

# The Chatham Daily Planet.

VOL. XVI.

CHATHAM, ONT. TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1907.

NO. 37

## HALF PRICE SALE

### Torchan Laces and Insertions

5400 yards at 3c, 5c, 7c  
per yard

#### SALE WILL START ON TUESDAY MORNING

This lot of laces is without doubt one of the greatest bargains we have ever been able to offer the people of Chatham. They are easily worth double the money we are asking for them. There is not an old pattern or style in the whole lot.—They are all fresh from the maker—and not a yard of them will be on sale until Tuesday morning. They came in a variety of widths, with insertions to match nearly every design in lace. At this season of the year, they will be appreciated, perhaps more than at any other time, as they'll be in time for "spring sewing". They'll be on exhibition in the window on Monday, see them, and come early on Tuesday, for they'll be a big demand for them from the moment they go on sale.

## THREE LOTS, 1800 YARDS IN EACH

AT  
3c, 5c, 7c per yard

## Thomas Stone & Son

SEE THE  
HIGH OVEN JEWEL  
NATURAL GAS  
RANGE.

IT IS A BEAUTY

for either Natural  
or Artificial Gas.  
Also full line of  
the most . . . . .



IMPROVED RANGE AND FURNACE BURNERS  
LINDSAY AND WELSBACH LIGHTS MATNLES

Get your order in early.

## WESTMAN BROS.

## WHEN ABOUT TO ORDER YOUR SPRING SUIT

GIVE US A CALL.

Our Spring Suitings are better than ever in style and finish. We guarantee a Perfect Fit, Best Trimmings and

WORKMANSHIP SECOND TO NONE!

An American Cutter always on hand to look after  
your wants

AT

THE T. H. TAYLOR CO. LTD.

## MAYOR STONE PUBLICLY LECTURES ENGINEER JONES

Says Official Is Too Fond  
Of Displaying Red  
Tape

### FIREMEN GET A RAISE

Fire Chief And Ald. Potter Take  
Turn About In Blaming Mr. Jones  
For Innocent Statement

City Engineer E. B. Jones was the subject of a fifteen minute lecture from Mayor Stone last evening. There are few who can remember a more severe reprimand ever given to a municipal officer than that handed out to the City Engineer by the Mayor at last night's Council meeting. Mr. Jones was in the audience in the auditorium of the chambers at the time. He sat quietly through the ordeal while all eyes were turned his way, and made no remonstrance. He did not even attempt to explain matters afterwards.

"I called up Mr. O'Mara at the Water Works to-day," began the Mayor, "and I asked him if I might procure a phial of the oil which they are using at the works. He replied that I could not get the oil unless I got the consent of the Superintendent. It is a most peculiar thing if the Mayor of the city cannot procure a little phial of oil from the Water Works station without first consulting the Superintendent. Mr. O'Mara positively refused to allow me to have the oil, and further, when he rang up City Engineer Jones, that official said, 'No, he cannot have the oil without my consent.' It has come to me a mighty gasp when the Mayor of the city must first consult the City Engineer on a matter so trivial as this. Now, I want Mr. Jones to understand that in my capacity I had a perfect right to ask for a sample of oil from the Water Works, and get it. Mr. Jones should understand his place and keep it. There is such a thing as a city official overstepping the mark, and Mr. Jones has done so in this instance."

"Now, I wanted that sample of oil for a legitimate purpose. I could have explained it to Mr. Jones, but I hardly think it should be necessary in this instance. Walter Seane asked for a phial of oil from the Works and they wouldn't give it to him, despite the fact that Mr. Seane gave them a barrel of oil a year or so ago. So I undertook to get the oil for Mr. Seane, with the result that I was referred to the City Engineer, whom I was told I must first gain the consent of before I could get the sample. Now, Seane and Phillimore are both applying for the contract of supplying the Water Works with oil. For some reason, Mr. Jones and Mr. O'Mara say that they cannot use the oil supplied by Mr. Seane. I understand that Mr. Phillimore has received the contract from the Water Commissioners, on condition that he give ten per cent. off on all the oil supplied. This year, when Mr. Phillimore has opposition, is the first time that he has offered the city a discount on oil supplied. One of the reasons that we have such heavy expenses to meet from some of the Boards."

It was rather an off night for Mr. Jones' all around. The circumstances leading up to the Mayor's certain lecture concerned Mr. Jones principally, both Fire Chief Pritchard and Ald. Potter taking occasion to score him for something he said regarding the fire alarm system being out of repair, at the meeting of the Water Commissioners last week. This statement on Mr. Jones' part came out in the papers.

Ald. Potter read a letter from the Northern Electrical Mfg. Co., of Montreal, stating that their Mr. Murdoch had returned from inspecting and overhauling the local fire alarm system, and that he reported everything to be in first class shape with the exception of some of the coils of the system in the tower. This had been damaged by water running on them. The company recommended the installation of a water-proof deck above the coils. They also advised that the Chief be supplied with a Volt meter so that he could test the system at any time, and adjust it when necessary. Ald. Potter added that he had been assured by the Fire Chief that the fire alarm system was in good shape, and he thought that if Mr. Jones had any report to make he should have reported it to the Fire Chief and not to the newspapers.

Mayor Stone said that he would like to hear from the Chief on the matter.

Fire Chief Pritchard explained that he and Mr. Murdoch had thoroughly overhauled the fire alarm system wires, and they had since been tested and found to be O. K. With reference to what was published in the papers, he said that Mr. Jones had since told him that he only had reference to the Water Works going. Chief Pritchard said that he did not think Engineer Jones had any right to run to the newspapers with a story.

Mr. Jones explained that he had afterwards talked with the Chief about the matter and had found out

Continued on Page Eight.

## COMMITTEE IS APPOINTED TO HAVE HOUSES NUMBERED

Mayor. Thinks Free Mail  
Delivery Is Coming  
Soon

### THE ROUTINE BUSINESS

Judge Houston Complains That  
Police Court Is Still In A Very  
Unsanitary Condition

The Planet's suggestion re house numbering is commencing to bear fruit. At last night's meeting of the City Council, Mayor Stone remarked that he had a communication from Christopher Farrell with regard to this matter. The Mayor said it might be a difficult matter to raise the money this year to go on with the work, but he felt at the same time that if there was any possible way to do so, that the Council should give the question of street numbering their most serious consideration. He thought that it was pretty nearly time that Chatham had a free mail delivery system.

His Worship appointed Ald. Austin, Kerr, Bensen, Massey and Potter as a committee to devise ways and means whereby funds could be raised for having the houses in this city numbered. This special committee will report to the Council at their next regular meeting.

### AN UNSANITARY BUILDING.

A communication was received from Judge Houston calling attention to the very unsatisfactory and unsanitary state of affairs at the local police court. Judge Houston described the building as being wholly unfit for the purpose for which it was intended. The privies in the upper floors allowed dirt to sift through onto persons sitting in the offices below. The vile smell from the cells nearly made the atmosphere disagreeable and extremely unhealthy. The cells were not properly ventilated. He said that he had previously drawn the attention of the Council to this state of affairs, but nothing had been done to better conditions, which were all the time growing worse.

Judge Houston's complaint was referred to the Property committee.

### A COUNTY AUDITOR.

Mayor Stone believes that it would be a good idea for the city and the surrounding municipalities to join in employing an auditor, who would devote his whole time to auditing the books of the city, the county and the various municipalities. He thought that a good man could thus be engaged at a salary that would permit of him giving over the whole of his time to the work. In this way the auditor would be in a position to drop in on the treasurers at any moment and examine their books. The cost to each municipality would be very light. He referred the matter to the Finance committee to look into and report on at a later date.

### ROUTINE MATTERS.

The Separate School Board asked for \$300 on account of taxes. Granted.

The City Clerk of Belleville made inquiry as to the number of men employed at the Chatham Fire Department, the salaries, the amount of apparatus used, etc. The clerk was instructed to supply him with the necessary information.

Cornelius Inwright wrote the Mayor, making complaint regarding the heavy expenses the residents of Pattison Ave. had to bear as assessment for the sewer recently laid on that thoroughfare.

The Salvation Army thanked the Council for the use of the basement of the market for their concert.

The Finance committee recommended that the error in Mrs. Chas. Terry's taxes, amounting to \$9.81, be rectified.

The Board of Works recommended that the plans for Stone avenue, specifying its width as 55 feet, be accepted as submitted.

Both of the above reports were adopted.

Ald. Kerr recommended that the Council make petition to the Government to have the piling on Tecumseh Park completed along the banks of the stream as far as possible.

The matter of having the trees in Tecumseh Park trimmed was referred to the Parks and Cemeteries committee.

Call at Jas. Watt & Sons and see our Economy Natural Gas Burners. We can place them in your furnace, gas range or cook stove. Call and see them, or phone 207. td

## Sanitaris

THE MONARCH OF MINERAL WATERS  
blends perfectly  
with wines and  
liquors—is the  
"whole thing"  
in mixed drinks.  
BOTTLED AT THE PRINGS

F. A. Robert, Agent, Chatham.

## Ladies

### Initial Letters

Just what you  
have been looking  
for can now  
be procured from  
us—beautiful  
Linen Letters for  
sewing on your  
linens.

Saves time,  
work, and money  
and looks perfect.

Two Sizes—

12 1-2c. and 15c.

ASK TO SEE  
THEM.

Special Prices by the  
Dozen.

SULMAN'S  
BEEHIVE, King and  
Sixth  
Streets...  
PHONE 96

## Oyster Patties

Chicken Patties  
Cornucopias Macaroons  
Lady Fingers

Made fresh just when you want them

Order Early!

MOUNTEER'S, KENT  
BAKERY.

## High-Class

## Crockery Bargains

White and Gold Silicon  
Dinner Set, regular  
price \$50, for \$35.

1 only, Pink Band 98  
piece Dinner Set, best  
goods, regular \$30, for  
\$18.50.

2 only Dark Blue Band  
Silicon Dinner Sets, 98  
pieces, regular \$25, for  
\$18.50.

1 only, 116 piece Crown  
Derby Pattern Dinner  
and Tea Sets, regular  
\$26, for \$18.50.

GRAY'S  
CHINA HALL

A good title will often sell a book  
or buy an heirloom.