycliffe College, Toronto, preached yesterday in Holy Trinity church at both services. The Dean, who is a personal friend of the pastor, the Rev. T. Beverley Smith, is a very able speaker, and both of his sermons were listened to with great interest. In the evening the Dean gave a splendid missionary address from the words of Christ to Simon Peter just after the fishing at Lake Galilee, when He said, "Simon, son of Joseph, thou art Peter." The theme of the Rev. T. O'Meara's sermon was that we should do what we could for missions, both foreign and domestic, because Christ loved us and because we should love Christ and the heathen through Christ. If we loved our Saviour, love for the heathen would come through that love.

SWEARER'S REFORM

London, Jan. 10.—Though it is a well known fact that one hears a great deal more profanity among Americans than among the better classes of Englishmen, still there is nothing in America approaching the villenous of the language one hears in the streets of London. Consequently it is encouraging to learn that the National Association for the Suppression of Bad Language has made great progress in the campaign. Its annual report states that the distribution of specially prepared leaflets at cricket and football matches has been much appreciated. One is tempted to wonder how such a scheme would work at baseball games and election preliminaries in America.



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GEN. LEE IN COMMAND

New Orleans, Jan. 10.—In a general order issued to-night by Gen. Stephen D. Lee, commander of the Tennessee Department, United States Confederate veterans, Gen. Lee assumes the office of Commander-in-Chief of the United Confederate Veterans, made vacant by the death of Gen. John B. Gordon.

In his order, Gen. Lee states that the staff of the late commander-in-chief is continued, as the staff of the present, commanding general.

Willard Found McKay at Last

That there is a long felt want for an up-to-date cafe in Chatham, and has made many improvements in the

King St. Confectionery.

A **CAFE** will be opened in connection with the confectionery on or about **Tuesday, Jan. 12, 1904.**

Lunches and Regular
Meals of all Kinds
will be served to Order

Oysters in any style, also a
fine line of **Hot Sodas** will
be served. Following is a list of
Hot Sodas always ready-served
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Hot Claret Phosphate, Coffee
Hot, Cream De Menthe Hot,
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Chocolate Hot, Beef Tea Hot,
Tomato Baulton Hot, Lemonade
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