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Investigation At Chatham A Fiasco

The Reports of a large number of our Provincial papers were so outspoken and one sided in their views concerning the arrest of three men, recently at the Chatham station, that Inspector Merryfield asked for an investigation, which the Rev. W. D. Wilson, Chief Inspector, arranged for, and held the first session in Chatham on Friday last. From the evidence adduced at this hearing, no brutality on the part of the Inspectors was brought out, and those who were so pronounced in their opinions before the investigation was asked for, were not nearly so positive when placed on the witness stand. A large number of citizens attended the hearing and the summing up of the evidence so far taken, is that the whole affair is a fiasco, in so far as brutality is concerned on the part of the inspectors, and while, they perhaps, were obliged to use some force, in the arrest of these men, no undue force was used, as men under the influence of liquor are not usually coaxed by soft and sweet words from an inspector, to accompany him to a cell in a Police Station.

The following is a summary of the evidence taken at the hearing on Friday.

Rev. Johnson A. Cooper sworn: Church of England clergyman of Bathurst, was at the Chatham station at 11 o'clock p. m. Nov. 19th. He heard men having a brawl. I asked Gatain what the matter was, and asked the inspectors to let him go and he and Mullins would be responsible for him. Gatain said he had been struck. One of the inspectors had hold of Gatain, who was swinging his shoulders in an effort to get away. He was finally handcuffed and taken away. His face was bleeding.

Rev. W. J. Bate sworn I was present, having been down from Newcastle to a Church conference; was waiting for the train. The inspectors and the prisoners came down towards me, and one of the prisoners put up his hand and cried, 'Bk'd!' There was an inspector on either side of the man. I next saw the prisoner full length on the ground and the two inspectors on the top of him, were striking him in the face with their fists and holding his arms behind him. He had blood in one of his eyes. I asked if the man was drunk, and an inspector said yes, if you would go along like gentlemen this would not have happened. I saw the inspectors hitting at the man and he hitting back before they went down. I saw no batons used. In my opinion the prisoners were sober.

Inspector Merryfield, of St. John, sworn: I was in company with the Dicksons. I thought the men were boozey, and when they went out of the station we followed them. I saw Gatain with a bottle. He tried to throw it away, and Adam took a back hold on him and tried to get the bottle and they went down on the ground. Barry jumped on top of Adam Dickson and I took hold of Barry to pull him off. The inspectors got out a flashlight and found the bottle Gatain had thrown away. Then we started to walk down the platform, the five in line, and Barry asked: What are you going to do with us. I replied 'You should not have interfered; we are going to look you up.' Barry said 'By—I'm not going,' and gave Adam Dickson a punch just below the right eye. Dickson grappled with Barry and said to James, I will hang on to this man; you go and help Adam. Barry was swinging his arms in fighting fashion and kicking, and he hit Adam.

Barry got to his feet and James Dickson had a handcuff on his left hand and then put it on his right. I handcuffed Gatain's right to Barry's left hand. Gatain said he wouldn't walk and I took out a handcuff and put it on his left hand. I didn't hit anyone, nor see either of the other inspectors hit anyone. I had a baton in my pocket—didn't use it or see anyone else use one.

The first witness called in the afternoon was William S. Barry of Poleshaw. He said on Nov. 19, he was at the Chatham station and was one of the arrested. He said several others went to the station at 10 o'clock. Art Gatain, Tom Landry

Monthly Meeting Town Council

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Council of the town of Newcastle was held in the Police Court Room on Thursday Dec. 18th 1919 at 8 o'clock p. m.

Present, Mayor Doyle, Ald. Crocker, Durick, Fish, Russell and Sargeant. A letter from Aero Club of Canada with reference to site for an aerodrome was read and it was moved by Ald. Russell seconded by Ald. Sargeant and carried that the Town Clerk answer the letter saying the Council would give the matter consideration.

A letter from the secretary of the Board of Commerce was read asking that the Council appoint a correspondent to act in co-operation with that body. It was moved seconded and carried that the appointment of such representative be left in the hands of the Police and appointment to office committee. The following bills were recommended by the Finance Com. for payment which were passed and ordered paid.

Revisors	\$60.00
Miramichi Pub. Co., Ltd.	53.38

On motion of Ald. Russell, seconded by Ald. Sargeant, a resolution was passed authorizing the Mayor and Treasurer to borrow the sum of \$3000.00 from the Royal Bank of Canada, to be repaid to the Bank on or before July 1st 1920 with interest at 5%.

This temporary loan was deemed necessary to meet the current and ordinary expenditures of the town and was borrowed on the strength of the rates and taxes which were yet to be collected for the year 1919-1920.

The Public Works Committee recommended the following bills for payment which were passed and ordered paid.

George Curry	\$39.10
James Falconer	8.00
A. D. Farrish Co.	24.30
Edw. De'non	77.30
Jas. Robinson	14.58

The account of E. E. Benson for \$4.50 was recommended by the Police Com. for payment and ordered paid.

The account of Sumner Co. for \$3.00 was recommended by the Park & Fire Com. for payment and ordered paid.

The Light & Water Com. recommended the following bills for payment which were passed and ordered paid.

T. McAvity & Sons Ltd.	\$ 18.00
Can. Cotton & Wool Waste Co.	95.20
Imperial Oil Ltd.	122.44
I. C. Mining Co., Ltd.	701.93
James Robinson	617.40
Can. Gen. Electric Co. Ltd.	130.25

The chairman of the Police Com. reported that the position of the Night Policeman was again vacant, and read the resignation of Mr. Mulse. He also submitted applications for the position from Leslie J. Miller and Robt. J. McCullam, and recommended the appointment of Leslie J. Millegy.

This recommendation was adopted on motion of Ald. Fish and seconded by Ald. Durick and Leslie J. Miller was appointed Night Policeman under the same conditions and at the same salary as his predecessor.

On motion of Ald. Russell seconded by Ald. Durick, Mayor Doyle was appointed as representative of the Town of Newcastle at the County Council for the ensuing year.

Ald. Crocker gave notice that at the next regular meeting he would introduce an amendment to Bye Law No. 21, governing sewerage, to increase the annual sewerage tax.

(Adjourned)

Bad Fire Early Saturday A.M.

At 4 o'clock Saturday morning with the thermometer registering 15 degrees below zero, fire broke out in Mr. Thos. Russell's building in rear of the Post Office, and occupied by Mr. Frank L. Grossman as a Grocery Store and Beer Shop. The fire had gained considerable headway before the alarm was sent in and by the time the firemen arrived the building was a mass of flames. The building adjoining, and owned by the late Mrs. Julia Arnburg soon caught fire and made the work of the firemen much harder. Three streams of water were put into use and the firemen worked hard all through the night and the following morning until 10 o'clock, before the blaze was extinguished. Mr. Peter Gahan and family occupied the Mrs. Arnburg building as a dwelling and saved a considerable amount of furniture.

Both buildings were totally destroyed and are reported to have been covered with insurance. The task which the firemen had to deal with considering the cold weather which prevailed was a hard one, and they are to be congratulated on the manner in which they worked so long and faithfully, irrespective of the suffering from the cold which they no doubt were obliged to withstand.

Forward Movement Organization Meetings

On Monday evening Dec. 15th a meeting was held in the Upper Blackville Baptist Church. Rev. E. A. Kinley gave an address explaining the Baptist Campaign in connection with the Inter-church Forward Movement. At the close organization was effected to carry out the aims of the movement in the group of churches comprising—Upper Blackville, Morehouse, Underhill and Grey Rapids.

On Friday evening Dec. 19th a similar meeting was held in the Baptist Church at Ludlow and the churches at Ludlow, Bofestown and Bloomfield were organized. For the same purpose a meeting will be held at Doaktown Monday night.


On Monday afternoon Dec. 22nd at 2.30 p. m. Rev. S. S. Poole of St. John will conduct an organization meeting in the Baptist church Newcastle at which are expected representatives from the churches at Newcastle, Lower Derby, Whiteyville and Lyttleton. In the evening Mr. Poole will address the B. Y. P. U. Mr. Boothroyd was also the speaker at the afternoon service in Lower Derby. At this service a delightful duet was rendered by Misses Jessie Lyon and Evelyn Deming.

MUSIC FOR YOUNG FOLK.

With the idea of having the teaching of music a part of the regular public school curriculum, a committee composed of leading musical authorities in St. Thomas has organized and is seeking the co-operation of the Board of Education. Newcastle might well do the same.

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