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THE WEATHER

METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE, Toronto, Jan. 2.—4 p.m.—Fine weather has prevailed to-day through Canada, except that showers have occurred in Southern British Columbia and local snowfalls in Ontario. Temperatures have been somewhat higher, but elsewhere there has been little change.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Atlin, 4 below—8; Victoria, 44—46; Vancouver, 28—34; Edmonton, 10 below—24; Battleford, 18 below—4; Prince Albert, 14—8; Calgary, 10—6; Regina, 10 below—16; Winnipeg, 9 below—2; Port Arthur, 2—20; Parry Sound, 24—28; Toronto, 24—30; Ottawa, 10—24; Montreal, 12—24; Quebec, 8—14; Halifax, 28—30.

Probabilities. Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Moderate easterly southerly winds; fine and about the same temperature. Ottawa Valley and Upper St. Lawrence—Fair and continued moderately cold. Lower St. Lawrence and Gulf—Moderate winds, mostly westerly; fair and about the same temperature.

Maritime—Moderate northerly to westerly winds; fair and cold. Lake Superior—Fair; about the same temperature. Manitoba and Saskatchewan—Mostly fair and milder. Alberta—Generally mild with local showers.

THE BAROMETER.

Time.	Ther.	Bar.	Wind.
8 a.m.	27	29.82	12 N.W.
Noon	29	29.82	16 N.W.
2 p.m.	29	29.82	16 N.W.
4 p.m.	29	29.82	12 S.W.
6 p.m.	27	29.82	12 S.W.
8 p.m.	27	29.82	12 S.W.
Mean of above, highest, 30; lowest, 25; snow, a trace.			

STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.

Jan. 2.	At.	From.
Sylvan	Boston	Liverpool
Maur. Sala	Queensdown	New York
Gramplan	Glasgow	Boston
Ontario	Glasgow	Portland
Corean	Glasgow	Philadelphia
Carthaginian	Halifax	Glasgow
Princess Irene	New York	Boston
Empress Britain	Halifax	Liverpool

TO-DAY IN TORONTO.

Jan. 2. The School Old Boys' banquet, Temple Building, 8.

BIRTHS.

ADDISON—At Philadelphia, Pa., on Dec. 25th, 1907, the wife of Dr. W. H. F. Addison of a daughter.

DEATHS.

BURGESS—On Jan. 2, at 1 Logan-avenue, Toronto, Alice Gill, beloved wife of Wm. Burgess, in her 33rd year.

BUTTON—At the family residence, St. Clair Farm, Locust Hill, Markham Township, on Wednesday, Jan. 1, 1908, Lieut.-Col. W. M. Button, in his 52nd year.

COLEMAN—On Tuesday, Dec. 31st, 1907, Sarah Coleman, in her 61st year, native of London, England, and sister of Mrs. James S. Potter, 118 Ross-avenue.

ELLIOTT—On Thursday, Jan. 2, 1908, at the residence of her parents, 788 Euclid-avenue, Agnes Elliott, infant daughter of William J. and Catherine (Mergia) Elliott, aged 8 months.

RYAN—At Hamilton, on Jan. 2nd, 1908, Catherine, widow of the late William Ryan, 62.

WICKERY—At Medicine Hat, Alberta, on Dec. 25th, 1907, Annie Huston, beloved wife of George Worthy.

IN MEMORIAM.

McLEAN—In loving memory of beloved wife of Arth McLean, who departed this life New Year's Day, 1907.

Dear mother, we have laid thee in the peaceful grave's embrace, But thy memory will be cherished Till we see thy kind dear face.

Los Angeles Results.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 2.—To-day's results: FIRST RACE, 5 furlongs: 1. Godfather, 112 (Roland), 9 to 1.

2. Billyway, 107 (Moriarty), 10 to 1. Time, 1:00 3/4. Round and Round, Orca, 104 (McCarthy), 10 to 1.

3. Rastus, Mossback, Costly, S. A. Carlisle, Black Domino and Joseph K. also ran.

SECOND RACE, 4 furlongs: 1. Rose Queen, 107 (Preston), 5 to 1.

2. Achieve, 107 (Dugan), 3 to 1. 3. May Diadem, 107 (Burns), 5 to 1.

Time, 24 1/4. Queen Grove, Bauteil, Annie Wells, Mattie Russell, Le Reine, Hindoo, Beeswax and Cloverleaf also ran.

THIRD RACE, 7 furlongs: 1. Chippewa, 104 (McCarthy), 6 to 1.

2. Wisteria, 100 (Pardy), 13 to 1. Time, 1:25 1/4. Blackmate, Ed Ball, Niblick, Saturday, Yeams, Bonnie Prince Charlie and Supine also ran.

FOURTH RACE, 5 furlongs: 1. Lee Harrison II, 107 (Schilling), 8 to 1.

2. Gio. Balero, 102 (Preston), 3 to 1. 3. Basil, 107 (Martin), 15 to 1.

Time, 1:00 3/4. Don Crook, Reuben, Kirkfield Belle, Beautiful and Best, Comida, Neatness, Paul Clifford, J. E. Search, Mo. Straightaway, The Fog also ran.

FIFTH RACE, 6 furlongs: 1. Texer, 112 (Preston), 5 to 1.

2. Wisteria, 100 (Pardy), 13 to 1. 3. Aunt Polly, 100 (Alvarguez), 6 to 5.

Time, 1:00 3/4. Anna May, Daisy Frost, Don Hat, Old Colony, Veritas Vincit, Interlude, Halle Sherman, Lady Laughter, Prestige, Louis Fitzgerald also ran.

SIXTH RACE, 5 furlongs: 1. Invictus, 101 (Ross), 20 to 1.

2. Mike Bow, 101 (Schilling), 8 to 5. 3. 124, Sheridan, 101 (Dugan), 3 to 1.

Time, 2:07 1/4. El Primero, Cambyes, Bogum, Gentle Harry, Pay Me also ran.

Gasoline Exploded.

An explosion of gasoline in the west clearing plant shed at the back of the James' Dye Works, in rear of 153 West Richmond-street, yesterday afternoon, wrecked the shed and slightly damaged the main structure. A ten-gallon can of the gasoline stored in the engine room was the material ignited. Loss \$150.

A Small Fire.

Fire at 60 East King-street last night caused \$300 damage to contents and \$100 to building. Tate & Co. are occupants.

\$2.15, Buffalo and Return.

Excursion train for next Saturday, Jan. 4, tickets good going only on Canadian Pacific 8:30 a.m. express.

Returning a special train will leave Buffalo at midnight Saturday. Tickets good returning on all regular trains until Monday, Jan. 6. C.P.R. also ticket office, corner King and Yonge-streets.

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WESTERN ONTARIO POWER

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next year, and its lowest price as per tender is \$75 a lamp. Under the scheme of the hydro-power commission the cost per lamp will be \$436 and on 500 lamps, the number required, the annual saving will be \$15,700. Combining the two services Hamilton will save under public ownership, on pumping per year, \$14,135, and on street lighting per year, \$15,700, totaling \$29,835.

The hydro-electric commission's figures indicated an underground system of wiring the central portion of the city, and the lamps to be used will be the Magnetic lamp, which is claimed to be superior to the burner now in use.

This, in brief, is the situation created in Hamilton by the government cheap power scheme. One would not think there would be any opposition to cheaper light and more of it, and in a canvass of the people one would find an almost universal demand for the bylaw. But the Cataract Power Company is a powerful corporation. It has for years compelled the people to pay dearly for what it sells and its stock is held in considerable blocks by many influential citizens.

One Paper for the People. Of the three papers, one only, The Herald, is supporting the Beck bylaw. The Spectator, owned by the Southams, who have \$100,000 of Cataract stock, is backing the civic scheme. It tells its readers that the Beck proposition is a splendid thing for the city and that the people should not why should Hamilton complain of dear light? Hasn't the Cataract monopoly brought industries to Hamilton and built up the city to its present eminence of being the second industrial centre in Ontario? The Times, too, is opposing the scheme. The mention of public ownership of the old fashioned Times froth at the mouth and the name of W. F. Maclean, who is the organ of the scheme, is putting up a good fight for the people's interests and it has presented the case so fairly that there can be no doubt that the great bulk of the people will endorse the government's policy on Monday next.

NEW HAMBURG UNANIMOUS.

Large Gathering Hears Mr. Beck and Endorses Bylaw.

NEW HAMBURG, Jan. 2.—(Special.)—This evening a large audience of the ratepayers of New Hamburg and an enthusiastic representation of the best informed farmers of this large agricultural section gathered at the Hotel Adam Beck—who it might be mentioned incidentally is a native of this town—and listened with appreciative interest to his address upon the Niagara power bylaw to be submitted to the people here on Monday next.

The chair was occupied by the reeve, who was surrounded upon the platform by the village councillors. This was the Hon. Mr. Beck's first public appearance here. He spoke for an hour and a half, leaving immediately after the conclusion of his address for a short time to attend to business.

He spoke with intense interest. He spoke of many facts of interest to the farmer, as well as to the manufacturer. His address was well submitted and satisfactorily answered by the honorable gentleman.

The audience passed a unanimous resolution endorsing the bylaw and the power bylaw, which will undoubtedly carry in New Hamburg.

"RING" ACTIVE IN GALT.

Circulating Literature and Using Newspaper, But Sentiment Strong.

GALT, Jan. 2.—(Special.)—The Town of Galt is solid for Niagara power. So declared President Fryer of the Union of Western Municipalities, who, on his way to-night to address a Brantford power campaign meeting, was spoken to by The World correspondent.

"When I say solid I mean that the governing bodies, the ratepayers, the farmers, the manufacturers, the merchants, the business men, the people, all favor the promised advent of energy from the Falls, and that the vote on the distributing plant bylaw will represent the unanimous sentiment of the people of Galt."

"The mayor and aldermen are a unit in support of the bylaw. The board of trade endorses it; the Retail Merchants' Association approves it; the manufacturers, with few exceptions, warmly champion it."

Talking to Mr. MacGregor of the MacGregor, Gourlay Co., Limited—to-day, I was assured that the promised power plant would come up soon for the great industry controlled by that company. The same feeling is manifested by other manufacturers, large and small.

"You can say from me that the prospects of Galt's endorsement of the Beck scheme is exceedingly bright, notwithstanding that it is being done to discredit and defeat it in this town."

The Enemy at Work. That a studied and determined enemy is actively at work is evidenced in many ways, notably in the "Ring" articles which find place in one of the newspapers, but are refused by the other. For example, The Reformer devotes one-third of its 12th page to-night to an inspired production headed, "Vote Against the Power Bylaw."

It is a double-edged editorial: "Toronto has left no possible doubt in the minds of the province as to where she stands on the Niagara power question. The tremendous majority given the real leader in one of the greatest power movements of the day. The hydro-electric commission's proposition was debated from every standpoint. It was given the utmost publicity, and in the opinion of its merit party lines were utterly broken, smashed under the blows of earnest men determined to put an end to the question of the electrical ring."

"Toronto was true to herself in the decision she gave yesterday, and loyal to the chain of Ontario municipalities."

to which an appeal is now being made for the one purpose of benefiting all the people within the Niagara zone.

No Politics in It. The coalition of Liberals and Conservatives to secure the great boon of cheap power gives material for a bright page in Ontario's history. It was patriotism of the highest character that dictated the action of the Liberals of Toronto in supporting a measure cradled in government circles in Queen's Park. To them is due infinite credit for taking the larger view of the citizen's duty in respect to a problem that can best be worked out in a non-partisan manner. To all who contributed to the public ownership victory in the provincial capital, the thanks of the interested group of Ontario municipalities is due. It was a glorious victory, gloriously won, and must have a good effect on the wavering ones now counting the cost of Niagara power to each and every municipality."

Hespeier Will Carry It, Too. In the neighboring Town of Hespeier all signs go to indicate the popularity of the Niagara power movement, and the likelihood that the ratepayers will accord it signal endorsement at the polls. Hespeier is a live and progressive town, with growing manufacturing industries on which its future largely depends. Cheap power, it is said, will advance it immensely and the citizens stand prepared to vote the money to secure the boon without hesitation or doubt of the wisdom thereof.

LONDON UNITED FOR BYLAW

Political Lines Are Not Drawn Against Civic Good.

LONDON, Jan. 2.—(Special.)—London is quietly taking a deep interest in the power bylaw vote on Monday. It is generally thought that the ratepayers will favor the measure, but there has been little done by the city to put the benefits of the measure before the people.

The electric interests are waging a vigorous campaign against the measure, and the city is being flooded with literature calling for the defeat of the bylaw. Pamphlets and dodgers are being sent to every ratepayer, pointing out the advantages of the scheme means an increase in taxation. But the "best" people are behind the scheme and The World on one occasion said: "When the best people lead, the rest of London follows."

The Liberals and Conservatives are alike in favor of the measure. The opposition of the ratepayers is a political attitude, as evidenced by The Advertiser's attitude, was noticed. This has vanished. What the ratepayers want is a measure that will be taken as granted that the bylaw will carry. Hon. Adam Beck will speak at the city hall Saturday night W. H. McDougall, M.L.A., P. W. Ellis and Hon. Adam Beck will speak. Then Mr. Beck will speak.

The success of the measure in Toronto has had a very favorable effect and means a great deal here as elsewhere. T. H. Pardon, K.C., a leading Liberal, said to-day: "It is a pleasure to hear that the power bylaw, carried in Toronto. That should make it successful here, sure."

Briefly put, the situation is this: For the bylaw we have the work of Hon. Mr. Beck, the vote in Toronto, the coming distribution of Niagara power circulars and the sentiment against the exorbitant charges of the local company; against we have the money bylaws, including \$400,000 for water extension, and the campaign of the power "ring."

BERLIN'S BYLAW DIFFERENT.

Already Owns Civic Plant and Conditions May Prove Unfavorable.

BERLIN, Jan. 2.—(Special.)—While other towns are waiting for the power bylaw, Berlin is already a power bylaw. It is carried by Toronto, Berlin seems to be in somewhat of a quandary owing to the fact that the power bylaw is a municipally owned power plant. At all events, Berlin is to be voted upon here next Monday, and is a double-barreled affair.

This bylaw is to be voted toward extending the power plant, while the remaining \$200,000 is to be provided for three new street car tracks and to provide for the loss entailed by the recent fire, which destroyed several cars, necessitating the purchase of three cars at \$3000 each.

Supporters of this bylaw argue that the municipally owned power plant places Berlin in a favorable position for receiving and using Niagara power when it does come, but there are many who are skeptical. Berlin is to raise \$10,000 to extend the power plant. They believe that the town's plant should be distributed to local users. The big vote polled in its favor at Toronto has made many friends for the bylaw and its defeat is but the remotest possibility.

The situation here is identical with that in the neighboring Town of St. Mary's, where the bylaw will also be voted on Monday. That Stratford and St. Mary's are strong for Niagara power is the general opinion.

WOODSTOCK SURE.

WOODSTOCK, Jan. 2.—(Special.)—The bylaw will carry by a very large majority in Woodstock, said Ald. Dr. Welford. "The people here are large-ly in favor of the scheme, and there is no doubt at all but it will go thru with a big majority."

It is also regarded as a foregone conclusion that the bylaw in Ingersoll is sure to carry.

ST. THOMAS WILL CARRY IT.

ST. THOMAS, Jan. 2.—(Special.)—"St. Thomas will go solid for the power bylaw," said Mayor Lawrence. "There is not the slightest opposition to it here, and we all expect it will carry unanimously."

"I think it will carry every place."

BOARD OF EDUCATION FINALE

Farewell Addresses and a Small Amount of Business.

It was an evening of farewells and pleasant speaking at the final meeting of the 1907 board of education last night.

Trustee Leves, seconded by Trustee Hunter, moved that the board place on record their sincere regret on account of the retirement of Messrs. Shaw, Parkinson and Jas. Simpson, and Messrs. Rawlinson, Duncan and Brown were instructed to prepare a suitable testimonial for presentation to the retiring chairman, Mr. Kent.

A. E. Huestis was reappointed the board's representative on the public library board.

W. A. Frind, the secretary, requested the use of a room in a central school for the use of the Toronto Cluba Esperantista during the winter months.

The secretary of the hospital for sick children stated that the school collections in aid of the hospital had realized \$775.86.

The nine teachers and four kindergarten, who were appointed during 1907 without observing the formality of filing applications with the secretary-treasurer, will be requested to comply with this rule.

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Local Option has had its fairest trial in Owen Sound. If it has failed there, it can succeed nowhere. Read what the Mayor of Owen Sound says of Local Option's effect on a town:

To All Whom It Concerns

Owen Sound, Nov. 27, 1907

"Local Option differs in operation very little from the Dunkin Act, which was tried in Owen Sound some years ago.

"In Owen Sound there is a good, capable License Inspector, who does what he can to enforce the law, but public sentiment is against doing so, notwithstanding the large majority by which it was carried, and liquor is sold in large quantities yet. There has not been a single instance of anyone having been sent to gaol, although several convictions have been secured against nine hotels here. Late last seven information were laid by the License Inspector, every one of which was dismissed with costs, although he had two detectives who swore that they had got liquor.

"The writer knows places where liquor can be purchased, in which it was never seen before Local Option came in force, and he is informed that there are sixty-one of such places in the town.

"The town has four policemen, and the statutes, the by-law appointing them, a special by-law and a special resolution of the Council lately passed, make it the duty of these men to enforce Local Option; yet the sale goes on and no convictions are made.

"Public sentiment is against its enforcement.

"Local trade has been injured by Local Option, and scores of people in the surrounding country who used to trade in Owen Sound when License was in force, now go to Warton, Chesley, Port Elgin, Chatsworth, Markdale, Meaford, etc. Local Option has divided our citizens into two hostile sections, Local Optionists and Antis, who are jealous and distrustful of each other. What one proposes the other opposes.

"Owen Sound is a 'House divided against itself' in this respect.

"The evils arising from drinking have not been lessened, but rather increased. Under License Law, liquors were sold in eleven hotels, and no liquor could be purchased by the glass outside of these hotels. Now it is sold in many places, and drunkenness is as prevalent as ever, if not more so. There may be less open drinking at bars, but drinking from bottles has largely increased, especially among youths and young men. Drinking takes place in private rooms, in offices, in closets, in cellars, outbuildings, etc.

"It may be asked, 'Where do they get it?'

"It comes in on the railways, in trunks, in suit cases, in valises, in satchels, in boxes, barrels, etc. It comes in on boats, on wagons, in carriages, etc., etc. Friends bring it to friends, and there are those who bring it in to make money.

"It is impossible to keep liquor out. Evidence of this can be seen in the shape of empty bottles and broken bottles on the streets, in lanes and out-of-the-way places, in the police courts, at the docks, etc.

"The effect on the financial affairs in Owen Sound is this:

"At the Court of Revision held by the Judge to hear cases of appeal, nine appeals were heard; the appellants claiming that their properties had been lessened in value because of Local Option. After hearing the evidence the Judge ordered that their assessments be reduced \$57,750.00, and the Corporation lost, because of this, \$1,357.12 in taxes. The owner of one hotel (The Coulson House) neglected to enter an appeal, or in all probability another \$5,000.00 or \$6,000.00 would have been struck off. The revenue derived from hotel and shop licenses, amounting to \$1,394.00, has been entirely cut off, making a direct annual loss from these sources of \$3,051.12. Beside the Corporation has had to pay for legal advice and counsel fees, etc., fully \$500.00 more, in defending the by-law, and our citizens who tried to squish it lost perhaps another \$4,000.00 or \$5,000.00, and their relations as citizens have been embittered.

"It was said that under Local Option the town would require fewer policemen, and a saving could be made in that way, which would almost, if not altogether, offset the loss of revenue. It has been found that this cannot be done, in fact the salaries of some of the policemen had to be raised very materially, and the police force should be increased. Some active Local Optionists went so far as to ask that six additional men should be put on; there are four now. No reduction in the municipal expenditure of Owen Sound can be made because of Local Option.

"The writer was brought up in a family of eight boys and has three of his own.

"He has been in active business in Owen Sound for over forty years and is in business here yet.

"He has had to do with employing men during all that time and has many men under his control now.

"He has large pecuniary interests in several large manufacturing establishments here, and has occupied the positions of School Trustee, Councillor, Reeve, Mayor, and License Commissioner.

"He has served as a member of the Board of Trade, as one of its Council and as President, and knows Owen Sound thoroughly.

"The writer has seen Owen Sound under indiscriminate license, under restricted license, under the Dunkin Act, then under the present License Act, and under Local Option, and has no hesitation in saying that Local Option has not lessened drinking, has not improved business or the financial position of the people generally, neither has it improved the moral tone of the citizens as a whole, but on the contrary, Local Option has injured local trade and lowered the moral well-being of very many.

"The writer deeply regrets having to say these things, but believes that it is his duty to do so, if thereby he may help to prevent others repeating the mistake made in Owen Sound."

(Signed) M. KENNEDY, Mayor of Owen Sound.

Believers in Local Option have been willing to rest their case on Owen Sound. Yet here is it proved that Owen Sound has suffered grievously from Local Option. Have you any reason to think YOUR town would not repeat Owen Sound's experience? Would that be good for your town?