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REPAIRING DONE
AT THE STORE.

The Chatham Loan and Savings Co.
43rd Half Yearly Dividend

Notice is hereby given that a dividend at the rate of six per cent. per annum upon the paid-up capital stock of this company has been declared this day for the current half year ending June 30th, 1903, payable at the company's office on and after July 2nd, 1903.

The transfer books will be closed from the 20th to 30th June inclusive. By order of the Board.
S. F. GARDINER,
Manager.
Chatham, June 2, 1903.

THE
GIBSON
PICTURES

AT THE—
GIBSON
STUDIO.
Cor. King and Fifth Sts.
CHATHAM.

ST. THOMAS FAILURES.

MANIA OF SPECULATION POSSESSED THE CITY.

Other Loan Companies Prepared to Meet a Run—Rowley Left for the East on Early Morning Train.

St. Thomas, June 17.—Though the haste to get rich is said to be at the root of much that is evil, it is seldom that the saying has been so completely exemplified as at St. Thomas. The craze for making money, whether by speculation or by financing that was shunned by those who had weathered many a gale, took possession of the town. One evidence was the existence of five loan companies to a population of 12,000 or 14,000. The ordinary banker, trained in finance, says now, "I told you so," but he must have the credit of having given the warning long ago. There can be no doubt that loan companies have been a drag on the town. Instead of putting their money into industrial enterprises, which would benefit the town, the savers and makers preferred a loan company, with alluring prospects of 5 per cent. and 6 per cent. There was plenty of money there, for St. Thomas is a big railway centre, surrounded by one of the richest farming districts in the country. So far did it go that one company tried to make money out of another. Mr. Baird, President of the suspended Elgin company, frankly admits that the reason his company put \$31,000 with the Atlas Company, also suspended, was that he was offered 5 per cent., which he could not get elsewhere. Both of these companies will disappear, and a brighter day will dawn for St. Thomas.

Aside from a homely loan companies, there is little to be added to the situation to-day. There was practically no run on the remaining companies to-day. They are without doubt able to pay at once every depositor. Accountants are at work on the books of the Atlas and Elgin Companies, and people are waiting the result. The London & Western Trust Co. sent Mr. Ernest Weldon to take charge of the Elgin Company's books, in accordance with Judge Hughes' order. Mr. Home Smith, who is doing similar work for the National Trust Company at the Atlas Company, expects that a statement will be ready for presentation to the court at the end of this week. Manager Rowley of the Elgin Company, who is missing, was also manager of the G.N.W. Company, and Inspector Dickson has been sent up to investigate his accounts. There was a rumor that he was in hiding in the city, but this is unfounded, for a cabman drove him to the Michigan Central Station after midnight on Monday morning, and he is understood to have taken the train for the east, Buffalo or New York. This is one of the sad features of the affair, for he was a devoted family man, worshipped by a family whose sorrow is affecting.

A scapegoat must be found, and, rightly or wrongly, Mr. Wallace is blamed for everything. He persistently refuses to make any statement until Ames & Company do so to enable him to know where he stands. He, however, was involved by his neighbors, Messrs. Crossley and Hunter, the evangelists, to come down to the office to-day to assist the liquidators. He is in a very bad condition physically as well as mentally. He characterized the statement of Ames & Company that his company would not have failed on their account if it had been strong otherwise, and names a lot of gilded securities which he had with that firm, of which Dominion Steel alone is weak. He refused to say more, but that the National Trust Company was in charge of the office, and any statement regarding the business must come from them. "But," said Mr. Wallace, of the securities of the Atlas Loan, now in the hands of Ames & Company, recover their nominal value, as they are likely to do, there will be enough from that source alone to pay a very large percentage of the depositors."

Mr. Wallace admitted that he had made an egregious mistake, which had involved himself and his friends, but that he was determined to do right, and that he would never be worth a dollar himself until he had paid every body one hundred cents on the dollar.

MR. ROSS RESIGNS.

He is Leaving the Montreal Street Railway.

Montreal, June 17.—Mr. James Ross has resigned the Vice-Presidency of the Montreal Street Railway Company, and severed his connection with the directorate. No reason is given except pressure of other interests. It is understood here that Mr. Ross has gradually disposed of his street railway stock and that hereafter he will devote the greater part of his time to promoting the interests of the Dominion Iron & Steel and Dominion Coal Companies, of which he is the President. Mr. F. L. Wanklyn, the present General Manager of the Montreal Street Railway, succeeds to the Vice-Presidency, and Mr. Duncan MacDonald, formerly Superintendent, has returned from Paris to resume the duties of his old position.

The new oil well of the Chatham Oil Company on the Doyle place and about a hundred yards south of O'Keefe's Bridge, is progressing favorably. The time was secured, it is stated, about a foot higher in this well.

TRIBUTES OF HIGH ESTEEM

First Presbyterian Congregation Testifies to their Appreciation of Mrs. Cooper's Talented Services.

The Accomplished Vocalist the Recipient of a Handsome Souvenir of Her Successful Work—Many Eulogistic Words.

The large lecture hall of the First Presbyterian Church—tastefully decorated with flowers and foliage—was thronged by the members of the congregation last evening on the occasion of the farewell social gathering given to Mrs. John Cooper, for seven years the accomplished soloist and choir director of the church, who resigned recently on account of ill-health and leaves shortly for Toronto, where she will henceforth reside.

A delightful musical program was rendered, the participants being, as Mr. McKellar pleasantly expressed it, "Mrs. Cooper's own pupils, trained by herself and consequently all young artists."

P. D. McKellar, chairman of the congregational Board of Managers, presided, and in his opening remarks alluded appropriately to the long, valued and talented services of Mrs. Cooper. "What Mrs. Cooper has done for the service of song in our church," he said, "cannot be estimated in mere words, any more than what she has done for voice culture and musical development in our city. Mrs. Cooper gave the First Presbyterian Church a choir unequalled by any in the large cities; she filled the church, and what was very practical from the managers' standpoint, the open contributions



MRS. JOHN COOPER.

of the congregation were doubled. I can only hope that the church may be fortunate enough to secure such another choir as that which Mrs. Cooper so successfully organized and directed with such marked ability."

Concluding, Mr. McKellar said that the congregation were anxious to express their esteem of Mrs. Cooper and appreciation of her services in some appropriate manner, and, in consequence, the managers had requested Mr. Frank D. Laurie, Mr. J. S. Black and himself to arrange the present gathering.

Proceeding, the following excellent musical program was contributed by the former pupils of Mrs. Cooper, each soloist being heartily greeted with an encore:

Solo—Miss Edna M. Martin.
Solo—Chas. H. Gunn.
Solo—Miss Ada Ross.
Solo—William H. Brackin.
Solo—Miss Gertrude Somerville.

The accompaniments were perfectly played by Misses Lillian Pratt and Ada Ross and Wm. H. Brackin. At the conclusion of the program Mr. McKellar asked Mrs. Cooper to come to the platform. As the applause subsided the patriarchal chairman gallantly extended his hand to the young lady, adding pleasantly, "This must be the union of May and December." The pretty sentiment was greeted with round upon round of applause.

ADDRESS.
Mr. McKellar then read the following address:—
Chatham, June 16, 1903.

To Mrs. May Cooper:
The Congregation of the First Presbyterian Church feel that they cannot permit your departure from Chatham without expressing their sense of the heavy obligation under which you

have placed them by the very great excellence of the choir music furnished under your leadership, which we remember not only for its artistic finish and quality, but as being soul-satisfying and an inspiration to worship. In your conception of choir music you are entitled to the credit of elevating it to a standard of excellence never before attained in Chatham, and, as the other congregations have striven to attain the same eminence in the quality and character of their choir music, the benefit of your excellent organization and culture of our choir has been felt by all the Christian congregations of the city. In our opinion you more than anyone deserve the credit of stimulating and developing the latent vocal talent of our city. Your retirement is, therefore, a distinct loss to the musical culture of the city.

We deplore the cause which renders your retirement imperative, but we sincerely hope that complete cessation from labor may bring a speedy restoration to health and an early resumption of your vocation in our city.

We beg your acceptance of the accompanying gift, as representing in a small and insignificant measure our friendship to you and as a mark of our appreciation of your very great vocal talent.

I am,

Sincerely yours,
P. D. McKellar,

Chairman of the Board of Managers, on behalf of the Congregation of the First Presbyterian Church.

The chairman then presented Mrs. Cooper with a handsomely engraved and finished toilet set, each article of which was inscribed with a silver monogram. The case was mounted in silver and engraved:—"Presented to Mrs. May Cooper by the Congregation of the First Presbyterian Church, Chatham, Ont., as a mark of appreciation and esteem. June, 1903."

Mrs. Cooper was greeted with round upon round of applause.

"I'm so sorry I can't make a speech," she said, smiling. "But I can say thank you from my heart. May I ask Mr. McKellar to speak for me and tell you all of my appreciation of your goodness?"

Mr. McKellar bowed and smilingly proceeded:—"Mrs. Cooper desires to thank you all for this and all your past kindness. She regrets exceedingly that she has been compelled to retire from her work here temporarily, but she hopes that the rest and quiet of Toronto will restore her to her wonted health, when she will, of course, return to Chatham and be again at your disposal."

"Oh Mr. McKellar," put in Mrs. Cooper naively, amid laughter and applause.

"Mrs. Cooper also wishes me to say for her that while she cannot make you a speech, she will be delighted to sing for you."—Applause. "I'll tell you," added the chairman, "if Mrs. Cooper had studied oratory with the same assiduousness as she has experienced in sweet songs, she would have been in parliament long ago."—Laughter and applause.

"Mrs. Cooper then contributed a magnificent and soulful interpretation of the favorite, "O Promise Me." The Maple City's popular soprano perhaps never sang better and she was obliged to repeatedly bow her acknowledgments to the enthusiastic applause with which her singing was greeted.

Ex-Ald. Fred. Stone delivered a brief and appropriate address. Chatham, he said, was greatly indebted to Mrs. Cooper—and particularly the church where she worshipped. One was always particularly impressed with Mrs. Cooper's appreciation of what church music should be. Whether it was solo or anthem it was always in supreme harmony with the service, helpful, inspiring, elevating. Mrs. Cooper had set a high standard and he earnestly hoped an effort would be made to maintain it.

An hour of social intercourse was then enjoyed. The ladies of the church, Mrs. Geo. T. McKelough presiding, served light refreshments and the large gathering took occasion to extend personally to Mrs. Cooper their expressions of appreciation and esteem, and to wish for her in her new sphere and in her quest for wanted health and strength a hearty and earnest "God speed."

Forbearance and self control smoothed the road of life and open many ways which otherwise remain closed.

HOUSE ROBBED

The residence of Hugh McDougall, Harwich, was robbed Monday night. Mr. McDougall was away and Thos. Maynard was doing the chores. Mr. Maynard had occasion to go home and when he returned he found the lamp had been moved into another room. On investigation he found that the house had been ransacked. Outside, towards the townline, he saw two men. When they saw Mr. Maynard they started to run and he shot three times at them. One of the men called out that he was hit but didn't stop running.

Among the articles taken were a black leather toilet case with brown leather lining and initial H on the outside; gold locket with horseshoe engraved on one side and set with jewels on the other side the initials H. McD. and a gold toothpick with the initials H. McD. on it.

Messrs. McDougall and Maynard were in last night and reported the matter to the police.

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