F. T. HILL & CO

Our Millinery Opening last week, notwitdstanding the unfavorable weather, was a decided success. With an exceptionally capable staff this department of our store is now ready for the biggest kind of business. We shall endeavor to keep our stock in such excellent condition throughout the season that the most exacting customer can be perfectly satisfied at the most moderate price. New novelties will be added from week to week throughout the season.

—OUR ENTIRE STORE IS—

Bristling With Bargains. . .

Every department contributes something of especial interest to somebody. Many of our best bargains never appear in print from the fact that quantities are not sufficiently large to make it advisable to advertise them. Hence the reason why you should as often as possible visit this store in person.

These few lines picked indiscriminately from a score of others just as good values will help show you the money-saving opportunities we offer.

50c. NEW SHIRT WAISTS FOR 25c

20 dozen—240 Print Shirt Waists, beautiful assortment of patterns and colorings, light, medium and dark grounds, self collars, very prettily made and absolutely perfect fitting, This entire lot will be placed on sale Thursday morning and is sure to be picked up quickly. All sizes, your choice 25

75c CORSETS PER PAIR 39c.

10 dozen—120 pair Corsets, new up-to-date styles, steel filled, splendid jean cloth and nicely finished These corsets have no superior anywhere at seventy-five cents, but having run across this lot at an unheard of price we pass the entire saving on to our customers. All sizes, your choice only.....39

In Our Hardware Department will be found a big stock of:

Tinware, all kinds	Milk pans	Churns	Shovels	Granite, all kinds
Strainers	Washing Machines	Spades	Milk Pans	Butter Bowls
Clothes Wringers	Garden Rakes	Cream Cans	Butter Ladles, Clothes Lines, Hoes, etc.	

Repairing and ordered work promptly and carefully executed.

PAINTS ! PAINTS ! PAINTS ! PAINTS !

In Ramsay's Paint we have one of the best, most satisfactory and dependable paints that is to be had anywhere. True there are more expensive paints in the market, but they're made more expensive by reason of costly advertising. Ramsay's Paints are all put up in imperial measure cans; will cover the greatest surface of any paint in the market; will stand the test of wear and weather, and in addition to manufacturers guarantee, are backed up by our own as having NO SUPERIOR, no matter what the price.

Ask for booklet and color cards (free for the asking) giving important and valuable information Full stock of painter's supplies always on hand.

F. T. HILL & CO

BOYD, HICKLING & CO.,

FLESHERTON - ONTARIO.

Spring Millinery.

Our opening display last week was just what we had planned—a distinct advance on any previous showing in former seasons and excited general admiration.

Besides trimmed Millinery you'll find us fully prepared for your wants in other lines—Ready-to wear hats- Knockabouts, Sailors, Children's hats of all kinds—an elegant selection of entirely new goods —nothing carried over from any former season. Our prices are right in every article too!

Ready-to-wear Skirts.

Cloth skirts, navy, fawn and black.... ....**$3.75**
Homespun skirts, all wool, black and oxford, new tailor made styles....$5.00, $5.50, $6.50, $7.50
Duck Skirts, fast colors, black and navy, neat patterns, spots or stripes.... .. ..$1.25, $1.75
Sateen underskirts, new styles and designs

75 cents to $3.25.

We pride ourselves on the excellence of the cut and fit of our skirts—their workmanship and finish leave nothing to be desired.

COME IN AND SEE OUR—

Reliable Footwear for Spring . . We can Suit You!

What about a New Spring Suit.

Whether you want a Ready-made or an ordered suit you'll find by far the best selection here!

In our Ready-made Department we can give you a wide choice, all sizes, all prices and a big range of fashionable cloths. Every garment, finished and trimmed in the best style.

Our new ordered suitings included all the latest and most popular cloths for Men's wear—our prices are moderate—our trimmings of undoubted quality, and the fit and workmanship of every ordered suit guaranteed.

Men's Ready-made suits.... ....From $4.25 to 14.00
Youth's Ready-made suits.... ..From $3.75 to 7.50
Boy's Ready-made suits..... ....From $1.75 to 5.00
Men's ordered suits.....From $10.50 to 20.00
Men's ordered pants.....From $2.75 to 6.00

Men's Rain coats Men's Tweed Pants
Men's Smocks Boy's Tweed Knickers
Men's Overalls Children's Blouse suits.

New Spring Wall Paper

Our Spring stock is now complete. It comprises some of the most select patterns from the best Canadian makers. We never started a spring trade with such a clean, fresh stock as we do this season. We are giving better values than ever and you'll find an immense variety—larger than ever.

Prices Range from to 3½c. 50c. the double roll.

We'll be pleased to show you our Wall paper samples. Come in.

THE ROAD QUESTION.

A querist writes elsewhere in this issue asking what our county commissioners are doing towards securing the available government money for our roads in this county. We do not think a move has yet been made in this direction. We are informed that some ten or eleven counties are preparing to secure their share of the million dollars set aside for this purpose. Among these, Simcoe on one side of us, and Huron on the other, have decided to go into the movement. Huron County will raise $80,000 and receive $40,000 from the government, making $120,000 to be expended on the roads of that county. The money will be expended over a period of ten years. Careful estimators assert that at the end of ten years each township will have at least 25 miles of road with gravel or broken stone.

Considering that Mr. Richardson, who was our county commissioner at the time, was largely instrumental in getting the government to place aside one million for road purposes, we in this county are certainly slow in reaping the benefit accruing to us from his effort. Other counties have taken the initiative in going into scientific road improvement when Grey county should have been the first, instead of shyly hanging back as it has, with its finger in its mouth and letting the other fellows step in ahead It just amounts to this: There is a million dollar fund to be divided. Other counties are taking advantage of this and are getting their share. Consequently, if we do not claim our share we will have to pay our proportion towards building these other roads and reap absolutely no benefit ourselves. Would it not be wise for our county commissioners to organize a forward movement along the lines of permanent road making and get their share of the government money going?

We are glad that J. W. has opened this question and feel that the time is opportune for a discussion of the matter. If our county commissioners do not feel that it is wise to go into the scheme we would like to publish their reasons. Many ratepayers with whom we have spoken think it a short sighted policy to delay adopting some plan of permanent road improvement and we think with them. However, it is a question that will bear a lot of discussion, and our columns are widely open to anyone who feels that he has any ideas to offer.

The Good Roads Movement

Editor of The Advance.

DEAR SIR—I notice by the public prints that various counties are taking action to participate in the $1,000,000 fund set apart by the Provincial Government to improve public highways.

Mr. Richardson, M. P., while in the county council took an active part in the good roads movement.

What are the County Commissioners doing in this matter? Are they going to take action and get our share, or stand idly by and refuse to take advantage of the priviliges placed at our disposal by the province and allow others to profit to a still larger extent at our expense? Hoping to hear from some one who knows what is being done, —J. W.

Township Council

The Municipal Council of the township of Artemesia, met at the town hall, Flesherton, on Monday the sixth day of April A. D., 1903. The members were all present, the reeve in the chair. The minutes of session of March 2, 1903, were read and confirmed.

Bylaw No 625, to appoint municipal officers for 1903, was completed in committee of the whole. The following additional overseers were appointed, viz:—R. Waller, instead of P. Quigg; J. H Duckett, instead of G. L. Latimer; R. Genoe, Robt. Graham and John Weber.

Gibson—Muir—That the Reeve procure six drag scrapers for the use of this township.—Carried

McKenzie—Best—That all parties who have left obstructions on valley road be notified by the clerk to remove the same at once.—Carried.

Muir—McKenzie—That the Reeve and Mr. Gibson be a committee to inspect and pass (if satisfactory) culverts built on valley road..—Carried.

Muir—McKenzie—That pathmasters and poundkeepers of this municipality be furnished with a copy of bylaws, referring to their duties as such officers.—Carried.

Gibson—Muir—That the accounts of this corporation with the Bank of Hamilton be kept in the name of the corporation, but that W. A. Armstrong, the treasurer of said corporation, be and he is hereby authorized to sign cheques upon the same on behalf of the corporation, in his own name as such treasurer.

Muir—Best—That this council recognizes the importance to the township progress of securing increased railway facilities, and believing that the road known as the Port Burwell and Georgian Bay railway would supply a long-felt want, Therefore the reeve is instructed to proceed to Ottawa at the proper time to wait upon the Government in conjunction with the delegates to urge that an adequate subsidy be granted the above named railway company.—Carried.

Council adjourned.

Another cement company has been formed, the Hanover Portland Cement Company, Limited, with a capital of $500,000. The provisional directors are D. Knechtel, J. E Knechtel, J. H. Adams, Henry Peppler and J. S. Knechtel of Hanover.

We are informed that Judge Klein has received word from New York capitalists that they are prepared to begin work immediately at the electric railway to run through Hanover upon being notified that the charter has been extended as per application now before parliament.—Post.

Collingwood will have a third newspaper, to be published by Messrs. Goodfellow Bros. of Midland Free Press. Mr. C. A. Goodfellow, who for the past five years has been editor of the Free Press, will be editor and manager of the Semaphore, the name of the new journalistic venture, which will be independent in politics.

The firm of S. and J. Hisey, of Creemore, are enterprising. They are going to install a system of waterworks for their private residences and those of their neighbors who wish to take advantage of it. The water will be brought from a spring 2,400 feet distant. They will have a tank of 100-barrel capacity at the spring, and expect to have force sufficient to throw a stream over any house in the village.

At the last sittings of the Division Court at Alliston Messrs. A. Wessons and John Hayden of Nicholston had a neighborly lawsuit. The plaintiff claimed $26 for various services covering a number of years, and the defendant had an offset of $33. The case occupied the court for about half a day, judgement being reserved. Judge Boys last week handed out his decision, which awards the plaintiff 20 cents, each party to pay his own costs.

It has been learned that in the amount of sugar turned out by the four sugar factories in Ontario the Berlin refinery leads by a good margin. The Ontario sugar refinery turned out 6,000,000 pounds of sugar. Walaceburg 4,000,000 pounds, Dresden 3,500,000 pounds, and Wiarton 1,500,000 pounds. Wiarton had nearly as many beets as some of the others, and of the best quality, but incompetent management on the part of the sugar maker reduced the output by more than one half. There's a nigger in the fence too, and these figures will require to be verified before the government grant is paid—Wiarton Echo.