

Spring and Summer Opening.

You are invited to call and inspect our new and up-to-date
Spring Suits and Summer Shirt Waist Suits.
 They are decidedly different from anything else shown in Chatham.
 REMEMBER THE DATE—

THURSDAY, APRIL 7th, 1904,

From 10 a.m. to seven p.m. We gave the extra hours after six that the employees of other stores may have an opportunity to pay us a visit.

All Are Cordially Invited.

The Urban Store.

G. W. CORNELL
 DENTIST
 Corner Sixth and King Street
 Over the Bee Hive.
 Phone 317.

THE LOCAL BUDGET

J. A. Gibson, of Petrolia, spent yesterday in the city.

James Stirling, of Blenheim, was in the city yesterday.

D. J. Thompson, of Dutton, was a Chatham visitor yesterday.

John S. Fraser, of Wallaceburg, is in the city to-day on legal business.

Good strong boys wanted to work in drug store. Apply at Radley's drug store.

New signs warning against fast driving have been placed upon the city bridges to replace the old ones that formerly ornamented the approaches but which the ravages of time have destroyed.

In response to a petition signed by nearly one hundred ratepayers in Tilbury East, the Government has instructed E. H. Macpherson to make an audit of the Township's books. This audit was asked for several months ago and has at last been granted.

The ladies of St. Joseph's Church held a delightful social "At Home" at the residence of Mrs. E. G. Downey, Queen St., last evening. All who attended report having a good time. The ladies realized a neat sum from the affair.

Robert Coyle, of the Fire Department, who has been confined to his home for a couple of days through illness, is able to attend to his duties at the hall again. Mr. Coyle was flushing out the cellar in the Victoria block when he slipped into a hole in the floor and became drenched with water. He has been suffering with a severe cold ever since.

City Engineer Jones is busy preparing the specifications in connection with the sweeping and sprinkling of the city pavements. The sweeping will be charged to the general fund and the sprinkling will be paid for under the frontage assessment. The City Engineer is also fixing the terms so that if one contractor gets the contract for sweeping and another the one for sprinkling, the first will have to be ready to sweep so as to work in with the sprinkling. A deposit will also be required, guaranteeing that the city machinery will be properly cared for by the contractors.

The time is coming when the waterworks plant will have to be enlarged, says the City Engineer. At present the waterworks department can manage all right if the river water is clear. This year, however, has been an exceptional one and the plant has been taxed to the utmost. As long as the water in the basin lasted it was alright, but of late muddy water has had to be filtered and the filters have had all they could do. The city uses about 900,000 gallons a day, and when muddy water is used the filters run up to their capacity and over.

Copperas

Some kind of Disinfectant is needed in every cellar where there has been water. A few cents worth does the work.

2 Pounds for 5 Cents.

12 Pounds for 25 "

A barrel of it just received.

Phone 178 for your supply.

A. I. McCall & Co.

LIMITED

CHATHAM and DRESDEN.

LOCATION OF THE ARMORIES

Site Not Settled Yet—South End too Low for Basement.

Officers Looked Over North End Last Evening—Mass Meeting of Citizens to be Called.

Under directions from Headquarters, Lieut.-Col. J. B. Rankin was instructed to have Wm. G. McGeorge, Ontario Land Surveyor, prepare a plan and take levels of that portion of the Tecumseh Park on which the citizens of Chatham desire the armories placed. This plan was prepared and levels taken of that portion of the park north of the present location of the drill shed.

By the levels, however, it is found that the ground at this point is not more than 10 inches above high water mark in McGregor's Creek and would render a basement in the armories a matter of impossibility.

It is also found that the front of the building would, to some extent, at least, encroach on the baseball diamond and thereby reduce the extent of ground occupied by the players of that game. Major Laybourn, who was in the city on Tuesday of this week, further pointed out that the annex to the shed where the armories now are might have to be removed to afford sufficient space for the location of the new building, and the arms and equipment removed and stored elsewhere until after the completion of the new building. He also pointed out the difficulty under which the regiment would be placed in carrying on drills during the time the building was in progress.

These and other considerations have led to an inspection of the north end of the park adjoining Stanley avenue. Several of the officers of the regiment examined the north end last evening, and from general observation the ground is much higher in this part than in any other place, the surface of the ground being about eight feet above high water mark, as shown by the recent freshet. It is obvious that a basement in this part is highest. The object of the basement is to have a shooting gallery accommodation, where the men could practice at any time under the direction of a range officer with what is known as gallery ammunition, supplied by the government and used indoors.

It is assumed that the building will be presentable, if not ornamental, from all sides. The building itself will be 125 feet long from east to west, and will face the park, extending back 80 or 90 feet. This, of course, is only an estimate of the space the building will occupy. The three rows of trees on the north end of the park and adjoining Stanley avenue will remain as they are, as the background of the building. The trees in front of the building and the park proper can be removed without injury to the park, and a gravel square for a battalion parade substituted, so that the men may be drilled on this parade ground at times when the park proper is too occupied by the sports on the park and additional space will be given for the cricketers. The cement walk which now crosses by the band stand can be removed and put in front or in rear of the armories. If the latter then the walk would be under the shade trees and away from the open space, and in that way would not in any degree interfere with sports.

At a meeting of the City Council a committee was appointed to wait on Col. Rankin as to the location, and it is suggested that this committee call a mass meeting of citizens so as to get views of citizens generally before further steps are taken to determine the location.

The commanding officer, in the meantime, has instructed Mr. McGeorge to prepare a plan of the north site and submit it with the other to the government. It is of the greatest importance that the views of citizens should be obtained before either is adopted by the government architect commencing to prepare his plan of the building.

Township Councils

DOVER COUNCIL

The council met pursuant to adjournment, on March 28th. The members were all present, except Mr. King, who was unavoidably absent. The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

A notice was read, signed by Bernard Gallagher and others, stating that the Boyle Drain is in need of repair, and requesting that the Drain be put in an efficient state of repair. William B. St. Pierre was heard, re: accident on the 4th con. road and claiming damages for injuries he sustained. Edmund Files complained that water was flowing back on his land from the Hyatt Drain on the 14th con. through tiles or sewer pipe laid across the road. A letter was read from the solicitor on the matter—laid over till next meeting. A. McDonnell's report was read re: repair part of the Byard Drain by dredge and team work. A notice was read, by John Bosworth, that the Marden Drain above the dredge out is out of repair. Alex. Feltner's proposal as to right of way for a road, was read. A letter was read from Wm. Cockram, complaining that a ditch on

PRESENTATION

On the occasion of Miss Maude Blake, of Queen street, resigning her position in the trimming department of Wm. Gray & Sons carriage factory on Saturday last, her fellow and sister employees gathered together and presented her with a beautiful solid gold friendship ring set with pearls. Miss McGuire made the presentation, and in a few words expressed sorrow on behalf of all the employees at losing a friend so genial and good, but wished her every success.

Miss Blake has accepted a position as cutter in C. Austin & Co.'s dressmaking department.

LOCAL LEGAL

At Osgoode Hall, High Court, before Cartwright, Master in Chambers.

Thompson vs. Town of Chatham.—E. E. A. DuVernet, for defendants, moved for order changing venue from Toronto to Chatham. A. G. Slight, for plaintiff, contra. Motion refused.

LONDON CASE

Judge Houston was in London yesterday attending the sittings of the High Court there in connection with the suit of Kane vs. Kane. Patrick Kane was suing his father's estate for \$4,000 wages. His sister was the administrator and was defending the suit. Mrs. Kane, of this city, the step-mother of the two, would have been shut out from any share in the estate had the suit succeeded. Judge Houston attended. The estate is valued at \$6,000 and a settlement was made last night for \$1,200 and the case withdrawn.

Thomas Meredith acted for Patrick Kane, the son, and Mr. Elliott, of the firm of Meredith, Judd & Elliott, for the administrator, Miss Kane.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

WANTED.—By young lady of some experience position as assistant bookkeeper or stenographer. Apply Box 25 Planet. 10t.

ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN WANTED.—Applications for the position of assistant librarian for the Chatham Public Library will be received by the undersigned till noon, Wednesday, April 13th. Duties to begin May 1st. Salary \$150 per annum.—W. J. Twohey, Secretary Public Library Board.

ONE OF THE NICEST

homes in the city for sale. Brick house, containing double parlors, dining room, kitchen, pantry, four bedrooms, clothes closets, bath room, hot and cold water. Hot water heating, gas, etc.. Lot 95 feet x 137 feet, paved street. Best location in city.

DUNN & MERRITT.

Up-to-date Millinery. **C. Austin & Co.** Fashionable Dressmaking.

Trimmed Millinery

In the wide variety of styles in the exclusive elegance of the effects, in the happy harmonizing of rich exclusive styles with moderate prices, our present millinery showing is unsurpassed by another store in the city. A strong statement but amply justified by the hats and the prices.

Ready to Wear Hats

Woman's Turbans of Mohair and Sequin, black only, but various shapes from \$2.25 to \$4.00.
 Fancy straw Turbans in different colors and combinations of shades, trimmed with silk and straw quill for \$3.00.
 NEWPORT—a Misses hat in all colors, trimmed with straps of velvet and finished with ornaments for \$1.50.
 DENBEIGH—a stylish ready to wear hat, trimmed with velvet and quill for \$2.00.
 We are showing a vast assortment of hats for women and children from \$1.00 up.

DRESS TWEEDS

A Superb Collection of Beautiful and Exclusive Tweeds.

This week we are showing the finest collection of handsome and desirable Tweeds that we have ever assembled. Never before have the manufacturers accomplished so much in producing the dressy costumes of the refined and wearable sorts.

Starting for instance

50 inch all wool Tweeds in Grey, Black and Navy Blue, per yard 85c.
 56 inch all wool plain Tweeds in light and dark Grey, Brown, Green, Navy Blue and Black, per yard \$1.00.
 56 inch wool, flake and dash effect in Navy Blue, Green, Black and Brown with white flake, per yard \$1.00.
 56 inch wool Tweeds in Grey with Brown Flake, Grey with Black Flake, Grey with Red Flake, Grey with Blue Flake, Black with White Flake, Blue with White Flake, per yard \$1.25.

Ladies' New Raincoats

The new raincoats for spring are more attractive than ever, besides being admirably adapted for their purpose of repelling spring showers. The new styles attract attention first—chiefly with capes in different shapes—double and triple effects, military styles, rounded, cut with tabs, but all having the primary advantage of affording protection where it is most needed—on the shoulders. Prices offer wide scope—\$5 to \$11.

A \$5.00 Coat—Of aravenette, grey, olive, and fawn shades, full skirt, bell sleeve, with turn-back cuff; they are ample protection against any ordinary storm.

At \$7.50—Of aravenette, can be worn with or without belt, large round shoulder, cape cut with tabs.

At \$9.00—A stylish coat with triple cape, small turn-down collar and lapels, fly front.

At \$10.00—Light or dark shades, single or double shoulder capes, with collar and tabs down front.

The Austin's Men's Store, Saturday, April 9th.

The Possibilities of \$2.00 in

Austin's New Spring Hats for Men.

The man who has "Two Dollars in his inside pocket" in which he is planning to invest in a Hat, is the man we especially want to interest with this story, and in our experience, he forms a very important part of the male hat buying Community—we should say, perhaps, the larger part. So we make special efforts to induce him to buy his Hat—his spring Hat—here. We have been making these efforts, increasing the inducements season by season, until now our line of Two Dollar Hats is without a peer anywhere, in point of style, materials, Trimmings and value for price.

Saturday, April 9th.

We place on sale your choice of any hat in the store \$2 at

See East Window on Saturday. Consisting of the season's most popular blocks in Derbies and Fedoras, in

Beavers, Tans, Browns, Greys and Black. The world's noted Hat Makers—Christy's, Jarman and Lion Brand.

It Means \$2.50 to \$3.00 Hats at Two Dollars.

This is a clear saving of fifty cents to one dollar on hats that sell regularly in the hat stores at two fifty to three dollars each. All are in the most correct of the present season's styles. Price \$2.00 each instead of \$3.00

C. Austin & Company.